



FACULTY MEMBERS SAY CUT RULE NECESSARY

Think Students Not Enough Interested Always to Come Voluntarily.

SUBSTITUTE MUST BE CHECK

"We seek Only to Co-operate With Faculty"—Chairman of Student Committee.

Would students be enough interested in their classes to attend if the cut rule were abolished? This question comes up with the announcement that a student council committee is shortly to present to the faculty a petition asking for abolition of cuts.

"I doubt students being enough interested to come to classes," said Professor W. F. G. Thacher. "And besides, professors are not here to make classes interesting. We are here to require the regular performance of assigned tasks. The teacher is primarily a task-master."

"We are not here to perform as entertainers," Professor E. L. Stetson said. "The trouble with the crammer is that he looks to getting the material for a short time only. The one who goes slow, most often comes out ahead because he organizes and forms associations."

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"Cut Penalty Not Severe" Mrs. Mable H. Parsons: "The cut penalty here is anything but severe from the standpoint of some other institutions. At Michigan when I was there, it was dangerous to cut some professors' classes four times. As to whether students would attend classes without a cut system, I doubt it, very much."

Professor George O'Donnell: "It makes small difference to me. Reporting cuts is a nuisance. But if there were no cut rule, I'd have one myself. I would flunk those students missing a certain fraction of all recitations. I care more for the efficiency of system than for what students may think."

Dr. C. H. Edmondson: "I would not favor the abrogation of the present cut rule unless a very excellent substitution were offered. If there were no cut rule at all, I think, each professor might well devise his own, by refusing to give credit if a student's attendance at classes had been poor."

"Penalty Is Necessary" Dr. H. D. Sheldon: "More institutions are putting in cut rules than are taking them out. Some kind of a penalty for continued cutting is necessary. Nine or ten years ago we had no cut rule here, but conditions were not satisfactory. I would say that if the committee offers a substitute, it should be well safeguarded. If students were all mature and responsible, of course, we should need no safeguards."

Professor F. C. Ayer: "I do not favor the abolition of the cut rule. It seems very generous to me as it is. However, all instructors should turn in cuts impartially, or the system is inefficient."

Professor A. R. Sweetser: "It is my impression, off-hand, that our present cut system keeps up attendance very well. It is all artificial, of course, but we need an artificial scheme to keep us up. The cut rule need not apply to honor students, but they are the very ones who want to attend classes."

Professor Colin V. Dymont: "If a student could cover the ground after his own fashion it would not matter to me whether he came to class or not. But where examinations count from nothing at all to perhaps one-third of the final grade, as they do here, I do not see how the cut penalty can very well be changed."

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EMERALD. The Emerald will suspend publication after next Thursday's issue until the Tuesday following examinations. THE EDITOR.

Study? Indeed! Cram? No Never!

Psychology Professor Hands Out Advance Dope on Meeting Inevitable Next Week.

Should students review? Yes. Should students cram for examinations No.

This advice is given by Dr. R. H. Wheeler, assistant professor, of psychology.

"Cramming should be organized and controlled," says Dr. Wheeler. "Things should not be learned in mechanical fashion, but learned in their relationships to each other. Cramming is a hurried superficial review. Review is organized cramming."

"Experimentally, it has been found that, given the same amount of material to learn and the same time in which to learn it, those who learn with the idea in mind that it is to be remembered for only a short time, remember it less well over a long period of time."

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1916 BUDGET MAY BE UNCHANGED BY BOARD

Regent Goodrich Thinks New Buildings and Athletic Field Will be Granted.

The following matters were referred to the executive committee of the Board of Regents at the board meeting last Tuesday: Final adoption of the \$350,000 budget; acceptance of the plans for the new building and the letting of the contract; changing the athletic field; the student body petition asking that the class taxes be collected simultaneously with other student fees at the time of registration; President Campbell's recommendation for eleven new instructors; and the construction of the new medical building in Portland. The executive committee will meet on January 26.

Thinks Budget Will Be Adopted Mr. Ray Goodrich, a member of the committee, says, "I think that the proposed budget will be adopted as it stands, with possibly a few changes. The construction of the new building for the departments of law, education and extension is provided for in the budget."

"I think the structure will be located right at the corner of Kincaid and 13th streets. That particular place looks rather shabby and the building will improve appearances."

"One article in the budget provides for the construction of a new athletic field, the estimate being \$10,000. The baseball diamond and track will probably be completed a year from this spring. The gridiron will be ready for use a year from this fall. The new grounds will be located on the thirty acres which lie directly east of the cemetery."

