

From Where I SIT

By CLARE IGOE

Today's column, for no good reason, will be nothing more or less than odds and ends that we have found running through our mind (such as it is) for the past few days, and which we may just as well put down on paper as not.

For instance what, if anything, has happened to the Jeanette Charman-Kirk. Eldridge romance? . . . Betty Hamilton, one of the year's cutest freshman, is now wearing the ATO pin of Jim Wilkinson. . . More love among the ATOs, for Bert Myers seems to have forgotten his Stanford interest— for Rosemary Geneste. . . The few days of sunny weather brought out a crop of hand-holders that bodes well for a romantic spring. . . didn't we tell you it might snow tomorrow. . . with exams so near, how do so many people find time to waste lolling about in the campus eateries. . . why, in heaven's name, are the Sigma Chis putting up a flag pole in their front yard. What do they think they are— Boy Scouts? . . . The Woody Truax-Eleanor Pitts romance seems to be thriving nicely. . . The Alpha Chis figured prominently in Oregon's feeble rally Saturday afternoon, even to timidly truckin' in front of Johnson hall. . . where was the rally committee when the dancing started—or tried to start? Yell King Paul Cushing pleaded with the kiddies to swing it a bit, but no impetus from the pep boys gave the thing a start. . . we certainly wish we could afford some new spring clothes, what with store windows full of fresh and spring-like frills. But our friend Alice Toots (if we may borrow her from Martha Stewart) says this spring clothes buying is a fad and that if we wait until next winter simply no one will be doing it. . . what's this we hear about Rhinesmith, the campus' arm of the law, cultivating a Sherlock Holmes pipe and wearing a gun. Maybe this detective club business really has him going. . .

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Where Are Oregon's

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Korn, graduated in English in '27, spent the next three years at Oxford, and '34-'35 at University of California. He is teaching at a college in Fresno, California.
Besides Oxford, Theodore Ruch, '27, has also studied at Stanford, Yale, and Munich, Germany. He is professor of psychology at Yale.
Robert Jackson's Rhodes scholarship was from '31 to '34. A graduate in '29 in physics, he is professor in that field at Harvard. David Williams was a mathematics major in '32, spending the next three years at Oxford and graduating from Columbia in '36. He is in the engineering department at Ohio State. Robert Hayter, psychology, '33, at Oxford until last June, is working for an advanced degree.
Most recent Oregon winner was Don Sturman, philosophy major of '33, who is now teaching philosophy at Reed College.
Miller, Ruch, Jackson, Williams, and Hayter are Phi Beta Kappas.

Kirk Eldridge

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Assistant drive chairmen Hoffman and Taylor appointed captains yesterday who will work under them during the drive as follows: Art Hannifin, George Rowland, Lloyd Sullivan, Pat Warren, Anne Frederickson, Alda Macchi, and Peggy Robbins. There will be personal representatives in every house.

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For Exhibition Purposes Only?

EVERY garage has a show room where new cars are displayed; every theater has a beautiful, ornate lobby; and every city has a chamber of commerce and a key to its various attractions.
Some of these organizations go to great expense to construct and beautify their "show spots." All, it will be noted, have something to sell and attempt thus to set it forth in the most attractive surroundings.
A university, also, has something to sell. As knowledge of sales methods progress they are bound to interest institutions of higher learning, for the battle among schools for students and funds is one of the most bitter competitions in the world today.
The University has apparently already established its sales room. True, all the properties are not yet in place but Oregon visitors are led trooping through it to gaze in awe upon its wonders and to sigh happily at the sight of comfortably seated students rapturously engaged in reading enlightening books in a not-crowded atmosphere.
We refer to the University of Oregon library's browsing room. It must have been designed as a show room—otherwise we can't find much justification, either for its existence or the fuss that has been made over it and its furnishings. It certainly isn't much for browsing.

