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Too Many Grade Points?

THE announcement of the fall term grade ratings of the campus living organizations brought forth the usual number of complaints from students who found that the grade sheets gave them credit for fewer points than they had actually earned. The complaints leave us strangely unsympathetic.

Grade ratings are compiled through the courtesy of the registrar's office. There is no obligation on the office to do this work, but it is done as an added service to the students to supply them with fair statistics as to the result of their scholastic efforts.

After completing the tremendous amount of work necessary in compiling the figures and realizing that there are probably mistakes, the registrar sends a letter to all house presidents worded in the following manner:

"The house ratings for the fall term, 1930-31, have been completed. If you wish to examine the ratings of the individuals for your house as prepared in this office, we will be glad to have you do so at any time from now until Tuesday evening, February 3, at 5 o'clock. We are setting this time limit in order that we may summarize the ratings for final publication as soon as possible."

House presidents are thus afforded the opportunity of checking over the figures and making corrections whenever errors are found. The figures that appear on the sheets examined by the house presidents are the same that come out in the final ratings a few days later.

On only one score do students have ground for objection. Sometimes when incompletes are made up at the first of the term, professors neglect to turn in the grades in time to appear on the house ratings. In instances of this sort the blame lies with the professor or else with the student for failing to insist that the grades be reported in sufficient time.

It goes extremely hard on the registrar's office to undergo the students' censure with the announcement of each grade rating. But the one time students do neglect to mention error is when they are credited with more points than they have earned. This sort of complaint never reaches the registrar's office—it is the sort of thing that is talked about in the privacy of houses as a great joke on the administration and the rest of the campus.

Sex-Appeal and Crowd Psychology

THE average college student has about as much privacy as the finny denizens of an aquarium. On the Oregon campus he is not even allowed to eat in peace. It is a rare week for a Greek letter society or a dormitory when several meals are not interrupted by representatives of some group who call to advertise a dance, an athletic event, a banquet, a sale, or an uplift crusade—to all of which the hungry and impatient students are told they "owe whole-hearted support," financial and moral.

There is something to be said, of course, in favor of lurchable announcements. They are unsurpassed as a method of drawing campus functions which require high-powered publicity to the attention of the paying public, many of whom will not pay much attention to articles in the Emerald. Nor will the victims be inclined to protest as long as they are only required to put down their forks and still noisy mastication long enough to give courteous attention to their "guests."

But when co-eds who attempt to trade on sex-appeal and amateur application of crowd psychology to persuade them to dig up money for tickets or coupons, the resentment of all but the most susceptible is aroused. The line which is used nearly always includes stereotyped phrases, such as, "Surely 35 fine Oregon men like you here can afford to buy ten tickets for this splendid affair and help out the fund for drought relief."

If sales are not heavy a parting shot is fired. "Well, I'm sorry you didn't take any more than five, but thanks anyway for the ones you did get."

This is a problem which really requires a senatorial investigating commission. But mayhap Pan-Hellenic and the Inter-Fraternity council might find a way to preserve Oregon men from ruination of digestion caused by the secretion of sales-resistance acids.

EDITORS HITHER AND YON

Education a la Mode General Education Board. That the perennial criticism that col- learned gentleman, after studying leges are defeating their purpose the catalogue of Columbia uni- by offering too many courses of a versity, concludes that higher edu- practical nature comes this time cation in the United States is in from Dr. Abraham Flexner of the grave danger of losing its sense of

proportion. Accordingly, curricula which include such work-a-day subjects as "salesmanship," "poultry raising," and "radio announcing" destroy the emphasis on pure culture and science which universities are expected to maintain.

Dr. Flexner, apparently, would exclude from the scope of a university all knowledge that will help a graduate make a living. While no one will deny that a well-balanced existence should be more than a frenzied quest for food and raiment, modern students agree that a knowledge of the classics does in no wise assure the essentials of a physical life. Anyway, useful subjects are not offered as substitutes for studies that develop the aesthetic senses. The controversial courses merely supplement courses that have been orthodox since the time of Gamaliel.

The average university student does not regret that the field of education has been widened to include a scope of usefulness. On the contrary, there is current a feeling of gratitude that modern colleges provide facilities for the emergence of better stenographers, journalists and embalmers. The signs are those of progress rather than deterioration.—The Minnesota Daily.

