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Subsidizing Opinions Along With Buildings

A MASSIVE armored door swung abruptly shut as Kirby Page was about to bring his message of world peace to the students of Oregon State Agricultural College last Monday. The door, in the form of a "suggestion" from President Kerr to the leader of the groups sponsoring his appearance, left him standing outside the college walls. He had been chosen, but he could not enter.

The Emerald believes that the O. S. C. students have been deprived of something valuable. It has cast about to find a plausible excuse for such high-handed nullification of the principle of free speech. Some figures may illumine the corner unlightened by publicity.

Among the federal appropriations to Oregon State College we see listed in the official catalogue such items as: \$61,000 each year from land funds, about \$70,000 for the experimental station, and nearly \$70,000 more for extension work. In addition, Uncle keeps the elaborate military accoutrements shining that distinguish our sister institution, not as an agricultural college, but as the "West Point of the West."

Must we infer that, for these considerations, this particular one of Uncle Sam's handmaidens can look neither to right nor left for fear of being displeasing to her liege? Has she dispensed her birthright of independent determination?

The expression of an intelligent opinion on so vital a topic as that of Page's is of the life-blood of an intellectual body. Its suppression does not seem gracious. It was panicky and injudicious. For educationalists know that subsidized intellectual equipment is fatal to the real purpose of an institution even though its pawns are manipulated on the grassiest of donated parade grounds.

In cancelling this peace lecture as a matter of policy, the O. S. C. military autocracy—or whatever power so moved—betrayed an unflattering conception of their federal patron. We know him of late as sending out emissaries of good-will throughout the world. And such would be affronted by one little discussion of the world's biggest problem by one who, perhaps, has

most nearly probed to the seat of the difficulties in the way of its solution.

On the contrary, we expect sooner to see the kindly and generous gentleman reprovingly slap the wrist of his erring handmaidens. For he, as we, will surely see that she has been, not only ill-mannered, but priggish and narrow.

The Social Whirl Finds a Place

THE social calendar for the winter term was published in yesterday's Emerald. It was a long list of affairs which have been scheduled with the idea of contributing to the enjoyment of university life.

It is a coincidence, perhaps, that many students get their best grades in the winter term, which is also the most pronouncedly social part of the college year. Such a condition, however, is not to be taken as an unqualified endorsement of social activities. There is a danger that the student who is not at all socially active will acquire a staidness detrimental to his work. Studying is nervous work and some form of relief is desirable, but if the time spent in acquiring an education is to be spent profitably, the medicine should be taken in proportion to the need for it.

Play is not merely one of the component parts of the old saw about all work and no play making Jack a dull boy. It has another function to perform. College graduates furnish a large number of the leading citizens in the communities in which they make their homes. Participation in social activities while in the University will go a long way toward making it possible for the students to mingle on easy terms with people with whom their probable position in life will require contacts. To say that social life while at the University is one of the most important parts of an education may be to over-stress its value. It can also be underestimated. The correspondence school method of acquiring social graces is generally held to be a joke among college students and social sophisticates at large, but it would not exist if there were not a need for the commodity which the publishers propose to supply to their clients.

—W. C.



THE KING OF BELGIUM WAS RECENTLY SAVED FROM DEATH IN THE ALPS BY SOMEONE GRABBING THE SLACK OF HIS PANTS.

Now we know why the Dutch don't need life insurance!



PHI SIG IS BIG HERO IN MILL RACE ATTACK

Bill Kuykendall, Phi Sig heir to the drug store by the same name, and Jane Thompson, his A. D. Pi bride-to-be, were traveling up the mill race the other night in a canoe when some scoundrel on a bridge emptied a big bucket of water on Jane and ruined her dress. Bill brought the canoe to shore, found a car parked on the bridge, took down the license number, and a day or so later caught the man and threw him in the mill race. His medal has not arrived yet.

TODAY'S GEOGRAPHICAL ANSWER

"I'm sure this answer is right."
"I don't think it canby." (And she tittered tempestuously.)

Rufus Algot McWeef Chewed grape gum until he was deaf; But chewing one time He bit through some vine And choked on the chips of his teeth.

J. Rodney DeLay rose to his full height. His face was flushed with anger as he regarded his offspring.

"You're no son of mine!" (Fire blazed from his eyes, and again addressing his 18-year-old daughter, he said, "Take off my knickers!")

Gretchen says she never thought that peanuts were nutritious until she saw her first elephant.

