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## Why Blame the Women? A Co-Ed's Viewpoint

Standardization, they tell us, is the curse of America, and one phase of it is the way the Girl of Today—that mythical creature—has her idiosyncrasies spilled all over the pages of newspapers and magazines. Something ought to be done about it.

Why should the nicotine girlies get so much publicity over the smoking of cigarettes. Like the wearing of sweatshirts it will lose its charm if the habit spreads to the multitude. One of the reasons for the habit among women is the impulse to be original—to be different—and then to have it spoiled!

We ask again, if some women want to express their individuality in the curves of their smoke rings why need long, long columns be written about it? Of course, it is clever and sophisticated, and space must be filled by news not so dull as accounts of books, or art, or international politics. But is it fair to that above-mentioned impulse to be original to invite, through much publicity, the mediocrity of mob adoption? We think not.

There is the disadvantage in widespread indulgence, too, in the fact that the habit once acquired is hard to break. Like bobbed hair, it will take much patience and time to remedy the original sin, even in the cases of sincere individual effort.

As for the men, of course, it adds another worry to their existence—and another expense item to their budget. They are fast losing their monopoly of ties and shirts and slickers. And now their sovereignty of the weed is assailed. It looks suspiciously as though it is their frantic fear that accounts in part for this herein-protasted publicity. But it's their own fault. The women have gone about for so long in clouds of cigarette smoke exhaled by the masculine element, that the insidious habit has crept upon them. And the fair ladies who protest they smoke because they like it, and not to be blase, don't realize they have acquired the taste second-hand.

For the men, who are so much to blame, and yet are sincere in their objections to their "women" smoking, this suggestion might be adopted: Let the old chivalric custom of abstaining from smoking in the presence of women be reinstated with rigid enforcement; and furthermore, let no man "date" a woman who smokes. Ten chances to one it would be effective. But in case that fails the men might try giving up the habit themselves. It is purely a habit; and before about the 17th century the Anglo-Saxons were quite able to assert their masculinity without the attendant atmosphere of tobacco fumes.

At any rate, something ought to be done to protect the sophisticated Girl of Today in the exclusive use of her discovery. There really ought.—R. G.

## Selection of Coach Delayed Until Next Week

Shortly before Thanksgiving announcement was made by the University through Portland and Eugene newspapers that definite information concerning Oregon's new coach would be given out December 10. The failure of this information to make its appearance has resulted in widespread queries about the status of the coaching situation, and has caused some to believe that information is needlessly being withheld.

No information has been given out because no selection of a coach has been made. At the time of the announcement it was believed that Jack Benefiel, graduate manager, who was to interview several coaches during his trip East, would have returned to the campus. Difficulties in straightening out arrangements for the East-West New Year's game, when Alabama signed, and then signed again, caused such a delay that Benefiel was forced to go straight to the Conference meeting at Seattle without stopping at Eugene. Hence no action has been taken to select the coach; and it will not be until Professor Howe, Jack Benefiel and Virgil Earl return from the Conference meeting that the athletic committee and then the executive council will meet to make final selection. This may be early in the week or it may be late in the week. Because of examinations, more or less difficulty may be experienced in finding a satisfactory meeting time for the executive council, although this probably can be arranged if by no other means than midnight sessions.

In view of this situation it would appear that no facts, which the student body has a right to know, are being withheld. A day's notice of the executive council meeting will be given all newspapers, and as soon as the decision is made the news will be released.

## Easing the Pressure On Student Body Activities

It is well known that management of student activities usually centers on a group of students singularly small. Be it a dance, a Homecoming or a committee of investigation, the labors are likely to be confined to a comparatively few souls who are at once notable and unfortunate.

Student activities are valuable only when they tend to increase the interest of the individual in the University. When activities become so extensive that they divert the student from the normal functions of the University they had best be tossed aside and the time spent in the library. Oftentimes a reasonable amount of activity is extremely valuable in shaping a well-balanced education; but almost equally often does the activity result in serious loss to the student scholastically.

