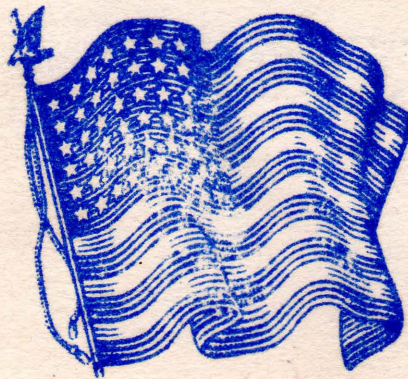


THE

PORTLAND

CONCORDIAN



1944







## ATTENTION!

To the Alumni of Concordia  
who have heeded the grim  
call to arms and are wear-  
ing the warcloth in the  
skies, asea, and ashore --  
men of full stature all,  
facing the harrowing or-  
deal of their Anabasis in  
stark reality, and withal  
troops of the line for  
their King -- the class of  
1944 dedicates this YEARBOOK.







## PASS IN REVIEW!

As a result of action taken by the Convention at Saginaw in June Portland's Concordia now enjoys a favorable position in the family of Synod's schools.

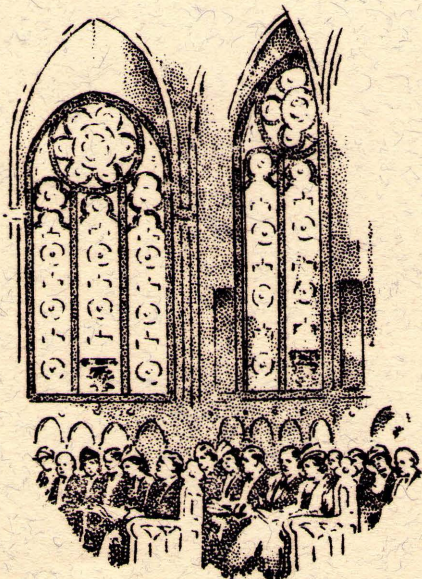
For years Portland was harassed by the perennial synodical debates whether or not the further existence of a preparatory school in the Northwest was warranted. Not a few east of the Rocky Mountains held that Portland should be closed.

At the 1942 Convention at Fort Wayne, Synod passed a resolution which brought matters to a head. A special committee was instructed to investigate the whole situation thoroughly, and Synod bound itself to be guided by the finding. This committee found against Portland and recommended that the school be closed. The Convention had stipulated, however, that before the conclusion of the committee was to be submitted to Synod, a final hearing was to be granted each affected school.

At this hearing, held in St. Louis last November, matters took a favorable turn. Synod's committee changed its recommendation to read that the school should not be closed. Three factors entered vitally into this change of mind by Synod's officials: 1. the rapid growth of the Northwest and the healthy assimilation of this growth by the Oregon and Washington District and by the Academy; 2. the strong demand for continuation of the school made in a flood of letters from the congregations of the District; 3. the liberal gifts of money and food supplied by the congregations of the District.

The Convention at Saginaw was guided by the recommendation of the Board for Higher Education and voted unanimously to continue the school. It was further resolved that a new building be erected as soon as building materials will be available. A fourth permanent instructor will be called in the immediate future.

Concordia's hopes and prayers have been realized.









# THE "BRASS HATS"

## THE BOARD OF CONTROL

The Rev. Mr. F. M. L. Nitz, President of the Oregon-Washington-  
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Mr. E. Balgemann, Chairman  
The Rev. Mr. E. Eichmann, Secretary  
Mr. Paul Neils and Mr. George Udy

## THE FACULTY

F. W. J. Sylwester, M. A., President  
Studied at: Concordia College, St. Paul, Minnesota; Concordia  
College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri;  
University of Oregon.  
Served the Church at: Concordia Academy, Portland, Oregon.  
Subjects: Mathematics, Science, History, Latin.

E. H. Brandt  
Studied at: Concordia College, Ft. Wayne, Indiana; Concordia  
Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri; University of Oregon.  
Served the Church at: Vancouver, British Columbia; Everett,  
Washington; Concordia Academy, Portland, Oregon.  
Subjects: English, Greek.

