

**WEATHER REPORT**  
Cloudy Thursday and Friday with moderate rains in south-west and on coast. Little change in temperature. Increasing southwest winds off coast.

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## THE Passing SHOW

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### Zero Hour Nears In Spanish War

Spanish civil war news in brief from four focal points:  
Barcelona—The loyalist government reported that it has given up the defense of the besieged city and has removed all its agencies to the city of Gerona. Franco troops had finally cut off all lines of retreat around the city, but government reserves and civilians, including many women, asserted that they would defend their homes until they dropped in the streets. The "zero hour" is expected some time today.

England—The cabinet met yesterday to consider possible results of the latest turn of affairs. It was also revealed that Generalissimo Francisco Franco has pledged himself not to wreck revenge upon any civilians in the city if Barcelona is taken.

France—Was warned by an official statement in Rome that there would be "consequences" if the French interfered with the "inevitable victory" of insurgent forces. The threat was backed by mobilization of 60,000 Italian reserves.

United States—President Roosevelt announced that America would continue its "hands off" policy in Spain, and that the arms embargo would not be lifted. Secretary of State Hull reiterated that the embassy will remain with the loyalist government.

### Shake-Down Levels Chilean Buildings

An earthquake of "terrific proportions" shook the South American nation of Chile yesterday, centering near Santiago. Pan-American airways reported early that nearly 2000 people were dead as at Washington, the nation's cap-radio advices from Santiago indicated that only about 100 were killed with 500 wounded.

Approximately 40 per cent of the buildings were leveled. All government agencies have been mobilized for immediate aid.

### Thomas vs. Perkins Continues Hotly

At Washington, the nation's capital, the battle between Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins and Congressman J. Parnell Thomas of New Jersey continued undaunted. Both expressed the desire to have the matter brought to a head before the house judiciary committee immediately.

Miss Perkins reached out, in fact, for more authority, by an (Please turn to page four)

### English Town Cinema Has Petters' Nook

By ANNA MAE HALVERSON  
A blinkin' cuddlah's cawnah, by jove! It can't happen in England! It's no lie, and it did happen in England. A petters' paradise has been established in staid Uxbridge, Middlesex, England, according to a United Press dispatch.

The town cinema decided to reserve a special corner for lovers because they engaged in so much kissing and cuddling that they drowned out the picture for paid customers. Elderly women were the chief grumblers about the boisterous mugging.

The special corner, with its dimmer lighting, isn't approved by the Vicar of Uxbridge at all. Other fellow clergymen opined that no self-respecting young man would take his girl to the special kissing seats.—The Californian.

### Book

There should not be any such thing as a textbook for they are things which are not meant to be read you buy them and sit them on the shelf and then sell them back at half price several months later.—Snookie in the Daily Texan.

### Degree

No one has accused college women of making matrimonial bureaus out of colleges quite so scorchingly before as Helga Bourse, a German student at Muskingum college. Says she: "They're so silly. They sit around and gab about their dates and who kissed who." She says they're after a MRS. degree, not an A.B. or B.S.—ACP.

## Yell Leader To Be Chosen At Assembly

### Three Aspirants To Perform Before ASUO Members in Gerlinger Today

Amid a fluttering of ballots and the rally spirit of campus elections, ASUO members will meet this morning in Gerlinger to choose a new Webfoot yell king from the list of three applicants turned in yesterday.

Four of the original competitors for the position will be denied a chance to show their ability at the meeting because of scholastic ineligibility rating given them by

No student will be issued a ballot on which to vote for Oregon's new yell king at this morning's election unless he presents an ASUO card to ushers at the door, (Student Body President Harry Weston announced last night.

University officials. Bob Elliot, Woody Slater, and Art Wiggins remain as aspirants for the post left vacant by the removal, because of ineligibility of Paul Cushing.

Weston to officiate  
Harry Weston, ASUO president, who will officiate at the assembly, has announced that he will introduce each of the applicants. They will in turn lead students present in demonstration yells in order that ASUO members may be better qualified to make their decision.

Ballots will be issued at the door to each holder of a student body card, and no one will be allowed to vote unless he presents this identification.

Hobson Will Talk  
Also slated on this morning's program will be a short talk by Basketball Coach Howard Hobson and presentation of members of his 1939 quintet.

Webfoot three-year lettermen will receive recognition awards for their efforts in the athletic field, in lieu of the Oregon blankets which were to have been presented at this time, but which have not yet come from the manufacturers.

