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## Unaccustomed As He Is--Bruce Baxter

FOR a five-year record of achievement and popularity at his post it would be no easy job to find one who would surpass Bruce R. Baxter, president of Willamette university and guest of the University of Oregon at this morning's assembly.

Coming to Willamette comparatively unknown, at least in these parts, Dr. Baxter's light was harder to keep hidden than a Klieg light under mosquito netting.

Probably his greatest medium of association was through his numerous speeches. Like the University of Oregon's own president, Dr. Erb, Bruce Baxter perennially found himself before one group or another, never having learned to say no to a request for an appearance. And repeat performances were always urged by these groups after it was all over, one of the surest tests of a good speaker.

It is such a man who will take over Geringer stage this morning at assembly hour, and the University may indeed congratulate itself on a true "catch." This Willamette president is no run-of-the-mill orator, no platform time-killer. That University of Oregon students and faculty will like him is a foregone conclusion.

Whenever Dr. Erb has made an address at Willamette, and he has appeared there two or three times, Willamette-ites have packed and jammed in to hear him.

Accordingly, University of Oregon people have two distinct reasons for packing today's assembly. First, as a return favor for the courtesy shown our own president in Salem; and second, because speakers as good as Bruce Baxter are scarce as hen's teeth. Anyone owes it to himself to take advantage of this opportunity.

## Drowning War With 'Floods of Fronts'

IT did not take very long after the opening of hostilities in Europe two and a half months ago for it to become evident that there was considerable apprehension on the part of the American people that the United States might be drawn into the war.

From the start it was clear the war had no friends on this side of the water. Almost with the first declarations of war groups of individuals began to band together to form various "fronts" to keep America out of the war, completely and uncompromisingly. Just how many of these unrelated "fronts" there might be is probably a problem calling for big-number arithmetic; the Emerald itself can vouch for the existence of a dozen or more. Every week brings at least two or three letters bearing the platforms and programs of more "fronts" against war.

For example, in the eastern part of the United States there are the headquarters of the American Mothers, who don't raise their boys to be soldiers. They figure they would just as soon not wear the gold star emblemizing war-sacrifice motherhood.

THEN there are at least half a dozen college groups, both men and women, who figure war is just plain no good, who can see no future in bleeding and dying for country. They want to look at the thing intelligently, and their vote is a pre-calculated "no." Circulars arrive in the mail with such titles as, "What Are We Willing to Die For?" There are also unclassified groups.

The list is not short, and it grows each week. Locally there is the rather retiring, self-styled "Leavenworth Club," whose only

manifestation to date has been three or four "bulletins" printed in yellow paper in highly colorful language. The Leavenworth club perhaps outstrips all others in its choice of the juiciest, time-tested terms, such as "organized murder," "robber barons," "mental goose-stepping," and "imperialism," to name but a few. The aim of the club, according to bulletin number three is "brotherly love." Beyond that the group does not seem to have made up its mind what to want.

Now all these movements have purpose; their fears are perhaps justified, and their efforts are undoubtedly expended in good faith. This sort of thing is going on all over the nation; with what effect remains to be seen.

MORE than that, this is no new idea. Every war since the invention of the printed word has brought out unrest, although of course not nearly to this degree. Perhaps the present generations are above their predecessors in intelligence in discovering that propaganda can work both ways; they now fight fire with fire.

What is to come out of peace "fronts" is still veiled in the future, but it is doubtful that all the Leavenworth clubs, peace fronts, and such gestures, which could be devised, could keep a nation out of war, regardless of manifest good intentions. Plenty of fabulously hot territory is paved with good intentions, according to the well-known old bromide.

No one wants war, here or there, then or now. That much all are agreed upon. Where the disagreement comes in is just how to prevent it. "Fronts" may or may not be the answer.

## Wanted: An Interpreter

FOR prize-winning communications arriving at these editorial desks here is one for the reader to figure out.

Bearing a Corvallis cancellation of November 14, the envelope contained nothing but a clipping torn from the Oregonian sport page of Friday, November 10 . . . a pre-game story about enthusiasm in Eugene.