\$10,000 for Library "A fund of \$10,000 will be set aside for the general library, and the law library will receive \$5,000."

"The matter of erecting a new medical building on the property given to the University by the O. W. R. & N. company has been referred to the committee. The grounds lie in South Portland and are very valuable. The state appropriated \$50,000 and the city of Portland was to raise a like amount. It has raised that sum, and more, so I think the building will be erected this year. The old building in North Portland will very likely be sold."

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MILITARY TRAINING MAY BE INTRODUCED

President Campbell Agrees and Appoints Committee of Board of Regents.

President P. L. Campbell has just appointed a committee from the Board of Regents to consider whether or not some form of military training should be adopted by the University of Oregon. Those named were: A. C. Dixon, Mrs. George Gerlinger and J. A. Churchill.

The committee will make its recommendations sometime early in the spring, so that, if favorable to such a step, the Board of Regents will incorporate its action into the yearly catalogue.

Hears Talk on "Preparedness." President Campbell attended the luncheon at the University Club in Portland last Saturday, and heard the address by President John Grier Hibben, of Princeton on "Preparedness."

"The substance of the whole talk was the value of military training and its relation to the college student," said President Campbell. "He emphasized the spirit of democracy that exists at Princeton and told of the definite effort made there to fit each student for some kind of community service. He believes in preparedness, not for war, but for protection against war."

"President Hibben told of the courses now offered at Princeton along lines of military tactics, the handling of machine guns, and military administration. No military drill is given there. The students are urged, however, to join summer camps. At Harvard, where much the same plan is followed, volunteer drill is carried on."

Was Favorably Impressed. "I was very favorably impressed with President Hibben's talk," said President Campbell. "The matter of military training in any school seems to me to be a training for better citizenship, rather than for war. The spirit should be civic, rather than military. Training of this kind counts for more than organized drill. It means the building up of character, physical condition, and bodily alertness. Believing this to be the real value of such training, I have recommended, by report, that the question be considered by the Board."

President Hibben also recommended the honor system now being used at Princeton. There, every student is obliged to sign a paper at the end of every examination certifying that he has neither given nor received help of any kind.

THESIS WORK ADVANCING

Several Educational Students at Work For B. A. Degrees.

Thesis work for both B. A. and M. A. degrees is now in progress in the department of education. C. E. Ferguson is preparing a thesis on "The Finances of the Oregon School System"; Harry Drill is writing on "The County Unit System of School Administration" and E. H. Hedrick on one phase of teachers' institutions. P. E. Baker is investigating "The Reliability of State Eighth Grade Examinations."

Under the direction of the University department, students in other cities are carrying on research work. H. L. Husong, principal of a grade school at Astoria is studying the mentality of Finnish children and comparing them with American pupils. H. M. Barr of Portland, also principal of a grade school, is making a study of backward children. These two pieces of work are for a master's degree.

W. E. Livingston of Pendleton is working out a course in food adulterants and patent medicines for a high school chemistry class. W. M. Proctor, in California, is observing the study habits of high school students, and W. R. Rutherford, city superintendent of schools of Eugene, is making a study of normal training classes, in Eugene and other towns.

WALTER GREBE IMPROVES. Walter Grebe, who has been in the hospital during the last week with erysipelas and in a dangerous condition, is well on the road to recovery today, according to the reports of the attending physicians.

Word received from the hospital states that his condition seems to be much improved and that he is resting easy. His temperature yesterday dropped to 100 degrees.

ATHLETICS IN QUESTION.

The abolition of all intercollegiate sports at Wisconsin may be brought before the next meeting of the faculty, in connection with the discussion of intercollegiate baseball. The same measure was recently voted on by the Minnesota senate and beaten by a large majority.

MANY NEW COURSES ADDED TO CURRICULUM

Doctor Morton Urges Women to Take Up New Commercial Subjects.

At least one course in every department is open to students entering the University in February. These consist of Outlines of English Literature, Industrial History, the freshmen Political Science major, and languages when a certain amount of them have been completed in high school.

Commercial Studies Greatist Commercial studies are offered in the greatest numbers with English and music a close second. The brand new commercial subjects brought from the East are to be tried out this semester. Practically all of them are open to women as well as men and are considered of great advantage to those wishing to teach commercial subjects in high schools or engage in business. Doctor Morton complains that very few women can be interested in his department when it would be of infinite value to them and add much to their earning capacity. The classes have grown so rapidly that the scope of the work had to be greatly increased. The new courses are open to all upperclassmen. One of the most highly recommended is that of Advertising which would put money in the pocket of any person with ability in that line.