K. Lorenz  
Studied at: Concordia College, Ft. Wayne, Indiana; Concordia  
Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri; University of Oregon.  
Served the Church at: Alice Township, Ontario; Cove, Maryland;  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Farmington, Michigan; Concordia Academy,  
Portland, Oregon.  
Subjects: German, History, Biology.

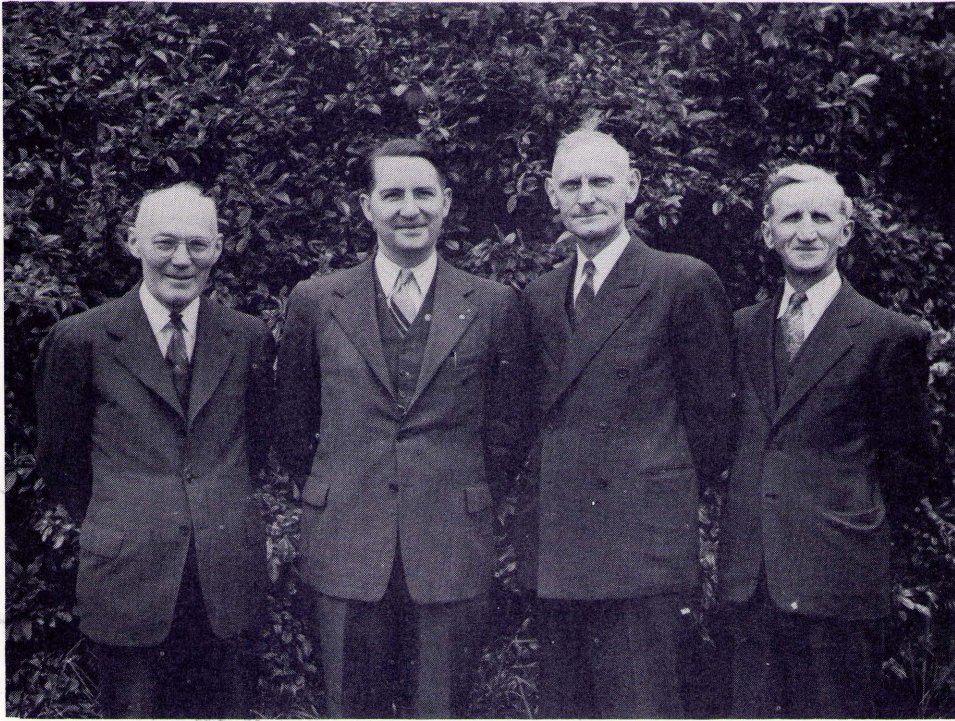
C. F. Nitz, Dean  
Studied at: Concordia Academy, Portland, Oregon; Concordia  
College, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Concordia Seminary, St. Louis,  
Missouri; University of Oregon.  
Served the Church at: Aberdeen, Idaho; Schefflin, Oregon;  
Klamath Falls, Oregon; Concordia Academy, Portland, Oregon.  
Subjects: Religion, Latin.

Walter M. Wangerin  
Studied at: Concordia College, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Concor-  
dia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri; Music Directors' Institute,  
St. Louis, Missouri.  
Served the Church at: Saginaw, Michigan as Assistant pastor;  
Vanport City, Oregon; Concordia Academy, Portland, Oregon.  
Subject: Music.









FACULTY

F. Sylwester, C. Nitz, E. Brandt, K. Lorenz



STUDENT COUNCIL

Donald Collier, John Aaberg, Ronald Zagel, Alfred Sylwester, Arthur Kahle







# OFFICERS

## DONALD BRANDON

Don came to Concordia last fall armed with a diploma from Benson Polytechnic and a stout determination to look some classical authors squarely in the eye. His diploma enabled him to give some subjects a wide berth while paying full attention to Religion, German, Latin, and Greek.

He did his elementary school work at Calvary Lutheran School and Reuben Boise Public School. Upon his graduation from Benson Polytechnic his thoughts turned to the ministry, and he entered a heavy language schedule with a will.

Concordia was glad to have Don with his winning smile and sterling character. Though he must have wished at times that he had entered Concordia as a Freshman, he did a good job of reaching for the level required by the ministerial course at Oakland.