Following excessive use of the mill race on the first few nights it was open, the A. D. Pi girls passed a ruling which makes it necessary to get a girl's mother's permission before mill racing her (not her mother).

FAMOUS LAST WORDS

"Don't mill race me until I write home and ask the folks."

MAN FLUNKS COURSE WHEN BISCUITS BURN

Monte Wolf had tough luck last term in his course in cooking, and as a result he flunked the course. He put some biscuits in the oven, but didn't want to stick around and watch them so he asked a girl to keep an eye on them while he was gone.

However, when he came back the biscuits were burned black. It seems such an offense is a flunk in the course.

MORAL: Don't burn your biscuits, or don't take cooking, or don't trust a woman.

Says Hiram Perkins McWait, "They buried Jo Nick in state." Asked Zekial A. Jewet, "Where else would they do it?"

As Tod remarked: "No matter how thin you slice it, it's always bologna."

Pledging Announcement

Phi Sigma Kappa announces the pledging of Lawrence Estill of Bridgeport, Nebraska.

Rapid-Fire Replies To Curious Queries

The Inquiring Reporter Asks from Campus folks selected at random, one question each day. Replies are directly quoted.

Today's question: What do you like best about college life?

Pauline Schuele, freshman in art: "It is the contact with people, one of the most valuable things. You not only meet great numbers of persons, acquaintances, but you get to know those who will be friends for many years."

Janet Alexander, sophomore in economics: "Oh, the different people you meet, the different types are interesting. The college is the place where you meet all types and compare them."

John Wilkins, junior in chemistry: "If I wasn't going to college, I would be doing manual labor, so I'm going to college. It affords one opportunity to meet all types of people."

Frances Bacon, junior in English: "I have some nice friends that I like very much. I also like horse-back riding, of which Mr. Boyd is instructor. All of this would come under the outdoor things, friends and work—that things that I like."

Robert Horn, instructor in English: "I like students best because they are always growing and changing. They undoubtedly represent a select group of society. I like the college type because they are collegiate."

Kidd's Poems Head Features of Current Issue of 'Palms'

"Buds in the Stalk," a group of eight poems written by Walter Evans Kidd, graduate assistant in the English department, headed the January issue of Palms.

The group consisted of "The Sea," "Blossoms of the Snow," "Wild Blackberry Picking," "Shelterless Mood," "The Country Miser," "Wild Apple Scrub," "Early Winter," and "Summer Growth."

Other poems that have been placed by Mr. Kidd are "Two Faces," in the December issue of Palms; "At the Winter Edge of Autumn" and "Ulysses," in the December 14 number of New Student; "Pasture Talk," a lyric, in the autumn issue of Forge; "Bedding Cattle Against the First Snow," in Common Weal; "Boat Lullaby" and "Pirate Talk," in The Springfield Republican; "Late Autumn" and "Dusk at the Rainbow's Edge," in the winter issue of Muse and Mirror.

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CAMPUS Bulletin

Women's Basketball practice for this week for all players as follows: Wednesday 4-6 Technic, Thursday 5-6 Scrimmage. Requirements for this week 40 min. of technic and half hour of scrimmage.

There will be a very important meeting of the Sophomore Class today at four o'clock in the Villard assembly.

Important meeting of Organa business staff Thursday at 4:00. Everyone be there.

Varsity women's debate meeting will be held at 5 p. m. today in J. K. Horner's office, 103 Sociology building.

There will not be a meeting of the Cosmopolitan club tonight.

Rehearsal of those taking part in the Saturday morning dancing program this evening at 7:30 in the Woman's building.

ORCHESTRAS: Short but important business meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening in the Woman's building. Every member must be there.

Hermian club will hold book exhibition January 11th, 12th and 13th from 3 to 6.

Oregon Knight meeting in Administration building tonight 7:30 p. m. sharp. Old members only. Important.

'Story of Philosophy' Leads Newer Books In Favor of Students

"The Story of Philosophy," by Will Durant, is still leading all other newer books in popularity among students, according to Mrs. M. F. McClain, circulation librarian. "And this despite the fact that we have four copies of it in the library," said Mrs. McClain.

Next in the list of books most in demand comes "Mother India," by Katherine Mayo, and "Revolt in the Desert," by Col. T. E. Lawrence, of which there are two copies.

"Trader Horn," by Alfred Aloysius Horn, comes next in popularity, although the race is close between it and "The Revolt in the Desert." Lewis Browne's "That Man Heinie" has also been in much demand.

