

# YWCA Head Tells Formula For Getting Ahead, Be Nice

By CONNIE JACKSON

"If you're nice to people, they'll be nice to you," is the motto of Laura Olson, president of the campus YWCA.

Laura explained that when she came to Oregon from Jefferson high in Portland she didn't know anyone, or anything about college. She did small things on committees while in Susan Campbell hall. Work on the Emerald came next, starting with the radio beat, then advancing to the concert series.

One day while reading the Emerald she saw a notice asking for petitions for the "Y" Heart Hop. So she petitioned for a place on the art committee. Laura admits she had had no art experience, and so she was amazed to find herself on the committee.

During the remainder of her freshman year, she helped out around the "Y" wherever she was needed, filling in for other girls.

Again while reading the Emerald, she saw a notice asking people interested in "Y" cabinet positions to apply. She did so and was given the job of co-publicity chairman.

In addition to her work at the "Y," her sophomore year found her a sophomore representative to the ASUO executive council and a member of Kwama. A great deal of her work was along journalistic lines, such as publicity chairman for Soph Whiskerino, feature editor of piggers' guide, editor of the publications section of the Oregonian, radio publicity for Dads' day.

Spring term of her sophomore

## Committee Formed To Standardize House Regulations

A new committee affecting all women students has been formed at Oregon and met for the first time Thursday afternoon. The main objective of this group, the Standards committee, is to standardize the rules and regulations of all individual houses and dormitories, according to Shirley Lukins, chairman.

Miss Lukins, originally chosen to be Standards chairman for Panhel- lenic, has been appointed by Mrs. Golda P. Wickham, director of women's affairs, to act as chairman for the entire campus. Mrs. Frank Reed is to advise the group.

The first meeting, held at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house Thursday, was for organizational purposes. Discussion of the various laws in the campus living organizations was the main topic.

Main project for the year will be publication of a booklet on rules on rooms, hours, sign-out charts, etc., which will apply to all houses, dormitories and co-ops. This pamphlet should be ready for distribution sometime during winter term, Miss Lukins said. A similar booklet was published this term for all women's dorms.

This will be the first time that Oregon has had a Standards committee, according to Miss Lukins, but other colleges have reported that such groups have been very successful. Differences in certain rules in the various houses has been causing annoyance for some time and it is hoped, Miss Lukins said, that the Standards committee will be able to change existing conditions.

The bamboo stick makes a good child.

year she pledged Tri Delt, and soon after was tapped for Phi Theta Upsilon.

Her name was placed in the Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities during her junior year, and later that year she was elected president of the YW. At Junior Weekend she was tapped for Mortar Board, which she describes as one of the biggest thrills of her life.

A journalism major, Laura is interested in magazine work or public relations. She would like to take a six-week magazine course at Radcliffe after graduating.

## Junior Women Plan Activities

Anyone want a pom-pom? Marguerite Johns, president of Phi Theta Upsilon, junior women's honorary, suggests that you contact her now and avoid the Homecoming rush.

The Phi Thetas, recognized by blue sweaters and white emblems, have been selling pom-poms and programs at the football games this fall as part of their service program to the university and student.

Twenty sophomore women students are tapped each spring term for Phi Theta on the basis of service, scholarship, high ideals and activities. Throughout the year this group is one of several campus honoraries which participates in ushering at programs and officiating at ASUO and PNCC elections, in addition to selling the pom-poms.

Plans for this year, Miss Johns says, are to help with the Religious Evaluation Week and to assist during the high school press conference. Each spring Phi Theta sponsors a "twistie sale." Freshmen traditionally assist the junior women in the sale of the tasty pastry.

Officers for Phi Theta this year are Joanne Frydenland, vice-president; Jeannet Macaulay, treasurer; Margaret Harrison, secretary; and Helen Sherman, publicity.

## Off-Campus Coeds Plan Fall Pledging

Formal pledging of Oregon off-campus independent coeds will take place Monday at 7:00 p. m. in the Alumni room of Gerlinger. The group, commonly called Orides, will start off the fall term under the guidance of Irene Clemens, president.

Assisting Irene will be Marsha Summers, vice president; Joan Dodson, secretary; Isabelle Lowry, treasurer; and Marge Griffith, social chairman.

Orides, which was first organized on the campus in 1933, has set up two requirements for women in order to receive membership. Freshmen must have a prep decile of 5 and upper classmen have to obtain a GPA of 2.2 the preceding term. Members cannot be affiliated with any campus living organization, such as dormitories, sororities, and co-ops.

Although the organization is composed of off-campus students, its activities include those of any women's living organization. The first event on the calendar for the Orides will be the annual fall house dance, October 30, at Gerlinger.



Laura Olson, president of the YWCA this year. For an account which Miss Olson and Nancy Peterson attended this summer, see story below.

## YWCA School Helps Broaden Social Views

By LAURA OLSON

I grew up this summer. The growth started in September 1947 when Bjorg Hansen, 1948, returned from YWCA president's school in Berkeley, California. Bjorg gave enthusiastic reports; and later Nancy Petersen and I made solemn vows to go when we were elected YWCA officers last spring term.

President's school is sponsored by the National Intercollegiate Christian council. Classes are held at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley; school started June 21 and ended July 31.

Living quarters were centered at Sherman hall, a University of California co-op. Thirty-three men and women comprised the small student body. We were interracial, inter-faith, and inter-cultural.

