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## Homecoming Modified; Alumni Banquet Oct. 16

### 14 New People Grace 1942-'43 Faculty Roster

New instructors—new students—new courses—so begins this school year of 1942-43. Eastern Oregon has fourteen new faculty members. This is the largest group of new teachers added to the college staff since the opening of the school fourteen years ago.

Miss Mary Herboth, who replaces Miss Julia Johnson as director of the Women's Residence Hall, hails from Spokane, Washington. She is a graduate of Bellingham State Normal and Washington State college. Miss Herboth was supervisor of cadet teachers at Marylhurst college in Portland, and was demonstration teacher at Washington State college. She was welcomed to La Grande by a wind storm, but says that she thinks the erosion of the hills and the shadowing of the sun on the mountains one of the most beautiful sights she has ever seen. Her hobbies are golf, horseback riding, and archery.

Miss Myrtle Graham, who is the new assistant to Miss Herboth, comes from Springfield, Missouri. Miss Graham is a graduate of Southwest Missouri State Teachers college. She desired to finish her education in a school out of her home state, and after locating an index of colleges, carefully examined the lists of schools, and found that the name La Grande appealed to her. She found upon inquiring, that the type of school and the courses offered would allow her to support her wishes. Miss Graham, of course, permits herself the luxury of a hobby—she collects picture postcards and has a worldwide collection numbering over eight-hundred to boast of.

Miss Beulah Johnson, also assistant to Miss Herboth, and a former graduate of E. O. C., has returned to work for her degree in teaching. At Pendleton she acquired her first teaching position this past year. The art of dancing and a love of music permeate her leisure hours.

Miss Elna Nordquist, who has taken the place of Mrs. Stewart in the business office, is a former student of the college. She attended Bob Jones college in Cleveland, Tennessee, and Cehnke-Walker Business College in Portland. Outdoor life seems to be to the liking of Miss Nordquist—she rides, swims and swings a tennis racket.

Mr. Lyle Johnson who takes the position of registrar, which was formerly filled by Miss Ruth Moore, is a resident of Corvallis, Oregon. He attended Pomona College and then transferred to Oregon State college in 1926 and 1927. He then entered business for 11 years and returned to the S.C. and graduated in 1939. He thinks the people of La Grande are easily contacted and that the student body is a representative, democratic group. His hobby, dog collecting, must for the present be sacrificed to a pastime more characteristic of this country—that of fishing.

Mrs. Gregory, the new librarian, is a resident of La Grande, Oregon. She has been with the school library for three years. As a graduate of Washington State college, she worked in the Spokane public library for a number of years. Her hobbies are all-american—reading good books and gardening. She would like all students to regard the change in the position of the reserve desk which makes it more convenient for the student returning books, and allows an office in

### New EOC Faculty Members



(Left of right) Top row: Major Lynn H. Larson, coordinator of the Civilian Pilot Training program; Virginia Octavia Wheeler, instructor in art; Ellen V. Johnson, supervising teacher; Lyle H. Johnson, registrar and director teacher placement. Middle row, Dr. Winifred E. Bradway, instructor in chemistry; Ruth Lambertus, instructor in music at the Ack-

erman Demonstration school and junior high school; Mrs. Katharine Gregory, acting librarian; and Mrs. Frances Isabel McConnell, supervisor of health services. Bottom row, E. O. Draper, instructor in secretarial science; Elma Nordquist, manager of the college business office; and Miss May C. Herboth, director, women's residence hall and counsellor for women.

### Informal Campus Affairs Scheduled For October 17

With football out of the picture as a homecoming attraction, most people around the school gave up the homecoming idea for EOC this fall, but not the homecoming committee. Plans are underway at present to concentrate activities on the night of October 16 and leave the regular homecoming date of October 17 for more leisurely and informal campus affairs.

The annual homecoming banquet will be held at the Sacajawea hotel the evening of October 16 at 6:15. Students in charge of banquet arrangements are Fredericka Spaeth and Frances Boyd. It is expected that more people will attend the banquet than usual because of the fact that many homeward bound teachers from the eastern Oregon Teachers Conference at Baker will be passing through La Grande at the banquet time.

At nine o'clock of the same evening the annual homecoming dance will be held in the college auditorium. Some special homecoming stunts are being planned for intermission time. Student chairman for the dance is Bob Shepherd.

Many informal activities are being planned for Saturday, October 17, for those grads who really want to spend the day on the campus. The committee in charge has set the hours from nine a. m. to twelve noon as a period for Campus Browsing. This morning program is in the hands of A. C. E., and the association has planned to have some special displays in the training school.

From 12 to 1, Saturday, Alpha Rho Tau will hold an alumni luncheon at the Sacajawea hotel.

The Women's Residence Hall and the Eocene Hall will hold open house. The Residence Hall will serve tea from 3 to 4.

Sigma Alpha Chi will hold their annual reunion at the home of Miss Zabel from 2:30 to 3:30.

Beulah Johnson and Ross Hearing are student chairmen in general charge of arrangements, and Mr. Miller is the faculty chairman for the homecoming events.

The Freshmen are taking charge of decorations for the homecoming dance under the direction of Miss Wheeler, art instructor. The class president, Bill Batley, has announced the following committee: Lucille Hutchinson, Yolanda Allen, Dorothy Ball, Ralph Farrow, Paul Kibby, Byron Lynch, La Rena Palmer, Donald Jonas, Dorothy Wallace, Bill Knock, Walter Powell, Helen Jean Moon, Velda Carbine, Pat Ferdinandsen, Pat Shorb, Clayton Ansell, Ivan French, John Allen, Mona Miller and Frances Pyle.

### EOC Students Received By Faculty, Sept. 25

Girls in lovely formal dresses and boys in suits were the order Friday evening, September 25, when the faculty members and their wives formed a reception line in the auditorium to greet the students. New students were especially honored by the opportunity to meet their teachers.

Several lovely musical numbers were presented during the evening. They included two piano solos by V. D. ...

### Oiling Job Tops Campus Improvements

With the completion of the oiling of the drive through the campus and the faculty parking lot many of us will soon be saying something like this: "Why, I can remember when dust and gravel used to fill the air as students raced cars around the flag pole." This latest improvement to the campus marks only a few of the changes that were noted by former students when they returned this fall.

A project that was well underway when the grads marched in stately manner last spring was the one of campus lighting. However, this fall, returning students were happy to see that there were lights atop all the newly erected standards on the campus, and the place looked as though there was really somebody "to home" the night of the faculty reception.

There was considerable painting and varnishing done about campus during the summer but of specific "color" note is the completion of Miss Zabel's room and the new tints in the Gaiser

### Football Out; Sports Take On Variety

Signals given; set: 1-2, 1-2. And the pigskin is lugged seventy-two yards for a touchdown; at least that is what we would like to have happen, and probably would, if Coach Bob Quinn had not been short of material. Though quite a number of boys have been called into, or have voluntarily joined the services of Uncle Sam, there is no reason why we couldn't still have a good team. "The real reason," in my opinion, "was lack of football spirit." Due to this, basketball will probably begin a little early this year.

Though we have our downs in football, we have both ups and downs in our physical education for the reserves. For two weeks they have been drilled in calisthenics and marching under the direction of Coach Quinn. We hope it helps them when they go into actual training.

So I guess our big sports attraction for the present is the smoker to be sponsored by the Men's Club, Tuesday night, October 13. The program will con-

### New Secretarial Courses Opened At College

Something new in the field of education offered by state teachers college is the secretarial science course offered in the curriculum of Eastern Oregon College. Last year this program was undergoing experimentation and was found worthy of a place in the college. The department is supervised by Mr. Draper, who, until this year, had a private school in down-town La Grande. He has transferred his full equipment, which not only includes the best types of typing machines, but also includes office fixtures such as calculators, bookkeeping machines, multi-graph, memiograph, and ediphone.

The purpose of this two-year curriculum is to prepare capable high school graduates for positions such as secretaries, office managers, bookkeepers, and clerical workers, and to prepare students who do not wish to complete a full four-year college course for positions in the general business field.

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(Editor's note: More people could be used on the staff. Any person interested is urged to contact the editor or the advisor. Specific staff appointments will be made later.)

### 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).

### READ THE BULLETIN

Lectures usually leave us limp and allergic to those little pieces of advice and attention which, most certainly, are likely to bounce home leaving us high and dry with that feeling of "I told you so" or "Maybe Mamma knows best." No so good, is it? Well, here we are growing out of that tot stage and entering what should be a period of "think for thyself, John." But we find we're missing not a little bit and sometimes winding up behind the eight ball simply because a vital fact or concern eluded our eyes or ears. Perhaps it was a job at stake or an appointment important to others or perhaps the last tap of opportunity. Then we think, "Well, it wasn't my fault," and end up haughty and resentful and perhaps a little bit dubious as to whose fault it actually was. Here's a tip for these hapless persons who, unhappily, are quite numerous: Look over the bulletin boards. A stuffy suggestion? Perhaps, but it packs a lot of significance. Affairs of social, business, and scholastic value are placed on these boards. You won't find unimportant or unreliable information cluttering up the few feet of space occupied by these instruments of vital statistics. Look them over—you might find your lifetime posted.

Where to look: General information — main hall opposite the business office; music notes—opposite the music room; Beacon notices—opposite room 25; features for student teachers—Ackerman—opposite the office.

## OPA Explained To Students

Harley Richardson, local merchant and director of OPA for eastern Oregon, addressed the students of the college Sept. 30 in assembly on the relation of the Office of Price Administration to Civilian Defense.

Mr. Richardson stressed the need for curbing inflation at present as a measure of civilian defense. He stated further that we can win the war on the battle field and lose it on the home front with a disastrous depression following the war. The time to do something is now, and the government is moving in that direction, stated the speaker.

Mr. Gaiser presented a five-minute interpretive review of the week's news.

The assembly was high-lighted by some community singing under the direction of Mr. Schilling.

Dr. Maaske presided and Ross Hearing had charge of the announcements.

## Oiling Job Tops Campus Improvements

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and Kaiser rooms. The colors are refreshing, cool, and bright. Some folks are worried about the cost of heating rooms which are done in such chilly tints.

Rooms 16 and 18 have become a school of commerce in the few short months of our summer vacation. Room 16 is filled with all of the typewriters that Dr. Maaske and Mr. Draper can find in eastern Oregon, and they are still looking for more. Room 18 houses the desks for the students in accounting.

People who did not register in the library and dashed belatedly into the room before an eight o'clock class were met with space where the charging desk was formerly located. An abrupt stop and a turn to the left showed the librarian at hand with the charging desk immediately to the left of the entrance door.

And, too, we noticed that the lawn seemed a little greener and the trees a little taller when we first saw the campus this fall, but they may only prove the old adage that "absence makes the heart grow fonder." At any rate the changes are signs of growth and progress.

## DORM NOTES

With a stern brow and a glittering eye, Operative No. 2 stalks about the halls, digging into your private life and revealing:

A lot of disappointed upper-classmen who sit around in their rooms, talking about men, while the fresh and dewy Freshmen are out talking with the men. How do they do it? Especially after an entire week sans makeup, curlers, and pins?

Several girls crawling around under the tables, eating Wednesday night pie. Newest glitter-carriers are Anabel McDonald, Erma Derrick, and Dorothy Scholl.

Bulging mailboxes, with an abundance of "Free" mail. Especially noticeable is the one shared by Lois Elliot and Helen Kelly who are reaping a fall harvest from oats well-sown during the summer near an army base.

Several starry and glowing eyes looking back on a vacation taken not in vain. Have you noticed, or talked to Betty Jo Sandlin, Jessy Mae Sanders, Reine Rooney, Hilda Berreth, or Frances Boyd? If not, and you're feeling blue, do so and you'll receive a reflection of warm, pleasant, joyous summer days which will irresistibly lift your worries nearly as well as some of those letters they get almost daily.

Ever-warm handles on the ping-pong paddles. Strange, isn't it that the Rumpus Room was nearly forgotten and deserted until the basement became C. P. T. Roost? Ask Mary Jane Faucette, Maye Kirkpatrick, Hilda Berreth, or Jean Diebold for the answer to that one.

Ruth Cox storming about bathrobes, straw, whistling and numerous other such sundries. Why, Ruth, you should appreciate the efforts of your friends who only want to make sure you aren't locked out. Of course, they wouldn't be quite so troublesome, if you'd have Him take them for a ride, too.

Betty Cook, beaming. At last Betty has found some one to take her place as Hula-hula expert at the Dorm.

Meals eaten in near silence, and great wondering. Silence reigns because some songs, such as the Tale of the Lonesome—ahem—snouted quadruped, just aren't acceptable, and the wondering is pointed into the future to ascertain the beginning of a bread and water diet to save the budget.

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Bill Bately, president; Clinton Colenbaugh, vice-president; Lucille Hutchinson, secretary; Helen Jean Moon, girl council member, and Bruce Bray, boy council member.

## Sport Dance Held October 9

Rustling autumn leaves and scented pines furnished the decorative setting for the first all school sport dance of the year held in the auditorium Friday October 9, 8:30 to 11:30 p. m.

Dr. Maaske and Miss Herboth were patron and patroness for the dance.

General chairman for the dance was Mary Jane Faucette, and Beth Fross, Marvel Follow, and Fay Andrews handled the decorations.

The Solid Seven furnished the music.

Punch was served at the intermission.

## METHODIST PARTY FOR COLLEGE GROUP

The Methodist church entertained with a party for all members of the college young people's group, October 2.

Dora Herron and Josephine Hendrickson were in charge of the party.

Games were played and refreshments were served.

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### New Honorary On Campus This Year

Too late for announcement in the Beacon last spring came the news that the national dramatics fraternity Alpha Psi Omega had granted a chapter to EOCE. Alpha Psi Omega has some over a hundred chapters throughout the United States in various colleges and universities.

The purpose of Alpha Psi Omega is to promote interest in dramatics by offering national recognition to students on campuses where it functions.

There were seven people named as charter members of the local chapter which is known in the national records as the Theta Chi Cast.

The students who became charter members are William Hesse, Frances Emigh, Clinton Hill, Nancy Lee Lindsey, Gerald Wilson, Bernadine Roberts, and Frank Howard.

Initiation and installation of the chapter were held on June 25. Clinton Hill was named president and Nancy Lee Lindsey secretary.

The society will function as an honorary fraternity entirely and will invite students to membership who have worked faithfully in Sock and Buskin.

### New Faculty Honored By Reception

A reception and tea was held at the Women's Residence Hall, on Sunday afternoon October 4, honoring the new members of the college faculty. Parents and townspeople from La Grande and neighboring towns and educators of Eastern Oregon met the faculty.

The rooms were beautifully decorated with orange dahlia and caniles. Tea was poured in the dining room.

### Melting Pot Held Sept. 24

The Frosh of 1942 were fused into the "mettle" of EOCE in the annual Melting Pot the evening of September 24 by a "blast" of mixer games and dances under the general direction of Miss Gillanders.

The committee assisting with the games, dances, and refreshments were Ross Hearing, Teddy Hucker, Scott Payne, Inez Wellman, Maye Kirkpatrick, Mary Jane Faucette, Katherine Fridley, Lois Ward, and Julian Van Beveren.

### Sock and Buskin Plans Full Play Schedule

Sock and Buskin will function on a full schedule this year the same as last year according to Mr. Kaiser, director of dramatics and advisor to Sock and Buskin. The regular schedule for Sock and Buskin is the production of a full-length play each term.

It is the plan of the advisor to get more people active this year than was possible in the past year. Tentative plans lists a comedy, "Where the Deer and the Antelope Play," for production some time early in December, the tragedy of "Hamlet" some time in March, and a drama of pioneer life commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of the first wagon train over the Oregon trail in the spring term. These plans may need to be modified, but they promise plenty of activity.

Anyone interested in dramatics who is a member of the associated student body is eligible to try out for plays produced by Sock and Buskin.

Of added interest to students of dramatics is the fact that Alpha Psi Omega, national dramatics honorary, will function for the first time on the campus.

### Registration Off Nearly 25 Per Cent

Total registration to five o'clock Friday, October 9, was 243 according to Mr. Johnson, registrar. Mr. Johnson indicated that there were prospects for several more registrations before the final hour, 12 noon, October 10.

The registration of 243 stands against the figure of 316 of the same date last year. The percentage of decrease stood at 23.1. The estimated decrease of this fall term was 25 per cent.

Of those registered 104 are men and 139 women. The junior college division holds a slight edge over the teacher training division with 102 students to 100 teacher trainers.

There are 29 registered in the new secretarial science division of the college, and the remainder of the enrollment is made up of specials and auditors.

Mr. Johnson points out that there are more special students this year than ever before.

### EOCENE NOTES

After last year's haphazard experience, the boys at Eocene Hall are really getting the situation under control. The seventeen frosh with the seven upper classmen are well "matched." The frosh do the work and the upper classmen do the supervising.

On Tuesday last, the Women's Residence Hall invited the boys up for a short-evening dance. A good time was enjoyed by all the men, thanks to all the girls.

Later Tuesday night the frosh, forgetting the quiet hours, began to loudly discuss the dates they had lined up at the dance. Because they had ignored the quiet hours, punishment was "in order." At eleven o'clock p. m., all freshmen were called out of their rooms and received eight "spats" apiece.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH MAKES "CARPENTERS" OF COLLEGE STUDENTS

The college and business young people of La Grande First Christian church had a "Plane, Square, and Level" party at the church, Monday evening, September 28. The room was decorated like a carpenter shop with a variety of hammers, saws, planes, and other tools around the room.

Arloeen Krause and Marion Snider led the games which were in keeping with the carpenter idea. After the games the "carpenters" were served a real carpenter's lunch of sandwiches, punch, and cookies.

The party was closed with a short devotional led by Mona Miller.

### NEWMAN CLUB MAKES PLANS

The Newman club held their first meeting on September 30. Miss May Herboth, counsellor to women at the college, will be the club advisor for the year.

Fifteen people attended the meeting, and plans were made for activities during the coming year.

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### WAA Stages Get-Acquainted Party

The Women's Athletic association started the year's activity program Thursday night with a party held at the gymnasium. Although all women students were invited, the gathering was especially planned to acquaint freshman girls and other new students with W.A.A., its activity program, its members, and its jolly times.

The program consisted of a skit which introduced the various sports and activities sponsored by W.A.A., and also four enjoyable performances by the modern dance group, which, by the way, we are expecting to encore repeatedly throughout the year. We climaxed the evening with social dancing and games and closed festivities with refreshments. We thank Ruth Cox and her committee for arranging such a pleasurable evening.

And here is another item of interest: You will be glad to know that Betty Jo Sandlin has been elected secretary of W.A.A. for this year. Congratulations, Betty Jo! The other officers are as follows: president, Catherine Fridley, vice president, Clarice Notheis, and treasurer, Mary Margaret Kennedy. Of course you know Miss Gillanders, our advisor.

An inviting social program consisting of both formal and informal affairs has been planned to accompany the sports program this year, but just now soccer and tumbling are in the air. Be sure that you watch the bulletin board for practice schedules and other announcements.

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### Opening Assembly Features Faculty; Memorial Service

The opening assembly program which featured plans for this year, presentation of the faculty and a short memorial service for Gene Rochester and George Harvey was held Thursday, September 1...

The principal speakers were President Maaske, who spoke on "This Year and You"; Miss Herboth and Mr. Graiser who spoke on "How to Live while in College"; and Miss Zabel, who explained the assembly plans and programs.

Professor Scrolling gave the vocal solo "Arise, Oh Lord" by Hoffmeister. He also led the student body in "East Oregon We Love Thee" and the "Alma Mater."

The faculty appeared in complete academic regalia. This is the first time in the history of the school that anything less than a commencement convocation has succeeded in calling the black robes from the moth-balls.

Keys to the powder magazines on American warships are sent to the captain each night for safe-keeping.

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### "Old" Faculty Enjoy Varied Vacations

Recently your reporter asked the returning faculty assembled in August conclave how they had spent their vacations during the summer months. The answers revealed a sharp tendency on the part of most of the pedagogues to pitch into the many vacant jobs as a result of the war. Some, however, whose vacations were not so extensive in nature, did pursue the regular channels of vacation relaxation.

Bob Quinn, coach without a football team, spent the entire summer painting the Union Pacific red. Generally speaking his job was that of painting boxcars, but there was some outlet for his artistic nature in that most of his time was spent in stenciling "Road of the Streamliners" and other information for identification on the sides of the cars.

H. L. Skeen says: "I spent my vacation trying to solve the labor shortage by sewing sacks for a combine and working in the hay field." He states further that he is in first class condition and might join Sister Susie in sewing shirts for soldiers.

Charles W. Quaintance sought one of the high spots of the Blue Mountains in which to do his work. He says that his job was one of "scanning the horizon for possible fires"; this apparently means that he had no fires to report from his lookout. His family enjoyed the mountain air with him.

Ralph Badgley made Steamboat Lake in the heart of the Wallowa mountains his headquarters for the first ten days of his vacation. He and Mrs. Badgley hiked to nearby lakes from these headquarters. During the latter part of his vacation period Mr. Badgley drove a wheat truck and chopped wood. (We know a long, slim fellow who did a lot of rail splitting and wood chopping, and he landed in the White House.)

Ken Schilling was the chief straw boss in charge of painting and paint removing around the administration building during his vacation. There was very little labor trouble on his crew for Mr. Schilling was the crew. He also was a partner in the newly formed company of truck gardeners, namely, Davis - Schilling Truck Gardeners.

Dwight Davis other partner in the above mentioned enterprise, abandoned the weed pulling at the close of summer school to go to Lake Pend Oreille, Idaho, and join as a carpenter in the construction of barracks for the new island naval training base which is being constructed at present. His pockets were "jingling with gold" when he returned, and im-

mediately he was selected to manage the finances of the Eocene Hall.

Alvin Kaiser went to the farm for his vacation and served as grain hauler, grain "shoveler-offer," and grain "sacker-sewer-upper" for a combine that was within bicycle distance of La Grande and shooting distance of the various airplanes that "nest" at the airport. He says that he has a very good line on the pheasants of the valley and is now worried that the game commission will not open the season.

Amanda Zabel says: "Somebody had to be on hand to keep the homefires burning; I was one of those."

Eva Wear "spent most of the summer finishing the task of reclaiming my third acre from its natural wild state" and fighting a herd of invading grasshoppers. She says further that she did contact the "liesure class" at Timberline Lodge for a very short time.

Elizabeth Harris spent her first summer in La Grande since her coming to the school. She did desert the city for one week of camping on the South Fork of the Wallowa, or Lostine.

Lucille Thompson chose to spend her vacation on an Oregon beach and dre wthe fire of a Japanese submarine to her area. The government has ordered her to stay away from the coast from now on.

J. H. Gaiser made a week's trip to Vancouver, Portland, Salem, and the beach with his family; worked on his thesis, "The Basque People of the Idaho-Oregon Area"; spent several days camping in the Wallowas; and fought a grasshopper plague which devoured everything green on his place.

John Miller acted as coordinator for the first full-time Civilian Pilot Training program. There were fifteen men in this group—10 navy and 5 army—and they finished their program Sept. 10.

Betty Molgard attended the University of Minnesota for six weeks and spent the remainder of the summer at her home in Kearny, Nebraska.

E. O. Draper spent one month in the hospital and convalescing and the remainder of his time closing the business of the Draper's School of Commerce.

Luise Vandevanter vacationed in Colorado visiting friends and relatives.

Edith Darby traveled to Waukegan, Illinois, (home of Jack Benny) and visited with friends and relatives. She, however, did not see Jack. Miss Darby spent one day in Chicago visiting with Miss Helen Moor, former dean of women at EOCE and at present dean of women at Northern Illinois Teachers College, De Kalb.

Dorothy Gillanders reports that

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for the employees. The current magazine shelf has been labeled to aid the student in finding the material he needs.

Mrs. Cal Monroe, who is a graduate of O. S. C., works part time in the library and part time in the business office. Her husband is the assistant county agent and also a graduate of O. S. C.

Dr. Bradway, who is relieving Dr. Logan for the duration, makes her home in Eugene, Oregon. She is a graduate of New York University and University of Oregon. She has been an instructor in New York University and Southern Oregon college in Ashland. She is pleased with the friendly atmosphere and regards with special pleasure the cooperation she receives. She approves of the high scholastic standards. Her hobby demands much time and initiative—it is experimental physiology.

Miss Wheeler, who is taking Mr. Pierces place as art instructor, is another Missourian, her home being Columbia, Missouri. She received her degree from University of Missouri, where she taught four years. She has also held teaching positions in Alabama, Warrensburg, Missouri, Cheney, Washington, and Emporia, Kansas. She also noted the friendliness of the people and the cooperativeness of the students. Her hobbies are pottery and ceramics.

Mr. Draper is the founder of Draper's Business College which has merged into the college schedule as the newly founded secretarial science course. Mr. Draper is a long time resident of the Grande Ronde valley, and before establishing his school, was both in the city and county employ besides being in business for himself. Mr. Draper is a graduate of business college. We feel that the new course has already become a permanent part of our curriculum.

she went to the hop fields for the greater part of her vacation. She began her work as a regular picker, but the boss soon recognized her charms and used her as a labor solicitor during most of her working time. She did spend one week visiting with home folks and a few days building a garage near her hill-top dwelling.

### Sigma Alpha Chi Initiates Three

Friday afternoon marked the time of the fall term initiation ceremony of Sigma Alpha Chi, women's scholastic honorary on the campus. At this time there were three initiates who had met the scholastic requirements necessary for admittance. Grades with nothing lower than one "C" each term must be earned for two successive quarters. The initiates were Clarice Notheis, Nyssa; Phyllis Courtright, La Grande; and Opal Hoisington, Pilot Rock.

In charge of the ceremony were Erma Derrick of Freewater, president; Kathryn Harvison of La Grande, vice-president; and Freddie Spaeth of La Grande, secretary-treasurer.

The initiation ceremony was followed by an informal discussion of the highlights of Sigma Alpha Chi's yearly activities. These are Homecoming, the Yule candle-light hour and the joint banquet with Theta Delta Phi, the men's honorary, held during spring term each year.

Miss Zabel, sponsor of the group, and Miss Morton, honorary member, helped in the explanation of the activities of the society.

The refreshment committee was in charge of Kathryn Harris of Willowcreek, and the decoration and corsage committee was headed by Kathryn Harvison.

The meeting ended with the singing of "Sigma Alpha Chi."

### "Chuck" Collins, Blind Lecturer, Entertains

Charles "Chuck" Collins of Seattle, blind lecturer and radio announcer, spoke to the students of EOCE in a special assembly called at 11 o'clock, Tuesday, October 13.

Mr. Collins in manner and word proved to the students that physical handicaps need not hinder any person from being a success in his line of work if that person has the drive to overcome some of the obstacles that confront the handicapped.

Collins played the piano, sang some catchy songs, quoted Ogden Nash, and radiated his theme with one of the cheeriest smiles that has ever "cracked a lip" on the college satge.

Judith Rinell is the only girl so far to chalk up another year on her calendar. Best wishes, Judith, for a profitable year, and a fine new job about next spring.

