

## Confusion . . .

. . . of new students seems to sum up the results of the complicated process of orientation on campus. More details in editorial on page two.

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# Magazine Sales Checked by Police

The case of a magazine salesman who was being investigated for his methods of selling subscriptions to Collier's magazine on the campus last week was closed Monday afternoon by the Eugene city police.

After investigating the case, police officials said they would make no charges against the man, who was identified as Vern Gilroy, a representative of the Union Publishing company of New

## Warning Released

All students should be wary of any magazine or other salesmen who approach them on campus offering extremely low prices or rates. A. L. Ellingson, counselor of men, warned yesterday.

University students are advised to ask salesmen on campus for a letter from the office of student affairs authorizing them to make solicitations on campus.

York city. Gilroy was believed to have left Eugene over the weekend.

Two freshman men said Gilroy approached them to offer free eight-year subscriptions to the magazine provided they pay \$10

postage charges. The students made out counter checks to Gilroy who presented them with receipts bearing the name of the New York firm.

One of the checks was cashed by the University Co-op although Gilroy failed to produce identification proving that he was a student and said that the checks were payments of gambling debts. The other check was refused because it was incorrectly made out, according to Mrs. Gerda Brown, office manager of the Co-op.

The affair came to light when the name of one of the students who made out a check to Gilroy was recognized by a clerk at the Co-op. The student denied that the check was a payment of a gambling debt and then told how he had been approached by the salesman.

Eugene police entered the case after a check with the city license bureau proved that Gilroy was not licensed to sell magazines in Eugene.

There was a possibility that other students had made similar business deals with Gilroy, since the Co-op was holding additional checks made out to him. These checks also could not be cashed because they were incorrectly made out.

# Splendor, Romance of Yesteryear Belied by Languishing Millrace

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Emerald Feature Editor

One of the University of Oregon's oldest traditions, ante-dating the founding of this institution itself, is the millrace.

Running through the town of Eugene from east to west, it has played various roles, all of them important, in the history of both the town and the University.

"Eugene City," as it was known in those days, began around the then-swift stream with the construction of the old mill in 1855. Other industries developed, and in 1859 a ferry service was begun to serve this center of the fast-developing city.

## Fire Destroys Mill

In 1892 the mill was destroyed by fire, and in 1895 it was rebuilt. The year 1893 was a milestone in the history of the stream, for it was then that its first and only steamboat plied the waters.

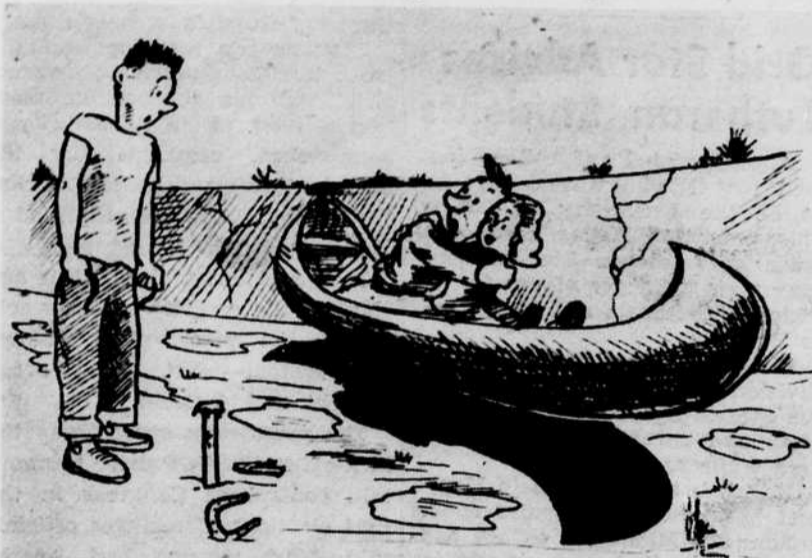
Fraternity and sorority houses of the newly-originated University began to see in the millstream a pleasant site for living quarters, and in approximately 1900, co-incident with the appearance of canoes on the stream, the houses were built on its banks.

Controversy between industrial and private interests was the keynote of the year 1910. A long and bitter battle ensued, lasting until 1916.

## Canoeing Popular

During this period, the campus in general was discovering the millrace as a recreational area of no little importance. Canoeing became one of the favorite pastimes of students, and in 1915 diving contests and exhibitions were featured entertainment.

Junior weekend, a tradition in itself for the University, featured the first of the fabulous canoe festivals in 1915. These were elaborate affairs, using the device of paired living organizations competing for top honors in construction and staging, much like the



"Don't let us interrupt your game; we're still hoping that they'll have the 'race restored by spring term."

present weekend floats for tradition week-ends.

This period, which was to be the only really high point in the stream's life, lasted but a short time. Incidental recreational devices, such as a boathouse owned by the University in 1938, came and went, and as they did fewer and fewer new uses appeared.

## Plans Stymied

A new era for the millrace began in 1946, when the city of Eugene cast longing and possessive eyes in its direction. A proposed joint program of operation, with the city using the area for highway improvements, was suggested, and the University even agreed to help them operate on such a basis. However, the expected financial problem was present, and there appeared no solution for the difficulties.

Under the joint operation plan, the millrace would be restored to its former fast-flowing glory,

and 1949 was the year in which these plans came closest to realization.

Present obstacles which keep the millrace in a state less than glorious are the fact that Springfield sewage is dumped into the Willamette above the entrance to the stream and that construction of the city's culverts is such that the amount of waterflow is necessarily reduced.

