

### Laidler Tours United States On Fast, Quick-Step Schedule

By JACK BELLINGER

Short in stature, but a giant in modern economic thought, a leader of men who favor the principles of socialism, a man who commands the attention of both aristocracy and proletariat, that is Harry W. Laidler, socialist lecturer and author.

Dr. Laidler, who is making a speaking tour of the United States in six weeks, under the auspices of the League of Industrial Democracy, is working on an almost double-time schedule. He was occupied with speaking engagements at Willamette university until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and had a complete schedule arranged here for both last night and this morning until he leaves by train for San Francisco. There was only one wedge in between for an interview, so Mr. Laidler was met in Salem and on the way to Eugene talked freely of everything from the Willamette valley scenery to technical economic subjects.

"The college students throughout the United States are becoming more liberal in political and economic thought and actions as they are beginning to realize that they cannot always be assured of a position—not even as a bond salesman—when they graduate from college," Mr. Laidler said. "The present period of depression has caused them to do a bit of thinking about economic conditions and problems because it involves their own welfare."

Even in Mr. Laidler's college days, students tried to earn their way through school by selling magazine subscriptions, and he was one of those who sold magazines, kitchen pottery and what-not from house to house.

"After graduation from college, I started out as a lecturer on

socialism in Kansas and Oklahoma, where I used to go from village to village, speaking in small school-houses and churches. I would hire a boy to post handbills, go around the streets ringing a bell, and tell the people that there would be a lecture in the evening. Consequently, I always had large crowds at my meetings," the socialist leader said.

Dr. Laidler predicted that the socialistic ticket will have a much larger number of supporters in the next presidential election than it had in the past, and expressed his belief that Norman Thomas would again be the party's candidate for president of the United States.

Between lecture tours and political campaigns, Dr. Laidler writes books. Before he left on the present tour, he left his manuscript for his latest book, "The Road Ahead," a primer on capitalism and socialism, with the publishers. He read proofs in Portland, and expects to find the printed book waiting for him when he gets back to New York.

**Water Pageant Planned**  
By Senior P. E. Majors

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**Library Offers New Books On Far Eastern Conditions**

The Oriental library located at the Women's building has just received sets of books written by American and Oriental authorities of Far-Eastern questions. These books, according to the librarian, Miss Rose Robinson, should be of interest to all students, especially those who are contemplating participation in the Murray-Warner essay contest. The library is open to the public from 2 to 5 every day except Saturday and Sunday.

The books which have just arrived deal with economic conditions of the Oriental countries, their art, civilization, social conditions, politics, and the Manchurian question. Among these are: a series on "Japan's Jurisdiction and International Legal Position in Manchuria," by C. Walter Young; "Who's Who in China, 1931;" and "Japan, Some Phases of Her Development," by Dr. Inazo Nitobe.

### Women Unable To Outsmart Men In Tests At Chicago

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 10.—(IP).—Another chapter was written in the controversy over who is smarter, the man or woman student, when a test conducted by the University of Chicago in its freshman classes showed that in the first 11 ratings not one co-ed appeared.

This, in spite of the fact that women outnumbered men in the 750 freshmen who took the examination. First place went to William K. Traynor, 19, of Chicago, son of William T. Traynor, vice-president and director of Swift & Co.

Knowledge didn't count in this examination, for it was a psychology test to measure intellects. For instance, an artificial language was supplied with the instructions to translate a passage from it into English. Simple problems in arithmetic which were not quite so simple after all made up another part.

The test by no means settled the question, however, for in other tests in other colleges and universities men have been outstanding in some, co-eds in others.

### Barron Requests Strolling Singers For Colonial Rout

ARE you a warbling tenor, melodious soprano, or booming bass? Then you are just the person George Barron wants for his band of strolling singers who are to be featured at the Colonial Rout.

Any student having chorus experience is asked to report for the first practice this afternoon at 5 o'clock in the lecture room of the Music building.

### Wisconsin Votes Revision For Athletic Directorate

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 10.—(IP).—Whatever college educators think about the importance of football, the Wisconsin legislature thinks the University of Wisconsin ought to have the best teams in the country, and has said so with no small voice.

Two reforms have been suggested by the legislature. They are:

1. Employment of the best athletic coaches the university is able to hire.
2. An entirely new athletic council.

Despite the fact that the state assembly adopted a resolution asking the university's board of regents to refuse George Little's resignation as athletic director, the board did accept the resignation along with that of Glenn Thistlethwaite, head football coach, and approved the appointment of Irwin Uteritz, former Michigan football star, as director of athletics. Little was offered the position of director of intramural athletics.

**Sam Thurston, Formerly Oregon Student, Is Dead**

Member of Noted Pioneer Family Succumbs at Oakland

News of the death of Sam Thurston, was received from Oakland, Calif., yesterday. He was a member of the well-known pioneer family after which the town of Thurston is named, and for years was a resident there.

Thurston was a chemistry major while attending the University. He served in the United States army for some time, and was stationed in the Philippine Islands. He was later employed in the San Francisco branch of the Bethlehem Steel company.

Thurston is survived by his widow, Blanch Taylor Thurston. She is a graduate of the class of '98 of the University of Oregon.

**Alferd Herman To Speak Before French Honorary**

Mr. Alfred Herman, now in business in Portland, formerly of Antwerp, Belgium, will discuss Belgium and its international relationships Thursday night at a meeting of Pi Delta Phi, French honorary, at the home of Louis M. Myers, instructor in Romance languages, at 1039 East 21st street, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Herman will speak before several French classes Thursday. His speeches will all be in French.

