

Medical Center Announcement Tells Intention to Buy Building

The Eugene Medical Center announced Tuesday that it had completed tentative plans to purchase the Miner Building from the University of Oregon, a deal for which negotiations were started about six weeks ago.

Pacific Area Meeting Set

Problems of the Pacific will come in for a full day of discussion here Thursday when the University of Oregon's Pacific Basin Studies Committee holds its one-day public conference on the university campus.

The meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m. with two round-table discussion groups. Dr. Paul S. Dull, assistant professor of political science, will lead the discussion on "Political Problems: China," and Dr. Warren D. Smith, head of the department of geology and geography, will lead the discussion on raw materials.

Two afternoon round-tables will begin at 2 p.m. Dr. Homer G. Barnett, associate professor of anthropology, will lead the session on dependent peoples and Alfred L. Lomax, professor of business administration, will be in charge of the discussion on international trade.

Dr. Linden Mander, professor of political science in the University of Washington, will address students and townspeople at 8 p.m. on dependencies.

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Aching Backs Due to Worry

CHICAGO—(U.P.)—Feel a little nervous today? Worried about something? Strikes? Your job? The atom bomb?

Then you'd better watch your step, a medical authority warns. He says most of the persons who take their aches and pains to the doctor are neurotic. The number of neurotics is on the increase.

Dr. William Menninger, Topeka, Kan., an authority on such ailments, told the 28th annual session of the American College of Physicians that the neurotic patient "is indeed a very real problem today to the average doctor."

"Our tempo of life with its increasing stresses and strains may be expected to produce even more neurotic symptoms in apparently well people," he said.

He cited the great increase in mental illness disclosed by tests given in the military services during the war.

Many modern doctors, trained essentially as specialists, are not equipped to consider the problems presented by patients whose illness is mental as well as physical, he said.

The old-fashioned family doctor, he said, went to the home to see his patient.

"He heard about the daughter's love affair, the son's job, the mother's overwork, the father's worry," he said. "Along with sugar pills his interest and advice were part of the service rendered."

"Now the doctor sees his patient in the more formal atmosphere of the office. No one physician can keep up with all the new skills of various medical fields. And, too often he doesn't take time to just listen to what the patient wants to tell him."

The neurotic individual, Menninger said, wants to talk to someone in whom he has confidence. Therefore, physicians need broader knowledge of what the Army and Navy learned in their tests of recruits, he said.

He said that for every man medically discharged from the armed forces, there is statistical evidence that at least five other men were seen by a psychiatrist for some type of personality disorder which did not lead to discharge.

In addition, he said, 150,000 soldiers were discharged through administrative rather than medical channels because of personality difficulties.

"It surely reflects," he said, "the fact that Army life was difficult and exacting and that our way of living had not prepared many American youths for such demands."

"It probably indicates a critical state of affairs of the American family."

PARCEL RULES EASED

Parcels addressed to APOs no longer need a letter of request before they may be mailed, it was announced Tuesday by Postmaster Frank L. Armitage. Parcels may be sent at will, and may weigh up to 70 pounds. Combined length and girth must not be in excess of 100 inches, Armitage said.

Garden Club Sent 'Delinquency' Report

Lynn Sylvester McCready found himself this week in danger of being expelled from the Eugene Garden Club.

It all came about early Saturday morning, when C. E. McLean, weary of hearing McCready's claims that he's working in his garden every morning at 8 o'clock, drove out to the McCready residence to "have myself a look."

The rest of the story is told in McLean's own outraged words.

"It's not me habit to be exposing folks' fraudulent claims (unless it affords me some fun) but this thing is just too big to let pass."

"This mornin' as I drove up to the McCready place, sure enough, there in the garden was a man, clad in McCready's hat, shirt and pants, just a-hoeing away, and I says to myself, I says, 'Well, for cryin' out loud, he really does work in his garden at 8 a.m.'"

"So I drives up the driveway, and starts to get out and chat with the man, when what do I find, but that under McCready's disguis'ed clothing, there works a hirelin'—a hirelin', mind ya, and McCready himself upstairs in bed asleep."

McLean returned to his car, drove off in high dudgeon, and upon returning to the Eugene Hotel, immediately dispatched a telegram to the Eugene Garden Club, demanding that it strike McCready from its rolls.

Students to Discuss Control of A-Bomb

The May 1 broadcast by University of Oregon symposium discussion groups will be on "Should Control of the Atom Bomb Be Turned Over to the United Nations?"

