

Activity and Grade Points

Now the executive council is going to investigate something we're in favor of—academic credit for extra-curricular activities.

Granted, there are a lot of sides to the problem; and we aren't going out on a limb and say every member of a clean-up committee should get 5 hours credit. In fact, we won't even say the student body president should get 5 hours credit; not until the council has made its investigation and reports its findings.

There are some schools in the nation who already have such a program in operation. There are some activities at the University for which academic credit, one way or another, is given. These of course are under departmental jurisdiction at present.

So the idea would not be completely new to Oregon. But the scope might startle some persons.

Whether or not such a program would be of value is what the council intends to discover. On the surface it sounds like a grand idea.

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For the suspect in the University Co-op robbery, it was a fast trip from Co-op to coop. He didn't even get a chance to open one package of the 30 cartons of cigarettes he allegedly stole.

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How Many to Cal?

To the 5000 students who now plan to attend the Oregon-California game at Berkeley November 12, the news from the athletic department that "only" 353 tickets will go on sale Monday does not seem encouraging.

However, before mobbing the athletic department and lynching Howard Lemons in a fit of pique, students might do well to consider second paragraph facts.

Firstly, Lemons says he can take care of all students who want tickets. The 353 tickets which go on sale Monday are in the rooting section; other tickets available will be in section H—next to the rooting section, same price, \$1.25.

Secondly, the business manager has made a safe estimate of the number of students planning to attend. By November 12, he says, the 5000 now planning to attend will be cut down (by studies, lack of time, lack of money, lack of interest, etc.) to around 300. This is about the number from the University which usually attends games in California.

All in all, it seems like the athletic business office has the

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situation well-in-hand.

It is truly remarkable how the skies may remain gray and threatening all through the hour, but not drop forth their contents until the ten-minute-to bell.

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Petitioners--Take Note

"I am petitioning for this position because I am very, very interested in it and I think I can do a very, very good job."

Which is about the extent of the suggestions that appear on a good many petitions submitted to the executive council, class officers, and activity chairmen during the years.

From that illuminating statement chuck full of brilliant ideas, these officials are expected to select a competent person for a job. The executive council this year has attempted interviews—but this takes time and frequently no more information can be obtained. Some students apparently petition for everything on the theory the law of averages will eventually catch up with them.

In the interest of all the council has now set a deadline on petitions a day or two ahead of their meetings. This will allow the representatives to look over the petitions submitted. In addition, the council requests that students now fill out petitions completely.

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Dr. Paul S. Dull has a novel solution to the "we can't hear in the back row" problem. In his early morning Far Eastern Government class of about 200 students he has reserved the two back rows for students who have colds and want to cough, make comments to their neighbors, have hangovers, rustle papers, or who just don't want to listen that day.

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Things in General...

Boys Have to Quit Playing Fireman

...by Steve Loy

Finally cod myself a code. By wastebasket is full of Gleenex and my ashtray full ob Gool stubs. Seebz the scholarship cobbittee should be required to consider the common code as an extenuating factor in reviewing their cases.

Heard of a pitiful state of affairs in one of the millrace sororities. They haven't a single gal old enough to buy a liquor permit. Now ask me what good is a house mother?

Looks like the snack delivery business is getting to be a good thing. When the original Campus Snack started three years ago at what was then the Midway drive-in (Rush Inn now) they had the field more or less to themselves. This years brings at least one new service along the same lines plus the innovation of a sandwich crew which simply peddles coffee and cold sandwiches from house to house.

Glad to see Beneke is coming to town. Brings fond memories of Sunday afternoons and Tuesday evenings down at Norman Oklahoma during the late unpleasantness. Tex had the station orchestra which featured a fine trumpet man who could sing Basin Street Blues better than Walter Huston did the September Song. I think Tex belonged to the station fraternity we called AEIOAFGW. (Americans exiled in Oklahoma, away from God and Water.)

