

The Passing Show

Court Regulations
First Townsend
Workers Still Sit
G-Men and Matson

By DARREL ELLIS

FDR Surprises

President Roosevelt will summon legislators together in the near future to pound out a definite program for regulation of the supreme court, Democratic Senator Minton from Indiana, declared yesterday after a conference with the chief executive.

Showered with a barrage of proposals for curbing the high tribunal, congress has been in a quandary concerning the problem. Most of the bills favored broadening of congressional powers on labor and industrial legislation or obtaining more favorable decisions for New Deal objectives.

Dollar Goes 'Round

"I haven't kissed my wife so many times in a day since we were married," said dour, unemployed C. C. Fleming, first recipient of \$200 dollars in a Townsend revolving dollar experiment, after the second day of his spending spree.

The 63-year-old spender, jubilant after spending \$49.50 in two days, said he must spend the entire \$200 in 30 days. Merchants have agreed to pay a 2 per cent transaction tax on all his "tagged dollar."

Want Sitters Removed

Detroit's sit-down auto strikers met a stymie yesterday when General Motors' representative refused to negotiate until the strikers left the plants.

Michigan's Governor Frank Murphy left for Washington late yesterday to confer with federal officials. The entire situation was in a deadlock.

Last Suspects Quizzed

G-men ended the eighth day of the search for Charles Mattson's kidnaper-slayer, quizzing the last of a group of important suspects.

No announcement was made which contributed further evidence to the case, but federal agents said that their vigilance was not relaxed.

Would Place Ban

As fascists swung into the seventh month of attempts to overthrow the Spanish socialist government, European powers met in London yesterday to make definite plans.

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Syracuse Flivver Owners Seldom Say 'Fill 'er Up'

By BERNADINE BOWMAN

The gasoline tank in the rear end of that old '27 Chevy or that nearly as ancient Plymouth owned by students at Syracuse university seldom, if ever, gets wet above the quarter-way mark, states the Syracuse Daily Orange after a survey of gas stations in the vicinity of the campus. The average amount of gas bought per student, per stop, per car, ranges from one gallon to a "half a dollar's worth" at the most. Asked if students ever say, "Fill 'er up," one attendant scoffed, "Sure they say fill 'er up." "Fill up the radiator and...while you're at it, fill up the...tires, too."

STUDY MOODS ARE COSTLY

Study moods are reported to be a costly idiosyncrasy by the Minnesota Daily. Students who wait for these spells of inspiration to do their studying should be sure of three things before they continue such a practice. First, be sure they occur often enough to get their work done. Second, be sure they last long enough when they do occur. Third, be sure they are not getting themselves into some very poor habits of work.

USC HAS MOVIE BUREAU

Do you want to become a movie star? Well then, don't waste your time by going to the studios in Hollywood, just enroll at the University of Southern California. Because, according to the Daily Trojan, practically every major producing company in Hollywood has, at one time or another called upon the University of Southern California bureau for extras. Members of the extra movie list, composed of some 1,500 drama students, receive requests from studios on an average of three times a year. Records show that many students have gained permanent positions in the cinema business through the bureau.

Kerr's Position Is Threatened By Solon's Bill

Allen Seeks to Eliminate Titular Office; Objects To 'Empty Title,' But Sanctions Pension

A move for abolition of the office of Dr. W. J. Kerr as chancellor emeritus of the Oregon state system of higher education appeared yesterday when Representative Allen of Multnomah announced he would introduce a bill in the house at Salem today to eliminate the post.

The bill will be introduced today, but it must go through several readings and a house committee before it will be brought up for a vote.

In announcing his plan to introduce the bill, Representative Allen said he was not opposed to offering Dr. Kerr a pension. "Why not list it as such rather than creating an empty title," Allen said.

Gets \$6,000 Annually

At the time Dr. Frederick M. Hunter was made chancellor of the state system a year and a half ago, Dr. Kerr was made chancellor emeritus. The position carries a salary of \$6,000 a year.

Dr. Kerr was president of Oregon State college for 37 years before he was made chancellor of the reorganized state system created after campaigns for the Zorn-McPherson bill.

Lane County SPA Will Hold Election Tonight

The second organizational meeting of the Lane county local of the Socialist Party of America will meet tonight at 8:30 p. m.

Election of permanent officers and appointment of committees will be the chief purposes of the meeting. At the initial meeting last Tuesday James Rowan was named temporary chairman and Gordon M. Connelly, temporary secretary.

Fire Adds Novel Touch To Saturday Cleaning

By JOHN PINK

The sisters of the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority held what will probably go down in their log book—or whatever they keep their memoirs in—their first Fireman's Ball last Saturday night.