### Football Out; Sports Take On Variety

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sist of several wrestling and boxing matches plus a free-for-all of some kind between the upper classmen and the freshmen. These bouts put on by promoter Johnny Ferdinandsen are as follows:

Boxing: Clayton Ansell vs. Chuck Younger, 185 lbs.; Bud McClure, 150 lbs. vs. Lloyd Cody, 157 lbs.; eDlmer Olson, 174 lbs. vs. Delbert Olson, 172 lbs.; Galen Matthews vs. Bill Ewing, both 135 lbs.; Ross Downing, vs. Dick Johnson, 148 lbs.; Roger Boyer vs. David Clark, 120 lbs.; Ernie Rostock, 178 lbs. vs. Johnny Ferdinandsen, 142 lbs.

Wrestling: Ted Hucker 135 lbs. vs. Gene Stockhoff, 130 lbs.; Leland Pleger, 175 lbs. vs. Tom Ragsdale, 170 lbs.; Howard Martin, 168 lbs. vs. Jim Bohnenkamp, 158 lbs.

Most of these sound like pretty lively bouts, and if you will give them your best support, I'm sure they will show you an exciting evening.

### Theta Delta Phi Eats Ice Cream

The men's honorary society, Theta Delta Phi held its first meeting of the year last Wednesday night, October 7, at the home of their new advisor, Mrs. Joseph Gaiser. After a short but important meeting the members doffed their scholastic robes and indulged in an enjoyable ice-cream feed. There seemd to be an abundance of ice cream, so the boys gorged themselves with it, as they are usually accustomed to do with knowledge.

However, the evening was spent profitably as well as enjoyably. Bob Kiddle was elected to fill a vacancy as vice-president, and Dick Johnson was elected to fill the position of historian. John Martin was unanimously chosen as champion ice-cream-eater.

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## A CAPELLA CHOIR PLANS CHRISTMAS CONCERT, DEC. 15

The College Choir is planning its annual Christmas concert for this year to be presented December 15 in the College auditorium. The program will include the sixty-voice choir, a group of madrigal singers, and various instrumental solos and ensembles. This will be the first public appearance of the group this year, and concert will be open to the townspeople as well as students. Students will be admitted on their student-body tickets.

The members of the choir this year are: Mona Miller, Shirley Grady, Lois Whealy, Catherine Mead, Fay Andrews, Josephine Alexander, Annabel Mc Donald, Frances Boyd, Jessie Mae Sanders, Margaret Hall, Gerrie Pierson, Beulah Johnson, Gale Car-

penter, Pat McMillian, Arlocen Krause, Frances Pyle, Velda Carbine, Lee Dickens, Gladys Keene, Maxine Sinden, Joyce McPherson, Laura Morrison, Doris Dodge, Dorothy Scholl, Jean Jasper, Anamerle Hohenleitner, Emily Loening, Annette Hall, Jean Diebold, Lloyd Cady, Lyle Salkield, Grant Millering, Scott Payne, Lester Panike, Delbert Olsen, John Anderson, Bill Batley, Ivan French, Delmer Olsen, George Bowers John Allen, Don Andrews, Ross Hearing, Bob Pike, Tom Coffman, Bruce Bray, Bryan Lynch, Frank Howard Carl McClure, Ted Cusick, Ivan Lattimore, Georgene Gielthuber, Wyllamine Berkey, Dorothy Daniels, Elaine Coleman, Janette Richardson, Lilian Bohnenkamp, and Bill Dittrick.

## Board Member, Smith, Speaks

The college students were honored in having Mr. Edgar W. Smith, member of the State Board of Higher Education, address them in assembly on Wednesday, November 18, at ten o'clock on the subject "The Unknown Soldier Did Not Die in Vain."

Mr. Smith surveyed the events following the last war and the flood of isolationism that swept the country after the armies of the Allied powers had crushed the German war machine. With this as a background he stated emphatically that following this present conflict the people of this democracy will not allow a narrow isolationism to defeat the victory won by the men on the battlefield.

In direct quotations from the World War I resident, Woodrow Wilson, Mr. Smith pointed out the idealism of the man in his plan for world order. In this connection he stated that the eight points of the Atlantic Charter could do no more to secure the



Edgar W. Smith

peace after this war than did Wilson's fourteen points unless we as a nation participate as fully in the peace as we are participating in the war.

Mrs. Smith was introduced as a special guest at the assembly.

Mr. Smith spoke to a joint meeting of the service clubs of La Grande during the lunch hour. The meeting was held in the Sacajawea hotel.

During the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Smith visited the campus and were received at a tea given by the faculty in the Residence hall at 4 p.m.

## Mumps Hit Hall

The members of EOCene Hall regret the illness of Bryan Lynch; MUMPS! Bryan has been confined to the hospital for one week and is well on his way to recovery.

## Many EOC Men in Service

A checkup on EOC men in the armed forces of the United States disclosed the following list. The list is incomplete and the information is sketchy, but what is presented is authentic at this writing. We do know that events are moving too fast, however, for complete and detailed information about all of our heroes.

The army air corps seems to claim more EOC men at present than any other branch. They are Robert Zwielfel, Mather Field; Ray Pierson, Mather Field, Malcolm Dawson, Santa Maria; Merel Kurtz, Sana Ana; Bill Peterson, Santa Ana; Pat Martin, Santa Ana; Ted Wilson, Dos Palos; "Buzz" Zurbrick, reporting to east coast for duty overseas; Jim Smith, California; Bill Kurtz, southern California; and Roy Klinghammer, completing instructor course at Madras before entering Mather Field.

The navy air corps register shows the following: Earl Attebury, Bill Cantrel, and Bud Brookes, recently graduated as ensigns from Corpus Christi; Dick Moore has trained at Miami and Chicago and is now on leave before going to San Francisco for further training; Gordon Leonard, Lieutenant (JG) with Pacific fleet; J. R. Shinneman, recently graduated from Pensacola, married at Milton, now on active duty.

With the U. S. army we have word of Tom Harris now in Florida, Jack Jenkins, North Carolina, and Wayne McKee, Colorado.

As army air corps instructors we list Lester Johnson, Arizona, and Lenn Pierson, March Field, California.

Art Adams and Wallace Sorenson have been reported in the army air corps ferry command.

Larry Pendlebury flies for the Pan-American Airways.

Tom Hannan is a CPT instructor.

Faculty members in the service are William Lloyd Pierce with the army in Texas; Emma Mullen, lieutenant in the navy; and A. V. Logan, lieutenant (Sr. G.) with the navy in Norman, Oklahoma, as aeronautics instructor.

The only casualty from action thus far reported is Ed Olson of Pendleton. Olson took his primary training in CPT at EOC, joined the RCAF, and was reported missing over German territory from an English base in October.

Jack Reid is reported in training in Canada with the RCAF.

## Rasmussen Reported Graduated by Navy

U. S. Naval Air Station, Corpus Christ, Texas—Clare R. Rasmussen, son of Mr. C. W. Rasmussen, Freewater, Ore., recently was awarded the coveted "Navy Wings of Gold" and commissioned an ensign in the U. S. navy reserve at the Naval Air Training Center, Corpus Christi.

Ensign Rasmussen received his wings with the designation of a naval aviator from Rear Admiral A. E. Montgomery, USN, commandant of the training center,



C. R. Rasmussen

at class graduation exercises.

Rasmussen volunteered for flight training in January, 1942, and received preliminary instruction at the U. S. Naval Reserve Aviation Base, Seattle, Wash. Upon successful completion of this training he was transferred to Corpus Christi for intermediate and advanced training at this "University of the Air," the world's largest naval aviation training center.

In addition to flight instruction, Rasmussen completed a thorough ground school course, including navigation, radio code, gunnery and bombing theory, communications and other aeronautical subjects.

Rasmussen is a former student of the Eastern Oregon College of Education, and is a member of Theta Delta Phi, and Alpha Rho Tau fraternities.

## Reserve Enlistment Told

A large proportion of men students at Eastern Oregon College are enrolled in various branches of the officer reserve training programs of the federal armed forces this fall.

Men enlisted in the Navy V-1 enlisted reserve are as follows: John Wayne Allen, Hermiston; Richard Lawrence Cash, La Grande; Joseph Mark Cooney, Hermiston; Alton Morris Oas, Hines; Joseph Lyman Spencer, La Grande; Ralph Cole Ward, Herford; Elmer Lester Zessin, Milton; John Warren Eerdinandson, La Grande; William Rose Fleener, La Grande; Teddy Alfred, Hucker, Harper; Thomas Edward Coffman, Milton; Grant Elwin Millering, La Grande; Lyle David Salkield, La Grande; William George Batley, La Grande; Lyle Herbert Rasmussen, Freewater; Gene Orville Green, La Grande; James Franklin Bohnenkamp, La Grande; Robert Malcolm Shepard, La Grande; Lloyd Francis Cady, La Grande; Richard Clement Johnson, La Grande; Julian Eugene Van Bevern, Hood River and Richard William Anderson, Hines is enlisted in the Navy V-7.

The following students are enlisted in the army air corps reserve: George Bowers, Jr., Freewater; Willard Jones, Irrigon; Don Peterson, Le Roy Rochester, Frank Scott Payne, Delbert Duane Olsen, Delmer Olsen, La Grande.

Those enlisted in the army Enlisted Reserve Corps are as follows: William Nock, and Ross Hearing, Elgin and Robert Fredrick Kiddle and John Anderson, La Grande.

The marine corps officers reserve enlistees are: Luther Lynch, Markdale; Ward Wesley Weissenfluh, Ukiah; Paul Hughes Kibbey, Athena; Norman Eugene West, La Grande.

Other students at the college are in the process of enlistment as reserve officers in training, but have not yet completed.

## SOCK AND BUSKIN NAMES PLAY CAST FOR PRODUCTION

The cast for "Where the Dear Antelope Play," Sock and Buskin play to be produced at the college on December 9, was announced last week.

The plot of this typical western comedy centers around the Mather home and the Mather family. Floyd Chrusoskie will play the part of Henry Mather, successful banker and head of the home; Lois Whealy will portray the mother of the home as Sophie Mather; Dorothy Daniels will put on the sophistication of the girl-just-home-from-college in the character of Angelina Mather; and, Jennie Williams will add spice to the family pie by playing Grandma Perault. T-Bone a colored servant to be played by David Clark, must also be considered a part of the Mather family.

Revolving around these people and conflicting with them in various amusing ways will be Jean Jasper as Henrietta Waters, a banker's wife; John Allen, her son, as David Waters; Emily Otis as Ida Candle, an altar, altar interior decorator; Pat McMillan as Arabella Wiggins, a social leader and a typical club woman who organizes everything; Virginia Wilcox as May Shroud, the town gossip; and Bob Kiddle as Poultney Bellastair Hicks, another interior decorator.

There are no star roles in the play, and each character is an individual.

Mr. Kaiser, director of Sock and Buskin, stated in the initial rehearsal the need for efficient

hard work and conservation of the student's time. He stated that if Kaiser can produce a ship in ten days, Kaiser should be able to produce a play in ten rehearsals. With this idea as a working basis, a series of ten rehearsals was outlined by the cast and the director. Provisions were made for special "fabrication" outside the regular rehearsal schedule just as pre-fabrication was used in launching the Liberty ship in ten days.

## College Christian Council Organized

The College Christian Council met with Dr. Maaske and Ross Hearing for the first time November 12 in order that they might organize and formulate future plans.

Election of officers was held. Those elected were Annamerle Hohenleitner (Catholic), president; Bruce Bray (Episcopal), vice-president; and Marion Snider (Christian), secretary-treasurer.

Other members of the council are Paul Hyde (Methodist), John Ferdinansen (Presbyterian), Hilda Berreth (Baptist), Judith Rineil (Lutheran), Myrtha Westenskow (Mormon), Jennie Williams (Christian Science), Vurl Blackburne (Nazarene), and Mr. Lyle Johnson, faculty advisor.

The group will sponsor the Thanksgiving assembly, a religious conference (similar to last year's conference), and several other events throughout the year.

## Plans Laid for Class Parties

Plans for the class parties to be held December 1 are well under way and committees have been listed by all of the organizations except the seniors.

The freshmen will hold their party in the gym; the sophomores will stage their party in the auditorium; the juniors will meet in Ackerman kindergarten room; and the seniors will meet with Dr. Maaske, their advisor.

The frosh have named the following committees: Gale Carpenter, social chairman; Ronald Mohr, advertising; Jean Diebold (games) and Bill Fleener (dance), entertainment; Ivan French, refreshments; Jeanette Richardson, decorations; and Chuck Younger and Arlene Peterson, cleanup.

The sophomore social chairman, Maye Kirkpatrick, reports the following committees: advertisement, Kay Harris, chr., Mary Jane Faucette, Willard Jones, and Floyd Kingsley; decoration, Julian Van Bevern, chr., John Martin, Lois Ward, and Lee Dickens; entertainment, Inez Wellman, chr., Fredericka Spaeth, Bob Shepherd, and Al Oas; refreshments, Bob Kiddle, chr., Don Peterson, Doris Dodge, and Le Roy Rochester; cleanup, Ralph Ward, chr., Catherine Tom, Paul Hyde, Lillian Meyer, Marion Huff, and Ruth Hulse.

The juniors under Charles Reynolds, social chairman, have named Leone Thorne and Lyle Salkield on refreshments; Reinie Rooney and Catherine Mead on entertainment; Mary Brace and Georgene Gielthuber on advertising; and John Anderson and Frank Howard on cleanup.

## Choral Club Has Election

Mrs. Florence Miller was elected president of the La Grande Choral club, at a meeting last night in the music room of Eastern Oregon College of Education.

Others named to office in the annual election include Mrs. Edith Worley, business manager, and Mrs. Esther Patterson, secretary-treasurer.

The organization now has an enrollment of 50 members, and plans are afoot for an interesting program of activity.

## Thanksgiving Assembly Program

The Student Christian Council has arranged the following assembly Thanksgiving program for Wednesday, November 25.

Opening remarks — Roben J. Maaske, President Eastern Oregon College.

Star Spangled Banner — Kenneth E. Schilling.

Flag Salute—Ross Hearing.

Hymn—Kenneth E. Schilling.

Scripture—Rev. Irvin S. Motz.

Special Music—Solo: Mr. Kenneth E. Schilling, "I Talked to God Last Night"—Guion.

Introduction of Speaker—Anamerle Hohenleitner, President College Christian Council.

Address—Rev. Mark A. Talney.

Special Music — Solo: Velda Carbine, "Panis Angelicus" — Franck.

Hymn—Kenneth E. Schilling.

Benediction — Rev. Arthur J. Stanley.

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(Editor's note: More people could be used on the staff. Any person interested is urged to contact the editor or the advisor. Specific staff appointments will be made later.)

### BEACON OBJECTIVES

1. To chronicle accurately the events of the college.
2. To inform the student body of activities of interest.
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8. To serve as a medium for the improvement of student expression (especially for members of the staff).

### Let Us Give Thanks

It began in 1620 when a rugged band of Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock. These brave and dauntless forefathers of our great nation knelt and gave thanks for a safe voyage to their new home.

Today, we know students in EOC and other colleges who are finding it hard to see anything to be thankful for. The United States is at war again at Thanksgiving time. Our friends are fighting on various fronts in many parts of the world. We don't have sugar for our coffee — that is if we have coffee. The girls are finding it hard to entertain and amuse themselves without the companionship of young men. All we can do is find fault with those around us. Have we anything to be thankful for?

Well, we can go to sleep at night and never worry about enemy bombers overhead. We can say what we think and never worry about the consequences—concentration camps or the Gestapo. A captain in the United States army stationed in England writes home: "The bravery of the English women and children is something that can never be subdued. I saw a little girl being dug out of a bombed home one morning. She looked pleadingly up at the doctor and said, 'Please say there aren't any bones broken because I want to go back to school.'"

Here we are in America—still free to do most of the things that we have always done, even go to school—and some of us are complaining that we have nothing to be thankful for. C. T.

## Phil Parrish Editorializes For EOC Students

Phil Parrish, editor-in-chief of the editorial page of the Portland Oregonian, addressed the students of EOC on international affairs of the day at the regular ten o'clock assembly, Wednesday, October 28.

Mr. Parrish in a scholarly fashion analyzed Wendell Willkie's report of his visit to the battle fronts of the world, and Parrish found himself in agreement with what Willkie had to say.

In evaluating Willkie's report, Mr. Parrish stated that it was by far the most profound summary of the world situation that had been made to this point.

All students were impressed with Mr. Parrish's calm, thoughtful approach to all problems.

At eight o'clock in the evening of the same day, Mr. Parrish headed a forum which discussed problems or current affairs.

The audience of townspeople found Mr. Parrish ready with an opinion or information on any question which was raised.

Mr. Gaiser presided at the meeting and members of the International Relations club participated as sponsors.

## WAA PROMOTES MANY ACTIVITIES THIS FALL

The girl's Hill-Billy Ball, sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association was a big hit. The party, which was held on Friday the sixth, was so successful that plans are in order to make it an annual affair. The faculty women as well as the many students who attended expressed the amusement which the evening's entertainment and crazy costumes had afforded.

Many thanks are due these people, who were responsible for its success: Jessie Mae Sanders and Frances Boyd, general co-chairman, Aleene Barton and Edwina Bratton, who were in charge of refreshments, and Helen McCarty and Ruth Read, the publicity heads. They extend their thanks for the cooperation of the entire membership of W. A. A.

### Fun In Sports

Characteristic of the W. A. A. is the enthusiasm which is being shown toward participation in sports. We've had a lot of fun turning out so far, and only hope that more freshman girls will get into the swing of things by playing both individual and team sports.

In order that those unacquainted with the W. A. A. may learn of its activities, here are those that have been in completed and those that are in progress right now:

### Soccer

Soccer had a very successful season under the leadership of Lois Elliot. Those who turned out for sufficient practices were Catherine Fridley, Jean Diebold, Pat McMillan, Hilda Berreth, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Frances Boyd, and Helen Kelly. Culminating this activity, a soccer supper was held on Thursday, November the fifth which was much enjoyed.

### Volleyball

Right now volleyball is getting started under the management of Betty Cook. Those who have been practicing on Wednesday and Friday nights at 4 o'clock are Leone Thorne, Marion Snider, Elaine Coleman, Betty Knight, Lois Whealy, Hilda Berreth, Catherine Fridley, Clarice Notheis, Dorothy Scholl, Jean Diebold, and Shirley Brazille. Remember, it is not too late to join in this enjoyable team sport. Only eight practices are needed and the tour-

namment for the end of play is not until November 30th.

Badminton is barely beginning, but it is beginning with a bang-up ladder tournament. Edwina Bratton, sport head, says that you may play at any time, scheduling practices for your own convenience, so let's get on the ladder and start climbing!

### "O" Society

Participation in seven sports makes you eligible for membership in the athletic honorary called the "O" Society. The "O" Society, under the able leadership of Wilma Bowers, president, and Betty Cook, secretary, is holding a party Thursday evening in the home of Miss Gillanders. The order of the evening is planning for the coming year's program, but you can be sure that the re-all.

Freshmen, there is going to be freshments will be enjoyed by a lot of entertainment for you if you join the Women's Athletic Association right away. Plan for the fall initiation tea are being made now by Chairman Erma Derrick; you won't want to miss it because you didn't turn out for sports. It will be held on the tenth of December, so get busy, enter sports now.

### Dance Recital

Fay Andrews, remembering as we all do the splendor of the Modern Dance Recital held last spring, has brilliant plans for another recital in the near future. The tentative title of the next recital is "America Valiant," and it is to be a true interpretation of day at four o'clock, and it isn't the spirit of the U. S.. The group

Helen McCarty wants to re-to late to join.

meets every Monday and Thursday you that you may receive credit for hiking for only twenty-five miles. Requirements are that three people must be in the group, but those people do not all have to be W. A. A. members. You will find that it is fun to hike on the nice days in the winter.

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## CHATTER CORNER

With Fall Term halfway gone and nothing to show for the time wasted but mid term grades (the less we say about them the better we feel) your old faithful reporter is back on the job pounding out some more poisonous gossip. Freshman romances seem to flourish this year—Marilyn Patton and Bill Nock seem to be old faithfuls who have just come to college to be together. Beth Fross and Norman West are still one of those really steady couples. Paulty Hall and John Anderson find studying together very inspiring.

Some of these really extra special freshman boys you have been seeing in classes may be one of the fellows who were porter: Girls you'd better meet sorta noticed by your catty re-Ralph Farrow, Don Rennie, Howard Martin, Bill Emmons, Bruce Bray, Bernard Cullen, Ellis Branchcomb, Delmar Olson, Delbert Olson, Joe Cooney, and Bill Dittrick.

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### DORM NOTES

I warned you all, so it's not my fault, but thine, if your name is one of these which glimmers from the page! At any rate, here is Operative No. 2 revealing a month's scandal gleaned from the "scarlet" halls of the dormitory.

Have you heard that? Shirley Coleman has given up trying to meet her campus idol? It seems the "pull" she'd been banking on caved in.

Corrine Brines has been going out regularly Friday nights to dance and to the cinema—which is fine, BUT—What does she do when she goes out Saturday night "to boot?"

Lillian Meyers "stood up" her soldier for a girl friend? Are you crazy, Lillian—and a fella with those eyes, too!

Ruth Cox stayed out a few extra minutes, and had the wit to lay it to "car trouble?" Are you sure, Ruthie?

Myrtle Graham seems to have her heart set on (and her clutches well fastened to) Basque-ing in the snow at Sun Valley?

Catherine Mead and Anabel McDonald get those all-important long distance calls from Oxnard and Seattle, respectively?

Lois Elliot and Helen Kelly both stayed home a whole weekend? I thought you wrote the Pendleton man you were headed to Detroit, Lois?

Lee Dickens in the height of her bliss preparing for a Jerryl evening? You haven't? — you've really missed something! She bubbles nearly as much as Wyllamine does while sprucing up-for Bruce.

Miss Herboth is going to fly from the coop Thanksgiving?

Blackout isn't being seen much anymore? Guess he's being banished to Cove.

Elsie and Lucille have been carrying on a pillow contest for the past few weeks?

Mary Jane Faucette and Lois Elliot had birthdays recently?

Colleen Wallace finds parting such sweet sorrow that she resorts to 1 a. m. phone calls?

Jean Diebold was injured, only to survive rapidly, and start right in heading for ? again.

The Oil Companies started giving college girls free rides "home"? Ask Catherine Tom if you're interested.

Virginia Wilcox got Panike Friday night?—'twas the 13th, too!

The Dormitory Dance punch had more "punch" than it was generally given credit for?

Dorene Dory traded "a couple" of dances Friday night? I hadn't either.

That I was going to dig all this up? I didn't have to search very far—so—you'd better be careful!

Report was received recently from Rhoda (Morris) Thompson, 1938, that she now lives in Portland and is working in a defense factory while her husband is employed with the railroad. She sends best wishes to the school.

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### Crows Capture Intramural Crown

The Crows, captained by Don Andrews, captured the intramural basketball crown November 18 in the college gym by defeating the fighting Wolves by a score of 50 to 38.

The Crows used a fast break throughout the game and gained most of their points from this system.

Colenbaugh who had previously been the scoring ACE for the Wolves was held to only seven points.

The score at the half time saw the Crows leading 28 to 16.

The box score for the final game:

Crows (50)		Wolves (38)
Zessin (4)	f.	Peavy (16)
Oas (11)	f.	Cullen (10)
Jonas (14)	c.	Allen (5)
Langsev (5)	g.	Colenbaugh (7)
Andrews (16)	g.	Bowers

Over sixty boys participated in the double elimination tournament in which there were 15 games played by eight teams.

The Bohemians made a strong bid for tournament honors by remaining undefeated longer than any other team. They however were put out in the semi-finals by two straight defeats administered by the Wolves.

**Round one** of the tournament resulted in a 39 to 21 win for the Wolves over the Boilermakers; a 38 to 13 win for the Bohemians over the Blitzs; a 44 to 26 win over the Loggers over the Mad Russians; and a 34 to 20 win for the Crows over the Olympians.

**Round two** put the Blitz's and the Olympians on the shelf as the result of two losses each. The scores for round two were Bohemians 19 vs. Wolves 16; Crows 23 vs. Loggers 17; Boilermakers 45 vs. Blitz's 17; and Mad Russians 51 vs. Olympians 42.

**Round three** saw the Loggers and the Boilermakers drop by the wayside while the Bohemians won over the Crows 32 to 29; the Wolves won over the Loggers 43 to 6; and the Mad Russians won over the Boilermakers 41 to 27.

The Bohemians moved into **round four** undefeated, but the Wolves ended their winning streak by a close score of 26 to 24. In this same round the Crows put the Mad Russians on the bench to the tune of 58 to 32.

The upset scored by the Wolves left three teams in the tournament with one defeat each.

### Rep. Pierce Speaks on War-Time Washington

At a special assembly called for Monday, Nov. 2, the students of EOC had the privilege of hearing Rep. Walter Pierce discuss "Wartime Washington."

Mr. Pierce stressed the fact that Washington, D. C., has become a city of business—big business. He stated that the whole city is in a hurry to conduct the nation's "big business" so as to aid the conduct of the war.

Mr. Pierce also gave an interpretive summary of the U. S. at war.

This situation necessitated a new drawing which threw the Bohemians and the Wolves into a repeat battle while the Crows rested on a bye with a certainty of going into the finals.

Players of the various teams entered in the intramural tournament are as follows:

Boilermakers: Peavy, Capt., Cullen, Allen, Colenbaugh, Bowers, and Shorb.

Wolves: Bohnenkamp, Capt., Johnson, Shepherd, Batley, Kar-Bohemians: Anderson, Capt., ther, and Martin.

Langsev, Kibby, Weissenfluh, Branchcomb, Salkield, and Melzer.

Blitzs: Jones, Capt., Leonard, Cool, Conney, Farrow, G. Daugherty, and Blackburn.

Mad Russians: Rostock, Capt., Olson, Green, Shipley, Nock, Panike, and Gould.

Loggers: Burnett, capt., Ragsdale, French, Ansell, McClure, Younger, and Clark.

Olympians: Huff capt., Pleger, Ferdinandsen, Gardenr, Ward, Powell, and Millering.

Crows: Andrews, capt., Oas, Van Beveren, Jonas, Ewing, Zessin, and Coffman.

### EOCENE NOTES

#### Travelers

Among the more outstanding events in the history of EOCene Hall was a recent trip to Corvallis by Tom Coffman and Ralph Ward. In view of the fact that this was possibly their last trip before submitting their services to the U. S. Navy, they reported a most enjoyable time.

Also traveling in the same direction were Floyd Langsev and Leon Peavy. Through the facilities of the "grape vine" it was reported that Floyd was going home to find out who was cultivating his stamping ground. As yet there has been no official report from Langsev himself.

#### Frosh to Study

The members of EOCene Hall have in the past made a special effort to maintain a high scholastic standing. For the benefit of the Frosh this scholastic effort has been even more emphasized. In the future all Frosh of the Hall with a G. P. A. of less than 2.0 will be asked to stay in their rooms from the hours of 7:30 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. for the purpose of studying. They will be at liberty on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings. There is a slight penalty for violation of the ruling.

#### Exchange Dinner

Last Wednesday, Nov. 11, the boys of EOCene Hall and the women of the Dorm had an exchange dinner. After the dinner the rugs were rolled back and a most enjoyable dancing party was had by all present.

As a result of the dance a charge of petty thievery has been handed down to the boys. Some of the boys, especially Ralph Ward, admit there is a certain amount of truth in the charge, but Ward is now ready to enter a counter charge. How the situation will end, your editor is not prepared to say, but he hopes for some sort of treaty.

