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36 TO 31

A YEAR ago the problem of compulsory military training confronted the faculty of the University of Oregon. A proposal to place military courses upon an optional basis was overwhelmed.

Yesterday the question was again debated and submitted to vote by the faculty. This time the forces favoring voluntary drill had swelled. The closeness of the count surprised even the most optimistic of the supporters of optional training. The final decision was rendered by the narrow margin of 36 to 31.

The controversy is closed, temporarily. But the issue is far from dead. In ever increasing numbers thinking individuals are joining the ranks of those who protest warfare and those institutions which serve to nourish and perpetuate a militaristic

Majority Report

(Continued from Page One) your chairman objected, insisting they had the same right to be represented as the others.

Your committee met January 30 from 4 to 7:30 p. m. at which the student committee, Mr. Campbell, Miss Horak, and Mr. Bruce, not Mr. Gross, as the press erroneously reported, appeared. The brief presented by the petitioners was taken up point by point for two hours at which time the students were excused, the committee first asking them to indicate the points to which they attached most importance from the remaining points in the brief. While all points had not been discussed with the committee as separate points, nevertheless all the points presented in the brief were discussed in the course of the hearing. Your committee did not hesitate to press the student representatives in view of what it felt to be the gravity of the course upon which it was asked to recommend action. No one questioned the fairness of your committee nor that of any of its members.

In the hour and a half which followed the committee discussed the remaining points of the brief and arrived at its decision. Your committee examined the evidence available by measuring it against the following points: 1. Leaving aside the point of its required or optional status, is the work of the Military Department desirable at least to such an extent that it be retained as a part of the University curriculum?

To this there was a unanimous affirmation. 2. From the point of view of public service, is the work desirable? 3. The extent and degree to which basic military is required. 4. What would happen to the Military Department were the work made optional?

The elaboration of these points will be taken up in debate. It was the opinion of all members of the committee that there were certain grievances which probably existed now at least as the student saw the situation. However, four members of the committee felt it desirable that the work had a definite value which should be developed by careful overhauling and playing but did not look with favor on any basic change. All

regime—those who believe that college is not the place to train youths for soldiery. The question will rise again and again, and upon each occasion the protest will gain strength.

Next time the protest may prove successful. If not next year, then later. A modification of the present compulsory system can only check the tide for a time.

THE CAMPUS CALENDAR

BECAUSE of a recent successful attempt to employ the Campus Calendar column as a means of malicious—albeit humorous—attack, the Emerald will henceforth be obliged to tighten stringently its method of inspection over material submitted for that column.

All contributions, notices of meetings, notices of postponement and similar items will be accepted only if transmitted to the day editor on duty. Every person submitting written announcements for publication must affix his signature and telephone number to the copy, and see that it is received directly by the day editor.

The Emerald regrets that these regulations are necessary, since it will cause some inconvenience and delay to users of the Campus Calendar column. However, the Emerald cannot permit itself to become the unwitting instrument of anonymous attacks, for which the editors must stand responsible.

OVERFLOW

WE would like to use this space today to conduct burial services for half a dozen old friends.

They are lines, pieces of business, and situations that have hung on in the movies since the days when we used to haunt the front row of old Castle theater on Saturday afternoons.

We propose the extermination or pension of the champion movie tritenesses which follow:

No. 1.—He: "Darling, you are you. It's not what you've been, it's what you ARE. Can't you see, that's all that matters..."

No. 2.—The haunted house gag wherein a white sheet falls over the head of a man entangling him, to the extreme terror of negro servant. The camera speeds up as he whisks over horizon.

No. 3.—She: "I nev-er want to see you again." He: "Well, if that's the way you feel about it." She: "That's exactly how I feel about it."

No. 4.—The arty sequence, wherein the gaunt, classic heroine stands clad in a white nightgown, hands hanging at the sides with palms forward, and gazes up into a spotlight and whispers things about death and fate.

No. 5.—British films wherein every other line begins with "As a mettra fect..."

No. 6.—He (gritting his teeth): "I've got to go through with it..." She: "No, Harold, for my sake, please..."

(Note: Eddie Cantor's gags about Rubinoff have not yet passed the two thousandth repetition necessary for pension.)

members felt that in case the work were retained as "required" then there should be certain machinery set up which should handle requests for exemption apart from the Military Department. The Majority report is signed by four members of the committee.

