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All Hail to the Faculty And Student Council

The writer has just returned from a meeting of the Colloquium, faculty discussion group, where for two hours your editor and several other students for the first time in the history of the University of Oregon enjoyed the privilege of listening to the discussions of an official faculty meeting.

The Colloquium, while not possessed of the powers and jurisdictions of a regular faculty meeting, is a faculty committee of the whole serving the purpose of a discussion group.

The outcome of the meeting and indeed the meeting itself was encouraging to all persons interested in bettering the scholastic tenor of the University. By calling the meeting the faculty has signified its sympathy with student wishes for better conditions; by a large attendance at the meeting last night the faculty demonstrated an active interest in these affairs, and by appointing committees to investigate and make recommendations on the various points the faculty has demonstrated a willingness and a desire to assume its share of the burden. From every viewpoint the faculty's action is deserving of the heartiest congratulations.

Some may wonder: Will the various points merely be pigeonholed in the various committees? Is the incident closed?

We say no. Enough students and faculty members are actively interested in the outcome of the movement to insure action from the several committees. The move to better scholastic conditions is not merely an idle flurry, but is ever present in the minds of educators. Sufficient substance in the whole movement will practically insure definite results.

Incidentally, the presence of students in the Colloquium meeting is of itself significant. The Colloquium voted to admit the students, and the students once admitted held their peace like all well-mannered young people should. Perhaps in time the faculty will see fit to admit at least the press to their formal meetings. Then we shall all rejoice, indeed.

The action of the student council in officially recommending, earlier in the day, that the administration consider carefully the student report, is in itself of no little significance. This action is a definite gesture—a declaration by the organized student government of the University that henceforth the students as a body are going to consider carefully all measures dealing with the administration of their own education.

This attitude, which may appear a bit pretentious by some, is taken by no other student body on the Pacific Coast, at least. Oregon students, right or wrong, are pioneering in this field. To many the student council action will appear as a most encouraging indication of a future time when students, collectively and individually, will divert their attention from present campus trivialities to matters of significant importance.

Why should Oregon students of all others on the Coast interest themselves in these matters? That is a most interesting question, one which the writer is unable to answer. Perhaps it is because our interests, by virtue of a small town, are focussed on the University. It may be the result of a remarkably close knit organization of the student body, or perhaps because of the unusual freedom of action and speech enjoyed by Oregon students.

At any rate, the situation is ex-

ceeding hopeful and fraught with all manner of possibilities. May good fortune accompany the faculty and student body in their new venture.

A Confession of Long Repression

With only one more issue of the Emerald before publication for 1925-26 ceases, your editor would like to rid himself of a thought which has long raged within the editorial breast. This spasm can do no good, change no conditions, and perhaps will not even evoke a solitary "amen," yet here it is, a personal testimonial:

I think co-education is one of the world's worst inventions. I think a separation of young men and women in colleges and universities would do more towards increasing intellectual activity within institutions of higher learning than all the curriculum reforms ever invented. "The poor ye have with ye always," says the Good Book, and I suppose it's the same with co-education in state universities; but that does not alter the fact that the combination of adolescent boys and girls in colleges is conducive to an economic waste, poor education, fiddling of time, and particularly in the spring months, leads to a disorganization of all the mental faculties.

Several months ago in one of its lighter moods the Emerald suggested that the girls in O. A. C. and Oregon be moved to Corvallis, and the boys in both institutions be transported to Eugene. After taking inventory of the tragedies of the past season the Emerald believes that the above suggestion has ceased to be funny.

Therefore, in view of the above facts, the writer suggests that all men attending the University of Oregon be given a life pension for their great beneficence in tolerating the women.

CAMPUS Bulletin

Crossroads will meet tonight at the usual time and place.

Cosmopolitan Club: Important business meeting tonight in "Y" hut at 7:30 o'clock. Every member should be present.

Varsity Philippiensis—Election of officers Friday night at 8:00 o'clock.

Social Swim, tomorrow night, Woman's building, 7:30.

Phi Lambda Theta tea today in Woman's building at 4 o'clock.

Ye Tabard Inn—Important meeting noon today at College Side Inn. All members be there.

Temenids—Meeting at Craftsman's Club at 7:15. Installation of officers.

Local People Quizzed On City's Advantages

A questionnaire survey to find out what people of Eugene think about the city as a place to live was recently conducted by two members of David E. Faville's class in business advertising, Joseph Cereghino and Herman Oakes, in order to get talking points for an advertising campaign. One hundred and two people were questioned.

