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#### TO HAL HOSS

THE state of Oregon has lost the best secretary of state in its history. That is our own estimate of Hal E. Hoss, who died yesterday morning, and that of thousands of persons who have been Pacific Coast—particularly in Oregon and Califor- 1916, Hoss was operating a taffy the editorship and management of second term in November, 1932. diligence and attention. privileged to know him and deal with him.

Hoss is a splendid example of the self-made man, so dear to American idealogy. He started from scratch, with nothing but an overwhelming which has been the center of industrial troubles, moved along with a carnival's side-that office for two years, at the "Oregon's future governor." capacity for work, a dogged tenacity, and a sense but people on the Coast have been almost unaniof humor. He came to be the most universally mous in their pledges to NRA, and if it is not length of 15 feet. respected and admired of Oregon's public officers.

His death, at the early age of 41, was hastened by years of actual overwork-work devoted to the interest of the people of Oregon.

the school of journalism.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Hal Hoss' and his legion of friends.

And it is with supreme regret that we lay this last, inadequate tribute on the copy desk. That deal of the "chiseling" and "bargain hunting" which copy desk, we may add, was the gift to the Emerald Mr. Fisher so vigorously deplores. of Hall Hoss and a few of his friends.

#### TO CLARIFY OUR STAND

Many have called to compliment us on yester-day's stand against compulsory military training in the University. Probably as many are inclined to question our views. And a few have accused us of straddling the issue.

The latter accusation comes more or less as a shock, for although we attempted to encompass in small space what we consider all the major aspects of the case for compulsory training, we thought it was made quite clear that we believed the arguments con outweighed the arguments pro.

For the sake of clarity, then, we offer the following summarization of our views:

1. The present indisputable need for national defense can be adequately served by other means of training much superior to the present loosely organized two-year drill required in the universi-

2. The existence of military units on every campus, with required attendance, is socially undesirable, since it inclines youthful minds to a friendliness toward warfare and perpetuation of the militaristic method of settling international

3. Students who by reason of religion or conscience abhor warfare, and students who feel that the value of military training is of negligible importance in comparison with the other courses with which they could fill their college hours, should not be compelled to undergo drill, nor should they be subjected to humiliation in requesting exemption from drill; this more particularly since the government avowedly pursues a policy of not requiring compulsory training during peace times.

4. If the desirability of continuing to teach military practices and tactics to those who desire them. is conceded, there still remains no need for making military compulsory. The chances are overwhelming that a sufficient number would continue to take these courses to keep the local military unit alive. even if training were voluntary.

5. As realization of the economic and social wastefulness of warfare spreads, there will be ever increased demands to abolish the compulsory feature of military training. The issue will rise again and again. The question will not be settled by a

disallowance of the present petition. We have no figures to show the country's present state of preparedness, yet whatever the need for army reserve officers, we feel it can be filled fully as well by an expansion of the training camp

system. To quote a University of California professor reported in the newspaper of that school: 'Compulsory military training is a matter of preparedness. The only defense of a country is that of disciplined and courageous citizens. Compulsory training as we have it here, in competition with intellectual interests, is too trifling to be a real discipline." This is not true of the advanced military courses, but it is certainly true of the underclass work which is all that the great majority of students take.

#### SENIOR RELIEF

TT is perfectly logical that college should grow more difficult each year as the student progresses. But there seems to be too great a difference between the activity required of freshmen and that of upperclassmen.

Somewhere in the latter part of a college career, sometimes early in the junior year, sometimes in the early part of the senior year, the student finds himself running into a sharp incline in work.

Curricular duties naturally grow more difficult, but they are by no means the only part of the burden that multiplies itself.

Campus activities out of the classroom lead steadily to positions of greater responsibility. Most honoraries are restricted to upperclassmen, and large numbers of students enter these with often an election to an office or two; and countless minor appointments are passed out, for which experienced upperclassmen are desired.

Coupled with the more profound scholastic work required of seniors, this gives the student a list of duties many times the size of his early load.

It is deplorable that in his last years a student should be running on such an airtight schedule as to not be able to afford an evening or Sunday to himself with clear conscience.

Only in activities is there a possibility of relief. No organization wants its venture bungled by an inexperienced student, although the great clamor for "Seniors Only" on important positions is largely unwarranted. There are plenty of really good underclassmen who could eliminate this monopoly if they were given a chance.

