

PROFESSORS READ SPECIAL SUBJECTS

Library Figures Show Choice of Faculty Members is in Their Own Fields

The record kept by the circulation department of the University library of books taken from the library for use by faculty members reveals some interesting facts, according to the librarian. While the record is not exact and cannot therefore be regarded as absolutely correct from a statistical viewpoint, it is fairly indicative of the kind of reading done by faculty members, says the librarian.

The record, which is not kept as a means of checking up on the faculty reading, but in order to keep the number and title of every book in use by a faculty member, shows that in the field of reading the tendency is toward specialization; the faculty reader reads within his own department for the most part. The theory that an individual's reading should be a measure of his vocation rather than a vocation, preached a doctrine by many modern thinkers, does not hold true in many cases within the faculty, according to the library record. The economist is found to be reading largely in economics, the psychologist reads psychology and allied subjects, such as medical science and the English professor takes out scores of books on literature. The cases where the reading ranges from psychology through religion, economics, philosophy, art, science, fiction, history, and other classifications are in the minority.

"What about fiction," was the question asked. The answer, as revealed by the statistics, was that perhaps fiction might lead if the number of fiction books taken out were considered. But viewed by the number of instructors taking out books, fiction would not be in the lead. There are a few members taking out large numbers of fiction books because that is what is needed in their department, but on the other hand the greater number of faculty members not reading fiction shows that as far as individual tastes are concerned it is not the leader.

The next question, what class of books was most widely read by faculty members was harder to answer. History, economics, psychology, philosophy all were well represented.

Comparison of the records of faculty men with those of faculty women reveals that although there are fewer women than men, which may account for the difference, the men on the faculty are the more general readers. Considering fiction again, it was found that the average number interested in fiction was about proportionately the same for both men and women. Neither were there specific cases in any one department which showed that as a department there was a tendency toward fiction. Individual likes and dislikes were plainly manifest in the varieties of books on record. The librarian remarked that seeing what various individuals were reading sometimes proved a worthwhile cue in attempting to judge the value of a book.

GRADUATION CARDS HERE

Invitations to Commencement Ceremony Arrive at Co-op; Seniors Must Call

The University commencement announcements arrived Thursday and will be ready for distribution this morning at the Co-op. According to Marion McClain, manager of the Co-op 4000 announcements were ordered this year.

The senior class was unusually slow in ordering their announcements this year, McClain said. Last year the announcements had arrived before the spring vacation in April.

The caps and gowns will be ready about the middle of next week. Approximately 200 were ordered this year, but the seniors were slow in putting in their orders for them, according to Mr. McClain, who declared that right now, just a month before graduation, there are some seniors who have come in to see if they could order their announcements, caps and gowns.

Y. W. C. A. OFFICERS GET GRADES

Members of the University Y. W. C. A. council and cabinet who took examinations on their work about three weeks ago, all received good grades, according to word received yesterday from Seat-

le where the papers were looked over. Helen Andrews, newly elected vice-president of the Y. W. received highest honors among the University women who took the examinations. The questions asked in the examinations were on the work of both national and campus Y. W. associations, and dealt with some of the more important problems at the present time in Y. W. work.

RECEIVE WEDDING INVITATION

Invitation to the wedding of Eva Russell and Edward J. Irwin have been received by the members of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority and the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. The wedding will take place in Eugene, June 14, at the Methodist church. Miss Russell is a sophomore in the University and a major in the department of physical education. Mr. Irwin attended the University during the fall term but did not return to resume his studies at the opening of the winter term of school. While in college he was treasurer of the sophomore class.

Pugnacious Pete Back Looking Up His Pals

Ordinarily the fall term is the time when the homecomers come straggling back to the campus to gaze once again upon the bronze features of the Pioneer but every so often one hears of an alumnus that hears the call of the campus and answers it regardless of the time of the year. He comes wandering up to the library steps anxiously looking for familiar faces. He mopes around rather forlornly till he finds said face and then his own face takes on that "ain't it a grand and glorious feeling" expression as he basks in the warmth of renewed acquaintance.

Just such an old timer came back home yesterday. He was no less a personage than "Pete" the ex-ward of the Sigma Nu's. Those who were in school last fall will have no difficulty in recalling how the pup's pugnacious tendencies drew him into ill repute, finally causing his banishment, both from school and the Sigma Nu house. He seems, however, to have no ill feelings against those who ostracized him, and when last seen was busily looking up his old friends.

Whether he returned to complete his education, or to clear his besmirched reputation, or whether he came back to see his old companion, Moe Sax, lead his cohorts, the Gobblers, into action could not be ascertained as the brindle canine was rather reticent about his intentions.

FEW TO COMPETE IN PRIZE ESSAY CONTEST

Time Almost Gone for Submission of Papers to Promote Interest in Oriental Relations

With only a few days remaining in which to submit essays in the Murray Warner contest, only one has thus far been submitted, and but three other students are known to be preparing competing theses.

The prize of \$50 is offered by Mrs. Murray Warner, donor of the Warner art collection, for the essay which in the opinion of the judges is calculated to contribute most to encourage interest in the promotion of friendly relations between the American Pacific Coast and the Orient.

