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Welcome Dads!

DADS are arriving today for the annual week-end dedicated to them by the University. Many of them will be returning to live again for a few hours of the life they once knew here. But to many others it will be their first real visit to the University.

It is our hope that Dad will be able to enjoy himself at the various special events arranged for him. But, aside from enjoying the entertainment, we hope that Dad gets time to look us over. We hope he gets time to see us as we really are, to get a picture of the many valuable things his boy or girl is getting out of attending school, and to gain an understanding of our life here.

Dad, for most of us, is the one who is making possible all the social benefits, intellectual betterment, and the sundry "finer things" we receive as University students. It is certainly fitting that all of our more or less silent tributes to him during the year be united and expressed in one weekend dedicated to him.

So to our Dads as pals, and to our Dads as fathers, to both veterans and newcomers, the Emerald joins Chairman Barney Hall, his committee, and the entire University in extending a cordial welcome, in a hope that they will enjoy themselves every minute they are here.

Five Man Football

REDUCTION of the number of men on the line in touch football would be a step toward eliminating blocking and charging, two possible causes of the injuries which have darkened the popular sport's record during its first season of intramural play.

Touch football has taken a definite hold on Portland. This is evident in the enthusiasm with which it has been greeted in the Eastern Portland league and in numerous park and playground conferences.

THE spark which started the modified grid sport in Portland came from the four team Rose City conference. Four boys, one of whom was Gordon Connelly, now an Oregon student, formed the league in 1930. Although their playing fields during the first years of play only in championship contests, though officials were used during the four years of play only in championship contests, no major injuries were recorded and the league gave touch a reputation as a safe but fast game.

Five-man teams were used in the Rose City conference. Its founders attribute the dearth of injuries in the main to the limited number of players and to the opening-up of the game.

Under the rules of the conference, every man was an eligible pass receiver. Any pass thrown from behind the line of scrimmage was a lateral and any number of lateral passes could be used. The teams shot the works on every play. Instead of scrapping for ten yards, the boys had the field to make in four downs.

LIMITING the number of players would pave the way for an even better safeguard against injury. With five or six men on each team, every organization would be able to put both an "A" and a "B" team in play, in separate leagues. Taking this step would also solve the problem of keeping as many men as possible interested in playing, and would divide them according to their ability.

In the editorial columns of a recent issue of the Oregonian, the use of six-man teams for small towns and schools playing tackle football was suggested as a means of reducing injuries.

Began three years ago in the East, this

movement has been spreading steadily. The main advantage claimed for the smaller team is the reduction of injuries through the limitation necessarily placed on body contact. This same advantage, and others, should apply to touch football.

Spoils for Men of Talent

"THE most open, the most crude, the most brutal use of the spoils system that this country has ever seen..."

Thus Alf M. Landon characterized New Deal personnel management in almost his final blast before last week's electoral flood engulfed him. Landon is, or at least was, a politician; so in our cool, post-campaign way of looking at things we may very sensibly give his campaign utterances some degree of discount, as we might those of any political aspirant. But still we must allow a percentage of truth for the man's conscience and pronounce that for all the smoke there is quite a bit of fire.

Politics has been a major consideration in New Deal appointments to date; of that there can be little doubt. Also the amount of patronage available to loyal party workers has been expanded with the creation of new governmental agencies, and it certainly must be admitted that few if any of these thousands of new positions have been placed under civil service regulations.

CRITICS of Roosevelt patronage, however, have lost sight of at least one thing, that most of these jobs could only be regarded as temporary. Some, such as emergency relief agencies, were temporary by their very nature, since they were intended to last only for the duration of the depression. Others waited for their permanency upon an electoral approval of the New Deal's principles of centralized administration. That approval was given in the flood of Roosevelt votes a week ago Tuesday.

But even if the Roosevelt administration does interpret last week's landslide as a popular mandate to make its central agencies permanent and even if it now chooses to place these thousands of positions under civil service control—still will the problem of securing administrative efficiency be solved? One of the nation's foremost educators, Dr. Harold Willis Dodds, president of Princeton university, does not think so.

"It is not enough to keep the spoilsman out of office through the use of civil service regulations," declared Dr. Dodds to a correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor. "We must open government positions to young men and women of promise on a basis that will secure them professional careers in the service of government, removed from the necessity of political considerations. . . . This has not been done. The whole direction of the civil service movement in the United States has been toward keeping politicians out of office rather than toward bringing good men into service."

"With all of the splendid talent trained by our educational system, it is difficult to place educated men in government service. For one thing, political pitfalls and lack of adequate promotion make the trained man shy away from the government job. But even if it is attractive to him, restrictions make it very difficult for the average well-trained college man to obtain an administrative position upon the same conditions as are offered by big business and finance."

THE problems of governmental administration have become complicated to the same degrees as those of our industrial society from which they have arisen. But, unlike industry, government to a large degree does not choose to avail itself of the thousands of young men and women trained in our universities to meet modern problems.

In England, as Mr. Dodds and others have pointed out, government offers a career of such promise that the ablest university graduates are attracted to its service. Government in the United States must offer a greater reward if it too is to attract the young talent of the land.

Digging Into Dad



Tune 'er Out...

