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Another Challenge to Youth

FEAR rides through the nation—fear that the dictatorships of central Europe will prevail in the United States, and unless intelligent efforts are made to allay it the realization of this fear will be a dictatorship. Dr. Polyzoides, editor of the New Tribune of New York city, made this point in his talk the other night in Villard hall. He said that throughout the nation there is the feeling that a dictatorship is inevitable, that democracy has fallen, and that people must search for something new.

In this mad whirligig of thought people are overlooking the strength of an institution which if correctly controlled can defy the powers of the modern Dark Age dictatorships and the retrogressive ideas of the volatile radicals. That institution is democracy.

When the people of the lower Mississippi valley regions hear of floods and heavy rains in the highlands they immediately begin to strengthen their levees. These levees are strong enough in normal times but in flood times they must be fortified.

The United States has a democracy which was successfully born in an emergency. For many years the levees of government have been strong enough to carry the flood waters of the years. Now in a time of crisis people fail to see that what is necessary is a strengthening of the levees, not a retreat to the dictatorial highlands with the attendant disruption of business, loss of homes, and breaking up of families.

Even as the levees are the best means known to man to keep the waters in their course, democracy is the furthest advancement made in civilization in the government of people. People along the Mississippi do not abandon the levees, they strengthen them and the waters pass by harmlessly. It is only when the strengthening of these levees starts too late that the muddy waters swirl over the top spreading death and destruction.

Democracy must be strengthened by the self-imposed regulation of certain liberties in the interests of the whole, in order to meet this emergency, said Polyzoides. True, and if democracy is strengthened by the support of the citizens it will be an enlightened nation that will ride the crest of these times and lead the way to better times.

In the colleges are found the leaders upon whose shoulders will rest the responsibility to carry democracy forward. It is in the colleges of America that the movement must start and to question young America's ability to carry on is but a challenge!

What a Pity!

DEAR, dear isn't it a shame. Recently Dr. O. E. Baker, economist of the department of agriculture announced that the birth rate of the United States has been falling off since 1930, when there were 100,000 fewer children born than in 1929. And the national resources board states, with a shaking of heads and a pessimistic sigh, that in 1970 the population of the United States will begin to decrease. The intimation being that we ought to do something about it.

In 1970! How terrifying! In view of the fact that a part of the population is already starving and unable to find work, and a large number of the still persisting arrivals find a dismal outlook of few jobs and no future, such a prediction is surely one of disaster.

How terrible 'twould be, indeed, if there were less children born to face a future with no place for them! What a tragedy if Americans did not keep up with the 20 children families induced by the Mussolinian bonuses, or the quintuplets encouraged by the acclaim heaped on the Dionne's! What a dismal failure should American women not see fit to stuff ten children into a two-room flat!

But no matter. America may yet avoid this impending disaster. We remember vaguely, from the portals of history, a certain Malthus—who, it seems, had a theory. With quite the pessimism of our honored resources board, he foresaw a certain future

of starvation and wars, necessary to kill off some of the population which was soon to increase beyond the available food supply. Oh, it was quite unavoidable—this overwhelming misery—yet, somehow, we avoided it.

Malthus, it seems, failed to foresee certain conflicting circumstances. Could, possibly, the prediction of the national resources board have made such a miscalculation? But, no. Surely not. Surely it is all foreseen. What a dire calamity!

Quick Action

WITH the noisy criticism of Senator Hiram Johnson breaking into the headlines, President Roosevelt is forcing the movement to bring the United States into the world court.

Such an attempt is not a new one for our chief executives. Beginning with Woodrow Wilson, every president from his time to the present has recommended to the senate that the United States enter the world court.

At last it appears that the gleam of light is beginning to penetrate the murky darkness that has filled the senate chamber whenever the world court problem came up for debate.

After 15 years the senators finally show symptoms of forgetting ways of angling a new postoffice for Boomville or monument to First Citizen Smithford Smythe and considering aspects of the United States' relations with the rest of the world.

Many Oregon professors and students have long urged this entrance to the court as has informed opinion from all over the country. The senate is poised to act—after 15 years. Ah, me!

"Many Students Enroll in Propagation Course," reads a headline in the Oregon State Daily Barometer. More than one way of increasing enrollment!

One Man's Opinion

By STIVERS VERNON

Whether we like it or not, we must admit that California knows her stuff when it comes to treating the tourists right. Out of a little sunshine, some first-rate bathing-girl pictures and a lot of hot air she has evolved a business which reaches unguessed millions each year.

All this did not come by simply advertising in the big eastern magazines and then letting nature take its course. Not by a long shot. The powers behind the throne in California business have moved with extreme wisdom and sagacity in holding on to what came their way, California—especially southern California—jumps when the moneyed tourist cracks the whip. If they haven't got what he wants, they'll get it for him. And how they do get it!

