

THETAS LEAD ALL CAMPUS GROUPS IN FALL GRADES

Alpha Sigmas and Alpha Phis
Come Second and Third in
House Averages

MEN HEADED BY FRIENDLY

Fijis Top 16 Fraternities With
Standing of 3.50; Women
Retain Honors

Kappa Alpha Theta leads the list of the fall term house grades with an average of 2.94. Alpha Sigma has second honor with an average of 2.97, and Alpha Phi is third with an average of 2.98, according to statistics given out from the office of the registrar yesterday evening. Friendly Hall again heads the men's organizations, this time with an average of 3.26. Phi Gamma Delta is second in the men's group, leading the fraternities on the campus with an average of 3.50. Beta Theta Pi is second in the fraternities with 3.58.

The fall term averages caused quite a shake-up in the rating of the spring term of 1922. For the past nine months, the Alpha Chi Omegas have been at the top of the University grade list. Their average for the fall term places them fourth in the list, there being but one point between the Alpha Chi Omegas and the Alpha Phis. Likewise, there is but one point difference between the standing of the Alpha Phis and the Alpha Sigmas. Friendly Hall leads the men's organizations for the fourth consecutive time.

Women's Average 3.25

The average of all the women's houses is 3.25, and of the men's houses, 3.71. The general average of all the houses is 3.47. In the spring term the women's average was 3.18, the men's was 3.58, and the general average was 3.37.

A striking feature of the grade line-up which appears below is the fact that the last 15 organizations in the group of 34 listed are all men's. Following is the average for the houses as compiled by the office of the registrar:

1. Kappa Alpha Theta.....	2.94
2. Alpha Sigma.....	2.97
3. Alpha Phi.....	2.98
4. Alpha Chi Omega.....	2.99
5. Pi Beta Phi.....	3.08
6. Delta Delta Delta.....	3.15
7. Thacher Cottage.....	3.17
8. Kappa Kappa Gamma.....	3.25
9. Friendly Hall.....	3.26
10. Delta Zeta.....	3.28
11. Gamma Phi Beta.....	3.30
12. Tau Nu.....	3.31
13. Hendricks Hall.....	3.32
14. Alpha Delta Pi.....	3.34
15. Delta Gamma.....	3.35
16. Susan Campbell.....	3.39
17. Chi Omega.....	3.43
18. Phi Gamma Delta.....	3.50
19. Alpha Xi Delta.....	3.53
20. Beta Theta Pi.....	3.58
21. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	3.62
22. Kappa Theta Chi.....	3.66
23. Phi Sigma Pi.....	3.71
24. Alpha Tau Omega.....	3.73
25. Phi Delta Theta.....	3.75
26. Delta Tau Delta.....	3.77
27. Sigma Nu.....	3.80
28. Kappa Sigma.....	3.83
29. Alpha Beta Chi.....	3.85
30. Sigma Chi.....	3.90
31. Delta Theta Phi.....	3.93
32. Kappa Delta Phi.....	4.06
33. Chi Psi.....	4.08
34. Bachelordon.....	4.12
Women's average.....	3.25
Men's average.....	3.71
General average of houses.....	3.47

CORSAGE ACTION IS VOTED DOWN

INDIVIDUAL HOUSES MUST MAKE
CHOICE IN MATTER

Interfraternity Council Will Commend
Organizations Doing Away With
Unnecessary Expense

Members of the interfraternity council at the regular meeting last night voted down the motion to put the council on record as being opposed to the giving of corsages, the consensus of opinion being that it should be up to the individual houses to decide this question. As an indication that the group is opposed to all unnecessary expense, a resolution was passed to the effect that houses deciding to do away with corsages should be commended.

Another question taken up by the council last night—a question in line with a sentiment now prevalent on the campus—was relative to the isolation of the student group from the current affairs of the world. The belief was expressed that discussion groups should be formed on the campus, and a proposal by Professor Justin Miller that members of the faculty give weekly half-hour talks before the members of the various living organizations was adopted.

A resolution was passed in favor of taking cross-country racing and boxing from the list of intramural sports. It was brought out, that ten different intramural sports take too much time from the individual members of the houses and that no practical value is gained from them. A letter will be sent to the school of physical education recommending that the sports be taken from the intramural schedule.

MARKED CHANGES MADE IN STAFF OF EMERALD

Campus Daily Will Have More
gauge for University Data

Changes in the Emerald staff and selection of several new reporters were made yesterday by the editors, and the renovated masthead appears for the first time in this morning's paper. One of the most marked alterations in the staff is the creation of the information bureau, headed by Rosalia Keber, formerly on the reporter staff. Miss Keber, who has named Maybelle King and Pauline Bondurant as her assistants, is now supervising the building up of a newspaper "orgue" for the Emerald and every item pertaining to campus activities or individuals will be filed away for reference.

