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## She's In—or—Who Said Committees Can't Hustle?

AT long last the University band is to have its girl drum majorette; at last the ASUO has swung into line with the overwhelming majority of student bodies on the majorette question; at last the ghost is laid.

By last night the girl-baton question was no longer a subject for wishful thinking; it was a legally-authorized ASUO project, carrying the stamp of approval of the AWS council, the ASUO executive committee, and the student affairs committee.

Removal of the prohibition on girl drum majorettes, or "majorettes," is the answer to a year of uncertainty following last year's rout of the proposal at its first serious battle. Probably nobody would have ever been satisfied until the girl idea was given at least a fair trial. Now it gets its chance.

NO girl has ever appeared thus with the Oregon band, and for a while it may be considerable of a novelty. But her duty is obviously to, in as short a time as possible, make everyone feel that her presence in such a capacity is the most natural thing in the world. If she can do this the subject need never become a question again.

This year is only a beginning, and as such may not be absolutely laid down as a yardstick for future years. The girls may be increased in number, may be trained in groups, may be chosen from open competition. There are many possibilities, to be worked out as experience teaches.

Not to be forgotten at this point are congratulations to the council and the two committees for the speed with which they worked.

And just out of personal curiosity, we wonder if everyone is as eager as we are to see just how the thing looks on the field.

## Similes Unsafe For Freshmen Says Casteel

Similes, John L. Casteel of the speech department might well decide, are unsafe for freshmen.

After giving his class in extemporaneous speaking an assignment, he was surprised to learn that his students had been asking for catalogs to the world fairs. Miss Elizabeth Findly at the library information desk explained that there were no such books in the library and that all that was available was a guide book to the San Francisco world fair, which book belonged to a library employee.

All was cleared up, however, when Mr. Casteel explained that the actual assignment had been to purchase a library handbook, which, he told his freshmen, would serve as a guide to the library in much the same way as a guidebook to the world fairs.

There are now 556 junior colleges in the United States.

### YWCA CABINET TO MEET

A YWCA cabinet breakfast will be held Sunday morning at 9:30 at the home of Mrs. John Stark Evans, executive secretary. This breakfast will take the place of the regular cabinet meeting.

## 888 Students to Live Outside Dorms and Frats, Says Mrs. King

There are 888 students living outside the fraternities and dormitories, according to Mrs. King, housing secretary. Of this number 125 are girls while 763 are boys.

The fire marshal will shortly make his annual inspection of the fire alarm equipment and the fire drills of the outside houses, dormitories and fraternities.

### DAUGHTER CAMILLIA BORN TO MRS. MAX CRISTMAN

An announcement was received here yesterday of the birth of a daughter, Camillia, to Mr. and Mrs. Max Cristman of Herkimer, New York. Mrs. Cristman was Bess Templeton, a graduate of Oregon.

## Dean Morse

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"Acceptance of arbitration as a method implies strict adherence of all parties to arbitration awards," she said. "I uphold your judgment in exercising the important function of arbitration."

"I am fully cognizant of the personal sacrifices you are making in adding this public service to your other duties. Due to developments during past few hours I believe that voluntary arbitration of the local disputes can be maintained."

"I therefore urge you to give earnest consideration to withdrawing your resignation so as to make your valuable services available for this important task."

### 'Oh, Gee, I Love Pie'

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dency to be bow-legged or knock-kneed. Observing that bright nail polish and upped hair still persist in spite of strong antagonism the men, there does not seem to be much possibility that college girls will forego a favorite fad to please a few irate males.

While some of the fellows complained that girls were plumper than ever before, many groups, namely Alpha hall, Theta Chi, Pi Kappa Alpha, Chi Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, and Phi Psi praised the 1939 crop of freshmen and admitted the new students definitely brought up the average.

Constructive Criticism  
Some ATOs offered constructive criticism by advising University women to watch their carriage, get less sleep, and take long walks.

