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Way Back When . . .

Students Declared a Victory Holiday

By DORRIE HABEL and TRUDIE CHERNIS
TEN YEARS AGO

In a spontaneous combustion of jubilation over a successful Homecoming and the victory of the football team over Oregon State, between 500 and 600 Oregon students poured forth from eight o'clock classes Monday morning, and headed by the football team, marched from the campus to Willamette street and thence to the Armory. The rain-dampened spirits of Saturday's homecoming were revived and a holiday declared by the students to blow off some excess steam.

On a muddy field and under a downpour of rain the women's hockey team of the University defeated the O.A.C. coeds by a score of 5 to 0. Never let it be said that the little women will let the fellows steal the whole show.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Sigma Delta Chi, men's journalism honorary, was left holding the bag on the publication of the "Yellow Fang" a new mud-slinging publication. The paper was printed and was to be sold on the homecoming rally program though the Homecoming chairman was unaware of this. It was announced too late to be included on the program and the honorary was left with 2,000 copies of the "Yellow Fang," never to be read, and a large printing bill.

"Gold Rush" declared new Chaplin triumph. "Surpassing his previous performances, Charles Chaplin enters a new field in dramatic comedy in the 'Gold Rush' now playing at the MacDonald."

THIRTY YEARS AGO

U. of O. named as Western Art Center. The University of Oregon, in the west, and Harvard university, in the east, for the seventh

consecutive year, have again been chosen for normal art appreciation training centers by the Carnegie foundation at New York, the Emerald proclaimed.

A letter to the editor advocating the offering of ballroom dancing courses for University students whose dancing is a trifle wobbly.

Modern etiquette permits men to be more outright. "Do you ever feel a bit awkward about approaching a girl at rally dances and the like?" The campus Emily Post has said, "20th century etiquette approves of tagging or asking for a dance even though you don't know the girl. So if you've had any qualms in the past rest at ease.

"Furthermore if you are favorably impressed, if the impression seems mutual, and if she is without an escort, do not hesitate to ask to accompany the girl home." 'Ho Hum' as Weir would say.

Home for a Holiday . . .

Americans laugh at themselves sometimes because they have set aside a special day on which to be thankful for all the good things that have come their way during the year. Thanksgiving is more likely to recall to their minds a picture of a table loaded with tasty dishes and of a quiet day spent with close friends and relatives.

Even if the meaning of Thanksgiving is somewhat obscured by these more present realities, the holiday has an atmosphere that adds something to American life. There is some of the peacefulness and good will of the Christmas season without the frantic rush of gift shopping. There is a recollection of the historical past of the nation, a memory of common people building a new life in a wilderness. It isn't a day for pride in military might or celebration of a victory.

Within its atmosphere we are drawn more closely to family and friends. "Home" seems more important, and we center our attentions on its activities instead of looking for outside excitement.

This year Thanksgiving will be more heartfelt than it has since the beginning of the war. Some of the tension of the war years has been released, and Americans will give thanks with more faith.

For us as students, Thanksgiving this year means a vacation from classes and a reunion with the family and friends at home. In the years when traveling was frowned upon, we learned to appreciate the privilege of spending this particular holiday at home.

We may laugh at ourselves for setting aside such a day, but we have come to realize that it means more to us than surface impressions may indicate.

Press Conference . . .

Another "first since 1942" will be welcomed to the campus this weekend, when the Oregon High School Press association meets at the school of journalism for a one-day series of discussions and speeches.

Because of the housing shortage the visitors could not be entertained at living organizations this year, and the conference was scheduled for one day only. Two full days of activity will be crowded into one for the members of the staffs of high school papers.

This year's conference members will miss the contact with University journalism students. In other years they have watched the Emerald staff put out the Saturday paper and have even been guests at Three O'Clock club meetings.

While some of the extras will be lacking, the conference promises a well-rounded program for the high school journalists. They will discuss some of their problems with members of the faculty of the school of journalism and with members of the working press. At the same time, they will be introduced to the school of journalism and to the University campus.

We welcome them to the campus as fellow members of the scholastic press.

Passive acceptance is not enough. The student will gain little from merely being aware that there is something here for him to benefit by if he wishes to take advantage of it. He must enter wholeheartedly into the pursuit of his goal to gain rewards from it.—Syracuse Daily Orange.

studying.—Oregon State Barometer.

Students must prepare to "do things differently, to be neither ignorant nor narrow in our dealings." If youth does not do this, the postwar world of peace and plenty will fade like an idle dream—and it will have been their own mistake this time!—Texas Christian Skiff.

