

Another Drive Opens--'Buying a Bed for a Battleship'

Pollock's FOLLY

By BOB POLLOCK

ALASKA HAS ITS guessing contest on when the ice is going out (see Folly for Saturday, January 29), and practically every city in the United States has a Chinese lottery or two, but a new kind of game of chance has hit the University of Oregon campus.

It concerns a maternity case, really, but there's no need of calling the dean of women's office, nor an obstetrician for that matter--this is a case that will take care of itself.

THE THING REALLY started when, from out of a night that wasn't fit for the guy who invented weather, a tired, battered and dripping terrier staggered into the SAE house. (Plug).

To even the most innocent of freshmen, it was evident at once that the little dog was definitely in what they used to call a "delicate condition." So the boys gathered round, brought "Mrs. Dionne," as she was promptly christened, up to the fire and arranged an impromptu "stork shower" for the newest member of the household.

THIS RESULTED in a bed in the basement, two or three battered biscuits, and almost a quart of four point grade A milk... the patient revived almost at once, smiled happily at her assembled benefactors--and promptly went to sleep.

That was two or three days ago. After a brief and cursory examination by one or two of the brothers who are would-be M.D.'s, it was announced that the blessed event should happen within the week.

THE COLLEGIATE mind is always fertile and adaptable and it wasn't long before one of the lads had a bright idea. It evolved from this: Mrs. Dionne, fulfilling the biological functions of her kind, was going to produce pups--how many it was impossible to say, at the moment. Of course, Mrs. Dionne was a small dog, but then the pups would be small, too.

Besides all this, it was obvious Mrs. Dionne was what might be called a charity case. When she staggered in out of the storm she bore no license--marriage, dog or otherwise. When she would be released from confinement, she had to be cared for--and her family with her.

SO A POT WAS organized. Each participant went to the basement, took long and calculating looks at Mrs. Dionne and returned to the den. There, after consulting the stars, he dropped a nickel in the pot and placed his name together with his estimate on the number of potential puppies on a list. The proceeds will, of course, go to the lucky winner and whoever guesses the same number. But Mrs. Dionne will be cared for.

The winners have to buy her a bone.

Fun-Roundup

Mayflower: "Stage Door" and "Reported Missing."

McDonald: "Hollywood Hotel" and "Checkers."

Hellig: "Manhattan Merry-Go-Round" and "Escape by Night."

Re: "Life of Emile Zola" and "Bulldog Drummond Comes Back."

KORE: 7:25--Direct broadcast of Ore-WSC game. 10:30 Emerald news reporter.

NBC: 6:30--Hollywood Mardi Gras with Lanny Ross, Charles Butterworth; 8:30 Johnny Presents.

CBS: 6:30--Jack Oakie; 7--Bennie Goodman; 8:30--Al Jolson's Show and Martha Raye, Parkyakarkus, Patsy Kelly; 9--Ferd Show with Al Pearce and gang.

Dante's Orchestras: 9:30--NBC--Roger Pryor; 10--NBC--Louis Panico; 10:30--NBC--Jimmy Grier; 10:45--CBS--Phil Harris; 11--NBC--Eddy Duchin. (KORE from 9:30 to 12).

By DOUG PARKER

"Manhattan Merry-Go-Round" continues at the Hellig until Thursday. The picture stars Phil Regan, Ann Dvorak, Leo Carrillo, and Ted Lewis and Cab Calloway with their orchestras.

Leo Carrillo becomes the owner of a phonograph recording company whose chief attraction is Phil Regan. Carrillo's wife decides she prefers opera records to jazz, so Regan has to leave Ann Dvorak at the altar and make love to Opera Star Tamara Geva. Tamara, you see, will not sing for money, but for love--yes!

And with this send-off the merry-go-round gets on its way. Meanwhile, several leading song hits are reeled off, including "Mama I Wanna Make Rhythm" and "I Owe You." Joe DiMaggio takes time off to powder up and sing a song for his bit.

"The Life of Emile Zola" will continue at the Rex until Thursday, too. This film ranks as one of the top pictures of the past year. Paul Muni, best actor in 1936 and an outstanding candidate for the 1937 prize coming up, gives one of his better characterizations as Emile Zola, revolutionary writer of the late 19th century France.

Tonight is the second night for the University News-cast. There will be one every night from Monday through Friday. Sponsors of the program are the Emerald and the Lucky Strike company. The five minute broadcasts will be devoted to campus news entirely.

