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This Year's OET—Really Going Places!



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Pledges Inject New Life Into OET

Homecoming Plans Promise Exciting Week-end for OET

Theta's 40th Anniversary

The date's October 22, 1949! Will you be there? If you can make it, OET men, you will be treated to an exciting, gala weekend complete with all of the fraternal trimmings, and topped off with what will very likely

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New House Needed Badly; Only Hope Lies with Trustees

OET Future in Danger

With only twelve men living in the State Street House, the need for a house large enough to accommodate all the members of the fraternity is our foremost problem at this time. For two years the fraternity mem-

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Nineteen to Join Theta Ranks Soon

Group Shows Promise in 'Mural Sports, Activities

Breaking a "lean years" jinx of the recent past, the actives went all-out this year and secured a record breaking group of twenty-one eager, aspiring pledges.

Although the class was decimated a bit when two of their number left at the semester's end, it remains a

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'Recollections of Thirty Years with Theta Sigma Tau'

by Dr. Edwin Webster

It hardly seems possible how time flies! Yes, for thirty years as student and then faculty member I have watched Theta boys influence Ripon college life and be moulded by the campus. First it was the boys at the old Elms, then Sanford under the standpipe, later the same Theta moved to Evans hall in the new Tri-Dorms, then the war, and finally a "new" house in the old Methodist parsonage.

What stands out? Recollections of many of my best student friends, such as Frank Grassy, Johnnie Gorn and John Pray—the finest of students. Then I also remember some of their troubles and my intercessions with Clarke Graham, a most human dean, who understood student waverings. Often have we talked since about how all important these matters seemed at the time, and also how, when they were patched up, life and so the world rolled on as before.

Or is it the remembrance of famous barn dances? I forget just when they began—sometime shortly after World War I. Each was better than the last, with their old smelly gunny sacks, straw, stables, stiles, "borrowed" outhouses to stand guard at the entrance. Remember some of you the hamburgers cooked in the furnace at Sanford? Well does one remember the wails of the "old boys" moved into Evans. 'It is not the same! Too stylish for us! Give us old Sanford with its creaky stairs and slanted ceiling bed-rooms.'

However, the old spirit is the same. The Barn Dances, the bull sessions, the same old hard working, hard-playing bunch. I know them now. I know their troubles now, as well as

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Our Prexy Speaks

Dear Brothers:

Once again, we bring you up to date on all OET activities. This year, as you will notice, has been successful in some respects and unsuccessful in others. One of the unsuccessful items is that of alumni interest.

We are doing all in our power to make you feel that you are still an important part of OET. However, I feel that we have failed. Why? Have we offended you? Have we neglected you? Only you, dear brothers, can supply the much needed answers.

Many of you will remember the words, "Fraternalism, the structural framework upon which every fraternal organization is founded." The question now arises, "Why should the feeling of fraternalism be something which we have only when are active fraternity men? Why can't that feeling continue when we are alumni?"

OET represents some of the best years, the happiest years of our lives. The memories we cherish can be relived, in part, at the Homecoming festivities. The date for the 1949 Homecoming is unknown as we go to press. However, it will probably be the last weekend in October, or the first weekend in November. Homecoming for OET cannot be a success without the return of our alumni. Why can't Homecoming 1949 be the biggest and most successful in our history? It can be, but the success or failure of that event, lies in your hands, brothers.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at Homecoming 1949.

Fraternally,
 Larry TeSelle

Financial Report

By Bill Gross

Theta Sigma Tau's financial condition as the **Bulletin** goes to press can be said to be "fair." Our savings account totals \$189.60 and the checking account has the sum total of \$193.80. Outstanding dues amount to \$120, although this does not include the second semester dues of the prospective actives. Our potential financial status is then slightly over the \$500 mark.

During the year we have contributed to various national health organizations such as the American Red Cross and the anti-tuberculosis fund. Numerous other local contributions have been made by OET to worthwhile causes.