The problem to ease the tension on the few who are overburdened, and to provide activities for the less forward, is being approached sensibly by the present student body government under the guidance of Paul Ager and Walter Malcolm, who have prepared a complete questionnaire which is to be filled out by all students at winter-term registration, and which, it is believed, will assist greatly in the work of equalizing the load. The plan appears feasible, has been carefully worked out, and deserves the co-operation of every student at registration.

## SEVEN SEERS

Good morning, little boys and little girls. Do not curse the good professors as Xmas is coming soon, and Santa will not fill your stockings. Ta, ta. . . .

Someone said that dear old Santa wasn't going to stop at the Tri-Delt house this year. He thinks the girls fooled him up there last year. He is said to have told some one he thought he was in a grainery when he looked at the size of the hosiery hanging in front of the fireplace.

## CONFESSIONS OF A COLLEGE MAN

Christmas is coming so I will lay off the gin and buy Daisy a present with the money saved. She is certainly sore at me. Last evening we went down town to get something to eat and when the waitress came to take our order she leaned over me and said, "John, you took my compact home with you last night." Well, you could have smacked me cold with a Camel.

Daisy got herself immediately acquainted with a half-smile, half-sneer atmosphere. When the waitress left Daisy looked at me with an 85c stare. "You studied too hard last night, John," said Daisy. She's hard to understand, Daisy is. Of course I knew the waitress but I certainly did not take her compact home. I tried to explain that to Daisy but she just retained that same expression and said, "Don't bother." Oh well, there's always the river.

## HOME SWEET HOME

We had a little tricycle all picked out to award for today's prize, but the stock is sold out so we'll have to wait. It goes to Pete Brooks, who voiced what is on many student's minds when he said, "Xmas is coming and I'm glad. All of the students who have been somewhat held down here on the campus will have an opportunity to go back to the old home town and raise the devil. Then those who have been burning too much gas during school can also go home and rest up for next term. Yes, indeed, Xmas comes in mighty handy."

## FAMOUS LAST WORDS

"PLEASED TO MEET YOU, COLONEL SINCLAIR, MY NAME IS ED MILLER."

## FOOLING THE GOILS

(A Tragedy)  
Some darling Chi Omegas (two of them, one blonde and the other brunette), came to borrow a hatchet yesterday.

"We have an ax but not a hatchet," said we.

"Oh, but we want a hatchet. We, too, have an ax," said they.

"But couldn't you use an ax?" asked we.

"We have an ax," said they.

"But, couldn't you use an ax, now?" we wanted to know. Think of the fun it would be going down

there after it. Pretty slick thinking on our part what? Keen girls, too! "Nope," said they. "We MUST have a hatchet."

"We have no hatchet," said we, growing cold. Isn't it funny you can't argue with these women.

So just for spite we took the ax down to the Ki-O house a little later and asked if they had wanted to borrow an ax. They said no. So we told them we'd come back after it later. You've gotta use the old bean these days. . . .

Well, as the Phi Bets say, "Don't forget to put Merry Xmas at the end of the exam paper."

AND, PERSONALLY, WE'LL SEE YOU IN THE SCANDAL SHEET.

SAHIB ALLAH MANOU-SH.

## BASKEBALL SQUAD TO TOUR CALIFORNIA

Eight players and Coach To Leave After Exams

The varsity basketball team will essay a two-weeks' barnstorming tour through California during the Christmas holidays. Eight players and Coach Billy Reinhart will leave immediately after the exams are over, December 19, and return January 4, 1926.

Contests have been definitely scheduled with University of California, Southern Branch, Los Angeles Athletic club, San Jose' State Teachers' college, Redlands University, and Loyola college of Los Angeles. Tentative affairs have been arranged with St. Marys, St. Ignatius, and the Olympic club of San Francisco, making a total of eight games to be played in the south.

These games are just what the team needs most. Some of the work-outs have been desultory, evidencing several rough spots, notably lack of teamwork, that must be ironed out before the team becomes a factor in the championship struggle.

The six lettermen—Westergren, Jost, Okerberg, Hobson, Gunther, and Gillenwaters—are certain to make the trip, with the latter also serving as manager. Two more players will be selected from the remainder of the squad before their departure.