Some of the reasons given for liking Eugene as a place to live were: the climate, friendly people, good churches, scenery, good business conditions and closed Sundays. The criticisms were: lack of employment, poor water supply, closed Sundays, situation of depot district and lack of parks.

The suggestions offered to attract more settlers to Eugene were: obtain more industries, advertise the town to a greater extent and have more places of amusement and parks.

CAMPUS Chat

Biographies of Famous People!

Ponce de Leon.

Ponce was born at an early age in a small town on the hemskirts of Madrid principle city and friholoe market of Spain. As a young lad he was allowed to run around loose and with nothing covering his frail body save his bright Spanish shawl and button shoes. His father was a Bull fighter of the Swift Packing Company, that is, he represented their interests in Spain, receiving their steaks and chops free of charge, with the mustard thrown in for good measure. Since he was the youngest of seventeen children his opportunity for physical education was exceedingly meagre, the only exercise he received was driving home from the meadow his father's jumping beans. At an early age he showed a liking for the public fountain which in reality was later destined to bring him fame, and—am. early. death caused from eating California grape-fruit sold under the name of Florida's Own.

Between meals would find young Ponce at the drinking fountain playing with the dainty senoritas endeavoring to ascertain the element of everlasting youth. One day in particular one charming little girl curly remarked, "Ponce you think me wild but I'm not." Ponce forgetting himself retorted with, "So's your old man." This caused excitement among the towns people for they at once realized that a genius was born among them and they straightaway sent young Ponce to a school for bakers hoping that the education would develop him into a town wise-cracker, but which ended in complete failure for such was not Leon's ambition. His ambition was to discover if possible the Fountain of Youth, whether it flowed from a large necked ginger ale bottle or from a hand-crocheted hot water bottle.

During the adolescent years of his life he lay dormant meditating upon the idea of eternal youth and "Many Marriages" by Sherwood Anderson, finally being granted permission to lay his egg-shaped plan before Elsie Bolondron the Spanish Dancer and Queen of Spain. He persuaded the Queen to purchase a buck-board Studebaker wagon and rowed across the Atlantic tying his sturdy sea horses to an isolated creek and together with his men, commenced an exploration and investigation of Tammany Hall of which Governor Al Smith was hailed as being all wet. He and his men were royally entertained at a Night Club and Ponce himself was introduced to several members of Flo Ziegfeld's bathing beauties and as a result of this fortunate meeting he dated an entrancing baby out and opened up a bottle of condensed youth, the pair being later arrested by the police for disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace of New York after nine p. m. Ponce was given a thirty days suspended sentence with the alternative of leaving the city immediately with his gang of fortune and youth seekers.

Procuring a cork barge, loading his men and supplies on board, he set sail down the Mississippi River keeping a close watch for new territory to lay claim to and incidentally reap the benefits of a little livin'. After many days and sleepless nights due to chronic dyspepsia he and his little band, all sax players by trade, sailed into full view of Florida. Docking the barge he inquired of an innocent feminine bystander the nearest way to a soft drink establishment. At this moment one of the worthy sailors asked Ponce if he was going to Tampa with his newly acquired friend whereupon Ponce drew his muzzle loader and transformed the awkward one into a holy corpse. The men realized that Ponce meant business and respected him accordingly. All went well until Ponce arrived in Miami and set up his real estate flags much to the envy and anger of the other land robbers. The town was the scene of riotous confusion, women running here and there begging, stealing, and even shop-lifting soil enough to fill their flower pots. Ponce was met by the mayor, a fat corpulent individual from Hot Springs, Iowa, who insidiously remarked that Ponce had a beard like a hair mattress and went so far as to attempt to induce Ponce to consume the potent concoction that has since made Florida and Havana famous, and in truth exterminated the lives of several nationally known beer politicians, namely William Jennings Bryan, Lydia Pinkham, and Little Lord Fauntleroy.

That evening he was summoned to appear at the municipal court of Sassafras to answer to the charge of selling and claiming land in the name of Alfonso the Biliun without a real-estate license issued by the Guild of Land Robbers. Drawing a bye Ponce was again released on

