

Visitor Tells of Brazil's Educational Progress

By EDITH NEWTON

Students who think the four years required for completion of a university course is a long time seldom realize that they attend the only universities in the world where four-year courses exist, Dr. Hernane Tavares de Sa, visitor in Eugene this week, explained last night when asked about the differences between college life in South America and here.

South American schools are all like the European universities, Dr. Tavares explained. "The usual course is seven years in the university. Now they are trying to cut it down because of economic pressure," he said.

Campus Taken for Granted

Dr. Tavares, a professor of biology at the University of Sao Paula, is now making a tour of the United States to study schools here, and plans to write a book about this country when he returns to his native country.

"Here the campus is taken for granted, but in other countries there is no possibility for student life," Dr. Tavares said, and went on to explain that in other countries the university buildings are scattered about the city, and no interest is taken in the individual student's life, but only in the progress he is making in his work.

Arrived Sunday

During the past nine months Dr. Tavares has visited schools in all parts of this country and lectured on Brazilian-American relations. The biology professor said he considers biology a science including the study of human genetics, sociology, and race problems. He graduated in 1935 from a school in Belgium and then returned to Brazil. This is Dr. Tavares' second trip to the United States.

Dr. Tavares arrived here Sunday after visiting on the campus at Corvallis and the University of Washington last week.

Brazil Favors War

Asked about the attitude of South American students concerning the war he said, "Students favor the war. Many have volunteered, but the government is trying to keep them in school."

Before Brazil's entrance into the war, students went on strike and would not attend classes because they wanted the government to participate actively in the fight, Mr. Tavares said.

Dr. Tavares said his book, "Dear Neighbor, This Is Brazil," is to be published soon. He will write a similar book about America in Portuguese for publication and distribution in Brazil.

If his plans can be followed through, Dr. Tavares will visit 75 universities in the United States. However, he may be called into military service in Brazil before he can complete his tour.

Exchange Fellowships Liked

"Exchange fellowships are one of the best things that can be done," the Brazilian educator said when asked about how relationships between North and South American can be improved.

Nelson Rockefeller, the coordinator of inter-American affairs, is doing a splendid job, Dr. Tavares said with enthusiasm as he talked of the relations between the Americas.

Population Increasing Fast

People often fail to realize how fast South American countries are progressing. Sao Paulo

is now the fastest growing city in the world next to Washington, D. C., he remarked.

"You've likely never heard of it, but the population of Sao Paula is 1,560,000," he said, adding that the population of Brazil is increasing at a rate of more than a million each year.

Dr. Tavares spoke to students at the assembly yesterday morning at 11, and will speak at 7:30 tonight in the faculty room of Friendly hall.

'Friendly Homes' Topic At YW Afternoon Tea

All University women have been invited to the discussion this afternoon at the YWCA bungalow when "Friendly Homes Open to Students" will be the topic.

Mrs. R. T. Burnett, advisor of the town and gown group, will be the resource leader for the forum, and Betty McFadyen and Leslie Brockelbank are serving as co-chairmen of the meeting.

YW members who checked the town and gown group as one of their interests on YW membership cards are especially encouraged to attend today's meeting.

The discussion will concern the opening of local homes to girls for afternoon visits during the school year.

Campus Awaits

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Men who are interested in these programs were advised by Dr. Carl F. Kossack, campus adviser for deferment classifications, to "sit tight" unless they have already registered for the draft, and are in immediate danger of induction.

Opportunity

"Students should appreciate the opportunity offered by the board in coming to the University, because this eliminates the necessity of their traveling to Portland," said Dr. Kossack Tuesday.

"The Portland recruiting office has more than it can handle without the extra load of college students. It was to relieve this pressure that the board was organized," continued Dr. Kossack.

ERC

The enlisted reserve corps of the army has permanent offices in room 2, commerce, where men will be interviewed for enlistment in the ERC any time.

The situation is different for men who have passed their twentieth birthday. These men should see Dr. Kossack as soon as possible if they intend to avail themselves of deferment opportunities. No enlistments will be accepted in the officers' reserves after induction notices have been received.

Sharpshooters Wanted--Blythe

Plans are now under way for Oregon's 1942-43 rifle team. All students who have previously fired on the once-champion Oregon rifle team, any other rifle team, or who have reason to believe that they have excellent shooting ability, are requested to report to Major Blythe as soon as possible. Major Blythe is available for interviews on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons at his office in the ROTC barracks.

Tuesday afternoon and Saturday morning have been reserved as practice time for previous members. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1 to 4:30 p.m. have been reserved as time for new students to try out.

The University's rifle range has seen much improvement during the summer. The stairway in the middle of the range has been removed, and fluorescent lighting has been installed. In addition, a new target carrier system has been devised by the military department.

Dr. Wright Presents Spanish Radio Show

Dr. Leavitt O. Wright, professor of romance languages, will present for the first time over the radio a program entitled, "Learn to Speak Spanish." The main purpose of the program is to teach correct pronunciation of the language. It will be heard Tuesday nights at 7:30 on KOAC.

The broadcast is intended to supplement first-year Spanish correspondence courses now being sent throughout the state by the general extension division.

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to our daily increasing friendly relations with our neighboring continent on the south and to our demand for the language as it affects military and commercial interests," said Dr. Wright Tuesday.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

All students in education 311, 2, 3, and students teaching must have recordings made of their voices on or before October 15. Recording is done by the speech division in Friendly hall. Appointments may be made by signing the list on Mr. H. M. Shafer's door in the education building.

Badminton club will meet at 7:30 this evening in Gerlinger hall. All interested persons are invited to attend. Rackets and shuttlecocks are not furnished.

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