By BOB POLLOCK

Friday the 13th . . . all day . . . but it doesn't seem to affect the radio programs . . . like always on Fridays, they're uniformly good. We recommend, first: Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians at 9 . . . KGW . . . listen to him for an hour and you're all set for the house dance, Jeff Beach, or a tussle with Tausig and his theories on economics.

Next: Jesse Crawford . . . comes from Chicago, and may not reach the coast, but try KGW or KEX around 9:30. Labeled the "Poet of the Organ," he is sometimes guilty of producing doggerel . . . but tonight he'll have to be good . . . it's Friday the 13th.

Grist from Ye Olde Publicity Mill: Irvin Cobb estimates his cigar bill runs close to \$3 per day, or around \$1,000 a year . . . Charlie Butterworth says he knows a fellow who's still wearing his Roosevelt button just to prove he was right all along . . . Col. Roscoe Turner, who flies muzzled lion cubs, has been made an honorary colonel in practically every state except Kentucky . . . Dorothy Page who sings on Patacah Plantation, got a letter from a college lad the other day in which he magnanimously offered his hand in marriage—provided she fixed him up with a radio job that would pay "some real dough" . . . Fred Astaire never carries his watch or any money when he's on the air . . . his hoofing wrecks the hair-spring in the ticker and the coins GRUPE: (First real one in weeks). Just as we get the cars properly classified in our mind so we can say to the gal friends: "There's a Lafayette," the bloomin' tinsmiths get to work and change 'em around so you can't tell a Ford V-8 from one of the newer peanut stands . . . so, very appropriately, nuts!

Tune in Sunday to KEX at 2 p.m. and hear all about a guy who can meet his storm and strife only on a ferry between Detroit, Michigan, and Windsor, Canada . . . all on account of because the wife got kicked out of



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the U. S. soon after they were married . . . they won't let him go to Canada for some reason or other so he has to use the ferries.

A LETTER TO DAD

By WEN BROOKS

Every doggy has its day Even you, Pop . . . like they say . . . "Honor to whom honor's due." Well, this week we honor you. We've got a program all planned out So that you men can get about And see the place, and join the gang. And do it all up with a Bang! Breakfasts, luncheons, dinners, too. Honest, Pop, they're all for you. So close your shop an' come on down . . . There'll be a hot time in this town. A football game . . . also a dance, Gee whiz, Pop, here's your chance To give both Mom and Sis a treat, Bring 'em along . . . that'll be neat! And bring the car . . . we'll sure have fun; We'll see the town before I'm done! Remember, Pop, it's all for you . . . Should be no question . . . what to do . . . Just come on down . . . bring Mom an' Sue . . . Might I suggest, you bring jack, too?



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FOOT Lights

By EDGAR C. MOORE

TODAY'S ATTRACTIONS McDONALD: "Road to Glory" and "Mr. Cinderella." HEILIG: "Mummy's Boys" and "Hearts in Bondage." MAYFLOWER: "They Met in a Taxi" and "The Man Who Lived Twice." REX: "Hopalong Cassidy Returns" and "Poppy." STATE: "Fighting Youth" and "The Judgment Book."

"The Road to Glory" at the McDonald, closes its run today. A war romance is not too emotionally portrayed, stars June Lang, Fredric March, Warner Baxter, and Lionel Barrymore. On the same program is a truly laugh-producing comedy, "Mr. Cinderella," featuring Betty Furness and Jack Haley.

"Mummy's Boys," with Wheeler and Woolsey, the current attraction at the Heilig, finds the comedians in Egypt among the mummies. "Hearts in Bondage," with James Dunn and Mae Clark in the supporting bill, is a romantic picture of the Civil War era.

Chester Morris and Fay Wray

have the leads in "They Met in a Taxi," at the Mayflower. Critics have given favorable comments on this attraction. "The Man Who Lived Twice," one of the better types of "weird" pictures is the second feature on the program. Ralph Bellamy plays the lead.

W. C. Fields is a typical hit in "Poppy" at the Rex for two days. Rochelle Hudson gives the star very fine support. William Boyd in "Hopalong Cassidy Returns" is a one-man battle to bring law and order to a roaring, lawless western mining town.

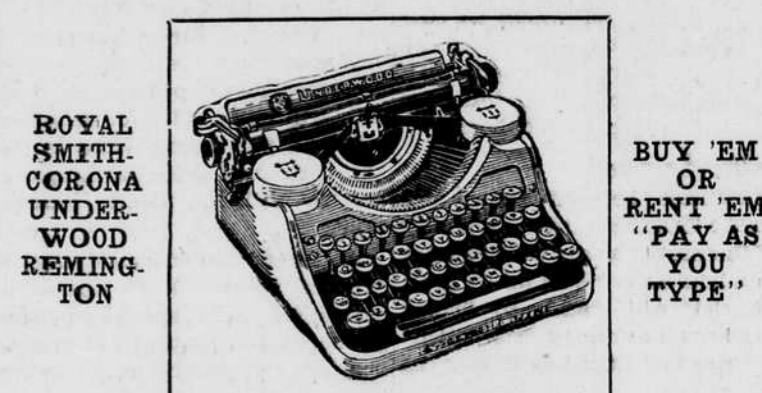
Charles Farrell plays the lead in "Fighting Youth," a football picture with all-Americans of the past participating, today and Saturday at the State. Conway Tearle is the two-gunned editor that attempts to reform a western town in "The Judgment Book," the other film on the double bill.

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