

AT WILLAMETTE Classes Resume for Semester

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Willamette students returned to the campus this week as registration for the new semester took place Monday in the library. A total of 764 students returned from their short vacation to enroll, but the total will probably reach 1000, according to Registrar Harold Jory.

Elections for class officers and the associated women students cabinet will take place next week. Nominated for president of the AWS have been Pat Gendy of San Leandro, Calif. and Judy Finch of Portland. Classes will meet today to nominate their candidates.

Sets and lines are being prepared for Willamette's production of "Electra," to be presented at the end of this month. Under the direction of Robert Putnam, the tragedy will be a new type of presentation for the campus. The Vienna String Symphony, featuring two soloists, will present a concert Tuesday, at 8 p. m. in the Salem high school auditorium. The symphony has been engaged by the Distinguished Artists Series, who will also bring the First Piano quartet to Salem in the future.

New catalogues have been compiled and sent out for the coming year. This week-end the Willamette Bears, who lost their first conference game to Pacific, Friday, will meet Lewis and Clark in two games. The first will be in the Willamette gymnasium at 8 p. m. tomorrow and Saturday the two teams will travel to Portland for another match. Preparing for their annual tour is the Willamette University Band, who will leave here next week to visit 14 high schools. The band is under the direction of Maurice Brennan. Chuck Ruud of Molalla and Don Berney of Camas, Wash., will leave next week for Washington, D. C. as the Washington semester students from the campus.

Mr. Sprague Speaks To Business Women

SILVERTON — More than 60 guests were present Tuesday night at the Business and Professional Women's club annual International program, when Charles A. Sprague, ex-governor of Oregon, was the featured speaker. His talk followed the panel presentation of a brief discussion by Mrs. Floyd Fox, Mrs. Robert Persons, Mrs. W. H. Woodard and Mrs. Harley DePeel, on "Trade, Jobs, and Our Town."

Mrs. Charles Mason presented Girl Scouts who led the flag salute. Mrs. Frank Giroux was responsible for the decorations. Mrs. Knute Dignerness led in group singing. Mrs. W. H. Brandt was chairman.

Engagement Told

LEBANON — Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Hill are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Miss Kay Ann Hill, to Aryle J. Mainard, son of Mrs. Eva Mainard. The nuptials will be an event of June.

Rep. Celler Denies Wrong Doing

WASHINGTON — Rep. Celler (D-N.Y.) says he did "nothing morally wrong" in a federal tax case in which Sen. Williams (R-De.) says there were indications that Celler influenced Justice Department action.

Commenting in a statement Wednesday night in a Senate speech by Williams, Celler said he merely introduced a lawyer in the case and has "no knowledge or memory of saying anything about not prosecuting" a defendant, Samuel E. Jackson. The attorney involved was Lawrence J. Lieberman, law partner of Celler's brother-in-law Emil N. Baar. Lieberman took over the case after Baar was appointed to a judgeship. The case was one of 20 on which Williams, continuing a years-long campaign of criticism against Internal Revenue Bureau and Justice Department handling of some tax claims and prosecutions, reported to the Senate. Williams said study of the 20 cases had convinced him "there is no equality of justice" in treatment of big and little tax offenders.

Top Military Men in Secret Conference

NAPLES, Italy — Top Military and Naval commanders of the United States, Britain, France and Italy met here Thursday for a high-level NATO conference. The subject of the conference was not disclosed. It was held at the headquarters of U.S. Adm. William F. Fechteler, NATO commander for southern Europe.

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95,000 Persons Killed In Accidents During 1953

CHICAGO — This is the tremendous price the nation paid for accidents in 1953. Killed: 95,000. Injured: 9,600,000. The cost: \$9,100,000,000.

The bill was added up today by the National Safety Council. It noted that the 1953 accident death toll was 1,000 below the 1952 total. But it also noted that it was more than three times as great as the toll of American dead during the entire Korean war.

Vogeler Sues Telephone Co.

NEW YORK — Robert Vogeler, 40, charges that negligence on the part of his former employer, the Telephone Co., resulted in his imprisonment for 17 months in a Hungarian Communist jail. Vogeler filed a complaint in Supreme Court Wednesday detailing his charges in a \$500,000 damage suit he started last August against I.T. & T. and a subsidiary, International Standard Electric Co. Vogeler was a vice president of International Standard Electric in Budapest when he was arrested in 1949 on charges of espionage. He was released in 1951, and returned to the United States. He left the company early last year. The complaint charged that when he was assigned to Hungary the company and the Hungarian government were discussing a commercial agreement. He charged that the company was aware of his danger if the negotiations failed.