The girls were cleaning industriously on Saturday morning, brooms in hand, gay cloths turbaned about their heads, moving this and emptying that; and in the course of events one of the misses emptied the contents of an ash tray into the waste paper chute.

No more was thought of this until a little later when opening the door of the chute, to empty something more down, a tongue of flame greeted the lass.

She called to someone, who called to someone else, who called to another, and with a great scurrying and running and screaming, the girls tried to put out the blaze which was confined to the inside of the chute.

One girl ran to call the local Smoky Stover aggregation, and several took up the burden of screaming—for the other girls were too busy, with milk bottles, pas, kettles, and even the contents led to someone else, who called of a hot water bottle, battling "old demon fire."

Smoke poured from every window and the girls were soon gasping and choking, but the fire ladies sired on to the door and took command. When one of the girls heard them coming down the street she said, "Gosh, I hope they don't climb through my window because I have my stockings hanging out there to dry."

One of the firemen received a thoroughly washed face when putting his head into the opening at the bottom of the chute an enthusiastic lass cascaded a bucket of water down on him.

The fire burned three trunks that were piled near the bottom of the chute, and this was the basis for a great deal of talk. Every girl was sure that it was her trunk that was burned, and in telling of the blaze later, each would bemoan the loss of her trunk. And with twenty girls claiming the loss of a trunk—there was a lot of talk (Please turn to page four)

Job Threatened



Chancellor Emeritus William Jasper Kerr may be removed from the state's payroll if a bill which Representative Allen plans to take before the legislature goes through. Former president of Oregon State college and former chancellor of the state system of higher education, Dr. Kerr now draws a salary of \$6,000 yearly.

Infirmary to Add 34 Flu Patients

Basement Hospital Is Built To Accommodate Sick Male Students

Work of reconstructing the infirmary basement into hospital rooms is nearly completed. Thirty-four beds have been made ready for men who have become victims of the influenza epidemic.

Men occupying rooms on the second floor will be moved to the basement and the second floor of the building will be used for girls. Several utility rooms in the basement have been installed at much expense in purchasing emergency equipment. Food will be prepared upstairs for the basement patients and will be brought down in the (Please turn to page four)

Coed Capers Cancelled; Flu Spread Feared

Because Gerlinger Hall Is Drafty, AWS Issue Statement Calling Off Female Fun-fest

Purely on their own initiative as a precautionary measure against further spreading of the flu, AWS issued an official statement last night that Coed Capers scheduled for Wednesday night, January 20, was permanently cancelled for the year 1937.

Although all plans were completed for the annual carnival fun-fest held each year exclusive of male participation, it was decided to postpone the affair. Later, because the campus social calendar was so full, the remainder of the term, it was decided to cancel it permanently.

Because Gerlinger hall is drafty (Please turn to page four)

TCLACA Members Urged To Acquire Information About Budgets and Diets

Married students are advised to girl themselves with information on budgets and diets for the first regular meeting of the TCLACA, Thursday evening at 7:30 in Gerlinger hall, according to an announcement made yesterday by Howard Kessler, president of the organization.

"Besides the important work of planning our year's program, members will have an opportunity to advise students in other schools said Kessler. "We will present at least five letters to the group from men and women who are contemplating marriage and request our advice before launching their marital ships on the sea of financial insecurity."

Term Payments On Oregana Are Due February 1

Winter term installments on the Oregana must be paid by February 1 or the right to an Oregana and the fall term installment will be forfeited, Howard Overback, business manager, said yesterday.

Don Casciato, Oregana editor, requested that senior activity cards which will be distributed to living organizations this week be filled out and returned to the Oregana office by next Monday. All independent senior men are asked to call at the Oregana office and fill out a card.

Group pictures of honoraries will be postponed until a later date, said Casciato, because of the illness of the photographer. No more individual portraits will be taken by Kennel-Ellis.

Eugene AAUW's Distinguished Visitors



When the Eugene branch of the American Association of University the Society for International Relations and Mrs. Barker, wife of the women met last week in the Murray Warner Museum of oriental art University's vice-president, presented the afternoon's program on "Childhood as its guests Miss Myra Sannomiya of Tokyo, Japan, left, nose Tomb Figures." In the background is one of the museum's Mrs. Burt Brown Barker of Portland, and Mrs. Murray Warner, Miss Chinese wall hangings. Sannomiya told of her work as secretary to the general secretary of (Please turn to page four)

Shipping Strike Delays Material From Extension

Existing strike conditions, over-running their usual field of affected industry and inactivity, now threatens to leave its mark on education.

Word of the strike's far-reaching effects came in a recent letter from Seward, Alaska, to Miss Mozelle Hair, of the University's extension department. Miss Edna Borgio, writer of the letter, stated that it would be impossible for her to take the correspondence course at the present time as no provision for mail in the future has been made.

