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## Academic Achievement...

While most students gloried in the two-week vacation, the University marked an important academic milestone, the accreditation of the department of chemistry.

Such achievements as this tend to go unnoticed by the students and the public in general. They are obscured by the highly-publicized athletic and social events which make up campus activities.

This particular achievement is too important to the University to be taken for granted.

It means that the University's department of chemistry has been recognized by the American Chemical Society as suitable to offer professional training for chemists.

This recognition is a tribute to the faculty members who have built the present department since its reinstatement on the campus in 1942. To the University it is another step toward higher academic standing.

## Expendables...

A glance at the social calendar for winter term leaves no doubt that campus life will be crowded with activity. Besides the listed events, there still are fraternity functions and other affairs to be added in the near future.

Knowing that the "extras" will be in abundance this term, students can begin planning their own calendars now, including the study schedule.

During fall term exam week the resolutions flew thick and fast. The "this can't happen to me again" attitude prevailed, and consequently students vowed to make a better start next term.

Winter term is short and jam-packed. The resolutions will have to be put into practice within the first few weeks if they are to work at all.

With the housing shortage, students who do not succeed are found to be very expendable.

## Cheering Out of Fashion?

By ASSOCIATED COLLEGIATE PRESS

"Perhaps the ancient and honorable profession of cheer-leading is going out of fashion. The student body may be growing up." This was the statement made by Dr. Delbert Ober-teuffer, men's physical education department at the University of Ohio, concerning the current controversy over the subject of student cheering at football games.

Dr. Ober-teuffer believes that there are two important things wrong with cheer-leading and organized cheering in general. In the first place, people can't become enthusiastic and cheer just because they are told or asked to do so. Cheerleading creates a synthetic atmosphere and enthusiasm, he maintained.

At this point Dr. Ober-teuffer cited the Purdue game, in which lack of cheering was blamed on failure of the crowd to support the team. He said that because the crowd was silent didn't mean that it wasn't behind the team or suffering with it.

Fundamentally, the American people are independent, he declared. They dress, eat, go to the movies, and root at athletic games as they please. They cheer or are silent because of what they see and feel at a game. When anxious, they do not feel like cheering.

As his second point against organized cheering, Dr. Ober-teuffer cited the lack of courtesy inherent in the idea of rooting against the visitors. He questioned the fact that organized cheering improved the home team's play, saying that if appreciation is to be shown to a player for his ability it should be expressed by wholehearted, spontaneous cheering or personal compliments after the game.

Dr. Ober-teuffer pointed out that when fencing and wrestling



"Anything wrong with the chili, sir?"

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## Clips and Comments

A preview of things to come at Oregon is found in the Daily Northwestern. The Northwestern university chapter of Sigma Chi has chosen its first sweetheart. Her picture will be judged, along with those from other Sigma Chi chapters in the nation, for the selection of a national sweetheart.

It's dolls at Louisiana State university. Freshman women in one of the dormitories contributed about 50 dolls to be distributed to invalids and other deserving children whose families were unable to buy toys for them for Christmas.

At Berkeley, students got into the Christmas spirit with the senior class sings. Living groups sponsored choruses which sang Christmas carols and Cal songs in the competition.

### Season's Revenge

Willamette university got their revenge on the upperclassmen who conducted hazing before Christmas. A jury of ten new students decided the judicial indictments for the victims.

A Christmas formal with a name band was given at the University of Toledo. At the suggestion of the university president, \$1250 was appropriated for the event so that no admission would have to be charged. In making the suggestion, the president explained that admission to the Christmas dance was usually by activities cards only and that selling tickets might prevent some veterans and students from attending.

Toledo, with an enrollment of 2700 fall term, expected an increase of 800 students in the second term. Classrooms were built to accommodate 2500 so the university was planning Saturday classes to eliminate some of the crowding.

### O.S.C. Rally

Oregon State students were on the look-out for a tall, thin man in his twenties, with light hair receding at the temples, and wearing a beige tweed coat, brown trousers, and a red and blue plaid shirt. The man was believed to be the sneak thief who had been stealing money and other valuables on the campus.

### More Time

Students at Drake university campaigned for an extension of Christmas vacation so that they could spend another weekend at home. Previously the university had changed the vacation dates so that returning students would not have to travel with weekend crowds.

Mills college accepted a welcome Christmas gift of \$200,000 to be spent on a new residence hall, science hall, and library building. College officials plan to add the money to sums on hand and collect another \$200,000 from alumnae and friends for the building program.

Homecoming at the University of Detroit was the occasion for a bonfire rally and parade. The prize-winning float represented a huge atomic bomb, under which was the caption: Detroit's Atomic

teams come as visitors to the campus, they are accorded treatment as guests. He believes that Ohio State can land the way ment as guests. He believes that Ohio State can lead the way in creating a new standard of courtesy for visiting athletic teams.

## Powder Burns

By REX GUNN

Merry Christmas—cash register rings.

Happy New Year—cash register rings.

Right in the middle the rains came—are you one of the wet ones.

For an inanimate, unmoral element, Oregon weather rates recognition as the most impersonal fiend of '45. Deliberate planning by an arch sadist couldn't have more effectively ruined the holidays for so many people.

### Holiday Timing

The timing was perfect. We wanted either a white Christmas or a blue one.

We got grey.

We wanted a solution for the housing shortage.

We got floods.

We wanted to step up speed and volume in transportation.

It got paralyzed.

Several washed-out, fished-out citizens went to see the old folks on the old homestead and found ol' man river running through the front door.

Many Webfoots made it back to school by boat, float, and the Australian crawl. When they made it, most of them ran into another housing shortage.

Oh, brother, the clouds look black . . . mighty black . . . but maybe we're sitting at a bad angle.

### Silver Lining

Let us take the cheerful view and say the floods washed our slate clean for the new year.

Shades of Candide . . . everything is for the best.

However, wet or dry, regardless of weather, it's good to be together again.

We will gripe to each other, but our griping is a Webfoot family matter . . . not to be construed as an advice plea to outsiders . . . we shall gripe but we shall stay.

If '46 was a little careless about first impressions, maybe it's because she's working hard to give us a good finale.

Your GPA will tell.

Gonzaga Bulletin featured such headlines as "Strange Star Lights up the Judean Sky," "No Complaints from Mother of 'Star Child'," and "Caesar Augustus Will Attend Circus Maximus at Rome Tomorrow." The edition, which was printed on green paper, also carried vital statistics on births such as: Salome and David of Capharnaum, a boy, 7 lbs., Ezechial; Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, a boy, 7 lbs., Jesus. A front page story warned all subjects of the emperor to fulfill the decree of His Most August Majesty by enrolling for the census.

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