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## Virgil Earl

NOT QUITE two years ago a new post was created at the University of Oregon and the man selected to fill it was Virgil Earl. The office was known as "Athletic Director" and at that time the duties were a big vague to the campus in general.

Since then two Oregon coach have left, and men must be found to fill the place each time. A year ago Joe Maddock was hired, and working under remarkably smooth athletic conditions, a successful team was the season's result. Now Maddock has gone, and another coach, one that will serve full time, must be found to take his place.

Such sudden changes require the services of a versatile man, one who is diplomatic, one who is tactful, yet one who thoroughly knows and understands athletic conditions.

Virgil Earl has held the post, and through all the complexities a minimum of friction has been noticeable. Athletic harmony here has never been more noticeable. And Mr. Earl has worked often under real difficulties.

Earl has had a thousand and one little problems to handle, and he has met and mastered them all. He has been an invaluable man to Oregon, a man who puts service to his University above everything else—a man who deserve the support of every one at Oregon.

## The Truth

THAT a structure, whether of an individual or a government, must be built on a morally sound basis if it is to last—such a statement by a man of D. Thomas Curtin's wide experience and knowledge of conditions may well make us pause. The idea is not a new one. It is part of man's inheritance. Christianity in the west and Confucianism in the east are founded on this principle.

A large number of journalists are now engaged in preaching the gospel of a peace on this basis. By his statement Mr. Curtin places himself definitely in the mood of international journalists such as Sir Philip Gibbs and Sisley Huddleston.

What he urges as a start is a greater effort toward truth. He wants truth in dealings, truth in reporting them. He would have us find the facts as nearly as possible, make an effort to find out an exact situation.

A foundation of fact and fairness, even relatively speaking, would add tremendously to our social control. In such case might we not dare to hope that poison gas and long-range guns would become as obsolete as thumb-screws and the rack?

### Crack Gunman Takes Shot At Noisy Woodpecker Varsity Pitcher Has Deadly Aim; Ends Life of Disturber

"Ping!"

There was a puff of smoke and a bullet sped on its way. The figure from the windows of the second story of the Sigma Chi house, undraped itself and disappeared with a curse.

"That fool bird escaped within an inch of his life again!" said Bob McCabe, crack shot and heart-breaker of the campus, flinging down the smoking revolver.

In vain Bob had tried to do away with the large, black woodpecker that had for days been nibbling choice tid-bits from the beams that supported the front part of the roof, breaking the quiet of the house and disturbing the intense concentration of the minds at their studies within. Although the air was blue with the rain of bullets, and pedestrians in the street below first gazed in wonder, then ran to cover for their lives, the bird kept on tapping ever more, dodging the misses gracefully, occasionally warding one off with his toes or pausing in his search for savory morsels to catch one of the bullets in his beak, playfully dropping it on the head of some helpless passer-by below.

Suddenly, from the group of admiring boys in the room there stepped one tanned, stalwart son of the west. It was Ray Williams, varsity pitcher. For a moment he gazed silently at Bob with an unflinching look. "I don't like to hear you talk thataway, pal," he said quietly. Then his eyes rested lovingly on the revolver on the table, and his big brown hands opened and closed. "Let me have one try, will you, Bob?" he said huskily.

Bob nodded, and the big brown hand picked up the gun carefully, almost gently. Then hanging himself from the window ledge, stead-

ily, the eye and arm that had sent many a good batter to the mourner's bench aimed—fired—and the big, black bird grabbed one last hasty bite before he toppled to the ground. Thus the house was rid of its menace, but investigation shows that the roof is full of holes that no woodpecker ever made.

## DR. HUESTIS WRITES FOR BIOLOGICAL PAPER

Dr. R. R. Huestis of the zoology department has written an article in collaboration with Dr. Francis B. Sumner of the University of California, which appeared in the Biological Bulletin for January. The title of the paper is "Studies of Coat Color and Foot Pigmentation in Sub-Specific Hybrids of Peromyscus Eremicus."

