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Frosh on the Council? . . .

Aside from the last-minute attempt to divorce freshman politics and interference from the upperclassmen, the annual freshman fling into the "Great Game" was no different than any other year.

And as in past years, people are now asking, "What difference does it really make? Why is such a fuss made over freshman elections?"

True, now that they are elected, the officers may sit back and relax, the momentary spurt into the limelight being over. Class officers usually have few duties, and in this case they revolve around the single job of picking a Frosh Glee chairman.

BUT, supposing that the president and vice president attended ASUO executive council meetings as freshman representatives to that council, thereby making it a true representative body. Who else can bring the freshman viewpoint to the council, besides the members of that class? In war years, the need for freshman representation on the council is strongly brought out because of an over-large preponderance of freshmen in the student body.

Freshmen seldom get a crack at practice in student government. Such a plan would not only give them some much-needed practice, but also would offer an opportunity for more people to sit on the council which administers and legislates for the student body.

It is suggested that the two top officers be given the representative positions because they will have no other duties during the year but the selection of Frosh Glee chairman. By selecting these two one will naturally come from the Greek bloc and one from the ISA, which is the way the other representative positions on the council work out.

Perhaps the council would prefer that only the president be included, similar to the council position given the AWS president and Emerald editor.

Whatever way it could be done, freshmen would receive a voice in student body government, and experience in the practice of government. And the council would have a more well-rounded and representative view of matters up for its decision.

In Defense of Jeans . . .

It has long been a bone of contention from the distaff side of the campus that "women should dress like women," at all times. In other words, the skirt-sweater-bobby socks tradition should not be broken under any circumstances. Admittedly, there are certain advantages to having the femmes, from a mass viewpoint, look as if they had all been turned off a mass assembly line, only varying in color of outfit, and shade of personality. Any attempt to vary permanently the convenient knee-length skirts probably would be fought wholeheartedly by the men as well as by the women.

But there are times, particularly during cold weather, when the gals would be glad to sacrifice attractiveness for comfort. Slacks and jeans needn't necessarily give the impression of sloppiness. They can look neat and even attractive, and they certainly would help to keep the biting winds and driving rains off feminine legs.

Many girls feel more comfortable in jeans or slacks, and many would welcome the opportunity to vary their dress a little by an occasional change to more protective clothing.

Through a gradual expansion of the University woman's wardrobe, the sight of slacks and jeans in town and on the campus on weekends, at informal get-togethers, or at extra-curricular activities has lost its flavor of novelty.

If the ban on "long pants" for women to classes were raised, at least during the winter weeks, it would perhaps help to guard against colds, and spirits in the feminine quarter undoubtedly would be raised.



MAJOR CHARLEY HOWARD
Caught washing in France. The picture was submitted to the Emerald by a member of Major Howard's company.

Colombian Student Finds US Language 'Terrible!'

By DOROTHY HABEL

From Colombia, one of our South American neighbors, comes another new student to the University of Oregon. His full name is Horatio Gonzales, "But," he asserted, "my friends call me Horace, and in South America my nickname was Tio." Horace is about 5 feet 7 inches, looks very Spanish, has dark eyes and hair, and speaks the American language with a charming inflection of the Spanish tongue.

Take It From Me

By DOC

Maxine Christenson, Susan Campbell, leaves this week for Mississippi to marry Lt. Keith Sessions.

Lee Johnson came up from Medford last weekend to visit Joanne Utz, Alpha hall's dream girl candidate, and she decided to show him the campus. Saturday afternoon they went up to Skinner's butte and Joanne was so enthusiastic about the "O" she fell on it and bruised her knee cap.

Speaking of poor excuses and Alpha hall reminds me that Nancy Kirkpatrick will have to think up a better alibi than falling out of bed to account for that sling she's decorated with, particularly when one knows she spent the weekend in Portland.

In case you haven't been able to get Sigma hall via Mr. Bell's invention I'll lay three to five that it is Jack Hessel calling Jeanette Bennett. Every night and twice on Sunday.

The navy hit Gamma hall when Fred and Jerry came to see Sue Carter and Sue La Main, respectively.

Fred Young and Kenny Roberts spent last weekend in Portland and returned with pretty bad colds. There's a rumor abroad that too much time spent on Portland heights is responsible.

Would Betty Jean Simmons and Pearl De Nike be more explicit about how they spent last weekend?

Every other weekend Sigma hall is invaded by Oregon State college. The object of affection is Charlotte Cogger.

Elaine Taylor seemed to enjoy her weekend, and who wouldn't? Bill Henry, U. S. marine corps, was up to see her.

Whenever Oregon decides to pick a dream man, Sigma hall made is very obvious last Friday night that "Oh Johnnie" Rader would be their choice. Look the boy over and you'll see what they mean.

Dick Dahlstrom should stop battling the breeze about immaterial things and start explaining how stopping at Gamma hall is the shortest route to the Side where he'd planned to go.

Shirley Kelley still seems to be holding Vernon McClure's interest, even though he is in Portland.

Horace is not new to the United States, although he has only been in Oregon since last March and has attended the University only since December. Born in Colombia, he attended the Colombia university for a short time, and then left for the states to enroll at the University of Michigan. After spending four years there, his plans were changed and he came to Oregon as a senior in the school of architecture.

When asked about his reasons for choosing Oregon he replied, "I understood the people in Oregon to be very friendly, and also the reputation of your art school was quite favorable. When I arrived in Eugene it impressed me most as being widely spread out, but the campus is beautiful.

Teachers Educated in U. S.

"In comparing the schools here to those in Colombia, I would say that they are much alike, perhaps slightly different in their methods of teaching. Most of our professors were foreign, but they had received their degrees in America, and they gave me an idea, before I came, of what America was like.

"My first few days here were not too pleasant, as most of the students were home for Christmas (Please turn to page four)

Letters

To the Editor

Dear Editor:

Enclosed please find a snapshot of the youngest man in our company, Captain Charley Howard, professor of law at your University.

I am sure his many friends would appreciate a picture of this "industrious" young man caught in the act of washing his clothes—against all the rules of land warfare. In the background his pup tent is shown. However, unfortunately the many gadgets that would put Rube Goldberg to shame cannot be seen.

Thank you,

Cpt. James J. Egan

(Ed. note: Captain Howard has since been promoted to the rank of major. He has been on leave from the University law school since September, 1943. Captain Egan's address may be secured by calling at the Emerald office.)

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