

Increase in Students Expected at O.S.C.

Oregon State College—Final registration figures at the close of the fall term showed 3126 civilian students compared with 2909 a year earlier, or an increase of 55 percent. With the 286 ASTU men the total under instruction was 3412.

Though the army unit has been discontinued at the end of this term, increased enrollment of veterans for winter starting January 2 is expected to more than make up the difference. The men's dormitory, released by the army, will house 344 civilian students, with all rooms already engaged and some on the waiting list.

A new all-time record for enrollment of women was established with a coed registration of 1846 compared with a previous high of 1731 in 1940. The freshman class of 1594 exactly equalled that of the 1940 fall term when total enrollment reached 4750.

Charlie Joins March of Dimes



Charlie McCarthy is no dummy, according to nine-year-old Hannah Toomey of 335 East 55th Street, New York City. At least, he is right there when it comes to a good cause such as the March of Dimes Campaign, January 14-31. While Edgar Bergen looks on, Hannah shows Charlie one of the new dime cards for school children. A victim of infantile paralysis, Hannah was aided by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and wants to see other unfortunate children have the same care.

Turkey Men Warned Possible Market Glut

Oregon turkey growers may be heading for marketing trouble in 1946 if they hold over as many breeding hens is now indicated, says Noel L. Bennion, extension poultryman at Oregon State college. In the face of a national goal calling for a 10 percent reduction in number of turkeys raised next year, Oregon growers appear to be holding over 20 percent more breeder hens than last year.

Bennion bases his estimate of prospective number of hens held over on the number of turkey breeders that have already been tested at the poultry disease laboratory at the college and the number of reservations for such testing as compared with last year.

Earlier in the fall it appeared that the number of breeders to be held was being reduced, following previous warnings of a possible oversupply. Evidently the reduction didn't take place, Bennion says. Reports from California show a similar heavy carryover there.

With some crops Oregon produces such a small percentage of the national total that the trend here has little overall effect, but with turkeys Oregon is one of the leading states in the country, hence a heavy increase here in the face of prospective reduced demand could seriously affect the market, Bennion points out.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ayers and son Delbert spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in Central Point. Mr. Ayers and Delbert are both working for the state highway department and are stationed at Elkton.

LETTERS FROM WASHINGTON

BY HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Representative in Congress from Oregon

In last week's letter, I mentioned the efforts being made to secure additional supplies of protein meal for Oregon agriculture, and the hope

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"Our victories abroad must be followed by a victory on the home front against this common enemy of all mankind," the president continued. "I am certain that no American can fail to respond to such a challenge."

"For years I have followed with sympathetic interest the important work of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, founded by Franklin D. Roosevelt. I know that it has given new hope to countless sufferers from poliomyelitis and that it has restored thousands of men, women and children to active lives in the community."

"I know that the National Foundation recognizes no boundaries of race, creed or color. I know, also, that you have dedicated yourselves and your resources to the end that no victim of infantile paralysis shall go without care and treatment for lack of funds, and to the day when science can proclaim its conquest of this crippling foe."

State Approves Loans Amounting to \$93,150.

The State Department of Veterans' Affairs has approved loans to Oregon veterans of World War II amounting to \$93,150 for the acquisition of farms and homes, Hugh E. Rosson, director, announced today. The average loan was for \$2,388.

Up to December 19, a total of 127 veterans have applied for loans, with Multnomah county leading and Marion, Clackamas and Lane counties following in that order. The first loan was approved on October 15.

A maximum of \$3000 but not to exceed 75 per cent of the appraised value of the property may be loaned veterans of Oregon under the act, approved by the 1945 session of the state legislature. The act is administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Mr. Rosson pointed out that application may be made by any eligible veteran, in writing, at the department's offices in the State Library building, Salem, or at the Portland branch office in the Oregon building at Fifth and Oak streets. The veteran will be sent an application form along with instructions, or these may be obtained from any county or veterans' organization service officer.

The application form, along with a certified or photostatic copy of the veteran's discharge, is then mailed to the Salem or Portland office.

If the loan is approved, an appointed attorney in the veteran's home county can help him complete the legal details, thus eliminating the need of a trip to Salem or Portland.

The applicant should clearly state whether he is acquiring a farm, or a city or suburban home. It was advised.

Army & Navy Discharge Papers Recorded Free

In response to inquiries regarding the recording of veterans' discharge papers, Director Hugh E. Rosson of the Department of Veterans' Affairs explained today that all counties in Oregon will perform this service without cost, as provided by state law.

Some confusion arose when the Navy began issuing a "notice of separation" on a separate sheet from the actual discharge certificate. But Attorney General George Neuner, in an opinion handed down in November, ruled that this was an official part of the formal discharge and should be recorded, along with the discharge, without cost to the veteran.

On his return from the service the veteran should have his discharge recorded without delay in the office of the county clerk of his home county, Mr. Rosson emphasized.

This is important, he pointed out, because the veteran will then be able to procure photostatic or duplicate copies needed in applying for many types of employment, for state or federal educational and loan benefits, for pensions, and for compensation under the federal readjustment act.

Further, it will save the veteran the trouble and delay entailed in applying to the government for a duplicate in the event his original discharge papers become lost or stolen, Mr. Rosson explained.

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