Jessie Thompson, senior in the school of journalism, is now copy desk supervisor of the Emerald. She instructs the copy readers and supervises the copy desk for a period each afternoon. Rachael Chezem, formerly exchange editor, is news service editor and later will select two assistants. It is planned to run a column of condensed news from other colleges twice each week hereafter. Harold Shirley, formerly one of the news service editors, has been transferred to the sport staff.

Ted James has been transferred from the staff of night editors to the daily editors, being replaced by Leon Byrne, formerly on the sport staff. Freda Goodrich is the addition to the group of daily editors, taking the place temporarily of Don Woodward, who will be busy with Oregon work during the next month.

Several members of last term's staff have not returned to school or have resigned because of conflicting work. Persons included in this group are Hugh Starkweather, Mabel Gilham, and Jane Campbell. Jeanne Gay is not in school this term, but will act as mediator.

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HOUSES REDUCE HAZARD OF FIRE, SAYS INSPECTOR

Fraternity Dwellings Declared
by State Marshal Safer
Than Two Years Ago

ALL PREMISES ARE VISITED

Suggestions Made to Reduce
Danger; Wiring Found
Source of Peril

Fire hazards in the fraternities and sororities on the Oregon campus are not so great as they were two years ago, Deputy State Fire Marshal Horace Sykes said yesterday. Mr. Sykes, with Deputy Fire Marshal James S. Gleason conducted a thorough investigation of the fire hazards in all the Greek letter organizations yesterday.

The greatest fire dangers, according to Mr. Sykes, were found in paper-strewn basements, especially in the sororities, where the women are careless about putting waste paper in the rubbish boxes and also in the use of electric irons and electric hairdressing articles. The men's houses, Mr. Sykes said, the conditions were not so bad, although the outstanding possible fire hazard in the fraternities was found to be in the use of cigarettes and more so in the careless electrical wiring for lighting purposes.

Chute Adds to Hazard

Overloaded circuits were found to be a common hazard in all the organizations because of the great amount of electrical appliances used. In one house which provides a paper chute from the top floor to the basement, Mr. Sykes discovered that paper thrown in at the top floor was scattered about the basement, thus inviting a serious fire because the chute would act as a draught and chimney for the flames to spread through the house. During his inspection yesterday Mr. Sykes found evidence of two fires resulting from improper fire protection to the timbers beneath the fireplace hearth.

"The worst hazard in any house is the human fire hazard," Mr. Sykes declared. By this he meant the personal carelessness of the inhabitants of the building. A feeling that every fire proof house free from fire causes a spirit of overconfidence among the members of the house and they become careless because of the feeling that safety is believed to be provided for in a building of this kind which in reality is not wholly fireproof.

As a remedy and a means to prevent fires in the fraternities, Mr. Sykes suggested that every house head should appoint a member of the house as house fire marshal who would look after the fire conditions in the building and to inspect the house frequently.

The students have shown a splendid spirit of cooperation with the inspectors, Mr. Sykes said, and are anxious to do anything to provide adequate measures for house fire safety.

Since the last inspection two years ago when conditions were much worse than at present, a noticeable number of fire escapes have been provided by the houses in fulfillment of a recommendation by the fire marshal at that time that the houses add more fire escapes to the buildings.

Mr. Sykes and Mr. Gleason are making this investigation at the request of the University administration.

WOMEN DEBATE O. A. C.

Frances Simpson Is Given Position on
Girls' Varsity Team

The girls' varsity debate team now consists of Lurline Coulter, Margaret Duerner, Frances Simpson and May Fenno. Frances Simpson, one of the Susan Campbell hall debaters, takes the place of Eugenia Strickland, who was first chosen for the team.

These girls will meet the O. A. C. team on February 27, on the question, "Resolved, that the United States should cancel the allied war debts of France, Italy and Belgium."

Mr. Thorpe and Elaine Cooper are coaching the teams and report that the girls are working hard.

CODE CONTEST ENDS FEB. 27

A ten-dollar reward seems to have but little appeal to the University women when it comes to writing a suitable code of ethics for them, according to the committee in charge of the ethics code contest now being conducted. February 27 is the last day on which any paper on the subject may be turned in, but as yet very few have handed in any suggestions or codes. All material should be handed in at Dean Straub's office.

