



'1917 DEMANDS SENIOR EXAMS BE OPTIONAL'

Prof. Howe Believes New System Should Be Inaugurated This Year.

COMMITTEE TO REPORT ON CANVASS THURSDAY

Karl Becke Declares Attitudes of Many Faculty Members Are Encouraging.

1917, particularly, demands that senior examinations be made optional, in the opinion of Prof. H. C. Howe, senior class adviser.

His idea is that this year, if not for all time, the examinations should be made optional with the heads of the departments because of the Oregon pageant which will be given during the commencement week, with the added work and demands that it will entail upon the students.

Professor Howe believes that the need this year for a change is imperative and that application of the measure to all future years would be advisable.

The fact that numbers of the men of the senior class will probably enlist with the national guard in the event of a declaration of war and the University has assured all such students their full credit to the end of the semester is considered by some an added reason why the senior examinations should be discontinued, for this year at least.

George Turnbull, professor of journalism, who recently graduated from the University of Washington where this system of optional senior examinations was adopted during the last year, is heartily in favor of the move. He made some considerable study of the causes and effects of the change at the northern institution and declares them to have been wholly desirable and entirely satisfactory. He believes the change to be wise and progressive.

The committee in charge of canvassing the faculty and of presenting the petition met last night and divided the faculty among themselves for the purpose of holding personal interviews and of determining the stand which the members of the faculty will take upon the petition when it is submitted at the regular meeting a week from next Thursday, April 5.

A more complete report of their findings and a forecast of the results of the petition may be available by Thursday. Information along that line is at present fragmentary and unreliable.

Karl Becke, chairman of the committee, considers the present outlook favorable to a trial of the optional method advocated by the class and affirms that many reports of encouraging attitudes by the faculty members have come to him, but that these are not to be divulged until a full classification may be made by the committee.

ROSENBERG PLANS SCENERY

Pageant Preparations Progress, and New Characters Are Chosen.

Extensive preparations are being made for the pageant which will be staged on the campus next June. The latest report is that the plans for the scenery will be drawn by Louis C. Rosenberg of the architectural department. He will also make a model and will work it out in detail before the rehearsals begin.

The scenery will be symbolic rather than realistic. Large curtains will be used and possibly a few trees.

It has also been decided that the plan proposed by Prof. W. F. G. Thacher will be adopted. By this plan each county in Oregon will have a representative in the pageant. One feature of the proposed plan is that the products of each county will be symbolized.

Several new characters have been selected since the last report. Charlotte Banfield has been cast for the part of "Sacaajawey"; Helen Branch will have the role "Spirit of the Valleys"; Margaret Crosby will take the part, "Spirit of the Seas"; Ella Walker the "Spirit of the Mountains"; and Bernice Lucas "The Spirit of the Plains". All these characters will be dressed in costumes symbolic of the parts they represent.

NEW PATHS TO BE BUILT GRAVEL TO REPLACE WOOD IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED

The planked walks which have been built at different places on the campus to keep students out of the mud during rainy weather, are to be converted into permanent walks as soon as good weather comes. The planks will be taken up and gravelled walks will be built.

Several other improvements will probably be made. The old wooden walk on the north side of Thirteenth street from Onyx to Kincaid will be removed and a cement one will be built. A cement walk will replace the wooden one around Johnson hall.

Mr. Fisher says that everything possible will be done to keep students out of the mud until the rain is over.

HAS BROTHER IN RUSSIA

Roswell Dosch, Art Instructor, Hears From War Correspondent.

Arno Dosch, war correspondent for the New York World, who is writing special articles on Russia for newspapers and magazines in the United States, is a brother of Roswell Dosch, instructor in drawing in the University.

Mr. Dosch is writing under the name, Dosch-Fleuret, because Dosch is so obviously German that it would cause endless explanations and trouble in the Allies' countries. Mr. Dosch has simply added his mother's maiden name, a procedure which is perfectly legal in France, where Mr. Dosch was last summer.

Mr. Dosch has been in Russia four months. His brother has received no word from him except through occasional cablegrams, saying that he is well. Roswell Dosch received one letter when his brother first reached Russia, saying he is very fond of Europe. His wife and two children are in Paris.

Mr. Dosch has been in Europe since the outbreak of hostilities. He has visited all the war fronts and has travelled in England, France, Germany, Egypt, and Italy, writing as a correspondent for the leading newspapers of the country.

He began his newspaper career after his graduation from Harvard in 1905, reporting for New York papers. He has also done considerable magazine work.

YELLOW PLACARDS ARE OUT

Oregana Subscribers Get Fancy Tags; Price to Go Up Saturday.