The chairman wishes to state that this committee and all its individual members, both majority and minority, have meticulously observed the proprieties obligatory on them by refraining from discussion of the report, from appeal to the public or the press, and by carefully adhering in its report both in the outline and in the method of presentation to the faculty to the accepted standard of procedure for this faculty, Roberts Rules of Orders, Revised.

The recommendations of the majority are:

1. That military training be retained on a required basis and that machinery be worked out for liberalizing the administration of it.

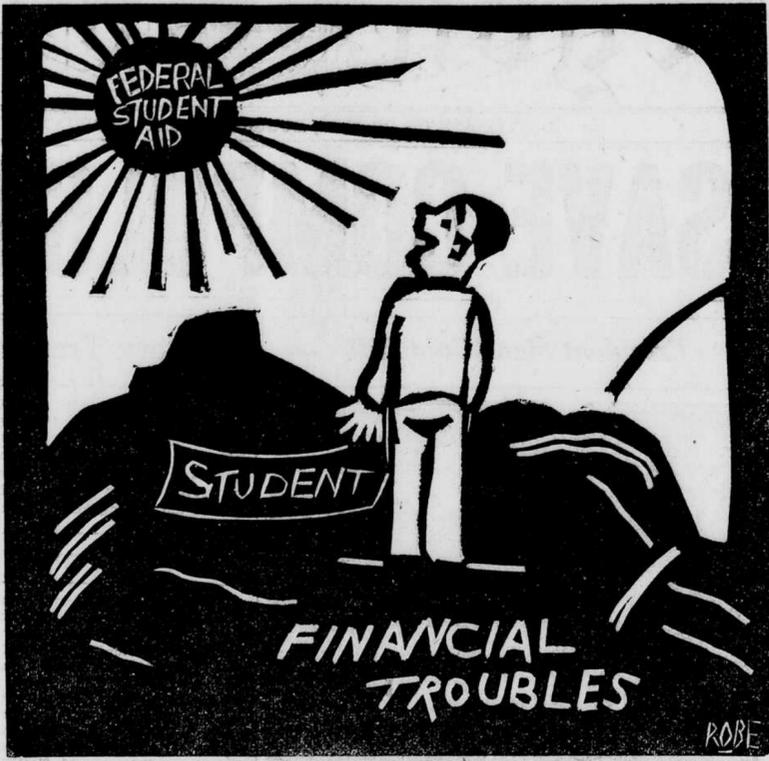
2. That there shall be a standing committee of the faculty known as "The Committee on Military Education." It shall consist of seven members chosen as follows: five to be appointed from the faculty by its presiding officer, one from the student body appointed by the president of the A. S. U. O., and the Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the time. The chairman shall be designated by the presiding officer of the faculty from the number of its appointees.

This committee shall report to the faculty from time to time, advise with the military department on matters relating to coordination with the University as a whole, and have power to grant exemptions from required military courses, taking into consideration the circumstances of each case, particularly physical incapacity, conflicting outside employment, unavoidable conflicts in class hours, and grounds of conscience.

A minority report will be read after moving the adoption of the majority report, and following the reading of the minority report I shall speak to the question.

L. S. CRESSMAN CARLTON E. SPENCER O. P. STAFFORD R. H. BACK

A Shining Light - - - By STANLEY ROBE



Minority Report

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A total of 11 hours for these subjects. Quoting from the R.O.T.C. manual, we find the following given as the scope and object of these lectures: "the relationship of the American citizen to his government; consequences of lack of a sound national defense policy (illustrated by War 1812, legislation of Mexican war, first Bull Run); important world events of economic, political and military nature, their international consequences with possible effects on our foreign and domestic policies."

2. A number of the leading educational institutions of the country have already made military drill optional. Among these we find the following: Boston university—Catalog 1933, p. 225. University of Chicago—Catalog 1933, p. 33. Harvard university—Catalog 1932, p. 192. Princeton university—Catalog 1933, p. 113. University of Michigan—Catalog 1932, p. 26. University of Kansas—Catalog 1932-33, p. 101. University of Pennsylvania—University Bulletin, 1932-33, p. 188. Stanford university—Catalog 1933, p. 279. University of Wisconsin (2)—Catalog 1933, p. 447. Yale university—Catalog 1933, p. 145. University of Utah—Catalog 1932-33, p. 242.

I submit that the University of Oregon would immediately place itself in very excellent company by acting favorably on the petition presented to the faculty.

