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## Back at Ripon Again ---- Fraternalism as Usual



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## OET Lays Plans For Ripon's First Gala Post-War Homecoming

### Prexy Shepard's Message

The date's October 26, 1946! Will you be there? This date must be included on your schedule, OET men. Ripon is out to renew its gala homecoming with all its pre-war spirit. Next fall the Ripon Redmen oppose a strong Monmouth team and with the revival of the traditional Homecoming—how can we lose? The spirit will be dynamic. By giving us your support in the revival of this Ripon tradition perhaps this campus will

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## Who's Who Among the Brothers Old and New

### Promising Pledges on Hand

By Don Thompson

The men forming the nucleus of the newly re-organized fraternity are Charley Shepard, Don Buteyn, Dick Starkel, Bud Naumann, Wally Falstad, Gordon Christinson, Art Guenther and Hildrith Long. I found these lads and the majority of the pledges living in Smith Hall so I went up there to visit them. The hall was empty so I sauntered down to Smith annex to ferret out a few facts about the pledges—the old boys you know.

Jack Covill, the first on our list,

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## Post-War Problems Plague Fraternal Life on Ripon Campus

### Alumni's Support Needed

The revival of fraternities and fraternal life on the Ripon college campus has not been and will not be an easy matter. Faced by a host of unexpected problems the returning veterans and the administration have striven to rebuild the organizations as quickly and as nearly on a normal basis as possible.

We fellows in OET are faced by the lack of experience. Most of the present actives had only a scant ac-

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 Wis., every year for the alumni and  
 members of Theta Sigma Tau.

## Propose Stronger Fraternal Spirit As Living Memorial

The preamble of our constitution dares to imply that "Fraternalism is synonomous with friendship." If true, that is a great implication indeed.

Fraternalism at Ripon is facing one of its most trying periods—a period in which it must be proven to all concerned that fraternities as we have known them at Ripon breed not only true and lasting friendships, but breed qualities in men of true and lasting value.

Those of us who knew fraternal life at Ripon before the war have cherished memories. Those of us who are new to fraternal life are looking forward to similar happy times. All of us—actives and pledges alike—are deeply concerned with the job of injecting new life and vigor into not only our own group, but into a campus that has become tired and war weary.

We propose to rebuild OET as a memorial to our buddies who didn't come back, and through it to give Ripon that intangible spirit that has made it a source of leaders and the home of leadership in the past.

We have dared to imply it, and we mean to uphold it. Fraternalism and friendship are one. It is one of the things we fought for—and they died for. We pledge ourselves to preserve and propagate it to the best of our ability—lest we forget.

Let's all try to make the homecoming next October 26th as it will be the best in many years.

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## OET's Serenade Group Reaching Perfection

Under the capable "Corky" Christenson's guidance OET's famed serenade group is being re-established as the BEST on the campus. The boys are standing her in a corner with such emphasis that no girl will be able to resist. With several new songs added to our list we expect to win recognition from all local talent. One of our group (Don Thompson) has written words to the song, "Here Comes Heaven Again," that will do nothing but bring credit to our fraternity. (If we don't get sued by the writer of the song.) The fellows are all very enthused about the serenade group and the harmonizing is as good as I've heard.

## My Ripon Readjustment

By Jack Plano

Yes, it is quite a thrill when you step up on the platform, throw your last salute at some bewhiskered colonel, and grasp that beautiful, tantalizing hunk of paper known as a discharge. One can tell by the big smile lighting up your face that you are inwardly heaving a huge high of relief. No more drunken orgies, no more poundin' the pavement, and best of all, no more (censored) from that fugitive from a kindergarten better known as the first soldier. Ah, yes, it won't be tough at all to recon-vert oneself to this new mecca of coke and coeds, convertibles and racoon skin coats. But will it?

Now instead of that time worn gentleman of a first sergeant waking you at 6:00 in the morning by breaking a few ribs, you have your bosom comrades crawling (and I do mean crawling) into your rooms at

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all hours of the night just to pay their regards to you by probably giving you a Schlitz rubdown or a Pabst tonic. Or maybe they're even in a talking mood (am I kidding?) and will gladly give you a short three hour resume of the night's harrowing experiences in South Woods or Ripon cemetery.

And when we thought we were escaping from that life of eternal binges at ye olde Hare and Hounde Pub and the Cafe de Metropole, little did we realize that we would become so attached to their Ripon counterpart, the dear old GV and Friendly, not to mention that centrally located den of iniquity better known as the home of the nickel beer. And likewise how similar, after our excursions to these nearby bistros, are the proselyting efforts of our convocations to the die-hard attempts of our regimental chaplains attempting reversal and reformation.