These essays are to not be more than 5000 words nor less than 3000. Illustrative material, either line drawings or photographs, if appropriate to the subject matter, are to be taken into consideration by the judges, but are not required.

The judges elected for the contest are Dr. Warren D. Smith, head of the department of geology; Eldon Griffin, of Portland, formerly a member of the University's faculty in history, and Palmer L. Fales, attorney, of Portland.

The essays submitted for the Bennett prize of \$20 on some topic connected with the general subject of the principles of free government are now in the hands of the judges. Three papers were submitted.

EIGHT DESIRE DEGREES

Six Medical and Two Business Majors to Try for Master's Standing

Eight students desiring Master's degrees will be examined next week. Two of this number are from the school of business administration and the remaining six are from the medical school in Portland.

On Monday, Franklin T. Folts from the school of business administration will be examined and on Tuesday, Howard Marshall from the same school will be examined on his thesis, "Credit Insurance." The examining committee for these examinations on Monday will be composed of J. H. Gilbert, M. K. Cameron, A. L. Lomax, C. V. Dymont and E. C. Robbins. The same committee with the exception of Mr. Lomax and the addition of C. L. Kelly, will examine on Tuesday.

On Friday, six medical students will be examined for their master's degree in medicine. They are W. C. Foster, Raymond Hausler, Clinton Thiemes, Lester T. Jones, Winifred Kerr and Homer P. Rush.

THORPE SPEAKS AT MARCOLOLA

"A Life Worth Living," was the subject of an address which Professor C. D. Thorpe of the public speaking department delivered at the commencement exercises of the Marcola high school, Thursday night. Although Marcola is one of the smallest districts of Lane county, there were six graduates this year, five girls and one boy having secured their diplomas.

EMERALD FEAST WILL END YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

Annual Prizes to be Awarded; Last Issue June 8

Friday, June 8, the members of the Emerald staff will throw care to the winds in order to start the delightful work of preparing for the end of the term. That night, the staff will get together for a last fling until they start out again in the fall. The time: 6 o'clock; the place: the Osburn; the guests: staff members, special visitors; the occasion: the annual banquet.

Over a hundred people will be present, it is expected. Dean Allen of the school of journalism will be toastmaster and there will be speeches by President Campbell, Kenneth Youel the present editor, his successor, Art Rudd, Lyle Janz, the business manager, and his successor, Leo Munley. Youel will present the Emerald "O's" to the 13 most valuable reporters and to the five most efficient members of the business staff. Announcements of prizes in the tip, news editor and various other contests will also probably be made. It is expected that the night editors will put on a stunt following the customs of the past. An extra issue of the Daily—the Banquet Emerald—will be given to the merry-makers. They will be about the size of "Gibes and Scribes," the humorous paper put out during the editors' convention.

The last issue of the Emerald for the term will come out Friday, June 8. It will be a large issue, probably about 20 pages, divided into a news-section, a sport section, a women's section covering athletics, Y. W. C. A. and Women's League. A Sunday Emerald section will be devoted to the pictures and plans of the new student body officers. Art Rudd is in charge of this special issue and will announce probably the first of next week, the staff for the special. There will be no Emerald the day after Memorial day and next Sunday's paper will be the last Sunday issue. Counting today's paper there will be seven more issues and the last special. Since fall 170 Emeralds have been issued.

LOAN FUND FOR WORTHY STUDENTS SAYS STRAUB

Smoker Should Not Ask for Money in Opinion of Dean, Since he Spends \$3 to \$5 a month on Cigarettes

"There is nothing to the rumor that loans from the student loan fund are limited to only those students who do not smoke, but the foundation for it may be the fact that I am personally opposed to smoking, especially cigarettes," Dean John Straub said, when interviewed to ascertain whether or not the report that loans would not be made to smokers, was true.

"It seems to me that a student who spends from \$3 to \$5 a month for cigarettes should not ask for a loan as the money loaned simply means additional cigarettes," the Dean said. "The object of the loan on the part of the donors was to give poor students assistance in carrying on their University work and not to enable them to purchase additional cigarettes. If a student wants to smoke I suppose that is his business, but how he can conscientiously ask for a loan from the loan fund, is a thing that I cannot understand."

"Students making poor grades and flunking in some subjects are refused a loan for the reason that they are not spending their time profitably enough to make it worth while to loan them money to continue their studies in the same listless way. Worthy students are always welcome to the money in the loan fund and can get it as long as there is any to lend."

The general loan fund is now exhausted.

ed but there is still some money in the woman's loan fund and also several hundred dollars in a fund limited to students taking pre-engineering courses. There is several hundred dollars in the class of '96 fund also that has not been loaned out.

ALGEBRA TESTS SENT OUT

Sample copies of the Douglass, Illinois, Holtz and Stromquist algebra tests are being sent to 25 teachers and heads of departments in mathematics throughout the United States by P. L. Spencer of the University high school. The recipient of each group of tests is asked to rank the tests according to the items in accompanying questionnaire, the purpose being to get an expression of teachers, and people using these tests as to the value to be received from their use.

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