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A Record in Voting . . .

FOR the second consecutive year the University of Oregon student body activity endorsed the 1940 executive committee's action making every student on the campus eligible to vote in ASUO elections without paying a poll tax. The largest percentage of the student body ever to turn out for a campus election went to the polls yesterday, when ballots were cast by 64 per cent of the eligible voters.

There were 1892 ballots counted by the official election board last night, as compared with 1903 last year. A 14 per cent drop in enrollment makes the percentage of the student body voting six per cent greater than last year's turnout.

In state and national elections a 64 per cent turnout of eligible voters is a Utopian situation. Until last year, when the vote was thrown open to every student on the campus in lieu of the previous \$15 ASUO ticket requirement, it was a purely idealistic dream at the University of Oregon as well.

FOR if one will look back through the years, no such total was ever chalked up until a free vote was offered the students. A 25 per cent vote was considered good in the pre-1941 days. Tiger Payne defeated John Cavanagh for the presidency in 1940 in an election which drew only 700 voters. John Dick the previous year won the number one spot in a 675-vote balloting. Seven hundred votes were tabulated in the Kemler-Weston election of 1938.

The new interest evidenced by ASUO members since universal suffrage became a part of the election program may be an indication of what can be expected in class elections next year.

The deplorable lack of interest in the class elections and the "back seat" given candidates for those offices has been largely due, it would appear, to the Independent-Greek controversy on the issue of class cards as an indication of the right to vote.

With that issue cleared up for next year, perhaps class activities can come back into their rightful place in the University setup and class elections can assume their normal right to a little attention. Granting every student the right to vote has been the inspiration of a complete new attitude of interest in the ASUO elections. Every student is now aware, and is interested in, the outcome of the student body presidency race. Perhaps a "new deal" in class affairs is on its way, too.

From Capitol to Campus

By JAY RICHTER
ACP's Washington Correspondent
WASHINGTON—(ACP)—Secretary of War Stimson has announced that 100,000 men and women will be trained for civilian war jobs—inspectors at government factories, depots and arsenals; production workers, etc.—in government and state-owned schools. Students will be paid \$900 to \$1,440 a year while in training. (Men trained must be "outside" selective service requirements.)

Civil service here in Washington virtually assures stenographers a job within one week of filing an application. Within the next few weeks Civil Service must furnish 1,000 stenographers to Washington war agencies.

Typing and shorthand skills are an excellent entering wedge if you are interested in working

for Uncle Sam and can't discover any vacancies in your field. Your chances of transferring to the kind of work for which you are especially trained are termed "very good" if the specialty you are seeking ties in with the war effort.

War . . .

More than 5 per cent of the nation's 20-year-olds who registered in the last draft are college students—some 136,700 of them. They were assigned order numbers March 17 and prospects of an early military career are very real for most of them.

The War Department says that beginning June 1, quotas will probably call for men in both the first (21-35) age group and the second age group (20-year-olds and 36-45 year olds).

Local boards have been instructed to mail questionnaires to registrants in the second age

Nothing Sacred

By J. SPENCER MILLER

Roses are red
Too bad Miller's column isn't.
Who sends us this lousy poetry, anyway? Please stop it because we can find some other way to fill space. And another thing—the person that writes us anonymous letters containing notorious bits about some of our better known campus big-guns ought to check up on some of them. Hal Morgan assures us that he hasn't walked home from the libe with a Kappa for three years, as this undercover agent reported. . . .

RAMBLINGS OF AN ITINERANT COLUMNIST . . . A certain DeeGee, whose name we have sworn never to mention, is now going steady with ATO Ox Wilson, something that we advised her to do quite a while back—The dorm looked like a DU annex yesterday with various and sundry Anderson campaigners blanketing that whole place. Ed Moshofsky was right in there pitching . . . Steve Worth and his boys were seen on Alder street doing a little last minute vote-collecting . . . John (Honest, I'm Honest) Busterud was surprisingly in class . . . All in all, this campaign was as dirty as they make 'em with each side slinging an equal amount of dirt.

Someone sent us a complete list of the members of TNE, and the names of the boys would surprise a lot of people.

"Hairy Joe" Montag has been elected president of the pin-ball set at the Side. Joe was picked for his ability to shake the machine successfully without tilting it, the fact that he has won more free games than anybody at the Side or Bird, and the smooth way he smokes a butt from the corner of his mouth.

10-SECOND BIOGRAPHY . . .

Harry "the Greek" Prongas — Has the most likeable conceit on the campus—is a great organizer (athletic card, student defense, and all-star game chairmanships) — Longest time he has ever gone steady is two weeks. Says girls can't interest him any longer— Can be found at the Side any time from 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

About 20 guys are wondering including 10 Theta Chis just what Sigma hall's Don Jones, who is also Emerald staff photographer, has on the ball. He's been going steady for three terms with AOPi Betty Leist, while everybody and his brother try to date her. Some guys just got it! . . . There's a little more on the "Texas" Coffee deal. She fluffed Beta Jim Otis without any explanation, but SAE Jim Marnie might have had something to do with it. Now, Marnie is NOT dating her and Phi Delt Al Hunt is rumored to be next on the list.

group in "sufficient numbers to insure filling of the June call entirely from this age group if necessary."

According to an OCD survey of 100 college newspapers, more than half are sending the school paper free of charge to former students now in military service.

