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## THE SEVEN-YEAR MEDICAL COURSE.

Today a plan for a seven-year medical course will be submitted to the faculty of the University for approval. In all probability the plan will be endorsed, as it has already been passed on by the faculty of the medical school in Portland.

Few students realize the importance of the new plan, and the effect which it will have on the University of Oregon. The medical school of the University has been promised financial aid by an eastern philanthropic institution, and the seven-year course is but one step in the plan to make the medical school of the University one of the best in the country and Portland a medical center for the entire northwest.

Under the plan proposed, the medical school, located on Marquam hill in Portland, is to be a nucleus for the medical center. Already the Multnomah county hospital is located there, and plans have already been made for specialized hospitals on the hill. No other medical school will rank with the foremost of the country, and its graduates will be qualified to practice anywhere, or to continue into research work. It is another step being taken by the University to raise the standards of the school.

The two game basketball series with O. A. C. this weekend should draw a fair sized crowd of loyal Oregon rooters to Corvallis. When Oregon Fight mixes with the Corvallis brand of ball, there is bound to be something doing.

## 'WEIGHTED SYSTEM' MAY BE INTRODUCED

### Miss Edgington Describes New Grading Method.

Miss Grace Edgington, assistant professor of rhetoric, in a report of the "weighted system" of grading, before the faculty colloquium Tuesday afternoon, stated that such a system may be introduced at Oregon.

She told of the examination of the catalogs of 53 colleges and universities and disclosed the fact that fifty per cent of the institutions weight their grades in some manner. "The term weighting grades is understood here to mean putting a premium on good grades; putting a penalty on poor grades, or both," explained Miss Edgington.

"Those institutions that do state a restriction as to the quality of work required as well as the quantity for a degree, are: Arizona, Indiana, Kentucky, Minnesota, Nevada, Nebraska, Montana, Ohio University, Amherst, Washington, Wyoming, Augustana, Butler, Brown, Cornell, Dartmouth, De Pauw, Drake, Maine, Hamline, Grinnell, Rutgers, Simmons, Oberlin, Pacific University and Haverford, while those that apparently do not weight are: California, Kansas, Idaho, Florida, North Dakota, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Ohio, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Emory, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Tulane, Notre Dame, North Carolina, Trinity, Alabama, Cincinnati, Coucher, Temple, Lafayette, Mills and Princeton."

According to Miss Edgington's report, there are four methods of weighting grades. DePauw is typical of the first, ruling that students must accumulate

credit points with their credit hours. Commonly, the best passing grade gives three credit points and the lowest passing grade none. The scholarship demanded then depends upon the ratio of credit points to credit hours demanded. The commonest number of credit points when the lowest passing grade grants no credit points is the same as the number of credit hours.

Washington is typical of the second method, which states that a certain per cent of the hours earned must be better than the lowest passing grade. A common standard of this is 75 per cent.

The third method is in effect at Missouri. This system, in brief, is that medium grade work earns a base number of credits; better than medium gets more hours credit; inferior work, even though passing, discounts.

The fourth, which is used at Drake, is a combination of the first and third, awarding credit points for superior grades and subtracting points for conditions and failures.

## WORKS OF FAIRBANKS EXHIBITED THIS WEEK

"Idaho Doughboy" and Other Pieces by Famous Sculptures on Exhibition.

The "Idaho Doughboy," one of Avard Fairbanks' best pieces of work is on exhibition in his studio this week. This piece of sculpture statue was praised by Lorado Taft as being one of the best works of its kind he had ever seen. Mr. Taft is one of the leading American authorities on sculpture today, and has complimented Mr. Fairbanks very highly on his work.

The statue of the Pierrepont Baby, another of Mr. Fairbanks' works, is internationally known and has been accepted in the Salon of Paris, the National Art Academy of Design in New

## Announcements

**European Trip.**— There will be a meeting of all those interested in the European trip, in Dean Straub's office Thursday at 7:15.

**Oratorical Contest.**— All those who are interested in the Washington-Stanford-Oregon triangular oratorical contests, to be held here in March, are requested to see Professor Michael as soon as possible.

**Notice.**— Torch and Shield deprived of social functions by action of social affairs committee.

**Inter-sorority Debate.**— Meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock in Professor Crockett's room.

**Christian Science Society.**— Will meet in room 11 of the education building at 7:15 p. m., this evening, (Thursday.) The University public is invited.