Yes, it can be truthfully said that our attempted readjustment at Ripon has shown us the many parallels between army and college life, but it is still not too late to execute a complete reformation from those holdover evils. I suggest a discussion of this idea tonight at the Friendly.

AGAIN

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## Present and Potential OET Athletes Shine; All Hands Active

By Wally Falstad

OET is as strong in the field of sports as ever. Backed by a group of returning veterans who won their frosh numerals before the war and supported by an able group of high school lettermen among the pledges, OET is again being looked to for sports leadership on the campus.

Five of the actives now on the campus won their frosh numerals in football and are looking forward to "R" Club membership after the grid season next fall.

Charlie Shepard won his numerals in pre-war basketball and returned the second quarter to step right into a first string position. Charlie did a terrific job at center.

Six of our eight actives reported for duty at the start of the track season this spring and every track meet thus far has seen OET boys chalking up points on the Ripon banner. Royce Nauman and Dick Starkle are working out on the weights, Shepard on the high jump, low and high hurdles; Hildreth Long on the low hurdles and the discus; and Wally Falstad on the pole vault.

All in all the prospects for a dandy OET showing on every Ripon squad next year are good. And in view of the strong revival of that old intramural spirit it looks as though the name of Evans hall should strike fear into the hearts of its rivals on the campus as well as off.

### Post War Problems . . .

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quaintance with the rituals, administration, organization, and traditions of the fraternity. Thanks to the noble efforts of Charlie Shepard and the rest of the old gang plus the invaluable aid of loyal alumni—Augie Renner and Henry Miller to name a few—we have been able to surmount this handicap with flying colors.

Twenty-one pledges have been admitted to the fold this quarter swelling our total role to twenty-nine men plus our two honoraries—Dr. Webster and Dr. Kahn. Dr. Kahn

was admitted only recently. He's new to us and to the campus—but he's won a warm spot in the fraternal heart of OET.

The problems of admitting pledges instituting a successful period of pledgship, and molding them into solid active material in the few weeks that have been available to us haven't proven as difficult as we had supposed. Hazing, as such, is very minor this year although the art of creating fancy quests hasn't been neglected. All in all, the vets in OET—old and new are getting on fine.

The principal problem facing us is how and when the administration will see fit to return us to our beloved Evans hall now occupied by freshman girls. Living conditions here are far from up to par. We can tolerate "Schmidt," but for the sake of strong fraternalism we need our own house. In this respect the advice and support of alumni is in great demand. A few choice hints to the administration might rush us back to Evans. So, Alumni, use your influence.

## ALUMNI CORNER

By Dick Starkle

The Alumni news of this year is of the post-war quality with discharges in order. So here goes the latest on some of the brothers:

**Lt. Pete Renner** is at his last stop at Percy Jones conv. hospital, his last stop before civilian life. He was at Ripon for the banquet in April.

**Capt. Bob Dittberner** is now with the second army headquarters and doing work on the reorganization of forces and much of the high brass in Washington, D. C.

Now a civilian and a family man is **Bob Jackson** at Manitowoc. He also was present at the banquet.

The **Moose Levi** was last thinking of going into the candy business in Milwaukee, having gotten out of the army the first of the year. The banquet also attracted him.

Just heard from **Rusty Satler** now out of the army and living in Chicago with plans of returning to Ripon next fall.

**Jack Dycus** is now attending Wash university. The reason is a gal named, Pearl, I think!

**Singing Fred Diedrich** is another civilian as of the first of April and led the singing at the banquet.

### Prexy's Message . . .

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take on some of its former spirit.

**Theta Sigma Tau** has planned a jam-packed week-end for all OET men. Friday eve will feature the traditional torch parade and the bonfire followed by a smoker in the lounge of the Union for all OET men. We want to become acquainted with each and everyone of our Alumni.

Saturday afternoon will be the football game and the Alma Mater will ring over all. Following the game all OET men will assemble at the Grand View hotel where steaks will be in order if they can be obtained. Be prepared to say a few words, Alumni. We welcome all advice and new ideas. Then to round off a complete week-end—Saturday eve will see the dance at the college gym.

Here's a week-end you don't want to miss! Give us your support and be there.

CHARLEY SHEPARD  
PRESIDENT, OET

**Walt Gleason** is living at Portage and editor of the town paper.

**Alvin Menge** is now working in Milwaukee and spends some week-ends up in this territory.

**Hank Miller** is secretary of the Ripon Advancement club, so is seen at the Grand View. He helped starting of the fraternity.