## Contemporary Opinion

Spellbinding for NRA

I ISTENING to Frederick Vining Fisher, field representative for NRA, carries one back to the joliv old days of the World War, and Mr. Fisher

HAL E. HOSS received his first in the year 1918, he served as a tional group, and was president of the newspaper experience at the reporter on a Camas, Washington, the Pacific Slope Newspaper contents and some of the faculty with non-success.) But it might be well to recommend what Franthe joliv old days of the World War, and Mr. Fisher himself contributes to this impression by likening age of 17 years, when he obtained newspaper, and shortly afterwards ference. Hoss held a record in cis Bacon said in his essay, "Of the fight against depression to the war. Mr. Fisher employment on the Salem Index, County Banner at Oregon City. It ing association offices. is of the skilled-exhorter type who made the "pep" a small weekly newspaper. "I re- was in that capacity that he eftalks in the Liberty Loan drives and in the army call Mr. Hoss telling me how he fected the consolidation of the state September 20, 1928, by Gov- for granted, nor to find talk and camps during the war. There can be no denying spent his spare time then by Banner and the Oregon City Week- ernor Patterson to fill the vacancy discourse, but to weigh and conthat a certain amount of this "evangelistic" activ- studying law," said Arne G. Rae, ly Courier. Hoss became editor left by the resignation of Sam A. sider. Some books are to be tastity is necessary to winning any kind of war, but field manager of the Oregon State paper, the Banner-Courier. it is not presuming, we hope, to say in candor that Mr. Fisher's appearances here have left "some things to be desired."

Mr. Fisher's complaint that the people of the nia are not giving the Blue Eagle the enthusi- stand of the carnival type at the the Enterprise. It was in this poastic support it should have betrays some mis- Tillamook county fair and the As- sition in 1921 that Hoss was elect- as a possible candidate for gover- as we know them but what he had understanding of the real attitude here. True, we toria Regatta. Hoss' place of ed secretary of the Oregon State nor and on several occasion in the to say about book fits very well to are a long way from Washington and from the East business was a tent which he Editorial association, serving in past few years was introduced as present day periodicals. "clicking" here, it may be because the Coast presents some special problems which have not been ating his taffy stand on the coast, position of secretary in 1925. He esprit de corp among his em- Journalism." You will, of course,

region of small businesses and agriculture. In the correspondent for the Morning Governor Isaac L. Patterson. We wrote last week of his splendid personal main, there has been quick and willing effort to attributes and his interest in the University and comply with NRA provisions, but business men forts, many new beach communi- Hoss was vice-president of the Na- ciated by the younger folk, and the school of journalism. have been hampered by the inadequate provision winter months, Hess clerked in a an Oregon delegate to a New sity campus won for him many for financing expanded operations, the public has Portland hotel. family, his subordinates, his fraternal associates, been bewildered by the absence of any very effective and equitable program for enforcing regulations, and unquestionably there has been a great

As we view the situation, the Coast is ready to give NRA just as much cooperation as any other part of the country, but it must be accomplished by friendly guidance with actual problems rather than by exhortations. The intricate problems of industrial readjustment are to be settled not by excitements but by patient effort and clear WHAT has America been reading

Mr. Fisher's talks will be useful in re-creating the emotional atmosphere for NRA, but they have conducted a survey for the past not answered some of the factual questions which week, asking booksellers throughare bothering many people as to just how we go out the country to report the sale and where we go, under the Blue Eagle, from here. -Eugene Register-Guard.

#### **OVERFLOW**

So he tips and marries the girl, did a friend of ours, ex-'35, S. A. E., last week.

Having figured out that one plus one equals one, he took his lady up to the minister's house to have it done. He and two pals parked their seegars on the front porch and went in.

Everything was going along pretty well, what with no rehearsal and all. Finally the

"Now, take the young lady's right hand." The groom reached over with his left hand and took the lady's right.

"No, no," interrupts the minister, "use your right hand." "But," complained the groom, "I'm left-

handed." Esthetic note: five large college boys were observed the other night gazing raptly at some