According to one of the brothers of Sigma Chi, the girls on the campus aren't too heavy, but are poorly proportioned.

Final encouragement was contributed by an obliging Phi Delt, who stated that although he thought figures here were good, bad, and mediocre, he felt nearly everyone left the University of Oregon with the impression that the girls were quite superior in every way.

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# The World At Large

By JACK BUKER

Being a foreign correspondent in Shanghai, is one of the most discouraging jobs in the journalistic world.

The new man wants to write about everything from rickshaws to descriptions of the night life, but he can't. No one at home cares a hoot about what he feels or sees, and they won't believe what he is forced to write anyhow. In one respect the home audience is correct in their assumption that Oriental news tends to bend the ear.

Since the biggest influence on wire news from the Orient is what Japan is doing over there, these little slant-eyed fellows bend over backwards to make sure that everyone puts in a good plug for them.

The daily Japanese press conference (most important one is held in Shanghai) was formed to prevent the ambitious correspondent from getting his dispatches from any but a central place. At this meeting, held every afternoon at 5 o'clock, sit representatives from the Japanese army and navy, etc., to answer questions put by scribes working for all the major news services.

Hallett Abend, New York Times, will pull on his highball (served by the Japanese) and ask a question something like this: "What was the major Japanese offensive over the week-end?" There will be a little sucking in of breath, the huddle breaks, and the interpreter will answer the question by telling one of the most atrocious lies of his career: "Captured ten towns, 400 troops, six planes, and progressed 300 miles inland."

But each correspondent diligently copies all this down although he learned from a Chinese runner in the afternoon, that the Japanese army in the south was stopped by a band of Chinese communists. His reason for taking the Japanese view of the scene is that little sentence, "it was learned today at the Japanese press conference"—obviously a more convincing source than a Chinese coolie.

During the major hostilities in Shanghai, our paper ran two columns, one devoted to the Chinese versions of the battle, and the other in which the Japanese could run wild. The newsguys laid bets on who would claim the largest vic-

## Two New Library Courses Offered This Year, Heads Say

Two new library classes are being offered this year.

Miss Ethel Sawyer, browsing room librarian, is teaching a course on children's literature.

Mrs. Barbara Hollis McMillan is giving a course in administration of school libraries. Mrs. McMillan is librarian at Eugene high school and is a graduate of the University of Oregon. She took her library training at Columbia.

That is one way to satisfy readers.

But in this country our opinion of things Oriental is so low that we cannot understand why our favorite correspondent would not print the truth as he sees it.

Occasionally he does. Gets canned. Goes to Carmel to write a book that is true but too good to believe.

## Record Crowd Sees

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town, Grover's Corners, New Hampshire, to be exact. The stage setting is nothing more than chairs, tables, etc., the audience's imagination being prompted by a narrator's explanation. And yet this play by Thornton Wilder is perhaps the best contemporary writing on the American scene. It is little wonder that Wilder won the Pulitzer prize with "Our Town."

To say that the play was well produced and sincerely interpreted is hardly the word for it—because of the difficulties of producing and acting in "Our Town." The actors use no props and the characters are so true to life that they are extremely difficult to portray.

Last night's production proved Horace Robinson to be not only a very capable director, but also an excellent actor. His informal explanations set the scene without any strain on the audiences imagination and kept the plays going with an easy rhythm.

Mary Staton as Emily Webb, carried off her part, which was not an easy one, with sincerity and understanding.

Ed Larson, who took the part of George Gibbs, turned in a fine bit of convincing acting. Henry Korn was a natural in his portrayal of Mr. Webb. In fact the whole cast was tops and only press time keeps us from raving on and on about the University theater's "Our Town."

A sell-out performance last night, followed by a "no seats available" report concerning tonight's showing, and only a few reserved spots left for tomorrow, has forced the drama department to announce a special Tuesday night show.

## KOAC Bills Oregon Talent

Musical programs from station KOAC, Corvallis, during the coming week offer as some of their chief performers students in the University of Oregon school of music, it was announced Friday morning by George Hopkins, professor of piano, in charge of program arrangements.