Emphasis seemed aimed at a paragraph down near the bottom where mention was made of the "acute attack of footballists" noticeable in "this thriving hamlet" . . . Eugene. Underlined in red pencil was: "There

is no official reading, but I (Stub Nelson) venture to say the patients' temperature is hovering around 110 and about to send the mercury right through the head of the bulb."

The only original contribution included, in addition to the underlining, was the following, scrawled over the columns vertically in the same red pencil: "A sudden drop in temperature is apt to give the children pneumonia. Keep them wrapped up."

No signature, no identification whatsoever. No nothing.

It would seem a translation is in order.

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Oregon Emerald, Eugene, Oregon.  
Dear Editor:

Congratulations on your Homecoming edition and on all the other editions of your excellent paper! We have the opportunity to compare it with the various papers of California colleges and the Emerald outshines them all. It is very helpful to loyal Oregonians temporarily domiciled this distance from home.

One bit of news I have missed seeing, however. How

about that girls' hockey team. If the writeups have been there and we have merely missed reading them—please excuse us.

Best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely yours,  
Florence West.  
(Mrs. R. B.)

**Anderson Offers Instruction for Calculating Machine**

O. R. Anderson, instructor in business administration, is offering instruction in the use of adding machines and calculating machines to all students in business administration courses. The students will use the machines in their courses while they are in college, and afterwards they should be fairly competent, Anderson declared.

## Behind the 8 BALL

With JACK BRYANT

ALPHA hall's Jack Miller saw the cars coming as he strolled across the street in front of Johnson the other day. "But, this is a safety zone," he rationalized. So he continued to cross with no increase in speed. As the car barely missed him the driver shouted, "WHY DON'T YOU GO SOME PLACE WHERE YOU CAN GET AN EDUCATION?" . . . NOT TO BE FORGOTTEN is Bobby Anet's BETTY FUNK-HOUSE. Two more not to be overlooked are Morris McCleron and Ned Johnson, who came to visit old acquaintances.

Stewart Brown, a Delta Chi from OAC, dated Ann Gardner, ADPI pledge during homecoming . . . Sue Falkell, Susie, is the reason the Sigma Chi stocks were out Tuesday. Bill Potter is the planter . . . Contributed: "Don Thomas changes his theme song from, 'Theta Lips' to 'Down by the Old Mill Stream,' as Mills college temporarily (?) takes a back seat. . ."

He Calls Her "Dotty" QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Who was the beautiful blonde that Theta Chi's Paul Cushing was sporting around last weekend? . . . Sigma Kappa's MARY BELCHER is going to the Sig Ep (SPE) house dance Friday and the Sigma Chi dance Saturday. The complications are that WILLIE RENOLDS's Theta Chi house dance is also this weekend . . . EMERALD'S Elly Engdahl, Gamma Phi pledge, shows up all ages with her excellent feature stories . . . ABE HELON, Sig Ep, keeps from making news Saturday night . . . Betty McNiece had her usual 4 dates over the weekend . . . question to ask here is where does John Schaeffer stand? AVERAGE of at least one sleeper all the time is maintained by the browsing room . . . SHE IS POPULAR: Eleanor Sederstrom, Alpha Phi, sister to Sigma Chi's Verdi . . . Larry Hopkins has been dating Ermine Stuart ever since open house. . .

VIRGINIA VINTON, the Susies' 80 pounds of joy, is in the Eugene hospital in serious condition.

MARY JANE HORTON dashes home to Chicago to be with her father who is very ill.

CORRECTION: Elna Johnson, Gamma Phi, gets most of her dates from Pete, an ATO, instead of houses previously mentioned.

MET TWICE: Dorris Sims, Susie, of the two Sims on the campus. . .

FROM OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION: Glen and Pauline Holliday . . . They have homecoming up there (Moumou) this weekend . . . Those who PLANNED ON going up for the celebration were Billie Mueckler, Ted Jaross, and possibly the 8-Ball.