Concepts of race and creed broadened after the first day. In the group were three Chinese and three negroes—there was no room for (or thought of) and racial prejudice.

### Major Schools Represented

All major schools on the west coast with the exception of OSC and Washington State college were represented; there were delegates from Midwest, East and South. There were athletes, campus politicians, potential Phi Beta Kappas and others whose primary interest was Y work.

Religious faiths were varied with representatives from practically every denomination or major faith. Yet each person led a chapel worship at least once—and each was understanding of the others beliefs.

Dwight Harwell from California was elected one of our co-presidents. Dwight is a negro and one of the most outstanding individuals one could meet. He is tops on the Cal campus in politics, scholarship and Y work.

One of the southern delegates was Barbara Andrews from Alabama college. Hers was perhaps the most unusual case—she came from a part of the south where white men and women "just didn't associate with negroes," yet Barbara was the epitome of tolerance and understanding. She left PS with one definite goal; to make her friends understand all issues more clearly.

Nancy Wong was our only representative from the University of Chicago. She was elected Miss Lo-

# Women's Page

## New York Magazine Claims Talents of Oregon Graduate

By ESTELLE NORDGREN

Janet Watts, petite and studious 1948 honor graduate, is now working on the College Board department of Mademoiselle magazine. According to her letters to Tri-Delt sisters Beverly Buckley and Beth Basler, Janet acclaims the East as a land of real opportunity for working girls.

Her job with Mademoiselle, involving research, writing, editing, and traveling, keeps her so busy that she hardly has time for lunch, but Janet loves the fast pace and interesting contacts of her work. Each year the College Board puts out special invitations for members, and those accepted fulfill assignments in art work, research, writing, etc. From the winners on various assignments, 20 girls are chosen to edit the college issue.

This Tacoma, Wash., coed was a sophomore transfer from Oberlin college in Ohio, and majored in English with honors at the O. Other subjects—psychology and philosophy. Favorite teacher, Dr. Trowbridge. She also enjoyed writing and research, and wrote a column on "Old Oregon" alum magazine.

A studious, quick-minded student, she maintained a high GPA. She also served as vice-president

tus Blossom in Chicago's Chinatown last spring which automatically names her as Chicago's prize Chinese beauty. On the male side of the ledger we have Wing Luke from the University of Washington. Wing is president of the Washington YM and a political science major.

### Tour San Francisco

We attended three classes: Introductions to group work, social ethics and religion. During this period, we took field trips which coincided with our various classes. We visited the usual spots in the Bay area; were toured through San Quentin; visited the Standard Oil research laboratory in Richmond and the Chevrolet plant in Oakland. We saw interracial YMs and YWs in San Francisco—we grew in wisdom and understanding.

The social life was not entirely neglected. We planned parties and sings for our own group. In one moment of madness we managed to entertain the members of all men's co-ops on the campus—odds for the women—men outnumbered us 30 to 1.

How did this affect our growth? We learned of faith, tolerance and social problems. We found that other campuses had problems and we shared information. We lived cooperatively this summer and loved it. Don't ever let anyone tell you that North and South or East and West don't mix—they do—if the individuals, themselves, make the attempt.

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Simple Susie couldn't identify Taft in the Gallup picture poll because he has grown so thin since his 1908 campaign.

Win your lawsuit and lose your money.

of the Tri-Delt house, in charge of pledge-training. Her favorite activities are reading, golf, hiking, and collecting china and silverware.

When a senior, Janet took aptitude and interest tests at the student counseling center and, discovering a definite ability for writing, she took a six-week course in publishing at Radcliffe after graduating. Among other things, she loved Radcliffe's lovely dorms "with elevators and the mere suggestion that students should be in by 4 a.m."

Like many career girls, Janet had a difficult time apartment-hunting. Her main impressions in this field were of "dirt and dark streets and very, very strange people. With four Radcliffe students she finally found room in a brownstone Victorian building, "amongst bohemians, Nicaraguans, and a corset salesman," about one and one-half blocks from Central Park district.

At present, Janet Watts is on her way up, meeting new people, having strange experiences, and "loving every minute" of the fast-paced days in cosmopolitan New York.

## Fashion Foibles

Most girls are a definite type and are conscious of the fact that they must dress to fit the type. So that you'll be much the wiser about what you should wear. . . .

If you are the small, curved type wear the soft fluffy ruffles and, if you are the tall sleek type wear tailored, severe clothes. But, wear them . . . and this is important . . . not so that you will be conspicuous but because the clothes merge with your personality and make your friends notice you and not your clothes. The old saying "when in doubt don't do it" applies here; for, if your clothes serve to exaggerate your type too much, they are wrong for you.

The Wednesday night desserts are underway again and there is no reason why they can't be enjoyable if they are handled smoothly. Treat the fellow as if he were an invited guest to your own home. Don't stand across the room eyeing the fellows' every move until the social chairmen of the houses come to the rescue. The proper and friendly thing to do is to introduce yourself to some or one of the men and begin a conversation, at least until the social chairmen square away the respective couples.

What to wear at desserts is a simple problem . . . your nicest skirt and newest sweater or a wool dress would be appropriate. Flats are preferred.

If you plan on going to the Portland game as a "pigger" or with the girls, better put aside that new (old) tailored suit or wool dress, get out the fur or cloth coat and polish up the pumps, for the Portland game is a traditional dress-up affair. Don't forget a hat for this occasion . . . don't think the new rooter's lids would go well with your dress-up attire.