Clips and Comments

By CARLEY HAYDEN

White and red tags were worn one day last week by Trojans at Southern Cal to show that they remembered this Christmas for the convalescent combat vets in military hospitals at Torrance and Fort MacArthur. Tag Day is part of the campus Red Cross campaign to raise funds toward the purchase of 400 gift-filled boxes.

Notes On Record

On the Classical Side . . .

By BETTY JANE BENNETT

One of the best of existing recordings of the great Symphony No. 9 in D Minor by Beethoven has been made by the late Felix Weingartner and the Vienna Philharmonic orchestra with the Vienna State Opera chorus and soloists. Recorded when the orchestra and Mr. Weingartner were at their height, this complex work contains some of the most beautiful music ever written.

This particular issue, greater, in my opinion, than the Stokowski interpretation, is available in an album, and the price is \$8.50.

Cantata

Eugene Ormandy conducts the Philadelphia orchestra in a stirring performance of Prokofiev's "Alexander Nevsky—Cantata" which has been recorded recently. In 1938, Russia's great dictator, Sergei Eisenstein, produced the thrilling historical film, "Alexander Nevsky."

Prokofiev wrote music for the film, but was so inspired by the story that he expanded his background music into a cantata, retelling the epic story in powerful words and music.

The vocal parts are sung by Jennie Tourel and the Westminster choir with an excellent effect. There are five records in this album.

Robin Hood

Something new and different has been recorded by Columbia to add to the holiday enjoyment of both young and old as smooth-voiced Basil Rathbone tells the story of "Robin Hood." In this dramatic version, written by Ralph Rose and assisted by a fine supporting cast, a chorus and a brass choir, Mr. Rathbone presents an attention-compelling account of the beloved outlaw.

Its excellence equals that of Dicken's "Christmas Carol," also recorded in dramatic form by Mr. Rathbone. In the roles of both Scrooge and Robin Hood, Rath-

The new junior prom constitution which puts the direction of the prom into the hands of the junior class was read to juniors at their recent class elections at Indiana State university.

The prize winning slogan for Homecoming at Southern Cal is "Trojans Meet, the Bell to Keep."

Texas Christian university made ready to convert to a navy-less schedule when the bell-bottom trouser boys leave early this month.

Texas State College for Women and the Texas Aggies "took over" Fort Worth in the annual Corps Weekend trip.

Bread is not the staff of life . . . ! Or, if it is, Washington students don't know it yet. A poll taken in the Tillicum yesterday revealed "with studes who know beverages—it's coffee, 10 to 1. However, coffee taken internally all by itself is not good for the digestive system. It must be accompanied by a cigarette which acts as an assimilation aid."

If the UCLA Trojans don't score a victory at the next game, it won't be the fault of their dietician and chef. A typical menu includes bean soup, lettuce salad with Russian dressing, fresh green peas, mashed potatoes with gravy, steak, bread and butter, and milk. That's enough potential energy for any fighting eleven.

bone's excellence of technique is apparent.

Four great Preludes by two Russian masters are presented masterfully by the young pianist William Kapell. The surging "Prelude in C-Sharp Minor" of Rachmaninoff contrasts beautifully with the satiric brilliance of the three Preludes from Op. 34 of Shostakovich. Kapell's stunning technique is apparent in both these works which are both on a single.

Powder Burns

By REX GUNN

On your way, you revelers. If you must leave, make it quick; no tears, no words, no lingering—give us a gesture, a warm look and goodbye.

Tears are lost in rain and words are lost in time.

I would like to go with each of you—into your homes, your hearts, your hells and heavens; whatever they might be.

Take the thought with you, it is not a maudlin one merely a friend in case you meet a silence on the way.

If you see California tell him I said hello. He is a lusty youth with faults I love too well . . . he drinks too much but then, he carries it well.

There is a neighbor of his hard by just throw her a look . . . she ever pleased the eye. Would that a tongue could please one-half so well.

The day is thanks and if, to you, there is a hard, ironic line about the word, keep a wreath of humor in your head, for humor's crown upon a brow of scorn ever made him sheepish and forlorn.

What, the world's a mess? To hell with that, hasn't it always been?

There's no mess if you aren't a mess within.

Give the world a drink and make him laugh. He's a mass of moods, all tangled in. He tries to play the saint, the seer, the sin . . . but, hell, he's just a world for all his airs. He's as bad, as good as you and I. If you play him right, he'll blush and tell you that.

Now, what the play, who dealt this scurvy hand?

Some of the cards are good, who holds the ace?

That's what I thought, you're waiting for the king.

Well, bid, you fool, the bid's the thing. The game is short and if you shouldn't win, you had no chance of losing anything.



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