

*F. P. A. in the Conning Tower filled his column from time to time (and poking fun at himself for it) with other peoples sayings. Following this well-known journalist's footsteps the Courier herewith presents an issue composed entirely of "O". The editors feel that the important happenings at Dumbarton Oaks since our last issue have all been reported by an emissary from here (although not directly connected with the Underworld Courier) and that a light-hearted diversified reporting of things overheard will perhaps be welcome this week.

*Or was it Heywood Broun in It Seems to Me?

1. From the provocative Grégoire again: "Bohemond, son of Robert de Guiscard, Prince of Antioch, assembled his knights in the Church of St. Peter in Antioch, and in a speech full of Norman grandeur, says: 'A mighty wind must be made to blow, to wrest from its very roots the gigantic oak [the Byzantine Empire!]' ('Magno opus est flatu ut possit quercus alta radicibus evelli.')

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2. Quoting from a touchingly polite/from a book dealer (writing about checks sent to him months before: "In having not any news...the Banco has solicited from his correspondent the answer:...Now, as more than a month from this solicitation has already collapsed, I pray you to investigate about the matter and if by chance the cheks were lost in the retourne way..."

3. Quoting from an unknown taxicab driver: A stranger coming to the museum said to the taxicab driver: "Do you know where Dumbarton Oaks is?" He said, "You mean the Christmas present. Certainly I do. You know, Mr. and Mrs. Bliss felt like making a big Christmas gift last year so they gave all that beautiful place and everything in it to the District and to Harvard University."

4. Quoting from an envelope: "The Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Map Collection."

5. Quoting from Dr. Houck's suggested nomenclature for the fellows and workers filling their minds from the resources of the Dumbarton Oaks Library:

Spós -- oak tree

Spúpoi -- oak groves

oi palarn phagoi tou Dumbarton -- the acorn eaters of Dumbarton

6. Quoting from A. E. Housman: "And feather-pated folly kept the skies from falling down."