

## \$310,000 Bid Lowest Made For New Dorm

### Construction Contract Will Be Officially Given Today

### Successful Bonds Bidder To Be Made Known By Regents

Hanson and Hammond, contracting firm of Portland, submitted the lowest bid for construction of the new dormitory building at the University of Oregon, citing a figure of \$310,000 for the project. Bids were opened Friday at 2 o'clock. Lorenz Brothers, Portland, were the next with a bid of \$312,943, while the only Eugene firm offering figures, Stien Brothers, were next with a bid of \$313,000. Award of the contract will be made this morning at a meeting of the university regents at 10 o'clock.

Other firms bidding on the structure, all of Portland, were Tranchell and Parelius, \$317,390; Dougan and Hammond, \$326,700; Waale and Shattuck, \$326,826; Thomas Muir, \$330,400; Stebinger Brothers, \$333,600; Robertson, Hay and Wallace, \$340,581; James L. Quinn, \$352,000.

### Building to Begin

Work on the dormitory, which will house 278 students, is expected to start shortly after the contract is officially let. It is planned to have the structure ready for occupancy next fall.

Bids on the bond issue of \$375,000 to pay construction and furnishing costs were also opened at three o'clock Friday. Figures submitted were as follows: Dean Witter, Portland, with Marine National Bank, Seattle, 92.13, with interest at four and one-half percent; Pierce, Fair and company, Portland, with Lumberman's Trust company, Portland, 93.01, with interest at four and three-fourths per cent; Ferris and Hardgrove, with Blyth Witter, 95, with interest at five percent; George H. Burr, Conrad and Broom, with Murphy Favre and company, 94.76, with interest at five percent. These represent the proposals figured on by the building committee of the University, although several alternate proposals were submitted by each of the firm combinations listed.

### Officials Satisfied

Satisfaction was expressed by university officials over the bids submitted on the construction of the building, and the fact that a figure of four and one-half percent was set on the bond issue in bids submitted was also favorably commented on. The successful bidder on the bond issue will be announced following the regents' meeting Saturday.

The fact that the test case to determine the validity of the legislative act under which the building is to be constructed is now in the supreme court in Salem will not interfere with the letting of contracts or determining the successful bidder on the bond issue.

Excavation on the site of the building has already started and is expected to be completed soon. Lawrence and Wolford, Portland architects, have all plans completed so that the contractors can start to work immediately.

## Kenneth Rowe Spends Summers as Hay Hand, Sailor, Actor, Forester

Everything from shipping as an ordinary seaman on a small freighter in the Gulf, working in the oil fields of Texas, the wheat fields of Kansas, the hay fields of the west, touring New York presenting one act plays, to the forest service in Oregon, has been the experience of Kenneth Rowe, instructor in the English department.

Thrills? Yes, you bet! Down in the Texas oilfields, with a boom on, Mr. Rowe said it was not safe to go to bed with more than \$2 in your pockets, if you expected to wake up the next morning. It was nothing out of the ordinary to have someone killed any night. It probably comes the nearest to the wild west days of anything left today, he said, only most of the killings were not open fights. Some of them came in poker games, but usually it was to get money to go on gambling. The saying was "\$2 is too much for a man to carry."

When he got a job on a small freighter running between Texas ports, Philadelphia and New York, Mr. Rowe concealed from all but

## Silver Anniversary Of Botany Collection Observed Yesterday

A number of plants in the University of Oregon herbarium observed their silver anniversary yesterday when Louis F. Henderson, curator of the collection, took them from their cases and gave them a free breath of air.

In 1903 Professor R. A. Sweetser's botany classes made a collection of western Oregon plants and pressed them. These plants were put away and until yesterday the botany department had forgotten they ever existed. Some of them met an untimely end when it was decided that they were too broken for further use, while others were put back to be brought out in 1953 for their golden anniversary.

## Possible Y. W. Heads Named

### M. Edmundson Nominated For Presidency

As a result of a recent meeting of the nominating committee of the Y. W. C. A., the name of Margaret Edmundson has been submitted for the presidency of that organization for next year. Miss Edmundson has been secretary of the Y. W. cabinet and head of the freshman commission on the campus. She has also been prominent in other lines of University activity, including debate and athletics during her two years here. She will be the first sophomore to be nominated for this office since 1924 when Mary Clerin, a junior, served as president.

