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Value of Intellectual Contests

WHILE the University of Oregon football team is working hard in preparation for its seasonal battles and the basketball men are looking forward to the opening of their season, another and smaller group of students are in training for a different sort of a contest, but one really more important to the prestige of the institution—a contest of brains. These men are working toward the Rhodes scholarship, for which the first try-outs will be held Saturday.

An intellectual contest, such as the men competing for the award will be put through, is lacking in most of the color and suspense of an athletic contest, and yet the results will have more influence on the future welfare of the commonwealth than any football game can ever have. The youths who compete are given an opportunity to develop and show their skill at concentrated study and constructive thought, a skill which will aid them in becoming leaders in the years to come, after their university days are over. All the contestants, the losers as well as the winner, receive this benefit.

For the winner there is three years of study at Oxford university, where he is given an opportunity to further develop his abilities and broaden his outlook on life through European travel. He returns to this country with an infinitely better understanding of the peoples of Europe, their philosophies and their problems, and he, in turn, builds for better relations between America and other nations.

It is interesting to note that the University of Oregon has not lagged behind in the intellectual contests. During the past six years all the scholars going from this state to Oxford have been Oregon men. This, as much as any other one thing, has increased our prestige among the institutions of the country, according to Dr. George Rebec, dean of the graduate school, who is in charge of the try-outs. This fact, the dean says, is definite proof that Oregon is "arriving qualitatively."

The Band Goes Talkie

ANNOUNCEMENT in the Emerald of the plans for synchronized sound pictures of the university band to be taken on the campus and displayed in down-town theatres proves not only the rapid march of progress in science or publicity, but that the reorganization in the band itself has brought confidence in its ability to please.

Wasted funds as the talkie-result of a poor subject would not be as disastrous as the adverse publicity and criticism which would result with widespread audience of a green and poorly trained group of instrument-wielders who preferred mighty tootin' to military training.

With the band coming into its own, it will find itself more and more accorded the respect due maturity. Maturity finds power in itself; disclaims such hoaxes as silent pictures and simultaneous Sousa records. We are waiting for the opportunity to see the sound truck parked by the band; but more and more are we waiting for the worthy band itself. We have confidence.

Fall term rains make us wonder what will be the style in slicker decorations.

Geology department heads explain finding of fossil shells in strata excavated for new Fine Arts building. Wonder if they puzzled over the saw-dust from the old Kineaid field.

Campus Forum

Dear Editor:
Having read the letter-to-the-editor in yesterday morning's Emerald, in which one N. S. N. tears his hair over Ron Hubbs' "This 'n That'" column, allow me to assure you that the majority here on the campus does not favor the immediate expulsion of Mr. Hubbs from the Emerald staff. That N. S. N. should have read anything but the customary ballyhoo concerning Lindbergh is unfortunate. Still, it occurs to me that the opinions which Mr. Hubbs so ably expressed are honest opinions, shared by many others, and as such, deserving of consideration rather than blind persecution.

I, too, am a Lindbergh enthusiast. I admire him as a man and as a flyer. I should like to admire him as a scholar. No doubt N. S. N. has pasted on his walls pictures of Lindbergh taking off for Paris, Lindbergh and the Spirit of St. Louis, Lindbergh over Our Nation's Capitol, and Mr. and Mrs. Lindbergh in Mexico City. If N. S. N. is a fan or this sort of thing, that is all right with us. Man has been made to worship. But merely because someone differs from the worshipper in a point of view is no reason why that person

should be drawn and quartered and burned at the stake.
The public will always have its gods. One sheep will jump over the fence and the rest will follow. Occasionally one will get out of line and express a contrary opinion. Then the mob will turn on him and want his heart cut out.

As editor of the Emerald, you can see the disadvantage of starting that sort of thing. Who knows? Some day you might say something against Clara Bow or John Gilbert or Babe Ruth? Then, in order to be perfectly fair, you would have to resign.

Let's not be silly about these things. —R. C.

