

# Ex-41st Division Sergeant Enters Architecture School

By Maryann Thielen

Upon arriving from the South Pacific, Bob Uhrbrand detoured long enough to see his family in Astoria, then headed for the University of Oregon campus where he is majoring in architecture. A veteran of the Northwest's famous 41st division, the former sergeant enlisted in the National Guard in 1939. He was attached to the 186th infantry when he was sent overseas in 1942.

From the time he left San Francisco, Bob's itinerary reads like a schedule of train stops. Australia was their first stop, and from there they went to New Guinea in January, 1943, for about eight months. They returned to Australia but were back in New Guinea by March 1944, and fought in Hollandia and Biak.

### Action At Biak

It was on Biak that Bob's outfit saw the most action and suffered the heaviest casualties. Their water supply ran out, and the men caught rain-water in their ponchos to fill their canteens.

After a seige of malaria, the

**Oregana Pix Schedule**  
Alpha Delta Pi and Phi Delta will have their Oregana pictures taken today at Kennel-Ellis Studios.

six-foot veterans was sent to Australia on furlough. He returned to where his outfit had been stationed but found they had left for Palawan. "I think I hitch-hiked on every model of ship there is trying to catch up with them," laughed Bob. He reached his outfit just in time to help establish the beachhead there. In all, they were on about five of the islands in the Philippine group.

Asked his reactions to all of this island hopping, the affable 25-year-old replied, "After a certain length of time it didn't matter. It was the same thing every place—a bunch of Japs, so we cleaned them out and moved on." Bob also remarked that they had seen many cases of mass suicide. "This saved us the trouble of killing them, but we still had to bury their bodies," he added with a wry grin.

### Prefer Suicide

Questioned as to whether he thought the Japanese were really licked, Bob answered, "The Japs, in their fanaticism, prefer suicide to surrender. When they started surrendering en masse, I figured they were really through."

From the Philippines good-looking Bob Uhrbrand flew to San Francisco. "I arrived in the States on September 11 and was discharged officially from Fort Lewis on the 16th. They must have been anxious to get me out of the army!" he laughed. This light-hearted remark is an example of the good-humored friendliness that makes up Bob's personality. The University is proud to have him on the campus.

### Reception for President

There will be a President's reception October 11, from 8:30 to 10:30 in Alumni Hall in Gerlinger. President and Mrs. Harry K. Newburn invite all members of the University staff, and their wives and husbands, to attend the reception.

# Japan Lecture Series Slated

Students interested in Japan will have the opportunity to attend a series of lectures scheduled for 7:30 on Thursday evenings beginning October 4. This is an extension course for which no credits are given. A fee of \$5 is required for each of the eight lectures.

Professors who will deliver the lectures are Warren D. Smith, professor of geology and geography; Harold J. Noble, associate professor of history; Arthur R. Moore, research professor of general physiology; and William S. Baldinger, associate professor of art.

Dr. Smith, who, during the summer of 1944, worked with the office of strategic services in Washington, compiling information on Japanese cities and the Philippine islands for the army and navy, will deliver the first two lectures. The first will cover geology, physiography, structure, formations, volcanos and earthquakes. The following Thursday's lecture will concern climate, flora and fauna.

Dr. Noble will give the next four lectures on "The People and Their Customs," "History Until 1868," "History after 1869" and "Japan Under Occupation." Dr. Moore will speak on "Life in Japan" and Dr. Baldinger will tell about "Art in Japan."

### Underwoods on Leave; Plan Work in New York

Rex Underwood, professor of violin and director of the University orchestra, and his wife, Aurora Potter Underwood, associate professor of piano, have left the University school of music for a year of sabbatical leave.

They are spending the year in New York, where they will carry on observation and research in the field of music. Mr. Underwood will also work on textbooks connected with his work.

### Coordinating Council

(Continued from page one) house. They will, however, give each house at least one on a date they had originally scheduled. There is to be no changes for those scheduled for tonight, but they will count as one of the two.

### Rulebook to be Revised

Also planned for the Thursday meeting is the mapping out of standards for student conduct on the campus. The present standard booklet, "University Rules and Regulation" will be replaced by "University Standards." Dr. Newburn has authorized the council to revise these standards.

This year there will be only one closed weekend, rather than two, at the end of each term. There are to be no social functions during this period. Plays and honorary banquets are not excluded.

It was announced that AWS will schedule all exchange dinners between women's living organizations, and that such events will be held on Thursday nights only. All those previously scheduled will be disregarded.