promise that he attend regularly the Little Mothers Club held every night in the Ambassador Drinking Room. Society woke up to the fact one day that the man who had really placed Florida on the map, was Pince de Leon, and a national anthem was composed in his honor, the title of the composition being "Miami You Owe Me Lets." Ponce was popular in society affairs but nevertheless did not give up his hope of discovering the Fountain of Youth. Reeling home to his abode one dark night after a hotly contested crap game he staggered upon a foursome who uttered queer sounds, and gizzlings as if the necks of the bottles were too big around in circumference. Peering into the group from an advantageous point in a banana tree he saw four young people tipping up a five gallon cider jug, drinking long of its contents, shuddering, making ghastly grimaces and chokingly say, "Gosh, but that's good." Ponce, a liquid admirer from the very start, joined the rally and soon learned to his great delight that the fountain of youth came from a goose-necked bottle and not from a spring in the hill-side. Grabbing the nearest hot mama he proceeded to throw the bull with much dexterity and reaching for his snuff and obtaining his stricknyne instead he expired in a few moments. A great composer in his time, Ponce de Leon soon after and probably to this day is one of the many decomposers. A more detailed description of his high life can be had in a book of true confessions by his right hand man, Emilio Guatemala.

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Members of Samara, honorary botany organization, and students of the botany seminar held an informal party Tuesday night at the home of Miss Ethel Sanborn, instructor in the department.

An advanced paper on Linnaeus, famous Swedish scientist, who was one of the first men to take up the study of botany as a pure science, was read by Gladys Moeller, senior in botany.

Discussions by the seminar students dealt with botanists of note. Their work this term has included a complete survey of the leaders in this science, starting with the Rhizotomi, or root gatherers who were in existence as early as 400 B. C. A study of herbals, treatises on plants for medicinal purposes, and the later periods of history wherein botanists have been interested chiefly in the subject as a pure science rather than in its relation to human ailments is being completed.

E. Slauson High Point Man in Ability Tests

The incoming class of freshmen last fall were in good physical condition. This is brought out in figures issued from the physical education office yesterday. The physical ability test was given to 391 men this year and only 110 failed, making the failing per cent about 28.

A number of good records were made in the respective events. A. W. Larson swam the 100-yard dash in 1:08 minutes. The two-lap indoor run was made in 23 seconds by Dwight Kircher. Three men, Tony Greer, E. V. Slauson, and G. Metcalf, tied for honors in the bar vault with a leap of six feet, four inches. Arthur Ord and Walker Aubrey made the rope climb in nine seconds. W. J. Crawford, with a leap of five feet four inches, carried off honors in the high jump.

The high point men for the past year in the physical ability test are: E. V. Slauson, 118; Joe Brown, 88; C. F. Orr, 87; and Arthur Ord, 87.

Craftsman Club Puts On Smoker for Masons

Masons and sons of Masons were guests, Tuesday night, at a smoker put on by the Craftsman Club, campus organization of Masons and Mason's sons.

Bert Kerns won two out of three falls from Homer Dixon in a wrestling match. Duncan Christianson won a four-round boxing bout from Joe Sweyde. The fencing match was won by William Davidson, who secured two of the three bouts from Kenneth Shumaker.

Other numbers on the program included a solo by William Forbis, accompanied by Frances Wardner at the piano, an acrobatic dance by Foster Rose, and a humorous monologue by Roland Davis.

Alden Woodworth, chairman of the social committee of the club, who had charge of the program, wishes to express his appreciation and thanks to those on the program. Refreshments in keeping with the meeting were served. Harold Berry was in charge of the eats.

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Foreign Student Tells Of Life and Sports In Russian Colleges

"No 'fussing facilities' are necessary in Russian universities. Our universities have no campus around them, and until recently we have had no co-eds."

Vladimir Rojansky, research fellow in mathematics, proffered this information, a friendly smile on his lips.

"There were before the war only about 20 higher educational institutions in Russia and they are practically all in large cities where a campus is out of the question."

"High schools have courses running through seven years, covering the freshman and sophomore years of college. A man who follows up his high school education does not do so with the expectation of having a good time."

"What kinds of games do they play at Russian universities?"

"We don't have intercollegiate athletics at all," was the quick answer, "a few clubs in the country have soccer teams but universities never have organized teams."

"What do you think of the rooting at football and baseball games?"

"I was rather surprised," Mr. Rojansky replied, "when I first heard the yelling and saw the actions of the spectators at the games. You see, we never root at a game in Russia, and it was strange indeed, that first acquaintance with the 'American fan.'"

"I once went up to British Columbia," he continued, "with a friend. While I was there I saw a cricket game. The English fan acts more as we do. He sits there with his pencil, keeping score, and occasionally vents his enthusiasm with an exclamation like: 'Bally well done, old top.'"

"I play tennis myself and I would not want anyone hooting and howling at me when I was playing," Mr. Rojansky added with a laugh.

Vladimir Rojansky is working for his master's degree, which he expects to receive this year.

