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Make Use of the Midterm Gauge

ONE of the minor sore spots in the life of the University comes to light today, exposed by a letter writer who decided to take up the pen against the unnecessary difficulty of getting midterm grades for freshmen, or for anyone. The letter itself appears elsewhere on this page, and it would seem a pretty strong case has been developed, on one side at least.

For some reason there is more friction than is absolutely necessary in so small a matter. Cases in point are numerous. If there were no midterm examinations there might be no clamor for midterm grades. At any rate the freshmen, especially the Greeks, are under pressure to bring in grade reports. And it is reasonable and beneficial for them to do so. If there is a remediable condition which might otherwise lead to a failing mark, a midterm grade indication gives at least warning in time enough that something may be done about it. It is too late when the F is on the term card. Living organizations are interested

in helping their personnel to do the best possible work, and in getting things into proper focus.

THE midterm system has in the past worked smoothly for the most part. Apparently something has developed, it may be a trend, to change faculty attitudes. Why there should be a refusal to sign a grade slip or give a grade is open to conjecture. It is certain the unfortunate frosh cannot win, for he has only two choices: either cater to the teacher by not insisting on a signed grade slip or do as he is told at his living organization by demanding a slip. Without his grade signature he faces both physical and mental anguish at home, while if he asks for and gets his grades when the professor is not too willing he is likely to be in hot water anyway.

The complaint is one which, although not monumental, should be answered by better cooperation all around. Although faculty members are perhaps overworked, this should not be too much to ask.

this weekend. . . . Then there is Helen Flood and Lorene Hopkins already here that haven't been overlooked.

Eliene White will be down from Mac to help Tommy King with the festivities. . . . "Mutual love," said Milton, "the crown of all our bliss!" . . . Pudge Walls, Sigma Kappa of the week. . . . Friend of the Emerald: John Cossman, night watchman who is one of those persons that is little seen but always present. His most recent kind deed was to bring the night staff a sack of apples. . . . Izzetta Heister, ADPI from The Dalles, telling Rickey Cantrill, OCE student, the story of the optician's daughter. . . . two glasses. . . . and she makes a spectacle of herself!

It does last: Bill Pease, Old Oregon fame, and Helen Gillam, DG redhead of library.

It doesn't last: Clyde Ackerman and Sally McGrew, she's no relation to dangerous Dan. . . . He's threatened to. . . if this gets in print.

Doughnut sellers: Edith Burk and Evelyn Nelson, both DG pledges.

Town girl: "Skipper" White, Gamma Phi pledge.

Will bear watching: Jean Campbell and Bebe Alfred, both of Hen hall.

Art Louther: "I did have my pin planted for four days." Shakespeare: "The empty vessel makes the greatest sound."

Jean Kneass, who rides remarkably well, is going to try the white horse again this weekend. . . .

It could be: Mary Groshong and Clatskanie's Oberlia Evenson. . . . "Roakey" Rodman and Delores Davidson. . . . Mat Kelly, Sigma Chi frosh, and Lorie Wraith, Chi O. . . . Phyllis Ash, Chi O, short blonde. . . . Betty Brookshire, Theta. . . . knows lots of people. . . . Joe Larson, St. Helens, steps out with Laura Hall while sister Mary is away.

Friendly smile: Carol Cook,

In the Mail

LIKE PULLING TEETH

Dear Sir: With midterm week an old problem arises to plague both Greek houses and teachers. This problem is, I believe, caused by a misunderstanding between the groups, and it may be that the Emerald, by publishing both sides of the question, can clear it up. It is the request of all freshmen for signed grades from their teachers, which the houses refuse.

Often there is fine cooperation from the faculty, who will at least signify whether the student is passing or not. Most houses are satisfied with this. Since tests are given by this time in all classes large enough to necessitate it as a means for discovering where each student stands, there is no logical reason for refusing to give these signed slips.

It may be that the teacher feels that the student officers in charge of study plans and pledges should personally contact the faculty members each pledge has, or go to the records of notice slips in the dean's office; but the time used for this research might easily be used for other things by these student officers. They are, after all, also going to school, and usually being upperclassmen, carrying a far heavier load than freshmen.

