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DOCTORING THE CONSTITUTION

THE constitutional revision committee is ready to offer for the delectation of the student body a group of amendments to the flimsy A. S. U. O. constitution.

From what we have learned, there is not much in the proffered amendments that will set the world on fire. Nevertheless they contain several suggestions that will considerably expedite the flow of business through student administrative channels. And there are one or two which could conceivably arouse a mild storm of opposition.

The revision committee has not lost sight of its original intention to revamp the entire constitution. Its purpose in presenting the several amendments at this time is to secure the stamp of student approval while the work is still in progress, rather than complete the new constitution, only to have the whole document nullified later because of opposition to some minor clause.

Don't go to the assembly today prepared to see the constitution of the A. S. U. O. torn to shreds before your eyes and then reconstructed on a new and startling scale. It won't happen. But a few very significant changes are being made, and it would be shirking a duty not to attend the assembly and form an opinion on them.

You may come away from Gerlinger hall convinced that the mountain has labored and brought forth a mouse. But at least you should hear the recommendations today, in order to be prepared to vote affirmatively or negatively upon them at the special election next week, in the interest of establishing and perpetuating an effective student government at Oregon.

INTRODUCING COLUMNIST LEGREE

A COMPETITOR columnist has invaded the territory of Innocent Bystander. It wouldn't be so bad, says I. B., if the invader would come out in the open and tell us his name. This Monsieur Legree, the columnist who makes his debut today, refuses to do, in spite of the fact that we told him we didn't care especially for his nom de plume. He has apparently become much attached to it.

To satisfy the curiosity of anyone interested, we will tell as much as we know. Senior Legree, in an unguarded moment, has confessed that he is a college tramp. He has left more universities than most of us have heard of. In several cases he left voluntarily. At two of these colleges, at least, he has been the conductor of a column, writing under his present pseudonym. Hence his affection for the name.

We would not be doing our duty to unsuspecting and trusting readers if we did not divulge that Herr Legree is no respecter of persons. He arrives at Oregon with a fresh viewpoint, and many things here, strangely enough, look funny to him. And he doesn't mind saying so, in which particular he differs from a great many of us older inhabitants.

Our Mr. Legree has been given permission, twice a week, to speak out in meeting. He will probably pick on the Emerald as frequently as he singles out other hoary and self-conscious campus institutions and ingrown Webfoot traditions. We can take it if you can.

ANTI-FASCIST LEAGUE FORCED TO ADJOURN

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 feal science, providing that action of the body be considered as voting only of the individuals voting for that action. Bennett, republican; Allen, sophomore in business administration, and George Telfort, freshman in business administration last term, both active in the League of Young Democrats, withdrew from the meeting. The roll call of party affiliations was as follows: Communists, Clayton Van Lydegraf and Richard Bolling; radical, Lester Van Lydegraf; Socialists, Jack Barker, John Crockett, (not registered in school), Henry Ireland, David Henry (not registered in school), Charles Paddock; liberals, Johann Hesse, Harold March, Harvey Hawley; students of government, William McCall and David Kiehl; Democrats, Allen and Telfort; Republican, Bennett. The discussion of communism was started by Telfort's reading a clipping from a Communist paper advocating preparations for war and asking Bolling to explain his being a Communist and also a pacifist in the face of this avowed communistic policy. Allen asked for information pertaining to the background of the organization, declaring that he would not be connected with any group leaning toward communism and denouncing communism as a diabolical form of government. Argument followed.

THE POOH-POOHED CLASS

THE Oregonian's editorial on the Reed college demonstration against European-style autocracies is a beautiful example of the type of overweening snobbery to which college movements are subjected.

Such an outburst as we reprinted yesterday reveals that much of the adult world refuses to believe that college students are capable of rising above the rah-rah stage of intellectual activity. The possibility that sincere, deliberate thought might be provoking such revolutions apparently does not occur to them.

Recent "revolutions" on the Oregon campus have not exceeded the bounds of parliamentary propriety, yet even these have been met with a few editorials from the press of the state indicating a gross misconception of college life.

When honest convictions, however manifested, are put down as infantile whims and "silly pranks," we start to boil. Let the pastor and flock of the 17th Baptist church come forth with a resolution of protest on some issue and they are treated with deference, however shallow their reasoning may be. But let campus leaders raise their voices on current matters and they are scornfully set down as quixotic crackpots out to raise a smell for the fun of it.