### Homecoming Shows Varied Activities For Returning Grads

An abbreviated Homecoming this year at EOC saw grads being greeted in a more informal way than usual on the weekend of October 16 and 17. The lack of a football game dwarfed plans considerably but it in no way dampened the spirits of those who returned to renew acquaintances.

The program for the two days listed:

#### Friday, Oct. 16—

6:15 p.m. Banquet  
Sacajawea Hotel

9:00 p.m. Homecoming dance

#### qqj Saturday, Oct. 17—

9-12 a.m. Campus Browsing  
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12-1 p.m. Alpha Rho Tau lunch

1-5 p.m. Open House  
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EOCene Hall

1:30-3 p.m. Sigma Alpha Chi Reunion at Miss Zabel's.

3:30-5 p.m. Tea, Residence Hall

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### A. C. E. Hears Miss Beardsley

The regular November meeting of the Association of Childhood Education was held November 5th in Mr. Gaiser's classroom. The society was fortunate to have as guest speaker Miss Beardsley, the Director of Elementary Education in Oregon, and Dr. Davis.

Dr. Davis had originally been scheduled to speak on "Postwar Teaching Conditions," but since Miss Beardsley was there, he consented to lead the discussion instead; we hope to hear the regularly scheduled program at some future date.

This excellent insight into the teaching situation emphasized the theme of this year's work in A. C. E.—"practicality."

### Theatre-on-Film Assembly Future

Rarely does the college present a premiere performance of any film or movie, but Miss Zabel, chairman of the assembly committee, has arranged just such a performance for the students of the college in the form of Maxwell Anderson's "Journey to Jerusalem" which comes to EOC on December 16.

This film is released through Theatre-on-Film, Inc., New York City, and is unique in that it is the first exact replica of a New York stage play. In the process of filming of this play, the movie lights and cameras were taken directly onto the stage where the play was being presented in its regular run. The original cast of the stage play appears throughout the production.

Maxwell Anderson, author of "Journey to Jerusalem," is one of America's leading dramatists. His play "Winterset" was produced as a movie in Hollywood and became one of the best known films of the year when it was released. Other well known plays by Anderson are "Elizabeth and Queen" and "High Tor." "Journey to Jerusalem" was directed by Elmer Rice, noted Broadway director and playwright.

### Students Costume for Halloween Dance

EOC students attended in costume the Halloween dance on October 31. Games were arranged by Floyd Chrusoskie. Poster and publicity chairman was Lloyd Cady. Entertainment was furnished by a floor show presented by Miss Gillanders. Prizes were given for the most original costume. Patrons and patronesses were Dr. Maaske, Dr. and Mrs. Quaintance, Miss Gillanders, Mrs. McConnell, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. Refreshments of cider and doughnuts were served by the refreshment committee under the chairmanship of Robert Cool. The clean-up committee was headed by Dorothy Ball. Bruce Bray was chairman of the music committee.

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### F. T. A. Meets At Miller Home

The Future Teachers of America held their first discussion meeting of the year on Nov. 3, at the Miller residence.

Dr. Maaske gave a detailed discussion of the purposes and functions of the National Education Association. In introducing Dr. Maaske, Ruth Cox reviewed the history of the N.E.A.

Announcement was made at the meeting that the membership of the local chapter of FTA stands at 24. This indicates an increase of ten per cent over last year and places the chapter on the national honor roll. This honor roll position of the chapter entitles each member to a special premium copy of the "Works of Horace Mann."

Announcement was made that the next meeting will be held on December 1, at which time Miss Erickson, the clinic teacher of the La Grande schools, will discuss the teacher's relation to the Child Guidance Clinic.

Several rounds of doughnuts topped off the evening.

### Class Elections Held November 2

Monday, November 2, was final day of elections for class officers. The freshman officers elected are Bill Batley, president; Clinton Colenbaugh, vice-president; Lucille Hutchison, secretary-treasurer; Bruce Bray and Helen Jean Moon, student council members.

Outcome of the sophomore election was Jim Bohnenkamp, president; Mary Jane Faucette, vice-president; Jean Jasper, secretary; Maye Kirkpatrick, social chairman.

Wyllamine Berkey was elected Junior class president; George Bowers, vice-president; Kathryn Harvison, secretary; and Charles Reynolds, social chairman.

The Senior class elected Ernie Rostock, president; Beulah Johnson, vice-president; Phyllis Courtright, secretary; Opal Hoisington, social chairman.

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### Sigma Alpha Chi Alumnae Received

October 17th, Homecoming day of 1942, marks one of the loveliest of the year's activities of Sigma Alpha Chi, women's scholastic honorary of the campus.

This year, in place of the traditional breakfast, the group gathered in the afternoon at the home of Miss Zabel and Miss Morton. Miss Darby, Miss Wear, and Mrs. Robert Quinn—Phi Beta Kappa—were guests at the affair. Miss Zabel, also a Phi Beta Kappa, is sponsor of the group.

As each guest arrived, she was presented with a corsage of autumn flowers blending well with the traditional yellow and green colors of the society. After a "get-acquainted" game led by Elaine Coleman, program chairman, the group spent an enjoyable time reminiscing. The fourteen alumnae present told of their recent experiences in the teaching field while regular members recalled interesting school activities.

After each member had added her bit to the interestingly varied whole, delicious refreshments were served by committee members.

The refreshment committee was headed by Opal Hoisington, and Ruth Cox was in charge of the corsage committee.

### Howard Appoints Production Staff For Fall Play

Frank Howard, recently elected president of Sock and Buskin, has just announced the production committees for the play "Where the Dear and the Antelope Play."

Frank states that only members of Sock and Buskin have been placed on the committees, and anyone interested in becoming a member may join any committee he wishes to work out the required hours for membership.

Committee lists are as follows: Stage — Leone Throne, chairman, Helen Kelly, Inez Wellman, Lyle Salkield.

Costumes and Props—Freddie Spaeth, chairman, Fay Andrews, Marvel Fallow, Hilda Berreth. Business — Kathryn Harvison, chairman, Opal Hoisington, Catherine Tom, Corrine Brines.

Hous and Programs — Ruth Cox, chairman, Ruth Hulse, Maye Kirkpatrick.

No one has as yet been appointed to handle the make-up or the lights.

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### Homecoming Dance Sponsored by Frosh

The annual Homecoming dance was sponsored by the Freshman class on October 16, 1942, in the absence of the usual football activities.

Two gold eagles and patriotic colors were used as the theme. Music was furnished by the "Solid Seven."

Committees working on the dance were the following:

Decorations: Lucille Hutchison (chairman), Yolanda Allen, Dorothy Ball, Ralph Farrow, Paul Kibby, Byron Lynch, La-Rena Palmer, Donald Jonas, Dorothy Wallace, Bill Knock, Walter Powell, Mary Perry, Arloeen Krause, Helen Jean Moon, Velda Carbine, Pat Ferdinandsen, Pat Shorb, Clayton Ansell, Ivan French, John Allen, Mona Miller, Frances Pyle, Lloyd Cady, Ronald Moore, Marion Snider, Bruce Bray and Maxine Sinden. Clinton Colenbaugh acted as chairman of the clean-up committee.

### Basketball Draws 20 Man Turnout

Coach Bob Quinn reports twenty men out for varsity practice in basketball and states that he is very much encouraged over prospects for the season.

Listed among the twenty basket artists will be four lettermen from last year's high scoring team. Lanky Willard Jones is back to hold down a most important spot under the basket. Don Andrews as a guard last year was a most consistent scorer and a good ball handler. Norm West and Dick Anderson are also on hand to add their skill to the 1942-'43 lineup.

Quinn also reports that Bohnenkamp, Huff, and Johnson are back from the last-year's frosh squad, and Millering is a first string man from the freshmen of two years ago.

Quinn states that it is too early in the season for him to comment specifically on any single freshman of this year, but he is confident that there is some varsity material among the first year men.

The schedule for the year is not yet completed, but plans are in the making for a full year for the varsity.

At present there are game series scheduled with the Northwest Nazarenes, Lewiston Normal and Pendleton Air Base.

### EOCene Sponsors Song Contest

The EOCene Hall sponsored a song contest to obtain an official song during the month of November. The contest was open to anyone in college.

To enter this contest, one had to write original words for a song, but any tune could be used. The contest opened November 2 and closed November 23.

Auditions for the songs were held in the auditorium last evening, Monday, Nov. 22. As yet no results have been announced.

To stimulate interest in the contest the boys of the hall offered three prizes to amateur composers. The first prize was \$5 cash; second prize, a two-pound box of chocolates; and third prize, two tickets to the Liberty theatre.

### Faculty Feasts On Venison and Pronunciation

Venison (pronounced ven-i-z'n) and pronunciation were the principal dishes at the monthly faculty dinner which was held in the Women's Residence hall on Monday, November 9.

Dr. Maaske was the intrepid hunter who supplied the meat for the occasion, and his story of the kill was one of the interesting moments of the evening.

The pronunciation dish was served by Miss Zabel, Miss Darby, and Mr. Kaiser, all members of the committee on arrangements for the evening.

"The Teacher's Pronunciation" was the formal topic, and through tests and panel discussion all present arrived at the conclusion that all mortals can err (pronounced ur to rhyme with whir)—professors not excepted.

Miss Herboth arranged for the dinner assisted by a selected group of girls from the hall, Lois Ward, Maye Kirkpatrick, Erma Derrick, and Mary Jane Faucette.

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## Sergeant Jones Gives Interview For The Beacon

Staff Sergeant Everett Jones of the Marines who withdrew from EOCE in May of 1941 to enlist was back on the campus last week and appeared as a luncheon speaker for the La Grande Lions Club on Monday, December 14.

Jones held number 158 in the first draft and immediately withdrew from school to enlist in the Marines. It will be remembered that number 158 was the first number out of the "fish bowl" in the national drawing.

Jones has an interesting story regarding his enlistment that he likes to tell at present. He tried to enlist in Portland and passed everything but the physical. The cause for his failing the physical examinations was eczema which had damaged a fingernail. He went to a doctor in Portland and asked what might be done for the eczema. The doctor was not at all encouraging and suggested that Jones try another point of enlistment. Jones boarded a bus for Seattle. Enroute he stopped off at Tacoma and went to a beauty parlor where he had an artificial nail glued over his damaged one. This in turn was tinted to match the other nails of the hand. Jones says that the examiners passed him in Seattle without a single question.

Jones was with the second landing party that went ashore on Guadalcanal, and his squadron remained on the island for three months before being relieved. He states that sixty days in the tropics is the limit of time that any doctor will guarantee the health of any American soldier.

In speaking of the Japs as fighters, Jones says that they are hard fighters but there is no trick too low for them to attempt. For example he mentioned the trick of the Japanese of placing a hand grenade under a dead body in such a way that it would explode when the body was turned over.

A humorous quip that came from Jones climaxed his exposition. He said, "It is the standing joke among the forces that the Japs are fighting for Tojo and the Marines are fighting for souvenirs."

## YULE CANDLELIGHT HOUR CATCHES SPIRIT OF SEASON

One of the most beautiful and most unforgettable events of the year is Yule Candlelight hour sponsored annually by Sigma Alpha Chi, women's scholastic honorary on the campus. This year, December 13 marked the eighth annual ceremony. Everything was carried on in the traditional manner.

The lighting of the large red candle, sent as a gift from a group of Sigma Alpha Chi alumnae in 1940, was done by alumna Vera Wetzel Dixon. Following this, President Erma Derrick called the present members

## Opal Hoisington And Corrine Brines Accept Positions

Word has been received from the placement secretary of the placement of two EOCE students for the remainder of this year.

Opal Hoisington has accepted the fifth grade of Hawthorne school in Pendleton.

Corrine Brines will teach the fourth grade at Milton.

Good luck girls! We hate to lose you but we are glad you have such good jobs.

## Miss Lawrence Honored by Delta Kappa Gamma

Miss Arta Lawrence, assistant professor of education, left Friday evening, December 11, for Portland to be initiated into Delta Kappa Gamma, a national honor fraternity in education. She was accompanied by Miss Ellen Johnson, instructor in the Ackerman campus elementary school.

Miss Anne Gilles, assistant professor of art at EOCE and now on leave, is also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

## Dorm Girls Gossip In Assembly, Dec. 2

The Dorm girls were in charge of the assembly on December 2 and presented an interesting skit centered around the general theme of gossip.

Inez Wellman was the chief gossip and presented a series of spicy bits before the curtain as she introduced the various scenes.

Scene number one saw Frances Boyd as the "male" man at his daily tasks. The stampede that followed the announcement of the arrival of the mail explained the "male" man's cautious approach.

Scene number two was laid in "any one" of the rooms in the dorm — bathroom included. Reine Rooney stole the show and climaxed the scene in the impersonation of Miss Herboth.

At the close Shirley Coleman presented a piano solo.

During the announcement period of the assembly, the Seniors of La Grande High School presented pre-views of their class play "Seven Sisters." These were cleverly done and enjoyed by the audience.

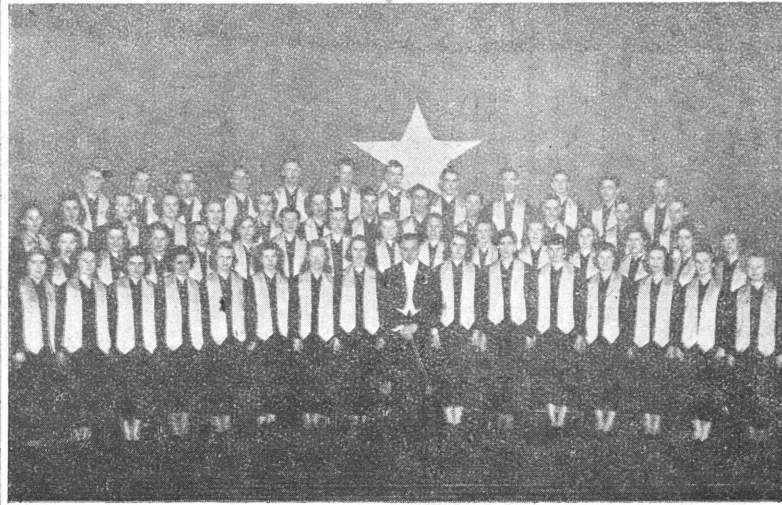
to light the candles placed around the auditorium from the central candle.

Those appearing on the program were Lois Whealey, Velda Carbine, Ivan French. The women's chorus of La Grande was also on the program.

Other Sigma Alpha Chi alumnae present were Marietta Foley of Portland, Inez Pendlebury of Seattle, and Irma Klinghammer.

Miss Amanda Zabel, faculty advisor of the society, was largely responsible for achieving the true holiday atmosphere of the day, which has become a tradition on our campus.

## EOCE A Cappella Choir



## MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Music Department of the college presented its annual Christmas concert last night to a large and appreciative audience in the college auditorium.

The opening portion of the program introduced a group of eleven students seated around tables singing Christmas carols of foreign countries. The tables and stage were decorated in Christmas trimmings. To further enhance the presentation, interesting comments were provided by a reader.

Further student talent was evidenced when a male octet, a trombone quartet, a piano duo, and vocal soloist responded with several numbers.

The concluding part of the program featured the sixty-voiced a cappella choir under the direction of Mr. Schilling. The group

sang seven numbers and concluded with Alma Mater.

The eleven members of the madrigal group were Lyle Salkield, Scott Payne, Wyllamine Berkey, Beulah Johnson, Annette Hall, Joyce McPherson, Bill Dittrock, Bruce Bray, Gale Carpenter, Frances Boyd, and Dorothy Daniels.

The male octet was composed of Delbert Olson, Delmer Olson, Lyle Salkield, Frank Howard, John Anderson, Ivan French, Don Andrews, and Ross Hearing.

Wyllamine Berkey and Lee Dickens presented the piano duo.

Delbert Olson, Lee Dickens, Annabel McDonald, and Robert Pike made up the trombone quartet.

Ivan French was featured as soloist.

## Joviality Reigns At Junior Party

Friday, December 4 was the date of the junior class party held in the kindergarten room in the training school. This "get-together" was the first for the junior class and from all results the next will be watched with great anticipation. The evening was spent playing games, singing, and dancing, and wonderful joviality was enjoyed by all. From the professors to the students all had a great time. Each and all concerned are to be congratulated for such a party and we all hope next time the whole class will attend.

## New Date Set For Play

Postponement of the play, "Where the Dear Antelope Play," was announced last week by director of the cast, Mr. Kaiser.

Mr. Kaiser stated that there were some causes to which he could point as reasons for the postponement—such as illness, vacations, etc.—but the real reason was that the cast did not know their lines.

This means that Sock and Buskin is on schedule for the presentation of two plays in the winter term. At present a modernized version of "Hamlet" is on the calendar for February 24.

## EOC Men With Uncle Sam

Word has been received concerning several of EOC's young men who have joined the armed forces. Les Johnson paid La Grande a visit. Gerry Wilson expects to receive a call to take his advance training in January. Roy Klinghammer has been home from Mather Field.

Jim Voelz is now a lieutenant in the U. S. air corps. Alvin Kibby is stationed in Hawaii. Brennen Stubblefield is now in the 164th field artillery.

Those men who have withdrawn from EOC for military service include Roberty Dougherty, Richard Aubrey, Roger Boyer, navy; Lloyd Cady, CPT training in Baker and Galen Matthews and Gene Green, who left no word as to what division they have chosen.

Robert Reuter of La Grande and CAA student at EOC in 1941 is on a short leave from the army where he has recently received an appointment to the office of photography of the U. S. army in Washington, D. C.

## COLLEGE HERE IS ACCREDITED

The accreditation of Eastern Oregon College of Education as a four-year school qualified to offer the B. S. degree in Elementary Education was approved by the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools, regional collegiate accrediting body, at its meeting in Boise, according to a telegram received late Saturday by Dr. Roben J. Maaske, president of the college.

Dr. Maaske commented "This is a significant forward step in the progress of Eastern Oregon college. This accreditation means that graduates holding the B. S. degree from this institution may enter the graduate school of any standard university or college in the United States to pursue further graduate studies in their professional field, leading to master's and doctorate degrees."

An investigating committee from the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools visited the campus and inspected the program and facilities of the college last spring.

## Holiday Vacation Shortened This Year

Students enrolled at EOC are experiencing many new things this year and among these new experiences is the shortened Christmas vacation that is to run from December 19 to 29. For the first time in the history of the college the winter term is beginning in the old year.

The reason for the shortened vacation period is that it seems desirable to have students complete their year of work before June so that they might move into the rush of the farm work that will demand all available man and woman power at that time.

Registration for the winter term will be done on December 29 and classes will begin the following day.

Pre-registration was held Monday, December 7, and all general indications are for a good enrollment for the winter term. Mr. Johnson states that there have been fewer students indicating withdrawal than might be expected from the general talk one hears in the halls.

## Students Enjoy Broadway Film, Assembly Program

The students of EOCE were entertained December 16 by the Broadway production "Journey to Jerusalem" presented by the Maxwell Anderson original cast and filmed during production.

"Journey to Jerusalem" is one of Maxwell Anderson's Pulitzer prize productions. The dramatic story was taken from a passage in the Gospel of Luke and told of a passover pilgrimage to Jerusalem by the boy Jesus and his family.

This was one of the most expensive and interesting assemblies of the year!

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(Editor's note: More people could be used on the staff. Any person interested is urged to contact the editor or the advisor. Specific staff appointments will be made later.)

## LET US RESOLVE

In a few short weeks 1942 will be gone and a new year will unfold before us.

Some of us won't be here to start the new year at EOC, but those of us who are here can look forward to a lot of things gratefully. We are living in a country where we can still control our actions and plan our future. We can pray as we wish and sing what we please. We can read and write our own ideas. We are Americans in a free country.

As students of EOC we have a full and interesting schedule of fun and work before us. The fun includes basketball games, a religious conference, the annual whiskerino, two Sock and Buskin productions, the colonial ball, assemblies and other social events. Our work is to be good students, to think clearly, and to uphold EOC standards.

Let us resolve for 1943 to do our work well so we can sit on the top of the world and survey our work with pride.

To the members of the EOC family circle the Beacon extends wishes for a successful, happy new year.

## Mr. Mountaineer Visits School

I met Mr. Mountaineer at the sophomore party the other night. He was hale and hearty as ever. I knew he was there when I tagged a young lady in a dance. Her first words were: "Aren't we having just the grandest time." I was, and I agreed with her and questioned why. She reported that there seemed to be a spirit among the group that she had not felt at any other occasion during the term. When I asked her the name of the chap with whom she had been dancing, she could not tell me; and when I suggested that he looked like Mr. Mountaineer to me, she thought I was talking in riddles.

I heard that Mr. Mountaineer was at the junior party also. That report came from a number of juniors. But I haven't a great many details about the junior party, and I do have first hand information from the sophomore party.

I saw Mr. Mountaineer giving a helping hand to a group of boys carrying in a radio that was supplied by the class president, Jim Bohnenkamp.

I saw Mr. Mountaineer encouraging the social chairman, Maye Kirkpatrick, as she appointed committees and acted as hostess for the evening.

I saw Mr. Mountaineer with a few daubs of paint on his hands just after a number of signs and posters appeared in the hall urging every sophomore to come to the party and have a good time.

I saw Mr. Mountaineer pick up the extra punch glasses and assist Bob Kiddle in washing those glasses.

I saw Mr. Mountaineer appoint Julian Van Beveren as a spokesman to invite five CPT boys to join the fun that everyone was having. And in this connection, I saw a group of girls become real EOCE hostesses so that those CPT fellows felt that they belonged.

Who is Mr. Mountaineer anyway?

Mr. Mountaineer is you and I; he is the teacher of a one-room school out in the "sticks" who calls EOCE her alma mater; he is the president of the college; he is one and all of the soldiers, sailors, marines, and aviators who left EOCE to go into the armed forces. Mr. Mountaineer is the symbol of all that EOCE is and has been. He is the spiritual whole. He is EOCE.

## Supper Held By WAA in Ackerman

A fine time and much delicious food were enjoyed by all who participated in the supper held as a culminating activity for the sports of volleyball, badminton, and tumbling. A part of the regular program of WAA events, the supper was held December 3 in the Ackerman cafeteria at 6 p.m.

Frances Boyd, Edwina Bratton, and Betty Cook, heads of the three sports, prepared the meal with the assistance of Helen McCarty and Clarice Notheis.

During the evening the group started to write a verse of a song for the school song contest. The result was much hilarity.

### Service Point Plan

After the party a committee meeting was held to work out a service point plan. The same committee worked out some of the initiation procedure for the new members.

A small party was held Tuesday, December 8, for the dancing group of WAA. Miss Gillanders, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Kathryn Harris, Virginia Wilcox, Marvel Fallow, Freddie Spaeth, Fay Andrews, Mary Jane Faucette, Maye Kirkpatrick, and Ruth Cox danced in the kindergarten room, while the whole group took turns about watching the food as it cooked. Fun was rampant as "corny" jokes were dished out with the tasty food.

### Initiation

A beautiful initiation ceremony was held Thursday afternoon, December 10, in the kindergarten room. Those who were formally initiated were Shirley Brazille, Dorothy Scholl, Nina Wells, La Rena Palmer Betty Kight, Freddie Spaeth, and Pat-

Why did Mr. Mountaineer come to the sophomore party?

Why did the sophomores have a good time?

No one played their games for them. No one danced for them. No one entertained them. They did it all themselves. They gave of themselves. They put something into the dance, and they got more from it than they put into it.

The sophomores didn't invite Mr. Mountaineer to their party. But, whenever EOCE students plan and do anything with true interest and pleasure, Mr. Mountaineer, spirit of EOCE, is bound to be present.

## Sophomores Dance At Quarter Party

The sophomore party was well attended and reported a good success. The entertainment of the evening was dancing. Refreshments were enjoyed by all.

The committee for the party were headed by Maye Kirkpatrick, general chairman; Katherine Harris, advertisement; Julian Van Beveren, decorations; Inez Wellman, Entertainment; Bob Kiddle, refreshments; and Ralph Ward, clean-up.

## Dr. Maaske Host To Senior Class

Dr. Maaske was host to the senior class at a dinner party. The menus centered around venison and was prepared by the girls of the senior class under the directorship of Opal Hoisington.

Those present were Ernie Rostock, Opal Hoisington, Beulah Johnson, Phyllis Courtright, Ed Elliot, and Dr. Maaske. All enjoyed the evening.

Jean Lenard, Shields were awarded for participation in one sport beyond membership. Those receiving shields were Virginia Wilcox, Dorothy Scholl, Freddie Spaeth, Fay Andrews, and Marvel Fallow. In addition the awarding of pins was announced. Those who received or will receive pins are Clarice Notheis, Catherine Fridley, Helen McCarty, Maye Kirkpatrick, Ruth Cox, Mary Margaret Kennedy, and Hilda Berreth.

The committee for the preparation of the tea consisted of Erma Derrick, chairman, Hilda Berreth, Wilma Bowers, Margaret Kopta and Edwina Bratton.

Nina Wells was elected basketball head, and La Rena Palmer was elected winter sports head.

It was decided to make the co-ed ball which was held earlier in the year an annual affair.

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## Phi Beta Sigma Initiates At Miller Home

A formal initiation at the home of Mr. Miller, November 24, completed the initiation of ten new members of Phi Beta Sigma, national professional fraternity.

The new members are: Julian Van Beveren, Phyllis Courtright, Judith Rinell, Elaine Coleman, Aleene Barton, Leone Thorne, Clarice Notheis, Virginia Wilcox, Reine Rooney, and Katherine Harris.

Emily Loennig, president of the organization, and other members conducted the formal initiation after which refreshments were served.

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### DORM NOTES

Here is operative No. 2 again giving you the low-down on dormitory happenings.

Have you noted that: We have a new group of link-training fellows in our basement? Town girls are requested to stay away from them—there are only fifteen, and there are sixty of us!

Dorothy Daniels has moved her bed and presence but not her clothes?

The girls' favorite song is "Glory, glory, and Salvation?" Miss Herboth is fond of it, too.

Ruth Cox is staying home more often since Thanksgiving? Guess that'll teach you the inadvisability of trifling with heart strings, Ruth!

Myrtle Graham recovered from the mumps and tonsillitis well enough to occupy the beau-parlor and part of an army fur-rough. Happy to have seen you, briefly though it has been.

Catherine Mead now has two interests, Fallow and the candy canteen? You should move your pipe-cleaner sign from inside your room to the door of the canteen, Cay! Or don't you lisp?

Lights burn nightly in the living room—after 10 p. m.? A lot of term papers are being turned out there!

There are circles under the eyes of the unstudious few (?) who have delayed study until the "midnight" hour? As Mary Jane says, "One night is all right, but four nights in a row!!!"

Opal Hoisington and Leone Thorne like to play ping-pong—especially "mixed doubles?" We hear they have won more gum than they have ironed shirts, so maybe it's all right.

Floribel Eddy is wearing a diamond? Congratulations, and pie under the table for you?

Mary Margaret has a new photograph album? She likes it very much—she bought it herself!

Miss Herboth hasn't said much the past few days? We hope it's not the mumps, Miss Herboth.

The mailman has been late recently? He must have seen the assembly skit and has decided upon a remedy—surprise 'em.

The rapid transference of Mary Brace's attentions from old to new—link-trainer student?

Dorothy Ball has a "Texas" gleam in her eye since Thanksgiving? Texans are noted for their smooth drawing line Dorothy.

