

Students Asked To Volunteer For Army Shows

The army will be camped in San Jose for an indefinite length of time, the drama department is planning a series of shows and entertainment for the soldiers, and students who have talent of any sort are asked to volunteer their services.

Tap dancers, vocalists, musicians, imitators and monologue readers, as well as actors and actresses are asked to volunteer. These programs will not be planned for any length of time but will be interrupted and students will be expected to be prepared on short notice.

Students who are interested may have their names and addresses with Helen Mineta in the Speech Office, Room 159, so they may be kept on file.

Defense Program Needs Men With Technical Skills

Industry in the defense program needs men with technical skills. The industrial arts department is ready to offer training classes in the following occupational fields: Drafting, Welding, Machine Shop, Sheet Metal, Auto Mechanics and any other occupations for which there is a demand.

All those interested please sign their names on the sheets on the bulletin board at the entrance to the industrial arts building.

Frosh Basketball Team To Tangle With Placer J. C.

The freshman basketball team meets the Placer Junior college Thursday evening in the local gym.

This will be the first game for the frosh in over a week, having had three games cancelled last weekend. It will also be the first game for Coach Carroll's newest combination which finds Colin Hill moved from forward to guard.

The Placer team, coached by Gil Bishop, a former State athlete, is tall, fast and rated among the Northern California junior colleges.

JOB SHOP

An ambulance attendant is needed. The job pays 75 cents an hour and room.

Experienced service station man wanted to work weekends and evenings. Job pays 35 cents an hour to start.

A dishwasher is needed to work from 11:30 to 1:30 and from 5:30 to 8 o'clock. Job pays \$14 week and 2 meals a day.

A boy is wanted to do magazine work Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons. Pay is \$2.50 a day.

A Chinese houseboy is wanted for over the Christmas holidays.

BLOOD DONORS

Blood donors who wish to contribute to National Defense "Blood Banks" may register at the Health Department office any time this week.



Fred Waring, nationally famous orchestra leader pictured above, will play a song written especially for San Jose State college on his "Pleasure Time" program Friday night. Students petitioned for this song last year.

RADIO SPEAKING SOCIETY PRESENTS COMEDY TONIGHT

KSJS, radio speaking society, members will present the postponed broadcast of "A Way From It All" by Monica Ward tonight at 9:15 over station KQW, R. L. Irwin, club adviser, revealed yesterday.

The broadcast was cancelled because of the threatened blackout. "A Way From It All" is a sophisticated comedy of theater life.

Cast members include Margaret Kennedy as actress Paula Tremaine; Loren Nicholson as her husband, Steven; Alden Schroeder plays both the call boy and messenger; Jane Dwyer as Miss Pigenbach; and Barbara Whittaker, Peggy.

The show is directed by Irwin. Frank Valenti narrates the production and Fred Reugg of KQW is production head.

December 23 will be the last definitely scheduled broadcast for KSJS.

Book Exchange Opens Tomorrow

Starting tomorrow and continuing through Thursday and Friday, students may bring in their used textbooks to the Student Book Exchange for resale to other students next quarter.

Operating on a non-profit basis, the Exchange resells the books left with them at the price the owner sets. "This works a saving for both buyer and seller," states Rex Gardiner, president. "The person who sells the book gets more than a book store would offer him and the buyer saves the money involved in the book store's profit. A five per cent charge is made to cover expenses of the Exchange."

The Book Exchange will be open during the first week of Winter quarter, also. Students may collect the money for the books sold during the following week.

La Torre Group Pictures Today

The following organizations must have their members at the main door of the new library at the designated times for pictures:

Tuesday:

- CAA—12:10
- PE Minors—12:30
- Eckert Hall—12:45

Wednesday:

- Pi Nu Sigma—12:15
- Police Club—12:30
- Spartan Stags—12:45

Thursday:

- Book Exchange—12:00
- YMCA—12:15
- Frosh Council—12:30
- Rally Committee—12:45

Thanks to all committee members who worked so successfully on the Junior Jamboree arrangements and to all of you who attended the affair.

—Jack Tiernan

Will all those who ordered Pi Mu Sigma pins please see me anytime in the main library between 1 and 5 o'clock today. Important.

—C. Duncan

All women swimming classes meet at the Women's gymnasium for examinations during the hour scheduled. Do not go to the pool.

