BE THERE AT

TRACK MEET TODAY



PUBLISHED BY THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon

Robert W. Lucas, editor Eldon Haberman, manager Clair Johnson, managing editor

EDITORIAL OFFICES: Journalism building. Phone 3300— Editor, Local 354; News Room and Managing Editor, 353. BUSINESS OFFICE: McArthur Court. Phone 3300—Local 214.

MEMBERS OF MAJOR COLLEGE PUBLICATIONS
Represented by A. J. Norris Hill Co., 155 E. 42nd St., New
York City; 123 W. Madison St., Chicago; 1004 End Ave.,
Seattle; 1031 S. Broadway, Los Angeles; Call Building, San

The Oregon Daily Emerald will not be responsible for returning unsolocited manuscripts. Public letters should not be more than 300 words in length and should be accompanied by the writer's signature and address which will be withheld if requested. All communications are subject to the discretion of the editors. Anonymous letters will be disregarded.

The Oregon Daily Emerald, official student publication of the University of Oregon, Eugene, published daily during the college year, except Sundays, Mondays, holidays, examination periods, all of December except the first seven days, all of March except the first eight days. Entered as second-class matter at the postoface, Eugene, Oregon. Subscription rates, \$2.50 a year.

For Their Snobbery

H. L. MENCKEN, he of the dyspeptic pen, is a thinker praised and damned—praised when he attacks a popular gripe, damned when he pours ridicule over things held dear. His article in the spring Yale Review should gain him a full measure of praise, for there in he impales one of the most cherished American gripes—the British scorn for the American "langwidge."

The lexical snobbery of our island cousins is so vulnerable that it needs not even the redoubtable Mencken's ridicule; however, the ex-Mercury editor marshalls up a choice array of examples. For instance, there was the Rt. Rev. Cyril Henry Gelding-Bird, Assistant Bishop of Guildford and Archdeacon of Dorking, who was hailed before a magistrate and fined 50 pounds for maligning a member of the English mobile police with the horrid Americanism, "speed-cop." Fancy!

. How vastly better, exclaims Mencken, is such an American expression as "bouncer," rather than its English equivalent, "chucker-out"; or "movie," rather than "cinema"; or "shock absorber," rather than "anti-bounce clip." Just contemplate the beauty of such Americanisms as "mug," "rubberneck," "goof," "bunk," or "hoosegow." In the face of that sublime expression, "lounge lizard," says the writer, Horace Annesley Vachell "fell silent like Sir Isaac Newton on the seashore, overwhelmed by the solmen grandeur of the linguistic

To Mencken's mind, the American aptitude for coining expressions of this sort is not a sign of lingual degeneration, as our overseas kin fear. Far from it. "In current American," says Mencken, "one finds all the characters and tendencies that marked the rich English of Shakespeare's timean eager borrowing from other languages, a bold and often ingenious use of metaphor, and a fine disdain of barricades separating the parts of

Indeed, while the British repose in their mellow moss-and-ivy tradition, the lingual leadership of the Anglo-Saxon race is passing into vigorous American hands, and although no American writer has appeared to challenge the Avonian bard, we are akin to the spirit of his grand times. Who knows, maybe one of these years . . . ?

Politics, Opera Bouffe

DOLITICALLY speaking, our sister state of Washington has shown a fine flair for comedy. The commonwealth's late official history reads like the script of a Mack Sennet chuckler, minus none of the trimmings.

First, after a slap-stick campaign, they elect Orchestra Leader Vic Meyers to the lieutenantgovernorship, making him ex-officio president of the state senate, which is an office of no mean

Then in Seattle they elect Mayor Smith, who gives the city a grand show and secures nationwide publicity with his contest to find the com-

munity's best diaper-pinning male. But now they have pulled the prize comedian of all out of the bag and sent him off to the bigtime show at Washington, D. C .- Representative Marion Anthony Zioncheck, whose frequent, gay breaking of the peace assures him the front page of any newspaper in the country.

Beside Zioncheck's antics, how stolid and stuffy seems our own delegation in congress! Only the sporadic tiffs of Representative Pierce and Ekwal enliven Oregon's space in the Congressional Record. How blind are the people of this state to all the possibilities of real publicity!

Well, the stolid burghers of Gregon will just muddle along, electing men merely on their record of social achievement-and oblivious to all really

. And Washington-Washington will re-elect Zioncheck.