A Decade Ago

Friday, February 11, 1921
Bill Hayward was secretly married last week to Miss Alicia Bertina Orton, a Eugene girl.

The University will have two entries in the state swimming and diving champion meet which will be held at the Multnomah Athletic club Saturday.

Dr. Parsons, of the school of social service in Portland will give the vespers address Sunday.

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The WETFOOT

"All the News That's Foot To Print"

We have been hearing some grumbling on the part of several local S. A. E.'s in reference to the recent sensational booze raid which was conducted at the University of Michigan. The boys do not seem to mind the publicity so much, but why, they ask, did the cops only uncover six quarts at their house while at all the others they found a really respectable amount? They hint darkly that it is a plot to try and make pikers of their fraternity.

The local Phi Delta and Kappa Sig chapters have maintained a discreet silence upon the subject. Well, you know the old instant postum slogan.

Later dops on the Pi Kap (nee A. B. C.) installation reveals that said function will take place during spring vacation, which time, if you should ask us, will be the ideal date.

We don't want to give the Fijis nor any one man especially too much of a break in publicity, but this one's really too good to keep. It seems that one Roger Dennis, prominent man around the dive on the hill, went for a joyride up into the hills the other night. He parked awhile to admire the beauties of nature, and when he started home he discovered that during the process of admiration he had lost the key to his car. He searched high and low, but still no key. He finally gave it up as a bad job and walked home. At high noon today the key was still missing and the car still patiently waiting on the hill. We haven't yet learned what became of the afore mentioned beauties of nature.

AH, YES, MIRANDA, OREGON MEN ALWAYS WALK HOME.

EPITAPH

He ran the commissary, Adrain Z. Betts; But he persisted in bumming His cigarettes.

And the next guy on our list is the left-handed fork wielder who always insists on sitting next to us at the table.

We took a tour up the mill-race recently, and one of the things which struck our eye was the rejuvenated back yard of the A. D. Pi house. Just an ideal spot to set up a croquet grounds. With the back yard, not to mention the little arbor next to the mill-race, we expect the A. D. Pis will use that old rushing argument put forth by so many of the nationals. This is when the tongue urges the rushee to not consider the house itself but also the things which lie behind it.

One of the newest wrinkles in the way of college rackets is that introduced by a member of the Bachelordom house. It seems that he sent for a shipment of smoked salmon at about 30 cents per fish. Upon receiving them he hawked the entire supply to members of his house at four bits a throw. By the way, Watson, may I borrow your reel? I'm working my way through college.

TO FILL SPACE

Lives of collegians all remind us, 'What hectic lives they've led; And, departing, left behind them Worn-out socks beneath the bed.

Advice ♦ ♦ To The Loveworn

BY AUNT EMMA



Dear Aunty:
A few days ago I was the talk of the campus. I could swim with the best of them. I was good, I'm telling you. And then it happened. I broke my finger. Now I go about with head bent in shame. The girls don't like me any more, but are all falling for that red-headed Charlie Foster, simply because I can't swim with a broken finger. What'll I do?
Yours tersely,
NICK MULLER.

Dear Nick:
Your case is indeed sad. It is always sad to watch the campus hero overnight degenerate into simply a faded soup stain on the red and green checkered vest of life. There is still hope. Your one chance is to lure Foster into the new Phelps-Terkel store and sell

him a red necktie. With his hair and the necktie, the girls will think that the fire engine is coming up the street and will run. This will cure him. In regard to your finger, simply line it with raybestos. This is guaranteed by auto dealers to repair any brake.
Oogie Boogie,
AUNT EMMA.

Dear Aunt Emma:
I don't know what to do. I'm in a horrible situation. I'm in love with a girl and she expects me to take her to the senior ball. I want to but I haven't got any money. What'll I do?
Despairingly yours,
CHOKE JUNS.

Dear Choke:
Anyone you can.
Helpfully yours,
EMMY.

Confinement Record High In University Infirmary

With 11 students confined to its care the University infirmary yesterday continued its high confinement record for the week.

Those under the care of the University health service at the present time are: Ruth Irvin, Elizabeth Carpenter, Carrol Watson, Norman Cool, Christine McCullough, Sydney Cowan, Kelsey Berland, George Kerr, Orville Bailey, Craig Rankin, and Roberta Mills.