Our fraternity is also subscribing to four magazines and one daily paper. Other expenditures have gone for our usual round of parties and for the new senior keys. Picture frames have been purchased in order to preserve shots of former OET "greats," and the gold plates for our intramural plaque have been engraved and fitted into place. Shells for the rifle team and the usual bowling fees sum up the rest of our intramural expenses.

The payment of back dues by the alumni has helped a great deal to put our fraternity in its present better financial condition. This support leads the treasurer to believe that OET will be in still better financial circumstances next year.

Ver-Adest Promises Fourth Smash Hit

Going into its fourth year of production, the Ripon College Ver-Adest Show of 1949 will present "This Is the Life!" This year's show is using college life as its theme. The show is student written and produced, and promises to be Ver Adest's fourth smash hit. If any of you would like tickets drop a line to the house and we'll see to it that you get a choice seat. The cost is \$1.50 and the show is running May 11-12-13-14. Why not try to make it!

SOCIAL CALENDAR

May 6—Theta Barn Dance
 May 11-12-13-14—Ver Adest
 May 21—Junior Prom
 June 11—Graduation
 Oct. 22—Homecoming

Theta Hopes to Climb in Standings

Eye Spring Sports for Improvement

Resting in a none too firm sixth place in the total standings, the Theta intramural teams are looking forward to the coming spring sports program with their eyes set on a higher berth.

With boxing and wrestling, squash-paddle, golf, tennis, track, and softball still remaining on the schedule, Theta could climb near the first division if some degree of success could be obtained in these sports.

As in the past, softball still is the major interest among Thetamen. Whether we will be able to approach the heights reached the last three seasons, however, still remains to be answered. Ace moundsman Charley Shepard is no longer with us so the major problem will be to find a suitable replacement. There are still several men back from previous championship teams, however, so it is a certainty that Theta will not act as

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| Smith | 167 | Omega | 69 |
| Merriman | 129 | THETA | 64 |
| Indees | 106 | Alpha | 60 |
| West | 105 | Lambda | 60 |

a league doormat. Manager John Roberts has already stated, "We are going to have a winning team or else." Regulars back from other years are Hal Talbot, Bill Gross, Gar Coerper, Raphael Esteves and H. B. Martin. A number of newcomers who

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Rifle Team Cops Third in Match

By copping third place, the Theta rifle team has the distinction of finishing higher than any other of our mural entries to date.

The sharpshooters fired a total of 456 to wind up just five points back of first place. Larry TeSelle and Ned Webster paced the Thetamen by shooting 93 and 92 respectively.

Others on the squad were Akira Ozaki, Jack Webster and Whitey Tousley.

The ROTC rifle range was the scene of the firing.

Volleyball Teams Take Bad Bounce

Theta volleyball took a bad bounce this season with the A and B teams both finishing with 2-5 records for fifth and sixth place respectively.

The A team did not reach its stride until late in the season when it took the last two games. The B squad got underway by taking the first two, only to drop the remaining five by small margins.

The A team consisted of Bill Gross, Jim Edwards, Evan Olson, H. B. Martin, Max Kolb, Akira Ozaki, Julio Perez and Whitey Tousley.

Gar Coerper, Larry TeSelle, Wally Ferguson, Bruce Hogan, Jim Zievers, Boyd Holmes, Carlos Velarde and Luis Vasquez made up the B team.

Cagers Lose But Have Big Moments

As in the past, two leagues again operated in intramural basketball this year. Although the cage season had its high spots, a glance at the final standings will show that Theta did not fare too well.

The A team, with a 2-5 record, finished seventh and the B wound up a poor last without posting a single victory.

The A squad had difficulty in getting started each game and although it rallied in the second half, the deficits were usually too great to make up.

The sweetest win of the season was against the Independents. We won a thrilling 29-28 overtime encounter, which knocked the Indees out of first place.

