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RESPONSIBLE STUDENT OPINION

It is the opinion of 20 student leaders at the University of Oregon who have been consulted by President Erb that it would do no good and perhaps some harm, if the selling of beer were to be forbidden in an area of six blocks around the campus, as requested by the Eugene Ministerial Association. This is the belief of 20 able young men and women who know their 3,000 fellow students perhaps better than anybody else can know them. And these young people have the utmost loyalty to the University and its good name among the people of Oregon.

This statement does not mean that "beer guzzling" is in any degree approved and encouraged—as for instance in the early days at Michigan and Wisconsin when those schools were attempting to ape the traditions and manners of the German universities. Quite the contrary! It means simply that student leaders recognize certain facts:

1. Approximately 60 per cent of the students in the University of Oregon are over 21, and close to 75 per cent of all students are totally or in part self-supporting.

2. The five establishments which sell beer within six blocks of the campus are not "saloons"; four are eating places; one is a drug store which sells packaged beer to be consumed elsewhere.

3. Each of these establishments for a long time has had furnished by the University an official copy of the "Piggy's Guide" (University Directory), with the date of birth noted opposite the name of every student.

4. Disciplinary records show there have been very few cases where drinking has been even an incidental factor to charges, and the moral tone of the University is unusually high.

5. The evil, if any, in the opinion of these leaders lies in places remote from the University and therefore not possible to supervise.

Now student opinion runs something like this:

Most students are too decent or too poor to be bad.

There is no use trying to conceal the fact of liquor which most students see anyway, in their home towns and their homes.

The "smartie" may learn to stop with one beer where there is an example of temperate and matter-of-fact use; he inclines to get a "snootful of mixes" if you drive him outside.

The modern concept of education is not "preparation for living" but LIVING.

The liquor question is a good deal like the questions which revolve around such current issues as communism, fascism, war, peace and other matters controversial. Many sincere people believe students should be shielded. Others believe all issues and all problems must be accepted and met by guidance.

Students here have a right to resent the implication that their standards are in any way inferior to those at the State College where virtue is paraded. The difference in the attitude of the two schools finds expression in little things. A few years ago the University body abolished freshman hazing and freshman caps. The University pursues the ideal of self-control and self-government, and while this doesn't always work, there is much to be said for the campus which says:

"It's up to you, now; try to act grown up."

THE FORGOTTEN XMAS SEALS

This is the time of year when it is necessary to drop a reminder to all those people who have forgotten to send in the money for their Christmas Seals. It should not be necessary to go over the arguments for the seals, how they promote public health and finance the war to eliminate tuberculosis.

The people who receive packages of seals by mail are those who for a good many years have been contributors and thus have demonstrated their interest. They are people who "mean to give" but have neglected it in the whirl of Christmas.

Verne Hawn wants to close the books for the drive. So this is the reminder. It will save a lot of postage and a lot of running around if those who haven't got around to mailing that check will do it now—before it is completely forgotten.

The name of the game really should be changed to "football."

Ajax McGurk says that perhaps Mr.

Roosevelt intended the Hopkins appointment as a little Christmas present for business. Business, Santa Claus is here!

Hitler's lads are going to drop their scrap with Ickes but they don't think he has much Christmas spirit. Hooray for Hitler! He kept us out of war.

Chamberlain's threat to withhold British credit from the German Reich would seem to indicate that the pound will carry considerable weight with Hitler.

Neville Chamberlain shuns role as mediator in Italo-French dispute. Yeah, verily, Neville, experience is a great teacher.

U. S. Treasury reports there was \$51.96 in circulation for every man, woman and child in November. We'll settle for the \$51.

New slant on a "white Christmas"; Newark, N. J., Santas have been ordered to keep their beards clean.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By JOHN T. FLYNN

(NEA Service Staff Correspondent)

The Sheppard Committee of the Senate, reporting on WPA political abuses and making recommendations for reform, singularly leaves out the most important recommendation of all. That is to take the WPA and all of the recovery and relief activities of the government lock, stock and barrel out of politics.

It is all right to prohibit politicians from soliciting funds from relief workers and other persons on the government pay-roll; to prevent politicians from getting their names and addresses, and so on. But the place to strike is at the root. First of all, the entire administration of recovery and regulation and relief must be taken completely out of the hands of political employees.

As early as December, 1934, the present writer observed the amazing degree to which the old spoils system was being revived. There was some criticism of it elsewhere too, but it was all blamed on Jim Farley. Then I wrote: "Nobody knows Farley better than Roosevelt. Since the partnership was formed Farley has been nothing but a messenger boy."

He does what he is told—follows Roosevelt's orders with childlike simplicity. But this much must be said for him. He said over his own signature: "Patronage is a reward for party victory." He never said, for instance, "I think that everybody who has studied the question is in favor of the civil service." That was said by Roosevelt.