If your age is 21 minus you are no doubt aware of the campaign in the local bistros to curb juvenile beerbibbing. (Is there such a word, I've heard of winebibbers.) Seems the local WCTU got hot on the liquor commission. Sort of makes me smile when I recall being booted from the bar in the Palladium because the bouncer discovered my ID card had been altered. Sonny, did I ever tell you about the battle of San Diego?

Sam Fidman is in mourning. Says he didn't have a cent on the Yankees Thursday, but they are just like members of the family and he hates to see them lose. I couldn't get Taylor to bet me that the series would go to six games.

Fire alarm horseplay is about to come to a sudden whoa. Vigilante lookouts have been delegated to watch alarms and apprehend the guilty. House constitutions say officers can deal with offenders as they see fit and rumor has it

Short Stuff

The Piggers' Guide has requested that all students who have changed their addresses since registration inform the directory of the change. This is to assure staff members they have the right address from which to make a mistake.

Our Readers Speak

Madam Flagstad

The article in Wednesday's Emerald about Kirsten Flagstad was evidently written by a person who didn't know much about the great controversy over the Madam Flagstad question that went on in San Francisco for two or three weeks.

He said in his article, "San Francisco's chief opponent to Madam Flagstad's appearance there was a gentleman who admitted that he 'never heard of this Flagstaff' before, but contended that 'where there's that much smoke there must be fire.'"

The truth of the matter is that the strongest opponents to the appearance of Madam Flagstad were the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

After much controversy the Board of Directors of the Opera House voted that she should not appear, due to the pressure of the American Legion and the VFW. Then, due to the efforts of many, the directors called for a re-vote and now Madam Flagstad will sing.

Jon Hansen.

(Bob Funk, author of the column mentioned, was in the bay area this summer and is well-versed on the

that the rope is ready and waiting. It is to be hoped that the police arrive in time to remove the remains.

Open letter to Piggers' Guide Editor:

Please try to get the right extension numbers for upstairs and downstairs in vets dorms. Half of the calls coming into the dorms are on the wrong line.

Ritin' at Random ...

The Iron Curtain

...by Jo Gilbert

For quite a while I've been wondering when the present US-Russian situation would find itself as a fictional background, and finally it's come. Boris Ilyin with his "Green Boundary" (Houghton Mifflin Company, \$3) has as his background the tension of East-West in Germany. If he had stuck to the background the book would have been much more believable.

The main plot is the old Boy-Girl kick. Boy is an American Major of White Russian parentage; Girl is a Russian Lieutenant. The Russians are sent on a mission in the US zone at which Boy and Girl are both interpreters. They fall for each other but are sent back to their respective stations at end of mission. Girl flees Russian zone when Russians get suspicions of her relations with Boy during the mission, and eventually Girl becomes married to Boy and all for the "American Way of Life."

Obviously, the main plot is terrible. But the book is saved by the pictures of Russians and Polish refugees fleeing the Motherland. Probably the best character in the book is Orlovski, the former Russian scientist, who understandably is filled with hatred toward the Reds. He, though melodramatic, is believable along with his friends.

The background is good and well drawn. I think that someone could easily market this to John Ford and bill it as a "super-doooper" movie picture show. But one would have to talk Ford out of Westerns first.

"Crime and Punishment" is out in a condensed, two-bit, pocket book version and result is easier, more enjoyable reading than the original. None of the flavor of Dostoyevsky is lost, and the tiring deviations that scare most people away from Russian classics are removed.

19th Street

Oct. 7, 1949

To the Editor:

It is worthy of favorable comment that the "Emerald" directed the attention of its readers to the notice in the classified section to the effect that H. J. Belton Hamilton Jr. wishes to be notified should his over-night bag (presumably lost on 19th) be found.

In the interest of the "Emerald" I should like to point out that part of your humor results for a misinterpretation of printed material. The classified in no place states that Mr. Hamilton LOST 19th Street. It merely states that said street is lost and (he who finds said street) should contact Mr. Hamilton.

H. J. Belton Hamilton

We are properly squelched. We're sorry we can't give each of our classified advertisers the attention you've received.—Editor.