Lester Ready is scheduled to sing "Without a Song" by Vincent Youman and "A Chip Off the Old Block" by W. H. Squire. Bobby Garretson will accompany him.

Pat Shea will also sing two popular numbers.

### Dr. Miller Plans Physical Exams For Senior Class

Dr. Fred N. Miller, student health service head, yesterday announced the beginning of senior physical examinations.

This service is made available to seniors each year, thus giving them their last physical check-up before leaving college.

Seniors desiring the examination should make their appointments early, Dr. Miller warned, for exams will be given in the order appointments are received.

## Professor Beck Hits Capital Punishment

Crime does not pay, says Professor L. F. Beck of the psychology department, even though the adoption of the lethal gas chamber in Oregon makes the death of a criminal more pleasant and humane.

"The knowledge of the consequences does not prevent a crime," he said, "because the results are too far removed from the actual crime. The criminal can see too many possibilities of escape. He can plead insanity, hire a good criminal lawyer, or perhaps establish an alibi."

Criminals will not commit more crimes, or take greater risks, Beck said, because the method of capital punishment in the state happens to be a more desirable one.

Professor Beck believes in capital punishment only as a last resort in dealing with a criminal. "I believe in capital punishment," he said, "only when it is shown by a board of experts in human be-

## Line Coach Bill Cole May Leave Oregon

### Webfoot Forward Wall Boss Plans to Accept Position at Santa Ana, Cal., High School; No 'Probable Successor' Listed

Confirming reports that he had been contacted by Santa Ana high school authorities regarding the post of football coach and director of athletics, Ralph W. (Bill) Cole, line coach at Oregon, stated yesterday that he would leave the Webfoot coaching ranks if contract stipulations are met by the California school.

When Santa Ana high contacted me regarding the position, I made several stipulations in the contract. I have received no word from the school officials regarding the outcome of their Monday meeting at which time the contract was to have been discussed. If Santa Ana meets my conditions, I will accept," Cole said.

Cole, genial 240-pound line mentor for the past year, told the Emerald that he had asked for a salary of \$2400. Press reports from the south indicated last night that Santa Ana officials had agreed to the salary and other conditions.

Notice Expected Today  
Although Cole has not been contacted further, he expects to receive notice this morning from Santa Ana officials as to whether his appointment to the position has been approved by the board.

The portly mentor, still bothered by a racking cough, denied that poor health had influenced his decision to leave the University. Financial difficulties in running his ranch the past year was cited by Cole as a reason for his consideration of the California offer.

"Big Bill," as he is called by nearly all his friends, owns a 20-acre orange ranch just five miles out of Santa Ana.

Cole came to Eugene last spring from Tustin, California, high school where he coached football for nine years. For the past year he has been line coach and chief assistant to Headman Tex Oliver.

All-Coast Tackle  
While playing his senior season for Coach Howard Jones at Southern California, Cole was chosen as a tackle on the all-coast team. After graduating in 1924, Cole coached freshman football for the Trojans before going to Tustin.

In Portland to attend an alumni meeting, Coach Oliver told the United Press that he knew there was a possibility of Cole's leaving, "but I did not expect him to do so at this time." Oliver had no recommendation for an immediate successor, but it is expected that Oliver will have an assistant on hand by the opening day of spring football.

Oliver, himself, coached at Santa Ana for a long period before moving to the University of Arizona.

At Oregon, Cole was under a one-year contract which was to have been renewed.

### '39 Oregon Price Rises to \$5.50 Today

Students who have not yet ordered their 1939 Oregon yearbook will pay the price of their procrastination, Dick Williams, Oregon business manager, announced last night. From this time on, latecomers will pay an additional fifty cents because they delayed placing their order. The price of the Oregon yearbook is now \$5.50.

At least 35 or 40 copies are still available, Williams said, because of the number of contracts which have been cancelled. While the exact number of copies which will be available for the latecomers is unknown, there will be considerably less than 100 copies, Williams said.

He added that 2100 copies of the 1939 yearbook had been sold.

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

The Community Service group will meet at the Y hut at 6 p.m. today.

Christian Science organization will hold its regular meeting in the YWCA bungalow at 8 tonight. All students and faculty members are cordially invited.

Tau Delta Chi will meet in the alumni hall, Gerlinger tonight at 7.

Independent students are asked to get their tickets for the Dad's day luncheon at the booth on Thirteenth street before Friday noon.

Badminton club meets tonight in Gerlinger at 7:30.

