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Editorial

Special Sigma Delta Chi Edition

To the members of the regular Emerald staff we, the initiates of Sigma Delta Chi, owe the greater part of the results of this issue. With only three of us to edit the paper, much of the actual newsgathering had to be done by others. So we secured most of the regular Emerald staff to help us out, and they pitched in with a willingness and a desire to help that finally pulled us out of the hole. To those members who did special assignments yesterday we are especially indebted. They gave up the afternoon to us and under direction of Bob McNary, acting city editor, they took over the outline of the reportorial stall and landed us on top. To the classes in copy reading we also owe our thanks for their work. We take this way of expressing our gratitude for the help which they gave us.

THE VALUE OF COMPANIONSHIP.

THE WISE college student not only learns economics and psychology and such "book learnin'." He not only acquires the college yells and numerous letters after his name. He attains that art among arts—the ability to be a good companion.

Companionship! That's the thing that makes the strange road of the world a glad adventure, rather than a trial. Think of wandering down it alone! Think of meeting all its trials and its triumphs, its grim tests and its grimmer jests, with no one to rejoice or laugh or sorrow with you. It is an uncertain road into an unknown country at best, and few there are that can joyously fight their way along it alone.

Every friend gained in these four years—every companionship made—will be of value immeasurable by dollars and cents in the years to come. Let it so come about that in future days, when you meet an Oregon man or woman who went to school when you did, you will not only have Oregon in common—let there be an old companionship, too.

There are a thousand students in the University, and there is no reason why every one of the thousand should not know in some degree nine hundred and ninety-nine. And he who is wise, he who wishes to extract all the joy that he can from life, he who would succeed in whatever life work he undertakes, will not only have them as acquaintances, but will have as many as he can for companions and friends.

THE MISSOURI SYSTEM.

IF THE faculty is going to abide by the Missouri system in grading why not use this system through and through? Some instructors manage to shuffle their marks around enough so they can say they have lived up to the system; other instructors are frank about their markings, that is they grade by their own free will and not by the plan of some one back in Missouri. If all the class deserves F they receive F and if all the class make S they receive S.

One professor remarked that if all students made S grades they would receive them. Out of the 40 students in his class 12 received E and quite a number P. This was a case where no heed was paid to the Missouri system, which says that 50 per cent. of the students in a class shall receive M, 25 per cent. H and S, and 25 per cent. P and F. There are plenty of other cases like the one mentioned above; on in which nine students in a class of 20 received F, in another class of 77, H grades were given to 38, S grades to 30 and 9 received M grades. Where so many F's are given it is quite evident that a good percentage of the students receive P grades.

A SCRAPPING TEAM.

WE HAVE a basketball team that is scrapping hard for the honor of Oregon, but so far they haven't come out with the big end of the score. The lack of letter men, or even men experienced enough to fill their shoes is the cause for defeats.

The reason why Oregon is not winning her share of victories this season in basketball is because this sport as intercollegiate was laid aside for last year. Now it is revived and our boys are fighting to bag in at least one victory for Oregon.

Look at California in the case of football. They placed this sport of the shelf down there for a few years, and notice the result. California is now making remarkable efforts to revive the old sport. As soon as she finds her bearings we'll have a hard time putting one over on her.

1000 MARK PASSED.

THE 1000 mark has been reached. A total registration of 1028 is reported by the registrar's office, making this college year the most hopeful in a decade. For years it has been the hope of the students and faculty that our enrollment might reach the four figure mark.

Following our successful football season begins a new semester with the same level of enthusiasm. With a smile of conviction we remark, Bezdekally speaking: "We have a great State, a great University, a great President, a great Faculty, and a great Old Oregon Spirit."

NEBRASKA MAN TO SPEAK
Chas. Wm. Wallace, Lecturer on Shakespeare, to Address Assembly in Villard.

Karl Onthank, secretary to the president, has secured the services of Charles William Wallace, a former professor at the University of Nebraska and now lecturer on Shakespeare, for the assembly next Wednesday morning in Villard Hall.

Mr. Wallace has been in Europe and England for the past few years studying the problem of Shakespeare and doing research work along this line. He will arrive here on Wednesday morning bringing with him a number of slides illustrating his lecture.

The main subject will be "New Shakespearean Discoveries from English Archives."

Sigma Delta Chi to Initiate
Sigma Delta Chi, honorary journalistic fraternity will hold initiation at the Osborn, hotel Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and a banquet will follow at 4:30. Harold Hunt and R. A. Cronin of the Oregon Journal staff, who are to be initiated as honorary members, will arrive in Eugene Sunday morning. Robert McNary, Maurice Hyde and Harold Newton will also be initiated.

MASK AND BUSKIN
A. U. P. ELECTS MARTHA BEER

GIRLS AND SPRING
"Spring would be such dreary weather Were there nothing else but spring. Ad infinitum let us sing Rejoicing rollickingly whether We have love-sickness or spring-fever. Ah, springtime such a gay deceiver Makes Miss Mary Ordinary Look just like a beauteous fairy With a manner lithe and airy. When Miss Mary says, "Come to me; "I am Love, dear boy, come woo me," I, a slave of spring, believe her.

Girls and nature both conspire— Each with aromatic fire Kindles fierce my heart's desire. And my heart leaps high and higher, And I strike my "bloomin' lyre" Though I'm just a versifier.

LINCOLN AMERICAN
To be a good and true American— No nobler purpose ever filled a heart, But in our striving we must know a man Who almost like a God stands alone, apart From men who trample on the high ideal. We must know one whom we can call the Type That we should wish to be; we want to feel That national rebirth is only ripe When fervently we pray, "Our thanks we give To thee, O God, that Lincoln is our own; That loving him, we, too, know how to live— The truest soul our land has ever known."

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