In connection with this we might mention two related incidents which demonstrate California's willingness to do everything in her power to give the tourist a break and Oregon's shortsightedness along similar lines.

We happened at one time, to be driving a car which bore a California license. In the course of our wanderings we made a trip from this city to Portland. In that distance we were twice stopped by members of the state police patrol who wished to inspect our non-resident permit to see that it had not lapsed. Fortunately for us, the sticker was but a few days old and we were gruffly told to go ahead but if we were going to be in the state over three months we'd have to get an Oregon license. Or in plain words, if you don't want to buy an Oregon license, go on back where you came from. Whereupon we burned inwardly and directed appropriate remarks to the surrounding scenery.

In direct contrast, we once drove an out-of-state car around the streets of Los Angeles. In so doing we inadvertently made a left turn where none was allowed. We were promptly whistled down by the patrolman on duty at this corner. Instead of giving us a lovely bawling-out the cop touched his helmet as he came up and very conversationally pointed out that we had made an error in our driving. However, inasmuch as our car bore a foreign license he realized that we were unfamiliar with Los Angeles' traffic laws and merely called our attention to the blunder and sent us on our way without so much as a reprimand. Before we left, we mustered our courage to inquire if out of state cars were immune to arrest for traffic violations. The copper replied that only in extreme cases or where the case obviously merited arrest did they detain visitors.

Some difference. Oregon has everything it takes to make this state a tourist's paradise. Advertising and word of mouth knowledge will bring tourists to us. However, Oregon will never keep them if she occupies her time in seeing that her visitors do not spend a day or two more than their allotted ninety days.

The Passing Show

TO REACH AN UNDERSTANDING

Severe criticism has been leveled by student leaders here at an apparent misunderstanding which permitted a discrepancy in the system of student fee collection to be evidenced this term at the two major state institutions of higher education. While Oregon State student representatives were excluded from the registration line in collection of fees, the university leaders were permitted the privilege of having their table in that line, according to reports received here. The result of this exclusion is evidenced in the fact that almost double the amount of tickets were sold at the university the first day of registration than were sold on this campus.

With the idea that fee collection may again be optional during spring term, Oregon State student leaders wish that some arrangement could be made whereby the registration line at this institution could also include a table. It is desired that a definite understanding be arrived at so that this institution might also have the same privilege that was granted at the university to facilitate the distribution of student cards.—Oregon State Daily Barometer.

The Day's Parade

By PARKS HITCHCOCK

Joining the World Court

Banking Blasphemy

AFTER many, many years of laying the resolutions to have the United States enter into and abide by the decisions of the World Court on the table, it seems very probable that the pending resolution of adherence will be passed within the next two weeks.

On the Q. T.
A private poll on the question has been taken during the past few days to see if the resolution would be passed, and so far 60 senators have voiced their approval, several have been non-committal and a few have decided that they would be "ill" when the measure came up for a vote.

Democratic Leader Joseph T. Robinson predicted a vote by the end of the week, but perhaps a few of the non-committal solons will need more persuasion than the confident Democrat thinks, and thereby postpone the issue for a few more days.

No Embarrassment
To pass, this resolution needs a two-thirds vote, and no vote will be taken until the matter is settled before hand so that it will go through. Otherwise a few congressmen would be greatly embarrassed by having voted on the wrong side of the fence for the first time since they were elected by the commonwealth to act as their representatives in the great and mighty legislative body of this country. At least, according to their campaign speeches that's what they said they would do.

No Straddling
The only correct thing to do now in the Senate, though, if Mr. Senator wishes to be among the chosen few, is to be on the side that has the most votes and thereby never gain the ill will of the present owners of the pork barrel.

ACCORDING to Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., the bankers run their own little businesses without being greatly influenced by the government or anyone in Washington.

To quote Mr. Morgenthau, "I belong to the school that thinks the banks, being privately owned, owe a duty to their depositors. I do not think anybody here in Washington can tell them what to do, because, after all, all of their responsibility is to their depositors. I do not think that all the pounding of desks in the world will compel a bank to make a loan unless the management wants to do it."

No, of course, Mr. Morgenthau, no one can make the banks extend credit, and the bank's first duty is to its depositors, but still, with deposit insurance and a few other little legislative acts of the government, the government rather than the banker, accepts the obligation of duty to the bank's depositors up to a sizeable sum.

With such a situation existing, we think it very foolish of the treasury department not to voice an opinion on how the deposits secured by the government shall be invested, and certainly curtailing or expanding the loans made by certain banks.

After all, whether the deposits are secured or unsecured, the only difference is that in the event of a bank failure with insurance, the loss would be more widespread and not to such a great amount per capita. With either situation existing, the people would be the losers, and most certainly the actions of the bankers should be restricted to serve the best interests of the people.