"Something About Eve," by James Branch Cabell, and "Death Comes for the Archbishop," by Willa Cather, are among the leaders in fiction. Prof. Erskine's "Adam and Eve" and Martha Ostenson's "The Mad Carews" follow, both having more than ordinary demand. The Atlantic's \$10,000 prize novel, "Jalna," by Mazo De La Roche, is also popular, as is "Red Sky at Morning," by Margaret Kennedy and E. Barrington's "The Thunderer."

With regard to verse, there seems

to be fairly universal agreement. "Caroling Dusk," an anthology of negro poetry by Countee Cullen, and "Now We Are Six," by the inimitable A. A. Milne, author of "When We Were Very Young," have been among those most called for.

Library Book Use During Past Year Totals Half-Million

Total recorded use of books in the library in 1927 passed the half-million mark for the first time, according to M. H. Douglas, university librarian. This is an increase of 21 percent over the number used last year, or 516,109 as against 427,239 for last year.

Per capita use of books is 169, which is still less than a book each school day for a student.

Books added to the general library aggregate 13,525 during the year of 1927. Together with the 720 volumes added to the law library, this makes the sum of 14,245 new books. From the books already in the library before this addition 230 have been withdrawn, either because they were worn out, or because they were duplicate copies.

The net gain, therefore, shows itself as 14,015 books. The greater part of these was bought with departmental fees, but fine money on overtime books paid for 535 volumes, says Mr. Douglas. Books, clippings and periodicals used by out of town patrons amount to a total of 2,298. The library during the year paid for 982 different periodicals and received in gift and exchange 1,165 periodicals.

Pledging Announcement
Sigma Chi announces the pledging of William Overstreet, of Portland, Oregon.

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Somebody Is Always Taking the Joy Out of Life

WHEN YOU'VE BEEN OUT ON THE ROAD FOR A WEEK MAKING SLEEPLESS SLEEPER JUMPS EVERY NIGHT

I WONDER IF THE GUY THAT NAMED THESE SLEEPING CARS EVER TRIED TO SLEEP IN ONE



AND FINALLY YOU HIT A REAL TOWN WITH A REAL HOTEL AND REAL BEDS ON SATURDAY NIGHT

HERE'S WHERE SLEEP AND I GET ACQUAINTED ONCE MORE



AND YOU MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS TO REST IN THE ARMS OF MORPHEUS TILL LATE SUNDAY MORNING.



AND THEN JUST AS YOU DOZE OFF THE FELLOW NEXT DOOR STARTS OUT TO BREAK THE LONG-DISTANCE COUGHING RECORD



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Communications

Mr. Broke Is Invited

To the Editor (for Mr. Broke): The Emerald has announced numerous times that the Webfoot money is being refunded at the A. S. U. O. office. Bring your receipt and come in. Most others have.

STUDENT BUSINESS OFFICE.

Vacation Quarantine Proves Work Saver To Health Service

The action taken last Thanksgiving in abolishing the vacation may not have met with the approval of the students, but there is one group on the campus that can point out a distinct advantage in the decision. This group is the University health service, and members prove conclusively that student health benefited greatly by the lack of the vacation.

Usually following vacations there is a period when the infirmary and dispensary are quite rushed. Unusually generous Thanksgiving dinners, combined with occasional late hours, rides on stuffy trains or in open cars, would cause a drop in student health immediately upon the return of the students. This rush was lacking this year, it is stated

by Dr. Fred N. Miller, university physician.

In the dispensary the number of cases after Thanksgiving compared to those before Thanksgiving was 89 percent this year, while last year it was 92 percent. Thus a gain of 3 percent was shown in these cases, and the consequences also were not so serious as last year, it is stated. The infirmary also showed a similar gain.

Oratorio Rehearsals Begin Monday, Jan. 23

The Eugene Oratorio society will hold its first rehearsal for the winter term on Monday evening, January 23, according to John Stark Evans, director. Since the society is beginning work on a new oratorio for presentation in the spring, any students who were not members last term and who wish to participate should notify some member of the voice faculty, Madame Rose McGrew, Mrs. Prudence Clark, John B. Siefert, or Eugene Carr.

Last term the Oratorio had a membership of 180. The chorus was assisted in the presentation of Handel's "Messiah" by the voice faculty. Mendelssohn's "Elijah" has been chosen for the next performance.

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SEVEN SEERS