HOUSEMOTHERS FETED

The housemothers were entertained Sunday night with a buffet supper given by the heads of houses at the Chi Omega sorority. Other guests were: Mrs. Hazel P. Schwering, Mrs. Alice B. Macduff, Mrs. Virgil D. Earl, Mrs. John Stark Evans, Mrs. Karl Onthank, and Mrs. Louise B. Schroff.

Chicago Medico

(Continued from page one) bring our boys up in the 'fast break' down in this country and keep them trained."

Broadway...

The pride of would-be Harvard Lotharios has been greatly piqued with the news from New York that in the future they must sign application blanks before being allowed to date chorines of a Broadway musical show for the evening.

Dying Race...

Men who stand high in college studies have more children than those of low standing, but even so college men are a dying race from the point of view of having enough children to reproduce their kind, according to a Brown university report.

In a group studied at Brown, including all grades of scholarship, it was found that less than 40 per cent can be "expected to be fully represented in the next generation."

The report, made by Raymond R. Willoughby, seeks to discover whether there is a "differential" in fertility of high-ranking and low-ranking college men. It is too early to be sure, according to Willoughby, because the data available goes only to the end of the World War.

President of Hoboes

(Continued from page one) order by getting drunk and was expelled from the group after receiving 250 lashes. The hobo president is one of the 250 Jewish members.

Hobo Creed Told

Hobos agree never to spend a cent for transportation, to be gentlemen, to have no racial discrimination, to be courteous, and sanitary. If a hobo is caught spitting in a box-car, his penalty is 50 lashes, and if any one of them is discourteous when asking for food, he gets 50 lashes, with 200 in suspension.

They never lie to each other, and always share their experiences together, believing that is the way they get their thrills.

"The desire for new experience is the idea that dominates," Mr. Knott said. They wish to be recognized in their group, and become emotional at the threat of being expelled, and having their home town papers notified.

Knott Aids Prexy

Dr. Lawzorwitz reported that he had a good meal of Jewish bread and herring the night before, but he was hungry at the time Mr. Knott talked to him. He is sending the March issue of the Hobo Journal, in return for the money Mr. Knott gave him for food.

The hobo president carries all official documents with him, in a portfolio, Mr. Knott said.

PE CLUB TO MEET

The Physical Education club will meet in the physical education building February 15 at 7:30. The meeting has been called to discuss business and social events due in the near future. Physical education majors, faculty and others are invited.

The Oregon--Is She Worth Preservation at \$80,000?

RARNEY Hall's ASUO committee to push the student "Battleship Oregon" drive faces one of the toughest brief tasks which a campus group will tackle this year.

For one thing, the campus has been "drove" and "tagged" so often and everyone has purchased so many caramel apples and doughnuts and ice cream bars that students go round the block when they see a stand, two pretty girls, and a colored umbrella--and house managers answer all inquiries with the non-committal "We will if every other house decides to."

In addition, the nature of the present campaign makes it a tough job to inspire students to the point of giving 25 cents apiece. Most Oregon students would look at their quarters twice before they'd donate two bits to get their names engraved on a gold plaque to be hung within the pearly gates of heaven--and the Oregon, famous in a day which they cannot recall, has scarcely that much appeal for them.

EVEN in high schools, there's been considerable opposition to the drive. To the second and third generations, from which a goodly part of the \$80,000 sum required to anchor the Oregon in cement is to come, it might seem to be only a memorial to an imperialistic war.

There is considerable basis for such a belief although the case for preserving the Oregon is much stronger. As a moment of the Spanish-American war (which authorities today say William Randolph Hearst paid Arthur Brisbane \$100,000 to start) we'd be among the first to suggest giving her to the Japanese. Unfortunately, some of those who are working most fervently for the Oregon's preservation have put the campaign on that basis--when in reality it is a movement to get one of the landmarks in state history a permanent and appropriate berth.

THE Oregon is beloved to Spanish-American war veterans but to all of that generation she has a greater significance.

Some say the boat put this state on the map. At any rate it was the first ship in the

American fleet comparable to what is now called a battleship and hers was the keel of the first major war vessel ever launched from a coast shipyard.

It is true that the Oregon made her famous run on the way to a now more or less infamous war. Built in 1894, she went to San Francisco from the northwest when trouble with Spain started. From Frisco she began the famous voyage to join the Atlantic fleet at Key West, traveling around the horn, 14,600 nautical miles in 67 days.

That voyage is an amazing feat. The men in her engine rooms made it possible, for today the trip around the horn sometimes takes the modern vessel 60 days. The Oregon was coal-stoked and 1898 was of the day before the automatic stoker. Every ton of fuel that went into her furnaces was tossed there from a stoker's shovel.