The University of Hawaii was included in the survey, but a letter from Frederick Tom, president of the Hawaiian A. S. U., explained that the student newspaper couldn't answer the questionnaire because publication stopped Dec. 7. Enrollment has dropped 65 per cent; almost the entire staff of the paper, Ka Leo O Hawaii, has left school.

Coeds at the University of Vermont sewed white uniforms for ski troops in the university's ROTC unit.

A new Bataan . . .

What Does MacArthur Offer After the Battle is Over?

. . . A Brilliant Record

By BILL HAIGHT

A short news story from Sydney, Australia states that General Douglas MacArthur has named his Australian headquarters "Bataan," as a tribute to the men he led in the Philippines. Perhaps the circumstances of the war today are moving with a celerity to the Indian scene that it would seem superfluous to comment on the defense of the Bataan region. However, Joseph Ralston Hayden, Ph.D., LL.D., vice-governor of the Philippines from 1933-35 and for six months an acting governor, has written an interesting book, "The Philippines," that has a most arresting paragraph in it, page 745.

I quote: "The MacArthur-Quezon defense plans seems to virtually ignore the strategic consequences of the fact that the Philippines is a far flung archipelago. The program's greatest weakness as a system of truly national defense lies in its failure to provide any naval protection worthy of serious consideration for a country which consists of an isolated group of islands scattered through a thousand miles of ocean."

Pre-War

The book was written before the war and Mr. Hayden's estimate of the MacArthur plans carries an arresting accuracy. He also points out the need for greater air force, and I suppose apologizes for the condition by saying he believes the two men were relying primarily on outside aid to care for the defects pointed out in their plans.

The United States plan had been to use the Philippines as a delaying action and not in any sense to try to hold them. Yet General MacArthur announced in a speech in 1935 to the Philippine (Please turn to page seven)

Trade Last . . .

By MARY WOLF

I never saw a vitamin
I never hope to see one
But this I will say anyhow
I'd rather C than B 1.

—Franklin Post.

Well it's 11:30 and time for me to go to lunch. I haven't a watch so I just leave a half hour before the noon whistle.

—Franklin Post.

A buck private from the USA receives the second highest pay per month of any of the nations now at war, and it's hundreds of times larger than that which Japanese military men are given.

The highest salary is received by a private of Australia who is paid \$62 a month, with the raise which recently was voted putting the United States second with \$42 per month. Germany gives her fighting men \$21, while soldier of Great Britain get \$12.50.

But the Japanese soldier hits an all-time low with his monthly salary of only 37 cents!—Daily Californian.

Jam For Breakfast

By TED HALLOCK

Voltaire was reet. Rousseau might have been ready. But there is a new immortal now. But solidest of all was the cat who delivered undoubtedly the very funniest remarque of all time at this Saturday night jig.

As we are walking through the door into Gerlingian expanse, this individual is nailing us, replete with deadpan, and making with the tremendous item to follow: "Get your program. You can't tell the jerks from the musicians with a program." So being knocked clear out by this very witty witticism, we are complimenting him once more upon leaving the "session." Isn't that terrific?

This weekend comes the debut of a new, and fine, quintet upon yea campii. Gordon Duncan Wimpers, brings four adjacent cats to the DG manse for a Friday nite bash. And the classic is they are but good. Phil Jonsrud of ex-Ed-die Gipson tenor fame, playing, oddly enough, tenor; Bob Sell, ATO and swell guy, on bass; Al Kasmeyer, of root pegs and dark glasses fame, trumpet; and G. Dunc W., tubs. 88'er unknown at present.

This Weekend

This weekend also come out like the cocoon the new T. H. ork. Graciously devoting three hours to the Tri-Delt house Friday even, and likewise to the Pi Kaps on Saturday, these eleven men with the mind of one (and intellect of two) will make with music of the deep south (side) like sixty. Have it known also that this noble crew is keddying on vahliantli in spite of the fact that brother Vern Winkler of lo-

cal 689 and national stinker's union fame grabbed three men last week. Gene (ivory tower) Leo, Chas. (I regret that I have but one Buescher 2-A to hock) Nelson, and Johnny (Gawd, how I've suffered) Kohp. Only Nelson has eluded the Svengalian clutches of Bela Minkler, leaving money mad Leo and Kohp to prostitute their respective arts.

Jazz Lecture

The long heralded Jazz lecture, as envisioned initially by Hoyt Franchere, professor of English, will take place Thursday evening at Chapman hall. Various recorded goodies, representative of the emotional release of the pre and post-war periods will be in evidence. Such cherished pieces as "That Man of Mine Had Better Come Back Before the Alarm Clock Goes Off and Scares This Love Away Blues" will be found aplenty.

And here is you little fact for the day: Did you know that Jean Taylor, of the by-now duly accredited Alpha Phi, has a brother who is named Al, odd enough, Taylor, who plays fine clarinet and alto in Hollywood moom pic and radio studios and knows Nick Fatool? H-m-m-m-m? Well, she does.

And here are two unverified, but nice, facts for the day: according to Earl Walters and various Betas, Tom Dorsey is on his way up; according to Walt Weber, DU at Corvallis, and one unidentified trombone man who plays good incidentally, Jack Teagarden will play in Salem next week, though not in Portland. Good-bye.