

Porchlight Parade

By Ed Cauduro

The cold spell has acted as a definite damper to campus romancing . . . Betty and Joe don't seem to be relying on love to keep them warm . . . a common sight nowadays is a rousing fireside bridge game . . . a snowball fight or a bull session in a smoke filled room . . . the shows report a booming business . . . mostly stags . . . even Abbott and Costello are drawing crowds . . . a shot of adrenalin might do the trick . . .

The following is a desperate appeal from the tomb commonly referred to as the law school . . . if America is to have its future Portias and Geislars, the constant invasions by swooning coeds must cease . . . seems the Bettys hearing about Mortar Board's dream man, Theta Chi **Ralph Johnson**, have stormed the sanctity of his hangout in quest of an autograph, a button or some are merely satisfied to gaze and proceed to float away on the proverbial pink cloud . . . so if you gals must get a peek at your ideal . . . get an appointment away from Fenton . . . you're making the other law hounds jealous . . . PS . . . You may have to consult ADPi **Barbara Bennett** for approval of that appointment. . . .

Understand many well wishers have worn a path to AOPi **Marilyn Archibald** who is very ill and may have to withdraw from school. Also a get well wish to **Chris Beylier**, the French student sponsored by the Chi Os, who suffered a broken leg on her first skiing attempt . . . seems Chris is amazing the staff at the infirmary by carrying on conversations in three languages. . . .

Pinnings are mighty sparse, however a few did focus our attention . . . the DZs report two of their clan are fronting new brass . . . **Joan Cavey** with Pi Kap **Jim McAlear's** and **Boots Korn** with Sig Ep **Bruce Urey's**. . . .

Got a little note from the Sigs in which they claimed that "unless the wind was at their backs" they would probably not drop any more pins this term . . . but now Sig **Joe Olson** planted his on ZTA **Beth Mitchell** . . . Which way does the wind blow, Joe?

The ZTAs also were surprised when **Joan Lewis** announced her coming aisle trek with **Louis Peterson** . . . Over the last weekend Pi Phi (male) **Jack White** gave his jewelry to a Portland gal, **Joanne Carr** (not to be confused with Pi Phi (female) **Joan Carr** who is the light in Sig **Perry Holloman's** eyes). . . .

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An engagement that was lost in the mad shuffle of info was that of Chi O **Annona Freeman** to **Richard Neveau** of Willamette and a wedding that I shouldn't have missed was **Jenny Siskey**, Hen hall's ex-prexy, to **Arnold Shotwell**. . . .

Theta's graceful **Barbara Metcalf** proved to be the life of the party again at the Fiji exchange . . . fall . . . face? . . . according to her art school proof, **Ardetta Daniels** is doing quite well in painting considering she has an outside interest . . . namely **Barney Barnes** . . . and the Emerald's own **Stan Turnbull** is counting the minutes til his Ball date with **Kappa Boo Needham** . . .

Seems you can't see **Barbara Hollands** anywhere these days without seeing **TKE Bob Funk** and **Stitzer's Steve Loy** is also playing constant shadow to **Alpha**

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A Junior College for Portland?

Now under consideration by state legislators in Salem is a bill to establish a junior college in Portland by the fall of 1950.

The measure is sponsored by Senators **Richard L. Neuberger**, a former Emerald editor, and **Robert D. Holmes**. It would call for a \$2,000,000 appropriation.

There is much justification for the proposed college.

Portland is the center of Oregon's heaviest population concentration. By providing students in that area an opportunity to attend college near home, the state would make its educational facilities more economical to countless young men and women.

A junior college in Portland would undoubtedly offer educational benefits to many students now unable to attend other state schools.

However, contained in the bill as introduced is a provision that no more than \$100,000 could be spent for building at any other state institution of higher education until the Portland college is completed.

This would mean that such projects as our own proposed science building—a desperately needed addition—might suffer a serious set-back. Other state schools have similar needs which cannot be ignored.

Therefore, it is our belief that state legislators must decide whether or not they can provide Oregon's established state institutions with funds necessary to complete their present expansion plans and, at the same time, provide the necessary appropriation for the Portland junior college.

