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Seven Men Honored In Memoriam

Seven men from EOC who have given their lives in the service of their country were honored by Dr. Maaske at the first assembly of the year. Dr. Maaske's remarks were as follows:

"Since the onslaught of World War II, all of us have watched with increasing anxiety reports of casualty lists. Because of the large numbers of former EOC students in uniform it was inevitable that we should see thru' the months the names of some who perished in line of duty. To these brave men, our former fellow students, we this morning pay memorable tribute, recognizing full well they gave their all, unselfishly for us and for the ideals real Americans hold forever dear and precious.

"Their untimely passing we all today sincerely mourn. Theirs were lives, like yours, only just begun. They like all of us, did not want to die but they, brave men that they were, hesitated not when that great sacrifice became their lot.

"Not, however, by mournful thoughts should we now lament their passing, for that was God's irrevocable will amid the fortunes of war. Ours, now, the great task of so shaping our minds and hearts and actions that we may do our part to see to it that they shall not have died in vain. We, the living, must, each in our humble way, carry on unselfishly to aid the coming of final victory. It is only thus that we can fittingly pay them lasting tribute for their gallant and heroic sacrifice."

"I shall mention the names of the seven of whom we have records, in the order of information concerning their final great contribution:

"Gene Rochester — graduated from J. C. division in 1940. Died (Continued on Page 4)

Social Calendar

Fall Quarter
 October 24 Vesper Hour
 October 29 "Help your College Day"
 October 29 Hallowe'en Dance.
 November 6 Homecoming
 November 19 Fall Frolic
 December 10 Christmas Ball
 December 12 Yule Candle Light Hour.

LUCILLE THOMPSON IRMA KLINGHAMMER VISIT SAN BERNARDINO

By Patty Jean Leonard
 On October 21, while trying to nose out some news for the Beacon your reporter caught sight of her favorite secretary, Miss Lucille Thompson. Upon asking Lucille if she had any news she said that she had just returned from her vacation.

Lucille and Irma Klinghammer had taken a trip to San Bernardino via Salt Lake City. While traveling they made many little side trips, one very interesting one took them to Riverside, California. One of the main reasons for taking this trip was to see Irma's brother Staff-Sgt. Roy Klinghammer of the Air Service Command of The Army Air Corps, who is stationed at the San Bernardino Air Depot.

Another recent visitor of Sgt. Klinghammer was Lt. (jg) Claire Rasmussen of the Navy. Lt Rasmussen is a former student of E. O. C. and now flies a Naval Torpedo bomber.

STUDENT BODY ENJOYS TRIP TO STUMP PATCH

Wednesday, October 6, at 4:45 p. m. members of the "Student Body of E. O. C." and members of the "faculty" journeyed to "Stump Patch," a beautiful little grove among the mountains this side of Pamela.

Here, the group enjoyed a hot dog roast. Perhaps I should say cold dogs for by the time we got our weiners roasted and had settled down to eat them, they were more or less cold. Really we rather enjoyed them, for by that time we were hungry so we had to take them.

We also had salad, pop corn, and coffee.

Upon completing our little feast of hot dogs, salad, pop corn, and coffee, the group gathered around the campfire and joined in a Community Sing. Several of the songs that we sang were of the tongue-twister, round, and popular variety.

At approximately 7:00 p. m. the group departed for home.

Faculty Gives Reception

By Dorothy Janney

With the opening of fall term came a large group of entering freshmen to begin their college careers. In order that these new students might become acquainted with the faculty members, their wives, and other students in surroundings other than the classroom, a formal reception was given by the faculty October 8 in the auditorium.

A very interesting program was featured during the evening. Students participating in the program were as follows: violin solo by Pat Pearce, flute solo by Charles Ian Thornberg, and vocal solo by Arleen Krause.

Refreshments were served during the evening.

This is a traditional event on the campus.

Fall Registration Includes Pre-Nursing

Registration on the campus of EOC this fall included teacher training students, pre-nursing cadets, secretarial science students, junior college students, and aviation students under the AAFCTD program.

The U. S. Cadet Nurses Corp program became effective October 25 and includes 28 of the girls on the campus. These girls will take anatomy, physiology, microbiology, chemistry, sociology, nutrition, foods and cookery, history of nursing, psychology, English, elementary nursing arts, and professional adjustments.

There are about 110 teacher training, secretarial science, and junior college students. Of this number there are 10 men.

Due to the large enrollment the college has leased Mrs. Richards' house for part of the pre-nursing cadets. Other cadets will live in Duration Lodge and Eocene hall.

COMMANDING OFFICER GOES TO SANTA ANA

When Class 43-C-9 left early this week for the Classification Center at Santa Ana, California, they were accompanied by the 354th's Commanding Officer, Captain Rolf O. Bye.

Captain Bye remained at the Santa Ana Army Air Base for about ten days to observe the methods by which our students are processed and readied for future training. He was with them through their physical examination, classification tests, which determine their aptitude for Pilot, Bombardier or Navigator training, and their starting in pre-flight school.

This trip should prove very beneficial to the staff here insofar as they will now be able to bring our activities in closer relationship with those that the students will encounter after leaving here for the classification Center.

Vesper Service Is October 24 Event

By Pat Pearce

A Vesper service was held Sunday October 24, at 5:00 p. m. in the Episcopal Church which is located at 4th Street and O Avenue. This service was for both Aviation and College Students.

The service started with a prelude of soft organ music. Pat Pearce played the Call To Worship as a violin solo. There was Special Music in the form of a Solo by Elizabeth Foley. Rev. Kopp lead the group in Prayer. Main Thoughts and the Scripture was the title of a talk given by Dorothy Ball. Frances Pyle rendered a music solo for the group. The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Kopp.

All students are cordially invited to attend these services by The College Christian Council which sponsors them. The members of the Council are: Marion Snider, La Grande, President; Dorothy Ball, Grass Valley, Vice-President; Inez Towle, Cove, Secretary-Treasurer; Elizabeth Foley, Nina Wells, Francis Pyle, Jennie Louise Williams, Bob Kopp, all from La Grande; Wanda Coble, Richmond; Marjorie Peterson, Ione; Rosamae Greenwood, Union; Elaine Coleman, La Grande, Student Body President; Rev. Arthur Stanley, representative of the La Grande Ministerial Association; Lyle H. Johnson, of the College Faculty; and Sgt. Wilton M. Adams, representing the AAFCTD.

STUDENTS PLAN SPIRITUAL GROUP

Plans are under way for an interdenominational student fellowship for the aviation students in La Grande. Chaplain R. C. Calvert and 1st Lt. J. T. Archer, adjutant of the 354th AAFCTD here, have expressed their wholehearted approval and wishes for such an organization.

Through the cooperation of Pastor Mark A. Talney, the first meeting will be held Sunday, October 31st, at the First Presbyterian Church at Washington, Sixth and Spring.

Special meetings will be called at the Hotel during the week for preparations. Notices will be posted on the bulletin boards. The aim and idea of the Fellowship will be spiritual guidance and group discussion for a religious outlook.

Refreshments and social entertainment will follow the meetings. Parties and special outings will be planned.

Anyone interested may see A-S Roland F. Moeller at the Sacajawea Hotel, Flight 12-A.

CONTACT AGENCY FOR DANCE BAND

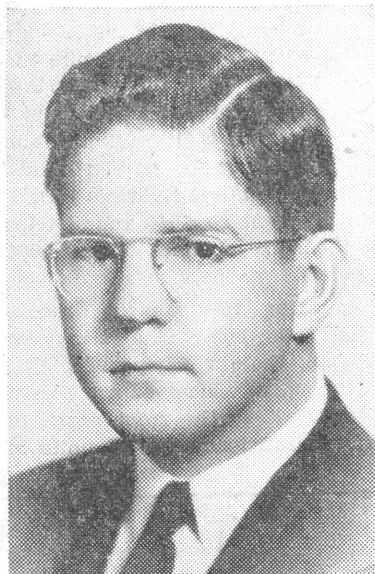
Efforts are being made to secure a top notch band for a big holiday "shindig" during the last two weeks of December. Until now, this post has had but two dances; however they were huge successes and there was a promise that more would follow.

At present, the staff at this post, with the memory of the music Anson Weeks and Curt Sykes presented at the other dances, are contacting the Wm Morris Agency and the Frederick Bros. Agency of Hollywood in an effort to secure a "name" band for an engagement.

Some of the more prominent bands in the country are booked through these agencies, among them, Charlie Barnett and Ina Ray Hutton.



MISS MARIAN SMITH



ROY O. SCHILLING



MR. LUCAS F. STERNE



DR. MARTHA L. ADDY

New Faculty Members Honored

By Marguerite Schomp

Monday evening, October 11, 1943, the former members of the faculty of Eastern Oregon College were hosts to the new members of the faculty, who had arrived within the past few weeks, and to the Army instructors of the college.

The social gathering was held in the Kindergarten room in the Ackerman building. The program consisted of solos which were sung by Mrs. Raymond Wochner and several piano solos by Mr. Thurmond. Mr. Quinn was in charge of the games which were played and enjoyed by the group. To conclude the evening refreshments were served.

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INSPECTING PARTY HERE FROM SANTA ANA

This Detachment was visited by a party of inspecting officers from Headquarters, Western Flying Training Command at Santa Ana, California, this week.

The party consisted of Majors George W. Gilmore Jr. and Phillip M. Ferguson and Captain Owen H. Seatz. The party was flown as far as Pendleton by Captain Hale in an AT-11, the type that some of our students will be flying in Advanced Twin Engine training.

At Pendleton, the trip was held up due to inclement weather so the remainder of the way was traveled by car.

While the officers were here they made a check of training methods and standards, administrative procedures and an overall inspection of the Detachment.

These officers make regular inspections of the various organizations of this Command so as to maintain a standardization of the methods being used and to lend help in order to make the organizations of this Command "tops".

BEACON OBJECTIVES

Since we have heard a great deal about objectives in all of our courses this fall, it seems fitting and proper that the Beacon should set some policies or objectives to serve as a guide in future publications. The following list embodies our objectives at present. We may alter them or add to them as time goes on. If any student has any suggestions, we would be glad to hear them.

1. To chronicle accurately the events of the college.
2. To inform the student body of activities of interest
3. To serve as the voice of student opinion.
4. To promote projects that will lead to the betterment of EOCE for EOCE students.
5. To build student morale.
6. To encourage a spirit of cooperation among students.
7. To act as a pool for student thinking.
8. To serve as a medium for the improvement of student expression (especially for members of the staff).

TO THE NURSE CADETS

If you are a Nurse Cadet, STOP and read this. If you are not a nurse cadet, read it anyway.

There are 28 of you on the campus and each of you is different from any of the rest of you. Each of you has a different smile. Each of you has a different talent. Each of you is an individual.

Our school is made of individuals. We like people who have different smiles to flash in our halls. In short, we like people, and because we like people we are glad you have joined our group.

From the Beacon staff to the Nurse Cadets—
WELCOME!

Jennie Louise Williams

A VOTE OF THANKS

I'm one of the boys stationed at the 354th AAFCTD in La Grande. My home is approximately two thousand miles away. I've been brought here to get pre-pre-flight training, and review certain academic studies. I gripe now and then, and wonder why I have to do this or that. But the funny thing is though I gripe I like it here. And so do the rest of the boys.

It's true that we were cooped up for several weeks before getting a release from quarters, but even so, we've noticed that all the local people with whom we have come in contact are very friendly. The people who serve our meals—we might think of any of them as our own mother. The jovial man who drives the bus to and from the airport—he's always ready to enter into a discussion on the topography of the surrounding area, or the weather.

The teachers at the college, while complying with Army regulations, still find time to be friendly, and put the soldiers' minds at ease.

The surroundings of the army post are so agreeable that the student soon gets the impression that the townspeople think well of him. That feeling is a very comfortable one to have. Many of us have never been any distance from home; we feel assured to find for our new neighbors, people just like the folks back home.

We are thankful for your attitude toward us, you people of La Grande, and we will try always to be worthy of your friendliness and faith in us.

A-S Robert H. Ginsberg.

STRICTLY G. I.

SOLDIER PASS THIS ADVICE ON

Due to the increasing problem of theft and forgery of government allotment and allowance checks, the Treasury Department requests that all service men pass on to their dependents the following advice:

- (1) Never endorse a check until you are in the presence of the person who will cash it.
- (2) Be sure you have a deep, substantial mailbox. Have your name clearly printed on it. KEEP IT LOCKED.
- (3) Whenever possible, arrange with the carrier to deliver the check personally.
- (4) Notify Postal authorities immediately of any change of address.
- (5) Cash your check at the same place each month.
- (6) Cash your check yourself. Don't send children to cash checks. Such a practice encourages juvenile delinquency.
- (7) DO NOT FOLD, PIN OR MUTILATE ALLOTMENT OR ALLOWANCE CHECKS. THIS IS IMPORTANT.

You have merely to clip or copy this all-important advice and mail it to the folks back home. It may be the means of preventing future trouble or inconvenience. DO IT NOW.

YOU'D BETTER GET IT!

A number of you Eager Beavers who consider yourselves quite 'on the ball' are missing the boat when it comes to G. I. Insurance!

Although a fairly high percentage of you are now insured for the full amount of \$10,000, there are still some of you "standing short."

The maximum monthly premium for any of you, on \$10,000 insurance is \$6.90—Mighty cheap isn't it?

Get permission from the Commandant of Students and see Sgt. Adams at detachment Headquarters concerning your insurance.

Duration Lodge

By Duration Reporter

Election of officers for Duration Lodge was held October 11, with Miss Molgaard acting as general chairman. Those elected were Virginia Wilcox, President, Marilyn Patten, vice president, Inez Wellman, secretary - treasurer, Kathryn Harris, council member, and Mary Margaret Kennedy, song leader. Plans for the coming year were discussed.

Dinner guests at Duration Lodge have included Miss Molgaard, Frank Howard and Ross Hearing.

Wednesday evening the girls of Eocene Hall were guests here and we had a party as the culmination of the three-day freshman initiation. Each freshman was required to tell her most embarrassing experience. The prize should go to the girl who said she was going down the hall Wednesday attired in a costume of rather ghastly color combination when she heard one of the aviation students remark "(censored)! Open past tonight and nothing but the gay nineties in town!"

Karleen Faucett spent the weekend in Wallowa and came home with wild tales about her hunting expedition. Of course she didn't really say she caught anything—she just went hunting.

The favorite recreation at Duration Lodge this year is studying. The trouble is there just aren't enough of us. We can't make enough noise to disturb people. Dorian was never like this!

They Move By Night

A-S Joseph Kelso

Because of the retreat and evacuation of quarters executed by Squadron B. Monday night, October 18, Squadron A, by right of seniority, was assembled and the following evening under cover of darkness marched from the Sacajawea Hotel and stormed the bastions of Dorian Hall, occupying their objective without loss or injury to personnel. The vigor of the attack was due to a very large degree to the motor escort which arrived in time to relieve the men of their heavier baggage.

The occupying forces did not relax to celebrate their success, but immediately set about inspecting quarters and foraging for food and supplies left by the evacuees. Preliminary inspection however disclosed that Squadron B had employed the "scorched earth" policy and had consumed everything of an edible or potable nature leaving only enough Coca Cola in stock to cause dissention and dissatisfaction among the newcomers. Squadron A personnel officials immediately recognized the morale-shattering effect this might have on their men and averted the danger by immediately procuring a new supply.

Some G. I. mathematical formula applicable to the situation was discovered and employed by the students in charge with the result that three men were assigned to each room and informed of a pending inspection on the following morning.

The latter announcement reduced the excitement and exhilaration of the victory to a minimum and from then on the peace of the night was disturbed only by the rustling of clothes being hung in closets, the swish of brushes and shining cloths working on shoes, and the occasional wail of some lost soul, "Are there three men in this room?"

WITH THE SQUADRONS

Squadron Reporters: A-S E. Kerr, Julius O. Engmann, Robert Provensal, Gerald Loucks.

SQUADRON A

Squadron A is now firmly entrenched in Dorian Hall, a privilege granted to all graduating classes of the 354th AAFCTD. The move was made from the Sacajawea Hotel to Dorian last Tuesday and much complaining was to be heard from all sides concerning the hour of the move. At approximately 10:00, the streets of La Grande were ringing to the sound of a hundred voices raised in four or five different songs as the squadron marched in formation (?) to their new home. At the new quarters, compliments on the cooking are heard everywhere. He staff there is doing wonders in pleasing the student's palates. They deserve thanks for laboring so hard to satisfy our varied and spoiled taste senses. Thanks are also due to the ladies of the P. X. who strive in every way to do those big and little favors for us. It was gratifying to learn from Mrs. Ray Price of the P. X., that their services were to follow us out to the hall.

SQUADRON C

This is your newly appointed roving reporter of Squadron C bringing to you for the first time, the happenings of one of the newest and most experienced group of personnel ever to come to La Grande. This group arrived from Amarillo, Texas, on Sunday, October 3, 1943.

These men were from every branch of the Army, of various ranks, ranging from T-Sgts' to Buck Privates, all of whom have been in the service at least six months; a number of them carried quite a bit of authority and re-

sponsibility in the G. I. Army.

Squadron C has a basketball team; at least we think we have or maybe I should say we are trying to organize one. But you know our time situation. The coach has been trying to arrange for gym for night practice. Even without practice we welcome all

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THE AIR CAN BE SAFE

(From a statement by Major General Ralph P. Cousins Commanding General, AAFWFTC, to the personnel of Southwest Airways, Phoenix, Arizona.)

Sensational headlines about air crashes are apt to prove discouraging to you men and women who are working so faithfully on our production lines of fighting flyers.

Actually, the picture painted by these scattered news items, each tragic in itself, is a distorted one. The real news, the exciting news which I am happy to report to you on the basis of carefully maintained statistical records, is this: you and your colleagues, in and out of uniform, are definitely licking the specter of danger in the air!

Yes, despite the huge and unprecedented increase in the number of men flying and the number of hours they fly, the ratio of domestic military airplane accidents is definitely and happily on the down grade. In 1942, for instance, there were approximately 10 per cent fewer accidents per thousand hours of flying than in the 10-year period of 1930-39—this despite the fact that in 1942 the Army Air Forces flew, in continental United States alone, Two Billion, one hundred thirty-six million miles. This astronomical figure is roughly equivalent to 10½ round trips to the sun, or more than 80,000 tours around the world.

To bring this amazing record even closer home: the Army Air Forces Western Flying Training Command, of which you are a part, stands well in the front ranks of safety proficiency for all units of

the Air Forces. And our safety record, judged by ratio of both total accidents and fatal accidents, is growing better. Statistics on 1943 to date reveal marked improvement over 1942.

This training center has suffered 22 fatalities among all types of personnel per one hundred million miles flown. Only about half of these were cadet fatalities. In spite of the danger inherent in flying training, with many inexperienced men in speedy planes, remarkable progress is apparent when comparison is made with the safety records of established forms of transportation. Statistics show that our safety mark is almost as high as that of such relatively slow and well-established industries as trucking and passenger rail transportation.

Nevertheless, our pride in our safety record is not, and cannot be, a matter of smugness. Never can we relax our efforts to attain perfection. Our goal must be the delivery to combat of every flyer, every plane entrusted to our care. This goal is not unattainable when we remember that accidents don't "happen"; they are caused—in the vast majority of cases—by human error.

To all of you I plead our common cause: ceaseless effort to attain perfection in every aspect of our daily routine which will make flying safer. In the words of our commander, General Henry H. Arnold, "Pilots, crews and airplanes must be delivered to battle—not left smoking heaps in cornfields from California to Maine."

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Boy Meets Girl

A-S Joseph Kelso

SCENE 1: College Library, air of studious tranquility; girls on Audience left; no Army personnel present. Girls hard at work. Perfect silence.

Aviation Student Anonymous for military reasons) enters, neatly dressed in fashionably cut olive drab, shoes glistening, hair that used to be wavy; typical student of the 354th. Hesitates and closes door slowly; during pause looks over the field. Chooses strategic seat and sits. Manipulates zipper of book satchel in an attention-gathering manner and, as girls look up, smiles apologetically at group. They signify acceptance apology by a collective smile. Girls go back to work; boy begins to concentrate as he lowers head to angle which includes the material in front of him and girls to left. Covert glance focuses on one in particular. Boy makes decision. Nice.

(Take a break, gentlemen, Smoke if you have them)

SCENE II: Boy catches eye of girl and affects a very shy, congenial grin. Girl likewise; casts eyes modestly downward. Boy picks up pencil and a list of towns in Russia and walks determinedly and seriously towards dictionary; troubled expression on face. Runs finger down list of names and comes to Rostov, opens dictionary to "exhilaration" and scanning definition with one finger, doodles on paper with other hand while holding attention of girl with whisper inaudible to audience and to librarian. Other girls suppress giggles and maintain serenity as they hear—"No, spelled with C, or G—" "uh-huh." "What number? Yes; Who?"—" (deleted)." "OK —7:30—" Boy runs finger down list of names, stops at "crystal-line"—looks attentively at page. Considers objective once more. Closes book with air of one who has accomplished a tedious task and returns to seat. As he settles in seat glances slightly to left; silently syllabicates "Saturday—7:30"; head on other side nods almost imperceptibly. Boy carefully files towns of Russia away for future reference; jots down, "(deleted)—Tel. No. (deleted; Sat.—7:30" on fly leaf of "Mathematics of Aviation" and proceeds to gather books, zips satchel confidently and exits.

Musical background as curtain falls—"Nothing can stop the Army Air Corps."

STUDENT OFFICERS MEET

A meeting was held Saturday by the Aviation Student Officers. The meeting was brought to order as Lt. Oldershaw was introduced by Student Colonel Biggs. A very impressive speech was given by Lt. Oldershaw before the meeting

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WITH THE SQUADRONS MISSIONARY SPEAKS AT JOINT ASSEMBLY

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challenges from other Squadrons. For arrangements, please contact Mr. Tschannen at the Sacajawea Hotel.

Have you had your ears cleaned lately? If you have, you would have noticed that the Squadron is singing a certain song by the title of, "Be Kind to The Washed Out Cadets." If you would care to know the words they are as follows:

"Be kind to the washed out cadets, For he may be somebody's gunner, Away back in the tail all alone, Where the bullets whizz and moan, Now you may think he is afraid, Well he is. . . ."

Next time you are within range of the squadron, take heed. It is pretty good.

SQUADRON D

As a rule, a month's restriction is a long wait to a group of fellows, but to Brad Warfield, it was about three weeks too long. The reason is that as soon as the restriction is lifted, he is to be married to Miss Marjorie Davidson of Endicott, New York. She arrived from the east last week. Good luck, Brad.

Many of the fellows would appreciate it if someone would publish an article on the winter weather of Oregon. Many of the students are from such states as Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, and others of less frigid climate. They seem a little confused about the amount of snow here, and also the sudden dips in temperature.

(Editor's note: The lack of weather information is undoubtedly due to government restrictions. Remember, a slip of the lip may sink a ship!)

SQUADRON E

We students with the red pins were proud holders of Honor Squadron title during the week of Oct. 17-22. Honor Squadron means more than it did in basic training. There a squadron held it only to say they did. Here it offers extra privileges. It gives

was opened for discussion by the student officers.

Problems of military courtesy and discipline were then discussed.

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By Ruth Nicholson
To open the assembly held October 20, the audience was led in singing of *The Star Spangled Banner* by Kenneth Schilling, music director. Elaine Coleman, student body president, led the audience in the flag salute.

At the assembly, enjoyed by both the college and aviation students Rev. Kenneth Wilson, an American Missionary from China, gave a very interesting talk on his experiences in China, during a period of war. In his speech titled, "China at Time of Crisis", he told of his work with Chinese refugee students and of the courage and determination of Chinese people to win over great odds.

At the conclusion of the assembly the Alma Mater was sung.

an extra night out, and there is no one that doesn't appreciate that extra night.

When our squadron arrived in La Grande, we were a tired group of boys. The first thing that happened was that about fifteen of us had to "pop to," spit out our gum, stick out our chests. The latter was rather tough, as we had a barrack-bag on our shoulders. I would say that each bag weighed at least one hundred pounds, if they weighed a pound.

Our disgust in the way things were done in the Air Forces soon ended and in the course of two weeks we were admitting that we liked and highly respected it. It is the most cultured branch of men of any service on earth. This fact is developed by and operates the "Honor System".

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in New Mexico crash August, 1942.
"Ed Olson—RAF of Great Britain—attended here in 1940-41, reported lost in German raid in December, 1942.

"John Fisher—Army Air corps—attended here 1933-35, and the spring of 1938. Killed in Panama December, 1941,

"Lt. Arthur Adams—Army Air Corps—graduated from J. C. division in 1940. Lost in raid over France, January, 1943.

Lt. Francis Schmidt—Army Air Corps—graduated from J. C. in 1936 and was president of the college student body, lost in action March, 1943.

"Charles Fisher—AAC attended here in 1934-35, killed in Hawaii in the spring of 1943.

"Lt. Eugene White—AAC student during 1940-42, lost his life in the south Pacific, August 1943."

The 60 second silence which followed was broken by "My Own America" sung by Florence Miller.

The rest of the assembly was devoted to introducing the faculty, a talk on "How to live while in College" by Miss Smith, and an invocation by Rev. Tomerassen of the Lutheran Church.

NEWS BRIEFS

Bob Arnoldus is a captain in the army air corps at Hamilton Field.

Miss Jean Williams, former student of the college and local teacher, has accepted a position as recreational worker of the American Red Cross for foreign duty.

Gordon Leonard, brother to Patricia Leonard, ASU, S. J. Jean Leonard and EOC graduate has been raised to a Lieutenant in the Naval air corps. He is now somewhere in the Pacific.

Roy Klinghammer, brother to Irma Klinghammer and former EOC student, flew into La Grande from southern California last week. He was accompanied on his return trip by Robert Arnoldus, also a former student.

John Ferdinandsen, Leland Pleger, and Jack Burton were home on a seven day leave last week. They have been taking officers training in the V-12 program at Seattle Washington. Bob Munich, also of the navy was on the campus.

Catherine Tom, Rufus, became the first bride of the school year at a ceremony in Weiser, Idaho, Tuesday, October 19. The groom, Jack Westfall is from La Grande. The couple spent a few days at the home of her parents before re-

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ASSEMBLY FEATURES CLASS MEETING

By Patty Jean Leonard

On October 13, an announcement assembly was held. Immediately after the assembly the classes met in their respective groups to hold class elections.

The senior class elected Frank Howard, La Grande, president and class representative to the student council. Irma Klinghammer, La Grande, was elected secretary.

Carol George, Kinzua, is now president of the junior class. Dora Herron Brooks, La Grande, was elected Vice-president; along with Edwina Braton, La Grande, secretary-treasurer. Student council representatives for this class are May Kirkpatrick, John Day, and Florabel Eddy, Vale.

The Sophomore class decided to have no men to represent, it so they chose for their officers: Elizabeth Foley, La Grande, President; Betty Kight, Cove, vice-president; Dorothy Wallis, Vale, secretary-treasurer; Dorothy Scholl Enterprise, and Nina Wells, Puyallup, Washington, for student council representatives.

The leaders of the freshman class are: Howard Bay, La Grande, president; Neivallee Frazier, Dufur, vice president; Phyllis McLaughlin, La Grande, secretary-treasurer. Their student council representatives are to be Jean Evans and Warren Michael.

STUDENT COUNCIL NOTES

By Ramona L. Henderson

The Student Council met in Dr. Maaske's office on Monday, October 18, at 4:30. Several important items were introduced and discussed.

The committee chairmen appointed were: Helen Tippin, War Relief Drive; Frank Howard, Home Coming; and Warren Michael, Help Your College Day. With the exception of the first one named all the others are to pick their own members to work with them.

Bob Kopp, freshman, was appointed as the new business manager to take Jean Conklin's place as Jean has left us.

Home coming the annual function sponsored by the student Council is to be held November 6, full plans haven't been made for this event as yet.

turning to La Grande.

Among visitors on the campus last week were Bernardine Roberts, Virginia (Lorraine) Cusack, and Nancy Lee Lindsey, waves. Misses Roberts and Cusack are stationed at San Francisco. Miss Lindsey has been sent to Seattle, Washington. These girls are ranked as mates and are now ready for their first assignment to duty.

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NEW FACULTY (Continued From Page 1)

The faculty at the college this year totals forty-six members, twenty of whom are teaching on the Army Air Force Training Program.

New members of the staff are as follows:

Dr. Martha L. Addy, assistant professor in education, who is teaching English Composition, geography and history of education. She comes from the Southern Oregon College of Education.

Miss Marian Smith, instructor in women's physical education, counselor for women, who was a member of the staff of the University of Washington.

Mr. George B. Fielding, instructor for physical education, comes from Tipton Jr. College, Iowa.

Mr. Erwin Lange, instructor in physics, who recently taught at Lincoln Air Base, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mr. Lucas F. Sterne, assistant professor of secretarial science and new head of that school on the campus, who taught at Muscatine, Iowa last year.

Mr. Fred P. Weigle, instructor in English from Spokane, Washington.

Mr. Watson L. Johns, instructor in geography, who was superintendent of Hood River County Schools last year.

Miss Betty J. Grice, college health nurse.

Mr. Roy O. Schilling, supervisor of teaching at the Ackerman demonstration school, who comes from Monroe School, Lincoln, Illinois.

Roy Klinghammer is a staff sgt. with a service pilot's rating and is stationed at San Bernadino.

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After a lapse of one week, Squadron A again regained their long held title. Upon losing the title to Squadron E the members of A couldn't find an alibi, but proved that they could once again gain the title.

Squadron A had a total of 43 points, while Squadron D was second with a total of 40 points. Squadrons C and E (honor squadron of last week) were tied for third place with a total of 33 points each.

Honor Squadron consists of three subjects where points may be acquired. The subjects are as follows: The Saturday afternoon parade; academics; and room inspections.

The results of this week prove that the squadron to claim the title for coming weeks will deserve it, since the scores were exceptionally close this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Meyer announce the birth of a son, Sheldon Lee. Mrs. Meyer will be remembered as Deirdre Dibble.

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Homecoming Honors Visiting Alumni

By Rosamae Greenwood

Homecoming, an annual event on the campus was held Friday and Saturday, November 5 and 6, in honor of the Alumni.

Friday Evening, "Open House" was held at the three dorms, for them. Everyone was invited to tour through the various rooms of the Houses. After their little sight seeing tour refreshments were served in the living rooms.

The Committees for "Open House" were as follows: Juanita Tracy, general chairman, and in charge of the C. N. C. Barracks; Dorothy School for E. O. Cene Hall; and Marylin Patten, for Duration Lodge.

Saturday morning, Registration and campus brousing were held. Here the Alumni registered for classes as they did when attending the college, after which they toured around the campus to see old familiar views and also new ones. Dora H. Brooks was general chairman for this event.

Saturday noon, a luncheon was held for all the past and present
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STUDENT COUNCIL SPONSORS CLEANUP

by Margaret Schomp

At a recent Student Council meeting, a new plan to make the college campus cleaner and more presentable was decided upon. It was called "Help your College Day." Mr. Warren Michael, president of Student Council, was in charge of committees for the clean up program. The afternoon of Friday, October 29, was chosen as the day "to clean up", school being dismissed for the afternoon.

Friday afternoon meant more than just cleanliness because various teachers and students donated their time and work to pick apples and pick potatoes of which they received a reasonable share for use at the Women's Residence Halls this winter.

To end the eventful day, a Halloween dance was planned for Friday evening. Several flights of the Aviation students were invited to the dance. "Get Acquainted" games were directed by Miss Inez Wellman. Entertainment was provided by Miss Pat Pearce, who gave a tap dance, Miss Neville Frazier and Miss Belva Densley, who gave a very effective skit of "Pistol Packing Mama" and the Nurse Cadets, who sang a song they had composed. Miss Evelyn Scott was accompanist for the girls.

Cider was served through out the evening.

"OPEN POST"

By A-S Jim Shumake

No other words have such an effect on the CDT, unless its pay day, which is still the favorite day for everyone, as the words "open post". To many it means "The Four Freedoms" while to others it means Guard Duty or C. Q. The townspeople often wonder why the aviation student often appears on the street with a dazed look on his face. Its all because the gentlemen can hardly believe they're free for even such a short time. The aviation students usually spend their week-ends in one of the following methods.

The first is the convalescing type who enjoys "Sac Time" or bunk fatigue and generally spends most of his money on eating. The second or bold type rush to get their "cough medicine" or "snake bite syrup" in preparation for the long hours ahead and to bolster their spirits, Monday morning P. E. usually affects this type. The third type or the "Jervin Jerks", as they are called, attend the stampede at a local dance hall, where for a slight charge one can participate in the "Sheep Herder Stomp". This local talent is very good at doing this type of dance.

The big question is, why do so many ladies and gentlemen watch the dance? Maybe they prefer to be a bystander than risk life and limb on the floor. Some gentlemen were so busy keeping track of a "Lady in Red" that it looked like a Notre Dame football team charging across the floor.

All of a sudden everyone finds out that its almost 1:00 and so back to the Sac go the tired, worn-out gentlemen for another long week of study and being on the beam.

COMMITTEE FOR POST WAR PLANNING ORGANIZED HERE

The Post War Planning Committee of the college has been organized. Their first meeting is scheduled to be in the very near future.

Mr. Johnson is the chairman of the committee. The other committee members are Mr. Miller, Miss Zabel, Mr. Stern, Dr. Quaintance, Mr. Gaiser, and Mr. Skeen.

The purpose of the committee is to analyze prospective problems and potential services of the college in the post war period; (2) to appraise the present progress of the college with a view to strengthening its offering; (3) carefully project programs of service to meet the needs of returning war veterans and other students; and (4) devise and plan the necessary steps to consummate improvements and possible new programs in order that the college may serve fully its functions of higher educational leadership in this area.

Pacific Veteran Begins Training

Among recent arrivals here is A-S Leslie R. Brewer, a veteran of many combat missions against the Japanese air force in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre of operations.

Mr. Brewer enlisted in the Air Corps in November 1940, subsequently being sent to Aeronautical University in Chicago, Illinois, where he pursued a course in aircraft mechanics.

Shortly before the outbreak of the War, Mr. Brewer's organization was ordered to duty in the South Pacific. After a short stay in Australia they were sent to participate in the Java campaign, where everyone knows our outnumbered but not out-fought airmen distinguished themselves.

The particular organization of which Mr. Brewer was a member is, today, the most decorated organization in the Army Air Forces, for their deeds in the East. Among the many heroes of this outfit was Captain Colin Kelly.

With this group of air "toughies", Mr. Brewer served as an airplane mechanic-gunner, a position which afforded him plenty of action. He holds two citations from the War Department, one from General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters in the Southwest Pacific Area and one from Headquarters of the Far Eastern Air Force.

DOROTHY WALLIS WINS SCHOLARSHIP

If any of you observed a girl walking on air through the halls on Wednesday, November third you would have wondered what was going on. The girl? It was Dorothy Wallis. If you happened to be in the assembly you would have known the reason why. If you had read the evening paper, you would have known about it.

Dorothy was awarded a \$125 cash scholarship by the Oregon State Chapter of the PEO Sisterhood.

Dorothy is from Vale, Oregon. She was selected on the basis which included, among other things, scholarship and general leadership qualities. Similar awards were made in other State operated colleges.

Commanding Officer Promoted to Major

By Sgt. Hansley

Congratulations were quite in order Thursday morning, November 4th. It was on that morning that Major Rolf O. Bye received official orders from the War Department granting his promotion.



MAJOR ROLF O. BYE

MR. RUPERT DISCUSSES CURRENT AFFAIRS

by Ruth Nicholson

Mr. Rupert, army instructor, discussed current affairs concerning the new offensive program of the Allies in Europe at the assembly on November 3. With the aid of a map, he explained very clearly and interestingly the positions of the countries of Europe in relation to the war and their part in the victory.

"Homecoming plans were discussed and announcements were made by the committees in charge

Upon completion of four years' R. O. T. C. at the University of North Dakota in 1934, Major Bye received his gold bars and second lieutenantancy in the Infantry Reserve. On August 22, 1941, active duty called and he reported to the Army Air Base at Las Vegas, Nevada, having attained the grade of first lieutenant by this time.

At Las Vegas, Major Bye was made Commanding Officer of the Air Base squadron. Then, in August 1942, he was transferred to the Bombardier School at Carlsbad, New Mexico. Major Bye also served as a squadron commander at this new station, where, in November of last year, he won his Captain's bars. From Carlsbad he was sent to the C. T. D. at Montana State University at Missoula where he was Commandant of Aviation Students. After a short stay there, he was sent to La Grande as Commanding Officer of the then brand new C. T. D., in March of this year.

Prior to his call to active duty, Major Bye was Director of Recreation for the city of Billings, Montana where he also displayed his trait of leadership of young men such as those now under his command.

Those who have been associated with Major Bye since coming here know well that his earnest and efficient efforts have well earned this promotion.

Those of us who haven't yet had the opportunity to express ourselves—Congratulations, Sir!

HOW TO FLY

A-S Kelso

state will make you wish she had taught you more.

In learning to fly an airplane, the first thing to do is develop the ability of having both ears open at all times—so your instructor's words will go in one and out the other without leaving any noticeable impression. Failure to do this will result in having your train of thought pulling an extra box-car full of unimportant basic principles.

The ideal approach to the situation is to seat yourself comfortably in the back seat, adjust your parachute, and wait complacently for your instructor to untie the plane and take you up for a ride. He may suggest that you do the taxiing. Any instructor may be temporarily cured of this by merely pushing the throttle all the way forward and heading the plane for the nearest ditch. Without fail, he will immediately put the throttle back where it belongs, straighten out the plane and demonstrate how to taxi. Watch intently and forget immediately.

At the edge of the runway you will have a few seconds to watch other planes take off and land, while your instructor tests the magnitos and checks the operation of the controls. They are always in good order, though, so this is merely a waste of time. Forget about it. About this time he will tell you to get set and follow him thru on the takeoff; so, grab a good solid hold on anything in sight, close your eyes and say that little prayer your mother taught you, because going 65 miles an hour in the back seat of an Inter-

Departure of that all-gone feeling in your stomach will be the signal to open your eyes and look around. Your first impression on looking down at the ground will probably be to wish you were in the infantry, but a momentary mental flash back to your basic training days will take care of that.

Be sure you are on your guard at all times, because after flying over the same area for a while you are liable to find it monotonous and at a time like this, you must be especially watchful lest the instructor teach you something when you might listen to him out of sheer boredom with your view. Instead, just kick on those little pedals down by your feet and grab that stick in front of you and push it around like shifting gears in a car. His seems to have the peculiar effect of making the plane jump around but there is no cause to worry. It will only make your instructor air sick.

When it is time to go home find the airport first, if you can, and then watch closely which strips the other planes are using. Pick out one of the others for your landing though, because by taking one that's not in use, nobody will run into you or vice versa.

Now we realize that this does not cover all phases of flying, but if you will wait until our instructor recovers from his nervous breakdown we will be happy to pass on the balance of the course as we receive it.

FROM WHERE I STAND
By A-S Robert H. Ginsberg

The boys in the know are getting het up about what is developing into a first class rout for the Germans on their Eastern front. The Russians having taken Kiev are still driving on. Hitler has admitted that there are some people in Germany who believe the war is lost for them, but he still believes that he will be victorious.

Meanwhile, our army in Italy continues its slow conquest. Experts say that the Germans will make a stand in Northern Italy. What, then are we waiting for? Evidently the procedure is according to a plan which seems to coordinate American—English—Russian action. The Moscow conference may not have settled many post war problems, but it's safe to guess that there were military matters under discussion when Hull arrived. If this is so, then we need not wait long for the big push across the Adriatic sea by Clark in conjunction with the advancing Russians.

From news reports, it seems that the Germans are more than a little frightened because of the huge amount of fire-power of the latest flying fortress, Boeing's B-17G. Thirteen 50 calibre machine guns operate from it, creating a range of defense almost impossible for the fighters to successfully penetrate.

Where Credit Is Due . . .

Civilian flying instructors who pour into United States cities from Air Forces training Detachments, are taking one of the hardest beatings of the war.

With the demand to throw everything into the fight, not tomorrow, but now, civilian instructors who teach Army pilots at primary schools must do more and more work, more and more efficiently in less and less time.

Ironically, they are getting fewer and fewer thanks.

Their glamor pales and will continue to pale, as the fires which they are helping to build on the combat fronts grow brighter and make their job seem dull by contrast.

Every civilian instructor knows this. He would rather be in combat than where he is. Rather? He would LOVE to be in combat, flying fast ships, lapping up a little glory for himself. And he well might do just that, for he is one of the best pilots in the world.

Just a few things keep him from going to combat: The Air Forces' insistence that he stay where he is; his loyalty to the A. F.; and the knowledge that he can create 40 to 100 pilots whereas he himself constitutes only one.

That's why his temper and endurance and patience is taxed by the general ignorance and lack of appreciation of his essential war job.

An instructor who can throttle back his temper a hundred times a day as some new cadet bangs him in for a rough landing or dunks him upside down in the ozone 3,000 feet above the earth, is always under a terrific nervous strain. Something snaps and he sees purple when someone asks: "Why aren't you in the army?", "How do you get by the draft board?", Or, "Why are you on reserve status?"

These questions demand straight, quick answers, and here they are:

The civilian flying instructor has been placed on reserve status and kept at his post because he is doing a more important war job

there than he possibly could do anywhere else in the world. Civilian primary schools are under Air Forces contract, are producing Air Force fliers. The civilian instructors who work at these schools are doing exactly the same job that Army instructors in uniform are doing at other schools.

Almost the same job. The civilian instructor's job is harder. He has an added responsibility since he gets the student from the beginning, many of whom have never been in an airplane, to teach them how to fly with precision. He separates the wheat from the chaff, determines who will be eliminated in the first few hours and who will go on to become Air Forces pilots.

He, therefore, must be a specialist of the first order. An instructor, a psychologist, a salesman in one—and he is.

The civilian instructor is like an ace jockey, experienced enough to teach the kid brother how to ride on old nag in preparation for the big race, and patient enough to stand at the edge of the race track and see the kid come in on a fast winner. He would rather ride the winner himself. But there are too many races these days with life and death in the balance. As jockey he could win only one race at a time. As trainer he can put winners in all the races at once.

So he stays in the background. It is enough that the War Department and the draft boards have decided by mutual agreement that the civilian instructor is in his right place.

This fact alone will not make him want to stay. He should have the whole hearted backing of the people for doing a tough and thankless assignment.

When the Air Forces is doing a magnificent job—as it has done to date—certainly the civilians responsible for shaping the pilot's entire career, by starting him down the right track, should rate nothing less than the heartiest congratulations, a good handshake, and a pat on the back.

STRICTLY G. I.

Word has been received recently that three of our former students in the C. T. D. here, are now progressing in primary flight training at Thunderbird Field in Paradise Valley, Arizona, after leaving the Classification Center at Santa Ana, California.

The men are A-C's Donald L. Dennis of Eagle Rock, California, Hugh B. Cannon of Long Beach, California and A. W. Johnson of Montebello, California.

Cannon and Dennis left La Grande in June and Johnson departed in July.

—Hansley

CNC Hall Mouse

Lucille Winebarger c-n

Hi there, everybody! I want to introduce myself. I'm a poor little stranded mouse away up here at Eastern Oregon College but since I'm here I decided to stay. You these days. I made a mistake know the transportation problem down in Portland and got into Rosella Hraskey's coat pocket at the wrong time and after so much squeezing and pushing I find myself here in La Grande.

Now that you've met me I want you to meet our officers that we elected Nov. 1. Juanita Tracy, from Baker, is president; Vice-pres. Jeanne Zeits, from Portland; Secretary-Treasurer Jean Ledridge, a La Grande lassie; song leader Betty Flanary, from Nyssa; the two council members are Dee Robin from Klamath Falls and Darlene Gray, another La Grande girl. Lucille Winebarger, from Myrtle Creek, is the reporter, who will slip the news to me every two weeks and I'll pass it on to you.

At another meeting of the nurse cadets, I hopped in just in time to hear them say they had named their living quarters C. N. C. hall

I've been sleeping in pretty late but Monday I decided to hop up to school and see what was taking place, that was causing all this late staying up nights—Whew—and did I ever find out that these Cadet Nurses are really going to school to do something besides looking for certain khaki clad gentlemen. I find them taking sociology, anatomy, chemistry, and a lot of those big tongue twister names.

Well, everybody, I'll be back in two weeks to take you around the hall again and introduce you to the rest of the girls. Abby

E. O. Cene Notes

by Pat McMillan
and Arlene Peterson

Perhaps the biggest news of the week at E. O. C. Ene was brought to us in the form of the engagement of Miss Betty E. Molgard, our house mother. Monday noon ring, a beautiful diamond, was the excitement was great when the discovered and Tuesday evening the climax of excitement was reached with the traditional "under the table and eat your dessert alone" ritual. Miss Molgard proved to all present that she is a good sport and "a jolly good fellow."

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Miller were our first dinner guests of the term Wednesday evening. Last summer Mrs. Miller supervised the canning of much of our fruits and vegetables that we are now enjoying. Also she made some delicious chocolate cookies for our open house and gave us the privilege of using her silver tea service.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Pierce from Enterprise, parents of Pat Pierce, were house guests on Armistice day.

Officers elected at the beginning of the term include:

President, Dorothy School
Vice President, Nevalie Frazier
Sec. and Treasurer, Dorothy Ball
Song Leader, Gwen Chester
Council Members,
(sophomore) Emily Otis
(freshman) Helen Mason

Have you heard about Mabel? ? She proved to be the most popular resident of E. O. C. Ene as she stood untiringly on the porch roof and endeavored to "build army morale." She was attractively attired in the latest co-ed fashions and her pleasing personality was reflected in the fact that so many desired a "date" with her but this is impossible as she recently entered the service of her country.

WITH THE SQUADRONS

SQUADRON "C"

Because of an emergency, A-S of Sqn. "E", because of their high academic record, attended a Hal-las the group reporter of Squadron loween dance at the college. The C. Any students in "C" who would care to take over his reporting duties, see A-S William Mills, News Editor.

SQUADRON "E"

Squadron E is the best one in La Grande, we know it's true. Whenever we go out the people always shout, "There goes the honor Squadron."