His favorite sports are tennis, basketball, and baseball. At Benson he was a member of the editorial staff.

## GERHARD KEMPF

Gerhard was born at Priest River, Idaho, lived for some time near Klamath Falls, Oregon, and came to Concordia from Spokane, Washington. That makes him a full-fledged member of the Oregon-Washington-Idaho District.

When he came to Portland four years ago, he at once made his presence felt. "Dutch" takes a good square look at the world as it moves by, and if there is any room for improvement, he feels there is no good reason why he should not do some of the improving. Laissez-faire -- he will have none of it! That has meant arguments at times, but his point of view is always worth consideration.

Gerhard entered wholeheartedly into the school's activities. He was captain of the basketball team, catcher on the baseball team, and editor of "WHERE ROLLS THE OREGON". He played the piano in chapel, in addition to his duties as President of the Student Association.

Milwaukee's Concordia is the next stop.







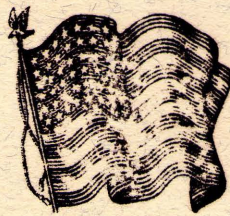
## EDWARD LUTZ

Edward's home is the garden spot of America, and he maintains that he was reared with a shovel in his hands. That meant digging at home, and he has continued to dig at Concordia.

And yet - it was not so easy for the students to visualize Ed with a shovel in his hands. Here on the campus a baseball and a glove completed the equipment. He managed to make the first team in his Freshman year, and since then the teams have been built around him.

Very seldom was he caught by the professors in a prank, but rumor has it that some of them suspected that this was to be explained by the fact that he was unusually clever in sensing their nearness.

Ed will continue his work at Oakland.

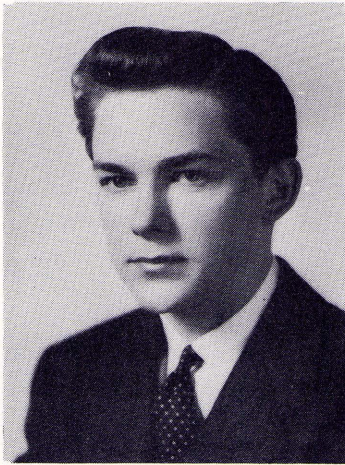




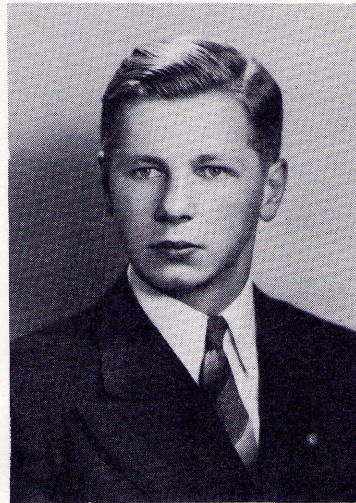




GRADUATES



Donald Brandon



Gerhard Kempff



Edward Lutz







# ENLISTED MEN

## JUNIORS

Robert W. Becker	Portland, Oregon	Age: 16
Daniel R. Heins	Albany, Oregon	Age: 16
Mervin A. Kellerman	Emmett, Idaho	Age: 16
Edmund R. Martens	Buhl, Idaho	Age: 15
Orville J. Schoen	Hillsboro, Oregon	Age: 17
Leonard A. Schutte	Eden, Idaho	Age: 16
Paul M. Simon	Eugene, Oregon	Age: 15
Robert A. Sylwester	Portland, Oregon	Age: 17
Ronald N. Zagel	Twin Falls, Idaho	Age: 17

## SOPHOMORES

Robert R. Beck	Corvallis, Oregon	Age: 17
Donald G. Collier	Hood River, Oregon	Age: 16
John V. Egan, Jr.	Portland, Oregon	Age: 14
Hugo E. Hein	Klickitat, Washington	Age: 15
Donald A. Hoefs	Woodland, Washington	Age: 17
Melvin A. Huter	Nampa, Idaho	Age: 15
Victor A. Krebs	Tillamook, Oregon	Age: 17
Walter A. Linke	Corvallis, Oregon	Age: 16
Victor H. Messerli	Portland, Oregon	Age: 15
Carrol E. Meyer	Twin Falls, Idaho	Age: 15
William A. Moeller	Tacoma, Washington	Age: 16
Lyle T. Ristine	Shelton, Washington	Age: 16
Arnold F. Stoehr	Shelton, Washington	Age: 16
Alfred V. Sylwester	Portland, Oregon	Age: 16