### ROTC Vaccinations Finished for Year

Smallpox vaccinations and typhoid shots for 45 ROTC boys were finished Wednesday by Dr. Fred N. Miller of the University health service.

None of the boys, military students who are planning to attend the summer camp, fainted or found it necessary to sit down this year, Dr. Miller reported.

## Millrace Plan To Be Talked By Committee

### Meeting Scheduled Tonight on Property Development Along Pacific Highway

A special committee, appointed by Dr. Donald M. Erb, president of the University of Oregon, will meet in Friendly hall tonight with a committee of Eugene citizens to report plans for the development of property owned by the University lying north of the millrace and east of the Anchorage.

The object of the meeting is to prepare plans for development of the property in the event that the proposed change in the Pacific highway through the east side of Eugene should be put into effect.

Highway May Move  
The proposal under consideration would place the railroad tracks where the highway now runs and the highway between the tracks and the University campus. Although no definite plans for the changing of the Pacific highway have been announced, the committee has been considering the problem of what should be done about the University property in the event the change should be decided upon.

The property was purchased less than a year ago for the sum of \$4500. It was thought at the time that the property was purchased that it would provide ground on which to build the floats for the annual canoe fete. It was also thought that additional bleachers for the Junior Weekend festivities might be built there.

Interest Old One  
At the time of the purchase, Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel, said that the University had been interested in procuring the property for the last 20 or 25 years. He added that President Campbell had been very much interested in the possibility of developing this property for the University.

The committee will meet in the faculty room of Friendly hall at 7:30 tonight.

The committee in charge of the investigation includes Professor Fred A. Cuthbert, Dean Virgil D. Earl, Professor Orlando J. Hollis, Professor Will V. Norris, J. O. Lindstrom, and Earl M. Pallett.

### Several Graduates Secure New Jobs

Despite a slack season for making placements for job-seeking graduates, the department of education placement bureau has secured teaching jobs for graduates during the past few months.

Louise Beers Walker has received a position in the girls' physical education department for the rest of the year at Pendleton high school.

Ruth Eversole has a job in the high school at Joseph, Oregon.

The job of principal of the high school at Valselt, Oregon, was given to Joe Stewart.

Mrs. Vyra Tobin has accepted a position in the grade school at River Road, near Eugene.

Ruby Wright, graduate student, will teach at Reed sport high school.

### Curtailment Possible In Education Budget

Possibility that the budget for higher education in Oregon for the coming year will be curtailed seems likely as the time for consideration of the problems of higher education by the state legislature draws nearer.

Chancellor F. M. Hunter's proposed budget of \$5,960,664 has already been slashed to \$5,396,289.

It is believed that state legislators will hesitate to increase the revenue of the state by adding new taxes. Furthermore, any new taxes approved by the legislature would not take effect until they had been passed in the general election of 1940.

It was announced recently by the tax commission that Governor Sprague's three-point tax program would attempt to "keep the revenue on the same basis as at the present."

The cut of \$464,000 in the Chancellor's proposed budget was in the fund for salary restorations. The chancellor proposed that \$664,000 be used for salary restoration but this sum was cut to \$200,000.

## Action Due Soon on Two-Semester Plan

### Faculty Senate Urges Backing for Resolution Passed Two Years Ago

Following up an action taken two years ago, the faculty senate yesterday voted to recommend that the faculty reaffirm its resolution in support of the two-semester plan, it was announced by Dr. Howard R. Taylor, chairman of the group.

Faculty members are reported to be still overwhelmingly in favor of the adoption of the two-semester plan. A resolution in favor of the plan was passed by the senate and affirmed by the faculty two years ago.

Action Never Completed  
However, action was never completed throughout the entire state system of higher education because of the building fee provision which allowed an assessment of \$5 per term on each student but made no provision insuring the building quota in the event of adoption of a two semester plan.

An advantage of the semester system is greater integration of the state system of awarding academic credits with the systems used by Oregon high schools and by colleges and universities of other states, it was brought out.

Registration Expenses Pared  
Expenses of registration administration would be cut by one third, according to Assistant Registrar Clifford L. Constance.

The "mad scramble" which is now a necessary part of determining mid-term and final grades would be cut down by one third, allowing both students and faculty to devote more time to actual study and instruction.

### Law School Eyes Two Semester Plan

The University law school faculty has under consideration the proposal to adopt the two-semester plan at the University, Wayne L. Morse, dean of the law school, said yesterday.

"In many respects I think the semester plan is preferable to the quarter system," added Dean Morse.

