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## Sophomore Coverings---A Study in Blue

If the current war fails of accomplishing anything else in very positive fashion, it at least stands in a fair way of bringing about one immediate radical departure from custom right here at the University of Oregon, in the matter of male wearing apparel—specifically, pants for sophomore men.

For some years it has been the custom, begun so long ago that nobody knows how it started, for freshmen to wear "tin pants," sophomores the more comfortable moleskins, and upperclassmen the reassuring cords. By this one token it was usually possible to tell fairly accurately to what undergraduate class a man belonged, and this tradition is one of the few and far between which has hung on without either compulsion or any other special emphasis. It was popular enough on its own hook to endure.

NOW it seems the sophomores face a squeeze-out from the well-ordered lineup of class pants, and all because Europe with complete lack of consideration for American sophomores has gotten itself embroiled in a war of sorts. None so spectacular in print, this conflict is nevertheless enough to make moleskin cloth a thing of the past, as far as local consumption is concerned, for moleskin is made in England, and England has clamped down the lid on such exports.

With local merchants reporting themselves completely out of the imported article it is fairly obvious that sophomore men face

a crisis which must be met, if they are to retain their badge as a class.

And almost before the discovery that moleskins were on the way to extinction the answer was at hand, or at least one answer which already manifests itself in blue on sophomore male, legs. For successors to moleskins the nomination, by popular usage, would already seem to go to none other than good, old-fashioned blue "jeans."

ORIGINAL impetus toward blue denims comes from the immediate south, where at Berkeley and other California schools jeans hold a firm position as sophomore garb. Where California got the idea is not known, but the constant influx of California students to this campus has built up the legend until the blue denim cloud only waited a favorable opportunity, such as this bad break for moleskins, to come out of the background.

What the sophomores wear is primarily up to them. If they were to choose to adopt even dairy overalls, that is their business, as long as they don't go as far as long underwear or flannel pajamas for street wear. Moleskins have held sway for considerable time, a sway which an unforeseen aspect of war threatens to end. Denims are cheaper, more durable, and the lads seem to take to them naturally.

Maybe undergraduates half a dozen years from now will be wondering what started the sophomores wearing blue denims as class pants. Or maybe jeans will be so well established that nobody will wonder at all.

## Breathing Spell---Then the Last Long Pull

SCHOOL keeps no more for the rest of the week. It is the Thanksgiving season, when food, football, and relaxation reign supreme.

For Oregon football it is the end of the trail, while it is also probably the last time the dinner tables will groan until Christmas, for after this week the pace accelerates increasingly up to the end of final examinations. By the same token there will be little other relaxation after this week, until the end of the term.

By the time a Thanksgiving rolls around it is a signal that the end is in sight for another winter term. Everything which must be accomplished in fall term will have to be done from here on in. Social activities are cut to the bone, practically to the point of non-

existence; all that remains is work.

With the road so clearly marked, it might be in order to suggest that Thanksgiving be taken in stride, as a rest period, such as between periods of an athletic contest, so that participants may return refreshed and with renewed strength to finish the job they must do.

Thanksgiving in its original inception probably did not foresee such a use for college youth. As a breathing spell it is unsurpassed, if it is made the most of; thus it can be an added good.

So Thanksgiving may as well be enjoyed while it lasts; after that things will move rapidly at the University, and Christmas will be here before anyone quite realizes it.

## At a Glance

By BILL MOXLEY

### Alarm Clock Deluxe

Good mornin', good mornin', wake up you sleepy head; perfect alarm clock: Glenn Miller playing "Sunrise Serenade."

When requested last Saturday night, only one out of the five or six bands playing at house dances had the music to "Scatterbrain," one of the tunes which already manifests itself in blue on sophomore male, legs. For successors to moleskins the nomination, by popular usage, would already seem to go to none other than good, old-fashioned blue "jeans."

### He Meant It

I suppose that everybody has heard the story behind Willie Howard's "My Last Goodbye." For those who haven't, it seems that Willie wrote it one year after his wife died. Those words really do have some meaning.

Speaking of fun, Kay Kyser's vocalist, Ish Kabbille, was married to the accompaniment of music by the Kyser band. Kay brought his entire orchestra, with instruments, to the wedding.

On the campus: Art Holman sounds much better with twelve pieces. . . . How does Bob Calkins manage to get so much music out of his little group?

### Here to Stay

They say swing is here to stay, and it may be for all I know. At least it's been here long enough to blast its way into the notice of just about everyone. Young swing bands are pouring out all over the country with hopes for the fame, fortune, and glamor which come to the big names. Incidentally, a very large percentage of those on the top today have graduated from impromptu college organizations.

### He Can Cook, Too

When Glenn Miller isn't out wowing the jitterbugs with his jive, he's home in the kitchen cooking some of his favorite recipes. Yes, I hear tell that he is just a simple family man who loves to help his wife with the housework.

### Barrel Rolls Out a New Mark

I understand that recordings of "The Beer Barrel Polka" have outsold any other record ever made, exceeding "The Music Goes Round and Round" by many thousands. Furthermore, it seems to have become the national Saturday afternoon football song, most students knowing the words better than those of their school song.

### Baby-Doll Bonnie

Wee Bonnie Baker's little girl is really making a hit of late. She's unique.

Best radio bets tonight are: Kay Kyser at 7 o'clock. . . . and if you like your vocalizing hot and fast, don't miss the Merry Macs on Fred Allen's show at nine.

So long.

## Portland Girls Will Gather for Lunch

A holiday get-together for University girls who live in Portland is being planned for Saturday in Meier and Frank's tea-room by a committee headed by Mavis Jones.

All University girls and their friends are invited to attend, she stated. Anyone wishing to attend should get in touch with her before 9:30 this morning.

Several out of town girls are expected to attend, including two girls from Hawaii.

## Gridmen Leave

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Traveling Squad

Players making the trip are: Steve Anderson, John Berry, James Cadenasso, Dennis Donovan, Roy Dyer, Frank Emmons, Jay Graybeal, Chet Haliski, Hyman Harris, Jim Harris, Willard Hawke, Robert Hendershott, Richard Horne, Leonard Isberg, Erling Jacobsen, Ellroy Jensen, Donald Mabee, Francis Nestor, Melvin Passolt, Merle Peters, Victor Reginato, William Regner, William Reynolds, Ernest Robertson, Alan Samuelson, Bob Smith, Marshall Stenstrom, James Stuart, Cecil Walden, Arthur Winetrou, Ray Segale. Managers Eggert Rohwer and Robert Engelke. Coaches Tex Oliver, Mike Mikulak, Vaughn Corley, Trainer Bob Officer and Graduate Manager Anse Cornell.

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volumes of periodicals. A system is maintained whereby duplicate lists, or want lists, are sent to other libraries and needed volumes can be sent, or sent for.

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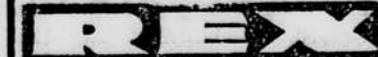
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