Participating in the discussion will be Barbara Bozorth, sophomore in liberal arts from Eugene. The broadcast, over station KOAC, will be at 8:15 p.m.

Jermain to Teach

Leonard L. Jermain, instructor in journalism in the University of Oregon, will teach at the Portland Extension center during the summer session. Jermain will teach classes in journalism and edit the summer session newspaper, "The Summer Signal." He will work part-time on "The Oregonian."

Frenchmen Decide Woman Has No Place on Field of Honor

PARIS—(U.P.)—Four men—an editor, an author and two actors—have decided that woman has no place in the field of honor.

The woman in question was actress Lise Merville, petite but vivacious brunette, who challenged a dramatic critic to a duel with pistols because he said she looked like a "dressed skeleton."

Miss Merville, who is five feet-two and weighs 92 pounds, had not learned this decision when she went on the stage.

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He appointed Gaudy Rety, his editor on the weekly publication "The Spectator," and Pierre Barbier, noted author. They met with Miss Merville's seconds, Jacques Dalles and Pierre Cante, and came to the conclusion the code of honor precluded men from dueling with women.

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More than 500 Eugene Leaders To Discuss Student Union Plan

Over 500 Eugene businessmen and leaders have been invited to attend a series of informal "information" meetings to view the architect's plans and learn of the part the Donald M. Erb Memorial Student Union building will play in the educational program of the University of Oregon and in the life of Eugene, it was announced Tuesday by William N. Russell, chairman of the local committee.

Oregon Labor Force Holds Near War Peak

SALEM—(U.P.)—Oregon's civilian labor force has increased 131,000 since 1940 and is only 3 per cent less than at the war-time peak in June, 1943, according to estimates released by the State Unemployment Commission.

Based on 1946 employment reports of more than 14,000 firms and more recent checking of a large proportion of employers, the March labor force figures total 584,500. The war-time high was 602,500.

Just before V-J Day 555,700 remained in the home force, while 113,000 were in service.

California Legalizes Human Eye Gifts

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—(U.P.)—At the request of a legislator who himself is blind, the California State Assembly has passed a bill to allow persons to bequeath their eye corneas for restoring the sight of blind persons.

Under present California law, if such permission is given in a will the heirs may revoke it.

The bill was introduced by Assemblyman Ernest Crowley, who although totally blind has served in the legislature since 1929.

Jury Verdict of Guilty Found in Justice Court

Cleve William Wallace, Springfield, will appear in justice court Friday, May 2, for sentencing. A jury found him guilty of drunken driving last Friday.

Wallace was arrested by Glenwood police last November 2, and had pleaded not guilty when arraigned at that time. He was released on his own recognizance after the jury's verdict Friday.

Petrillo Puts Limits On Musicians' Order

HOLLYWOOD—(U.P.)—James C. Petrillo, czar of the AFL Musicians Union, Tuesday barred musicians who earn more than \$75 a week from adding to their earnings in movie studios.

His order limited free lance musicians to earnings of \$133 a week. Men earning that much in recording or its sidelines in the studio were barred from any more musical work in the same week.

Boys Get Treatment For Bruises on Body

Eight-year-old Chester Kirkpatrick of Eugene was treated at Eugene Hospital Monday afternoon for head and body bruises suffered when he was struck by a car at Eleventh Ave. and Hays St. Monday afternoon.

Driver of the car was Edith Allison, Crow Stage, who said the boy ran in front of her car. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Kirkpatrick, 1948 Eleventh Ave. W.

Italy Repairing Damage To War-Torn Churches

VATICAN CITY—(U.P.)—The pontifical commission for sacred art reported that 1,912 churches, 281 buildings dedicated to religious purposes and 672 social relief buildings have been rebuilt or restored at the expense of the Italian government.

Msgr. Giovanni Costantini, president of the commission, reported that reconstruction of war damaged church property from July, 1945, to Feb. 28, 1947, includes replacement of 13,000 church bells and estimated it would take 28 foundries four years to cast them.

NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE

PORTLAND—(U.P.)—AFL teamsters and commercial truckers' agents were in conference again Tuesday in an attempt to settle the wage dispute which has halted hauling here for over two weeks.

U.S. Labor commissioner Guy V. Lintner reported after Monday's four-hour discussion that the two groups were making progress.

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