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## The Emerald's Creed for Oregon

There is always the human temptation to forget that the erection of buildings, the formulation of new curricula, the expansion of departments, the creation of new functions, and similar routine duties of the administration are but means to an end. There is always a glowing sense of satisfaction in the natural impulse for expansion. This frequently leads to regarding achievements as ends in themselves, whereas the truth is that these various appearances of growth and achievement can be justified only in so far as they make substantial contributions to the ultimate objectives of education—providing adequate spiritual and intellectual training for youth of today—the citizenship of tomorrow.

The University should be a place where classroom experiences and faculty contacts should stimulate and train youth for the most effective use of all the resources with which nature has endowed them. Difficult and challenging problems, typical of the life and world in which they are to live, must be given them to solve. They must be taught under the expert supervision of instructors to approach the solution of these problems in a workmanlike way, with a disciplined intellect, with a reasonable command of the techniques that are involved, with a high sense of intellectual adventure, and with a genuine devotion to the ideals of intellectual integrity.

## COMMENDATION FOR EMERALD PLAN!

Emergency measures need not be confined to national and international affairs. They frequently are as imperative on a college campus as in Wall Street. And this is a time for emergency action of the most vigorous sort. Matter-of-fact dispatches from Washington tell how the national government is confronting the exigencies of the situation. Equally pertinent messages from Salem discuss the emergency moves of this commonwealth. From Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, Madison—everywhere—comes news of deeds that are in accordance with the times.

And no move is more in keeping with current conditions than the Emerald's recent advocacy of a low-cost living plan for hard-pressed students. That it has gained favor is an incontrovertible fact. Faculty members, administrators, newspaper men, students—all are united in agreeing that the establishment of the plan would be a distinct contribution to the future welfare of the University.

This is a time for action. Nobody who holds down a cushion is going to get anywhere these days. Certainly we of the University, who read this morning bleak headlines telling of the ratification of a half-million dollar reduction in higher education appropriations, must realize that unparalleled exigencies confront us.

Perhaps the Emerald plan seems radical to some, but what of it? Franklin Roosevelt's recent banking moratorium decree was not a reactionary move. There were those who thought Lincoln was radical. British Tories said the same of Washington. The status quo meant nothing to Marshal Lafayette. So there need be no alarm if the Emerald proposal seems slightly out of the ordinary. Probably Iowa thought the same several months ago, but is enjoying gratifying success now.

Every day there are new converts to the plan. The most important one to date was added last night when the Morning Oregonian, one of the nation's foremost newspapers, commended the proposal. A vast host of citizens read the following from the Oregonian's editorial page:

"Students who are living on a total outlay of \$8.50 a month have been discovered at University of Oregon by the student newspaper, Oregon Daily Emerald. The Emerald does not, however, present the figures as a triumphant illustration of how cheaply one can subsist at Eugene, for the paper remarks upon the under-nourished appearance of the lads. For of the \$8.50 monthly outlay, only \$3 is spent for food."

"The purpose of the Emerald—a laudable purpose—is to point the need for establishing lower living costs at the University for those young people who are fighting with backs against the wall to beat hard times and acquire an education. And not content with pointing the need, the Emerald presents a plan. It proposes that co-operative student units be established in dormitories now two-thirds vacant."

"The plan is similar to one that has had encouraging success at the University of Iowa. It calls for a room and board bill around \$14, in contrast with the \$26 now charged in dormitories, and the \$36 average assessment of fraternity and sorority houses. Students joining in the enterprise would perform such household chores as waiting on table, cleaning house, kitchen policing; food based on a balanced menu devised by the home economics department would cost \$1.51 a week."

"Naturally the food would not be fancy and the tasks assigned would be menial, but the fruits of the labor of participants would be an education, a

goal for which some students are now making unsupervised sacrifices of which broken health may be the outcome. The Emerald's plan deserves encouragement."

## OUR VERY OWN RACETRACK

AFTER dodging the racetrack drivers on Thirteenth street for the last two weeks, we are getting weary of the Barney Oldfield tactics. As we regard with bleak eye the remainder of the term in which we will have to practice Pavlovian agility in order to preserve our necks, we become wearier and wearier.

It is bad enough to be forced to dodge the rickety campus crates (apologies to the few slick finish roadsters) but the 50 mile an hour trucks are as difficult to avoid as a barn gone wild. The campus cars do not worry us for few of them can be urged into a greater excess than 30 miles an hour, at which speed we still feel able to cope with them.

There have been several accidents on the campus in the last two years which can be traced directly to hit and run driving methods. The case of Ann Baum should be still fresh in the minds of Oregon students. At present our enrollment is small enough without crippling of the remainder.

