

The Passing Show
Ethiopians Slaughtered
Senator Vandenburg
Morgenthau Replies
Spanish War
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To the Grads
Is dedicated this edition of the Emerald. The students are getting the old campus ready for a big weekend Friday. Come and get it.

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1936 HOMECOMING TO OPEN FRIDAY

Italian Vengeance
Ethiopian tribesmen were tracked down and killed by a column of 500 Italian soldiers yesterday in a belated "mass reprisal" for the killing of Fascist aviators last July.

Military headquarters announced the purpose of the "mass murder" was vengeance for the death of their men.

Interruption Defended
While Senator Vandenburg declared the incident close, word from Washington yesterday said the Federal Communications commission would investigate the interruption by CBS of a radio debate Saturday between the Republican senator and "excerpt" recordings of Roosevelt speeches.

Harry C. Butcher, director of the Washington office of CBS, yesterday issued a statement tending to explode published inferences that the company's action "was dictated by fear of either the Democratic administration" or the commission. Vandenburg is expected to comment on the incident in a radio address over CBS tonight.

And Vice Versa
A dash of comedy was added to the political "stewpot" yesterday as Joe Phillips of Nebraska City, Nebraska, agreed that if President Roosevelt wins the election he will take one dozen eggs to court house square and wash "Landon man" Mason Colbert's face with them, and if Landon wins—well, vice versa. No announcement was made as to age limitation on the eggs.

Nine Pages of Reply
Charges of "juggled" fiscal reports in the United States treasury department, made by ex-President Hoover in a radio speech Friday night, were answered in detail last night by Secretary Morgenthau. The treasury chief's reply, embodied in a nine-page statement which he read to his press conference, denied that the department was using an "entirely new system of double bookkeeping."

"Treasury accounts are kept strictly in accordance with law, and are not based upon any partisan political considerations," he declared.

Although it is not ordinarily treasury department policy to answer charges made against government records during the heat of political campaigns, Morgenthau said, public interest demands that such statements be not ignored "when a former president of the United States in a public address charges the treasury department of the United States with 'intellectual dishonesty' and 'pernicious deceit.'"

Mystery Blaze
Fire of unknown origin which swept the third class quarters of the Italian liner Vulcanica resulted in the death of four persons yesterday. Three of the victims were stewards. The fourth, a musician, crazed with terror, leaped from the side of the ship and drowned. The blaze was first discovered (Please turn to page five)

Campus United Against Tax Limitation

Various Opposition Elements Hit Evils Of Proposed Measure

Student Conservatives, Liberals, Militarists, Anti-Militarists, All to Oppose Measure

Unanimous Feeling Shows Few Favoring the Limitation Bill

By CLAIRE JOHNSON
Campus liberals and campus conservatives, required military backers and anti-militarists, independent groups and fraternity groups, student leaders and average students, all these varied and sometimes conflicting interests present a united front on one issue, and that is in their opposition to the proposed tax limitation measure appearing on the November ballot.

Almost unprecedented in the history of the school is the unanimous sentiment against this measure, which would by 1942 cut another \$1,000,000 from the revenues of an Oregon system of education already suffering a \$1,000,000 decrease in allotment since 1929.

Prexy, Average Student Agree
Student body President Fred Hammond and "Mr. Average Student" agree in their opposition to the measure. Hammond, when asked for his views on the subject said, "My contact with various departments of the University has shown that they are already operating with inadequate funds. Further cuts in revenue, as would no doubt come under the proposed tax limitation measure, would be irreparably disastrous."

In a special poll of 50 students to determine the views of the average University man and woman this writer found not a single student favoring the measure. Nineteen were acquainted with it, while the other 31 definitely opposed it. Thomas, Ohmart United Although they were very decidedly on opposite sides of the fence (Please turn to page two)

Boyer Fears Tax Bill May Cut School Revenue

With the investigations of such men as Henry F. Reed and Attorney L. B. Smith indicating that should the proposed tax limitation measure pass, education would suffer a cut in revenue of \$1,000,000 by 1942, President C. Valentine Boyer is definitely worried about passage of the measure.