Bill Gross, John Thorson, Jim Zievers, H. B. Martin, Wally Ferguson, Don Thompson and Evan Olson made up the team.

On the B team were Gar Coerper, Whitey Tousley, Moose Silberman, Boyd Holmes, Jack Webster, Spider Hogan, Bob Hine, Dick Larsen, Bob Hess, John Koch, Gary Hall and Carl Schied.

Failure to Score Cripples Gridders

Inability to cross the opponent's goal line proved disastrous for an otherwise strong Theta touchfootball team last fall.

The Thetamen wound up in sixth place in the standings with one victory and four defeats and scored but one touchdown all season, which spells doom for any team. All games were close though, as no team was able to score more than one T.D. against us.

Probably the outstanding performance of the season for Theta was the opener against Smith. The Smithmen had gone through the previous season undefeated and unscored-upon and appeared headed for the same this year. This did not phase Theta, however. OET lost by only 6-0 and it would have ended in a scoreless tie had it not been for the slippery turf.

The team was made up with Bill Gross, H. B. Martin, Hal Talbot, Jack Plano, and Spider Hogan in the backfield; and Akira Ozaki, Jack Webster, Ned Webster, Bill Steaffens, Gar Coerper, Whitey Tousley and Evan Olson in the line.

Bowling Loop on; Theta Starts Slow

The intramural bowling league, now in the second round, finds Theta holding down the anchor spot in the loop. The league is operating at the new Pin Bowl this year.

The Thetamen are showing a marked improvement in the second round, largely due to the addition of Evan Olson and Jim Edwards, who were inactive in the initial round. It is hoped that we will be out of the cellar by the time competition closes.

Other members on the kegling team are Bob Hine, Larry TeSelle, Gar Coerper, Whitey Tousley, and pledges Bob Steffes and John Thorson.

Welcome, Alumni!
ASSORTED SWEETS
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Pledges . . .

powerful, closely-knit group who are rapidly learning the ways and ideals of OET. Let's take a closer look at these fellows who will guard Theta's destinies over the next several years:

Entering Ripon and OET this year is **George Johnson** of Chicago, Ill. "Chuck" brings with him his hobby, the manufacture of fireworks to keep things moving about campus.

St. Cloud, Wis., blessed Theta this year with two of its leading citizens, **Marvin Lefeber** and **Bob Steffes**. Marv, the quiet one of the pair, spent two years in the Army before hitting Ripon. "Steff," with his time in the Air Corps, is out to break frosh track records.

Tom Silberman is our pink-cheeked cherub from Chicago way. This six foot three frame supporting two hundred pounds also answers to the names of Moose or Laughing Boy.

Another ex-sailor by the name of **John Thorson** is joining the house this year. Bashful John threw his weight around in both frosh football and basketball but thinks he will let track go by without him.

Ken Harker is another result of the Chicago high schools. Belonging to both the Science and Camera clubs, Ken, with his camera, will be a great help to the house.

Two more Puerto Ricans enter the house with this pledge class. **Julio Perez Torres** is a junior transfer student from Shepherd college, W. Va. Also a veteran, Julio is pointing towards a diplomatic career. **Albert Cristian** is another transfer student. Entering from the U. of Puerto Rico as a junior, Al is helping the "Hawk" run the dining hall.

Jim Edwards, Mendota, Ill., spent two years in the Navy, then finished high school and now is starting college. Being president of the freshman class and on the frosh basketball team wasn't enough for Jim; during Christmas vacation he took the big step and became the only married man in the pledge class.

From Walworth, Wis., is **Jim Churchill**, a quiet, studious lad who hides a sharp wit behind his innocent appearance. Jim is a member of the Days staff besides playing in the college band.

After serving twenty months in the Army, **Boyd Holmes** entered Ripon as a freshman. Hailing from Kenosha, Boyd centers his extra-curricular activities around the girls dorms.