There will be a regular business meeting before the program, and all members are urged to be present.

**Wallace Campbell, Reedy Speak at Vaughn Friday**

Wallace Campbell and Rola Reedy, varsity debaters, will address the Community club of Vaughn, northwest of Eugene, Friday evening, February 12, speaking on the subject of economic reforms with reference to their application in daily life.

Campbell is a senior in sociology and Reedy, a junior in the school of education.

The engagement has been made under the auspices of the Speakers' bureau and John L. Casteel, assistant professor and director of the speech division.

**Bossing Will Speak at Y For Civilization Series**

"Education in the New Civilization" is the topic on which Nelson L. Bossing, professor of education, will speak tonight at the Y hut at 7:30.

Dr. Bossing will outline the changes that are taking place in education and the improvements that should, in his opinion, be made in the future educational organization.

This will be the fifth of the Y. M. C. A. "New Civilization" series of lectures.

**PHILIPPINE ISSUE TOPIC AT COSMOPOLITAN CLUB**

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spoke was a sort of a "Filipino Night." The Filipino members of the Cosmopolitan club prepared a program in which they gave native stunts. A Filipino string band furnished the music and Maximo Pulido and Max Benito danced the "Pandanggo." Vincent Espiritu was chairman of the entertainment.

### Professor Likens United States To Russia With Czar

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—(IP).—Speaking before the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Conference of the Unitarian and other liberal churches, Professor Jerome Davis of the Yale university asserted that the United States today is in many ways like the Russia of the czars.

He said in part:

"We have an industrial autocracy exercised by the late czar over his subjects. The only difference is not so much in kind but in degree. The fact is that Americans haven't begun yet to realize what it's all about—that an industrial revolution or transformation has changed this nation into an urbanized one, a mechanized one, where fewer than 200 corporations out of 200,000 control half the wealth of the country. The result is that we've lost our liberty and freedom of action without realizing that we have drifted into a state where power is predominant.

"Freedom and liberty are meaningless if a man has no job. Freedom today is to some extent freedom to starve. The average American is contentedly indifferent to this fact. It is only when he is unemployed that he appreciates what this means, that he and his fellows have drifted silently into the loss of their freedom without realizing that this has occurred."

**Chemistry Graduates Hold Social Evening Tuesday**

A new research organization, composed of graduate chemistry students held its first social affair Tuesday night in the form of a bridge party at the home of Shailer Peterson, one of the members.

Thirteen members attended, as well as three chemistry instructors. Stephen Coleman, graduate student in chemistry, was high point man for the evening and Vernon White was runner up.

The organization was formed last week, and officers were elected. Glenn Woodward was chosen as general chairman, and Duncan Holiday as secretary.

Mr. Woodward stated that the purpose of the new organization is essentially one of service. Meetings will be held every other Tuesday.

**University Chess Fiends Prepare To Organize Club**

At a meeting of the Campus Chess club last night at the International house, plans were laid for formal organization and formulation of a program for the spring term. Under the direction of Addison Steele, details of a chess tournament among the members of the club are being worked out, and play-offs will begin next week.

The major portion of the meeting was devoted to replaying a classic chess game in which a queen is sacrificed early in the game for the purposes of ultimate checkmate. A number of problem books from the state library at Salem are being used by the club for the development of proficiency among the members.

**Oregana Activity Cards Given to Seniors Today**

Senior activity cards are being distributed on the campus today to be filled out by each graduating student for the senior section of the Oregana.

Unaffiliated students are requested to call for their cards as soon as possible at the Co-op office and to return them by Saturday noon. Cards for seniors in campus living organizations will be left at their respective residences today.

## TALKIE TOPICS

McDonald — "Now or Never," featuring Gloria Swanson. Showing for the last time today.

Colonial — "East of Borneo," with Rose Hobart and Charles Bickford. Showing till Saturday.

Rex — "Working Girls," starring Paul Lukas and Buddy Rogers. Showing today and Friday.

Wood in the featured roles is showing today and tomorrow at the Rex.

**College People No Longer Slang Creators, Dean Says**

Smith College Official States That Same Old Words Prevail

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Feb. 10.—(IP).—College students, once past masters at the creation of new slang words, are now mostly imitators in that respect, according to Dean Marjorie Nicolson of Smith college.

Dean Nicolson is no enemy of slang, which, she says, is accepted as a natural part of our language, even by scholars, because it is brief and pungent.

In a recent chapel talk to the undergraduates here Dean Nicolson asserted that the same old slang words prevail throughout the country. There was a period, she said, when college students to set the pace, while now they seem content to imitate.

Until they can come across with something better than "OK" and "KO," they might as well say "yes," she declared, in effect.

### Views on Present Depression Are Told by Morris

**Economist Says Iron Hand Rules Production, in Magazine Article**

Some of the pertinent points concerning the present depression are told by Dr. Victor P. Morris of the economics department in his article, "A Partial Inventory of the Business Depression," which appears in the February issue of Old Oregon, University alumni magazine.

"Twentieth century production is controlled by the 'iron hand,'" Morris pointed out. "And, although business rests on a solid foundation, business activity ebbs and flows like a fluid thing."

Other articles which appear in the magazine include a story of the University's gift program; an article by Roger Pfaff detailing various opinions encountered, while on the Pacific Basin Debate tour; a descriptive account of Oregon's only Pacific Coast championship basketball team of 1919 written by one of the members of the team; and the Oregon sports review, conducted this month by Bruce Hamby.

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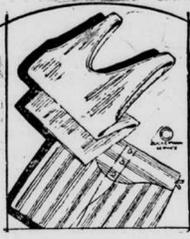
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