The purpose of getting these grades is to give some indication to the student, and to those in charge of their welfare with-

in the house, of his progress in the subject. One of the benefits of a fraternity or sorority should be to give extra help to those students who wish it and to give some opportunity in elementary guidance to older students.

Houses do want high grades, but underneath this is the desire to have their members adjusted and happy. Grades should be some sort of indication of this. The often-heard criticism that houses get their pledges to take "pipes" in order to make house grades may be true in some cases but — students entering the University are assigned an adviser who must signify his approval to each course before it is passed during registration. If the system fails, doesn't the blame belong somewhere else? P. R.

IXNAY ON THE INFORMALS

To the Editor:

We do hereby petition for the preservation of Oregon tradition. We favor campus togs for athletic events, but we object to turning every social event on the campus into a riotous barn-dance. Just because Sloppy Joe sweaters are in style, that is no reason to wear them both day and night. (Nothing like serving hot dogs at a formal banquet.)

We nominate semiformal as appropriate for the homecoming dance; long dresses, no corsets, and suits. (Hitler has his polls illegally; the homecoming committee has its polls. . . .) "THE WOMEN"

P. S.: We want action! The boys got their drum majores; why can't we have our long dresses?

Answer: Talk to Burton S. "Stonewall" Barr. We gave up long ago.

L. Detling Appointed Curator of Oregon Museum Herbarium

L. E. Detling, assistant professor of botany, was made curator of the museum of natural history's herbarium in Condon hall at the last meeting of the state board of higher education in Corvallis. He replaced L. F. Henderson who had held that position since 1924.

Mr. Henderson has been named curator emeritus and will retain a connection with the herbarium. At present he is working on an account of the plants used for food by the Indians of Oregon.

Mr. Detling, formerly assistant curator, said there would be a slight change in the policy of the herbarium but that it will not be announced until a later date.

Mural Competition Won by Graduate, Jack Wilkinson

Jack Wilkinson, graduate of the University of Oregon, was among the winners of a mural painting competition sponsored by the section of fine arts of the federal works administration.

Mr. Wilkinson, now a San Francisco artist, spent a year in Europe as winner of the Phelan traveling scholarship, but his stay was cut short. Mr. Wilkinson won his scholarship in 1937 and left for Europe in April, 1938.

The postoffice at Burns, Oregon, has been selected for Mr. Wilkinson's mural.

Phi Chi Theta Honors Women BA Students

Over 60 women students of the business administration school were honored at a tea given by Phi Chi Theta, women's business honorary, in Gerlinger hall Tuesday afternoon.

An informal program featured music by Phi Beta. Greeting visitors at the door was Doris Hansen, president of Phi Chi Theta. Mrs. Hale G. Thompson, secretary of the school of business administration, poured. June Dick and Eileen Washburne were in charge of the tea.

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(Continued from page one) teams. He suggested that if students want to rally they can form a serpentine on Agate street. He asked that rooters keep off of the playing field as it will hurt the team's practice chances for the coming University of Washington game.

Library Will Show Cinema Photographs

An exhibit on "The Making of a Motion Picture" was placed in the glass cases of the circulation room Thursday, according to M. H. Douglass, head librarian.

The exhibit was sent to the library by F. L. Meyers, director of public relations at the Cleveland public library.

Beginning with the mimeographing of the scripts, the exhibit contains pictures of all the different steps that go into picture making including costuming, the making of scenery, makeup for the players, and sets of different pictures.

Library Purchases Two Ceramic Bowls For Browsing Room

Two new ceramic bowls from the Lydia Hopkins' kiln in Portland have been purchased for the University library browsing room.

One of the bowls is an eggplant color on the outside with turquoise blue inside. The other is a honey brown outside with yellow and green inside.

The purchase of the bowls was arranged by Miss Brownell Frasier, associate professor of interior design, and chairman of the faculty committee for furnishing the browsing room.

