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THE LOOKING GLASS

Your Newspaper

The Emerald has been publishing eight page daily editions since the beginning of this term. We hope to continue on an eight page daily publication schedule for the remainder of the school year.

A rather uneven course has been steered by the campus daily in the past two and a half years since we last published daily eight page papers.

In the fall of 1952, the paper was cut back to four eight page papers per week (Monday paper eliminated). Winter, 1953, the Emerald returned to a five-day-a-week publication schedule with three four and two eight pagers. Regular daily four page papers were established in spring of 1953. Only by spring of 1954 was the Emerald able to put out even one eight pager per week, on Friday. This situation continued through last term.

And now, we are back to daily eight page papers after a two and one-half year interval.

The step-up in Emerald publication was originally made possible by the large advertising surplus earned fall term. A budget allotment from the University will make possible the continuation of eight pagers for most of the remainder of this term.

But eight pager daily papers spring term is up to us on the Emerald staff and you who read the paper. We think we can swing it by increased advertising sales and by trimming our production costs. We can't do it all alone though.

Genuine campus interest in an expanded newspaper must be forthcoming in order to stay at eight pages. We will be looking for a larger news staff, more advertising salesmen. If you, our readers, are interested in a larger paper, we will give you one. If not, we can always return to four page papers. Possible retrenchment over here will clearly be a sign of student apathy in their campus newspaper; the blame should not be placed on the Emerald staff.

What's in an eight page daily paper for the students? More news of campus activities; interesting feature and column material, a two-page sports section; more extensive coverage (through our Associated Press service) of significant news of the world—an all around better newspaper product of which the University of Oregon can be proud.

We ask you to bear with us in the next few weeks as we complete the transition

from four to eight page papers. It's been a long time since we've put out these daily eight page papers. Most of us have had no previous experience with this size paper—new skills must be mastered, old techniques relearned.

During this temporary changeover period, we would appreciate any suggestions and comments on the eight page papers. We want to know what you would like to see in an expanded Oregon Daily Emerald. It's your newspaper.

Oregon Sweetheart

The Emerald seldom devotes editorial space to praise of a specific person on or off campus, but we feel that Sally Jo Grieg has earned such praise during the year and a half she has been on campus.

Miss Grieg was recently awarded the Mortar Board plaque for having the highest GPA among freshman women last year. This in itself is an accomplishment, but far from her only achievement.

Last year's Sweetheart of Sigma Chi on the Oregon campus, Miss Grieg has been entered by this chapter as their candidate for International Sweetheart. Winning candidate will be announced this summer, and we wish Miss Grieg luck. With her beauty plus activities and grades we agree with the Sigma Chi's—she's a natural winner.

Activities haven't been neglected by Miss Grieg. She's a member of the rally squad, women's page co-editor of the Emerald, and has been active in Student Union work, the barbershop quartet contest and numerous publicity committees. Naturally she's a member of Kwama.

We feel Sally Jo Grieg is a perfect example of a person getting the most out of college. She seems to have found the right combination of studying, social life and activities. We congratulate her and wish her luck in the Sweetheart contest.—(J.W.)

Footnotes

Carpenters, plumbers and others still at work on remodeling of old Emerald Shack (next to Deady hall) in preparation for arrival of psych department's monkeys. The primates are likely to end up with most plush quarters on campus. We expect a few professors to complain about this discrimination.

English Films Found 'Off the Beaten Track'

By Len Calvert
Emerald Columnist

For those interested in movies about subjects "off the beaten track," the offering of the English film "Crash of Silence" should prove interesting.

The movie deals with the story of a six-year-old deaf and dumb girl and the emotional problems she and her family go through until she finally learns how to talk, which gives the film its title, "Crash of Silence."

A rather long offering, we felt that the movie was hampered by a very involved subplot involving the headmaster of the school for the deaf, the child's mother, an enemy of the teacher's who tries to stir up a scandal about the two and the child's father who almost stops the child's education because he believes the trumped-up charges.

Not a pretty story, the tale of the girl's efforts to learn to speak is sympathetically told in a very matter-of-fact way. Particularly effective are the scenes showing her at the school and the various methods used by the teachers in training the children to speak. The scenes were filmed at a school for the deaf in Manchester, England.

Fine performances are turned in by the cast as a whole. The emotional strain on the family and the headmaster is well drawn and well acted.

However, we think that the movie could have been far more

effective by dwelling more on the child's efforts to talk, the terrific emotional strain put upon her and the methods used in teaching her how to make sounds. It was in these scenes that the movie reached its heights. The tangled plot only served to confuse the basic issue.

Showing with "Crash of Silence" was another English film entitled "Both Sides of the Law." A rather ordinary movie on the whole, the title is derived from the plot which tries to show that the law is both strict and humane.

The story deals mainly with the London policewomen and particularly with three cases which runs concurrently throughout the movie.

Although slow-moving most of the time, the show does have some high points of interest. On the humorous side, there was one amusing scene in which the mother of a lost boy berates the desk sergeant for feeding her boy sweets. Because of this, all the kids in the neighborhood purposely "get lost" to take advantage of the police department's generosity.

Both movies are long and a little too slowly paced for our taste. However, both do have their good points in some good acting and in the starkness with which the action is portrayed. There is no particular effort in either film to glamorize the subject, particularly in "Crash of Silence."

Clothing Selection



"Did you notice that genuine imported cashmere sweater?"

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

GMC, US Officials Predict Greatest Prosperity Ever

By J. M. ROBERTS
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Two of the country's biggest organizations, the United States government and General Motors, have just expressed the view that the next year or two are going to be one of the most prosperous periods ever.

On the basis of anticipated revenue revealed in the President's budget message, personal incomes are expected to increase about 4 per cent and corporate profits about 7 per cent in 1955-56.

Increase Predicted

President Harlow H. Curtice of General Motors guessed an increase of 4 per cent in goods and services this year.

The stock market went up Tuesday, but it appeared to be as much of a reaction to Monday's drop as anything else.

The budget seemed, as a matter of fact, to be much as expected. There was even some talk that a deficit has been predicted which could be, if business forecasts proved correct,

reduced or eliminated. This of course, would be mighty good business for the Eisenhower administration if it turned out that way right in the middle of a general election campaign.

Budgets have had to be revised upward, and even sometimes downward, before now, until they are no longer accepted as important criteria. So have other business guesses. But there is no denying that there is general optimism now.

Congress Considers Whittling

There was immediate talk in congressional circles that the budget could be whittled still more. In particular, there is a strong movement to keep on reducing foreign aid.

At the same time a fight was promised over reductions in the direct military spending program.

Both of these items are directly involved in international affairs.

For one thing, two more countries are being drawn into the

anti-Communist military defense system, Germany and Japan. They are expected to take up new burdens in expenditures for rearmament while the United States acts on the theory that the military situation is less dangerous than before.

The United States and Britain also think that with the shift to atomic weapons they will actually have more powerful forces than before. But this is not easy to sell, especially in Japan where, unlike West Germany, there is an increasingly unstable economic situation.

Confusion Reigns

With regard to one angle of foreign aid, the proposed Asiatic economic program, there is a great deal of confusion. Foreign aid in that area so far has not bought the goodwill expected. In some places it is even feared.

Yet the reaction to a program once proposed and then drastically cut or eliminated, as factions in both the administration and congress are proposing, might be severe.



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