### Council Members

Members of the WCC include: Mary Corrigan, YWCA president; Signe Eklund, president of AWS; Gay Edwards, president of WAA; Micky McCandless, Panhellenic president; Margery Skordahl, president of Phi Theta Upsilon; Ann Burgess, president of Kwama; Janet Douglas, president of Mortar Board; Esther Paronen, president of Coed Cooperatives; Charlotte Calder Sabin, head of Ordes; Barbara Lucas, president of Heads of Houses; D. Lu Simonsen, representatives of Interform council; Mrs. Golda P. Wickham, dean of women; Mrs. Grace Glang, assistant dean of women; Miss Lois Greenwood, executive secretary of the YWCA. The latter three are advisers.

### Open House at Pools

The following are "open swim" hours at the men's and women's pools.

Men: 3-5, Tuesday and Thursdays; 2-5 on Saturdays.

Women: 4-6 Tuesdays and Thursdays; 5-6 Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

There are no open swim hours for women on Saturday because of conflict with classes.

### Applicants Sought

(Continued from page one) been achieved by the magazine before. Yet, individual responsibility will be such that each member will feel a definite contribution to the publication, the student body and the University. All this, the editor explained, is part of a program to meet the greater responsibilities and opportunities of the postwar period.

### Activity Fun and Practice

Many new features have been added to the magazines personnel program which will make Old Oregon activity work real collegiate fun as well as practical value.

Constant contact with hundreds of prominent alums and University friends in publications, advertising, business and other work will be maintained. Staff members will have a chance to get to know these people in closer contact, and these people will get to know staff members in the same way.

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Social life is planned for all OLD OREGON staff members. A banquet is on the tentative schedule.

Old Oregon will follow many other campus activities this year in presenting certificates for those members who render meritorious service and something like the order of "O" pins, to those staff members who render most outstanding service.

### Activity Program Approved

Letters have been received from University faculty and staff members, and, alums in publications, advertising and business work, commending Old Oregon's new plan for increased readership and the greater resulting opportunities for student activity participation.

Ed Allen, ASUO president; Ann Burgess, Kwama president; Gery Eklund, AWS president; Margery Skordahl, Phi Theta Upsilon president; and Dean Bond, Skull and Dagger president, were among the student activity leaders who have approved and encouraged the new Old Oregon activity program.

"The bravest man I ever knew," said Pvt. Taylor, "was the chap who took a taxi to the bankruptcy court, and then, instead of paying his fare, invited the driver in as a creditor."

Among alums who have written Old Oregon about the new program are Palmer Hoyt, publisher of the Oregonian; Lyle M. Nelson, senior editor of army publications; Anton Peterson, circulation manager of the Oregon Journal; Betty Biggs Schrick, of the Yuba City Herald; Rita W. Stackhouse, of MacWilkins, Cole and Weber advertising; and Roy Verstrom of the Joseph Gerber advertising company.

Faculty members who have approved and encouraged the magazine activity program are Victor P. Morris, business administration dean; Karl Onthank, dean of personnel administration; Horace Robinson, educational activities manager; George Turnbull, acting dean of journalism; and Golda P. Wickham, acting dean of women; and Virgil Earl, dean of men.

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# House Heads Meet Monday

The history of the house library organization, its function, and its future plans were discussed at the last Heads of Houses meeting, held Monday at Westminster house, Barbara Lucas, president, in charge.

As the house libraries are composed of books donated by different groups of people, Miss Rise, speaking on behalf of the library, talked about its plans for more gifts to increase the respective libraries.

In 1934, the Interfraternity Council gave \$400 as a gift to initiate the system which has been continued through the aid of Pan-Hellenic, class of '44, and Heads of Houses.

President of House Librarians, Mary Landry, urged the presidents to appoint girls as house librarians who would have the interest for the job.

Rules concerning off-campus trips including football games were announced by Dean Wickham, and the 1945-1946 program at Westminster house was discussed by Mrs. Bryant with pamphlets describing it more fully given to those attending.

The meeting ended following refreshments.

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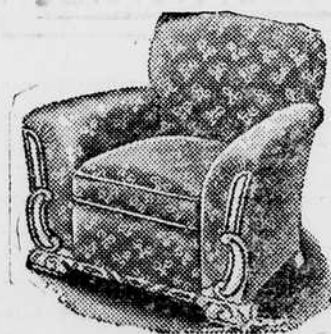
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