Mountain Veterans Preparing for Jump

CAMP HALE, Colo. — Mountain veterans from the bitter battles along Italy's Po River are putting greenhorns through their paces amid the rugged peaks here in preparation for the Army's big, frigid Exercise Ski Jump. Ski Jump will involve more than 4,000 men, from the 511th Airborne Regimental Combat Team and supporting units, in action along the continental divide. The veterans are former members of the famed old 10th Mountain Division activated at Camp Hale early in World War II.

FORFEITS BAIL

SWEET HOME — Arnold Orine Morris, 29, of Foster, forfeited \$10 on a drunk on private property charge and \$40 on a charge of resisting arrest by not appearing in Municipal court here this week. Judge Ed Russell collected \$125 in additional fines at this week's session of court.

Madison Runs For Alderman

Don Madison, 1565 North 24th, Wednesday filed as a candidate for member of the City Council from Ward 6.

Madison's declaration as a candidate followed immediately after Tom Armstrong, present alderman from that ward, filed as a candidate for county commissioner. George P. Haley, 1555 Roosevelt Street, president of the Oregon Republican Clubs, said he also would be a candidate for alderman from Ward 6. For the same post pressure is being brought upon Edward Roth, 1475 North 21st, and Ray Cates, 1660 Roosevelt Street.

Madison first candidate to file for a city office, in his platform mentions opposition to increased taxes, water rates and sewer service charges; stands for spending

according to the budget as prepared by the citizens budget committee; parking meters for traffic control and not revenue; "unsnarling" of the traffic nightmare; and promises to work for new industries.

"I promise my neighbors in Ward 6 prompt and energetic representation" is his slogan. Preston W. Hale, 2495 Walker Street, a jeweler who ran for county commissioner on the Democratic ticket two years ago, indicates he will run for alderman from Ward 2.

Normally, only terms of members from the even-numbered wards expire this year. However, there will be an election for Ward 3 for the reason that Alderman Claude Jorgensen is holding office because a tie vote in the last election failed to defeat him, and under the law there will be an election for a short term of two years in that ward.

For Ward 4 Alderman Dan Fry is said by friends to have said definitely he would not be a candidate. One of the aspirants for the post is E. C. Charlton,

former assistant police chief. In Ward 2 Alderman Chester I. Chase has not made a definite statement. In Ward 8 Jack Loehd, recently elected by the council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Earl C. Burk, will be a candidate and no opposition is expected.

Rumors are heard of opposition for Howard Brandvold for city treasurer. Brandvold, present assistant in the office, will run to succeed Paul Hauser, who has announced he will not seek re-election.

Douglas Hay will again be a candidate for Municipal Judge and so far no opposition is indicated. Alderman Robert F. White so far is the only candidate who has announced for the office of mayor, and he has not yet filed with the city recorder. Indications are that White will have opposition from the anti-one-way grid people, but they have not yet decided on their candidate.

French Lose Military Post

SAIGON, Indochina, (AP) — The French High Command Thursday conceded the loss of the important military post of Muong Ngoi, guarding the approaches to the royal Laotian capital of Luang Prabang.

The command said that forces of the Communist-led Vietminh rebels captured the post in the Nam Hou River Valley as part of their advance along a 60-mile front. Muong Ngoi is 65 miles northeast of Luang Prabang. In the same drive, the Vietminh captured two other French forts, one at Muong Sai, about 60 miles northwest of Luang Prabang, and the other at Ban Nam Bac, about 60 miles north of Luang Prabang. Muong Sai was considered important because of its airstrip which the French could use as an auxiliary airfield.

The Vietminh were reported to be steadily advancing in the jungle despite the rain of bombs and napalm showered by French aircraft. Scores of refugees from the combat zone were streaming toward Luang Prabang.

Earlier, the French lifted their blackout curtain on northern Laos operations to disclose the establishment of an airlift to pump men and supplies into the threatened capital.

French fighter planes and bombers had been reported strafing and bombing the Vietminh columns day and night. But the rebel tactic of stringing out their men far apart in single file made the target difficult.

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