It's lots of fun to toss off such phrases as "Heretically beating back the heathen hordes of Germany from their sacred campus," and a surefire way of setting oneself up as a master of brilliant sarcasm and sophisticated comment. But such editorial pieties don't refute the arguments of the "rebels" or discredit their motives in the eyes of thoughtful persons.

We do not justify every movement of student rebels. But we stoutly maintain that college students will have little chance to rise above the mental plane of mediocrity if their earnest efforts at demonstrating dissatisfaction with existing abuses are sneeringly set down in the public prints as puerile bombast.

On Other Campuses

The College Racket
 GOING to college is called "the great American racket" by President Ralph Cooper Hutchinson of Washington and Jefferson college in one of the most scathing denunciations of the present higher educational system and its students issued within the last few months.

President Hutchinson charges that most student organizations, both past and present, were formed for graft, and that fraternity jewelry salesmen and other agents declare that they simply can not do business on some campuses without practicing graft. He decries the fact that in general the old ideals of education, culture and character have been submerged by the motives of social and financial profit.

He does not let the matter drop without a reason. Hutchinson declares that the rapid pioneer expansion of the nation created a demand for men of training greater than the supply, and therefore a college degree took on a great practical significance. The general public hence was encouraged to "send its young men and women through the sausage grinder and out with a packer's trademark."

The bitter charges of one so closely in touch with the university system can not be ignored. It is probable that the American college system has been permeated in the past by a great amount of graft, but there is a lighter side to the picture. The university students seem to be staging a "new deal" of their own in this respect. Organizations are having to justify themselves to exist, graft isn't tolerated as it once was and there is a growing interest in the real intellectual purpose of a college education.—Indiana Daily Student.

OVERFLOW

"THESEPIANS will meet at 7 tonight on the sun porch of Gerlinger. Each member is requested to bring thirty cents."—from the Campus Calendar.
 You either bring it or feel like it.

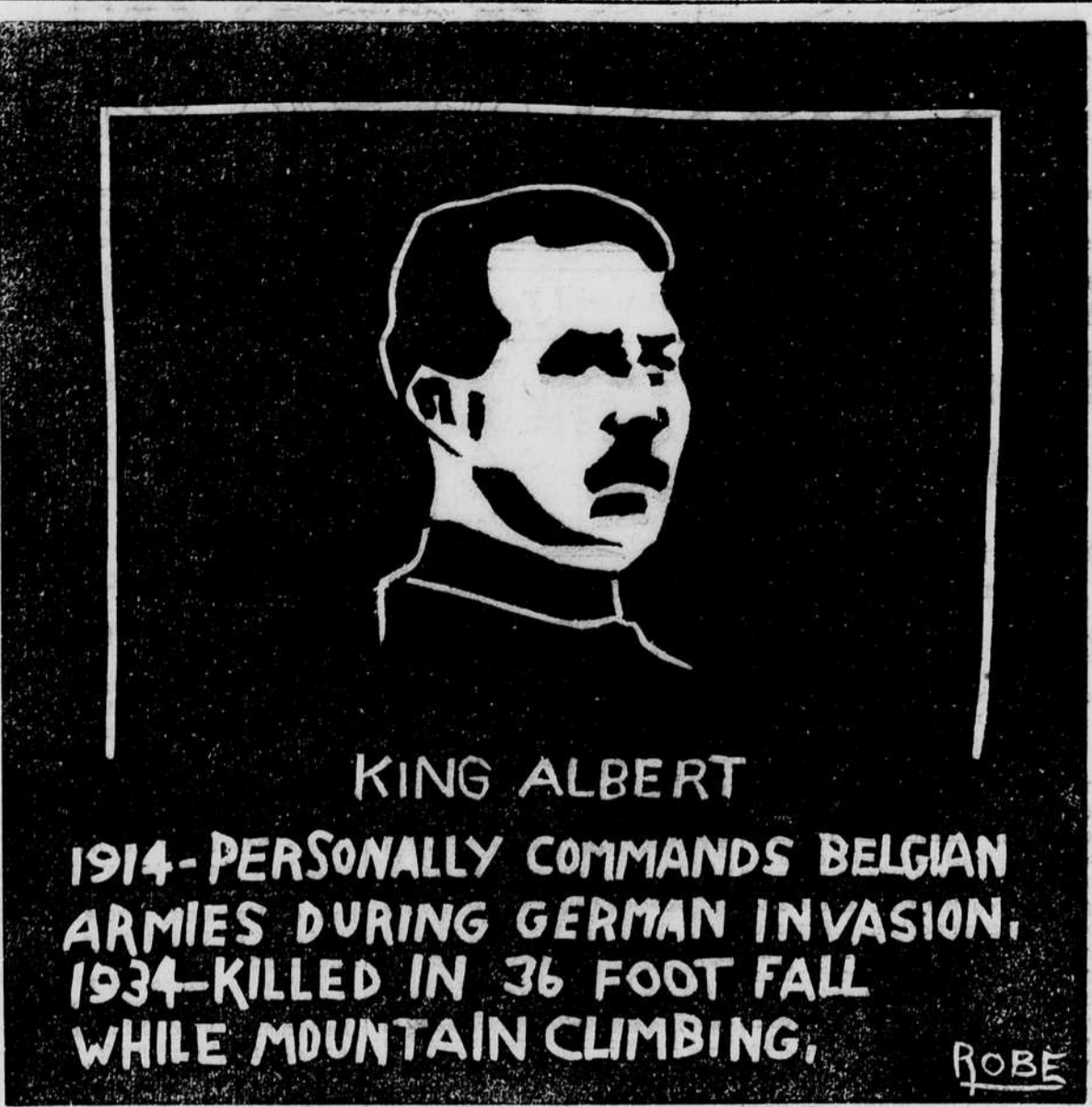
One of our charges on the reporting staff at the beginning of last term started off on her career of college journalism by turning in the following gems as news stories, just to show you what day editors have to put up with:
 "For these long winter evenings, why not organize a bridge tournament? The houses could have teams and play for the championship."
 And:
 "A number of local cars have been observed passing through town lately with deer on the running boards. So look out, my little deers (dears) and don't get on any running boards!"

