

Brain Power At University Hits Stride

Onthank Accredits Enrollment Gain; Students' Attitude

There is a higher proportion of good scholars on the Oregon campus now than there has been for many years, according to Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel. Commenting on the upswing in scholastic standards, Onthank said he believed the gain was due to the fact that to an increasing number of the students there is a general realization, born during "depression" years, of the value of solid secondary training and records.

In pointing out an example, the dean said, "Oregon has received approximately a one-third increase in appropriations this year for National Youth Administration work which has allowed an increase in assignments with more opportunities enlarging the number of NYA scholarships available."

"However," he continued, "the number of new self-supporting students eligible scholastically for NYA help is greater than the proportional increase in appropriations."

This is due, he believes, to the fact that many students who had obligations during the depression are now able to continue their education which has increased enrollment. The responsibility they carried during that time has given them a greater realization of values, and they are applying it now, with the result that the average student today is more serious and sincere in his work.

Student Enters Randolph Field

Robert D. Lunman, Oregon junior, began packing his suitcases Wednesday to leave for Randolph field, Texas. Lunman applied several months ago for appointment as an army air corp cadet, and has just received his official acceptance. He was ordered to report to the army's flying school immediately.

Lunman has been prominent in the University of Oregon ROTC, and was one of the fifty juniors that were accepted for advanced military training this year.

In the past few years several Oregon students have been admitted to the military air school in Texas. One of these students, Jim Reed, was in the limelight last week when he parachuted to safety from his disabled plane, just out of Eugene.

If Man Bites Dog, That's Not News, Says Leeper

By JEAN SPEAROW

"The trouble is" complained Leeper, "I didn't leave it out on my desk. I put it away so that I'd have a system and know right where it was and now I can't find it at all."

A disappointed grade seeker came out of Dr. Leeper's office and we walked in.

"Excuse us," we said, "but is there any news in the psychology department today?"

"Of course not. Nothing ever happens here."

"But didn't Dr. Beck go to Marshfield to speak for the AAUW Saturday?"

"Yes, but we don't think of that as news. It's all in the line of duty."

"Well," we insisted, "isn't the psychology department conducting radio programs every Tuesday?"

"Now surely you don't call that news?"

"Aren't you going to Portland to speak about war at some state convention soon?" We were desperate. The deadline was approaching.

Just then there came an ear-splitting roar accompanied by the cracking of timber and the crumbling of brick and stone. This was followed immediately by a blast which blew Dr. Leeper and us along with the building high into the air. The extraordinary explosion completely demolished Condon hall.

"What happened?" I yelled as I sailed up into the blue sky.

"Now I suppose you think this is news," said Leeper as he brushed a girder out of his hair and settled onto a pile of debris near us. "You reporters are always taking trivial things and calling them news."

We fainted.

Modern Studios Prepared For New Course in Radio

Receiving careful nurture and promising to grow into one of the University's most popular courses is the newest addition to the speech department's curriculum—radio.

To accommodate the modern addition, two rooms have been especially prepared for it on the second floor of Friendly hall. One—a combination classroom and auditorium—has a small stage at one end, complete with strip lights and promises of a curtain in the near future. The ceiling has been sound-proofed.

Has Radio Room

On the east wall is a doubleplate glass window which looks into the radio studio proper. This small room is, at the present time, a strange combination of a large radio (used to listen to particular programs, and to play sound effect records on the phonograph connection), and sundry sound-producing machines, with a new microphone holding down the center place of honor. The walls are hung with heavy monk's cloth and the doors are to be lined with thick, wool padding to render the room sound-proof.

The studio group is making two collections which include a library of radio scripts, and one of sound effects. The latter collection will be added to as the year progresses by members of the advanced class in radio, each of whom is planning to build some piece of sound-effect mechanism as a classroom assignment.

Among the devices used to help students to know their own faults and record them is the recording machine. This new machine has two recording speeds—one the normal rate, the other less than half as fast—which means that when the slower speed is used, more can be put on a record.

