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Out On The Limb

WE hope that our articles and editorials of the past few weeks have served somewhat to arouse the campus and friends of the University to the financial crisis that confronts higher education. Oregon educators are really keeping their fingers crossed until after Tuesday's election, which may well determine whether or not the state's schools of higher learning are to continue their vital services in any credible manner.

To repeat our appeal of two weeks ago, higher education is out on the limb. Its one dependable source of revenue, the millage income, owing to the decline in the value of real property, has dropped to a figure \$1,000-000 less than that of the 1929-1930 biennium.

TO make the situation more critical, enrollment, which fell off momentarily during the depression, has now climbed back to a new high. This very year Oregon's institutions of higher education are faced with the problem of educating five per cent more students than in 1929 on budgets so emanciated as to make it almost an impossibility.

Yet on next Tuesday's ballot is a proposed amendment to the state constitution which would immediately wipe out \$350,000 more from the budgets of Oregon's university, college, and normal schools and which in the course of five years could cut them a further \$1,000,000 through the progressive reduction of millage it provides.

Vote 111 No! The amendment limiting and reducing permissible taxes on tangible property must be defeated.

RESIDES defeating this vicious tax limitation bill, friends of higher education can be of greater assistance. The financial needs of upper learning are such that, even if its present revenues are preserved, further income in the form of legislative appropriations will be imperative.

In the past few sessions of the legislature at Salem there have frequently been men so short-sighted as to seek in educational retrenchment a remedy for pinched budgets in other departments. Leave such men to root in their darkness and send to the legislature men who can see in the advancement of education the progress of the whole state.

Certainly professors in Oregon schools of higher learning would not be among the worst paid in the entire nation if Oregon districts would send to the legislature men of such far vision as Earl H. Hill, who, by the way, is a candidate for re-election from Lane county.

Not Our Fight But,

THE Eugene water board, which to University students has been such a model of administrative efficiency, may be in for a revolutionary change of policy if next week's election brings new faces to its councils, it is rumored.

The issues, by no means publicly voiced, seems to be whether the city shall continue paying the board for the power it uses in lighting the streets. Considerable campus interest was aroused last year when a proposal that the board give the city free power was defeated in an election. Now, it would appear, accomplishment of the design may be attempted through a change in the board's personnel.

THE issue is taxpayer versus power consumer, despite the interlapping of the groups. Taxpaying property owners would shift the cost of street lighting from their own shoulders to those of the power consumers as a whole. The result, of course, would be a general boost in Eugene electric bills.

If Engene were served by a privatly owned, utilities corporation the city surely wouldn't get free power. Why a municipally-operated plant should be expected to shoulder such a burden is more than we can see.

IT may not be our fight, but as interested observers we'd say re-elect the present members, whose policies have given this city almost the cheapest power rates in the whole country-the cheapest in Oregon and even cheaper than those of the Tennessee valley, where giant government-owned power plants are in opration.

308 X Yes!

N this last pre-election issue of the Emerald we would like to restate simply and clearly why we support initiative measure 308, making military training non-compulsory at the University of Oregon and Oregon State col

In the Emerald's opinion there can be no logical defense for forcing students into taking four years of military drill, merely because these young men wish to get an educa- bridge . . . and a local boy who the aid of Elmer Logg's great lost. For Doug Milne has sworn tion. Such penalties are not imposed upon made good, Larry Keating, ex- punting which kept the Oregon that he will reclaim his Phi Delt our grade or high school students, neither do KGW, KEX, will be on one impor- team beneath its own goal posts they prevail at the state normal schools. The other arms of our national defense-national guard, militia, CMTC, regular army-all are to make the rainy state really hapoptional. Only in our two state schools do py, they got blond Cliff Engle to an early-game touchdown and we find this military discrimination. So obviously we oppose compulsory military training because it is undemocratic. ber 12, and since it's broadcast at point to win, 7 to 6.

WE favor optional training because we feel there is no educational value in drill for boys who do not take the course voluntarily. We can hardly believe that learning to goosestep and shoulder arms is educational, and we have yet to hear of anyone claiming that either war or war preparation is the ideal of education.

Neither do we accept the statement that military training is necessary to healthy physique. We have many statements from reliable physicians who say that in many cases military drill is decidedly harmful, and that it offers nothing which any well equipped gymnasium could not duplicate, meanwhile playing in Busch Gardens in the eliminating the evils of drill.

THE Emerald does not think this peacetime conscription has any place in American institutions of learning, and it only follows an honorable precedent when it recommends that Oregon citizens and Oregon you'll hear "Mignon" by Thomas students vote "308 X Yes." The Emerald has supported non-compulsory military training for no less than the last seven years, and ter the night in which you did now when the issue is before the people of just a wee bit too much rallying. Oregon, it is proud to reaffirm its position.

