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## Plaudits For 'Pygmalion'

FINAL curtains for this year's drama activities will be drawn at the Guild hall theater tonight and tomorrow, as Mrs. Ottilie T. Seybolt directs an all-star cast in the production of "Pygmalion."

With master craftsman George Bernard Shaw, the author, with a cast which has already made a name for itself in other productions this year, and with the invaluable contributions of Mrs. Seybolt and Designer Horace Robinson, the play will undoubtedly be up to usual University theater standards.

Indicative of the high standard other plays have reached this year are the packed houses which have greeted every production. It seems not at all premature to predict plaudits for "Pygmalion."

No longer can traditional marriage ties lay sole claim to the identifying words of "Ball and Chain." A group of student athletic managers at Southern Cal has adopted this as an appropriate title for their organization.

When they put wings on these here putting motorbikes so reminiscent of bygone scooter days, then the machine age will be here for sure.

## Complete The Job

CITY and administration officials are to be complimented for taking the first move in protecting University pedestrians from reckless drivers and roving campus erates.

The painting of broad yellow safety lane belts on Thirteenth avenue between Kincaid and University streets will act as a continual reminder for speeding motorists to slow down.

More steps in the same direction ought to result in elimination of almost all traffic violations, and lessen accident danger to a minimum.

Part of the responsibility is up to the students themselves. Student pedestrians must not abuse their protection on Thirteenth. They must show care in cutting across the street and from classes. Student drivers will have to do their part by obeying speeding rules, and by showing care in their mad dashes down Thirteenth.

A final step which city and administration officials should take to complete their job is the installation of stop street signs. The corner of University and Thirteenth particularly needs this type of regulation. A bad accident occurred there only a short time ago. Signs at the other end of the block would also be helpful.

Campus safety would truly be at a high level if pedestrians, drivers, and officials joined hands in this action.

## A Good Yawn

PRECEDENT has been established. From now on sleeping in class cannot be objected to. No more can professors object to indolent students nodding and yawning their way through classes.

Yawning is all right. It must be all right. Princess Margaret Rose did it. Yessir, she yawned. . . right in the face of the Archbishop of Canterbury. Right in the midst of all the ceremony and solemnity of the coronation, the little lady of the world's largest empire yawned. It was the human thing to do. She was tired. She was bored. So she yawned.

It makes good logic. If a princess can yawn in the Archbishop's face, why can't a college student sleep right in front of a professor's eyes. Yessir, sleeping must be all right, too.

Anyway, it's spring term.

## An Oregon Tradition

ANOTHER Oregon tradition came to a successful close last night when Acting Dean Orlando Hollis rapped "court adjourned" at the finish of this spring's final moot trial.

Every year Oregon's embryo barristers get into the thick of actual practice conditions when they enter into the traditional moot trials. Participation in these moot affairs provides entertainment for all, as well as giving future lawyers a test under fire.

The trials are held as regular as the Canoe Fete, Homecoming, Dad's Day, AWS Carnival, and other time-honored Oregon events. Along with these traditional affairs they assume the place of a true Oregon tradition . . . an occasion or event participated in willingly and freely by a large number of students . . . not an enforced riling which various students are coerced into by threats of physical force.

## Parasitic Study To Be Tuesday

At the May meeting of Sigma Xi, national science honorary, Dr. E. D. Furrer, local physician, will speak on parasitology: Its Medical and Social Aspects.

The meeting will be held May 18, at 8:00 at 101 Condon. The lecture will be illustrated.

The Lane County Medical association has been invited to listen to the address and the general public is welcome.

In speaking of the lecture Dr.

Warren D. Smith said, "Possibly no more important subject to the average citizen than this one has been discussed on the campus this year, because this has to do with diseases to which everyone is subject and many citizens in our community are now suffering because of a lack of knowledge of that subject. While certain aspects of the address may be technical, the lecturer will endeavor to translate his subject as far as possible into ordinary language."

Dr. Furrer's studies deal with disease-causing parasites such as hook worm.

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## 'Beauty' Theme

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of the luncheon and recreation period.

Mrs. Hazel Archibald, dean of girls at Roosevelt junior high, is in charge of arranging flowers for the conference.

The AWS will serve tea in Geringer following the afternoon sessions.

During the afternoon members of Kwama, sophomore women's service honorary, will take the delegates to various campus buildings and guides will conduct a tour through them.

## Waiting the Big Parade



The afternoon before the procession crowds such as this formed along the line of march awaiting coronation procession and the ceremonies of the crowning of George VI. In order to have a good view of the events of the next day, the onlookers brought their suppers to eat in the street, and after that they slept as best they could. (Acme photo radioed from London.)

