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### Where Is Miss Emma Wootton?

#### Dean Allen Gets Shock When He Finds Reason for Absence From Class

"Where's Miss Wootton?" asked Dean Eric Allen this morning, as he surveyed the depleted ranks of his class of embryo editors.

"In Astoria," said somebody, and stony, envious silence reigned, while everybody reflected on how much jaunting about Emma Wootton has been doing lately.

A grin spread over Bob McNary's face. "You know what she went for, don't you?" he asked, unfairly employing his knowledge of what's going on at 772.

"She went to get married," he announced, and enjoyed the beautiful smile that shone on Dean Allen's face—for know ye that Mr. Allen, adjutant of the University battalion, and a soldier himself, has been with her and for her since the first intimation that she might do the deed.

And then a bright idea hit him. "Let's send her a telegram," he suggested, and forthwith set himself to compose it.

"Western Union?" he asked in a jiffy. "Take a message, please."

"To Mrs. Elmer Hall, care of Captain Tom Wootton, Astoria, Ore. Good luck. Our wishes are with you for lifelong happiness. Editorial Class."

"Get that M-r-s, misses? That's the important part."

"And say," concluded Mr. Allen, "charge to journalism!"

Somebody suggested that the message be held, and Bob McNary was cross-examined as to his authority.

"All I know is that sister got a wire yesterday saying to come home, that Emma was going to be married this noon," he maintained. So the wire went through.

And whether it will go to Mrs. Elmer Hall or to just plain Emma Wootton is a gamble.

The story goes that Elmer Hall, of the marine corps, stationed now at Mare Island, got a furlough, and wired to his fiancée his desire to be married at once. She asked for time to consult the family up in Astoria, but Hall was adamant and he wired back right off the reel. "Can't wait. Am leaving at midnight tonight."

Thus is the lil' god Cupid when Mars gets him going!

### JOHNNY BECKETT LOSES TWO BROTHERS IN 18 DAYS

#### Members of Family of Football Star Succumb to Meningitis and Pneumonia.

Within the last 18 days, Johnny Beckett, top sergeant in the Mare Island corps, captain of the Marine football team, and former University of Oregon football star, has lost two brothers, Ralph Beckett, age 35, died February 8 in Kansas City of spinal meningitis and January 21 Johnny's oldest brother died in Philadelphia of pneumonia.

Beckett is now in Portland where he attended the funeral of his brother Ralph but will return to Mare Island soon.

### DEDICATED TO COL. LEADER

#### March Composed by Albert Perfect Well Received at Armory.

"The Colonel Leader March," is the first piece of music to be dedicated to Oregon's instructor of military science. It was composed by Mr. Albert Perfect, instructor in the school of music and director of the military band. He has spent much time in composing the piece and on its completion, thought it appropriate to name the production after the military instructor.

This march, which was written principally for the band, met with immediate success when it was played in the armory last night by the Eugene municipal band. The large audience present at the Red Cross program demonstrated its appreciation of Mr. Perfect's work by encoring the march twice.

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## Reconstruction of China Avowed Life Work of Sun

Tao Sun, who for 16 years has been studying in Japan and America, his expenses paid by Dr. Sun-Yat-Sen, former president of the Chinese republic, expects to be granted his degree of A. B. from the University of Oregon this month. He will leave immediately after for China to help in China's fight for democracy.

Sun came to the University from the University of California last fall, where he had been studying since coming to America to complete his education, and planned to study at Oregon until he would receive his masters' degree next fall.

Wong Tu Seng, an old friend of Sun's, and one of Dr. Sun-Yat-Sen's lieutenants in southern China, where he is in control of several states, is now governor of the Long-Chang province. Sun believes that he can do more good in aiding China toward a democratic form of government by going to China now than by waiting, until perhaps, his opportunity would be gone.

Sun explains that the army of China is composed of the worst and lowest classes of men. This, he says, is because of a tradition of the Chinese that teaches children of good families not to fight when they are small, and teaches that fighting of all kinds is irreligious and that the army is an unhonorable occupation.

Because of this fact, the armies of China now, even those fighting for a republican form of government, fight only for the money they can get. If one leader offers more loot than the other, the soldiers flock to him from his opponents.

"This condition," says Sun, "has led to the present, where there are as many rebel leaders who are misleading the ignorant people in their armies as there are leaders who are working earnestly for a better and more enlightened China."

With China in its present state, Sun believes that a democratic form of government can be best brought about by force; they cannot have a good government until they are forced to establish an give it a fair trial.

As soon as Sun arrives at his former home, he will lay the following plan before Governor Wong Tu Seng for his adoption, to bring about a democratic state and a basis for a democratic China:

Maintain the present army to enforce for the present the edicts of the governor.