The Emerald believes that the solid and dependable people of Oregon will defeat military conscription by voting "Yes" on Initiative 308. This newspaper is proud to acknowledge a kinship with the churchmen, union workers, farmers, veterans and others who are supporting the non-compulsory bill. It urges a "308 X Yes" vote to insure passage of this progressive measure.

The Last Straw.....

WHAT is wrong with the Literary Digest straw vote? Doubting democrats have day, Bromo's, Alka Seltzer, and druff, Klamath Falls. burnt much midnight oil over the figures No-Doz Awakeners. That night ever since the results started turning very decidedly against F. D. But we think that an unsung mathematician right here on the campus has solved the problem.

The wizard, a professor who, per request, will be nameless, has worked it out from the terweller sprang up from the Digest's own figures as follows:

The total number of votes cast in the 1932 streaming away from the Husky presidential election was approximately 35,- pack for an almost certain touch-580,000. Of this number 15,760,000 of 40.6 percent were for Hoover.

In the present Digest poll ballots from inaugurated a long string of vic-2,135,952 persons had been received up until tories by winning, 27 to 0. That October 24. Of these persons 1,935,907 indi- Thick shakes at TAYLOR'S.—adv. cated for whom they voted in 1932. Of these latter 983,971, or 50.8 percent, attest that they voted for Hoover.

The conclusion from these figures is that.) since persons who voted for Hoover are send ing in 50.8 percent of the votes, whereas their 1932 showing entitles them to only 40.6 percent, the Digest must have gone somewhat astray in trying to get up a representative mailing list.

Maybe Mr. Funk got too many names from Dunn and Bradstreet.

Campus Comment

To the editor: It was not my wish in writing a letter to the Emerald to create any hard feelings, if such is the case. I merely felt it necessary to present my side of the picture and what I believed to be the feelings of a great many students on the campus. I was rewarded with the written support of two students, Joe W. Smith and Frank E. Trout, who, it is true, are connected with the Oregon band. Other support in the form of voiced approval of my letter I hope you will take my word for.

If it is true that Oregon students want a "swing band," and let them say so. You say you have support so I should tike to hear the views of some of the advocators of this type of band.

It would seem to me that the regular Oregon band might well be deserving of some of the cooperation and support that is beileg taken away from them by this novelty band. How about the added expense of this newly acquired sponsorer of "syncopated hors d'oeuvres?" It is a question that might well be asked of the activities department.

I might have been inclined to hold my tongue today if it had not been for the decidedly uncalledfor crack taken at Gregory's sport column. There is a question as to whether he will ever see the remark, but it seems to me to be in very bad taste. He has always been very favorable towards and interested in Oregon athletics, and to let such a trivially sarcastic remark as that slip by seems entirely unnecessary. Corinne LaBarre.

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By BOB POLLOCK

Something special coming up. So we ought to tell you about it. It's the opening of the Frisco-Oakland eight - mile, suicide - proof tant mike and Archie Presby, an- most of the afternoon, broke the ed. other graduate of the Oregonian long string of lean years by scorstations, will have one, and then, ing and winning, 16 to 0, give the dope from the sky in a fought off the desperate efforts must jump in the millrace from

10:30 in the morning, you probably

won't have to worry about it

Chatter: Ed Wynn, "The Perfect Fool," has signed Graham MacNamee, "The Perfect Foil," for his new Saturday night programs which will be heard over the NBC-Blue network at 9 p.m., starting November 14 . . . Mac used to stammer over top prizefights and he even drew the assignment to handle Broadway's welcome to Lindbergh . . . now he stooges . . . how far the mighty have fallen.

Something to get up for Sunday: the LA Philharmonic orchestra, Gruning are still at the Sacred C of C city, will broadcast a concert over the nation-wide Columbia network . . . no advance notice from KOIN, but if you reach for the aspirin and stick your ears out from between the covers around noon, it might be there . . . and and "Morning Mood" from Grieg's Peer Gynt Suite , , , this last is especially good for the morning af-

Nelson Eddy, bellowing baritone seen in the flickers opposite lantern-jawed Jeanette McDonald, once used a fountain pen to ink studs to a dress shirt—and then discovered it was an informal party . . . a woman in Montana wrote in to ask former psalm-singer Phil Lord of Gang Busters fame, to do her a favor . . . it seems her grandparents were murdered in August, 1901, and she wondered if Mr. Lord

would find out who did it. Tomorrow, no paper. Tonight, much whoopee. Next day, Bromo's. That night, more whoopee. Next gomery, Eugene, and Joliene Woffsleep. Next morning, Mid Terms. assume their duties at once al-