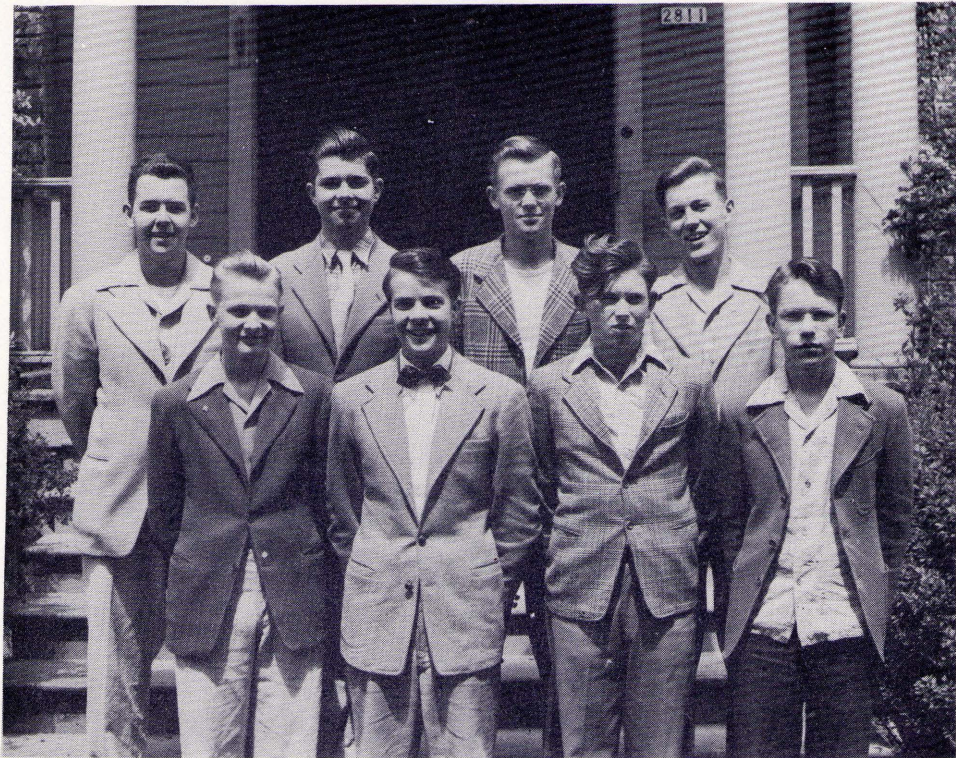
## FRESHMEN

John M. Aaberg	Parkland, Washington	Age: 17
Robert M. Carter	Snoqualmie, Washington	Age: 15
Clarence M. Grant	Seattle, Washington	Age: 16
Arthur E. Kahle	Nampa, Idaho	Age: 14
Paul K. Klein	Rainier, Washington	Age: 14
Robert Langman	Portland, Oregon	Age: 14
Harold W. Linke	Corvallis, Oregon	Age: 15
George D. Masten	Rainier, Washington	Age: 15
Oscar T. Priem, Jr.	Portland, Oregon	Age: 14
Melvin W. Quaschnik	Tacoma, Washington	Age: 14
Robert J. Schmidt	Tillamook, Oregon	Age: 14
Fred T. Schulze	Eden, Idaho	Age: 14
Edgar L. Spoor	Portland, Oregon	Age: 15
Arnold W. Sylwester	Portland, Oregon	Age: 14
Leonard E. Warneke	Portland, Oregon	Age: 14