Nominations for vice-president are Betty Higgins, and Maxine Thomas, juniors; for secretary, Virginia Manning, junior; and Margaret Steele, sophomore; for treasurer, Marion Leach, junior, and Ruth Ramsey, sophomore, for the position of undergraduate representative.

The elections will be held at the Bungalow next Tuesday from 9 until 4 o'clock and every member of the Y. W. C. A. will be entitled to vote. The girls in charge of the election will be announced later.

The nominating committee, the personnel of which included Mazie Richards, Pauline Stewart, Julia Wilson, Gladys Calef and Dorothy Thomas, based its decisions to quite a degree upon the results of the recent try-outs for cabinet membership which have been carried on during the last two weeks. "Every girl who was interested in the Y. W. was invited to come in and interview the secretary, Miss Thomas, and tell her just why she was interested and how she would express that interest on cabinet, if she were selected to membership in that body. The girls who presented the most constructive plans, and seemed the most genuinely interested were naturally considered most seriously. The cabinet appointments, which will be made by the new president when she is elected, will also be based largely upon the results of these tryouts, was the comment of Pauline Stewart, retiring president.

On account of the nearness of the examinations, the annual election banquet given in honor of the new officers by the whole membership of the Y. W. C. A. will be postponed until the beginning of next year. Ruth Feltner, present social chairman on the cabinet, will be in charge of that affair.

## Water Will Fly When This Trio Meets Aggies Today



LEFT, Johnny Anderson, Oregon's speed demon, who is scheduled to break several Pacific Coast records this afternoon in the Woman's tank. Anderson now holds the 40-yard dash title. Don McCook, varsity distance swimmer, who makes his last collegiate appearance this afternoon. Charles Silverman, dark-haired water-splasher who will also attempt to hang up a new record today in the 220 and 440-yard events.

## House Groups For Fete Chosen

### Lottery Plan Used for Pairing Organizations

Since the time of Noah and the Ark the accepted form has been twosomes, pairs, and couples. When the canoe floats drift down the millrace Junior week-end, they won't be in pairs but will be the result of the combined efforts pairs. Yesterday morning immediately after the bell dismissing the 10 o'clock classes had rung, Ronald Hubbs, Jack Jones and Roy Herndon took their stand on the library steps and proceeded to pair off the houses.

The names of the women's houses were put in one hat and the names of the men's houses were put in another. Jack and Roy held the hats and Ron put a hand in each. He announced the pairings as he drew them: Fiji and Alpha Chi Omega, Kappa Sigma and Alpha Omicron Pi, Friendly Hall and Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Chi and Chi Omega, Phi Delta Theta and Delta Zeta, Chi Psi and Kappa Alpha Theta, Phi Sigma, Kappa and Alpha Phi, Beta Theta Pi and Alpha Xi Delta, Bachelorland and Hendricks Hall, Phi Kappa Psi and Delta Gamma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Beta Chi and Susan Campbell Hall, Sigma Pi Tau and Delta Delta Delta, and Delta Tau Delta and Gamma Phi Beta.

"I hope the groups are contented with their partners," said Sally Hughson, who was in charge of the lottery. "It was as fair as it possibly could have been, and all that remains now is for the houses to get together and have an artistic float on the millrace the Friday night of Junior Week-end."

## Dean Elmer Shirrell Visitor in Corvallis

Elmer L. Shirrell, dean of men, visited in Corvallis this week with Dr. U. G. Dubach, dean of men at O. S. C., and while there investigated the co-operative managers' association. He was the guest of Delta Kappa fraternity at dinner Tuesday night.

Dean Shirrell will spend Tuesday and Wednesday in Portland, where he is scheduled to address several groups. Tuesday noon he will speak before the League of Women Voters at a luncheon at the Heathman hotel. On Wednesday noon at the Heathman hotel he will talk to the social service workers of Portland on social histories of the disabled veterans. He will return to the campus Wednesday evening.

## University Bible Class To Hold Rally Sunday

Elmer Adams, president of the University Bible class at the First Baptist church, announces a special rally service at the next meeting, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. At present there is an enrollment of 45 University students in the class.

H. W. Davis, director of religious education on the campus, will lead the discussion. Topics have been chosen which will challenge the attention and thought of University men, according to those in charge of the program. The topic last Sunday was "The Choice of a Life Work." All University men are invited to attend.