Gene Vidal Accepts Position as Coach To Assist McEwan

Gene Vidal, ex-army football star and for three years assistant coach to Captain J. J. McEwan at the West Point institution, will come to Oregon this fall to take over the coaching of backfield material, it is announced. Vidal wired his acceptance of the position to Coach McEwan and stated that he was glad to accept.

With the announcement that he would come to Oregon, the staff of football coaches here is completed. The coming of Vidal means that the Oregonians will use the old Army system in its football games this coming season. The three coaches who will inaugurate the system being former Army stars and coaches. McEwan played four years as did Vidal and Harry O. Ellinger, line coach. Following their playing careers they began coaching and spent three years teaching the athletes of their alma mater how to play the grid game.

Coach Vidal was a great half back at West Point in his school days, it is stated. While coaching there he was head track mentor but will not work in that capacity here. Last February Vidal was transferred from the engineers' corps to the aviation department of the army, from which he must resign in order to come here.

He graduated from the army institution in 1918 and was sent to France. While there he took part in an athletic meet and was given the distinction of being second best man of the American division. He will arrive here September 1, or two weeks prior to the opening of football practice on the campus.

Send the Emerald Home

CLASSIFIED NOTES

LOST—An Alpha Gamma Delta pin, guard is a Kwama pin. Finder please return to Pauline Stewart, or Call 108.

FOR SALE—A Thompson canoe in good condition, has just been refinished, also has two new paddles, reasonable. Call Bun Epping, 721.

WILL the person who took a long gray overcoat by mistake from the Anchorage Sunday evening between 6:30 and 7 o'clock, please call 1319.

LOST—T. K. E. fraternity pin, name engraved in back, finder please return to Emerald office.

LOST—Phi Delta Kappa pin Friday, please call 1367-Y.

WANTED—Washings and ironings. E. & M. Casad. 1912 Columbia st., or phone 1206-L.

WILL the person who took an amethyst ring from a gym locker on Monday morning please take it to Mrs. Henpy.

Education Fraternity Holds Spring Meeting

The spring conference of Phi Delta Kappa, men's educational honorary, was held Saturday, May 22, at the University high school. There were 50 people present from out of town. Following the afternoon program a banquet was held at College Side Inn.

F. C. Wooton, president, stated the purpose and aims of the conference. Prof. F. L. Stetson spoke on the nature and purpose of secondary education, and a talk on the problems of a high school curriculum was given by Superintendent M. S. Hamm, of Roseburg.

In the evening Prof. George Aldon of Willamette University spoke on evaluating the product of the high school. Prof. H. R. Douglass gave a talk on scientific readjustment of the high school curriculum. A discussion was led by Dean M. Ellwood Smith, of O. A. C.

Douglass Will Attend Library Conferences

Mr. Douglas intends to motor to Long Beach and will be accompanied by Mrs. Douglass. After the California conference they will attend the meeting of the Pacific Northwest Library association to be held June 14-17 at Big Four Inn near Everett, Washington. Ethelin Forrest and Dorothy Dixon, members of the library staff, will attend this meeting also.

As representative of the Pacific Northwest Library association, of which he is president, M. H. Douglass, University librarian, will attend the state meet of the California Library association at Long Beach, California, June 2-5.

Mr. Douglass will explain the type of work being done by the Northwest association, and give an account of the libraries at the meeting. There is a prospect that the two associations will hold a joint meeting next year. He will confer with the officials at California regarding the possibilities and arrangements for such a meeting.

Ex-Varsity Players In Twilight League

A number of University of Oregon baseball players are pastiming in the Eugene Twilight league, a semi-pro organization whose games start at 6 o'clock.

Oregon Professor To Make European Tour This Summer

A trip abroad that will take them through France, Spain, Italy, Belgium and England is the plan which is filling the future for Professor Walter E. Church and his wife. Professor Church is an instructor in the department of architecture on the campus and the son of Mrs. Prince L. Campbell.

In answer to the question of whether the trip was to be taken for the purpose of study, Professor Church replied, "I expect it to be a trip for both study and pleasure."

Professor Church, his wife, and child will leave for Paris September 11. There they expect to meet Professor Church's brother and nephew. They will remain in Paris for a time and then move south where they will visit several friends. They hope to extend their trip into Spain and then will go through the south-eastern part of France and thence across to Italy, where they will remain throughout the winter months. At the beginning of spring they will go north and spend the apple blossom period of the spring perhaps in Normandy. From there they will go into Belgium and from there will cross the Channel into England. They will sail for home from England sometime in the summer.

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