

## Seminar Engages Thespian Officers In Lively Debates Chosen For Year

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Windt were host to the Seminar on Humanities group which met Dec. 10 and 17 at their home. At the first of these two meetings, Mr. Windt gave a very informative talk on the opera in general. The students then heard excerpts from a Chinese opera, a religious selection, and several operas in English.

At the second meeting, movies on two operas, "The Barber of Seville" and "Lucia di Lammermoor," were seen. This meeting was also attended by Mr. D. Cox, the assistant superintendent of the Jackson County Schools.

Having read the *Return of the Native*, a nineteenth-century novel by Thomas Hardy, the seminar students met at the home of Diane Williams on Jan. 7 to discuss the novel. According to those students who attended this meeting, this was the liveliest session the group has yet had.

Questions concerning love, the influence of heredity and the effect of environment were discussed. Also present at this meeting were Mrs. Margery O'Hara, a staff member of the *Ashland Daily Tidings*, and Mr. Ronald Apodaca, Ashland High teacher.

## PRACTICE MARKS THIRD DEBATE TOURNAMENT

Ashland's debate squad will attend its third tournament of the school year this Friday, January 25, here at S.O.C.

Southern Oregon College will host all the local debate teams and many from northern Oregon, too. The tournament is not only a practice match as no trophies are awarded and no winners are announced.

The college holds the contest each year to encourage speech in the high schools.

The S.O.C. meet will be the first real competition for the nine members of the junior varsity debate team.

## Turkish Dilemma:

### 'Alright Guys, Who Changed My Orange?'

Editor's Note: Although Ali has only been in the United States since September, he has learned enough English to write this article for the *ROGUE NEWS*. Because any changes would detract from the article, it has been left exactly as All wrote it.

The bell rings. It is six thirty and it is time to wake up. You can not stay in your bed even if you want to, because the teacher comes and wakes you up. This is the beginning of my school life in Turkey. Every morning the same thing happens. But sometimes we break these rules, especially if we are in the tenth or eleventh grade. Before going to bed, everybody in one dormi-

Officers for the Thespians Club have been elected. Paula Prescott holds the position of president, assisted by Claudia Everett as vice-president. The job of secretary-treasurer has been filled by Carol Bjork and Jane Hennick has been elected as recorder.

The purpose of the Thespians Club is to read many different types of plays. The members then discuss the pros and cons of the selections. They find that this exercise helps them in presenting their dramatic works.

## SENIORS TO PREVIEW COLLEGE CAMPUS

Senior students will have a chance to preview the campus of the University of Oregon. The Duck visitation is to be held Saturday, January 26.

To qualify for this session all registering students were required to submit a fee of two dollars to cover registration and a luncheon.

S.S.S. Day has been a tradition at Ashland High School for many years. Three years ago, after this tradition had been discontinued for some time, S.S.S. Day was started again.

The purpose of this contest is to promote friendly competition among classes in order to further school spirit, service, and scholarship. At the end of the year, the class winning the most points is awarded a half day off for a picnic.

A permanent student council committee, the S.S.S. Committee consists of Carol Bjork, who presides at the meetings but does not vote, Chuck Calhoun, senior representative, Nancy Dayton, junior representative, Brian Whitham, sophomore representative, and Mrs. Peggy Zwick, advisor.

## Establishes Contests

This committee, in addition to delegating points, also establishes contests and the number of points for each contest. The members are also responsible for judging class projects, such as the sophomores bonfire, the juniors' Sadie Hawkins Dance, and the senior play. Each project is judged on how many class members participated, how successful the event was, and how much work was put into it.

## Who Is The Most Conceited Man?



Who is the most conceited man in Ashland Senior High School? On Valentine's Day this question will be put to a vote. Six of the more conceited characters in this school have been selected as candidates of the dubious honor of "Mr. Conceit."

Two aspirants from each class are running for the "position." Dave "Pride" Lohman and Dennis "Ego" Eckwald will represent the sophomore class. John "Vain-glory" Reid and Dean "Snob" Samuelson will stand for the juniors. The senior's honor will be defended by Mike "Conceited" Colton and Rick "Stuck-up" Pierce.

The week of February 11-15 will be full of displays of "modesty(?)" by the candidates. Thursday and Friday will be voting day for the student body "proletariat." All the students may then decide once and for all who is "Mr. Conceit" of A.H.S.

The prizes for the winner of the contest are quite attractive. Bobbett's Store for Men offers any short-sleeved sports shirt. Rondo Lanes has chipped in with three lines of bowling for the winner. The Dairy Queen has contributed a hamburger and a milk shake. The Mart has given any 43 record. And the Sweet Shop has donated one banana split.

The next edition of the *Rogue News* will carry further details of the contest and even more prizes.

(Editors note: This contest is strictly in the interest of good clean fun. This paper thanks the participants for being such good sports.)

## Spirit, Service, Scholarship Aims of SSS Competition

Although it is rather difficult to do so, the committee tries to give the same amount of points for each area. The points for scholarship are based on the Honor Roll and the Honorable Mention list. One point is given for each one per cent of a class on the Honor Roll or for each two per cent of a class who receive Honorable Mention. Points for this area are also given according to the amount of increase in each class on the Honor Roll or on the Honorable Mention list.

## Promote School Spirit

To promote school spirit, one point is given for each ten per cent of the class attending certain home games. At Pep Assemblies, five points is given to the class winning the competition yell, three points to second place, and one point for third place.

To promote service, the committee holds locker inspections in which ten lockers from each class are selected at random and checked for neatness. First place class receives ten points, second place five points, and third place one point.

## Members Impartial

Although many students feel that the class representatives are partial to their own class, Mrs. Zwick stated: "I have found no evidence of partiality among the members of the committee. Each representative is fair and impartial."

Up to this time, S.S.S. points are as follows: Seniors-126; juniors-130; and sophomores-119.

## IRL Plans For State Convention

Since October, the members of the International Relations League have been preparing for a state-wide conference on February 7-9.

This year's meeting in Eugene will be organized on the basis of a model Organization of American States. Each high school in Oregon is representing one Latin American country. Ashland, along with Medford, Phoenix, and Central Point, will act as delegates from the country of Brazil. Each school studies its country and pretends to be that country at the conference. Once there everyone will meet and discuss mutual problems.

Many distinguished speakers will honor the group. Senator Wayne Morse and Dr. William Sanders, Deputy Secretary General of the OAS, will be guest speakers.

Approximately 600 students will be participating in the conference. State officers for next year are to be elected at this conference. Charles Moore, a junior at Ashland, hopes to be a state officer, and is running for IRL vice-president.

Nine students and two advisors, Mr. Leybold and Mr. Iba, will travel to Eugene for the convention. The trip offers a chance for learning about international affairs, meeting new people and in general, having a good time.