In order to guard against a day in which our suppleness will not equal the erratic driving on Thirteenth street, we have three suggestions to offer. First: That we build a tunnel bisecting the campus with entrances into all fraternities, sororities, and halls of residence. This plan has a definite advantage in that it will furnish employment for needy college students and provide shelter for rainy weather.

Second: To build bridges over Thirteenth street at important crossings; say one at Condon, one at the Administration building, and another in front of the men's gym. This plan would also provide employment, but bridges, we think, would somewhat spoil the beauty of our campus. Later on, however, Thirteenth street might be canalized, giving the University a Venetian touch.

The third: Is to enforce existing city ordinances which provide a maximum speed limit of 25 miles an hour. We are inclined to believe that the third plan is the most feasible and practical, but it would undoubtedly be the most difficult to put into operation.

## THE DEAN HAS A WORD FOR IT

WITH the call to action sounded by President Roosevelt echoing in our ears we turn with hope and anticipation to the promised "new deal." We listened with glee to the thorough-going condemnation of financial and banking interests, and had our worst fears confirmed a scant 36 hours later when the executive order closing the banks of the nation hurtled through the ether.

Reminiscent of the panic of 1907, when the failure of the Knickerbocker Trust company precipitated commercial chaos, is our present situation. The recent senatorial investigation of New York banking methods and "higher finance" has brought to light an unholy alliance between banks and their investment affiliates, shaking the confidence of depositors and dealing a blow to the business life of the country.

Those of us to whom the banking moratorium means just so much more "on the cuff" will regard the closed doors as another interesting incident in a hectic year. Those of us who have pondered the principles of money and banking so meticulously doled out by our authoritative instructors will be wont to speculate on the frenzied antics of locking the barn after the horse has been stolen.

Why the studied silence through golden years before the crash? Why the tacit defense of "things as they were?" Must we shamefacedly admit that our faculties were afraid to talk? If such an admission must be made there is ample defense of their caution. Bucking vested interests is hunting big game—too big for our modest instructors. And discreet silence is the wiser if not more courageous course.

Criticism of the existing order may disturb the boys downtown—or around the corner—but if truth is to supplant propaganda, if knowledge is to outwit manipulation, if government is going to be administered for the man in the street rather than for the chaps who pull the strings, we must let our professors speak their piece. And as Dean Allen so aptly put it last year, "we must remove the spectre of economic vulnerability," that hangs high.

May we suggest to the president that in his fight for the "forgotten man" he put in a lick for the "man who's afraid to remember."

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE \$250?

FOR A period of several years Mrs. Murray Warner has been offering valuable essay prizes to University of Oregon students in the belief that by so doing a greater interest in international relations, and a more friendly attitude toward foreign students on this campus, would be brought about.

In a little more than a month's time the deadline for another one of these valuable contests will be at hand. How many students by that time will have availed themselves of the opportunity to win prizes ranging from \$250 down? The second prize is \$50. The prizes for foreign students are \$50 and \$25.

Certainly in such a time as the present, a chance to win such prizes as these is an opportunity that any ambitious student should not overlook. No one stands a chance to lose, for the knowledge gained in the preparation of a paper is something that can never be taken away. To be eligible, contestants must have taken one classroom course dealing with the history, economic and social problems or international relations of countries of the Far East. The essay could easily be a term paper for the class, or the material used would no doubt be supplementary to studying in conjunction with the course being pursued.

It is to be hoped that when the judges close the doors to entries in the Murray Warner contest at midnight April 7 that they will find a sufficient number of papers to give both themselves and Mrs.

## WINTER MODES FOR SPRING POOR

OUR ATTENTION has been called to the worthy work now being carried on by Mary Annin and the local chapter of the Red Cross. It is well to remember that springtime, like every other season in our fleeting years, brings along with the sunshine and carefree spirit only further grief and sorrow to the countless destitute families of this country.

Any possible aid in the way of clothing, food, or other of life's essentials would undoubtedly be deeply appreciated by the county's indigent population. Anything that might be of use will be called for upon phoning the Red Cross headquarters.

## A Race for Very Life!

By KEN FERGUSON



## promenade by carol hurlburt

TODAY I bid you all a fond farewell, for today I end my career as a columnist on the Oregon Daily Emerald... fade into oblivion. The end of our long Promenade has come.

To sum in a paragraph, then, what you will wear this spring; you will be trim and tailored; you will wear a three-quarter length swagger coat of wool over a wool-like cotton or silk frock. You will wear a dashing Cossack cap with a streaking feather or you will wear a pancake hat slanting well down over your come-hither eyes.