**Feature Dance.**— A mistake was made in yesterday's announcement of the Frosh Glee program which appeared in the Emerald. The eighth dance, a waltz, is the feature dance, instead of between the eighth and ninth dances.

**Sigma Delta Chi.**— Meeting tonight, (Thursday) at 7:30 at the Anchorage.

**Faculty Meeting.**— Regular faculty meeting will be held today at 4 o'clock. Plan for giving more credit toward graduation for high grades will be discussed. Also reports of committees and other routine business.

## ALPHA PHI LEADING ALL OTHER HOUSES

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- 20. Sigma Chi .....3.85
- 21. Zeta Rho Epsilon .....3.90
- 22. Delta Zeta .....3.916
- 23. Alpha Tau Omega .....3.917
- 24. Kappa Sigma .....3.95
- 25. Phi Delta Theta .....4.00
- 26. Phi Gamma Delta .....4.14
- 27. Phi Sigma Pi .....4.15
- 28. Sigma Alpha Epsilon .....4.16
- 29. Bachelordon Club .....4.18
- 30. Delta Theta Phi (Law) .....4.24
- 31. Beta Theta Pi .....4.32

For the spring term of last year Sigma Delta Phi led the list and Sigma Nu were at the bottom. Here are the grades for the spring term, 1920:

- 1. Sigma Delta Phi .....2.63
- 2. Pi Beta Phi .....2.97
- 3. Kappa Kappa Gamma .....3.07
- 4. Alpha Phi .....3.12
- 5. Delta Gamma .....3.18
- 6. Friendly Hall .....3.20
- 7. Alpha Delta Pi .....3.21
- 8. Hendricks Hall .....3.22
- 9. Gamma Phi Beta .....3.29
- 10. Delta Tau Delta .....3.39
- 11. S-Maralda .....3.50
- 12. Alpha Tau Omega .....3.523
- 13. Kappa Alpha Theta .....3.526
- 14. Delta Delta Delta .....3.527
- 15. Owl Club .....3.54
- 116. Chi Omega .....3.68
- 17. Beta Theta Pi .....3.76
- 18. Kappa Sigma .....3.83
- 19. Delta Psi .....3.84
- 20. Phi Delta Theta .....3.90
- 21. Sigma Alpha Epsilon .....3.92
- 22. Phi Gamma Delta .....3.99
- 23. Sigma Chi .....4.00
- 24. Bachelordon .....4.13
- 25. Sigma Nu .....4.14

York, the International Exposition of Sculpture, the Panama Exposition, the Chicago Art Institute, and the Carnegie Institute. The statue he has on exhibition is a little bronze cast.

There are some very interesting photographs of work that Mr. Fairbanks has done. He has a portrait study of Hazel Dawn the motion picture actress, and a wonderful study of a typical Hawaiian type.

He also has a new piece of work nearly finished which he may send east later. Dr. Sawyer's small daughter is the subject and it is a very lifelike piece of sculpturing.

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## SHELDON TO SELECT TOPICS FOR INQUIRY

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said Dean Sheldon. Many members of the faculty of the department have been in charge committees, and two years ago Dean Sheldon was president of the association. One delegate from the University is appointed each year by the president.

## THE INQUIRING REPORTER

An Emerald reporter asks several persons taken at random, a question. The replies are published:

Yesterday's question, "Have you any

faith in the ground hog as a weather prophet?"

Velma Farnham who guides her frosh sisters through the winding paths of life in Hendricks hall: "Believe in it, I believe in it as thoroughly as I believe in impending bad luck if a black cat crosses my path and I would stake my fortune on that." The inquiring news hound is wondering "Are all frosh as superstitious as that?"

Miss Gertrude Talbot: "I do not believe in any kind of prophet so far as Oregon weather is concerned."

Professor W. F. G. Thacher: "I do not believe in anything that is liable to condemn us to any more bad weather."

Jennie Perkins, senior in journalism: "I have never seen a ground hog,

therefore I have no faith in the gentleman," was the way she revealed her lack of superstition.

Dr. E. S. Conklin, professor of psychology: "I have more faith in myself as a weather prophet than in any ground hog. It is always easy to prophesy Oregon weather, if it is raining the sun is going to shine and if the sun is shining it is going to rain."

Ray Vester, manager of the Emerald: "I have no faith in the idea, none whatever. No I do not pride myself on not being superstitious, I simply do not discount myself that much."

"We do not believe in the ground hog at the Phi Sigma Pi house," said "Bill" Bolton. "However out of respect we are going to have sausage for dinner tonight."

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