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Request for More Alumni on Council To Be Investigated

Activities Committees Declared Cumbersome;
Student Group Appoints Body for Working Out
Revision of Constitution for Approval at Special
A. S. U. O. Election in Early Part of March

A move on the part of the alumni of the University for greater representation on the executive council was recognized by the student council last night. Letters protesting against the present organization have been received from many alumni. As a result the council appointed a committee to re-write the constitution, for approval of the students at an election early in March. The committee consists of Owen Callaway, chairman, Kenneth Youel, and Ellen McVeigh.

Under the present constitution there is but one representative of the alumni on the council. Until the old athletic board was abolished in 1920 the alumni had a greater part in the affairs of the University. When the change was made it was thought that graduates did not care for further representation, but recent indications do not seem to bear out this fact, according to Owen Callaway, chairman of the committee. Those who are protesting bring out the point that in other colleges alumni have a larger proportionate representation. Dr. Delbert Stannard is the present alumni representative. There are now six students, four faculty members, and one alumnus on the council.

Callaway told the student council that the present system of activities was ineffectual and that they should be

reorganized. Other members of the council expressed themselves as believing that the committees were too unwieldy, and involved too much organization. Although it was left up to the committee what the remedy should be, it was the feeling that the committees should be centralized to a greater degree. Members of the council expressed the opinion that instead of a committee for every sport and every activity there should be about three main committees which should handle everything and be more closely responsible to the executive council.

There are a number of other proposals to change the constitution before the student body. These proposals will be incorporated in the revised constitution for the student vote. Among the proposals for change is the provision to make the yell leader a member of the student council, which was brought up last term. A number of changes in the women's athletic rules will be included. Other changes which have come up before the council and which will be acted upon by this committee are the proposal to change the track awards, the provision for the granting of a letter to members of victorious cross-country teams, and a

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AGGIE QUINTET HOLDS LEAD IN CONFERENCE

Oregon Tied With Vandals for
Third Place in Hoop Race

Northwest Conference Standings

	W. L.	Pct.
Oregon Aggies.....	6	1 .858
Washington.....	5	1 .833
Idaho.....	4	3 .571
Oregon.....	4	3 .571
Whitman.....	3	3 .500
Washington State.....	3	3 .500
Montana.....	2	3 .333
Pacific.....	1	4 .200
Willamette.....	0	7 .000

Oregon took a big drop in the Conference standings this week as a result of the defeats by both O. A. C. and W. S. C., and instead of being tied for first place as she was last week, has now dropped to a tie for third place with Idaho. The men were in a slump for both of these games, and as they both were very important it is hard to see just how the Varsity will be able to win enough games on their northern trip to put them back in the running for conference honors.

The Aggies have all the earmarks of a championship team this year, and in both the games with Oregon showed superior ability to locate the basket, and seemed also to be in better condition. Since they walloped Washington State last night by a 24 to 14 score it seems that they will be hard to stop, as Washington seems to be the only strong contender at present and the Aggies have already beaten the Huskies once and should be able to do it again.

Washington may also drop a few notches in the standings this week, as they play Idaho on the Moscow floor, and the Vandals haven't lost a game on their own floor yet this year. Washington also meets Whitman on this trip, and the Missionaries may pull a big surprise and hand the Huskies a beating, although this is rather doubtful.

The Varsity still has a chance to redeem itself though, for by handing the Aggies a defeat here on Friday night, and then winning all the games on the northern trip it would be able to come out pretty close to the lead in the conference, but another defeat will pro-

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ACTIVITY SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Friday: Wrestling, Oregon vs. O. A. C., 3 p. m. in Men's gym. Basketball, Frosh vs. Rooks, 4:30 in Men's gym. Basketball, Varsity vs. O. A. C., 7:15 in Armory. Frosh Glee, 9:00 in Woman's building.

Saturday: Frosh vs. Rooks, 4:30 in Men's gym. Varsity vs. O. A. C., 7:15 in Armory.

NEAR EAST CRISIS DR. CLARK'S TALK IN VILLARD TODAY

Noted Historian and Lecturer
Will Address Students at
Weekly Assembly

MANY ATTEND MEETINGS

Various Groups Hear Talks by
Authority; War in Europe
Highly Probable

A general exposition of the problems of the Near East and their relation to the problems of Europe and the United States will be the subject of Dr. Charles Upson Clark who will speak before the University assembly in Villard hall this morning. This topic is of current interest, because of the Lausanne conference which is being held at the present time in an attempt to solve these very problems.

Dr. Clark characterizes the action of the powers participating in the Lausanne conference as "bluffing." He does not believe, however, that such a characterization of the situation immediately relieves the Near East tangle of danger, he thinks that the game of "bluffing" is exceedingly like playing with fire in a closely packed powder room.