Phelan's Huskies

(Continued from page one) bench and tackled an Oregon back down. The ball was downed at the spot where Westerweller effected his "unofficial" tackle, but Oregon

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Huskies Win

Last year Oregon punched over

Calendar

Infirmary patients today are:

Virginia Hastings, Jeannette Char-

man, Richard Williams, Marguerite

Sunstrup, Alice Saunders, Frances

Henderson, Elenore Pitts, Bob Chil-

ton, Rexford Cooper, Emilio Ocam-

po, Robley Mangold, Clarence Elle,

John Breckenridge, and Russell

Guiss. Hugh Collins and Clifford

Phi Kappa Psi will have Oregana

Seabeck rally dinner reservations

Eugene hockey club will meet

this afternoon at 4 o'clock. All

members not leaving town are

Bettylou Swart Is

Frosh YW Prexy

Bettylou Swart, Portland, was

elected president of the YWCA

frosh commission over Mary Sta-

ton, Eugene, at the polls Thursday.

New vice-president is Alice Swift,

Salem, who defeated Betty Meek,

Portland, and new secretary-treas-

turer is Jean Merril, Albany, whose

opponents were Marjorie Mont-

The newly-elected officers will

though formal installation will not

be until some time in November.

The frosh commission, long dor-

nant, was recently revived by the

YWCA cabinet and will serve as

an organ to help acquaint fresh-

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Campus

Often the underdogs in pre-game betting, Oregon triumphed in 1929, (Continued from page one) 14 to 0. Conceded scarcely a spot in the town at a minimum chance chance in 1930, the Ducks cost of \$5. However, should Mr. won again, 7 to 0, as Johnny Kitz- Landon lose, this gal must come miller passed them to victory. up to Eugene for the Delta Upsilon formal and wine and dine the gentleman in like manner.

After a 13-to-0 lose in 1931, the The Kappa house will go off the Huskies eked out a scoreless tie the next season, and finally, with that is, at least one Kappa will gold standard if Roosevelt loses . pin if the president is not re-elect-

"Icy" Swim Waits Loser

Bill Pengra and Hal Duden of the Beta house have agreed that on January 1 the loser of their bet United Air Lines plane . . . don't of Washington to overcome the the Hilyard street bridge and swim get excited: it all comes Novem- margin of a successful kick for down to the Beta landing. Pengra has picked Landon as the winner and Duden is backing Roosevelt.

If Mr. Landon wins, no more will Reed Swenson view the foamy suds with loving eye for he has bet Jean Paine of the Theta house that he will hop aboard the wagon if the Sunflower Kid wins by a knockout. However, if Roosevelt wins, Miss Paine must spend the rest of the term studying.

Practical men that they are, the SAE boys have a group bet on. The Republicans and the Democrats have formed teams. The team whose party loses must clean the house from stem to stern-at that, an agreement to "clean house" is something new in political circles.

New Deal Bowling

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> WHERE are all the students?

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It is your right to vote; it is your capacity to think.

Whether or not you vote for me is immaterial; the thing that counts is that you do VOTE.

If, after due thought, your vote is cast for me, I will greatly appreciate your support.

CHAS. P. POOLE

CANDIDATE FOR LANE COUNTY CORONER

(Paid adv.)

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TO THE VOTERS OF EUGENE DO YOU KNOW:

THAT ALL BENEFITS of municipal ownership in Eugene are being returned to the water and electric users through reductions in rates?

THAT LOW RATES are the objective for which municipal ownership was established in Eugene, and have always been the objective of the Water Board management. The result is that rates in Eugene are now the lowest in Oregon, and among the lowest in the United

THAT THE POLICY of the Water Board is to pay bonded debt when due, to earn sinking funds and depreciation requirements, and to operate and make extensions on a pay-as-you-go basis, avoiding new debt and heavy interest charges whenever possible.

THAT EUGENE is given credit by all for keeping its utility management free of political interference at all times, and in the hands of experienced men?

THAT THIS SUCCESS in municipal ownership and management of water and electric utilies in Eugene has been accomplished under the policies of the present Water Board, and their predecessors in office during the past 25 years?

THAT AS A RESULT municipal ownership in Eugene is pointed to throughout the country as a model of efficiency and success?

NOW

IF YOU APPROVE what has been accomplished, and if you wish to continue the policies that have built up the water and electric properties, reduced the debt, and brought about low rates,

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L. D. PIERCE (for Member-at-Large)

and

W. R. ROBERTSON (for the First Ward)

They are the present Water Board members. There is no question as to their attitude. They are for the present policies, and for low rates.

The total assets of the water and electric departments now amount to over 61 million dollars, and the total debt is \$1,341.659.55-that is. the assets are nearly 5 times the

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