Squadron "E" not only won the honor of the week back from "A", but also the honors for the month of October. We now carry the red, white and blue ribbons, and also the blue and gold ones on our guidon.

Friday, October 29, the members of Sqn. "E", because of their high academic record, attended a Hal-las the group reporter of Squadron loween dance at the college. The dance was sponsored by the class personnel of the college. Everyone enjoyed himself.

Tuesday, Nov. 2 was R. Q. night. Most of the Squadron attended a dance at the "Neighborhood Club" here in La Grande, Oregon.

SQUADRON "D"

Many onlookers probably wonder just what kind of foolishness compels fellows to run around town in shorts every Thursday. They needn't be alarmed because it's merely the cadets running the two mile crosscountry. Once a week the physical training periods

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES

WASHINGTON

25 October, 1943

TO ALL PERSONNEL OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES:

The commanding generals of our fighting forces overseas have expressed to me their deep appreciation for the excellent support that all of you have so eagerly and faithfully given them, both in manpower and material. Every combat crew man who has taken part in the recent punishing blows against the enemy—blows that have cut the German fighter plane production in half—feels that the successes of our fighting forces abroad would be impossible without the steady flow of highly trained crews, replacement aircraft, and superior equipment which the Training and Service Commands have labored so faithfully to furnish them.

The constant evidence of this all-out backing by the Army Air Forces establishments at home is having a tremendous effect on their morale, and will insure the continued enthusiasm for the job they have to do. A progressively increasing supply of highly trained crews, with the finest equipment and planes we can provide, must be our reply to their praise in order to hasten the ultimate victory over the enemy.

It gives me great pleasure to pass on to you their message. The Army Air Forces overseas are making a magnificent combat record, and we over here will back them up with everything we have. I am proud of them, and I am proud of you.

H. H. ARNOLD
General, U. S. Army
Commanding General, Army Air Forces

C. T. D. DISCIPLINE

Major Rolf O. Bye, Commanding Officer of this detachment, calls to the attention of all Aviation Students the necessity for the high degree of discipline established and maintained at this detachment.

Major General Cousins pointedly emphasizes this in an address released to all Station Commanding Officers, AA FWFTC. The address reads in part as follows: "This sense of air discipline can be instilled only thru constant reiterated instructions and constantly applied pressure. Any violations of flying instructions must be dealt with rapidly and severely and any student who wilfully violates flying regulations or flying orders must be severely punished. We have no human right in these critical days to permit any violation of flying instruction which puts into jeopardy the lives of our students or the valuable government entrusted to them, whether or not their disobedience in orders ended up on a hillside.

Along with this air discipline must come, of course, as much ground discipline as can be instilled into our students and into our permanent personnel."

You "Misters" are in the preliminary stages of training prior to your classification and future training as commissioned officers in the Army Air Forces. Disciplinary standards here are set up looking forward to your future air training and the discipline necessary to accomplish combat missions under all field conditions.

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Permanent Party?

True to cadet physical requirements, we have three of the most perfect physical specimens attending the AAFCTD here at La Grande. You probably have noticed these men together, one limping, one with an arm in a cast, and the other in just a general beat-up condition.

A-S Douglas Ecker, from Warren, Ohio, who was originally in the second Squadron C was a little rough with the obstacle course and fractured his wrist. Ecker has been here for four and a half months and thinks quite a bit of La Grande.

A-S Hugh Hagerty, from Los Angeles, California, completed his five months schooling with the original Squadron A, but was sent to the hospital for an operation a few days before they shipped for Santa Ana. He is back from the hospital, and when he completes his flying he will leave for classification.

A-S Hugo Cannizzaro of Pasadena, California, last May was on detail with Mrs. Mildred Mills, head of the local USO, when they were both struck by a car, suffering serious injuries. Cannizzaro spent five months in the hospital at Pendleton and at the McCaw General hospital in Washington.

All the boys received a sick leave furlough and are now back and ready for further action. Incidentally, they have been here so long and have been treated so wonderfully by the people of La Grande, they are beginning to feel like native sons.

HOMECOMING HONORS VISITING ALUMNI

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members of 'Sigma Alpha Chi.' The success of this luncheon was due to the committee which was headed by Dorothy Ball.

Saturday afternoon, A. W. S. sponsored a tea for all alumni girls. Special praise should be given to Virginia Wilcox, who was general chairman.

Saturday evening, the alumni banquet was held to which the present students of the college were invited. Erma Derrick, graduate in 1943 was the toast-mistress. Special recognition should be given to the committee heads for this event. They were

SIGMA ALPHA CHI HOLDS LUNCHEON

The traditional Home-coming luncheon of Sigma Alpha Chi, women's scholastic honorary at the college was an event of November 6 with 43 women present at The Nook for the thoroughly enjoyable affair.

Miss Dorothy Ball, president this year, was mistress of ceremonies a task which she performed most creditably. Each one introduced herself, told her year at the college, her home and her present occupation. Special guests were five Phi Beta Kappas on the present faculty,—Miss Darby, Miss Wear, Mrs. Quinn, Dr. Addy and Miss Zabel, the latter being the advisor to the group, and one honorary member, Miss Morton.

The most impressive and crowning feature of the affair was the initiation of four candidates, who had met the requirements during the summer quarter,—Carol George of Kinsua, Virginia Wilcox of Vale, Jennie Louise Williams and Lois Davidson, of La Grande. The initiation was conducted by Miss Ball, the president, Miss Dorothy Wallis, vice-president and Miss Janie Richardson, secretary-treasurer.

Lt. Harry Karns of the A. A. F. arrived in La Grande Monday, November 15. Lt. Harry Karns was one of the first among the CPT students at the school. He joined the RCAF when he finished and spent some time in Canada and England. He has seen action over France and Germany.

as follows: Elaine Coleman, program chairman; Elizabeth Foley, table chairman.

The final, and major event of the occasion was a dance held at the college auditorium. Aviation students were invited. This dance was very successful because of the handling of the music and the P. A. system in such an efficient manner. The homecoming dance committee was headed by Howard Bay.

Homecoming was very successful this year, although the alumni attending was not as large as the group who have attended in former years. Frank Howard was general chairman of this event.

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Mr. Mountaineer Studies Geography

I met Mr. Mountaineer the other day and he was poring over a large oddshaped map of the world. (He explained to me later that the map was an Interrupted Homolographic projection showing the climatic regions of the world. I was as much puzzled at the shape of the map as ever, but I decided to ask one of the Aviation Students to explain the meaning of the map, as I had seen them carrying a copy of the same book to class with them. I like to talk to Aviation Students anyway; (I hope they like to talk to me.)

Well, Mr. Mountaineer seemed disturbed about something that had nothing to do with shape of maps, and so I asked: "Why the knitted brow?"

"I want people to like this country; that's one of my chief desires," he said with a bit of a sigh. There was a mingling of disappointment in the sigh as Mr. Mountaineer looked fondly at a distant mountain that was sprinkled with early fallen snow. (You see Mr. Mountaineer is the spirit of this school. Some people call him a symbolic figure, but to me he is more real than many of these figures that flit around in sweaters.)

I dared not to press Mr. Mountaineer further. "Do you always study geography when you are in a mood?" This set him off and I had no chance for anymore talk.

"No, I never studied geography before. I've always been here as far as I can remember." He stroked his long beard and continued, "I never gave much thought to how people lived outside this valley. But whenever a stranger came in, I tried to make him feel at home. Then the other day I was reading the Beacon and I noticed that one of the boys from down South wanted an explanation about the weather. Well, I had never given it any thought before. We don't explain weather in these parts; we just take it as it comes. But then I saw these Aviation Students carrying these books around, and I decided I'd look into one. I know now why he is asking for an explanation of the weather. This book tries to do just that thing. The fellow who wrote that question didn't read his geography book or he wouldn't have to ask such a question.

"Right here on this map it says that the south and eastern part of the United States lies in a humid

mesothermal or subtropical' area. The latitude is roughly 30 degrees. On this same map it says that Oregon, that is this part of the state, lies in a 'middle-latitude steppe' area surrounded by 'polar ice cap' area. The latitude is roughly 45 degrees.

"Now if you will look at the colored map in the front of the book you will discover that most of the South is colored green. That indicates that area is almost sea level or not more than 1000 feet above. The part of this map that shows Eastern Oregon is almost red. That indicates that this country is between 2000 feet and 10,000 feet above the sea.

"There are a few other factors according to this geography such as mountain barriers, frequency and trajectory of air masses, local topography, etc., that influence the climate also. So now, I think I'm ready to explain the climate to the fellow who asked the question."

"Would you mind explaining it without all of those fancy terms?" I asked.

"I never did like fancy terms myself; so I'll try to bring it down to earth. I've watched the ducks and geese go south for many winters, and I've always been told that it is warm down there. So we can say simply, if we go south we will find warm weather; if we go north we'll find cold weather. Well, La Grande is farther north than New Orleans. That should make it colder. Now you have seen snow on top of the mountains in the middle of the summer when it has been blistering hot here in the valley. That's because the mountains are higher than the rest of the country. La Grande is 3000 feet above sea level; New Orleans is practically at sea level. Did you ever open a refrigerator on a hot day and feel the cold air rush down on you? Well, these snow caps around La Grande act as pretty good refrigerators. There are no refrigerators near New Orleans. However, New Orleans is kept at an even temperature by warm winds from the Gulf of Mexico.

"I could go on and explain every detail, but that wouldn't change the weather one bit. I'm sorry if the boys don't like our crisp fall days with the smell of pine smoke in the air. I suppose I like this vigorous climate because it is my home. And the same holds true

With the Squadrons

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are devoted to crosscountry. The two-mile run is designed to strengthen the legs of Uncle Sam's future pilots. Each cadet must run the course in fifteen minutes or better. If he fails to do so he runs it daily until he goes under the fifteen minute limit. Don't think that bad weather will stop these boys because whether it be rain, snow, or sunshine you will see them running the course every Thursday.

The boys of Squadron D have organized a pretty good cross-country team composed of seven fellows. They are willing to challenge any of the other squadrons to a crosscountry meet if it can be arranged. Hey, squadrons A, B, C, and E, why don't you get some teams together and whip these so called All-Star runners of squadron D. If you care to arrange a race, see A-S William Mills of Squadron D.

for the boys from the South. The fact that the climate of their country is warm has most of its appeal because they were raised there, pop and mom are there, that one-and-only girl is there, and for some of them there's a young one to call them pop. Well, that just about explains it. We like a climate not because it is hot or cold but because of the people who live in it.

"I hope my geography hasn't been boring, but I'd like to make this one added remark. I have noticed that some of the boys have found right charming little girlfriends in this mid-latitude steppe area. And they are not the boys who are asking for an explanation of the weather."

PLAN THANKSGIVING ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Plans were made for the Thanksgiving assembly by the College Christian Council at a meeting held Friday, November 5. Frances Pyle, general chairman for the event, reported on the committee's plans.

This is to be a combined assembly including the aviation students. There will be several special numbers. The Council voted to ask Rev. Arthur Stanley to be the speaker. Mr. Stanley is the representative of the La Grande Ministerial Association on the council. It was also suggested that Rev. G. Harry Nelson of the Baptist Church be asked to give the scriptural selection and that Rev. Irvin Motz of the First Methodist be asked to give the benediction.

The Thanksgiving assembly is an annual function of the College Christian Council.

ODDS and ENDS

We are fortunate to have with us A-S W. E. Mills, a former track man from Ohio State. Mr. Mills is a strong contender for the two mile record.

The latest PX-o-gram states that students who were formerly stationed in Texas will be issued Foreign Service Ribbons.

Recommendation for parades: eliminate 90% of the dogs.

Question of the week: What class do the student officers have in the library?

It was a funny sight when A-S Kempner Story popped his bare heels together in P. E.

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Annual Christmas Formal Is Scheduled For Friday Dec. 10

The Associated Women Students' annual Christmas formal is scheduled for Friday, December 10 in the college auditorium. Music will be furnished by an eight piece orchestra.

Mr. Lyle Johnson, registrar, suggests that all girls desiring to come with Aviation students should report the names of their escorts to Lucille Thompson in the main office so that passes may be issued to those men. It is permissible for an aviation student who desires to attend the dance with a college girl to ask her. It is also permissible since this dance is sponsored by the women on the campus for any girl on the campus to extend the invitation. This is to be stressed as one of the traditional characteristics of this affair. Concerning this Mr. Johnson, says "Tell the girls to get their dates and the men to do the same."

The committees for this dance will include all women students and will be posted in the near future.

TWO EOC MEN HELD PRISONERS OF WAR

First Lt. Farron F. Shafer, who has been in service in England as a navigator with the AAF, and George Nicolescu, who is a co-pilot in the AAF, are now prisoners of war somewhere in Europe. These men were reported missing in action, October 9.

Lt. Shafer graduated from EOC in the summer of 1938 and taught school at Wallowa. He was born in Baker, Oregon and attended Gresham High school in Portland. He served with the 8th air force in England and saw some action in Italy.

Mr. Nicolescu came to EOC from Richland in 1935 and later transferred to Oregon State College. He received the air medal and one oak cluster for service over enemy occupied Europe September 9. He was graduated from the twin-engine motor bomber school at Roswell, New Mexico.

STUDENT DIRECTORY IS AVAILABLE

The student directory published annually by the student council is now available to students on the campus. The directory for 1943-1944 includes the names and offices of the student council members and the names and addresses of the faculty as well as the names of regular students and cadet nurses.

Argue with yourself but not with others.

A HAIR RAISING STORY

By Jim Shumake

One quiet evening after supper, the gentlemen were strolling leisurely through the hotel and, in general, enjoying their weekly mail. Little did they realize that soon the peace and restful slumber of many was to be disturbed. Suddenly a long, loud blood-curdling scream rent the air and rattled the windows. Everyone either started thumbing the student regulations or called up the "CQ" to find out "Who shot John?" After regaining his nerve, and gaining a big club, your reporter decided to investigate the massacre. Noticing the crowd around the first

BEACON CHANGES AVIATION STUDENT EDITORSHIP

A-S Robert H. Ginsberg, first co-editor of the Beacon for this year, relinquished his position to A-S Phil Rieff when he was sent to Santa Ana with Squadron A recently.

Mr. Ginsberg came from North Dakota where he was editor of several student publications. His specialty was make-up and many of his suggestions have been used in the last two issues of the Beacon. While in college, Mr. Ginsberg took some work in printing.

A-S Phil Rieff steps down from the editorship of the Maroon, the daily paper of the University of Chicago, to the co-editorship of the Beacon. Mr. Rieff is a native of Chicago. He took journalism in college and followed this by working on papers in his home city. At the time of his induction into the army he was connected with the United Press in the field of foreign correspondence. Prior to accepting the co-editorship, Mr. Rieff was feature editor on the Beacon Staff. His specialty is style.

MR. GAISER SPONSORS INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CLUB

The International Relations Club has organized for the year under the sponsorship of Mr. Gaiser. The following officers were elected: President, Warren Mitchell; Vice-President, Leone Cavanaugh; Secretary-Treasurer Carol George; Librarian, Nevalle Frazier.

The International Relations Club is a non-partisan organization, whose purpose is the promoting of understanding of international affairs. The group here at the college is a unit of this society.

Luncheon meetings are held twice a month in the conference room of the Ackerman library. At the present time there are twelve members. All students interested in the international affairs are invited to join. The club anticipates an interesting year of discussion and plans several social meetings to be held in member's homes. At the first regular meeting each member introduced himself and told interesting points of his background. A brief discussion of war news and its implications Turn to Page 4—

CANTREL FINISHES THIRD TOUR



LT. WILLIAM CANTREL

First Lt. William Cantrel, well known former student of EOC, is now finishing his third tour of duty as a fighter pilot with the Marine Corps. His squadron was the first to land on Munda Airfield following its capture. He has logged over 200 hours in the zone of combat.

Lt. Cantrel was one of the first men to leave EOC for the service. His home is La Grande.

ANNUAL WHISKERINO BEGINS ON CAMPUS

The annual Whiskerino which went into effect Wednesday, November 17, will be culminated in a Sadie Hawkins dance in the college auditorium Friday, December 3 at which time the beards of the six Lil Abners on the campus will be judged as to blackness, length, and redness.

The dance Friday evening is a no-date affair at which a preponderance of girls will be welcome. Due to restrictions no aviation students will be invited. The evening will be filled with such dances as the "Virginia Reel."

This dance is sponsored by the Men's Club of the school and is one of the traditional events which few students miss.

FACULTY STOMP IS ROLLICKING AFFAIR

"Thar war stompin and shoutin and swingin galore" in the college auditorium Monday night, November 22, as the faculty, army officers and permanent party, and the airport personnel rollicked through an old time dance.

Circle two-steps, quadrilles, and reels kept the dancers short of breath throughout the evening. There were a few quiet games and waltzes between the fast round so that the old folks of the party could regain their breath.

Bob Quinn did the calling until his voice cracked, and then Al Kaiser took over.

Prizes were offered for the best costumes. Roy Skeen forgot to take off his cow milking outfit before he came to the dance and he won first place for the men. Mrs. Garnet Monck walked off with honors for the women.

Doughnuts dunked in cider were served at ten o'clock. This revived the leg-weary dancers so that they could continue their frolicking until eleven.

Dick Lindsey, sawin a mean Turn to Page 4—

Lieut Archer Leaves EOC For Santa Ana Classification Center

Today we bid adieu to Lieut. Jewell T. Archer who has been Executive Officer and Adjutant of the 354th CTD since last July.

While stationed here Lieut. Archer was the Officer in charge of all administration and the maintenance of the multiple records of our Aviation Students. In addition to these full time duties, he showed an untiring interest in the development of the detachment's embryo band and dance orchestra.

THORNBERG ENLISTS

Charles Thornberg, freshman here, enlisted in the navy recently and left for the induction center today. Mr. Thornberg has taken his examination for the naval reserve and hopes to complete his training in that field.

Mr. Thornberg attended high school in La Grande and entered EOC this fall. He is known on the campus for his musical ability.

BOOSTER BOOKLET POSTCARDS NOW AVAILABLE

The college has an attractive booklet of pictures and information which presents the college and its program from the point of view of students and alumni and a picture postcard of Even-song, a traditional springtime ceremony which shows the students grouped on the grand stairway at the north entrance to the College Administration Building.

Several aviation students have asked about purchasing copies of these to send to friends and relatives at home. It has been decided to make them available at the College Bookstore at cost to any student. Samples will be posted on the bulletin boards and in the aviation student recreation rooms in Dorion Hall and at the Sacajawea.

The booklet will sell for 15c in a stamped envelope ready for mailing and also the cards at 2 for 5c or 5 for 10c, at the College Bookstore during its open hours.

Having served as an enlisted man for two years, prior to his entering Officer Candidate School, in the office of the Administrative Inspector at Kelly Field Texas and spending his off-time playing a "hot" trumpet with dance bands in and around San Antonio, he was well qualified for his duties here.

Before coming to La Grande, Lieutenant Archer served as Commanding officer of a similar detachment at Nebraska State Teachers College at Wayne Nebraska.

From La Grande, Lieut. Archer was transferred to Santa Ana Air Base, Santa Ana, California where students from this detachment are sent to receive processing before being assigned to primary flying schools, navigator schools or bombardier schools.

ALEENE BARTON BECOMES BRIDE

Aleene Barton, graduate of EOC last spring, became the bride of Cpl. Merle Alford of Enterprise Tuesday, November 16, at Nampa, Idaho. The ceremony took place in the parsonage of the Methodist Church with Rev. Walker officiating.

Mrs. Alford was an honor student at EOC and a member of Sigma Alpha Chi. She has been teaching at Grove School near Milton-Freewater since September.

Cpl. Alford is a test pilot with the Army Air Force at Hendricks Field, Florida and is in Oregon on a short furlough.

IF YOU ARE BEGINNING PRACTICE TEACHING

By Any Student Teacher

You go dashing in late to your class, chewing a stick of gum you've been hording for a week and not until you are standing before the group to begin the lesson do you remember that one of your "hard and fast" rules is no gum chewing in the room.

The remainder of the lesson is somewhat complicated by the fact that the gum keeps slipping down into the way, and it takes some fancy maneuvering to keep from revealing the terrible truth.

As a beginning teacher you had secretly vowed to yourself that as a part of your philosophy of teaching, you were going to be a "personality" that the children liked;—you know, a good sport, cheerful, calm, easy-going, not taking offense at every little thing the children did and not forever scolding them for their misdeeds—you know, the type.

The first day when Johnnie makes paper airplanes and launches a surprise air attack during the spelling lesson, you smilingly comment upon his clever models and tactfully suggest, none too sternly of course, that perhaps he had better concentrate on the immediate objective.

It is time for recess; although you've asked them 145 times to line up quietly, the children line up noisily and troop out to the playground. When you get outside you find with a sigh of relief that only three children so far have disagreed about who is in front of whom in line to use the rope swings.

You enter enthusiastically into a game of Drop the Hankie or Flying Dutchman with the little ones, at the same time trying to

look dignified and unconcerned under the eyes of some fifty aviation students who are busily engaged in a game of touch football nearby.

You line the children up and they troop noisily back into the schoolroom in spite of the fact that you've asked them 146 times to line up and pass quietly. Enroute you get tangled up in the halls with two or three squadrons who make passing remarks about how they would like to be back in grade school, and couldn't they come and visit the teacher and so on.

You say, "Johnnie," (in a threatening tone of voice embodying all sorts of impending perils, you thought) "Don't let me have to speak to you again about that." Five minutes later you find yourself saying "Johnnie, you'll have to stay in tonight if you do that once more." You afterwards regret this last statement for you have remembered an important meeting for the 3:30 hour.

You take back everything (well, nearly) that you have ever said about your own teachers, heave a sigh, swallow a few more times, and struggle on.

SOMETHING FOR THE BOYS—

Albeit the instructors at E. O. C. would beg to differ, President Roosevelt believes we have a future. And he is attending to that future now; always the best time for the job.

The Chief Executive, in a recent message to Congress, has asked that a one billion dollar appropriation be set aside to be used exclusively as a fund for a post war program of education for honorably discharged service men and women. Obscured in the news by more immediately important events, Mr. Roosevelt's request will be of utmost importance to those of us who entertain vague but powerful notions of going back to school after that sight-seeing tour of the ruins of Berlin and Tokio is ended.

The plan, as outlined in the Congressional Record, would give those of us who can and will the opportunity to spend from one to three years in whatever type of educational project we prefer; so long, of course, as we meet the specific requirements of the institution to be attended. Tuition will be paid by the government and each veteran may receive—depending on his financial status—maintenance money. Understand, the veteran is to attend school as a private student, with no differentiation from the other students excepting the source of his income.

In his message to Congress, the President declared: "As a part of a general program for the benefit of the members of our armed forces, I believe the nation is morally obligated to provide this training and education and the necessary financial assistance by which they can be secured. It is an obligation which should be recognized now; and legislation to that end should be enacted as soon as possible."

And I know at least one guy who intends to take full advantage to the President's foresight.

—Phil Rieff.

KEY WORDS FOR SUCCESS

The search for words, phrases or statements which might be considered keys to success is an interesting pastime.

If you were to select only two words which you consider as guides or keys to success for yourself, which ones would they be? Would you pin your hopes on possibly such traditional ones as honesty, humor, character, idealism, fairness, goodness, squareness, diligence, dependability, resourcefulness, ingenuity or other similar ones?

May we suggest two such words which, properly interpreted, might be thought of as key words to success. They may or may not ever have occurred to you. Anyway, here they are: **Consistency** and **Persistency**. Now, what do they mean?

Consistency might be defined as that quality in a student which enables him or her to follow a sane, steady course or path. He will not allow himself to be swept upward to egotistic heights, neither will he permit himself to be carried down into the depths of mental depression. For another example, he will not study furiously and impetuously for awhile and then lapse into doing nothing at all for a goodly time. Aother example, he will not raise "Cain" at one interval and be a meek, winged angel at another interval. He will follow a consistent pattern in a balanced program of study and recreation, of dependable behavior, of constructive activity and of creative effort, such as will earn for himself the constant respect of his or her fellow students, faculty members and other associates.

Persistency might be defined as that quality which enables a student to be diligent in his work, to follow through until a task is successfully finished, to overcome obstacles without putting up the white flag, and to stay with an assignment until it has been thoroughly mastered. For example, a persistent character will not give up at the first sign of real problems or obstacles, he will seek other solutions when the door seems locked to the first, he will concentrate on any particular assignment until it gives way to his mastery. He will not, when the going gets rough, "jump on his horse and ride in all directions at the same time."

Thus, these two words, rhyming harmoniously, contain the implications which, if followed—consistently and persistently—will tend to make for little successes which in turn lead to bigger successes. Think it over and see if you may not agree.

—Roben J. Maaske.

CNC Hall Mouse

Yes, students its me again. Two more weeks have flown past and I've skipped in to take you back through the peek holes of the C. N. C. Hall.

I hopped into the dining room riday November 12, just in time to find Misses Emma Holm and Rose Hardshas, from The Dalles hospital having lunch with the cadet nurses. They came up to look around, and from the way I took it, everything is all right; so our little gals are really accomplishing something.

I heard Nassia Cronyn acting tickled over something. She told me that the Cadet Nurses have been granted free mail now. Bet her papa down there in Portland will get more letters from now on.

I ventured into Verna Smith's room the evening of Nov. 15 to catch up on the latest gossip and found her feeling blue. Seems the girls aren't getting anymore week-end passes so she can't go to her home in North Powder every Friday night now.

Saturday I decided to rest but at 7:00 o'clock I heard the girls climbing out of bed so I scooted out to see what the score was and found them getting ready for classes again. I combed my hair and decided to follow Wanda Mitchell up to school. I don't get lost with her cause she has been here most of her life and knows her way around. This particular morning we went to a make up class of Hygiene and Anatomy. In anatomy class I was afraid Marjorie Meek had gotten by poor cousin Ezra for sure this time but I found out it was a beef they were butchering instead.

Well, guess I'd better go now. Watch for me when the Beacon comes out again.

—Abby

Advice to the wise: You cripples be sure and don't forget your crutches when walking around.

THE TEAKETTLE

"Teakettle" is a column in which any student in school may let off steam, or if you prefer, where any student may let his teakettle sing. All students are invited to contribute letters for this column.

DEAR EDITORS:

I am one of several people who are wondering why there aren't more letters to the editor. In the past, several people have said that they believe something should be done about certain things, or conditions around the school. They have good ideas but they do nothing about them.

I believe that people should write in to the editors of their school paper and tell them what they want done. This way the opinions of the various factions on a certain subject could be aired without anyone not knowing what was going on because it would be all there.

If there are ideas, suggestions or criticisms around school of the way the dances are handled, for instance they should be written to the editors. Most people would not want the editors to take the responsibility for their opinions so they would be glad to sign their names to any letter that they wrote.

It is very simple to write an idea up, sign your name to it and put it in the Beacon Box.

PATTY JEAN LEONARD

When you turn a new leaf, be careful not to tear it.

One who can't improve is getting worse.

The fellow without a job is usually in a hurry.

Don't be surprised if you see the civil war starting around the hotel. The Yankees and Rebels are mixing loaded words every spare moment, but thus far everything has Bull Run.

Since the officers have taken to wearing stars, everyone is waiting for Washington to give Pershing an honorary colonelcy in the detachment. After all, he only can wear four, and our Staff Sergeant Major wears as many as that . . .

WITH THE SQUADRONS

STUDENT OFFICERS
That there is no great loss without some small gain was proved to some of the aviation students recently when the vacancies in the student officers left by Squadron A were filled. Among the men to be promoted to staff officers were aviation students Howard Alder of Squadron E, who was promoted to Student Colonel, Robert Goehausen Squadron E and Wallace Horton, Squadron D, who became Student Major, Field Adj. James Openlander, also of Squadron E, was advanced to Student Captain of Supply, and James Hancaster of Squadron D became Student Sergeant Major.

SQUADRON "B"

Cpt.—Jessie L. Sons
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1st Sgt.—George E. Simons
Guidiron Bearer—Sgt. Achille J. Vitte
Songmaster—Marshall L. Smith. Smith.

FLIGHT "A"

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Flt. Sgt.—Lynn Utley
Guide—Thomas H. Welborn
Crew Chiefs:

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Cpl. William H. Yetter
Cpl. Alfred L. Schotz
Cpl. Donald J. Sherman

FLIGHT "B"

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Flt. Sgt.—Calvin C. Trexler
Guide—Sgt. Macleron Sebastian
Crew Chiefs:

Fred F. Snowden
Cpl. George E. Tuttle
Cpl. Benjamin F. Skinner Jr.
Cpl. Elmer J. Schmidt.

SQUADRON "C"

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Flt. Sgt.—Warren E. White
Guide—Sgt. Francis L. Wycoff.
Crew Chiefs:

Cpl. Miles C. Wolfe
Cpl. Mendall R. Webb
Cpl. Glenn R. Spear
Cpl. Arthur T. Kelly

SQUADRON "B"

You've seen them, you've heard them, and now you can talk about them. Yes, the honor Squadron of the week is what I mean. On-

ly three weeks after entering school you see the blue and gold ribbons streaming from Squadron "B's" banner. We found it possible, through the co-operation of both the officers and the students, to win from the older groups.

In due time, we hope to see the red, white and blue ribbons streaming from our guidiron. Just stick around and see who the best squadron in La Grande is.

SQUADRON "D"

In case you have been wondering where the rest of Squadron D is, just remember that twenty men from "A" flight have been sent on bivouac to Dorian Hall. It is not as punishment that they have so visited, but rather they have been assigned the martyrs task of keeping a motherly eye on Squadron E. It seems the competent few always must suffer the incompetent many.

Though Squadron D has never been honored with a free Wednesday night, we do claim the fame of originating most of the amusing songs that the detachment sings. Undoubtedly, part of our success with the ladies—most particularly the nurses—can be ascribed to "We're Never Too Busy To Say Hello," "The Drink Song," "Happy Little Moron," (dedicated, affectionately, to Mr. Horseman) "The Strip Polka," "Mr. Five by Five," and "The Farmer and the Maiden." People have been wondering, lately, when the Squadron will break out with "Let's Take a Walk Around The Block"; for Fred Wehmeyer's information.

If you have been perturbed by those inevitable cries of "Sick Call" whenever Squadron D marches by, it's not our good looks that rouse such comment but the number of men navigating along the sidewalks on crutches. We forget to count, and we wouldn't tell you if we knew, but it seems as though half the Squadron is bucking for sick leave.

A-S John Vourganos, usually known as the "best man in B Flight," has been elected to represent his Squadron on the Honor Turn To Page 3—

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CAROL GEORGE HEADS REV. STANLEY SPEAKS PROFESSIONAL GROUP FOR JOINT ASSEMBLY

The first meeting of the La Grande student unit of the American Childhood Education Association, sponsored by Dr. Addy, was held Friday afternoon, November 19.

The group elected Carol George as their new president; Emily Otis, Vice-president; and Lois Davidson, secretary-treasure.

At the opening of the meeting Dr. Addy gave a brief discussion of the purposes of the organization. They are as follows: "The purpose of this organization shall be to gather and disseminate knowledge of the movement for the education of young children; to bring into active cooperation all childhood education interests, including parent education; to pro- ceed in nursery school, kindergarten and primary grades, and to raise the standard of the mote the progressive type of edu- cational training for teachers and leaders in this field."

The history of the organization is this: The Association for Child- hood Education was formed in 1930 by the merging of two organ- izations of teachers of young children, the International Kinder- garten Union (organized in 1892) and the National Council of Pri- mary Education. (organized in 1915.) Since the major objective of both groups was the promotion of adequate educational oppor- tunities for young children it was fitting and natural that they should unite. This unified organ- ization offers teachers a profession- al association devoted exclusively to the advancement of progressive early childhood education.

A very interesting program is planned for the remainder of the school year, including a Christmas party for pre-school children and an Easter breakfast. All teacher- training students and those inter- ested in education are urged to join. The next meeting is sched- uled for December 3, 1943, in the auditorium.

Rev. Arthur J. Stanley, of the First Christian Church of La Grande, chose as the thesis for his address to the joint assembly held in the auditorium November 24 the statement that "There are many more reasons for giving thanks than for complaining". He elaborated on the desires of freed- om, sharing, and thanksgiving as part of our heritage from the early settlers of our country.

Rev. Stanley was presented by Marion Snider who represented the College Christian Council, sponsors of the annual Thanksgiv- ing assembly.

Special numbers were of a musi- cal nature. Arloeen Krause and Frances Pyle sang "The Beautiful City." A special treat was the solo by A-S Herbert M. Schulman who sang "The Lord's Prayer" by Malot. They were accompanied by Evelyn Scott who also accom- panied the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" and the hymns "Come Thou Almighty King" and "Faith of Our Fathers," Mr. Kenneth Schilling led the group singing.

Rev. Irvin S. Motz and Rev. G. Harry Nelson assisted with the invocation, scripture, and benediction. Like Rev. Stanley, they are members of the La Grande Ministerial Association.

The assembly was opened by Dr. Maaske, president of the college. Elaine Coleman, student body president led the salute to the flag.

WITH THE SQUADRONS
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Council. Hereafter, he is to be called "John the Just."

Mr. Vourganos is a peculiar case. A Chicagoan, he is the owner of a juicy Texas accent. You all should realize that he all has been in this hyar Ahmy fo a numba o yahs, and mos all o de time he done been held captive down yonder.

Don't let any of the married men

catch you dropping a match or mashing out a cigarette on the floors or halls. They will be just a little tougher on you than Lt. Oldershaw.

That hour a night pleases our Benedicts no end, since many of them have their wives living in town. Many of the ladies have travelled quite some distance to be with their husbands and RQ seems to be an excellent morale builder. So, if you don't care, think of the next guy.

SQUADRON E

Saturday, November 20, Squad- ron E moved from the Sac to Dor- ion Hall on the campus. In the act of flying, moving, OP, and ac- ademics we had a glorious old time. It seems that weekend as- signments are somewhat on the extravagant side, anyhow. So nat- urally Monday everyone got 100 in first aid.

Changes in the "stop" and "go" section of Squadron E. Reed C. Polhemus has been advanced from corporal to flight sergeant. Gil- land Corbitt has been promoted to guide sergeant from corporal. Clyde Harrison is now a proud corporal. James Butler has risen from the ranks to corporal. James Horner has been promoted to guideon sergeant. Elwood Peter- son still holds his everlasting rank of rear crew chief. Some of the more Eager Beavers have tear- dimmed eyes while some are still in a total black-out.

Squadron E. is endeavoring to

learn the art of flying. From the sound of things, Squadron A must have spoiled the instructors. Any- how a large per cent are not eager any more. In fact quite the re- verse. Some are doing good and some worse. And some like me, bad. Note: "Me" means any Squadron E man.

Squadron E's toughest break is in losing "Flip" Sanfilippo from our ranks. It seems that Flip is a sufferer of sinus disorders which makes it impossible for him to breath at higher altitudes. There- fore he has had to ask for elimina- tion and will be leaving us soon. Too bad, boy, we're just as sorry to see you go as you are to go, and we wish you the very best of luck. That's from everyone of us to the man. Fair weather and happy landings.

Here is a list of the boys living at Dorion who are lucky enough to have a little woman right here in La Grande.

A-S Amos Elenin's wife Lahoma has been here quite a while al- ready.

A-S Joe Twilling's wife Regina

came in a week ago last Sunday and Joe seems happier already.

A-S Wayne Harris' wife Hazel's coming has made him once again a happy man.

A-S Kenneth Lloyd—Ah He's our pride and joy. Kenny was just married a few weeks ago. He says married life is the real life though. The new Mr. and Mrs. tied the knot here in La Grande on the thirtieth of last month.

A-S Gordon Lynden's wife ar- rived a few days ago. He says he sure is glad to see his Delores.

A-S Bill Wideman's wife Muriel has been here since October 30.

Two of the Squadron D boys living at Dorion also have wives in La Grande.

A-S Irving Lattimer proudly said, "Yes, my wife Fragrel is in town. Why?"

A-S Raymond Mitchell's wife Hazel is very glad to be able to see her husband again.

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SHORT SHORT STORY

HOMESICK AND SLIGHTLY DRUNK—

"There is nothing in you I cannot be."

"There is no one where you are unless I am there."

The bar-maid put the beer down on the table with a bang, and it slopped over.

"You got me," she whined petulantly.

Miss Lawrence's Children's literature class has been busy with pencils, paper, and the rules for writing fables. Here are some examples of their work. There were many other excellent fables, but the Beacon does not have room for all of them.

THE WOLF AND THE PRINCESS

Maye Kirkpatrick

A wolf was coming through the forest dragging behind him a beautiful princess. As he passed close to an old tree the ugliest little dwarf you ever saw jumped out and cried, "Hokus pokus, nibby nokus." In a flash the wolf turned into a knotty, misshaped old tree.

The princess was greatly surprised and asked the little dwarf how he had known she had been taken from her father by trickery and dishonesty. "A ha!" he replied, a dishonest person is always found out." He would tell her no more, but returned her safely to her father, who gave the dwarf a very handsome reward.

THE GREEDY RABBIT AND THE HORRID WORM

Kathryn Harris

One day a greedy rabbit was eating a cabbage in farmer Brown's garden. He ate and ate until he came to a horrid worm in the middle of the cabbage.

"Please get out of my way," said the greedy rabbit.

"I won't," said the worm. "This is my home and you can't put me out as I pay the rent promptly the first of every month."

This was a big black lie because Farmer Brown didn't even know the worm lived in his cabbage. So the greedy rabbit ate cabbage,

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worm and all. This killed the horrid worm, and as worms do not agree with rabbits, the greedy rabbit also died. All of which goes to show that honesty is the best policy for if the greedy rabbit and the horrid worm had not been stealing from Farmer Brown they would still be alive today.

LITTLE BROWN BEAR

Virginia Wilcox

Little Brown Bear was out walking one day in the woods. He came upon a bee hive, which made him very hungry. Little Brown Bear said to himself, "No one will see me, so I am going to eat some of this honey." Soon he heard the buzzing sound of a swarm of bees coming back with some nectar. This frightened Little Brown Bear so he began to run. But the bees saw him and began to sting him severely because he stole their honey. The bees stung him so badly that he never again stole honey from the bees.

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Are you bothered with too much leisure time on your week-ends? Then see A-S V.J. Lollinger for squad duty. He is very good at this sort of thing. (Quote Henry Schmuckel.)

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Sports Headlines Of Squadron "E"

by "Flip" Sanfilippo

As the fall season rolls on, and football slowly fades from its dominant position in the sports world, we turn our attention to the increasingly popular game of basketball. Since the birth of the court game early in the 20th century, at the Springfield Massachusetts YMCA every year has brought more and more enthusiasts to the hardwood racket. The "misters" of the 354th CTD at La Grande have shown they are not exceptions to this general trend. Basketball is organized sport's kingpin at La Grande.

With the first announcement of a coming inter-squadron basketball program, Squadron E, erstwhile Honor Squadron of the week and perennial monthly Honor Squadron, became one of the first outfits to field a team. Despite a lack of practice, the Eager Beaver Five opened it's season against the rebels of Squadron A.

The series of games between Squadron A and E became quite popular and the two teams ended up on a par. Squadron A's escape to Santa Ana prevented any other decision.

The first team of the Eager Beavers, while uncertain, as is any team, is composed of Joe Horner as center, "Gill" Corbitt and Joe Little, forwards, and "Duke" Ellington and "Flip" Sanfilippo as guards. The second team—just about as good as the first—finds Harvie Mann as center, Peterson and Hoyt as forwards, and Lloyd and Blood as guards.

In one of the most exciting games of the season Squadron C nosed out the Eager Beaver Five in a torrid overtime period. The last game played by the Eager Beavers brought them crushing win over Squadron B in a practice game.

WAA INITIATES FIVE MEMBERS

At a very impressive ceremony the new members of the WAA were initiated in the kindergarten room of the Ackerman Training School on Thursday, November 4, at 8 p.m.

The Oath was administered to new members, Ellen Greiner, Lois Davidson, Polly Hall, Carol George and Dora H. Brooks by Mary Margaret Kennedy, president. The offices left vacant this fall were officially filled by the installation of Ellen Greiner, vice-president; Polly Hall, secretary; and Patty Jean Leonard publicity-head. The officers, who returned this fall, are Mary Margaret Kennedy, president; and Nina Wells, treasurer.

Pins were awarded to Mary Perry, Helen Tippen and Polly Hall. In order to earn a pin each girl must have participated in five sports.

After the meeting there was group singing.

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FACULTY STOMP

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violin, headed the orchestra composed of an accordion, a "bull" fiddle, and a banjo.

The committee for the evening was headed by Bob Quinn with Don Hunt, Martha Addy, Al Kaiser, Major Bye, Bill Ruppert, and Roy Schilling assisting.

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followed the getting acquainted period and lunch.

The next meeting will be held at twelve noon, December 2, 1943, in the Children's library conference room.

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Christmas Ball Climaxes Terms Social Events

In a hall scented with fir balsam and lighted with a true Yuletide glow, students danced at the Annual Christmas Ball, December 10. The dance sponsored by the A. W. S. in the college auditorium proved a fitting climax to the term's social events.

The Christmas Ball, a traditional girl-ask-boy, took on the semblance of a military ball this year because women of the college made aviation students the chief objectives of their date arrangements. Special open post arrangements by the official staff made the young men available for the event.

At the intermission, aviation students Schulmann and Tucker presented vocal solos and trumpet solos which were respectively received with enthusiasm.

Allen Mills' Gang supplemented by aviation students supplied the music for the evening.

line were Dr. Maaske, Dr. Addy, line were Dr. Maaske, Dr. Eddy, Miss Zabel, Mr. and Mrs. Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. Sterne, Helen Mason, Virginia Wilcox, Marcia Olson, and Frank Howard.

Special commendation is due Carol George and Dorothy Scholl, co-chairman of the decoration committee, for the excellent work done by this committee. Other members of the committee were Virginia Wilcox, Maye Kirkpatrick, Lois Ward, Karleen Faucette, Mary Summer, Helen Lee, Betty Graven, Suzie Frazier Dorothy Ball, Pat Pearce, Gwen Chester, and Joyce McLain.

Refreshments were served by Freda Whyte, chairman, Peggie Wilson, Margaret Schomp, and Ruth Nicholson.

Emily Otis had charge of invitations and Martha Smith and Elaine Coleman arranged faculty dances.

The committee for cleaning after the dance were Dorene Dorey, chairman, Marilyn Patten, Harriet Jo Davis, Pat McMillian Joyce McPherson, and Hazel Briggs.

"DENNY" TO GRACE SCIENCE LAB, CAMPUS

The newest personality on the campus is Denny, a six-inch brown and green speckled alligator, given to the biology department by Mrs. Guy Spencer, mother of Bill Spencer, EOC grad of '42 who sent the alligator from Florida. Mrs. Spencer kept Denny in her living room until he became so ferocious, she feared for the safety of her family, so after talking the situation over with Dr. Quaintance, biology professor, she promptly disposed of the creature by putting the responsibility for its actions upon the broad shoulders of the college.

So far Denny has eaten nothing, and all indications show it isn't likely he will if he lives according to the general habits of alligators.

CHATTER - - - On Snow

by Peg Wilson
Snow is white Somebody puts snow on the ground on a winter nite when nobody is lookin. Boys like snow. They make hard round snowballs to throw at girls. Snowballs make pink bumps on girls. Boys don't know it, but girls like boys who throw snowballs. Everbody likes snow cause it ain't dirty. Snow is slippery. People fall on their ----- in the snow. The snow is cold at nite so people sit by a fireplace to keep Jesus. The little Lord Jesus was warm. Sweethearts cuddle when there is snow. People always sing when the snow comes. They sing about the jingle bells 'n the Silent Night 'n the Ave Maria. Snow always comes at Christmas time cause God sends it so everything will be clean to celebrate the birthday of the little Lord

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Maryetta Foley Represents Alumni At Annual Yule Candlelight Hour

"Among the many symbols which have become associated with Christmas, are the welcoming lights of candles, and the fire on the hearth, * * *

"Eight years ago, members of Sigma Alpha Chi, wishing to inaugurate some tradition in the life of our college, which would give us a peculiar inspiration for the moment and leave a sacred memory in our hearts, instituted the Yule Candlelight Hour. Today for the ninth time, we have come home at Christmas time, and, meeting before the hearth and under the light of candles, are singing the Christmas carols and receiving the inspiration, offered by no other season.

"In the home, our thoughts at Christmas, go out to those who are away; some near, some far; those who are away find their thoughts turning fondly toward home and family.

Lead To Come

Thus spoke Maryetta Foley, graduate of the class of '40, in opening the annual Yule Candlelight Hour in the college auditorium on Sunday, December 12. College students and faculty listened in inspired silence and saw the symbolic red taper, gift of Sigma Alpha Chi alumnae of 1940, kindled by the hands of the speaker.

In response, Dorothy Ball, current president of Sigma Alpha Chi, spoke: "We * * * are thinking of those 'away from home' * * * let us light other candles which are symbolic of our purpose to assist in that great program, instituted more than 19 centuries ago, of bringing peace on earth, good will to men." In the pause that followed the speaker's words "away from home," the audience was reminded of the added significance of these sentiments in a world at war.

The hall which was studded with the traditional Fir was then set aglow with many candles lighted by members of Sigma Alpha Chi as they took their kindling light

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UPWARD AND ONWARD DRAWS LAUGHS

Students and faculty responded with many and long laughs to the presentation of the melodramatic farce "Upward and Onward" or "Mother, Dear Mother, Come Home to Us Now!" in assembly on the morning of December 8.

Janie Richardson, carrying the major portion of the lines, did a very fine job as a female "hero."

Inez Wellman as the female "villian" produced many good laughs with her characterization.

Frank Howard, playing the part of the long-suffering husband, drew the bulk of the laughs at the climax of the play with his transition from weakness to dominance of the whole scene.

Leone Cavanaugh as the ambitious wife carried her part from strength to submission very well.

Pat Baron as Little Bessie, the victim of the whole "melo" tragedy, was quite pitiable and charming in her portrayal of sweet innocence.

The play was presented as a regular assembly feature under the direction of Mr. Kaiser.

VIOLINIST GIVES CONCERT HERE

A pleased audience of college students, aviation students, and towns people enjoyed a well balanced and well executed concert by Robert Hirtzell, violinist, in the L. D. S. tabernacle on the evening of December 13.

