

IN THE SERVICE

Willamette and West Linn high school are saddened by the death of Bill Walston who was graduated with the class of 1942. He was an outstanding athlete at West Linn. While attending West Linn he took part in many activities, he was Junior class president, editor of the annual, secretary of the Letterman's club and a student police officer. Bill was killed March 18.

Duane Wanker who is an officer in the Merchant Marine returned home on furlough after being overseas. He graduated with the class of 1942.

Richard McMullen who graduated from West Linn in 1941 and is in the Army Air corps has been stationed in England and arrived home February 17. He has completed his 46th mission.

Clayton Baker returned home on furlough February 17. Clayton graduated in 1944.

Melvin Neland who has been stationed in Seattle arrived home on furlough February 20.

Curtis Wilkinson arrived home on furlough February 20 and is now stationed in England.

Dave Silvers came home unexpectedly March 10 and left March 13 for Idaho.

Nimrods Await Opening Day

BY GENE DESCHAMPS

With the opening day of trout season not far away, many ardent sons of Isaac Walton will venture forth to the nearby streams in search of the wary rainbow and cutthroat trout. Fishing this year, as in the few previous years, will be difficult because of gas rationing and the scarcity of fishing tackle. Split bamboo fly rods and reels are practically unobtainable, while tapered fly lines are priced around \$7.50 and good grade nine-foot tapered leader costs about \$1.25 apiece. Hooks are hard to get and flies cost at least 20 cents apiece. As mentioned before, the biggest drawback is the lack of gasoline and many of the local streams will be crowded on April 14, the opening day for this reason.

Movie March 21

On March 21, the West Linn student body viewed a movie sponsored by the "Annual" staff. The movie was Henry Aldrich in "What a Life." It related the troubles of Henry in high school. His difficulties started with a misunderstanding about a piece of pie and these troubles grew greater until he was expelled from school. He had been accused of cheating, stealing and of doing many other things, some of which he was not guilty. In the end luck was on Henry's side and all turned out well. The student body seemed to enjoy the picture greatly.

Class Meetings

The freshmen discussed the possibilities of putting on a talent program. No plans have been made as yet for its presentation. George Matile, president, urged the frosh to pay their dues as soon as possible.

Jim Smith, president of the sophomore class, announced that the sophomores are planning a skating party of some kind in the near future. Also he stated that the kids should get their dues paid.

The junior class discussed in their last meeting about the junior class play. Nothing has been decided as yet. Gordon Murphy, junior class president, urged the kids to pay their class dues.

In their last class meeting, the seniors talked about different presents that they might give to the school. Glass backboards, curtains for the auditorium and a trophy case were among the articles suggested. Mr. Shearer, class advisor, stressed the fact that those who haven't paid their dues should do so as soon as possible. The seniors also discussed whether or not they would wear caps and gowns to baccalaureate.

May Day Plans Are Underway

May Day, set for 1:30 p. m. May 4, is already well planned according to Wes Stauffer, manager, and Miss Muriel White, director of the festivities. Queen Gwen I has her lovely white dress waiting for the great day. The long purple velvet robe is being cleaned and the golden crown polished. The queen's court have their bouffant dresses ready and the flower girls, train bearers, and crown bearers are being selected.

The festivities will follow a theme of "Spring Frolic" with colorful dances both old and new and great field movements with the 150 girls in white gym suits. The finale will include 130 girls carrying large flags.

Award Won by Bernice Brobst

Bernice Brobst, valedictorian of the graduating class at West Linn high school, has been given the Seventh Annual Award of The Reader's Digest Association for students who by their successful school work give promise of attaining leadership in the community, it was announced today by Mr. Robert L. Henagin, superintendent.

Miss Brobst will receive an honorary subscription to The Reader's Digest for one year and an engraved certificate from the editors, "In recognition of past accomplishment and in anticipation of unusual achievement to come."

Since 1937 The Reader's Digest Association has presented these awards yearly in senior high schools throughout the United States and Canada to the highest honor student of the graduating class. The awards are part of the educational program sponsored by the Association and were a logical outgrowth of the wide use of The Reader's Digest in school work. With the collaboration of leading educators, a special edition of the magazine, containing reading improvement guides and study helps, is made available to schools and colleges as a supplementary textbook in English and social science courses.

The award to Miss Brobst who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brobst of Wilsonville, was made possible through the cooperation of Mr. Henagin and his teaching staff. They selected Miss Brobst to receive the award, designed to stimulate scholarship, citizenship, and continued contact with good reading after graduation.

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