Miscellanything

Being Stuff From Heah and Theah

THE annual convention of the American Newspaper Publishers' association, now in session in New York, got wrought up on Wednesday over the issue of "freedom of the press." The discussion was led by Colonel Robert R. McCormick of the Chicago Tribune, that well-known packing-town palladium of liberty, which, during the late war, vigorously upheld the right of freedom of the press by calling for the muzzling of all dissenting

From careful study of the records of publishers leading the uproar for a free press I find that with a few notable exxceptions their private definition of freedom of the press is as follows:

The freedom to distort or suppress news which runs counter to the publisher's own political or monetary interests.

The freedom to lampoon, degrade and "smear" in news columns, editorials and cartoons the political record and private life on an opposing party official and the freedom to bellow like a selfrighteous bull when that smearing is criticized in the right places.

A Difference in Definition

The freedom to denounce interception by a senate committee of private messages from a publisher to his editors, and the fredom of the publisher to steal, extract or buy by outright bribes private messages and documents that corroborate the publisher's prejudices or increase his profits. It must be added in all fairness to the publishers that this is not "invasion of privacy' but it is "getting the news." This department will offer to any one who can explain the distinction a prize consisting of a photo of the surviving Lindbergh baby being scared witless by the muszzle of a camera in the hands of a photographer employed by a publisher now yowling loudest against the invasion of privacy.

The freedom to demand in ringing editorials a fair deal for the masses, shorter hours and higher wages for the underpaid, and the freedom of the publisher to fire from his staff members of the Newspaper Guild who are espousing particularly and passionately these identical reforms.

The freedom to sprinkle the editorial page with copious extracts from the Bible and dedicating the newspaper to God, country and the home, and the freedom of the publisher to live lavishly and sometimes lewdly, confident that he as publisher is exempt from the spotlight of front-page sensationalism reserved for hapless citizens no more wicked but less powerful.

The Ulterior Motive

There is no one, let me add, who believes more earnestly than I do in freedom of the press. Hamstring that and you are on the high road to dictatorship. Germs of intolerance and biogtry do not thrive in the sunlight of free expression.

What I do resent is the monumental hypocrisy of some publishers who have violated every honest implication of freedom of the press in private dealings with their fellow men and who now, when their own profits or prestige are at stake, raise

a howl to high heaven in defense of that freedom. There is a finer ideal than freedom of the press, and that is freedom of the oppressed. And in time, perhaps, the oppressed will recognize that most publishers with million-dollar investments at stake. like exploiters of all times and al kinds, are paying lip service to a concept which has become a mere slogan and which they have sullied with the muck of the counting house.-Ernest L. Meyer in New

The Marsh Of Time By Bill Marsh

Jack Benny's broadcast tomorrow evening over the airlanes of the entire nation will mark his fourth anniversary as a radio headliner.

May 3, 1932, saw Benny starting his own series of programs. His surprisingly rapid climb to the top ranks of network stardom will always be regarded as little short of miraculous. Even more phenomenal than his rapid rise is the consistency with which he has clung to the top rung of the ladder. Radio scribes in the United State and Canada have, for three seasons in a row, selected him as the foremost comedian on the air. No other radio comic has ever had such an honor bestowed more than

Benny's success has done lit- rent problems. tle to swell the Benny ego. He great deal of his success is probably due to this modesty, and to the fact that Benny has never tried to make his program a one-man show.

· When scripts are handed out at his rehearsals on Sunday mornings, Schlepperman's lines are not written in dialect, but in ordinary language. Schlepp never murders the same sentence the same way twice, so Benny has sense enough to leave his stooge's dialect alone.

But Benny won't even admit that his program is tops because of his own good sense and modesty. He feels that most of his success is due to "good writing, good direction, skillful associates and the - Cod-given sense of humor of the American

Benny's first effort at broadcasting occurred when Ed Sullivan, one of Broadway's most famous columnists, invited him to make a guest appearance. Jack still has the script of his first broadcast, a yellow, dog eared document which he regards as his most prized possession, because, in his own words, "it was the turning point in what some people are humorous enough to call my career."

From Boston: Comes a yarn about a business-woman who, glancing out of her office windown, was horrified to see, lying on the ledge, hundreds of feet above the swirling traffic in the streets below, nothing more or less than a very fine speciment of a dead man.

Quivering and jittery she caled the police to come and lug the corpse away before it rolled off and killed somebody.

The police arrived, steamed through the office in full array. and agrived at the window just in time to see the corpse rise up, dangle its feet over the dizzy height, and stretch!

One of the bolder gendarmes ventured to open the window.

a corpse, but a window washer. class, was apprehended in true night. It seems that he had gotten gangster style by a group of husky Persons wishing to compete for tired, so he stretched himself frosh led by Harry Clifford. He the first prize of \$150, awarded by took second prize of \$100 speaking out on the ledge for a little nap. was taken for a ride over the cam- Henry Failing of Portland, and for My gosh, there's one lad who pus which resulted in the dunking second prize of \$100, given by C. C. doesn't want to go walking in spree. his sleep!