Rantings from a Pledge Leader's Pen

by **Jim Zievers**

"Just sum up in a couple hundred words," said Jocko in discussing this article. "Ha," thought I at first, "a couple hundred pages wouldn't suffice to properly set forth the pledges' views." However, on later consideration, and after much discussion (generally accompanied by the soft snooze of foam and the cracking of peanut shells), the pledges synthesized and crystallized their views. Reflecting on the seemingly interminable weeks of pledgship, one is at first inclined to recollect the mound of shoes he's shined, and the million beds he's made, on the miles of sidewalk he's shoveled, and the cars he's washed. Others make a wry face at the mention of the term "black mark," or pale perceptibly when someone whispers "red mark." We've all got fiendish plans for "next year's pledges" and "next year's quests." It's rumored that one hapless pledge went absolutely berserk when one of his buddies greeted him with "shape up, pledge!"

Actually, in a more sober vein, the pledges **did** shape up—they learned to work together, for each other, and for the fraternity, and for the college. A firm bond has been established between the pledge group and the active group, between the pledges as individuals and the actives as individuals; and the pledges eagerly look forward to the time when they will assume their responsibilities as actives of Theta Sigma Tau.

Ed Mahler, Mason City, Iowa, came to Ripon after serving a hitch in the Coast Guard. Going into medicine, he has spent his time studying capacity and a certain Lyle girl.

Wauwatosa high's gift to Theta is **Carl Scheid**. Another of the quiet type, Carl was frosh football manager and seems to take delight in blinding actives with his "quiet" ties. **Zievers** is another son of Kenosha. With four years as an ensign in the Merchant Marine behind him, Jim is operating full speed in the present while he still has some hair left on his head.

Carlos Verlarde is the only real foreign pledge we have. Coming from Panama City, Panama, this is his first year in the States. Always happy, Carlos would be an asset in any group.

Barn Dance Big As Ever; Date: May 6

Burlap bags are being aired and sewn into huge sheets; reconnaissance has spotted a two-holer that's loaded with "atmosphere"; overalls are being stored where they'll acquire that "scent of the rustics," and signs such as "Play in the hay the Theta way" and "Watch where you go a-parkin' your butts" are being prepared. Yup, Theta's goin' Hog-wild 'cause Barn Dance time is approachin', and May 6 is the big day.

The Barn has not been definitely selected, but the Legion hall looks like a good prospect.

The chief straw bosses in charge will be Doctors Ed. Webster, Don Smith and Wm. Bottiglia (our honoraries), who'll be checkin' that the barnyard is kept on the "up and up." The straw boss for the event is Gar Coerper, who'll see to it that the rest of the farm hands get the decorations done before they start "whoopin' it up!"

It's gonna be a real shindig—it's gotta be, 'cause we've sure got a record of past Barn Dances to live up to. But from the looks of the way our Pledge Party and Formal turned out there's no doubt that it'll be the top event of the year **again!!**

Our one singing pledge is **Bob Walker** from Viroqua, Wis. Active in both choir and Ver-Adest, Bob brings in a talent we have been sorely missing during the past few years.

Also entering the fold is a product of Green Bay answering to the name of **Dick Larsen**. Outside of the Navy he has one thing to be proud of, the perpetual appearance of a lost weekend.

Johnny Koch calls Pewaukee, Wis., his home town. The best way to describe him is in trouble, believing anything he is told, but always happy.

Last but not least is **Bob Hess** from Baraboo, Wis. After running the Marine Corps for eighteen months, Bob found himself a pledge of OET. He's won his football numeral and will be in there boxing for the house.

LATE NEWS FLASHES

(Editor's note: We regret being unable to keep up with the events of rapid-moving Theta House. Since going to press, much has happened in OET, and we use this method to keep you abreast of the very latest Theta news.)

MARCH 27 — Nineteen pledges became active members of Theta Sigma Tau this afternoon at a special initiation ceremony held in the Memorial Student Union Lounge. OET now has a total active membership of thirty-eight men.

