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An Essential Safety Valve

NOTICE of a motion to be voted on within the month, to prohibit any form of athletic contest after 6 p. m. except on Fridays, Saturdays and holidays was read at faculty meeting this week. The motion, if passed, would be a death blow to participation by the University of Oregon in conference basketball, swimming and wrestling meets, and other athletic competition. It would be impossible to arrange a satisfactory schedule with week-end and holiday evenings, only, available.

No reason is advanced in support of this proposal, but it may be assumed the proposed ruling is prompted from belief that such contests on week nights interfere with students' studies.

With games starting promptly at 7:15 and generally finished by 8:30, it should be apparent to any, except those temperamentally unfit to enjoy watching such activities, that the student receives no damage from the standpoint of lesson preparation. Rather, he will return to his work with revived interest and more enthusiastic application for having passed a pleasant hour of relaxed mental effort.

Adoption of the motion will mean abolition of practically all forms of competitive athletics during the winter term. There are few better outlets for relieving the pressure of superfluous energy than in the primitive appeal of organized physical conflict.

The government requires that a safety valve be installed on every steam boiler. This is done to prevent accumulation of excessive pressure. Basketball, particularly, serves as an excellent safety valve for the student body during the "heavy" term.

"Library Browsings"

THE PLEASURES obtained from acquiring the voluntary reading habit have been stressed a number of times this year by the Emerald. It has pointed out that one of the greatest blessings a student can receive from his four years upon the campus is discovery of the hidden treasures buried beneath the battered covers of ancient volumes. Glittering gold may be found, also, in later works, perhaps with leaves as yet uncut and still exhaling a delightful odor of fresh paper and printer's ink.

The one who learns to seek these riches while in college will have his blood fired with an insatiable burning for more and new adventures upon this sea of literature. He will become a rover, and aloft in the swinging crow's nest, will scan the shimmering sea with eager eyes, ever ready to raise from joyous lips the ringing shout of "Land Ahoy!"

Commencing with this morning's Emerald, and on each Saturday hereafter, "Library Browsings" will be printed. This weekly feature may serve to point the way for those to whom the sea is yet unknown. It should engender courage and assist in overcoming a natural shrinking from essaying its well-nigh boundless expanse without chart or compass. To those who have already felt the fruitful breezes and come to revel in story controversy or to relax in the calms of peace-giving philosophy, it may intrigue, perhaps, to uncrossed seas and untouched islands.

Several thousand handbills will be distributed at the next basketball game at Ohio State University. Four rules of sportsmanship which will be printed upon them might be read with profit by Oregon's own rooting section. The suggestions concern courtesy, fairness, hissing, and the right of the coach to do the coaching.

Examinations at the University of Indiana have been postponed two weeks and classes will be dismissed for an indefinite time, due to a shortage of water in Bloomington. No fear of such a catastrophe happening in Eugene these days.

Campus Bulletin

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

Student Volunteer Meeting—Sunday, 4:30, at the "Y" hut.

A Rummage Sale will be held at the Johnson Furniture store today by Alpha Delta Pi.

All Women's Gymnasium Classes including individual classes and others in department appear in street clothes all day today.

R. O. T. C. Rifle Team—All men turning out for rifle team meet at 1:30 p. m. Saturday, February 7, in gallery range. Important instructions.

Sports Writers' Association—Members of the Sports Writers' association will meet Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the correspondents' room of the Journalism building.

Communications

Letters to the EMERALD from students and faculty members are welcomed, but must be signed and worded concisely. If it is desired, the writer's name will be kept out of print. It must be understood that the editor reserves the right to reject communications.

IN DEFENCE

A clever little editorial full of advice and suggestions, whereby some aristocratic order or other might be of some permanent good to its alma mater, was the thing I had in mind. But all that is spoiled now—thanks to the scathing note tacked on the bulletin board over my latest literary effort, so aptly titled: "Are We Goofy?"

This note addresses us as a "neat soul" and the instigator of the infamy wishes to know who the author is, but this can never be because we have neither inclination nor training for an incounter with any one carrying a chip on his shoulder. Things are much better left as they are.

The punishment and publicity are greater than I can bear. I am just as goofy as the rest of the goofs. The whole trouble lies in a divine ability to climb a tree and get a bird's eye view of the situation. Hence, not being a "neat soul" it goes against my better nature to accept so much undeserved praise. "What do you wear?" is the question. Well, to begin at the beginning: On top of the head are a few scant wind-blown locks; 'neath this drab crown appears a face well protected from the weather by cold cream, rouge and powder; the frame of this lowly worm is sheathed in a scant, one piece, wool dress; and the feet are usually to be found somewhere in the dark depths of galoshes. There has been no mention of a slicker for the principle reason that we don't possess one.—Goofy.

SWIMMING CONTESTS BEGIN NEXT THURSDAY

Women's doughnut swimming meets are scheduled to begin at 5 p. m. Thursday, February 12. It is imperative that each participant hand in a heart O. K. before 1:15 p. m. of that date. The customary requirement of six practices has been waived, according to Miss Barbara Page, swimming instructor.

Although in some cases the teams are crippled due to vaccination for smallpox, the following houses have signified their intention of entering teams: Pi Beta Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Sigma Beta Phi, Susan Campbell hall, Alpha Chi Omega, Hendricks hall and Alpha Phi. It is hoped that other houses will enter teams in the meet, as an evidence of true sportsmanship in the face of such odds.