He pointed out that further investigation may show that it would be inadvisable to adopt the plan for the law school unless at least one more faculty member is added to the staff. He said that the semester plan would probably require a complete reorganization of the law school curricula, with resulting increases in teaching load.

Dean Morse explained that many of the law courses are one term courses. These courses would have to be revised or combined with others under the two-semester plan.

### COSMOPOLITANS TO MEET

The first organized meeting of the newly-formed Cosmopolitan club will be held Friday afternoon at 4:30 in Alumni hall, the steering committee announced yesterday.

Dr. F. G. Schmidt, present head of the German department, will retire this June after 42 years of teaching at the University, it was learned yesterday.

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### Decorations Sheduled For Local Streets

Downtown Eugene, as well as the campus, will be decorated in honor of Oregon dads this weekend.

Overcoming the difficulty of a minus budget, John Luvaas, chairman, has managed, with the cooperation of merchants, to have 55 banners made for the streets downtown.

The city will put the banners up. A definite need for banners has been felt in past years, but lack of money has made them impossible.

### Greek Heads Will Hear National Editor

### Fraternity Trends, Problems Named Discussion Topics

Recent fraternity trends and local as well as national problems will be the main topics for consideration when Mr. and Mrs. George Banta Jr., editor and associate editor respectively of Banta's Greek Exchange, speak to members of several fraternity and sorority council groups today.

Mr. Banta is vice-chairman of the national interfraternity conference.

President Donald M. Erb and personnel officers, the interfraternity council, and Pan-Hellenic will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Banta at the Kappa Alpha Theta house at noon. Following the luncheon, alumni advisers and rushing chairmen will meet with Mrs. Banta at the Theta house. Mr. Banta will go to the Phi Delta Theta house to meet with the interfraternity council.

Besides meeting with the combined groups, the visitors will be entertained by their own fraternities. Mrs. Banta is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, and has served as a national officer. Banta, a member of Phi Delta Theta, is past president of the national group.

The two will come to the campus from Oregon State where they have been principal speakers for a two-day conference.

Bill Cummings, interfraternity council member, will drive Mr. and Mrs. Banta from Corvallis.

The drama club will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at Westminster house.

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### Real Mexican Food Served by Y Group

Straight from old Mexico was the atmosphere of the "pozole" dinner served last night by the Foreign Foods group at the YW bungalow.

Miss Mary Wright planned the dinner with real Mexican food served on genuine Mexican pottery. Twenty attended the dinner. Nina Schmor is in charge of the group.

MISS SAWYER ILL  
Miss Ethel Sawyer, browsing room librarian, is confined to her home in Portland this week because of illness. She will return next week.

The first students of Villanova college required to furnish themselves with large silver spoons.

### Student Leaders of Two Schools Will Study Proposals On Campus Today

Concerted student action may be taken today on the two-semester plan which has been seething in the minds of faculty members and students of all the institutions of the Oregon state system of higher education since discontent with the present plan was first expressed two years ago.

Bob Walker, president of the associated students of Oregon State college, and Ed Burchell, editor of the Oregon State Barometer, will meet with Zane Kemler, vice-president of the associated students of the University at 2:30 this afternoon to discuss a student movement to bring the building fee law before the legislature at Salem, a necessary step in the inauguration of the two-semester system.

Kemler Provides Drive  
Impetus behind the student movement has come from Kemler, who will confer today with Walker and Burchell in an effort to enlist the aid of the Staters in support of the project.

Articles in the Barometer in the past have indicated that the Corvallis faction has not endorsed the movement, and it is the aim of Kemler and the ASUO executive committee to reach a common point of view on the matter for more effective action.

Fee Law Is Block  
With faculty support of the plan secured by the faculty senate meeting yesterday, the greatest obstacle blocking the way of positive action by state board heads is the building fee law which requires that a building fee of \$5 be paid by each student every term. Under the present wording of the provision, the use of the two-semester plan would cut the building fee one third.

Today it will be the aim of student leaders of the two state four-year schools to provide for necessary student action in placing the proposed revision before the state legislature to change the building fee law to read "\$5 per term, per student, or \$7.50 per semester."

NINETEEN IN INFIRMARY  
John David, Barbara Ward, Bette Hayden, Flora Miller, Jean Banning, Mary Peck, Alice Mullan, Olive Brown, Claire Lyon, Avis Klemme, Wilbur Colwell, Val Culwell, Bob Corby, Cutler Webster, Jack Waits, Alan Chaffer, Bob "Smookey" Whitfield, John Smeed, and Charles Baker are listed as infirmary patients.