

## Armed forces ready to fight for nation

# Selective Service System chooses draftees

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The Selective Service System is a government agency which was created to provide an orderly method of registering the young men of the nation and classifying them as to their availability for military service from the viewpoint of the national health, safety, or interest.

Five days after their 18th birthday, these young men

must register for the draft call. There are forms to be filled out, people to talk to, and tests to be taken during their 18th year. The test is given four times a year: May 14, May 21, June 3, and June 24.

From these tests, the AFCT or the Armed Forces Qualifying Test, draftees are put into five major classes. Class I deals with conscientious objectors; Class II

has to do with occupations; Class III refers to men with families; Class IV has to do with religion and laws; and Class V is for those registrants over the age of liability for military service.

Class 2-S, which is a student deferment, must be applied for if a student wishes to go on to college after high school. In order to qualify for the 2-S classification they must (1) re-

quest it; (2) have normal school progress; and (3) regular attendance. A student deferment may not be granted to those over 24 years of age who have not completed their requirements for a bachelor's degree.

The registrant must make written request for a deferment each year. The student can not just take "mickey mouse" courses for five to six years just to get out of the draft. They must have completed close to 25% of the required courses for their major at the end of each year.

Regarding the draft card burners, Major Joseph D. Formick of the Selective Service System in Portland, informed us that not all would be penalized. He stated that most of the burners use invalid drivers licenses, library cards, or if they are real sneaky, they apply for another draft card on the basis that theirs was lost, misplaced, or

stolen, and then burn them just to try to trip up the Selective Service. The penalty for a draft card burner is \$10,000 or five years in a federal penitentiary or both.

Although they must apply for the draft when they are 18, the boys will not actually be inducted until they are 19 years of age. Then only 40% of all applicants are acceptable, leaving a staggering 60% rejected.

The selection of those who will be drafted first starts in the Department of Defense in Washington D.C. where a chart is kept telling how many men they will send for each branch of the armed service. At the present time, the Army is the only branch that does not fill its quota each month on a volunteer basis.

This information is then sent to the Headquarters of the Selective Service System who figure out what percentage are drafted from each state. This is figured from approximations of how many volunteers they have had and expect. This figure is sent to each board in each state. Portland has five different boards in Multnomah County. The oldest registrants are chosen first, selecting the registrant that is the oldest by the month.

Oregon represents almost one percent of the total draft call. January of 1968 will have one of the largest amounts of draftees. There are 306 on call from Oregon.

According to Senator Mark O. Hatfield, a volunteer-only enlistment program would not work. It was tried in 1940 and again in 1948, when the men quit the armed forces, so they had to draft during the peace time in case of a national emergency.

It is the moral obligation of each and every male aged 18 to enlist in their Armed Forces either ready to fight for their country or as a conscientious objector who serve their country in the field of medicine. Those boys skipping out on the draft either by moving to another country or by burning their cards are just kidding themselves.

## Choral assembly presents survey of nation's music

"In the choral assembly, Thursday, we are trying to present a survey of American music from revolutionary to modern times," explained Mrs. Janet Howland, choir director.

"Included in the program will be a number of folk songs, such as 'Yankee Doodle,' 'Colorado Trail,' and 'Elija Rock,' as well as mountain tunes, cowboy tunes and spirituals. Performed by the ensembles will be barber shop and tin pan alley selections.

Works by two Oregon composers, 'Faith,' by L. Stanley Glarem, and 'Kyrie Eleison,' by Milton Dietrich will be performed as well as those by other modern American composers.

Song and dance routines will also be presented in the assembly.

According to Mrs. Howland, the annual spring concert has been postponed until later in the school year, so that it won't interfere with the orchestra's trip to Pendleton.

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## Luik takes first; receives trophy in speech meet

"The San Francisco speech meet was a success," according to Mrs. Opal Hamilton, speech teacher. "I am proud to announce that John Luik placed first in Extemporaneous at San Francisco University," she beamed, as she held the large trophy up for all to see.

Along with the excitement of the San Francisco meet was the Lewis and Clark Forensics tournament in which our team won the Sweepstakes award.

First place winners were: Janice Schleinig, Serious; Liz Streukins, Extemporaneous; Jim Walker, Impromptu; Doris Gross, Interpretation; and Sylvia Sharp, Oratory.

Taking second place were: Jim Winkler and John Luik, Debate; John Luik, Impromptu; Bob Jonas, Oratory; Dorice Gross, Oratory; and Sylvia Sharp, Oratory.

Placing third were: Jane Nichols and Tim Kehoe.

Plans are now being made for the Linfield Speech meet which will be held on March 15.

"Not only the juniors and seniors will take home Sweepstakes, but Grant will," stated determined Tim Kehoe, Forensics member. Around 2,500 students from all over the state are expected to attend the meet.

## Region 3 meeting attended by seven; responsibility, Bill of Rights discussed

Discussion of "Student Responsibility and the Student Bill of Rights," the subject carried over from a fall conference at

## Performance of 'Twelfth Night' readied by cast



TIM KEHOE as Malvolio complains of the revelry exhibited by Martha Gannett at Maria, Dave Brown as Toby Belch, Roger Neilson as Feste and Rod Reinhart as Andrew Ague-check in "Twelfth Night."

## Memoirs staff members selected; distribution day is set for May 2

"Congratulations! You have been selected to serve on the '68-'69 Memoirs staff." This message was received by 20 juniors and 6 sophomores who will serve on the staff next year.

Those selected are: Marty Ar-

nold, Jo Ann Benbrook, Ann Ewing, Judi Herbert, Liz Kallen, Barbara Kane, Chris Michie, Marianne Peel, Linda Pullen, Cathy Radford, Chris Rains and Karen Zidell.

Others are: Randy Roseman, Roger Perrin, Sandra Birkmeier, Jan Cumpston, George Dombravski, Mark Hoffman, Steve Rooney, and Chris Scott.

Juniors who will return to the staff next year as seniors are: Ann Bellerby, Joan Kline, Nancy McCready, Marcy Stere, and Claudia Swan.

Memoirs will be delivered the week of May 20. Because commencement was changed from June 5 to May 27, it was necessary to move all deadlines back 2 weeks which means that some of the spring coverage will be lessened, according to Willard Mohn, advisor.

According to Nickie Taylor, Memoirs co-editor, about 150 pages, less than half of the book, have yet to be sent in to the printers.

Several students withdrew from school so there will be a limited number of extra books available the day of distribution. No more books will be sold until then.

Gresham high school, will be continued at the Region No. 3 meeting tomorrow at Wilson high school, to be attended by seven Grant students.

"Region No. 3," explained John Stuckey, activities director, "is a geographical subdivision consisting of 68 high schools, and is sponsored by the Oregon Association of Student Councils."

Representing Grant in the discussions are Dan Aiken, Sandy Cassner, Jan Kelley, Francis Kessler, Sue Pendergrass, Sylvia Sharp and Robin Suwol.

Assemblies, panels, and featured guest speaker Sid Lezak, United States attorney for Oregon, will be included in the all-day meeting.

## Kampus Kapers

February 9—  
Basketball, Washington, Coliseum, 9:00 p.m.

February 12-15—  
"Night of January 16," L-1, 7:30 p.m.

February 13—  
Basketball, Benson, there, 3:45 p.m.

February 15-17—  
City wrestling tournament