Jessymae Sanders and Betty Cook keep suspiciously, very consistently out of the news? Do those torches help midnight study?

The violin solos rendered regularly by a basement "Mac" are usually accompanied by Wylamine Berkey? They go well together.

A lot of corn was served at the last Thursday night dinner hour?

Lee Dickens looks sort of dazed these days? The only time she looks dazed is when she looks lost—two minutes after Jerry leaves.

Ward Ueissenfluh spends his evenings here quite often—and not always at work either? Also note: Teddy Hucker is with him to the last minute. Colleen and Gwen keep them occupied.

That the end of this tirade is here? It is, Merry Christmas and and grand New Year to all who have suffered in silence—or otherwise—as the result of this column! Goodbye for now! See you later!

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### College Women Sought by WAACS, Inactive Status

College and business school co-eds interested in joining the women's army auxiliary corps may now enroll in the WAACS and be placed on an inactive status permitting them to complete their current school year, according to Colonel J. J. Fulmer, district recruiting officer for Oregon.

Primary qualifications for enrollment in the women's army require that applicants be citizens of the United States, between the ages of 21 and 45, of good moral character and physically fit, the colonel said.

Women without technical and vocational skills are being sought as well as those skilled in professions and trades. All applicants will be enrolled as "basics" and will be assigned to military tasks and specialized duties for which they are best qualified upon their arrival at WAAC training centers.

Assignments as duty leaders and non-commissioned officers will be given all enrollees who exhibit leadership characteristics during their basic training period.

Colonel Fulmer advised all women attending colleges and business schools who are able to meet the primary requirements to visit their nearest army recruiting office or write recruiting headquarters, 323 main post office building, Portland, for complete information and application forms.

### Registrar Reports Students Withdrawn

Mr. Johnson reports the withdrawal of several students from EOC for purposes other than the army and navy. Dora Feery has gone to be with her husband. Betty Jo Sandlin has accepted an MRS degree. Shirley Womack is working at Boeing aircraft. Verl Blackburn has a position in Rufus. Nancy Johnson has taken a place in the city manager's office in Milton. Beth Fross is working in a La Grande bank. Dorothy Jacobson has a job, but she didn't leave word as to where. Other students who left no destination include Sam Shorb, Lois Elliot, and Helen Kelly.

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### EOCENE NOTES

#### Song Contest

The item of most importance in the past two weeks at EOCene hall was the song contest. The contest was ushered in by an exchange dinner with the dorm. The dinner was a success and so was the song contest, thanks to the dorm girls. Several songs were submitted with original music and a few with familiar tunes.

Because there is no "Vincent Lopez" in the house a pianist was invited down for dinner and also to play a song or two.

No song was chosen. Like all other loyal patrons of EOC the boys at the hall are making ready to take off for home as soon as the tests are over. Mr. Leon Peavy and Sir Floyd Langsev have had their trunks packed for the last two weeks.

The new ruling for study has been very hard on some of the frosh, namely Alvin Pratt. Those five reminders for neglecting the rule have helped Alvin and others not to forget. Of the most recent events was a trip to Portland by Charles Younger who was very much in a hurry to join the navy.

Ross Hearing and Bill Nock spent Thursday in Pendleton getting themselves all fixed up as buck privates in Uncle Sam's army reserve.

Army Bids for Boys EOCene hall, the age old establishment, is faced with a dark and gloomy future. Because the army thinks so much of our men, it is expected that about half of the boys will receive bids to join the army in January. This leaves about fifty per cent house quota to be filled next term. Bids for new members are now very much in order. Sorry, girls, this is for men only.

Far be it from your editor to carry on with the proverbial grapevine, but a little gossip now and then is good for the best of ears.

No one as yet has been able to find out who is calling Leon Peavy every day during the noon hour.

Julian Van Beveren has been reported at the dorm more often than usual recently. He is there quite often anyway, but this new rush! How about that, Julian?

The members of the hall wish to extend their most sincere sympathies to the members of the casualty list this week: Charles Younger—mumps. Billy Emmons, while coming home from a very studious evening at the library, slipped on the icy side walk and made a three-point landing. The third point supported the worst. Billy was promptly rushed to the doctor and two stitches were taken in his lower lip. Better luck next time, Billy, and a good moral, "Don't go to the library to study."

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### IRC Begins Winter Activity

Several years ago there was founded in the Eastern Oregon College of Education a branch of the national organization, the International Relations club. Mr. Gaiser was appointed advisor of the group at that time and has remained in that position since.

This year the IRC, as it is popularly called, has been very late in starting its activities. Dinner meetings have been held on Wednesday noons in the cafeteria for the past few years, but this year the cafeteria failed to open till a few days ago. Now that it has opened, IRC plans to start its meetings at the regular time, Wednesday noon.

The International Relations club was founded in order to give students in various colleges a chance to get together and discuss world affairs, the goal being better understanding of happenings both here and abroad, and a feeling of friendship and understanding with allied nations. It is sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation which sends out, about three times a year, a selection of current books on topics of importance in the international world. It also mails to the various branches, copies of the Fortnightly Review, a mimeographed resume of the most important news items of the past fortnight.

Eastern Oregon College branch of IRC now owns a sizeable collection of books which were gifts from the foundation. One of the few stipulations of the Foundation is that these books be kept in a separate place, available to club members. Our books have been placed in Mr. Gaiser's room and were this fall cataloged and arranged so as to be even more available.

Last year the club decided to formulate a panel discussion to present to various civic groups, something that had been requested of them. This panel was such a success that it is planned to form another one this year, this one on the topic, "Post-War". Participation in the panels is entirely voluntary, as is membership in the organization.

All students interested in a friendly discussion of current events, whether they feel capable of entering the discussion or merely listening, please meet at the cafeteria in Ackerman next Wednesday noon.

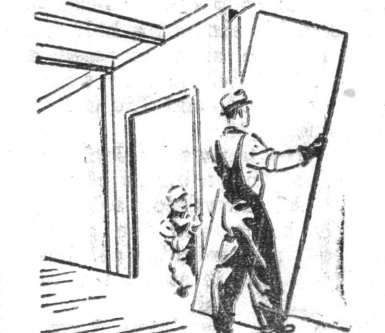
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# Pendleton Airmen's Second Half Rally Worries Collegians

Big Sgt. Joe Jackson, former college hoop star at New Mexico A. and M., staged a desperate rally in the closing minutes of the game between E. O. C. E. and the Pendleton Flyers (alias Broncos) Friday, Dec. 11, but the local boys hung on to their lead by the margin of one point and won their hoop opener here, 37-36.

Jackson, his six and a half feet of height used to fullest extent in the keyhole area, amassed a total of 18 points to lead all scorers. Right behind him were Center Willard Jones of Eastern Oregon, with 14, and Little Don Andrews, speedy college guard, who garnered 13.

Three free throws by Jackson in the first five minutes of the tilt gave the Pendleton soldiers an early bulge, and the game was about five minutes old before Jones tied it at 7-all with a lay-in field goal.

While the Pendleton boys were fresh, they kept up a ding-dong battle for possession of the ball, and the lead was a toss-up during the early part of the first half, being tied again at 13-13 at about mid-period. Then the superior team-work of the Mountaineers took its toll of points, and Coach Bob Quinn's boys led, 21-13, at halftime.

Back came the Flyers with a roar and Jaussi, a reserve for Pendleton, brought his team within two goals, 31-27, before the college started rolling again. Andrews, Millering and Jones sank baskets for the locals in quick order, and the 10-point lead looked safe as a church, but not for long.

### Fouls Expensive

First Parks sank one from the corner of the court, then Jackson took a cripple under the hoop. Fick slipped one through the hump on the dead run, and Thomas got set and plugged a shot from well back in the forward court. Jackson's close shot put the visitors within a single point with 40 seconds to go. Toward the last of the game the soldiers fouled frequently in an effort to break up the Mountaineers' airtight stalling floor game, and, each time, the collegians chose the strategy of taking the ball out of bounds rather than trying a free throw with the certainty of losing possession of the ball.

Eastern Oregon had the ball, in their own forward court and working under the backboard, when the buzzer ended the game.

The game was fast and rough, and the lone official, Frank Stoddard, called 13 personals and one technical against the visitors, ejecting Bill Dietz, flashy guard, late in the game. Eastern Oregon drew four personals.

### Individual Scoring:

East. Oregon (37)		(36) Pendleton	
Oas	F	4	Fick
Anderson	F	6	Parks
Jones	14	C	18
Andrews	13	G	2
West	4	G	4
			Dietz

Reserves: Eastern Oregon, Johnson, Huff, Bohnenkamp, Millering 2, Peavy; Pendleton, Vanice, Bassich, Jaussi 2, Kissela.

Referee: Frank Stoddard.

### Frosh Win Prelim

The preliminary was a walkway from start to finish for the

freshmen of Coach Quinn's college squad as every starter and all but one reserve scored against the pilots in accomplishing a 26-7 rout.

Frosh (26)	Pos.	(7) CPT
Cooney	4 F	McLean
Noland	1 F	3 Lindell
Powell	6 C	3 Walker
Cullen	3 G	Rigutto
Burnett	6 G	1 Gilchrest

Reserves: Frosh, Zessen, Langsner 2, Pleger 2, Brown 2; CPT, Devic, Mallory.

## First Christian Church Dines College Students

The college and business young people of the First Christian church held their annual formal dinner at the church December 11. The theme was "Shine" with decorations and program centering around this idea.

Lyle Johnson registrar of the college was the main speaker. Short talks were given by John Allen, Frances Boyd, and Marion Snider. Velda Carbine sang "White Christmas," and Mona Miller, Aroleen Krause, and Frances Pyle sang a trio, accompanied by Jessiema Sanders. George Fleshman was toastmaster.

Guests of the evening were Mrs. Armie B. Millican and Forest Travaile, missionaries, Dr. R. J. Maaske, Mrs. Lyle Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Draper, and Reverend Mark Talney.

## Many Activities On Calendar; New Year's To Be Celebrated

A checking of the calendar for January reveals that there is a busy month of activities ahead of college students as the winter quarter begins.

First on the list is a special New Year's eve party, the "likes of which" EOC has never seen because school has never been in session to greet the coming of the New Year.

The regular quarterly mixer held at the beginning of each term will be submerged in the New Year's eve party. Plans are not as yet complete, but this party will probably be unsurpassed by any other in the quarter.

Basketball seems to be scheduled to hold the spotlight as far as activities are concerned.

This is the term for the men to throw away their razors and grow beards. Details are not complete regarding this annual "Whiskerine."

December 31, New Year's eve will be the winter mixer.

January 1 and 2 are open as yet but basketball games may be scheduled.

January 8, Sock and Buskin production "Where the Dear Antelope Play."

January 15, Eastern Oregon College of Education versus Southern Oregon College of Education basketball game at Monmouth.

January 18, Lewis and Clark college versus Eastern Oregon College of Education basketball game at Portland.

January 22, Men's club dance.

January 28, Eastern Oregon College of Education versus Oregon College of Education basketball game in La Grande.

January 29, Eastern Oregon College of Education versus Oregon College of Education basketball game in La Grande.

Also, some time during January a religious conference will be held. Details and final plans for this conference will appear in the next issue of the Beacon.

## White Christmas Theme of AWS Term Formal

This year's AWS formal ball followed the theme of a white Christmas. The ceiling was white. Around the edge stood Christmas trees. A large lighted tree stood in the center of the floor. With the aid of a projecting machine "White Christmas" was seen on the stage. A Santa Claus smiled down on the dancers from one corner. The American flag graced the other corner.

The intermission program included a tap number by Beulah Johnson and a dance number by Fay Andrews, Fredrica Spaeth, and Marvel Follows. Annemerle Hohenleitner, Frances Boyd and Wyllamine Berkey sang one stanza of Silent Night and the guests joined in the other two stanzas.

The people who were in the reception line were Dr. Maaske, Annemerle Hohenleitner and Dwight Lyons, Emily Loennig and Fred Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Kaiser, Miss Zabel, and Miss Herboth and McKleg.

The committees for the dance were: General chairman Annemerle Hohenleitner; programs, Maye Kirkpatrick, chairman, Aleene Barton, Mary Brace, Mona Miller, La Rena Palmer and Phyllis Courtwright.

Decorations, Marvel Follow and Shirley Brady, co-chairman, Helen Jean Moon, Lillian Bohnenkamp, Gale Carpenter, Lee Dickens, Lillie Hahn, Romona Henderson, Shirley Lennon, Marie Loveland, Helen McCarty, Jannette Richardson, Patricia Shorb, Frieda White.

Invitations, Betty Cook, chairman, Edwina Braton, Jean Diebold, Lucille Hutchinson, Myrtle Graham, and Anabel McDonald.

Punch and serving, La Vonne Alsop, chairman, Elaine Coleman, Betty Goff, Emily Otis, Pat McMillian and Coleen Wallace.

Clean-up, Doris Dodge, chairman, Corrine Brines, Jennie Williams, Carol Spence, Helen Tippin, Jean Jasper, Maxine Sinden, Etta Lo McCabe, Margaret Kopta, Gwen Chester.

Intermission, entertainment and orchestra, Annette Hall, chairman, Velda Carbine, Shirley Coleman/Elizabeth Foley and Dorothy Scholl.

## Party Given For Children Of Pre-School Age

Undoubtedly one of the most enjoyable of all the activities of the Association of Childhood Education is the annual Christmas party for pre-school faculty children and younger brothers and sisters of the Ackerman first graders. It was held Wednesday afternoon, December 9, in the kindergarten room at Ackerman.

Following the customary plan, the room was attractively decorated with a large Christmas tree. To duplicate a nursery school environment, easels and tables with building blocks, construction sets and picture books were placed informally about the room. The children were encouraged to explore these new situations and sample those activities which seemed particularly appealing.

Later, members of the A.C.E. sang several Christmas carols as the children were gathered around to hear the ever lovely Christmas story.

To make the party complete for the little folks, chocolate and cookies did their part. The mothers of the children and the A.C.E. members were served cookies and tea.

As the final touch, the mysterious packages under the tree were distributed to the little guests.

Judith Rinell was in charge of arrangements. Miss Lawrence, faculty advisor, did much to make it the sort of party both children and grown-ups will remember.

Committee heads were: Invitations, Kathryn Harvison; decorations, Aleene Barton; gifts, Wilma Borwnell Bowers; program, Jessymae Sanders; and refreshments, Margaret Kopta.

## EOCene-Dorm Exchange Dinners

The girls of the dormitory honored the EOCene boys and the CPT students at an informal dinner dance. Admittance to the dinner was the presentation of words for the EOCene song. The dinner was made lively by command performances by various girls. After dinner the party from EOCene came to the dorm where all the group sang the songs which had been submitted. Dancing completed the evening.

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## Dorm Girls Sing Carols for EOCenes, Decorate Hall

The annual Christmas party of the dorm girls was held Sunday, December 13. The girls and CPT boys from the basement caroled in town. They stopped at EOCene hall and entertained its occupants. When they returned to the dorm they sang more carols and enjoyed some stunts and refreshments.

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## Baxter and Warrington to Return

### Registration Shows Drop

Registration figures for this term showed a 27 per cent drop over last winter's registration. The total was 207 including 83 men and 124 women. There are 7 seniors, 40 juniors, 48 sophomores, 102 freshmen and 10 auditors and special students. Junior college claims 90 students, teacher training has 99, and sel-retarial science has 18.

New students are Hillard Brown, Pondosa; Mrs. Jessie Chambers, Pondosa; Gene Conklin, La Grande; Tina Edwards, Ontario; Mrs. Leola Gorby, Portland; J. D. Heiderreich, La Grande; Dorothy Mae Janny, John Day; Doris McLain, Irvin Motz, La Grande; Marjory Muzzy, Baker; John Nolan, La Grande; Irene Schechel, Pondosa; Mrs. Atha Taylen, Bill Wagner, La Grande; Pete Westenskow, Imbler, and Frances Wilson, La Grande.

Those who failed to return were Josephine Alexander, Roger Boyer, Mary Brace, Bruce Bray, Corinne Brines, Gale Carpenter, Dick Cash, Clinton Colenbough, Garnard Coles, Robert Cool, Edna Courtney, Bernard Cullen, Ted Cusick, Donald Edwards, Helen Feik, Pat Ferdinandsen, Bill Fleener, Eva Gardner, Gail Gardener, Annette Hall, Bill Hawkins, Marvin Hill, Opal Hoelsington, Muriel Houle, Beulah Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Dick Karther, Henry Magruder, Howard Martin, Phyllis May, Millard Melzer, Lester Panike, Paul Parson, Phyllis Patton, Don Petersen, Alvin Prat, Donald Rennie, Anthony Seidl, Gene Stockhol, and Edward Elliott.

### Last Minute Extra

The College Christian Council met Wednesday, January 20, in the beau parlor of the dorm. During the meeting the theme "Christianity And You - Today" was chosen. It was also decided to add a vesper hour to the program of last year.

Representative ministers from the various groups will be invited to aid in formulating the final plans. Plans were also made for making it possible for town students to attend the meetings at dorion and EOCene halls. This was not open to them last year.

### Salkield Has Best Beard

Lyle Salkield had the best beard in EOC; so it was decided Friday night, January 15, at the annual Whiskerino. The judges were Ross Hearing and John Anderson. Ward Weissenfluh had the reddest beard. Bob Pierce had the blackest beard. Glenn Dougherety had the poorest beard.

The dance was under the general chairmanship of Tom Coffman, and the Men's club was totally responsible for its success. Cay Mead sponsored a date bureau. The idea of a basket social was a new one and proved fun for all. The music was furnished by Merle Orton's orchestra.

The members of the Men's club instrumental in promoting the dance were Tom Coffman, general chairman, Julian Van Beveren, Frank Howard, Ronald Moore, publicity, George Bowers, Denton Branchcomb, Bob Pike, Elmer Messin, decorations Ross Hearing, John Anderson, Bob Shepherd, program, Charles Reynolds, Floyd Kingsley, Bob Kiddle, refreshments and John Ferdinandsen, Floyd Churoske, Bryan Lynch, and John Martin, clean up committee.

### Pep Leaders Elected at Assembly

Election of temporary song and yell leaders was held January 1, at a special pep assembly. Those elected were John Ferdinansen, yell leader, and Annmerle Hohenleitner and Marvel Fallow, song queens. The freshmen basketball team was introduced by Coach Quinn.

### Dormitory Is Christened

The dormitory is now Dorion Hall. January 3rd was the date of the formal christening, held with a ceremony long to be remembered. Catherine Mead, President of Dorion Hall, opened the program by telling the assembled guests that Dorion is our home in every sense of the word.

The name Dorion Hall was submitted by Judith Rinell, so she explained the reasons why we chose that name. Then Lee Dickens sang the solo "God Bless Our Home" and the Dorion Hall girls gave the responsive reading, "We Dedicate This House."

After giving some of the history connected with the name Madame Dorion, Dr. Roben J. Maaske formally christened the dormitory Dorion Hall, in the name of the state board of higher education. The state board of higher education had chosen this name from the many that had been submitted at various times, thus the name has more than local approval.

Miss Herboth enumerated the many meanings that she and we hoped were, or would become, synonymous with the name Dorion. All of the Dorion girls then joined in the singing of the official Dorion song, MY DORION, which was written by Shirley Brady.

The program was ended with the singing of several songs of historical or western nature, and the serving of refreshments.

The general atmosphere was one of pioneer Oregon. Girls in sunbonnets and formals served coffee and cookies made in the shape of logs and hatchets. The room was filled with pioneer plaques and statuary, and pine boughs. The fireplace was the center of attraction with its crackling flames.

The various committee heads in charge of arrangements were: Judith Rinell, Catherine Mead, and Emily Loenning - program planning, Hilda Berreth - program printing, Helen McCarty - refreshments, Maye Kirkpatrick - serving, Ruth Cox - decorations, Betty Kight - clean-up, and Catherine Tom - furniture.

Special thanks are due Mrs. Harris and Miss Wheeler for services rendered, and to Richardson's, Shorb's and the O. K. Barber shop for equipment loaned.

### Winter Mixer Held Jan. 1

The annual winter mixer, sponsored by the student council, was given on January 1, at 8:30. The music was furnished by Orton's orchestra.

Committees for the dance included Ross Hearing, chairman; Bob Shepherd, music; Reine Rooney and Dick Anderson, refreshments; and Helen Jean Moon, program.

The mixer was very successful.

### A Message From Dr. Maaske

Pilon (pronounced pea-loan) is a common expression used frequently in Mexico. It means "something extra."

For example, the kindly Mexican grocer when he puts up a family order usually includes a sack of assorted candy for the kiddies in the family. He calls this a "pilon;" it is something extra. The butcher may put in a bit of meat above the regular order. It is a pilon. The Mexican worker who puts in a little extra time or effort gives a pilon.

These are days in which the opportunities for serious study in college carry a definite obligation for each student. You are here to prepare yourselves better to do a specialized task calling for special training.

I wonder, then, if it is not incumbent upon each of us, students and faculty alike, to give a pilon of extra effort in everything we do? College days are precious. They pass quickly. For some students this will be the last year of college. Making it a good one will leave lasting memories of satisfaction to look back upon in future days.

Giving a "pilon" might be through putting in that extra effort in your studies necessary to give you a felling you are doing your best; it might come also through taking an extra active part in social and other activities which will benefit both yourself and the college; and it might be done through an extra

### Vesper Hour Proves Success

The first vesper hour sponsored by the College Christian Council was held in the Presbyterian church Sunday, January 10. The program included a call to worship played by Wyllamine Berky. This was followed by a poem "God Bless You" by Elizabeth Foley. Arloeen Krause sang a solo. Rev. Talney gave the prayer, and Paul Hyde gave a short talk on "Looking Forward." The benediction was given by a quartet including Ivan French, Lee Dickens, Jessie Mae Sanders, and Frank Howard.

The committee heads were Marion Snider, general chairman, Ivan French and Bruce Bray, special music, and Myrtha Westenskow social program.

The vesper hour was followed by a social gathering and refreshments served in the basement.

### Miss Lambertus Entertains

Miss Lambertus and the war training service furnished the entertainment for the assembly given January 13. Various phases of the service were explained. Dr. Maaske introduced the members of the faculty who are helping train the boys.

The winners of the EOCene song contest were announced.

### 5 New Members In Alpha Rho Tau

Six new members were initiated into Alpha Rho Tau this term. To become a member of this organization one must have a grade of A or B in art and joins by invitation.

The new members are Mary Jane Faucett, Dora Herron, Kathryn Harris, George Bowers, and Elaine Coleman.

thoughtfulness or a kind act toward a fellow student.

Giving a "pilon" requires an extra effort. Are you willing?

Roben J. Maaske  
President, EOCE

### F. T. A. Hold Monthly Meeting

The F. T. A. held its regular monthly meeting January 5, at Mr. Millers.

After a general meeting Mrs. John Bennet former County Chairman for the P. T. A. gave her thoughts on the "P. T. A. and its relationship to the teacher." Mr. Bennet principal at Riveria, also added some information on the P. T. A. from the principal's viewpoint.

The refreshment committee, consisting of Betty Cook and Carol Spence, assisted by Mrs. Miller, served cocoa and cookies, after which the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting, to be held on February 2, will be on the subject of the superintendent's Qualifications for Teachers and Some Tips on Filling Out Applications." Some superintendent will be called in to discuss this important subject. All third-year students are urged to attend.

### Honor Students Recognized at First Assembly

Those students who made the honor roll were honored at the first assembly of the term. Mr. Miller gave the main address, stressing the importance of scholarship. Dr. Maaske welcomed the new and returning students. Shirley Coleman and Lee Dickens played two duets, "Seville" and "Flight of the Bumble Bee." A brief review of world conditions and an explanation of geo-politics was given by Mr. Gaiser. The assembly closed with the singing of the Alma Mater.

### Colonial Ball Coming Soon

The Women's Athletic Association is already making big plans for the Colonial Ball which will be held on Friday, February 19th. Clarice Nothies, general chairman of the dance, assures us that all committees are working industriously to make the traditional event a huge success.

Committee heads are: Refreshments, Wilma Bowers; decoration, Mary Margaret Kennedy and Virginia Wilcox co-chairmen; invitations and program, Frances Boyd and Ruth Read co-chairmen; floor show, Fay Andrews; orchestra, Mary Jane Faucette; publicity, Ruth Cox; clean-up, Dorothy Scholl.

This formal dance is for the entire student body, and is sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association.

Many W. A. A. activities are now in full swing. Basketball ends with tournaments scheduled for February 3rd and 5th, and a supper February 10th. There is still time for you to get your practices in if you start now.

The badminton tournament will be held from the 8th to the 13th of February, while winter sports will end February 27th. All people interested in any winter sport are urged to contact La Rena Palmer.

The activities being held this term are deck sports, tapping and modern dance, in addition to the above mentioned sports.

### Conference Feb. 5-7

The second annual religious conference will be held the fifth, sixth, and seventh of February. The conference is sponsored by the College Christian Council consisting of student representatives from the different church denominations.

Tentative plans are to have several assemblies, discussion groups and a dinner. E. W. Warrington, professor of religion at Oregon State college and Dr. Bruce Baxter, resident bishop of the Portland area, will be the guest speakers. These two men conducted a very successful conference last year and by unanimous approval of the council were asked to return this year.

The College Christian Council is headed by Annemerel Hohenleitner and includes Marian Snider, Bill Nock, Elsie Branchcomb, Judith Rinell, Jennie Williams Paul Hyde, Ross Hearing, John Ferdinansen and Myrtha Westenskow and Hilda Berreth.

### IRC Holds First Meet

The first regular meeting of the International Relations Club of Eastern Oregon college was held Wednesday noon, January 6, in the art room at Ackerman. The club's activities were explained to the new members and plans for the remainder of the year were discussed.

Mr. Gaiser, faculty adviser for the group, especially urged all the members there to bring their friends and to extend a general invitation to EOC students who are interested in current affairs.

Wednesday noon was set as the regular meeting time for the IRC, to be held in the Ackerman art room. Students are to bring their lunch or obtain it at the cafeteria.

### EOC Men With Uncle Sam

Lieutenant Wallace Sorenseth, who was reported as having brought down a Junkers 88 with a P-38 in North Africa, took his first flying training under the Civilian Pilot Training program of the Eastern Oregon College of Education during the summer of 1940.

Lieutenant Sorenseth, son of the Reverend and Mrs. H. V. Sorenseth, former pastor of the Nazarene church, attended Eastern Oregon college from the fall term of 1938 through the winter term of 1941. He graduated with a junior certificate.

Don Pyle Bill Hawes, Willard Johnson, Lyle Moorhead, and Beryl Courtney who were among the boys who left with the national guard, are now somewhere in the south Pacific.

John Victor has found the U. S. army a very steady occupation. He informs us that it is one job they refuse to fire him from.

Robert Harris is now in California where he is taking secondary training.

Sgt. Bob McClay is stationed in Texas.

Carl Mosley is now in the U. S. air corps.

Bob Scrivenr is in the army air corps.

The naval air corps has drawn Gordon Leonard, Rex Nelson, Bill Frieze.

Harry Carnes, who left EOC in the fall of 1940, is in the Canadian Air Force.

Phil Leonard, brother to Gordon Leonard and one time student of CAA at EOC, is home on delayed orders.

**EOCENE NOTES**

Teddy Hucker has received his call from the navy. Good luck Teddy.