MARCH 27 — All members of OET were present this evening at the annual Spring Banquet held at Norton's on Green Lake. Speeches were given by the honoraries and the new actives.

MARCH 30 — Evan Olson, from Wausau, Wis., was elected president of OET for the coming year at a special meeting held this noon. Other new officers are: Garfield Coerper, vice-president; Walter Ferguson, secretary; Jim Churchill, treasurer; Ken Harker, historian; and Robert Walker, chaplain.

Tri-Frat Formal Is Big Success; Plan 1949 Club Midnite

The formal function of the year was, as usual, the Tri-Frat Formal held on November 21 in the Student Union Axe-Handle Room. The three former tri-dorm frats, Shaler, Wright and Evans, showed their fine cooperation once again in combining their talents to make the evening a huge success. The decorations committee transformed the three rooms into the shady type Speak-Easy of Prohibition days. Compacts inscribed with the fraternity letters were given as favors to the ladies this year—an innovation that enabled OET to make another hit with the gals!

"Perennial Al" Menge was back again in this usual role as Club Midnite's big time manager. The two questionable-looking characters who did such an excellent job of tending bar were Bob Hine and Ned Webster. Our honoraries, Dr. and Mrs. Webster and Dr. and Mrs. Smith, were the ideal chaperones for event, and we owe them a vote of thanks for a job well-done.

We hope that this fall formal, which has been such a fine success in the past three years, will become a traditional annual event on Theta's social calendar. We also would like to have all you alums up next fall to help put the big event over, and to have a really good time for yourself at the Tri-Fraternity Club Midnite Formal.

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Housing Shortage Solved by Thetas; Bon Ton Is Annex

By Gar Coerper

Theta is still plagued with that bad housing situation—fourteen of forty-two men live in the house—so a goodly number of the lads have set up temporary residence in the wild open spaces of Peanut's tavern. Some of you may remember it as the Bon Ton tavern; but, no matter what the name you'll remember that it has nickel beer and free peanuts. That's good enough for us.

Each night after a lengthy bout with the books the boys feel that they need a little rest and relaxation via the golden tap. When we've had enough relaxation, its' just one hundred and eight staggering steps to the house and those little things running up and down the wall. What could you expect but halucinations when you've spent a night battling a pin ball machine with flippers, spinners, elevators, power bumpers and fire-works.

The next morning it's out of bed for that ten o'clock by stepping bare foot into the pile of peanut shells that stuck to your shoes last night, and try to bum a buck from some less fortunate soul who never had the luck of discovering the liquid of life for Theta—nickel beer.

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Spring Sports . . .

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show a great deal of promise will round out the team.

It is in the other coming sports, however, that Theta must show improvement in order to improve its present position. Boxing and wrestling, squashpaddle, track, tennis and golf have been a sore spot the past three years mainly because of the lack of talented performers to take part. Interest is running much higher this year, though, and with the addition of new men to fill in, the outlook does not look too gloomy. Even at this early date, many are working out in an effort to get into condition.

As it stands now, the prospects of climbing into the top spot in the second division are extremely bright. Whether we can make the first four, however, seems a bit far fetched if not out of reach.

With the loss of several key men by graduation this spring, the outlook for next year seems little better than the past two. But with the spirit that is being displayed at all events, it is not likely that Theta will be near the bottom for long.

Homecoming Banquet Hi-lites Theta's Reunion

This year's Homecoming was on October 30, 1948. Not only was this the 1948 Ripon Homecoming, but it was also OET's 39th reunion. The banquet was held at Hart's Club 41, Oshkosh. We were very fortunate this year in obtaining a private room for our banquet, and the dinner was really something to talk about. It was served family style, which enabled all those present to eat as much as they wanted.

There was a very nice turnout of Alumni for the banquet this year. Art Guenther, Bob Dittburner, Bob Jones, "Stretch" Johnson, H. K. Miller, "Whispering" Gene Perry, Bob Furman, Pete Renner and Bob Rashid were all present. After the dinner was over each of the Alumni was asked to say a few words and the honoraries, Dr. Edwin Webster and Dr. Don Smith, also said a few words to those present.