**Lt. Vic Salter** is in Korea CO of the Signal company.

**Lt. Howie Horsford** is also in the southwest Pacific.

**Lt. Howie Sorensen** is in Japan with a port battalion. Hoping to come home this summer.

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## Who's Who . . .

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lives in Glen Ellyn, Ill. He was in the air force for four years, during which time he was a prisoner of war for one year. He had to "bail out" over Germany and has since become a member of the famous Caterpillar Club. He played on the basketball squad last winter. At present he plans to major in economics.

Jim Fechner, one of the Merrill boys, is known as Shorty. He spent two years in the air force before coming to Ripon. "Kewpie Doll" is the nickname tagged on him by one of his many admirers, known as the "body".

George Gibson is that great big "Hunk o' man" from Montfort, Wis. He spent three years in the army before coming to school. He was on the basketball squad and now hurls the javelin for the track team.

Bill Gross of Wisconsin Rapids was found one night when he was out "poundin'" the pavement. "Our Boy" Bill was a pilot in the Air Force Training Command. He was one of the reserves on last year's basketball squad.

Frank Kalk is called "Skinny". His home is in Sheboygan Falls, Wis. During the war he was with the 94th Inf. Div. He's quite a vocalist too, singing in the school choir. The rumor has been circulating that he has quite a definite love for peppermint schnapps. Could be; stop in at the G. V. some night and find out for yourself.

John Kallies, better known as Jack, hails from New Lisbon, Wis. He, too, served a 2½ year hitch in the Air Force Training Command. When asked if he wouldn't drop down to the Cardinal with us his reply was "Bunny won't let me".

Bob Knapmiller comes from Algoma, Wis. I had an awful time finding him, in order to get the following information. He was in his room studying! "Crooner" is the handle tagged on him. He's always singing, with a voice like "Gravel Gertie". Another ex-GI, he is planning to major in engineering.

Harold Martin is a long way from home in Buffalo, N. Y. He was in a signal battalion for 3½ years. At present he is on the track team and plans to go out for football next fall. Says he plans to major in math.

Evan Olson was in the naval reserve for one year. "Ole" makes his

home way up north in Wausau, Wis. Plans to major in electrical engineering.

Glenn Payne is from Schofield, Wis. He was in the combat engineers for three years. A Phy. Ed. major, he is really showing it by running the quarter mile on the track team. "Pain" plans to go out for football next year.

Frank Peterso, an out-of-state boy lives in Iron Mountain, Mich. He served a hitch in the army. He plans to major in economics.

Jack Plano, known as "Goeko", is another one of the Merrill boys. He served a 3½ year hitch in the combat engineers before coming to Ripon. At present he is the captain of the tennis team. The last time I saw him he had drunk four quarts of ale, and was asking Irma to come out and play tennis.

Here it comes, that fugitive from the law of averages, George Posey, better known as "Roarin'". That is a masterpiece of understatement. I'm just one of the Merrill boys, he whispers, in a voice that can be heard in Fond du Lac. Our "little ray of sunshine" was in the 88th Inf. Div. He plans to major in journalism.

Among other things Harold Talbot is just one of the Merrill boys. He spent three years in the army, and maybe that is why he is so used to "pounding the pavement" for dear old Ripon. He plans to major in commerce and economics.

John Roberts is a converted deck-ape. His home is in Racine, Wis., and he plans to major in political science. He spent a hitch in the navy, and one morning when waking him, we hol-lered, "Abandon ship!" and he swam 15 yards down the hall before he woke up.

Bill Rohloff says he lives in Milwaukee, Wis. At least he spends every weekend down there. What's her name, Bill? He spent three years in the army medical corps.

John Secinaro, or "Johnnie," is another boy from way up north, as he lives in Iron Mountain, Mich. He was chewing on his pipe stem when I heard him mumble something about 3½ years in the army being the cause of his being lost for a week-end, or at least for a couple of days. He's heading for the grid squad next fall.

Andrew Spheeris, or "Andy," lives in Milwaukee. He is an ex-GI, having spent three years in the army air forces. His hobby is photography.

Lawrence TeSelle lives in Sheboygan Falls, Wis. He plans to major in law. He spent 2½ years knocking about in the army. I've been told that the 30% disability he draws should be cut down to 10% the way he chases a little dark haired lassie.

Don Thompson, another Merrill boy, and author of this article, completes the list of pledges to Theta Sigma Tau.

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