Mr. Henri Arcand who acted as accompanist to Sigurd Nilson when he sang on the campus last Spring, accompanied Mr. Hirtzell and played several piano selections.

Mr. Hirtzell is the first of a group of concert personalities who will appear for public concerts under the sponsorship of the Associated Students of EOC during the winter lyceum season.

GREINER, BAY DRAFTED

The draft board waved "come hither" to Eugene Greiner and Howard Bay, two of the fast dwindling male population of our school, on November 23. The young men have been enjoying a 21 day Enlisted Reserve status to finish their first quarter's work.

They are scheduled for induction at Fort Douglas, Utah, on December 14.

MR. McGRATH SPEAKS ON CANCER

Mr. McGrath, instructor in chemistry and physics, discussed the causes, prevention and cures of cancer in the regular assembly on December 1.

The lecture was supplemented with slides showing actual pictures of cancer before and after cure.

In defining cancer, Mr. McGrath stated that it is a cell or cells of a certain part of the body which have gone rampant in their growth. Cancer is not caused by a germ; it is not hereditary; and it cannot be passed from one person to another without blood contact, the speaker stated further.

Mr. McGrath stated that cancer is caused perhaps by some constant irritation in any part of the body. In a humerus vein, and yet seriously, Mr. McGrath warned those who indulged in the relaxing exercise of rubbing between the toes before going to bed that they were inviting cancer in that region if this act becomes a habit. Further he added that cancer of the stomach and mouth seems more prevalent among men than women perhaps because the man sits down to eat while the food is still hot and bolts his food while the housewife is adding the last touches of preparation to the meal.

A man wags his tongue and a dog wags his tail, but the dog's wag is always truthful.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN PHI BETA SIGMA

E. O. C. E.'s Gamma chapter of Phi Beta Sigma, national honorary society for future teachers, recently admitted eight new members at its fall term initiation.

Those people who survived the rigors of the fun initiation at Ackerman Hall, December 8, include: Lois Davidson, Helen Tippin, Jennie Williams, Dorothy Ball, Patty Jean Leonard, Lois Ward, Marion Snider, and Emily Otis.

The formal initiation for new members was held in the evening, December 9, at the home of John Miller, who is principal of J. H. Ackerman school, and serves as advisor for Phi Beta Sigma.

President Elizabeth Kibby, third year Teacher Training student at E. O. C., whose home is in Corvallis, Oregon, says that each term new members are taken in who have met the organization's various requirements for membership. One requirement is that the individual shall have achieved a grade point average not lower than 2.5 for at least two consecutive terms. Membership is gained through invitation.

FRANCES BOYD ENLISTS

Frances Boyd, EOC grad of '43, has enlisted in the WAC and expects to be called around the first of January.

Miss Boyd is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Boyd of Enterprise. For the past year she has been teaching the fifth and sixth grades and girls' physical

KATHRYN HARVISON VISITS CAMPUS

Miss Kathryn Harvison, class of '43, who is teaching art and kin-portland, visited the campus on dergarten music at Woodlawn, Saturday, November 27.

Miss Harvison told that she is residing with a married teacher whose husband is in the Sea Bees.

Dr. Millar Speaks At Annal College Christian Council Conference

Highlighting the College Christian Council Conference held here December 3 and 4 was the joint assembly of the regular and aviation students at which Dr. James Millar, Field Director of the First Presbyterian church of Portland, gave an address, "Christianity and Campus Life." Dr. Millar has been in colleges and universities for 20 years as both a student and an instructor. An Irishman by birth, he believes there are only two classes of people—"those who are Irish and those who would like to be Irish."

"Those who enjoy America most," said Dr. Millar, "are those who have adopted it and those who have been away for a long time." He elaborated on the American struggles for liberty, unity, and democracy in their relationship to christianity in the United States. "America's greatest problem is to meet the problems at her own door step," he continued. "America is an organism. Anything effecting one part of it will sooner or later effect it all." His concluding thought, directed specifically to the aviation students was "Grand and glorious as it is to die for your country, it is sometimes braver to live for it."

Dr. Millar's message was followed in the afternoon by discussion groups. One of which hashed over the question of "How can we

Study Made of School Children Cheating

Lyle H. Johnson, Registrar at E. O. C., was recently brought into the limelight through an article he wrote entitled "Cheating in a School", which first appeared in "The Clearing House", a national education magazine, and was later summarized in the October 1943 issue of Time.

Johnson, who made a study of 241 pupils in Corvallis Junior High preparatory to writing his thesis on the subject of pupil cheating in schools, discovered that when given a test which offered an excellent opportunity to cheat if they chose to do so, 46.5 per cent of the 241 pupils cheated.

Sex, status of parents, parental occupation, or nationality of parents seemed to have little bearing on whether the child cheated or not.

"It is interesting to note," says Mr. Johnson, "that the more brothers and sisters a pupil has, the greater the tendency to cheat. Likewise the child with the majority of brothers and sisters older than himself cheats far more than when the majority are younger. Could this mean that because a child has to fight for his rightful share at home, he is apt to build some dishonest habits?"

Johnson found that it was quite apparent that pupils given a reward at home for good grades at school cheat more than those receiving no reward. "This seems," he says, "to be a significant psychology." (Turn to Page 3)

COLES RECEIVES COMMISSION

EOCE student of '42 and '43, Gordon Coles, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Coles of Rieth, Oregon, was graduated from Corpus Christie, Texas, October 30 and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the marine corps air force. In April he graduated from St. Mary's college after finishing primary flight training at Los Alamitos, Cal. He is now taking 8 weeks of operational training at Miami, Florida.

Coles attended Union High School and for three years, served in the national guard with a rank of corporal.

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Meetings were held at each of the residence halls including the Sac at which time Dr. Millar was prominent.

ON CHRISTMAS

"I'm dreaming of a White Christmas" with all the trimmings Irving Berlin thought of and a few more. As I dream my thoughts are somewhat like a troubled mosquito flitting between two lights without trying to land on either, for this year there is a war to make a difference.

Should the fact that many countries of the world will be feeling the effects of conflict be allowed to dampen our spirits on Christmas? Ernie Pyle, foreign correspondent who had been in the various theatres of war more than two years before returning to the U. S., has expressed the opinion that American people are sufficiently conscious of the need for using what they have judiciously. He has also implied that it is very necessary that we keep our spirits as high as possible in spite of the limitations of rationing, shortages, and transportation difficulties.

Some people in every war have questioned the fair-need of being as nearly normal as possible when some parts of the world are suffering. Others would ask, "What man who has no coat to wear would condemn some other man who has a coat for using it?" The Christmas spirit is like the coat in that it keeps the heart warm when the winds of greed and grabbiness rage outside. The nicest thing about the coat and the Christmas spirit is that both can be shared. Although the coat may be thin in spots, it will cloak the whole world with some sort of expression.

Jennie Williams

PREVIEW OF WINTER TERM

Have you heard? Winter term starts at the end of December. Winter registration comes December 28 and classes begin December 29, while on New Years Eve we have our annual party and dance.

Our Winter Mixer has been postponed until January 14. The last day for the edition of new courses and registration is on the day following. You class officers had better take notice of the fact that the class parties are scheduled to come off on January 21. We will be able to hear Roland Hayes on January 28. Mr. Schilling says that he is "the greatest Negro Tenor singer of the present time."

We have two dances scheduled for the month of February. One is a sport dance to be held on the 4th. The other is The Big Dance of the Quarter, The Colonial Ball. This is sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association. It is to be held on the 17th. On the two other weekends in this month we have scheduled parents night for the 11th and the college play for the 25th.

On March 3 we have scheduled the Felix Knight Concert. This is supposed to be one of The Events. The Finals will be starring us in the face from March 6 to 8. While dearly beloved, Spring Vacation is just four days long this year. It lasts from the ninth of March until the thirteenth.

—Patty Jean Leonard

FRATRICIDE IN YUGOSLAVIA?

In Yugoslavia the issues are clear. It is the people versus the government that sold out to Hitler. It is the people versus Hitler. It is Fascism against the democratic impulse. Perhaps it is Spain all over again; person against person. Fratricide; because the issues are clear and everyone wants to choose his side.

Civil war is never profitable, but it sometimes finally makes a nation out of a provincial land. Yugoslavia is in a Civil war while it is still a conquered territory.

Should the Allies decide to open its second front in the Balkans, the Civil war would involve us, and we too would have to take sides. Is it the Partisans, or the Chetniks? We can't choose both, for they are opposites and mutually exclusive. Class prejudice and interests cut across every issue. In Yugoslavia the stake is a way of life and even the women are fighting.

But whatever our political sympathies, we must look to our own national interest, and, even by this selfish criterion, the Partisans would seem to merit our recognition and support. They are the forces fighting Fascism. We must back any force that fights Fascism, even if it be the High Llama of Tibet; otherwise we will again fail to choose up sides, and Chamberlain will smile at us from his grave and wonder at our stupidity. He made the same mistakes.

—P. R.

CNC Hall Mouse

Oh Hum Twiddle De Ho!
Jumped out of bed and saw the snow—
Not so good at these little verses
But I'm here again to bring the nurses.

At noon on Friday, December 3, I squeezed into the dining room to have lunch and guess what—there sat Dr. Maaske in my place at the table and accompanying him was James E. Millar, from the University of Idaho, who was here for the Christian Conference. After a very delicious dinner of fresh fried salmon and all the trimmings, Dr. Millar gave a short talk on religion.

After lunch I followed the X group of nurses over to the hospital and there I noticed that something unusual was up. I decided to follow Alice Huebsch and she lead me up to the surgical room. The table was too high for me to see what was taking place but I watched Alice's face turn as white as a sheet and she started staggering around. I couldn't figure out what was wrong, but I heard one of the girls say the appendectomy was too much for her. Guess they don't raise very strong girls in Montana, 'cause I couldn't see a thing bad about it.

This morning I skipped out in the hall and almost got stepped on by Pat Davis, who was jumping up and down about whom she had invited to the Christmas formal.

My wife, Millie, just yelled and said it was my bed time so guess I'll have to tell you about the dance next time.

Be seeing you—

Abby

THE TEAKETTLE

Dear Editor:

"Hazel Briggs "

"Yes"

"Feature Editor?"

"Yes"

"Well, why in the (censored) don't you put something in that paper of yours about the friendly "hellos" we Aviation Students don't get?"

This is the way a conversation progressed between A-S John Doe and the feature editor. To him and all the others of E. O. C. E. I write this letter.

Right away after this unexpected chat I spoke to the next pair of cadets coming my way. They smiled, spoke, and went on with a questioning look upon their faces.

I think the girls should speak to the boys, after all, they are part of the student body as long as they are here. This doesn't apply just around school, it's on the streets too. When you speak to one of the fellows on the street, he can say to himself, "that's a college girl." Perhaps I should add here that the walk between the administration building and Ackerman is known as the "Traditional Hello-Walk." Let's not break this tradition.

Since this unexpected chat I have talked with other Aviation Students who agree that La Grande is a comparatively friendly town.

I want to sum up my letter by saying we hope the majority of Aviation Students will continue to think of La Grande as a friendly place; and that the girls as well as the cadets will bring out with those friendly "hellos."

Hazei Briggs

It is pathos when a deuce thinks he is an ace.

WITH THE SQUADRONS

"D" SQUADRON

by Jim Shumake

Call Ripley! Last week "D" won weekly "Honor" Squadron. When the news was announced, everyone fainted from the shock and naturally, when recovered, thought the typist had made a mistake. However the selection was verified, and, just to be different, we stayed in all week. No "R. Q.", no "Honor Nite", no nothing. Just stayed in and caught up on our sack time. Please fellas, don't leave any more milk bottles in your rooms.

Once upon a time "D" challenged the other Squadrons to a track meet; namely the 2 mile run. Since there have been no takers to this offer, it is considered that our seven-man team is the best in La Grande.

In case you've noticed the tune "Here comes the bride" being whistled lately, its due to the fact that A-S William O'Hare, former liaison pilot with the 69th reconnaissance group, will marry his fiancée Miss Maxine Mayer on Dec. 18th. Miss Mayer resides in Des Moines, Iowa, and will arrive here for the ceremony at the Presbyterian church; Reverend Talney officiating. While his comrades lick the traditional swords for the couple to walk under while leaving the church, it has been decided to use the well-known book satchels to exemplify the amount of school work the future Officer goes through. Best wishes to the bride and groom for their future happiness and a sincere "Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year" from the detachment.

Troubles, troubles—if you think yours are many, just see A-S F.O. Wehmeyer or Charles Landers.

Their tale of woe would press your shirt.

A-S Orrin "Rabbit" Miller is very popular with the powers that be. Whenever a detail or "gig" comes, his name is always called.

There have been several additions to the married folks here. A-S E. E. Wright's wife, Vera, arrived from Texas, and A-S Donald McGinnis's wife, Georgia, had quite a trip here from Ft. Branch, Indiana. It is believed that "D" Squadron has the greatest percentage of married men in the detachment.

PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK

ELAINE COLEMAN

by Hazel Briggs

Needless to say you have all noticed our Student Body President, Elaine Coleman. Miss Coleman is an active member of several organizations such as Sigma Alpha Chi, Phi Beta Sigma, W. A. A. Alpha Rho Tau, F. T. A., A. W. S. Besides all these she is assistant leader of a Girl Scout Group

This always smiling co-ed was born in Portland in the joyous year of 1924. She says she has lived all over Oregon, but graduated from Baker High School. Elaine is a resident of La Grande now. Our Student Body President is planning to become a high school teacher. This is her third year at E. O. C. and her next year will be spent at University of Oregon.

Elaine has a clever saying which every one knows, "Oh! Fudge". Our personality of the week says she enjoys sketching, any kind of music, and also loves to play the piano.

Exams, EXAMS, Exams!!!

feverish eyes of an instructor who has worked himself to a frazzle making out the exams. You watch him as he goes around the room obviously in search of a seat so he can relieve his aching feet. When you finally get through with the exam, you feel as though you had been run through a wringer. You stagger out of the room swearing that you know you flunked the test and wishing that it was at least two hours before the next test but it is scheduled to begin in 10 minutes. You hurry to that room and the process repeats itself. This continues until all of your tests are finished.

Not that you know what the process is like perhaps you will join in with those of us who have taken exams and try to put it across to the faculty that there is some more human way of determining the grades of us who are in their classes.

Patty Jean Leonard

Thursday and Friday of this week final exams will be here. They are what their name implies FINAL, and how. For the benefit of those of you who have never had to sit and stew through a final exam I will try to explain the exact procedure to you.

You get to the room where the exam is to be held just a few minutes ahead of time so that you can do just a little bit more cramming before the exam starts. The instructor comes in all too soon and you wonder if you can just ask him one question. He shakes his head and you sit there all tied up in a nervous little knot while he passes out mimeographed sheets of paper with the test on them. Some of the instructors are kind enough to ask you if you can read all of what's written on the sheets. As you sit there wondering how to answer one of the questions, you notice a shadow on your page. You look up into the burning,

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Dear Madam:

I enclose herewith a poem that I composed in honour of our Cadets stationed at the "Eastern Oregon College of Education" of which my son is at present a part. I should be very grateful to you if you could find a space in your publication in the "E. O. C." col-

umn. Let's give the boys a boost. I have no doubt that after you have read the poem that you will like it. I should appreciate it very much, dear editor, if you would send me a copy of your "Beacon" if and when you decide to publish this poem. Thanking you in advance, I am,
Very Sincerely,
Marthe Cropper

Dedicated to my son,
Pvt. Arthur G. Cropper,
Cadet in the Army Air Force.

Fledgelings now must try their wings,
Soaring high to greater things.
They have left their warm home nest,
For a more adventurous test.

They'll know the perils and the bliss
Of a storm clouds and a sunset's kiss.
Floating in a deep blue sky,
Flirting with the moon on high.

The stars will be their guiding light,
Into the darkness of the night.
Their solitude will be divine,
Yet too mysterious to define.

The glorious dawn of a tomorrow
Will be God's gift for them to borrow.
The sunsets of a blazing world
Will be all theirs to be unfurled.

The eaglet's wings will spread and grow,
To rid the world of bestial foe.
In their talons they will hold
Bombs in numbers yet untold.

A mighty blanket o'er the sky,
They'll protect us from on high.
Braving both the bomb and shell,
They will face a living hell;

To sanctify a world of sorrow,
So we may smile again tomorrow.
Until at last, the victory's won,
And peace on earth won't be undone.

The sacrifice of this great cause;
Will make us all most humbly pause
With reverence and a grateful heart,
That they, our sons, have done their part.

As heroes they'll return at last;
We must not err as in the past.
Extending our deep gratitude,
We'll prove it in our attitude.

Marthe Cropper.

**AWS PRESENTS
OFFICERS**

The associated Women Students, an organization of all the women of the school, is headed by the following officers elected last spring:

Virginia Wilcox is the president. Medium height, beautiful curly, black hair, very pleasant personality and possesses a natural business ability. She is a teacher-training student. She hopes to teach some phase of elementary school. Her likes are men? (She secretly stated her ambition is to be an old maid.) She likes sport clothes, and she loves to travel. Her hobby is committee meetings. She is very capable of filling the position she holds.

Vice President Miss Dorothy Scholl—Brown eyed, black hair, medium height, nicely proportioned and very exuberant. (By the way she wears an engagement ring.) She is a sophomore taking teacher training. Her main ambition is to go to Hawaii. She likes candy very much. (I wonder where she gets it.) Onions are her pet dislike, and receiving certain letters is her hobby.

Marilyn Patton is A. W. S.'s secretary. She also is a teacher training student. She has dark brown hair, and possess a very cheerful personality. She likes men and more men, also chocolate cake, but alas she dislikes study. Secretly her ambition is to be a Night Club Singer. Her hobbies are painting and drawing. This little girl also wears a diamond.

Let your light shine, but don't try to put out any eyes.

Many people broadcast on the wrong wave length.

MARYETTA FOLEY

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Following the candlelighting ceremony, special numbers of Christmas music, vocal and instrumental, were interspersed among periods of friendly chatting over tea and sandwiches.

The college Women's Glee Club sang "Dream Seller," "Sleep That Flits on Baby's Eyes," and "Lullaby of the Christ Child" under the direction of Mr. Schilling.

Pat Pearce presented a violin solo.

The Faculty Men's Chorus sang "Westminster Carol" and "Silent Night," Mr. Schilling directing.

Elizabeth Foley sang the vocal solo "Star of Victory."

A women's trio composed of Frances Pyle, Inez Towle, and Arloene Krause sang "The Virgin's Slumber Song."

Miss Evelyn Scott acted as accompanist for the choruses and special numbers.

Singing of favorite carols was then announced by Dorothy Ball and the entire assembly gathered around the piano to sing. Janie Richardson at the piano and Mr. Sterne with his violin accompanied

the community singing.

Assisting Miss Zabel, advisor for Sigma Alpha Chi, in serving and receiving were Miss Darby, Miss Wear, Mrs. Quinn, and Dr. Addy, all members of Phi Beta Kappa.

It was recalled to the interest of many present that Kay Avery, Jean Davies, Heloise Lee, Betty Burns, Anna Mae Cihacek, Dorothy Henning, June Johnson, Betty Dolan, and Maryetta Foley of the class of 1940 were the young ladies who presented the master candle for the candlelighting ceremony. from the taper already lighted in the formal ceremony.

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Post War Russia and the United States

by Joseph Gaiser

Several far-reaching questions regarding Post-War Russia are being discussed on our own and many other campuses today. Among these are the following:

First, what boundaries will the USSR demand? It is clear that Stalin will demand a permanent defense belt running through Esthonia, Latvia and Lithuania. The portion of Poland reached by agreement with the Nazis in 1939 will remain a permanent part of Russia in all probability, as will Bessarabia and Dodrudja. Certain demands insuring access to the Bosjhorus and the Dardanelles are also certain to follow. The Finnish problem was settled in 1940.

A second question bothering many students of Post-War Russia concerns her political activity. Will Stalin insist on spreading the Soviet doctrine of Communism or State Socialism? It appears that here we must face the fact that such propaganda will tend to spread itself. A victorious and militarily and industrially strong Russia will have a powerful appeal to peoples of smaller, weaker countries will cause a truning to the conquering nation Russia. Already this can be seen in the work General Tito in Yugoslavia with his Soviet-friendly Partisans. The same appears to be true in Poland, Rumania and other countries where strong Soviet-like groups are already at work. It does not seem extremely unlikely, however, that the same type of activity will occur in the US.

A third question relates to the USSR economic structure. Will so-called Communism continue in Russia and can the US cooperate with such a system? The Russian system today is State Capitalism or Socialism rather than Communism. Stalin's aims have been to industrialize Russia by this state method. Russian goals of high production and a good standard of living are not greatly different from our own.

The question of the Russian anti-religious attitude has been widely discussed. For some years during the early part of the Revolution, religious persecution was an undeniable fact. One story of interest to college students in this connection is told by Barnard Pares. During these persecution years, it is said, examiners of candidates for the Russian university inarticulation asked the follow-

ing question: "What is God?" Candidate answered, "God is a prejudice of the middle classes." "Good," says the examiner. "You have passed." "Thank God," fervently exclaimed the young man. Today however, religious freedom is again appearing. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, says that thirty-thousand religious communities in Russia are functioning freely, with premises provided tax-free.

Pips and Pokes

Ahhh—I see the prettiest things—green cadets 'n pink girls, pretzels 'n hic!!! 'Scuse my back anal-ion manner—oh—my stupor is getting clear—Pass my eyedrops Poppy—Yes, I see "Suzie" Fra-zier, freshman, gnashing her teeth—Got those dates mixed up again "Suzie"?

Now I see Phylcia McLoughlin, freshman, floating around on the billows—her special someone may be home for Christmas—Lucky gal.—Careful Betty Hill, your sailor (Bless dem little sailors) been asking about your other affairs.—Can't figure this one out—How could Pat McMillan, sophomore, refuse to talk about Vernon Knowles? Is she ashamed? Oh! lookee the big scrap drive at Eooo Cene Hall (Hags Hut). Gwen Chester, sophomore, just contributed A-S Bill Ingraham's wings.—Members of the "Onward and Upward" cast said that Janie Richardson, sophomore, was perfect "Hilda", the heroine. Now we know; cause we saw the melodrama December 9.—Joyce McPherson, a sophomore, has dated a sailor friend of her Johnny's for the Christmas Formal—Now there's a happy kid! Dorothy Ball, sophomore happy about the visit from her "beautiful-hunk-of flying-instructor". He came a long way to see her too. I see the "Weeping Widows" of the old Squadron A wish all to know they have forsaken their mourning clothes and are now ready—willing—and waiting for a chance to go out again. The Eager Beaver Squadron E has lost its prestige in

FASHIONS

by Marion Terrill

Ah! Dame Fashion! To thee we the co-eds of E. O. C. daff our chapeaus. In order to keep the best foot forwad we must struggle and strive to make a selection from our college wardrobes; sometimes to the point of emulating our already over worked mental capacities.

Vogue has it that the "43" college girl is aiming to dress more in keeping with color schemes and sensible combinations.

I believe that the good old stand-by skirt, sweater, anklets and oxfords will always be the symbol of life on a campus.

Dame fashion was certainly faced to take a back seat during Freshman initiation days, but there are times when we feel like wearing purple and red or something just as outrageous.

It is up to us college girls to keep the traditional flame kindled in the field of fashion. It is also our duty to keep up morale, and the well groomed girl is always an inspiration.

Watch this column from time to time for new and suggestive ideas that may be introduced by some lively and fashionable lass of the student body.

the eyes of Jean Ziet's cadet nurse. She has diverted her attention to Squadron C. What have they got? Money, technique (ouch) or better haircuts? Oh! here comes Santy Claus. Lookee what he has for C. N. C. Hall—he's got a book by Emily Post; for E. O. Cene hall a new house poppa; for Duration Lodge some non-slip-grip-clips, guaranteed to get your man anywhere, anyplace, or unless any conditions. For all the Squadrons, a new, more beautiful, curvociovs Mabel—(nothin for Squadron D) and years of success in their flying.—Am bi-ginning to see thru the fog—Can't dream no more.—You'll hear from me next time.—hic!!!!

STUDY MADE

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chological factor. It may even explain the reason for the greater tendency to cheat on the part of members of character-building organizations. Should we offer rewards in the form of merit badges, high grades, and classroom recognitions? It might be argued that it would be a questionable policy

to eliminate all such rewards inas-much as these very pupils will later enter vocations where reward is given for outstanding achievement."

To meet the problem of cheating, Johnson feels that not only should more intensive studies be made of this problem and results published and made available to those who are interested in attacking the problem, but also some form of organized programs of character education should be developed in our schools, churches, and homes. Mere abstract teaching of principles of desirable hcaracter behavior appears relatively ineffective.

"Provision should be made in curriculum for instruction in honesty and character development through specific and concrete situations and experiences involving the practice of honest and desirable character behavior. Such a method should create within the child a sincere desire to succeed by the exercise of honest and yet profitable means."

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Beacon Editor Interviews Flyer

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First Lt. William "Bill" Cantrel, EOC graduate of 1941 and student in the first CPT program here, related several of the experiences he has had in the 2 years he has been in the Marine Air Corps during an interview with the Beacon editor December 29. One of the most interesting was a crash landing in the Pacific. Cantrel stated that he was flying an old fighter which had been shot up in previous combat. One wheel of his landing gear dropped and the other remained in place making anything but a crash landing impossible. The fact that the field was not open for landing complicated matters so Cantrel dropped his plane alongside a freighter. The plane sank in 25 seconds. Cantrel said "One minute I was flying; the next minute I was swimming." It was a funny feeling. A Higgins boat picked him up and took him to shore. He agreed the water was a softer landing place than the field.

The squadron with which Cantrel was fighting has a record of 28 planes destroyed and 14 which were probably destroyed. The unit received the presidential citation. Cantrel also wears bars for pre-war service, service within the US and service in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre. He flies fighter planes on patrol, escort, and strafing duty. After finishing his work here, Cantrel was sent to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he graduated and received his wings. He came home on leave before going to San Diego, which he called the "Jumping off place of the world because so many men were sent out from there."

After 2 years of service, 14 months of which were in active duty, Cantrel said that things weren't always good, but "There is always a humorous side." He proved his point by laughingly emphasizing the fact that if you look at anything long enough on a South Sea island it will crawl away.

When asked what he thought about the school he said "It looks familiar. I even remembered to throw away my cigarette at the bottom of the steps—it seemed so natural."

Following her interview with Cantrel, the Beacon Editor received the following communication from the Public Relations Section of the U. S. Marines.

Marine Corps Air Depot, Miramar, Calif., First Lieutenant William A. Cantrel, 23, of 1514 Monroe Avenue, La Grande, Ore. member of a Marine fighter squadron dubbed the "Eight Ball" squadron because of its early string of bad breaks, has returned from months of aerial action in the South Pacific.

The fighter pilot, who has amassed 200 combat flight hours on 85 missions of protective cover for our dive bombers and strafing Jap ground installations, recalled his scrapes with the enemy.

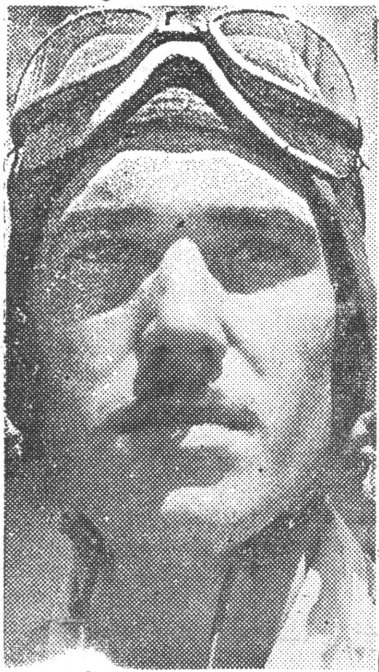
"We had just completed a strafing raid on Ballale," he said, "when we intercepted by four Zeros. Two were following low and two that we didn't see at first were above us.

"One pulled up behind me, and I immediately did a nose over and when I pulled up again, he was trailing another one of our planes. Seeing the dangerous situation of my buddy, I did a wing over and made an underneath pass at the Jap.

"We swapped plenty of lead, some of which struck in my plane's tail section. I don't know for certain whether my fire struck his plane, but he withdrew and didn't return. We ran into a

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1st LIEUT. WILLIAM CANTREL



Pays Visit to his Alma Mater on Leave from South Pacific

SUPERVISING TEACHER WEDS ILLINOIS GIRL

Mr. Roy O. Schilling, supervisor of teaching at Ackerman training school while home for his Christmas vacation in Illinois, claimed for his bride the former Miss Rachel Rogers of Delavan, Illinois. The couple were united at the Emden Christian Church in Emden, Illinois, and left soon after for their new home in La Grande.

The bride attended the Indiana State Medical center in Indianapolis and was graduated from the Mennonite school of nursing there. After her graduation she served on the supervising staff at Mennonite. For the last several months she has been a member of the nursing staff at the Gailey eye clinic.

Mr. Schilling attended the University of Wyoming and received his Bachelor of Education Degree from Illinois state normal university and his master of arts degree from Columbia University.

Mr. Schilling began his supervisory work at Ackerman at the beginning of the school term in September.

I. R. C. TO MAKE WAR MAP

Members of the International Relations Club have begun a map project which will be posted on the club bulletin board and which will show the progress of our armies. The club is also planning its annual assembly program for January 26. It will be a round table discussion of building the Peace in Europe.

OUTSTANDING STUDENTS FEATURED AT HONOR ASSEMBLY

Ten scholarship winners for the winter quarter were honored at the traditional "Honor Assembly" December 29. Tuition scholarships for candidates for the Bachelor of Science degree from the Dr. Frank L. Ralston Fund were awarded to Irma Klinghammer and Jennie Williams. Winners of the part-tuition scholarships offered by the state were Nieyalee Frasier, Dufur; Mary Frances Bailie, La Grande, Helen Mason, Prineville; Betty Zane Graven, Richland, Arloeen Krause, La Grande, Kathryn Harris, Willowcreek; Emily Otis, Adrian, and Dorothy Wallis, Vale.

Mr. Johnson, registrar, read the Honor Roll for the fall quarter. Elizabeth Foley of La Grande held top honors with a straight "A" card. She has never fallen below this standard. Those receiving 3.5 to 4.0 were Carol George, Arloeen Krause, Eta Lou McCabe, Jessie Jackson Michael, Janette Richardson, Dorothy Wallis, Elaine Coleman, Freida Whyte, and Jeanne Zeits. Mary Frances Bailie, Dora Herron Brooks, Neivalee Frazier, Bessie Golay, Betty Zane Braven, Kathryn Harris, Robert Kopp, Phylcia McLaughlin, Emily Otis, Franya Prudhomme Inez Towle, Jennie Williams, Irma Klinghammer, Elizabeth Kibby, Frank Howard, Rosella Hraskey Alice Huebsch, Beverly Rhoads, Lyleth Sutliff, and Juanita Tracy earned from 3.0 to 3.4.

ROLAND HAYES COMING FOR CONCERT

Roland Hayes, well known negro soloist, is scheduled to appear at the LDS Tabernacle under the auspices of the College Assembly Committee at 8:00 o'clock January 28 in a performance for both the AAFCTD and regular students. Admission will be by presentation of the student body ticket.

Hayes was born in a backwoods Georgia town in a state of poverty. He attended Fiske University and studied in Boston under the late Arthur J. Hubbard. His first successful concert was given in Symphony Hall. While journeying in foreign countries, he has sung many native songs in their native tongues which is a feat rarely accomplished by many vocalists.

Mr. Hayes appearance here is one of the series of performances by well known artists which the assembly committee has planned for the student body.

REGISTRATION DROPS

Registration dropped to 86 from 172 which were registered winter term last year. This is the enrollment of the regular students of the college. In addition, 25 cadet nurses have enrolled with a few more expected to come in later.

We have 6 new students enrolled this term. Those who enrolled for the first time are Richard Bunting, David Eshelman, Vernon Russel, and Elma Larson. We have two former students who enrolled this term, Jo Fritschie Fabre, grad of '41 and Ruth Hulse, grad of '43.

NAVY, MARINES REPRESENTED

Highlighting the assembly December 29, were a series of short speeches by four of the former college students who are in the service. John Ferdinandsen and Leland Pleger who are in the V-12 program at the University of Washington in Seattle gave their impressions of a day in the navy when you are in officers training. Both fellows laughed at the restrictions given fellows who have a grade point average of less than 3.5.

The marines were represented by Norman West who is taking work in the V-12 program at the College of Pacific at Stockton, California, and William Cantrel who has been in active duty. West has had an opportunity to play football under Couch Stag and amused his listeners by telling of this "Grand Old Couch" who called his boys together in a hotel lobby by blowing his whistle. He also informed the group that seats were assigned in assemblies at the College of Pacific.

Cantrel told of his experiences in the Solomon Islands. They included sleeping in the rain and digging fox holes which he found most useful.

"YOUNG MR. LINCOLN" SHOWN AT ASSEMBLY

The film "Young Mr. Lincoln" with Henry Fonda playing the part of Abraham Lincoln was shown to the college students at assembly January 5, under the auspices of the Audio-Visual Aids class and was run by Jennie Williams.

The story dealt with Lincoln's law practice which was established immediately after he had gone to law school. The climax of the story came in a courtroom scene when Lincoln made a daring accusation thus saving his client from the gallows.

The finale was pictured with Abraham Lincoln walking up the crest of a hill while withstanding the rigors of a storm. The ending was symbolic of Lincoln's later life for he constantly moved on to greater and finer things no matter what the odds.

FRANK HOWARD COMPLETES BS REQUIREMENTS

Frank Howard, son of Mrs. Erma Howard of La Grande, completed the requirements for his Bachelor of Science Degree in elementary education last term. Howard, who has been in the Naval Reserve, was permitted to continue his work last fall in order that he might receive his degree before entering active service.

During his four years on the campus, "Frankie" has been an outstanding student taking part in both community and college affairs. He was president of Sock and Buskin, a charter member of the local chapter of Alpha Psi Omega, the dramatics honorary, and business manager of Sock and Buskin, a charter member of role was the part of King Claudius in "Hamlet."

Additional activities include membership in Theta Delta Phi, the men's scholastic honorary, Phi Beta Sigma, national teacher's honorary, and Alpha Rho Tau, an organization for art students. He has also taken part in music activities and served as manager of the college book store.

Mr. Howard is waiting for his call into the Navy, which he expects in the near future.

SIGNS FEATURE OF WINTER MIXER

The sign "Duration Lodge 346J. This is a paid advertisement" was one of many which decorated the auditorium for the annual Winter Mixer January 7. General chairman for the mixer was Dorothy Scholl. She was assisted by Maye Kirkpatrick who was responsible for refreshments, Lois Ward whose committee planned the decorations, and Jean Evans and Warren Michael who took care of the entertainment and clean-up respectively.

Intermission entertainment was furnished by Pat McMillan who gave two piano numbers and Jean Evans who gave a vocal solo. Evelyn Scott was the accompanist.

JANE THE JINX

By Coleman

This is the story of Jane, the Jinx, who erred when she repeated a terrible statement. She said that the age of Chivalry is dead, and she made the mistake of saying it to her roommate, Mabel, who was enjoying a mud pack facial, paper curlers, and the last three pages of "The Corpse in the Bass Drum."

"Why honey," said Mabel authoritatively, (for she was a wise gal in her way) "if it's dead, the American girl killed it. I've whacked it up some myself, but I was coming to the entrance at school, and I decided then and there to turn over a new leaf. Instead of bolting to beat the man who was following me at a four-yard disadvantage (cute he was, too) I stood right there and waited for him to open the door for me; yessir, I sure did. Of course, I thanked him for it, though. I'd hate to try to be a gentleman, always openin' doors for ungrateful fems, and never even getting thanked for it."

After this lengthy discourse, Mabel munched another chocolate and went on reading, while her friend, Jane the Jinx, a bit less wise, sadly started putting her hair up in curlers.

Jane did not know, Poor soul, that for young men to be courteous they must be given the opportunity. She always jumped out of cars on a date (when lucky enough to have one) before her escort could get around to open the

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C. C. C.

To many persons the initials C. C. C. stand for the U. S. Civilian Conservation Corps, but to at least 14 members of the college student body and faculty it means the College Christian Council. This group is made up of representatives of the various religions represented on the campus with each group represented by one member. The Ministerial Association of La Grande is represented by Rev. Arthur Stanley who was elected by the student representatives. Mr. Lyle Johnson represents the faculty and Sergeant Adams speaks for the AAFCTD.

The college Christian Council began in the Spring of 1942 under the advisorship of Dr. L. H. Bussard and sponsored its first College Christian Council Conference that term. Since that time the council has sponsored two more conferences one of which was an event of last quarter. Future plans include a second conference for this school year. Among the less noticed activities of the council are its Vesper services which are held once a term. These services are student sponsored and the major part of the program is supplied by talent from the regular student body and the AAFCTD.

Many members of the College Christian Council are interested in the joint meetings of the various churches which are held every Sunday evening from 5:30 to 7:30. These meetings rotate among the churches of the town. This activity is not sponsored by the council but receives the council's support. Their programs include worship, discussion, singing, and social periods.

The College Christian Council is not composed of a group of religious fanatics or social prigs. The members of the council are chosen because of their interest in practical religion and their willingness to work on any school function. The purpose of the council is, in part, to fill the gap left by lack of courses in religion on the campus. The group has received the high commendation of the townspeople and the Ministerial Association as well as the college faculty and students.

Jennie Louise Williams.

It was good to read the news that Carlson's Raiders, spearhead of many of the Marine Corps most important drives, were on the warpath again at Tarawa.

Carlson's career has been almost as intriguingly unpredictable as that of T. E. Lawrence, the Oxford aesthetic turned conqueror of Arabia. In recent months, the press has not mentioned Carlson's whereabouts and, knowing his penchant for the unorthodox, many observers began to draw analogies to Lawrence's sudden obscurity after his famous success in organizing the Arabs against the Turks.

The son of a Vermont minister, Carlson is on his way to a unique achievement in American military history: he has created a new kind of fighting unit within a larger unit. Probably, his innovations in fighting technique and morale are largely responsible for his fame. Certainly he is the perfect antithesis to the regular, West Point Army Career man.

Enlisting at the age of 16, he served throughout the Philippine insurrection, and later rose to a captaincy and a presidential citation under Pershing in World War 1. But then, without apparent reason, Carlson resigned his army commission and enlisted in the Marines as a private. Col. Lawrence is said to have pulled an analogous stunt after the last war, when he is said to have resigned his colonelcy and joined a R.A.F. as a private soldier.

Carlson's object, however, was not to escape into obscurity. This man was somehow different from the conventional professional soldier. He had a mind and a will of his own and intended to use it. Just what direction his mind and will was destined to take did not become apparent until he was assigned to duty under Adm. Yarnell in Asia. There, after doing intelligence work in China and Japan, the marine corps captain was appointed to spend two years studying the famed Chinese Eighth Route Army. For two years, 1937-38, Captain Carlson lived and learned with the most original guerilla army in the world. When he came back he wrote two books, "Twin Stars Over China" and "The Chinese Army." He told of how the guerilla fought behind enemy lines, and how each man fought best because he was fighting for an idea and an ideal and not because he was drafted.

Carlson learned more than guerilla tactics—the same tactics the Raiders are using so effectively—from

the Chinese. He was impressed by what one writer has called "the military value of comradeship, between officers and men, of teaching soldiers why they are fighting, substituting reason for arbitrary command, and of arousing popular enthusiasms for the job ahead." Life, Look, and the Stavenpost have all run spreads on Carlson and his raiders. They know more about it than we do, but we know, as much as they, the importance of a man such as Lt. Col Carlson to an Army of democracy.

Blondie's Corner Stupid Chatter From EOCene

Calling all girls, calling all girls, calling all girls between 7 and 99!

The single male population here is to be diminished by about 99 44-100 per cent. Leap year, its wonderful! Some of these girls seem to be rushing it a little though by the look of all the beautiful new diamonds after Christmas. Have you seen Jean Ledridge's sparkler? We hear Ramona Henderson was out with three different aviation students last week and also that she had those wings hocked over vacation. Don't tell Mother but its rumored that Joyce McLain and Walter Preston "Darlin" White, Jr. are going to be married on the second Sunday in April 1948 Lots of records are being broken at E. O. C. this term and not the least of these is the matter of assignments in classes. Dr. Addy challenges any and all faculty members to assign more work to students than she does Is Frankie Howard really going to take nurse's training. They say the uniforms are very becoming Could the flu among the town girls be due to all these service men home from camps where they have it!!!! That must have been some pajama party that Chuck Younger walked in on at one a.m. anyhow Frances Pyle was happy Duration seems to be having man-trouble with all these steady couples breaking up Since they have these new double bunks in their room Pat Pearce says she knows what the soldiers mean by "Fall Out" Ron Moeller, flu victim, has been asking about Marion Snider We're all wondering about the going's on at Duration on New Year's Eve Going with Joyce McLain is getting to be a dangerous occupation for aviation students A little bird whispers that these new students, Richard Bunting, David Eshelman and Vernon Russell don't have to be in at 8 every evening, no wonder they're popular.

"Blondie"

GOSSIP COLUMN

What most of us would like to know is how Dude Roberts gets the gasoline, the lucky man Cupids latest conquest—Helen Parsons and Bill Johnson and that's a pretty ring, Helen Bashful girls finally broke down and asked equally bashful boys to the Winter Mixer Kenny Beppler's red-headed girl friend seems to rate the corsages and candy Aviation Students falling over this library when the girls go out Our sympathy to Miss Zabel but oh, those lucky freshmen with three subjects from her Ramona Henderson has been buying dishes lately Marilyn Patten in teaching P. E. class seemed to be quite enthusiastic about being a "Sweet William" It's anybody's guess why Dorothy Scholl doesn't like fire drill on rowdy night Why the sudden interest in cadets on Dorothy Wallis's part? Squadron "D" seems to like to serenade the girls

CNC Hall Mouse

Hope eva' body had a Merry Christmas and I wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year.

As for me I'm still tipsy from that big large Christmas dinner and I'll consider myself prosperous if I get the same next year. I slipped in Lucille Winebarger's pocket and went home with her for the Christmas holidays and boy, we had one glorious time down there in Myrtle Creek, so I won't be able to tell you what happened here in La Grande.

Tuesday morning I found the girls crawling out of bed and getting ready for registration day. They were all decked out in their new Christmas presents and Jean Ledridge was wearing something special. OH! Jeannie, I forgot, I wasn't suppose to announce this was I, but you must excuse this little mouse just this once.

Skipping up to class with the girls Wednesday morning I found them on a new schedule. They have now included in their week's routine, introduction to medical science, professional adjustments, and history of nursing.

Well wrinkle my tail and call me curly, the evening of January 10 I skipped down to eat and there was—Miss Smith, our Dean of Women, having dinner with the nurses. After we had finished eating, everyone started running out of the house so I went too and followed eight of the girls and Miss Smith down to the bowling alley. There a lot of fun (but low scores) was had by all. Anyway from all the giggling it looked as if they were enjoying themselves. Don't tell that I told but Marjorie Meek made the highest score.

Well, guess I'd better quit gossiping now and go take care of Pat Davis 'cause she's got that awful flu.

Look for me in two more weeks. Abby

P. S. Here's a copy of the typical letters that the nurse's get from the aviation students.

"Dere Gal wif the rosy cheeks and the purty eyeball,

I wude like to see yo acrost the table from me sat nite over presarved turnips, hawg side and corn pone. Sich a purty gal as you desarves the best vittles that can be had.

As yo kin plainly see, ah has affeshun for yo.

The cuntry lookin soljer writ by hand

with a talk on cancer and some vocal numbers. Mr. McGrath completed the talk on cancer which he began at a previous assembly and showed the remainder of his films.

Miss Krause sang "Trees" and "Brown Bird." She was accompanied by Evelyn Scott.

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If you were to stroll up to the nearest Aviation Student and ask him about the national elections in 1944, he would probably answer, "What's it to me?" Yet it is the same young man who will, after the war, join in the general yip for veterans pensions, bonuses, special considerations in education, reemployment and salaries. How can you have anything but a gorgeous mess when the men of a nation evince no interest whatsoever in their representatives?

George Barnard Shaw, the eminent Irish comic, remarked, on discussing the democratic process, "The choice has always been between the incompetent many and the corrupt few." It seems to us that democracy must always rest on the many and on our good judgement in picking representatives. Certainly Hitler, and his clique, are competent men. But they were not the People's men.

This essay is no argument for either party or any candidate. It is a plea for some knowledge of, and interest in, the nature and political destinies of our nations. The soldiers of this war may have the opportunity to vote in the elections of 1944. A bill has been introduced into the Senate agenda with that express purpose. If the soldier vote is actually cast it may decide the elections one way or another.

Vote as your sense of right dictates, but at least vote and know the reason why.

Santa Ana, California, Jan 3—When it happened to Lieutenant Tom Harmon the second time, Army Air Force trainees couldn't miss the point.

Once in South America, again in China, physical conditioning—the rugged "all out" kind that student pilots, bombardiers, navigators, gunners and technicians are getting throughout the AAF Training Command's nationwide network of flying and technical schools—had pulled the former Michigan all-American through again. Many a trainee saw the lesson and took it to heart.

Forced to bail out of a bomber over Guiana last April, Lieut. Harmon fought his way through jungles and swamps for a week, came out alive to fight again as a Lightning pilot in North Africa, then China. He said his physical condition had saved him.

Downed in a recent air attack on a Yangtze River port, on Oct. 30, he has turned up again.

His faith in peak physical condition had paid dividends again. The men who were his AAF physical training instructors say that as an aviation cadet and flier Lieutenant Harmon plunged with all his energy into the physical program. A headline gridiron career had given him strength and stamina, and it had also taught him the value of staying in top form.

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STRICTLY G. I.

