

Guidance Center Offers Vocational Aptitude Tests

By Jessie Becker

Two places on the campus which should be better known to most students (especially freshmen) are the University testing bureau and the veterans' administration guidance center, which are situated in the north end of the PE building, and which every year help hundreds of students and veterans to choose a vocation or solve other problems.

In addition to students on the campus, veterans from all over southern Oregon are receiving vocational guidance in the testing bureau.

Originally, the psychology department sponsored the personal research bureau, where students could get vocational advice. Last year a new department called the University testing bureau was organized especially for this work. Now the bureau is under contract to the veterans administration and counsels ex-service personnel as well as students. The Eugene office of the veterans' administration is conveniently housed in the PE building near the testing bureau.

Set Up In 1943

Veterans' administration guidance centers came into being soon after March, 1943, when Public Law 16 provided for education and training opportunities for disabled veterans.

In June, 1944, nearly all veterans whose education had been interrupted and who had been in the service for a time since September, 1940, became entitled to months of training equalling their months in the service plus one year. This was Public Law 346—the GI Bill.

Birthday Party

The University of Oregon veterans' administration guidance center has just celebrated its first birthday. It was the first center in Oregon and, according to Emmet F. McGraw, chief one of the first on the west coast.

A University student wishing to learn about his vocational abilities may arrange for a three-quarter hour interview with a highly trained and well-informed vocational counselor. The counselor has access to a file of information which is recent and authoritative on nearly every vocation in the United States.

Counselor Helps

During this conference the student discusses his interests and abilities with the counselor. They arrange for the student to take a series of tests to discover more about himself. In special rooms the tests are administered.

After the tests are taken, the student again confers with a counselor and on the basis of the tests along with previous information, they come to a general conclusion

about what the student is fitted for.

The student is advised, but is under no obligation to follow any course of action. All of this will only cost the student from 25 cents to \$1, depending on the number of tests he takes. This fee is not charged to veterans referred to the testing bureau by the veterans' administration.

Of course all of the activities and results of testing bureau work are deep dark secrets. Nobody outside the testing bureau can know what results are unless a written request is submitted.

Serves 12 Counties

The veterans' administration guidance center serves an area comprising 12 southern counties of Oregon. They are Lane, Crook, Deschutes, Harvay, Jefferson, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lake. Veterans receiving vocational guidance fall into two groups—those covered by the Servicemen's Readjustment act of 1944 (The GI Bill) and those covered by Public Law 16 (disabled veterans).

Under the GI Bill any veteran entitled to educational or training benefits may secure advisement and counseling services upon request to the veterans' administration.

He receives exactly the same type of vocational guidance that students do, except that he does not have to pay the fee. If he signs a statement saying he requests vocational guidance at the veterans' administration office, Uncle Sam will pay his fee.

Like students, these veterans are free to do what they want after receiving counsel. They may elect either education at a government approved institution or approved on-the-job training to receive subsistence from the government.

Disabled Too

Public Law 16, Part 7, provides for education and training opportunities for disabled veterans whose disability prevents resuming their old job or who are not using their abilities at their present job.

To receive the benefits of this law, veterans must have vocational guidance and be agreed with the counselor on vocational plans. Every effort is made to fit these men into positions which will not aggravate their disability. From all over southern Oregon disabled veterans come to receive this counseling. During their stay, they reside at a dorm.

In PE Building

The testing bureau and the veterans' administration in the north end of the PE building are modern pleasant rooms with an air of

great efficiency. There are offices, private counseling rooms, testing rooms, and the scoring room

Probably the first person one would see is Mrs. Dorothy M. Marshall, who is officially receptionist and secretary, and unofficially the one who keeps things running smoothly.

Staff Named

Director of the testing bureau is Dr. Leona E. Tyler of the psychology department. Counselors are: Dr. D. L. Adler, Dr. H. C. McMurry, Dr. L. F. Beck, John Leiman, and William Cass. In charge of administering tests are Mary Corrigan, Edith Brown, Gordon Read, and Mrs. Mary Jean Sargent.

