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## No Hucksters Are Helping

A campaign conducted on its own merits is something a bit novel at the University. But the success or failure of such a drive soon will be established, for the WSSF drive is being conducted on just that basis.

Because the March of Dimes and the Red Cross refused to participate in a once-and-for-all drive, whereby the student would be touched for a contribution once a year, instead of the steady hand-out routine, the United Fund drive collapsed before it could be tested. But the World Student Service Fund, which conducts its annual campaign on the Oregon campus and throughout the nation's colleges and universities was willing to stand behind the drive, sharing the proceeds fairly with other worthy causes. The organization is to be commended for its understanding attitude toward a single collection, both as a boon to the college student and as a proper and sincere means of aiding eleemosynary causes.

Last year, the University of Oregon contributed more than \$2000 to WSSF—more than twice as much as Oregon State college, whose enrollment is considerably greater than our own. In fact, the University contributed more than any other Oregon institution of higher learning, a sign indicative of Oregon's generosity, belief in learning, and liberality. However, the campaign was based on a house-against-house drive, and the sign could be mis-read.

The same urgent need is still among foreign countries. Students are still suffering from cold and disease and hunger, in addition to lack of books and school supplies. The campaign, with a goal of a dollar a student can be achieved this year only through a realization of Europe's, China's, and Southeastern Asia's needs, for no professionalized and consequently cheapened money grabbing methods are being employed.

The returns to date are not encouraging—either as signs of recognition of suffering and need, or as a help to education which is looking toward America. To keep the flicker of hope from dying out, and to encourage it to burst into the flame of faith—it's up to the American student to help his intellectual fellow.

J.B.S

## Nobody Celebrated

The University's whistle didn't blow Wednesday. Schools throughout the land didn't close, nor was there rejoicing in the streets.

Nonetheless Wednesday was Guy Fawkes Day here and everywhere.

We spent the day traveling from campus coffee shop to campus coffee shop (and in our classes) wishing our friends a "happy Guy Fawkes Day." In virtually every case the response was a blank stare.

Tut, tut. Could it be that the infamous Guy is already forgotten, and this only 342 years after his dastardly deed?

Are there really students on this campus who are not reared on that delightful bit of doggerell.

**Do you remember,  
The 5th of November,  
Gunpowder treason and plot.  
I see no reason  
Why gunpowder treason  
Should ever be forgot.**

As every schoolboy apparently doesn't know, Guy Fawkes (1570-1606) was arrested for trying to blow up the sacred halls of parliament in London. Sixteen Ought Five was the year if we remember correctly. Jamie of Scotland was yet new on his job.

Annually on the 5th of November he is hanged in effigy in London. Before parliament opens, a search party goes through the basement of the parliament house looking for gunpowder.

That Guy Fawkes should be forgotten so soon is certainly a sad commentary on our observance of traditions. His foul deed is deserving of more recognition.

## Recall the Nipponese? Well, They Don't Hate You Anymore

By BETTY LYNCH

What ever happened to those little brown boys you hated so much two years ago—the little fellows you were going to annihilate, whose homeland you were determined to destroy; those treacherous people who attacked you with your pants down at Pearl Harbor? What happened to them? Maybe they won the war.

That isn't the way you heard it, is it? But they don't hate you any longer. The Japanese are through following the leader. Yes, they do follow General MacArthur, but he has handled the whole conduct of the occupation so as to forge a bond of understanding between him and the Japanese people unmarked between conqueror and conquered in all history. All this contrasts with "Dug Out Doug's" status as a prophet in his own country. His reputation among Americans at home is not unscarred by criticism. The General's popularity with the Japanese rests not only on his personal qualities but on the sense of liberation from the militarists which the defeat gave them, and along with that, on their craving for a new leadership.

### Catch on Quick

The Japanese grasp new ideas fast; too fast, many say, as mere imitators without principles or convictions. A strong basis of historic fact tends to support that contention. They took over the Chinese system of government in the twelfth century and the German militaristic form in 1889. Both of these systems proved highly efficient for the economic and military dictators, but what about that great entity—the common man? A childlike trust in their leaders has always prompted the Japanese to follow where leadership directs. They work by group decision without individual independence. Today there IS a new queen-bee of democracy AND a new swarming.

Based on the wise decision to keep intact the native form of government and the emperor with it, the occupation has stimulated—by conference, directives, and publicity—a complete revolution in Japanese political institutions. A new constitution, complete with all the devices for getting good men into office and keeping them good, went into effect on May 3 of this year. Its Bill of Rights, the number one provision, is more precise and extensive than our own.

The constitution marks the official end of a Japan dominated by "thought police," by militarists, by a bureaucracy in league with the

18 families who monopolized all big business, and by a central government reaching into every village. No civil liberties were possible under such a network of controls.

