

Society and Clubs

By Olive Starcher

College Students Home From Campus To Spend Holidays

Students from the University of Oregon at Eugene have been arriving in the city since last Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays at home. School is to re-open Dec. 28 and the majority will be leaving again immediately after Christmas. At Oregon State college the new army schedule of terms does not permit a Christmas holiday but students are to be granted a between-terms holiday following examinations and Medford students are expected home about Dec. 31.

Home from the university campus are the Misses Helen Webb, Susan Vilas, Betty Rose, Betty Frey, Anne Van Valzah, Shirley Weisenburger, Eva Hedrick, Lois Piening, Julie Carpenter, Virginia and Dorothy Hayes, Lois Pringle, Nanette Holmes, Pat Farrell, Jerillee Lovejoy, Nina Tuttle, Ludella Luper, Ruth Stewart, Margaret Thompson, Anne Scripser and Janet Ross, and Bob Davis, Harry Vandermark and Bob Pittenger.

While the usual round of holiday festivities is somewhat curtailed because of the war, the young people are planning a number of informal affairs and the co-eds are scheduled to attend a number of dances and parties planned at the recreation centers for servicemen.

Holiday Dinner Honors Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Offord, Sr., entertained at an early Christmas dinner at their home on Buckshot hill Wednesday. The affair was held while their son, Bill Offord, and his wife, the former Esther Wade of Ashland, were visiting in Medford. Offord is a radio technician second class in the navy, stationed at Treasure Island, Cal. The young couple was married August 31 in Vallejo, Cal., at the home of his sister, Mrs. Alfred Schlumberger.

Present were Mrs. Wade of Ashland, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Offord, Jr., of Jacksonville, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schiro and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Offord, and the host and hostess.

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Concert Program Tomorrow Night Features Organist

Tomorrow night a program of sacred music is to be presented at the First Presbyterian church by the Medford Musical Society. Featured on the program will be Cpl. Mark E. Kiesel, organist, Camp White, and the corporal will be assisted by E. N. DePrez, baritone; Mrs. Effie Kurtz, soprano, and the ladies' chorus of the First Christian church, which Mrs. Kurtz directs.

Eight o'clock has been set as the hour of the program and the public is invited to attend without charge. Mrs. M. N. Hogan has arranged the concert and states that servicemen and their wives are extended a special invitation to hear the program.

Following is the program for the concert:
Toccata and Fugue in D Minor..... Bach
In Dir Ist Freude..... Bach
Cpl. Mark E. Kiesel
Angels' Refrain..... Geibel
Violin Obligato, Miss Alice Brill
Accompanist, Mrs. Eva Marsh
Mrs. Effie Kurtz
Twenty-Third Psalm..... Eville
Prayer Perfect..... Stenson
Like as the Hart Desireth..... Allitsen
E. N. DePrez
O Leave Your Sheep..... Boellman
Cpl. Mark E. Kiesel

Society to Give Yuletide Program
A Yuletide program will be presented Tuesday afternoon by the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church. The program will be at the church parlors, beginning at 2 p. m.

Featured will be a play, "Christmas Eve and the Bus Was Late." Miss Alice Brill will present violin numbers and Miss Helen Webb will appear in vocal solos. A reading will be given by Miss Clara Daniels. The program will be opened with devotions by Mrs. J. E. Gribble.

It is stated that all women of the church are invited and visitors are welcome. A social hour will close the afternoon.

Troopers To Have Christmas Party
Mrs. Eve Prentice will entertain the Accordion Troopers at a Christmas party to be held Thursday of this coming week at 4 p. m. The troopers are the younger students ranging in ages from five to 12 years. The party will be at the Prentice Studio, 517 Newtown Ave., and it is expected that about 60 children will be in attendance.

Surgical Dressing Project Explained By Local Chairman

By Mrs. Gus Newbury
(Red Cross Surgical Dressing Chairman)

I would like to answer a question asked by so many people in regard to the making of surgical dressings by the Red Cross. "Why are the women of America making surgical dressings by hand when they can be made so much more expeditiously by machinery?" The best answer comes from the office of the Surgeon General of the United States Army. "Since it has been definitely established that machine-made dressings can be produced in quantity only sufficient for peacetime needs, it is the opinion of this office that in time of emergency full and complete reliance must be had upon the good offices of the Red Cross to furnish hand-made dressings."