HEH! HEH! DEPARTMENT: Ex-Postmaster General Brown is being investigated by Senators Black and White.

When the gleemen started going in for flossy antiphonal effects, they recked not with the possibility that someone would get it wrong. At their concert Sunday a double quartet retired behind the scenes, from which point they kicked it back and forth with the visible vocalizers. Very Alpyin.
 "They used to have such a good reputation for punctuality," said one lady. "It's a shame that at the last two concerts seven or eight men have come in late after two numbers have been sung."

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Then and Now - - - **By STANLEY ROBE**



KING ALBERT 1914-PERSONALLY COMMANDS BELGIAN ARMIES DURING GERMAN INVASION, 1934-KILLED IN 36 FOOT FALL WHILE MOUNTAIN CLIMBING.

SIMON LEGREE'S COLUMN

MORSE TO SPEAK ON LAW STUDENTS' FUTURE TUESDAY—head in Emerald.
 Aw, dean, why did you remind 'em of that?

Kappa rushing chairman, to prospect:
 "Yes, there was a time when the Thetas were very good."

NATURE GROUP TO TAKE LONG WALK—head in Emerald.
 Perhaps the Journalism faculty could be induced to join the Nature Group.

TO A "LOST LADY"
 (upon learning of her engagement):
 "Tis better, Charlotte, to have loved And lost," I'd fain begin; Through weary hours I'd have shov'd Such phrases as "it might have been," And lovely words I thought you'd like Into a poem you could read Quite proudly to a little tyke, Who, hearing of a Launcelot's deed And speech, might well inquire: "Grammar, was they lots of gents You ever used to could inspire To talk to you such elygence?"
 But, instead, I'll wish you well, And with no poem struggle; 'Tis better, Charlotte, truth to tell, Than poetry to juggle:
 'Tis better to have loved and lost, Yes, darling, 'tis much better.

SORORITIES PAY MORE FOR FOOD, SURVEY SHOWS—head in Emerald.
 That doesn't take a survey, just a casual glance.

Mexico City, D. F., Mexico, Feb. 20.—ZP—Official confirmation of news that the University of Oregon had voted to retain compulsory military training filled the state department with consternation here today. The secretary of war ordered the University of Mexico cadet corps to abandon the optional basis upon which it had been conducted.
 "We cannot close our eyes," Wootter, Edwardo Keley and W. A. Wappenstino.—By telephoto.
 "to the preparations for war in 'Los Estados Uni-

COURSE HERE GEARED FOR LOW ABILITY—head in Emerald.
 Course? Courses!