Class meets will take place immediately following the doughnut series. Practice for class swimming begins Monday, February 9, at four o'clock, and will continue through the doughnut meets. The requirements of four practices and a heart O. K. will be strictly adhered to. All girls intending to come out for practice are requested to sign a chart which has been placed on the bulletin board in the middle entrance to the Woman's building. Every candidate is expected to record her practices by notifying the life-guard, who will have a chart for this purpose. Following is the schedule for practices: Monday, Tuesday, Friday—four to five; Wednesday and Thursday—three to four to five to four fifteen. Those unable to avail themselves of these hours should turn in their schedules to Miss Page. They are further requested to sign the bulletin board chart in the middle entrance of the building.

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, February 7
Basketball, O. A. C.-Oregon, Corvallis.
3:30 p. m.—Wrestling, Idaho-Oregon, men's gymnasium.

Sunday, February 8
4:30 p. m.—Student Volunteer Meeting, Y. M. hut.

WEEK AT DISPENSARY SETS HIGH RECORD

The past week was a busy one for the University health service. During the early part of the week there was a general rush of students to be vaccinated and several hundred were treated. On Monday there were 199 patients at the dispensary and on Tuesday, 258. Most of these were there for vaccination.

The 258 patients on Tuesday established a new high record for any one day at any time during the history of the University dispensary, according to Dr. G. A. Ross. Yesterday, the vaccination rush being over, there were very few visitors. There are only a few patients in the infirmary at the present time. Last week there were many students there as a result of smallpox vaccinations, but they have practically all recovered and the infirmary is almost empty in anticipation of housing those who were vaccinated this week.

Students have been unusually cooperative in the matter of vaccination, according to Doctor Ross and he does not anticipate any further trouble with smallpox on the campus.

At the Theatres

HEILIG—Today, last day. "He Who Gets Slapped," master film presentation of Andreyev's great masterpiece, with Lon Chaney, noted character actor.

Coming: May Robson, in her own production, "Something Tells Me." The Brandon Opera company in selected repertoire of light opera, including, "The Chocolate Soldier," "Madam Butterfly," and "Robin Hood," "The Thief of Bagdad" with Douglas Fairbanks.

THE REX—Last day: Tom Mix in "Oh, You Tony," a whizzing tale of romance and adventure that leaps from the plains of Arizona to the palaces of Washington, D. C., with "Tony," the wonder horse and a bevy of beauties; Christie comedy, "Sea Legs," a nautical ride o'er the waves of mirth; Felix, the kitty comedian, in "Felix Gets Balled Up;" final engagement, Alex Bankevitz, Russian tenor, in new songs; Robert V. Hainsworth, in musical thrills on the mighty Wurlitzer.

Coming: Cecil B. DeMille's latest Paramount production, "The Golden Bed," a drama of modern morals and marriage, with Lillian Bich, Rod la Rocque, Vera Reynolds, Warner Baxter, Theodore Kosloff and Julia Faye.

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WIN FIRST HOOP GAMES

Mary Conn, Eileen Fargher Make Most Points

The juniors defeated the seniors, and the sophomores took the victory from the freshmen with a score of 29-8 last night in the first games of the women's inter-class basketball schedule.

The junior team held the senior class to a score of 26-10. The first half was fairly close. Mary Conn, junior forward piled up a score of 12 points. Viona Pyritz shook off the junior guards and made 8 points for the seniors.

In the second half, Mary Conn made a total of 7 baskets from the field. The seniors scored practically nothing at all. Two free throws went wide of the mark and one goal from the floor constituted the entire senior score for the half. The first half of the freshman-

sophomore game gave the sophomores a lead of 6 points. Vesta Scholl and Eileen Fargher, sophomore forwards, both played good games. Nellie Johns, freshman forward, scored 4 points in free throws. The freshman forwards were unable to break through sophomore guarding in the field.

During the last half, the sophomores had it all their own way. Vesta Scholl put 4 baskets through the hoop and Eileen Fargher netted 5 goals also from the field. Hardy, the other freshman guard, made 2 field goals.

Captains were elected yesterday as follows: freshman, first team, Nellie Johns, sophomore, first team, Nellie Best; junior, second team, Regina Devault; senior, second team, Stella Haglund.

DEAN ELLIS LAWRENCE TO STAY AT PORTLAND HOME Upon the advice of his doctor, Dean Ellis F. Lawrence of the

school of architecture and allied arts, will remain at his home in Portland for several weeks. Mr. Lawrence has been confined to his bed for over a week with neuritis, and his condition has not improved. The trouble has settled in his arm, which is practically paralyzed, and it will be some time before he will be able to return to his work at the University. His condition is not serious and his classes are continuing as usual under the supervision of Mr. W. R. B. Wilcox.

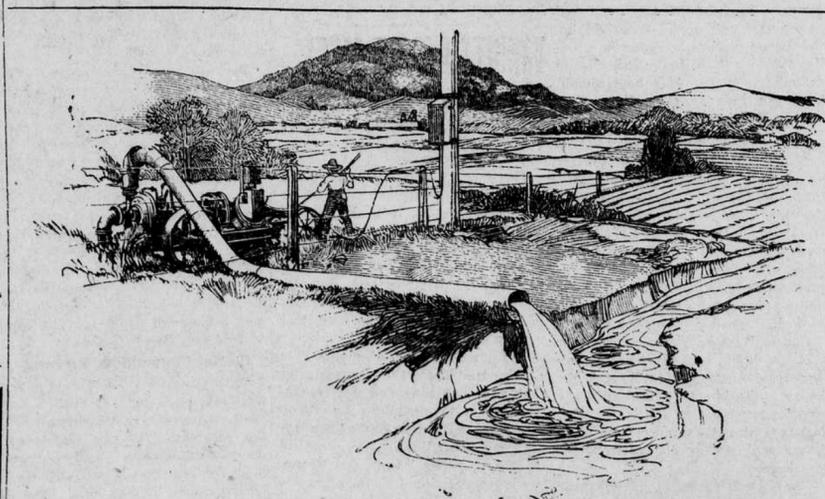
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