Debating Teams To Start Forum

the lines of speaking unions common in Great Britain and Canada will be organized by members of the men's and women's debating teams Monday evening at 8 o'clock in room 13, Friendly hall. Interest of Oregon debate members was aroused on their trip to Vancouver,

The purpose of forming the forum now is to insure smooth functioning of the organization next fall. Officers will be elected from students present at the initial meeting Monday night. It is expected to have regular meetings at which members will discuss cur-

The form of the discussions will is still the modest, quiet chap be modeled more after the Ameriwho came on the air for the can congress and legislatures rath- Elizabeth Turner met in the Colfirst time four years ago. A er than after the stricter British

Frosh Answer

(Continued from page one)

yesterday's libel on the freshman freshmen.

ized the little party early in the May 16. morning but waited until noon to carry it out. Leaders of the frosh class are eligible for competition. information will be impartially class "flying squad" will use the The series of past contests, over given by members of the depart-A parliamentary forum based on event as a warning to smart-aleck, a long period of years, and the high ment. weak-kneed sophs who make un- quality of orations delivered have warranted slams against the created for this contest a tradi- Schomp Accepts stucheon of the class of '39.

abduction were Harry Clifford, plans for this year's contest. organizer, Jack Lochridge, George Tupling, and Edgar Moore. They per cent of quoted material. adopted for their slogan "Action-Not Words."

America's system of higher educa- May 29. tion. It was also alleged that Harbert was being paid directly by the received his orders by code directly from Stalin in Moscow.

Llye Baker, Ralph Cathey, and eeg Side yesterday afternoon to make plans for hiring thugs from New York and Chicago to aid them in the tug-of-war battle. They decided that because of the weakness of their class they had best iding in the depths of the Theta enlist outside forces to aid them in whatever attempt they could pos-Harbert, unscrupulous author of sibly make to quell the powerful

James Emmett Gets Advertising Job

James Emmett, ex-Oregon student, was the only student from New York university accepted by Wiliam Randolph Hearst for 10 positions offered by him to eastern college students.

Emmett received a scholarship from NYU and left Oregon in 1935. He was a business administration student at the University, majoring economics. He was affiliated with Sigma Nu.

Emmett said in his letter to W. F. G. Thacher, professor of English and advertising, that the job was general advertising work in either the radio, magazine, or newspaper field.

Infirmary List Hits Two-Term Low Mark

Only two new patients, Althea Burghardt and Mary Graham, were admitted to the infirmary yesterday to keep the total confined there to six, the lowest number of patients to be in the infirmary at any one time during the last two guests of honor. Frances Watzek

The other four patients are: Norma Strom Esther Clausen Clifford Troland, and Ed Shuey.

Failing-Beekman

(Continued from page one) teel, speech director, said last

Beekman of Jacksonville, must Wendell Holmes. Freshmen, aroused by the slur register for the contest at the ofmade at their high ideals, organ- fices of the speech division before in the contest should signify their

tion of the highest character, said Freshmen participating in the Mr. Casteel in commenting on

Campbell, Dick Olcott, Bob Hin- words and may be on any subject, gana and did considerable work man, Mike Cooley, Bob Recken, but must be organized in composi- on the business staff of the Ore-Wilis Fry, Fritz Watkins, Lloyd tion, including not more than ten gon Emerald. In case more than six contest-

Rumor had it that Harbert's will be held. Speakers in the final the burden of directing the story, published on May 1, was a contest will appear in academic finances of class and publication Communist attempt to undermine costume at the music auditorium activities. Schomp will probably Herbert Skalet won first prize the end of the school year.

last year with his oration, "What Soviet government, and that he Price Justice." Orval Thompson Subscription rates \$2.50 per year.

Phi Theta Upsilon Names 22 Women

Service Honorary Holds Banquet and Initiation At McCrady's

Twenty-two women were initiated by Phi Theta Upsilon, junior women's service honorary, at a banquet held last night at Mc-Crady's cafe. Marjory Kissling was in charge of arrangements for the initiation.

Those initiated were: Isabelle Miller, Jane Bogue, Molly White, Gayle Buchanan, Lucia Davis, Clare Igoe, Jean Gulovson, Margaret Carman, Frances Schaupp, Martha Stewart, Gladys Battleson, Hallie Dudrey, Laurene Brockschink, Jean Larson, Gretchen Smith, Betty Brown, Elizabeth Turner, Olive Lewis, Jean Ackerson, Kathleen Duffy, Constance Kletzer, Genevieve McNiece.

