# T. Dorsey Interview

(Continued from page one) baseball player in the American league, who had come down to the train to meet the band.

Amid much handshaking and back-slapping, Gordon excitedly said, "Everything set for a duck feast tonight?" With the arrival of the train, pandemonium broke loose interrupting their conversation as prominent music makers flocked to the platform and were met by students.

### Draft Hits Hard

While being interviewed at the depot the "Sentimental Gentleman of Swing" revealed that the draft has taken quite a toll of his orchestra, "I have lost 16 men and will lost about 11 more in the next couple of months."

Because most of these 11 are key men and compose the greater part of his brass section, Dorsey stated that eventually he will have a sweeter band. Rather than change overnight he has been making this change gradually, which accounts for the additional violins in his orchestra.

### Steals Musicians

His advice to a college fellow who wants to break into big time playing is to play with a small orchestra, listen to every record he can get his hands on and copy whatever style he can.

"How do I pick my musicians?" breaking into a laugh, "I steal them from any other orchestra I can-everybody does. By the way, I just hired Maurice Purtill who used to play for Glen Miller."

### One Night Stands

His schedule for the next few weeks includes a week in Portland, Seattle, and a few one-night stands.

"December 15 we start a picture called 'Girl Crazy,' with Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland, and sometime next year my brother and I are going to do a musical of our lives," he added.

## All-Star Band

"No, I didn't go to college-I was too smart already-or so I thought." Blessed with a marvelous sense of humor, Dorsey is what all college fellows would call a "good Joe," only the name is Thomas Francis Dorsey Jr.

"Whom would I name for an all-star band? Well, let's see, Harry James, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, Jimmy Dorsey, Ziggy Elman, Jack Teagarden, Claude, Buddy Rich, and Carmen Mastrum are some of the outstanding fellows I can think of offhand."

## Jam Sessions

Dorsey has been an instrumentalist for the past 24 years, he and his brother having organized their first band in 1920-Dorsey's Novelty Six, "the jazz band of 'em all."

He grew up in jazz and played in small bands for records, meanwhile improving at jam sessions. Baseball and moving pictures are his pet likes. He saw "Pride of the Yankees" four times and could thoroughly enjoy it again.

## No Athletics

Hopping from one dance floor to another has made his athletic life practically nil. "Anything more strenuous than reading a book is too much now, I hardly have time even for that," he de-

"As far as food is concerned, anything fattening is right up my alley," he laughingly said.

## Lear's Hits

He owns a music publishing house in New York. The first big hit the house published was 'I'll Never Smile Again," which he played at the dance Saturday night while students "swooned all over the floor."



THINK IT'LL FIT? . .

... a few of the "gals" try on letterman sweaters in preparation to being "cops" at the Coed Capers in Gerlinger hall next Thursday . . . left to right are Mary Ellen Smith, Janet Ross, Connie Averill, Nelda Christenson, and Caroline Holmes.

# **Bullet Ends Life** Of Law Student

An 18-year-old sophomore in law, Arthur Sherman Davidson, Jr., was found dead with a bullet hole through his head Saturday in his room at 1260 Patterson street. A small gun was found in his hand. His death was apparently a suicide.

Davidson left no note or clues leading to an explanation of the act. His father had visited him earlier the same day, though it is believed that he was alone at the time of his death.

He was born September 18, 1924 at Quilcane, Washington, moving to Mapleton about seven months ago. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davidson, and a brother and sister.

In 1941 they published "Yes Indeed," "This Love of Mine" and "Everything Happens to Me" among many others. So far this year their biggest hits have been "Just As Though You Were Here," and "There Are Such Things."

## Likes College Life

"I get a bang out of this college life. My daughter is a freshman at William and Mary College, and my son plays football at Harvey in Westchester, New

Although Homecoming is now past and gone, Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra will long be remembered by Oregon students for their superb music and friendly personalities.

(Continued from page one) "Just think what the Theater Guild players can do with Friday the 13th."

Two of the main parts, the hero, Kurt Muller, and his wife, are played by Bob Farrow and Kay Dougherty Richards, both long-time members of the Guild players.

ed, exciting end.

Baseball player Farrow last year played in "Wingless Victory" and took the part of Slim in "Of Mice and Men."

A Southern California man, Farrow has acted in high school plays with movie actress Larraine Day in Long Beach.

As Muller's wife, Kay Doughperformance to match last year's work with the Guild players. her husband are back in school for their last year. Her performpart of the hero's wife as a serious minded young pro-Nazi Amof life and returned to her original home in Washington, D.C.

## 'Rhine' Reveals

Farrow, a junior in drama, is a German anti-Nazi who has taken an American wife to Europe to bring up their two children. At the outbreak of the war they return to their original home for peace, but are followed by Villain Dan Wessler. Their lives are disrupted and dictated as only a pro-Nazi can do until the climax of the play brings a turn of events and an unexpect-

erty Richards turns in another Married this summer, she and ance in the play interprets the erican girl of wealthy parents who has learned the German way

## The course of instruction at the

United States Military academy has been reduced from four years to three.

Pot-luck at 6 p.m. Tuesday, at Westminster house, "Dad" Elliot, speaker. There will be no noon luncheon.

**CAMPUS** 

CALENDAR .

Homecoming committee heads will meet at Friendly hall this afternoon at 4 for their Oregana

Important meeting of all WAA house managers Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Gerlinger hall.

Hui - O - Kwaauma, Hawai club, will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday on the third floor of Gerlinger.

The AWS council will not hold its meeting today as previously scheduled.

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