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## Homecoming, 1941 . . .

HOMEcoming this year is, like all other alumni fetes, designed to bring back to the former student associations of the more carefree life of undergraduate days. But this year's Homecoming will be a streamlined version of the old "gang gets together" idea.

For while alumni still will see the unchanged ivy-covered Deady hall in its traditional spot, the same sleepy look of eight-o'clock-in-the-morning coeds, the traditional lemon-colored "O" on Skinner's Butte, there will be new influences too. Homecoming will follow a strictly 1941 pattern, for this year's University of Oregon is one geared to national defense. Even the theme of the annual fray with the Rose Bowl-conscious Oregon State Beavers takes on the "war" angle, with "Blitz the Beavers" the cry of the campus. The game will be an especially crucial one, for on it may depend whether OSC makes the New Year's Day classic or not.

Stepping out of tradition too is the pre-game festivity, by age-old custom a noise parade, but this year taking the form of a rally dance and pep assembly in Gerlinger.

WHILE Athletic Manager Anse Cornell scratched his head this week in an attempt to find seating capacity for thousands of reservations that poured into his McArthur court office, the campus made ready for entertainment of those who made the University of Oregon what it is today. They worked long hours on ideas for bringing back memories of the past, combined with a modern, progressive approach to the present. They believe that should be the essence of Homecoming, 1941.

## Exit the Old . . .

IT'S all quiet on the Millrace for Homecoming but when grads come back for Junior Weekend, construction will be under way to eliminate the troublesome kinks in the old stream and give it new straight, sophisticated streamlines.

Like a table of bridge players, the University and the state highway department have laid plans shuffling and re-shuffling historical markings of the old Millrace and highway into a model recreation center and less hazardous traffic thoroughfare.

One of the most important items to the alumni of this extensive development program is the new canoe fete set-up. Seating capacity will be increased, the stage bigger with dressing rooms, and the Millrace will be wider.

ON the blue print approved by the state board of higher education, Associate Professor Fred Cuthbert, supervisor of the plans, showed 5000 bleachers with 1000 auxiliary seats compared to the present crowded 3500.

Bleachers, too, will be in a new location—70 feet from the road putting them a little over the present site of the Millrace. And before the 80-foot stage will lay the Millrace—widen over twice its present size.

While Architect Cuthbert doesn't promise the new canoe facilities for the 1942 show, alums this spring will see practical foundation of future canoe fetes on the Millrace.BJB.

This morning's Emerald marks the first paper of the year with "dual personality." After the campus "run" was completed, the first page was bannered with "Welcome Grads." Ten thousand extra copies with this invitation to join in Homecoming festivities and "Blitz the Beavers" were sent to alumni throughout the state by the Homecoming committee and the Emerald staff.

## At Second Glance

By TED HARMON

It's safe to say now that last weekend will probably be the biggest event of the whole term. Stretched over both Friday and Saturday nights, some 18 house dances were given. Except for a few sororities who undoubtedly wanted to impress their pledges by having a formal, the themes ranged through the alphabet with surprising results.

Notable were Sigma Chi's "Jungle Drums" and the Deltas' "Warehouse" themes. Best title goes to AOPi with its "Pledges for Defense;" Thetaz second with "Shanty Town." And, of course, the ATO's again made their "Trapper's Ball" another success, while the Fijis developed their annual pseudo-cannibalism with grass skirts and tuxedo jackets. Of the barn dances, the Kap Sigs, Beta and Theta Chi carried on their traditional fall term epics.

But Homecoming is just around the corner and always a gala three-day event, the weekend should provide enough entertainment for anyone. Especially so with the several new innovations this year.

CAMERACTION last Saturday night found campus-prominent Kappa Bette Morfitt and SAE's Chuck Coffyn announcing their engagement at a dinner before the Kappa house dance. . . . And there was Marilyn Marshall, ADPi, who suffered the most embarrassment of the evening when a stray nail on the Kap Sig slide forced her to run home to change her costume. . . . Alpha Chi Billie Christenson with a genuine Mexican hat, the brim extending some 18 inches out into space, covering Billie. . . . Fidelt Walker Treece at the Kappa house during intermission, tickling the strings of a bass to lead a Conga chain.

The flooding of the Willamette river caused a little excitement for Chuck Putnam, Duke Karterman and girl-friend Jean Johnson Sunday afternoon when their car suddenly sank into four feet of water. They were on the road above the main highway and an innocent looking puddle turned into a small lake. Jean scrambled atop the front seat while Putnam and Karterman, wading waist-deep in their Sunday suits, secured immediate help.

From New York to the Oregon campus for Homecoming will come Flying Cadet Jack Bryant, former Emerald gossip. With only a ten-day leave, he will fly to Eugene from Mitchell field, leaving his shiny convertible behind.

CINEMANTICS: Scheduled for campus audiences December 3 (Please turn to page five)

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## Columnist Warns USA Moms to Watch Out

By DON TREADGOLD  
Last week in Detroit Lord Halifax was egged and tomatoed.

The British ambassador to the United States, calling on Archbishop Edward Mooney after touring factories, was first lustily booed. Then someone hit him with an egg; someone else missed him with a tomato; and still another somebody splashed his aides with an omelet.

His own reaction was this: "My feeling was one of envy that people have eggs and tomatoes to throw about. In England these are very scarce."

### Who Did It

Now comes the rub. Who was responsible for this trick? Some hoodlums or tramps, or even the overalled men who egged Willkie last year in the same city? No. An organization of MOTHERS. A group called The American Mothers, who had previously picketed Halifax, denied guilt, and blamed a bunch called Mothers of the U.S.A.

The Mothers of the U.S.A. blamed The American Mothers. The point isn't worth quibbling about. Halifax, in any case, was egged by mothers. Time comments: "If some excitable Colonel Blimp had thrown a turnip at Ambassador Winant (America's envoy in London), the U.S. would have hit the international ceiling." But the British didn't murmur.

### American Rights

Now leaving aside the fact that we Americans, being free souls, like to reserve the right, in time of extremity, of throwing farmer's produce at people we don't like, how would you account for this episode? The answer is that there is a certain group of mothers, well organized into several distinct organizations, who, afraid

their boys are going to be sent off to die in Europe, are exerting every form of pressure against anything that smells of war.

Now these organizations, whether you agree with them or not, have an obvious and perfectly understandable reason for doing what they are doing. But being so perfectly obvious and above-board, it seems sure that some of our shadier citizens and camouflaged Nazis are trying to use them for that very reason—no one suspects mothers of Nazifying.

### Winchell's Say

But Walter Winchell has turned up several instances of mothers' organizations, knowingly or not, distributing Nazi literature. By such actions as picketing the White House, as both the aforementioned American and U.S.A. Mothers are now doing, they certainly seem to play into Nazi hands. But are these women traitors?

The answer is the very opposite. But unfortunately this is just another example of political babes-in-the-woods being USED by more astute and less idealistic niggers-in-the-woodpile. It is to the interest of the mothers themselves to root these men out of their organizations.

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