THE University very definitely has something to sell and the people of the state of Oregon probably need taxation education about as badly as the people of any state. Perhaps the show room is the best means by which to "make the sale" of Oregon as a university and to interest Oregonians in the needs (and justifications for taxes to fulfill them) of education.
The facts in the case would indicate that in the so-called browsing room Oregon has been building what is primarily to be a show room.
In the first place, the casual observer and reader of Oregon newspapers might be led to postulate the following definition of a library if he had before him only the material disseminated about Oregon's newest and most impressive building. "A library is a building in which books are kept, the main feature of which is a browsing room."
For the browsing room furniture, costing \$9,000, has been publicized at the expense of the structure as a whole, although the building which will house that furniture cost around half a million dollars. The purpose of the library and the browsing or show room are vastly different, with the browsing room, if it is to be a browsing room, a mere supplement. But in this case the supplement seems to have swallowed up the larger structure.
RIGHT now, since the addition of two new pink leather chairs, the furnishing project seems to be stalled again. But since the completion of the drive to raise the money for furnishing the room produced the necessary funds the actual work has often been stalled. The conditions under which the furniture may be built and purchased is behind some of this delay and it is doubtless all legitimate. The delay has caused, however, reflection on the entire situation which has resulted in raising the question in the minds of some as to whether the whole project is worthwhile.
If the browsing room is to be a show room it is ideally situated in relation to the rest of the building for its purpose. If it is to be a browsing room it is not.
Instead of spotting the room on the second or third floor where students might conceivably have an opportunity to browse with a minimum of interruption, the leisure reading room was plunked down in the very heart of the library. It is not cut off, even by doors, from the hallways which bears the main traffic of librarians. It is the most prominently placed room in the white library.

AND the job of furnishing the room is being done in such a manner as to confirm the suspicion that perhaps people have been "roped in" on a sales room masquerading as a place to read.
Every article of furniture has been designed and redesigned. The room will be a place of modernistic beauty. The height of the chairs, for example, has been twice changed, we understand.
But, like the automobile show room and the hotel lobby, it will not be a place to browse.
Perhaps a super-show room for the popularization of education is necessary. But the space it takes up and the attendant required to maintain it seem sheer luxuries in a library so understaffed that all of its rooms cannot be used which would be necessary to satisfy the needs of students who wish to study, not browse. And about \$4,000 of the money collected for furniture would bring the money available for the purchase of new books up to about two-thirds what it should be were it devoted to that purpose.
IF the room is going to be a show room it ought to be labeled as such in order that students who don't have exhibition complexes can avoid it. Right now, what with the girl reserves trooping through opened mouth and all, students dropping in to read or take a nap feel like fish in a tank at the aquarium or like occupants of a state institution for moral or mental correction.
Personally, we don't think there's any justification for devoting so much space to a show room. The real purpose of the library makes a condition where it is overshadowed by a non-essential branch of doubtful value. It has the effect of cheapening the whole structure in many eyes or at least brings to mind the thought that someone has lost their perspective in the matter.
These facts seem plain: if any browsing is to be done it can be better accomplished in comparative seclusion and in ordinary comfortable surroundings; the essentials are books, handily displayed in great variety, and a leisurely atmosphere, not bustling attendants and expensive chairs.
But a show room now, that's different. . . if you want a show room.

SIDE SHOW

Edited by . . . Bill Cummings, Campus Paul Deutschmann, National
Since the Oregonian put red-baiting Policeman Odale in his place, the topic of communism has been rather out of style in staid and peaceful Oregon.
But in Kansas, the land of prohibition and Alf Landon, communism is quite a topic of conversation. The present big beef is in regard to Kansas university which is under fire as a spreader of "subversive" ideas. The situation has grown to such an extent that the worthy legislature of Kansas is seriously debating spending from \$7,500 to \$15,000 on an investigation.
The trouble started when a youth, recently of Kansas U. and imbued with the communistic propaganda allegedly dealt out there, hid himself to Spain, and got shot fighting for the supposed communist cause. So the story goes.
It is amazing to what extent people will go to discover something with which to frighten themselves. Bogies are undoubtedly the most played upon figments of man's imagination. Psychologists could probably explain why—to us it seems funny.
The most popular bogey these days, when the devil has become more of a good fellow than a fearful ogre, is communism. Perhaps it is necessary to have a bogey man, but it shouldn't be.
Some of the Kansas politicians have apparently succumbed to the psychological urge to be frightened. Their aim, or at least the aim of those who are supporting the bill for investigation, is to convey their frightened attitude to the people of the state and the students of the university.
Perhaps they might argue that they are endeavoring to protect democracy, preserve the constitution, combat subversive activity, or any of a

A Tough Battle—But Pink Got a Draw

WE'VE always a great deal of respect for the humor and influence of John Pink. Right now we're a bit puzzled about Pink's performance of last night.
John decided to, in his usual style (in our usual style we usually designate Pink's efforts as "in his inimitable manner"), whip out a bit of a masterpiece on the University lecture series.
Pink had been listening, as he related in his column, to Dr. Rudolph Ernst of the English department describe attendance at the lectures. Faculty and townspeople, Dr. Ernst said, turn out in gratifying numbers to hear the talks. Students, he declared sadly, stay away in large numbers.
So John took up the cudgel for the University lecture series. We'll pack 'em in, says he. We'll tell them about what will happen to them years from now up in Knappa-Svensen when the people all start to moving away—they won't know what the cause is if they don't attend this lecture. So he did.
The courageous lecturer, E. H. Moore, made his talk to the audience of seven—and a very interesting talk it was, too, according to reports.
Now, even though he earned a draw—we didn't count the reporter who is a student, which just about makes up for the fact that one of the other students is writing an editing thesis related to Dr. Moore's topic—we were shocked when Pink turned out only two students.
Maybe he just had an off day. After all, it's hard to sway us non-intellectuals.

