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## For the Common Good

There is a very definite place for an Inter-organization Congress on this campus. The recent meeting of representatives of men's and women's houses gave origin to the idea that the divided Inter-fraternity and Pan-Hellenic councils can coordinate their action and their authority, make their organizations more important, and perform a more valuable service to all living organizations represented.

Pan-Hellenic council has jurisdiction over women's rushing. Inter-fraternity council has managed to establish sensible and fair rushing regulations for the men's organizations. It has made recommendations concerning the desirability of bringing more fraternities to the campus. It has asserted itself in regard to guests for Junior week-end. But in its zealous passing of resolutions and prompt appointment of committees of investigation it has lacked the vigor and whirl of interest necessary to an organization dealing with important questions.

The restriction of the power of Pan-Hellenic council, the limitation of its function to that of rushing and regulation of pledging makes it a simple monomial quantity sufficient unto itself. It gives consideration to one problem only, and refuses to arbitrate about other matters.

It was shown at the meeting of organizations that there are many matters of major importance requiring consensual action. There are topics dealing with efficient methods of bookkeeping, hiring of help, uniform wages, social etiquette, buying of provisions and equipment, and expenses of management which merit group consideration. Houses on this campus have been reluctant to make comparisons of their mutual affairs. Any inquisitorial action coming from the administration of the inter-fraternity bodies is eyed askance. Organizations have been jealous of their integrity and their privacy.

In refusing to hear each other's troubles and worries, the houses are but "cutting off their noses to spite their faces." A report of a mistake of one house in some matter of management or policy could serve as a warning to any or all other houses. The University is willing to lend all possible aid to forming an effective body, an Inter-organization Congress, to thresh out problems of all kinds, including rushing. It would relieve the women's forum of its function. It would consult with the independent interests of the campus when matters relating to them arose. It would be a body of final authority in organization affairs, and would be endowed with the power to enforce its regulations.

The idea of this congress was presented in the embryo at the meeting of house representatives. It can be developed, if all organizations will disabuse themselves of the idea that someone else is trying to pry into their affairs. In order to succeed, this movement, one for the best interests of all concerned, requires, and merits, the unselfish support of all.

## ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

Some High Points in Oregon Emerald of February 21, 1923

Paul Althouse, called the golden operatic tenor of America, will sing tonight in the auditorium of the Methodist church at 8 o'clock.

The first general Junior week-end committee meeting was held last night.

Editorial in today's Emerald says, "It will be unfortunate if the senior bench is painted while the Retail

## Campus Bulletin

Notices will be printed in this column for two issues only. Copy must be in this office by 5:30 on the day before it is to be published, and must be limited to 20 words.

**Women's League Executive Council**—No meeting tonight.

**Hermians**—Meet Thursday, 7:30, library of Woman's building. Dr. Parsons to speak.

**All Women Students**—Dean Esterly extends an invitation to tea this afternoon from 4 to 6 at 667 East 12th.

## THOMAS IS ELECTED HEAD OF MERCHANTS

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Pease; Roseburg, A. C. Marsters; Medford, Larry Mann; Enterprise, G. W. Hiatt.

A resolution was passed at the meeting to endorse the McNary-Haugan bill now before Congress, which is up for the protection and assistance of those in the agricultural industry. The association likewise voted to back the Kelly-Stein bill, also up before Congress for the interests of the manufacturers.

O. F. Tate, past president of the Montana State Retail Merchants' association, was at yesterday's meeting to arouse the interest of the convention in the McNary-Haugan bill.

**Meeting Held at 10**  
Other important matters taken up at the business meeting were the reading and voting on of 18 changes recommended for the constitution and by-laws of the association dealing with election of officers, changing of words, elimination of parts of articles and section, and dues.

President Thomas, in closing the meeting, urged greater cooperation among the members of the association, both for immediate good and greater future good.

In review of the morning sessions, there was the general meeting at 10 o'clock, at which time Dean Robbins reported on the work of the school of business administration's research bureau, and the lecture by Irving E. Vining on "Efficiency." During a 15-minute recess, between Dean Robbins' report and Vining's lecture, all the "freshies" and "sops" of the conference gathered on the north steps of Villard while they had their picture taken. In a second picture taken, some of the University students gathered with the business men, for another group picture.

**Robbins Gives Report**  
It is significant that Dean Robbins' report expressed the spirit of the entire convention—the realization that there is value in cooperation between the business men and the work of the school of business administration. The need of a local state measuring stick, by which Oregon business men can test the standing of their businesses, and adapt their situations to Oregon state statistics and profit accordingly, was recognized.