SOLDIER PASS THIS ADVICE ON

Due to the increasing problem of theft and forgery of government allotment and allowance checks, the Treasury Department requests that all service men pass on to their dependents the following advice:

- (1) Never endorse a check until you are in the presence of the person who will cash it.
 - (2) Be sure you have a deep, substantial mailbox. Have your name clearly printed on it. **KEEP IT LOCKED.**
 - (3) Whenever possible, arrange with the carrier to deliver the check personally.
 - (4) Notify Postal authorities immediately of any change of address.
 - (5) Cash your check at the same place each month.
 - (6) Cash your check yourself. Don't send children to cash checks. Such a practice encourages juvenile delinquency.
 - (7) **DO NOT FOLD, PIN OR MUTILATE ALLOTMENT OR ALLOWANCE CHECKS. THIS IS IMPORTANT.**
- You have merely to clip or copy this all-important advice and mail it to the folks back home. It may be the means of preventing future trouble or inconvenience. **DO IT NOW.**

YOU'D BETTER GET IT!

A number of you Eager Beavers who consider yourselves quite "on the ball" are missing the boat when it comes to G. I. Insurance! Although a fairly high percentage of you are now insured for the full amount of \$10,000, there are still some of you "standing short." The maximum monthly premium for any of you, on \$10,000 insurance is \$6.90—Mighty cheap isn't it? Get permission from the Commandant of Students and see Sgt. Adams at detachment Headquarters concerning your Insurance.

them apart. They're always saying the right thing to the wrong one.

Mr. V. A. would appreciate it if the First Sgt. wouldn't find week-end details for him. It's not fair to pull rank to date someone else's girl Sarge. That same First Sergeant is also known as the cradle robber. I hear she has an older sister twelve, Mr. Michelet.

Our walking pharmacist's counter is on the verge of another vocal collapse. He claims none of the glamor of this town is in his arms yet. That wasn't a store dummy I saw you with last week Mister.

What makes Lt. Sexton that way? I've heard it's his girl and his Saturday night get togethers with her and her Red Buick.

This is all for now, you future hot pilots. Don't forget to turn the news in to yours truly.

SQUADRON "B"

M. L. Smith

It is well known that Squadron B did NOT get Honor Squadron for the week, but we would rather have you focus your sights upon that red, white and blue streamer that adorn's B's guide-on this MONTH. . .

Really, it has been quite a while since an item concerning Squadron B has appeared in THE BEACON. We extend our sincere apologies for such an oversight.

There are a couple of other honors which have been extended to Squadron B recently. We have had the privilege of being razzed as the "Eager Beaver" boys of La Grande and also for giving the present honor squadron (initial unknown) the temporary privilege of carrying the blue and yellow ribbons. We express our appreciation and congratulations.

Another distinction has been given us. We usually eat after the other three groups in the Sac Hotel, and everyone can't have that privilege. You have to work for it! It takes lots of bucking.

Frankly, Squadron B believes that it is responsible for the top notch condition of the detachment. Squadron B, so to speak, has become the ideal, the goal, toward which the other groups must strive. There has been a new attitude among the Cadets since our arrival. It can best be expressed by the slogan: "BEAT SQUADRON B AND WE WIN."

The outstanding feature of last week was the Christmas dinner and New Year Holiday. Many of the Aviation students at the Sac played host to out-of-town visitors. Those visiting Squadron B members were:

Mr. Varn L. Wolfe, Athens, Ohio, father of Aviation Student Miles E. Wolfe.

Mrs. William E. Stanifer, Indianapolis, Indiana, wife of Aviation Student William E. Stanifer.

Mrs. C. Lempitsky, Hartford, Connecticut, wife of Aviation Student C. P. Lempitsky.

Miss Jean Ledridge, Island City, Oregon, fiancée of Aviation Student Marshall L. Smith.

Miss Irma Brown, Columbus, Ohio, fiancée of Aviation Student G. A. Testaguzza.

Also present were Miss Una Vollrath, sister of Aviation Student E. J. Vollrath and Miss Lena Testaguzza, sister of the above mentioned betrothed A-S G. A. Testaguzza.

Well, that is all the news that is fit to print. So until the censors loosen up a bit, be seein' ya. . .

SQUADRON "C"

William Mills

Led by R. B. Jones and Chuck Schillinger, Squadron C's basketeers won their tenth straight en-

counter, recently, when they took charge of Bombardiers; A-S T. P. Squadron B down another notch Moore leads the radiomen, and to the tune of 34-17. Don Sloan A-S Kenneth Walsh has much was B's big gun, even in defeat. . . competition as gunner. Also A-S

Squadron C, originally part of the group of pre-cadets which came to La Grande from Amarillo last October, is rapidly gaining the distinction of being the detachment "melting pot." They have members representing about every squadron here, and they have just acquired a few old codgers from the late, but not much lamented, Squadron E.

Promotion of the week: Sgt Mc-Lear to the rank of Flight Lt. (Say, Mac, do you like being O. D. on the week-ends? Or were you just a poor, innocent victim of circumstances?)

Oscar Lotka came back just in time to celebrate the New Year with his buddies and four bottles of Canadian Club, but he is unhappy at leaving "D" squadron for the much more on the ball Squadron "C" Seems as though he is in a hurry to get to Santa Ana.

What's this latest rumor about the restriction period at Santa Ana being reduced to fifteen days? Los Angeles, here we come!

. . . We don't wish to seem inquisitive, or anything like that, but what class in the library is it that you have to be on crutches to attend . . . or at least you have to have a good limp? Huh

Enough is enough and sometimes too much; as in this case. Be good, but not too good, or we won't have anything to write about. See you in two weeks.

P. S. Herbie Jones, another Chicago boy, has been in the hospital four times during his stay here. Who said La Grande was a healthy place. Last time Herb collapsed on the dance floor; Christmas. What he needs is a sick leave and some of mother's home cooking and a wee bit of that invigorating Chicago night life. Duke Ellington is at the Boulevard Room of the re-civilianized Stevens Hotel. Just like Zuber Hall, they say. But don't ask me. I'm only a student captain.)

SQUADRON "D"

Several weeks ago we moved to Dorian Hall to join the rest of the squadron. All of us had a grand reunion with the members of the "basement gang" who entertained us with the latest jokes and poems as originated by A-S James Riddle and A-S Sweeny.

Since everyone has started flying, there have been several groups of "Hot Pilots" organizing sections according to their flying ability. For instance the Mechanics have A-S John Stamper as leader; A-S Fred Wehmeyer in

Moore leads the radiomen, and A-S Kenneth Walsh has much competition as gunner. Also A-S Harry Wells heads the list of Navigators. Each section has about twenty men which leaves no one in the pilot seat. (How true -

Speaking of flying, A-S Russel Meinke has trouble with his check points. Ever since a farmer moved a certain haystack, Meinke gets lost flying his rectangular course. It is rumored that his main check points are now cows which are always in the same pasture.

The Smith boys have set a style by wearing their "Coke Buttons" on their caps—Looks just like a bunch of recruits across the pond!

Have you heard the joke about A-S T. C. Sadler doing a stall, spin and gaining 400 ft. of altitude at the same time? Also the best joke lately is the one about a certain unnamed student whose instructors performed a series of acrobatics which had the student wondering where his stomach was. Then the instructor nonchalantly pulls out a hamburger and offers the student a Bite! (He didn't Bite!-

THE STOOGES

I'm the co-pilot, I sit on the right; I'm not important, just part of the flight. I never talk back lest I have regrets, But I have to tell the pilot what he forgets.

I make out the flight plan and study the weather; Pull up the gear and stand by to feather; Make out the forms and do the reporting, And fly the old crate when the pilots a-courting.

I take the readings, adjust the power, Handle the flaps and call the tower; Tell him where we are on the darkest nights, And do all the book work without any lights.

I call for my pilot and buy him cokes. I always laugh at his corny jokes, And once in a while, when his landings are rusty. I come through with, "Gawd, but it's gusty!"

All in all I'm a general stooge As I sit on the right with the man I call Scrooge. I guess you think that is past understanding But maybe some day he will give me a landing.

—Anonymous

WITH THE SQUADRONS

SQUADRON "A"

A-S Ken Beppler

As the Beacon goes to press after a vacation enjoyed by both the A-S's and the girls about town, we find some new Eager Beavers in our midst and some new additions to the Beacon Staff. The girls seem to like the new Beavers judging by the showing they had there last weekend in E. O. Cene Hall. I hope a word to the wise is sufficient, leave that Bundle of Joy with the beautiful red hair alone. She's already spoken for.

To get down to the news and gossip from the future Honor Squadron, we find Lt Briggs has been presented with a club to beat the wolves off his girl. Would you like some more help Lieutenant. Orchids to the boys who pray nightly that Santa Ana is our next stop.

Onions to that man who thinks he is a second Harry James and gives out with the jive after lights out. If he doesn't stop he's going to swallow a cornet, the boys won't be very gentle about it either. He interrupts their sweet dreams of Suzy. By the way, has anyone seen Suzy lately? Most of the boys of this Squadron are dying to meet her. She's all they say

she is boys, I've seen her, and how!

HELP WANTED

A good man is wanted who can tell us why the gentlemen with the green gig plus are Honor Squadron this week. Captain La-Mar would also like a man to tell him why Squadron A has lost it's eagerness.

Paging Miss Pat Shorb;

A good man of this Squadron would give a months O. P. to meet you. Please relieve the strain on him and us and introduce yourself. Ask any Sqdn A man who he is.

Why does a certain C. O. sit in his room Saturday nights and read old love letters? What's the matter Sir, no local glamor? A-S R. G. is so popular with the ladies they call him up and ask him for dates. Don't you wish you had his technique Captain

One of the best conclusions yet turned in for a Physics experiment is, quote, Conclusion-Confusion.

Another of California's lady killers is standing girls up right and left. Remember Mr. Buzzone, this isn't Hollywood where you have hundreds to choose from and you can stand them up when you want to.

Two men of this fair Squadron would like twins to put gig pins on themselves so they can tell

Duration Doings

By K. Harris

We have acquired three new members since winter term began. They are Jo Fabre, Shirley Coleman, and Dorothy Jacobsen, all of Pendleton.

Mrs. Milne, was ill with the flu last week so Sunday some of the girls took over in the kitchen with a few disastrous results. The chicken cookers had much difficulty with the gizzard and after losing it accused the pie baker of cutting it up and putting it in the pie, whereupon said pie baker, indignantly asserted that she had done no such thing! The case was never settled, and the gizzard has not yet been accounted for. The eight cooks had dinner on the table only an hour or so late, and those who had been brave enough to stay for dinner ate heartily.

Thursday evening Miss Smith was a dinner guest here, but the girls did not do the cooking this time for which Miss Smith was probably very thankful.

Will the scoundrel who maliciously flattened our mail box come out from under cover and unflatten it? If not we will have to get in touch with the FBI to track down the criminal for this is not a trivial matter! The mail box as it now stands is utterly useless and the mailman refuses to deliver mail when we have no mail box. We have been using a waste paper basket but there is always the danger of someone's burning the contents for wastepaper. Let us hope that whoever committed this unpardonable crime will make amends—but suddenly!

FACULTY OPENS WAR LOAN DRIVE

The faculty opened the 4th War Loan Drive with a gala "stampede" featuring games of chance with War Savings Stamps as the stakes Monday evening, January 17, in the Ackerman casino.

The handbill announcing the evening's program read: "Come well heeled 'podners' and bring your pistol packin' mammas. Four bits of fun for everyone—35c in war stamps, win, lose, draw; 15c for the all-girl chorus."

The heavy winner for the evening was not announced for fear of possible robbery. All that is know by the reporter is that he was whisked away in an armored car under heavy guard. (Or, was he a she?)

The evening was in general charge of Charles "Master of Ceremonies" Quaintance.

John "Montana Kid" Westover using the 'Montana prone position' presided at the wheel of fortune where many lost the total of a ten-cent war stamp.

"Bingo" Baily Stevens paid off at one mill per point at the bingo game while Carlos "Cold Deck"

IT BELONGS TO YOU

ORIGINAL POEM
by A-S T. A. Rykken

Each day we rise at the sound of a bell—
Dress in a hurry, and run like everything
Down five stairs, through the mezzanine—
Fall in outside, our faces quite green.

"Close interval, fall in," is the sergeant's toast—
And after "Report!", he cries out, "Post"
We march to chow, watching our dress—
By the way, it's right when they call it mess.

We eat in a hurry, and run upstairs—
To dust the furniture, and pick up the hairs.
At 6:35 a clanging bell sounds,
And off we march to civilian grounds.

"Flight leaders, attention, march your men to class,"
And by fair-haired coeds, we starry-eyed pass.
A group of stiff soldiers the eye then meets,
'Til the instructor greets us by his command of "Seats."

So the morning goes by with glee,
Classes, supervised study, and then P. E.
Back to the hotel we march full force,
Singing out of tune, as a matter of course.

The dinner bell sounds—to our feet we spring.
"What-oh-what will this meal bring?"
Faces expectant, demeanor the best,
We stiffly stand at a straight parade rest.

Dinner over, upstairs we bound
At every turn to receive a fount.
So many men in a hotel this size
Never seems to me thoroughly wise.

Back to school, our shoulders sagging
The officers with us, continue nagging.
Classes and more classes we then attend
The thought strikes us "Will it ever end?"

15:30 brings with it a thrill—
The cheering thought—Now we can drill!
So out in the wind, dust or rain—
Right face! Left face! over again.

17:30 ends our scholastic day,
Off we march on the well-known way.
On the way we sing a cheery song—
10 keys we have to help us along.

Supper over, we retire to our rooms,
On the way, if possible, swiping brooms,
For inspection our rooms must be neat and clean
With joy we cry, "Get in that Latrine!"

With a sigh of relief we sit down and then
"With fatigues, fall out in the ballroom, men!"
So with faces bright, laughter hearty,
We prepare to attend a G. I. Party.

And then we must shave, in an hour, or so.
Darn these whiskers, how they grow.
And so to bed, there to rest
Until we're bounced from our wooly nest.

By the way, I forgot to mention,
Half of the time we stand at attention.—
Our every move is guided by yells—
From morn to eve we're roused by bells.

Oh life in Oregon is very La Grande,
When stiffly for hours we must stand.
But lest you get the wrong impression,
Here to you is our confession;
We like it!

Easley did the barking and dealt some black jacks on the side.

Erwin "Loan Stamp" Lange dispensed the tickets and acted as banker for the evening.

The evening ended with a number entitled "Coffee, Cookies, and Ice Cream" by the belles Easley, Quaintance, Lange, Westover, Stevens, and Johnson (E. V.).

KATHLEEN COMSTOCK AT CAMP LEJEUNE

A former student of the Eastern Oregon College of Education, Private Kathleen Comstock of the United States Marine Corps Women's Reserve, is now a student at

the Cooks and Bakers School at Camp Lejeune, New River North Carolina. There she is receiving practical instruction in the galley as well as classroom study in the theory and principles of cooking. Upon successful completion of the course she will be qualified for mess duty at one of the large mess halls within the United States.

Private Comstock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Seldon Comstock, of Cove, Oregon taught at Diamond and Vale, Oregon, before her enlistment in the Marine Corps.

Post Script to Wild Wisdom

Alvin R. Kaiser

I have read with interest the recent articles in Reader's Digest relating the intelligent acts of supposedly dumb, wild animals, but no squirrel, fox, skunk, or wasp mentioned can compare in wisdom with the filtrable virus that plague me in the everyday cold.

I have been instructing aviation students lately. They are poured into our training center from all climates of the U. S. A. (I cannot tell where this center is or how many students come monthly. That is a military secret. But even the military cannot keep their fast secrets from the filtrable virus) The boys come to me with every FV (filtrable virus) that ever existed, and since I am an easy victim to all types of colds, without exception, it seems, to me at least, that these pesky FV's are just hitchhiking a ride with Uncle Sam's boys in order to be able to attack my tender sinuses, my too-often-strained vocal cords, and my unresisting bronchial tubes.

The intelligence of these FV's, that defy man's most magnifying microscope, is appalling.

One day in class A-S Robert Smith came to me and huskily stated that he wanted to go to SC (sick call).

I said, "Laryngitis?"

He opened his mouth to reply, but the word seemed to choke him as he tried to pronounce it. Instead of a spoken reply, I got a none too well muffled sneeze right in the face. He was sorry I knew, but could not speak for the cough spasm.

I have my doubts whether he knew what I meant by laryngitis; in fact, he perhaps did not know that both he and I had a vocal instrument called the larynx. But did that protect him or me from the super wise FV. Indeed not. They found my larynx before the coming day and dug in for a weeks happy gnawing and chomping and breeding in the center tissues of my vocal bands.

The next day heard me croaking lessons at aviation students and showering them with the intelligent off-spring of the germs I had inherited the day before. Truly those were high I-Q FV's coming from the professor's throat for within the week they had found the larynx of every aviation student in the room. Our recitations would have done justice to Aristophanes' frog chorus.

I relate this as but one incident, for it was not the last. Several days later A-S George Smith (no

relative of the first carrier) came to me with a violent, deep-seated cough and asked if he might get a drink to relieve himself. I nodded approval and was glad to have him out of the room. He came back in a few minutes and told me apologetically that he had a bronchial infection. At least this boy knew where the "bronchi FV's" had made their attack. The coughs of the remainder of the group made me certain of the fact that millions of intelligent FV's had hit the same spot in all of the students present.

That evening a finger pressed by my young son on my trachea just above the wishbone revealed a soreness. The next day the bronchial cough was mine. My super intelligent FV's found the way to my son's bronchi and in turn attacked my wife in exactly the same location. These FV's had the intelligence to feast and breed in bronchi only.

I shall not relate how soon after these infections I received a migration of FV's bound for my sinuses, but from what I had observed in the new class of aviation students, I knew I had a head cold when the germs had taken full control. These sinus FV's" happened to be unusually vigorous, and I was forced to visit the doctor to have him help dislodge the horde that had thrown up such effective barricades that not even a flicker of air could pass through my nose.

On hearing me talk without the benefit of M's and N's, the learned medic knew immediately what my illness was, but from the torture that followed, I was convinced that the FV's schools have more effective means of teaching sinus location than do our vaunted, modern medical colleges. I had no pains when the millions of FV's entered my nose and turned off along the upper route of my sinuses, but when the doctor began probing my northwest passage with wire applicators, I was certain that his map was inaccurate or he had read it incorrectly. His applicator sailed in and dropped anchor in every bayou and inlet in the front portion of my face that before it struck sinus harbor that was accessible through my nostrils was so easily found by the more intelligent FV's.

When anyone speaks of the wisdom of the world, may he not forget the FV's whose knowledge exceeds that of the AMA in toto and whose schools successfully pass on their culture in the short span of twenty-four hours.

Everyone is wondering if Italy will expect rewards for her entry into the war on the side of the allies.

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Sports Column

DETAIL FOR THE DAY

Take my word for it. There is nothing like a good, fast brand of basketball to enliven a Saturday Open Post. The La Grande high school cagers ought to take a peek at the firehouse brand the Marshall High quintet, of Chicago, unbeaten in eighty-one starts, hand the customers. When the kids aren't moving forward and back, they are jumping up and down. Their brand of basketball is a cross between an old fashioned revival, the latest hysterical jittersbugging, machine-gun fire, and a doped race-horse coming down the stretch.

The war has most definitely ended the careers of some of baseball biggest wigs. Detroit will never see Hank Greenberg moving that big bat around in a three hundred and sixty degree turn, and Chicago will not spend its Sundays watching Ted Lyons pitch.

I doubt that Joe Di Maggio will ever be back at his old spot with the Yanks, nor Luke Appling with the White Sox, Ted Williams is young enough to begin at Boston, but age won't have everything to do with it. Infielders such as Phil Rizzutto, another recent Bronx Bomber, will probably find themselves replaced by boys who are just coming up from the minors and without that break in their careers.

Greg Rice is probably finished as a great two miler and we wonder just what Joe Louis will do when he climbs into the ring against younger men who have not spent from two to three years

as a GI glamour boy.

The Phillies may not win pennants but they certainly can change managers and owners more quickly than any other club in the majors. . . How did Bucky Harris ever tolerate Gentlemen Bill Cox, the millionaire moron. . . Cox thought baseball was like playing varsity ball at dear old Yale. . . and he ran his club that way. . . .

Billy Mills, Ohio State's gift to the cross country run, is afraid to tell his room-mate, Col. Pugh, of the Louisiana Pugh's, suh, that the two men who made all-Big Ten from the Buckeye team are colored.

Goodbye old-timers. We'll see you in the record books.

HARMON

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Back in the summer of 1942, Lieutenant Harmon was a cadet in basic training at Gardner Field, Calif.

"His class in physical training," reports Lieutenant Donald D. George, who directs physical training there, "included vigorous calisthenics, distance running, track and field events, swimming, softball, basketball and touch football," and provided each trainee with the reserve of energy and stamina "above the immediate needs of routine flying training," which later would prove vital in combat action.

While he was at Oxnard, California, for his primary training, Cadet Harmon wrote a magazine article on the values of the Training Command's conditioning program. "He lived up to the words

he wrote by keeping himself in peak physical condition at all times," said Lieutenant Richard E. LaFranchi, who was his physical training instructor at the post. "Had he not done this, the chances are that he would not have been with us today."

Ask Technical Sgt. Paul Lathrop what happened at Williams Field, Ariz., where the flier took his advanced training.

"He knew from experience that in order to get anything out of a physical training program he must put something into it," says the Sergeant, who was in charge of Cadet Harmon's class. The instructor remembers numerous occasions when the former footballer "asked to remain in the athletic area after his squadron had been dismissed, in order to do some cross-country running or distance swimming."

Physical training, as the AAF Training Command administers it, is designed to do more than just develop muscles. It prepares ground and air combat crewmen for the tough conditions of combat zones and makes them ready to drop a wrench and grab a gun if necessary.

The conditioning exercises are now streamlined, with rest periods and slow cadence discontinued. The new version of "running" is a combination of running and walking over cross country courses, obstacle course running, climbing and sprints. Judo, military tumbling and ranger tactics build up the combative spirit. "War Time Swimming" includes swimming while clothed, using shirts and pants as life preservers, and instruction in swimming through burning oil.

BEACON EDITOR
INTERVIEWS FLYER

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squall and when I emerged no Zeros were in sight.

Lieutenant Cantrel played a prominent part in assisting the Marine ground force in the occupation of the Munda, Russell and Bougainville Islands, and his fighter squadron was one of the first to operate from Munda.

The flying Marine left Eastern Oregon College to obtain his flight training at Corpus Christi, Texas. He received his commission in August of 1942, and was promoted to his present rank last July.

Lieutenant Cantrel is the son of Mrs. Eda. B. Chapin of La Grande. His father, H. S. Cantrel, lives at Baker, Oregon.

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door for her. She never let the grass grow under her feet; she never let it be said that she was one of "them there helpless females". No, and she always let it be known that she could put on her own coat, thank you, without any help from anybody. Some spirit, Jane had, you had to hand it to her.

And at dances! Well, there was something. Poor Jane, she always forgot to say "Miss Smith, may I introduce Mr. Jones"; she always said, if she remembered the introduction at all, "Mr. Jones, I'd like you to meet Miss Smith". Horrors!

And instead of saying "How do you do" when she was introduced, she muttered something about "Pleased to meet you".

Jane, poor Jinx, didn't know that at dances your escort has more fun when you, the girl, know the rules. A boy likes to escort a girl who knows what to do and say. He is proud when she acknowledges introductions with an air of cordiality without effusiveness; when she conducts herself correctly in public places.

Jane didn't know that at school dances you greet members of the receiving line when you arrive, and you always say goodnight to them when you leave.

She didn't know that girls do not rise when being introduced except when meeting older people, but that men always rise for introductions.

She, poor wallflower, didn't know that when being introduced to you at a dance he is supposed to ask you to dance. She didn't even try to begin the conversation. "Small talk" is all one has time for at dances; it's a wonder Jane didn't try to start something like "the reparations settlements", or "Einstein's theory of relativity". She probably would have if she had known more about it herself.

Because Jane had heard some demented young jitterbug say "Come on Lug, let's cut a rug", she forgot that the proper approach in asking for a dance is merely "May I have this dance?"

She didn't know that after a dance, the partner thanks the girl but that under no circumstances does she thank him. She merely lets him know that she enjoyed it too, and that's that.

Jane thought that if you had a good time, of course she so seldom did, but she thought she should thank her escort for taking her. Heaven forbid! If she had merely let him know that she had had a good time he might, we say might, have asked her out again. But she was afraid to show her enthusiasm in spite of the fact that her escort had wanted her to have a good time while she was his guest.

No, poor Jane the Jinx didn't know; she went out into the garden and ate worms, and that's just where she belonged.

Don't let your idleness interfere with another's business.

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THE TEAKETTLE AVIATION STUDENTS SEE PICTURE

Dear Editor:

See here A-S John Doe, we girls would like to know just when we are supposed to give you all those friendly "hello".

Some aviation students tell us that they are not supposed to speak in the halls, others say it is all right. Would some kind gentlemen enlighten us on this much debated courtesy. We all would love to say "hello" to everyone of the boys, but in return how about their doing the same.

When we do say "hello" please, boys, don't look so astonished.

So, I am sure if A-S John Doe would please reply to my pleas, the situation will be well in hand in the future.

Sincerely,
Leone Cavanaugh

Dear Miss Briggs,

In answer to your letter asking why the A-S's don't answer you when you speak to us in the halls and when you are supposed to give us those cheery "Hellos" you are saving for us, I hope this answers your questions.

When we leave our class rooms, we are marching in a formation and we have to stay in that formation until we reach our next class. If we are caught talking to girls at any time during our duty hours that means gigs and gigs mean tours. If you think of that A-S before you speak and think maybe he would like to keep that date

The students of the 354th College Training Detachment, with the exception of those gentlemen who were assigned to flying instruction at the time, witnessed what many critics believe to be the finest documentary film that has yet come out of this war when they saw "The Battle of Russia" at the Liberty Theatre, Friday, Dec. 31.

Admission was restricted to the Aviation Students and the officers and enlisted personnel of the detachment.

The movie, in an historical approach to the present Red push against the Germans, described at length the reasons behind the German desire for Russian territory and also the Russian confidence that they can meet anything the Germans throw at them and go the Blitzkreig one better.

he has Saturday Night, you can see why we don't answer you.

Don't think we're high hatting you when we don't answer but, orders are orders.

Yours truly,
A-S Ken Beppler
Army Editor

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Kaiser Appointed USO Coordinator

Mr. Alvin Kaiser, English professor at EOCE, has been appointed coordinator for the La Grande USO chapter. His work will consist of making a survey to discover what social recreation the Aviation Students want, and then seeing that a new program is carried out. Up until this time, the USO has not been an active organization because of insufficient funds. Now, with the help of the National USO in New York and local funds, the La Grande USO is going to become the active organization that it should be.

A questionnaire has been sent around to the Aviation Students which will indicate their interests and needs. It is entirely anonymous, and no student will be obliged to participate in any of the activities listed. It is merely a means of discovering what activities will appeal to the students most.

During the spring, summer, and fall there were several USO dances sponsored by the college students, but no USO functions have been attempted since.

The first thing coming up for the fellows in the line of sport recreation is a skiing trip with skis furnished by the USO. Also tentatively planned is a roller skating rink provided that skates can be obtained.

The main objective of this program is to entertain the Aviation Students and satisfy their needs while they are located in La Grande.

SPORT DANCE

Attention! jitterbugs, square dancers, and waltzers. There will be a sport dance in the college auditorium next Friday night, February 4, sponsored by the International Relations Club. The dance will be held from eight to eleven and will be a date affair.

Get your dates early and leave the names in the office with Miss Thompson. The deadline for submitting names in order that the

CLUB CONTRIBUTES MAY

Attention all geography students!!! For a flat rate of fifty cents a term, the International Relations Club will give you the great privilege of using their new "We-Follow-The-Battle-fronts" map for those weekly quizzes you have on places in the war news. This is a real bargain. Just think of all the time and effort it will save you. No more frantic searching of the daily papers the night before the quiz; no more mad dashes to the library at the ungodly hour of eight o'clock in the morning in the vain hope that you may be able to snare a copy of Time or Newsweek; no more hysterical attempts to divert Mr. Kaiser onto the subject of current events; in short, no more nervous breakdowns! The club urges you to take advantage of the offer immediately.

The map, Mercator's projection of the eastern hemisphere, has been placed on the club bulletin board near the library door, and by the use of flag pins, the progress of the various fronts will be charted. All important allied gains or losses in the South Pacific, on the Russian fronts, and in the Burma sector will be shown each week, and clippings of the most outstanding developments will be placed beside the map.

The club hopes that this will foster an interest in current events and be a worthwhile contribution to the school. (Continued on Page 3)

EOCENE FEATURES FACULTY WEDDING

Miss Betty Molgard, daughter of Mr. James Molgard of Kearney, Nebraska, and Mr. John Ryan of La Grande, were married at a simple but impressive ceremony in EOCene Hall at eight o'clock Thursday evening, January 27.

Reverend Irvin Motz, pastor of the local Methodist church, was the officiating clergyman.

The service was read in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Lucas Sterne, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gerards and their children, Mrs. Oscar Berger, Miss Arta Lawrence, Mrs. E.J. Coleman, and the residents of EOCene Hall and Duration Lodge. Before the ceremony, "I Love You Truly" was sung by the girls of EOCene Hall with Neiville Frazier as soloist. Miss Frazier also played Wagner's wedding march for the ceremony.

The bride wore a powder blue, street length dress with a harmonizing, off-the-face style hat.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan left immediately after the ceremony for the bride's home in Nebraska, after which they will make their home in La Grande, and Mrs. Ryan will resume her duties at the college.

VICTOR MATURE IS COMING TO TOWN

Yes, that's the truth girls. On February 9, 8:15 p.m., in the La Grande High School Auditorium that "big hunk of man" will appear in person under the sponsorship of the Hollywood Victory Committee to help sell extra bonds in Union county.

Here are the details. A block of 500 seats (close up) will be reserved for those holding \$100 bonds; 500 for those holding \$50 bonds; 500 for \$25 bonds; and 500 for \$5 war stamps.

Admission will be by bond purchase. So girls, if dad is planning to buy an extra bond, ask him to send you the money so that you can buy the bond here and in turn get to see Victor Mature.

Aviation Students may be excused will be Thursday evening, February 3, at five o'clock.

Class Frolic Friday Night

Friday evening, January 21, made another of the college's annual events past history for 1943-44. At this time the class parties were held with the Freshmen holding forth in the auditorium, the Sophomores in the Ackermann auditorium, and the Juniors in the kindergarten room. Each of the groups reported an entertaining and successful evening.

Upswept hair-dos and weird facial make up seemed to be the thing at the Freshman class "Honky Tonk party" which was held January 21 in the auditorium.

Among the many attractions of the evening was a number, "Darktown Strutter's Ball" rendered by the famous vocal duet "Mazie" Mason and "Lulu" Cavanaugh with "Babe" Nicholson accompanying them.

Cat and mouse, blind man's buff, drop the handkerchief, darts and poker were the chief games of the evening. Phylcia McLaughlin was in charge of the games.

Coke and crackers were served at the bar by the capable bartender "Bet" Graven, while the great pianist "Rich" Bunting gave out with some Boogie Woogie.

During the course of the evening the Sophomore class crashed the party and stomped through the auditorium in chain gang style.

A gruesome conglomeration of characters gathered in the Ackermann auditorium Friday night for the Sophomore "hobo" party, which incidentally, was a great success.

There was a chubby (to say the least), black-faced zombie in striped overalls and numerous pig-tails who, in the final analysis, turned out to be EOCene president Dot Scholl!

Then there was "Droop" Ball, stylishly attired in disreputable levis, immense plaid shirt, and airy chapeau, with her bottle of Kentucky Bourbon clutched to her bosom.

Also highlighting the occasion was Emilene Otisene obviously clad only in a large cardboard box which said (censored) on the outside.

But let us not forget "Pop" Kaiser, resplendent in levis and trimmings, who had double honors for the evening. (1) He was the only faculty member present; (2) he was the only male present!

Conducting the activities for the evening was the master of wit E. Larson, who successfully led our friends through a series of games and contests. Outstanding event of the evening was the track meet which featured such struggles as the high jump and the shot put.

At ten o'clock the gang retired to the cafeteria and dined sumptuously on coffee, doughnuts, and popcorn. At this time it was decided to "crash" the Freshman party, so the characters stamped in formation to the frosh den of iniquity, gave them a song and a bow, and retired.

A group of the hobos proceeded to the high school to watch their formal dance, but were soon glanc- (Continued On Page 3)



ROLAND HAYES

Educators Visit Campus

Visiting on our campus January 26 and 27 were Dr. Grady Gamme, president of the Arizona State Teachers College at Tempe, and Dr. W. W. Haggard, president of the Western Washington College of Education, Bellingham, Washington.

At the assembly on Wednesday, January 26, they were the guest speakers, and each told very interesting stories of their respective states. Also, on Wednesday evening they were the dinner guests of EOCene Hall.

They are making a routine visit to confer with faculty members, librarians, presidents, supervisors of teaching, and various other department heads at teacher's education institutions in the western states. This is part of the general program of the American Association of Teacher's Colleges.

Leaving here, they plan to travel to the Oregon College of Education at Monmouth, then to Southland and into California, bringing their tour of inspection Oregon College of Education to a close.

A MILITARY SECRET

A-S Ken Beppler

SSSHHH!!! It's a Military Secret!

As I sit here pecking the keys of this old typewriter, I'm trying to decide how to let you in on this secret. It's confidential so sssshhhh! As the Beacon goes to press, the 354th has to bid it's last good-by. There is a little Army Rule and Regulation (number unknown) that states that the Army nor any branch of the army will endorse any commercial products nor will they work with any organization that does. As the Beacon carries commercial advertisements, we are forced to look to new fields of journalism.

When the first edition of the 354th's paper comes out the first week of February, we hope to have enough copies for the Co-eds as well as the A-S's. We also hope to receive the Beacon regularly to keep abreast of the gossip that passes through the halls of E. O. C. E. After all, the weaker sex is noted for passing gossip over the back fence much more than the better halves of their lives are.

Most of the A-S's haven't been on the staff very long but the short time we have been on we've had a lot of fun working with the Co-eds in publishing the Beacon. We wish we could continue to work with the Beacon but we have come to know that the Army means what it says.

On behalf of Lt. McGrath, myself, the 354th, and the rest of the staff, ce say so long to a swell staff of Co-eds.

By Kenneth E. Schilling

The extremely spontaneous and hearty applause given out by over a thousand Union county residents last evening testified to the fact that Mr. Roland Hayes endowed himself even more permanently in the hearts of his listeners by his gracious personality and voice as he sang with heart and soul the songs that make him world famous.

If one were to judge by the audience's applause as to which group and compositions were best received, I think the choice would fall to group three wherein Mr. Hayes interpreted the English text songs of Hopekirk, Parham, and Nickerson. At his vocal best in soft passages, the artist used his marvelous control to give us a beautiful and tender interpretation of Mother to Son, Micheu Banjo, and to me the most interesting spiritual, and possibly the best sung number on the program, Little Boy, How Old Are You? Not only this group but as well in the opening arias and German and French songs was the diction of Mr. Hayes infallible. Able to command a tremendous variation of tonal dynamics, his forte tones, nevertheless, had a slight tendency to be sharp, while on the other hand, his mezzo and piano tones were pitch perfect and true.

Especially gratifying to most of the audience was the absence on this program of hackneyed spirituals. His selection was aptly made, and to me his most thrilling tone of the evening was projected in the opening note of the last spiritual, entitled "I Can Tell the World." His voice, in this number, seemed to gather full vigor and life, as he fittingly closed the program with a composition that left no doubt that no artist, living or dead, could have ever obtained a more complete experience in which every thought and meaning could have been communicated more beautifully from such a simple song of the artists own people.

To Mr. Boardman, a bouquet for his inauspicious and yet absolutely commanding support at the piano.

The program was beautifully (Continued on Page 2)

Last week the Beacon staff was shocked out of its lethargy by the resignation of its editor, Jennie Williams. After having faithfully borne the burden of Beacon editorship for approximately a year, Jennie decided that it was time to shift the responsibility from her shoulders, and hence, severed her relationship with the paper.

In the last year, no one could have done more work for the Beacon than did Editor Jennie. Night after night was spent planning assignments, reading copy, setting up dummies, and doing all the other things which gave the Beacon the important place that it has today in EOCE college life.

It has been said that in any organization there are those who must lead and those who must follow and he who leads must give his all for the cause. The philosopher who wrote these telling words must have had such people as our ex-editor in mind, for Jennie gave untiringly of her time, energy, and ability for the betterment of our college paper.

And so, Jennie Williams, we of the Beacon staff speak for the whole school when we offer you our sincerest expressions of gratitude and thanks.

THE BEACON STAFF

VOTES FOR SOLDIERS

U. S. Soldiers will vote in 1944.

When an uneasy Senate windily debated the soldier vote last month, both parties were politicking furiously. New Dealers stubbornly pushed the Lucas-Green measure, which would have set up a super-powerful Federal War Ballot Commission and hoping on the side that the service men would vote for the Commander-in-chief. Republicans stubbornly fought beside conservative Democrats for States' Rights, giving the states the electoral votes from the soldier's ballots. The anti-New Deal coalition killed the bill and substituted a meaningless resolution which threw the whole problem back to the states, on their side, GOPsters succeeding in delivering a humiliating defeat to the administration.

As a sobered Congress came back to work this week, after having their say, they and the people back home decided the soldier must vote. Three events sped the new measure;

1.—Navy Secretary Frank Knox and War Secretary, Henry Stimson wrote a joint letter to the Council of State Governors stating that obviously the individual states could not handle the complex job of polling the servicemen." The War and Navy Departments do not advocate or oppose any particular voting legislation, but the services are unable to effectively administer the adverse procedures of 48 states to 11,000,000 servicemen in primary, special, and general elections, all over the world," they said.

2.—In a poll conducted overseas by "The Stars and Stripes", they found that the men are 100 per cent in favor of voting this year. They want a chance to vote the easy way and not in the complicated way of the states, complying with their inadequate laws and delaying difficulties.

3.—State legislatures egged on by an aroused nation hastily passed soldier vote measures. Whether the special bills, schemes, promises and bustling in state capitals could solve the problem or not, the worry-wart frenzy of state activity was a symptom of the nation's temper. In blunt words, voters told their legislatures, both state and national, that something must be done.

The final solution was that the would be Federal Ballot Commission would send out ballots, collect them, and then pass them on to the respective states for counting. The Senate is all for the soldier's vote said Maine's Wallace H. White, "It would be a calamity if we left 11,000,000 servicemen sore and resentful against their government. If there was ever a time when we should adjust controversies, this is it".

C. N. C. HALL MOUSE

Hi everybody, my cousin Abby has a pain in his neck so I'll see what I can find around the C.N.C. Hall this time to gossip about.

Oh, my achin' back! I've heard so much about these mid-term exams and have seen the girls dragging around that even I feel badly.

I woke up the other morning and thought I was seeing ghosts but after I came to, I saw it was the girls in their white stockings shoes, and uniforms getting ready to take their eight o'clock shift at the hospital. About two hours after the rest of the girls had disappeared I saw Beverly Rhoades tripping around in white. Guess people just don't get up that early in Portland, or was it a bad cold?

Say, has everyone heard "The Victory Polka"? Since C. N. C. Hall has been seeing so much of Darlene Gray and Betty Flanary during the last week they have taken up singing it. My poor cousin Abby had a nightmare to the tune of "The Victory Polka" the other night and I guess that's what gave him the pain in the neck. Wish they would switch to "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" (even if he isn't) 'cause that's Mrs. Smith, our house mother's favorite song.

I skipped over to Nursing Arts class with the girls the other day and when I left the room I heard the most terrible screaming, so I dashed back in and found the girls giving each other hypos. Peggy Herwick likes them so she's going to be their official guinea pig.

I have to hang my head in sorrow for one of our nurses. Marcia Olsen had bad luck, and had to have an appendectomy Tuesday, Jan. 18. She's getting along swell. 'cause I go over to the St. Joseph Hospital's and see her every day.

Well, guess I'd better leave now or I might get snowed in. Look for me when you see the Beacon flying around again.

Pee Wee

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E. O. Cene Notes

by Pat McMillian and Arlene Peterson

"Baldy" is a new member at EOCEne Hall. He stands an ever watchful guard in the front hall and his owner, Peggy Wilson, has given her permission for guests to inscribe their autographs on his delicate skin. Baldy, a little rubber doll, is a friend of all of us in the dorm and we hope that you, too, will have the opportunity to meet him.

Congratulations to Dorothy Scholl!!! the winner of the prize for the funniest costume at the Sophomore party. The Freshmen also reported a very nice time Friday evening.

Doris Palmateer (lucky girl) spent the week end at her home in Ione.

Wednesday evening we were honored to have Dr. Maaske, Dr. Grady Gammage, and Dr. W. W. Haggard as our dinner guests.

Dorothy Gekeler spent several days last week confined to her bed. It seems the "Flu Virus" is still making its rounds.

We extend our sympathy to Neivallee Frazier who was called to Portland last week by the death of a relative.

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timed—long and yet short enough, variety galore, and all interpreted by an artist beloved by every country in the world. Mr. Hayes shall be ever welcome in La Grande.

A nut at the wheel—A peach in his arms—The car makes a turn—Fruit Salad.

BLONDIE'S COLUMN

Here we are right in the middle of winter with all this lovely snow. The next best thing to sliding down the Eighth Street hill yourself is watching the Aviation Students and the ways they come down. Freida Whyte's main occupation lately has been visiting Johnny Leone in the hospital. . . . Co-editor Beppler still seems to be going strong for Eocene Hall in one way or another. . . . Those are certainly good cookies Dick Bunting passes around. . . . Did you ever hear of anything like the colossal, stupendous conceit of that Squadron "B"???? . . . Warren Michael believes in telling the whole student body how he feels over the P. A. system. . . . Arloeen Krause didn't exactly agree with Mr. Gaiser when he said the French weren't good at making love; could it have something to do with that new diamond. . . . Polly Hall's heart throb has been home, too. . . . We have been told Yolanda Allen is making the calls to Salem, not receiving them; is the Navy out of nickles? . . . The Army is getting reckless, an Aviation Student auctioned off his shoes at the Fellowship meeting the other night. . . . Marilyn Patten fell up the stairs at Duration or was it down? . . . Week ends in La Grande might be safer for Harriet Davis. . . . Calling Karlene a "faucet" isn't so bad when you ask her the difference between a drip and a drizzle. . . . Will Lucille Winebarger be spending her week ends in Pendleton now? . . . Weren't the Sophomores corny when they staged that parade through the Freshman party and sang (?) the Squadron X song? . . . Dr. Quaintance certainly was looking well that night. . . . The Army classes discussing the Psychology posters in learning and making fun of them. . . . Just to be in style Duration also had a wedding Thursday evening; Marilyn Patten and Virginia "Bill" Wilcox and it was really a beautiful affair. . . . Squadron "D's" serenading at Eocene Thursday

THE GIRL OF THE WEEK

This weeks girl is one you all know, like, and to the boys of the new Squadron, one you should meet immediately. She is Miss Suzie L. Frazier—the middle initial stands for Lovely—from Portland, Oregon. She was born on the 25th of September, 1925, has a pleasing personality, a smiling baby face, hazel eyes, brown hair, weighs 125 pounds, and is 5 foot 4½ inches tall.

This popular Colleen's favorite pastimes are skating, horseback riding, and dancing, her life's ambitions are to go to Texas and to raise enough children for a small orchestra. Her man interests in life are men, Tamales, and red roses. She wants to meet all the GENTLEMEN of this Detachment who are over 5 feet 8 inches tall. If you ask her for a date, you'd better ask her about three weeks in advance. She is now living in E. O. Cene Hall, the number of which is 364-w.

I guess this is all there is to tell about this glamorite unless you want to know about the footsteps in the bathtub and how they got there the night squadron E shipped out. On second thought, maybe better ask her.

evening was certainly appreciated. . . . Basketball at 3:30 is a popular class with all the girls, possibly there's some connection with the permanent party being there. . . . Everyone putting on their best behavior while the campus was being inspected. . . . Everyone had a lot of fun at Leone Cavanaugh's even if the cadets didn't get there. . . . Jean Evans picked out the faults of the assembly speakers for the speech class. . . . We'll bet the kids who weren't too anxious to go to the P.T.A. meeting Friday didn't know that refreshments were going to be served. . . .

AND you can tell that Kenny Beppler to get his clammy claws off this column. . . .

"Blondie"

WITH THE SQUADRONS

SQUADRON "A"

A-S Ellie G. Timmons

This is the official Squadron "A" Dust Pan. I've just collected all the dirt and gossip from Squadron "A" rooms and as we sift through the sweepings we find that,

The boys are wondering why our Captain went to the hospital. Was it because he couldn't take P. E., or did he have a nervous breakdown from staying home Saturday nights and reading old love letters?

Sergeant James, you shouldn't take advantage of Mr. Bell by going to see his girl when he is on guard duty.

Mr. Ehlers, is it true that you fell in love with a certain girl only because you found out her Father was the proud owner of three Golf Courses?

Mr. Lehrner has been strutting around the Sac for the past week, he has his first date last week end.

Look out girls, Mr. Hilf is through with his tours and is on the loose again.

Mr. Turbin has a new girl friend that is quite a lover. Tell us your technique Mr. .

Our Guideon Bearer, Sergeant Collison called E. O. Cene Hall Saturday night and asked if there was any girl there that wanted to go out with a handsome man from Beverly Hills that had plenty of money to spend on some lonely

girl. We're still wondering if you had any takers, Sergeant?

Mr. Macway wishes to announce that any girl who would like to have a date for Saturday night will please meet him in front of the Sac Hotel at 5 p. m. Saturday afternoon.

Our ex-Lt. Sexton will keep the boys company on the parade ground for some weeks to come. You shouldn't be seen about town at the wrong time Mr. .

The boys want to know who the little chick is you were escorting around Christmas week end, Lt. Sloan?

Could Sergeant Wolfslaw have broken the cartilage in his knee on purpose just to go to Pendleton to see his girl

Have you heard Mr. Carmichel's nickname, it's Bundles. Better duck quick if you call him that.

Lt. Holfard has taken to the Hollywood way of beauty. He dyes his hair red every week. Do you girls like it better that way?

There is an ugly rumor going about that two newly appointed officers didn't even give their buttons time to hit the table before they snatched them up and had them on.

Can anyone imagine Sergeant Lumly tending a bar where punch was served? Well he did at the Mixer.