## Miscellany

### ARE EXAMS BENEFICIAL?

Many students in the colleges and universities of the country will be pleased over a finding recently made in behalf of the Carnegie Foundation for the advancement of teaching. After a careful investigation, Dr. I. L. Kandel of Columbia university has concluded that the written examination to test the students' education progress is useless and should, therefore, be abolished.

"The success of an educational system," says Dr. Kandel, "should no longer be measured in terms of the numbers who pass or fail in examinations but by the degree to which it has been able to discover the abilities and needs of pupils and has provided for them the type of education from which they are capable of profiting."

It is true that the merits of an educational system cannot be measured by "the number of students who pass or fail in examinations" but some method must be employed to determine the progress of students in acquiring knowledge. The written examination is not an accurate test of the student's knowledge on a particular subject. Memory plays an important part in the written test rather than the student's ability to do a little straight thinking on a given subject.

When classes are small enough to have frequent student recitations, the class standing of the pupil should be taken into account in fixing his rating. However, the matter of examinations depends largely upon the character and temperament of the teacher himself. Some teachers conduct the tests in a sensible manner while others display little judgment in the matter and therefore make serious mistakes in fixing the rank of students in their classes.

Teachers who have the ability to kindle in the minds of their students a real desire for knowledge and to set them thinking have few failures in their classes.—The Deseret News.

### STUDYING ISN'T "QUEER"

To be a campus leader at Carolina is a great thing. To be a sports hero, editor of the Yackety-Yack, or chairman of the dance committee is recognized and respected as a form of leadership. To be a student is something else.

There is no defense for the bookworm who can't meet personalities, to be sure; but it is generally true that students interested in scholarship, original production, and even philosophy (which might be the common ground for all university men) is neglected—called "queer"—to the stigmatic point.

Educational systems can be destroyed and rebuilt every day—but until a campus respect for intellectual pursuit is permitted, this will never be a place for students.—Daily Tar Heel.

### SWEEPINGS . . .

The spectator defines "deadline" as the legal limit for turning in assignments, so called because an editor once dropped dead when the staff turned them all in on time.

### TO SATISFY THE ESTHETIC

sense of our readers, we insert the following quote taken direct from Cicero: "Sit stillabit sed Amanto hiscat."

### TWO WAYS TO GET THROUGH COLLEGE:

1. Faculty of work.
2. Working of faculty.

WE HEAR that Mussolini and Hitler are scheduled to sing a duet at the next Geneva Benefit. The boys will render their favorite, "Reign in Spain."—The Los Angeles Collegian.

## Campus Calendar

### Ellen Torrence, Jack Hazlitt,

Jim Hague, Geraldine Thayer, Gerald Allen, Elizabeth Dement, Louis Colemar, Priscilla Mackie, Roy Hackett, Jule Graff, Carl Proddinger, John Rutz, and Mary Marr are in the infirmary.

The Newman club will have a "Dutch treat" breakfast at Seymour's cafe Sunday, May 16, following the 9:30 o'clock mass.

Phi Chi Theta pledges meet in 104 Chama at 4 o'clock today.

Students who wish to go on the Wesley club retreat Friday or Saturday should call either Brit Ash or Hayes Beall.

According to ratings of the American Medical association, Oregon's medical school is listed in third place.

### CONFERENCE PROGRAM

9:00—Registration; organ music, Dorothy Davis Eugene high school.

9:30—Group singing, leader, Miss Carolyn Woods, Eugene high school.

9:45—Welcome, Gayle Buchanan, president Associated Women Students, U. of O.; Mrs. Hazel P. Schwering, dean of women, U. of O.; response, Dorothy Chambers, Oregon City senior high; announcements, Mrs. James V. Danielson.

10:15—Address, "Her Voice Was Soft"—Wordsworth, Mr. John Casteel, department of speech, U. of O.

10:45-12:00—Discussion groups: "How to Find Beauty Through Everyday Surroundings," school of music auditorium, Miss Mabel P. Robertson, dean of girls, and Rith Alice Grant, Salem high school; "How to Achieve Beauty in Friendships," school of education, room 3, Miss Elizabeth Vinson, dean of girls, and Mariella Frisbie, McMinnville senior high; "How to Give Beauty in Service," school of education, room 4, Miss Isabel Willis, dean of girls, Astoria senior high school.

"How to Acknowledge Beauty in Other People," guild hall, Miss Elizabeth McGaw, dean of girls, and Adele Knerr, Grant high school; "Our Best Activity During the Past Year," Johnson hall, room 110, Mrs. Veola P. Ross, dean of girls, and Mary Kay Crumbaker, University high school; "Beauty of Personality," (deans only), school of education, room 2, Miss Olive M. Dahl, dean of women, Willamette U.

