

Students and Faculty Can Develop Friendships With Informality, Says Onthank

By GLENN HASSELROOTH

A belief that the faculty-student relationship should have "fewer stiff shirts, white ties, and formal speeches" and "more informal get-togethers" was yesterday expressed by Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel.

The traditional evening's entertainment in a fraternity or sorority house does very little to bring closer the relationships between students and professors, the dean said. Rather, he would advise informal meetings in the forms of chats, and walks.

Asked what he thought of the recent attempt of a campus organization to bring students and faculty together at tea, the dean frowned, and replied that "this is not a tea drinking campus" and students are wary of attending such functions.

"It takes an informal meeting to get a professor to come out of his shell in front of a student," Dean Onthank said. "Some faculty members are not social. They live in unreal world of books and ideas. If they can really get out of a stuffy classroom and say, let their hair down, a small part in improving cooperative methods of education will be gained."

Not only will the out-of-class attitudes of students and professors become better, but the attention, study, and satisfaction from work in the classroom will be less strained, and not so hard to take, the dean believes.

A recent case of a University botanist who took hikes with some of his students outside of class hours was recalled by the dean. Students found out that the recognition of some specimen of wild life was ten times as exciting as reading about it in a text book. In this manner, common interest in an unsupervised "study" turns into entertainment, the dean said.

If such informal practices could once be started, the dean concluded, faculty and students would start regarding each other as individual personalities, rather than as donors and recipients of high-brow learning.

Good Records

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Best grade-point average was awarded to Loraine Vivian Gjording, of Eugene, with a GPA of 3.86. Runner-up in standing was Dean H. Ellis, Salem.

The selection meeting was held yesterday afternoon in the faculty room of Friendly hall, with Miss Florence Alden, president of the local chapter, in the chair.

Announcement was also made of the selection of Miss Florence Alden, as official delegate to installation ceremonies for the new chapter at Reed college, May 6 and 7. It is expected that several members of the Oregon chapter will attend.

Board's Annual Grades Awards Contest Opened

Scholarships Again Offered; Blanks in Prexy's Office

Application blanks for the annual state board of higher education scholarship awards are now available in the office of the president in Johnson hall, Earl M. Pallett, registrar, announced yesterday.

The board is authorized to offer these scholarships not to exceed in number two per cent of the enrollment in the respective state institutions of higher learning. Students who rank high in scholarship, and who need financial assistance, are eligible to apply, but at least fifty per cent of these scholarships must go to applicants who have not previously attended any institution of higher learning. University students with a grade point of 2.75 or better have a chance to get one of these scholarships if they meet the other requirements of the high school contacts committee, which meets in June to decide upon the scholarships for University students.

Blanks Due June 15

Application blanks must be filed before June 15.

These scholarships will carry a value of \$64.50, applying toward annual charges totaling \$96.00 at Oregon State and University of Oregon, and \$24, applying toward like charges totaling \$51 at the normal schools.

Applicants may apply for scholarships to any of the six schools in the system, including the University, Oregon State, Oregon Normal, Eastern Oregon Normal, Southern Oregon Normal, and the University of Oregon medical school.

that he was not particularly interested in running the meeting according to parliamentary procedure and if I wanted to kick up a beef to do it after the meeting and I am going just what he told me to do."

Two Conferences

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Two Conferences Merge

The two conferences merged at luncheon in the men's dormitory, presided over by Deo McClain, vice-president of the Oregon Retail Distributor's institute.

During the afternoon the conferences continued with separate meetings. Retailers discussed prepared by the University school tail salespeople, and scanned charts of business administration. The commerce secretaries had as their subject of discussion, taxes and mineral development.

Each conference had a separate banquet at 8:30 in Straub hall.

Today the retailers will meet in the Igloo for a discussion of unfair trade practices acts. Their noon meal will have as its feature recreation for the "tired business men." The afternoon program will include discussion of tax problems.

The commerce secretaries will meet in the PE building for discussion of their organization's problems at 9. They will have their luncheon in Straub hall, and the afternoon program will center around a business session of the association.

together tonight at 6:30 in the Os-

The two conferences will meet burn hotel, where they will be addressed by a number of speakers at a long and interesting meeting.

DePauw university has just opened an endowment campaign to secure \$3,120,000 in five years,

Bowen Says Languages Have Liberalizing Effect

Foreign languages are among the most liberalizing influences to be had in a modern university, stated Ray P. Bowen, head of the Romance languages department of the University, in an interview yesterday.

"Nothing liberalizes a person as much as being able to think in fields that are closed to the people who have not had the advantages of University training," he said.

The student who is not majoring in languages, or who does not expect to travel in foreign countries, can still benefit immensely from the study of languages, Dr. Bowen believes. Knowledge of another country's language is a good introduction to the literature of that country, he said. Because much of the flavor of the original is lost in translation, and besides, not all the good works have been translated into English.

Broadens Education

Foreign literature, in his opinion, has more to contribute to our breadth of learning because it deals with such different peoples and situations.

"Quite aside from literature," he added, "I think it is something a student might pride himself on being able to do."

Why a student majoring in social science or English should take languages was explained clearly by Dr. Bowen. "If one is really going into social science or into literature," he remarked, "the things that he will study will be

about human experiences that are not limited to those who speak the English language. . . . The articles that tell about social problems are not all translated.

French Most Useful

French is most suited to the average student's needs, he said, especially since the war. The German language is more difficult, while the hardest thing about French is its pronunciation. "And, like music, you don't have to speak or use a language yourself to appreciate it and get the good from it, so the pronunciation really is not much of an obstacle," he concluded.

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As a grand opening for the new Garden theater, the University and the Eugene Very Little theater joins for the first time, to produce a program of Elizabethan music, dancing, and drama. May 19, 20, 21 are the dates set for production.

Mrs. Ottilie Seybolt, director of the University theater, announced that the main features of the program will be a stream-lined version of Shakespeare's romantic comedy, "Two Gentlemen of Verona."

This drama, one of the lightest plays from the pen of the world's greatest dramatist, will be supported on the program by music of the period, dances enjoyed in the days of "Good Queen Bess," and "jigs," the forerunner of our modern song and dance act.

The cast of the play will include 17 stars from Guild theater and the Very Little theater. One of the non-speaking feature parts in the play will be taken by a dog.

The Garden theater, behind the music building on the campus, has not been used, because the shrubbery, that serves as entrances, wings, and exits for the outdoor theater, had not grown enough.

Williams' Protests

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Payne Promises Constitution

After receiving Williams' protest in the meeting, Payne waited until after the meeting to find a constitution, which Williams reports did not show up.

Williams asserts that Payne then gave him a copy of the sophomore constitution before the meeting to read, and that he has never seen the frosh document.

"I think the 250 members who have bought class cards have a right to be governed as a class and as there seems to be no constitution that Tiger can produce, I'm wondering whether it wouldn't be worth while to look into how the class is governed," said Williams yesterday. "Payne told me

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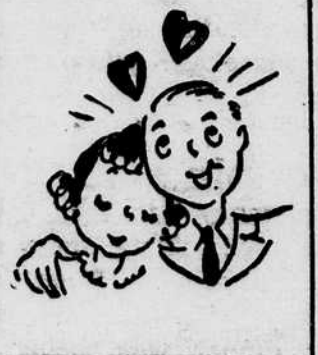
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