Offers Course in Criminology Professor Bates is offering two new courses, Walt Whitman and Nineteenth Century Literary Criticism and Miss Perkins will give three hours a week of Chaucer. Professor Wheeler has added Psychology of Music, Professor Robbins, Criminology and Doctor Gilbert, History of Economic Thought.

The following studies are to be open in February: Architecture: Shades and Shadows, Perspective, Water Color, Pen and Pencil. Botany: Phenogamic Botany, Pure Food, Native Trees and Shrubs. Chemistry: Physiological Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry. Commerce: Resources and Foreign Commerce, Advertising and Business Law, Salesmanship, Methods of Commercial Teaching, Fire Insurance, Credits and Collections, Retail Selling, Sales, Management, Employment and Executive Accounting.

Economics: Economic and Social Reconstruction, Business Organization and Management, State Administration, History of Economic Thought, Banking and Crises, Criminology, Industrial History of the United States. Education: Organization of Common School Curricula, Philosophy of Education, Educational Hygiene. English: Victorian Poets, Morris, Teaching of English Literature, Browning, Walt Whitman, Nineteenth Century Literary Criticism, Chaucer, American Literature, Outlines of English Literature, English Composition. Fine Arts: Art Processes, Freehand Drawing. Geology: Paleontology, Field Geology. German: A great many courses all to be found in the catalogue. History: American Diplomacy, Middle Ages, European History. Journalism: Newspaper Management, Typographical Laboratory. Latin: Plautus and Livy, Latin Literature, Beginner's Latin. Law: Conflict of Laws, Damages, Criminal Law, Trusts. Mathematics: Theory of Investment, Trigonometry, Analytical Geometry, Advanced Algebra. Music: Rudiments of Conducting, Harmony, Formal Analysis, Fugal Analysis, Musical History. Philosophy: Present Day Thought, Introduction to Philosophy. Physics: Sound, Molecular Physics, Electron Theory, Essentials of Physics, General Physics. Political Science: European Governments, Political Theory, City Government. Psychology: Psychology of Music, Abnormal Psychology. Public Speaking: Freshman Public Speaking and Dramatic Interpretation. Zoology: Vertebrate Zoology, Bird Study, Vertebrate Paleontology, Mammalian Anatomy.

Mrs. Pennell has requested that the men should not hesitate to enter her classes as they are intended to interest any one. Professor Robbins will continue his six classes in Industrial History and make them open to new students. Last semester's work covered English History while the second part of the year will be devoted to the United States.

TO DANCE IN CAPITOL Students at the University of Wisconsin will use the state capitol for their junior prom. Many state officials will attend.

SENIORS. Senior class will meet in Deady hall tomorrow at 4 p. m. Mustache matters and trial to come up. Everybody out!

Co-ed Says It Is A "Slide for Life"

Fashion's Dictates Must be Passed Up on Special Occasions Advises Critique.

The Co-ed now attends her class, Her hair done in a slide, She is a nice engaging lass When her locks are loosely tied.

But Co-eds all, we hate to see That wide expanse of brow; We pray you in all loyalty, Pull down your hair right now.

We know you're game, a good sport too, And follow fashion's dictates, But style you know, from head to toe, Must slip up once, Collegiates.

You like new styles, we can't blame you, But Co-eds when you want a slide, O'relook your hair, hide it from view; The snow falls thickly just outside.

GOOD GAMES PLAYED IN SERIES YESTERDAY

Attendance Falls Off and Spectators Are a Meagre and Unenthused Bunch.

Yesterday's Scores Oregon Club, 18; Delta Tau, 12; Sigma Nu, 11; Kappa Sigma, 8; Phi Delt, 22; Iota Chi, 8; Sigma Chi, 14; A. T. O. 10.

Despite the fact that the attendance has fallen off since the game for the championship which was played last Wednesday between the Phi Delt and the Delta Taus there were some games played yesterday before a meagre and unenthused bunch of spectators.

The first one came hot off the bat and proved a thriller from the start to the finish. The Oregon Club beat the Delta Taus by an 18 to 12 score but it took fierce playing and five minutes overtime to turn the trick. Cellars was "on" again and nothing would stop him. If you want to talk about luck that is not luck, go to Jim. He was responsible for 12 of the 18 points, and practically responsible for pulling the game out of the coils for he threw a foul that tied the score just before the shot announcing the end of the game was fired. In the next five minutes of play the Club went at the game like the men meant business, and they scored 7 points to a lone 1 of their opponents.