One of our Casinovas has been and will be out of action for quite

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World Affairs Feature Assembly

The visiting educators, Dr. Grady Gammage and Dr. W. W. Haggard, were guest speakers at the regular assembly held on January 26.

Dr. Gammage told of the country in which he lives as contrasted with eastern Oregon.

In speaking of the peace to come, Dr. Haggard expressed the opinion that there would be three main powers in the world after the war: the United States, Great Britain, Russia, and possibly China if she is industrialized. He also gave very interesting views on the problem of disarming the Axis powers.

Ivan French, Sergeant in the Marine Corps and former student of EOC, sang two selections, "Sylvia" and "Invictus". While a member of the student body, Ivan was noted for his outstanding vocal ability.

The International Relations Club supervised by Mr. Gaiser, gave a panel discussion on the holding of the peace conference after the armistice. The discussion, led by Warren Michael president of the club, went into the many points to be considered in bringing a lasting peace to the nations of Europe. Members of the panel were Carol George, Leone Cavanaugh, Elma Larson, Phyllis McLaughlin, Janie Richardson, and David Eshelman.

WAA AWARD BANQUET

The Women's Athletic Association of the college held its regular Quarterly Award Banquet Tuesday, January 18, in the cafeteria at Ackerman Hall with twelve members present. The advisor, Miss Marian Smith, had with her as a guest Miss Sally Watson who is waiting for her call into the WAVE's.

The menu for the evening consisted of chili-beans with all the usual trimmings. Strange as it may seem, the girls declared that they had much more fun cooking the meal between classes than they did eating it!

An initiation ceremony was conducted, at which time Margaret Harris, Katherine Harris, and Lillian Meyer were officially taken into the organization. Award pins were given to Betty Kight and Dorothy Scholl, and letters to Mary Perry, Helen Tippin, and Polly Hall.

CLASSES FROLIC

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ed out of the place, creating quite a scandle!

Liverpool Rummy provided an evening of fun at the junior class party, Friday, January 21, climaxed by distribution of prizes in the form of white elephants brought by the guests. Holders of high scores had the privilege of demanding that others trade with result that low scorers took home them if they so desired, with the the "real" white elephants.

Guests of the junior class included Miss Wear, Miss Johnson, Mrs. Ryan (formerly Miss Mollgard), Miss Darby, Mrs. Harris,

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The committee in charge of the project is headed by Carol George.

While speaking of the International relations Club, it might be well to remind you that its meetings are held at noon on alternate Thursdays in the Ackerman conference room, and any and all new members will be cordially welcomed. Each member brings his own lunch, and while eating an informal round-table discussion is carried on centering around almost anything which relates to present or future international set-ups. The purpose of the society is a broad one—to cultivate unbiased international thinking within the student as the future citizen of a changing world. . . . Come and see who eats the biggest lunch! The odds are five to one on Larson but Prof. Gaiser challenges her lead! !.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Schilling, Mr. Johnson, and Miss Lawrence.

The refreshments committee, headed by Mary Margaret Kennedy, served hot fudge sundaes and wafers early in the evening, and later passed around buttered popcorn which was eaten as the rummy games progressed.

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With the Squadrons

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some time. Those tours are hard on the feet aren't they Mr. Snyder?

The boys of Squadron "A" have decided to drown their troubles but couldn't get their Student Officers to go swimming.

SQUADRON "B"

A-S M. L. Smith

The high lights of Squadron B come in portion this week, let's read this and see what they are.

Squadron B, as any fool can plainly see, is the best squadron in La Grande. The Red White, and Blue ribbons accompanied by the Blue and Gold ones prove that point. The question is, how can we get the Green and Gold ones too? We might just as well have a monopoly on this. Thrice this month we've had the Honor Squadron ribbons, and I know who's going to have them this month, do you?

There is a new song coming to the top among the Squadrons and it's becoming quite popular. The title is "Rockie is the Meanest Man in Town," and good people, it's right on the ball. Listen to it and you'll see what I mean.

A change in command has occurred in Squadron B.

It runs along this line;

Cpt. Sons, promoted to Major.

Lt. Waldum, promoted to Sergeant Major,

First Sergeant Simons promoted to Captain.

And Sergeant Wycoff, promoted to First Lt.

Now we have something that compels us to mention another Squadron. The Honorable Squadron C was beaten at their own game, basketball. The score was 35-23. Shillings' constant shooting and the speed of Manosz were of no avail against the barrage of Don Sloan and Fred Snowden.

Both teams were at their best that night, Squadron C's casualty list hasn't been posted as yet, but a come back game has been arranged.

Gentlemen and those concerned, we have with us a new group of Fraternity Brothers, Squadron D is the name. The new Misterys are going to give the older Squadrons a run for the colors if they continue to respond to commands and customs the way they have been. Their Tactical Officer is Lt McGrath and their Tactical N. C. O. is S-Sgt. Cobb.

That's all for this time good people, see you next time.

P. S. The Squadron Varsity beat the Squadron B Collegiates 38 to 20, again Mr. Sloan was the gib gun for the Varsity, stacking up 20 points with Tom Wilborn right on his heels. The Collegiates played a smooth game with Greer, Vanasen, and Gibbs accounting for most of their points.

Squadron B has two good teams and I have been given the privilege to extend a challenge to anyone

who thinks he has a team that can beat Squadron B.

SQUADRON "C"

A-S Bill Mills

Well, it's time for another issue and here I am with only a little gossip. However, bear with me because I have a few little items of interest.

Squadron C has finally started flying. Most of the fellows are doing pretty well but if a rank of "hot pilot" can be attained and still a little sickness can be felt then we have a lot of "Hot Pilots". Many of the fellows climbed into a ship for the first time with the vision of being a P-40 pilot in the near future. Fifty minutes later they staggered out of the plane with the hopes that they make bombardier. It's really not so bad (I'm supposed to say here).

We don't like to seem inquisitive but do you third floor fellows G. I. the rooms and hall once a week? The other morning there was so much water on the floor they were floating out to Reveille.

Congratulations, Mr. Maynosz on being the father of a newly born baby girl. (My room number is 402 if you're passing out cigars).

Attention to the 'Squadron A man who would like to meet Miss Pat Shorb. Please contact Mr. Shillings for information about her. As for an introduction, I'm afraid he wouldn't want to help you get one. The reason is that he has been spending all his O. P. with her each week end for the past month. We of Squadron C are rooting for you Chuck, don't let a Squadron A man edge you out.

Here is an item of interest to all southerners of this Detachment, we will have school as usual on Robert E. Lee's birthday.

Mr. McAlear, you are too young to be getting gray hairs around the temples. We were just kidding you about buying you a leather-bound initialed delinquency slip book.

Well, fellows, all good things must come to an end, if you don't believe it just ask any member of Squadron C's basketball team. Squadron C's record of 15 victories to no defeats was wrecked last week when they were soundly trounced by a "shoot and pray" team from Squadron B. The final score was 35-23 with us on the short end for the first time. Three times before Squadron B had unsuccessfully tried to defeat our boys but this game was just one

of those where our boys couldn't do anything right and Squadron B couldn't do any thing wrong. Don Sloan was B's sparkplug as he was high point man with 16 points while Chuck Shillings led the losers with 11 points. Don't worry fellows, we have arranged another game with them in the near future.

Time to sign off. See you in a couple of weeks.

SQUADRON "D"

A-S Art Adams

Here comes the "Eager Beaver" boys of Squadron D was the cry heard by John Q. Public as he was strolling down the main street of La Grande on the evening of Sunday, the 16th. When he heard this, he turned to see an enthusiastic group of new A-S's fresh from Sheppard Field, Texas, where they received their basic training. In Squadron formation they marched to the portals of Dorian Hall, where they started immediately the process of making their new quarters shine like a highly polished glass castle.

These boys, under the watchful eyes of Major Sons, the Field Adjutant and Sergeant Major Waldum, the Group Sergeant Major engaged in the new and different activities that are incorporated in life in the 354th.CTD. Among these new activities was a course in orientation, which includes Military sanitation, and The Articles of War. During this introductory period of college life, the students

also had much training in the fine art of mastering snappy military drill.

Lieutenant Oldershaw, the Commandant of Students, talked to the new Squadron on the advantages of college training with the A. A. F. and the possibilities of success here in La Grande. The Student Colonel of the 354th, Colonel Sherman, favored the eager students of Squadron D with a view of the student's side of life here.

The next question was, "Who is most suited for the positions of leadership in the new Squadron? This interrogation was answered when A-S Fisher assumed the spot of squadron Commander and Students Morris and Cast were placed in command of Flights A and B respectively.

SQUADRON "E"

A-S Paul Carter

For the short period that Squadron "E" has been in La Grande, the boys have been doing all right for themselves. On a recent holiday night, we found Roy Johnson, Robert Tillman, and Scotty Dy-sart out with the younger generation. What's the matter boys, aren't the college women good enough for you? ? ?

There seems to be double trouble ahead for "Dub" Hill and Sid Penman along the Jean Ambrose line. "Dub" takes over during the week, Sid on th week-ends. Very discouraging isn't it? ? "Myrtle" Dakin has been trying to keep the rest of the Squadron on the ball. Do you suppose it could have anything to do with the tours he expects to walk in the near future? Paul Van Ambough and Ann Hendrickson, are right in the groove when it comes to this night life. Recent improvement in Van's attitude is credited to Anne's morale building smiles. A certain Virginia Barnes seems to be taking up all of the R. Q. and O. P. time of a

one A-S Tom Wilks. Sounds like fair weather ahead.

The down-drift of the week is headed for Norm Rouse and Jack Sherman for robbing the cradle. That blonde must have at least been in the seventh grade? ? How true boys.

Enough is enough, but to complete our column we add the following poem:

Starkle, starkle, little twink.
What the heck you are, you think?
I'm not under the alkfluence of inkohol,
Altho some thinkle peep I am.
I fool so feelish I don't know who is me,
And the drunker I sit here, the longer I get.

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YOUNG AMERICAN TENOR TO APPEAR HERE MARCH 2

William Hain - To Give Concert

On March 2, William Hain, the young American tenor, will present an evening concert, the third in the series sponsored by the college, at the L. D. S. tabernacle. His program will consist of a number of popular arias from such operas as Carmen, a group of spirituals, and many well-known songs by American composers. His accompanist will also present a group of piano solos.

Mr. Hain has appeared this season as soloist with nine famous orchestras in the country, and has had repeated engagements with the New York Philharmonic and the Boston Symphony.

An established artist in the musical world, William Hain began his career at a very early age as a singer in the church choir. Through hard work, excellent instruction, and with a naturally beautiful voice, Mr. Hain has been accorded the highest of recognition in musical circles by both critics and discriminating audiences.

Except for a short period of study in France, his instruction has been entirely American. He has sung grand opera, light opera, and musical comedy with outstanding success in many nations and in the music centers of the United States. Mr. Hain is definitely a product of America, which fact should make his appearance all the more interesting.

The concert will be given at eight o'clock in the L. D. S. tabernacle on Thursday, March 2. Admission prices are 75 cents for adults and 25 cents for students. College students will be admitted by the presentation of studentbody tickets, and men in uniform free of charge.

Miss Arta Lawrence, librarian, returned Wednesday, February 16, from Corvallis where she had been attending a librarian's meeting.

WILLIAM HAIN



Plans For Annual Dad's Day Started

Plans are already being laid for the annual Dad's Day which will be held March 24 under the general chairmanship of Ramona Henderson. Tentative suggestions have been made for a three o'clock coffee hour at the halls, followed by a tour of the campus. A banquet at 6:30 will be held in one of the local churches, after which the guests will repair to the college auditorium to witness a talent show of some sort in place of the traditional basketball game.

At a meeting last week the following committee chairmen were appointed: entertainment, Yolanda Allen and Elma Larson; coffee hour, Virginia Wilcox and Margaret Schomp; banquet, Dorothy Ball and Leone Cavanaugh, campus tour, Warren Michael and Bob McCoy; registration, Joy McPherson; publicity, Polly Hall.

Mixed Choir Organized

Last Tuesday night, a group of college coeds and aviation students met in the Presbyterian Church for the purpose of organizing an A Capella choir. This was the first meeting of its kind to be held since the aviator program was started at the college.

Mr. Schilling, assistant professor of music, is the organizer and conductor of the choir and it has been his hope to start a group of this kind for quite some time. Now, with the assistance of the new USO program, such a plan has been made possible.

Mr. Schilling has selected a fine group of music for the choir to work on, ranging all the way from straight jazz to classical compositions. He hopes to be able to make several public appearances with the group in the near future.

The men present last Tuesday held forth lustily, but it seems that they had too much competition. After all, it takes more than seven males voices to balance up twenty or twenty-five shrieking females!

The choir promises to be lots of fun, and as soon as the charter member aviation students bring in a little more moral support, we should have an excellent chorus. The next meeting will be held this Tuesday in the Presbyterian Church from seven to eight o'clock, and anyone interested is invited to attend.

ADMINISTRATORS GO EAST

Dr. Maaske, college president, and John Miller, coordinator of the Alfred Sloan Foundation grant to E. O. C. E., left during the week of February 14th for Ohio. Under the provision of the grant from the Alfred Sloan Foundation, the president and coordinator selected by each of the three colleges chosen for the grants will visit already established Sloan Foundation projects in Applied Economics at the Universities of Kentucky, Florida and Vermont.

Representatives from the institutions will meet with Sloan Foundation officials in Cleveland, Ohio to plan procedures in the curriculum studies to be undertaken by each institution. The American Association of Teacher's College Presidents will meet in Cleveland simultaneously.

Dr. Maaske and Mr. Miller are expected back sometime during the second week of March.

Spring Term Opens March 14

Spring term opens a little early this year with registration set for Tuesday, March 14, from 9 o'clock on. Several new courses are being offered which should be of great interest to the townspeople as well as the college students. Among these are a course in Geology to be given Saturday morning by Mr. McGrath, a class in the "Study of the Unusual Child" from Mrs. Harris, and an Art in the Home class to be conducted by Miss Gillis.

The annual Spring Frolic in the form of a strictly college party (Continued on Page 3)

NURSING GROUP TO REGISTER

A new class of approximately 40 cadet nurses will begin their initial training at the college on March 14. After nine months on the campus, this group will go to the Deaconess hospital school of nursing in Spokane, Washington for the remainder of their training program.

The students will live at the Hot Lake Sanatorium located several miles east of the city on the Oregon Trail Highway and will travel to and from the college by bus.

Applications are now being accepted for the class which is open to high school graduates from the ages of 17½ to 35 years. This is the same program as that which is now being carried on in cooperation with The Dalles school of nursing.

Instructors Visit High Schools

In anticipation of fall registration for the coming year, various members of the faculty are visiting high schools in the surrounding counties interviewing seniors and lecturing on the advantages of EOCE.

On Wednesday, February 23, Miss Marian Smith, dean of women, and Lyle Johnson, registrar, visited the schools of Union County, and on Thursday and Friday, Mr. Johnson accompanied by Kenneth E. Schilling, assistant professor of music, toured Umatilla County. This week Mr. Johnson will visit Wallowa County on Tuesday and Wednesday, and will go to Baker County on March 6 and 7.

This function is of exceeding importance to the future welfare of EOCE, for the possibility of even more seriously depleted ranks next year is all too evident. Mr. Johnson has asked that you students talk up the college while home for spring vacation for this will create additional interest in our behalf.

Fall Play Given Again

On Wednesday afternoon, February 23, five high-spirited devotees of the drama left La Grande for Enterprise to present their melodramatic farce "Upward and Onward" at the annual Lions Club amateur night.

About three o'clock, the group finally managed to get out of town after being delayed by the strange disappearance of Mortimore Frank Howard. He was eventually discovered sitting on the curb at the corner of Washington and Eighth in a very angry pose, but he soon recovered his good spirits as the trip got underway.

"Pop" Kaiser, acting as chauffeur as well as director, was prevailed upon to stop in most of the small towns on the way up the Branch for the usual supply of gum, candy, coke, etc., and Prudence Prodder Wellman was the life of the party with her great variety of songs rendered in a most touching voice.

Only one accident occurred on the upward trip, although Frank nearly split a rib when a drugstore clerk referred to Pop as "boy". We were zooming along at the unheard speed of say forty-five miles per when, lo and behold, we ran over an enormous bump. Leone Cavanaugh bears telling evidence of this event, and if you don't believe me, just feel her head!

The devotees reached Enterprise around six o'clock, and after doing the town from end to end, were the dinner guests of the Lions Club president at the Caton Hotel. When the distinguished Lions had departed to attend to last-minute arrangements, Pat Bessie Barron and Janie Richardson had a contest to see who could eat the most olives, but due to a limited supply, no satisfactory results were obtained.

The play was the last number on the program, so the cast, after being made up in the barber shop (Continued on Page 4)

Town Show Successful

Geoffrey Chaucer groaned in his sleep February 16, when the town students presented their talent assembly, a parody on the famous "Canterbury Tales" which, according to master of ceremonies Dick Bunting, was written by Dr. Roben J. Maaske who assumed the pseudonym of the famed bard.

The setting for the talent show was an old English tavern where the permanent party, consisting of Dave Eshelman host, Elma Larson—wife of Bath, Bob Kopp—miller, Janie Richardson—nun, and Warren Michael—knight, spent an evening telling stories.

The gentlemen (?) travellers were clad in multi-colored, full-sleeved, satin shirts, and the nun's hooded robe was dramatic in black and white. The wife of Bath was unattired in a striped turkish towel and was vaguely followed by her maid (Dorothy Wallis) who carried a large tray loaded with soap, cologne, etc.

The host broke the ice by telling the first story which was that of a little negro boy whose fat (or should we say gross) black mammy insisted that he learn to play

the piano. The crow and the scarecrow (Joy McPherson and Evelyn Scott) stood his practicing as long as they could and finally came to the house to give him a demonstration of jazz in the duet "Toy Trumpet." The mammy (Carol George) drove the intruders out with her broom but little Rufus (Leone Cavanaugh) had learned his lesson.

Unwilling to be outdone by his host, the knight told the second story. According to him, there once was a sailor who didn't have a girl in any port, not even La Grande! Arlooen Krause as the poor sailor, tried to make an impression on Frances Pyle as they sang a duet arrangement of the popular song "In My Arms" but without success. He sailed away heartbroken, and at this spot the knight's story was cut short by a sudden outburst from the nun (who, we are afraid, lacked the proper spirit of her position).

She told of an unusual ballet which she had seen the last time she misplaced her chaperone. To the strains of the "Blue Danube", a (Continued on Page 3)

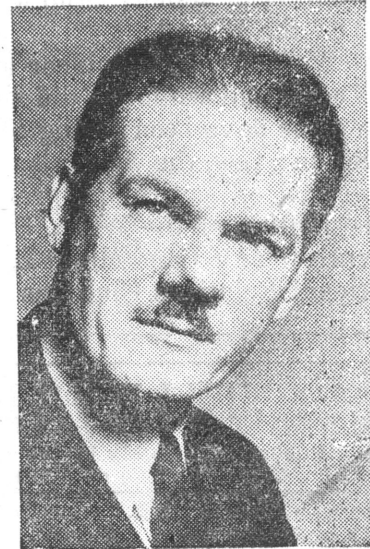
Robert Norton To Speak

On Wednesday, March 1, Robert Norton, author and authority on world affairs, will speak before a combined assembly in the college auditorium. Mr. Norton has an encyclopedic knowledge of world affairs and a deep understanding of the times in which we live.

His topic for Wednesday will be "How Strong is Japan?" in which he will discuss Japan's strengths and weaknesses, and the opportunities of the United Nations in the war against her.

Mr. Norton was one of those who grasped well in advance the implacable nature of Japan's designs on the United States and her interdependence with her Axis partners in their design for world conquest. He spoke in every part of the United States condemning shipment of scrap iron and other war materials to Japan.

In October, 1941, Mr. Norton drafted a statement, approved by a number of leading Americans, which warned that Japan's next aggressive move would necessarily involve the United States. It urged that the Kurusu negotiations should not be indefinitely prolonged.



Thus he showed his remarkable foresight of things to come.

For some time Mr. Norton was editor of a magazine on China and the far east, and has contributed to "Asia" and "Amerasia" as well as other publications here and abroad. His research has included studies of Japanese industry (Continued on Page 3)

The other day as I was slipping across the campus, I bumped into my old friend Mr. Mountaineer. Do you remember Mr. Mountaineer?—Or have you freshmen met him yet? Well, Mr. Mountaineer is the fellow with the long grey beard who always wears the purple and gold suit. He used to sit on the bench with our winning basketball team and he ran up and down the sidelines cheering the football squad to victory. He stood next to Dr. Maaske in the receiving line at the dances and he rode in the first car at the pep rallies. He was always found lounging on the lawn in the spring, and—why he was in every place you looked! He even stood at your elbow and tried to help you through that impossible final!

But Mr. Mountaineer has been slinking in the corners this year, so I was very surprised to see him walking (though feebly) out in our brisk wintery air. I fell unceremoniously in his path, and from my undignified position looked up at him incredulously.

"Why, Mr. Mountaineer," I managed to gasp, "I thought you were a minus quantity this year." With a woeful sigh he helped me to my feet and suggested that we go inside and talk it over.

Mr. Mountaineer was really feeling blue. It seems that he misses the male contingent that used to make up half of the student body, but then, as I pointed out, who doesn't?

"After all, Mr. Mountaineer", I orated in my best lecturing tone, "I know that there are ever and ever so many things that can't be done this year because the fellows aren't here, but it isn't as if they wouldn't be here if they could. It may seem rather dull to you, but there are lots of things that we could do if we just had enough spirit, and we have to carry on you know."

Mr. Mountaineer agreed with me one hundred per cent but he moaned, "What can I do about it? I'd be willing to get down off the shelf and resume my old position, but no one else seems to want to help me. Oh, I'll admit that there's been some activity around the halls in the last few weeks what with the Colonial Ball, the town talent show, and the new mixed choir, the serenading done by the few men students, and so forth—in fact, that's why I decided to come out today and make one final struggle to get back on the ball—but that just simply isn't enough! Those things involved only a small part of the student body and the rest of them are still way back there in the daze someplace. What can we do to inject a little of the old S-S (school spirit) into them?"

We pondered over the situation for a long time and we finally reached this conclusion: the difficulty doesn't lie in the fact that there aren't enough organizations for the students to participate in; the trouble is that these organizations aren't doing anything! Now take for instance Sock and Buskin, the dramatics club. It has been their policy to present a play each term, but have they done so this year? No! They gave one play fall term, and a repeat performance in Enterprise last week but winter term—no play. And did they initiate the participants of that play into their society as they have always done? They did not! And how about Alpha Rho Tau, the art honorary. Do you ever hear anything about it? And the Men's Club—they gave one dance some time ago which was a lot of fun, but is that the extent of their energies? And what about the scholastic honoraries, Sigma Alpha Chi, Theta Delta Phi, and Phi Beta Sigma? And what are the classes doing? the AWS? the WAA?

Well, Mr. Mountaineer and I raked everything over the coals and while we did so, we could see that some of the clubs have been trying to carry on as usual. Just to mention a few, the women's choir meets regularly and has appeared on several programs, the Colonial Ball was a contribution of the WAA, Sigma Alpha Chi sponsored a beautiful Yule Candlelight Hour last December, the International Relations Club has been very active (and argu-

mentative)—there are many others that could be mentioned, and that is all very fine—very excellent indeed.

BUT—it isn't enough!!! No one is carrying all the activities that he could and too many of us are not doing anything. May I suggest that you hunt up Mr. Mountaineer immediately (he has pledged to make himself more obvious from now on) and take a shot of his S-S formula. Let's start things rolling right now!

The Teakettle

(This column is reserved for letters to the editor in which interested students blow off steam about anything and everything around school. Why not put some of your ideas on paper and turn them in to the Beacon)
Dear Editor:

We noticed a little item in the last Beacon concerning the time set for the college dances. It might be well to point out the fact that the Army did not wish us to have any dances during the week because of the strenuous program the men pursued here, and that in order to have any dances it was necessary to have them at this early hour. It actually boils down to this: We can have mixed dances from 8 to 11 or we can have strictly coed dances from 9 to 12—girls take your choice.

LYLE H. JOHNSON,

C. N. C. HALL MOUSE

Howdy— everybody— howdy. Two more weeks have flown past and it's time I was sneaking around old C. N. C. again. (By the way, I think I'd better do my visiting while I can 'cause I don't know whether the walls of the hall will stand up 'till June or not, the way things have been happening.) For one thing old Sqd. C left and a couple of the girls don't feel so good about it.

Then, another one of our members, Marilyn McGinnis, went and got sick and was taken to the Grande Ronde Hospital. Confidentially, I wonder if it could have any connection with her friend Garry of Sqd. A who is in the hospital in Pendleton.

I hopped to class Thursday morning and found the girls cremating their fetal pigs in Anatomy class, and starting work with the microscope. I noticed Jean Ledridge trying to find Marshall in hers. He's small, Jean, but I think you can see him without a "mic".

During the past two weeks, I have found the nurses playing hostess rather often. On Valentine's Day I found Mr. and Mrs. McGrath and Larry having dinner with them, and again on Feb. 22 Dr. and Mrs. Quaintance and family celebrated Washington's birthday here. If someone doesn't donate C. N. C. a highchair for the young folks, I'm afraid I'm going to have to ask the college to will us the big library dictionary.

At this time I consider it an honor to be able to welcome Mr. Wayne Turpin back to the portals of 1201 Eighth Street, even if Sqd. D does seem to have the priority with the rest of the girls (most of them anyway). We do see Mac Sebastian, who represents Sqd. A, so much that he is becoming part of the furniture. I even started gnawing on his ear the other day.

I skipped down to Zuber Hall with the girls Saturday night and found Wanda Mitchell angling. She is out for big fish now—one that wears gold bars!

'Nough said for this time, so I guess I'd better go crawl in a hole for two more weeks.—Bye now.

Pee Wee

P. S. The nurses would like to thank you, Art Adams, for your welcome little pep talks. Especially one little girl!!!

Duration Doings

by Kathryn Harris

Would you like to visit Duration and see how the deprived peoples of society live?

First you come down to 1906 Fourth Street and ring the doorbell. It may stick and keep on ringing, but just remain calm—don't get excited, and soon some fair (?) maiden will come let you in and "unstick" the doorbell.

The rest of the girls, no matter in what remote corner of the house they are situated, listen intently. If a masculine voice comes forth, Floribel whispers to Marilyn, "It's a man. I'll race you for him!"—but we will pretend that it's after 8 o'clock on a Tuesday evening, so it won't be a man.

You come into our living room and find one of our mad pianists seated at the piano (that would be either Shirley or Inez). Dorothy Jacobsen is waiting for the phone to ring, but it probably won't because Maye has been talking on it for half an hour now. Jo is also waiting—but for a chance at the piano to demonstrate her version of chopsticks. Nothing very exciting is going on right now, so you go into the dining room.

As you enter, someone shouts, "If you talk in here, you'll have to put a penny in that ink box over there!" Upon examining the ink box, you find that it is empty and marvel that they can keep from talking. But after observing for a while, you will notice that they talk anyhow, but just don't have time to go upstairs for a penny. Don't worry about it—it's just one of those little laws that is never enforced.

The scene in front of you is most inspiring. The tables are piled high with books and typewriters. Peeking out here and there among the books are industrious souls studying. A strange procedure is followed: for five minutes the students work at the books and typewriters; then for half an hour they take time out for relaxation in the form of reducing exercises, ju-jitsu, or jittersbugging. This goes on far into the night, and it's amazing the things they don't accomplish!

At various intervals during the evening, the students are seized with great hunger pangs and they make their way to the kitchen.—Here you will find them eating indigestible foods. You will probably wonder why they spend half of the evening doing reducing exercises and the other half in eating—if you ever solve the burning question please let us know.

Upstairs strange things are going on. Hearing noise and confusion coming from behind a closed door, you open it and find Lois telling one of her killing jokes (probably the one about the tail-twister—ask her about it sometime), Virginia cutting Kathryn's hair, Mary Margaret deciding whose skirt to wear tomorrow, Karleen trying to strangle Dorene, and Dorothy Janney sleeping through it all.

Across the hall there is much internal strife. When Lillian and Inez feel the urge to talk, Elizabeth says in a polite, controlled voice, "Shut up! Do you want me to flunk that test tomorrow?"

As you leave you will probably

feel that you are developing a case of schizophrenia or something, but, after a few minutes out of that confusing environment, you will recover with no permanent ill effects.

The English language is peculiar. Tell the girl friend that time stands still when you look into her eyes and she'll adore you. But just you try telling her that her face would stop a clock!

Woman buying shoes: "No, I don't like these; they tend to get wider as they get older."

Candid clerk: "Well madam, didn't you "

BLONDIE'S COLUMN

So help me, I don't think spring is ever going to come to this town but that's a heck of a way to start out so I'd better tell you what a grand time everyone had at the Colonial Ball. It was really lovely and many thanks to the W. A. A. . . . Squadron "C" departed rather quietly (for Sqd. "C") Saturday night and with them went several hearts of fair maidens here in La G. . . . Mary Sommer and Suzi Frazier are no exception . . . What will we do without Herb Schulman to wink at all the girls in the halls, and where, oh where, will we ever find another squadron this is quite so un-eager, . . . If he doesn't quit fooling around in the kitchen, the girls at Eocene will be having "Duck" for dinner some day, Mr. Stanley. . . . Among those at the Colonial Ball were Lt. Bill Wagner—wings and all, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pierce and Walter Pierce, and that serves to remind me to ask why Martha Smith is so completely daffy over anything wearing a Navy blue uniform. . . . Arlene Peterson said she was a little cold Sunday night without anyone's arms around her after they were through playing Winkum. . . . Perhaps Ken Beppler should learn to hold his liquor a little better . . . Marilyn Patten has gone back to studying now . . . All indications point that the man in Sant Ana still remembers Dorothy Janney; how about it Dorothy? . . . We've seen some mighty pretty orchids lately including those worn by Lucille Thompson and Suzi Frazier. . . . Why was the Primary Ed class so anxious to go to the P. T. A. meeting? . . . Jack Weems reports everything just went black when Freida Whyte kissed him . . . Let's not set things on fire in Ackerman, boys. . . . A grand welcome to another Aviation Student with a swell voice, Bill Kline. . . . We'd like to know if Bob Waldum wins or loses money. . . . Was Jean Ledridge in a hurry to meet "her man" Sunday afternoon? . . . If you'd like to know what the well dressed A-S wears when saluting an officer just ask Dick Cross. Could it be red mittens? . . . Gwen Chester wearing a stop sign. . . . Alice Huebsch receiving good news lately. . . . Be careful what you have in your pocket Mr. Cohen, someone might be looking (and thirsty). . . . Peggy Wilson climbing lamp posts. . . . From the general look of things about town it might be said that Squadron "D" seems to be the most popular with the women. . . . Dorothy Ball is worried about her reputation. . . . Lt. Wiscott really gets around. . . . Term exams are looming ominously near and we can start studying all night pretty quick. . . . And then there was the Aviation Student who said "Women? You chase them all over heck—until they finally catch you." I better go now before the drug store runs out of peroxide. . . .

"Blondie"

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Business Manager	- - - - -	Helen Tippin
Advisor	- - - - -	Alvin Kaiser

Town Show Successful

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graceful and artistic rendition was given by Dick Bunting and Frank Howard.

The miller's first story was that of a young girl (Leone Cavanaugh) who was obsessed with the fear that she would lose her "glamorous figure" and who imagined she was constantly followed by an immense figure. To express her love of eating she sang "Shortenin' Bread" while being mimicked by the immense figure (Nina Wells).

The wife of Bath had noticed on her trip to Kentucky that everyone did something called "chewing"—the society girl (Lois Lane), the college coeds (Harriet Davis and Pat Shorb), the housewife (Betty Graven), even those repulsive hillbillies! Our repulsive friends (Ramona Henderson and Yolanda Allen) proceeded to sing a profound song entitled "Does the Spearmint Lose its Flavor on the Bedpost Over Night?"

At this point, the knight finally managed to break thru with the rest of his story about the sailor. It seems that he was wrecked on an island in the South Seas and flung into the arms of a beautiful native girl who fell for him immediately. The girl (Mary Frances Bailey) expressed her reactions with the song "Stars in My Eyes".

The wife of Bath recalled an excellent performance by that famous pianist Chopinovich Rach-

bramsibottom (Dick Bunting) who gave forth with some boogie-woogie after taking time to tune his piano.

Jean Evans sang "St. Louis Blues" in the nun's story of little Blue Riding Hood, who knew how to handle the St. Louis wolf.

To conclude the evening of story telling, the miller told of an illusion he had after attending a party at the wheatgrowers and mill-owners Cooperative Convention. After the traditional pink elephants, he saw his sacks of meal rise from the floor and dance toward him. The sacks, or should we say bags, were Helen Tippin, Betty Kight, and Polly Hall.

Music for the event was furnished by Shestinksees all-girl orchestra under the direction of Pat Barron. The first number rendered was the "Foul Concerto". Color was added by the hot drummers Bessie Golay and Joyce McClain. Nina Wells accented the second number, "Eugene in Z Minor", with her excellent playing of the bird call. Other members of the orchestra were Mary Perry, Ellen Greiner, Patty Leonard, Harriet Turner, Lois Davidson, Marion Snider, Margaret Harris, and Jean Ambrose.

To end the program, the orchestra played the "Farewell Symphony" and the male sextet sang (?) "You Are My Sunshine." Elaine Coleman furnished the accompaniment for the orchestra as well as for several of the other numbers, and Evelyn Scott also served at the piano.

A command performance of the show was given for the aviation students on Thursday, February 17.

The assembly was under the chairmanship of Helen Tippin. Irma Klinghammer acted as

Robert Norton

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and plans for continental empire. He has written "Who Bought the Bomb" (1938), "The Far Eastern Conflict and American Cotton" (1939) and "Last Chance for Peace in the Pacific" (1940.)

Mr. Norton served as Chairman of the China Aid Information Exchange which first brought together the many national organizations supporting China. He is Secretary of the American Round Table on India, and The League for Fair Play. He is a native of California, attended Whitman College, and was graduated from the law school of the University of Washington.

A nut at the wheel—
A peach in his arms—
The car makes a turn—
Fruit salad.

prompter, and Bob McCoy was stage manager. The script committee still refuses to reveal their identity for obvious reasons.

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Spring Term

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will be given on the evening of the 14, and the first dance of the spring term, the St. Patrick's Day Jig, is scheduled for Friday, March 17.

A complete calendar of the spring term activities will be published in the next issue of the Beacon.

SONG OF THE WEEK

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Instructors Return To Campus

Major Rolfe O. Bye, commanding officer of the 354th detachment, accompanied by Roy L. Skeen, coordinator of the program, Ralph Badgley of the physics department, and W. G. Ruppert of the geography department, attended a conference for the six northwest schools who have aviation training programs, in Pullman, Washington, February 9-12.

The problems discussed pertained to the administration and introduction of aviation students. The colleges represented were Montana State, University of Montana, Central Washington, Washington State, College of Idaho, and Eastern Oregon. Major Furguson, academic supervisor from Santa Ana, also attended the conference.

Miss Amanda Zable, associate professor of English, returned to the campus February 16 after having been the guest speaker for the Enterprise study club of the American Association of University Women. Miss Zable reviewed "The Eve of St. Mark" by Maxwell Anderson and "My World and Welcome to It" by James Thurber for the group.

COLONIAL BALL HELD FEBRUARY 18

The eighty or so couples who danced in the college auditorium from eight until eleven on the evening of February 18 unquestionably made a brilliant success of the annual WAA-sponsored Colonial Ball which is the always highly anticipated winter prom at EOCE.

The 354th Army Air Force dance band provided music which was decidedly extra special.

The intermission floor show offered a tap dancing number by charming little Dolores Buckwalter who was accompanied by her mother, and the popular "You'll Never Know" sung by A-S Bill Kline of Squadron D.

St. Valentine's Day provided the decorative motif for the affair. Clever cylindrical lights designed by Mrs. Stern were extremely effective and lent a scintillating quality to the whole red and white decor. An artificial ceiling of streamers and interesting colonial silhouettes in black added appreciably to the festive atmosphere.

Rotary Club Gives Scholarships

The Rotary Club of La Grande has announced that they are going to award seven \$74.00 scholarships at the college next fall. These scholarships are available for freshmen who desire to enroll at EOCE in the fall term beginning October, 1944. Each scholarship pays the full annual college tuition for freshmen of \$59.00, plus the \$15.00 annual student body activities fee, totaling \$74.00.

One scholarship will be awarded to a La Grande High school senior, one to a graduating senior

in a high school in Union County, and five to graduating seniors in other high schools outside Union County.

Each scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following qualities regarding the candidate: scholarship ability, character and personality, worthiness and need, leadership qualities.

This fine gift from the Rotary Club is especially well received at the present time when additional incentive is needed to urge graduating high school students to attend colleges. EOCE thanks the La Grande Rotary Club for their interest and cooperation in the educational program.

Former Mountaineers

Second Lieut. Bill Wagner visited the campus the week before last while home on a short furlough. He was recently graduated from the Advanced Flying school at Williams Field, Chandler, Arizona and received his commission in the army Air corps. He left La Grande for his next assignment in Richmond, Virginia. Bill attended EOCE in the early part of 1943.

Another familiar face which was seen on the campus lately was that of Corporal Bill Nock ('42-'43) of Elgin. Bill has completed the flexible gunnery course for radio men at the Yuma Army Air Field and has been promoted to the rank of Corporal.

Word was recently received from Portland that Mitzi Bohnenkamp ('42-'43) played with the Portland Junior Symphony in their annual winter concert. Mitzi, who is now enrolled in the school of nursing at the University of Oregon Medical School, was outstanding in the music department while on the campus and was especially noted for her viola performances.

The Olson twins, Delbert and Delmer, who served as student body yell leaders fall term last year, have recently been graduated from primary Army Air Force training at Santa Maria, California. They were among 35 from a class of 600 chosen for advance training and are now stationed at Marana, Arizona.

One of last year's junior college graduates, Lois Whealy, was greatly honored a short time ago at the University of Oregon. Lois was chosen to represent Alpha Xi Delta at Matrix Table, an annual dinner given by the national wom-

en's journalism honorary at the U. of O. for outstanding upper class women in the arts, music, and letters.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP HOLD MEETING

Every Sunday evening from 5:30 to 7:30 the Christian Youth Fellowship for all college students, nursing cadets, and aviation students meets at one of the local churches. Those attending present the program each evening, which consists of a worship service, a current discussion, and a social period with refreshments served by the church.

The first Sunday of each month Chaplain Calvert meets with this group, and special meetings are held presenting guest personnel at spaced intervals. From time to time parties are given for those who attend these meetings, and we of the Fellowship would like to see more students participating. Why don't you come to our next meeting?

Panel Given For Grange

Five members of the student-body accompanied Mr. Gaiser to the Blue Mountain Grange Saturday February 19, to present a program for the Grange members.

Three of the group, Janie Richardson, Elma Larson, and Dave Eshelman, representing the International Relations Club, presented a panel discussion on the post-war

era led by Mr. Gaiser. Pat Pearce, accompanied by Evelyn Scott on the piano, favored the group with several violin solos.

Before the program, all enjoyed a wonderful country-style dinner—roast chicken and all the trimmings—and at this time, Mr. Gaiser relinquished all claims on the IRC gourmet title to his competitor Elma Larson! After the program everyone took part in games and group singing, and the crowd returned to La Grande well satisfied with the afternoon.

Gives Upward

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next door to the theater, had ample opportunity to see the rest of the show. It consisted mainly of vocal and instrumental solos from the neighboring communities with a few dances and skits interspersed.

It was before a packed and enthusiastic house that the devotees posed through their lines. The audience cheered and whistled at the heroine in true melodramatic style, and were very sympathetic with poor little Bessie when, during her fainting scene, she hit the floor with unexpected vigor! (This second accident resulted in an injured wrist.) They sniffed at the plots of Prudence and Matilda, and reacted hilariously to Mortimore's

final domination of the scene.

After the performance, the group returned to La Grande, slightly the worse for wear but wishing that they could do it again the next night.

This amateur show is an annual event sponsored by the Enterprise Lions Club, and is presented for two nights in their local theater. The proceeds from the show are used by the Club to give eye examinations and buy glasses for needy children. The members of the cast were glad to be able to assist them in their cause.

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Second ditto: "Hooray, I've been defurred."

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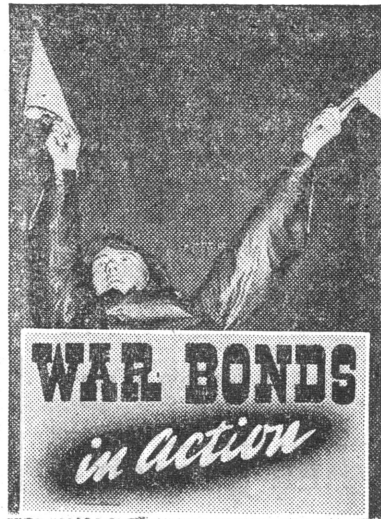
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PREXY RETURNS

Dr. Roben J. Maaske, President of Eastern Oregon college, and Mr. John Miller, Principal of Ackerman Training School, returned recently from a trip to the East, where, as representatives of the Sloan Foundation Fund program, for which a grant has been made to Eastern Oregon College, they visited other schools which were carrying on projects financed by the Sloan Foundation Fund. Through their visitations they gained valuable information and ideas which will aid them in launching a similar program here.

The purpose of the Sloan Foundation Fund is to determine through a controlled school set-up, the extent to which subjects taught in the schools will influence the surrounding communities, and perhaps lead many poorer communities to a higher standard of living.

Dr. Maaske and Mr. Miller made their first visitation at a school in a poor rural area near Lexington, Kentucky where the experiment dealt with food. The diet of the people in this sector consists chiefly of corn bread and pork with a resultant poor health standard. The schools were using textbooks which taught the children the value of milk and vegetables in the diet, how to raise a goat or cow, or a vegetable garden.

The second visitation was to a school in a poor rural area in Florida, where the experiment dealt with housing. There they observed one class which was studying about bathrooms and bath tubs, devices comparatively unknown to many of the children.

Mr. Miller visited another school in a small village in Vermont where school children were learning to make over old clothing, to mend shoes, and in general to improve their personal appearance through better care of their clothing. He said that the children in this area were noticeably better dressed than children in some other areas of Vermont.

While Mr. Miller was in Vermont, Dr. Maaske stopped over in Washington D. C. to make final

arrangements for the new Army Cadet Nurse Corps program recently established at E. O. C. E.

After the visitations Mr. Miller and Dr. Maaske met with other representatives of the Sloan Foundation at Cleveland, Ohio, where a series of discussions and meetings were held.

Cadet Nurses

Register March 16

Twenty-four new cadet nurses appeared on the campus Thursday morning, March 16, for the opening day of the college's second nurses' training program, with the ten additional members having arrived by the following Monday.

Starting at 10 o'clock on Thursday, a series of orientation assemblies were held with the following speakers appearing: Dr. Roben J. Maaske, President of Eastern Oregon College; Miss Kathryn Parrish, Executive Secretary of the Oregon State Board of Nursing Examiners; Miss Marian Smith Counselor for Women; Lyle H. Johnson, Registrar; Kenneth E. Schilling, Assistant Professor of Music; Miss Elaine Coleman, Associated Studentbody President; Miss Amanda Zable, Associate Professor of English; Miss Betty Grice, Director of the College Health Service; Miss Arta Lawrence, College Librarian; and Roy L. Skeen, Associate Professor of Psychology.

Friday and Saturday were given over to various meetings and counseling groups with physical examinations being started Friday afternoon. At 3:30 on Friday, the girls were the guests of J. Donald Meyers at the Liberty Theatre.

This new group of cadet nurses will complete their work at the college an approximately January 1, 1945, and will then transfer to the Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in Spokane, Washington. They are being housed at the Hot Lake Sanitorium and are transported to and from the college by bus.

Cadet Nurses Take Examinations

With vehement eagerness we, the 3rd term cadet nurses, stumbled into Room 1, Thursday, March 16, to take a State Board physiology and anatomy examination.

No sooner had we arrived than the examiner bounced in on a gaily striped "pogo" stick. It (we refer to the examiner as "it" for several reasons) was attired in a delightful "smudge-pot" affair. To show the proper respect we bowed many times. All of us were over-run with reverent emotion. The examiner gnashed its teeth in a raucous manner.

The examination was very difficult. We tried to answer such questions as "How many polys are in a polymorphonuclear?", and "How many pedal digits on a gnat?" Indeed, we were confused.

After several hours of exam we gave our papers to the examiner. "It" spat at us indifferently. As we left the room we stoned the examiner to show our affection and gratitude. As a result of our

three terms of hard work the cadet nurses will flunk out and resume the duties of our former civilian occupations.

C-N Winebarger has conducted a survey to determine exactly what these occupations are, the results of which are as follows:

Lucille Winebarger—a sky-writer for the Pepsi Colo Co.

Peggy Herwick—old (unfinished business).

Alice Heubsch—plain old Navy wife.

Marjorie Meek—the Hollywood pig raising business.

Marcia Olsen—home and a relapse.

Marilyn McGinnis—salesman for guaranteed henna pack.

Lyleth Sutliff—a black pepper examiner.

Wanda Mitchell—a drinker (of desert cactus milk).

Jeanne Zeits a homing pigeon for old San Antone.

Rosella Hrasky—a paratrooper. (Continued on Page 4)

Spring Frolic Held March 14

On the evening of March 14, the annual Spring Frolic was held in the college auditorium with the freshman class doing the honors for the affair. Approximately fifty students were present for a varied evening of games and dancing.

Miss Marian Smith, dean of women, and Coach Bob Quinn led in a series of races and contests which brought forth many interesting results. For instance, Lyle Johnson, registrar, and Kathryn Harris won first place for spending the greatest amount of time on the floor (it seems they were a little too eager in a certain relay race), and "Mike" Michael received undisputed honors for carrying on the loudest conversation during the program.

Coke and cookies were served during the evening, and a program consisting of a group of piano duets was presented by Evelyn Scott and Phylcia McLaughlin.

