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## No Hits, No Runs, Three Errors

PASSING the buck is a good old diplomatic custom. It is in the very best order to take this or that difficult situation, consider it very carefully, arrive finally at the conclusion that it is not within your jurisdiction, and carefully turn it over to another group who go through the same mummery.

The procedure is very crafty, especially if the issue is one which requires popular interest. Nothing works so effectively against any program of this nature as time, for a fickle public grows forgetful, and everything will slip beautifully back into a regular, if not right, status quo.

WHILE the method of handling the exchange dessert question is not a full-fledged case of passing the buck, it comes very close to that. The matter has been before three groups—heads of houses, men's social chairmen, and women's social directors.

Presidents of women's living organizations discussed the matter to a considerable extent, and arrived at one sensible modification of the present system by deciding to make the dress of coeds informal. However, by voting to continue the system for the rest of the term without recommendation as to reform or study of the problem, heads of houses neatly side-stepped the problem.

Even less action was taken by the men's social chairmen who discussed the matter briefly and decided it was the affair of the interfraternity council. As far as could be determined the women's social directors did not consider exchange desserts. Last night the interfraternity council was unable to bring up the question although there had been considerable discussion at the meeting two weeks ago.

UNFORTUNATELY the entire question did originally start in unofficial student suggestion and grew into inaccurate conclusion through rumor. But as was stated in these columns October 13, the rumor did bring to light many defects in the present exchange system.

Perhaps an enunciation of some of them would serve as a basis for constructive action. The goal of exchange desserts is a better acquainted student body. The present set-up falls far short in this consideration. A considerable number of houses and living organizations have an extremely limited program of desserts—not because they desire it, but because the unregulated system allows formation of dessert cliques, or at least confines exchanges to a more or less select group.

This means that some organizations have a very slight chance of getting acquainted, and that others have such full programs that it may be considered a serious inroad upon study time.

THE much-bruited suggestion for exchange dinners is no real improvement, and when it is considered that it has been almost the only alternative at the meetings of the above mentioned groups the reason for their lack of action becomes more clear. Certainly exchange dinners would be merely a change in form, bringing added difficulties in increased expense. The problems of lack of a more democratic spread of mid-week social events and over-emphasis of them in some quarters would in no wise be solved.

Student programs and traditions preserve their positions on the campus only as long as their aims are worthy and their method of achieving these aims actually does so without too great an interference with the educational activities of the University.

The exchange dessert system is showing signs of violating both of these principles. Unless it is corrected by action in the near future, the time will arrive when the system becomes so defective it will be unable to preserve it. Constructive reorganization now is the only means of preventing this.

## The CALLIOPE

Surprising how a little investigation will center the attention of the whole campus on a matter that seems almost trivial, yet involves some important niceties of etiquette.

Last night the interfraternity council, with all the decorum that body possesses, weighed pro and con the problem of whether or not to continue the custom of laying scantily-clad fraternity men on sorority house doorsteps. And so intricate were the details that the interfraternity council was unable to reach any decision, but resolved to bring the matter before the attention of each chapter house individually for further consideration.

And, of course, the result of any discussion within the fraternity houses themselves is perfectly obvious—they will vote 100 per cent to continue the custom. And then the interfraternity council will have the whole weighty problem dropped in its lap again. So the caption of Editor Deutschmann's editorial on this page might well read "No Hits, No Runs, Four Errors," instead of three.

Yesterday more than 30

high school newspaper editors and managers arrived on the campus for the annual high school press conference, which begins at 9:30 this morning and will break up Saturday noon. Many of the prep school newsmen are already housed at campus living organizations, and many more will move in today, bringing the total delegation to something like 135.

What will be the impressions that these young journalists carry back to their respective high schools and print in their respective high school newspapers? Will the things they learn about Oregon be good or bad? Unquestionably the things they learn about the school of journalism will be good, with the careful supervision that the conference always has, but the contacts made outside the "shack" are important, too. Hundreds of prospective University students will soon be reading in the columns of their high school papers just what their representatives think of Oregon, so what better service could the student body do than make the reaction of these important visitors a good one?