All in all, it can truthfully be said that the banquet was a big success. It is the sincere wish of all the actives that next year even more Alumni will be able to attend the Homecoming banquet, OET's 40th reunion.

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Eleven Theta Seniors Close Ripon Chapter; Prepare for Cruel World

by Don Thompson

Andrew (Greek God) **Spheeris** with a major in English graduated in January, 1949. Andy was a member of the wrestling team and was vice-president of OET for the year '47-'48. At present he is working for his father in Milwaukee, Wis.

Bill (Golden Boy) **Gross** with a major in psychology will graduate in June, 1949. 'Gargles' was on the varsity basketball squad in his freshman year and was a member of the Prom committee last year. This year Bill did a good job of keeping the Frat's finances in good shape. His plans for the future center around a job in personnel work.

Bob (Crooner) **Knapmiller** majored in psychology and economics. 'Crooner' was secretary of OET during the year '47-'48 and this year was sports editor of the College Days. He has been active in intramurals as coach of the basketball team and pitcher on the softball team. His plans for the future are a job in business or personnel work.

Larry (Lover) **TeSelle** did an excellent job as president of OET this last year, as well as serving on the interfraternity council. With a major in economics, Larry plans to enter business after graduation.

Bob (Shoulders) **Hine** majored in English and was associate editor of the Crimson for the first semester of 1948. One of Bob's stories appeared in the Scribbler in 1948. His plans for the future are indefinite.

John Dare (Long John) **Roberts** majored in history in plans to go on to school, destination unknown. J. D. was active in intramural sports, particularly basketball and softball. J. D. was secretary of OET this past year.

Ned (Professor) **Webster** majored in economics and history. Ned has been a consistent repeater on the honor roll. He was a member of the Debate Team in '47-'48, as well as taking part in a number of school plays. His plans for the future are graduate school, probably at the U. of Chicago.

Harold (Mighty Mouse) **Talbot** plans to enter the law school at the U. of Wisconsin after graduation. Hal

majored in economics here at Ripon. During '48-'49 Hal was vice-president of OET, and a mainstay of the Frat softball team.

Jack (Darwin was right) **Plano** majored in political science and economics. Jocko plans to go to graduate school at the U. of Chicago. Jack was treasurer of OET last year, and this year is associate editor of the College Days. Jocko has been a member of the college tennis team for the past four years.

Harold (Weasel) **Martin** majored in mathematics and plans to get a job in business after graduation. H. B. was active in intramural sports during the past three years.

Don (Colonel) **Thompson** majored in history and plans to go to graduate school at the U. of Denver after graduation. He was a member of the Poly-Stat Club, and a member of the sports-staff of the College Days his freshman and senior years. Don was secretary of the R club in '48-'49.

Recollections . . .

ever. For now have I not two sons of mine in Theta? Do I not hear the same accounts of fine times, hard work, troubles and protests over the "old house?" I also know that when they get a new, modern house, many of the "old boys" will mourn for the old cramped quarters and the old furnace that never worked, especially when handled by Hawaiians and Porto Ricans.

Such is student life. Such are the Theta boys of yesterday, today and tomorrow!

Edwin W. Webster, '19

Alumni Headquarters

Hader's Pharmacy

Ripon's Modern Drug Store

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Shoe Hospital

Shining and Rebuilding

New House . . .

bers who have been unable to live in the house have been living in one of the barracks behind Smith hall, a temporary, but extremely unpleasant and dis-unifying factor for the Frat.

Faced with the problem of being unable to entice future pledges into OET, the squalid conditions which the Frat is "hoveling" in have been brought to the attention of President Kuebler by a special Theta committee. Dr. Kuebler promised to bring the matter before the Board of Trustees, who, he added, have adopted a policy of selling property rather than purchasing it. This policy is due to the lucrative prices which the selling of real estate is now bringing, and, conversely, the exorbitant price the school must pay for additional property.

