

**SPIRIT CONTAGIOUS**

# '21 Emerald Reflects Era

The Oregon of the '20's was a far different place from the University of today if we are to judge the content of the Oregon Daily Emerald during those years. Following are just a few of the items gleaned from the September and October issues of the 1921 Emerald:

**Appointments Made**  
The first issue of the Emerald for the school year 1921-1922 announced that a "modern electric baking oven and automatic coffee percolator" had been added to the Friendly hall kitchen.

"With between 75 and 80 per cent of last year's students who did not graduate back in school" there was a housing problem.

**Appointments Made**  
We learn that "Oregon spirit ... is contagious, it doesn't grow on one gradually, but it seizes you the moment you walk out on the campus. It seized the old student when he came upon the campus again and drifted into reminiscences; it seized the new student as a revelation."

The secretary of the school of education's appointment bureau was disturbed because students attempted to make use of its services in making appointments with anyone at all on campus.

A '20 graduate, then teaching English at Klamath Falls high school, reported that a girl in his class began an English theme with "Dear Mr. ...." and ended her work, "Lovingly Yours."

**Elevators Pictured**  
The new crop of ROTC cadets was having clothing problems. The Emerald declared that "It isn't a case of the uniforms not fitting the man — the military department was careful to order the right sizes, but all the trouble comes from the fact that the men don't fit the uniforms."

Fifty students turned up looking for staff positions on the Emerald.

The Singer Sewing Machine company advertised that it would do hemstitching at 10 cents a yard and would furnish the thread (black or white.)

The Otis Elevator company, under a picture of the Kremlin, advertised that there were two Otis Automatic Push Button elevators installed in the Great Palace.

The Co-op advertised cost of membership at one dollar and pointed out that with average purchases running way up to \$35 a year, the member could expect a return of \$2.10 at the year's end.

**UO Chosen**  
A number of college students from Oregon Agricultural college, Whitman, Oregon and Washington had spent two months of their summer vacation on the high seas and in oriental ports. "The West Keats on her return trip from the Orient . . . set a new speed record for boats of the Pacific Steamship company . . . The trip back to America was made in 15 days and one hour."

Two students and their mother had set out in a car from Sioux City, Iowa, in search of THE university. After traveling 10,000 miles and rejecting such institutions as California and Washington, they chose the University of Oregon. They didn't like Eugene, though. It was a typical college town, they said.

University officials were threatening to limit student loans to

non-smokers. Funds were running low, and "The amount of money spent by the average smoker during a school year is 50 dollars or better, and it is felt that if a student really needs help he should eliminate this item of expense."

Ye Campa Shoppe advertised luncheons for 35 cents and special evening dinners for 50 cents.

**Vests Worn**  
Under the headline "Cupid Mows Them Down," the summer marriages of 25 students and seven faculty members were chronicled. Possibly another young swain had this happy ending in mind, for in the same issue there appeared an advertisement stating that a canoe was wanted for rental by the hour or to buy ("cheap").

Sophomores at the Oregon Agricultural college initiated the custom of wearing purple vests to their classes, while "The University of Wisconsin students by a heavy majority vote in popular elections decided to reinstate class rushes and green caps." Juniors at the University of Washington sagely adopted Stetson hats and old clothes as their traditional garb.

**Flies Baited**  
A request was received from an alumnus (Class of '16) then engaged as a librarian in a Honolulu high school. She wanted catalogues and descriptive matter from the University and asked "in particular for something inspirational on the subject of advertising."

Delta Tau Delta had a pet al-

igator named Brunfield. His seasonal appetite (for 8 months of the year he scorned food entirely) was "an attribute which endears him strongly to heart of the house manager."

We learn that "when the autumn rains set in, and the little fly wings himself away, the Beta dinner table will again be dull. Report has it that the Betas have discovered a new indoor sport. Nickels baited with tid-bits of meat are laid out in front of the plates, and the individual whose nickel first tempts the wily fly wins all the stakes."

Women journalism students were creating quite a stir with their newly-bobbed hair. "Down with the old double standard idea," they cried, "a woman has just as much right to cut her hair as has a man. Why should we waste our valuable time taking care of a lot of hair that does no good even as an ornament?"

Thus in one respect at least, things haven't changed since the fall of '21. You can still spot a female J-school student on sight. She's the one with the short hair who walks FAST.

## CAMPUS BRIEFS

● Movies concerning the art and architecture of the Navajo Indians will be shown today at 4 p. m. in Architecture 107. The films include "Navajo Sandpainters," "Pueblo Dwellers" and "Southwestern Indian Dances."

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