Emery Hobson, pianist, will be heard Friday evening at 8 o'clock in a program of classical compositions. His numbers will be "Intermezzo in C Major" by Brahms, "Etude in D Flat" by Liszt, and the first movement of "Sonata in D Minor" by Beethoven. Hobson, who has studied at the Cincinnati College of Music for the past four years, is a new student of professor Hopkins.

A 15-minute violin recital will be presented at 8:30 o'clock Monday evening, October 16, by Fred D. las, violinist. He will play Mas-senet's "Meditation" from "Thais," and Handel's "First Sonata in A Major."

The program of Dorothy Davis, pianist, who will play Monday evening at 8 o'clock, will be announced later, Mr. Hopkins said.

## Mrs. Beck to Address Music Delegates

School music in grammar and high schools will be the theme of the talk to be given this morning at Corvallis high school by Anne Landsbury Beck, professor of music at the University of Oregon. The address will be a feature of the Tri-County Educators' convention and will be given to a varied group of music teachers.

Dr. Theodore Kratt spoke before the convention delegates yesterday, using as his topic "Problems in Music Education."

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Dr. L. S. Cressman, head of the anthropology department, will address a regular meeting of Sigma Xi next Tuesday at 8 p.m. in room 101, Condon hall.

Everyone interested is invited to hear Dr. Cressman who will speak on "Early Man in the Great Basin of South-Central Oregon." The lecture is to be illustrated with slides.

## Mothers to Provide Girls' Scholarships

The executive committee of the Oregon Mothers' club will convene this afternoon in Portland to consider its program for the coming year and set the amount of the scholarships which it awards annually.

Mrs. C. C. Wintermute, club president, will preside over the meeting, which is scheduled for the Campbell Court hotel.

The club yearly sets aside funds to provide scholarships for three girls in Oregon preparatory schools who have been outstanding in scholarship and citizenship. Winning the coveted awards last year were Ruth Louise Baker of Redmond, Marguerite Dosch Campbell of Lincoln high of Portland, and Maryjane Bovingdon of Oakland.

Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel, will represent the University at the meeting.

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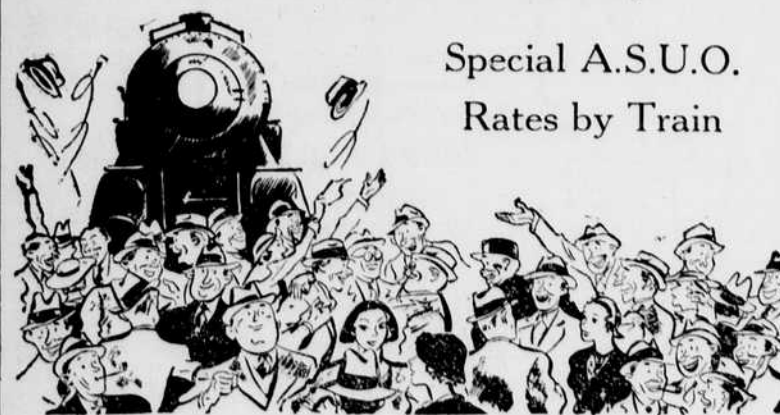
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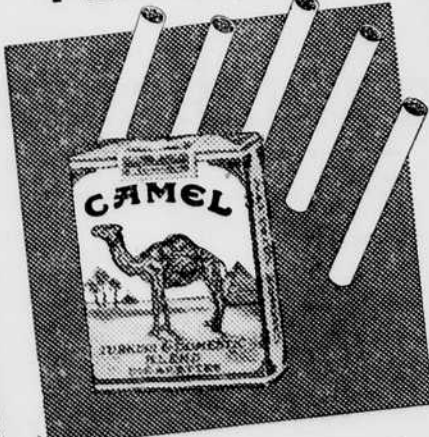
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