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## Politics Out, Says Prexy Of 'Sweetheart Contest'

An official "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" is to be selected from the fall freshman class of '42 by the local Sigma Chi fraternity, was the announcement made by House President Rex Applegate last night.

Each women's living organization has been asked to present two freshman girls as candidates from their organization. Two dinners will be given for the candidates. After these dinners final selection will be made.

### Secret Ballot, "No Politics Involved"

The method of selection will be by secret ballot among the active members of Sigma Chi.

"I want it to be understood by each candidate's living organization that politics will not enter into the selection under any circumstances," asserted Applegate.

The winning freshman girl will be presented with a Sigma Chi sweetheart pin at a dinner given in her honor, Saturday evening of Homecoming. Later in the week the fraternity will honor her at her living organization with a special serenade.

## New Frosh Constitution Approved by Class After Vigorous Session

The new frosh constitution was adopted at a meeting marked by noisy discussion when 96 members of the class of '42 gathered in Villard hall last night.

A clash came between the majority party which won every office last week and the ATO-Chi Psi combination, which urged the addition of a clause limiting the expenditures to those approved by the entire class. The new constitution as adopted gives the president and treasurer power to authorize an expenditure with the approval of the educational activities office.

### Amending Revised

The constitution provides for a new method of amending. Petitions may be signed by 35 class card holders rather than 50, the number specified in the old constitution. However, two-thirds of a quorum vote will be required to pass any amendment.

The constitution was passed by a majority standing vote. Call for a quorum was not specified by the former regulation of the class.

## Spaniel Seeks Social Science Study; Stopped

Dogs want to know the facts of life! This fact was proved conclusively Thursday morning in Instructor Quirinus Breen's social science class.

A coal-black cocker spaniel had placed itself in the front row of the lecture room. Instructor Breen, lecturing on the facts of life, suddenly espied it staring at him with a rapt expression, and ordered it evicted from the room.

Vigorously objecting, the pup yelped and barked in its firmest manner.

The facts of life were too good to miss!

## Daring Ducks Descend Upon Sleeping State

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis (Wednesday, Oct. 19)—Several University of Oregon obstreperous ducks descended upon our peaceful campus late Monday night and filled the air with U. of O. songs. Many complaints sent in by residents of the city against the noise makers, who were wandering about the town and campus, started the police on the chase.

Johnny Wells, campus policeman, caught the ducks in their badly-beaten car near the greenhouses and promptly ordered them on their way home.—Oregon State Barometer.

### Night or Morning?

It's the sleep before 12 o'clock that rests you most, say experts. But it's the sleep after 7 o'clock that feels the best, we say.—Montana Kaimin.

### Do You?

My parents told me not to smoke—I don't.  
Or listen to a naughty joke—I don't.  
They made it clear I must not look  
At pretty girls or even think  
About intoxicating drink—I don't.  
To dance or flirt is very wrong—I don't.  
Wild youths like women, wine and song—I don't.  
I kiss no girls not even one, I do not know how it is done.  
You wouldn't think I have much fun—I don't.

—Queens Journal.

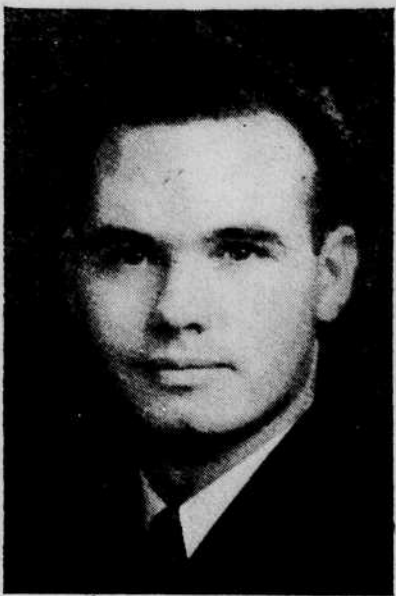
### Purpose Picketing

Students advertising a University of Michigan play production picketed the local cinemansion in order to advertise their own play.

—Idaho Argonaut.

# PREP JOURNALISTS ON CAMPUS TODAY

## 'It's the Melody'



Verdi Sederstrom . . . publicity chairman of tonight's Junior-Senior dance in the Igloo, who claims the danceable "Memory Melodies" will make this the fall term's finest dance.

## McArthur Mix Leads Weekend Dance Program

### Everyone Is Invited To Junior-Senior 'Memory Melodies'

Nine o'clock — McArthur court — "Memory Melodies" — it's the all-campus mix sponsored by the juniors and seniors for everyone. Semi-formal dresses have been decreed for women and dark suits for men. No corsages for the girls. Art Holman's Willamette park band will furnish his brand of sweet and swing tunes, while dancers do their stuff in an Igloo decorated with panels from some of last year's outstanding campus dances. Tickets are \$1 a couple, with juniors and seniors getting a 25-cent reduction with class cards.