Sigma Nu came back strong and showed "what stuff dreams are made of" by defeating the Kappa Sigas in a 11 to 8 game. The Sigma Nus are getting so they rely upon themselves to some extent, and the change is noticeable. Both teams fought hard, and at times one was reminded of a football game in which giants and midgets were participating. But even if the smaller men were whipped off their feet they still clung to the ball until the referees whistle sounded and a held ball was declared.

For about five minutes it looked like the Phi Delt were going to have some trouble in retaining their place at the top of the percentage column when they mixed with the Iota Chis, but they finally got over the effects of the "hop" and salted the game away with their eight others by a 22 to 8 score. Huntington grabbed 10 of their points, while Church added another 8, and Roberts made the rest.

Then the Sigma Chis and the A. T. O's tangled for the next to the last scrap of the series. It was a good interesting game and everyone present enjoyed it although it must be admitted that owing to the proximity of the eating hour there were few present for most of the time. There was nothing of special importance that occurred. It was just a good interesting game.

The Delta Tau-Fiji game will be played sometime in the near future and according to the dope the Delt will win. This will give them a .700 percentage and the Fijis one of .100 percent.

FACULTY WILL DRILL.

A faculty military society has been formed at Cornell University, and 48 members of the faculty have entered upon their first actual training in soldiering. The society is divided into three groups, one for the investigation of military history and policy, another for military drill and tactical instruction, and a third group for rifle practice.

SCINTILLATING SEASON OF BASKET BALL ENDS

Phi Delt's Grab Silver Mug With One Defeat by Betas and .900 Percentage.

CRITIC SUMMARIZES SCORES

First and Second Teams Are Selected. Sport Plays Havoc With Poor Players.

All-Doughnut Selections	
First Team.	Second Team
Farley	F..... Woods
McCready	F..... Cate
Roberts	C..... Nelson
Nelson	G..... Campbell
Butt	G..... Medley

(CHESTER FEE) The teams, as I see them, are the best possible combinations. Farley is a man that plays the ball well and can hit the baskets. He was one-point behind the high point winner, and played in only seven games. McCready is his logical partner, for he plays the floor in magnificent fashion and feeds the ball well. Besides he is not such a bad shot himself. Roberts would play the center position better than anyone else because his style of play fits in better. He is a good feeder, and basket shooter, always sacrificing the individual stuff for the team work, and the advantage accruing. C. Nelson is without doubt the best guard in the league. He is always on the ball and very few can take it away from him. And Butts the other guard is accurate in his passing, and also a fighter.

The second team would be almost as good as the first, and at times might be even better. But I believe that if each team were trained for a certain period of time that the first would develop into a far better team than the second.

There are other men that deserve mention. Furney, Delta Tau, would be the best player on the floor if he were able to see. He has the advantage over them all by being left handed, he can shoot from anywhere, and plays the floor; but as he is at present most of his work is individual, owing to his weak eyes. Scalfie, Furney's running mate, has also been playing a good game but is easily smothered by a fast, tight guard.

Cellars, Oregon Club, in the last three or four games, has developed into a good center, but owing to his showing at the first of the season, his selection would not be justified.

Howe, Kirk and Tourtelotte deserve mention for the guard positions. They all do their work well. Howe has played a consistent game all season, never stalling but always there. Kirk displayed some rare form in a couple of games, but was not in long enough. Tourtelotte covers the floor better than any man in the league, and is a scrapper.

The Doughnut League has emulated the Passing Show of 1915, and gone its way, carrying with it all the laughs and bruises. And with this resume even its memory will be lost to everyone except the Phi Delt, for they are the only people on the campus that have any tangible evidence of its past existence. They finished the series, along with seven other teams last night, with only one defeat chalked against them, and that by the Beta team which finished with a .600 per cent mark.

Anyone who can figure anything out of the columns of wins and losses will be a good computer and mystic, for after several attempts I have given it up as a more difficult task than to figure which tooth of a swift moving buzz-saw cut me. But I suppose that every team was subject to its off-days, for as a rule that is to be expected; in fact the defects of play were evident in many of the games when at other times the teams worked with accuracy and precision.

The series called for 55 games to be played. There is one remaining game, that between the Delt and the Fijis, which was postponed from January 20. The series was a success in one way but in another way it proved a failure of the most serious kind. Today there are at least four men laid up or out of the game permanently from various sorts of blood poisoning. Three of these are cases where infection came about in the foot and the other is a serious case of erysipelas. The cause of this trouble lies in the fact that the men were not in condition while so strenuously exercising in the games and therefore did not have the resistance to throw off the germs which they caught. To consider starting about 75 men, who had just returned from their Christmas vacations and had naturally dissipated to a greater or less degree, out upon a series of basketball games, where each man out of personal and

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