The characters used in this study of genetics of the Peromyscus Eremicus, or desert mouse, were hair color and foot pigmentation. This little animal is called desert mouse, but belies the origin of its name by raising large families which is fortunate for the student of genetics, said Dr. Huestis.

The theme of the paper is that among wild sub-species apparently just the same sort of inheritance is involved as have been found to be present among domestic animals and plants.

Another article to be published soon in the Journal of Experimental Zoology has been written by Dr. Huestis on "A Description of Hair Characters and of Their Inheritance in Peromyscus."

**CROSS WORD PUZZLE CLASS TO BE GIVEN AT KENTUCKY** University of Kentucky.—Cross-word puzzles are the subject of a course recently added to the engineering curriculum. "Anything which serves to train and develop the memory is education," Dean F. Paul Anderson of the college of engineering is quoted as saying.

## Vagaries

### APHORISMS

True love never laughs—out loud.

Self-conceit gives a sweet flavor to many lips.

The wages of folly is a good time.

Some students mistake sensuality for intelligentia.

The essence of all humor is misfortune.

W.E.K.

### Fantastic symmetry

Decadent aura  
The bush on which the pickled beet  
Grows scarlet succulent and sweet  
Is viewed by Yaks with plaintive  
bleat  
In Karazan.

A sliver of infinity  
Nebulously lacquered.

H. S.

## 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.

**Moving Pictures**—Friday, 7:30 p. m. Y. M. C. A. hut. Instructive and entertaining. Free. All cordially invited.

**Junior Vod-Vil Committee**—Meeting of the Vod-Vil directorate, as announced in Emerald, for important discussion Friday noon at the College Side Inn.

## CADET OFFICER'S BALL WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

The formal ball to be given by the cadet officers of the R. O. T. C. in the Craftsman's hall, will start at 8:30 tonight. The grand march will be led by Cadet Colonel Don Randolph Cook and Geneva Smith. The order of the march will be according to rank. Supper will be served in the same order.

Decorations for the ball will be garrison, regimental, and post flags. A feature, the nature of which is being kept secret, will also be a part of the evening's entertainment. The dances will be named after military commands, in keeping with the military aspect of the affair.

## CARS DENIED STUDENTS IN EASTERN UNIVERSITY

University of Indiana.—Permission to motor outside the city limits has been denied the students at Indiana university at Bloomington. Students are not allowed to have cars while attending the university. The ban was placed on automobiles because of poor scholastic standing.

Meeting of scorers and timers for women's inter-class basketball games at 5 o'clock, in Miss Shelly's office today.

## PLEDGING ANNOUNCEMENT

Delta Zeta announces the pledging of Eula McAtee of Pendleton.

## DEATH OF CROSS-WORD PUZZLE IS PREDICTED

### Education Professor Tells of Value of Pastime

That cross-word puzzles will in six months or a year, be as dead as Mah Jong, is the opinion of Dr. Homer P. Rainey, professor of education, advanced in his radio lecture last night broadcast from station KGW of the Morning Oregonian. "Are Cross-word Puzzles Educational" was the title of Dr. Rainey's lecture. He believes that cross-word puzzles have an educational value, but they can't be adapted to the educational system.

In summarizing the educational values of the puzzle, Dr. Rainey pointed out to his radio audience four advantages: they add to one's store of information; they have a psychological advantage of the principles of interest, recall, and association of ideas; they improve one's spelling and add to vocabulary; and lastly, they provide for a thoroughly enjoyable and wholesome use of leisure time.

In speaking of the value of the puzzles in business, Dr. Rainey said, "I find such men of affairs as the president of the National Life Insurance company of the United States saying that 'cross-word' puzzles are a blessing in disguise. He finds a marked improvement in the speed with which his several hundred stenographers are handling the correspondence. Their spelling and recognition of words has improved to a startling extent.

"These fads depend upon the rivalry between the social classes for their support," he said. "They usually begin in the higher social circles and are copied in rapid succession by those in the lower classes. By the time the majority of the classes have adopted the fad, those in the higher circles are beginning another in order to maintain their prestige by doing something new and different.