—Gail Tucker

JUST AMONG OURSELVES

By DR. T. W. MacQUARRIE
President San Jose State College

The basic principle, young men, is that you must serve where you can do your country the most good.

Don't rush downtown and enlist at the first recruiting station you see. That may not be the place for you at all. You would get a great kick out of it at the time, of course. It would give you a great sense of importance, and you would knock 'em over when you appeared in your new uniform, but that would be simply tickling your own vanity. It would not necessarily be helping your country.

In these hasty times a great many mistakes can be made. In the last war the assignment of personnel was often terrible. Electricians were loading coal wagons when they should have been in the signal corps. Skilled linguists were walking post when they were needed badly in the intelligence service. Many men with good qualifications for officer training were digging trenches. Common laborers were cooks. The misdirection of talent was terrible, and we are likely to do that same thing over again if we don't look out.

If you have been in college more than two years, you are probably eligible for a commission. The Army, Navy, Marines, and Air Corps are all looking for college men for officers. Don't throw away your training and thereby miss an intelligent participation in this great event.

If you are technically trained you should serve in that capacity. If you are up on radio, photography, map work, gas or diesel engines, machine shop, chemistry, weather, aeronautics, almost any skilled field, you should look up the prospects for the use of your training.

And if you are not strong, if your health is not very good, if you have a disability that might interfere with hard service, don't impose that on your country in this time of stress.

I had two boys in high school when the other war broke out in 1917. Neither one was very strong. They should not have gone into the army at all, but they enlisted at once. They came to me with that I've-got-to-save-my-country look in their faces and said goodbye. I urged them to wait, to look into the matter, to see if they were really able to contribute in that way or if some other way would not be better. But they had to go nevertheless. I don't think they were putting on a show. They were very sincere at the moment. They really wanted to die for their country. (Dying for your country is not really so valuable very often as living for it and doing something to help.)

Well, anyway, they enlisted and both of them got to France. Then both of them broke down physically. They could not stand the strain, the cold, the wet, the long hours of waiting. One of them died in the hospital, the other came home and invalid. It required the time of several men, and it took important hospital space to take care of them. Their good intentions were not well-founded.

Of course, they were kids and they couldn't see ahead, but what I am saying to you is that you are very young also and you should be willing to take advice. Perhaps you can better serve your country in some other way than the one you have in mind. The basic principle is that you must serve where you can serve best. Good luck.

Let's Hit Those Exes!

Well, here we are this morning, after one of the most distracting and demoralizing pre-final examination weeks in the history of the College, facing questions One, Two, Three, Four, and Five with our minds clouded from the hangover of last week's emotional jag, and our jittery thoughts popping in and out of the groove as we try to concentrate on calculus, curriculum, capital goods, or whatever it is.

These exes come as a shock to some of us, who forgot their inevitability during the bombings, the declarations of war, the blackouts and the excitement when we should have been studying—hard—even though the world was shaking on its foundations and nothing else seemed important.

As a nation we will long remember the dirty trick the Japs pulled on us that Sunday morning of December 7th. But as students of San Jose State college we will have special reason for a grudge against our little pals from Nippon unless, somehow, we can overcome this set-back to our efforts toward a successful Autumn quarter.

Well, we can still crack those exes. Much can yet be done to save those grades which somehow have come to represent success or failure in the academic undertaking. Here's how to do it:

1. Determine you are going to do it;
2. Get the war out of your mind. Completely. Forget the radio broadcasts and the newspapers. You may have to get a little mad at yourself, but do it;
3. Brew a pot of black coffee, set your jaw at a firm angle, and hit those books. Forget about eight hour's sleep. Four days won't matter. Don't waste a minute. Get in and CRAM. Condense. Memorize. Stow it away in your mind. It will stay there.

If we aren't up to this all-out effort, those darn Japs will have scored a victory over every one of us. Are we gonna let 'em get away with it? NOT ON YOUR LIFE!

The signup sheet for the members of the Student Book Exchange is posted on the bulletin board outside the Morris Dailey Auditorium. Please sign up immediately.

—Rex Gardiner.

Ski Club—short meeting at 12:30 in room 13.

HISTORY SOCIETY DINES AT TINY'S

Sigma Kappa Alpha, history honorary society, met Thursday night.

They started the evening with dinner at Tiny's followed by a short business meeting.