## Hopkins' Concerts Prove To Be Popular

George Hopkins gave concerts recently in Longview, Chehalis, and The Dalles. In Longview his program was given last Friday before an audience of 800 high school students and townspeople. The following evening he appeared in concert in Chehalis under the sponsorship of the music teachers of that town. Eight encores and a return engagement attest to the popularity of the concert in Chehalis. Mr. Hopkins will probably play in Olympia and Centralia on the same trip in which he fulfills the Chehalis engagement.

A large audience was present at Mr. Hopkins' concert at The Dalles, given under the auspices of the Monday Musical club. Mr. Hopkins' next appearance will be at Hood River on March 23.

## Miniature Paintings To Be Exhibited Today

An exhibit of modern and historic miniatures on the third floor of the McMoran and Washburne department store this afternoon and evening is being sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's club of Eugene. Entertainment features are to be provided during the exhibit, which will last from 2 o'clock in the afternoon till 8 o'clock in the evening.

Among the contributors to this art showing are Mrs. Albert R. Sweetzer and Mrs. Warren D. Smith, wives of members of the University faculty.

There are about 55 miniature paintings in the group, the majority of which are modern. Among the older paintings there are several which are unique. One is of George Washington, painted when he was living. Another is in wax and represents Christopher Columbus.

The dancing pupils of Mrs. Kenneth Moore will open the exhibit with a demonstration of old fashioned dancing. At 3:30 Mrs. Nowland B. Zane will address those present on the subject, "The Art and History of Miniature Painting."

## Students Urged To Buy Grade Envelopes Now

Students are urged to purchase envelopes at once for sending their grades home. Miss Gertrude Stephenson, of the registrar's office, says that if the students do this early they will be much more sure of receiving their grades, and unnecessary work will be saved both the student and the office.

The Women's League has placed stamped envelopes on sale at window eight in the Administration building now, and all that is required of the student is a nickel and his address written on the envelope. This can be done in a few minutes and should be attended to as soon as possible.

## Beattie To Visit Schools Of Willamette Valley

W. G. Beattie, lecturer in the Extension division, is leaving Monday for an extended trip through the Willamette valley where he expects to visit the high schools. One of the main reasons for this trip is to excite interest in the coming drama tournament and also to find out how much interest is being shown in the summer session.

## Frosh Must Remove Would-be Art Work From Senior Bench

"Green paint and the figure '31 still smirch the senior bench. It is disgraceful to the freshman class that they remain there," said Don McCook yesterday.

The bench must be devoid of even a trace of the objectionable color by Wednesday noon, March 7, or the freshmen will take place, and a scrubbing party will take place, the senior prexy stated. The freshmen have been warned twice that they must clean the bench, but have taken no action.

The weather is such now that the seniors wish to sun themselves on the privileged seat and there must be no traces of the freshman green to mar the otherwise pleasant surroundings, according to McCook.

## Noted Harpist To Be Featured

### Symphony Artist To Come With String Quartet

A concert featuring Ruth Lorraine Close as soloist will be given by the Underwood string quartet next Thursday evening at 8:30 in the auditorium of the music building.

Ruth Lorraine Close is harpist with the Portland Symphony and head of the harp department of the Ellison White Conservatory of Music. In this capacity she has stimulated interest in her chosen instrument by teaching many out-of-town pupils, notably from Medford, Corvallis, Salem, in Oregon, and from Kelso and Vancouver, Washington. Doris Helen Patterson of Eugene was among the harp students of Mrs. Close presented in a recital in Portland during the Christmas vacation.

She is not only recognized as an artist of merit in the Northwest, but during her four months' study in Europe last summer she gave successful concerts in Paris and London. English and French critics were enthusiastic in their praise of her stage personality and artistry.

Among the numbers which Ruth Lorraine Close will play in the Eugene concert is Zabel's "Margarite at the Spinning Wheel." Her execution of the difficult right hand part of this number has been pronounced "impeccable" by David Piper of the Oregonian.

Other numbers by the harpist will include Bach's "Solfeggietto," Beethoven's "Minuet," Grandjany's "Prelude," and two numbers by Debussy, "The First Arabesque" and "The Girl with the Flaxen Hair." The smoothness of Mrs. Close's technique will fit well with the placid flowing quality of the last mentioned number.