Innocent Bystander
 By BARNEY CLARK

THIS is one of our off days. You six readers will have to be contented with a short column. The only reason we can ascribe for this aberration is that the unusual weather has warped our carefree spirit. It isn't the heat, it's the humidity!
 The Kappas evidently believe in showing their rusches the seamy side of life. Authentic reports indicate that they intend to take them all to the smoker. Either the Kappas have underestimated the depressing effect of masculine violence upon the gentle female character, or else the material they have imported is of sterner stuff than the Keystones we have known.
 An unfinished letter left in a typewriter here in the office intrigues us no little. It is very unfinished. As a matter of fact, it consists merely of a salutation, viz: "My darling King—"

This is the most maddening thing we have come across in ages. Who is this king? Is he real royalty, or is he just a Russian refugee? What girl is it that hobnobs, nay, consorts, with a gentleman of royal blood? What hidden currents of international intrigue may not underlie this apparently trivial clew?
 We are going insane; you fool with it for awhile.
OGDEN GNASHES
 "Them as drinks Grain alcohol straight Are headin' for The pearly gate!"
 "No!!!"
 Elizabeth DeBusk Better Elizabeth DeBusk, who is in the hospital with bronchial pneumonia, was greatly improved Tuesday. Her temperature was normal again. She is the daughter of Dr. B. W. DeBusk of the school of education faculty.

'Enoch Arden' Presentation Meets Approval of Audience

Playing upon his voice as if it were an instrument, Paul Petri, professor of music, attained a range of qualities in his reading of "Enoch Arden" last night, equalled only by the piano tones of the accompaniment played by Mrs. Petri.
 "Enoch Arden," a poem spoken with interspersed piano accompaniment, was an unusual sort of entertainment—and was unusually well performed.
 Not only a wide voice range, but also a tremendous dramatic power, enabled Petri to interpret the crises of the poem so forcefully that they were actually imparted into the audience in their full import. This was especially noticeable before Enoch's leaving, and in his despair after he returned.
 The musical accompaniment (Mrs. Petri draws the full tonal expression from the piano) built up, to a great extent the interpretation of the poem. Different piano themes for the characters, settings, and ideas in the poem were interwoven to portray the action which was going on. The music dramatized the words as well as did Petri himself.
 The performers deserve especial credit in that some parts of "Enoch Arden," which contain quite sentimentally trite expressions, might have seemed melodramatic except for Petri's powerful interpretation, and the expression which Mrs. Petri put in Richard Strauss' musical accompaniment.
 The eight themes in the piano music were played at the first of the concert by Mrs. Petri, thus enabling the audience to see how the themes were built up and interwoven to create the dramatic interpretation of the poem.

Emerald of the Air

LET'S go to press! News of various and sundry forms is at your command during the afternoon broadcast at 4:30.
 In the evening we go into another strange interlude by presenting a wartime air story, entitled "Fool's Luck." There are plenty of airplane crashes while the young hero is trying to gain a ten-day leave of absence by 'getting' a deadly German ace.
 Cast of characters consists of Linc Devereaux as the Major, Bill Rice as McCain, Hank Roberts as Hemingway, and George Bikman as Rupert.
 The sound effects are produced by Craig Povey. It's at 8:30.

Fitted to the college students' budget are the Modern Library series of books. Through the introduction of these the purchasing of numerous new and old books and the acquiring of a fairly adequate library have been made possible.
 It is interesting to note, however, that the folk play has gone into its fifth printing, with demands from all parts of the United States flowing into the publishers' office daily.

The latest additions to the Modern Library are "Three Lives" by Gertrude Stein; "Ben Hur" by Lew Wallace; "Eminent Victorians" by Lytton Strachey; "Guermites Way," by Marcel Proust; "The Enormous Room" by E. E. Cummings; "The Essays of Montaigne"; "Quentin Durward, Ivanhoe, and Kenilworth" by Sir Walter Scott; "War and Peace" by Count Leo Tolstoy; "The Life of Samuel Johnson" by James Boswell.
 "Les Miserables" by Victor Hugo; "The Complete Poems of Keats and Shelley"; "Plutarch's Lives"; The complete novels of Jane Austen; and "Twelve Famous Plays of the Restoration and Eighteenth Century."

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