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The Oregana Sells Itself

DICK Williams, business manager of the Oregana, has the thing worked out mathematically—and he can't stretch the 65 Oreganas that are left for spring term sale to the usual spring demand of more than 100.

For this term there seems to be little need for sales talk. Everybody on the campus has been whispering for months about the startling new makeup, the unusual writing style, the 1941 pictures with a new flair.

Salesmen won't have any trouble getting rid of the remaining 65 copies this morning. Probably they'll have to put 40 or 50 names on a waiting list that can only hope that some undergraduates will decide not to pay the final installment on their volumes.

FOR this year's book contains 48 more pages of sports, and correspondingly increased pages of other student activities, 14 pages of candid campus shots, four full pages of color, a startling new cover in color with a jacket of the same design, and a dozen other features that the few who have had the privilege of seeing them describe as "the best job I've ever seen."

The new magazine style of organization, by which each section of the Oregana is introduced by a full page of copy with regular headlines and decks, is another innovation of the enterprising 1941 editor and he's especially proud of that brain child.

Yes, the fast-talking Mr. Williams... who has set a record of his own at selling yearbooks... can take a much-needed rest. The 1941 Oregana seems to be speaking for itself.—H.A.

The Ten Commandments

WHILE students sweated over final exams winter term, Governor Charles Sprague signed Senate Bill 256, authorizing a Student Union building "to be constructed and equipped" at Oregon.

Helen Ann Huggins, secretary to her representative-father during the forty-first legislative session, kept The Emerald well informed of the bill's progress. Such persons as Helen Ann are always necessary when big things are in the process of materializing.

WISELY, President Erb picked faculty men who understand the problem: Will V. Norris, Virgil D. Earl, Orville Lindstrom, Fred Cuthbert, and C. L. Kelly. Students selected include Mary Elizabeth Earl, Ray Schrick, Uly Dorais, Bob Lovell, and Tiger Payne, ex officio member.

Please remember the Student Union should serve the extra-curricular needs of a student body and no other group. Auditorium facilities are not needed as badly as a good dance floor and banquet hall.

You're a well-picked committee, thanks to President Erb. With that pat on your collective backs, go to work thinking of first needs first—student needs.—R.N.V.

This Collegiate World

Joseph J. Ramoda, an instructor in the school of education at Syracuse university, wasn't very busy the other day. So he sat down, reached for his sharpest mathematical pencil and came up with these staggering observations about the draft lottery.

"The 9,000 different serial numbers might have been drawn in billions and billions of different combinations. The approximate possible number of combinations is something like 33 followed by 31,680 zeros.

"If your handwriting is such that you write about six numbers to an inch, you would need to lay down a twelfth of a mile of paper in order to get the figure written. That figure would be about one and a half as long as a football field.

International Side Show

By RIDGELY CUMMINGS

So much water has flowed under the bridge since three weeks ago when the Emerald suspended publication out of consideration for the grades of its contributors that to try to summarize the international developments of that period in this Cummings space is best done by listing a few banner headlines.

Here are some of the phrases in big black type that you hurriedly glanced at during exam week and vacation: Lend Lease Opposition Collapses; British Aid Bill Passes Senate; President Signs Lend Lease Bill; Roosevelt Asks Seven Billion for British; Roosevelt to Tell Nation of Aid; U. S. to Increase Aid Until Victory Won, FD Tells World; Churchill Thanks U. S. for Aid Bill; Axis Press Scores U. S. on Aid Act; U. S. Rushes Aid at Furious Pace; Seven Billion Dollar Aid Bill Gets Green Light.

U. S. Enters War

That paragraph tells one of the biggest stories that it has ever been the misfortune of the American press to chronicle. It has been a two-year process, but what the headlines really add up to is: UNITED STATES ENTERS WAR.

It started out two years ago with a bill ironically called a "neutrality act" which forever, as far as this war is concerned, destroyed our neutrality.

It was followed by legislation pushed through under the slogan "All Aid SHORT OF WAR to the Democracies." The public was duped, just as they were duped 23 years earlier, and now the qualifying phrase "short of war" is ominously missing from the headlines and from the President's speeches.