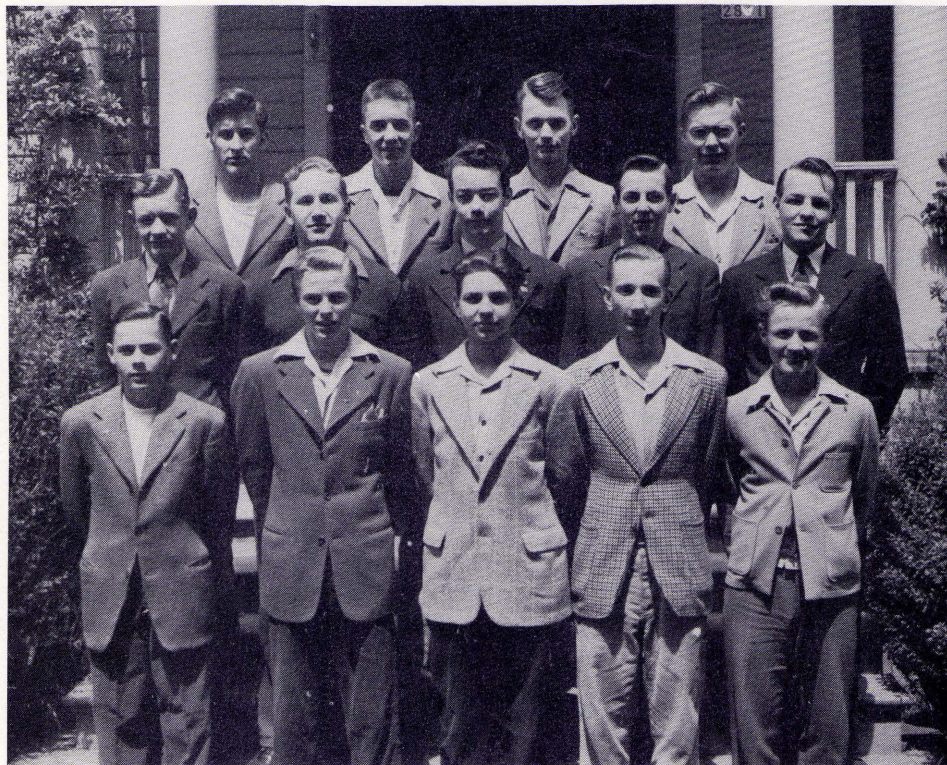






JUNIORS

Back: Dan Heins, Orville Schoen, Mervin Kellerman, Robert Sylwester  
 Front: Edmund Martens, Ronald Zagel, Leonard Schutte, Paul Simon