A SHINE FOR A DIME.

W. M. Tugman To Speak On Newspaper Problems

"Problems of the Newspaper" will be the subject of William M. Tugman, managing editor of the Eugene Register-Guard, when he speaks at a meeting of Alpha Kappa Psi, national professional commerce fraternity, Monday evening. The meeting will be held in the men's lounge of Gerlinger hall at 7:30.

The attendance of pledges as well as regular members has been requested by Roy Wilkinson, president.

Verses of Three Oregon Poets To Appear in Book

Two more Oregon students have been added to the list of those contributing poetry to Harper's Anthology of College Verse which will be published early this spring.

Rebecca Morgan, graduate student who was on the campus last term has submitted a poem, "Dead Wood," which has been accepted for the spring issue. Margaret Ormandy, sophomore in English, has received notice that her "Three Sonnets for a Lady," which were published last term in the literary section, have also been accepted. John Schaeffer, instructor in English, was reported last week to have had a poem accepted, and these two Oregon women added to the list brings the total up to three who have contributed from this campus.

RIPLEY OF "BELIEVE IT OR NOT" IS IN ERROR

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of the true meaning of the term. "Cicero" was a family name of the oldest and highest standing," Professor Dunn will tell the High Twelve club.

"Ripley's adaptation of the word 'cicer' is far-fetched, since 'cicer' really means only 'chick-pea,' and Horace tells us that chick-peas were a favorite food of Romans. Horace himself was very fond of them, he writes.

"As to the idea that Cicero was named for a chick-pea, or a wart that did not exist, I offer the word of Livy that the family of Cicero was established before 454 B. C. There was a Cicero of the Claudian branch holding public office in Rome 400 years before Ripley's Cicero became known to anyone," Professor Dunn will say today.

"Furthermore," he will add, "for a man of Cicero's rank and importance to have but two names is beyond belief. Every Roman of good family had three names, except Gaius Marius, who boasted of the fact that 'a soldier needs only two names to fight well.'

"The fact that Cicero's father, and his grandfather, and his son all bore the name of Marcus Tullius Cicero seems to have little weight with Mr. Ripley. But the fact is that the name Marcus Tullius Cicero was famous long before the Cicero of the Ripley cartoon was born. And the Ripley Cicero could not have escaped those three names had he wished to, even to accept a familiar nickname, attached to him because of a facial feature, which did not exist."

Professor Dunn has photographs of all the identified and authentic busts or pictures of the Roman orator. With these he will prove his statements. The Uffizi, the Capitoline, the Vatican figures, all show Cicero in his prime. And there is not a wart in the whole collection.

SEE SPRING STYLES AT THE FASHION DANCE.

'EAR AND 'AIR

Should freshman men be barred from Senior Ball

"A bit undemocratic and too bad for girls going with freshman men."—Connie Baker, junior in English.

"It's nice to preserve a few of the traditions of keeping the freshman under hand as long as there is nothing that impairs their health."—Dorothy Brigham, junior in English.

"I think it's a good idea since the freshmen can't wear tuxes."—Mervyn Edward, sophomore in social science.

"I think it's a good thing because of tradition and future anticipation and it gives them an interest to make each one better than the last one. Discrimination of sexes is not quite fair."—Drew Perkins, senior in chemistry.

"The freshmen are lucky that they have an excuse for not paying two bucks."—Victor Kaufman, junior in journalism.

PAPERS IN STATE TO BE JUDGED ON LABORS

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ed favorably on the project, but held that no main award should be made this year because the plan had not yet had sufficient attention so that all publishers eligible entered.

Two Papers Commended
The committee warmly commended both the Argus and the News-Review for the work they have done during the past year. Fourteen separate exploits in the field of desirable public service and community leadership were shown in the report of the Argus, and four major campaigns were cited by the Roseburg paper. W. Verne McKinney, who last year won the award for the best weekly paper in the state, is editor of the Argus, and Harris Ellsworth, former-

ly field manager for the state editorial association, is editor of the News-Review.
The same plan as followed in the case of the Pulitzer awards, that of judging the papers on the basis of written claims submitted, will be followed, it is announced. The committee for next year will be named later, and the award will be announced at the annual meeting of the Oregon Press conference.



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