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The GI Speaks . . .

"The war drags on and on, thrust and parry fashion, until it looks as if it were never going to end. Britain is looking after her interest in Greece and other prize plums, while Russia is settling the Balkans comfortably into her ample bosom. The French house the Americans and cheat them every chance they get; people seem to forget the part that 'gallant' France played in bringing on and prolonging this war. Only the Americans fight with an undivided interest—that of getting the war over with. And the other nations are certainly willing to let the Americans fight."

This was written by a former University of Oregon student who is now a sergeant in France. He is company clerk of a noncombatant unit and as such gets around a good deal behind the lines and has a much greater opportunity to observe what goes on than the average GI. We submit this little passage from one of his letters with the remark that if this is typical of what the average American soldier thinks concerning world questions in general, hell is going to pop when he gets out of the army and back where he can help run things. He is going to come into direct conflict with people like those whose knowledge of international problems is derived chiefly from idealistic University courses on the subject.

While the details of this man's sentiments regarding each individual problem that he mentions may not necessarily be typical, we believe that the pessimistic realism, or if you will, cynicism, is indeed the predominating sentiment among our fighting men. The postwar gloom of the 'twenties is well remembered. Another era of postwar cynicism seems well on the way to becoming a reality. Its burgeoning lacks only the completion of hostilities.

What are we going to do about it? Don't ask us yet. All we hope to do right now is recognize trends like this one in time to forecast the mental, moral, and social problems which will be raised. This is the first step toward any sort of solution.

A Worthy Message . . .

"To be an American at this time is a very great responsibility and one of the greatest opportunities that's ever been." With those words Madame Alfred Jonniaux concluded her address yesterday morning.

Behind them was an appeal for an enlightened approach to world problems through the realization that happenings in one sector of the world affect all other countries, either directly or indirectly.

It is a theme we have heard and read countless times since the Jap attack at Pearl Harbor blasted America out of its isolationism. But it is also a theme we must remember and repeat over and over again to ourselves and to others who may have forgotten the lessons of this war.

We were particularly impressed with Mme. Jonniaux's insistence on the necessity of becoming actively conscious that we are all citizens of the world—not one particular nation—but of a world that grows smaller with each new invention and improvement.

It is an obvious fact that the United States will be the strongest world power at the close of World War II. Therefore, it is our responsibility to change our way of thinking from the pure nationalistic philosophy to a world consciousness.

"If the United States and the British Commonwealth of Nations firmly stand together and are determined to keep the peace no other power can change it—if they put it above everything else," Mme. Jonniaux declared. As a great power that is not only our opportunity, but our responsibility. We must not slip back into the old ways of thinking, the old desire to follow policies no matter how they affect other countries, the old habits which shut our eyes while Germany, Italy, and

Ho-Hum

By ORIN WEIR

Smilin' Bill Mayther has admitted his true love and devotion for a Sally Flood, who more than infatuated the frail youngster at a recent mixer. We're glad to see Willie is once again hitting his stride.

Flash: Joanne Holstad and Harry Skerry have disagreements.

Flash: Joanne Holstad and Harry Skerry are happy again.

Flash: Joanne Holstad was seen with Clifford Mallicoat.

Flash: Thousands of panting men cluster about Joanne Holstad's College Side booth.

Flash: Isn't she!

Robert "Buck" Schott seems to have taken over the position of "traveling house to house salesman" from Jerry "I'm all muscle" Miller who has settled down with Gloria Grendfell at the Theta abode. Wonder if Gloria knows about Jerry's Gamma Phi intentions this coming Saturday night?

Probably the most "show-going-est" persons on our fair campus are Robert "I love cinema" Hamilton and Jim Bartelt, who seem to prefer "townies" to most college women and are all tied up this coming weekend with half the young usherettes from Eugene's most prosperous theater.

By this time the proverbial question is who will Marilyn Sage, Pi Phi, choose as her next victim in romance. Aren't there any records left that the girl hasn't put to shame?

Bill Davis of Portland Dental is once again trying his luck and personality with Oregon lassies—this time the weaker sex being Betty Butler, Gamma Phi. Wonder which uniform Bill will wear this time?

We would like to inform Mardi, Liz, Claire, and Rusty from Alpha hall, who were so eager for dates they filled out applications and sent them to the lads at the school of law, that they are herewith invited to meet Don Turner at Fenton hall any evening after 10:30—all 480 pounds of them.

Many sweet coeds on our fair campus will reel with envy comes this Saturday night when Dick "Frank Meriwell" Wilkens introduces his charming Eleanor Obst from Portland to all the kiddies. If there is a better combination we'd like to cast our eyes upon it.

The by now famous "Secret Six" who are daily putting their thumbs on their choices of ideal femininity, are already planning for a long hibernation up in them thar hills once their true identity is revealed. You'd think their own women would understand, wouldn't you?

