

Auditorium Kept Hopping



VICTORY LEAGUE basketball keeps the auditorium courts warm Monday and Thursday nights. The league is made up of 12 teams. Four games are scheduled each night of play. Basketball is also a part of the Hi Night program directed by the high school students.



THERE'S SOME HEAVY thinking going on when the chess club schedules a session at the auditorium. Doug Wentworth, left, and Bill Knauss, right, put on their thinking caps while Ben Swartz, local museum curator, looks on.

OSC Gets \$119,000 Grant

OREGON STATE COLLEGE — A \$119,000 graduate student training grant has been received by Oregon State College from the U.S. Public Health Service for work in molecular and cellular biology.

The five-year training grant will be for master's and doctor's degree candidates and also for persons with their M.D. or Ph.D. degree who desire specialized training or research background in cell biology.

Oregon State College is an acknowledged national leader for studies in cellular and molecular biology. President A. L. Strand noted in announcing receipt of the training grant. Such studies are the key to understanding the structures and processes of life in both plants and animals, he added.

More than 25 graduate students

are currently enrolled in various phases of this program at OSC and several graduate students from Europe and Asia have come to the campus for the special training.

Research projects are underway on pathways of carbohydrate and amino acid metabolism in bacteria, molds, and the cells of higher plants and animals; the isolation and characterization of enzymes; the chemistry and physiology of cell division; and cellular ultrastructure.

Dr. Vernon H. Cheldelin, director of the Science Research Institute, and Dr. Ernest J. Dornfeld, chairman of the department of zoology, will be directors of the program. The institute and the department of zoology will cooperate in providing staff and facilities. The training grant will begin July 1961. It will provide

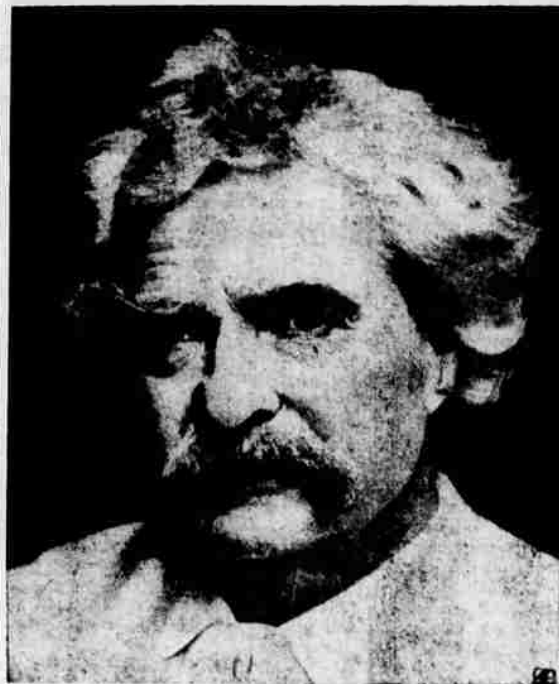
fellowships for some of the graduate students.

In awarding the grant to OSC, the Public Health Service pointed not only to the excellence of the staff and research program but also to the new teaching and research facilities that will permit expansion of work. The Science Research Institute is housed in the new physics-chemistry building.

WHY CHANGE?

SWAINSWICK, Eng. (UPI) — Mrs. Harriette Fletcher angrily went ahead with birthday plans today although a check of records showed she was born Dec. 28th. "I've always celebrated on the 29th and I see no reason to change now," she said. Mrs. Fletcher is 100.

The DNA chemical, found in the nucleus of cells, is believed by many scientists to be the chemical basis for heredity.



MARK TWAIN
East-West Agreement

East-West Have Meeting Of Minds On Mark Twain

By **FRED GOLDEN**

REDDING, Conn. (AP) — East may be East and West may be West but Bradley Kelly believes the twain can meet—with the emphasis on "twain."

To ease the Cold War, Kelly proposes a mammoth book exchange between the United States and the Soviet Union on the great American humorist and author Mark Twain.

"Why not use Twain as an ambassador of good will to the Soviet Union?" asks Kelly. "He's already the most popular American author in Russia."

"Let American and Russian libraries trade Twain material. No matter how much we may differ in other areas, at least we can show the Russians we agree with them on one subject — Mark Twain."

It's appropriate that the proposal should come from a resident of this small Connecticut town. Twain spent his last years here, and his home, Stormfield, is Redding's best-known landmark.

Kelly, vice president of a New York newspaper feature syndicate, dreamed up the proposal while visiting Russia recently with his wife. The reaction of Soviet officials was favorable.

A long-time Twain buff, Kelly was startled to find that the Russians had published more Twain books since the 1917 revolution than all Western nations combined, including the United States.

"It isn't merely government policy that makes Twain a favorite in Russia," Kelly explains.

"More than any other American writer, Twain hits the emotional chords of the Russian people. The response to him is remarkable in a nation so saddled with official propaganda."

"A Russian youngster, like most children in this country, is fas-

inated by Tom Sawyer trapped in the cave with Little Becky, or by the adventures of Huck Finn and the slave Jim on the Mississippi.

"The same applies to Twain's writings of life in Western mining camps or on a river boat. These stories jump international lines with ease, and they are quite apart from what the Soviet government pronounces as good or bad reading."

Twain, of course, was more than a children's author. His works are filled with satire and social commentary which became increasingly more acid with the multiplication of tragedy in his own life.

Kelly agrees it is this side of the great American author that is most endearing to doctrinaire Communists, who believe that Twain's jibes at the American society of his day apply to the United States of the 1960s.

For a start on his plan, Kelly would like to see books sent to Russia by the Twain library in Redding, which the author himself helped found; the Twain Memorial in Hartford, where Twain lived a number of years; and the library in Elmira, N.Y., the hometown of his wife, Olivia.

"After that any library in the country could join the exchange," says Kelly. "The Russians say they have published Twain in 15 languages, and they're willing to trade with us in any of them."

"Here is a unique chance to show that there is some common ground between two ostensible enemies."

BONES STOLEN

LAWTON, Okla. (AP) — It seems some folk will swipe anything. Mrs. Truman Bennett told officers her sack of old cow bones — to be used at a Halloween party — were stolen from her garage.

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