

BOWEN WOULD FIRST SELECT 'THE CLOISTER'

Editor's Note:—This is the second of a series of interviews with members of the University of Oregon faculty who are thoroughly conversant with literature. Each professor was asked what 12 books he would select if he were shipwrecked and had enough time to secure the volumes from a complete ship's library.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Dec. 14.—(Special)—"Dr. Ray P. Bowen," the reporter asked the head of the Romance languages department of the University. "Suppose you had been cast away on a desert island, with no hope of rescue for many years. Your ship is on a reef and you have time to get a few books."

"Ah, yes I see," interrupted Dr. Bowen, "and you wish me to pick out a number of my favorite books?"

"Dear me, he said, seating himself in a chair, "how difficult that is to decide. How many did you say I am to choose?"

"Twelve or 15 is all the dory will hold," responded the reporter.

"Well, I should choose first, 'The Cloister and the Hearth,' by Charles Read," he said meditatively.

"Why would you make this choice?" broke in the reporter.

"Because," he said enthusiastically, "it gives the whole spirit of the Renaissance, and the whole background of Europe."

"And next, let me see. There are so many, many fine books, how am I ever to choose? I should take one of Daniel Defoe's novels, perhaps his 'History of the Plague.' It is told in such a vivid manner and in such a delightful vein."

"I should also read one of the Greek plays, 'Oedipus Rex,' by Sophocles, because of its philosophical interpretation."

"Then, I should read one of George Eliot's novels, perhaps 'Romola' which gives us an idea of the wonderful city of Florence, the loveliest city in all Europe," he exclaimed fervently.

"Oh, but I am leaving out the very finest of all, 'Wuthering Heights,' by Emily Bronte. It is a remarkable book because of its vigorous revelation of the depth of the human soul, not to be equaled in the English language."

"I love the Bible, the Old Testament because it has so many, many soul-stirring episodes, and the New Testament because of its spiritual quality."

"Have you ever read 'Aucassin et Nicolette?'" he asked. "It is the loveliest love story ever written. No one knows who wrote it."

"I should choose 'The Return of the Native,' by Thomas Hardy. I love its atmosphere. And D. H. Lawrence's 'Sons and Lovers' portrays a mother's love as something that shows you how lovely it really is."

Dr. Bowen would choose the

She'll Marry Gridiron Hero



Eleanor Blanche McCormick of Senatobia, Miss. is to be the bride this month of Herbert Hunt Covington, captain of the Center College football team last year and one of the south's star athletes for three years. He is now a rector in Florida.

'Vicar of Wakefield,' because 'It is the funniest thing in the English language,' and Wordworth's poems for their mysticism, and Shelly's for their philosophy and style. He would choose Balzac's 'Search for the Absolute.'

"It portrays the beauty and the tragedy of the human soul as few books do," he said.

Next he would choose Sherwood Anderson's 'Short Stories' because they represent the best use of English in America except of James Cabell.

"I like Milton's 'minor poems' better than his 'Paradise Lost'."

"Le Cid" by Corneille would be the next choice because it paints the superman and the superwoman with so much power that one wants to be like them.

Dr. Bowen said, "I am afraid we will have to enlarge the hold of the ship to contain all of these books," suggested the reporter.

"Ah, yes," he said, "How many do we have now?—Sixteen? But I am very much afraid that I am leaving out some of the best things. 'The Peasants' by the con-

temporary, Reymont is a tremendous thing. It gives a whole slice out of the life of a whole village, and its sufferings and its joys. The 'Growth of the Soil' by Knut Hamsun, brings out the elements of the principles according to which we must all live," he said.

"Why would I choose these books? Because I would be so happy in reading them," he concluded, with a regretful smile, because so many of the wonderful books would have to remain in the abandoned ship.

Here for the Winter — Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Williams of Storm Lake, Iowa and their daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Allison, and granddaughter Evelyn Allison, of Sioux City, Iowa, arrived Friday night to spend the winter with their son and brother I. C. Williams of Talent.

To Portland— Miss Georgie Coffee of the Tidings office was suddenly called to Portland yesterday by the death of her cousin.

Tiny Tim

"And how did little Tim behave?" asked Mrs. Cratchit. "As good, as gold," said Bob, "and better. Somehow he gets thoughtful sitting by himself so much, and thinks the strangest things you ever heard. He told me, coming home, that he hoped, people saw him in the church, because he was a cripple, and it might be pleasant to them to remember upon Christmas day, who made lame beggars walk and blind men see." And so, as Tiny Tim observed, "God bless us every one!"—Charles Dickens.

Kerchiefs as Gifts

Pretty handkerchiefs may be made at home. One is a square of fine white linen with applied corners of mauve linen, outlined with embroidery. The other has a tiny white linen center, surrounded by a wide footing lace edge and bordered round with daisies.

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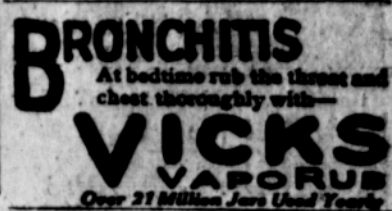
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