### No Revolt

So you want to know what was the matter with the people? Why didn't they revolt against these men responsible for dominating them into wars and for dominating their every thought? The reasons are three: first, they did and still do need the land to support their vast population; second, their "follow the leader" tendencies left them blind to realities; third, the liberals in the country, of whom there were many, couldn't find out who was responsible for the actions which the government took. Would you know, if when a law was passed it went through the following channels of diffused responsibility? The emperor advised the cabinet, but he was first advised by the privy council, the genro, the imperial household ministry, and the high command. The cabinet then passed the law down to the diet, which was forced to pass it or be dissolved. The law then was re-examined and passed upon by all of these agencies plus other outside influences. Who was responsible for the law? You guess.

Today in Japan speech is as free as with us. The secret and thought police are bad memories. The 25,000 men who favored military expansion can never hold office, and the eighteen Zaibutso families have been stripped of power by anti-trust actions and a capital levy. The villages have their own governments, the rich are paying taxes, the people are voting, and they can fix responsibility and defeat any man or group responsible for unwanted legislation.

### Can Re-occupy

Of course, it may be true that when the occupation forces leave, the government will again come under the control of a power-seeking group and the people will follow that leadership back into the darkness of a police state or, what may or may not be worse, into communism. But our government recognized that possibility. By the terms of the peace treaty the American government can continue to advise the Japanese even after the occupation forces have gone. More than that, we can re-occupy Japan if their new government fails completely and the old military forces appear to be rising to power.

It is true that our occupation forces have not solved the many economic problems of Japan. But

## Money Well Spent

The appearance of Mr. Louis Adamic on the Igloo stage here Tuesday night is too significant to be overlooked. Students saw a speaker addressing an audience that shifted from the friendly to the hostile in an hour. They saw an audience that disagreed, almost to the man, with the speaker. Yet, in the question period that followed the lecture, the audience was for the most part courteous and willing to listen.

That set-up was living refutation of some of the allegations the speaker made about American democracy, about how far we have to go ere we equal the democracy now being practiced in Eastern Europe.

Mr. Adamic was paid \$250 for his appearance here—\$200 from the University proper (from the convocations and lectures fund) and \$50 from educational activities funds. It was money well spent.

This student body is predominantly conservative. The students come from conservative homes, listen to conservative professors delivering conservative lectures, and they will go out into the world to thing and to vote in a conservative manner. In a few more years they will be living in a society where they are isolated from "disagreeable" thoughts; their friends will all agree with them.

This college experience may well be the last time many of us have the real opportunity to listen to something we don't like. The University's money will be wisely spent if more speakers of this type are brought to the campus.

these problems must be worked out by the people in a democratic way and the institutions through which they can be solved have been set up.

History may record that America has performed the miracle of transforming an autocratic enemy in war into an ally of democracy; and this by means of a conquering army. Some day, it may look as if in a larger sense, the Japanese won the war—and from our victory.

## Side Patter



By SALLIE TIMMENS

In the tradition of Halloween, the Kappa Sigs started their establishment into a "Haunted House" last weekend for their fall term house dance. Most of the artistic work was done by Bob Miller who was there with Kappa pledge Shirley Potter. Seen peeping through the many cobwebs were Theta Sals Wailer and Phil Patterson, Pi Phi Jacqueline Younger and Dave Ekin, Bob Oas and Jan Peterson last year's Junior Weekend committee and Alpha Chi Jane Thompson with Jack Countryman.

As a result of the SAE "Apocalypse" dance, Bob Helm planted his pin. Alfa Gam pledge Jean Gibson, Ray Segale imported as his "ma-moiselle" Cynthia Cutsforth from Boise. Rudy Taggesel had a hard time keeping track of his Tri Delta Shirley Kiselring, because it seemed that Rudy broke his glasses and had to spend the evening groping around without them.

They're not related, but AD Marge Johnson is now wearing Clyde Johnson's Theta Chi pin. B. Runion has his Sigma Nu pin on Portland girl, and Kappa Shirley Lukens has Bob Steeves' SAE pin.

Jack Hannam will find a cartload of Chesterfields waiting for him at the Side when he drops in for the cup of coffee. Watch for the AB Man! Once a week he will stop students on the campus, and to those students carrying Chesterfields, he will give one pack. To those smoking Chesterfields, he will give two packs.

Speaking of cigarettes, the L House was the scene of a solemn ceremony Tuesday evening. He Mugwug of the Hooded Coat tappers, Sally Grefe pledged seven loyal members, including the house-mother, to the LSMFT Club. Better known as the "Let's Save Millions From Tobacco" club, the group consists of upperclassmen only who have proved that they have been able to go without smoking. Assistant MugWug Betty Bushman was quoted: "Nope, can't pledge any freshman. They haven't been here long enough to prove themselves loyal non-smokers." The house mother announced that the group will hold its first meeting in the basement by the oil tank.

Another group has sprung up, called the "Turtle Club." No one seems to know much of anything about it except that Jack Puffenbarger, the Ellsions, and Duke Elder are charter members.

New band on campus is Bob Hillers' who played for the first time at the Kappa Sig dance and is said to be mighty fine. Bob, a campus man, is restricting himself mostly to campus house dances.

Theta Sally Powell who was here

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