Most recent of many attempts to clean up the millrace was last April, when Dave Todd, then a junior in liberal arts, organized a rejuvenation committee.

## Representatives Meet

First step in the plan of Todd and his helpers was a meeting of representatives of the millrace houses with Oren King, then the city manager of Eugene, and the city council.

Cooperation in this venture was good, and enthusiasm ran high. Two hundred students appeared on the appointed day, and the Uni-

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## NO WORD ON CLARK

# Protest Still Pending

The official status of a University of Oregon protest to Pacific Coast Conference Commissioner Vic Schmidt over the Bob Clark incident remains in doubt today. Orlando J. Hollis, Oregon's PCC

faculty representative, through whom the protest would have to be filed, said last night that he had received no report of the incident from either Athletic Director Leo Harris or Bill Bowerman,

assistant athletic director, who first made the announcement of the case. Hollis was attending a convention in Gearhart when Bowerman broke the story and did not return to Eugene until Sunday night.

The case broke when Clark, a star football and basketball player at Portland's Benson high school, suddenly changed his mind about registering at Oregon and left school. Bowerman has charged that Clark was lured away from the Oregon campus by Oregon State college students. Bowerman added: "We hope to produce evidence that these boys were representatives of the Oregon State coaching staff." Clark has since been reported at Corvallis.

Unless such evidence were produced, the PCC could probably take no action on the protest, since Clark had not completed registration at the time of his departure and hence was not officially an Oregon student. The PCC code states that a student is not considered fully registered until he is eligible to attend class. Clark had only picked up his registration material and taken his physical examination.

## Clark Still Eligible

Bowerman stated that while Clark could still change his mind and register at another school without losing his eligibility, he believed that Oregon State was guilty of violating the spirit, if not the letter, of the code.

Oregon State officials denied any knowledge of the case, and OSC Athletic Director Roy "Spec" Keene said Sunday that any further comment from that institution would have to wait until a meeting of the coaches.

# UO Policy Buyer Has Eye Accident

First student to place a claim under the new ASUO group insurance plan was Roger Steeds, sophomore in liberal arts, according to a representative of the insurance firm handling the plan.

Steeds bought his policy while registering Wednesday morning. At noon the same day, a small foreign body in his eye necessitated a trip to a doctor.

The doctor's bill and medicine amounting to \$6, was paid for by the insurance company. Steeds' all-expense accident coverage is still in effect until school opens next fall.

The insurance desk will be located in the Student Affairs office, Emerald hall, for a few days yet this week, according to Wes Ball, insurance committee chairman. Approximately 600 students have already signed up for the group insurance plan.

Faculty members are also eligible for the accident coverage, Ball stated. Details of the coverage are contained in this week's regular faculty bulletin. Faculty members who wish to join the group plan may fill out application blanks and leave them along with their payments in the University business office, said Ball.

## Mild Weather Expected

Although the season's first frost of any consequence has chilled large sections of the north central states just two days before the end of summer, Eugene and vicinity are probably in no danger of really cold weather until at least October, the local weather bureau said Monday.

The weather forecast for Eugene is cloudy with scattered showers today and partly cloudy tonight. High for today is expected to reach 70 with a forecasted low of 50 tonight.

A drop in temperature to 20 degrees was recorded in some places in North Dakota, where the frost hit the western two-thirds of the state. South Dakota also reported heavy frost.

According to the Chicago weather bureau, the cold air mass,

which came down from Canada, is moving eastward and is expected to bring frost and freezing temperatures to parts of Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin. However, the nation's corn crop is expected to get past the cold spell successfully.

## 'Smiling Moroccan' Departs for Ohio

The saga of Oregon's colorful Moroccan student, Abdul Haq-Balkhora is ended.

Abdul left Saturday afternoon for Ohio Wesleyan university in Delaware, Ohio, where he has a tuition and partial maintenance scholarship.

Student Union devotees will remember the Moroccan with the flashing eyes and ready smile. Others will remember Abdul, the practical prankster, who during registration week enjoyed enrolling students in his own course: Hst 567, contemporary Moroccan history, seven mornings a week, one hour of credit.

## New Schedule On Yell Tryouts

Tryouts for yell dukes and song queens will be held at 6:30 p.m. in McArthur court Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, instead of tonight, Wednesday and Thursday as previously reported in the Emerald.

Four men will be selected Wednesday, and six girls will be picked on Thursday and Friday. Students wishing to try out must come prepared to lead yells or songs, rally board chairman Al Golden-

## Red Pilot Seeks Entry into U.S.

(AP)—The North Korean pilot who delivered a Russian-made MIG jet to the allies says he wants to come to the United States to study. He also says he didn't know of the allied offer of \$100,000 for a MIG when he landed Monday at a base near Seoul in South Korea.

The 22-year-old senior lieutenant in the Communist Air Force made these and other statements today in a news conference at Seoul. He confirmed that the Reds had brought planes into North Korea after the shooting stopped in violation of armistice terms. The North Korean said they'd brought in both MIGs and propeller-driven bombers.

He also said that Russian pilots had flown MIGs in combat against the 5th U. S. Air Force. And he said his advanced flight training was under Russian instructors. He said his own plane was a MIG 15 and not a later model as had been rumored.

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Coach Len Casanova . . . conducted a three week football clinic in Japan and Hawaii this summer. See page three.

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