"The apportionment for higher education this year is \$1,000,000 less than in 1929, although enrollment is again at peak," Dr. Boyer said, "and with every department operating at an absolute minimum, a further cut of \$1,000,000 by 1942 would mean direful results."

In his article published in the Oregon Voter of August 15, Mr. Reed, a realtor and former assessor of Multnomah county who has gained national recognition as a tax administrator, shows how, in addition to the \$1,000,000 cut in education's revenues that passage of the measure would harm the small home owners, would necessitate many special elections, and would fail to provide adequate finances for the state's operating costs.

Attorney Smith, general counsel of Oregon Business & Investors Inc., director of Northwest Municipal Statistics Inc., and a recognized authority on taxation in Oregon, says in his extensive analysis of the proposed measure: "The portion of the state tax levy that supports higher education would not be increased by the six mill allowable limit for state tax levy, but the

Pallett Releases Dads' Day Slate In Final Form

Weekend for Fathers Begins November 13: Frosh Game Will Be Evening Highlight

Student and faculty committees formulating plans for Dads' day are not letting homecoming preparations halt their plans. Evidence of this was seen Monday through the release of the finished program from the office of Earl M. Pallett, general chairman.

Dads will be beckoned to the campus for two days of feting, November 13 and 14. Registrations will begin shortly after noon Friday at Johnson hall. In the evening the University of Oregon Frosh will play a football game against the Oregon State Rooks at Hayward field.

At 8:30 Saturday morning an executive committee breakfast will be served in the Regents room of John Straub memorial building.

Mass Meeting in Guild Hall
The annual mass meeting will be held at Guild theatre at 10 o'clock. The sons or daughters of the fathers on the campus will take them to lunch at noon at the men's dorm dining room.

The highlight of the entire weekend, the banquet, is to be staged Saturday evening at 6 in John Straub memorial building. Here different fathers will give toasts to be answered by their son or daughter. Music and features will also be enjoyed, say committee heads.

Saturday evening will be spent with Dad. No special event has been planned.

At 11 o'clock Sunday morning dad will attend church with his college son and daughter. The churches are making special preparations for this day.

Houses to Serve Dinner
Dinner will be served in the living organizations at 1:30 at which the fathers will be honored guests. Barney Hall heads all student committees. Assisting him are Robert Lee, publicity; Robert Mofers' holiday? (Please turn to page two)

What Price Tax Reduction?

Shall Governments Continue To Function or Fail? The amendment limiting and reducing permissible taxes is not "moderate and gradual" tax reduction.

By making arbitrary selection of the 1935 levy as the base, and by applying these millage rates to a 50 per cent valuation it involves immediate and abrupt reductions ranging from 30 to 63 per cent in the tax levies of local governments.

On top of these abrupt reductions it pares down another 20 per cent in five years. One-half of our Oregon counties would lose more than 40 per cent of permissible tax levies—four of them 50 per cent or more.

Where reductions are taken and debt service is provided for, many Oregon cities would have nothing on which to operate.

It would destroy the credit of port districts, irrigation and drainage districts, by fixing a levy so low that interest and maturing obligations could not be met.

With teachers' salaries notoriously low, equipment reduced to depression level, and needed construction long delayed, the amendment would force a further reduction of 30 to 40 per cent in school budgets.

Higher education, down a million a year below the pre-depression level, would be forced to take another cut of \$175,000 a year.

The measure provides no substitute revenues and the people seem inclined to "accept no substitute."

Shall we cripple our county functions, undermine police and fire protection, demoralize our schools for the sake of a taxpayers' holiday? (Please turn to page two)

Political Debate to Be Held Thursday

The platforms of the three major political parties dominating the coming presidential election; Republican, Democratic and Socialist, will be debated at the next student body assembly next Thursday, October 22, in Gerlinger hall.

David Eccles, state chairman of the Young Republican league will present the platform of the Republican party and discuss the party's candidate, Governor Landon of Kansas. W. L. Gosslin, secretary to Governor Martin, will outline the Democratic platform and support President Roosevelt. Monroe Sweetland, state chairman of the Socialist party will debate in favor of Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for president and present the platform of the Socialist party.

No formal question will be debated but the general procedure will be in the form of a debate.