The Frolic ended on a slightly sour note as various ensembles performed for the rating of the dignified judges, Miss Smith, Coach Quinn, Lyle Johnson, and Pop Kaiser. The first group, under the masterly direction of Bob McCoy, sang "You are My Sunshine", followed by the Michael choir singing "Down By the Old Mill Stream". Evelyn Scott led the third group in the "Alma Mater", and 1944's Spring Frolic drew to a close.

JIG HONORS THE IRISH

Amidst a colorful setting of shamrocks and wishing wells, the college students aviation students, and cadet nurses (old and new alike had what was pronounced by about 70 couples who attended, "a sure' nough good time" on March 17 from 8:00 to 11:00.

Music for the jig was given out, but solid, by the up-and-coming rejuvenated Original Dixieland Breakdown Band which featured Jean Evans as vocalist with Squadron D's newest contribution—A-S George Trayan, formerly with Stan Kenton's band,—on some special numbers.

During the intermission, a unique and novel stunt was initiated. Miss Elaine Coleman made the announcement that all couples (Continued on Page 3)

"Nine Girls" To Be Given

Casting began Monday, March 20, for the spring term play "Nine Girls" scheduled for performance April 28. It is a play in two acts by Wilfrid H. Pettitt, which has played very successfully on Broadway and recently was presented with such notables as Ann Harding and Jinx Falkenburg in the cast.

The story is a modern one centering around a group of sorority girls who become involved in a series of murders and blood-chilling events. The scene is set in the sorority clubhouse in Colifornia's Sierra Nevada mountains.

Suspense, dramatic moments, excitement, and humor all combine to make this play well worth seeing, so let's remember the date—April 28.

SPRING CALENDAR

APRIL

- 7 Junior Prom
- 14 Counselling Parties
- 15 Music Festival
- 21 Sport Dance
- 28 Spring Play

MAY

- 6 Mother's Week-end
- 12 School Picnic
- 19 Coronation Ball
- 21 Bacalaureate
- 23 Final Exams
- 24 Final Exams
- 25 Evensong
- 26 Commencement

Twenty-Nine Make Honor Roll

Twenty-nine students of the college found themselves in the 3.0 to 4.0 bracket at the end of winter term with two of the co-eds, Elaine Coleman and Elizabeth Foley both of La Grande, receiving the coveted 4.0s.

Others on the honor roll were as follows: La Grande—Dora

Brooks, Carol George, Irma Klinghammer, Bob Kopp, Arloeen Krause, Etta Lou McCabe, Phylcia McLaughlin, Janie Richardson, Evelyn Scott, Marion Snider, Jennie Williams; Cove—Bessie Golay, Inez Towle; Willowcreek—Kathryn Harris; Portland—Franya Prudhomme; Salem—Lyleth Sutliff; Vale—Dorothy Wallis; Condon—Freida Whyte; Nampa—David Eshelman; Dufur—Neivalle Frazier; Richland—Betty Zane Graven; Corvallis—Alice Huebsch, Elizabeth Kibby; John Day—Maye Kirkpatrick; Adrian—Emily Otis, Arlene Peterson; Enterprise—Lois Ward.

One of the popular college faculty families suffered an increase in numbers March 16, as young Gary Douglas made his first appearance on the world stage. The Kaisers are justly proud of their new son, and we offer them our congratulations.

Delegates Return from Spokane

Snow, the blight of spring, greeted the weary but exuberant International Relations Club members as they returned from the Northwest Regional Conference held at the Holy Names College in Spokane, Washington, March 25 and 26.

The group, including Elma Larson, Betty Graven, Janie Richardson, Warren Michael, and Bob McCoy, left La Grande at about 9:30 on Thursday morning travelling in Professor Gaiser's car.

The upward trip turned into a "sleeping beauty" contest—Mike winning without a doubt. Mr. Gaiser was dubbed "Joe Go" for the remainder of the trip for various unprintable reasons, but if you want the low-down see Elma or Bob.

Upon arriving in Spokane, it was discovered (much to the delight of the girls) that they were to stay in a private home directly across from the boy's dormitory of Gonzaga College, which at the present time is housing approximately 400 navy cadets. The male

Fathers Feted March 25

State Senator Charles W. Zurcher from Enterprise was guest speaker at the third Annual Dad's Day Banquet held Saturday, March 25, in the Episcopal Church. The banquet was the grand climax to the day set aside especially for our fathers.

In the afternoon, a coffee hour was held in the Ackerman kindergarten room with Virginia Wilcox of Vale and Margaret Schomp of Mayville, co-chairman for this part of the program, presiding at the coffee table. Elaine Coleman, studentbody president furnished music at the piano.

After the coffee hour, Dick Bunting and Bob Kopp conducted what they called a "tour of the campus". Starting in the art room, they moved through Ackerman Hall, into the Gymnasium Building, and across to the Administration Building. The science labs proved the most interesting part of the tour thanks to the efforts of the professors in those departments. Ralph Badgley, Associate Professor of Science, had set up in the physics lab several interesting demonstrations including such things as an instrument used in testing for machinery defects and a photo-electric cell that rang a bell when one passed in front of it. Dr. Quaintance of the biology department had several microscopes on display, but they were quite overshadowed by the new skeleton with removable parts. In the chemistry lab, Mr. McGrath showed the equipment used by the students and explained a recent experiment.

Ramona Henderson, general chairman for Dad's Day, served as toastmistress at the banquet which followed the tour of the campus. Kenneth E. Schilling led the group in singing such songs as "East Oregon We Love Thee" and "Polly Wolly Doodle". Dorothy Ball of Grass Valley gave the welcome to the dads, to which Mr. J. M. Scholl of Enterprise responded. Arloeen Krause and Frances

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delegates were even more fortunate in that they stayed in the dormitory itself, but the girls made up for it at a later date. After getting settled, the group proceeded to the city center to dine in style and take in a movie, (by the way, Joe Go was even persuaded to go along just to see that "darling John Garfield").

Registration started at 9:00 the following morning with twenty colleges being represented: College of Idaho, North Idaho Junior College, University of Idaho, Northwest Nazarene College, Montana State College, Carroll College, Maryhurst College, Walla Walla College, Lewis and Clark College, Eastern Washington College, University of Oregon, Seattle College, Seattle Pacific College, University of Washington, Gonzaga University, Holy Names College, Whitworth, Canadian Junior College Victoria College, and Eastern Oregon.

The first day's program consisted of an opening session at which (Continued to Page Four)

An interesting story of an American-Japanese war hero reached the desk of the Beacon from the editorial offices of the University of California's daily paper. It is the story of Sergeant Ben Kuroki, crack gunner in the Army Air Corps and veteran of thirty bombing missions.

Sergeant Kuroki visited the Bay area in the early part of February and spoke before many interested groups. Although he naturally told of his many experiences, he stressed and re-stressed the idea that "the fight against the Axis and racial intolerance are the same battle. We will have lost the war if our military victory is not followed by a better understanding among peoples."

Sergeant Kuroki, who wears the Air Medal with four oak-leaf clusters and two distinguished flying crosses, enlisted with his younger brother two days after Pearl Harbor. "They drove 150 miles from their home in Hershey, Nebraska, to an induction station. It was a month before they were accepted. There he found a foreshadowing of his two battles.—or the first time in our lives we found out what prejudice really was. I began to realize right then that I had a couple of strikes on me to begin with and that I was going to be fighting two battles instead of one—against the Axis and against intolerance among my fellow-Americans."

"His first break was assignment to General Ted Timberlake's "Flying Circus" as a communication's clerk. After several near-misses he finally got to England with the group where he applied for gunnery training. Hard work and crack gunnery earned him the top turret gun position. . . ."

"Ben's combat experiences showed him democracy in action. He said, 'I learned more about democracy than you'll find in all the books because I saw it in action. When you live with men under combat conditions for 15 months you begin to understand what brotherhood, equality, tolerance and unselfishness really mean.'"

"The tail gunner was Jewish, I am a Japanese-American, the bombardier was a German, the left waist tunnel gunner was an Irishman. Later I flew with an American-Indian pilot and a Polish tunnel gunner. What difference did it make? We had a job to do and we did it with a kind of comradeship that was the finest thing in the world."

"His twenty-fifth mission was officially called the "Battle of Ploesti" rather than the Ploesti raid. Seventy-eight bombers out of 175 did not return. Even after this, Sergeant Kuroki volunteered for five extra missions."

"The thirtieth mission was nearly his last. He was flying over Germany when a burst of flak hit the top turret. His goggles were shattered, and his oxygen mask was torn off, but the co-pilot and radioman were able to pull him down and revive him."

That is the story of Sergeant Ben Kuroki, Japanese-American—a story of the highest type of loyalty and patriotic service. And yet, the sergeant made the statement that he was not sure he could walk the streets of America in safety!

Why is it that Sergeant Kuroki could fly over Germany with representatives of all nations and have such strong feelings of democratic fellowship, and yet return to America, his home, and doubt his personal safety?—Truly an absurd paradox, and yet the sergeant is only one of many facing the same situation.

Racial intolerance, especially toward the Japanese, has been growing steadily in America for a good many years. It stretches back into the days when Orientals first came into the new world and, because of their lower wage rate, took jobs away from the Americans. Under the force of present-day war propaganda, this smouldering trap of narrow-mindedness has burst into flame, and the average American entertains feelings of suspicion and even hatred toward the Japanese. Of course, this is a very deformed and unintelligent concept based largely upon fear, but, as it relates to the enemy, it no doubt serves a purpose.

The difficulty lies in the fact that through a simple psychological process known as "spreading", this prejudice toward the Oriental enemy moves out to include all of the same race, thus inflicting a terrible injustice upon such Japanese as Sergeant Kuroki. We owe a debt to the thousands of Japanese-Americans—a debt which can be paid by casting away the chains of intolerance and honestly accepting them on their own personal credentials.

This is a problem which could have devastating effects upon future international relations, and upon American democratic principals. We must overcome it with rational realization, intelligent thinking and education of the less enlightened.

We know that Sergeant Ben Kuroki is going to win the first of his battles, and we must see to it that he does not lose the second and even more important of the two.

This Belongs To You

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I want the men, I want the wine,
I want the light that brightly shines,
I want the thrill of a long drawn kiss,
I want the things nice girls miss;
I want to live in the arms of a man,
And still be single if I can;
Now what I want is some good advice,
On how to be naughty and still be nice.

(The above poem refers to the sentiments of two E. O. C. co-eds. . . . Peggy Wilson and Martha Smith. Won't somebody help them?)

Blondie's Column

We learn something new every day (they say), but who ever thought the day would come when there'd be two bottles of milk in a window of the Sac? Would somebody please tell me what sort of drink you mix with that stuff?—Eocene missed the Duck for some time but since last Saturday night "Quack, Quack" Stanley is back and smiling, too. . . . It was a great day for the Irish and it was also a great day with everyone at the St. Patrick's Day Jig. . . . There seemed to be a lot of people putting the fortunes from the Wishing Well back quickly before anyone else got a look at them. . . . Pat Davis being quick to tear up the slip that said to "call 364W if you are lonely" . . . Phylcia McLaughlin claims to be an authority on the Navy. . . . Congratulations to Betty Grice and Sgt. Parrish. Have you seen the beautiful diamond? It's good to see Andy Maynosz back again. . . . Helen Lee was very interested in going home for spring vacation. . . . Dorene Dory, have you asked Vitti about his Fanny lately? . . . Married life must be great; Alice Heubusch seemed very happy when she returned. . . . What were Freida Whyte and Arlene Peterson doing in a dark classroom? . . . The little boy on the corner insists on calling Smitty Vaughan "Daddy". . . . Suzi Frazier swears she is off going with cadets (please don't do anything rash Suzi). . . . Elma Larson went roller skating Saturday night. . . .

Lot's of new things are being added.—A new squadron of Aviation Students and a new group of Cadet Nurses. . . . We've heard that Marjorie Meek and Lucille Wineberger, who stayed at C. N. C. during vacation, had quite an interesting time. . . . People still swooning over the dancing of Lt. and Mrs. Oldershaw. . . . Jean Evans stepping out with the Permanent Party. . . . Jack Weems still good at playing Winkum. . . . Some of the business establishments around town are going to miss Sqd. "B" if they ever leave. . . . Overheard in the hall the other day. "Lt. Wiscott is getting older and older, and he picks them younger and younger." (unquote). . . . We all seem to agree that Paul Martin's music was just plenty good and that the Aviation Students really had a grand dance. . . . Have you heard singer, George Trayan, of

Sqd. "C"? . . . Beverly Rhodes doesn't seem to be wearing her diamond. . . . There are a lot of measles loose about the place, in fact I think I see one chasing me, now. . . .

"BLONDIE"

Duration Doings

We thought "It can't happen here"—but it did! I mean measles. Dorothy Janney broke out with them the other night and at an hour, when respectable law-abiding citizens are in bed so we couldn't move her. We just had to keep away from her door 'till morning when she was moved to the hospital. And that isn't the only disease which has befallen us. Spring fever! The symptoms are perfectly obvious—everyone is madly buying new clothes. You should see some of the things they bring home—everything from ridiculous hats to red shoes and purple sweaters. When we see our friends returning from town with all sorts of odd bundles underarm—with raised eyebrows we ask "Well what did you buy this time" Then we proceed to look every article over critically—usually thinking ahead like this—"Will it fit me? and if so how long will it be before I can borrow it?" After all—the first gal out of the house is always the best dressed!

There is an interesting scent at Duration during the lunch hour now. The nurses from Hot Lake eat lunch here and at the hour of 12:00 there are girls in every noon and corner of the dining room. We manage very well but everyone has to cooperate or they might accidentally take a bite out of someone's elbow.

Most of us began teaching this week in the city schools. So if you see us going around with a haggard look and stern countenance you'll know why. It's begun to affect our minds. Just ask Lillian. The other day she was writing lesson plans and talking at the same time. Apparently she has a one-track mind for this is what she wrote—"Lesson plan for reading for the next twenty years." What an interesting future to say the least.

CNC Hall Mouse

We're back again—full of pep; These vacations really make you hep.

I'm skipping again around the hall, To bring you gossip of one and all.

Hi everybody—this is Pee Wee again! This week finds all of the girls dragging back from their vacations. Beverly Rhodes reports that she had a wonderful trip to Alabama, but I think she's kidding 'cause she lives in Portland. Peggy Herwick visited with Wanda Mitchell in Imbler, and Pat Davis, Lyleth Sutliff, and Dee Robin dashed down to Salem. Jeanne Zeitz and Rosella Hrascky spent the few days in Portland. Marilyn McGinnis returned from her home in Enterprise and found the boy friend Garry back from the hospital in Spokane. Welcome back, Garry!

When I was skipping around Monday morning before the girls came back, I ran into Lucille Wineberger and Marjorie Meek. By gosh, I don't believe they left the hall at all! It isn't that they weren't homesick, but they live so far away that five days wasn't long enough to go home and back.

I knew that our nurses talk an awful lot, but I didn't dream they were turning into parrots. The evidence points that way, though, for the other day they were all up in the hall eating crackers hand over fist. I think Verna Smith spends all her money providing snacks between classes.

The girls asked me to thank Squadrons D and E for their evening serenades. We certainly do miss you since you woved, and we are sorry that we can't return the singing, but if we did come down would you invite us in for pink tea and doughnuts?

I hopped up to school with the girls Tuesday, March 14, and found them registering for their new term. . . . Whew! microbiology, materia medica (whatever that is), psychology, nursing arts, and nutrition and cookery.

I also noticed that we have a few new nurses floating around.

The other day, I overheard the girls talking about their little brothers. It seems as though Peggy Herwick has adopted Marshall Smith for hers, and Marjorie Meek claims Bill Fischer. I guess they don't like being the "only child". I certainly don't blame them. I wish I could pick out some brothers like that!

Well, everybody, bye now, I'll see you again next time The Beacon goes to press.

PEE WEE

E. O. Cene Notes

Oh, happy day! EOCENE girls are back in town. Well, at least we're happy. Are you? (Don't answer that!)

Vacation passed all too quickly for some of the girls. Martha Smith and Hazel Briggs found their stay at Nyssa so interesting they were several days late getting back. Who was the new heart-throb, Hazel?

What did Dots Scholl and Ball find to do in the wide spot in the road called Grass Valley? Sounds interesting anyway.

Leora Fulp reports being well entertained. How about it Kenny Morgan of Sqd. D.

We thought Peggy Wilson had deserted us. We can't blame her for being late returning when we hear her tell of the fun she had in Hood River.

The rest of us regret to say that we had a perplexing problem when we were home. We had difficulty budgeting our time between sleeping and eating so that both needs were satisfied.

Dorothy Scholl seems to have acquired a sudden case of the measles. Small wonder, since she has been seeing a lot of a certain A-S in Sqd B.

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FORMER MOUNTAINEERS

Marine Captain William A. Cantrel, former college student and visitor on the campus last fall, recently received the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" while flying against the Japs in the Solomons. The ceremony was held at the Marine Corps Air Station, Santa Barbara, California.

Lieut Robert L. Fallow, also a former student from E. O. C. E. was recently awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious service performed while he was with the VIII bomber command in England.

The following communique was received by the Beacon from the Major's Army Field at Greenville, Texas:

"Majors field, March 1—A former varsity football and basketball player at Eastern Oregon, Aviation Cadet Willard W. Jones, of Irrigon, is scheduled to complete soon his nine weeks of basic flight training here.

Jones attended Eastern Oregon, for three years prior to his appointment as an aviation cadet last fall, and was given primary flying instruction at Fort Worth, Texas."

Two former EOC students, Don Ragsdale, petty officer second class, and Miss Betty Lauridsen of Calloway, Nebraska, were married in the local Catholic church on March 11.

Mrs. Ragsdale has been teaching in the Ontario schools since

her graduation and was affiliated with many organizations including Sigma Alpha Chi, the women's scholastic honorary, while on the campus.

Don attended the college for two years before entering the Navy. He has just returned from 19 months of service in the South Pacific.

Ensign Mary Loney ('39-'41) passed through La Grande March 10 on her way to a new assignment in the Seattle area. She recently completed her preliminary work in the east.

Marion Huff, former varsity football and basketball player, and Gene Conklin, 1943 studentbody business manager, visited briefly in La Grande during the few days between winter and spring terms. They have returned to the University of Oregon in Eugene.

Another ex-varsity football and basketball star, Jim Bohnenkamp, was in La Grande for a few days recently. He has completed his V-12 work in Pocatello and has been transferred to Bremerton for a few weeks.

Two former Mountaineers have just completed their basic flying training in the Army Air Corps and have been sent to advanced flying schools. They are LeRoy Rochester, graduated from the Marana army air field, Tucson, Arizona, and Scott Payne, graduated from the Merced army air field in California.

and explained the program of education at the college. Following this each student introduced his father and attempted to answer the question "why I like my dad".

After the dinner Dr. Maaske introduced Senator Charles W. Zurcher who addressed the group in an interesting fashion.

At the close of Senator Zurcher's speech master of ceremonies Dick Bunting of La Grande took over and introduced the program which was as follows: Mary Frances Bailie, accompanied at the piano by Evelyn Scott, sang "The Perfect Day"; Elaine Coleman of La Grande played a piano solo; Evelyn Scott and Phylcia McLaughlin offered a group of piano duets. The evening was closed with everyone singing the Alma Mater.

Committee chairmen for Dad's Day were: program, Yolanda Allen and Elma Larson; banquet, Dorothy Ball and Leona Cavanaugh; coffee hour, Virginia Wilcox and Margaret Schomp; campus tour, Dick Bunting, Bob Kopp Warren Michael and Bob McCoy;

registration, Joy McPherson; publicity, Polly Hall.

Jig Honors

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were to gather 'round the wishing well and draw slips of paper from it on which their fortunes were written. Soon the "blarney" and amusing quips were being shown around much to the embarrassment of some, such as Colonel Jesse Sons who was notified of the return of his pants via one of the "fortunes". Many other laughable situations were created by the wishing well nonsense, and the Student Council deserves a vote of thanks for a grand dance.

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Annual Dads

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Alpha Rho Tau Initiates

On March 2, Alpha Rho Tau, the college art Honorary, initiated eleven new members into their society. This included Carol George, Lois Ward, Floribel Eddy, Marion Snider, Dorothy Ball, Franya Prudhomme, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Joyce McLain, Etta Lou McCabe, Mrs. Cleaver, and Mrs. Hodgkin.

The initiation was opened by a fun program with Ramona Henderson in charge. The new members chose partners, and were given five minutes to draw their partner's portrait. Next, clay was passed around, and they were asked to model their favorite cadet. When finished, the "cadets" were voted on. The winner was Mrs. Cleaver's cadet, a small fellow with immense overshoes and a bulging notebook.

Kathryn Harris, president, was in charge of the formal part of the initiation which was followed by a tea. Miss Gillis led in a discussion of possible activities for the society, and a short business meeting was held at which time Dora Brooks resigned from her position as vice-president and Virginia Wilcox was elected to succeed her.

IRC Panel Performs Again

Once again the International Relations Club panel performed before an interested audience at the regular meeting of the Neighborhood Club on March 21.

Warren Michael, president of the club, introduced the subject for discussion, "Problems of European Peace". Members who participated were Elma Larson, Phylis McLaughlin, Leone Cavanaugh, Carol George, and Janie Richardson.

Refreshments were especially enjoyed because, as everyone knows, eating is almost as important as world affairs to most of the club members. (Mr. Gaiser again states that he will take no responsibility for the above members or their opinions!) Mary Frances Baillie, accompanied by Evelyn Scott, sang two numbers, "Sympathy Waltz" and "The Perfect Day".

Cadet Nurses

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Beverly Rhodes—G. I. army jerk.

Juanita Tracy—F. B. I. snooper.

Pat Davis—an instructor of the art of jitterbugging in Hawaii.

Verna Smith—farmer's housekeeper.

Dee Robin—official tap dancer for the Santa Ana Air base.

Frances Kumazawa—a WAVE.

Rosamae Greenwood—a college graduate with a new start.

Freida Whyte—tropical tramp.

Dorothy Gekler—Roseburg and the myrtle-wood trade.

Jane Kikuchi—a high diver in the future Olympic games.

Leora Fulp—member of the Merchant Marine.

Geneva Sayre Speaks To Group

The regular assembly held March 15 in the college auditorium featured Miss Geneva Sayre, daughter of the Union County School Superintendent, as the guest speaker. Miss Sayre was a resident teacher in China for nearly 22 years, and has recently arrived back in this county on the Swedish exchange ship Gripsholm.

The assembly was opened with a group of solos sung by Miss Janie Richardson, after which announcements were made concerning Dad's Day which is to be held March 25.

Miss Sayre astounded and amused the group by speaking the first few phrases of her talk in Chinese, after which she discussed the methods of teaching in China. Miss Sayre's first position was as an instructor in the Chinese compound where she was stationed, but later she transferred from teaching and took over many duties of the hospital. She told of being imprisoned in her own room at the compound when the Japanese first entered the city, and of later being moved to a large prison camp. Miss Sayre mentioned one Japanese general of whom she thought a great deal because he was so kind to her and her fellow prisoners, and in closing she said that she thought that the Americans should not harbor hatred for all peoples of the Axis powers because there are many like us among them.

Delegates Return

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Miss Amy Hemingway Jones, representing the Carnegie Endowment, spoke, a luncheon, a tea, a lecture by Dr. Frank Munk, exiled Czechoslovakian and lecturer in economics at the University of California, and a series of discussion groups in which two of EOCE's delegates took leading parts. Elma Larson acted as discussion leader in the World Government session and Janie Richardson read a paper to introduce the discussion on Problems of World Peace.

A lovely banquet was held that evening in the Spokane Hotel with Dr. Wilson Leon Godshall of Lehigh University in Pennsylvania speaking. Following the banquet, Mike looked up some of his former officer friends and went out to Geiger field, where by chance he saw his old plane in the process of being repaired. The rest of the crowd took in another movie, but Joe Go couldn't bear up so he returned to the dormitory with final instructions to "BE GOOD!!!"

The second day found the discussion groups being continued with a final meeting to sum up the points brought out and a luncheon for farewells.

Betty left the rest Saturday afternoon and to visit her boy friend's family (you know how these relations are) and the others in the group went shopping—Joe Go looking for Easter eggs and at his age too!

Elma and Janie sat in the Daventport lobby for fifteen minutes

but all they could pick up was Mike and Bob, who in their usual gentlemanish manner (we laugh) proceeded to take them out for dinner and to see the town.

Jokes and insults flew right and left during this hilarious evening which ended in an unexpected tour through the Military Police station for Janie and in an attempt to climb in a window at the dormitory made by both girls.

The return trip found Mike holding the center of the stage as he expounded from a joke book and demonstrated the correct way to apply lipstick. Jo Go stopped in Milton to buy some trees for his garden while Mike unsuccessfully tried to scrape up enough money to buy a tree for Clancey. It was discovered that Bob challenges Sinatra for crooning honors and that Elma has the craziest hat in creation.

But to speak seriously, everyone agreed that the conference was a very worthwhile experience and many valuable ideas have been brought back with the delegates.

Fashion Fancies

By Joy McPherson

In the spring a Co-ed's fancy lightly, turns to thoughts of Easter bonnets and dainty frills. As a change from the darker colors of winter, the new shades of orchid seem to be enjoying the highest popularity. As an example, take a look at the outfit you have probably noticed Polly Hall wearing—orchid sweater worn with a plaid skirt in harmonizing shades. One of our new Army nurse cadets al-

so finds orchid a becoming color. Gwen (you can guess her last name as well as I) wears it in matching sweater and hair ribbons.

Perhaps you have decided to have a suit this spring, as did Peggy Wilson and Pat Pattison. They found shades of red to their liking, while Janie Richardson chose a steel blue for her new three-piece outfit and Lois Ward decided upon gold in a dressmaker style. A popular suit color which you might like for this spring is the new shade of pastel green, and, speaking of green, we're sure you've noticed the kelly-green jumper with white trimmings worn by Pat Shorb. Freida Whyte also favors green, as evidenced by the delicate afternoon dress she sported at the St. Patrick's Day jig.

And now, let's see—oh yes, Spring hats! A favorite for college girls is that style borrowed from the Netherlands—the dutch cap. The black one worn by Jeanne Zeits caught many an appraising eye at the Paul Martin dance, and many of the other girls have adopted it also. We haven't quite decided what the style of the new yellow hat is that Elma Larson wears, but it seems to be influenced by the oriental.

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Counseling Parties To Be Given

A second series of counseling parties has been planned for Friday, April 14, with the emphasis going on outdoor activities, weather permitting. Those held during winter term were so very successful that a repeat performance seemed desirable. The various groups met after the assembly on April fifth, and plans subject to change were made.

The combined nursing cadet groups, under the leadership of Dr. Quaintance and Mr. McGrath, are planning a picnic supper at Riverside Park. Mr. Sterne's secretarial science students are to enjoy a weiner roast at the Sterne home while Mr. Badgley's second year junior college girls are going to put on hiking shoes and head for the Birnie cabin located several miles up Mill Canyon.

Dr. Addy's and Miss Zabel's second year teacher training students are planning a weiner roast also at Riverside Park, and the freshman junior college group is having dessert at the Johnson home with an evening of games following. Mr. Gaiser's group of nurses are counting on a picnic at the Gaiser home, and Mr. Skeen has also suggested a picnic.

Reports were not available on the other groups, but as can be seen, plans indicate that this second series of counseling parties should be as successful as the first.

WAA Initiates

Friday, March 31, found five of the college coeds rather oddly attired in mismatched shoes, one white sock and one red, and red hair ribbons. Much embarrassment was caused by the appraising stares of the library wolves, especially to the Titian haired pianist, Evelyn Scott, who flaunted an enormous clashing scarlet hair-bow, and to "Breezy" McLaughlin who obeyed not only the letter of the law but also the spirit in the "mismatched shoes" requirement.

But really fellows, the gals hadn't taken complete leave of their senses. No, they had just completed the requirements for initiation into the Women's Athletic Association, and were being tested on their sportsmanship.

Those being initiated were Suzi Frazier, Evelyn Scott, Patty Barron, Inez Towle, and Phylcia McLaughlin.

To be eligible for the organization, the girls had completed the required number of hours in at least two sports and passed a test over the society's constitution given by vice-president Ellen Greiner.

At noon on March 31, a luncheon meeting was held in the auditorium of Ackerman Hall, at which time the girls were formally received into the club. Each member brought her own lunch, and ice cream and cookies were served.

During the meeting, plans were laid for an overnight hike in honor of the new members, and the date was tentatively set for April 28.

"And where is Cadet Smith?"
"A. W. O. L."
"After women or liquor?"

SPRING CALENDAR

- APRIL
- 14 Counseling Parties
 - 15 Music Festival
 - 21 Junior Prom
 - 28 Sport Dance
- MAY
- 5 Spring Play
 - 6 Mother's Week-end
 - 12 School Picnic
 - 19 Coronation Ball
 - 21 Baccalaureate
 - 23 Final Exams
 - 24 Final Exams
 - 25 Evensong
 - 26 Commencement

Date Advanced For Junior Prom

The annual Junior Prom, which was originally scheduled for April 7, has been postponed to April 21 because of the conflicting programs which accompany the Easter season.

Plans are already in progress for the big affair, and the committees are hard at work. Lois Ward is general chairman for the dance assisted by Kathryn Harris, decorations; Etta Lou McCabe, refreshments; Lee Wilson, entertainment; Mary Margaret Kennedy, program; and Elizabeth Kibby, clean-up.

This is the one big activity which the juniors sponsor throughout the year, and they promise that it will be an outstanding event. Since their class is so small every member is working on all the committees, and any outside help with the decorations will be appreciated.

The Prom is the next to last formal dance that will be held at the college this year, so girls, let's take advantage of the situation and use this occasion to show off that new spring formal.

On Saturday, April 8 the fifth annual Eastern Oregon Library Council met with Miss Eleanor Stevens, presiding. The college elementary school library class acted as hostesses.

HARPIST APPEARS ON ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Ruth Lorraine Close, internationally known harpist, drew large applause from an interested audience at the combined assembly held in the college auditorium on March 30.

Mrs. Close is one of the very few women harpists who has completely toured the world, especially the areas of the Far East. At the present time she is living in Portland where her husband is employed as an architect.

Mrs. Close opened her program with a discussion of harpists and the harp, which she added to at various intervals throughout the hour. She explained the construction of the harp and demonstrated playing techniques on her \$2000 instrument.

Between points in her discussion, Mrs. Close played selections which were representative of many countries, and told amusing anecdotes to supplement their introduction. The numbers included a French selection "La Priere" by Hasselmans, Mrs. Close's own arrangement of the American song "Mighty Lak-a-Rose," "Theme with Variations" by Thomas, "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms," "The Music Box," and a modern jazzette. As an encore, Mrs. Close played the Russian selection "Volga Boatmen".

The group was greatly impressed by the harpist's gracious and friendly manner, and upon her invitation, a large number gathered on the stage at the close of the assembly for a closer examination of her instrument and to speak to her personally. At this time, upon special request, Mrs. Close played a minuet by Beethoven and "The Girl With the Flaxen Hair."

Mrs. Close served as guest artist in the concert given by the La Grande Choral Club on Wednesday evening, March 29, and was received with same enthusiasm as was evidenced at the college assembly.

Easter Sunrise Service Held

Easter Sunday, April 9, the College Christian Council sponsored a beautiful Easter Sunrise Service which was held in the Presbyterian Church just at dawn. This service was open for all the young people of La Grande who wished to attend, and high school students, college students, nurses, aviation students, and townspeople were present.

The service was presented by local talent, and was built around the theme "What Does Easter Mean to You?" The program was as follows: Organ Prelude—Mrs. Harley Richardson; Call to Worship—A-S Jim Whitner; Invocation—Lucian Whealy; Hymn—"Crown Him With Many Crowns"; Responsive Reading—Inez Towle; Piano and Organ Duet—Mrs. Harley Richardson and Mrs. Lynn Wright; Poem, "What Does Easter Mean to You"—Dorothy Ball; Vocal Trio—Frances Pyle, Arloeen Krause, A-S Bob Suber; Main Thought, "The Resurrection"—Marion Snider; Hymn—"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"; Benediction in Unison led by Ruby Pyle.

This is one of the annual activities sponsored by the Council and has always been a very successful affair.

STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Dora Herron Brooks, who completed her teacher training work during winter term, has been awarded the Frank Ralston scholarship for next year.

This \$100 scholarship is awarded each year to a deserving student wishing to continue work toward the B. S. degree at Eastern Oregon college. Irma Klinghammer was the holder of the scholarship for this year.

Mrs. Brooks made an excellent record during her three year program, and was a member of the women's scholastic honorary Sigma Alpha Chi. She will return to the campus next fall to continue her work.

College Receives Service Plaque

At the regular assembly held on April 5, Elaine Coleman, president of the Associated Studentbody, presented a large honor roll board containing names of EOCE men and women in the armed forces to the college. Last fall the student council approved the purchase of this board, the money for which was taken from the student body fund.

Mrs. Betty Martin Peck, secretary of the alumni association, prepared the list of names included on the plaque. Realizing that many may have been omitted, she asks that anyone who knows of someone that should be included, please notify either the office or herself immediately.

Dr. Maaske stated that the honor roll, which, by the way, is the largest size available, would be placed in the main hall, probably to the left of the business office. He adds that he believes an extension wing will have to be purchased.

At the present time there are 299 names on the board, 29 of which are those of women in active service. Those included have spent at least two terms at the college or were called into service while attending.

On the list there are the names of seven men who have been killed in action or are reported missing in action. Gene Rochester '40, died in a New Mexico crash in 1942; John Fisher (1933-35 AAC, was killed in Panama in 1941; Lt. Art Adams '40 lost in a raid over France in 1943; Lt Francis Schmidt, studentbody president in '36, was lost in action March 1943; Charles Fisher '34-'35, AAC killed in Hawaii in 1943; Lt Eugene White, '40-'42, killed in the South Pacific in August 1943; and Lt. Melburn Buck, missing in action over Greece in 1944.

EOCE is justly proud of its large list of men and women serving our country, and Dr. Maske thanks the studentbody for their fine contribution to our school.

WAA Active

In the spotlight this week is the Women's Athletic Association, commonly known at the WAA, which probably claims the second largest membership total of any organization on the campus. To this club belongs all the "athletes" who can always be found at this time of the year on the softball diamond or the tennis courts.

The purpose of this active organization is to sponsor true sportsmanship, good fellowship, and wholesome recreational activities among the women of the college. Thus far it is agreed that they have done an excellent job.

Although an active sport program is the main duty of the WAA (during spring term they offer tennis, badminton, hiking, bicycling, ping pong, and softball), they also traditionally sponsor the Colonial Ball, which is one of the loveliest formals of the year.

Awards are given to members who do outstanding work in the organization. For instance, when a member has participated the required number of hours in two

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Spring sports offer many attractions to the above WAA members who are, reading from left to right: seated; Maye Kirkpatrick, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Pally Hall, Lois Davidson, and Kathryn Harris—standing; Patty Leonard, Virginia Wilcox, Dorothy Scholl, Ellen Greiner, Mary Perry, Nina Wells, and Helen Tippin.

"The air corps is moving out, the WACs are moving in." "The college will be closed soon." "No, wait, everything is going on as it was before." "We're all going to gunnery school." "Don't be so optimistic, we're all going to the infantry." "The nurses are going to leave right away." And so it goes with rumors and small talk flying so fast that one can believe nothing.

The source of rumors can never be found. Someone starts them, but always it's the other fellow. Of course we change them just a little to suit our own likes and dislikes, but essentially the rumor belongs to someone else.

For nearly two weeks the "rumor factory" at EOCE has been working on an overtime schedule. Although the present situation concerns primarily the aviation students, the college and also the students are greatly affected. This situation is already a big headache to everyone without the added strain of listening to rumors. The morale has been at a low level—tension and discontent have been especially prevalent. Under those conditions, study or concentration is next to impossible.

Should we let a number of unwarranted and unwanted rumors affect our thoughts so seriously. No! Do not let it be said that you were one to spread a rumor, good or bad. —E. L.

Well, spring is here at last . . . at least that is what the old "sourdoughs" say when the rain storms start along about this time of the year, but EOCE has a better barometer than this. When the students start cutting classes, as they have been lately, just to loaf on the campus steps, it is Spring without a doubt.

What is there about this season that simply drains every ounce of ambition and will power out of one? Your guess is as good as the next one's, but everyone has to admit that there is something to this "spring fever" tradition.

Oddly enough, spring fever seems to be effective only along the line of study and equally unpleasant tasks. Note the tremendous amount of effort put forth by the coeds as they vainly attempt a game of tennis or softball. And certainly the girls who have been riding bicycles lately will tell you that it is much more work than walking, but spring doesn't seem to hinder their ambition along these lines.

However, just ask anyone if they have started their term paper, if they have their next assignment, or if they have studied for the coming test, and you will get the same answer. No!!! EOCE has an unusually large per cent of students who make the honor roll, and yet, while spring is on the campus, you would have a very difficult time making anyone believe this.

Even if scholastic work isn't at its peak during spring term, more activity is to be found around the campus. More of the coeds participate in the sports program, and many of the clubs and societies have outdoor picnics and meetings. There are usually two formal dances in the spring term, and of course, all the activities that surround graduation and Evensong. The Mother's Week-end comes in May and so does the school picnic. Naturally, all these festivities call for many hours of preparation, and the last few weeks of school are always packed to the very limit with outside activities.

And so, what happens? Miss Mad Mountaineer is weeks behind in all her classes; she has fifty lines of poetry to memorize and three term papers to write. What's more, finals are only a few days off, and there are so many things going on that she doesn't have even one minute to catch up on all those things she should have done in the middle of the term. The results?—A sad nosedive in the GPA.

You students who have never been through a spring term at EOCE, take a word of advice from the voice of experience. Don't let this yet undiscovered virus that causes spring fever get you down. Write those term papers now; keep up on assignments; prepare your notes for finals ahead of time! Believe me, you won't have a minute for extra study after about the first of May.

CNC Hall Mouse

Whoops—this two weeks slipped up on me! These gals have been having the blues so bad lately they've made me a nervous wreck.

I was slipping around the hall last Sunday night and saw enough tears to irrigate a garden for one whole season. Could this rain storm have anything to do with the sudden exodus of manpower from our dear Alma Mater, No!!! Of course not!

Monday night, Marilyn McGinnis took me to cooking class over at the high school so I could help eat up some of the scraps. I found the girls making biscuits, desserts, soups, and cereals. Seems as though Beverly Rhodes has them all beat as a cook—so far? ? ? but I'd still pity the man that gets her.

The other evening after a great big dinner, I saw Rosella Hraskey come dragging the ball and bat out, so I followed her up to the base ball diamond where we real-

Sanitarium Sidelights

Utopia reporting—Ah yes—where breezes gently waft—with nature at her best—where science needs no explanation—Ah yes, greeting from Li'l Audrey and the Sanitarium Shangri-la.

Things we love—action 6:30 (A. M. fellas)—bus, 7:30—Blackie (still A. M.)—Horn 7:31—wind, coiffures—Bam!—doors, more hall—more men—Hmmm—That we love.

Class—"glammer" boys—best in the west—La Grande, anyway—new teachers—pleasant surprises—grand equipment—swel spirit—new names—Sacajawea—new language—Dig me Jackson

ly had one swell time. Especially with the chorus from Sqn. C. at Dorion. Too bad you couldn't get out that night, fellows.

I slipped into the house meeting the other night and heard a few of the details for the dance the nurses are planning for April 28 (providing we have any men by that time). Seems as though it is going to be semi-formal. Here's hoping it turns out swell and is fun for everyone.

So—Mr. Beppler, you were the one that called our hall a "nut factory". Since you're leaving we'll forgive you for this time and even if it is a crazy house we really enjoy ourselves and have lots of fun there.

One time I see him—then I don't. Mr. Seldom Rathman, I wish you'd make up your mind whether you're going to come down to CNC or not.

This seems to be the "low down" for this time, so bye now for two more weeks.

PEEWEE

P. S. Since you fellows are on the list so far, I want to say goodbye to Bill Fischer, Al Small, Wayne, Turpin, Marshall Smith, Don Griffin, and—Ken Beppler. We'll really miss you, but who knows, maybe we'll meet again sometime.

I WONDER

If there will be any men at Eastern Oregon for the Coronation Ball or the Junior Prom. . . why Miss Lawrence moved the A-S's to the other side of the Library. . . when the Wife of Bath is going to exchange her turkish towel for a wash cloth. . . if the strategists have discovered where to attack, when to attack, and how to attack without getting Eleanor (Mrs. FDR) caught in the crossfire. . . just who A-S John H. Seeman is and what he thinks he's got what E. A. Poe didn't have (see last issue of the "Sac Times"). . . how soon Dorion Hall will again be housing the fairer sex. . . why certain coeds have taken the two-wheeled method of transportation. . . why there were guards around the Sac last week. . . if "Blondie" has been passing her peroxide around. . . why, since the arrival of the latest nurse group, the Sanitarium has been renamed "Cold Lake. . . how many more times Patt Pattison will run the obstacle course. . . why they ever set the date for the Junior Prom on April 7 in the first place. . . when brilliant yellow socks and flashy ties were added to the regulation uniform. . . why Prof Thurmond doesn't take vitamin pills so he can make those pedals take him clear to the top of the Eighth Street incline. . . how Phyllicia McLaughlin can be murdered so many times and still survive as happily as she does. . . and last but not least, what is going to happen to the "354th gunners"!!!

—and when he's through diggin', will he please tell Li'l Audrey what he's lookin' for?

Bus—more horn—more Blackie—more smoke—(blue)—still more girls—home—more smell—more mail?

All kinds of girl—Big girl—little girl—fat girl—and skinny—Bones—Crackers—(no peanut butter)—Honolulu Lu—Corn—roasted ears—glamazons—mountaineers, at least some of them think they are.

So the trains go by and the building shakes—So Zetta climbs the mountain and the mountain shakes—(when Zetta sits down.)

Congestion in traffic on Hollywood and Vine—Injured glamazon—new institution on the corner of—now infirmary—

Beautiful blonde—pining—handsome editor of the "Sa. Times."

Speaking of shaking—has everyone seen Honolulu Lu in action?—More danger of volcanic eruption there—careful where you throw that charm, Frankie! Monday morning—disappointment—broken dates—sad farewells but good luck echoes—Good-bye sons o' guns—we won't forget you. Now that mails (both kind) have been coming little girls recovering—no more flood from midnight sob-sessions—Schedules beginning to make sense—vague reason coming from texts at last.

More would be moutain climbers—what's puzzling is where on top of a mountain did they find a barbed-wire fence—leave it to Jerry—anatomy in the raw—but we don't like it that raw—knew she wanted to hang on something but—better a certain adjutant's arm.

It may be April, but May is on president—pearly teeth and all—but we love her—good humor, especially.

Everyone noticed out "Enterprising" sextet?—Brains and beauty wrapped in six glamorous go-getters.

Ain't seen nothin yet 'til you see Bettie do the dance of the seven veils—reduced to one now—account of priorities—and hear her ghost stories at midnight before you sally forth into dreamland to ride your nite-mare to far off lands and dream of ghosts who flaunt the other six—veils of course.

Barb leading the one-man line-up to the kitchen for seconds every night—Marge, the life of every meeting—Bonny, our wonderful Mommie—Claudine's Ballet—Our Darling flight-leader—We're an excellent group of something of other—well, group anyway.

And so farewell from the beauty John Powers missed—here at hitchhiker's haven.

With atoms of sulphur and molecules of delight—Li'l Audrey

A lady we know walked out on her husband because she couldn't stand the way he talked.

Now she has gone home to mutter.

Blondie's Column

Once upon a time in a far off land there was an AAFCTD that could make up its mind and didn't keep the co-eds in a state of perpetual suspense. . . Let's never again have another evening like last Sunday when supposedly dignified college students fought for the telephone, and brave girls wept heartbreaking sobs. . . Anyway the 354th Gunners were a glorious, if short-lived, outfit and perhaps Dick Smith's ambition has always been to be a Tail Gunner. . . Among the new engagements are Maye Kirkpatrick and Jimmy Reynolds. . . People are still wondering about Mike's girl in the green shoes. . . Peggy Wilson has developed a sudden dislike for birds, especially ones in trees. . . Wirt Dakin got into an awful lot of mud on his Sunday hike. . . Did you know that two sweet young things from this institution were in the basement of the Annex on roller skates one Friday night. . . The girls here are very obliging and at least 25 volunteered to confess the theft of the flags when restrictions were rumored. . . It seems they are adding retarded morons to the permanent party, have you tried a dictionary Sgt. "One-syllable" Clark? . . . Margaret Schomp was sitting on Mike Michael's lap in Comp. one day. . . We hear a nurse went AWOL from Nutrition's Class for a few minutes and was locked out. . . Saturday was a lovely day and CNC sunned themselves on the lawn in their bathing suits while Eocene played ping pong. . . If you're interested ask Lee "Confucius" Wilson about relaxing. . . The other day we saw Miss Zabel marching along in a line of cadets and that reminds us that its no breaking ranks from now on girls so we have a good excuse to watch them all. . . Hazel Briggs says she likes to play "Bullfrog". . . Dorothy Scholl has a new theme song that says something about "I Want to be a Little Good Girl". . . That handsome sailor was already taken, girls, just ask Alice Heusch. . . Lois Ward finds that accidents can happen, even in the third grade. . . Art Adams should watch where he's going. . . The Hot Lake girls seem to be doing all right for themselves in spite of being so far from town. . . Most of us are in favor of bigger and better joint assemblies. . . And from the nostalgia department we have the thought that nothing is so like the old Sqd. as the new Sqd. C shows signs of becoming, and now until next time try believing only every third or fourth rumor you hear floating around loose. . .

"Blondie"

Voter: "Why, I wouldn't vote for you if you were St Peter himself!"

Candidate: "If I were St. Peter, you couldn't vote for me. You wouldn't be in my district."

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EOCene Notes

WANTED: One tall, dark, and handsome volunteer to unsqueak our front door. Of course, a short blonde, or any volunteer for that matter, will do—Three and One oil suggested.

If you have any violent emotions to express, you can do it to advantage (EOCene's advantage) by performing your ranting somewhere on our premises. We will provide an accountant. Perhaps some explanation concerning the meaning of the above statement should be given. The girls at the hall are great music lovers, so they have installed a "Cuss Box", the returns from which will be used for the purchase of new records for the phonograph. Penalties vary according to the type of profanity used, and any member of our house will gladly assess you the amount you legally owe.