Therefore the making of surgical dressings has become a definite Red Cross obligation and is one of the most valuable services rendered by the Red Cross to the army. When soldiers are wounded the doctors and nurses must have surgical dressings for them.

The area office has allotted a large quota, and it is going to take many hands to get these dressings made and on their way. After the first of the year the workrooms in the auditorium at the courthouse will be open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of each week, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. The rooms are open on those days to all who care to help in this good cause.

Officers' Outpost To Have Program Of Holiday Events

Beginning with a tea dance today, a week of holiday activities has been planned for the Officers' Outpost. The tea dance is to be this afternoon from four until seven o'clock and an orchestra from Camp White will play. A group of college girls will attend in addition to the usual junior hostesses and Mrs. Henry Pringle and Mrs. Kinney Holmes will assist the club director.

Tuesday evening a Christmas tree will be set up and trimmed and it is hoped the junior officers and hostesses will assist with this. The tree-trimming is scheduled for 7:30 p. m.

A formal dance has been planned for Wednesday, Dec. 22, from 8 until midnight, with an orchestra from the 83rd General hospital furnishing music. A floor show will be given. College girls will again be in attendance adding to the number of junior hostesses and Mrs. C. Reese Braley will assist the director.

Friday evening group singing of Christmas carols has been planned after which those desiring will attend services at St. Mark's Episcopal church.

Lt. and Mrs. Barnes Will Leave Tuesday
Lt. and Mrs. Curtis Barnes will leave Tuesday for Miami, Fla., after spending several days in Medford with the Lieutenants

parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barnes, 20 North Peach St. While here Lt. and Mrs. Barnes, whose wedding took place in California early in November, were entertained at a number of informal social affairs. Lt. Barnes has been on duty with the navy in the South Pacific area for some time and at Miami will be given several weeks of special training.

CALENDAR

Monday
6:15 p. m.—Medford Toastmasters, Hotel Jackson.
6:30 p. m.—Pythian club, home of Mrs. William Swartz, 121 Genesee St., covered-dish Xmas dinner. Bring own service.

7:30 p. m.—Olive Rebekah lodge, regular meeting followed by exchange of gifts and sack lunch. Social hour in charge of F. L. girls.

8:00 p. m.—Concert of sacred music at First Presbyterian church, sponsored by Medford Musical society. Public invited.

8:00 p. m.—Rogue Valley chapter No. 147 and auxiliary, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, armory. Regular meeting, initiation and refreshments.

Tuesday
1:30 p. m.—De Molay Mothers' club, home of Mrs. Elton Waldron, 19 Ross Ct. Xmas party and gift exchange.

2:00 p. m.—Women's Missionary society of Presbyterian church, Xmas program. All women of the church invited.

2:00 p. m.—Lady Elks, Elks temple for dessert and games.

6:00 p. m.—Mary Martha circle of First Methodist church, dinner for members and friends in dining hall of church. Each member asked to bring covered dish and own service.

8:00 p. m.—Chapter BE, P.E.O., Xmas party at home of Mrs. O. H. Bengtson, 122 Oregon Terrace. "Christmas Story" by Miss Annette Gray.

8:00 p. m.—Carnation club, home of Ruetta Groves, 29 Kenwood Ave.

Wednesday
12:30 p. m.—Mistletoe club, Xmas party, at Girls' Community club. Covered dish luncheon and gift exchange.

2:00 p. m.—Chapter AA, P.E.O., home of Mrs. V. J. Robinson, 31 Geneva St., for Xmas program by children of members.

7:30 p. m.—Christmas party at K. of P. hall for children of Eagles.

8:00 p. m.—Christmas party for children of Odd Fellow and Rebekah lodge members at lodge hall. Program and Xmas treat.

8:00 p. m.—Disabled American Veterans chapter and auxiliary, armory, annual Xmas party.

