

Your Men of War

Bob Ringo Smashes Axis Bridges, V-Bomb Dumps

By MARYANN THIELEN

"Target—bridge" is a familiar phrase to Bob Ringo, former bombardier, who has dropped most of his bombs on bridges in Italy, France and Germany. Bob went into the air corps in August, 1942, and trained at Santa Ana, California. He was shipped to Sardinia in April, 1944 with the 95th squadron, 17th bomber group, 12th air force, where he started his career of blasting bridges.

His squadron did an effective job of disrupting transportation, but Bob admitted that he miscalculated occasionally. According to Bob the flights were very routine except for the time they varied their target and were cleaning out a storage dump for V-2 war heads. Bob said, "The blast was so terrific that two of the gunners thought the plane had been shot down. They bailed out and haven't been heard of since."

The stocky 21-year old veteran flew five missions with the French air force while helping to train them in the use of our planes in Sardinia. The French pilots had escaped the Germans in 1939 and most of them had not seen their homeland for four or five years. "They were good pilots," commented Bob, "and were enthusiastic about the war as they wanted to get back to France." Bob received the croix de guerre for his services to the French.

After France had been liberated, the curly-haired Portlander had a six-day furlough in Paris that was "very expensive." He took Red Cross tours through the city by day, and at night he saw the famous night-spots, including the Folies Bergere. Queried about the Parisiennes, Bob replied, "Most

of them spoke high school English, so the language didn't bother me. American girls are prettier but the Parisiennes dress better." He also commented that the people were hungry all the time.

Asked for his opinion of the Germans, Bob replied, "The Germans were good enough fighters, but we were better." Following this statement, he grinned and added, "I don't mean to sound conceited, but we did win, didn't we?"

Bob returned home in May by way of England. He is majoring in business administration and plans to go to law school. While on the campus, Bob is living in a private home with another veteran.

Riley Guesses Grid Winners

The sports writers feel that they owe staff writer, Tom Riley, a big pat on the back for his uncanny correct predictions of the big games that took place last Saturday. Riley batted an even 1,000, that is, he correctly picked the winners in eight of the nation's leading games, so in case you're doing heavy betting, you might do well by reading his next week's predictions.

At the close of this week the leading team in the Northwest is Washington State, with two wins to their credit by scores that have the rest of the teams taking notice. The 33-0 victory over Oregon State was real proof of the power concealed in this eleven. The initial test will occur next week when they encounter their cross-state rivals, the University of Washington. This will be the Coast's biggest grid tilt of next week, and all eyes will turn in that direction.

Southern California continued to be one of the top teams in the nation with a 26-14 win over St. Mary's pre-flight. This gives USC three wins in three games.

Unless some coast team rebels against USC it looks likely that they will make their fourth straight appearance in the Rose Bowl.

Oregon State and Idaho must pull some miracle strings if they hope to gain recognition in the coast football struggle, each with two, not so impressive, games tucked away.

We leave you with these questions—can Leicht set the pace for Oregon against OSC? Will USC stay in the winning column? Is Washington State's "T" strong enough to bag the huskies?

Eugene Woman Made YWCA Regional Officer

The National Student Council of the YWCA has announced the appointment of Mrs. Marjorie E. Norton of Eugene, former executive director of the University chapter and secretary at the University of California, as the regional director of the student program.

Part of her time will go to administering the World Student Service Fund in this area, which includes Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Her offices will be in Portland.

Atomic Bomb Plant Subject Of Discussion

The "Social Significance of the Atomic Bomb" was the topic of the forum discussion at Westminster house Sunday night. Dr. A. E. Caswell, head of the physics department, presided over the forum group. For the past 39 months he had been loaned by the University to the government to work on the bomb project.

He outlined the structure of the bomb and told how the different parts were assembled. Dr. Caswell's main point was the definite and important social effects that will follow the atomic bombing of Japan.

"Other nations will not forget that it was the United States that perfected and used the atomic bomb when Japan was about to surrender," Dr. Caswell said. He also stated that he believes that there are already men working on the atomic bomb.

Although he said he used to preach pacifism, he remarked that we are not quite prepared for peace yet. The conquered nations should be justly punished and then Christian philosophy should be taught, he commented.

At the present time, the prospects for atomic energy for commercial use is not practical because the cost of atomic energy would be too much to compete with the cost of the regular fuels used in industry, he said. Maybe after future developments permit a less expensive way of producing this energy it will be possible to further peaceful utilization of atomic energy, Dr. Caswell concluded.

Coordinating Council

The Women's Coordinating council will appoint an all-campus social chairman some time this week, Signe Eklund, member of the council, reports.

The social chairman will advise students on the proper attire and other questions of etiquette for games, dances, and other social functions.

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Wesley House Open With New Address

By Winifred Romtvedt

A tour through Wesley house at its new location at 1347 Onyx street reveals numerous facilities for both parties and religious activities. Students are invited to visit the Methodist-sponsored house at any time of the day. Knocking is unnecessary, and once inside, the visitor may ask either the director, Mary Beth (Mrs. Paul) Herlocker, or the student president, Velita (Mrs. Don) Durland, to show him around.

The new Wesley house was formerly a private residence, and the well-kept lawn and shrubbery, as well as the vines which cover the north side of the attractively-designed house give it a homey atmosphere. Inside the features of a home have been retained. To the left, on entering, newcomers find a kitchen which they are free to use. To the left and downstairs is the ping pong room.

Upstairs again, the fireplace is right for "sings" on cold winter nights. On the other side of the

French doors is a terrace for dancing, on the brink of a built-in fish pond. In the back yard is a fireplace for weiner roasts and singings.

Last Sunday, strains of everything from "Clementine" to "Jacob's Ladder," could be heard coming from the yard following the Fellowship meeting. This meeting is held regularly from 7 to 9 p.m. Sundays.

On Sunday morning between 9 and 9:30 breakfast is served to the college men and women who come for the discussion held from 9:30 to 10:15.

Wednesday night get-togethers are from 9 to 9:30, a sing and a "jive night" being alternated.

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