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## WELCOME.

Journalists of Oregon, your University welcomes you. That your visit may be both profitable and enjoyable is the wish of the Emerald and of every Oregon student. While you are here, you are invited to live again with us, to join us at play and at work, and to carry back with you a true conception of the life and ideals of students of your University.

You may have noticed before that the breach of the past between the students of higher educational institutions and active participants in the affairs of the world has been for the most part wiped away. College men and women are preparing for business and professional lives, and they are testing their abilities while they are here.

Again you are having an opportunity to observe your University, and you can find out for yourselves what is being accomplished here. The University of Oregon is your University, because as a citizen of the state, your confidence in Oregon institutions of higher education has made the University what it is today. In the newspaper men of the state, Oregon has found real, strong, steadfast friends.

You are among us now, and as the routine of college life cannot be interrupted, you will be students with the rest of us. Oregon students will be glad to renew old friendships, and to form new ones.

Oregon students say "Hello," in greeting or in meeting friends, and so we say "Hello" to you.

Tonight, Oregon plays its first varsity basketball game of the season. Townspeople are to be our guests, both tonight and tomorrow night, and we must show to them that we appreciate their support of University athletics by being present ourselves. Let's start the basketball season right by loyal support given to our team tonight in their first game. You want to see a little "Oregon spirit," know that tonight and tomorrow night, the old spirit gets its first real send-off this year. The basketball team will need every ounce of spirit it is possible for us to give them. We'll be there tonight!

The action of the freshman class in changing the date of the Frosh Glee in order to allow an open night for the O. A. C.-Oregon basketball game is commendable. It doesn't take a good class long to get into the swing of things here and to annex their share of Oregon spirit. It is deplorable that the basketball game and the all-University dance were scheduled for the same night, but since that happened it is fortunate for Oregon that the freshmen had enough spirit to give way.

## PRAISE LITERARY WORK

Mable Holmes Parsons and Edison Marshall Attract Press Comment.

Oregon faculty and students are well represented in the literary world this year. Mrs. Mable Holmes Parsons, a member of the faculty doing work with the extension division in Portland, has had printed by the Stratford Publishing company, a book of poems, "Pastels and Silhouettes." The Portland Spectator remarks in its issue of January 8th that "Mrs. Parsons is winning recognition in the east. She has long been known in this part of the country for her clever, imaginative writings, stories, one-act plays, and verse."

Edison Marshall a student here a few years ago, and member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, is also helping making Oregon famous. His latest novel, "The Strength of the Pines" is a thrilling story of the wild mountain life in Oregon at the time of the feuds. There have been many favorable criticisms of this work in the east, and perhaps that most noteworthy is the following from the Philadelphia Press: "Marshall's work recalls the atmosphere of Jack London's stories of the wild and some of Rex Beach's most thrilling tales."

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## Announcements

**Lab Fees.** — Laboratory fees are now due and payable. A delinquent fee of \$1 will be charged after January 18.

**Freshmen Women.** — Those who have not signed up for physical examinations are urged to do so at once, at the secretary's office in the women's building. Examinations should be taken this week.

**Advertising Class.** — The class in advertising will not meet Friday. Instead, all members of the class are expected to attend the meeting of the Newspaper Conference which begins at 9 o'clock Friday a. m. The subject of this session of the conference is "Advertising," and a number of matters will be presented in the papers and in the discussions that are of importance and interest to the members of the class. If possible, students will obtain permission to be absent from other classes held Friday morning. Copious notes should be taken of the addresses. W. F. G. THACHER.

**Found.** — Recently found in the library — 1 man's watch, 2 purses containing small amounts of money, 1 sweater, rubbers. Owners may claim same by calling at the office of the librarian in the basement.

**Executive Management.** — Nine o'clock class in executive management will meet on Monday and not on Friday from now on. Class will meet on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in future.

**Science Club.** — A meeting of the Science Club will be held in the Chemistry lecture room of McClure hall next Tuesday night. J. H. Prnett will talk on "Meteorology in the War." All are welcome.

**Reception.** — The announcement made in the assembly yesterday that the informal reception for Mrs. Sherwood Eddy will be held in the afternoon was a mistake and the committee wishes to announce that the reception will be held in the Y. W. C. A. directly after the meeting held in Villard hall this evening.

**Frosh-Glee.** — The date for the Frosh-Glee has been changed from February 11 to February 4, as there is to be a basketball game with O. A. C. on the 11th.

## WHAT THE OLD GRADS ARE DOING.

C. N. McArthur, better known as 'Pat' McArthur, who took his degree at Oregon in 1901, has been a member of congress since 1915, as representative from the third district. He proved his ability while still in college by holding an astounding number of executive positions such as president of the A. S. U. O., president of his class, manager of track, and of football, and editor of the school publication. After graduation his career was varied. He was a reporter, farmer, lawyer, secretary to the governor, and speaker of the house respectively. He was married in 1913 to a Portland girl.

## INVESTIGATION MADE OF CONDITION GRADE

### 57 Colleges Follow Practice of Below Passing Mark.

A study of the catalogs of 57 institutions of collegiate rank to determine their practice in awarding grades below passing shows that 37 follow the Oregon practice of awarding a grade of condition, according to a report compiled by Miss Grace Edgington, assistant professor of rhetoric.

The investigation was made in connection with a controversy which is now going on in the faculty as to the merits and justice of awarding more than two grades between V and failure. All rightful cases are amply cared for by the grades of incomplete and withdrawn, in the opinion of some of the instructors, and any other grades are considered illogical and unnecessary.

In nearly all of the 37 institutions which award a grade of condition it is the common practice to hedge the grade in one of four ways: the mark following the re-examination must be considerably higher than passing to be counted at all; a fee must be paid for the privilege of re-examination; only the lowest passing grade is given even if the paper writer warrants more; or credit points are subtracted from the number already earned.

Ten of the institutions have no grade below passing listed in their catalogs. Twenty-five of the 57 have three grades below passing and it appears that 18 have two such grades. The incomplete is commonly the one missing with those which have but two marks.

The four grades found in the survey were condition, failure, incomplete, and absence. Marks for absence are given for absence from examination or excessive absence in recitation periods in the case of a few institutions.

No definite movement is on foot in the faculty to abolish the grade of condition and the investigation was made for the purpose of obtaining general information on the subject.

## FIVE MEN INITIATED IN SIGMA DELTA CHI

Honorary Members Are Taken In By Local Chapter Following Banquet at Osburn Yesterday Eve.

Five new honorary members were taken into Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalism last night. A banquet at the Osburn preceded the initiation. The new members of the local chapter are all attending the newspaper conference to be held on the campus this week-end.

Robert W. Sawyer, publisher of the Bend Bulletin, Merle Chessman, editor of the Astoria Budget, Elbert Bede, editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel, Charles Fisher, editor of the Eugene Daily Guard, and E. E. Brodie, editor of the Oregon City Enterprise are the new members who were initiated last night.

Several alumni members of the local chapter attended the initiation.

**STUDENT STEALS; EXPELLED.**  
A student at the University of Illinois was permanently expelled for turning in stolen military equipment at the Army.

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