Mrs. Close will also play two Debussy numbers with the string quartet, "Danse Sacre" and "Danse Pro-fane." Debussy belongs to the modern school of composers and his works have an original appeal.

The string quartet, consisting of

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## Varsity Meets Beavers in Water Today

### Woman's Tank Will Be Scene of Battle At 3 o'clock

### Records Scheduled To Fall In Many Events; New Time for Medley

By RICHARD H. SYRING Sports Editor

The breaking of Pacific coast records will probably be a common thing this afternoon at 3 o'clock when the University of Oregon varsity and freshmen swimmers and the Oregon State College varsity and rook finnen meet in the Woman's building tank in the second meet of the two scheduled. Earlier in the season the Webfoot natators defeated the Aggie swimmers, 44 to 25.

This afternoon's water splashing contest, which will be the last of the season for the Webfoots, will see the establishment of a 300-yard medley record. There is no record at the present time and whoever wins today will set a new mark for the short course. Johnny Anderson, Oregon's speed ace, who holds the Pacific coast mark in the 40-yard dash in :19.1, will attempt to better his mark and try to break the records in the 100 and 220-yard events. Charles Silverman has been coming close to the coast record in the 44-yard race. In practice he has nearly broken the present time of 5:32.6. Silverman will also strive to better the mark of 2:43.8 for 220 yards.

### Fletcher Strives for Record

"Wig" Fletcher, slender varsity breast stroker, will attempt to brush aside the water for a new time in the 200-yard breast stroke event. Fletcher has been training all season with this one thought in view and has come close to the record in practice. Quigley of Stanford holds the best time with 2:49.8.

According to Coach Ed Abercrombie of the Webfoots, Fred Wadley, Oregon State rook swimmer, should break the Pacific coast time in 440-yard distance race. Reports from Corvallis show that he has already come close to the mark of 6:00.2 held by Pete Desjardins, national fancy diving champion and now a student at Stanford.

### Frosh Seek Revenge

The Oregon freshmen aquatic performers are out to avenge their defeat of earlier in the season. In a hotly-contested meet in the Aggie tank, the baby Beavers succeeded in taking the long end of a 30 to 29 score. The addition of Forrest McKay, freshman breast stroker, should give the yearlings another place in this event. The first six freshmen events will be run off first, except the diving, which will

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## 'Spoon River Anthology' Players Depict Life at Night Performance

### Speaking Voice Students Represent Character Range From Derelict to Vampire

By MARY FRANCES DILDAY Old maids, disillusioned poets, neglected wives, church deaconesses, Parisian vampires, and derelicts from all the bypaths of life passed through a lonely hillside cemetery last night, telling their various stories, when members of the speaking voice class presented "Spoon River Anthology" at the Guild theater, under the direction of Miss Florence E. Wilbur.

Isabel Murray as Margaret Slack, poinded out on the stage in a checkered suit and lamented the fate of a wife who had hoped to be a writer. After caring for eight children, she ran a needle through her hand and died of lock-jaw. With a "what do I care" toss of her arms the lost poet walked off the stage, receiving one of the most appreciative applauses given during the program.

The vivacity, grace and beauty of a Russian dancer was well portrayed by Edith Pearson, who finished her spirited story with a flourish of her fan and whirl of her skirt. A similar character, Dora Williams—the vampire who traveled over the world breaking hearts and collecting fortunes—was daintily portrayed by Marmiam Conner.

Violet Grek, interpreting the role

of a German inn keeper's mistress, won the sympathy of her audience by her imploring gestures, her half-sobbing voice and pitiful tale.

Though there were few men characters in the anthology, the feminine roles were far superior. Frank Jackson as Roscoe Purkapple, the disillusioned lover, brought a note of comedy into his part by his tight fitting suit and black derby, and his departing exclamation that love was the "bunk."

The entire production, which was the initial appearance of the speaking voice class, was well done. Not a single person spoiled the unique effect created by the half dreary and half comical anthology.

Zelle Ruble, in a short prologue, acquainted the audience with the characters buried in the graveyard, and in a well controlled voice called out to the dead, asking where the old friends were, and what they were doing. William Gillette, as Benjamin Pantier, a lawyer in the little town of Spoon River, leaned against a tombstone while his fellow townsmen fled by telling their stories.

Each character was particularly well costumed. Quaint old-fashioned dresses, stunning gowns and chic suits made a striking contrast with the bleak cemetery staging.