MISS McCARTER WORKING
Helen McCarter, who obtained her master of science degree this spring, is now working in a relief office at Longview, Washington.

ALUMNUS HAS SCHOLARSHIP
Irene Smith, graduated in '36 from the department of sociology, has a two-year scholarship in personnel work in the University of Ohio.

McDonald Rally To Top Program Friday Evening

There'll be a hot time in the old town Friday night! Outstanding on that evening will be the first big rally of the year, to be held at the McDonald theater as a homecoming event. Alums and students alike will flock to the theatre to join in the fun, including pictures and a program in charge of men's and women's rally committees.

The program, which starts at 8:30, will feature prize awards for the best parade floats, music by the Oregon band, speeches by Coaches Hollingberry and Callison, and songs, yells and acrobatic stunts. Every student should be there, urges theater rally chairman, Vic Rosenfeld.

Two feature-length pictures will be shown. One of these is a football musical comedy, "Pigskin Parade," starring Jack Haley, Patsy Kelly, and the Yacht Club boys, while the other is a comedy by P. G. Wodehouse entitled "Trank You, Jeeves." Another highlight is an edition of "The March of Time."

Admission charge will be 40c with part of the receipts going to the ASUO.

Political Stickers On Cars Prohibited

Violators Subject to Fines From \$25 to \$100, Says Officer Rhinesmith

Political stickers on the windshields or windows of automobiles are prohibited by state law, warns O. L. Rhinesmith, automobile enforcement officer of the University.

The law prohibits, in the cause of safety, all signs, painting, or stickers of any sort that have not been sanctioned by the secretary of state and that are used in such a way as to impair vision. All police cars have been ordered to enforce this ruling.

Violators are subject to a fine of \$25 to \$100, informs the office of the state police.

Tooth Paste Ads



Coed cuties "opened up" to show their pearly teeth and laugh down the efforts of the Idaho Vandals against the Webfoots last Saturday. Barbara Williams, Alpha Phi, registered the prize-winning smile.

Emerald Straw Vote Brings 800 Students to Polls

Sentiment Favors Every Candidate, Both Sides ROTC Issue; Balloting Continues Today

Approximately 800 students voted yesterday in the Emerald's official straw vote of the campus, registering sentiment in favor of every one of the six presidential candidates and almost equally on both sides of the voluntary-compulsory ROTC question. Complete returns will be printed in Wednesday's paper.

Almost an equal number is expected to call for ballots today at the polling place between the law and business administration schools. The booth will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, the second and last day of the election.

All Students Can Vote

Every student in the University will be allowed to vote regardless of legal qualifications merely by appearing at the booth and indicating his name to the poll clerks who will check his name off a list of all students and give him a printed ballot.

The Oregon Liberty association was the only group active in campaigning during yesterday's voting. Robert Prescott, publicity chairman of the group, spoke through a public address system from the second floor of the College Side urging votes for compulsory military training.

Although the Democratic, Republican, and Socialist groups here were active, individual members of each were on hand distributing "facts" and buttons. The Emerald endeavored to maintain impartiality by placing members of all factions on both poll and tabulating committee. The Liberty association was the only group to send a representative official as a poll clerk.

Pay Cutting Tactics Lose U of O 7 Profs

Careful checking of University records discloses the fact that since faculty salaries were cut at the University during the depression, the state institution of higher education has lost at least one outstanding faculty man each year since 1932.

Salaries have been cut in the state system of higher learning until the University of Oregon has the lowest salary scale of any state university in the United States with the exception of Wyoming, North Dakota, South Carolina, and Missouri.

Dean James Gilbert of the school of social science and national tax expert, says that in the past five years the more worthwhile salaries which all but four state universities in the United States can offer University of Oregon faculty have drawn away seven men: David Faville, '32; Donald Erb, '33; Edmund Conklin, '34; Robert Seashore, '35; George Williamson, temporarily, at a higher salary, and James Carrell, '36.

Dean Gilbert said that in the last few years three or four other prominent faculty members including the president have turned down offers of better paid jobs to stick with the University. "These men should not be penalized for their loyalty!" he said.

CONWAY AT SALEM

Grant Conway, graduate of the sociology department in '36 is working on a federal survey of relief procedures in Salem.

