

Been Featured in Hometown Paper? Campus News Bureau Takes Blame

By MARGE SCANDLING

Ever worked on a dance committee here at the University and had it turn up in your hometown newspaper even before you'd written home about it?

That's part of the work of the University news bureau, headed by Mrs. Josephine Moore and her staff of five.

The news bureau, started by Oregon graduate George Godfrey 19 years ago, fills three rooms in the southwest basement corner of Johnson Hall—perhaps three of the busiest rooms you'd find on the Oregon campus. Seven typewriters and two telephones help keep it that way.

NEWS SENT EVERYWHERE

All University news crosses Mrs. Moore's desk. From there it goes to one of 135 Oregon newspapers, to an out-of-state paper, or perhaps to one of eight Portland and Eugene radio stations.

What's it like to run an office serving that many demands for news?

"It's mostly telephone calls, with a little of Grand Central Station thrown in," Mrs. Moore, with the bureau for six years, will tell you.

FILE SYSTEM

The news bureau maintains a super-efficient file system. A large

file for each year holds carbons of all stories sent out. Another one keeps clippings of newspaper stories printed from news bureau copy. A third is a card file of University students. That's where the information for the "home towns"—small personal items sent to the student's home town newspaper—is found.

Since a majority of University students are from Portland and Eugene, much of the news goes to the Oregonian, the Oregon Journal, and the Register-Guard. But news bureau stories cross the Pacific to Hawaii, too.

"Foreign newspapers aren't on our list, however," Mrs. Moore says. "We've found that just isn't practical."

News stories are sent out by mail, except for the Register-Guard's. That copy must be downtown by noon to meet the deadline.

Mailed copy goes in envelopes marked "News—Please Rush." When it's old, it's not news, and the bureau is well aware of this. Occasionally big stories are wired.

PHOTOGRAPHY BUREAU

"Working in conjunction with us is the University photography bureau just across the hall," Mrs. Moore explains. Glossy prints are often sent to the Portland and Eugene papers along with news copy. The smaller papers get mats, but news in this case must be of statewide interest.

"One thing a newcomer has to get used to," Mrs. Moore says, "is our constantly-ringing phone. People call here for all sorts of odd information which is usually handled by another University department."

Next time the phone jangled, she picked it up, then shrugged. "That's an example," she said. "How would I know what house presidents are to wear for their photographs?"

SMALL NEWSPAPER OFFICE

Probably the news bureau is strikingly similar to any small newspaper office. The difference is that Mrs. Moore and her staff contribute not to one paper, but to many, ranging in size from the Oregonian to the smallest weekly.

The pace is the same—there are deadlines to meet, beats to cover, stories to write, typewriters to be pounded. In any event, the staff strives to work with speed and accuracy.

And the telephone rings on and on.

Marriage Series Begins Jan. 17

A series of four lectures dealing with marriage and the family will be given here starting Jan. 17 by Dr. Lester Kirkendahl, professor of family relations at Oregon State College.

The series, presented by the Sophomore Commission of the YWCA, and the YMCA Campus Affairs Committee, will be held Tuesday nights at 7 in room 3 Fenton. Tickets for the series cost 50 cents and will be on sale in the Co-op Monday through Friday.

Ticket sales are limited to 200. Dr. Kirkendahl was recommended to the University by the Interfraternity Council of the University of Illinois. He has lectured extensively throughout the Midwest.

The topics of Dr. Kirkendahl's lectures will be announced later.

Ancient Maya Exhibit Planned For University

A photographic study of Ancient Maya will be exhibited on the Oregon campus Jan. 10-22 according to M. R. Sponenburgh, assistant professor of art.

Prepared by the editors of Life magazine, the exhibition is sponsored locally by the School of Architecture and Allied Arts.

The 30 large photographic panels have been assembled from several hundred photographs made by Dimitri Kessey on his Life assignment in Central America. They form a detailed pictorial review of the archaeological remains of Maya civilization, documenting the districts of Copan, Palenque, Uxmal, and Chichen Itza, reported Mr. Sponenburgh.

Mayan civilization, the most brilliant of pre-Columbian America, flourished in the Yucatan Peninsula during the fourth to sixteenth centuries of the Christian era. The ruins, now overgrown by the jungle, reveal the extraordinary refinement of Mayan culture. Photographs in the exhibit deal particularly with the architecture and sculpture of the age.

An Ohio man tried to bring a 20-year old girl friend to live under the same roof with his wife. Just a fight at heart.

Religious Events

CHRISTIAN HOUSE

Open house will be held at the Christian Student House following the Oregon-Washington State basketball games both Friday and Saturday evenings. Refreshments and folk games are on the program.

Three students who attended the conference held at Des Moines, Iowa, this past vacation will lead the Sunday evening discussion group. Miss Jan Hood, in charge of the evening program, announced that the theme will be "New Trailways for 1950."

WESTMINSTER HOUSE

The Westminster Student Foundation on the campus will present a discussion on the various religions of the world. Student President Ben Lyon is in charge of the meeting in the absence of Rev. Thom Hunter, foundation director.

Chapel services will be held at Westminster House next Wednesday noon from 12:30 to 12:45. On Friday of next week, the group will go on a joint retreat with the Westminster groups from Oregon State College and the University of Washington. The retreat will be held at Camp Magruder and all students interested are invited to

contact Ben Lyon or Frank Cottrill at Westminster House.

WESLEY HOUSE

Wesley Foundation, Methodist student center, will be host to students Friday night after the basketball game at the first open house of the new term.

Features of the open house will be dancing, games, singing, and refreshments.

Sunday evening, Wesley will hear reports from its delegates to the National Methodist Student Conference held at Urbana, Ill., in December. Delegates were Bob Kingsbury, June Kelso, Jax Baker, and Gordon Burtner. Theme of the conference and the Sunday evening forum is "The Christian Use of Power in a Secular World."

A buffet supper will be served at 5:15 p.m. and a chapel service at 6 p.m.

CANTERBURY CLUB

Canterbury Club will sponsor a "Feast of Lights" at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. All interested students may attend the annual event, held at the Episcopal Church on 13th and Pearl streets.

PLYMOUTH HOUSE

Plymouth House will have open house Friday night after the basketball game.

Program For Juniors Resumed

"Junior Year in Munich," a foreign study program for students in their third year, will be reopened in the school year of 1950-51, according to word received from German Junior Year, Inc.

The program provides for a preliminary period of intensive language work before school opens, as well as special courses and selected courses in the University of Munich.

Tuition, and board and room are covered by the fee of \$1,378, and the organization advises students to allow \$20 to \$30 per month for spending money. Roundtrip from New York is said to cost about \$460.

Inquiries may be addressed to Junior Year in Munich, Amalienstr. 54, Munich 13. Application blanks will be available in February, and will be returnable in April. For air-mail replies, 15 cents in U.S. stamps should be enclosed.

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RENT—Room and board for 2 students with car. Breakfast, dinner, room, \$60. 1486 E 25th, phone 4-2731. 56

Documentary Film Slated Wednesday

"Kukon," a documentary film, will be shown at 7 and 9 p.m. in 207 Chapman next Wednesday evening. "China," a "March of Time," and a short subject will be shown along with the main feature.

This term the movie series, sponsored by the Student Union, will be open only to University students and faculty members.

Magazine Publishes Article by Pomeroy

An article by E. S. Pomeroy, associate professor of history, appeared in the December issue of the Wisconsin Magazine of History.

The article, titled "Wisconsin in 1847" was edited and transcribed by Pomeroy from notes in the diary of a Western traveler during that year.



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