When the newspapers began to use cross-word puzzles to promote subscription campaigns, the first big blow was struck at the fad, Dr. Rainey believes.

## MEN PREFER THAT WIVES BE INFERIOR IN INTELLECT

Ohio State University.—A sociology class at Ohio State university recently reached the conclusion that men want wives who are inferior in intellect. Women in the class wanted men they could "look up to." A model husband in one case could play a saxophone, and was versatile in art and athletics.

## SCHOOLS PLAY SILENT GAME IN HONOR OF DEAD COACH

Columbia University.—A silent football game was played between Columbia and Cornell in memory of Percy Haughton, famous Columbia coach, who died recently.

## COMING EVENTS

Saturday, January 24  
Basketball, Willamette-Oregon, at Salem.

2:30 p. m.—Basketball, Freshmen-Franklin high school, Men's gymnasium.

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## At the Theatres

**HEILIG**—Last times today, see the great "Captain Blood." Raphael Sabatini's great masterpiece that is taking Eugene by storm. A tale replete with pirate thrills, and romance of the days of the Spanish Main. Coming: "Yolanda," epic drama of French court days, "He, Who Gets Slapped," with noted master of make-up, Lon Chaney.

**THE CASTLE**—Last day: Bebe Daniels in her latest Paramount production, "Dangerous Money," with Tom Moore and William Powell in the star cast. Comedy, "Keep Going."

**THE REX**—Last day: Colleen Moore in her most delightful role, "So Big," adapted from Edna Ferber's famous novel, the story of a wonderful girl, whom misfortune couldn't down, a girl who won against the greatest odds, a First National picture with Ben Lyon, Wallace Berry, Phyllis Haver, John Bowers, Rosemary Theby, Ford Sterling, Gladys Brockwell and little Frankie Darrow; comedy, "Felix Goes West," a kitty cartoon classic. Robert V. Hainsworth, Eugene's favorite organist, in delightful musical accompaniment on the mighty Wurlitzer. Coming: Barbara LaMarr and Conway Tearle in "The White Moth," presented with elaborate atmospheric prolog, "The Moth," featuring Mr. and Mrs. Sid Woodhouse with special stage setting and music.

**MAKE-SHIFT CLAPPER USED IN ANCIENT SCHOOL BELL** University of Nevada (P. I. N. S.).—The old bell in the tower of Morrill hall has been used to summon classes for 30 years. Yesterday morning it refused to ring, and

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## INITIATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Initiation of Glo-Cos, men's honorary organization, is in progress this week. A large number of pledges are being slicked up for the occasion, and the affair promises to be a brilliant spectacle. There are about 1400 pledge pins among the students, and women will be admitted to this society upon producing proof of their faith to the order.

With the inauguration of this society, hats will not be in vogue. There will be a chance for men to put their hat money into something more useful such as golf socks.

However the initiation will not be held in the pool room of the Women's Bldg., but in OBAK'S pool room and all who are interested are cordially invited to attend. OBAK'S combined violin and piano box will furnish the music for the event, and hot dawgs and pie will be served over OBAK'S snow white lunch counter.

### Building Campaign Ready

OBAK'S is building a large extension on the plant in order to take care of the great increase in those desirous of exercise with the sticks. Conditions in the past few weeks the great hall has been the scene of great throngs trying as best they could to have a hand in the great American game. Several plans have been tried in an effort to relieve congestion but nothing short of more room will enable the college to accommodate the great throngs that beat against the tables and tear their hair in a mad frenzy as they impatiently wait their turn at the game. A system of double deck tables with side boards has been suggested and it was thought for a time that this would help but injury to the fingers of the men on the lower decks soon put a stop to the practice. OBAK'S really has very little room to extend the building program and in an effort to get a logical plan we are having a contest. One spring tipped pool stick with handsome hand embroidered handle will be given to the winner of the contest.

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