

Porchlight Parade

By Ed Cauduro

Baby sitting among the college clan has reached new heights in popularity, although it has been a common practice with the lads of the campi for decades... among its latest converts is DU Ron Fraedrick.

To get out evenings he has been telling his frat brothers that he has to sit with his little sister while his folks are out to play... truth is, there is no blood relationship between Ron and the cute AOPi redhead Marilyn Tykson who he's been doing all his sitting with of late...

To TKE Bob Funk and DG Barbara Hollands goes the award for keeping a secret the longest... They've been pinned since Bob's initiation 3 weeks ago, and only now the news comes out... and then there's DG Flo Mitchell, always game when it comes to a dare, who is now wearing an SAE pin... wonder who the lucky guy is... she won't tell... but I understand Sig Hob Duele could clear up the whole mystery...

In the "Not For Me Dept." Members of Gordon Wright's "Europe Since 1939" class have an average GPA of 3.6... With all the so-called beauty contests the rage nowadays, the Alpha Chi house boys are conducting one of their own. They're hot on the trail to find the "Girl With Whom We'd Like Most to Be Quarantined"...

Zeta hall's Joan Wegman has been wandering around the campus in a big, fat daze... gazing with adoring eyes at a "dreamy" picture of Sig Ep Glen Yost... wonder if Glen's pin is sewed to his sweater with permanent thread...

The question and answer dept... wonder if Phi Psi Dick Schlicker is through with love... he's hung a "For Sale" sign on his sweetheart pin.

Pi Phi Joan Manning is determined to get to know the Theta Chis much better... she's taking dates with Dick Bennett and Bob DeArmond, both of that tong, on alternate nights... understand this isn't a triangle... just a friendly circle.

At the AXO house Shirley Phelps passed around candy for her sorority inmates announcing her engagement to Phi Delt Rich Nickolson of Cornvalley...

The Shack's own Stan Turnbull and Pi Phi Delight Kolar are set for two dates this weekend... so sudden, too. Also Kolar has future plans for Turnbull... another Shack-rat Don Smith, Campbell club, has been going around biting Theta Sigs since he has been dropped from the Miss Vogue finalist list... Looks like the Dads have finally traced their pocketbooks back to the Oregon campus... glad to see ya!

It's Your Campus, Dad

Hello Dad!

It's darned good to have you with us again.

This weekend the campus is yours. We hope you'll enjoy all the events we've planned for you. And when its over we hope you'll go away with that warm glow of satisfaction which comes when one has completely enjoyed himself.

Each year the University sets aside Dads' Weekend in the belief that in this way we, your sons and daughters, can prove that we've not completely forgotten you.

Honest Dad, we don't really forget you. It's just these darned professors—they make us work so hard.

And then of course, between studying and attending classes, we do have to squeeze in a little diversion, too. Remember what you used to tell us about all work and no play?

So, you see, it is sometimes pretty difficult to find time for that long overdue letter.

But then, knowing you're an understanding guy, we suspect you'll forgive us readily enough if we show you a good time this weekend... and we plan to do just that.

With the Legislators

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Salem

The bogged-down Oregon legislature ended its fourth week yesterday after having passed only 27 of its 456 bills.

While leaders are optimistic that the session will last 70 days or so, many members are afraid it might be as long as the record 1947 session. That one ended on the 84th day.

So far, 456 bills have been introduced, compared with 546 at the same stage two years ago. The senate has 148 bills, compared with 220 two years ago.

But the house has 308 bills, plus 35 more which are prepared for introduction Monday. The number two years ago was 326.

The house has passed only 67 of its 308 bills, while the senate has approved 28 of its 148 bills.

The house social welfare committee decided yesterday to introduce the bill calling for \$50 minimum old age pensions, but the committee hasn't decided if it would support it.

House Democrats introduced a memorial asking congress to approve President Truman's proposal for a Columbia Valley Authority. It is similar to a memorial in the senate, which will hold a public hearing on the matter February 24.

The senate defeated a bill today which would require sportsmen to get licenses to fish for salmon in the ocean.

A bill to force schools and publicly-supported colleges to close on general election days was introduced by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Portland.

Washington

Paul J. Raver, Bonneville power administrator, said yesterday he favors "early creation of a federal agency in the nature of a Columbia Valley Authority."

Raver made his statement to a reporter in response to a question after he had testified before the

senate interior committee in an overall examination of interior department functions.

BPA is an interior department agency.

"I am glad you asked me that question," Raver said. "In an order to keep the record straight I want to make it absolutely clear that I am wholeheartedly in favor of the early creation of a federal reagency agency in the nature of a CVA."

"This is not merely because I may be expected, as a federal official, to support the president—but because I firmly believe that such a step is essential to the most beneficial development of the river systems, from the viewpoint of the people of that region."

Senator Taft (R-Ohio) asserted yesterday that "no one is proposing to repeal the Taft-Hartley law in substance—only in form."

"The question of repeal of the Taft-Hartley act is disposed of," Taft told a news conference. He predicted that congress will retain two-thirds of it when a new labor law is passed.