## EXAMS TO BE SCHEDULED

Mrs. Clara Lynn Fitch, secretary of administrative offices, asks that all irregular examinations be scheduled with her. It is necessary to do this as the chairs must be moved from one class room to another, and a professor is liable to find his room striped of chairs. The classes of scheduled examination would have the precedence.

## DRAMATIC FRATERNITY ELECTS NEW MEMBERS

## Mask And Buskin Discusses Plays for Season

Mask and Buskin, honorary dramatic fraternity, had its first meeting of the year, yesterday when they elected to membership, Edgar Buchanan, Kate Buchanan, Eleanor Beckwith, Connie Roth, Arthur Gray, and Joe Frazier, all of whom have been prominent in campus dramas during their college course. At that meeting plans for a play to be given next term were discussed, and with the promising material in school this year, things are bright for a successful season, according to Bernard McPhillips, president of the organization.

Mask and Buskin is one of the oldest honoraries on the campus, and has been active in the field of dramatics, for ten years. In 1917 the organization became a national, affiliating with Pi Epsilon Delta, a national organization of the same character. Last year the fraternity presented "Kempy" at the Heilig theatre and the "Dover Road," the year before. The play to be given next term has not as yet been chosen, but work on this will begin with the opening of school.

The officers for the coming year are: Bernard McPhillips, president; Jane BoDine, secretary; and James Leake, treasurer and manager.

## CHINESE CLUB ENTERTAINED

A Christmas tree, Santa Claus, presents, and all the Yuletide cheer connected with Christmas festivities were enjoyed by members of the Chinese club last night at a party held at the home of Mrs. C. R. Donnelly, advisor of the club. The chinese students furnished a program of music for the affair.

## Campus Bulletin

Mu Phi Epsilon—Formal pledging to be next Sunday at 2:30 at the Music building.

Freshmen's Hygiene Section—Assignments for winter term are posted in the men's gymnasium. Check lists with class schedules for possible conflicts.

Essay Contests—Will those who expect to compete in either of the Murray contests or in the Philo Sherman Bennett contest or who desire information on either please get in touch with George Turnbull, school of journalism.

Final Grades—In physical education for men will be posted in locker rooms, men's gymnasium, on Monday, December 14. No grades will be changed after 12 o'clock Thursday, December 17.

Demolays wishing to have pictures in Oregon call 1517 today. Very urgent.

Philosophy Club—Meeting called for

## EXAM SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 15  
4:15—Personal Hygiene for women.

Wednesday, December 16  
8:00—3, 4, and 5 hour ten o'clock classes.

10:00—First and second year Spanish, all sections.

1:15—3 and 4 hour 11:00 o'clock classes.

3:15—Accounting, all sections, and English History, all sections.

Thursday, December 17  
8:00—3, 4, and 5 hour nine o'clock classes.

10:00—First and second year French, all sections.

1:15—Survey course in English literature, all sections.

3:15—3, 4, and 5 hour two-fifteen classes.

Friday, December 18  
8:00—3, 4, and 5 hour eight o'clock classes.

10:00—3, 4, and 5 hour one-fifteen classes.

next Monday night in the Women's building postponed until further notice.

Newswriting Final Exam — Mr. Casey's section of newswriting will have its final exam in chemistry lecture room, McClure Hall, Tuesday evening at 7:15 sharp. Monday evening at 7:15 sharp.

Senior Ball Committee Chairmen—Meeting at 5:00 o'clock, Monday in the Administration building for heads of all committees. Important. Chairmen can read

names in Emerald story today. Don't forget.

The Girl's Oregon Club has elected the following to membership: Agnes Von Lehe, Corvallis; Louise Basford, Portland; Alice Gibson, Livingston, Montana; Mildred McAlister, Wilda Wilson, Ruth Woodward, Julia Brauning, Helen Shinn, Beulah Braaten, and Elsie Dick, all of Eugene; Hollis Michaels, Myrtle Creek.

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7:15—Two Shows—9:15 p. m.  
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## C. E. Ingalls, Newspaper Man

Editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, President of the State Editorial Association, will give the address at the

## LAYMEN'S SERVICE

at the

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THEME

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