EOCene hall finally has a song. It was chosen at an exchange dinner with the Dorion girls. Shirley Brady was the master mind, having submitted the best song. Other winners were Emily Otis, Arlene Peterson, Reine Rooney and Kathryn Harris.

It seems a girl wrote the EOCene notes this time. A telephone call supplied the information. What's the matter Tom? Is the flu too much.

Tom Coffman isn't the only one who has the plague at EOCene. John Shipley, Conrad Plotzooder, and Ross Downing also have it.

Shall we leave the rest for Tom to tell?

Production of pears has almost doubled in the United States during the past 20 years.

**A. R. C. Conference**

The American Red Cross held a five day conference on the EOC campus from January 3 to January 7, on preparedness for national emergencies and in conjunction with the national victory health drive which is now being put into action all over the United States. Miss Summerfeld spoke on the relief ship which was prepared for the prisoners on Bataan. In this connection she pointed out that the ARC cannot ship individual packages to prisoners of war. She also mentioned the fact that the men who loaded the ship in San Francisco returned all of their wages as donations to the ARC.

Mrs. Maxwell, head of the home disasters, spoke on the experiences she had in her work. She told of the Bandon fire, and how the ARC helped care for 750 people.

Mrs. Maxwell has been with the Red Cross for over 25 years.

Mr. Roberts and Mrs. C. A.

Tom discussed the Red Cross aquatic schools which are for the training of men and women in the first aid and accident branches of the ARC. Mr. Roberts also told about the work of the Red Cross in the army camps.

**O'Conner Entertains**

Mr. John O'Conner entertained the students of EOC at the regular assembly January 20, with several violin solos. He was accompanied by Mrs. O'Conner.

The rest of the assembly was devoted to announcements, a film from the office of information on tanks and a pep meeting during which several of the basketball squad said a few words.

It was also announced that the seating arrangement would be enforced.

Six-foot specimens of Australian earthworms are common. One grew to a length of 8 feet 6 inches.

**Beacon Plans New Column**

That no one likes a good swift kick is evident. That anyone appreciates a friendly pat on the back is also evident. That is the reasons the Beacon staff has decided to add a column of nice things about EOC students to its copy.

This column will consist of brief items submitted by any student who wishes to do so. Here is the procedure. Write your item on a slip of paper and drop it in one of the boxes which will be placed in Dorion hall and the administration building.

This column will be what you make it, so lets get behind it and give the Beacon school spirit, and your friends an invigorating pat on the back.

The body of one housefly was found to contain 6,000,000 bacteria.

**Musicale Precedes Dedication**

Preceding the dedication of Dorion Hall on Sunday, January 3, those present enjoyed a Musicale presented by Mr. Schilling. Many of the numbers were especially chosen to compliment the theme of "Home."

Those who participated were: Ivan French singing "The Pilgrim's Song" by Tchaikowsky and "Journey's End" by Foster, Mitzi Bohnenkamp playing "Chanson Triste" by Tchaikowsky on the viola, Lee Dickens playing "Fountain" by Ravel on the piano, Mr. Kaiser reading "Skyscrapers" and "Prayer of Steel" by Sandburd, Jean Jasper soloing on the string bass with "Dry Those Tears" by Teresa del Riego, and Lois Whealy singing "Homing" and "Danny Boy." Wyllamine Berkey and Lee Dickens did the accompanying.

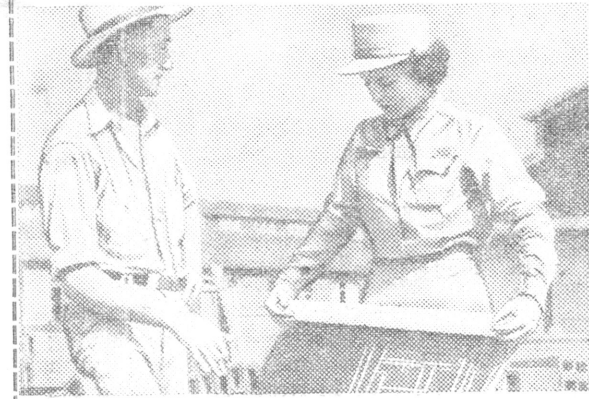
The musicale was enjoyed by all, and we all hope to have another in the near future.

**U. S. Army Announcement**

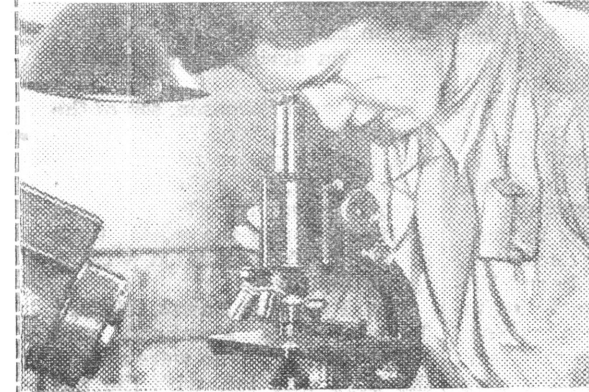
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## 'I Pledge Allegiance'

Every morning in the first grade room in Ackerman Hall one of the children stands before his classmates and in all the sincerity of a child leads the salute to the Flag. This procedure is carried out in various ways in most of the classrooms throughout the United States today. It is a part of E.O.C. assemblies which has a definite meaning to every student. To some it stands most of all for

freedom. To others it represents the right to plan and work for an education. To those who are in the services of our country it stands for all that is worth fighting to keep.

Since the flag means so much let us review the procedure for expressing our respect. Compton's Encyclopedia (vol. 5, page 102) states this correct form.

In pledging allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the approved practice in schools, which is suitable also for civilian adults, is as follows:

Standing with the right hand over the heart, all repeat the following pledge:

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands.

"One Nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

At the words "to the Flag" the right hand is extended, palm upward, toward the Flag and this position is held until the end of the affirmation, when the hand drops to the side.

## Mr. Mountaineer Praise Spirit of Beardless Youth

I saw Mr. Mountaineer the other day. He was walking across the campus with a fellow who appeared to be smooth shaven, but when I came abreast of them to say "Hi" in good old EOC fashion, the smooth-cheeked youth was earnestly questioning Mr. Mountaineer, whose beard was thick, and long, and black, and red, and blonde all at the same time.

"But, Mr. Mountaineer, how do you do it?" the youth pleaded. "I have not touched a razor to my face since the Christmas dance. You see, I wanted to get a head start on some of these fellows who always come up with winning chin whiskers for the Men's Club dance."

Mr. Mountaineer was plainly puzzled. He had used no special tonic to produce the hirsute growth on his broad, square chin. True the breeze of mountain lake and snow capped peak had beat upon his face; true the aromatic incense of balsam and pine had stirred the roots of his chin whiskers; true the blood had coursed hotly through his face as he had climbed a mountain, had run a broken field, had made a fast break upon the basketball court, or had stoked his courage to ask some fair Oregon lass to take a turn with him in a square. But as he mused, he recalled that the youth at his side had done many of these things, and yet the mark of manhood had not appeared on his chin.

Finally Mr. Mountaineer remembered. There was a prize offered for the fellow who had the finest beard. And so he spoke to the youth:

"Remember, there is a prize to the one with the scantiest growth."

"Yes, I know that," protested the youth, "but that is one of ridicule."

"That depends on what you mean by ridicule. It is true that all students laugh when mention is made of the fellow who can't grow a beard, but that is all in good fun. Whiskers are not the measure of the man. If you can take the harmless jibes of your fellow students and be a good

sport about the whole thing, people will say, 'Gee, he's a good sport. He can take it.' In your way you have entered into the spirit of the whole affair; you have shown that you have this fleeting thing called pep."

At that point the youth and I turned off to go to the gym and Mr. Mountaineer went on to Ackerman.

As we were entering the gym door the youth said, "Who is that whisker champion, anyway?"

I wasn't surprised that he didn't recognize Mr. Mountaineer behind his thick, and long, and black, and red, and blonde beard, and without rebuke I said: "That's Mr. Mountaineer. He's here; he's there; he's everywhere. He is the spirit of this place. He is that desire you have to throw a real-honest-to-goodness beard into the Whiskerino. You know, this idea just occurred to me. Do you know why his beard is thick, and long, and black, and red, and blonde all in one? He has the "wishful" beard, the "desire" beard of every true-blooded, full-spirited male on the EOC campus."

"Darned if I don't believe you are right," spoke the smooth-faced youth. "If a guy throws his razor away for the period designated by the Men's Club and lives up to the rules, it makes no difference whether he can grow a beard or not."

An area of nearly 250,000 square miles is covered by the Pennsylvania coal fields.

First telegraphic news dispatch was received at Baltimore, Md., on May 25, 1844.

## Miss Barnes Joins Faculty

Miss Mary Jean Barnes, the new W.T.S. instructor, comes to us from her home in Medford, Oregon. Miss Barnes is a pilot herself and is greatly interested in the training of flyers.

Before coming to E.O.C. Miss Barnes gave pre-flight instruction at the Medford high school. She is a graduate of the Southern Oregon College of Education and while there was laboratory assistant to Dr. Bradway.

When asked about hobbies, she replied that she had none; but when cross-examined admitted she liked all kinds of sports, including tennis, swimming, basketball and hiking, but war training takes her time now.

It pays to cultivate her acquaintance, for her mother makes delicious candy. She has lots of cute little horses around her room, too.

On being questioned about how she likes La Grande, she replied, "Fine except for the weather."

We welcome you to E.O.C.E., Miss Barnes, and hope that you enjoy your stay here.

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### Mountaineers Score High

Coach Bob Quinn brought his Mountaineers back from a successful trip loosing only one game to the College of Idaho to the tune of 39 to 32 and winning from Boise Jr. college, Northwest Nazarene, and the first game with the College of Idaho. It seems Andrews, flashy Mountaineer guard, has top honors for high score being followed closely by Jones and Peavy. Individual scores:

**EOC (50)** Pos. (45) **Boise JC**  
 Oas (4) ..... F ..... (7) Kelly Peavy (10) ..... F ..... (9) Brown Jones (14) ..... C ..... (4) Mather Andrews (11) ..... G ..... (17) Kendal West (7) ..... G ..... (8) Horsefall Reserves — Eastern Oregon, Bohnenkamp (2), Anderson (2).

**EOC (38)** Pos. (35) **Caldwell**  
 Bohnenkamp, 6, F. (2) Williams Peavy (4) ..... F ..... Lalboy Jones (5) ..... C ..... (14) Bomlaré Andrews (9) ..... G ..... (11) Millbrock West (6) ..... G ..... (6) Posley Reserves — Eastern Oregon,

### Song Contest Winners Announced

The winners of the EOCene song contest were announced in the regular assembly given January 13. First place went to Shirley Brady. Emily Otis and Arlene Peterson took second place. Third place was captured by Reine Rooney and Katherine

Anderson (7), Huff, Millering, Oas; Caldwell — Peterson (2), Murphy (2), Evans (2).

Stork Powell, tall center for the frosh, led scoring closely followed by Glen Dougherty, forward. In the game with Union, Dougherty proved the man of the hour by sinking one of his shots in the last second of the game. The game was nip and tuck all the way but ended tuck for the frosh.

Individual scores:  
**Frosh (33)** Pos. (32) **Union**  
 Noland (6) ..... F ..... (4) Baum Dougherty, 10 F ..... (9) Terral Powell (10) ..... C ..... (8) Chenault Burnett (1) ..... G ..... Johansen Larsen (6) ..... G ..... (9) Irons Reserves — Frosh, Leonard, Pleger, Zessen, Platoder, French, Worrell, Allen.  
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 Union—Johnson, Briggs.

The province of Quebec Canada, produced wheat valued at \$512,000 in 1939.

### DORION NOTES

A new name, and New Year resolutions—but just the same we've dug up some juicy items for collectors' ears!

Lucky us! We have three new members, Tina Edwards and Dorothy Janey, freshmen; and Margaret Muzzey, a transfer. Best wishes, girls.

Wow! This key hole reporter has crossed eyes from trying to keep track of the many sparklers on co-ed fingers. Misses Brady, Diebold, Mead, Faucette, Dickens, and Wallace—may we congratulate the lucky fellows?

Have you seen Cesspool Wolfgang Peabody? Cute is the word. Several of the girls have become attached to him.

Don't breathe a word, but a few of the Dorion Hall windows have been washed.

All the Dorion girls extend their sincere appreciation to all those who helped make the christening a success. Four stars for Mr. Schilling and Mr. Kaiser and Dr. Maaske.

Miss Graham's rooms were invaded by a snippy cutey who stayed for the night. Perhaps it would pay to spend an evening at home, Missouri?

As far as telephone calls go, Yolanda Allen still holds top score.

Pendleton isn't too far away, is it Erma?

Have you seen Aleene's picture collection? We think it even beats McCarty's.

Who is the beautiful masculine voice that takes it for granted that you always answer the phone, so starts off the conversation with "Hello, dear." We were speaking to you, Arlene P.

### Tom Harris Sends Greetings to EOC

My Dear Lucile;  
 I sure enjoyed your note and Christmas card.

Please thank Dr. Maaske for the picture he sent to me of evensong. It is those things that I think of when I hear the song, "This Is Worth Fighting For."

I have seen many amazing things happen here and do like the country and all that goes with Florida. There are only 46 other states I wouldn't trade for it. We will exclude Texas. Oregon is by far prettier and even the nicer. I hear from many.

Will you put a notice on the bulletin board for me? It should read: I wish to thank all the students and faculty who sent me greetings throughout the holiday season. I did have a happy holiday season and your remembrances made these days merry and bright.

Cpl. Milton E. Harris  
 Still just "Tom"

### Jenkins Corrects Beacon Copy Error

(Editor's note: The following letter was received from Jack Jenkins by Lyle Salkield, business manager for the Beacon. Jack acted as business manager for the paper for three years and is well known among upper classmen.)

Cherry Point, N. C.  
 December 1, 1942

Dear Lyle:

I received a copy of the Beacon today. It was mighty fine to have another look at the old "rag."

Reading through a list of men in the armed service, I noticed I was in the army. Now the army's all right, but, with all I have had to take to become a full fledged Marine, it's kinda bad to be called a "dogface." My buddies down here suggest I put the paper straight. I see where a great number of fellows have reserve officer status. That's a good thing; as long as they stay in school preparing for what will eventually come, the majority will breeze through their respective training with little trouble.

After completion of "boot" training in San Diego, I was assigned to an aviation unit at Naval Air Station, Coronado, Calif. From Coronado I was detailed to quartermaster work in Toledo, Ohio. October 31 I was transferred to Third Marine aircraft Wing, Quartermaster Office, Cherry Point, N. C.

My stay in Toledo was perfect. Toledo was a super liberty town, and with Detroit only fifty miles away, you couldn't ask for more. I saw some good football games this fall at Ann Arbor. Michigan certainly has a grand machine; no reserves though.

I hear from Dick and Ted quite often. They seem to be holding up their end of the situation well. Dick says he can't see a (censored) lot of difference in being a Beaver or a Moun-

taineer. Ted is in the middle stage of training. Don't think we have to worry about Ted not getting by; do you? While I think of it, tell Norm West to write when he has time. As one Marine to another we gotta keep the situation in hand.

Sincerely,  
 Jack.

P. S. I would appreciate a Beacon whenever it comes out.

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# THE BEACON

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## Sock and Buskin Present Hamlet

### Frosh Postpone Planned Party

Due to conflicts on the social calendar, the freshman party has been postponed to March 5. It was originally set for February 19.

Dorothy School is general chairman for the affair.

### EOCE MEN IN SERVICE

Claire "Wolf" Rasmussen spent a day on the campus of EOC. He took his first training at Corpus Christi, Texas. His next stop was Miami where he took pre-operation training. In San Diego he received his carrier qualifications and a 15 day leave. Rasmussen is a torpedo bomber pilot in the naval air corps. When he returns he expects to fly a Grumman avenger. When asked how he liked the navy he stated that he "likes it fine," but "it's good to get back to see everybody."

L. D. (Lonnie) Shurtleff, formerly an instructor in the CPT program and known to most second and third year students, is now studying radio at Medlin air port, Caldwell, Idaho, and has been advanced to flight examiner.

Sgt. Pilot Harry Karns also spent some time on the campus recently. Karns joined the RCAF in November 1941 because he "couldn't wait—wanted to see the world." He likes Canada and says "They treat us wonderful;" but he also says "There is nothing like Ya Grande that I can find." Sgt. Pilot Karns received his training in eastern Canada. He expects to apply for his commission of pilot officer when he returns to Canada. He is then going over seas for combat duty.

J. R. Shinneman, also a CPT student, is on active duty somewhere in the war zone with the U. S. fleet.

Bill Cantrel, former CPT student, has received his commission at Corpus Christi and has landed somewhere overseas with the marines.

Word has been received that Harrison "Buzz" Zurbrick has been promoted to captain. Zurbrick received part of his college work at EOC. His air corps training was received at Maxwell and Lowry fields. He has also been an instructor at Stock-



ton field and at Kirtkaw field in California. While at Rosewell Air Base in New Mexico, he was in charge of the Bomber trainers. After completing his training he expects to be sent overseas.

### Patriotism Is Theme of Colonial Ball

The Colonial Ball, held Friday, February 19th, had a dominant patriotic theme, from decorations and floorshow to corsages worn. The walls were adorned with silhouettes of George Washington, flags, and bunting shields. The old-fashioned inn was on the stage, and tables were placed for serving of punch.

An entertaining floor-show included a minuet by Judy Peters, Joan Skeen, and Mary Riese of Ackerman, and Alta Baker, Loretta Cook, and Donna Carver of the Junior High. These girls have been taking a dancing class from Miss Gillanders. Also, Shirley Coleman played Boogie Woogie and the Mens Octett sang Dance, My Comrades and The Band.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bower were very pleased to win the elimination waltz. Congratulations!

A five-piece orchestra was obtained from Pendleton, and was enjoyed by all.

Clarice Notheis wishes to express her thanks to all who helped to make the dance such a success.

The girls wore corsages made of war savings stamps.

General chairman of the ball Clarice Notheis.

Committee heads were: Refreshments, Wilma Bowers; decoration, Mary Margaret Kennedy and Virginia Wilcox, co-chairmen; invitations and programs, Frances Boyd and Ruth Read co-chairmen; flor show, Fay Andrews; orchestra, Mary Jane Faucette; publicity, Ruth Cox; clean-up, Dorothy Scholl.

This formal dance was for the entire student body, and is sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association.

### Rooney Rules Sweethearts

The reigning queen of the Sweetheart Ball, held February 12th, was Miss Reine Rooney. Attending her were Princess Shirley Brady and Catherine Fridley.

The many guests were delighted with the dainty decorations in red and white. Over the mantel was a large silhouette of an old-fashioned couple, large lace valentines were on opposite walls, and the beau parlor doors were hung with streamers to form red hearts. Mary Jane Faucette, who was in charge of decorations, gives the credit to Ken Peterson for his fine display of talent.

The high spot of the evening came when the assembled guests learned for the first time, as did the queen and the princesses, who the royal party were. The queen and her attendants are chosen by popular vote of the Dorian girls and the results are kept secret. Dr. Maaske placed the crown on the head of Miss Rooney.

Kathryn Harris was responsible for the cute programs which are splendid souvenirs. Catherine Fridley, Aleene Barton, Frances Boyd, and Shirley Brazille were members of the refreshment committee.

To the unnamed heroes — Many of you who remember always that going to college is not just "getting" but its "giving" something to help the college on the forward path.

### Hamlet Has Action Aplenty



Bob Kiddle (left) and Charles Reynolds here portray a bit of fencing action which was seen in EOCE production of Hamlet at the college auditorium.

### College Christian Council Second Annual Conference Proves Success

The second annual College Christian Council conference on "Christianity and You—Today," held February 5, 6 and 7, was well attended and proved successful. The conference began with an assembly at 10:20 Friday morning. The speaker was Dr. Bruce R. Baxter, Bishop, Methodist church for the Portland area. The invocation was given by Rev. Mark A. Talney.

The group discussion leaders held their luncheon at Dorion hall. Drs. Baxter and Warrington were in charge.

The second general assembly was held at 2:10, Friday afternoon. Dr. E. W. Warrington gave an address on "I Am a Realist." Dr. Warrington is director of religious education at Oregon State college.

Immediately following the afternoon assembly, discussion groups were held. The topics of these groups were "Can religion be taught in the classroom without creating ill will? Are Christianity and democracy cooperating for a new world order?" and "How Does God Help You to Live?" The discussions were led by Hilda Berreth, Annamerle Hohenleitner, and Paul Hyde. The recorders were Julian Van Beveren, Virginia Wilcox, and Marion Snider.

Dr. Baxter spoke on "God's Requirements from You," at EOCene hall Friday evening.

The Friday program culminated in an assembly held at 7:30. Dr. Warrington presided. Entertainment was furnished by the A Cappella choir, directed by Kenneth Schilling. The group discussion leaders gave a brief summary of each discussion and presented questions to be discussed by the panel of consultants. Members of the panel were Dr. E. W. Warrington, Dr. Bruce R. Baxter, and Rev. Irvin S. Motz. The conference was summarized by Dr. Baxter. The benediction was given by Father M. J. McMahon.

Saturday forenoon was held open for individual conferences with Dr. Warrington. At noon he spoke at EOCene hall. The evening was given over to a fireside at Dorion hall. All students were invited.

The All-College Vesper Hour,

### Large Audience Attends 'Hamlet' Production Here

A capacity audience thrilled to Director Alvin R. Kaiser's modern costume version of Hamlet with Charles Reynolds starring as the melancholy Hamlet and Frank Howard portraying Hamlet's treacherous stepfather.

Reynolds in his portrayal of Hamlet never once let the audience realize that he was not Hamlet. He lived the part, and the audience lived it with him, from his beginning depression, through the stage of feigned insanity, to his final suicide.

Hamlet received excellent support from Frank Howard, as his scornful stepfather; from Bob Tribe as Polonius, the meddling Lord Chamberlain; and from Viv Brown as his friend, Horatio.

Marion Snider as Gertrude, gave the audience reason to wonder why more than one man hadn't been killed because of her.

Ophelia, portrayed by Catherine Mead, seemed the most tragic figure of the play.

Laertes, portrayed by Bob Kiddle, starred brilliantly in the climactic scenes.

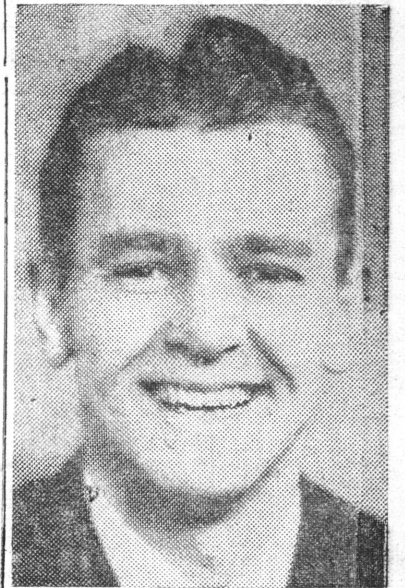
John Allen, as the ghost of Hamlet's father, was indeed ghostly, and Elmer Zessin and John Martin as the soldiers, Marcellus and Bernardo, lent a realistic touch to their encounter with the ghost on the darkened stage.

Ruth Hulse, Lois Whealy and Helen Tippin, the players who were engaged by Hamlet to act the scene of his father's death in pantomime before the court, left no doubt in the audiences mind as to how the act was committed.

Catherine Tom was the prompter.

Alvin R. Kaiser, director of the production, also demonstrated his ability as an actor by acting as the narrator during the play. Bob Pierce was the narrator through the many practices of the cast.

Members of the production staff were Leone Thorne, stage manager; Kathryn Harvison, Floyd Chrusoskie, Lyle Salkield, business managers; Bob Pike,



light manager; Bob Pierce, sound manager; Ruth Cox, Maye Kirkpatrick, Jennie Williams, Mary Jane Faucette, house managers; Susan Davis, Ruth Hulse, Lee Dickens, costume managers; Fredericka Spaeth, Marvel Falow, Fay Andrews, Hilda Berreth, property managers.

The stage was designed and built as a project for the play production class by Judith Rineell, Phyllis Courtright, Erma Derrick, Betty Cook, Emily Loening, Carol Spence, Jessie Mae Sanders, Helen Lindsay, Annabelle McDonald, Reine Rooney.

### FTA Plans March Meeting

The next meeting of the F. T. A. will be held March 2, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Miller. The topic to be discussed that evening is: the superintendent's qualifications for teachers and some tips on personal interview. This is to be led by some superintendent and all questions which you would like to bring up about this subject will be welcome. All the third year students are specially urged to attend.

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Editor's note: More people could be used on the staff. Any person interested is urged to contact the editor or the advisor. Specific staff appointments will be made later.)

## Coach Bob Quinn Speaks Gently

Coach Quinn, our basketball mentor, is a great coach. The first night of the stand against Lewiston his first team met with misfortune and were six, big, very big points behind at the half, and it looked like the EOC team was doomed to defeat. But it was an entirely dif-

ferent story in the second half. The boys wiped out the margin against them and won the game.

What Coach Quinn said to his team during the rest period was so potent that we made inquiry upon the subject. We are told that he did not scold his players, but that he quietly and

courteously explained to each man what to do and what not to do. Evidently the players knew that the advice was good and they responded so eagerly and so nobly that the spectators nearly cheered the roof off the gymnasium.

Apparently a good coach who knows his subject can speak softly and in a gentlemanly manner and get results. It is not necessary that a coach talk like a fog horn and treat his men like they were the scum of the earth. We suspect that Coach Quinn succeeds because he has a good head as well as a good heart. The theory must be sound because the army is moving in the same direction we are told, and the policy clicks.

Both games against Lewiston Normal showed that our boys could match speed with speed and come out on the big end. The first night was marked by the wonderful defensive play of Willard Jones in covering Chase, the big center. All of the boys in the first game looked good,

## A Message From Mr. Miller

Each of us is confronted today with problems as great as any that have concerned people at any time in the history of democracy. The major question asked by all is "How can we be of most worth to our country?" In addition to our thoughts on the war effort, we must also constantly keep in mind what we can do now to prepare ourselves to give greatest service when the war is over.