Taft called the conference to sum up what he described as the results of the first three days of hearings on the administration's bill to repeal the Taft-Hartley law and replace it with a modified version of the old Wagner act.

Taft repeated again his contention that President Truman lacks any inherent powers to deal with strikes threatening a national emergency.

Mr. Truman and his attorney general, Tom Clark, say the president does have; that the authority of his office gives him such power without anything being written about it in labor laws.

Taft said: "I completely deny there are any such powers."

Canterbury Club

Members of the Canterbury club in Corvallis will be the guests of the Canterbury club here in a joint meeting tomorrow at 4 p. m. in the parish hall.

"Philosophy and Religion" is the topic of a lecture which Dr. Quirinus Breen will deliver to the students at 5:15.

Dinner will be served at 6:30.

Members of the University Canterbury club will conduct the evening services in St. Mary's Cathedral beginning at 7:30 with the evening prayer.

Raising Kane

Want To Know How You Sound To Others? Get 'Recorded'

By Hank Kane

A wire recorder is a devil of a gadget. One never really learns how to operate it perfectly.

When one does, the immediate urge on first hearing one's voice is to put one's fist through it for literally voicing the unpleasant truth.



Two speech department wire recorders are available to students foolhardy enough to use them.

three by four reformed broom The "recording studio" is a closet.

It dates from the last century when Friendly was a men's dormitory.

The brooms and beer bottles have been removed, but the two chairs and a shelf make it as cluttered as a coed's closet.

Once the team of experimenter and helper has entered the studio" by climbing over each other there is the problem of making the machine work.

This isn't as easy as it looks, and the appearance of the infernal machine is discouraging.

Plugging in the current is not too difficult thanks to the experience gained from countless dorm room hot plate sessions.

But how to adjust the knobs is a problem. The middle one alone has four positions. Marked clockwise, they are: "rewind,

play, play, rewind, record, record."

The instructor's classroom demonstration isn't of much immediate aid.

He twirled knobs without getting any results. Next he shook the machine and finally, his fist.

The demonstration ended with the instructor's suggestion that practice and patience were needed to learn how to operate the recorder.

By the end of the first hour the experimenters achieved their instructor's hoped for goal at the cost of plenty of practice and exhausted patience.

When the first trail recording is played back there is a slight pause for astonishment by the speaker.

This is followed by horror when he realizes that the musical file he is hearing is his voice.

It sounds like a combination of a housewife gossiping over the back fence, a concrete mixer in action, and an inebriated driver telling a policeman he is sober.

Immediate oaths are sworn that every speech defect will be corrected immediately if not sooner by daily practice.

Every free afternoon will be devoted to making one's voice fit to be heard, if not respected.

Shortly before going to the first remedial practice session the following afternoon the fledgling Daniel Webster is invited to join a card game at "The Bird."

Being a man who can resist everything except temptation, he decides that since people have been enduring his voice all these years one day more won't matter.

From Our Mailbag

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"BIG STICK" SCHEMES

To the Editor:

Dismissal of three University of Washington professors for communist membership or sympathies illustrates the new concept of intellectual freedom, persuasion, democratic compromise, and moral leadership in this country. At the same time, students interested in the broader implications of restrictive practices at home should consider the consequences of this policy on our dealings abroad.

Let me draw attention to two stories in Tuesday's Oregonian. The first is a dispatch describing our bigger and better A-bombs. It reads in part:

"The atomic energy commission Monday disclosed the United States has greatly improved production methods and stepped up destructive power of A-bombs to assure continued world leadership..."

"In layman's language this means the A-bombs now being produced are many times more powerful than the missiles that blasted Hiroshima and Nagasaki and hastened the end of World War II."

To one who believes firmly in our democracy and is convinced that example, friendship, and assistance without ulterior motives is the only possible kind of leadership that can win the world to our way of thinking, such a brazen force is distressing and disturbing to say the least.

The second dispatch reports Army Secretary Royall, en route to Tokyo to discuss the Japanese situation with General MacArthur, has a new plan for bypass-

ing the Far Eastern commission, the allied body which is supposed to make policy for Japan.

"Royall is going to call on MacArthur to join in a plan," according to the account, "which would deny the other Pacific allies any voice in the occupation and government of Japan."

"The army secretary and others here who share his views," the story goes on to say, "want to embark on a two-fold policy in Japan:

"First, they want to build up Japan as an anti-Soviet bastion in the Pacific.

"Second, they want to stop American-style liberal reforms in Japan and follow restoration of a considerable measure of prewar Japanese 'normalcy'."

What kind of leadership is this? First we blast Hiroshima and Nagasaki with A-bombs, killing many thousands of women and children, to hasten the end of the war, free the Orient and ourselves from any future threat of Japanese totalitarian aggression, and build a new, democratic Japan to assume a place among the peace-loving nations.

Then we manufacture a more destructive A-bomb in order, apparently, to restore and back a "considerable measure of prewar Japanese 'normalcy'."

Just to make sure the new leadership is really leadership and not a display of democratic decadence Royall's proposals for Japan would "deny the other Pacific allies (Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, China, France, Holland and Russia)

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