The bowls are on display and have arrived in time for homecoming.

Lieutenant Godfrey Is Appointed to U. S. Reserve Post

George Godfrey, head of the University news bureau, was appointed district public relations officer for the Reserve Officers association of the United States, it was learned yesterday.

Captain Kenneth W. Dalton of Salem, department president, made the appointment. Last year Godfrey, who is a lieutenant in the O. R. A., served as public relations for the state and was vice-president of the Lane county chapter of the association. He was also a member of the committee for the Ninth Corps area.

Daggermen

(Continued from page one) As game time nears, they will be in a dozen places at once, escorting, directing, and supervising while Hayward field assimilates the estimated crowd of some 19,500 alumni and students.

Dr. Bee Boosts Forum in Church Talk; Says Democracy at Stake

"If democracy is to survive we must get together in these discussion groups and discuss these problems thoroughly," declared Dr. Lawrence Bee, University assistant professor of sociology, in his discussion of America's social and economic problems at the Community Liberal church Sunday night.

"We have come to a crisis," said Dr. Bee, "and though at present the European situation diverts our attention, we must sooner or later face it." We must do something about our social and economic system, where there is hunger in the midst of a surplus of food and a lack of opportunity for the youth.

Johnson Is Speaker For Meeting at Art Building Sunday

Architects' club of the art school will have as a guest speaker over homecoming weekend Mr. Hallis Johnston, associated with the American Institute of Architecture, who will discuss "Student and Junior membership in American Institutes of Architecture" on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in the drafting room in the art building. All juniors and seniors in architecture are welcome to attend.

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BULLETIN
Art Winetrou, Kappa Sig, planted his pin again on Betty Hobbs, Tri Delt, Thursday in the Side. Last time he planted it on her it was in the Libe!

George Luoma, Emerald business manager, is anticipating the arrival of "Jane" and her Buick coupe from Astoria Saturday.

Latest rage in polls is the one to find out how many girls went home over the weekend to the law school dance. . . . PRIZE of the week goes to the Tri Delt, who has an OSC sweetheart pin and a pin from someone on this campus. Yet, the Pijis and SAEs are still rushing her with a yellow sport roadster figuring strongly.

Pauline Schlessler, who has Jack Lansing's Kappa Sig pin, took Jack duck hunting Tuesday. Bob and Patty went along. . . . Nancy Hay got two mums for the Washington State game. . . . She wore Norman Foster's. . . . Bob said, "so long!" What's a girl to do? . . . Ida Mae Farrell is leaving school after Homecoming to be married. . . . May Louise Vincent, Pi Phi, asks her folks for an old jalopy. She gets one that will be a jalopy in 1960. . . . Jo Bullis has this weekend with the Sigma Nu prexy from OSC.

Why does Winifred Wilhelm not want to be called the "Law School Widow"? . . . Another cute name is Marge Carlton's "Lottie."

Lorraine (St. Louis) Hulden and Walt Hulden, former students of the U are coming down

Priscilla Norton, Maxine Simpson.

On the campus this weekend: Bud Patterson, brother of last year's queen of the Susies, Muriel. He's student body Prexy of Grant, a football player with about four pairs of cords and staying at the SAEs.

Plug: Bud Hoff, that smooth Beta pledge, really gets around to all the sororities, but he seems to favor the Chi Os. What's Janet Piper got to do with it?

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(Continued from page one) Patrol" up to midnight last night when the Emerald went to press.

Committee Announced

Co-chairmen named by Frosh Class President Les Anderson for the traditional frosh activity were Bob McGill and Len Ballif. Handling publicity are Nancy Lewis and Mack Dietrich. Bob Hessemer and Jim Roots head the vigilantes, with Ruth Rodda and Mary Jane Noonan taking care of refreshments.

Gordon Hoy is in charge of construction, assisted by Bill Caples, Clarence Terry, Art Fagan, Jim Walsh, Jeff Kitchen, Ronald Dilling, Bob Yancy, Ralph Edmundson, Al Sorenson, and Gordon Childs.

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