Luncheon, men's dormitory; recreation, physical education department, women's building.

1:30—Business meetings: girls, school of music auditorium; deans, school of education, room 2.

1:45—Music, University high trio, Doris Hack, Lorene Mitchell, Mary Booth.

2:00—Address, "Beauty of the Appropriate," Mrs. Eric W. Allen.

2:45—Introduction of new officers.

3:00—Tea, Associated Women Students, U. of O., sun porch, women's building.

## Books--and Coeds--Get Ride in New Library Lift

Two very excited Oregon coeds exploring the new library discovered a room in the southeast corner of the basement filled with many interesting objects used in the library operation. In this room they discovered a little door about four feet high, and inside the door a book lift, or in other words, a miniature elevator.

"How cute," said one.

"How exciting," said the other.

They exchanged long meaningful glances and said: "Shall we?" and "Let's."

A boy friend was found to manipulate the controls on the outside of the door, and the two girls climbed inside, stooping to do so, and knelt down in the little elevator.

"Bzzzzzzz," went the push button, and the girls were enveloped in darkness. Up and up they went, past doors and lights and noises! "Let me down," said one.

"Let us down," said the other.

"Bzzzzzzz," went the push button, and finally the girls reached bottom and emerged with very silly and guilty looks on their faces.

"Gee! What if a librarian had seen us," said one.

Next day in this same room, the girls sat working. "Bzzzzzzz," went a button. Something was coming down the book lift—probably books.

## Zep Crash Could Have Been Averted, Dr. Kunz

The Hindenburg crash last Tuesday would have been prevented if helium had been used in the gargantuan blimp, it was explained yesterday by Dr. A. H. Kunz, instructor in chemistry at the University of Oregon.

Helium, the second lightest known gas which can be used in lighter-than-air craft, is monopolized by the United States, according to Dr. Kunz. The major part of this country's supply is obtained in the oil fields of Texas, where it is isolated from petroleum by a liquification process. In no other part of the world is there more than a trace of the valuable gas.

The German dirigible was filled with hydrogen, lightest of the elements, but very inflammable. Kunz explained. Helium is the ideal material for use in balloons, because of the fact that it is entirely non-explosive since it combines with no elements.

Although small traces of helium are found in the air, Dr. Kunz does not believe that other nations will be able to obtain large enough amounts of it to overcome the natural monopoly of the United States. There is a chance, he pointed out, that additional supplies may be found in oil wells of other parts of

the world, although he feels that it is very slight.

Production of helium, even in the United States, is a relatively expensive operation, costing \$7 per 1000 cubic feet, Dr. Kunz said. At present the gas is controlled by the military department, none of it being used commercially outside of the United States.

### JOURNALISTS WORK

Journalism students of the University edited this morning's edition of the Eugene News. Members of the reporting, copyediting, and editing classes cooperated in the work.

## Lots of Death Eggs in One Basket



But not all in one basket, however. For the Army's GHQ air force is conducting its largest concentration of planes in maneuvers covering a large part of California during May. Photo shows one of the huge bombers being loaded with bombs at Muroc Dry Lake in the Mojave desert.

## Plaintiff's Attorneys Contend Judgement

Whether Mr. Devers in person "saw the light" or not as Miss Hitchman would say, the jury believed they did last night in returning a verdict for the defendant, J. Richard Devers, and against the plaintiff, Herbert Skalet, at moot trial.

No sooner had the verdict been rendered than D. R. Dimick, attorney for the plaintiff, was on his feet, contesting the decision, asking that members of the jury be polled. Judge Hollis granted Dimick's request and it was found two members opposed the verdict as rendered. Attorney Dimick, to do things up right, then read off an impressive, but evidently pre-war, statute, claiming the jury should deliberate further. Judge Hollis, after due deliberation, pointed out to Dimick that the statute, referred to had been amended and at present three-fourth of the jury was sufficient to pass on a civil case. Dimick asked the clerk note an exception. The jury was excused from further duty during the season, and the last moot court of the spring term ended.

During the evening Attorneys Nora Hitchman and D. R. Dimick for the plaintiff, Herb Skalet, claimed Herb's reputation had been blackened as a result of his having lost his position as Omega hall sponsor, this action the result of the late hours he was forced to keep due to having been "locked" in the library by Devers.

Counsel for the defendant, Bob Miller, and Tony Yturri, maintained the plaintiff could have gained his freedom and gotten back to the dorm on time had he really tried to get out of the library. They said he could have yelled out a window, attracting help with his "prize-winning" voice, if by not other method.

Yturri dramatically closed the argument for the defense and Dimick wound up the case for the plaintiff.

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