### Prof. Thacher Meets With Study Group At Klamath Falls

W. F. G. Thacher, professor of English and advertising, met recently at Klamath Falls with a group of 14 persons who have formed a writers' correspondence study organization there. The meeting was the first in a series of three during the time that members of the group will be taking extension courses in creative writing, short story, and other phases of the writing field, Miss Moele Hair, head of the University correspondence division, said.

**NATIONAL 'SAMMIE' VISITS**  
Mr. James C. Hammerstein of New York City, executive secretary of Sigma Alpha Mu, will visit the University of Oregon chapter this weekend. He will be a guest of the local chapter from October 21 to 23. This is one of the stops of Mr. Hammerstein's "Sammie Tour" of the United States chapters.

## Social Heads Refuse Dessert Plan Action

### Controversy Passed To Interfraternity Council

Still unsettled, still unofficial—the exchange dessert controversy was no nearer adjustment as a result of the meeting of social chairmen of men's living organizations yesterday.

Professing little knowledge of the problem, the social heads refused to take any action on the matter, implying that it would be settled by the interfraternity council.

At a meeting last night, the council failed to act on the question or give it consideration for the present.

Women's social chairmen, meeting yesterday, decided that the choice between desserts and dinners should be left to individual houses. They recommend greater informality in the conducting of the affairs.

At an earlier meeting heads of houses had agreed to retain the present exchange-dessert system for the remainder of the term. They suggested that upperclass women and men of the exchanging houses meet at one of the houses, while the lowerclass students meet at the other.

Mrs. Hazel P. Schwering, dean of women, and Mrs. Alice B. Macduff, assistant dean of women, reviewed social regulations before the meeting of social chairmen of men's houses. Conduct of house dances received special consideration by the meeting.

Refreshments were served to the group by Dean Schwering and Mrs. Macduff.

### Alpha Kappa Psi To Convene Here October 28 and 29

Alpha Kappa Psi, national business honorary, will hold a district convention at the University of Oregon and Portland, October 28 and 29. The national president, Mr. W. J. Luby of Chicago, Mr. E. E. Davison, district counselor from the University of Idaho, and Past President Harry Silke will attend and participate in the convention program.

There will be delegates from the University of Washington, Washington State, University of Idaho, and the University of Oregon.

## Pledges Seem Content With Lot

Pledge life at the University isn't a bed of roses . . . but is almost one.

In fact, a survey among the various living organizations yesterday revealed a marked aura of contentment surrounding this year's crop of neophytes.

Gene Brown of Alpha Tau Omega, with the help of several of his brethren, and after considerable pause, decided that the house work was "pretty dirty." Upper classmen and classes not so bad and social affairs "a little dead," he says.

**Social Life "Fun"**  
In the Alpha Chi Omega house Betty Sevier thinks house duties are "okay." Although long lecture classes are new to her she finds the social side of college a "lot of fun."

"I don't like house duties," says Dick May, a Chi Psi rook. But he realizes that those along with submission to upperclassmen necessary.

Pi Beta Phi pledge, Ruth Stoddard, bemoans the lack of time to get things done, including "house work." This information was divulged as she vigorously wielded a dust mop to beat the house work deadline. However, she thinks social life is "keem."

**There'll Come a Day**  
Submission to upper classmen is all right because presently pledges will have their day, declares Mike Chambers at Delta Upsilon.  
Fontelle Mitchell, Alpha Delta Pi pledge, asserts that "dusting the floor isn't so bad" but the

## Dr. Brown Gives Recipe For Full Life

Noted Author's Talk Well Received by Thursday Assembly Audience

1. Keep your eyes open—as opposed to the "freshman daze."
2. Approach life as though it had an end as well as a beginning.
3. Do things that you will want to remember.

The above was the three-fold recipe that Dr. Rollo Walter Brown, noted author and educator, gave for getting the most out of life to a large assembly of students and faculty in Gerlinger hall Thursday noon.

Elaborating on the three ingredients of his prescription, Dr. Brown said that students should learn to see things in their proper proportions, and with a discriminating eye. He asked his listeners to imagine Ralph Waldo Emerson walking around the familiar campus with one of them, then returning to Concord to write an essay on his observations that would make readers 50 years from now wish they could have taken the same walk. Keen observation and enthusiasm are essential parts of genius, Dr. Brown said.

### "We're Slow Starters"

"We spend so much of our time sitting around in neutral," said Dr. Brown, "because we don't always realize the shortness of life." Awareness of the brief time at our disposal would make us live more fully and efficiently, the speaker indicated.