3. It is the belief and conviction of the minority that the War Department will not abandon the unit at the University of Oregon, if military drill be made optional. Major Back says that the government will maintain a unit if as few as 100 men register for military training. I present some names of other institutions than those given above—institutions of the size of Oregon or smaller—where the government maintains a unit and where military training is optional.

Enrollment 1932-33 Gettysburg college, 560, not coeducational. Baylor university, 1,517, coeducational. Johns Hopkins, 2,294, coeducational. University of Wichita, 2,675, coeducational. Pomona college, 751, coeducational.

If these institutions can maintain units with enrollment about that of the University of Oregon or less, why should we expect anything different to happen here if military training were made optional? Even if, for the sake of argument, we concede the point that 100 men will fail to register, the minority does not take the illogical position that we should force three or four hundred students to take military training in order that 50 or 75 may register. Truly, this would be the case of the tail wagging the dog. The overwhelming majority would be ruled and their activities determined by a mere minority which is not in conformity with the principles of free and democratic government.

4. Among the lectures presented before the individuals who are required to take military training, we find the following: Obligations of Citizenship, 2 hours. Military History and Policy, 5 hours. Current International Situations, 4 hours.

done by following a policy of leniency in granting exemptions from military drill. Acceptance of this hypothesis, defended by Major Back and which is the policy of the military unit at the present time, is an admission that there is something radically wrong with compulsion. It therefore becomes necessary to evade it with the result that 50 per cent compulsion or 75 per cent compulsion is justifiable. A policy of leniency, moreover, involves spying out and prying into the motives of an individual. Too frequently in such cases, the decision is based upon the a priori convictions of the inquisitor, a right reserved only to a prosecutor trying alleged criminals.

Be it resolved, therefore, that the faculty of the University of Oregon grant the petition of the students, thereby making military drill optional, and transmit this recommendation through the proper authorities to the State Board of Higher Education.

WALDO SCHUMACHER.

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Innocent Bystander

By BARNEY CLARK

THE choicest bit that has come our way for lo, these many moons drifted in the other night. It seems that it was the night of the Kappa Sigma "treasure hunt" and a group of brothers were cruising along in a car, looking for their pledges, in order to transport them to still farther hellish distances into the country. They spied a lone figure trudging along the street and, swooping down on him, hauled him aboard. A blindfold was placed on his eyes, and the lads headed for the great open spaces.

On the way they begin to ask him cruel and brutal questions and eventually get around to the old perennial: "Which is the best house on the campus?" "Sigma Chi," is the prompt answer. "What?" say the brothers in horrified chorus. "Sigma Chi," comes back the dogged answer. "There is something decidedly putrid in Peru," states one of the lads and reaches forward, jerking off the blindfold. And, lo, there is none other than John "Jughead" Holloway, prize pledge of the White Cross men.

All of which should prove that (1) the Kappa Sig brothers had not been formally introduced to their pledges, and (2) Holloway was very, very tired.

And then there is Irvin Hill, who declares that every time George "Battleship" Bennett passes by, he (Hill) wishes he had a harpoon. Probably an instinct handed down from his New Bedford ancestors.

A petition has been filed with the dean of women, requesting that the Sigma Chi no longer play "Foxhunt" with the D. G.'s, as the last time this occurred, Kay Larson says she was so intent on escaping from the Sigma Chi "hounds" that she failed to notice a curb and as a result was laid out as cold as a herring, and almost lost a kneecap to boot.

It's that Sigma Chi hunting instinct!

The Coed Capers may have been very torrid stuff, but the Senior Caps' post-mortem, held in the back room of College Side, went them one better. The high point of the evening was a dance done by Helen Burns and Jean Failing on a table-top. THEY said it was the Caricoa, but it looked more like a combination of the Dance

TOUGH IT IS, TO LEARN ANEW ONE'S A B C'S

(Continued from Page One) NRA—National Recovery administration. CCC—Civilian Conservation corps. TVA—Tennessee Valley authority.

HOLC—Home Owners Loan corporation. CWA—Civil Works administration.

The ten administrative departments under the president, namely, state, treasury, war, attorney general, postmaster general, navy, interior, agriculture, commerce, and labor, (the writer is indebted for this information to an eighth grade geography book) are still in existence, and the new additions, or perhaps subdivisions have evolved to meet economic and social problems.

The newly created alphabetical combinations are taxing on the average college student intelligence, and many weary minds give up in despair, and sigh—

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