"I have subscribed for the Oregana." So read the two-inch square yellow cards being distributed today by solicitors to those who will own a 1917 Oregana.

Harold Tregilgas, circulation manager, says he hopes to increase sales by the use of the tags. "So far, 300 have subscribed," he said. "We need over 500 subscriptions, and I hope the tags will cause the sales to reach that number."

"The committee requests that all students who have subscribed get tags and wear them. If the students will co-operate, they will aid the solicitors in discovering who has subscribed and who has not. We think that the use of the tags, which is entirely new, will arouse so much enthusiasm that the required number of annuals will be sold before the \$2.50 offer expires on Saturday."

Oregana subscriptions are obtainable from the solicitors, the registrar and the co-operative store.

FACULTY PROVIDES SOCIALS

Committee of Seven Get Up Affairs for New Members.

Not only do students need a little social recreation, but also the faculty, as shown by the existence of a semi-official Eries Allen as chairman, and Professor F. S. Dunn, Mrs. Joseph Schaefer, Mrs. E. E. De Cou, Mrs. R. H. Wheeler, Mrs. M. F. McClain, and Miss Mozelle Hair.

In speaking of the committee Mrs. McClain said the idea was merely to be gracious to the newcomers on the faculty. She explained that there was at present no way for the new members to become acquainted so this faculty social affairs, either picnics, dances, musicals committee arranges three or four social or evening of readings to which all may come and enjoy themselves.

U. VOLUNTEER CORPS WILL DRILL TONIGHT

Initial Class Meets at 7 P. M. Hayward Hall, Under Direction of H. K. Kingsbury.

Interest High; Local Medical Frat Ready to Enter Red Cross Work.

The University volunteer drill corps will meet at 7 o'clock this evening for the first instruction in drilling, under the direction of H. K. Kingsbury. The drill will be held in the men's gymnasium and the members are instructed to wear rubber-heeled shoes. Any men in the University who are now willing to join the movement under the conditions outlined at Saturday's meeting can do so at this time.

Tomorrow evening at the same hour the class in first aid to the injured and sanitary hygiene will meet at the same place under direction of Bill Hayward. Thursday evening at seven, also in Hayward hall, the advanced class in sanitation intended especially for those planning to take up Red Cross or relief work will meet with Dr. G. E. Darrow.

Harold Tregilgas, head of the local chapter of Sigma Alpha medical fraternity, said yesterday that the members of the pre-medical department of the University were taking hold of the work with interest. "We are urging not only the members of the fraternity, who number about 25 or 30, but also all of the pre-medical students in the University to go into this movement for all that there is in it," he declared. It is probable that in case of war a large number of the pre-medical students could step directly into relief or general Red Cross work in the ambulance corps.

Interest among the students on the campus remains keen in not only the National Guard but also the Federal Reserve Corps, for which Lieutenant Willis Shippam, as an officer of the federal army, is commissioned to enlist men in Eugene. Several members of the student body have made inquiry both of Karl Othonok, secretary to President P. L. Campbell, and Lieutenant Shippam at his offices in the Eugene armory. Under the arrangements of the Federal Reserve Corps, only men who are peculiarly fitted for leadership are taken, and these are called upon only in the case of absolute necessity and used as officers in the newly recruited army units.

BISHOP HUGHES TO SPEAK

Bishop Matthew S. Hughes, who will address the Vesper service Sunday, April 1, is one of the younger bishops of the Methodist church and has been considered for a number of years as one of the outstanding pulpit men of this country.

Bishop Hughes has held many pastorates in the New England states, Middle West and the South. Before he was elected bishop of the Northwest district, which includes Alaska, Washington and Oregon, he was pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Pasadena, recognized as the largest Methodist church in America.

He began his ministry in a very humble way, working in small country churches. Due to his ability as a student and speaker he rose to be one of the most prominent divines in America. From 1908-11 he was professor of practical theology, University of Southern Cal. His headquarters are now in Portland.

His brother, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of Boston made the University commencement address several years ago and has spoken in Eugene on a Lyceum lecture course several times since then.

Mrs. Hughes and daughter are to be here with him and will be guests at the Methodist parsonage during their stay.

"Bishop Hughes is an earnest man with a strong message. He is known both as an administrator and as a speaker with few equals" says Rev. H. G. Parkinson, of the Eugene Methodist church.

Bishop Hughes will address the Y. W. C. A. Saturday night, the Methodist church at 10:45 Sunday morning and the Vesper service at 4:30 in Villard Sunday afternoon April 1.

