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The Huskies

Hold, Enough!

Saturday night's game in Portland with the Washington Huskies will give Oregon students their first opportunity to see their grid warriors in action this season. From all indications it should be a tough game, and possibly a very close one.

Thinking of a tight game with Washington, reminds us of the last time the Ducks and UW played in Portland two years ago. At that time the two teams were considered a toss-up and rivalry was high, as it usually is when Oregon and Washington play.

The Huskies had a little bit the better of it on the playing field and emerged from the contest with a 14-6 victory. But it was not the closeness of the game which makes us remember that particular tussle. It is what happened after the game which makes it stick in our memory.

Several hundred Washington rooters were on hand for the game and at its conclusion they jubilantly tore onto the playing field in an effort to tear down the Oregon goalpost. Naturally this brought an immediate response from the Duck rooting section and within minutes an all-out free-for-all was in progress. Fists were flying in all directions before policemen could squelch the "riot" and two or three men from each school ended up on the ground, listening to the birdies tweet. Even one of the Oregon players got in on the fighting. The whole scene was rather deplorable to observe.

This year the rivalry once again will be at a high pitch. Because of the Husky record to date, scores of Washington rooters will make the trip to Portland for the game. And without a doubt, at the end of the contest, win, lose or draw, they will swarm onto the field and renew efforts to down that Oregon goalpost. If Oregon students run to the scene in an effort to put up a rowdy defense, another brawl is sure to ensue.

What would be much better for all concerned, and would give the school a much better name we might add, would be a peaceful settlement of the matter without fisticuffs. Don't get us wrong! We are not advocating letting the goalpost go. Heaven forbid! that is the worst sin that any college rooting section can commit, allowing supporters of a visiting team to tear down their goalpost.

But what we would like to see is the matter settled by kind words and persuasion rather than fists and brute force. The whole thing almost always starts out as a joke, so just do your best to keep it that way instead of letting tempers get out of control. Try your best to settle with the Huskies

peaceably and then, if it is still no use, let MacBeth's final speech in the Shakespeare play guide you on: "Lay on, MacDuff (Huskies), and dam'd be him that first cries, hold, enough!"—(B.R.)

Elephantine Field Day

The medical reports on President Eisenhower's health, and the statements of heart specialists are encouraging. It now seems possible that the President will recover fully after a period of convalescence, or at least will be able to take a firm hold on the reins of government before his term expires.

But history shows that whenever a great man loses some of his powers, even temporarily, there are always many smaller men waiting eagerly to seize his mantle and put it on, on the arrogant assumption that it will fit.

This has not happened yet in Eisenhower's case, but there are signs that it soon may. After the first flood of "get-well" messages to the President, a few of the politicians immediately reverted to type. They began to push their ambitions.

The panic within the Republican party, and it can only be described as panic, as a result of the President's illness, has contributed to this condition. In its search for a presidential candidate to succeed Eisenhower, assuming the latter does not run in 1956, the Republican party is forced to consider nearly everyone in the party. The result is a field day for all ambitious Republicans.

The salvation for the country, and for the Republican party, seems to lie in the tremendous mass support that Eisenhower commands. With this personal support behind him, he will probably be able to push most of his program through, from his hospital bed if necessary.

This same support may enable him to keep all the departments, bureaus and agencies of the government under firm control, and to continue with the great leadership he has given this country for nearly three years.

Footnotes

Girls show quite an interest in baseball, come World Series time. Two obvious freshmen got into quite a stir in front of the Emerald scoreboard, Thursday, over who had the best team.

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Can't complain about this year's yell king—he's even initialed Oregon even though it's backwards: O.U.



"I hear they play an unbalanced line—none of them have an IQ above a 40."

THE LOOKING GLASS

Who-Done-It Termed 'Casually Sophisticated'

By Bob Davis

Alfred Hitchcock has again served up a fine menu of comedy and mystery in his latest production, "To Catch a Thief," showing this week at the MacDonald theater. Heading a most competent cast are Grace Kelly as a rich American adventuress, and Cary Grant as a suave ex-jewel thief known as John Robie, the Cat.

Acting is excellent and the characterization beautifully detailed. Cary Grant, after an unfortunate film absence, easily proves that there are few Hollywood actors today his equal. Grace Kelly again demonstrates that sex appeal can be conveyed in subtleties totally unknown to a Marilyn Monroe. The supporting cast adds much to make the film run in a smooth and unflattering manner. Particularly noteworthy is the actress who cleverly portrays the stereotype of a rich, uncultured Texas matron touring Europe who still has not lost such quaint affectations as putting cigarettes out in the middle of sunny-side-up eggs.

The plot chiefly concerns itself with a series of jewel robberies which the police consider to be perpetrated by Robie, the Cat. Robie, however, has long since gone into retirement from the hazardous profession and has entered into an aristocratic life within the walls of his Riviera villa. Ex-thief Robie takes on the task of finding the real culprit in order to clear his name, and therein lies the mystery.

For those who are looking for the customary Hitchcock appearance in his film, he can be noticed sitting next to Cary Grant riding on a village bus. In summary, "To Catch a Thief" is a relaxing, humorous bout with crime which has all the traits of Hitchcock genius plus a more casual, light-hearted approach previously unequaled by the who-done-it master. A most highly recommended film.

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Army Scandal Changes Outlook For Indonesia's First Elections

By J. M. Roberts
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Less than a year ago Indonesia appeared to be heading into the Communist camp.

Her Nationalist government was playing footsie with the Communists in the same fashion which proved fatal to so many young governments after the war. If the Communists did not take over directly, it seemed likely that they would win in the republic's first elections, which begin Friday.

The situation has changed considerably since the Nationalists were ousted from the government over an army scandal last month.

Now a coalition of Moslem parties is being given a chance to win and start Indonesia on the road to democracy.

The chief Moslem party, Mas-

jumi, which now controls the government made no intensive campaign prior to its rise to power only a few weeks ago, but it is estimated that 90 per cent of the people are Moslems, which tends to compensate for the late start.

The Communists, on the other hand, have been hard at work throughout the six-year life of the republic. They have infiltrated every hamlet, and promised everything; increased wages, better living conditions, financial reform of the government. Their campaign has been almost identical with that conducted by the party before the recent elections in Andhra province of India.

But the Reds lost in Andhra, and now they may lose in Indonesia.

Unlike the United States, where the results of nationwide

elections are usually known within a few hours after the polls close, it could be six months before the outcome can be determined.

This is because of poor communications with hundreds of equatorial islands comprising the republics, and because the voting will be by stages in the widely separated parts.

The East-West cleavage which has agitated Indonesia as it has the rest of the world is not a clearcut issue in the elections. The Communists are, of course, violently anti-Western, while the present government, while hardly pro-Western, is nevertheless satisfactory to the West.

However, all 190 parties — there are several major Moslem groups as well as the Nationalists and Communists and scores of splinters—follow the Nehru neutralist line.



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