The trip attracted national recognition for the Oregon. It did more than that, however, as the next few years proved. It called the attention of Theodore Roosevelt to the need for an Atlantic-Pacific canal. The first Roosevelt built the Panama canal, finishing 24 years ago what might otherwise have been a New Deal project today.

That, not the fact that it arrived in time to take part in the American victory of Santiago, is the Oregon's lasting historical contribution.

THE old ship, then, is more than a monument to greedy imperialism. In all likelihood she, if preserved, will mean more to the tenth and eleventh generations, standing as a monument in a waterfront park, than she does to the younger people of today.

Although those younger people may be reluctant to contribute because participation has been presented to them, in some instances, as a "patriotic" duty, they will find in the story of the Oregon more satisfactory grounds for doing so.

No matter what the reason, an appeal is being made for student support. Eugene must make a creditable showing; and it would certainly be regrettable, to say the least, if the University failed to do likewise.

SIDE SHOW

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Campus

Under the proposal which came up before the interfraternity council at its last meeting, rushees would be allowed to pledge during the middle of rush week. This, it is said, would relieve over-crowded living conditions brought about by the present system. But would it?

Overcrowded living conditions are not caused by the fact that fraternities get larger pledge classes than they want, through the present sealed bid method of pledging. Regardless of the pledging system, fraternities will continue to get large pledge classes, if they can. The problem is not one of changing the pledging system, but of regulating the number of pledges, and whether the freshmen accept pins in the middle of the week or at the end of the week will make little difference.

It is true that fraternities sometimes get surprise pledges whom they do not expect when they send in bids under the present system, but these constitute a very small percentage of the pledge class. In the majority of cases pledging is pre-arranged, and the sealed bid system is merely a formality.

Allowing freshmen to pledge during the middle of the week, however, is a step in the direction of a plan which may solve the pledging problem. The campus seems well united in opposing the deferred pledging system which Oregon Dads recently proposed. A change in the system is inevitable, and rather than have deferred pledging, it may be advisable to adopt open pledging--allowing prospective students to pledge even before they enroll in the University. Rush week would be entirely eliminated; pledging would be done off the campus to a considerable extent, and freshmen would be allowed to settle down to fraternity and University life with no interference.

National

Attitude of foreign populations in regard to the Spanish civil war has been for the most part fallen behind a let-alone policy. In fact official programs of the European countries have all been on the side of non-intervention--"Let Spain alone to fight out her own problem." Recently the Christian Science

Monitor published an interesting proposal, made by Jose Castillejo, a former professor of the University of Madrid. Divide Spain, he suggested, between the two warring factions, thus ending the toll of human life and postponing the settlement to the future when feelings of enmity have decreased. In support of his plan there is Spain's long-standing resentment against centralization, which was a strong factor in the fall of the monarchy, and in the lack of efficiency of the Popular Front government in the early stages of the war. Further in support of his plan, a long continuation of the conflict, such as seems unescapable under the present conditions, would be avoided as well as all the economic, cultural, and moral results which it would entail.

On the other hand one might well be allowed to question whether the plan would not in reality be a step backward. Partition was the method of solution of the Balkan problem after the world war, and very little satisfaction has been derived from it.

Partition will mean economic barriers, petty racial nationalism, and development of deep-rooted antagonisms over a long period of time. It would mean duplicated industries, fortified frontiers, independent languages, customs, and institutions. And by the nature of the two factions, each of these elements would be racially aligned against the other.

Besides these far-reaching effects that seem unavoidable, there would also be the difficulty of practical application of the plan. Attitude of Germany and Italy favor the centralized state which France would set up if he became supreme. France and England as well as Russia are inclined toward the popular front government.

It could be answered in return to this argument that these nations would be satisfied with the compromise that partition would bring about. But even if they would, there is yet slighter possibility that the rebels and loyalists would be willing to accept such a proposal.

The violent declarations of the rebel leader, oft repeated announcements of a "war to the death," and general incompat-

bility of the two factions make it almost sure that neither will give in.

A better solution, but by no means a perfect or simple one to effect, would be withdrawal of foreign troops and complete isolation of the warring Spaniards. Such has been the "announced" goal of the non-intervention committee, but such has not been the effect.

Weak point in the establishment of non-intervention has been England, which has the strength to make non-intervention a reality but has continually bickered with Italy and Germany. If England had taken advantage of the "pirate" submarine incidents or the recent bombings of her ships, in all probability she could have reached a forceful agreement with Italy.

