

June 30, 1951

Dear Theta,

Gee whiz, for school being out only a few weeks, a lot certainly has happened to Theta after Theta what with marriages, pinnings, new jobs and so forth. We received a lot of mail in reply to our cards and have plenty of news to relate.

We don't know about where you are, but down in Forest Grove, we're finding it pretty warm and nice these days. We sorta wish we were where June Purviance is now located. Junie left the first week of June with Jean Anderson for her summer job in Alaska's Mt. McKinley hotel, away up in the far, far north. She went by a "slow boat" so we imagine that she's arrived and already having a wonderful time.

Another gal who is a few hundred miles away on a job is Bobbie Skerry-- at Association camp, Colorado. Her letters read like a Chamber of Commerce report and we wish that we were there with her. She writes that quite a Pacific crowd took the 24-hour bus ride East what with Shirley Greene, Phyllis Skarsten, Walt Buckiewicz, Podge, John Zavodsky, and Diane Rimby. Di and Bobbie stopped in to see some of Di's Salt Lake city relatives and the pair really saw some mighty impressive sights--Brigham Canyon, the Great Salt Lake, Temple Square, and the University of Utah's campus. Now in the heart of the Rockies with college kids from everywhere (she's doing research for new Theta songs and ideas). Bobbie says she's hard at work now. Well, she calls it work anyway. We certainly envy you, Bobbie.

Way over in Kuna, Idaho, Anne Thompson has blown the P.U. dust out of her suitcases and like most of us, is pounding the pavements for a job. A certain friend of hers, she writes, stopped by to see her on his way home to Pittsburgh-- to admire the scenery, he said. By the way, Anne was recently appointed chairman of the A.W.S. formal for next year. We'll be looking for something extra special, Anne.

From Lewiston, we hear that the Aschenbrenners, Dorothy, Les, and 16-month old Stevie, are Idaho residents also. Les is busy studying for his optometry state boards for the northwest states while Dorothy tends to the baby and keeps house.

We understand that the Lunds, Phyllis (Johanson) and Warren are going to be quite busy planning anursery this fall.

Jean and Jim McDonnell will be singing lullabies also in the near future.

One Theta in Washington County news these days is Marge Forsyth. Marge recently became a candidate for Miss Washington county in the Miss Oregon prelims. Marge says she's also slaving away as a plain working girl at the C.H. Nelson Insurance service in Hillsboro.

Hard at work on the construction of their new Californian home in Mt. View, are Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gnos (Chrys Voges). One of those beautiful ramblers, we'll bet.

Evelyn Bankus, who's now Mrs. Ralph Gibbs as of January 13, has been very happy this past spring being a housewife and experimenting with her cooking on her husband. He's principal of the grade school at Crawfordsville, Oregon.

Anybody planning on house moving soon? Bobbie Pomeroy would suggest that you use the services of "Consolidated Freightways" in Portland. Bobbie is typing, filing, and auditing at the firm and from all salary reports will be pretty well-to-do come this fall at Pacific.

Cheyenne! Cheyenne! That's where Jo Mitchell is training for United Airlines. Jo recently became an aunt and a prospective sister-in-law, she writes. A lot of excitement around the Mitchell household. This future stewardess strongly advises all flying Thetas to "go United." Lots of luck, Jo--flying is wonderful.

Say, you can still order those May day songfest pictures from this spring. Hans Running says they're 75 cents each. Nice for albums and scrapbooks, we think.

MMMMMMMM, so many Theta brides this month we can hardly keep track of them all.

First bride of the season was Gladys Lewis who donned the traditional white satin June 3 to marry Richard Owen, an optometry senior at Pacific. They plan to make their home in Forest Grove where Dick will be finishing school and Glad will work in an office downtown.

Carrie Reasoner and Herb Allen said their "I do's" June 4 way back on the East Coast. Herb is attending school there. We hope to hear from you often, Carrie.

Another June 4 bride was Shirley McLeod who became Mrs. Dell Herreid in a Vancouver, B.C. candlelight ceremony. Leo Blackmun and Eileen Acton were maid-of-honor and bridesmaid respectively. The Herreids are "at home" on 26th and Firwood in Forest Grove.

"Carmalita Napier, R.E. Lamoreaux Wed at Church" read the Sunday Journal headline in the society section. June 5 was the date for Bob and Carm. Evie Hoggatt and June Purviance were members of the bridal party. We understand that Mrs. Lamoreaux is going to take summer credits towards her master's in music education at Pacific. Bob is with the post office department in Portland.

Carnation, Washington was the scene of another Theta wedding--that of Bob Bausch and Jo Goodwin on June 17. Thetas Leo Blackmun, Pat Beaudoin, Evie Freed, Barb Wylie, Jean Brodersen, Ida Boyd, Marilyn Heckert, and Anne Tucker traveled Carnation-ways. Jo and Bob drove to Rochester, New York for their wedding trip and will be inducted U.S. Navy come July 2.

Wednesday, June 20 found Annetta Quick saying her nuptial vows with George Zazvorka, a recent '51 business administration grad from Pacific, in a Forest Grove ceremony. Clara Vanderzanden, caught the bouquet appropriately enough since she and Everett Dickerman were married Sunday afternoon, July 1.