Working long, hard hours in the scoring room are Mrs. Elizabeth Leonard and Mrs. Bette Fagerstrom, while Dorothy Rasmussen, William Bolander and Patricia Bolander work part-time.

McGraw Chief

In the veterans' administration, Emmett F. McGraw is chief. Also in the administrative office are Elma Doris Haveman, secretary, and Mrs. Pauline Isberg, clerk-stenographer. In the advisement office Vernet C. Lee is vocational adviser, with Mrs. Patricia Young as his secretary-receptionist.

Training officers are Merville Thompson and Ward Leek, on-the-job training; and Robert Gridley, Rex Cooper, and George McCracken, institutional training. In this office Virginia Murphy, Rose Marie Allen, and Ruth Thygeron are clerk-stenographers.

Field Officers

In addition, there are two field training officers who contact veterans, assist them to enter training and supervise them in these programs. Zeno Dent is at Klamath Falls, and William Woodford is at Medford.

From the local office Rex Cooper will be located at Bend shortly, while a fourth training officer is scheduled to be situated at Coos Bay.

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but he didn't need to slam the door so hard. An associate editor of one of our major news-magazines said, "Nobody proved that Pauley has done anything more compromising than any party treasurer does every day."

Honest Harold, however, is now the darling of both leftish extremists and G.O.P. royalists. They have locked arms to embarrass the man from Missouri, but it isn't going to be easy. Harry has a habit of coming up swinging, and his critics cannot escape the fact that Truman is meeting the problems of his muddled political inheritance with disgusting efficiency. Labor tension has eased; OPA lids are holding; production is rolling forward with negligible groanings, and foreign policy is taking on a positive shape. However, there is one thing greatly to be desired in the president—that he play more and more the role of Harry Truman. For anyone else he is a poor substitute. This column, for one, has as much confidence in his Missouri horse-sense, as it has in the celestial theories of the court-favorite holdovers.

A DUCK AT THE DIAL

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Hutchinson, Kansas, has declared a holiday so that the 30,000 residents can greet the Sammy Kaye program which will be aired from there tonight at 6:30 over KEX. Contestants, some of whom have never seen a band before, are coming in from nearby farms to have a try at leading a band.

In answer to people who have asked him to write another "Holiday for Strings," Dave Rose has written a sequel, "Gay Spirits," which he will air on his show tonight at 7:30, KNX.

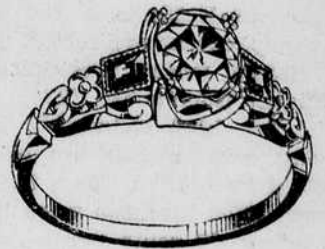
Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy will receive the George

Foster Peabody award for "Outstanding Entertainment in Drama" tonight at a New York banquet.

Tonight—"Madame Butterfly" on Great Moments on KNX, 7... "What Should Our Policy Be Toward Russia" will be discussed by Dr. Robert Maynard Hutchins, chancellor of University of Chicago, and George N. Erle, recently minister to Bulgaria, on America's Town Meeting, KEX at 8:30.

Thursday Nancy Kelly, screen actress, joins Cathy Lewis, accomplished radio performer, on Suspense on KNX at 9... Lily Pons makes her first radio appearance after her return from France on Andre Kostelanetz program at 6, KNX... "Sugar Chile" Robinson, 7-year-old boogie-woogie virtuoso, visits Hobby Lobby at 6:30, KNX... A special Norman Corwin broadcast commemorating the first anniversary of the United Nations will be presented by CBS at 7:30 from the Astor hotel, New York, where a dinner honoring delegates from the Big Five and other UN countries will be given. The program is entitled "The Year One," and will be produced by Corwin, who also will serve as master of ceremonies for the dinner.

Friday—Woody Herman at 8 over KEX... Durante and Moore at 6:30, KNX followed by Danny Kaye at 7.



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