What the Trustees' verdict will be we hesitate to opine, but, for the sake of Frat solidarity and future strength, we earnestly hope that next fall will bring a pleasant surprise in the form of a new, spacious Frat House.

Greetings from The Quarter-Century Club

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| Louie | Hal |
| Jocko | Crooner |

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Alumni Corner

Last fall approximately 250 cards were sent out to members of the alumni in an attempt to contact them regarding the '48 Homecoming Banquet. Of these cards sent out, 38 were answered.

News was received from some of the alumni that might be of interest to all who receive this bulletin. **Bob F. Williams** is now a struggling law student. **Robert K. Wickstrom** has gone back into the Air Corps and is now located at San Antonio, Texas. The latest news from him was that he is now the proud father of a baby girl. **Vic Salter** is now living at Red Bank, New Jersey, and is working for DuPont. On June 28, 1948, he married Miss Ruth Roberts of Wisconsin Rapids. **Wallie Naset** sent word that he would like to talk over old times with Englebracht, Burns, Prout, Doman, Bradley and others of the "Sanford Crew" of 1923-27.

Roland Krueger is now located at Los Angeles; his exact address is as yet unknown. **Frank "Skinny" Kalk** is going to school at the U. of Wisconsin, but he is being kept busy by his family and was unable to come up for homecoming. **Bob Jackson** is now located at Van Nuys, California, where he has been for almost two years. **Howie Horsford** is at Princeton, New Jersey, doing graduate work. **Don Buteyn** is now attending Western Theological at Holland, Michigan. He is engaged to a girl from Paterson, N. J., and plans on being married next summer. **Phil Biege** is now out in Seattle, Washington. **Robert Rashid** is working on the campus, where he has charge of publicity.

Charlie Shepard, ex OET prexy of '46, '47 and '48, is teaching and holding down an assistant coaching position at Neenah high school. **Glenn Payne** has been appointed assistant manager of a grocery chain store at

YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME

at the

Grill Restaurant

Wausau. **George Posey** has decided to try another hitch in the army and will be leaving shortly to enter Officers Candidate School. Two '48 grads, **Jack Kallies** and **George Gibson**, have secured positions in Wisconsin, George with Standard Oil at LaCrosse and Jack with Railway Express at New Lisbon. Another '48 grad, **Art Guenther**, is working for his law degree at the University of Wisconsin.

This is all the news that has been received this year from the alumni. It would be greatly appreciated if all members of the alumni would drop us a card telling the latest news and any change of address. If any member of the alumni has the addresses of other alumni, it would be appreciated if he would send this information on to OET so the historian can keep the records as correct as possible. At present our address file is not complete, but with the full cooperation of the alumni this can be corrected to the benefit of all concerned.

Homecoming . . .

be a red-hot, championship-deciding battle with Lawrence. Ripon's undefeated squad of this year will be out to win its second straight Midwest championship, and most dopesters have the Lawrence game marked as the crucial test.

Theta Sigma Tau has planned a jam-packed weekend for all OET men. Friday eve will feature the traditional torch parade and bonfire, followed by a smoker for all Theta men. It will be an opportunity for you to meet the new OET men and talk over old times with your buddies.

Saturday afternoon will be the football game and the Alma Mater will ring over all. Following the game all OET men will meet at Club 41 in Oshkosh where steaks will be in order. Be prepared to say a few words, Alumni! Then to round off a complete weekend the traditional Homecoming dance will be given in the gym.

Here's a weekend you don't want to miss! Give us your support, Alums, by joining us in the festivities.

ATTENTION, ALUMNI!

Come Hell, High Water,
Floods, Depression,
Pestilence, or Revolution

The 1000th Theta

BARN DANCE

Will Be Held May 6th

We'll Be Expecting You!