Call for the election of representatives from each province of the state to form into a body similar to the American congress.

Force men known to be unfriendly to the cause of democracy, or mercenary, to resign from the representative body as soon as it convenes, and allow the election of a more fair and honorable successor.

Make military training compulsory, as in this way an army composed of the best classes, instead of the worst, as at present, could be organized and trained in the course of three years to equal the present mercenary troops.

Force the old army to go to work under government pay, building railroads, highways, and other means of communication needed before China can make the best progress toward the highest type of civilization.

After the state had been sufficiently organized and developed to stand without the aid of military forces to back up its law, disband the army and do away with compulsory military training or use the army to aid other Chinese states in obtaining a similar form of democratic government, with the end that, with the state as a basis, China would be established as a democracy.

Sun seeks no place of prominence in politics himself, unless, after the people, through their representative body, have assumed full control of the government, they see fit to elect him to some government position. For the present he plans to be merely an advisor.

### TEN-DAY DRILL PRECEDES 10-MINUTE RAID ON HUNS

#### Practice on Duplicate of Fritz's Trenches Behind Lines: "Must Be Able to Charge With Eyes Shut" Says Commandant.

A raid upon the enemy's trenches which occupies but 10 minutes of actual fighting, is prepared and practiced every day for 8 or 10 days in advance back of the lines, said Lieutenant Colonel John Leader, at the 2 o'clock class in military sciences yesterday afternoon in Villard hall.

"When you have decided what part of Fritz' trench you are going to raid," said the colonel, "you make an exact duplicate of that section behind your own lines. Then you get the men who are going to make the raid and drill each man so thoroughly in his particular work that he can go through his part with his eyes shut. The main thing necessary for the success of the raid is to surprise the enemy, and for this reason not a single sound can be made by the attacking party. Warn all your men that any making a noise will be shot."

The most of the hour was given up to a discussion of the various kinds of obstacles used to delay troops.

"You must remember," said Colonel Leader, "that obstacles are of no value unless they are placed near your position, so you can fire upon the troops coming through them. They must not be of such character as to afford concealment to the enemy, otherwise they become an obstacle to you instead of him. Also they must not interfere with counter-attacks."

One of the most common obstacles used across roads is called a "chavreaux devrises," which consists of a two by four piece of timber which has a great number of large spikes imbedded in it. This is very effective against infantry and cavalry. Another device called a "crow's foot," is made up of several spikes bound together. This is placed in fords across streams, and is principally to delay cavalry. For infantry, loose barbed wire is thrown across the ford.

For delaying advancing parties across open country, a scheme, known as "tros devrises," is much used. Triangular-shaped holes three feet and six inches wide and three feet deep, are placed in rows across the ground. A spike is placed in the bottom of each hole and the whole camouflaged with moss and grass.

A more elaborate obstacle is the abattis. Trees are felled, their trunks placed in holes and the branches lashed together in long lines. Another obstacle on the same order is the wire devrises, barbed wire strung from sticks.

The commandant opened his talk with a few criticisms of the extended order marching, which took up the drill hour

### GAS ATTACKS TOPIC OF LECTURE

#### Colonel Leader Tells Methods of Meeting Hun's Chemicals.

Anything at hand which can be used to do away with the effects of gas, according to Colonel Leader in his Tuesday evening lecture to the class in military science, is legitimate. A handkerchief moistened in a solution of soda, a sock filled with earth, or a piece of cloth will help to allay the effects and may even save the soldier's life.

There are numerous kinds of gases, he said, and all of them can be guarded against to some extent by the use of these simple remedies. A warm clear night with but little wind blowing is the best time for the gas attack, and sentries should be instructed to be on the lookout for any indications of the obnoxious vapors coming from Fritz. About the only way that one can tell of the approach of the gas before it really occurs is from the low hissing which it makes when escaping from the tanks of the Germans. Often a sentry on-guard is able to tell the attack by the sounds of the tanks rolling along the bottom of the trench to positions of advantage.

Colonel Leader went on to give a list of the articles which would be very useful in the trenches, saying that if one was lucky enough to have a friend who wanted to help one out, that any one of the articles would be very useful.

While it may be possible to get all the articles he listed in a 35-pound kit, he stated, a great many of them can be taken along, and they will certainly come in handy.

### FELICITATIONS TO GOVERNOR

#### University Joins with Executive in News Sun Was Not on Tuscania.

Colonel John Leader sent the following telegram to Governor Withycombe on receipt of the news that the governor's son was not among those on board the torpedoed troopship Tuscania:

"The battalion of the University of Oregon joins with you upon the good news of your boy today."  
"JOHN LEADER,  
"Commandant."

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