If the Neuberger-Holmes bill would in any way cripple any school now under the state board of higher education, we believe the proposed junior college should wait until such time when this state has fulfilled its obligations to its present schools.

With the Legislators

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Salem

The legislature's fish vs. power battle, billed as one of the biggest ever staged here, will get under way next Monday.

The spark that touched off the dispute was the application Thursday for a \$12,000,000 private power dam on the Deschutes river.

The argument will start Monday when the State Fish Commission comes here to plan with legislative fish committees on how to pass its bill to prohibit power dams on the Deschutes.

People's utility districts are expected to join hands with the fish industry in blocking the dam. The Central Oregon PUD wants to build a power dam at almost the same site—and there's only room enough for one dam.

The legislative game committees also will meet Monday, and they probably will fight to block the dam, too. The Deschutes river is quite a sports fishing stream, too, and they claim there wouldn't be any sports fishing left after a dam was built.

But the private power interests have a lot of strength, especially because the Northwest needs power so badly.

The House Taxation Committee held a public tax clinic Thursday

night with members explaining Oregon's taxation system. It was the first such meeting ever held here.

The Senate Forestry committee approved a \$125,000 appropriation bill to fight the budworm pest which threatens to ruin Oregon's forests. The bill goes to the joint ways and means committee, and speedy legislative approval is expected so that the state forester can begin fighting the pest immediately.

Washington

President Truman told a big crowd of his supporters last night that "the Democratic platform was not a scrap of paper," and asked their help in writing it into law.

With the election won and the inauguration over, he said, it is necessary to implement the principles which brought the Democratic victory.

The occasion was a huge reception by Democratic National Chairman **J. Howard McGrath**. The president earlier had attended a similar gathering at another hotel, given by Secretary of the Treasury **Snyder**.

Mr. Truman shook hands with more than 1,400 guests at the

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Raising Kane Sounds Like the Guy's Had Lots and Lots of Experience

By Hank Kane

American industry's greatest contribution to the bachelor college student since the automobile is the Bendix automatic washing machine.

It enables the washboard scholar to spend money otherwise used for laundry on the more important things of life like books, coffee, and women, though not necessarily in this order.

The first time the undomestic student uses the Bendix there is likely to be a scene worthy of a one-reel Hollywood comedy.

Trouble begins because the dime-laundry expert doesn't read the directions.

Instead of filling the machine three-fourths full he operates on the theory that another six pairs of six won't make any difference.

His laundry may not have been too dirty at the start of Operation Coal Bucket but by the time he has shoved in the last item with his foot the glorified rags are overdue for laundering.

Our Monday afternoon hero differs from the woman washer in that he selects a soap powder without listening to a day of radio soap opera.

His unromantic attitude is that which soap powder is best is not determined by the housewife's heroine who draws the most tears from the listener.

The directions call for the soap to be put in the washer only after the water has stopped running. But our efficiency expert is a college student and therefore can't read anything but plain English.

In goes a cupfull of powder before starting the machine. Only then does he learn that the dime he thought he had went for a coffee. The only way to get another

dime is to break the \$10 bill he was saving for Saturday night. And too well he knows he will need every cent of it because he is going with a coed.

If cleanliness wins over the Saturday night Saturnalia, the coin is procured and the process begun.

Last year the machine was operated with a revolving knob which allowed the user to choose whether he wanted to wash wool or cotton.

This year the gadget was removed because it proved too complicated for anyone except a housewife. The user's discretion now is limited to moving a lever to "Start."

Suds are poured into the machine until the water becomes soapy. The difficulty is that the soap is not as fast-acting as the hucksters claim. By the time the experimenter has stopped, there is enough soap for ten washes.

The escape hatch of the whirling washer immediately spouts excess suds like an oil gusher or the Old Faithful geyser.

The ensuing half hour is spent shoveling a three-inch layer of suds from the floor. The suds are only ankle deep because the overflow spreads to adjoining rooms.

When the machine gasps to a halt at the end of a half hour the clothes which should be snow-white and half tried are snow-white with wet suds.

Another dime is inserted to rinse the excess suds. But due to the previous overload the machine stops with the chamber full of water.

In desperation the self-appointed laundry expert wipes a sud from his eye, stands behind the machine, and open the flood

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