Cheer up, boys! That beautiful hunk of Georgia is back in circulation. Patt Pattison found the obstacle course a little too strenuous, and consequently spent several days in the hospital. She says she finds it much nicer to be a nurse than a patient up at ol' St. Joes.

P. E. also seems to be hard on Leora Fulp, as she has spent the last several days in bed suffering with a sprained back. By the way, Floppy, it's not every girl who has a man who will send her red roses and chocolates!

We'd all like to get acquainted with the U. S. Navy man that came to see Martha Smith last week-end. He has agreed to bring some friends along next time.

We have some new members,

or should I say returned old members at EOCene Hall this term. Betty Graven, who lived here last fall term, has come back (and Lee Wilson has returned from Virginia where her husband, Ensign W. G. Wilson, was stationed.

Thursday evening we were honored to have as our guests, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gaiser. The Gaiser's have consented to donate a small puppy to EOCene's collection of livestock, which will serve as house mascot.

What three EOCene girls caused one poor A-S to get two gigs? Shame! Perhaps if it had been girls from CNC it would have warranted, since he was the one who called their house a nut factory.

My chatter has run out, but I am, as ever—

I never saw a washed cadet, I never hope to see one. But I can tell you anyhow, I'd rather see than be one.

STUPID.

Duration Doings

We celebrated three birthdays last week, but since birthdays are rapidly becoming unpleasant subjects, we won't mention any ages. Anyway, Floribel, Marilyn, and Jo each became a year older last week. Marilyn's grandmother made an angel food cake which was one of the main centers of attraction at the birthday party held in the hall. We managed to devour the whole cake in five minutes and then spent the rest of the evenings discussing the—well, anyway, discussing.

Has everyone seem Jo's new pin? If not ask Mr. Wilson for further details.

Speaking of jewelry, Maye has been wearing a little something

on the third finger left hand, and it hasn't always been there either. Last week she was "sung under the table" where she had to eat her dessert alone. That is the inevitable fate of any of our inmates who become engaged.

Floribel and Mary Margaret are being congratulated this week also, but they've made an altogether different type of agreement. The men in question in this case are school board members! These two girls are the first ones from Duration to sign contracts for schools next year. They are going to teach at Irrigon.

Lois, Karleen, and Maye went to Pendleton Saturday to do some shopping. They didn't manage to pick up anything interesting except some springish little numbers in the way of dresses.

Shirley spent the week-end at her home in Pendleton. She must have an awfully good time when she goes home because she always takes so long to get back. Wonder what the attraction is? And with that question as food

for thought, Duration signs off for this time.

REGISTRATION TOTALS 167

Final figures on Spring term registration which officially ended Saturday, April 1, have been released from the Registrar's office. There are 167 students, not including aviation students, enrolled, of which 17 are men and 150 women. They are divided according to curriculum as follows: teacher's training—60; nurses—57; junior college—41; secretarial science—9. Of this total, 7 are working for B. S. degrees in elementary education.

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Second C-N Class Totals 34

Here they are . . . our new class of U. S. cadet nurses who have supposedly added some new life to the halls and portals of EOCE. The group, which is as follows, includes representatives of two mid-western states, North Dakota and Iowa, as well as Oregon and Washington.

Betty Acok and Lois Markham of Irrigon; Frances B. Akenson, Barbara Craig, Owen Emig, Marjorie L. McFadden and Zetta Smith of Portland; Frances Bach of Haines; Irene Bushman of Ontario; Benona Dickerson of Kin-sua; Udith H. Douglas of Nyssa; Lillian Ray of Minam.

Freida Hays, Lillian Houck, Marjorie Nobles and Joan Thorn-burg of Enterprise; Eunice Hughes of Stanfield; Viola Low-blad of Deer Island; June Mc-Donald of Scio; Florence Marks of Imnaha; Betty Westenskow of Imbler.

Virginia Courtney, Laura Lee McLain, Lorna Tabor and Jac-queline Wiese of La Grande; Patricia Colyar of Entiat, Wash-ington; Delcie Darling of Cle Elum, Washington; Mary Lucille Kimmerly of Walla Walla, Wash-ington.

Beverly Vaughn of Tacoma, Washington; Evelyn Hanson and Claudia Heasty of Fargo, North Dakota; Shirley Jean Perchert of Cooperstown, North Dakota; Audrey E. Prole, Iowa; Geraldine Ruth Marmet of Storm Lake, Iowa.

Former Mountaineers

Gene Conklin, 1943 student-body business manager, was recently elected to fill the junior representative spot on the executive council of the Associated Studentbody of the University of Oregon. Also at the U. of O's sophomore Whiskerino, Gene was tapped for Friars, the senior men's honorary.

1st Lt. Warren H. Hawes, pilot on an 8th AAF Flying Fortress, has been awarded an oak leaf cluster to the air medal for "exceptionally meritorious achievement" while participating in five separate combat missions over enemy occupied continental Europe. Lt. Hawes attended EOCE for two years before entering the air corps.

Maxine Sinden ('42-'43) was a visitor on the campus last week while home for spring vacation. "Mackie" is attending Oregon State College and is affiliated with Alpha Gamma Delta.

Also home last week from Oregon State was Lucille Hutchinson of Union, who served as freshman class secretary last year.

Marion Huff, former EOCE football and basketball player, received a first year athletic award for outstanding activity in sports at the University of

Oregon where he is majoring in psychology.

Another former college athlete, Ray McBath, who is stationed at the Santa Ana army air base, is pitching for the baseball team which is under the management of Joe Di Maggio.

Announcement was recently made of the marriage of Jean Ferdinandsen ('41-'42) to Morgan Clement at Long Beach, California on March 15. At the present time, Jean, who is in the WAVES, is stationed at the naval air station at San Diego.

As far back in college As memories are seen, Some happy thoughts remind us Of days at EOCE.

Beneath the roof was sheltered In crowded spaces, then, Two dozen happy maidens Whose only care was "men".

Their antics were spectacular Their ways were queer to all, But when the men had their R. Q. It was their favorite hall.

Among the group was numbered A bonny lass so fair Made from a clothes bag dummy With wrapping twine for hair.

Her friends all called her Mabel, She was known for many a mile For she stood on the porch and waited With a never-ending smile.

All types of girls could there be found, Some quiet and reserved; Some others gay and debonair; Whichever you preferred.

When company came on Wednes-day night Our manners they were fine, We tried to treat them nicely And show them a good time.

At ten o'clock the mail-man came, And the girls were full of glee. Each wanted letters by the score— But rejoiced at two or three.

At times a package came by mail From home to "daughter dear", Containing sweets and all good things, Making waist-lines disappear.

Gab sessions were the favorite thing When girls should be in bed, And what those girls did say and do Is better left unsaid!

There's no moral to my story, No plot within its lines, It's written to inform you Of our gay and happy times.

KATZ KORNER

Bzzz—chatter—chatter—bzzz! No!!! You don't mean that you actually saw—!! What? —buzz!!

Yes, that's right. The "katz" are again in session and dirt flies thick and fast. They've gleaned enough for a second "Past Im-

perfect" but the censor says "naughty naughty,"

What would the detachment do without Sergeant Clark?? Is he trying to build up his ego 'cause the gal back home won't say "yes", or is he trying to make an impression on the coeds in the library by walking in every hour to bawl out some innocent A-S?

Why wre all the girls laughing at Sergeant Watts? Could it be that he sat in the chalk ray and forgot to police his uniform, or didn't he know?

Since the aviation students will soon have departed for parts unknown and the man-power situation will soon be almost nil, the college fellows are making adequate preparations. Mike Michael, acting as Bob McCoy's manager, has started a waiting list in order to insure dates for all and keep Bob from being strangled. We hear that the earliest open date is May 20 from 2 to 3 p. m.

The non-coms are really doing alright around here; especially as far as snatching up the beautiful women is concerned. Congratulations Sgt. Bob Hanning and Pat.

'Come back Rockie came back—we thought you were tough but the banana peddler has it way over you. Strange how some army men attempt to stretch their authority over to the civilians.

We hear that the coming spring play has a certain well-known individual in it who appears unat-tired as usual in a nightgown, this time.

A little blonde coed was sput-tering the other day about a refer-ence to Lt. Wiscott which ap-

peared in Blondie's last column. This serves to remind us to wonder why the lieutenant left La Grande in such a big hurry.

An April Fool has informed us that several dorm girls went A. W. O. L. the night of April 1 and attended the dance in Union. Little rough, wasn't it gals?

Bzzz, Bzzz—oh oh there goes the bell—'gotta get to class—and the dirt settles down until the next "katz" session.

WAA Active

(Continued from Page 1) sports, she receives a shield, while five sports entitle her to a gold WAA pin. Blue and gold letters are awarded to those who have eight sports to their credit, and sweaters with three stripes for ten sports or with three stripes for fifteen.

Mary Margaret Kennedy is president of the club this year, and Miss Marian Smith serves as advisor. Other officers are Ellen Greiner, vice-president; Polly Hall, secretary; Nina Wells, treasurer; and Patty Jean Leonard publicity manager.

The WAA has been one of the most active organizations on the campus this year, and the girls certainly deserve a vote of con-

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JUNIORS SPONSOR ANNUAL PROM

Nominations Made For 1945 Officers

Once again it is time for that all important task of electing student body officers for the coming year. Quite a few nominating petitions have already been turned in, and the complete list of candidates will be announced today.

At the time of this writing, the following students have been nominated: president, Warren Michael; vice-president, Leone Cavanaugh; secretary, Phylcia McLaughlin and Marilyn Patten; song leader, Betty Kight; junior council members, Helen Tippin; sophomore council members, Lois Jeanne Lane and Betty Graven.

EOCE's nominating procedure requires that a petition signed by 5 per cent of the studentbody (that's 9 students this year) be filed with the election committee. Anyone who has been in attendance at the college for at least two terms is eligible for office.

The election will be held sometime in the near future, and it has been announced that the cadet nurses are expected to vote although their schedule will not allow any of them to hold office.

Lois Ward is chairman of the election committee.

PLANS LAID FOR MOTHERS' WEEK-END

The annual tea for college girls and their mothers is to be held on May 6 this year. It will be given in the college auditorium and is sponsored by the Associated Women Students.

At the tea, the elected AWS officers for the coming year will be installed.

Helen Mason is general chairman for the affair, and she has appointed the following committee chairmen: Betty Graven, invitations; Phylcia McLaughlin, decorations; Kathryn Harris, refreshments; Emily Otis, clean-up.

This is the traditional event given especially for our mothers, and corresponds to the Dad's Day which was such a big success this year. All college girls should make a special effort to bring their mothers to the tea, for at this time they can meet other students and become acquainted with some of the teachers.



Committee chairmen for the Junior Prom, from left to right, are: Etta Lou McCabe, refreshments; Mary Margaret Kennedy, programs; Virginia Wilcox; Lee Wilson, entertainment; Lois Ward, general chairman; Kathryn Harris, decorations; Elizabeth Kibby, clean-up; Maye Kirkpatrick.

Formal Dance Affair Of April 21

The Eastern Oregon College auditorium was the scene of the first formal dance of the spring season which was held Friday evening, April 21, from 8:00 to 11:00. At this time, the annual Junior Prom was presented with the third-year teacher training students doing the honors for the evening.

Approximately eighty couples tripped the light fantastic to the solid rhythm of the re-assembled music-makers of the 354th.

The clever and original theme of decoration, for which the decorating committee deserves a deep bow of congratulation, carried out the motif of green and white by depicting white lambs gamboling over white picket fences entwined with flowers and ivy. This "Mairzy Doats" version took the form of knee-high fences encircling the dance floor.

Our popular little songstress, Jean Evans, entertained during the intermission with two numbers: "How Sweet You Are," and "Old Acquaintance," accompanied by Evelyn Scott at the piano.

A different arrangement for conserving floor space was initiated at this dance by serving punch at individual tables on the stage and placing the band at the opposite end of the room.

Later in the evening, an impromptu "boogie" recital was "beaten out on the ivories" by A-S Michellet after a little coaxing on the part of the onlookers.

Lois Ward served as general (Continued on Page 3)

Date For Spring Play Advanced to May 5th

"Nine Girls" (only there are really ten of them) is scheduled for presentation on May 5, the date having been changed from April 29. Rehearsals show rapid progression, and the play promises to be an excellent production, full of thrills and excitement. Murder and mystery reign throughout with climax topping climax.

The entire action is laid in the living room of a sorority clubhouse in California's Sierra Nevada mountains.

A weekend in the mountains can prove very breathtaking, especially with such an array of girls as is found in this play.

Kathryn Harris and Arlene Peterson are seen as a pair of cute naive pledges who are receiving their first introduction to sorority life, and what an introduction!

Alice, portrayed by Phylcia Mc-

Laughlin, is a sweet and entirely feminine girl coming from a very wealthy home.

Janie Richardson as Jane is obviously the leader of the group, being the oldest and most intellectual—a medical student, an avid reader of mystery thrillers, and all that.

Frieda is sympathetic to the left wing cause or any other type of revolutionary movement. She takes a lot of kidding, but dishes it out in return. Maye Kirkpatrick plays this role.

Mary, played by Dorothy Jacobson, has obviously overcome her undesirable background and made a place for herself in this group of more fortunate girls.

Elizabeth Kibby as Eve is a blue-blood and a debutante, but there is nothing condescending nor

high-hat in her manner. She is especially fond of Mary.

Sharon, nicknamed Glamorpuss, is theatrically inclined, and fancies herself the typical actress. With a stretch of the imagination, Elma Larson plays this part.

Lois Ward takes the character of Phyllis, the tenth girl who is seen only in the prologue.

Besides the actual cast, many students are working hard on the production end of the play. Mr. Kaiser, faculty advisor for Sock and Buskin and director of the play, has selected the following committee chairmen: publicity, Helen Tippin; tickets, Ramona Henderson; house, Jennie Williams; stage, Joyce McLain and Leone Cavanaugh; costumes, Irma Klinghammer; prompters, Yolanda Allen and Inez Wellman; property manager, Marion Snider. Additional members for these committees have not yet been named.

NURSES TO SPONSOR DANCE

The sport dance scheduled for Friday, April 28, is to be sponsored by the third-term cadet nurses, however, they have decided to have it semi-formal rather than strictly sport.

Juanita Tracy, president of CNC Hall, is general chairman. Other committee heads are as follows: Lucille Winebarger, entertainment; Alice Huebsch, clean-up; Peggy Herwick, decoration; Lyleth Sutliff, refreshments; Rosella Hrasky, advertisement.

This is to be a regular college dance with the army orchestra. Get your dates, come, and have a good time!

Sigma Alpha Chi Initiates Eleven New Members

Sigma Alpha Chi, the women's scholastic honorary, held their spring initiation ceremonies Sunday afternoon, April 16, in the kindergarten room of Ackerman Hall.

Before a lace covered table centered with daffodils and candles in the traditional yellow and green of the society, the eleven following girls took the vows admitting them to the organization: Suzi Frazier, Betty Zane Graven, Rosella Hrasky, Alice Huebsch, Elizabeth Kibby, Lois Jeanne Lane, Phylcia McLoughlin, Lillian Meyer, Evelyn Scott, Lyleth Sutliff, and Inez Towle. Conducting the ceremony were Dorothy Wallis, Sigma Alpha Chi president, Irma Klinghammer, vice-president, and Janie Richardson, secretary-treasurer.

The initiates were presented with corsages of white sweet peas

and lavender daisies to which the yellow and green Sigma Alpha Chi badges were attached.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent informally with the president and Miss Amanda Zabel, faculty advisor, explaining the activities of Sigma Alpha Chi during the serving of chocolate sundaes and cookies. In addition, each new member read a favorite poem to the group.

Guests for the afternoon were the four Phi Beta Kappas associated with the college, Dr. Martha Addy, Miss Eva Wear, Miss Edith Darby, and Mrs. Helen Quinn, who each spoke briefly upon what it means to be a member of an honor society, Miss Sarabeth Taylor, an alumna member, and Miss Mabel Morton, the only honorary member of Sigma Alpha Chi.

The afternoon was closed by the taking of group pictures and the singing of the society's song.

The eleven initiates in order to be eligible for the organization, had received not more than one C for two consecutive terms and had been favorably passed upon for qualities of character.

Sigma Alpha Chi has always been one of the more active organizations on the campus, and the lovely Yule Candlelight Hour held during the Christmas season is its biggest event of the year. It also traditionally sponsors an alumnae luncheon during Homecoming and a joint banquet with Theta Delta Phi, the men's scholastic honorary, in the spring.

Other active members besides the officers previously mentioned are: Frieda Whyte, Arloeen Krause Etta Lou McCabe, Arlene Peterson, Carol George, Elaine Coleman, Lois Ward, Virginia Wilcox, Kathryn Harris, Ruth Hulse, Elizabeth Foley, and Jennie Williams.



The new members of Sigma Alpha Chi are, reading from left to right: Lois Jeanne Lane, Lyleth Sutliff, Phylcia McLaughlin, Alice Huebsch, Rosella Hrasky, Evelyn Scott, Elizabeth Kibby, Betty Graven, and Lillian Meyer. Not included in the picture are Towle and Suzi Frazier.

It was with regret that the college students learned last week of the sudden illness of one of their most beloved staff members, Perry Caldwell. Perry, as everyone affectionately calls him, has served as superintendent of buildings for many years, and is one of the staunchest mountaineers EOCE has ever had.

Several years ago when the college was carrying a heavy athletic program, Perry served as organizer and director of the pep band in addition to his regular work of seeing that things were running smoothly in the buildings. This was a great contribution to the school spirit, and was perhaps not fully appreciated until it became impossible to continue.

Perry has become an inseparable part of the institution, and one of the first questions which returning students ask is, "Where is Perry?" It seems that he never forgets a face, thus endearing himself even more in the hearts of East Oregonites. His cheery "hi" which greets you whenever you pass him in the halls makes the day seem brighter for some reason.

Perry is always ready to provide hammers and other tools when you are decorating for some occasion, and if you are stuck on finding some piece of equipment, just ask Perry and your problem is practically solved already.

We don't realize how valuable it is to have the buildings functioning efficiently until something like Perry's absence throws them off balance. For instance, note the confusion and irritation caused by the irregularity of the bells last Friday.

And so Perry, we of the college with all sincerity offer you the usual "get well quick" greeting

As graduation time draws nearer and nearer and many students are completing their work at the college, word comes to us from former students who are also graduating, but under entirely different circumstances with probably less pleasant outlooks.

First on the list is second lieutenant Don R. Andrews who was graduated several days ago from the advanced twin-engine army air force pilot school at Stockton field, California, the oldest advanced pilot school in the Western Flying Training Command.

Don left the college to enter the air corps on March 1, 1943. Perhaps some of you remember the spectacular circumstances which surrounded this event. Don was a crack shot on the basketball team, one of the best, and at the time he received his call, EOCE was just prepared to stage a big battle with a competing college for the right to attend the national play-off in Kansas City. By stretching to the utmost the short time he was given before having to report, Don was able to play in the two games, spark the team to victory, and leave the campus in a blaze of glory.

After a short furlough, Don will return to Stockton field where he will serve as an instructor in the school.

Two other members of that memorable basketball team have also just completed phases of their war training. Dick Anderson was recently graduated from the V-12 program and was commissioned as an ensign in the navy, and Jim Bohnenkamp, also in the V-12, arrived in La Grande last week for a short visit after having completed his six-weeks course as an apprentice seaman in Bremerton, Washington. Jim is to report to Wellesly College in Massachusetts on April 28 for the final stages of his training.

To mention several others—Lt. Roy W. Grice received his wings April 15 at the pursuit training school, Eagle Pass, Texas, and Ensigns Clinton Hill and Tom Kennedy were recently commissioned at the midshipmen's school, Columbia University, New York.

As our own graduation time nears, we are thinking of former students who are making such enviable records for themselves, and we wish them all the luck in the world.

Duration Doings

"Lois, the Wanderer" has at last returned to bring sunshine and gaiety to our drab lives at Duration. And you should hear the tales she has to tell about a certain young Ensign (Dick Anderson, by name—maybe you've heard of him) who, it seems, had a 10-day leave. The thing that gets us is that Lois acquired a love of something she thought she never could do—dishwashing; We always thought it was sort of a tiresome chore but when she tells it, it really sounds interesting. Of course it's true that circumstances alter cases, but after all, Lois . . .

Kathryn Harris, chairman of the decoration committee for the Junior Prom, really gets things done. Upon being informed that wire, lathes, crepe paper, help and other necessary equipment were not available, she promptly went forth and secured them all—that is what is known as initiative! She knows some other cute tricks too.

Have you all heard about Karleen's near-fatal illness? Well, the way she tells it (at least twenty times a day) is this: Sunday she had a fever and a stiff neck; Sunday night her nose began to swell and by ten o'clock had assumed unheard-of proportions; well, she got through that night all right but the next morning when she got up she looked into the mirror and—oh well, this could go on and on. Anyway, she is now back in school and everything's under control—well, just about everything.

That's about it from Duration for this time except for our latest joke:

Dorene: Did you take a shower this morning?
Mary Margaret—No, why? Is there one missing?
—So Goes Life—

EOCene Notes

One of the highlights at EOCene lately has been the flowers the girls have been receiving. Dorothy Scholl had fourteen red roses from her coastguardsman Bob, and Lee Wilson has received flowers every week-end from Ensign Wilson. Of course, everyone had the loveliest corsages for the Junior prom, and just to show the spirit of the place, the dandelions are blooming beautifully in our front yard.

Some of the girls at EOCene would like to learn Miss Thompson's secret of success. That is certainly a beautiful sparkler, Lucille.

Recent Thursday night guests at EOCene have been Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Badgley and Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Skeen. The girls enjoyed both occasions, and hope that the guests did, also.

You might be interested to know that we opened the "cuss box" at our last meeting. It was found to contain payment for \$3.41 worth of naughty words. Someone must have said, "Oh my goodness!" because there was also a tax token.

Former EOCene girls still remember us as evidenced by the call that Helen Lee received last week from WAVE Betty Hill at Hunter College in New York. Betty certainly puts in a good word for the Navy.

If you've noticed a shortage on midnight oil lately, it's because we have been burning so much of it here. With English comp term papers, American history readings, social science questions, psychology tests, world lit summaries, etc., etc., etc. all due last week, it is no wonder that we studied for a change.

We have found that our motto, "never let your studies interfere with your good times", doesn't always work.

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- MAY
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19 Coronation Ball
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24 Final Exams
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26 Commencement

Sanitarium Sidelights

Utopia back again!!!
Dance—Hmmm—so we lose fellas for our own dance—up comes the Junior Prom—so we have broken Prom dates—fretting girls—"Who can I ask now? Everyone I knew left last night"—Darn!—someone has it in for us.

So we rise at three AM to see our pals off—Colonel and his buddies—flashlights—hushed whispers—stuffed toes—stifled cries—our secret passage—cold night air—a-choo!

Correction, please, on last issue's Jerry deal—so it was a Captain's arm after all—Seems like they have everything in the army now—everyone noticed Flash Gordon flitting around EOCE? ? ?

Warning—unidentified aircraft approaching—cannot contact—cannot contact—over—Don't worry, it's just Hanson—she heard someone singing "Take It Off" or just "Take", and she's off—flying low.

Why the long faces in 332?—We could halfway understand Jackie and Laura Lee's sadness, but what's wrong with Gwen?

Dear Barb—give us the secret of your success—is it your Peter-Rabbit charm, or did you just tangle him in your line?

What's causing all the dreams in old Hot Lake—murder—Indians—cowboys—love—could that be the reason for the screaming in the night?

Birthdays—Bones should have them more often—how about an introduction to the guy who sends you all that rationed goods?

Cows are now running a close second with Barb's vocalizing in the morning—our darling flight leader has her head so far in the clouds now she absolutely will take no orders from anyone!

Found—bats (belfry, I think)—owner please call at room 310.

Flash! Extra!—latest addition, newest fad—G. I. pj's for every cadet—yes, male and female—might consult Wiese—never let it be said that the men had something exclusive.

Sighs of ecstasy from our willowy blonde's room—not the real thing yet, but a picture helps.

Having broken several saucers and depleted the cream supply, I will close with the usual cordial invitation to wayfarers, (Dew Drop Inn)—I remain your median from mortals to Utopia.

Li'l Audrey

CNC Hall Mouse

After consulting with Mr. Seeman on how to write a column, and still remaining in ignorant bliss, I've decided to continue as I started.

Here's the breeze from C. N. C. again, and since each one of the girls have hit the gossip's headlines this week, I guess it's about time I give you a short scene from each of the rooms here at the hall.

Upstairs is "Screwball Inn" where we find Alice Huebsch, Juanita Tracy, Jean Ledridge, and Peggy Herwick. When its time for the nurses' shoes to be polished Alice pours a bottle of polish on the floor, yells to the other girls in the house, and here they come with their shoes and sponges.

Fashion Fancies

By Joy McPherson

A few weeks ago (when we were having a little spring weather) perhaps you, too, noticed some of the many colorful prints taking the place of the EOCE co-ed's usual skirt and sweater. It would be hard to tell about them all, but just to mention two, did you notice the flowered cotton with eyelet embroidery trimming which Lois Ward wore, or Maye Kirkpatrick's two-piece cotton suit in brown and green plaid?

Cotton materials have not been confined to sport clothes alone, as was evident at the Junior Prom. The blue pique worn by Dorene Dory and Kathryn Harris' white pique are good examples.

Suzi Frazier looks very stunning in her two-piece white linen suit. Emily Otis and Arlene Peterson also have two-piece ensembles in the popular shade of orchid.

The new baby-doll shoes have also been noticeable with the coming of spring—and speaking of shoes—didn't you like those brown ankle-strap sandals which Janie Richardson found on that memorable IRC trip to Spokane?

Barbara Craig has a two-piece red wool suit which is certainly attractive, and Mary Perry's pastel green suit is also one which attracts the eye.

That's about the size of it for this time, but maybe old man weather will give out with a little sunshine before the next issue so that the co-eds can blossom out in more of their "fashion fancies."

Teamwork—see? ? ? ? I don't get it either.

Next to "Screwball Inn" we skip in on Lyleth Sutliff, Verna Smith, and Marilyn McGinnis. Anyone could carry them away in the night, 'cause they don't even wake up when the girls slip up the ladder and in their window. How about that? I'm just kidding but I think it's a good idea.

Upstairs we also have "Moron's Morgue—The Soldier's Home." This room shelters Marjorie Meek and Lucille Winebarger. On the door is a sign that says "Just as bright as the morning sun". To tell the truth I don't get the connection unless it refers to the sun we have here on rainy days. "Moron's Morgue" is the gossip center of C. N. C., so this is where all the girls gather to get their lessons. Catch???

Half way down the steps we find Marcia Olsen and Pat Davis. Another ladder leads to this room—but I'm afraid it wouldn't work 'cause it goes right past our house mother's window.

Downstairs is "Lunatic's Lobby," where Rosella Hrasky and Jeanne Zeits live. I've heard some weird noises come from this room. Something tells me Rosella takes Jeanne for a "cleaning" every now and then (three times a day).

Then there is Beverly Rhodes and Wanda Mitchell. Wanda stays on the first floor so she can make it to the front window to see the staff car go by.

Last but not least, is Mrs. Smith, our house mother. We keep her on the first floor so she can answer the phone when those calls come during the night.

I skipped into the dining room for dinner the other evening and found the girls in a silly mood as usual. Rosella dropped her knife on the floor and said that was a sign that a man was coming to see her, so the remainder of the girls took all the silverware and threw it on the floor.

Friday, April 14, the nurses planned a weiner roast at the park, but due to weather conditions, it was held at C. N. C. If you want to get in good with Sgt. Clark just get him some angel food cake, fellas, and student Major "Scotty" certainly likes fruit salad.

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Science Groups Give Assembly

Mr. Badgley's physical science class was in charge of the regular assembly held on April 19 in the physics lab. Three groups of interesting demonstrations were conducted by members of the class.

Elizabeth Foley, Irma Klinghammer, and Helen Tippin gave several colorful demonstrations on polarized light, showing how plastics and glass may be tested for strains in a polarizing machine.

The second group on electro-magnetism was presented by Jo. Fabre and Jennie Williams. Some of the spectacular reactions which the electro-magnet can cause were shown, much to the astonishment of one of the new cadet nurses who had asked to participate in the demonstration.

The use of the stroboscope was presented by Ramona Henderson, Janie Richardson, and Yolanda Allen to conclude the assembly.

Members of the class inform us that they were very pleased with the fine response shown since their mid-term grades depended upon the assembly.

FORMAL DANCE

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chairman for the Prom, assisted by the following juniors; Kathryn Harris, decorations; Etta Lou McCabe, refreshments; Mary Margaret Kennedy, programs; Lee Wilson, entertainment; Elizabeth Kibby, clean-up.

Everyone present would have liked to express a vote of thanks to these committees that made the Prom the success that it was.

ATHLETIC AWARDS PRESENTED

Eight proud and beaming co-eds have been jauntily sporting white athletic sweaters with blue and gold "O"s since Wednesday of last week. They are members of the Women's Athletic Association, and have participated in the required number of sports to receive this highest of available awards.

Miss Smith, advisor for the WAA, presented the awards at the assembly held on April 19. Blue and gold letters were awarded to Betty Kight, Patty Jean Leonard, and Ellen Greiner for participation in eight sports. Dorothy Scholl, Ellen Greiner, Betty Kight, Mary Perry, Patty Jean Leonard, and Nina Wells received sweaters with two gold stripes which show that they have ten sports to their credit, and Polly Hall and Helen Tippin were awarded three-stripe sweaters for fifteen sports.

Blondie's Column

Wonder what's going to happen around here with everyone practicing Commando tactics. Wish some one would try it on the Weather Man; I think he hates us. Just after I sent my skis home, too . . . Counselling parties were the other Friday and they seemed to be lots of fun. C. N. C. finished it off with a major league game, and out at the park Miss Zabel took a vacation from marking F's on Comp themes and demonstrated some really good bike riding. . . There was also roller skating; how about it Dorothy Wallis . . . We don't blame Francis Pyle for going to Pocatello if Chuck's roommate is going to be around; he's the authority on the tender art of kissing, in case you haven't read his article

. . . Army in and Army out. . . Squadron B seemed to get away safely with "Rocky" . . . Juanita Tracy receiving her good-by's by messenger . . . The "Weeping Widows" were much in evidence Monday evening when the fellows left for Camp Adair but at the 2:15 train all was quiet . . . Introductions to the girls at O. S. C. were plentiful too . . . Either Jimmy Sexton likes La Grande or vice versa because he's practically a permanent resident now . . . Special delivery letters seem to be buzzing around here lately . . . Does Suzi Frazier have just one too many Bobs at certain times? . . . Then there was the cadet that yelled, "Step on it, Stutts", as Dorothy Scholl pursued him down the street . . . Everything is "Common Blue" these days . . . Jim Yurkunski didn't seem to feel it was polite of the Army to go by the "Honor System" and then remove the spikes from the telephone poles . . . House dances have been the fashion; first out at Hot Lake and next it was the turn of the Duration girls to entertain

their dates at a dance. . . Why should Marha Smith object to calling Mr. Dennison "Meatball"? . . . Pat Barron won't be needing such high heels now . . . There's an aviation student here (Beeman, if you must know) that claims he can make a noise like a carrot . . . Dont the new W. A. A. sweaters look nice around school? . . . A-S Paul Leher is going to fall out if he keeps leaning out the Sac window so far. . . Mid-terms are upon us and if you want to know how it feels to go without sleep just ask someone from Eocene . . . Juniors busy working on their Prom and everyone getting Spring fever even if it isn't . . .

"Blondie"

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Dr. Lassers On Campus

Dr. Leon Lassers, speakers at the regular assembly held on April 12, spent the last week in La Grande visiting the various schools and interviewing students with special speech cases, some of which came from other parts of eastern Oregon to consult with him.

Dr. Lassers is now employed by the State Department of Education at the University of Oregon Medical School as state director of speech improvement and correction, and as staff consultant for the child guidance extension of the University of Oregon Medical School.

Dr. Lassers received his bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago in English, his master's degree from Northwestern in speech correction, and his Ph. D. from the University of Wisconsin in speech pathology.

He has taught at various state teacher's colleges throughout the country in the past few years, and has organized and directed speech clinics in various parts of the United States.

The purpose of his present job with the State Department of Education is to set up a workable speech improvement and correction program in the public schools of Oregon, and to see children with adjustment difficulties who are having speech trouble.

Says Dr. Lassers, "It is the hope of this program that we will soon have special teachers of speech corrections in all major centers of the state, and, also, regional speech correctionists to serve the outlying districts."

While here, Dr. Lassers also gave a very short course to the graduating class of teacher training students on "What teachers can do for the child who has trouble making sounds or who is beginning to stutter."

CAMPUS SCENE OF MUSIC FESTIVAL

Of interest to many of the college students was the high school music festival held on the campus Saturday, April 15.

The morning and afternoon were devoted to vocal and instrumental solos and ensembles, with the large choruses appearing also in the afternoon. Saturday evening a capacity crowd witnessed the performance of the bands and orchestras in the college auditorium.

Judges for the contest were John Stehn from the University of Oregon, Francis Baxter, director of school music in Spokane, Washington, Hall Macklin of the University of Idaho, and Herbert Norris of the State College of Washington.

The music festival, greatly reduced this year due to transportation situations, is an annual event in which high schools from the surrounding regions usually participate.

John M. Miller of the college faculty was in charge of arrangements for the contest, and several of the college girls acted as secretaries for the judges.

DEMONSTRATES GUERRILLA WARFARE

Bert Levy, famed expert on guerrilla warfare, spoke before a joint assembly of college students and aviation cadets Wednesday April 19. The British author, whose book on guerrilla warfare is standard instruction for allied armies and who helped train Britain's famed commandos, is on a lecture tour of the Pacific Northwest.

Levy began his military career with the British army in the near east during the last world war and has been fighting in wars ever since. When in his home country, he is British War Office instructor to the armed forces.

Levy, who believes guerrilla warfare will play a great part in support of American and British forces when they cross the channel to invade Nazi-occupied Europe, demonstrated many tactics and holds used by guerrilla fighters. With the aid of a volunteer aviation student, he demonstrated how to ward off a kick and render helpless the attacker, how to break an enemy fighter's back, and how to use a rock in a handkerchief for a "sap". He told of the many weapons that could be improvised from all sorts of articles found around an ordinary household.

Mr. Levy also spoke of the guerrilla tactics that have been used by soldiers for hundreds of years in fighting wars.

In the opinion of the British author, the functioning of the Russian war machine in the winter of 1945 will determine the length of the war.

GAISERS HOSTS TO IR CLUB

The members of the International Relations Club are stepping out this evening. The occasion—a social gathering at the Gaiser home for a light (so JoeGo states) supper.

Since this is the first social event that the club has had this year, they have received permission to unleash their bounding spirits and leave the settling of all world problems behind them for one evening. Says JoeGo in an ominous tone, "I'll find something for you to do!", but the club members aren't much worried for they hear that the Gaisers have an excellent phonograph and even a few decks of cards.

The club is looking forward with due anticipation (could food—the byword of IRC—have anything to do with this?) to this wonderful invitation from their advisor.

PANEL APPEARS BEFORE LIONS

The International Relations Club panel group made their fourth public appearance at the Lion's Club luncheon meeting Thursday noon, April 13. The panel discussed European Peace and Problems, presenting several ideas that were gleaned from the IRC conference in Spokane.

President Warren Michael was chairman of the discussion and members participating were: Phylcia McLaughlin, Leone Cavanaugh, Carol George, Janie Richardson, and Elma Larson. Mr. Gaiser was also present.

"O" SOCIETY INITIATES

"O" Society, the women's athletic honorary, held an informal initiation in the apartment of their advisor, Miss Marian Smith, on Tuesday evening, April 18.

A delicious dinner was served by the officers, Mary Margaret Kennedy and Maye Kirkpatrick, at six o'clock with the unfortunate initiates, Ellen Greiner, Betty Kight, and Patty Jean Leonard, being forced to attend to the dishes.

Other members of the honorary are: Polly Hall, Mary Perry, Dorothy Scholl, Helen Tippin, and Nina Wells.

EDUCATION GROUP MEETS REGULARLY

Another very active organization on the campus this year which has perhaps not been receiving the recognition it deserves, is the Association of Childhood Education under the direction of Dr. Martha Addy. This group is open to all teacher training students especially those interested in primary education.

The A. C. E. holds luncheon meetings on the first Monday of every month with the members bringing a portion of their own meal to add to the hot dish served by the club. Helen Tippin is chairman of the luncheon committee.

A special speaker is invited to each of the meetings with the following having appeared thus far this year: Miss Edith Darby, Mrs. Ruth Green, Miss Eva Wear, and Mrs. John Hodgkin.

Outside of their regular sched-

ule of meetings, the A. C. E. has sponsored several additional activities. A Christmas party was given during the holiday season for children of pre-school age, and the first-graders were entertained at an Easter party the first of this month. Also, during Teacher's Institute a dessert luncheon was given for those attending the conference.

Carol George serves as president for this organization and Lois Davidson is secretary-treasurer.

TOWN TWITTERS

Complaints have been heard off and on all year over the fact that the Beacon runs columns for all the halls but doesn't devote even one to the many town students who attend FOCE. The difficulty seemed to be that no one was willing to divert his energies along this line, but last week a group of eager Beavers scribbled down some notes under the heading "Town Twitters" hoping to break the jinx. And hence, town students, here at last is a column devoted entirely to your antics!

Room 19 seems to hold some very special attraction to a certain group of girls who invariably eat their lunch there. Could it be the "leg show" at Dorion??

We hear that Polly Hall is celebrating an anniversary. Three years is quite a while, isn't it Polly, but not for knowing a man like that!

Bob McCoy seems to be taking

over where the aviation students leave off.

"Weeny" Krause, do you really miss Wally?

Nina Wells, the other day in the locker room, was heard to say—"My mom and pop are Milly and Billy, Does Niner and Minor sound too silly?"

So far, Pat Shorb holds down the record of the largest mailing list, (and they raised the price of stamps, too).

R. Q. supposedly ends at 10 o'clock, Leone C., and getting struck in the mud doesn't alter the case.

And girls, what was the motive behind that letter to Dr. Addy's cat RubINETTE???

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MICHAEL ELECTED TO PREXY POST

Annual Mothers' Tea Held May 6

The annual Mothers' Weekend was an event of last Friday and Saturday, with a tea sponsored by the Associated Women Students being held on Saturday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00.

Registration was held in the lower hall where each mother was presented with a lovely corsage. The tea was given in the auditorium this year instead of the living room of Dorion Hall as has been the custom in years past.

During the course of the afternoon, background music was furnished at the piano by Shirley Coleman, Lee Wilson, Elaine Coleman, and Phylcia McLaughlin. At varied intervals vocal solos were presented by Janie Richardson, Neivallie Frazier, Jerry Martin, and Elizabeth Foley. Also included on the program was the installation of the newly elected officers for the coming year. Virginia Wilcox, this year's president, was in charge of the ceremony, assisted by Dorothy Scholl, vice-president, Marilyn Patten, secretary, and Kathryn Harris, treasurer. Those installed were: Dorothy Ball, president; Leona Cavanaugh, vice-president; Nina Wells, secretary; and Manion Snider treasurer.

Mrs. John Ryan and Mrs. Elizabeth Harris presided at the table during the first hour, following.

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Coming Events

MAY

- 20 Coronation Ball
- 21 Senior Breakfast
- 21 Baccalaureate
- 23 Final Exams
- 24 Final Exams
- 25 Evensong
- 26 Luncheon (tentative)
- 26 Commencement
- 26 Faculty Reception

GIRLS' ORGANIZATIONS ELECT OFFICERS

In a closely contested election held on Wednesday, April 26, and Friday, April 28, the officers of the Women's Athletic Association for the coming year were finally chosen. In the first vote, Ellen Greiner and Nina Wells tied for president, Polly Hall was elected vice-president, Evelyn Scott and Lois Davidson tied for secretary, Patty Jean Leonard was elected treasurer, and Helen Tippin was elected publicity manager.

In the revote, Evelyn Scott was elected secretary, and Betty Kight, a new candidate, president.

The retiring officers of WAA are president, Mary Margaret Kennedy, vice-pres., Ellen Greiner, secretary, Polly Hall, treasurer, Nina Wells, and publicity manager, Patty Jean Leonard.

The Associated Women Students held their annual election on Monday.

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DORMITORIES GIVE ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

The sun rose bright and early Wednesday morning, May 3, and the very atmosphere seemed alive with tension and unrest. Yes that was the big day—the day when the girls in the dormitories were to give their annual, much-looked forward-to assembly. The event was preceeded with great speculation by the town students as to its style and with hundreds of frantic practices by the dorm girls.

As the spectators entered the darkened auditorium and saw the curtain part for the first section of the program, Inez Wellman, stylishly attired in black tails and mustache, announced the various attractions of Duration Lodge's sideshow. Highlighting this section was the strip-tease done by Maye Kirkpatrick and the graceful can can which was interrupted at a strategic point by Miss Lawrence. Ever present was the annoying little boy who finally, at the close of the show, was allowed to ask his short but urgent question.

Next to greet the eyes were the girls of EOCene Hall with a little skit entitled "God give us men" announced by Peggy Wilson. This short number gave a brief but charming expose of the thought uppermost in all female minds—men! At the close of this profound drama, Mrs. Lee Wilson played a piano solo, "The Harmonica Player."

Beverly Rhodes was the inter-locutor for the show given by CNC Hall. Their brilliant act was a page taken from the daily life at their residence hall, showing us many sides of dorm life that we didn't know existed. Especially well done were the piano selections by Marcia Olson at the close of their act.

Last, but certainly not least, were the newcomers from Hot Lake Sanitarium. Their contribution to the program was a glimpse into the night life of Hydrogen Sulfide Haven. Spectacular among the features were the passing of the train, the hula dance performed by Frankie Bach, and

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STUDENT BODY OFFICERS CHOSEN

In the hotly contested election held on Friday May 5, Warren Michael of La Grande narrowly edged out his opponent Bob McCoy of Nyssa in the race for presidential honors.

Campaigning was more extensive this year than it has been in some years past, with "vote for" signs blazoning the halls and campaign speeches being given at the Wednesday assembly.

Other candidates chosen for the offices of the Associated Student Body were: Marilyn Patten, vice-president; Dorothy Scholl, secretary; Emily Otis and Shirley Coleman, junior council members; Betty Graven and Lois Jeanne Lane, sophomore council members; and Jean Evans, song leader.

Prexy Mike is a southern man, having come to La Grande only last fall. He was born in the year 1919, and has lived most of his life in North Carolina (No'th Ca'lina). Mike spent several years in the armed forces, enlisting in the Canadian air force before the United States entered the war, and later transferring to the Army Air corps.

He was given a medical discharge after an accident last year. On the campus, Mike has been active in a great many affairs. He very capably served as president of the International Relations Club and was one of their representatives in the regional conference held in Spokane. He was also freshman representative in the student council, and a lively member of the Men's Club. The keynote of his platform was "more publicity for the college," and we are sure that he will do a fine job in his new position.

Coronation Ball Scheduled May 20

The last formal dance of the school year, the annual Coronation Ball, is to be held Saturday, May 20, from 9:00 to 12:00. This is to be a date affair with the girls asking the gentlemen and vice versa. The dance will be presided over by the Evensong queen and her court, with the crowning ceremony climaxing the evening.

Helen Mason, general chairman, has appointed the following committees: decorations; Ramona Henderson, Joy McPherson, Patty Barron, Harriet Davis, Dorene Dory, Jean Evans, Yolanda Allen, Pat Shorb, Marion Snider, Frances Pyle, Arloeen Krause, Mary Frances Baily, Lois Jeanne Lane, Patty Jean Leonard, Janie Richardson, and Ellen Greiner; programs; Dorothy Scholl, Suzi Frazier, Lee Wilson, and Maxine Scott, entertainment; Arlene Peterson, Carol George, and Mary Sommerer; refreshments, Irma Klinghammer, Betty Kight, Emily Otis, Polly Hall, and Dorothy Ball; publicity, Dorothy Wallace and Mary Perry; clean-up, Leone Cavanaugh, Hazel Briggs, Lois Davidson, Karlene Faucette, Betty Graven, Margaret Harris, Dorothy Janney, Helen Lee, Marilyn Patten, and Joyce McLain.

In each case, the first mentioned is the committee chairman.

Dr. Martha Addy, was recently elected state president of the Alpha Rho State of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Marilyn Patten, newly elected vice-president, was born in Bend in 1924, but now makes her home in Elgin, 20 miles north of La Grande. This year she served as vice-president of her residence hall, Duration Lodge, and was secretary of the Associated Women Students.

The new secretary, Dorothy Scholl, comes from Enterprise where she was born in the year 1923. As house president of EOCene hall, she has ably demonstrated her executive ability as well as in her position of AWS vice-president and sophomore representative in the student council. Dot is a member of the Association of Childhood Education, and was recently awarded a two-stripe sweater in the Women's Athletic Association.

Emily Otis of Adrian and Shirley Coleman of Pendleton are the new junior council members. Emily is a member of Phi Beta Sigma, ACE, and the house council of EOCene.

The sophomore council members, Betty Graven of Richland and Lois

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Sock And Buskin Gives Play

"Nine Girls", a mystery drama in two acts by Wilfred H. Pettitt, was presented by Sock and Buskin before an especially appreciative audience last Friday, May 5, in the college auditorium.

The entire scene was laid in the front room of a sorority clubhouse in California's Sierra Nevada Mountains. The room and stairway were effectively paneled in knotty pine with an open fireplace at one end and a large window thru which real pines and firs were visible at the other. The college play production class was responsible for the excellent set, with Joyce McLain acting as stage manager.

The curtain rose promptly at 8 o'clock on a performance that was not only packed with laughs and thrills, but had an added note of sincerity and emotional feeling.

The cast did an excellent piece of work in portraying each character as a highly individualistic personality.

Alice, played by Phylcia McLaughlin, was a rather sweet, feminine girl, not overly intelligent, but enough so that it became necessary for the murderess to dispose of her.

The two young pledges, Kathryn Harris and Arlene Peterson, seemed incapable of anything other than getting in the way of the other girls and taking orders.

