

Girls selected as candidates for Honorary Colonel are: bottom row, (left to right) Betty Lou Horton and Mary Cox; middle row, left to right) Ann Doudna and Betty Stanton; top row, (left to right) Hink Aasen and Doris Frahm. At an all-campus election Tuesday, one of these coeds will be named to reign at the university Military ball Dec. 6. Identity of the colonel will not be revealed until her presentation at the ball.



Announcement of the engagement of Miss Mary Lou Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Weaver, to William P. Thornton, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Thornton of Omaha, was made this week. Miss Weaver, who is now teaching mathematics at the university, was graduated here last June. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta, Tassels, Alpha Lambda Delta, Pi Mu Epsilon, Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi. Mr. Thornton, who is now attending the university, served as a sergeant in Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters in the South Pacific for two years. headquarters in the South Pacific for two years.

Jane Withers is enroute to New Orleans to open a personal appearance tour. She drew \$55,000 at the Golden Gate Theater in San Francisco recently. She will soon be seen in "Danger Street."

Gail Russell is another of the Paramount stars to appear in "Variety Girl."

Paulette Goddard is none too happy. Cecil B. DeMille ordered her fashionably long finger-nails clipped for close-up shots in "Un-conquered." She plays a slave girl, and CB reasoned slaves didn't have manicured nails.

Robert Preston and his wife, aCtherine Craig, head for New York as soon as he finishes "The bi-monthly, will sponsor lectures Big Haircut."

Radio Fraternity Initiates First Pledge Group

Initiation of five new active members of the first pledge class of Mu chapter of Alpha Epsilon Rho, national radio honorary fraternity will be held Nov. 7.

New initiates of the chapter which was established here this fall, are Betty Jeanne Holcomb, Dorothea Duxbury, Pat Lathem, Pat Heynen and Gloria McDer-

Pledging ceremonies for new pledges are also planned for

Dr. Johnson Will Succeed Oldfather

Dr. Edgar N. Johnson has been Gustavson announced Friday.

Dr. Johnson succeeds Dean Charles H. Oldfather, present dean of the college of arts and sciences.

Dr. Oldfather asked to be relieved of the chairmanship, Chancellor Gustavson explained, but he will remain as dean of the college.

Dr. Johnson joined the department of history in 1931, and was named professor of history in 1942.

War Duty.

During the war he served in named chairman of the depart-being stationed in Washington unment of history, Chancellor R. G. til June, 1944 when he was sent to London as head of the Austrian group in the OSS research and analysis division.

In the spring of 1945 he was the history department since 1932, remained there until November, cupation of the city.

1945, when he returned to the United States. He went to Germany last February where he served as special assistant to Gen, Lucius D. Clay, and as political advisor to commanding officers in the Berlin district.

While in Berlin, Dr. Johnson was occupied chiefly with the Russian sponsored attempt to fuse the social democrats and the communists into a new socialist united party, and with drafting a new temporary constitution. The municipal government set-up in this constitution went into effect with the October election in Berlin, who has served as chairman of in May went on to Austria. He up by the Russians after their oc-

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