Mrs. Hazel Prutsman Schwering and Mrs. Alice B. Macduff were is acting president of Phi Theta Upsilon in the absence of Dorothe Hagge who isn't in school this term.

Members who were present were Martha McCall, Lilyan Krantz, Marjory Will, Helen Nickachiou. Helen Bartrum, Phyllis Adams, Patsy Neal, Virginia Endicott, Shirley Bennett, Clara Nasholm, Frances Watzek, and Marjory Kissling.

on "A Conservative Liberal," a discussion of the career of Oliver

Seniors who wish to take part intentions at once to the speech All members of the graduating department, said Casteel. Help and

(Continued from page one) During his senior year, Schomp Orations are limited to 1500 was assistant editor of the Ore-

Appointed to the position of assistant graduate manager in 1934, ants enter, a preliminary contest Schomp has shouldered much of remain with the University until

FOR THE CANOE FETE Building Lumber of All Kinds

MacDonald Lumber Co.

555 High Street

Astrid's Son --- Next King of Belgians



The serrowing nation of Belgium, stunned by the death of Queen Astrid, finds some measure of comfort in the knowledge that one of her two sens will some day be its monarch. Here's the lastest picture of the future ruler-Crown Prince Baudouin, Duke of Brabant, second of three children born to King Leopold and Queen Astrid. He will be five years old September 7.

and save Railway Express can handle laundry packages for you very easily and

economically. Simply notify the folks that you are shipping your laundry by Railway Express and ask them to return it the same way. If you wish, you can ship "collect." It saves time and detail, and loose change.

Railway Express is fast and dependable and can be relied upon to get your laundry back as fresh and in as good condition as when it left home. So think the idea over and telephone Railway Express. Our motor truck will pick up the package at your door at no extra charge.

For service or information telephone

Railway Express Agency Inc. East of S. P. Passenger Station 'Phone 20—Eugene, Ore.

RAILWAY EXPRESS

NATION-WIDE RAIL-AIR SERVICE

Innocent Bystander

By BARNEY CLARK

The other day I. B. tries to relate a gag on himself by making false-faces at Harold Noble, and the gag backfired. Some

Where was Clark when the

lights went out?

dope in his Modern Europe class thinks that I. B. is throwing rocks at Harold for neglecting his pupils and proceeds to rip off a letter to the editor excoriating the Bystander. If this unfortunate child (who forgot to sign his name to the letter, incidentally) had ever studied the gentle art of column-writing, he would have realized that the gun was pointed the other way.

Far be it from the Bystander to ever cast a brick at one of the very, very few platform performers on this campus who really has something to say and knows how to say it. All kidding aside, this boy Noble is as potent as they come, and if you kiddies want to become big brainy men and women best you crawl into his Mod. Europe before they bounce you out of this

dive some June. David "Dave the Diplomat" Lowry fells us that he has the finger on Bill Marsh, and is prepared to exert the old pressure any time now. The Marshmalolw, says Dave, bet him that Finley would win the elec- Race Dunking tion, the penalty clause in the contract requiring the loser to Side. As you probably know, that you kiddles can be in- smith. formed in turn, insuring a large should be an inspiring sight, since the Marsh nose is almost

And now for a poem. There the jury. for the carriage trade.

LINES FOR AN IMPETUOUS trial will be held May 7. LADY

"I'd rather be reckless and Subscription rates \$2.50 a year.

happy tonight And pay for my weakness in SOFFOW,

Than wait for a future (and

legal) delight, For temorrow is always tomorrow!"

"Well, the light hurts my

push a peanut with his nose tiff, and Kendall Lottridge and from the Libe down to College Robert Marks for the defendants. Witnesses for the plaintiff were Marsh came out on the short Reva Herns, Mrs. Winifred Simpend of the deal. Thus, Mr. son, the plaintiff, Harry McCall, Lowry is prepared to collect, and Day Bailey. Witnesses for the and has offered to inform the defense were Dean Wayne L. Bystander of the hour of the Morse, Robert Hunter, Robert Mildebacle in advance, in order ler, one of the defendants, Bill Sex-

Orlando J. Hollis, instructor of turnout for the festival, It this trial practice class presided over the court. Other officials were Virgil Schelber, bailiff-nonegligible and a peanut is a Barnhard Fedde, reporter-sheriff: and Phyllis Gardner, forewoman of

is nothing like poetry to elevate
This case is the fourth of the sethe soul, as Dean Schwering has ries of moot trails conducted by often said, and this particular the trial practice classes and the epic has been especially tailored first to be based upon actual events. The fifth and last moot

The corpse smiled. "Hello." Investigation developed the fact that the corpse was not