The next step, unless the American public wakes up, will be American convoys into European war zones, and the ultimate step will be another American expeditionary force. When the bodies of American boys are lying torn and twisted, in the thirsty mud of some European or Asiatic battlefield, when the long stream of coffins for which the war department has already asked bids starts rolling into our homes, then perhaps we, the people, will open our eyes. Then, perhaps, it will be too late.

Still More Headlines

Ah, well, I really didn't mean to go into my song and dance so early in this article. I still have a few more headlines to offer you.

Here they are, all recent enough to sound as if you read them yesterday: French Threaten to Run Food Through British Blockade; Somaliland Falls to British; British Arm to Invade Continent; Mussolini's men in Africa Put to Rout; Liverpool Hit by Nazi Bombs; Hitler Confident of Axis Victory; Nazis Blast Furiously at Anglo Sea Ports, British Slug Back; Il Duce's Offensive Stalled by Greeks; Nazis Threaten Greece With 61 Divisions; British Rush Aid to Greeks; British Troops Said Landed in Balkans; Lines Drawn for Battle in Balkans.

And some more: Yugo Pact Stirrs Fear of Uprising; British Capture Jigjiga in Drive Against Duce; RAF Lashes Berlin, Hamburg; London Digs Raid Dead From Debris; Yugoslavia-Axis Agreement Strikes Snag; Serb Anger Grows Over Axis Tie-Up; Germany Issues Ultimatum to Yugoslavia; Yugoslavs Yield to Nazis, Civil War Looms; Plymouth Takes Terrific Two-Day Pounding; Two U. S. Ships to Take Food to France.

It's a Serial

These things are self-explanatory. They are chapter headings in a continued story that may last for a generation. And they have a terrific fascination. It reminds me of wrestling matches.

Thursday night I went to see the wrestlers. Perhaps the fact that I can get in free on passes has something to do with it; anyway, it is true that these exhibitions of brutality have a morbid fascination for me. The athletes are handicapped by practically no rules; they gouge each other's eyes, twist fingers, strike illegal blows with elbows, knees, and fists. It is human nature at its lowest and all my humanitarian instincts are repelled, but about once a month I find myself at ringside. I used to rationalize and say

I just wanted to observe the audience reaction. The audience is a show in itself, all right, but I know that is not the reason I go, for when the result is in doubt all my attention is riveted on the wrestlers.

They Love It

After the show is over and one of the thick-necked muscular contestants is carried unconscious from the ring, I see some of the town's "best people" crowding for the exits. They are good fathers, good husbands, good citizens, but just a few minutes before they were hot-eyed, hoarse-voiced partisans roaring for blood.

I am afraid there is an allegory here—nations and individuals. Nations become partisans over the war just as individuals identify themselves with one of the punch-drunk performers. They are fascinated, their sadistic instincts are aroused and it doesn't take much to make them a participant.

Although this observation may be a trifle irritating to Herb Owens, I hereby announce

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Campus Calendar

There will be a 25-cent luncheon Tuesday at Westminster house. Reservations must be made by 9 Tuesday morning.

Sigma Delta Chi will meet Tuesday at 4:30 in 104 Journalism. Im-

portant items of business in connection with the Kay Kyser-student union dance will be discussed. All members and pledges must be present.

Emerald News Staff will meet at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night, March 26, in room 105, Journalism. There are numerous positions open on the paper's staff. Everyone interested in this activity, journalism major or not, is urged to attend.

Cadets at the Citadel, South Carolina military college, come from 33 states, three territories, the District of Columbia and one foreign country.

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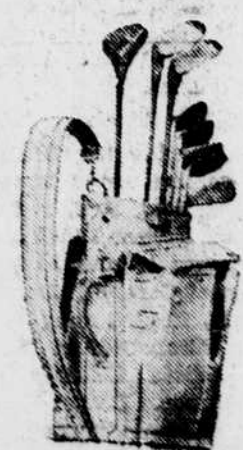
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