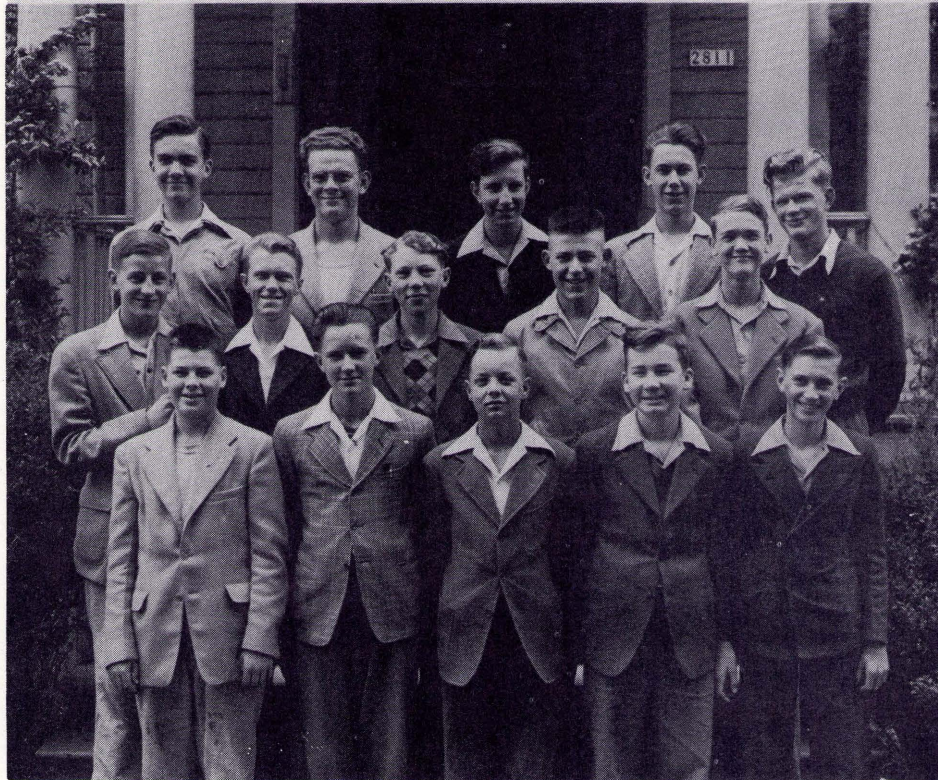
SOPHOMORES

Back: Victor Krebs, William Moeller, Alfred Sylwester, Walter Linke  
 Center: Lyle Ristine, Ronald Beck, Arnold Stoehr, Melvin Huter, Hugo Hein  
 Front: John Egan, Donald Collier, Victor Messerli, Donald Hoefs, Carrol Meyer









FRESHMEN

Back: Robert Schmidt, Melvin Quaschnik, George Masten, Robert Carter, John Aaberg  
 Center: Leonard Warneke, Murray Grant, Arnold Sylwester, Harold Linke, LeRoy Spoor  
 Front: Theodore Priem, Fred Schulze, Arthur Kahle, Robert Langman, Paul Klein



"The air is full of sunlight  
 and the flag is full of stars"  
 -- Vandyke



Mr. and Mrs. C. Hassold  
 - They are important!







# MUSIC CORPS

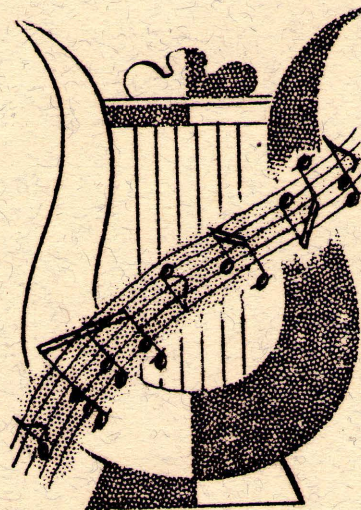
At the beginning of the past school-year, the Board of Control engaged Pastor Walter Wangerin to take charge of the Music Department. The school was fortunate in that it was able to avail itself of the services of a man who is eminently fitted to do this work.

The large enrollment permitted Pastor Wangerin to make a more exacting search for suitable voices and chorus-spirit than would have been the case with the former small enrollments. Gradually a body took shape which fairly satisfied reasonable requirements. By spring, this singing group had developed sufficiently to warrant an effort in public. The chorus moved from church to church in the Portland area and sang in the Lenten services.

Cheered by the cordial reception it experienced, the chorus now set out to prepare for a song worship at the close of the school-year. It was the simple story of God's wondrous works arranged according to the sequence of the church-year. This service will live long in the memory of the large congregation that worshipped in the beautifully decorated gymnasium. The congregation sang; the chorus sang; the liturgist read the Word. And all were edified. Perhaps the measure of the success of this service could best be fixed by the fact that the uppermost thought in the minds of the worshippers was not "The chorus was good" but rather "Oh, how good Thou art to me!" The day of the song service was the red-letter day of the school-year.

