

Khaki Classes Step Nearer To Diplomas

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standards of behavior and scholastic endeavor that the soldier-students, now strangers no longer, have established.

Dr. Norris reported that both the ASTU and pre-meteorology students have incorporated themselves into University life very smoothly. Their conduct has, in fact, been more commendable than that exhibited by "ordinary" men students, he said.

"Everybody likes them, and they seem to like it here," he smiled. "It's working much better than we could possibly have hoped for."

Contrary to the view expressed by many uniformed former University students who expect to return, Dr. Norris expects quite a few civilian men back fall term. These enrollees will be mostly 4-F and 17-year-old men, he said.

Still more army trainees to come to the University? Dr. Norris anticipates more of these special students, yes, but does not know when they will come, how many more there will be, or what branch of the army they will represent. It may be necessary to open additional new quarters for the soldiers, if more of them do arrive, he said.

The two military programs now in effect at Oregon developed an enviable efficiency early in the summer, both academically and in extracurricular features. Each of them displays a marked individuality. A brief sketch of the latest activities of each will explain this:

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The pre-engineers comprise Company A of Army Specialized Training unit 3920, and number 286 men in all. The unit commander, Major W. S.

Averill, is assisted by first lieutenants Richard E. Boles and Dwight E. Near. Each man in the personnel is prospective officer training material.

The complete group is organized into Basic One and Basic Two divisions. These numbers correspond to the three terms of work which are being offered the men at the University of Oregon. Since some of the army enlistees on the campus had previously completed college work corresponding to Basic One study, they went into the second term of the work immediately in Eugene.

Each term of study lasts 12 weeks, with a week's "break" between terms. The first "break" for the engineers will begin September 4 . . . and most of the men plan trips either home, or to California or even closer, Major Averill reported. They will report back for their second-term work on September 13.

The pre-engineers' intensive study program is supplemented by more relaxing activities, including competition in softball among the seven platoons which make up the group. The ASTU students also have one "company" softball team, which defeated the Eugene Junior Chamber of Commerce team twice this summer. Laudable achievement—since the Junior C of C'ers placed second-high in the city league.

Intramural games are played on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and outside games usually on Sundays at 10 a.m., on the field near the ROTC barracks. They are open to the public.

These military students have no particular social program in effect now, but will resume one in the fall—probably offering dances every other week. During the summer they found themselves welcomed by hospitable Eugeneans, who invited them for dinners and picnics. Many of the men attend church functions frequently, the major said.

The commandant of the ASTU setup on the campus is Col. C. L. Sampson, head of the University military department.

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The detachment of the AAFTTC (army air forces

technical training command) on the campus now includes 236 students. Most of these were enlisted in the ERC in various colleges before they entered active duty, and all have a background of high attainment in mathematics and sciences, their commanding officer, Lt. Charles Cable, said. He is assisted by Lt. Max Panches, adjutant.

Summer attainments of these air corps men have evoked considerable attention from visiting officers and civilian authorities on the campus. In their first uniform examination in mathematics, the men at Oregon placed second nationally ("reflecting great credit on the faculty of the University"—Lieutenant Cable).

Also, the detachment has organized a 40-piece band, which will be available for civic meetings, especially those fostered for the sale of war bonds. John Stehn, University band director, has been lending the band his services, and reported that it contains many fine musicians, most of whom played in college bands elsewhere.

Recently the pre-meteorologists began glee-club practice, under

the direction of Dean Theodore Kratt of the school of music. The glee club will be available for the same style of gatherings as the band.

A branch of the Boeing aircraft factory post exchange "PX" in military lingo) has been set up in the AAFTTC barracks, enabling the soldiers to purchase candy, gum, cigaretttes, and articles of clothing. It is also open to purchases by ASTU students.

The army air corps students participate in round robin tournaments in basketball, softball, touch football, and soccer each week, with competition keen among the eight flights. Each week one flight is designate as "the winner," on the basis of academic achievement, military performance and demeanor, and the results of the sports competitions. Points are also won on weekly inspection. This "Number one" flight is allowed to go first in the chow line and is relieved of fatigue detail for the week.

During the summer the pre-meteorologists' social program was curtailed and the men left largely "on their own," but they plan, like the engineers, to offer

dances every other weekend in the fall. The swing sessions will be held in their own quarters.

Their first furlough since arriving at Oregon was granted the men beginning August 21, with classes set to reopen on August 30, beginning of the second of four quarters of 12 weeks each.

Applegate Writes Book On Offensive Warfare

Oregon alum Rex Applegate, '41, recently completed a book titled "Kill or Get Killed," a handbook on offensive fighting at close quarters with or without weapons.

Applegate, now a major in the United States army, recently returned from England where he made a study of commando tactics, according to M. F. McClain, manager of the Co-op store on the campus where Applegate worked for the four years while he was in school here.

The book is based on the author's experience as an instructor in one of the army training centers, and an autographed copy has been received by Mr. McClain.

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