SHALL OREGON HOLD SCHOOL FOUR TERMS?

Faculty Considering Change of Registration From September to October.

Under New System Students Choose Any Term for Vacation.

The faculty is now considering a plan, which, if carried out, would change the opening of school from the middle of September to the first of October, the school term consisting of four quarters, summer school composing the last quarter. Each quarter would rank on an equal footing with any other in the school year.

The committee, composed of Professor O. F. Stafford, chairman; Professor A. R. Sweetser, Dean John Straub, and Dr. H. D. Sheldon, asked about 250 students how the change would affect their summer work and found that farmers and harvesters would feel it most.

Should this system be adopted, the approximate dates of October 1 to December 22, January 2 to March 23, April 1 to June 15, and July 1 to September 15. Each semester would continue twelve weeks with examinations at the end of the quarter. No vacations would break into the semester.

"The University of Chicago and Stanford University have adopted this plan, and the University of California is considering it," Professor Stafford said. "The student can take his vacation in any quarter that he chooses or he may go to school all four quarters if his health and purse hold out and graduate from the University in three years."

"Professors would receive their pay for three quarters and if they could arrange their work they might take their vacation in any quarter that they chose or they might teach all four quarters and save up a year of vacation and take it all at once. This means that a professor might go east to study during the winter instead of in the summer."

The extra time that an additional third semester would take in examinations and registration would not hinder the working out of the plan, according to Professor Stafford. He pointed out that registration would occupy only one more day and examinations could be cut down to hour and a half periods.

"The only real hindrance to the adoption of this plan by the University is the financial one," declared Dr. Stafford. "It demands a larger budget for the teaching force, which is not available now nor likely to be in the near future."

CAPTAIN MILLER TO SPEAK

Salvation Army Officer Will Talk to Y. W. C. A. on the War.

Captain Jessie Miller, of the Salvation Army of Eugene, will speak at the Y. W. C. A. meeting Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock on the "Spiritual Significance of the War". Miss Miller was educated in Glasgow, Scotland, and has relatives in the war and through them she has been able to keep in touch with what the war is meaning to the people of the warring nations.

After the regular meeting, Mrs. W. B. Madden will conduct her class on Japan. Five o'clock Wednesday has been set as the regular hour for the class. Mrs. Madden has lived in Japan 20 years and so is well prepared to speak with an intimate knowledge of her subject.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS HERE

The annual convention of the congress of mothers will meet in Eugene next fall, October 17 to 20, if the present plans are carried out. The mothers' congress is a state wide organization, composed of all the parent-teachers associations throughout the state.

Mrs. George McMath, of Portland, who is president of the congress, visits all of the schools in the state in the interest of the congress. Last year the convention was held at The Dalles and \$500 was pledged to the University women's building fund. This next year one convention day will be devoted to the University and its needs. Dean Elizabeth Fox is making plans for entertaining the visitors.

BULLETIN USED IN JAPAN PAMPHLET SENT TO TOKIO OTHER PUBLICATIONS SOON

A bulletin on the use of electricity, put out by the University school of commerce, has been sent to the Tokio Electrical company of Kawasaki, Japan, and will be used by them. The bulletin was written by L. F. Harze, prominent consulting engineer of Portland, and is being widely used throughout the United States and Canada, according to Professor Hopkins, of the school of commerce.

The bulletin deals especially with the use of electricity on the farm and in the home more economically and with a saving of labor. "The bulletin is valuable not only to the consumer but also to the producer," said Professor Hopkins. The Idaho Power company of Boise, Idaho, has sent to the school for 5000 copies to be distributed to their customers.

Another bulletin has been written by the commerce department on the system of long distance distribution and supply in Germany. The information used in this pamphlet was made available to the school by the United States Department of Commerce.

A public bulletin dealing with recent electrical development in Sweden will soon be issued by the department.

Y. W. C. A. SECRETARY VISITS

Miss Eleanor Hopkins Pays Annual Visit to Oregon Campus.

Miss Eleanor Hopkins, national Y. W. C. A. student secretary in the Northwest field, has been a visitor on the campus since Friday. Miss Hopkins is on her annual visit to the University. She makes trips to all the student organizations in her field, meets the girls and special committees and helps to plan the work for the year.

She has directed special attention since she has been here this time to the planning of the cabinet conference to be held this week end and has had several special meetings with the cabinet.

Friday evening, Miss Hopkins was the guest of the cabinets at dinner served at the Bungalow. That evening she spoke to the Eugene high school girls on the Y. W. C. A. organizations in other states.