Dean Robbins in his talk divided the work of the school of business administration into two groups, one dealing with the making of special investigations, on such topics as, "what percentage of store failures are due to poor location." The other dealt with the cost of doing business in the state, both as to immediate results, and to long-time results.

**Need Shown for System**  
"We are," said Dean Robbins, "in the age, as Mr. Lewis said in his talk at this convention, when we either go in the direction of the Socialist and his views, or in the direction where we definitely justify competitive ways of doing business."

"The establishment of a cost system is the effort of the association to eliminate ruinous competition and to make a more intelligent form of competitive business."

"It is a system to know where

the gains and where the losses of our business are."

At many of the individual sessions of the convention, it was voted that the questionnaire sent out by the school of business administration was too complicated to include all the business men of the state. So Dean Robbins outlined two possible ways of getting around this situation. The first plan is to get out different questionnaires for each class of business, but the two weaknesses of this are, the extreme expense and the more than ever complicated questionnaire that would develop as a result.

**Second Plan Favored**  
The second plan is to get out a general questionnaire having two parts, one including the simple forms which would fit any merchant having any bookkeeping system, and the second consisting of a more involved form, so as more detailed figures can be obtained for statistics in working out the cost-finding system. The second plan was favored.

E. Cooke Patton, Salem, the "merchant magician," drew a large crowd at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when he performed "wonderful and varied stunts of his trade." Mr. Patton, who does his "magic work" only as an amusement, did some clever stunts and more than once caused loud applause and comment.

Immediately following his session, the association delegates moved to Commerce building from Villard for the business session, which was the closing event of the convention. A banquet at the Osburn hotel last night marked the grand finish of the twentieth convention of the merchants. Irving E. Vining, giving an address on the "Development in Oregon," was the banquet speaker.

**Convention Is Second**  
The convention held here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, was the second of its nature to be held on the University of Oregon campus, and all visitors, University faculty members and students, concerned with the event, pronounce it as "unusually successful."

The trade divisions, "the backbone" of the conference, brought up and worked out some very important and vital problems of special interest to the representatives in each group. With round-table discussions as their object, the divisions fulfilled the fundamental purpose for which they were planned—



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## Coming Events

**TODAY**  
11.00 a. m.—Assembly. Villard hall.  
2-5 p. m.—Art exhibition. Condon school.  
4-6 p. m.—Dean Esterly's tea. 667 East 12th street.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22**  
2-5 p. m.—Art exhibition. Condon school.  
7:30 p. m.—Oregon vs. Whitman. Armory.  
9:00 p. m.—Prof. F. S. Dunn, "Portraits of George Washington." Radio.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23**  
7:30 p. m.—Oregon vs. Idaho. Armory.  
2:30 p. m.—Varsity swimming team vs. Multnomah, Woman's building.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24**  
7:00 p. m.—Open forum meeting. Congregational church.

The individual discussion by each merchant, and the views and opinions of all merchants on the bigger problems facing the business world today.

**REINHART IS NAMED AS BASEBALL COACH**  
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20, just following winter term examinations, to April 5. Barring practice in baseball will probably begin next week and regular practice, as soon as the coach is free from his basketball duties.

Budgets for basketball, track, minor sports, oratory and debate, W. A. A., Oregon, Emerald, concert series, Women's league, baseball and musical organizations were taken up and passed by the council.

**MANY AWARDED HONORS AT UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA**  
University of Nevada—(By P. L. N. S.)—The honor roll, recently compiled by the committee in charge of scholarship and personal averages, shows that out of 750 students enrolled at the university last fall, 37 students received scholarship awards.

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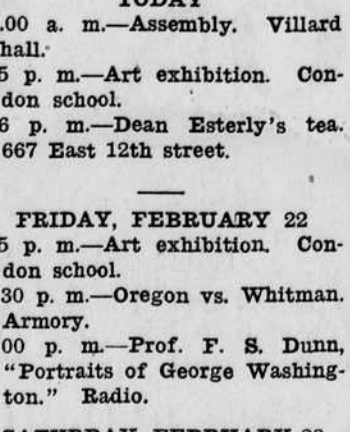
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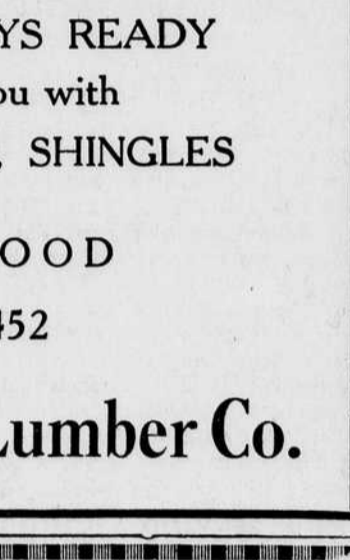
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