Adams Talks

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porting a deeper interest in religion in the last six months, on the part of both students and faculty members, than has been seen for years."

Departments Increase

He reports that on the University of Nevada campus the young people's departments in the churches and faculty states that the entering students in the freshman class seemed more seriously minded than previously entering students for many years. In Ohio, in the month of October, there were 2,000 attending Presbyterian conferences.

Last night a reception for friends of Mr. Adams was held at the Westminster house under the auspices of the Westminster Student committee. This noon, faculty members will have luncheon with Mr. Adams. In the morning, Adams will meet with the religious staff, which is composed of representatives from Westminster, Wesley, Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. groups, at Westminster house. At

"On the Bandwagon"

By DICK WATKINS

Our little game of furrating out the campus' choice of the ten best dance orchestras is drawing in results far greater than our expectations, with over 100 lists turned in to date and many more promised on the morrow. Ray Noble polled more votes for first choice than all the rest of the pack put together, with 6 to his credit alone. Tied for second place in popularity, we find Fred Waring and Glen Gray's Casa Loma battling with much gusto, followed by Jack Hylton running neck and neck with Ted Flo-Rito for third. Eddie Duchin pulls into line at fourth with Jan Garber at fifth, Jimmy Grier at sixth and Tom Coakley slight favorite over Duke Ellington for seventh, in fact separated by only three votes. Guy Lombardo surprises us by being only eighth, while we are glad to see Wayne King at ninth, with Freddie Martin holding up the rear guard at No. 10. Paul Whiteman, Hal Kemp, Gus Arnheim and Georgie Stoll, drew so many votes that they deserve to be mentioned also. Tom McCall, local campus bandsman on-the-up-and-come, magnanimously puts his own master melodians of mush in only fourth place on the list he turned in, even ahead of Harry' Happy Hummingbirds, who was way down the line. The almost unanimous selection as the best band on the coast fell to Tom Coakley, with Orville Knapp and Jimmy Grier fighting it out for the cellar position. Portland's white hope, Bart Woodyard, only drew one ducat, tying with the Ten Commanders (take your bow, fellers), with no other Oregon outfits mentioned.

If you who haven't made up your lists, don't agree with the above showing, send in your ideas of how it should look. The more the merrier, and there is no time limit set, but try to get them in by this week, if you can. Thank you, gentle readers for the avalanche of votes sent in and will have them all tabulated and a final count made the first of next week. Adios.

Emerald of the Air

By GEORGE Y. BIKMAN

Note to Kessler in merrie England: Your stuff's fine, kid; keep it up. We read it on the Emerald program, so it's gotta be first rate. Greetings from ex-co-workers.

The Emerald broadcast which your New Zealand cousin or your uncle in Boston might hear if he happens to be tuned in Friday morning between one and two will feature Stan Bromberg's violin music, with Milt Sugarman at the piano. The special broadcast, a DX release, which is French or something for long distance, is being sponsored by some company in Newark, New Jersey. Modesty demands brevity, but we consider ourselves quite fortunate in being asked to take part. Incidentally, the same two boys are on the menu for this afternoon's program at 4:45. They really serve sweet stuff with a finishing touch that isn't hard to take.

One of our favorite announcers, David Ross of CBS, will make his debut as a singer in "The O'Flynn" broadcast tomorrow evening from 7:30 to 8. The famous conductor of the Poet's Gold program first announced in 1925, without benefit of audition or rehearsal, and has been rising in our estimation—without commas too, ever since. In 1922 he was awarded the dictation medal by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Hi, Dave.

Campus Brevities

Graduate Manager in Portland

Hugh E. Rosson, graduate manager, went to Portland Wednesday on a business trip and will return Friday.

Makes Trip to Portland
Marye Campbell went to Portland yesterday to visit with her parents for the remainder of the week.