"What have you accomplished that you would like to have broadcast to the world?" Dr. Brown asked his audience. Save up fine and generous deeds that you will take pleasure in recalling, he advised. If you want to start out

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## Honor Rating Given Company D in ROTC

Number two company of the 1 o'clock ROTC training unit was designated Thursday as honor company for the week, after a close victory over company one of the same section. Company two made a score of 99.875 as against a 99.824 by Company one.

Each year the ROTC department names an honor company of all the competing classes. All students are required to come on Wednesdays in full uniform and an inspection is held. Points are deducted for absences, tardiness, unshined belt or buckle. The total of the company is then added up and the company scoring the highest is designated as the honor company of the week.

Company two of the 1 o'clock section is commanded by J. M. Mitchell. First Sergeant is R. G. Hochuli and platoon leaders are W. H. Cummings and K. L. Dill. Honor company for last week was Company E. No. 2, commanded by Courtney D. Lasselle.

## Two Will Return Today



Trio of Oregon high school press association officers . . . two of these will play leading roles in today's conference sessions. From left are Betty Marshall, Washington high of Portland, vice-prexy, Michi Yasui, Hood River, and at present attending the University, secretary, and Jerry Coates, Benson high of Portland, president. Coates will be unable to attend the conference.

## FOURTEENTH CONFERENCE OF THE OREGON HIGH SCHOOL PRESS ASSOCIATION

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM OCTOBER 21-22 — 1938  
FRIDAY MORNING  
Sessions in Room 105, Journalism Building

- 9:30 Registration and assignment to housing groups. Upstairs in hall room.
- 9:50 Meeting called to order by Betty Marshall, vice-president, who will preside.
- 10:00 Welcome—Dr. Donald M. Erb, president of U. of O.
- 10:05 Welcome to the University—Harold Weston, president A.S.U.O.
- 10:10 Getting the Paper Started—Dean Eric W. Allen.  
Discussion led by Wendell Wyatt, Jeffersonian, Jefferson high school, Portland.
- 10:40 Editorials and the Editorial Page—How Can We Make Them Better?—Paul Deutschmann, Editor of the Emerald.  
Discussion led by Erros Penland, former editor Albany Whirlwind.
- 11:10 Features in the High School Paper—Raymond Lindgren, Forest Grove Morning Moan  
Discussion led by Margaret Girvin, former editor Bulldog, Mt. Vernon (Wash.) High.
- 11:35 Special Problems of the Mimeographed Paper—Alan Robertson, Editor Carlton HiLife.  
Discussion led by Alice Eustice, former editor Ink Drops, Yamhill high school.
- 12:00 Adjournment

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

- 1:30 Report of nominations committee and election of officers.
- 1:40 Organizing Staff for Effective Work—Bill Pengra, managing editor, Oregon Daily Emerald.  
Discussion led by Irma Semler, former assistant editor Grantonian, Grant high school, Portland.
- 2:10 Making Old News Smell Fresh—Professor Charles M. Hulten, University of Oregon.  
Discussion led by Nisma Banta, former editor News Notes, Prineville high school.
- 2:40 The Sports Page in the High School—Porter Frizell, former sports editor for Emerald, and sports editor for Eugene News.  
General discussion.
- 3:00 Making Bad Copy Good, and Good Copy Better—Professor George Turnbull, University of Oregon.  
Discussion led by Don Lemons, former makeup editor Pendleton Lantern.
- 3:30 The Gossip Column—a Joy and a Headache in the High School Paper—Eileen Pesek, Jeffersonian.  
Discussion led by Lois Nordling, former editor U.H.S. Uni-Hi-Lights.
- 4:00 How the Adviser Functions in a Medium-sized High School—Miss Amarette Barnes, Beaverton high school.
- 4:20 Adjournment

### FRIDAY EVENING

- 6:00—Dinner at Del Rey—Dean Allen, toastmaster. Everyone invited. Tickets at Dean Allen's office for 65c.

## Nash Collection Receives Three Limited Editions

Three recent selections of the Limited Editions club have been received by the John Henry Nash collection of rare books in the University library.

Two volumes of "Salome," by Oscar Wilde are colorful editions to the collection. One volume is in the original French with gouache illustrations on black paper by Andre Derain, the other is in English translation.

A three-volume edition of Count Leo Tolstoy's "War and Peace" is another of the new selections. This was printed in England.

The third is "Elegy Written in a Country Church-Yard" by Thomas Gray. It is decorated with wood engravings sketched by Agnes Miller Parker in the same country churchyard where Gray wrote his poem.

## Group Discusses Foreign Policies

Varied opinions of the current regimes in Italy, Russia, and Germany were expressed during the weekly meeting of the discussion group held Wednesday evening at Westminster house.