There are many jobs that are essential to the welfare of the

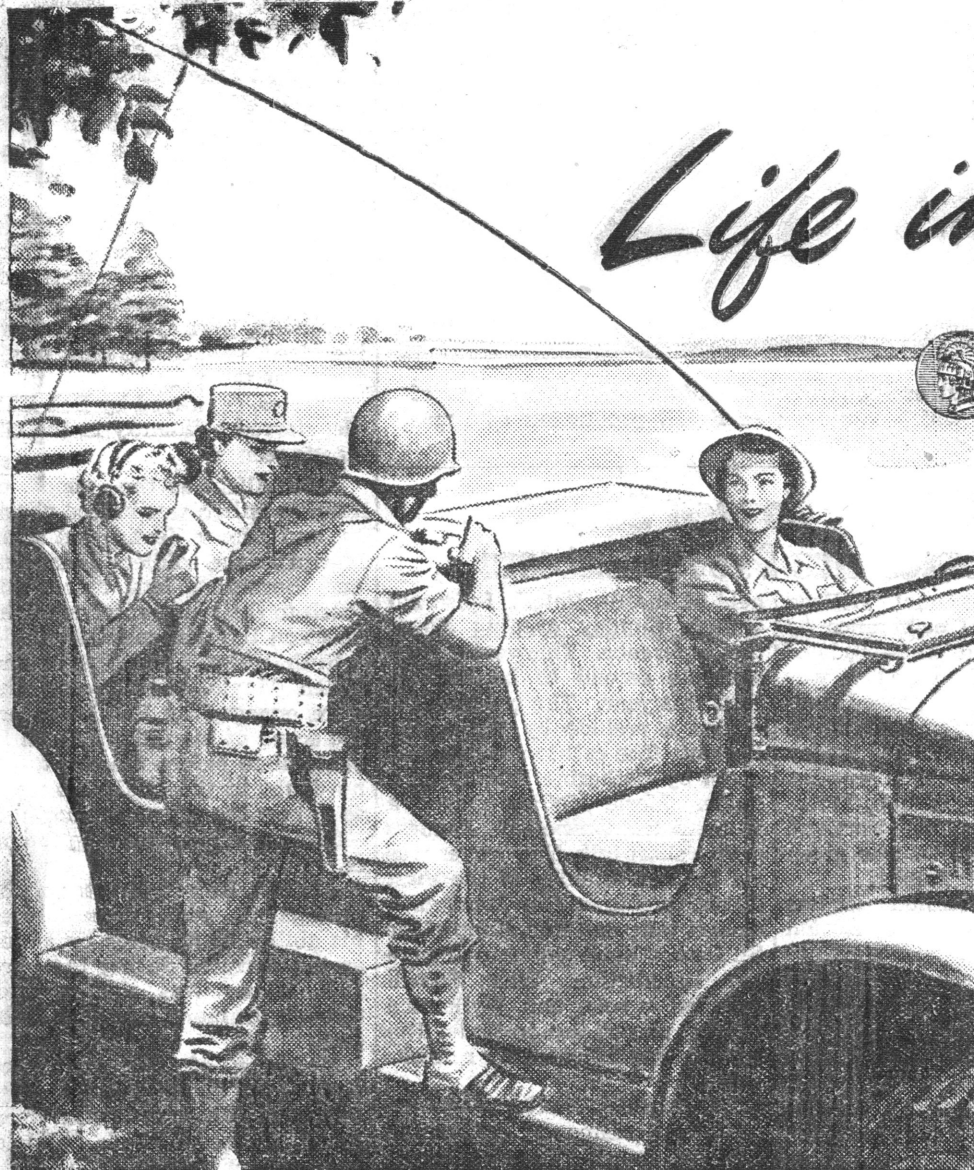
passed well and hit that bucket.

In the second game the going was a bit rough for a while — then the lads started clicking like they should. You can't pick out any individual star in this club as they are a five-man team — all working together — when a team scores 133 points in two nights you can see what I mean.

country, that seem on the surface not to be directly connected with the war effort. This is illustrated by the need for trained teachers, doctors, nurses, dentists, engineers and many other occupations. When one analyzes the situation it becomes evident that one of the important things that a young person can do today is to stay in school, and prepare himself for a greater service later. This of course means a careful planning of work to be done, and then, to expend all effort necessary to attain the objectives set up.

Are we as members of the Eastern Oregon College community carefully analyzing the situation from week to week and making plans that will keep us to do the job that will be of most worth to our country? Are we putting forth every effort to get the background and to know the details and techniques of that job, so that regardless of what may happen, we can be of greatest service?

Director of Teacher Training  
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# Life in the WAAC

Some questions and answers of interest to every patriotic college woman

### The drilling sounds so strenuous—!



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### Maybe I wouldn't like the work?



People are happiest doing what they do well. Every effort is made to place you where your service will count most toward final Victory. You may have some latent talent that will fill a particular need for work interesting and new to women — such as repairing the famous secret bombsight, rigging parachutes, operating the fascinating new electronic devices — or driving an Army jeep over foreign terrain.

### Then I have a chance to learn something new?



Yes, indeed. And the list of WAAC duties grows constantly. The training and experience you get in the WAAC may equip you for many stimulating new careers opening up for women.

### What are my chances of promotion?



Excellent. The Corps is expanding rapidly and needs new officers, both commissioned and noncommissioned. Those who join now have the best chances. All new officers now come up through the ranks. If qualified, you may obtain a commission in 12 weeks after beginning basic training.

### What is the age range and other requirements?



Very simple. You may join if you are a U. S. citizen, aged 21 to 44, inclusive, at least 5 feet tall and not over 6 feet, in good health — regardless of race, color or creed. But the Army needs you now — don't delay. Total War won't wait!

**Linguists needed.** If you speak and write Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Russian, French, German or Italian, see your local Army recruiting office now! You are needed for interpreting, cryptography, communications.

### First of all, is the WAAC really needed?



Emphatically yes! Already the President has authorized the Corps to expand from 25,000 to 150,000. The Air Forces and Signal Corps have asked for thousands of WAAC members to help with vital duties. Both Ground Forces and Services of Supply are asking for thousands more. Members of the WAAC may be assigned to duty with the Army anywhere — some are already in Africa and England.

### Can the WAAC really help win the war?



The whole idea of the WAAC is to replace trained soldiers needed at the front. If American women pitch in now to help our Army (as women in Britain, Russia and China do), we can hasten Victory — and peace.

### What can my college education contribute?



College training is important equipment for many WAAC duties too long to list. Cryptography, drafting, meteorology, laboratory work, Link trainer and glider instructing, for example. If you are a senior you may enroll at once and be placed on inactive duty until the school year ends. See your WAAC faculty adviser for more details.

### But can I live comfortably on WAAC pay?



There are few civilian jobs in which you could earn clear income, as WAAC enrolled members do, of \$50 to \$138 a month — with all equipment from your toothbrush to clothing, food, quarters, medical and dental care provided. WAAC officers earn from \$150 to \$333.33 a month.

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### EOCENE NOTES

Since the last time your reporter was able to present views on the home front, many incidents of mentionable importance have occurred.

Because the army has sent an invitation to our boys, Bill Emmons, Glen Daugherty, and Wilfred Daggett left school for a short vacation before going into active service.

Old EOCene Hall is feeling the blows that the army is dealing her. Don Andrews received a telegram asking him to be ready to go immediately upon notice. Several other fellows do not expect to be here long.

On the sick list for January were Conrad Platzoeder, Ross Downing, John Shipley, and Tom Coffman. We regretfully say that Platzoeder, Downing, and Shipley had to be confined to the hospital.

Mercy me, of all the sick lists. Floyd Langsev, son of Mr. and Mrs. Langsev of Silverton, Oregon, has been confined to the hospital with the measles. We of EOCene Hall are surely proud of Floyd, because measles are a

### AWS Holds Installation

Emily Loening was installed as president of the AWS at a meeting held February 6, in the Ackerman kindergarten room. Judith Rinnell was elected and installed in the office of vice-president. Miss Loening replaces Kay Andrews who did not return to college this year. Miss Rinnell fills the office left open by Miss Loening.

The program for the meeting included a reading by Inez Wellman—"A Letter From a Lonesome Soldier," "Sympathy" by Elizabeth Foley, and "Short'n Bread," sung by Wyllamine Berkeley. Jesse Mae Sanders gave a piano solo. A skit "He Didn't Propose" was given by the initiates of WAA.

A high light of the meeting was an explanation of the GSO and the organization of a group to sponsor a dance for the men in the service to be given the following Friday. Mrs. Blackburn led this explanation.

Tea was served with Miss Arta Lawrence pouring.

lot worse than mumps.

When Ross Downing was told he was going to have the measles, he immediately headed for Wallowa. The morning mail brought news that he is recovering from his malady, although we don't expect him back before next term.

About three weeks ago we had an exchange dinner with Dorion Hall. Following the dinner there was a dance in the living room. A good time was had by all.

The old house down the hill has gone through a crisis in the past two weeks. Our president, Ross Hearing, because of his duties at school, felt that he could not handle the job to the best of his ability. Under these circumstances, plus the disturbances from the army, Ross resigned his presidency.

These are trying times and a position of this type is a very difficult one to fill. After much talk and consideration Don Andrews was elected. Congratulations, Don, and we are looking forward to a bright future.

### WTS Men Urged To Join Choir

Mr. Schilling has cordially invited all WTS men who are interested in singing to join the A Cappella choir during their stay at EOC. The choir practices at 11:00 on Tuesday and Thursday.

The choir presented a concert one-half hour in length for the Lion's Club February 8. A similar concert was presented at the Rotary Club the following Wednesday. On February 14, the choir gave the first of a series of 5 concerts to be presented at 5 different churches on successive Sundays at the First Christian Church. The second concert was given at the First Baptist Church. The other three will be held in the First Methodist Church, St. Peter's Episcopal Church and the First Presbyterian Church respectively.

### Dagwood Party Amuses Girls

A Dagwood party, from mustard to olives via devious and tasty routes, was enjoyed by members of Sigma Alpha Chi, women's scholastic honorary on the campus on the evening of February 17.

The members met at 5:30 in the cafeteria at Ackerman. After a preliminary game, the members were free to let their imaginations be their guides in the concoction of their sandwiches. All sorts of ingredients were provided; all that was needed was a combination ingenuity and appetite.

The buying was done by Miss Zabel, Elaine Coleman, and Susan Davis; Gladys Keeney helped in the kitchen. Catherine Fridley and Jean Jasper were in charge of games.

Mabel Morton, honorary member of Sima Alpha Chi, was also present.

The group adjourned at 7:15 since many of the members had duties in connection with the play, Hamlet.

Everyone agreed that if Dagwood were present, he would step right out of the funny papers to sample some of these splendid examples of the food-trick that he has made famous.

### Dorion Notes

Around the hall these days there is quite a bit of subdued excitement concerning applications for jobs. Gosh but it seems such a short time away that we will be considered staid old school-ma'ams.

Margery Muzzey is the first to set the trend in Dorion today; she has joined the W.A.A.C.'s. Margery will finish out the school year before reporting for duty in the messenger service, however. Good luck.

What is this we hear, Mary Jane? Are you starting to collect handkerchiefs too?

Emily's sister visited with her Friday. Nice!

We are glad to see you back from the mumps, Dorothy S.

Reine has graduated from queen of the kitchen (a long held post) to Queen of our hearts. Reine says she feels just like Cinderella. Princess Shirley Brady and Catherine Fridly announce that the feeling is unanimous.

We are sure you couldn't have missed the reverberations, but did you know that Inez, Colleen, and Gwen slept in the second floor hall Friday night?

If you've been wondering who the new young lady on second is, just ask any Dorion girl. She is sure to be a good friend of Mrs. Gorby, for Mrs. Gorby has found a way into the heart of every girl. Confidentially, she gives good advice on any thing from love affairs to the latest fashions, and very usable advice, too.

We girls of Dorion Hall were very pleased to have Dr. Baxter and Dr. Warrington as our guests for lunch and tea; we enjoyed their talks immensely.

Valentine's Day was accompanied, as usual, with many boxes of chocolates, and huge beribboned verses; more newly with telegrams from the armed forces. Haven't heard of any one who was disappointed—at least Ackerman students never forget.

Shirley Brady tells us that Dor has joined the navy. Cay Mead and Mary Jean are

### WAA Holds Dinner

February 11th a dinner was held in Ackerman Cafeteria for all girls who took part in W.A.A. basketball. Those who enjoyed playing a spirited tournament were Nina Wells, head of basketball, Helen Tippin, Elsie Branchcomb, Leone Thorne, Catherine Fridley, Clarice Nothers, Betty Knight, Dora Brooks, Wilma Bowers, Hilda Berreth, Kathryn Harris, Virginia Wilcox, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Elaine Coleman, Shirley Brazille, Jennie Williams, Patty Jean Leonard, and Lois Whealy.

At the next meeting of W.A.A. these girls and many others will receive awards.

especially popular frequently—those packages of delicious cookies from home always help.

Aleene Barton certainly receives long distance calls at odd hours of the night. Or should we say all hours.

Awful sorry to disappoint the boys, but we have not been able to trace down a single case of hysterics resulting from the fire call of last week.

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### Mountaineers In Line for Tournament

Coach Bob Quinn has challenged the Bearcats of Willamette University to a series of games the purpose of which is to determine which of the two teams ranks highest in line for the trip to Kansas City in March. The Bearcats are the assumed winners of the Northwest conference.

Although Jean Eberhardt, chairman of the district board for Oregon, has sponsored Eastern Oregon's entry in the tournament, the invitation from E. S. Liston, executive secretary-treasurer of the national tournament, has not yet arrived, but is expected soon.

Eberhardt pointed out that this will be the "last chance for the duration" for Eastern Oregon, and probably for any Oregon team. From a purely local standpoint, virtually every member of the Mountaineer team is earmarked for a specific branch of the U. S. armed services, and they have been winning games all season with the thought in the back of their minds that a championship might offer them their final opportunity for collegiate sports participation for representing the Eastern Oregon area in "big-time" sports.

The Steamboat Inspection Service was started July 7, 1838.

### Mr. Mountaineer Burns Some Hay

I met Mr. Mountaineer the other day, and, in the modern slang, "was he ever burned up?" He was sitting over on the hill of the campus on a big snowdrift (that was before the thaw), and he had his old corn-cob loaded with "hay" of some kind that produced a smudge black enough to be an oil fire. I thought at first that the flame from his "Iowa Meerschbaum" was producing the heat in his temper, but when I came close enough to really detect what was going on, I knew the heat was deeper than just a surface blaze.

I was tapping the loose tobacco out of the butt of a cigarette when he hailed me. "Hey, come over her before you light that, buddy," he called. There was something about his tone that made me follow his command.

When I reached his side he counted to "ten, drew a deep breath, and then calmy through his agitation he said: "I know you are not the only one to whom I should speak, but I believe that you should be informed. There is sort of a tradition around this school that no student smokes on the campus. Well, somehow that tradition seems to have been lost or dropped." He drew deeply and exhaled a black cloud before he went on. "Of course, I burn just about as much "hay" as the next one, but I have never in my stay here rubbed out a cigarette butt on the floor of any building or on any sidewalk on the campus. I know there is a smoking room, but too many of the fellows have forgotten to go there before lighting their cagarettes."

I snuffed my cagarette in the snow bank and replied, "But Mr. Mountaineer, traditions are made by those who attend a school and tradition changes with each generation."

He knocked the ashes out of his pipe before he spoke again. "I now I'm a bit old fashioned on this score, but I'd still be happier if there weren't so many cigarette butts all over the place."

I bade Mr. Mountaineer goodbye and crossed over toward the administration building where I met a fellow student. He inquired, "Who is that old coot over there anyway? He called me over a moment ago and

### News Briefs

On the afternoon of January 31st, Lois Davidson was the guest of honor at a surprise party celebrating her 18th birthday on February 1st.

Among the ten guests attending were: Nina Wells, Gere Jones, Ellen Greiner, Mary Perry and Dorothy Wallis. Happy birthday, Lois.

Gladys Keeney has been proudly showing some foreign money received from her husband in the armed forces in Africa.

Have you noticed those new sparklers on the fingers of Polly Hall, Doris Dodge and Helen Jean Moon.

Leon Peavy evidently thinks the high school has something the college doesn't.

Praise is due Bob Pierce for his efficient and dependable service as student body business manager. Bob your work for EOC is greatly appreciated!

Hats off to you Clarice Motheis for the high-ranking Colonial Ball. By the way that was a real orchestra.

Tina Edwards, those many books you carry around! They reflect real industry for a freshman.

A bouquet for Mr. Schilling and his 50 a cappella choir members who are singing several Sunday evening sacred concerts at various La Grande churches. It means precious time spent for every member but it will bring the splendid music of the college choir to many people of the community for the first time.

Ross, we owe much to your leadership as student body president this year. Keep up the good work!

To all those members of the faculty and student body who have helped prepare this first column of briefs belongs this hearty thanks.

bawled me out for smoking on the campus."

"He isn't just an old coot; he's Mr. Mountaineer." I looked back toward the snowdrift, and all that remained there was a small cloud of smoke. "Mr. Mountaineer is the spirit of this place. He is everything this place is. He talked to me about tradition, but he really is tradition around here."

"But what right has he to talk of a no-smoking tradition when there is a smoking room in the main building?"

"Well, I don't quite agree with everything he said," I replied, "but I know from now on that I'll do my smoking in the room designed for that purpose, and I won't be particularly pleased when I stumble upon a cigarette butt in the main hall, or back stage, or in a classroom."

### Former Students Marry January 23

Miss Dora Herron was married to Ernest F. Brooks of the U. S. Navy on Saturday, January 23, at 3:45 p. m. The bride wore a teal-blue tailored suit with black accessories and a corsage of Talisman rose buds. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Motz of the Methodist church. Only members of the immediate families were present.

After the ceremony the party went to the Sacajawea Hotel for dinner.

Mrs. Brooks is remaining in La Grande to finish her work at EOCE.

Mr. Brooks is a former student at EOCE and is an aviation machinists mate, second class, of the U. S. Navy, and was stationed at Pensacola, Florida.

### Phi Beta Sigma Admits 10 Members

PHI BETTA SIGMA Beacon H

Phi Beta Sigma recently admitted ten new members whose primary initiation was held Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Ackerman school, followed by a formal initiation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller attended the informal initiation and were guests at the supper held afterward in the Ackerman cafeteria.

The new members are: George Bowers, Francis Boyd, Ruth Read, Wylamine Berkey, Frankie Howard, Helen McCarty, Cay Mead, Helen Lindsay, Carol Spence, and La Vonne Alsop.

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## EOC Becomes Training Center

### Faculty Groups Combine

Surprises, laughs—and plenty of them—rewarded all students who attended the faculty assembly on February 23, and proved that E. O. C. faculty members are not only a very talented group but also great sports.

The assembly, for which Mr. Gaiser acted as master of ceremonies, opened with a smash hit in which Miss Zabel, Mr. Skeen, Mr. Kaiser, Mr. Johnson, Miss Gillanders, Dr. Davis, and Mr. Gaiser depicted in both manner and dress a group of typical college students—yes, chewing gum, anklets, red hats, et al.

Mr. Skeen, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kaiser and Mr. Gaiser got together for a little close harmony on "Who Done It?" and "Home on the Range," apparently enjoying it as much as did their audience.

A most unusual tuba solo by Dr. Davis left the audience wondering if they were suffering from auditory delusions when a most flute-like melody greeted their ears. Could Mr. Schillings' silvery flute have been concealed in the mammoth horn?

Miss Gillander's dance interpretation, The Arkansas Traveler, was most enhanced by a chic "mustachio," and rustic hill billy attire.

Houdini the second, in the person of Mr. Quinn, though not exactly an escape artist, captured the hearts of his audience with a bit of hocus pocus, bally-hoo, and a juggling act. Amazing phenomena—disappearing lighted cigars and an animated straw hat cannot be explained by the old "he had it up his sleeve" theory.

Dr. Maaske led the audience in some friendly and spirited singing while the on-stage cast prepared for their closing number, a patriotic pageant entitled "Fun to Be Free."

Bob Pierce in charge of the public speaker system, helped with the musical background for the pageant.

### Christian Council Makes Plans

Now that the army is here and the U. S. O. is well under way its is a good time to begin our work as planned by the College Christian Council. In order to have first-hand information concerning the problems and solutions of the soldier students, the student body sent a representative to Salem, Oregon, to take part in a conference held there to help the faculty and students cooperate in a religious movement for the soldier students.

The religious movement will be carried on in such a manner as to give ample opportunity to the soldier student to take his problems to those who will be of most help to him. The Ministerial Association of La Grande has volunteered very graciously to be of any assistance of which it may be called.

These men will be going to your churches, joining your clubs and will take active part in any recreation. It is up to us to do our part in furthering the world's cause through the high motives set up by religious organizations. We are the builders of tomorrow.

### A MESSAGE FROM DR. DAVIS

#### THE SUM OF HUMAN HISTORY

Charles Austin Beard, the noted historian, was once asked how long it would take him to sum up all human history. He thought it would take him a month. Then, on further reflection, he revised his estimate, saying it could be done in a week. Still further deliberating over the idea, he said: "I can do it now, in four phrases."

"And what are the four phrases?" asked the friend.

"These: (1) 'Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad.' (2) 'Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceedingly small.' (3) 'The bee always fertilizes the flower which it robs.' (4) 'It is only after darkness falls that man can see the stars.'"

In the light of present-day world conditions, who are they

who are slated for destruction? Those whom the lust of power has made mad. What is the lesson of all injustice, oppression, crime, wrong, evil, war, thought-out all time? They right themselves in time, and retribution comes — "they grind exceedingly small."

Out of evil often comes good. The Civil war was horrible, but out of it came a united nation. Feudal oppression was a terror, but from it came the Magna Charta. From travail and oppression was begun this nation. Fertility follows robbery. In every period of the world's history turmoil has been followed by the Stars.

Darkness has now fallen on the earth in many places. But it is only in darkness that men see the stars. Does it mean a new birth of religion, a new sense of justice, a new era? History will answer.

### EOCE MEN IN SERVICE

Among those to graduate from Weather Field this month was Roy Klinghammer of La Grande. He is now stationed in Arizona and is a service pilot. He expects to receive a commission as second lieutenant in the army air corps.

Sgt. Willard B. Johnston of La Grande is the first EOC man to receive the Purple Heart medal for wounds received in action in the southwest Pacific area. He is recuperating in a hospital somewhere in that area.

Sgt. Johnston attended EOC during 1938 and 1939 and was a member of the football team at that time.

Second Lieutenant L. J. (Roy) Ayers spent a short time on the campus. He is stationed at Camp Hood, Texas.

Harvey De Moss of the U. S. Marine Corps Unit No. 1375 is now with the Seabees at an overseas base in the south Pacific.

Miss Dorothy Gillanders, girls physical education instructor joined the WAACs and will leave when school is out this spring. Word has been received that Gloria Glasscock and Nancy Rechlin have also joined the WAACs.

Ray Pierson has been appointed Yuma instructor of combat aerobatics.

The term "men" it seems, must become collective. EOC has several women in the service. Marian Morris has joined the WAACs and will leave at the close of the spring term of school.

Bernadine Hungerford has also joined the WAACs.

Miss Isabell Kane, who was girls physical education director here and who joined the WAACs some time ago, is now a captain. add buzzy surbrick story 3/4 cut

Sgt. Alex Reid is now with the Coast Artillery at Camp Stewart, Georgia. He is teaching code and radio theory.

### Sock and Buskin Initiates Actors

Sock and Buskin, dramatics club, initiated 9 new members after the production of "Hamlet." These persons had a part in that production. They were Marion Snider, Jennie Williams, Lois Whealy, Helen Tippin, John Martin, Charles Reynolds, Elmer Zessin, John Allen, and Scott Brown.

### WAA To Present Dance Recital

The Women's Athletic Association has scheduled a modern dance recital for April 12. This recital will be the second of its kind to be presented at EOC. Reports are that the recital last years was the most successfully staged of any similar event during the year. It promises to be exceedingly good this year. The materials used for the costumes will be uniquely appropriate and were chosen by Miss Dorothy Gallanders while she was in Portland recently.

The theme of the recital will be "Americanism."

Miss Gillanders who is faculty director, came here from Arizona State Teachers College where she specialized in modern dance. She has written several articles on the subject.

Committees for the recital and the program for the evening's entertainment will be announced later.

One of the high spots of the evening will be "A Typical American Street Scene" and many other dances typical of the American way of life with its foreign components, will be featured.

Catherine Fridley, general chairman of the program, has announced the committee heads, and plans are well under way. The committee heads and members are as follows:

Costumes—Erma Derrick, chairman; Shirley Brazille, Elsie Branchcomb, Betty Kight, Helen McCarty, Aleene Barton, Elaine Coleman and Wilma Bowers.

Publicity—Ruth Cox, Mary Perry and Dorothy Scholl.

Program—Frances Boyd, chairman; Nina Well.

Tickets—Ruth Read, chairman; La Rena Palmer, La Vonne Alsup, Edwina Bratton and Patty Jean Leonard.

Lights—Leone Thorne.

Cover design—Kathryn Harris. Stage manager and properties—Clarice Notheis.

#### Where's the Hook?

Smart — People are carried away with the things I make.

Smarty—You must turn out some artistic stuff.

Smart, No, I just make stretchers.

### Army Air Force Contingent Takes Up La Grande Residence; Ready for Eastern Oregon College Work

A local chapter of the world's fighting first fraternity, the army air forces, was established on the campus of the Eastern Oregon college of education with the arrival of flying training command personnel assigned here to head the newly instigated college training program for aviation cadets.

The new program, as announced recently by the war department, will see thousands of cadet reserves inducted immediately into colleges from coast to coast for academic and military courses prior to their actual training. After the program is underway, students will take a five - month course.

#### Some Flight Planned

A limited flying program will be conducted for all students in cooperation with the CAA War Training service.

The detachment at Eastern Oregon college of education, one of the many selected colleges, will be headed by Capt. Rolf O. Bye, air force commandant, who arrived here a few weeks ago. No announcement as to the number of future wingmen to be stationed here could be made at this time, Captain Bye said.

The training schedule, which will be conducted without interruption to the regular college curriculum at the Eastern Oregon college, will fall into four major groupings: academic, military, physical and flying. Purpose of the program will be to better prepare men for cadet training in the AAF Flying Training command and thereby vastly reduce costly elimination.

#### All Privates Now

Students will be enrolled as privates, and remain such until the completion of the course, at which time they will be sent to one of the flying training commands classification centers as cadets, and assigned to training as pilots, bombardiers or navigators.

During the five-month, over 700 hours of academic and course, students will receive military instruction. Regular college personnel will conduct the academic and physical phases of the training.

Academic subjects include mathematics, physics, current history, geography, English and civil air regulations. Physical training will be stressed here in order to fit trainees to absorb future intensive training without undue fatigue or ill effects.

Captain Bye and his staff, which will act in an advisory capacity in regards to academics, will have direct supervision of the military indoctrination program, which will include infantry drill, ceremonies and inspection, and customs and courtesies of the service.

The appointment of assistants and additional staff instructors to teach in the Army Air Forces college training detachment program at Eastern Oregon College was announced today by Dr. Roben J. Maaske president of the college.

Roy L. Skeen, associate professor of psychology and chairman of the college personnel-counseling committee, will serve as coordinator of instruction for the new division of war training. Lynn H. Larson, former coordinator in the war training service program, will serve as coordinator of messing at the Sacajawea and Dorion Hall on the campus.

Additional faculty members who will aid the college faculty in the instructional program for the army student trainees include, up to date, the following: Guy D. McGrath, Boulder, Colo.; John Westover, Oakland, California; Robert E. Amende; E. W. House, Cascade Locks, Oregon; (Continued on page four)

### College Has Big Job in Training Enlisted Men

#### Faculty Increased Here To Permit New Courses

La Grande got its first real taste of "in-town" military life recently when the new soldiers assigned here for college training arrived to take up quarters in the Sacajawea inn and Dorion hall, college dormitory.

Interested citizens watched while officers called out names on the roster, assigned men to mess for their first meal in eastern Oregon, held sick call, and arranged to assign men to their quarters in one of the two big buildings which will house the students during their stay here.

Sick call is the army's routine method of seeing to it that any soldier not quite "up to par," from colds or other reasons, is given immediate examination and medical attention — and thus safeguards the health of the men at all times.

#### College Prepared

While commissioned army officers arranged the military side of the picture for the soldiers here, Eastern Oregon college of education was concerned with getting the ball rolling toward training the men, who have been in the service a month.

