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THE FRESHMAN DECISION

Members of the freshmen class deserve commendation for the way they have handled the frosh cap question.

Following the passage of a resolution by the student council which stated that a freshman should be classified by the months that he has attended the University of Oregon instead of the number of hours he had acquired the freshmen held a meeting and passed a resolution asking that the student council rescind its decree.

Yesterday the frosh thought better of their action and held a meeting at which the ringleaders for the discarding of frosh caps withdrew their opposition and fell in line with the majority who felt that they as freshmen should abide by the student council's decision.

This shows excellent spirit and good judgment on the part of the first year students. They will find that they have made no mistake, and that their class spirit and their love for their university will become more ironclad by such a decision.

In making the resolution the student council members gave the matter every consideration before they gave their final decision. The University could not be complete without a freshman class with freshman spirit. Dividing the class now would disrupt tradition, the freshman class, and University affairs in general. It is the opinion of many upperclassmen that the hours which were awarded to men returning from military service should be added to the men's hours in his senior year instead of now forming a foundation to start on. Unless the men graduate the awarded hours will be of no value to them.

OUR BUSINESS MANAGER

The Emerald staff regrets the inability of Lee Hulbert to continue his work as business manager of the paper. He has been an untiring worker for the publication and has had the interests of the paper ever uppermost in his mind. Only the fact that he must carry an extra heavy schedule of University work for the remaining two terms in order to graduate this year, caused him to hand in his resignation.

The position of business manager on the Emerald is equal in importance to the highest position on the staff. The financing of the paper in these times of high prices requires consistent effort and sacrifices every day.

To our new business manager, Warren Kays, we offer our congratulations at his choice and assure him that everyone feels certain that he will carry on the work of his predecessor in excellent style and successfully guide the business end of the Emerald through this very trying year.

THE EMERALD AND SUPPORT

Students of Oregon, it is up to you. If you want your student body paper to continue as it is you can make it possible by subscribing for it and giving it every ounce of your support in the subscription drive which will be held Tuesday. If you want the paper to become a semi-weekly publication, decreased in size or suspended, you can make it such by failing to subscribe for it and letting the call for support go unheeded.

The system which has been in force for the past many years on the campus demands that students subscribe voluntarily instead of automatically becoming a subscriber by paying an Emerald tax with registration fees. While it is a fact that every student on the campus reads the Emerald there are over 600 of them who are not paid subscribers.

Commensurate with this truism stands the fact that the Emerald is paying a price for printing which is fully 25 per cent over the price paid last year. Everywhere newspapers are finding the same condition and are advocating higher advertising rates and smaller papers. The Emerald is no exception and has felt the increased cost of publication.

The Emerald is self-supporting. It gets no financial aid from the student body. Not a person on the staff from the editor to the lowest cub reporter receives one cent of pay for his services on the paper. Instead every member of the staff makes sacrifices, and big ones too, in order that the paper can be a success.

Eugene business men are daily finding the value of the Emerald as an advertising medium, but in a city the size of Eugene with its two daily papers, high school publications and other University periodicals demanding advertising it follows that the Emerald cannot get a large enough share to exist on advertising alone. It must have a subscription fund to fall back upon in these days when each edition of the paper costs more than the greatest amount of advertising obtainable can cover.

Six hundred subscriptions will assure the continuance of the sheet on its present basis. The staff in launching the subscription drive are not doing so with the idea of charity in view. If the paper will not survive on its merits alone it will be suspended. Every student should be a subscriber. He will get his money's worth. By asking those students to subscribe who have not already done so the charity motive is obliterated. It is simply offering them a chance to come to the aid of their paper with as much spirit as they support our athletic teams.

Y. M. C. A. CABINET MEETS

Robbins Outlines Program Plans for Discussion Groups

The first meeting of the University Y. M. C. A. cabinet was held Thursday and the program for this term was outlined. The cabinet voiced its unanimous support to the program which was presented by Professor E. C. Robbins of the executive committee. This outline was of discussion groups on the subjects of biology, philosophy and psychology and their relations to practical Christianity. The lectures will be given by members of the faculty and will be held in such a way that questions can be asked. These lectures promise to be very interesting, and as soon as the dates are set, announcements of the subjects will be made.

The problem of entertainments was discussed and a committee appointed to co-operate with the Y. W. C. A. to arrange for a social evening. Mission study will begin soon and a prospectus for the courses will be given out at the Vesper Service on Sunday afternoon.

BACHELORDON PLEDGES 4

Bachelordon announces four new pledges for the quarter, Joe Mizner of Mill City, Leo Cossman of Creswell and Paul Patterson and Albert U. Combes, both of Portland.

East to Meet West in Rifle Meet
The Stanford Rifle club has arranged to meet Harvard in a dual contest March 30.

FIGURES SHOW 1,725 STUDENTS ENROLL AT OREGON IN 1919-20

Gain 58.8 Per Cent Over Last Year; 656 of Total Are Freshmen

The University has enrolled for regular work on the campus at Eugene for the year of 1919-1920 a total of 1725 students with a gain of 54.8 per cent over the registration of the year 1918-1919, according to a report just compiled in the registrar's office. Of this number 935 students are men and 790 are women. The registration for the year 1918-1919 showed that 565 of the students were men and 549 were women, making a total of 1114 students. In these figures the enrollment of the medical, music, correspondence or summer school students were not included.

The enrollment of the present year is distributed as to classes as follows: The freshman class has 316 men and 341 women, making a total of 657 students; the sophomores have 231 men and 172 women with a total of 403; the junior class has 172 men and 133 girls, with a total of 305 students; the senior class has 111 men and 84 women, with a total number of 195 students. There are 85 men and 46 women, making a total of 131 students who are taking special work; and 20 men and 14 women, a total of 34, who are taking graduate work.

The medical school in Portland has registered 107 students for the year 1919-1920, a gain of 36 over last year's registration. The school of music has registered 263 students, while 165 were registered last year in that department. The extension division students have 702 in their department this year, a gain of 274 students over last year's number. There are 316 students enrolled in the correspondence school. The summer school in Eugene last summer enrolled 396 students. A total number of these enrolled in departments other than the regular academic departments in Eugene is 2327, of which number 207 are music students who are also listed with the regular academic students.

A complete total of University students in all departments is 3845, of which number 1725 are students in the regular departments at Eugene, and 2120 are students in the schools of music and medicine, summer school, extension and correspondence classes.

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