orchids in the window of a florist,

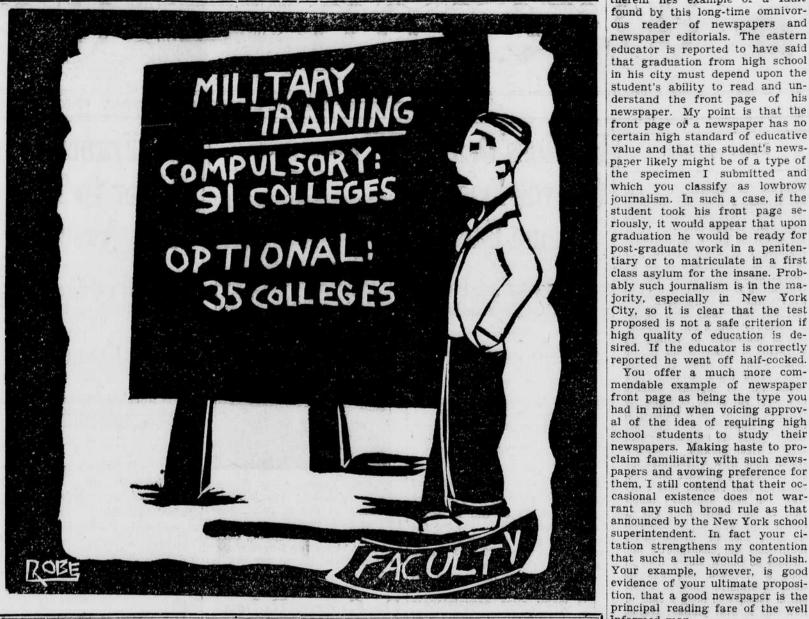
A Washington man hurled himself into the third row of the coed rooting section last night. It was the first really commendable leap since the halcyon days of Billy "Peanut" Keenan

two years ago. On a good night, Keenan could dash for the sidelines after the ball, knock it back and go five rows landing keel up.

Gib Olinger, when he was a sophomore; used to get off some pretty good jumps into the feminine lap. But advancing years and the captaincy have sobered him. Maybe he's just getting a little blase.

Where Do We Come In? -

By STANLEY ROBE



## Hal E. Hoss

and manager of the consolidated

Editorial association and friend of 18 years.

shows. Hoss was then famed for end of which he was elected presihis ability to pull taffy for a dent of the association in 1923. He Oregon City Banner-Courier and attention to Chapter XV of "The

and at the same time covered a resigned this position on January ployees and fellow workers and apply Bacon's rules, supra. With a few notable exceptions, the Coast is a string of Tillamook beaches as 1, 1927, to become secretary to developed a loyalty and friendli-Oregonian. As a result of his efties were organized. During the tional Editorial association, was his numerous visits to the Univer- To the Editor:

Writing

PEGGY CHESSMAN, Editor

during the past week?

of books and rental of others.

The New York Herald-Tribune

When all statistics had been tab-

ulated, figures showed that new

fiction fared a great deal better

than new non-fiction, although

there was a definite influx of read-

Hervey Allen's "Anthony Ad-

verse" topped the list of all sales

and reading, followed closely by

Walter B. Pitkin's 1933 best-seller,

Classified under fiction books

outstanding in the people's choice

were "Men Against the Sea,"

Nordhoff and Hall; "Within This

Present," Margaret A. Barnes;

Thin Man," Dashiell Hammett;

"Sea Level," Anne Parrish; "The Mother," Pearl S. Buck; "Oil for

the Lamps of China," A. T. Hobart: "Skin and Bones," Thorne

Smith: "Rabble in Arms." Ken-

neth Roberts; "Bird of Dawning,"

John Masefield; "Cross of Peace,"

Philip Gibbs; "Nest of Simple

Folk." Sean O'Faolian; "One More

River," John Galsworthy; "Miss

Bishop," Bess S. Aldrich; "After

"Bredon and Sons," Neil Bell;

"Three Cities." Sholom Asch: and

'L'Affaire Jones.' Hillel Bernstein.

The non-fiction group for the

last seven days included "Crowded

Hours," Alice R. Longworth; "Bra-

zilian Adventure." Peter Fleming;

Roeder: "More Power to You,"

Walter B. Pitkin; "Testament of

Youth," Vera Brittain: "Marie An-

toinette," Stefan Zweig; "Edward-

ian Era," Andre Maurois: "10,000,-

000 Guinea Pigs," Kallett and

Schlink; "Timber Line," Gene

Fowler: "American Procession,"

edited by Rogers and Allen: "At

Eva Le Gallienne; "First

'Man of the Renaissance," Ralph

Such Pleasures," Dorothy Parker;

ing in the latter class.

'Life Begins at Forty.'

During his newspaper career, Reading

World War," edited by Laurence Stallings; "Poor Splendid Wings," Frances Winmar; "Charles Dickens," Stephen Leacock; "Flush," Virginia Woolf; and "Mary of Scotland" Maxwell Anderson

## Emerald of the Air

We present today: At 4:30-We wade through the news of the day.

well as the production is an original product of campus talent. The Bikman.

became editor of the Clackamas Oregon for editorial and publish- Studies":

Kozer to become state budget di- ed. others to be swallowed, and rector. He had in the meantime some few to be chewed and digest-In 1920, when Edward E. Brodie, secured the Republican nomination ed; that is, some books are to be the secretary of state for the past publisher of the Oregon City En- in the primary election, and was read only in parts; others to be terprise, became United States elected to the post the following read but not curiously; and some When Rac first met Hoss in minister to Siam, Hoss took over November. He was re-elected to a few to be read wholly and with Hoss had been much discussed

served in this capacity for two the Enterprise, and said that Hoss New Morality," by Durant Drake, He spent many summers oper- years, and then returned to the had exceptional ability to build an which excerpt is entitled "Poisoned ness toward all of his help.

