

Forgery Ways Discussed by H. R. Crosland

Handwriting Cannot be Disguised, Law Class Is Told

Flourishes and Slopes Characterize Style

"Handwriting, as a rule, is analyzed for one of three purposes," said Dr. Harold R. Crosland, associate professor of psychology, before Dean Hale's law class Wednesday at 10 o'clock. "The first purpose, that of determining a man's character, has led to negative and 'quack' results; the second, that of measuring intelligence, has not proved useful. It is the third use, that of determining the genuineness of a signature, and in case of fraud discovering the guilty person, that interests me."

There are several ways of detecting forgery, says Dr. Crosland, who now has students working to test the exceptional bases on which handwriting analysis rests to ascertain if such bases are acceptable and reliable. He possesses five small micrometric plates which aid in measuring the constancy of the height and the width of letters.

The constancy in relation between height and width is considered very important since it is so difficult to vary, in Dr. Crosland's opinion. The general slope on the base line, and the angularity of the letters are significant. Still further clues may relate to certain characteristic flourishes or embellishments, to the age of paper, to the time of signing the name in comparison with the writing of the rest of the document, and to the pressure of the pen. The value of the pressure of the pen can be seen in cases of traced signatures. Ink is likely to be the heaviest at the bottom of letters in the original. In traced copies the ink tends to collect at the top or to be more unevenly distributed, and is apt to show uncertainty in outline.

Constant repetition from childhood gives handwriting certain characteristics of which a person is not conscious and which are beyond voluntary control, continued the speaker. Even if a criminal were conscious of his penmanship he would find it almost impossible to supervise all points at once; some characteristic would be more than apt to be overlooked. These psychological facts explain the difficulties of disguising handwriting.

The second problem, that of determining the person guilty of the forgery, is much more difficult and often requires long investigations. "These methods appear to be as accurate as many of those used in chemistry or biology," Dr. Crosland

concluded. "We use the same stereoscopic microscope, and our plates are just as finely graduated. The main difficulty is that it involves the human vision which varies so between individuals. Of course, it is necessary that the material analyzed not be fraudulent. There is always possibility for fraud in the transplanting of signatures, changing of documents, and the developing of the wrong negatives."

Delinquents to Appear Before Oregon Knights

The sophomore vigilance committee is ready with its second "summons for appearance" to be in session with all sophomore Oregon Knights tonight at 7:00 sharp in room 1, Administration building.

"Owing to the large number of offenders," Roy Herndon, chairman of the committee, reports, "some are being held over until next time. But it is anticipated that there will be fewer from now on as second offenders will be dealt with much more severely."

Those who do not appear will be looked up by the committee.

The committee is working under the Oregon Knights, who are responsible for the turning in of names of the offenders and by way of explanation, it may be added that the purpose to inspire the will to live up to the traditions. It is not carried on in such a solemn manner as was the case with the first freshman courts, but rather in a spirit of good will.

Fred West is in charge of tonight's session.

The following please report:

Bill Shafers, no lid; Marshall Shields, no lid; Day Foster, no lid; Otto Cahill, no lid; Warren Linker, no lid; Alen Kashuba, no lid; Wesley Brandhorst, no lid; Chuck Williams, no lid; Walt Clancey, no lid; George Butke, no lid; Fred Eismann, no lid; Don Gengern, no lid; William Johnson, cocky to upperclassmen; Jennings Mather, very cocky; Jack Coolidge, no lid; John Edwards, no lid; Bill Barry, no lid; Richard Schroeder, no lid; Oliver Hill, no lid.

Order of the "O" men to assist: Frank Riggs, John Warren.

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took time out, and spent an exciting minute thrashing out a defense. Westergren tallied a sensational basket with one hand while going away from the net, and Oregon pressed back into the lead, 5 to 4. The teams were fighting furiously and the crowd was howling mad.

Webfoots Run Up Lead

Ridings dribbled the length of the floor, passed to Gunther, and then received Jerry's return for another sensational score. The play was terrifically fast. Ridings repeated the exploit but his goal was nullified when he was called for too many steps. Savory grabbed Okerberg's arm, but Okey missed the foul try. Milligan converted two fouls after being fouled by Hartung. Okerberg dribbled through two Aggies, and ran the count to 11 to 4, but then blocked Burr who was given a free try which he converted. Westergren scored on an out-of-bounds play, taking the spheroid from Gunther. Gunther took a short pass from Okerberg and scored from under the hoop.

Okerberg picked up a digit when Savory pushed him, but Graap tossed from the free line when Gunther sinned. Okerberg failed to convert Patterson's foul. Jack Savory, Aggie center, netted from mid-floor just as the half ended, leaving the score 16 to 8 for the Webfoots.

Orangemen Rally

Savory pushed Okerberg to start the second half, and Okey converted for a point. Ridings aimed carefully and scored from outside the foul line. Okerberg tallied, making the count 21 to 8, and then the fireworks began. Savory counted twice when Okerberg held him, and Graap bumped in Savory's missed try from the free line on another foul by Okerberg.

Burr slipped under Ridings' guarding and goaled. Burr snared a one-hander while going away from the net. Burr made another sensational backhand while going out of bounds at the side line. The Aggie star was performing his one-handed shots with ease, being practically

unguardable. Don Hartung, Aggie forward, made yet another one-handed push shot and the Orangemen crept to within a point of the bewildered sons of Oregon, who took time out and talked things over.

Oregon Loses Lead

Bill Burr again twinkled after the respite and armed another one-hander through the hoop to send the Aggies bounding ahead. The play was dynamic, both teams fighting desperately. Westergren caged a short shot, after Okerberg and Gunther each had missed, to put the Webfoots back in the lead. Oregon's doughty Swede was beginning to scintillate, and to offset Burr's shining, Hartung missed a cripple, and Graap missed three long tries before Savory goaled the ball, and wiped away the Oregon lead. Referee Mulligan took time out as the teams were almost exhausted, especially the Aggies, who had tallied 16 points in their upward rush while the Webfoots were making two.

Westergren again leaped into the limelight with a long shot from the side court. O. A. C. seemed to wilt at this juncture, and the Webfoots went on a scoring rampage which erased the Orange hope for victory and gave them their fifth defeat in the last six starts. Westergren's goal had put Oregon back in the lead, but Ridings added to the tumult by cashing in a follow-in on his own shot. The Aggies took time out, Savory and Graap lying inert on the floor. The Aggies had made their bid for glory but couldn't stand the terrific pace they had set, which was a wide departure from their usual slow and painstaking tactics which evolve around their percentage basketball. Milligan scored after a scuffle

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under the Oregon basket, and dribbled in a few moments later to run the count to 31 to 24. Hub Mathews substituted for Frank Patterson for O. A. C. Okerberg caught

a low pass from Westergren, and tallied, and followed with a conversion of Hartung's foul for too close guarding to give the Webfoots a ten-point lead. Mathews converted

a foul by Ridings just as the game ended, leaving the score 34 to 25, and the crowd shaking from the intense excitement.



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