The advisory board and the cabinet entertained with a luncheon Saturday with Miss Hopkins, Dean Elizabeth Fox, Mrs. P. L. Campbell, Mrs. Frank L. Chambers and Mrs. W. E. Yorak as honor guests. Miss Hopkins spoke on the plans for the coming cabinet conference. At a silver tea given by Miss Fox and Miss Macy Watson at Miss Fox's apartment that afternoon, Miss Hopkins spoke on the Y. W. C. A. movement. Saturday night, after a dinner at the Hotel Osburn, she attended the April Frolic.

An informal vesper service was held at the Y. W. C. A. Lungalow Sunday afternoon from 4 until 6. Miss Hopkins spoke on the Y. W. C. A. movement and work. Gladys Van Nuyss sang and Miss Winifred Forbes, accompanied by Martha Tinker, gave several violin selections. Tea was served. While here, Miss Hopkins was a guest at the Kappa Alpha Theta house.

She left this afternoon for Albany and will return to Eugene Friday for the cabinet conference. She will be a guest at the Kappa Gamma house for the week-end.

LIBRARY ADDS NEW BOOKS

"West Coast Shells", by Kupis, one of the most complete works on Pacific coast shells is among the several new books recently added to the University library. Eight books on art by Haldone Macfall, published in Edinburgh, Scotland, and dealing with the art of different countries and illustrating famous paintings in color, along with two copies of Eloison, published in Dublin in 1795, make up other additions.

DANCE TO BE REPEATED

The second annual dancing recital, given last Friday afternoon by the members of the women's physical training department, will be repeated on Thursday afternoon, April 5, in Guild hall, under the auspices of the Women's Athletic Association.

The same program given last week will be presented, and the proceeds are to be turned over to the Women's Building fund.

OREGON MEN NOW AWAIT CALL TO ARMS

Twenty-Seven Are Members of Second Company Coast Artillery Corps.

KENT WILSON FIRST TO DEPART FOR FRONT

President Campbell States Semester Credits Will Be Granted Men Who Respond.

(By Clifford Sevits) With military bodies all over the United States responding to the fire of patriotism that calls men to the colors, and the gradual dis-membersment of University and college student organizations through the mobilization of national guard forces, comes the realization of what actual warfare would mean to the University of Oregon.

Twenty-seven men of the University, members of the Second Company, Coast Artillery Corps, stationed here, anxiously await the call to arms. Feeling has run high on the campus since the first anticipation of mobilization was occasioned by the stationing of the Eighth Company on bridge guard duty at Portland Sunday.

The first to depart for the ranks is Kent Wilson, who received the call from headquarters yesterday to join the Third Regiment, Oregon, at Portland. Wilson will join the hospital corps, in which he saw service last year in Mexico. He left for Portland last night. Walter White, who also belongs to the Third Company, contemplates leaving school soon. Both men are members of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and are popular in school activities.

The loss of Wilson casts another dark shadow over Bill Hayward's track prospects. Wilson was one of the standbys of the old squad, having performed for the lemon-yellow in the sprints. With the mobilization of the local companies, and others that have representatives in the University, the campus will be deprived of men active in nearly every branch of activity. Track, baseball, and other spring athletics will be abandoned here, as well as in every other university and college in the United States, in the event of mobilization of troops.

Declaration of war and call for recruits will cause a rush of college men in every part of the country to enlist under the Stars and Stripes, as was the case when trouble with Mexico first appeared. A rough glance at campus sentiment shows that at least 300 students will rally to military service upon the request of the government.

President P. L. Campbell stated yesterday that credits for the semester probably will be granted in case of men being called to arms, whether they respond voluntarily or already belong to the militia. This was done by American Universities when students were called into service during the Spanish-American War.

On the Atlantic seaboard the tendency to give up school work for the country probably is felt more vividly than it is in the west. Reports from Harvard University show that several live military organizations have been formed by the students, and in case of war, the school will lose practically all its strong men. In view of the fact that such schools as Harvard depend largely upon tuition for maintenance, the loss of a major portion of its men will work a hardship.

The organization of an officer's reserve corps and the student's volunteer company in drill, field tactics, and plotting, has added increased vigor to military preparation among University of Oregon students. Forty-seven have enrolled in the course and a large number have signified their intentions to sign up at tonight's meeting. In war maneuvering, these men will be at a decided advantage for having secured the scientific training, under men of experience in military tactics, such as the course plans to give.

Aside from the remaining companies of coast artillery, Oregon's military force is mobilized and ready for active service. It will be necessary to recruit the local companies up to a maximum war strength before they will be sent into service, according to officers of