## SIDE SHOW

By JIM BRINTON  
That Germany's Nazi regime will not be all work and no play was made a fact by the announcement of a \$395 car to be produced in huge quantities for the people.

The new "Volkswagen" (people's car) is to do for Germany what the Ford did for the United States. It will be produced under the auspices of Hitler (naturally) and the German Labor Front. The idea was supposed to have been conceived by Hitler, but when the time came to find a concern that could produce the auto at a price as low as 900 marks none could be found.

Dr. Robert Ley, head of the German Labor Front, was sought out and it is his organization that is putting up the cash to build the factory and start production. The car was then given an additional name, or slogan, "Kraft durch Freude," meaning "strength through joy," which has been the name of the benevolent activities of the labor front to its members.

The new autos will have good roads to travel. Since 1933, 1500 miles of super highway has been ribboned between the principal cities of Germany. By the end of this year there will be 1900 miles completed of the proposed 6,835. The roads are the best in Europe: two broad lanes of concrete separated by a grassy strip between.

With all these nice roads built there were only 1,500,000 autos in Germany, just one for every fifty persons. Something had to be done to keep the moss off the roads between maneuvers.

More about the car:  
It's to be a four passenger job with a four-cylinder, 24-h.p. engine mounted in the rear. When the full weight of one of the pedal digits is applied to the accelerator the "Volkswagen" will clip the breeze at 62 m.p.h. And all with a fuel consumption of only 33 miles per gallon!

The tires and other rubber parts of the car will be made of "Buna," Germany's new synthetic rubber; to produce 1,500,000 cars a year it was estimated that only 1 per cent of Germany's steel output would be used.

Figures show that 5 million out of 15 million workers and 2 million out of 4 million office employees earn over 2000 marks a year, such a salary being sufficient to enable one to purchase the car. In addition there are a large number of business and professional men who would find the new car within their means.

It was announced, however, that members of the labor front would get their new "Kraft durch Freude" car first in preference to non-members.

It won't be long now until all good Germans can be two-bitted to death with 40-cent gasoline to keep their \$395 "jalopies" running on Hitler's million dollar roads.

## Thomas H. Cornwell, Oregon Ex-'18, Dies

Thomas H. Cornwell, 45, ex-'18, and University of Oregon football star, died yesterday in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Cornwell turned to coaching at the University of Tennessee and later conducted an insurance business.

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Lions 'n tigers 'n everything . . . and one usually thinks of big tops. But not this time. This time it's a play, scheduled by the University drama department for late November or early December and the play . . . Andre Obey's NOAH . . . next on the slate for campus theater-goers. Director Seybolt is now casting and there must be animals. Principal Parts will, of course, go to members of Guild hall and students in technique but there's always a chance for a bit part . . . can you growl?

Rumors behind the footlights have Director Seybolt wanting very much to produce the play version of Moliere's THE SCHOOL FOR HUSBANDS, a light musical, some time this season. Perhaps a "school for husbands" would be in order now, having found out "how they (husbands) go" this past week.

Cupid scores a come-back and once more it's smooth sailing for Betty Burns and Lloyd Sullivan, steadies again!

And "The Merry Robinsons" are once again playing host Sunday nights to drama students and others interested in the theater at their home on Sylvan drive. Recent plays are read at these evening get-togethers. Recent innovation: a game called Indications picked up in California this summer by Wally Boyle . . . a combination of pantomime and interpretation and lots of fun!

With plans for a "bigger and better than ever before" (as usual) Homecoming celebration going ahead at increased tempo and Gus Arnheim's orchestra signed for the big dance it might be well to remind those in charge . . . of the very sorry state of the Igloo floor when Whiteman played a year ago. Am hoping the \$1.50 admission will admit couples to some good dancing as well as good music this year!

Excavation work for the new Humanities building to go up between Johnson and Condon on Thirteenth will begin December 12th. Upon completion of the building the University Co-op will take over the first floor. Wondering who or what will then step into the present Co-op store. A fine location for campus trade.

SPECIAL: One Theta Chi suggests you ask Phil "preacher" Barrett why they called him "ruby lips" when he came in just before dinner last night. Now we wonder! What we would like to know is, where'd he been . . . and the other party perhaps?