The disks used to record the voices are of aluminum with an acetate covering. To prevent their wearing out, only cactus needles are used on the records. These are kept on file in the office where they can be used and referred to throughout the year.

Not for Professionals

D. E. Hargis, instructor of the classes, said the course is not designed to train professionals. The students bring a very enthusiastic attitude to the work, he mentioned. There is an advanced group of 20 students that are concerned with production only, and help in presenting the weekly Thursday night University hour over KOAC.

"It is our hope to have a wire of our own to broadcast over," Mr. Hargis explained, "and in preparation of that time we are building up so if we ever do have one, we can begin broadcasting right away."

The book in use by the classes was written by John S. Carlile, production manager of the Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc. Entitled "Production and Direction of Radio Programs," the book was published early this year.

Freshmen Rebel Say Frosh Cap Tradition to Go

By DOROTHEA KRESKY

The freshman cap tradition is dying this year at the University where it has been active in the past. Freshmen said they didn't want to be dominated by upperclassmen, or any group of "enforcers."

Any sort of compulsion regarding caps is gone. The freshman class may carry on or kill the tradition as they choose. The K-club sold caps at registration, but this year their sales reached a new low.

—Daily Kansan.

"I think I'll go on a bender," said the fly as he started around a pretzel.

I said she's made with me a hit— Very well.

Perhaps I was a trifle lit— Very well.

I told her that she was divine, She let me hold her hand in mine, In short I handed out my line Very well.

'Twas how appropriately, dear— Very well.

I drew her snugly to my breast, While she, not daring to protest, Cleaned out the pockets of my vest, Very well.

—The Silver and Gold.

It has always been the custom of Pi Kappa Phi to honor the first kitchen robber caught each year.

Alex Adair, Pi Kap from West Virginia will be formally presented with the traditional Pi Kap ring engraved pie plate dedicated each year at a special fireside to the first man caught raiding the kitchen by the house manager.

U. of Washington Daily.

Whenever a hen lays eggs, with each She is impelled to make a speech. The selfsame urge stirs human bones

Whenever men lay cornerstones, —The Haymaker.

You may some day be famous and honored, You might be a great movie star, Crowds may gasp as you pass in splendor, And stare enviously from afar—

You may have the whole world as your oyster— But never again, by gosh! Can you when a famed second timer, Have that thrill as you call out, "Hey, frosh!"

Read the Emerald for news of the campus.

'Kindergarten or College?' Campus Males Query

Are we in kindergarten or is this really college? Look at those bony knees showing above those children's socks, say the male members of this University. Once again they are making fun of the coed's many fads, the latest one being halfsocks.

Last spring a bored male asked the question, "What will the women think up next year? Now he knows. "Not only do we men have to put up with Dutch shoes again this year but on top of that the girls insist on going childish in halfsocks," was the sentiment expressed by a tired junior.

Boycott Threatened

Insisting that halfsocks are not flattering to girls' legs, and saying that the socks look stupid, a number of men have even considered doing a little boycotting as far as dates are concerned on the girls who "insist on wearing baby socks."

Here's a few of the masculine comments, "A girl with perfect legs could get away with something like that, but I saw a girl who was slightly bow-legged wearing them and why does she have to emphasize it by wearing those crazy things?"

"If my girl wants to go kindergarten on me—OK—but I won't take her out when she wears them."

The main objections to the socks as stressed by a number of college men, were that they were not flattering and that they looked too childish. One fellow bluntly stated that girls knees were not pretty and every girl that wore "the pesky socks" wore her skirts above her knees. Another boy volunteered,

"Gee, can't the girls get attention any other way than making themselves look silly in our eyes?"

Males Say "Nix"

Surprisingly enough not one man interviewed would say anything nice about the socks, except that they did admit that the socks were practical for a snow storm. "But," one fellow added, "this is Oregon and I haven't seen a blizzard around this part of the country for years."