Jeanne Stephenson writes that she's now going to summer school at Lewis & Clark and transferring from high school to grade school teaching so she can teach Metzger's 4th grade. The reason? She and Les Rawls have set the date for August 18 and she asks us to be sure and invite all the Thetas to come.

Speaking of prospective brides, we saw Barb Kopplin ordering her wedding announcements the other day.

Prexy Phyllis Eberhart communicates that she's about ready to come back to Oregon right away as the Eberharts are painting their Long Beach, California house and re-landscaping the lawns. Phyl plans to pick up a few credits this summer at Pasadena City college. Gee, school was just out, gal.

Janie Babcock is hard at work in her annual job at The Dalles Municipal pool. She's on strict ~~liff~~ guard duty, she says, and starting fledgling Gertrude Eberles out in swimming lessons of late. We expect to see a Florida tan (no offense to Californians intended) when you get back to teach in Forest Grove high, Janie.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moore (Doris Kraft) are probably in Denver at this writing. They stopped in to see Jane B. in The Dalles on their way "East". The Moores are driving around in a brand new graduation present, according to the grapevine.

Say, if you're up near Anacortes, you might stop in at the Carpenter Pontiac company and see Shirley. She's putting in her hours again as a bookkeeper there and liked it so well this year that she gave up a three-week California trip for it. H'mmmm, you've really got to explain that, Shirl--ahh, 3 weeks in California!!

Keeping up the Theta tradition in GPA honors is Alice Furby Voges who earned a 4.00 this last semester. Bravos and pass the scholarship trophy our way, we say. Alice writes (we also saw her in an informal Theta meeting in front of Safeway the other day) that Elaine Furby Baltas is with the J.C. Penney Co. in Pocatello, Idaho where Bob is stationed. She is also attending the University of Idaho part time.

Lue Greenstreet writes that she decided not to elope with Bill, gave Gene's ring back, lost Don's pin and so broke up with him etc etc. Aloha, Washington sounds like a pretty exciting place, Lue. Seriously, Lue is working hard enjoying three months of vacation and missing everyone at Pacific. Cheer up, September is closer than you think.

With Salem's Robert's Bros. store is Janet Nye who says she's a part-part time clerk there. Coralee Hulbert and Janet get together occasionally down in Oregon's capital city--and of course there are those letters from Berkley to keep her from boredom.

Delores Finnicum and Liz Swarthout write that they stopped in Salem recently to pluck Janet N. down to the Finnicum ranch in Dayton for a day. They loaded, pitched, and filled alfalfa into a silo and came out of the encounter with mighty stiff arms and backs, but had fun doing it. Liz is visiting De this month.

The Theta "who beat a ----- out of the Lipman & Wolfe college board job", Leo Blackmun, is helping her folks supervise their new home until July when she'll be in Portland working and rooming with Martha Lou Allen. We'll be in to try on the latest in collegiate wear, Leo.

Charlene Christiansen is hard at work on the Hillsboro Argus as usual with another Theta, Helen Moeller (nee Rucker). They look always as though newspapering agrees with them. Char lately gained a new sister-in-law and is also keeping her Beta pin sparkling.

Seattle's Evie Freed is working with figures--as a comptometer operator dealing with eggs and chickens (or so she lead us to believe). Leo and Pat Beaudoin were recent house guests at the Freed home so we hear tell. By the way, get Evie to tell you about her episode with shoes and a Seattle theater sometime. We'll buy you a pair, Evie.

News from Forest Grove and immediate vicinity is still going on--fate and 7:30 summer classes keeps right on happening.

Wearing Hudson-Duncan cannery caps are Alice Voges, JoAnne Knox, and Janet Goodrich--who all have an evening shift. They say that the wages there make a trip abroad not impossible. Bon Voyage and all that if it's so.

We see Pat Green dashing madly around Washington County selling summer theatre plays as the business manager of the troupe. She's having a lot of success too from all reports and we hope to see a lot of you down for some of the performances. Just in case you're planning to drop out this way, the dramatic schedule runs as follows:

"Love Rides the Rails"--July 5, 6, and 7
"Personal Appearance", July 11, 12, and 13
"Blithe Spirit", July 18, 19, and 20
"Medium & Telephone", July 25, 26 and 27
"Night of January 16", August 1, 2, and 3

New apartment dwellers in town are Pat Breunsbach, Evie Hoggatt and Pat McGuire who are having fun balancing budgets, enjoying each other's cooking, and summer occupations together. We see Evie at the Cashier's window in Marsh and Breunzy whizzing around to classes.

Also "off campus" are Eileen Acton and Ilena Meade, who reside in the old Tucker-Eberhart abode for the summer. They write that they are both getting fat on "our" cooking. Ilena's struggling with those summer courses and her roomie is enrolled in summer theatre and opera workshop.

Jean Brodersen and Martha Miner, back on drama, will shine in the drama field

The apartment above Hale Kaohu belongs to three other Thetas--namely Emily Kojiri, Jean Yamase, and Millie Shintani. We see them carrying home the groceries every so often after their classes. Hale is attending summer school and now busy writing letters to Wally Sigler, a recently inducted serviceman as of June.

Well, looks like we're about out of news for now--except gather up your rummage for a you-know-what this summer. We want to hear from you too so drop a card, letter, or telegram (if it's really sensational) to the News-Times. Look for another letter July 30.

Be seein' ya.