nnual Press onference Set r Feb. 8-9

e twenty-seventh annual on Press Conference, spon- by the University of Ore- School of Journalism, will eld on the campus Friday and rday, Feb. 8 and 9.

wrence E. Spraker, publish- the Stayton (Ore.) Mail, and dent of the conference, has unced, "We are arranging a ram which will be of interest very editor and publisher in tate for this first meeting fol- g the war." The dates for conference were selected to a week-long observance of ne-hundredth anniversary of rinting of the first newspap- Oregon and on the Pacific —The Oregon Spectator— irst issue of which was print- Oregon City Feb. 5, 1846.

ited to speak at the confer- is James L. Bourque, gener- presentative of the Linotype any. Bourque has had many experience in the graphic field and has recently return- om service in the air corps.

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C. Bernsten, director of the ific Coast division, A.N.P.A. au of advertising, will give llustrated talk, "Industry and ic Opinion." Marshall N. , editor of the editorial page, n Journal, will speak on the onship of the Oregon news- papers' Code of Ethics to the Freedom of the Press.

David Smith, secretary of the Pacific Northwest Newspaper Circulation Managers association, will speak at the Friday morning session.

Joseph R. Gerber, head of a Portland advertising agency, will speak on some important opportunities for increasing the state's agricultural income at the Saturday luncheon, at which Warren C. Price, associate professor of journalism, will preside.

Banquet Speaker

Principal speaker at the annual banquet Friday evening will be William D. Chandler, associate editor of the San Francisco Chronicle. Outstanding journalists of the state, and those with the longest record of service to the profession, will be honored. George S. Turnbull, acting dean of the school of journalism, and author of "History of Oregon Newspapers" will preside.

The Eugene Gleemen, led by Donald Allton, will sing at the banquet.

Major Charles G. Howard, professor of law at the university school of law, now on terminal leave from the army, will talk on "Unfinished Business' and will recount some of his experiences with the army of occupation in Germany at the Friday luncheon. Robert C. Hall, associate professor of journalism, will preside.

Discusisons and talks will complete the conference program which is being arranged by Spraker, Acting Dean George Turnbull, and Carl C. Webb, secretary-manager of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association. A round-table discussion of "Free Publicity" will be presented by G. F. Blessing, The Dalles Chronicle; Walter W. R. May, Oregon City Enterprise; and Henry Fowler, Bend Bulletin. Carl Webb will serve as moderator.

"SPROUTS WINGS"—Richard Bartholomew, 19, "flying whizbang," appears above with the staff of the flying service which taught him to fly in three days. Front row, left to right, Merle Hough, flying instructor; Max Green, proprietor of the school; rear, left to right; Max O. Green, Jr., flying instructor; Bartholomew; and R. D. Green, flying instructor.

YWCA Will Sponsor West Oregon Festival

An international festival at which all foreign students in western Oregon will be special guests will be sponsored by the YWCA at the University of Oregon Feb. 23, Bjorg Hensen, Coos Bay, recently-elected chairman of the event, has announced.

The festival will be an all-day session, with men and women from colleges throughout Oregon attending, and will be highlighted by an international tea.

A similar festival was instituted in New York a year ago by the American Committee on Friendly Relations among Foreign Students, and was proclaimed by the committee to be a great success.

As a result, the regional council of the YMCA-YWCA, in response to a request from the national YWCA to plan a similar convention, asked that festivals be held at the University of Washington, at Washington State College, and at the University of Oregon. Committees for the event will be announced later by Miss Hensen.

Novice Soloes In Three Days

Want to learn to fly? Well, it's easy, according to Richard J. Bartholomew, 19, son of Phil Bartholomew of Springfield. If it wasn't easy, it was certainly fast for he soloed after only three days of instruction.

Last week Bartholomew called at the Eugene airpark aand asked a flying service if they could teach him to fly before he had to report back to the army in 10 days. The answer was "Yes, if——" If they had enough good flying weather, if he could absorb what he was taught well enough, if he had the stamina to take the physical beating without getting too tired, and if he had some natural aptitude. Four days later, Bartholomew could say he had all those qualities, for three days out of the four had seen good flying weather and he had soloed.

Here is how the unusual instruction was given. Bartholomew took his first lesson on Sunday, after having "sweat out" a couple of days of bad weather He flew an hour and forty-five minutes that day. The next day he fidgeted while "soupy" weather kept him grounded. But on Tuesday the weather cleared and the flying instructors of the Green Flying service poured it on. When it was over he had two hours and 15 minutes chalked up in his log book for that day—plus many aches and pains. "I'm going home, take some aspirin and go to bed," he told the instructors. Wednesday dawned bright and clear. Bartholomew went out and flew for another hour and 50 minutes, making him a total of five hours and 50 minutes of dual instruction.

His instructors decided he was ready to solo and solo he did on that same day. On his solo flight, which lasted 35 minutes, he made five takesoffs and landings. That finished him for that day but Thursday, on the fifth day after he started his flying lessons, he was back, building up solo time.

"It's the first time we've ever done anything of that sort," said Max Green. "In fact I don't think it's ever been done before."

Three different instructors put Bartholomew through his intensified flying course, Merle Hough, Max Green, Jr., and R. D. Green.

Thursday, after having flown solo more than an hour and a half, he was asked if he wanted to go up again. "Sure," he said, "if you have a plane."

Local Hop Growers Meeting Monday

A meeting of all hop growers in the Eugene district under sponsorship of United States Hop Growers association, will be held at the Eugene Elks club, Monday evening, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p. m. This is one of a series of meetings being held in all hop growing districts of Oregon.