"Hal Hoss was always appre-Hampshire conference of the na- young friends," Rae stated.

#### The Safety Valve

An Outlet for Campus Steam Il communications are to be addressed. The Editor, Oregon Daily Emerald, ad should not exceed 200 words in 1991. Letters must be signed, but to wild the writer prefer, only initials the ght to withhold publication should he

Portland, Ore., Feb. 5, 1934. To the Editor Oregon Daily Emerald,

Eugene, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Permit me to express appreciation of the editorial entitled "We Draw Fire," in the issue of Febru-At 8:30 - Dramatics prevails ary 1, 1934. It is a well written during this hour. The creation as reply to my criticism and at the same time carries a tone of fair consideration for adverse opinion. play, which is written by Hank It has been asserted that only by Roberts and directed by Mary the free and unhampered clash of Graham, concerns a paralyzed fact with fact and opinion with war-time air pilot and his buddy. opinion can we hope to move on-Those taking part are Lenelle ward toward the ultimate truth. Matthews, Bill Rice, Hank Rob- In order to attain a fair amount erts, Dorothy Griffin, and George of ideas it would appear that something akin to judicial tem-

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perament is a desirable quality in

editors

Your rebuttal, however, does not exactly meet the issue. And therein lies example of a fault found by this long-time omnivorous reader of newspapers and newspaper editorials. The eastern educator is reported to have said that graduation from high school in his city must depend upon the student's ability to read and understand the front page of his newspaper. My point is that the front page of a newspaper has no certain high standard of educative value and that the student's newspaper likely might be of a type of the specimen I submitted and Einstein's theory of relativity. which you classify as lowbrow journalism. In such a case, if the student took his front page seriously, it would appear that upon graduation he would be ready for post-graduate work in a penitentiary or to matriculate in a first class asylum for the insane. Probably such journalism is in the majority, especially in New York City, so it is clear that the test proposed is not a safe criterion if high quality of education is desired. If the educator is correctly

mendable example of newspaper front page as being the type you had in mind when voicing approval of the idea of requiring high school students to study their newspapers. Making haste to pro- test has provided much fun for the claim familiarity with such newspapers and avowing preference for entries: them. I still contend that their occasional existence does not warrant any such broad rule as that announced by the New York school superintendent. In fact your citation strengthens my contention that such a rule would be foolish. Your example, however, is good evidence of your ultimate proposition, that a good newspaper is the principal reading fare of the well informed man. Students should be urged to read

You offer a much more com-

good newspapers. (I spent several years on the Oregon campus urging that fact upon most of the students and some of the faculty

"Read not to contradict and Hoss was appointed secretary of confute, nor to believe and take

Bacon lived before newspapers

In case you are not already fa-Rae worked with Hoss on the miliar with it, I would call your Yours truly,

SILVAUS KINGSLEY.

Campus, Feb. 5, 1934.

Just a suggestion for someone who might care to "editorialize" students who carefully deposit PATTERSON--Tuning. Ph. 3256W. their coats in the cloak room of the library have returned from their labors and found articles missing.

A sum of money, a pen or anything else of any value, missing, might be overlooked since anyone should know better than to be so careless; however, when some students are so small as to steal cigarettes out of another person's coat, that's the straw that breaks the camel's back.

Yours for a little more honesty, L.F.S.

## Innocent Bystander

BY BARNEY CLARK

been thinking, and he has come to the conclusion that he is a greater man than either Professor Fisher or Doctor Einstein. According to the papers, only 19 men understand Fisher's theory of money, and only 12 understand I. B. has only six readers that understand HIM. Anyway, that's our story, and we're stuck with it.

We reveiewed one of the skits for the Coed Capers yesterday, and are still weak from the ordeal. The high point of the act was reached when Cynthia Liljeqvist and Virginia Wappenstein did a sort of involved adagio dance, in which they resembled most closely a mother kangaroo carrying her brood. Such grace!

The placard (ask the man that owns one) on the wall of College Side for the registration of entrants in the beard growing conlocal wags. Here are some of the

Chancy Kerr. Newt Smith (College Side). "Doc" Moll.

Gyp College Side (the dog). Mahatma Ghandi. Smith Bros. (Trade and Mark). Susan Campbell (S.P.T.)

Green says we can't go the game until we finish this column Ha!

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