"I look for the imminent war to rise in the Near East," he says.

Dr. Clark also regards the presence of the militarist element in Constantinople with uneasy eye.

"I know the militarist in various nations and among numerous peoples," said Dr. Clark, "and I do not think that his presence in Constantinople during the present period of tenseness helps the situation any."

Gives Three Lectures

Today is Dr. Clark's second day on the University campus. Yesterday he devoted to a foundation lecture on the geographical outlines of Europe, an historical lecture on Rome, as the capital of the Caesars, and an evening lecture on the art and architecture of south-eastern Europe.

Today, in addition to his speech before the University assembly, Dr. Clark will lecture to all upperclass students in the school of journalism on "How Propaganda Works; the Greatest Danger to the State." This lecture will be illustrated from foreign newspapers.

The interest of the University faculty and students in Dr. Clark's lectures was evidenced yesterday by the large attendance at his various lectures. Speaking before a capacity audience in the University Guild hall, Dr. Clark briefly outlined the geographical situation in Europe, especially that in south-eastern Europe. He related how in many cases of new divisions and boundaries laid out by the Peace Conference, it was necessary for a farmer to have a passport in order to legally pass from his house to his barn.

Difficulties Are Many

"Indeed," said Dr. Clark, citing a specific country, "in passing between the two principal cities of this district, the governments have been obviating the difficulties so that now it is necessary to have your baggage inspected only six times instead of ten."

In his afternoon lecture on Rome, Dr. Clark illustrated his talk with beautiful slides, portraying the various modern and historical sites of Rome, and in his evening lecture, in addition to a marvelous collection of slides showing the architecture, and art and costumes of the Balkan countries, Dr. Clark ac-

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Ban on Flowers Brings Forth Idea of Vegetable Corsages

Now that the ban on corsages at formal has been sanctioned by the women, there is some agitation toward finding ways in which to circumvent the issue. Flowers have long been essential part in woman's makeup for a formal affair, and to some, at least it is a custom hard to break away from.

From the masculine point of view the absence of corsages is a wonderful thing—financially. There is a considerable amount of mental relief in knowing that one doesn't have to trot down to the florist and plank down several berries for shrubbery. After the formal is a thing of history he is able to rattle the washers saved on flowers with a certain feeling that the formal was a decided success.

If, however, the women crave corsages, there are ways in which the adornment may be provided with great

expense. How about a little flower garden out in the yard behind the sorority house? Here is a chance for a two-fold entertainment. The young lady can while away her spare hours in the potty bed, learning something of horticulture and thinking about the wonderful corsages that she has cultivated all by herself.

At the dance she can gleefully exhibit the garden product to her escort, and his praises will reach the sky. Of course she may not hear the thankful sigh that escapes his lips, or see his hand caress the bankroll.

Then there is the vegetable formula for the solution of the corsage problem. Vegetables are cheap, can be grown much more cheaply than flowers, and can even be purchased out of some nice garden patch. They are col-

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Sandburg Is Not "Hard Boiled" Poet, Only Human, Say Critics

Carl Sandburg, the so-called "hard boiled" poet, will be on the campus February 23 to vindicate his character from this aspect which so many people have attached to his name. This "hard boiled" stuff about Sandburg is all a myth, say many critics, and the poet will appear in person to substantiate the critics' belief.

"He is not one to sit aloof hurling thunderbolts, or one to be only revered," says Walter Yust, a critic of the Bookman calibre. "He does not speak with hard sluggy iron and steel voice, but rather in a rich, soft friendly baritone, with a slight drawl."

In stature Sandburg is tall and rangy. Usually he wears a grey suit with a grey cap aslant on his iron grey hair. Large silver-rimmed spectacles rest on his nose, and his chin is usually covered with a grey stubble.

"There is no lyric effeminacy in the curve of Mr. Sandburg's chin, in the

tilt of his cap, in the stubble of his chin, 'mellow, massive and human,'" Harriet Monroe says of him.

"The 'natural rhythms of a manly life' that Plato insisted upon ages ago when he stated his case against poets, just as they tumble along roughly in Mr. Sandburg's vibrant verse, beat out from the very unpoetic look of this poet; when he talks there is no jabber nor affectation in his speech, and when his eyes burn out their black fire, your attention is gripped by that same honest man-to-man sincerity which he is able to put into the grinding, crashing angular words of his unrhymed, free-rhythmed verses, and you can understand more clearly why his verse must be unrhymed, free-rhythmed, and unfettered, for meticulous rhyme and metre in Mr. Sandburg's verses would be like woolen mitts on the fingers of a

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