"In about 70 days we have had only three mail days, and no arrangement has been made for future delivery. The "General Gorgas" leaves here tonight (December 31) and no arrangements have been made for any more boats," was the comment on the situation in her community.

More serious than education, is the possible shortage of food, working materials.

Dr. McLean Asks Education Reforms of UO Professors; To Speak to Students at 11

New Undergraduates Will Take Psychology Quiz at Villard Today

All new undergraduate students this term are required to be present for the psychology examination this afternoon at 4 o'clock in room 107 Villard.

English Reserve Sets 6-Year High

January 12 was the largest day in six years for the English reserve when 869 books were checked out, Willis Warren, reserve librarian, said. Only on November 4, 1930, was this mark topped when 894 books were taken. Six hundred is considered a large day, he added.

Both circulation and reserve libraries showed a gain over fall term last year. In the circulation department 33,599 books were taken out this term, a 3077 increase over the same period last year. October figures were the largest in the history of the library with 12,558 books going out, a 1400 increase over 1935.

The reserve librarian's figures reveal that Condon is still first in the number of books being checked out, but has a decrease of 527 books while English reserve increased 4,132. This year's figures show 56,367 for Condon and 28,599 for English reserve. The business library also shows a decrease of 2,224 with 21,360 books being used. Room 30, which is counted separately dropped about 200, totaling 2,149 books.

The total figures for the reserve libraries show a slight gain over last year of 1,232 with this year's figures reading 112,475. Willis Warren, reserve librarian, and Miss Bernice Rise, circulation librarian say that winter term is always their biggest term.

Herman Kehrl to Speak At Hubbard Celebration

Herman Kehrl, director of the bureau of municipal research, has been invited by Mayor Garfield Vogel, of Hubbard, to speak at a celebration January 20. Mayor Carson of Portland, is to be the principal speaker.

Doctors Forced To Cancel Talks

Tonight's Lecture - Forum Postponed Indefinitely Due to Epidemic

The second of a series of lecture-forums on marriage, which was to have been given tonight, has been postponed. Dr. Goodrich C. Schauffler and Dr. Jessie L. Brodie, who were to speak on the biological problems of marriage, feel that the epidemic has become too grave for them to leave their practices in Portland.

Jayne Bowerman, chairman of the student committee working in cooperation with the personnel office under Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel, said that the next meeting would be held Tuesday, January 26. Dr. J. Hudson Ballard, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Portland, will speak on "The Psychological Phases of Love and Marriage."

The date for the second in the series has not yet been announced.

Sipe to Speak On State Botany

The Oregon chapter of Sigma Xi will meet in room 101, Condon, tonight at 8 o'clock to hear the following two papers:

"The Taxonomy and Geographical Distribution of the Pacific Coast Species of Dentaria and Cardamine," by Leroy E. Detling; and "Plant Exploration in the Eastern Oregon Country" by F. P. Sipe. The public is invited.

A business meeting for members will be held at 7:30 o'clock, preceding the open meeting.

184 Year Course Offered

One hundred and eighty-four years to complete a college education! That's the length of time it would take if a student were to finish every course offered at Ohio State university. During the 184 years of study, says the Ohio State Lantern, 43 degrees would be conferred upon the student.

Alpha Gams Fight
Flames, Follow With
Firemen's Formal

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Homer Is Mistreated; Best Friend Protests

By DARREL ELLIS

Homo Sapiens is his real name. We will call him Homer. Homer has lived for three years now in secluded silence behind heavy green curtains in room 1000, Condon, classroom of L. S. Cressman, professor of anthropology.

Homer is what someone has described as "a complete set of bones with the people scraped off," a common skeleton. But this stigma does not make him deserving of ill treatment, says Dr. Cressman, Homer's best friend.

Homer has been the brunt of many jokes. The green curtains which hide him from prying eyes have often been drawn aside to present a picture of ridicule—a chalk cigarette hanging grotesquely from his grinning mouth, his legs crossed one over the other in restless attitude, or perhaps his thumb hooked shamefully in the gaping hole where Homer's nose should be.

Dr. Cressman admits that harmless jokes are all right, but when yesterday the curtains were drawn to present Homer a new and more confusing entanglement, and with his right foot ground to crumbly bits under some brutal heel, the joke had gone too far.

"This type of vandalism can have no explanation," Dr. Cressman told his class. "The student who did this has only succeeded in showing his complete lack of intelligence."

"The only difference between him (pointing to Homer) and the people who do this sort of thing is that he (Homer) can't walk and others come in and take advantage (Please turn to page four)

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