Campus Calendar

Master Dance group will meet tonight at 7:30 in the dance studio.
The Eugene Hunt club will have a business meeting tomorrow night following its ride. Riding will be at 8, and the business meeting will follow at 9 o'clock at the fair grounds club house.
Alpha Kappa Psi meeting this afternoon in room 106 Commerce at 5 o'clock. This is the last meeting of the term. Several important questions require the attention of all members. Please be there.
CASWELL REVISES BOOK
A revised edition of Professor A. E. Caswell's book, "An Outline of Physics," is now in the hands of the MacMillan company for publication.

Fun Round-Up

Mayflower: "Double or Nothing."
McDonald: "Everybody Sing" and "Paradise for Three."
Hellig: "Little Miss Roughneck."
Rex: "Dead End" and "Perfect Specimen."
KORE: 8:30, Emerald Rhythm Review with Babe Binford's orchestra; 10:30, Emerald News Broadcast.
NBC: 5:30, Tommy Dorsey; 7, Hollywood Parade with Dick Powell, Rosemary Lane; 9, Town Hall with Fred Allen.
CBS: 6, Chesterfield program with Lawrence Tibbett; 6:30, Ben Bernie with Lew Lehr, Jane Pickens; 8:30, Texaco with Eddie Cantor, Deanna Durbin.
Dance orchestras: 9:30, CBS, Henry King; 10:15, NBC, Nat Brandwynne; 10:30, NBC, Jimmy Grier; 11, NBC, Eddy Duchin. (KORE from 9:30 to 12.)
Dancing 4-6—Gerlinger.

Weird Noises From Friendly Cause Wonder

It was on a Friday night, but all was not still. Friendly hall was being haunted!
Low moans, weird cries, painful sighs were wafted on the breeze out of the second floor windows of the building. Passers-by hurried to get past the evidently bewitched district. Such inhuman cries could not be found outside the movies or a ghost story.
But not so, as many of the "fraidy-cats" were to learn later.
A few of the Emerald announcer applicants, who had come away from late auditions, were excited about getting their voices recorded and wanted to play their records. Finding the rooms of the speech department deserted, for it was long after hours, they proceeded to find a phonograph. As luck would have it, they could not get the thing going properly. It was electric and would only run about half a minute at a time, with an occasional prodding twist of the rotating disk.
In such a manner, speed that the records turned was uneven. First the voices would roar out blatantly, then even and smoothly, then slowly so that the voice of the speaker seemed to come from beyond the grave.
Hence, the pseudo-spooks mystery is explained.
ATO's Take Lead
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Yeomen gathered the cross country championship in the first quarter, but slipped from fifth to seventh in the second term.
The Fijis hold the golf crown, also gathered in the first quarter, and placed high in basketball, to move from seventh to sixth place.

AMATO MADE PREXY

Tony Amato, second year law student from Portland, was elected president of the Newman club at a breakfast meeting of the organization held Sunday morning at Seymour's cafe. Mr. Amato succeeds Genevieve McNiece, who recently resigned. The Newman club is made up of all Catholic students at the University.
PHI PSI PREXY HERE
L. S. Lyons, national president of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, visited the local chapter, Saturday. He comes from Washington, D. C., where he is head of the Brookings institute.
More than 1,100,000 Americans are enrolled in WPA education classes.
St. Louis civic organizations are working for the establishment of a free college in that city.

University High Teachers to Make Tour of Schools

Progressive schools in California and Washington will be visited by two members of the faculty of University high school during spring vacation.
J. A. Holaday, instructor in social sciences, will leave Friday for a two weeks' trip, stopping at Chico, Sacramento, Redwood City, Palo Alto and San Jose high schools, and observing their curricula and methods of instruction. Student teachers will conduct his classes during the week of his absence not included in spring vacation.
Stanley E. Williamson, science instructor, will visit schools in Washington during the week's vacation, particularly the Seattle schools.
Results of their survey will be reported to faculty meetings upon their return, and the best features found in the various schools will be adapted to University high school.
The New York City Principals association has passed a resolution asking that chapters of the American Student Union be barred from the city's schools.

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