

# Karl Onthank honored . . .

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at the University. Onthank joined a local organization which later affiliated with Alpha Tau Omega. As an undergraduate, he was active in many campus affairs, including the freshman football team and in the campus YMCA. His high academic standing throughout college earned him membership in Friars, senior men's lifetime honorary.

Onthank began his varied college career in engineering, tried journalism, finally graduated in French. He worked with Dean Eric Allen of the School of Journalism his first year here. Onthank is the only person ever to be elected to the editorships of The Emerald and the Oregonian.

### Returns to Hood River

Upon graduation in 1913, Onthank returned to his home in Hood River (he was born in New Jersey), to become principal of Frankton school for a year. By 1915 the ambitious young student had earned his MA. He worked in public education at Tillamook until 1916 when he returned to the University as President Campbell's secretary. Onthank had now embarked upon the administrative career which was to bring him close to the lives and hearts of Oregon educators and students for nearly half a century.

In 1930, after returning from studies at Columbia and Stanford universities, Onthank filled a newly-created position, that of dean of personnel administration, serving in that capacity until 1948. Again developing with the University, Onthank received another new post, associate dean of student affairs, where he worked closely with Student Affairs Director Donald DuShane in re-vamping Oregon's administrative structure.

### Post-war changes

"There were many administrative changes, largely due to post-war conditions over a two or three year period," explains Onthank. "We began to realize that previously the dean of men and dean of women's offices had not been too well coordinated or developed. It was during this post-war growth spurt that the Office of Student Affairs was created."

The job of placing graduates loomed especially necessary with the influx of veterans, and Onthank has taken great satisfaction in "helping graduates to land on their feet."

"We felt our obligation was not only to educate them—we weren't through until we got them in con-

tact with a job." Onthank fondly calls his office a "broker's agency" since "we don't actually place anybody; we just bring the graduate and employer together."

### Permanent Club secretary

An important contact with prospective employers has come (Continued on page 8)

# Friars tap tonight for new members

Friars, senior men's honorary, will hold its 50th annual reunion during Homecoming Weekend, according to Karl Onthank, associate dean of students.

During the Homecoming dance intermissions, Friars will tap new members. Selections are made annually at the Homecoming dance. Members of the honorary are

chosen on the basis of service to the University. "Friars are selected by members with the perpetual idea of honors to those who have been outstanding at the University and present hope for outstanding service in the future," said Onthank.

Onthank said many alumni Friars will be present at the re-

union and the other alumni events scheduled during the weekend. "It is a characteristic of the Friars that they are the type of men who typically retain their interest and service to the University in alumni service," Onthank said.

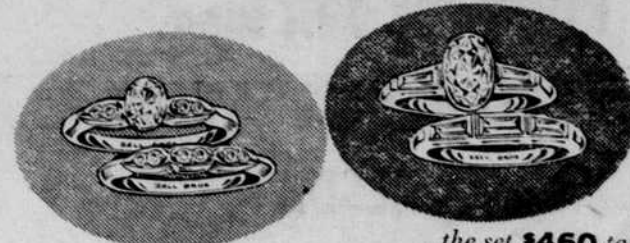
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