NEW MATHEMATICAL DEVICE IN LIBRARY

One of the latest developments in the field of mathematics was exhibited yesterday at the university library in the form of a group of stenciled and numbered sheets fitted into a specially constructed container. The device, according to library attendants, is to be used for finding factors of numbers which lie beyond the range of existing factor tables.



LITTLE BLUE EYES STILL WANTS TO KNOW WHO WON THE MILL RACE, but as far as we know it's still being run.



First Frosh—Study hard last night?
Second Idiot—I'll tell the cock-eyed world.
First—Yeh? I had a sneak date too.

According to Dr. Parsons, the death rate among ministers and priests far exceeds the death rate among criminals. But it doesn't seem quite fair to us.



Life—How do you know Prof. Whoosis' mind is unbalanced?
Saver—Because he parts his hair in the middle.

IDEAL JOBS FOR THE COLLEGE MAN
Shampooing bald-headed men.

TODAY'S PUTRID PUN
Give a sentence with the word "Dishpan."

Alright, I will not accept dishpan of garlic.

EDINBURGH REVIEW



Shoe—Why aren't Scotchmen Catholics?
Lace—Because the True Story magazines pay them five cents a word for their confessions.



THE COURT OF JUSTICE

Why, Bill, what the Devil happened to you?
Oh, I broke the law of gravity.
Broke the law of gravity? Elucidate.
I stepped out of an airplane.

INFAMOUS EPITAPHS

Here lie the bones of Algernon Bean,
Who went to sea in a washing machine.

THE SODA JERKER.

BACK SEAT HOLLERS

To the Editor:
Every fall term when I go to class the professor in charge of that particular one makes out an alphabetical list of his students, and after a few days reseats everyone, with the z's in the back of the room.

Since my name starts with "S" I always draw a back-seat assignment and with great gnashing of teeth get shunted behind a mountainous football player and his playmate. I usually can't even see the professor and his voice sounds somewhat distant.

So now after all these years I am a mortal enemy of the alphabetical professor. I can't pay attention unless I can sit up in front, while there are probably many in front to whom it makes no difference. L. A. S.



HARVARD CLUB will have its evening meeting at the Anchorage at 6 o'clock today.

A MEETING of the Rally directorate will be held in room 110, Johnson Hall, at 4 o'clock today. Very important.

THERE WILL be a meeting of the Oregon Nights today in Johnson Hall, room 110. Every member must be present.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CLUB holds an important meeting tonight in geology lecture room at 7:15.

TEMINDS social and business meeting at 7:30, Craftsman club, today.

ALPHA DELTA SIGMA takes off for the first big meeting of the year, noon today, at the Anchorage. All associate and active members will be there.

CHOIR TRYOUTS for Y. W.

are to be continued this afternoon, from 4 to 5 o'clock. All interested are urged to come to the Y. W. bungalow during that hour.

ALL WOMEN connected with preparations for the Get Wise Party Friday afternoon are to meet at 4:30 this afternoon at the men's room of Gerlinger building. Very important.

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Organization will meet every Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Y. W. C. A. bungalow. Anyone connected with the university is invited.

PHI THETA UPSILON meeting at the Anchorage Thursday noon. Important.

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Plebe: Do you make life size enlargements from snap-shots?
Photographer: That's our specialty.

Plebe: Fine, here's a picture I took of the Grand Canyon.

We actually knew a generous Scotchman—he blew his nose every day. —Middlebury Blue Ribbon.

"Look at the football players!"

"These are pedestrians wearing their new traffic suits." —Pucknell Belle Hop.

Joe: Have you any news of your family?
Woe: Had a letter from dad the other day. He's still alive and kicking. —Pitt Panther.

Boy Friend (at sorority house): How many controls are there on that radio set?
Inmate of S. H.: Eleven—ten girls and the house mother. —State Lion.

"Women are all alike."
"Yeah, each one's different." —Reserve Red Cat.



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