Just what the women will do about the men's cracks remains to be seen. Here's what one female had to say, "By gee, if the fellows think they are such style setters, why don't they clean their cords this year and start the year out right?"

Home Ec Department Moves; Chapman Hall Houses New Classes

The home economics department has been busy the past week moving from the old home economics building on University street into the new home economics department on the third floor in Chapman hall.

All the home economics classes have moved into the new building except the household management classes and child care classes. These classes will meet for the first time in the new building today. The clothing construction and clothing selection classes finished moving into Chapman hall yesterday and the foods classes moved

Dean Given Honor: Leighton Takes Chair Of AMPE Association

Honor in the form of an appointment to the chairmanship of the northwest college division of the American Health and Physical Education Association was given last week to Ralph Waldo Leighton, dean of the school of physical education at the University of Oregon. Major duty arising from this position for Dean Leighton will be the preparation for the annual meeting of the association which will probably be held next April.

Dean Leighton and Ernest Ray Knollin, professor of physical education, were both delegates at the Oregon State Teachers' convention held at The Dalles last week, which was very successful according to Leighton. Professor Knollin outlined the program of health and physical education for the small high school before the delegates.

In last week, The new offices in the new home economics department are expected to be ready for use next Monday.

The new department has many improvements over the old building and many up-to-date conveniences.

Symposium Team Active

Matching strides with the men on the march toward a greater Oregon come the women.

Last year, under the supervision of Donald E. Hargis, instructor in speech, the women's symposium team climaxed a brilliant oratorical season by appearing before 35 audiences or approximately 4,000 people. While touring Oregon and Washington the girls' acclaim spread. Service clubs, high school assemblies, college groups, women's clubs were all in turn addressed by the team on questions of current interest.

Another equally successful team is anticipated for the current year. This fall term will be spent accumulating debating material which will be used winter term on the various trips. Being an ASUO activity, credit is given to members of the team. Women's symposium work takes the place of formal debate. It can best be explained as the problem, solution, and discussion of a particular question. This year's question will be selected at a later date relative to the team's organization.

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Christian Delegates

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council and the Eugene ministerial association.

World Theme Used

Using the theme of the international Christian youth conference held in Amsterdam this past summer, "Christus Victor", the committee has outlined a program stressing many of the things stressed at the Amsterdam conference.

Main leadership will come from persons connected with the international conference. R. H. Edwin Espy of Geneva, Switzerland, will be main speaker. An Oregonian by birth, he is connected with the ecumenical council in Geneva, has spent the last three years organizing the international conference, and served as its director.

Oregon delegates to Amsterdam will take an active part in the discussion groups as well as the program. On Saturday evening they will give their reports illustrated by pictures, slides, and costumes at an international banquet to be held at the Baptist church.

Dr. Morris Leader

Dr. Victor P. Morris, dean of the school of business administration, will lead a discussion group on "The Christian and Propaganda."

Other leaders are drawn from national and state circles. Included are Dr. R. W. Coleman, director of Christian education for Christian churches of northern California;

Miss Gertrude Apel, Washington council of churches; Dr. H. Martin, president of Midland college, Nebraska; Gertrude Boyd Crane, professor of philosophy, Pacific university; Major Ronald Eberhart, Oregon Salvation Army; Dr. E. W. Warrington, head of the Oregon State college department of religion; Rev. E. F. Oulette, The Dalles; Dr. J. Quinter Miller, federal council of churches, Connecticut; Clarence L. Paris, Portland.

AAUW Will Sponsor Artau Lecture Series

The American Association of University Women is sponsoring a series of lectures by Louis Artau, assistant professor of music, over KOAC from 2:15 to 2:45 beginning Wednesday.

This will be the first of a series of eight lectures on "Land Marks in Music" and will be entitled "No Man's Land of Music." The lectures will come on the fourth Wednesday of the month and will continue through May.

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