A program of vital interest to all hop growers will present recent developments on hop imports, brewers' hop purchase quotas, hop usage and other matters of current interest.

In accordance with plans endorsed by hop growers at the Salem general meeting held late in November a Eugene district member of an Oregon Growers advisory committee will be elected at this meeting.

Paul T. Rowell, manager of the Salem office of United States Hop Growers association, will be present and will take part in the meeting.

Award Established

Establishment of the Gerald Huestis Award, to be given annually to an outstanding freshman independent student, was announced this week by Anne Van Valzah, Medford, president of the Independent Students association.

Miss Van Valzah explained that the ISA board will pick the freshman to receive the award, with the decision based on the student's participation during the school year in campus activities, scholarship, and general worthiness. Winner of the award will receive the Gerald Huestis cup, which will become an annual award of the spring term.

Gerald Huestis, for whom the award is named, was first president of the ISA. A Eugene student, now enrolled in the university medical school, he was instrumental in organizing the independent students on the campus in 1941-1942.

YWCA Opens Drive For Memberships

Membership enrollment week of the local YWCA will open Jan. 21, according to Mrs. Helene Hoffman, executive director of the "Y."

The goal for enrollment has been set at 1,000 adults, as compared to 612 enrolled in 1945. A total of 318 Girl Reserves were also enrolled for 1945.

Mrs. Hoffman pointed out that three types of membership in the "Y" are available—electorate membership, in which the member signs the purpose of the organization, agreeing to further the work of the "Y" by actual participation; associate membership, in which the member professes belief in the work of the "Y" but does not take active part; and junior membership. Of the 612 adult members during 1945, 594 were electoral members. From this group is chosen the board of directors.

The YWCA, Mrs. Hofman pointed out, is the largest interracial, inter-cultural and international organization of women and girls in the world. It boasts a membership of more than three and a half million in the United States alone, with branches in 57 countries.

The purpose of the YWCA, as set forth in the constitution, is "to build a fellowship of women and girls devoted to the task of realizing in our common lives those ideals of personal and social living to which we are committed by our faith as Christians."

The work of the "Y" falls under the headings of industrial, business girls, Girl Reserves, work with foreign born women and girls, and the student youth movement. It has a cross section of membership and a flexible program planned to meet the needs of the group itself, Mrs. Hoffman said.

The local YWCA became incorporated in August, 1945, and affiliated with the national organization October 3, 1945.

On the membership committee are Mrs. W. S. Love, chairman, Mrs. L. J. Mannel, Mrs. John Robertson, Mrs. Walter Ransom, Mrs. B. H. McGillicudy, Mrs. C. F. Hyde, Mrs. E. N. Hathaway, Mrs. Hugh Ford, Mrs. G. H. Good, Mrs. Edgar Martin, Mrs. L. D. Bryan, Mrs. Louis S. Eade, Mrs. J. Don Smith, Mrs. Dan Wynn, Mrs. Al Herman, Mrs. Eugene Miller, Miss Alice Jerot, and Mary Jane Nugent.

The average American motorist, in peacetime, travels some 8,100 miles a year in his car. Traveling salesmen average 18,800 miles.

Sheet Metal Class At Vocational School

An evening class will open on January 22 at 7 p.m. for apprentice sheet metal workers and journeymen at the Eugene Vocational school.

Earl Doane will teach the class which will include sheet metal pattern making, drafting, layout, soldering and use of hand tools.

The class will meet each Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m.

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Mines laid by Nazi submarines closed the entrance to New York harbor for a 30-hour period in November, 1942.

First Aid Course Offered Ski Patrol And Interested Skiers

The Willamette Ski Patrol will sponsor a Red Cross first aid class for all members of the patrol and all interested skiers, with the first class scheduled for 7:30 p. m. Thursday at the Community Center, 1076 Willamette street. Lester McPherson, member of the patrol, will be instructor.

All members of the ski patrol must hold a first aid certificate. The patrol works in the Santiam and Willamette pass ski areas, and all members give their time gratis.

It was pointed out by Tony Vogel, member of the patrol, that this work is especially important in the Santiam area, where the distance from the ski areas to parking areas is considerable. Persons injured in the ski areas must be transported by trained persons to their cars, and also must often be given treatment on the spot, Vogel said.

Members of the patrol with first air cards in good standing will be given the opportunity to take an advanced course in first aid which will qualify them as members of the National Ski Patrol, of which McPherson is also a member. Plans for starting the advance course will be discussed Thursday at the meeting.

All persons who plan to take the course will register at the first meeting Thursday evening.

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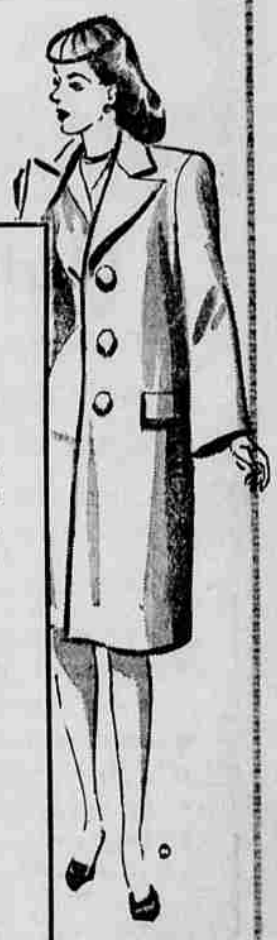
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