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THE OREGON EMERALD as the official organ of the Associated Student Body of the University of Oregon, aims to serve the student body politic in the following way: to diffuse correct and authentic news; to protect and conserve the highest ideals of the University; to consistently avoid all secret affiliations and alliances; to play the game squarely with no favoritism; to be optimistic and courageous in fulfilling its functions; to comment on, and receive comment on the problems concerning the University and its welfare; to pursue a constructive editorial policy which necessarily implies a destructive policy; in short, to pursue militantly a policy of proper publicity in regard to all problems that confront the Student Body—all of this, based on the truism that a democracy can be effective and efficient only so long as it maintains a free and militant press.

## Adding to a Plethora of Letters.

AMONG THE fads that invaded the campus this year is a veritable mania for letters, insignia and symbols, anything in fact to pin onto one's vest, and to add to the mosaic embroidered fronts that are now cluttered like an Indian's wampum jacket or Joseph's many-colored coat.

Early in the year, a well-intentioned student counsellor proposed that the editors of the Emerald and Oregon receive a pin similar to the insignia now given to forensic luminaries. While the Emerald feels proud at the recognition it received, it never did and cannot now fall in line with the proposed amendment, which was presented at last Wednesday's nominations.

The Emerald campaigned for a sweater and letter for the yell-leader, and met with some opposition, but the amendment passed. But there is a difference between the positions. In the first place the editorship of the Emerald is sufficient reward itself for hard, earnest work. Also the constitution provides that the editor and manager of the Emerald receive a reward of \$100, provided that the publication has netted that much in the year. Last year, 'tis true, the editor did not receive any remuneration and instead the Emerald accounts fell about \$100 short of breaking even. The remuneration is not even an assurance this year. In spite of this, however, the job is sufficient unto itself without adding to the weight of one's vest.

The principle is this: the more symbols given out, the less they represent. In elective positions we do not favor the granting of any symbols. Therefore, the Emerald recommends that the student electorate vote down the amendment to present editors of the Emerald and Oregon a forensic pin "O".

## Welcome, Ad-Men!

GLOOM WAS given its knock-out blow yesterday when a train-load of Portland ad-men visited the campus. Many members of the merry crew are not strangers on the campus, having been here to deliver lectures. On this occasion, however, all of the "good fellows" came and they let the students know that they were alive. The quartet and stunt-men were unparalleled in their lines, and humor and a general spirit of good-will saturated the campus. From what the University knows of the Portland Ad-men, they are a welcome crowd any old time. The sad tragedy of the week dampened the spirit of the students and prevented any concerted demonstration, but none is today inoculated with the spirit of the ad-men. Welcome again, all gloom from the campus. The campus, "peppless" before the visit is today inoculated with the spirit of the ad-men. Welcome again, ad-men!

## CAMPUS NOTES

Last Sunday dinner guests of Delta Tau Delta were Mr. and Mrs. Seth Laraway, Frances Golden, Leta Rhodes, Johanna Driscoll, Winifred Starbuck, Jaunita Wilkins and Delilah McDaniel.

Mrs. Alton H. Hampton, Miss Alicia McElroy, of Portland, and Mrs. June Reed Birkbeck, of New York, were Friday luncheon guests at the Alpha Phi house.

Mr. M. P. Roberts, of the Portland Ad club, who is an Alpha Tau Omega from Virginia, was a Friday dinner guest of Alpha Tau Omega.

Miss Gladys Miller, of the Gillespie schools, was a Thursday luncheon guest at the Chi Omega house.

Ruth Holmes, Eyla Walker, Roberta Schuebel and Alene Phillips are spending the week-end at Corvallis.

Walter Amspoker, ex-'17, of Riddle, is visiting at the Beta house.

Julia Platt, Myrtle Smith, Iva McMillan, Ann Dawson, Bernice Lucas, Laura Miller and Ruth Rothrock are spending the week-end at Corvallis.

Larue Blackaby, Leo Potter and Nellis Hamlin are spending the week-end at Corvallis.

George Gannon, of the Alpha Tau Omega house, is spending a few days in Portland.

Miss Goldsmith was a dinner guest of Mary Spiller hall Friday evening.

Dr. J. J. Staub, of Portland, visited the Kappa Sigma house Thursday.

Miss Winifred Forbes entertained Friday afternoon with an informal tea in honor of Mme. June Reed, violinist.

Marie Churchill is spending the weekend in Salem.

Ruth Ralston, Estelle Talmadge and Frances Mann are spending the weekend at O. A. C.

## COMMUNICATION

## SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Some of our boys got over-exuberant and went to uncalled for extremes in this year's edition of the Scarlet Sheet. There were some references therein which were too low-minded and vulgar to fit the boys who wrote it. Boys who are normally and regularly clean-minded and wholesome,

Since then some of our women have felt called upon to show their extreme purity by condemning without mercy this lapse of the editors.

We presume upon the basis that being without sin they are privileged to cast the stones; not the first stone alone but a succession of vindictive and rancorous rocks.

Thus the "pure" proceed to correct the evils of the world.

Perhaps a few remarks about self-righteousness might not come amiss.

To the pure in heart all things are pure. Those who are broad-minded and wholesome noticed the tone of the sheet with regret as being too vulgar for a college to issue. Then passed on to other and better topics with no desire to mete out dire punishment to the authors.

These recognize the mandate "Judge not" as being applicable to our daily lives and know it is reactive upon those who judge others. They also know that an impure thought finds a congenial home in impure minds which brings the suggestion that the mask censorous minds are perhaps not so very clean themselves, else the vulgarity would not have made so lasting an impression. The women of the University, while of the highest degree of morality, are not always as

broad and wholesome as might be desired.

They are not democratic as the men, taking it as a whole, showing an inclination in some to be exclusive—the mark of a petty mind—and worshipers of false idols, week-end parties and formal functions, as though society and her doings were an end and not a diversion from the sterner duties of life.

Perhaps these women had better sweep down their own cobwebs and forget the Scarlet Sheet. A CO-ED.

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