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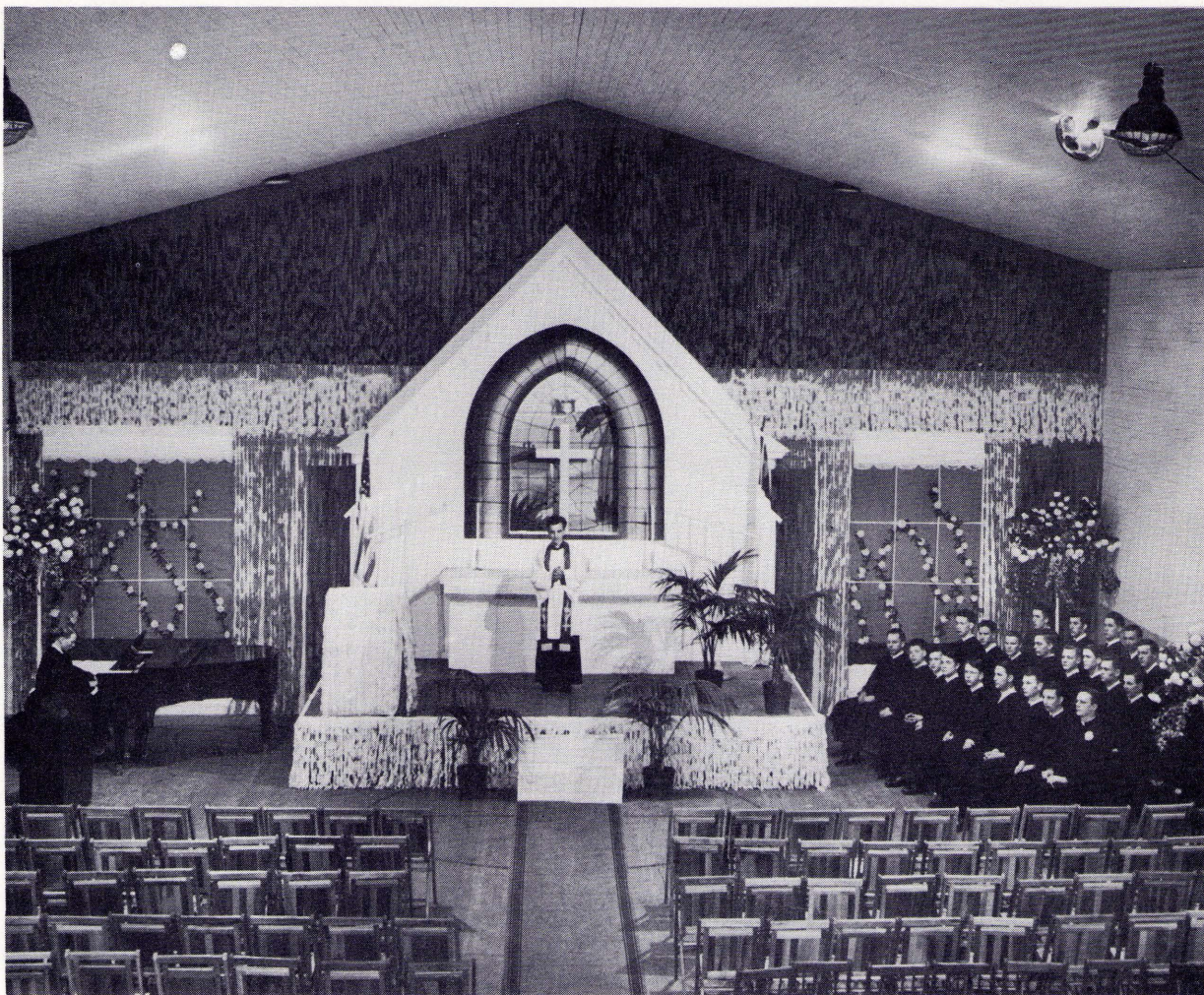
A number of students have made a modest beginning with the organization of an orchestra. There is not much variety and balance between wind, string, and percussion instruments is lacking, but the air is filled with music -- or something that gives promise of becoming better as the months pass by. The student-body is not afraid of sour notes -- it's the absence of any notes that jars the ears. And may it not be that some instruments are lying idle somewhere in the Oregon-Washington-Idaho District, instruments which could be put to good use by some worthy students?











"Sing Unto The Lord"



"Kind letters that betray the  
heart's deep history"

-- Longfellow



It's more than a pose -  
The men with the hoes









**VARSITY BASKETBALL**

Back: O. Schoen, R. Schmidt, D. Heins, R. Zagel  
Front: M. Grant, M. Kellerman, P. Simon



**SECOND TEAM**

Back: L. Ristine, G. Masten, R. Carter, H. Hein  
Front: F. Schulze, A. Kahle, P. Klein









**BASEBALL**

Back: F. Schulze, M. Kellerman, R. Carter, R. Schmidt, G. Masten  
Front: M. Grant, L. Schutte, O. Schoen, R. Zagel



The law of gravity works



Linke and his lizzie