Then with isolation of foreign goods, the war would be brought to an end of necessity through lack of the means of war. And it has always been our conviction, as well as that of many observers, that the insurgent cause would collapse if its outside aid were shut off. With the success of the loyalist cause, Spain would have the centralization necessary to give economics and industrial development, and would also be accorded enough local autonomy to mitigate the popular feeling against a federal government.

It would be in many ways similar to our own United States. A federation of Catalonians, Basques, Euzkadians, etc., would go through periods of states rights policies, until the benefits of transportation, nation-wide industry, and unified trade would result in a free nation.

German support of such a policy would not be too difficult to obtain. The Nazis are broiling in a reorganization "purge" at the present. France, England, and Russia would back the plan if it would be more than a farce. And Italy could be forced in, or bought off if necessary, by a strategic or forceful British policy.

Why England has pursued such a wishy-washy program in the Iberian question has dismayed Americans ever since the trouble started. It might be explained by hints that England, especially in regard to her foreign office, is surprisingly

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An Empty House

AGAIN this year the University of Oregon gained first place among the nation's libraries for circulating more reserve books per student than any other institution. And if there had been a division for the University having the least amount of money available for purchasing new books, Oregon's library would have been high in that, too.

Unfortunately the American Library association, which summarized the figures, counted from the other end and instead of winning double distinction the Oregon library must remain content with being twenty-eighth on a list of 30 schools for the funds available for new books.

PROFESSORS here place great weight on the use of library books. In some courses they are used as texts, and in almost every course they are supplementary. For that reason, and because students do not buy books, the reserve libraries are popular places.

This achievement in the field of reserve books is lessened by the fact that the University uses a one-hour "check-out" system, whereas most libraries use a two-hour period.

Oregon's system was not founded in the hope of obtaining a No. 1 rating, but in the hope of insuring fullest possible distribution of books. The system and the inconvenience it brings to the student is necessary because of the small number of books available, which, in turn, caused by lack of funds.

According to American library association figures, both the University and Oregon State college met decreases in purchasing budgets last year. Less money was allotted in state budgets and less money was available from gifts. So both schools bought fewer books to appease a growing demand, fewer books to replace old, worn copies, fewer new books from whence comes new enlightenment.

IT is strange that a half-million dollar house should be built for a family of books rated twenty-eighth in a list of 30.

Such an anomaly brings to mind the story of the scientific institute that had all the latest machinery for conducting highly useful and significant work. But it did not have enough money to operate the machinery. --L.T.

inclined toward fascism. But in view of the increasing threat of Italy in the Mediterranean, we should see a swing towards a strong policy of the British. As soon as they do and non-intervention becomes a reality, we may see an end to the dangerous political battle which clouds Spain's sunny skies.

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80-yard free style relay: McMicken, Cunningham, Berni, Howell, Alpha Phi, 29.2.

Diving: group I: 1, Boggs, Alpha Omnicron Pi; 2, Carlson, Zeta Tau Alpha; Tomlinson, Hendricks; 3, McMicken, Alpha Phi. Group II: 1, Tomlinson, Hendricks; 2, Boggs, Alpha Omnicron Pi.

Optional dive I: 1, McMicken, Alpha Phi; 2, Tomlinson, Hendricks; Boggs, Alpha Omnicron Pi; 3, Carlson, Zeta Tau Alpha.

Optional dive II: 1, McMicken, Alpha Phi; Tomlinson, Hendricks; 2, Zeta Tau Alpha; 3, Boggs, Alpha Omnicron Pi.

Scores of other houses participating are: Zeta Tau Alpha 17, Alpha Omnicron Pi 16, Gamma Phi Beta 8.

Lift Is Used

(Continued from page one) in a vacuum tube, presses a button, and the tube goes to the proper floor, where an attendant (there is one on every other floor), picks it up and finds the book. He then puts the book on one of the revolving baskets and it is carried down to the main floor, where it is automatically dropped out of the basket.

The revolving basket system is an innovation found only in the largest and newest libraries, Miss Rise pointed out. It has eleven baskets on a revolving chain which is in perpetual motion at a slow and even rate of speed, so that it is possible to put books in easily. When it is necessary to get a book from the basket, one simply presses a button which causes a little metal arm to stop the book.

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Campus Calendar

AWS council will meet at 5 o'clock today in the AWS rooms in Gerlinger hall.

YMCA cabinet will meet at the Y hut tonight at 5 o'clock.

There will be a meeting tonight of Phi Beta, music honorary, in alumni hall in Gerlinger. Active members will meet at 7:10 and pledges at 7:30.

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