

Sigma Delta Chi to Meet Thursday at 7 To Consider Proposed Setup of National Constitution

Sigma Delta Chi, men's journalism honorary, will meet Thursday evening at 7, to consider proposed constitutional amendments, according to Hub Kuokka, president.

The proposed changes, said Charles M. Hulten, faculty adviser, are for the purpose of removing the campus fraternity idea and changing the organization to one of professional character, fostering ethics of the journalistic field.

One amendment proposed will change the official name from a

'Backstage in Xanadu' Makes Campus Debut

By WEN BROOKS

Backstage in Xanadu, the new book of plays written by Mrs. Alice Henson Ernst, associate professor of English, and but recently released by the publishers, is "making a hit," according to reports from the Co-op store where the book is now on sale.

This is the second book of plays Mrs. Ernst has had published. Her first book, "High Country," appearing in 1935, received favorable comment from critics everywhere. Whereas "High Country" was a collection

"fraternity" to a society." Another change will reclassify the two types of membership into four new ones; undergraduate, professional, associate, and national honorary.

Chapter members are asked by Kuokka to read the copy of the amendment which is in the journalism school office, before the meeting.

of regional plays, dealing solely with the Northwest, "Backstage in Xanadu" is a collection of amusing one-acts, universal in theme. The four plays contained in the small volume are all highly imaginative, brimming with the author's subtle humor, and make stimulating reading for young and old alike.

The first play, "Cloistered Calm," was produced at the University of Washington a few years ago and more recently right here at Oregon. "Afternoon of a Nymph," which the author aptly calls a "diversion in one act," is the second play in the series and was first produced in the Guild theater here on the Oregon campus. "Nightingale," the third one-act, an Arabian Night's fantasy, was first published in Poet Lore. The colorful settings . . . street and garden scenes in Bagdad . . . and the rhythmic swing of the lines combine to make it delightful reading.

The Portland Civic theater was first to produce "Welcome Stranger," the last one-act in the series. This play was selected by the Portland group as best suited to their purpose in their annual contest from new plays in 1932.

All in all, "Backstage in Xanadu," though very different in content is a fine complement to Mrs. Ernst's first book, "High Country." It is a book people will enjoy browsing in and provides the reader with many a laugh.

Students Praised By Local Editors For Annual Papers

The editions of the Register-Guard and the Eugene News which were edited by the students at the school of journalism were said to be better than usual by the managing editors of the two papers.

George Turnbull, faculty adviser of the project, accredited the papers with being the "best yet." The students have been putting out the papers for more than twenty years, he said.

Working on the Guard were Larry Quinlan, managing editor; Homer Graham, assistant, and Phil Bladine, city editor. The News was headed by Bill Lamme, with Beulah Chapman, assistant, and Dick Litfin, city editor.

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