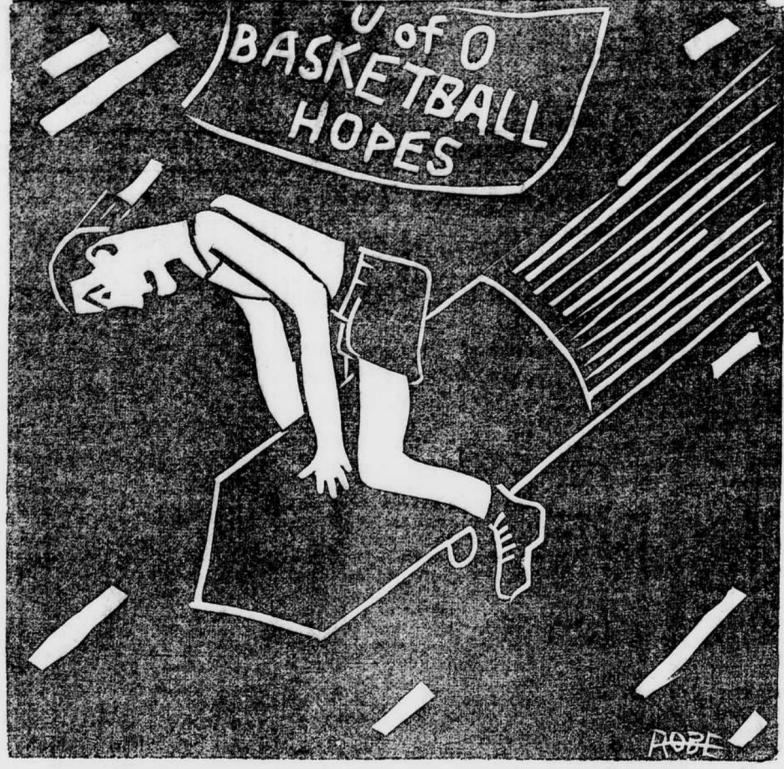
Visiting Friends in Portland
Imogene Wiley is visiting at the 4:00 he will attend a session of the Student Christian council.

Friday, Adams will visit on the O.S.C. campus and then he will go to Portland and Seattle to meet with Westminster groups there.

The series which will be opened tonight by Mr. Adams has five speakers. Besides Dr. Parsons, Dean George Rebec, Rev. J. Hudson Ballard, Dr. Olof Larsell, and an un-named speaker will be heard. The last lecture is April 4.

Up Again--Down Again

By STANLEY ROBE



Fire-Buckets and Fire-Water

By Frederic S. Dunn

The bells that used to ring out from many a belfry in old Eugene town,—whether have they gone? The weddings they pealed forth, the deaths they tolled, the New Years they rang in! Crass disillusionment to think of the melting pots into which they may have been tossed, of pawing for old church debts, of exchange for a memorial tablet! And with them vanished also the Old Court House bell that clanged so furiously in alarm of fire. Oh! the "jangling and the wrangling" of that Old Court House bell!

It was toward the close of a bitterly cold afternoon in the winter of 1882-3, a few kerosine lights were beginning to straggle through an occasional window, when the old fire bell rang out its terror through the dusk. A frame shoe-store just south of the alley on the west side of Willamette between 8th and Broadway was ablaze. The old Hook and Ladder Co. and the hand-rail fire engine and the one hose team, all manned

by volunteer firemen, rushed to the rescue, with hundreds of citizens to offer relief. Picks and crowbars loosened some planks in the street intersection, revealing a well shaft and running water 15 feet below the surface, the hose with suction attachment was thrust into the cistern, and the two long rails of the engine went up and down as valiant citizens plied their strength to raise the water and throw it on the burning building. Others formed a line and passed tarred leather buckets of water from a hand pump and horse-trough in front of Dunn's Store.

Long after dark, the fire was out, and Clem Hodcs, devoutly grateful for the saving of his saloon just across the alley,—Clem with the florid cheeks and chin whiskers and true Germanic sphericity, threw wide his doors with free drinks for all. And in poured the citizenry. Just at this juncture, a throng of students from a skating carnival west of town came upon the scene with clinking

skates strung about their necks and their fingers and toes tingling with cold. Gleeefully they accepted Clem's wholesale invitation, some of them with no conscience limit, I mean neither conscience nor limit.

This was on a Friday evening. Why should Faculty folk go to a fire? You couldn't keep them from a fire in those days. And some one peached. The result was a general assembly the following Monday, way up in the third heaven of Deady Hall, and a public reprimand administered to something like ten of those afterthoughters, and apology demanded of all ten before the entire Student Body. And two of the most hilarious, who helped most vigorously put out the fire of thirst, Mack Summerville and Morgan Holt, never again had a free drink over Clem Hodcs' bar.

But there is yet another angle to that fire which shall constitute a supplementary chapter. (Next in the series, HE DRANK COFFEE EVER AFTER.)

of friends in Portland and expects to return to the campus for next Monday classes.
Visits Home in Portland
Lila Weiser is visiting her parents at their home in Portland where she intends to remain the rest of the week.
On Business Trip
P. A. Parsons, professor and head of sociology department, is on a business trip in Portland.
Returns to the Campus
Ida May Cameron returned to the campus last weekend after

spending ten days with her mother in Portland. A serious illness of her mother made it impossible to return sooner.
Ill With Mumps
Jean Cochran is confined to her home at Coburg with a case of mumps.
Confined to Home
Constance Lewis is ill at her home in Eugene with the mumps. Receives Certificate With Honors
C. Worth Chaney, major in science, has been granted his Junior Certificate with Honors Privileges.

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