Lois Ward, seen only in the prologue in the part of Phyllis, brought about the telling of the story thru her curiosity and its effect on Jane, played by Janie Richardson. Jane was the leader of the group and a lanky medical student with a witty, sarcastic tongue and a great love for mystery stories. It was she who took

charge when the tragic events occurred, bringing the police, etc.

Adding many laughs to the performance were Freida (Maye Kirkpatrick), Glamorpuss (Elma Larson), and Shotput (Virginia Wilcox). Freida, who entertained many bohemian ideas, livened the weekend with her active dislike for Glamorpuss, a stage-struck coed with an affected accent and a highly elevated opinion of herself. Shotput, the all-around athlete, was especially effective in her first entrance where she fell over a suitcase strewn athletic equipment in all directions.

One of the hardest roles was that of Mary played by Dorothy Jacobson. She was a girl with a much lower social standing than the others, but she had won their respect with her determination and outward charm. However, hidden within her character was an essential weakness that allowed jealousy to drive her to a series of actions that resulted in the murder of two of her sorority sisters and the attempted murder of her best friend.

Elizabeth Kibby in the part of Eve finally turned the tables on Mary and halted the chain of fatal events.

Director of the production was Alvin R. Kaiser assisted by the following committee chairmen: costumes, Irma Klinghammer; properties, Marion Snider; publicity, Helen Tippin; tickets, Ramona Henderson; house, Jennie Williams.

Yolanda Allen and Inez Wellman served as prompters, and the sound effects were handled by Lillian Meyer, Floribel Eddy, Erma Hyde, and Bob Kopp.



The ten girls of the cast of "Nine Girls" are: Lois Ward, Phylcia McLaughlin, Arlene Peterson, Kathryn Harris, Virginia Wilcox, Elma Larson, Dorothy Jacobson, Janie Richardson, Maye Kirkpatrick, and Elizabeth Kibby.

EVENSONG

Every university and college develops certain traditional events that set it apart from every other institution, and endear it especially in the hearts of its students.

The University of Washington has its Epehebian Oath; Eastern Washington College of Education its Sacajawea Ceremonial; Eastern Oregon College of Education its Evensong.

This lovely event not only provides, for every student, participation in the festivities of commencement week, but also furnishes a fitting farewell for our graduates as they leave these halls of learning to enter their chosen careers.

Preparation for this affair includes the memorization of a certain number of songs to be sung, and the perfecting of a processional and recessional to be performed when the Queen of Knowledge, whom you students have selected and crowned, holds court with her train on the grand stairway just at eventide as the seniors light their candles at her glowing torch ere they set forth into the world to help spread the light of learning.

Evensong began as a vision in the mind of President Inlow, the first administrator of this college, in 1932 when the institution was but two years old, and has been a featured part of each commencement week ever since.

The idea of Evensong came into being early one April morning when a committee of five was called into the president's office, and as the sole member of this faculty who was present, I wish that I could convey to you the air of expectancy and inspiration that accompanied that hour!

So clearly was the whole procedure described that as the narrator completed his word picture and asked, "Do I make myself clear; is the idea tangible?" the art teacher, who was one of us, held up a completed sketch of the grand stairway with the comment, "Is this what you mean?"

Unobtrusively she had been recording, through her medium, each feature of the ceremony as it had been described—the women students in dainty pastel dresses accented by the dark suits and the white shirts of the men students; the seniors in academic regalia; the Queen and her attendants in flowing Grecian robes; the flaming torch and candles—all silouetted against the silent gray administration building standing like a sentinel to frame the picture between the rosy-tinted clouds of sunset and the soft spring greens of lawn and shrubs which were to be, (where only rocks and sand were then).

The music and the words suggested, to give voice to the occasion, likewise called forth creative expression as lines came spontaneously and mentioned tunes were hummed.

The implementing of all these ideas spread to the whole student body who perfected and polished every sight and sound of the ceremony for the first performance of the Evensong which we have here perpetuated.

You may well ask, "Why is it impressive?" The whole performance is completed in one-half hour. The songs are very simple, and the processional and recessional are not complex.

Yet each simple act and sound is made meaningful in its exactness and precision, for it is a symbol fraught with significance: the processional—progress; the recessional—continuation; the burning torch—the light of learning; the candles—the dispersion of that light; the colorful array and the burst of song—joy and gladness; twilight—the completion of the course; with the singing of our Alma Mater serving as the benediction. As we share this experience together there comes a sense of unity and grandeur that makes Evensong the crowning experience of EOCE.

Arta F. Lawrence

EOCene Notes

The last week has seen almost everything at EOCene Hall—pictures and mothers—dinners and weddings!

The Kenneth Schillings were dinner guests at the hall last Thursday evening, and the house pictures were also taken Thursday night.

Saturday brought many guests to EOCene as thrilled daughters welcomed their mothers and friends to the annual Mother's week-end. Mrs. Scholl, Mrs. Gekler, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Whyte, Mrs. Schomp, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Paul Wilson, and Ethel Pidcock were all guests of the EOCene girls.

Here comes the bride—it seems to be catching! Last week Virginia Courtney became Mrs. Jack Sharp, and now, this weekend, Léora Fulp is Mrs. Kenny Morgan. At least we know why A-S Morgan has been hanging around EOCene for so many weeks.

I wish Lorna Tabor would tell me what is so interesting in Pendleton. I guess I'll have to spend a weekend there myself.

Last week the girls spent the majority of their time on the lawn, badminton and plain loafing being the feature attractions.

Helen Lee must have been awfully lonesome in that big room all by herself the week before last when her roommates, Betty Graven and Mary Somnerer, went home for the weekend. Lucky people!

Last Saturday was not only Mother's weekend but it seemed to be an unofficial sister's day. Peggy Somnerer and Dorothy Pearce both dropped in for a sisterly chat.

And Emily, next time don't eat so much of Arlene's fudge and you won't have to spend Saturday morning mowing the lawn!

Duration Doings

Guests at Duration this weekend included Mrs. John Coleman, Shirleys mother, from Pendleton; Mrs. Henry Jacobsen, Dorothy's mother, also from Pendleton; and Lois's mother, Mrs. Landy Ward, of Enterprise. Karleen Faucette entertained her aunt, Mrs. F. H. Weinhard of Wallowa. They attended the Mother's Tea at the college Saturday afternoon, given in honor of the mothers of the college students.

Spring fever is in full swing at Duration as in most places at this time of year. We even eat our lunch out on the lawn, not daring to waste a minute in our pursuit of what we hope turns out to be a healthy, golden tan.

By the way, did you know that Karleen is fast becoming what is known as the "athletic type"? Last week she was hep for tennis and spent her month's allowance for some new equipment which, she said, was necessary for the game. Now what do you think she's taken up? Yep! Golf—she's making a detailed study of the correct attire for golfing, and we hear constant mumblings about vague phrases completely foreign to the rest of us ('cause we're the quiet type, you know) such as par, greens, drives—oh well, life can be interesting, I guess.

Another interesting topic of conversation which has become very popular at our house of late is the subject of "Frogs". Now it may not sound very interesting at first, but after delving into the subject a great deal we find:

- (1) that there are many kinds of frogs
- (2) that they may or may not live in water (as they see fit)
- (3) different kinds of frogs

make different kinds of noises.

These are the most important findings up to date. If you are really interested in discovering more about this fascinating subject see Lois Ward or Jim McMullin as they spend most of their time investigating these amphibians, mostly of the Rana Pipiens type.

Do you remember Dorene Dory? Well, that's alright if you don't—you probably wouldn't recognize her in her present condition anyway. It would seem that after a few years of practice any able-bodied young person would at least be able to go up and down a measly little hill without spraining a knee cap and completely wrecking a perfectly good suit but —! Anyway we all feel pretty sorry for her and hope she won't be limping long.

Inez Wellman went to Pendleton this weekend on business and it sounded so interesting we've all decided to go on a business trip, but soon!

Town Twitters

It has been heard that the WAA girls had a grand time on their recent week-end sojourn in the mountains, and even tried to catch that intruder in the kitchen (It must have been a man!)

And speaking of men, we would like to know just why the business manager of the Beacon found it imperative to go to Portland at the present time.

That Coveite, Inez Towle, seems to be always studying in the library—but the point is what does she study? And while on the subject of studying, it was observed that three of the town students, Mary Perry, Marion Snider, and Pat Leonard, spend the majority of a certain interesting (?) class time writing letters.

Frances Pyle was absolutely swamped with questions after her return from Pocatello last week—remember, that's where they send our V-12s—and the story she can tell about a certain review is worth hearing!

Public opinion says that Miss Lawrence is a top-notch actress and rates a Hollywood interview. Who ever said that profs don't have the proper spirit?

Ellen Greiner seems to rate high enough in someone's opinion to receive telephone calls all the way from El Paso, Texas. Nice, hmm?

It is rumored that seven of the town co-eds went on a picnic Saturday night and ended up in some farmer's barnyard. What an evening! Ramona still has her right hand bandaged.

Lois Davidson admits that there isn't much point in going to Milton this summer now that Cleo has gone to England.

And we leave you with the question of how Dick Bunting and Bob Kopp spend their Saturday nights.

DORMITORIES GIVE (Continued From Page 1)

the entrance of Gwen Emig with the announcement of a phone call.

With the final fall of the curtain, the dorm girls relaxed with a sigh of relief; their annual contribution to the assembly program was over for another year. Now, the big question is; which was the more successful, the dormitory production or the town students show?

ANNUAL MOTHERS' TEA (Continued From Page 1)

ed by Dr. Martha Addy and Miss Marian Smith.

The various committee chairmen for the affair were: Helen Mason, general chairman; Arlene Peterson, program; Betty Graven, in-

Sanitarium Sidelights

HOT LAKE on the beam again—broad beam—how else could we hope to stay on it?

So Sqn. A has left us—Andy, the sweet child—Vi's Johnson—Mr. Bright Eyes, alias Red, alias dream man—Bev's Pinkie—and all the rest of the few left that we knew—and Hot Lake sweetly serenading them at 8 o'clock with "When they leave La Grandey we will all sit down and cry," and we did!

There must be something to this man - shortage "propergander"; how about it EOCene?

Ask the girls what they think of blind dates now.

One of our beautiful blondes has fallen for an FBI—tell us more girls—maybe we ought to go to Baker or Haines sometime—and that butcher-boy Marine sounds mighty interesting, mighty!

What's Udie out for? Another new man? Watch those scales, kid, and no curves slighted.

Let's keep those rings in sight, girls.

Welcome back, Beppler—one of our little nurses missed you—but it's been a good miss—you're no trouble—just a pastime—mostly pass—get it?—thought you would.

Mr. Krueger must enjoy glamazoning—so it goes—1, 2, 3, shift, 1, 2, 3, shift—Lora Lee your turn next.

Our dear brave prexy fainted in class—just a little snake, too,—wonder how she reacts to other wild animals—wolves, for instance.

Dear Sac Ed.—does Sgt. Graydon Lair ever intend to complete his basic training?—by the way, we'd love to know someone with personality plus.

Who in the world is this wonder man little Alfred?—maybe Bones and Marge could tell us more!

We have some quiet girls here, but from the looks of the rogue's gallery, some of them must have a lighter vein somewhere in their serious natures.

Honorary cadet of the week!!! Moulitoff and we congratulate him upon the completion of his thirty-sixth mission.

So there's deer in them thar hills—well maybe—but on week-ends its been herd! (more Iowa corn)

This week's bedlam: fire alarm, 8 o'clock Thursday nite, cold-creamed faces, housecoats, pjs—Emig and McLain's pjs were reported heard in La Grandey they were so loud!

Poem of the week: There's a smell in the air, and we know it.

The reason's quite natural, you see,

For we're all from the place called Hot Lake

Where the hydrogen sulfide is free. The aroma we agree is not pleasing,

And our part in the program the same,

So we'll leave you now without further adieu

Before we all go completely insane. And wondering myself, I remain Little (?) Audrey

itations; Kathryn Harris, refreshments; Phylicia McLaughlin, decorations; and Emily Otis, clean-up.

GIRLS' ORGANIZATION (Continued From Page 1)

day, April 1. The officer chosen, which are as follows, were installed on Saturday at the Mother Daughter tea: president, Dorothy Ball, Grass Valley; vice-president, Leone Cavanaugh, La Grande; secretary, Nina Wells, La Grande; and treasurer, Marion Snider, La Grande.

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Blondie's Column

This college could certainly make use of a slogan. For instance, "If it's married you want to be, come to E. O. C. E." Yes, I know that reminds one of Golden Bantam, but the sentiment expressed is surely true. Just ask Virginia Courtney Sharp or Leora Fulp Morgan. . . That was a swell wedding present Squadron "C" gave Kenny. . . If there's a budding author or authoress in the crowd Miss Zabel will be sure to discover it. . . Volney seems to spend all his time in the Library winking at the girls. . . When the gunners left so suddenly it rather complicated things; it seems that Lucille Winebarger had one too many men at the Junior prom. . . Dean Joseph took a fancy to the Second Grade Room after school.

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS (Continued from page 1)

Jeanne Lane of La Grande were both recently initiated into the women's scholastic honorary, Sigma Alpha Chi. Betty is also a member of the International Relations Club and, like the new president, represented them in the Spokane conference.

Jean Evans, newly elected song leader, is well qualified for her position, having been vocalist with the army dance band this year as well as one of the most popular soloists of the college. In addition, she represented the freshman class in the student council.

This brief preview of the Associated Student Body officers for the coming year gives us assurance that the affair of student government will be as capably managed next year as they were this.

Could Polly Hall have been the attraction? . . . Where was everyone at the Squadron "A" dance? . . . Since Lois Ward has started giving lectures, Jim McMullen has taken up the study of frogs. . . The Royal Road to Romance may be rocky, just ask Elma Larson. . . Was Mac Sebastian having a nice time after the C. N. C. dance? . . . Some of the aches and pains the first of the week could have been due to the bicycle riding that Janie, Elma, Joyce, Helen, Phylcia, Ramona and Yolanda did on Saturday night. Quite a trip to say the least. . . Jack Weems and Larry Zacks letting Dee Bee formally introduce them before telling her that they were roommates. . . Should classrooms be left open during college dances? . . . It seems revival meetings have been taking place at Eocene and a church has been organized. They call it the Soul-Cleansing and Renovating Holy Psalm-Singing Church of Eocene. . . Those were cute skirts, Suzi Frazier and Pat Davis. . . How could any group possibly eat as much as the girls did on the W. A. A. overnight hike? . . . A group of girls from C. N. C. say that if the curtains were on the inside rather than on the outside the housemother couldn't keep such a watchful eye on them. . . These Sunday excursions to Hot Lake and surrounding mountains are quite popular with the aviation students. . . The Sqd. "A" "widows" all seemed to be having a pretty good time again Saturday night. . . We might have known it was too good to last, Kenny "Burple" is back in town. . . Suzi and "Red" Cone are going to be careful where they sit in shows after this. . . Congratulations to "Prexy" Mike. . . You'll be happier if you don't read any

CNC Hall Mouse

Oh hum—what did you say? Oh yes, it's time to write my column again—mustn't let this spring fever get me down.

This week finds our Jeanne Zeits nursing a bad case of the blues and tearing her hair out every day when the mail man comes, because he still hasn't brought the "hoped and wished for" letter.

The western dance kept the girls so busy last week that they didn't have time for their usual nonsense, but they still played "eager beaver" when it was time for their hospital shift.

The new theme song of CNC is "three more weeks to go—ugh—fifteen more class days". Doesn't that sound swell? Then you at EOCE will be rid of the third term

further because all I was going to say is that

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"Blondie"

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cadet nurses! and the little ladies at Hot Lake can move into dear old CNC. Our house mother vowed the walls wouldn't last until June, but I'm afraid they are going to, unless Lyleth happens to move the ladder from her window forcing us to do something drastic, or Wanda goes right on out the front window after that staff car.

I thought that the materia medica class was teaching our girls something useful for a change when I found them mixing a little of this and that in some tall glasses, but it turned out to be only drugs and solutions. How about that, Peggy?

Time for those "lights out", so until next time this is—

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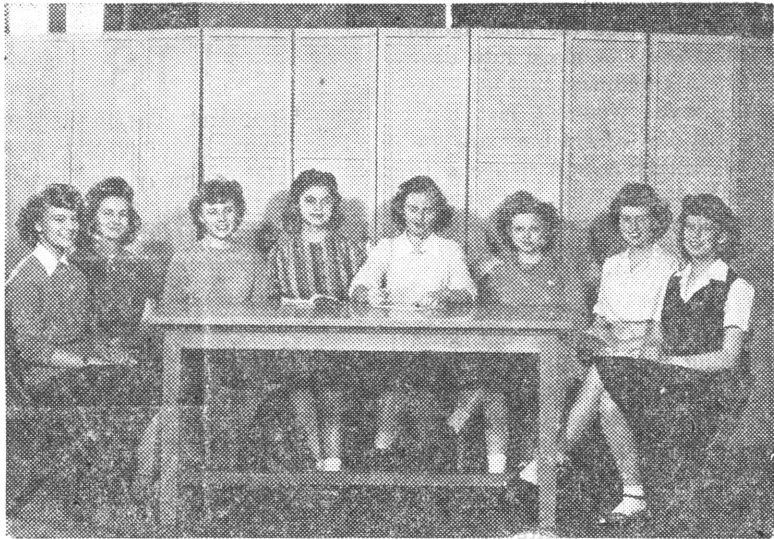
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Members of the student council from right to left are: Maye Kirkpatrick, Floribel Eddy, Lois Ward, Elaine Coleman, Ramona Henderson, Jean Evans, Nina Wells, and Dorothy Scholl. Not included in the picture are Bob Kopp and Warren Michael.

Congratulations Student Council

Term of office is now rapidly coming to a close for those people who, as members of the student council, have faithfully and efficiently managed the affairs of student government during the school year 1943-44 on this campus.

Elaine Coleman as A. S. B. president and chairman of the student council, Lois Ward, vice-president and chairman of the social committee, and Ramona Henderson, secretary, were the student body officers who headed the council. Other members included: Jean Evans and Warren Michael, freshman representatives; Nina Wells and Dorothy Scholl, sophomore representatives; Floribel Eddy and Maye Kirkpatrick junior representatives; Frank Howard, senior member during the fall and winter terms; and Bob Kopp, business manager.

In a resume of the council's activities for this year are listed the sponsorship of various all-school social activities such as Homecoming last fall term, get-acquainted parties at the beginning of each term, and the St. Patrick's Day Jig.

Two drives for funds, backed by the council, raised money for the aid of prisoner of war students and for the National Red Cross. The Red Cross funds netted \$26, not including Duration Lodge girls' contributions which were listed separately.

The honor roll board now on display in the front hall and a new motion picture screen for the auditorium were both purchased from associated student body funds with the approval of the student council.

Feeling that the cadet nurses should in some way be represented in student government, council members decided at their last meeting that, starting next fall term, each group of nurses should choose one representative to sit in at student council meetings. These representatives will be ex-officio members, but, with the council's

approval, will have the power to vote at all meetings.

As this school year draws to a close we of the student body wish to offer our congratulations to the student council and President Elaine Coleman for the excellent piece of work they have done this year in helping to keep alive school spirit and in maintaining a smoothly running student body government.

Nurses Sponsor Western Hop

On the evening of Friday, April 28, a "western hop" sponsored by the third term cadet nurses was held in the college auditorium.

A whole week before the big affair brightly colored pictures of cow-girls and horses started springing out around the halls, all of which advertised the coming western deal. We say that the cartoonist field lost some budding prospects when the cadet nurse corps was organized!

A goodly crowd gathered in the auditorium, which was cleverly decorated in green, brown, and yellow, Friday night to dance—waltzes—Paul Jones—even jitterbugging. During intermission

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Barbara Craig, the little blonde from Hot Lake, sang "I'm Getting Tired So I Can Sleep" (directly to a member of the then present Sqdn. A), Marcia Olson beat out some boogie-woogie, and Shirley Coleman tickled the ivories to the tempo of "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" and "Tea for Two."

Booths lining the side wall offered sanctuaries for the weary where a little "cactus milk" (plain old line punch to me) could be lapped up.

Near the end of the dance, the army band gave out with a conga number which put little Willie Arcos of Sqdn. B right in his element as he led a long conga line around the hall. Half of the crowd was zigging when the other half was zagging, but no one seemed to mind in the least.

The dance closed with A-S George Trayan singing "All Or Nothing At All."

A couple of colored boys were crouched in a shell hole while a barrage whanged away over their heads. "Look here, Rastus," said one, "ain't you skeert?"

"Not me," boasted the other. "Ain't no shell gonna come along got my name on it."

"Me neither," said the first fellow. "I ain't worried about my name on no shell. What I am worried about is, maybe there's one marked 'To whom it may concern'."

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Athletic Group Has Overnight Hike

Seventeen members of the Womens' Athletic Association left the campus Friday evening, April 28, for an overnight hike to the Birnie cabin located in the hills to the southwest of town. Most of the girls went up in the late afternoon, but five of our more socially inclined members arrived about 2 AM Saturday morning after attending the college dance. Miss Marian Smith, advisor for the group, took her car, carrying the bedding and supplies to the cabin.

The girls divided up into details of four to do the cooking and other house jobs, while those who were unoccupied enjoyed the novelty of sitting before an open fireplace with an enormous Great Dane. Eating was the main diversion, although several of the girls proved themselves to be eager beavers by working on biology flower collections.

It wouldn't be a weekend in the mountains without a scare of some sort, and our brave athletes petrified themselves for two hours during the night while something moved around in the kitchen. A morning investigation proved "it" to be a pack-rat, who met his sad end the next evening as Nina Wells hit him over the head with a shoe.

Another interesting feature of the trip was the skunk that occupied the same bedroom as Mary Perry and Inez Towle.

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Those girls who remained until Sunday have the beginnings of a glorious suntan (or something!)

Those making the trip were Ellen Greiner, Patty Jean Leonard, Mary Perry, Lois Davidson, Polly Hall, Betty Kight, Nina Wells, Inez Towle, Evelyn Scott, Phyllis McLaughlin, Kathryn Harris, Virginia Wilcox, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Suzi Frazier, Dorothy Scholl, and Elaine Coleman.

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Class Of 1944 Will Graduate Fifty-five

Mountaineers Complete Work

On Friday, May 25, a class of fifty-five students will complete their work at the college and will graduate in full ceremony. This group is divided into five sections, with twenty-one of the students being cadet nurses, nine junior college students, three secretarial science graduates, sixteen teacher training students, and six receiving bachelor of science degrees in elementary education. The commencement ceremony will be held in the college auditorium at 3:00, followed by the President's Reception for seniors, parents, alumni, and friends.

Pictured below are the following graduates: Row 1—Yolanda Louise Allen, jr. college; Frances Lucille Pyle, sec. science; Lillian Meyer and Kathryn Elizabeth Harris, teacher training; Elizabeth Mercedes Foley and Ramona Lois Henderson, jr. college.

Row 2—Arloen Edith Krause, sec. science; Mary Arlene Peterson, jr. college; Mary Margaret Kennedy and Etta Lucinda McCabe, teacher training; Joyce Ann McPherson, jr. college.

Row 3—Elma Elsen Larson, jr. college; Lois Ward, Maye Kirkpatrick, Floribel L. Eddy, Virginia Wilcox, and Inez E. Wellman, teacher training.

Row 4—Helen Deloris Parsons, sec. science; R. Elizabeth Kibby, teacher training; Lilla Janette Richardson, jr. college; Mary Frances Perry and Elaine Coleman, teacher training; Irma Klinghammer, B. S. degree.

Not included in the picture are: Dorene Delight Dory and Freida Whyte, jr. college; Edwina Ruth Bratton, Dora Herron Brooks, Hazel L. Hickey, and Eda Pearson Williamson, teacher training; Phyllis Esther Courtright, Dorothy Hufford Elliott, Franklin Howard, Virginia Mae Lee, and Clarice L. Notheis, B. S. degrees.

The graduating cadet nurses include: Leora Fulp Morgan, Dorothy Jean Gekeler, Rosamae Greenwood, Peggy Marie Herwick, Rosella Yvonne Hraskey, Alice Louise Huebsch, Jane Kikucki, Frances F. Kumazawa, Dorothy Jean Ledridge, Marilyn R. McGinnis, Marjorie H. Meek, Wanda Faye Mit-

QUEEN VIRGINIA WILCOX CROWNED AT FINAL BALL

The words, "I now pronounce you queen of Evensong," spoken by next year's A. S. E. president. Warren Michael, officially began the reign of Queen Virginia Wilcox as she knelt to receive the gold-leaf crown during the ceremony at the Coronation Ball Saturday evening, May 20.

Standing before her golden throne in the presence of the six princesses, lovely Queen Virginia pronounced her first royal edict for Evensong Week: "My counsel for all loyal sons and daughters of E. O. C. E. is this; may you ever keep your purpose strong, your courage high, your loyalty true, and keep ever aloft the torch of learning."

After expressing the wish that joy and merriment should reign for the evening, Queen Virginia, escorted by Dr. Maaske, descended from her throne and led the grand march around the ballroom floor.

Soft lights, beautiful flowers, and lovely formals under a canopy of white merged into an unforgettable picture as the couples danced the Coronation Waltz to the music of the air corps dance band.

Queen Virginia was presented for coronation by Marilyn Patten, next year's A. S. E. vice-president, who represented the senior class in as much as the former senior class president, Frank Howard, is now in the navy.

The six princesses who compose Queen Virginia's royal court include: Elizabeth Foley, Freida Whyte; Helen Parsons, Lois Ward, Elaine Coleman, and Janie Richardson.

Patrons and patronesses in the receiving line for the ball were: Dr. Roben J. Maaske, Dr. Martha L. Addy, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Schilling, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Gaiser, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin C. Kaiser, Miss Marian Smith, and Miss Dorothy Ball, incoming A. W. S. president for 1944-45.

The various committee chairmen
Continued on Page 4

CHRISTIAN COUNCIL INSTALLS OFFICERS

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle H. Johnson and Reverend and Mrs. Arthur Stanley, advisors for the College Christian Council, held a dinner at the Johnson home Tuesday, May 16, with the installation of the Council's new officers highlighting the evening.

Nina Wells was installed as president and Lois Davidson as secretary-treasurer. The vice-president will be elected and installed next year.

Those attending were: Marion Snider, past president; Dorothy Ball, past vice-president; Inez Towle, past secretary-treasurer; Lois Davidson, Frances Pyle; Jennie Williams; and Nina Wells.

FRESHMEN SPONSOR ALL-SCHOOL PICNIC

On Friday, May 19, the freshman class entertained the entire student body at the annual all-school picnic held at 6:30 at Riverside Park.

Bicycling was the favorite mode of transportation, although some lucky people used cars and a few eager beavers walked all the way.

Volley ball and other sports were enjoyed both before and after the meal, which was served cafeteria style. Delightful sights of hamburgers, buns and all the trimmings, large bowls of potato salad, gallons of ice cream, and two enormous white coconut cakes greeted the eyes as everyone made a mad dash to the serving table at Miss Smith's chow hall.

Suzi Frazier, president of the freshman class, acted as general chairman, assisted by various committees, all of which are to be congratulated for the excellent picnic they made possible.

Seniors Feted at Breakfast

At 9:00 on Sunday morning, May 21, twenty-seven graduates and ten faculty members and guests gathered at the Nook for the annual Senior Breakfast.

Clever place cards in blue and gold carried out the school colors as did the delicate corsages and boutonnières beside each plate.

After a delicious ham and egg breakfast, Dr. Maaske as toast master introduced various numbers and speeches of the program. Janie Richardson sang Oley Speaks' "Morning", followed by a brief speech on the activities of the class by Lyle H. Johnson. Of special interest in his talk was the disclosing of the graduates' cumulative grade point average which is 2.8.

Elizabeth Foley, honorary president of the graduating class and straight 4.0 student, responded graciously, and Arloen Krause and Frances Pyle sang a duet accompanied by Elaine Coleman.

Dr. Maaske then spoke to the graduates, and gave a toast to each division of the class.

The singing of the "Alma Mater" concluded this annual event which was arranged by Miss Zabel and her committee.

Baccalaureate Service May 21

Sunday, May 21, the Baccalaureate service for the graduating junior college, teacher training and cadet nurse corps students was held in the college auditorium at 3:00.

The graduates, some attired in maroon caps and gowns and some in black, and the white-uniformed cadet nurses entered the auditorium to the processional, "Marche", played by a special college orchestra.

Reverend Rollin W. Tomeraasen gave the invocation, followed by the college women's sextet singing "Give Ye Thanks" by Spencer.

The guest speaker for the ceremony was the well-known Right Reverend W. T. Remington, Bishop of the Episcopal Church for the Eastern Oregon district. He gave the scripture reading after which the college sextet sang "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte.

Bishop Remington's subject for the day was "Higher Education in the Post-war World" and was most appropriate for the assembled audience. For his thesis he used the text from the fortieth chapter of Isaiah: "they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."

The need for vision in education today as never before was emphasized. "Upon the graduates of today rests the responsibility of the future generations," he said.

"Education is today the great answer to the question of how to serve the welfare of all mankind by the proper release of our God-given powers."

"In the post-war world we will demand of education four things: (1) studies with definite use and meaning; (2) application of studies; (3) the teaching of internal behavior control; (4) character building through education."

The sextet closed the ceremony with the singing of "The Glory of Life" by Christiansen, followed by the benediction pronounced by the Reverend Lester Carlsen.

Members of the sextet are: Arlo-
(Continued on Page 4)

ART HONORARY ENDS ACTIVITIES ON MAY 8

Alpha Rho Tau held its last meeting Monday evening, May 8, in the Nook banquet room. At this time, Joy McPherson, Polly Hall, and Dorothy Wallis were initiated and the new officers for the coming year were installed.

Virginia Wilcox, the retiring vice-president, was toast mistress for the evening, and Kathryn Harris, retiring president, gave the oath of membership to the initiates.

The installation ceremony was conducted by this year's officers, Kathryn Harris, Virginia Wilcox, and Mary Perry, with the following being installed: Marion Snider, president; Carol George, vice-president; and Dorothy Ball, secretary-treasurer.

Virginia Wilcox presented Miss Gillis, Alpha Rho Tau advisor, with a beautiful plant on behalf of the members and she responded with a brief talk on the history and activities of the organization.



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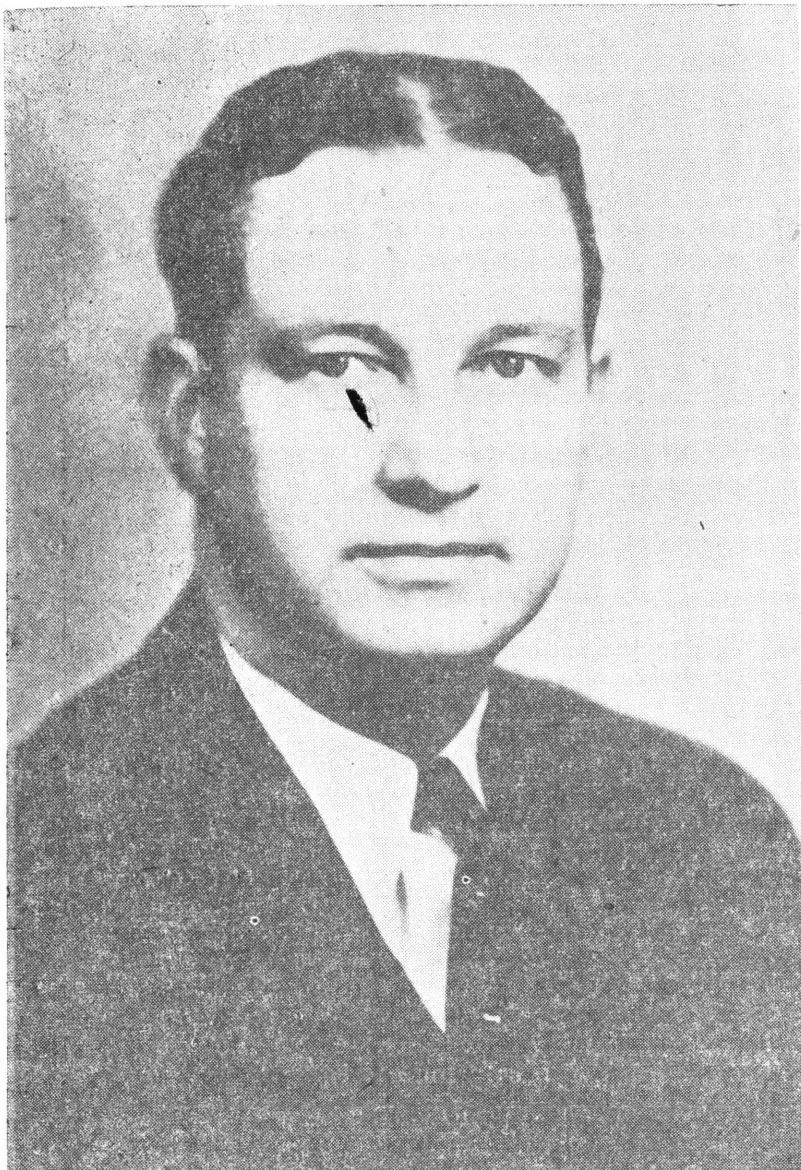
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Graduation Exercises

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A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MAASKE

DEAR GRADUATES:

In you we see a splendid class, truly worthy of your Alma Mater's best wishes, as you go forth to new experiences in new fields of endeavor.

You have this year been a part of and witnessed what is probably EOC's most eventful year. It has been a year which should hold many memories for us all.

It is with sincere regret that we realize you are about to leave. Your places in our midst will not be easy to fill. All of you have played important roles in student and college affairs to make your years spent here mutually profitable to yourself and to your college.

For us who remain to carry on, your future achievements will ever serve as a source of pride to us as we follow your careers. I know your fellow students and our faculty join me in wishing for each of you continued success and happiness in the years ahead and the hope that you will come back often to visit us at EOC.

Sincerely,
ROBEN J. MAASKE, President

CLASS WILL AND PROPHECY

Upon special request of the graduating class of Eastern Oregon College, I, Yami H. Mohandis, search intently in my crystal ball for a vision that may give these noble people a hint of their uncertain futures.

As yet, all remains cloudy and blurred, but soft!!! It clears! Yes! Yes! It begins to take form. Why—it's a special meeting in the White House with President Roosevelt and some of his committeemen. No! No, it isn't F. D. R.; don't tell me he's retired at last! But it isn't he—why, it is *Elaine Coleman*, first woman president of the United States, and that individual across the table from her is none other than *Dingy Parsons*, secretary of domestic relations. They are planning a formal welcome for Queen *Virginia Wilcox*, who is coming to settle once and for all the great problem of how to pronounce "French".

It clouds over—but it is clearing again! Now I see that eminent biologist, *Ramona Henderson*, in the jungles of Africa hunting for the lost species of the firefly. She is followed by her faithful servant *Arlene Peterson*, who is still frantically calculating their chances by a hopeless mathematical formula. Good grief, what is that lurking in the dark shadows of that vine! Watch out!!! It's a wild animal of some kind; I see its green eyes!!!

No! No, it's only *Joy McPherson* getting away from it all. Someone is coming along the trail they have laboriously cut out, whistling happily. It is none other than *Mary Margaret Kennedy*, the tropical tramp, with a bag of golf clubs over her shoulder.

Once again the scene blurs. I must redouble my concentration. Ah, here it comes again—a busy street in the big city. There is our old friend *Inez Wellman*, carrying a sign, "Joe's Joint is Unfair to Organized Efforts," while *Dorene Dory* sneers down the sidewalk on the never-ending business of snarling a man. *Lillian Meyer* and *Elizabeth Kibby* whip around the corner in a taxi, attempting to elude detective *Kathryn Harris* and chief of police *Floribel Eddy*; wonder what's up?

Now I see "Arson's Alibi Agency" where *Elma Larson* is frantically chewing her fingernails and trying to think of an excuse for *Yolanda Allen* who wants to divorce her sixth husband. Across the street in radio station DVC, *Elizabeth Foley* is announcing the opening night of the opera "The Bohemian Girl" starring the famous Metropolitan soprano *Janie Richardson*. I see *Lois Ward* and one of her many followers entering *Edwina Bratton's* club, "The Place Where The Lonesome Pine", which is featuring that vocal duo, *Arlo-*

een Krause and *Frances Pyle*. *Mary Perry* is seated on the sidewalk sketching *Maye Kirkpatrick* against a background of weeping widows, and *Etta Lou McCabe* comes galloping down the avenue on her horse Silver.

I see *Irma Klinghammer* about to—*Irma Klinghammer*—*Irma*—It's gone! The ball clouds over—I must concentrate—What is this—it's bursting into flame—my beautiful crystal ball—it's melting—ruined!!! Oh *Irma*, what was it you were about to do???

In the name of God. Amen. We, the graduating cadet nurses, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do hereby bequeth the following:

I, *Juanita Tracy*, will my eleven that she can save her ration pairs of shoes to *Emily Otis* so stamps.

I, *Lucille Winebarger*, leave my nickname "Pee Wee" to *Virginia Sharp* and my *Creosol* shampoos to *Beverly Vaughn* hoping she has better luck than I did.

I, *Alice Huebsch*, leave my giggle to *Delsie Darling*, but I'll keep my husband since she already has one.

I, *Peggy Herwick*, leave my red hair to *Jerry Martin* in hope that

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Associated Student Body officers for 1944-45 are: Jean Evans, song leader; Dorothy Scholl, secretary; Betty Graven, sophomore representative; Warren Michael, president; Lois Jeanne Lane, sophomore representative; Marilyn Patten, vice-president; and Emily Otis, junior representative. Not included in the picture is Shirley Coleman, junior representative.

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she may have one shade of hair all the time.

I, *Lyleth Sutliff*, will my sense of humor to Dr. Addy so that she can keep her classes of aviation students happy.

I, *Marilyn McGinnis*, will my quiet disposition to Gwen Emig in hope that someone may get a little peace from now on.

I, *Wanda Mitchell*, will my green sweater to anyone who has enough courage to wear it.

I, *Jean Ledridge*, will my way with men to Lorna Tabor hoping that she may catch a "fish".

I, *Jeanne Ueits*, will my city

attitude to June McDonald.

I, *Freida Whyte*, will my 4.0 average to Joan Thornburg and my clothes to the EOCene co-eds because there is no place for them in The Dalles.

I, *Rosella Hraskey*, will my dancing ability to Frankie Bach.

I, *Jane Kikucki*, will my figure to Marjorie McFadden and my gold tooth to Lucille Thompson.

I, *Frances Kumazawa*, will my long hair and fingernails to anyone who doesn't intend to be a nurse.

I, *Marcia Olson*, will my musical ability to Shirley Coleman and my crooked toe to Miss Lawrence.

I, *Marjorie Meek*, will Arthur Eugene "Blump" to anyone who wants a sailor.

I, *Dorothy Gekeler*, will my man in Santa Ana to Uncle Sam, but

only for the duration.

I, *Leora Fulp Morgan*, wish to keep everything I have.

I, *Rosamae Greenwood*, leave my hair ribbons to Dorothy Ball and my chewing gum to Miss Zabel until I finish my training.

I, *Betty Pattison*, leave my "Georgia brogue" to anyone who needs it to hook a man like Jack.

I, *Verna Smith*, will my diamond to anyone who can get it from me and my "squeaky" bicep to Dr. Quaintance.

This last will and testament is signed on this twenty-second day of May in the presence of:

Yehudi
Little Jack Horner

NURSES PARTICIPATE IN INDOCTRINATION

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two groups of nurses together and of each one separately.

After two and a half weeks of vacation, the nineteen girls who are graduating this week will report to Miss Holm at The Dalles hospital. The thirty-four new girls from Hot Lake will start duty at the St. Joseph's Hospital on June 6.

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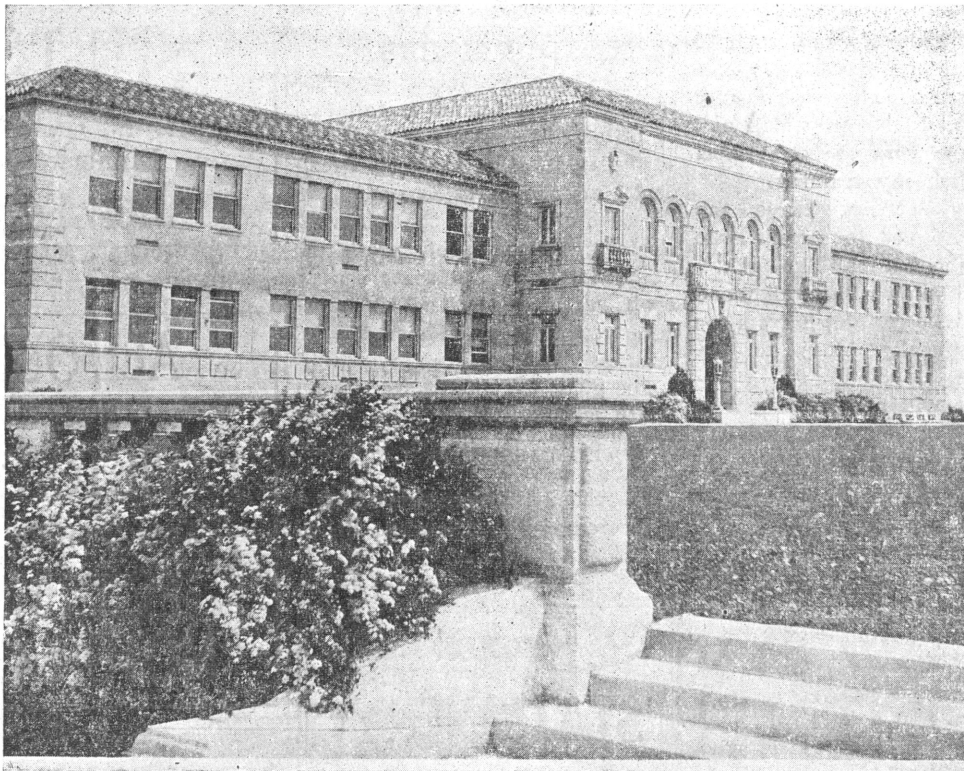
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To begin with, there is Bob Kopp; native of La Grande, son of a minister, and our able student business manager. Bob is the strong, silent type, and from what I hear, he runs a close second to Charles Boyer.

Bob's left-hand man is Dick "Rachbrahmsibottom" Bunting, of the Tractor Buntings, also a La Grande-onion. Dick is the Funny Man of E. O. C. If you go in for the Bob Hope type, or like your date right off the cob, Dick is your man!

Or maybe you prefer the intellectual (?) type. If so, in this corner, cramming for exams, we have David Eshelman. David still has that G. I. look from having been in the army so long. He was a sergeant, believe it or not! Besides being one of our star stooges David is "The Voice of the Grande Ronde Valley."

That was Kenny Myers who just went by—"the essence of virile manhood"!!!—product of North Powder, star basketball player of his school, and a promising young man. (Don't believe half of what he promises.) Kenny is secretary of the Tappa-Kegga-Bere fraternity and an active member of the A. F. P. S. (Admirers of Feminine Pulchritude Society.)

Jim Wilson, of North Powder is that handsome blonde. You can forget Frank Sinatra now, for Jim sings too. Don't let his bashful ways fool you; he's just playing hard to get.

If you aren't satisfied yet, you may be interested in Lyle Woodell, the kind of fellow Mother would

approve of. Lyle hails from Haines. He's studying to be a civil engineer. That Thing he drives around and calls a Plymouth is really his first project. (It has tires too.)

Next on the list is Dale "Nails" Hargett, La Grande boy. Dale is the best class-skipper in school, so his "friends" say. He is an all-around athlete and stars in most sports. He is also a veteran of nine days in the navy. P. S. He plays the banjo.

Last, but not least, is Bob L. McCoy. The "L" is for Lover—lover of Rimsky-Korsakov's music. (Fooled you didn't I?) Bob is from Nyssa, and admits it. He is also a veteran of this war, having served in the Merchant Marine as a ship's "pill roller." The boys call him "The Sheik of Snooks' Hall". Most of the girls know about Bob, so just ask anyone. I might add, he is studying, or should I say going to school, to be a mortician. (Can you imagine him in a business that dead?!)

Now my sweet young thing, you know the men of E. O. C. Go forth and make—Oh, the ninth? That's me. Sure, only too glad to help a lady. Let me know how you come out. Don't want a date, you're just writing an article on men? Well, of all the—Say, you wouldn't want me to write it up for you would you? Yeah, so long.

Blondie's Column

I just don't believe it! Absolutely don't! That finals could be here already and there are still so many things we don't know, and probably never will learn. . . . For instance, we don't know whether Patt Pattison is really looking for a new "Daddy". . . or whether Dorothy Ball finds "Art" a really popular subject. . . or whether those orchids to Floribel from Bill Hissitt mean anything. . . or if Peggy Wilson is actually so fond of Riverside Park. . . or if "Queenie" Wilcox thinks these

men from the banks of the Mississippi are really super.

We'll probably never know, either, if Lew Moscowwitz hates physics class as badly as he would have you think. . . or if Oren Dennison appreciates the bed-spread and drapes that the cute little redhead at Eocene is making for him. . . or whether "Red" Cone really leads a hard life. . . or whether any music could be sweller to dance to than Jimmie Lunceford's. . . or whether one should go to Portland to see these Camp

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Adair men or let them come to La Grande; on that question you can consult with Kathryn Harris or Helen Tippin. . . or when there's been a cuter student officer than Willie Arcos.

And that's only a beginning, for we shall probably remain in the dark as to just how fine Dr. Quaintance thinks Mike Michael's geology collection is. . . or how the Army got out of Dorion Hall and left the four walls still standing. . . or how many commas there are in "Welcome Sweet Springtime". . . or just how happy Helen Parsons is to have school out. . . or what a good dinner the Nutrition class can cook. . . or whether Miss Lawrence's middle name is "Publicity". . . or how we can get along without Lucille Thompson to run in and tell our troubles to. . . or how we could have managed without Janie Richardson for editor. . . or how much trouble it really was to get dates for the Coronation Ball.

I was going to tell you who the official writer of this column has been, but after having heard of numerous threatened lawsuits, I decided to remain as ever. . . .
"Blondie"

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