Thursday
8:00 p. m.—Degree of Honor lodge, annual Xmas party, K. of P. hall. This affair was previously scheduled for Dec. 28, the regular meeting date, but was changed by lodge officials.

8:00 p. m.—Fraternal Order of Eagles auxiliary regular meeting at armory. Sisters will exchange 25c gifts. Each is asked to bring her gift with her own name attached.

Handbook for Schools Gives Job Guidance; Says Work Dignified

Pittsburgh (U.P.)—Catholic educators are not only stressing the moral and intellectual development of pupils, but also are providing vocational guidance to prepare students for lifetime jobs.

A handbook published by the diocese of Pittsburgh under the supervision of the Rev. Thomas J. Quigley, superintendent of schools, reiterates that work is dignified and that manual labor is not to be looked down on.

The program as outlined in the guidebook includes speakers on vocational topics, occupational surveys and suggestions on how to get and hold a job. Regarding the aims of education, the handbook advocates teachers instill in their pupils the moral virtues of justice, temperance and fortitude. Guidance counselors are also advised to offer aid in health matters, and emotional maladjustments and worries.

School work should never be given as a punishment, the book advised, as it creates a feeling of hatred among pupils toward their studies. It also discouraged undesirable form of punishment, such as sarcasm and ridicule, personal indignities such as striking and shaking, and memorizing class assignments.

1,000 BOMBERS TURNED OUT AT BIG FORD PLANT

B-24's Roll Off Assembly Line at Willow Run—Labor Trouble Overcome.

By Anthony G. De Lorenzo
United Press Correspondent
DETROIT (U.P.)—Henry Ford's conviction that bombers, like automobiles, can be built in quantity on a progressive assembly line is proving itself daily at Willow Run, a key plant in America's war effort.

The giant arsenal is doing so well that the War Department has permitted the Ford company to make its first official announcement of production figures.

The company disclosed that more than 1,000 four-engined B-24 bombers have been flown away from Willow Run during the last year. Moreover, it is said that "substantial numbers of complete B-24 sub-assemblies had been shipped from the \$60,000,000 plant during the same period for final assembly elsewhere."

The plant, ground for which was broken in April, 1941, has hit its stride after overcoming difficult engineering and man power problems which threatened for a time to disrupt the project. In fact, many critics insisted there were too many obstacles and the plant was doomed to failure.

However, Ford frequently reiterated that "all it takes is a little time." Willow Run's current production rate proves his diagnosis was correct.

Assembly-line production of bombers by Ford was hampered at first by frequent design changes, an enormous turnover

among trained personnel and an abnormal rate of absenteeism, especially during the severe cold wave last winter.

Although design changes dictated by battlefield strategy are unavoidable, the man power problems have been alleviated by the War Manpower Commission's job-stabilization plan, provision of additional housing for Willow Run workers, and by transferring some of the manufacturing operations to Ford's River Rouge, Highland Park and Lincoln plants.

The decentralization program—feeding of bomber parts into Willow Run from other Ford plants—has been a major contribution to success of the project. Ford already has announced plans to utilize his knowledge of big plane production. He said he will build giant, multiple-engine cargo-passenger planes "of unique design" at Willow Run after the war.

Ford and his associates, including Charles A. Lindbergh, flier and consultant to the 80-year-old manufacturer, are trying to design a plane which will not need long runways for take-off and landing, and will be less expensive to operate than present cargo planes.

FATHER 26 KIDS HAS FULL SHIFT

Marietta, Ga. (U.P.)—War is real to a man with 26 children, three of whom are serving overseas, and 71-year-old John Henry White, Atlanta, Ga., is doing something about it.

Ten years after he was retired on a pension, following 30 years' service as machine-shop foreman for the American Can Co., White undertook a 48-hour work-week at the Aircraft Assembly plant here—and his co-workers say he is one of the hardest working men in the shop.

The family of the aged patriarch, which at present consists only of his wife and six chil-

dren, live on a farm in Austell, Ga., to which the bomber-builder's grandfather goes every week-end for relaxation.

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