FAKE Bob Elliott's hair cutting by the OAC yell leader. Just how Elliott got out of it is a mystery to most . . . BUT you can't stop people from guessing. . .

RACKET MUM selling . . . one of the biggest grafts that hit the campus . . . Even 40 miles down the river the best mums sell for "only" \$1 . . . which is 25 cents less than those of the same value sold here . . . THERE OUGHT TO BE A LAW.

CLEVER? Don, the perfect man, Gilbert has managed somehow to keep his name out of this column twice now. The first time he, or his friend, threw out the type that was all set. It's story was of "The perfect man's" visits to the Alpha Phi's Patty Carson. The second was a story that commented on the fact that his "brains and muscle" had kept the first story out. This time this paragraph is going to be printed if the editor has to do it by hand.

"Conceit is to nature, what paint is to beauty; it is not only needless, but it impairs what it would improve."—Pope.

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## Lomax Recalls Trip to Hawaii

Addresses Group, Shows Movies at Business Ad Fete

Professor A. L. Lomax showed pictures and spoke on his visit in Hawaii last year at the Beta Gamma Sigma banquet held at the Del Rey cafe in honor of 11 new initiates.

Dean Victor P. Morris acted as toastmaster at the banquet. Each member and all the initiates introduced themselves, and musical numbers made up the program. Mrs. Hale Thompson was in charge of all arrangements for the banquet.

New members are as follows: Edyth Williams, Bill Rosson, Allan Shepard, Dwight McFadden, Oswald Burghardt, Paul Stivers, William Essary, Blanche McClellan, Robert Horning, Dorothy L. Clark, and George Jackson.

## McDonald Songfest Hears Alpha Phis; Pi Kaps Fail to Show

When Alpha Phi sang last night in the fourth weekly University song contest at the McDonald theater, their numbers included "My Tan," "Sweetheart of Alpha Phi," and a medley of "Come Away With Me Lucille," "School Days," and "Daisy." Pi Kappa Alpha, the fraternity slated to enter last night's song meet, was unable to attend.

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## Henry Wilde Poems Are Released in Italy

Professor C. B. Beal of the department of Romance languages has just published, in Italy, a small volume of poems by Richard Henry Wilde.

Mr. Wilde, an American author of the last century, was interested in the Italian poets. The poems, consisting of translations from famous Italian authors, were taken from a manuscript now in the Library of Congress.

The University library has arranged to have the manuscript photographed on microfilm and to furnish one of its new projectors for the study of the text.

## Baxter Takes

(Continued from page one) Known to many college students as a lively, informal speaker, Dr. Baxter has also received recognition for work done outside of education and religion, which are his main interests. He is a member of the University club of Portland and the Salem Rotary club, and also holds a membership in the Los Angeles Breakfast club.

Dr. Baxter has traveled extensively, having held the pastorate of the Highburg Quadrant church in London during the summer of 1925. During the first World war he served as secretary of the War Work council for the YMCA.

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Our cold hands problem for this nippy weather was solved when we saw at MILLER'S the very bright and fuzzy looking mittens which are really electrically treated lamb skin but look like fur. Some styles are all lamb skin in gold, blue, and red and are \$3.50. Other styles in green, red, and blue have a leather palm and a knitted wrist band and are \$1.59.

**Simply Ripping!**

Breath-taking—stunning—exotic are not even enough to describe the very new Downing Street set with the Chamberlain umbrella handle and portfolio-like bag being shown at RUSSELL'S. A flaming felt cover for a silk umbrella, and a felt Koret bag, leather fitted with coin purse and separate compartments make up this unusual set.

**Junior Guild Original**

A splendid selection of darling silk afternoon dresses confronted us at BEARD'S, but one which especially attracted us was a Junior Guild original. In the new fall colors of butternut and cognac this dress has a full blouse in butternut fitted on a yoke, long sleeves with a clever cognac leather belt which looks like a cartridge belt and buttons to match. The skirt in cognac is extremely full. Price, \$19.75.

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