You will wear tailored, mannish suits; you will wear slacks to startle the populace (if you must startle someone). You will garrulously yourself in in organza (starched chiffon), organdy, or chiffon in the evening, and you will wear loudly screaming plaids all day and all night.

This above all: it isn't the number of clothes you have, but the quality; it isn't only what you wear but how you wear it; it isn't only your face, but how you enhance it; it isn't only your figure, but how you carry it.

In making my adieux, I wish to thank Dick Neuberger, editor of the Emerald; Ann Kistner, Nancy Suomela, Mrs. Mabel A. Houck, George Godfrey, Miss E. Lenore Casford, Jim Emmett, Willie Johnston, "Tommy" Thompson, and, last but not least, the Gentleman Who Wears a Black Derby, for their kind assistance.

Since this column is to become an episode in the past, I submit

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### A Decade Ago

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**Born or Made?**  
Phi Beta Kappa last night completed its election of alumni members. One hundred and nine were chosen, 56 of them being men and 53 women.

**Numerical Servitude**  
The faculty committee today went on record as being of the opinion that the point system was too cumbersome. The chief objection to the system being that certain members of the student body had too great a share of campus activities to carry.

**On your Marks!**  
All available aspirants for spring track are wanted out this afternoon to report for eliminations in preparation for the track meet Saturday.

**How Nice**  
Freshmen in several of the fraternities on the campus have been granted the privilege of seeing Douglas Fairbanks in his latest thriller, "Robin Hood," on week nights.

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## CINEMA

By BOB GUILD

GIVE Jack Oakie just the right kind of a role and he's fine. Last night as the gum magnate of uptown New York he did quite well for the most part, speaking with a "refined Brooklyn accent," and letting his fists fall where they may, and only once in a while did he go soft on the patrons and take a crack at a little histrionics, which really aren't quite in his line, though Wide World might think so.

The story is billed as by Vina Delmar, and shows it all over it—it is the "simple story of a human girl," and a boy who wise-cracked and bull-headed his way into a modest sort of fortune in slot machines.

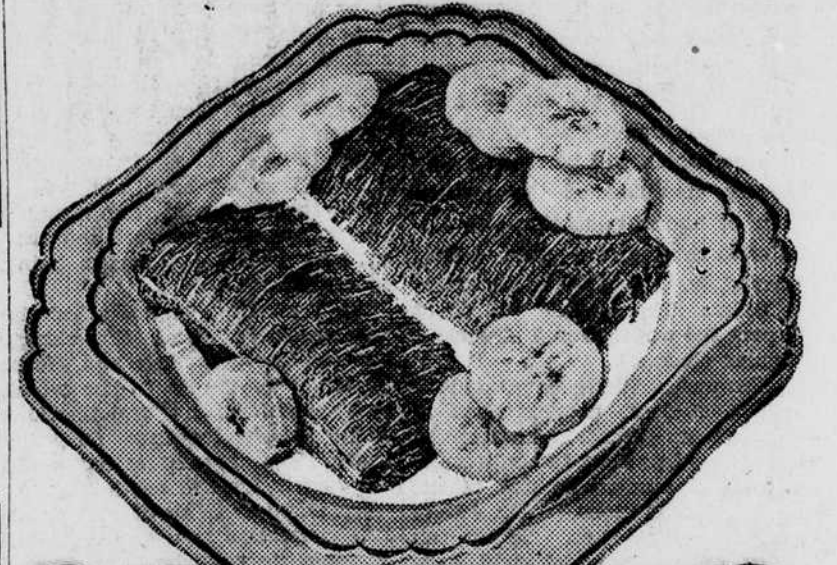
Here and there the audience laughed very heartily indeed—sometimes at Oakie, sometimes at his drunken pal. Couple of stars. And this is at the Colonial.

The McDonald is bursting out tonight with something that sounds as though it should actually be good. Herbert Marshall is the main interest in "Evenings for Sale," billed as exotic and Venese, but Sari Maritza will probably do her bit to entertain and regale the gentlemen of the audience. It's a habit she has.

And while we're on the subject, why doesn't the Mac go on the I.O.U. plan for a while? Godfrey says his attendance is way up these days... and that great big place on Willamette doesn't look too popular.

Well, here's a list of the term's biggest laugh riots, prepared exclusively for A & B by a board of investigators headed by such eminent humorists as J. Wilson Johnston, John Yerkovich, etc.

1. The law school jig and the prohi raid on the same day.
2. Donald Eva.
3. The \$1.54 living plan.
4. The Phi Delt bulldog.
5. The Huriburt-Morse Theta formal date.
6. Chuck Crawford.



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