Inasmuch as courses here will be conducted on an "education within the classroom" basis, to facilitate quickest presentation of subjects to the soldiers who will have little time outside their regular class periods for reference work, the faculty is being lined up at the college with an eye to standardization of recitations and study periods on the courses presented.

#### Several Hired

A considerable number of new faculty members have been engaged, some instructors already at the college will be assigned to courses in which military personnel will participate, and tentative arrangements are being made to engage local individuals for part-time instruction work, during the emergency of formation of the course procedure.

E. Robert (B) Quinn, physical education director at the college, at present is at the Santa Ana air base in California, with representatives of other colleges and universities handling the army instruction. There he will learn the exact procedure prescribed by the army for physical education of the men stationed here, and will be equipped to duplicate — as nearly as possible — the routine practiced at Santa Ana.

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(Editor's note: More people could be used on the staff. Any person interested is urged to contact the editor or the advisor. Specific staff appointments will be made later.)

## From the Beacon

You are new students on the campus of EOC. Everything here is strange to you. You do not know what to expect of us. That is the reason this editorial has been written.

EOC is a college with traditions and students and teachers and organizations and a school paper and all the other things that make a college.

The Beacon stands for a lot of things. It stands for an accurate presentation of the events around school. It attempts to uphold all the traditions of the school from no smoking on the campus to the annual Evensong which distinguishes this school from all others. It sponsors every faculty member and student. And now, it is ready to stand behind you as new additions to our student body.

The Beacon is intended for every person on the campus including you. Beginning with the next issue one page of this paper will be edited by a member of your group and devoted to your news. This does not mean that one page is all you are entitled to read. If it were, this copy would not have been voluntarily placed within your reach.

The staff of the Beacon welcomes you to our school.  
Jennie Williams, Editor

## You Did a Good Job!

When the student body of EOC lost their president, Ross Hearing, they lost one of the best presidents they have ever had and gained what promises to be another in Bob Shepherd.

Ross has done several things on this campus besides studying. He enthusiastically boosted the student activities while president

of the student body. He was a member of the choir. His work on the Beacon as a general "nose for news" although unsung before is worth mentioning.

Some months in the National Guard interrupted Ross' career at EOC. He returned to the school a year ago last quarter.

You did a good job, Ross. We appreciate your work.

## On Education

"Whom, then, do I call educated? First, those who control circumstances instead of being mastered by them, those who meet all occasions manfully and act in accordance with intelligent thinking, those who are honorable in all dealings, who treat good-naturedly, persons and things that are disagreeable and furthermore, those who hold their pleasures under control and are not over-come by misfortune, and finally, those who are not spoiled by success."

Socrates

## THROUGH THE KEYHOLE - - -

"Hi, there, playmate! Come on in and join the gabfest. Anything cookin'? Gee, this stuff gets me. Beats all how we claim to be living in a modern age and then spend the best years of our life pouring over what some old bag said a hundred years ago. Got your questions answered, cutie?"

"Did you see that smoothie that Gert was out with the last p.m.? A real Casanova in khaki, if you ask me. Some people have more luck."

"Say, have you heard the one about the drunk who hailed the taxicab? 'Shay, driver,' he ordered, 'drive me around the block a hundred times.' The startled driver obliged. Around and around the block they went and on the 65th trip the stew leaned forward. 'Step on it, buddy,' he hiccupped, 'I'm in a hurry.'"

"Gee, kid, I'm sleepy. This stuff positively bores me. Hungry? There's a box of crackers in that drawer over there."

"Have fun at the dance last night? Bob and I walked out to the bridge after the dance. I looked down at the river and said, 'There's the moon down there,' and he said, 'My gosh, how did I get way up here?'"

"I'm so hungry I could eat anything that didn't bite me first. Any more of those crackers left? Hand me a dozen or two. I love crackers."

"Did you get in on the big scare the other day? What scare? You mean to say you never heard? Somehow word got around that clothes were going to be rationed, and did people get panicky. I dashed down to the store and elbowed my way through the crowds up to the ready-to-wear counter. While I was striving desperately to hold my own I heard Marge say to her customer, 'Pardon me, miss, that is the new hat you bought. That's the boy you're wearing.' Yea, people really got excited. I managed to buy two dresses that didn't fit. No clothes haven't been frozen yet, but you never can tell, the way the government's been springing things on us lately."

"By the way, where'd you get that cute little number you're wearing? I saw a dress just like it down at the rummage sale Saturday. I said to myself then, 'That's really neat.' But I couldn't afford it after my recent splurge."

"I don't feel like studying, do you? Tell you what, let's flip a coin. Heads, we'll go to the show; tails, we'll go bowling, and if it stands on end we'll stay home and study."

"Well, my stars! I'd have to see it to believe it! Oh, well, c'mon, let's go get us a coke."

## Dorion Notes

Spring vacation bore fruits of lazy feelings and lovely feelings. At any rate, many students had trouble getting into the mood for studying, and we can't blame Gwen Chester and Helen Lindsay for they have beautiful new sparklers. Good luck to you.

Dr. Maaske did a very diplomatic job of telling the Dorion girls that the army was taking over the hall. All of us were just itching to start the work of cleaning and moving by the time he finished speaking. We are looking forward to a lot of fun and many new experiences.

The boys in the basement expressed their appreciation for the help given them by Miss Herboth by giving her a beautiful table lamp.

The girls expressed their thanks with gifts to the kitchen staff, to Miss Herboth, and to Miss Zabel.

The Dorion girls also chose their house mothers for their respective houses. The Eocene girls have Miss Wheeler, and the Fourth Street girls have Miss Molgard. A very good job is being done by both mothers.

We all want to express our gratitude to Bob Pierce for the use of his truck to move our things. Also thanks are due Anabel for her services as chauffeur.

Some of the Eocene girls have taken rooms formerly occupied by their sweethearts. Hope you have sweet dreams!

Helen McCarthy made the final plunge. She has signed her teaching contract for the Vale city school.

Marion Brady visited Shirley during moving week-end, and joined in bidding Dick Wilson, former prexy, goodbye.

Reine states that her bed is so springless that she gets a kink in her overho.

Catherine M. says her bed drags the oak, too.

What has Inez W. got that fagged the Sergeant out so much at the Sophomore dance? He couldn't get up for roll call next morning.

Since so many recommendations have been flying around, Miss Molgard says that she will recommend all the girls who scrubbed and kalsomined, etc., not only as teachers but also as wives.

Have you heard about the marvelous job Ruth made of washing the kalsomine off the wall?

As well as a house, the Fourth

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street girls acquired a very dirty cat. His name is Wellington terrace Sylvester, but we call him Horace for short. Note: He has recently had a bath.

Some of the girls are getting good at acrobatics, what with the prevalence of upper bunks—especially Jessiemae.

The Eocene girls are getting some practice in cooking by getting their own breakfast every morning.

Both houses have elected their new officers. At Eocene the new officers are: Lois Ward, president; Betty Kight, vice president; Yolanda Allen, secretary-treasurer, and Gwen Henderson, song leader. The council members are: Ramona Henderson, and Elsie Branchcomb for the freshmen, and Floribel Eddy and Mary Margaret Kennedy for the sophomores. The members of the Fourth street house have selected as officers: Catherine Fridley for president, Aleene Barton for vice-president, Inez Wellman for secretary, Judith Rinell for treasurer, and Wylamine Berkey for song leader.

## FTA Holds Meeting Just for Fun

At its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, April 6th the F. T. A. will be hostess to the members of A. C. E. There will be a panel discussion by a joint committee of the two organizations on, "How the Income Tax and New Legislation affects the Teacher." The meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller at 7:45. All members of both organizations are urged to attend as well as any third year students who are interested.

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## News Briefs

Miss Lucille Thompson, secretary to Dr. Maaske, spent a short vacation in Sacramento recently. Virginia Wilcox received a corsage addressed to "A Georgia Peach."

Helen McCarty has signed a contract to teach the fifth grade at Vale, Oregon next year.

Annamerle Hohenlietner represented the College Christian Council at a religious conference at Salem last month.

Miss Mary Jean Barnes, instructor in the WTS program, spent a few days at her home in Medford. It was the first time she had been home in five months.

Wima Bawers has been staying with Sarabeth Taylor since George was called.

Word has been received of the marriage of Dorothy Elaine May to Lt. Farren F. Shafer on February 10, at Alamogordo, New Mexico. Both Mr. and Mrs. Shafer are alumni of EOC.

Mrs. Cal Monroe, who worked in the school library during the first semester is the mother of a baby girl. Mrs. Monroe came here from OSC.

Phyllis Courtright has returned to her home near Hot Lake. During the winter she stayed at the Patton home in La Grande.

Patty Jean Leonard has also returned to her home after spending the winter in La Grande. She now lives near Island City.

Have you noticed Lucille Thompson has sprouted wings.

"I'd like to know if George has any bad habits."

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### Mr. Mountaineer Dunks a Gremlin

I met Mr. Mountaineer the other night. When I tell you that I saw him in Dorion Hall, you might say that a man in Dorion isn't news. But I've heard rumors that though men have been plentiful in Dorion, even on the upper floors, Mr. Mountaineer hasn't been one of the conspicuous visitors. You see, after all, Mr. Mountaineer is a spirit, and gender has nothing to do with his being or not being in Dorion. He is present when the true EOC spirit burns brightly.

But to be on with my story. I sat in a dark corner of the Dorion dining hall the other night feeling rather low. That was Thursday, March 25, to be exact. I didn't know whether the hall was suffering a hang-over from the "ides of March" or not, but there was storm in the air as heavy and ominous as that which hung over Rome before the mighty Julius fell. Girls were breathing between clenched teeth into the ears of their neighbors. I couldn't hear all that they said, but one young lady was a bit more articulate than the others and I heard, "We're going to get the boot this time." She ended with a smirk. I looked at her closely to be sure that I hadn't missed the implication of the smile, and just then I saw a little Gremlin shinny down a lock of hair to her shoulder and hop across to the shoulder of her fair neighbor. Pretty soon this young lady was passing the slighting remark, but I couldn't hear what she said.

After dessert Dr. Maaske had something to say. I guess I haven't told you that he was there. Well, he was, and he had some very important things to say. I won't try to repeat what he said, but I must say that he did put all of his cards on the table. He was frank and straightforward, and the girls really took it. The fact that he told the girls that they would have to give up their cherished hall for the army, isn't news but the way the girls of the hall responded is big news. But this is where my story really started. The room seemed brighter than it had all evening; the ominous "ides of March" blues had vanished into thin air, and I saw Mr. Mountaineer. When I first saw him he was shaking Dr. Maaske's hand; then he popped up behind several young ladies and patted them on the back; and the last thing that I saw him do before I left the dining hall was pick a handful of Gremlins from a girl's hair and dunk them in a demi-tasse.

That's the end of that part of the story, but since that time I have seen Mr. Mountaineer giving a hand with a mop, carrying a heavy packing case, and trying to hang a curtain with not-too-experienced hands. Of course, that isn't all that he has been doing in the move of the Dorion girls to Eocene and Foley Halls, but that's all that I had time to see because I too was somewhat busy.

This thing I know, Mr. Mountaineer, the true spirit of EOC, has moved to Eocene and Foley right with the girls. They are

### Alpha Psi Omega Initiates Four New Members

The Theta Chi Cast of Alpha Psi Omega initiated four EOC students Saturday evening, March 28, at their regular term meeting held at the home of Mr. Kaiser, director of dramatics.

Inez Wellman of Baker, Leone Thorne of Centralia, Washington, and Kathryn Harvison and Bob Tribe, both of La Grande, were the initiates.

Alpha Psi Omega is a national dramatics honorary fraternity that authorized a chapter on the local campus last May. At that time seven students were taken into the fraternity. All with the exception of Frank Howard graduated last spring, and the local chapter has been comprised of one person since that time.

Officers were elected following the initiation. Frank Howard was named cast director; Bob Tribe was named sub-director; Kathryn Harvison was named secretary-treasurer; Inez Wellman was named prompter; and Leone Thorne was named business manager.

### Farewell Given By Hearing

The special assembly held Friday, March 19, saw our president, Ross Hearing, giving a farewell address. He commented on the trials and tribulations that we, as students, must face. He then turned the meeting over to Bob Shepherd, asking the students to give full cooperation "to a fellow who is capable of taking charge." Bob answered Ross's speech with a deep regret at losing Ross this year.

Several announcements were made including the new officers appointed. They are: Charles Reynolds, vice-president, Freddie Spaeth, sophomore representative, Leland Pleger, freshman representative, and Gene Conklin, business manager. A social committee was announced as follows: Miss Gillander, chairman, Charles Reynolds, Phyllis Courtright, Catherine Mead, Bill Batley, and Jim Bohnenkamp.

Student body singing led by Mr. Schilling was enjoyed by all. Dr. Maaske paid tribute to Ross's achievements as president of E. O. C. He also stated that we still have "quality if not quantity" of students here at school. New students were recognized and asked to stand.

Dr. Maaske explained the army program of E. O. C. and stated that we should feel proud to be a chosen institution for such a program.

The assembly was closed with the Alma Mater.

taking the move like soldiers. I don't think the Gremlins have a chance with Mr. Mountaineer around, especially if he has a hot cup of coffee handy.

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### Sock and Buskin To Produce Rural Comedy

"Aaron Slick of Punkin Crick," the typical rural comedy, has been announced as the play to be presented by Sock and Buskin in their regular spring production on May 12.

Walter H. Baker publishers of the comedy state that it has been performed more times than any other play in their catalogue. This means some over ten thousand performances. It has been performed so many times that it is almost classic—of course, not a literary classic.

Life magazine featured "Aaron Slick" several years ago as the typical rural comedy and suggested at that time that it had been played in most every hamlet and village in the United States.

Director Kaiser states that as far as he has been able to learn the play has never been presented in the "hamlet" of La Grande. The nearest community on record as having played "Aaron Slick" is Elgin.

Plans are under way for staging the play in typical rural style. The auditorium is to be given the appearance of a haymow; patrons will be asked to dress in prints and denim; and if teams can be secured, theatre-goers will be hauled to the performance in hayracks.

Reports are that more interesting details will be announced later.

### Youth Groups Combine

Youth of the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Christian churches have combined their Sunday evening meetings which are now held at 6:30 p. m. at the Christian church. The group has elected a council, two representatives from each denomination.

Those on the council are Paul Hyde, Doris Dodge, Methodist; Maxine Sinden, Janie Richardson, Presbyterian; and Marion Snider, Charles Younger, Christian.

Officers of the council are: president, Marion Snider; secretary, Maxine Sinden; and publicity, Charles Younger.

All youth affiliated with these denominations are urged to attend these evening meetings.

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### Enrollment for Spring Quarter Down

Enrollment at the beginning of the spring quarter found 125 women students and 59 men students, 184 in all at E. O. C. E. This is a loss of 26.5 per cent over the spring quarter of a year ago.

Teacher training students constitute a majority on the campus — 91 in all — with 81 junior college students running a close second. Secretarial Science enrollees compose the smallest group with 12 students.

A number of new students whom we wish to welcome to our campus include Jack Burton, Mrs. Carol George, Mrs. Hazel Graham, Norma Johnson, Jean Miles, Franya Prudhomme, and Lois Wood.

### Choir Disbands

Because of the scarcity of regular men students at E. O. C. E. the erstwhile A Cappella Choir is no more. Mr. Schilling has organized a Girls' Glee Club which will ably carry on the musical tradition of the college and promises to be an excellent choral group.

This college is not alone in its abandoning of mixed choral groups for very many colleges have long since been forced to readjust their musical organizations, many forming girls' glee clubs similar to our own.

The group has a wealth of new music and hopes to present a spring concert.

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### Speaker, Author To Visit La Grande

Dr. Kirby Page, nationally known religious leader, speaker, and author, will be in La Grande on Sunday, April 11, 1943, according to the announcement made by the La Grande Ministerial association which is sponsoring his visit.

Besides being a nationally known speaker, Dr. Page has written twenty volumes and sixteen pamphlets. He has spoken in three hundred colleges and universities, and visited thirty-five countries. At present he is on a three months speaking tour. The one day conference in La Grande is the only conference in Oregon between his stops in Idaho and Washington. From January to August last year Dr. Page spoke in one hundred cities in twenty states.

"Living Creatively in These Days" will be the theme of Dr. Page's messages. Dr. Page will speak at a youth rally at the college auditorium Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. This rally will be for all college and high school students as well as other youth living in La Grande. The evening meeting will be held at the First Presbyterian church.

Luther A. Weigle, dean at Yale Divinity Schools states, "The students found Dr. Page an exceedingly stimulating teacher and a very helpful personal counselor."

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The boys of Coach Quinn's team are (top row) Dick Johnson, Norman West, Willard Jones, Leon Peavy, and Dick Anderson; (bottom row) Al Aas, Don Andrews, Coach Bob Quinn, Marion Huff and Jim Bohnenkamp.

## Hard-Luck Champs Return

By JULIAN VAN BEVEREN

Eastern Oregon, the so-called Hard-Luck Champs of the National Intercollegiate basketball tournament, pulled a typical finish and came from behind to defeat Illinois Wesleyan of Bloomington by the scant score of 45-40. Eastern Oregon was behind three-fourths of the game but in the last ten minutes they decided to win, and win they did. Jones, "Killer" as we know him, was high point man for the game with a total of 12 points.

### Sport Ramblings

As you all have read in one paper or another the facts, figures, and other data concerning the basketball team and its trip to Kansas City.

It would be interesting to give you some of the sidelights of the trip from the players' viewpoint. Here are a few of these viewpoints, gathered at random and without any specific point in mind.

The first thing that seemed to be on all the players' minds was the way that Kansas City looked. Before the players left, you would have thought they were going to New York, but after they got there they found that Kansas City was just like Portland, a lot of people hurrying around with no place to go. The people there were very easy to get acquainted with, and to quote the boys "the girls were mighty easy to get acquainted with." Another thing that impressed the boys, from an observing point only, however, was the number of liquor stores. . . . The block in which their hotel stood had seven of them alone and every block had about the same ratio.

The tournament itself, had many of its humorous elements brought out by the players also. The first amusing thing to the players was the fact that when it came time to practice the suits could not be found. No matter how much Bob Quinn looked they were not to be had, so the

players had to beg, borrow, or by some other means obtain some suits. After scurrying about for some time, the players finally got some equipment together, but what a picture they made. Every color under the rainbow to be seen again. However, they managed to get their suits in time for the regular game so no damage was done. Another happening was the fact that the players had to dress in their hotel and it was a common occurrence to see three or four basketball teams calmly walking down the street in their suits much to the amazement of the people of Kansas City.

There were other happenings such as: Dick Anderson's getting the mumps; Jim Bohnenkamp's conversation with the boys from Texas, "Killer" Jones' upholding the reputation of Oregon in one form, and others too many to mention.

## Soldiers Arrive For Courses at Local College

(Continued from Page 1)

M. S. Pate, Kearney, Nebraska; Edward J. Westerman, Trinidad, Colorado; William G. Ruppert, Jessie Cary, Montpelier, Idaho; Austin, Minnesota; Verne F. Lanterman, Elkhart, Illinois; Charles J. Thurmond, Oregon State college, Corvallis, Oregon; Kenneth W. Hickenbottom; Albert E. Mason, Odell, Oregon; and Baily Stevens of Pendleton, Oregon.

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By John Quincy Anonymity

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Or a key for the lock of his hair?

Can his eyes be called an academy  
Because there are pupils there?

In the crown of his head what gems are found?

Who crossed the bridge of his nose?

Can he use (in building) the roof of his mouth?

The nails on the end of his toes?

Can he sit in the shade of the palm of his hand

And beat the drum of his ear?

Can the calf of his leg eat the corn on his toe?

But why not grow corn on the ear?

Can the crook of his elbow be

## Dean Morris Here On Lecture Tour

Mrs. Merris, dean of women at Oregon State College was guest speaker at the regular weekly assembly on March 24. Alvin Monroe, 4-H worker in charge of the organizations in this sector, introduced the speaker.

Mrs. Merris who teaches a popular class on Family Relationships at O. S. C. delighted her audience with many interesting side lights on the universal problems of love, courtship, and marriage. "Love," she said, "is a period of temporary insanity in which the average young man casts away all regard for basic requirements of a life partner such as domestic ability, religion, and family background, and makes one of the most important decisions of his life mainly on the basis of 'Is she a good dancer?' and 'Is she attractive?'"

Dean Merris stated that a domestic career is just as important as a professional one but often gets much less consideration.

A bit of advice—"pray the cut worms don't get you" was her closing remark.

sent to jail?  
If that was done, what did he take?

How does he sharpen his shoulder blades,  
And who eats his stummy cake?

**His Error**  
"Who's that plain woman in the funny hat?"  
"My wife."  
"Pardon me—my mistake."  
"No, mine!"

**Baseball Repartee**  
First Base—I don't believe I caught your name?  
Stranger—I don't believe I threw it.

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Note: These items were taken from the Sunnyside Gazette.

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## Mothers to Enjoy Tea, Recital

### Commencement Set for May 28

Commencement exercises for EOC have been scheduled for Friday, May 28. They will be preceded by the annual Even-song, Coronation ball, and Baccalaureate services. The speakers for the occasions have not been announced.

Those who will graduate this month are:

#### B. S. Degree

Edward Carl Elliott, Opal Caroline Hoisington, Florence Esther Meili, Virginia F. Miller, Yudath Anna Victor, Adelaide Orange, William Gerald Wilson, Anita Jacqueline Berry, George Clark Davis.

#### Three Year Students

Dorothy La Vonne Alsup, Aleene Claire Barton, Xela Chantry Belton, Wyllamine Rose Berkey, Hilda Berreth, Doris May Bond, Wilma Brownell Bowers, Frances Lorene Boyd, Shirley Ann Brady, Corinne Brines, Elizabeth May Cook, Ruth Carolyn Cox, Erma Maxine Derrick, Catherine Fridley, Georgene Gietlhuber, Kathryn May Harvison, Franklin Howard, Gladys Ansell Keeney, Margaret Marie Kopta.

Helen Mae Lindsay, Emily Elizabeth Loennig, Catherine Mead, Helen L. McCarty, Anabel McDonald, Clarice L. Northeis, Ruth E. Read, Judith Irene Rinell, Reine A. Rooney, Jessie Mae Sanders, Carol Spence, Leone V. Thorne, Myrtha Westenskow.

#### Junior College Students

James Franklin Bohnenkamp, Thomas Edward Coffman, Elizabeth Janet Courtney, Susan Carmon Davis, Doris Lucile Dodge, Marion Lyman Huff, Ruth Evelyn Hulse, Rhoda Jean Jasper, Robert Frederick Kiddle, Charles Reynolds, Robert Malcolm Shepherd, Fredericka Eleanor Spaeth, Robert Blair Tribe.

#### Lower Division Certificates

Fay Andrews, John Alfred Martin, Marvel Louise Fallow.

### L.H.S. Junior Class Stages 'Plane Crazy'

It was the first night out, April 9, for a number of soldiers who had been in quarantine, and they marched into the La Grande high school gymnasium-auditorium as guests of the junior class to see a special presentation of the annual class play, "Plane Crazy."

Unanimously chosen as the hit of the show was Roberta Jordahl, who took the role of "Honey Chile," a typical high school sweater girl who chased the hero, "Jimmy," (played by David Nelson) throughout the script. However, "Jimmy" was more interested in airplanes than in women, and he sold his tuxedo, jalopy and saxophone just to spend his money learning to fly, rather than entertaining "Honey Chile."

The thunderous applause of the service men indicated their appreciation to the junior class for the special performance.

### Drama Club Selects Cast

The selection of a cast for the rural comedy "Aaron Slick of Punkin Crick" has just been announced by Sock and Buskin under the direction of Mr. Kaiser. The production will be presented May 14 and 15.

The cast is headed by Frank Howard who is playing the part of the title character Aaron Slick. Frank played the part of King Claudius in the winter term production of "Hamlet", and is fitting himself into the part of the country slicker as well as he played the Shakespearean villain.

Wyllamine Berkey, who appeared in the college production of "Margin for Error" two years ago, is cast as Mrs. Rosy Berry, an Oklahoma widow, around whom the major portion of the plot revolves.

Floyd Chrusoskie is playing the part of the crooked speculator Wilbur Merridew. Floyd appeared previously before a college audience in a streamlined version of "Macbeth" in the part of the Murderer.

Elmer Zessin is cast as Clarence Green, a mysterious young man. Zessin was seen as Marcellus in the winter term production of "Hamlet."

Ramona Henderson is playing the part of Gladys May Merridew, a sweet young thing, and niece to the crook Wilbur Merridew. Miss Henderson is a freshman and new to college dramatics this term.

Yolanda Allen is cast as The Girl in Red. Miss Allen is a freshman and also new to college dramatics this term.

Betty Cook is playing the mischievous Little Sis Riggs who horseplays her way through the entire comedy. Miss Cook is playing her first role here at the college. She is a third year teacher training student.

Mr. Kaiser, director, states that even though the play has been produced many times and by practically every rural community in the United States, his intention is to do the comedy for the fun that is actually in the play and not as a satire or burlesque on rural dramatics.

Like the famous "Charlie's Aunt," "Aaron Slick of Punkin Crick" lends itself to a great deal of horseplay and slapstick. Perhaps if there is any key word which might characterize the whole of the Sock and Buskin's approach to "Aaron," horseplay would be the best one to use.

The play is short and following each performance of the play the remainder of the evening will be given over to square dancing and mixer dances for all who attend. Prints and Levis will be the mode of dress for the evening.

### Phi Beta Sigma Initiates

A formal dance, held after the formal initiation on Tuesday, January 27, highlighted the Phi Beta Sigma spring initiation, which added ten new members to the organization.

Miss Molgard assisted at the fun initiation which was held, as customarily, a week prior to the formal initiation, January 20.

The new members include: Dora Brooks, Etta Lou McCabe, Mary Margaret Kennedy, Shirley Brady, Lillian Meyers, Elizabeth Kibbey, Margaret apta, Anabel McDonald, Hilda Barreth, and Norman West.

### EOCE MEN IN SERVICE

Lloyd C. Kinsey is now stationed somewhere in the South Seas.

George Duggan Jr., is now with the Naval Medical division. He graduated from the Marine paratroops and is now located at New River, North Carolina.

Bruce Bray is with the navy at Farragut, Idaho.

Ivan Franch is stationed with the marines at San Diego.

Delbert and Delmer Olson, pep leaders from EOC, are with the air corps in Nebraska.

Bill Detrich is also with the air corps. He is stationed at Ellensburg, Washington.

Bob Fallow spent some time on the campus recently. He is now a lieutenant and is stationed at Walla Walla, Washington. He was previously stationed at Luke Field, Arizona.

Paul Hyde is with the engineers of the air corps somewhere in Missouri.

Ralph Ward, who is stationed at San Diego, was one of the highest 25 men in the examinations which were given to a large group of men upon entering the service.

Waldo Jacobs is now an instructor at Corpus Christi. Jacobs is from Elgin and took his primary and secondary training here.

Word has been received that Dick Moore and Bill Frees are stationed on carriers.

Arnold Hallmark is now stationed at Reno, Nevada.

Gerry Wilson is now with the U. S. Naval Air Navigation school at Hollywood, Florida.

Donald Edward Stewart, aviation radioman, first class, has been awarded the air medal and an advancement to the next higher rating for the heroism he displayed while participating in the Aleutian Islands campaign last summer, according to an announcement from the Thirteenth naval district today. Stewart has been in the navy since December 23, 1940. Both he and his wife, the former Margaret Davis, are alumni of EOC.