Imagine being pulled out of bed at the ungodly hour of 7 a.m.! That's what happened to Lloyd Johnson the other morning when Gamma hall "pals" routed the boy out to listen to a radio program . . . of all things. Over the air it came, "This next little number is requested by friends of Lloyd Johnson in celebration of his twelfth birthday." Was the lad from San Mateo griped? Ask him.

Freeman Patton, incidentally, another Gamma boy was doing the announcing at KORE. Handles the "Early Bird" program each morning between 7 and 7:45.

Too bad it takes students so long to "quiet down" at an as-

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sembly. The continued chatter after Dr. Erb rose yesterday morning to introduce the speaker certainly didn't speak well for the students responsible. Thought Rollo Walter Brown's talk well worth hearing and something to think about. Along the same line: ran into an interesting article in the September FORUM. James Carroll's "No College For My Son" in which the writer points out the advantages of "not sending" his son, an average American boy of nineteen, to college. Worth reading and it's short!

And now some shorts . . . the ancient Alpha Phi "town car" rolling again . . . George Knight patiently waiting for the sun to come out from behind a cloud bank, so's to snap a shot for the Oregon . . . Shirley Gibson and George Smith . . . and Lorraine Beardsley wearing Bill Jones' pin, Bill was in school last year, now works for the Guard . . . Sigma Chi freshmen polishing away late Wednesday night during the weekly work-party . . . Kirk Eldridge now with Nalley's foods out of Portland . . . and Ted Sarpola being slapped a \$5 fine for retrieving a football (trespassing) . . . while some of the Sigma Nu boys are being reported on counts of "indecent exposure." The blinds were up. Might remind some overly-modest souls that there's no law requiring they look! After all!

OREGON VERSION: You can lead a fraternity man to water . . . but you'll fight to mill-race him!

Three cheers! County graders gave the stretch around the back of the Art school a "working-over" yesterday and at last it's "rideable." Some day . . . perhaps . . . it will be paved.

And in closing: you can't mix your drinks and keep a clear head . . . but it's sure fun trying! . . . while you last. Moral to the aspiring activity kid: do one thing at a time and that well.

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

### NOTICE OF CLASS SCHEDULE

(For Friday, October 21, only)  
9 o'clock App. of Lit. transferred from 105 Journ. to 7 Commerce.  
10 o'clock Eng. Comp. transferred from 102 Journ to 5 Commerce.  
10 o'clock Shakespeare transferred from 105 Journ. to 4 Education.  
2 o'clock Prob. of Dist. transferred from 105 Journ. to 7 Commerce.

Orides-Yeoman dance, 8:30 p.m. in the AWS room in Gerlinger hall. Free to members; others 10 cents.

Sigma and Gamma halls will have individual Oregon pictures taken at Kennell-Ellis studios today.

The Homecoming dance committee will meet today at the College Side at 4 p.m.

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## Wie geht's

By V. GATES

The fellow who threw that bouquet at Hitler came close to getting in the Hall of Fame. The only thing that stopped him was that it really was a bouquet.

The U. S. government proposes to counter-propagandize foreign snoopers and we assume it will be a reversal of that Biblical doctrine to: a spy for a spy.

That Lewis-Green fiasco you read about is not to be taken seriously. The CIO is too young and the AFL too Green.

We learn rather late that the Archbishop of Canterbury "raps" the Peace of Munich. And all the time we thought that noise was opportunity knocking.

An AP dispatch says that Germany decrees barring of all Jewish lawyers. A lot of people have forgotten that Germany had lawyers of any kind.

Dr. Wiener of MIT says scientists "can now predict what will happen in states of complete confusion." Maybe they can tell us, then, what happened in the last six minutes of the Stanford game.

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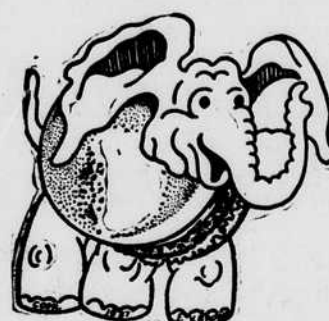
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