A big time has been promised for all the shingle hangers at the school of law dance Saturday night. It is rumored that there is a definite shortage of men, but considering the efforts of all lookie heads to Shanghai men all looks bright. Such great names as Gene Conklin, John Marshall, John Hathaway, and George Luoma are the guiding lights and thus the Persian room should prove to be quite an active hub-bub.

Happiest girl on the campus is "little beaver" Wittwer who last weekend was promised a Phi Kappa Psi sweetheart pin from one PFC Ralph Holzwarth who is now with the army in France and was an ASTP here last year. Lucky girl.

Russia fought it out on Spanish soil; while Jap soldiers tramped through the Far East; while Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland were forced to bow down before the might of a military machine.

The consciousness that we are citizens of the entire world must become "as real as everyday life."

That is a message worth remembering. For wars and aggression will never be stopped until we accept that ideal and until our actions prove that we have accepted it.

Thank you Mme. Jonniaux. We will try hard to remember. We will try hard to keep our heads above the sand.

Globally Speaking

By BILL SINNOTT

The fall of Warsaw and Krakow is the important news of the week. The Red army's long awaited offensive seems destined to present the western powers with a fait accompli—the Lublin government will be in effective control of all the territories the Kremlin now concedes to it.

Britain continues to urge Stalin to recognize the government-in-exile as the true Polish governing body. The Soviet dictator refuses to treat with a government headed by a violent Russophobe, Mikolajczyk. Perhaps if the more moderate ex-premier, Arciszewski, should return to power Stalin might consent to an uneasy merger of the two rival Polish juntas.

Stalin is trying to win support for his Lublin puppets by dividing up the estates of the Polish landlords among the peasants. The landlords of Eastern Poland were Polish while the peasantry are largely Ruthenian; racially akin to the Ukrainians.

Estates Expropriated

The landlords are permitted to retain 125 acres; the rest of their estates are divided up in equal 125-acre allotments. This expropriation of the landlords would tax the brains of our law students—even those of that embryo solicitor, the "Great Sahlstrom."

The life of the prewar Polish magnates was a feudalistic anachronism in the twentieth century. Princess Paul Sapieha painted a striking picture of the Potockis and the Radziwills in her book, "Polish Profile."

Count Alfred Poticki has fled to Vienna with thirty carloads of Rembrandt's and Titian's, silver and antique furniture. He was one of the few Poles who collaborated with the Nazis. His magnificent castle of Lancut was used as a rest home for German big shots. His conduct differs from that of his cousin, Prince Czartoryski, who voluntarily turned over all his possessions to his peasants.

Poles, Intelligent Race

The Poles are among the world's most charming peoples. They are an intelligent race with a mercurial Slavic temperament. Their tragedy is to be located in the heart of Central Europe between those two hereditary foes—the Germans and the Russians.

The Poles cannot forget that they once saved western Europe from Turkish rule by Sobieski's defeat of the sultan's army before Vienna. A hundred years later, Polish independence ended with the Third Partition in 1795.

Those two cynical rulers, Frederick and Catherine, the Great, appeased the pious Maria Theresa with a share of Poland. "She weeps but takes her share," said the Prussian king of the Austrian empress.

France Aided Poland

Poland was reconstituted by the breakup of the Czarist empire. France aided Pilsudski to extend Poland's frontiers hundreds of miles east of the Curzon line—Poland's thenic boundary.

The Polish army was stopped at Kiev and driven back to Warsaw by the Red army under Tuchachevsky who later was purged by Stalin. Weygand was sent to Poland by the French and beat the Russians—the so-called "Miracle of the Vistula."

Pilsudski and his "Colonels Clique" ran Poland until 1939. They represented the landlords. Poland signed nonaggression pacts

with both Germany and the USSR. Colonel Beck, the Perpetual foreign minister, was the crookedest diplomat in Europe.

Poles Stole Teschen

The Poles assisted at the carving up of Czechoslovakia in 1938; receiving as their share, the town of Teschen that was made famous by the Earl of Twyfor at Versailles. Nineteen thirty-nine brought the fourth partition.

The Poles have suffered more than any other people in this war. Warsaw is 75 per cent destroyed. Hundreds of thousands of Poles are working and dying in the prison camps of Germany and Russia. Poland, alone of the occupied countries, failed to produce a Quisling.

Stalin wants a Poland under Soviet influence. He will not tolerate a Poland forming a part of the Cordon Sanitaire that the Allies set up after the last war to insulate the west from the "Red Virus of Communism." (Eh, Buell?)

A new course designed to produce specialists in the field of labor relations is now a part of the regular curriculum at Rockhurst college. First three years of the new course will be devoted to liberal arts work and a degree in economics. Fourth year will be spent in highly specialized study in the field of labor relations.

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