Alex Reid, an alumni of EOC, has recently been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant, according to word received by friends. Reid is serving as radioman in the anti-aircraft division of the coast artillery.

Jack Reid, brother of Alex Reid, is completing his navigator's training for the RCAF in Winnipeg, Canada. He will graduate in June. Reid enlisted in the RCAF last summer.

### ACE, FTA Hold Joint Meeting

A joint meeting of the Association for Childhood Education and the Future Teachers of America was held April 6 at the John M. Miller home. The evening was devoted to two panel discussions. One on legislation was led by Ruth Cox, Gladys Keeney, and Kathryn Harvison. A discussion on income tax was led by Emily Loennig, Catherine Fridley, and Erma Derrick.

At the end of the program the two groups planned a joint picnic to be held on the first Tuesday in May.

At this time A. C. E. decided to postpone the election of officers until fall term next year.

After the two presidents, Clarice Notheis of F. T. A. and Judith Rinell of A. C. E. had completed the business of their groups, refreshments were served.

### Emily Loennig, Lois Ward, Mary Margaret Kennedy Plan Unusual Events For Mothers of EOC Students

Plans have been laid by the Associated Women Students for one of the most striking Mother's Day teas in the history of EOC to be held in the college auditorium Saturday May 8 from 3:00 to 5:00 with a dance recital to be given in the evening with the mothers as guests.

This year's plans include three new features. For the first time the men students will be invited to accompany their mothers. AWS officers for next year, who prior to this year were installed at the Mothers Day breakfast, will be installed at the tea. The third new feature of the day will be the annual modern dance recital sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association under the direction of Miss Gillanders, dance instructor.

Emily Loennig, president of AWS, is serving as chairman of the entire program. Aiding her are Lois Ward and Mary Margaret Kennedy, co-chairmen for the tea.

The corsages for the occasion will be made of war savings stamps by a committee headed by Helen Lindsay.

The refreshments committee is under the chairmanship of Gwen Chester.

The auditorium will be decorated with flowers. Marion Snider is the chairman of this committee.

The program committee, headed by Aroleen Krause, has planned a background of piano music

with special vocal and instrumental numbers.

The receiving hostesses will include the officers of AWS and the co-chairmen of the tea. Wives of the faculty members will pour for the occasion.

Other committee heads are: Hostess, Shirley Brady; invitations, Marie Loveland; clean-up, Frances Pyle.

#### Dance Recital

The dances to be included in the recital will vary in mood from gay foolishness and the merely decorative to the depth of emotion in our contemporary living and work for victory. Outstanding among the numbers to be presented will be a full length ballet, "Rapsody in Blue" by George Gershwin and America Valient with music composed and arranged by Lee Dickens and Jessie Mae Sanders, accompanists for the occasion. The choreography is by the dancers under the direction of Miss Gillanders. Because of numerous requests, three numbers from last year's performance will be included. They are "Poem," "Cannon," and "Chicken Reel."

The production staff is busy working on a lavish set of costumes which require ingenuity and planning to keep within war time regulations. They are designing stage and lighting effects to bring out the full emotional content of the dances.

Each girl in the student body has a place on some committee and is doing her part well.

### College Is Host To Musicians

The annual Music Festival was held at the Eastern Oregon College of Education at La Grande April 17 and 18. Due to the present war conditions, the sectional and regional divisions were held at one time; and contestants entered either division for their rating.

A. A. Beecher was the adjudicator for the string solos. Their were nine violin contestants from St. Frances Academy, McLoughlin, St. Joseph Academy and La Grande. Arlene Wendt from St. Joseph received the highest rating. There were two string ensembles from McLoughlin, and a viola, violoncello, and string bass entry in their respective divisions. Mr. Beecher was also the adjudicator for the vocal solos. There were thirteen entries in boys low voice, girls medium voice and girls high voice. The large vocal groups were judged by A. A. Beecher, John Stehn, and Kenneth Schilling. There were two entries; Class D, St. Frances Academy with a girls' chorus, and class B, a mixed chorus and girls' chorus from La Grande high school.

The woodwind and brass solos were judged by John Stehn, and included sousaphone, trombone, cornet, baritone, clarinet, saxophone, flute and oboe. There were two instrumental ensembles; a brass sextet and a woodwind quintet from La Grande.

The twenty-seven piano solos were judged by James L. Strachan.

The adjudicators for the band entries were John Stehn, A. A. Beecher and Kenneth Schilling. The number of entries were somewhat reduced this year due to the prevalent war conditions. La Grande high school band, class B, received a one rating, and Elgin submitted for criticism only.

### Ackerman Student Body in Assembly

Ackerman students presented a very enjoyable assembly April 14. Judy Peters announced the program which consisted of two numbers by the Ackerman orchestra, and three numbers by the Ackerman chorus. Miss Wyllamine Berkey is the student director of these groups, Lee Dickens accompanist, and Miss Ruth Lambertus faculty director.

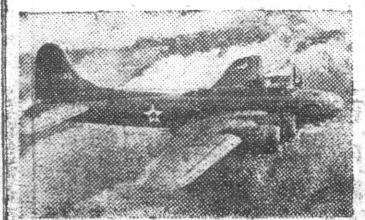
A bond drive assembly which was broadcast over KLBM was the feature of April 21. Dr. Maaske introduced Cy Perkins and Mrs. A. K. Parker, speakers for the assembly. Both speakers stressed that stamps and bonds are bad news to Hitler, Mussolini and Tojo.

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## From the Editor to the Staff

This is the last issue of the Beacon for the term and for the year. It marks the end of your work and I am glad to say it has been well done in spite of many trying episodes.

There have been several unsung heroes from EOC to whom I now wish to give as much of the credit due as possible. Among them are Dr. Maaske who is always ready to cooperate and whose "nose for news" is an excellent one. Another person who deserves a hearty thank you is Lucille Thompson. Thanks for all the short items and long ones in proportion which you have made available to the Beacon for

printing. Thanks is due to Mr. Kaiser who has been swell about helping the staff and about writing some of the opinion columns that have appeared in the paper throughout the year. Mr. Kaiser has done a lot to keep the Beacon off the rocks. Lyle Salkield has also done a lot as business manager for the paper. Finally, let me thank all those students whose cooperation as reporters and in other positions has been so important to the success or lack of success of the Beacon. Keep up the good work for the next editor.

Jennie Louise Williams  
Editor

## Past . . . Present . . . Future

The past few years have marked significant milestones in the short history of Eastern Oregon College of Education. It has developed from a two year normal school to a four year, degree-granting college in the field of education. The addition this year of a two-year curriculum in secretarial science is a sound forward step. The two-year lower division program has been strengthened and improved.

During the present year many adjustments have been made as the college geared its facilities to aid directly in the war effort. Approximately two hundred pilots were given training under the War Training Service of the government. Special courses were emphasized for men students in various officer reserve training programs. On March 31, after a brief period of intensive preparation at the college, a sizeable group of several hundred prospective army air cadets entered the college for a special pre-flight training program. This program called for the addition of some eighteen new faculty members and many other adjustments in the regular college program.

As we look forward to next year, it is likely that all colleges may experience further declines in regular enrollments. We can look forward at EOC with optimism, however. The sharp rise in teachers salaries is expected to bring additional students into training for this important field.

The secretarial science course is attracting increasing attention on the part of high school graduates. Many men high school graduates will want to get a start on a college education before being called into the service. All of these factors, plus the large group of army aviation students, would seem to insure a very interesting year for EOC next year.

The regular summer session program will begin on Monday, June 7 and will consist of a six-week first term and a five-week second term. The regular fall term will begin on September 30 with complete offerings in teacher education, secretarial science and the two-year lower division program.

Roben J. Maaske  
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## Mr. Mountaineer Discusses the Army

I called on Mr. Mountaineer the other day and found him in his workshop whistling a most merry tune. (In case some of the people who are new on the campus don't know who Mr. Mountaineer is, let me say that he is the symbol of EOCE — the spirit, the soul, the ultimate.) Well, he was whistling that old tune about some little fishes going over the dam, or something to that effect, and I knew immediately what was on his mind — May 1 and fishing season.

He had a fly rod clamped in a vice and was securing a new ferrule with a bit of ferrule cement. He flicked out the match that he had been holding under the ferrule to heat it sufficiently and greeted me with a cheery "Hello."

I said, "I'll bet I can guess in one try just what is on your mind."

He grinned and pushed back his old felt which bristled with coachmen and caddis and grey hackle. "Well, one guess might be half right, but it would take at least two guesses to name both the reasons for my present mood."

Of course, I knew he had something on his mind besides fishing. Mr. Mountaineer always has. And I pried into the other cause of his happiness.

"Might I be so bold as to ask what the second reason is?"

"Well," he began, and settled himself on a stool near the work bench, "I was considerably worried when the army moved into EOCE."

"You don't mean to tell me that you were afraid of what the army might do to EOCE?"

"I wasn't afraid of the army," he replied, thoughtfully. "I had seen the boys who were coming in, and I knew they were going to be tops. Then too I knew a number of EOCE boys who had gone into just such programs. I figured if these boys were like our own boys who had been called by Uncle Sam, there couldn't be anything wrong with them. But I was worried about the attitude of our own boys and girls right here on the campus—those who remained as regular students.

"The first day that the army boys marched in, I saw a gang of our regular fellows bunched in the hall. When they saw the army boys coming, they sort of crawled into the corners and sulked. One of them said: 'Yea, now we are nothing but a bunch

of punk college kids while they are THE army.' I heard some other remarks that I wouldn't want to repeat now that everything seems to be moving along so smoothly. But the boys were frankly jealous of this new child who was getting all of the attention from the town and the faculty.

"The girls conducted themselves a bit better, but they somehow remained more aloof than I thought they should have. Of course, I'm no Emily Post, so for all of me they might have been doing as the book says they should, but they sort of over did the thing.

"But that's all past now. The girls were the first to become human and see that the army boys were just regular fellows dressed in uniforms and away from home.

"Well, there's your second reason."

Mr. Mountaineer concluded and slid off of his stool to select a shiny new number 12 hook from his tackle box. He clamped the hook into a vice and began wrapping silk string onto it preparatory to dressing up the hook in the form of a dry fly. I said goodbye as I watched his skilled fingers throw a securing half hitch around the base of the hook to hold the tail hackle in place, and as I turned to go, he was clipping a feather with which to make a pair of wings for the already well shaped professor.

A block away I could again hear the tune about the fishes going over the dam.

I haven't seen him since to discover whether he took any rainbows on that fly he was trying. Whether he got a single rise or not, I do know that Mr. Mountaineer, the spirit of EOCE, is a happy man these days.



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# Sports

By JULIAN VAN BEVEREN

Sports? What sports you may ask? Of course, there are no more of those blood curdling, hair greying basketball games of last winter.

Well, first of all there is the army and what they don't do in gym is a miracle. I suppose you have heard, from the direction of the gym, some unearthly grunts and groans. Upon investigation of these noises you find the army hard in practice. They do everything that a combination of Atlas and Hercules would have done in his prime.

To aid the army program in their physical education classes a considerable sum of money has been spent in equipping the gym with the latest and most modern equipment. Among things coming in the near future are a boxing ring, new gloves, etc., all of which will greatly improve the college in future years.

On the college side of sports, a course in commando tactics has been undertaken. No it does not take a special instructor because this course is coordinated with the combination basketball-football - wrestling - general rough house game that has been in vogue this term.

A track meet scheduled between the college and the high school has been postponed due to Eastern Oregon's climatic conditions.

Oh, yes, did you know that one of the army boys stationed in La Grande holds the national high school high jumping record?

## Army P. E. Program Installed By Quinn

"In Cadence . . . exercise Hup, two, three, four . . . Hey mister, keep that back straight; keep your head up. You're getting these exercises fresh from Santa Ana and they're designed to build up your bodies so you can pass the flight physical examinations," shouted E. O. C.'s Coach Quinn, as he directed his first class of soldiers in exercises after returning from Santa Ana.

One hour a day, six days a week, has been set aside for each squadron as physical education period, during which students will be given prescribed exercises. Special emphasis will be placed on coordination exercises.

In order to determine the physical condition of each student, two endurance tests have been given. Number one, body lifts. Champion body lifter in the group is Pvt. E. Iskendarian who completed 160 lifts. Number two test, pull ups on the parallel bar. Pvt. L. E. Derhamer pulled himself up to the bar 20 times. A third test, the 300 yard shuttle race, will be given at a later date.

## Duration Hall Notes

Now everyone will know—that Cay Mead went to a formal dance in Walla Walla over the weekend; and that Shirley Brady spent some time in Spokane over the weekend, too.

We thought that we would tell you the names of all those who went home or otherwise during the Easter holidays, but we find it is easier to give the names of those who did not: Miss Molgard, Reine Rooney, Wyllamine Berkeley, Leone Thorne, Emily Loening, Helen McCarty, and Ruth Cox.

The girls who were here Easter Sunday had as guests for Sunday dinner; Clarice Notheis, Dick Anderson, and Al Oas.

Inez Wellman confesses that she has been lost in a fog of talk about teaching.

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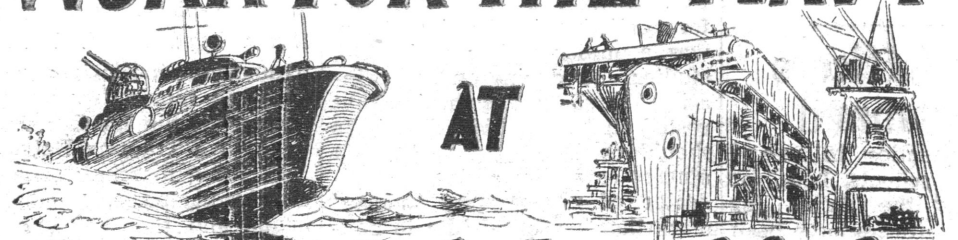
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# Army Bond Drive Show Big Success

**100 Soldiers of La Grande A.A.F. C.T.D. Present Two-Hour Musical Program For Large Crowd At Bond Rally**

Nine Thousand dollars in War Bonds and Stamps sold at the gate, \$350.00, sold to La Grande high school students, \$3,166.30 sold at the Glass Drug Store booth, totaling \$12,516.30 marked the success of "George Washington Never Slept Here," a musical show written and directed by Pvt. Michael Carney and Mel Durslag, produced by Pvt. William Fenning and staged by 100 soldiers of the La Grande A.A.F. C.T.D., last Thursday evening.

Spontaneous gags, crying babies, Army style show, and musical background blended together to make the biggest and funniest show that ever hit La Grande. Twenty-one hundred citizens poured into the high school auditorium in response to the "buy more War Bonds" call issued by

## Captain Ferguson Inspects C. T. D. At La Grande

"Eastern Oregon college and its faculty is to be complimented for its efforts in adapting its educational facilities to accommodate such a large group of service men in such a short time," stated Capt. P. M. Ferguson, director of academic training of the pre-cadet college training program in the west coast area.

Captain Ferguson is stationed at Santa Ana pre-flight training base in California and came to La Grande recently to complete another part of his inspection tour of west coast colleges that have been adapted to this training program.

"This new training program has been installed to supersede past practices of sending cadet candidates directly to a pre-flight training center and there, washing-out a high percent of the candidates because of physical and mental deficiencies. While here, your knowledge of mathematics, physics and geography will be refreshed, and at the same time you will receive 10 hours of dual-flying under civilian instructors, which will give you an idea of what it is like to fly," added Captain Ferguson.

Captain Ferguson, in his address to the students stressed the importance of making the most of the training offered them by their enrollment in this program at E. O. C. He also emphasized the importance of the training given here in alleviating difficulties encountered in pre-flight schools.

## Student Officers Take Command

As is the practice in most cadet training schools, both for the Army and the Army Air Force, student officers have been appointed to undertake the greater part of student drilling and governing at La Grande A. A. F. C. T. D.

Highest ranking of the student officers of the E. O. C. detachment is Student First Captain, Pvt. H. A. Frank, Jr., residing in Dorion Hall. Second in rank is Student Sergeant Major, Pvt. D. E. Fisher. As direct representative to commandant of students, Lieutenant K. R. Holm, Pvt. D. B. Harbauer was appointed student adjutant.

The students are divided into squadrons and ranking over each of the squadrons is a student captain. Squadron A student captain is Pvt. J. F. Collins; squadron B, Pvt. E. W. Donnell; squadron C, Pvt. E. E. Cooper; squadron D, Pvt. A. W. Hunt; and squadron E, stationed at Dorion Hall, Pvt. H. M. Blumenshine.

Valuable experience in handling men is gained by students holding these positions and for that reason all men sooner or later will have a chance to serve as student officers.

the "Women's War Bond Committee," and after the show 2,100 citizens rushed the orchestra pit to congratulate members of the cast on the performance.

Featured on the program: Pvt. Geri Galian, formerly a pianist with an M. G. M. studio orchestra, who wrote all musical arrangements for the show, organized and directed the 14-piece orchestra which furnished the musical background for the Rally Show, and kept the show rolling between acts when he wowed the "jitterbugs" with his interpretations of "Honkey Tonk Train," "Jingle Jangle Jingle," and Grieg's "Piano Concerto."

Pvt. Bill Cruickshank, formerly a trumpeter for Skinney Ennis, brought down a solid round of applause, when, after quieting a crying baby in the balcony, he played the old favorite, "Stardust," accompanied by Pvt. Galian on the piano.

Pvt. James Hilliard formerly a professional golfer, whose song, "All-American Air Cadet" was presented for the first time anywhere in the United States. Pvt. Hilliard's song is to be the song of the future for the Army Air Force Air Cadets.

"The citizens of La Grande certainly proved that Americans on the whole are extending every possible resource at their command to help the war effort," stated Captain Rolf O. Bye, commanding officer of the La Grande A.A.F. C.T.D. "Their purchase of bonds more than repaid the soldiers of this detachment for their efforts in producing this show, and too, their purchases of bonds will in the very near future be used to manufacture materials of warfare which are needed on all fronts in such large quantities by allied forces.

"Soldiers of the cast wish to thank especially Mrs. Fred Patton, general chairman for the War Bond committee; Mrs. Robert Carey, chairman in charge of this particular program; Mrs. Elmer McManus, financial chairman, for their efforts in publicizing the show and collecting properties to be used in the staging of the show."

Behind the curtains during the performance and in the pit during rehearsals were some talented soldiers. Among them: Pvt. Mel Durslag, formerly a writer for the Los Angeles Examiner, who with his co-writer, turned out, "George Washington Never Slept Here" in one week. Helping Pvt. Durslag with the script was Pvt. Michael Carney, who, before enlisting in the Air Force, was a junior writer at M.G.M. studios. Producing and coordinating the show was the job that rested on Pvt. William Fenning's shoulders. His work at Columbia studios as a film editor, and director of photography "shorts" more than equipped him to handle the job given him on the Rally Show.

Following the successful Thursday evening performance, the show was given Friday evening for the benefit of enlisted men of the detachment, E. O. C. students that failed to attend the previous performance, and high school students.

## PERSONALITIES

### They Wear the Bars

Following are brief personality sketches of the officers in charge of the La Grande A.A.F. College Training Detachment.

Captain Rolf O. Bye, commanding officer . . . from Billings, Montana, graduate of the University of North Dakota, 1934. Majored in sociology and psychology . . . Former city recreational director in Billings . . . Formerly in Infantry Reserve, went on active duty with the Air Corps in 1941 as first lieutenant . . . Married, has boy 3½, girl 6-months old . . .

Captain Carrol L. Weeks, station surgeon . . . from Los Angeles, an ophthalmologist (eye specialist) . . . Pre-med student, U. C. L. A. . . . medical degree from Stanford 1935 . . . Spent year in Marine hospital, San Francisco . . . Married, has two daughters, 9 and 5 . . .

First Lieutenant Milton F. Rose, adjutant and executive and personnel officer . . . from Phoenix, Arizona . . . 17 years of army service . . . from Cavalry Reserve into active duty of Air Corps in 1941 . . . Graduated from University of Arizona, 1930 . . . Majored in mining engineering . . . He's single.

Second Lieutenant Kirol R. Holm, Jr., commandant of students, director of military training . . . from Tulsa, Oklahoma . . . former newspaper man, sportswriter, cattle puncher, etc. . . Been in service three years . . . staff-sergeant in infantry . . . graduated from Air Corps' O.C.S. June, 1942 . . . attended Universities of Tulsa and Oklahoma . . . He's married.

Second Lieutenant George A. Graham, 34, tactical officer for Dorion Hall . . . got caught in the draft in 1941 . . . entered O.C.S. at Miami shortly thereafter . . . Since receiving his commission in October 1942 . . . has served at Hammer Field, Fresno . . . Portland Army Air Base . . . College Training Detachment in Pullman, Washington and then La Grande . . . Before entering the army he was an accountant . . . Just got married to his girl from Pomona, California.

### Concert Presented By L. H. S. Band

Trumpets blared . . . cymbals crashed . . . and drums rolled as the sixty-piece, La Grande high school band marched into the gymnasium-auditorium recently, to open a musical concert for the soldiers of the La Grande A. A. F. College Training Detachment.

Thrilling marches; swing from the twenty-piece, Band Moderne and the soldiers swing band; novelty number by the "Corn Huskers", an instrumental quartet; and numbers by the a capella choir and girls' glee club comprised an interesting and entertaining program for the service men.

The performance won the popular acclaim of every man present.

### They Wear Stripes

Hold it Mister! What's that you have to say about the sergeants?

Following are brief personality sketches of the "stripers" stationed at the La Grande Army Air Force College Training Detachment.

First Sergeant Dan Turbeville, 25 . . . is personnel sergeant major . . . He's from Turbeville, S. C., and any similarity between his name and that of the town is not purely coincidental . . . He's single, been in the army for two years, a former air cadet, and originally an infantry man.

Sergeant John Hansley, 20, from Columbus, Ohio . . . Has been in the army two years, married, and is the clerical sergeant . . . At present he's in the hospital.

Sergeant Wallace Hutter, 25, from Quincey, Ill. . . Married and his favorite girl is Ellen, 13-months-old, who moved to La Grande with Mrs. Hutter, April 24 . . . Hutter has been in the army two years, a former infantry and medical corps man and ex-air cadet . . .

Sergeant Howard Price, 21, from Akron, Ohio . . . Been in the army a year . . . formerly an air cadet and in the signal corps . . . He's single . . . and always available.

Sergeant Mike Wolski, 18, from New York City . . . been in the service nine months . . . entered as an air cadet . . . now attached to Dorion Hall . . . He's single.

Sergeant Warren M. Hanning, 21, from Bloomington, Illinois . . . He keeps busy during the day, in headquarters, keeping special orders straight. During the night? . . .

Sergeant Al E. Fleming, 24, from Green Bay, Wisconsin . . . also a member of the single set . . . His job is to keep the files straight.

Tech. Sergeant Paul F. Dunn and Pvt. First Class Wilton M. Adams are the two most popular members of Headquarters' staff . . . they make out the payroll records . . . Sgt. Dunn came from Omaha, Nebraska . . . is 30, and used to run a grocery store . . . Pvt. Adams, 31, came from Los Angeles.

### Lt. Boos Transfers To Flight Training

Intent on wearing a pair of silver wings with his gold bar, Second Lieutenant Paul V. Boos, tactical officer of Dorion Hall, left the La Grande Army Air Force College Training Detachment, and has reported to a pre-flight school for actual flying training.

Lieutenant Boos, only 21, is from Pittston, Pa., and has been in the army for two years. He entered the service as an enlisted man and graduated from O.C.S. at Miami Beach, Fla., last year.

He will take his training in grade and will maintain his commission throughout his flying course.

### Squadron E Starts Actual Flight Training Program

Into the wild blue yonder, for the first time in many cases, what pre-aviation students recently as squadron E began actual flight training at the La Grande airport. This marked the beginning of a 10-hour dual flight training course which all students stationed at the La Grande Army Air Force College Training Detachment will undertake during their last month of training here.

"The purpose of this program of training," states Captain Rolf O. Bye, commanding officer, "is to acquaint the future cadets with the fundamental movements of a plane, and to weed out the men who may have certain physical or mental handicaps that make them incapable of operating a plane."

This pre-cadet training is given under the supervision of civilian pilot instructors who conduct flights during the week from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m. Students in squadron E, who reside at Dorion Hall, are divided into groups of 12 men each, and each man takes off three times a week, usually for a period of one hour at a time.

At present, the field is equipped with interstate cadets; a two-seated, 65 horse power plane, manufactured by the Continental Aircraft company. The ships are dual-controlled, and for the most part, the students serve as actual pilots, under the watchful eyes of their instructors.

While aloft, the students are able to familiarize themselves with the controls, physically acclimate themselves to flying conditions, and practice coordinating, mostly between hands and feet.

Over and over, emphasis is placed on takeoffs and landings, and on knowledge of air regulations. Each pupil is graded on a number of different aspects of flying. Although there are no actual wash-outs administered at this post, the record that each student makes during his dual flying period will accompany him to his next post. There, his aptitude for flying will be checked and a decision made as to whether the student will be allowed to continue his training.

### DORION DIARY

By Pvt. B. E. Gersner

College coeds no longer roam through Dorion; those bright ribbons one sees floating around symbolize student officers. Student First Captain, Pvt. Harry Frank is the highest ranking soldier in the E.O.C. A.A.F. College Training Detachment group at La Grande—he wears two red ribbons one more than regular squadron captains.

Yellow ribbons are the insignias for flight lieutenants . . . first sergeants sky blue . . . flight sergeants, Kelly green. Squad corporals wear baby pink ribbons, but the most popular color and the one everybody wears in common is olive drab.

Pvt. Lloyd A. Bushman relates the following scene that took place in Room 6 the other night: One man on the floor in his G. I. long handles doing push-ups; another man atop his bunk reading the Bible and bursting forth with religious hymns; a third man in the bathroom shaving, and bellowing a blue streak because of a minor cut. What, no juggler?

The "Little house on the hill" is filled with theatrical talent. Pvt. W. A. Cruickshank, Jr. plays a wicked trumpet . . . Pvt. J. R. Bender taps out a machine gun routine with his feet . . . Pvt. F. V. Hokr is a riot with his P-38 imitation.

### Know Your Job Better Than The Enemy . . . STUDY

By Captain Rolf O. Bye, Commanding Officer

Many of you may think that the training you are undergoing here is not important—that you are here only because facilities at pre-flight schools are not adequate enough to handle you at present.

Do you think that the officials directing this war effort would allow the time and money to be spent on this training if it had not been proven necessary?

Some of you men in the college training program at La Grande may soon be sacrificing your lives in the war effort. Many before you have already lost their

lives through the fortunes of war. However, the fact remains that many of these lives have been lost because men did not take full advantage of their training opportunities. When the big test came, they were not able to cope with the situation.

Are you looking ahead? Are you making use of your opportunities? Are you preparing yourself to do a job under the most adverse battle conditions?

As an American, and as a member of the Armed Forces of this nation, you have an opportunity

fully equal to that of the man beside you. That is your right as an American. The Army feeds, houses, clothes and pays you, and places everybody on an equal footing, in the matter of receiving training and becoming a leader.

Are you applying yourself to the job? Are you trying to be a good soldier? Have you decided to make use of the advantages offered you?

The Army presents the opportunity. The rest remains with you.