Edgar Rasor, graduate assistant in economics, led the discussion on "Planned Economy in the Totalitarian States." He declared that structural homologies in the economic setup are present in the three nations, somewhat obscured by the political ballyhoo of each.

Martin Harvey, one of 35 delegates from North America to the world missionary conference to be held in Madras, India, this fall, reached the campus in time to participate in the discussion.

Discussion of the same subject will be continued at next week's meeting.

## Fourteenth Annual High School Press Conference Begins

Speeches, Banquet, Awards to Be Feature At Newspaper Meeting; 145 Delegates Are Expected for Registration

The school of journalism will open wide its doors this morning to the 14th annual conference of the Oregon high school press association.

Included in the two-day session are greetings from the presidents of the University and the associated students, speeches on newspaper work by everyone from the dean of the school of journalism to high school representatives, the annual banquet, and presentation of awards for the best school papers in the state.

## Doors Shut; Pair Gets Lost In Art Museum

A pair of "babes in the woods" got lost yesterday, and of all places to get lost in, they had to pick the art museum.

The "babes" were two visiting high school journalists who had arrived on the campus too early for the press conference. They had been wandering about the University, finally getting to the art museum.

By the time the two got back to the main entrance after their inspection—the museum was locked up like a bank vault—and not a stick of dynamite between them.

After some foundation-shaking yelling the boys managed to make themselves heard by an attendant, who let them out the back door.

This was in the morning. Afternoon brought a smoother course of events, with the two making the rounds with special guides, pausing long enough to again use their vocal powers in W. A. Dahlberg's speech class. Who were the preppers?—Chuck Williams and George McKinnon, editor and associate editor of the Prineville high school paper.

## Statisticians Learn Use of Complex Tabulating Machine

Sixteen future statisticians from Dr. E. H. Moore's class in social statistics were given first hand information on the University's tabulating equipment yesterday when Clifford L. Constance, assistant registrar, demonstrated the operations of the Hollerith machine.

One of the most complicated pieces of machinery on the campus, the Hollerith tabulates statistics obtained from student cards which have been filled out during the registration process.

Yesterday's group was but half the class. The remainder will have an opportunity next Tuesday to witness this demonstration which is part of the training offered by the course.

An even 145 representatives have sent in their intention of attending the meeting. Twenty early comers had arrived by 5 o'clock last night.

### Begins at 9:30

The conference begins officially with registration and housing assignment at 9:30 this morning on the second floor of Journalism. Gavel-pounding duties will be handled by Betty Marshall, vice-president of the conference in the meeting room, 105 Journalism.

Students will be welcomed at 10 o'clock by Dr. Donald M. Erb, University president and Harold Weston, A.S.U.O. prexy. Other speakers during the morning are Dean Eric W. Allen, dean of the school of journalism; Paul Deutschmann, Emerald editor; and high school representatives as well as former high school journalists now enrolled in the University.

**Election of Officers Slated**  
Nomination and election of officers will take place in the afternoon at 1:30, followed by discussion and assembly groups. Bill Pengra, managing editor of the Emerald, and Porter Frizell, former Emerald and Eugene News sports editor, will speak on their respective fields in relation to the high school newspaper. Professors George Turnbull and Charles M. Hulten will attempt to enlighten the future journalists on improving news stories and copy.

Toastmaster for the banquet is Dean Eric W. Allen. Sigma Delta Chi, men's journalism honorary, will put its initiates through their paces, while entertainment will be provided by Babe Binford's orchestra. An added feature to the banquet is an address by Prexy, Harold Weston.

**Open to All**  
The banquet is open not only to . . .

## 'At Good Old Siwash' Subject of Reading

John L. Casteel, head of the speech department, will read the football scene from George Fitch's "At Good Old Siwash" to the Ordes meeting Monday at 8:30 p.m. in Gerlinger hall. Professor Casteel explains the selection as an exaggeration on what would happen to football if an old-fashioned faculty had their way.

George Fitch is the late husband of Mrs. Fitch, secretary of the University's graduate division.

## Astronomy Group Sees Planets, Moons

From the Fairmount boulevard observatory of Hugh J. Pruitt, University astronomer, members of Professor Caswell's astronomy class made some interesting observations of various heavenly bodies last night.

Because of the clearness of the night the students were able to get an excellent view of the planet Saturn encircled by rings of light, and Jupiter, surrounded by its four moons, two of which have only recently been discovered. At the exact time specified by scientists, one of Jupiter's moons eclipsed behind the planet, entirely disappearing from view.

Several times during the evening the objects under observation became indistinct visions, gradually fading out in much the same manner as short wave sound fades.

The planets and various constellations were viewed through Dr. Pruitt's powerful four-inch telescope, and the three-inch one belonging to the University.