Every man knows what are the weaknesses of human nature. The President knows them. He knew as everybody knew, what the writer tried to point out in that 1934 article—that you cannot spend billions of public money and entrust it to political appointees all over the map. It will be used for politics as surely as fire will burn wood.

The first thing to do is to reorganize the entire WPA and all relief agencies. It is not enough merely to appoint another administrator, with the same philosophy guiding the man who dominates it all. The men who rule the WPA should be chosen on a merit system. Promotion should be on a merit basis. Administration should be as completely divorced from the influence of the politician in the county, in the State House and in the White House as is possible.

Sweeping Inquiry Needed
 What has happened in relief has happened everywhere in the government. Thousands of men have been employed under the spoils system and then the President, with a pious gesture, has announced that they should be put under civil service. Not only are his spoilsmen put into jobs but he attempts to keep them there forever by a spurious civil service.

Why does not a Senate committee send out a questionnaire to all employees of the government in Washington and ask how much they have contributed to the various campaigns since 1933, and whom the money was given to, and who solicited it? The public service has been combed and hunted for political contributions just as the relief workers have.

Congress should investigate the whole subject.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHER

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 Until recently parents and physicians paid little attention to colds as they occurred in children—the reason being that every child was expected to have a certain amount of colds.

Now, however, the development of new methods of study in medicine has indicated that several conditions resemble colds and are themselves far more serious than an ordinary cold. For this reason the experts recommend special attention to repeated colds which occur in children who are otherwise well; to children in whom a profuse nasal discharge is almost continuous; to children who have severe coughing spells, particularly at night, which are not explained by whooping cough or by any changes in the lungs; to children who frequently have fevers in the afternoons and to those who suffer with constant lack of appetite.

It has been found that in a good many of these cases the difficulty lies in chronic infections or inflammations within the sinuses.

There are several technical methods of investigating the sinuses which are useful and which have yielded evidence pointing to the sinus as the source of the disturbances that have been mentioned. One of these methods is transillumination.

In this method the child is taken into a dark room and light is thrown into the sinuses which then become illuminated. If there are obstructions within the sinuses, shadows will appear which indicate to the physician that something is wrong. Then the sinuses may be studied by the use of the X-ray which will also show changes in the density of the bones around the sinuses and the presence of changes within the sinuses.

Some investigators have discovered that children with chronic inflammation of the sinuses may be divided into two types: one includes children who are sensitive to various protein substances.

The general characteristic of this type is a chronic watery secretion from the nose without, however, very much physical illness. In such cases the necessary skin tests may demonstrate sensitivity to one or another protein substance and control of this factor may relieve the condition.

In the second type there is definite infection of the sinuses by germs of various kinds, chiefly, however, by the organisms which regularly inhabit the nose and throat of man.

Indications clearly demand persistent study and treatment of little children who are found to have sinuses which are constantly inflamed because of either allergy or infection. Failure to take care of these conditions may result in chronic disturbances affecting the throat, the blood vessels, the lungs, the heart, or the kidneys which may incapacitate the child for life.

The mere dropping into the nose of various oily solutions containing substances to diminish the discharge will not cure the condition. Indeed there is some question as to whether or not it may not make the condition worse.

Symphony Group To Play Modern Work At Concert

A new unpublished work by the contemporary California composer, Frederick Preston Search, and friend of Director Rex Underwood of the University of Oregon symphony orchestra, will be played by the group for the first time in this locality in concert in the music auditorium on Tuesday, November 24.

Mr. Underwood met the composer when they were both studying music in Leipzig before the war. Since then they have carried on correspondence. It was through this that Mr. Underwood first heard of the work, "The Dream of McCorkle."

Dealing with the life episodes

of this legendary adventurer of the days of '49 in California, the work tells in representative fashion of the Paul Bunyan of California, McCorkle. Sometimes a preacher, bartender, barber, hunter, miner, he was best known in the old mining towns of You Bet and Red Dog. He is credited with the doubtful glory of setting fire to the boarding house of Mrs. Slitch at You Bet.

In addition to the Search work, selections by such favorites as Tchaikovsky, Dvorak, Johann Strauss, Saint-Saens, Mozart, Paul White, and Von Weber will also be offered by the orchestra. David Campbell, pianist, and Doris Helen Calkins, harpist, will be soloists.

HOST TO TEAM

YONCALLA, Jan. 13.—(Special)—Howard Parks entertained the Yoncalla basketball boys in Eugene recently at a basketball game on the McArthur court, between

Oregon State and Washington State. Those going were, George Roberts, Stanley Ludwig, James Huntington, Bill Wittmeyer, Bill Gross, Bill Ellison, Max Dodd, Lloyd and Floyd Paul, Stewart Mathis, Howard Applegate, Donald Cokeram, Merle Mulkey, Norman Main, and Leo Morin.

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school hour. The different classes will announce their teachers the same day. This Sunday school holds its election the beginning of the year.

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