WSC Game Saturday Big Event; Grads to Register in Johnson

Unnamed Heroes Recover Stolen 'Easy Viber 8'

"Easy Viber 8," ASUO crate which was stolen last week, was discovered Saturday night in the graveyard as an attempt was made to apprehend the thieves instead of paying the \$10 ransom.

Student President Fred Hammond could give no clues as to the identity of the auto snatchers, but reported that his representatives told the following story of the recovery:

"We found the designated O'Leary tombstone shortly after 11 o'clock Saturday. Upon the stroke of 12, a noise resembling a minor volcanic disturbance, proved to be the missing Viber 8 approaching with two men in the front seat.

"After a brief gun battle we frightened the dark figures, who took to the hill country nearby. Returning to the long-missing vehicle, we found it not in the least damaged, although the battery was somewhat run down."

Ticket Contest Word Lists Must Be in at 4 Today

Whirlwinds at puzzles and contests who have been laboring over the free ticket contest for the homecoming dance, are reminded that their list of names must be in to Dave Lowry at the Theta Chi house by 4 this afternoon.

The winner of this word-scrambling novelty will be notified by telephone and the ticket presented him later. An announcement will also be made through the Emerald as soon as the entrants' endeavors are judged, Lowry announced.

Communists Seethe as Czarists Seize Sickle

Shouts of protest came from the lips of campus communists yesterday because campus poster plastered campus trees with the hammer and sickle, emblem of Red Russia, to advertise the Russian Rendezvous, czarist danceski.

Rooted deep in the potato-cellar headquarters, communist leaders seethed and muttered into their beards and answered inquiring reporters with pointed remarks punctuated by bombs.

"Disaster wheel result," one slightly faded pink deigned to declare. "Eef our boys mistake this for our party, more than the usual amount of blood will flow in McArthur court at homecoming."

Three-hundred-one Annas and a ditto number of Ivan Ivanovichs will whirl the native reel in McArthur hay loft in honor of the beloved alums who will dot the campus over the weekend.

Gypsy fiddles of Gus Meyer's Campus Capers combined with two grand pianos, a special trombone section and a steel guitar will grind out lyrics, mixing sketches of "Dark Eyes" with "Sweet Sue." While the band strikes up, local swains make ready for the grind by doing the famous Russian knee bend and hop that lands amateurs on the floor. For this reason the shindig has been tagged informal, dance committees seeing the danger of dusting off the floor with pant seats, one which would bring the cleaners more than they are due this week.

There will come a time, as there does in one of these all-school hopscotches when the band requires refueling and the stragglers a siesta. While collegians wipe their (Please turn to page two)

Float Parade and Rally At McDonald Theatre Scheduled for Friday Evening

Luncheon in Dorm

Dance, Reunion, Guild Play Saturday; Concert to Be Sunday Afternoon

By MYRA HULSER
While freshmen scoured windows and cleaned hallways over the weekend, upper classmen wrote notes of welcome to their alumni, inviting them back to the campus for the University of Oregon's 1936 program.

When the grad sets foot once more on the Oregon green Friday he will be greeted by characteristic signs in front of houses and by the reception committee at Johnson hall, where he will register and spend the remainder of the afternoon until dinner meeting old and new friends.

Parade at 7 O'clock
At 7 o'clock the parade of floats will begin from the starting place, Thirteenth and Kincaid.

"We're setting up the evening program a half hour for each event. The parade was formerly scheduled for 7:30, but we see now that it will have to be sooner if we are to get out of the rally by midnight," Wait Eschebeck, homecoming general chairman said Monday.

'O' to Flame
As the parade winds its way down through the main part of Eugene, the freshmen will light the flaming "O" on Skinner's butte, north of town. Committees consisting of members of the frosh class have charge of the "O," and promise a fire "that can be seen by Portland."

At 8:30 the annual rally will commence in McDonald theater sponsored by the rally committee. A football feature will be shown on (Please turn to page five)

Where's George?



Says George, "I've taken a shine to the new fall suits at Eric Merrell's. Nothing like a new Society Brand priced at \$39.50 to put a man on his feet again!" (Please turn to page two)