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## Do You Want to Flunk . . . ? Well, Here's the Real Scoop

(ACP)—Students who have trouble failing some of their easier courses should heed the advice of Jack Seward, writing in the Oregon State Daily Barometer. His suggestions are as follows:

1. Enter the course as late as possible. By changing your mind about the curriculum after school starts, you should be able to avoid classes until the second or third week.
2. Do not bother with a textbook.
3. Put your social life ahead of everything else. If necessary, cultivate a few friendships in the class. Interesting conversation should be able to drown out the noise of the lecture.
4. Observe how seedy most pro-

fessors look and treat them accordingly.

5. Make yourself comfortable when you study. If possible, draw up an easy chair by a window.
6. Have a few friends handy during the study period so you can chat when the work becomes dull.
7. If you must study, try to lump it all together and get it over with. The most suitable time would be the last week of school.
8. Keep your study table interesting. Place photographs, magazines, goldfish bowls, games and other recreational devices all around you while studying.
9. Use mnemonic devices on everything you learn. Since they are easy to forget, this approach prevents your mind from getting cluttered up with stale facts.
10. Never interrupt your reading by checking on what you have learned. Recitation is not very pleasant anyhow, since it shows up your deficiencies.
11. Avoid bothering with notebooks. If you plan to use one anyhow, so that you can draw pictures of airplanes during the lecture, try to follow the simplest arrangement: keep all the notes for a given day on the same sheet of paper.
12. Remind yourself frequently how dull the course is. Never lose sight of the fact that you really

wanted to sign up for something else.

13. Review only the night before examination, and confine this to trying to guess what the teacher will ask.
14. Find out exactly when your final examination will be over so that you can plan to forget everything about the course at that moment.
15. Stay up all night before important examinations. You can spend the first half of the evening discussing your determination to "bone" and the latter half drinking coffee.

## 15-Cent Coffee--Never!

Coffee has traditionally been a vital part of collegiate life at Oregon.

That's why, if we were to nominate our choice of the biggest calamity foreseen in the year of our Lord, 1954, it would be a unanimous vote for the 15-cent coffee.

It's still in the rumor stage and we hate to spread rumors. Still, Deady could crumble to dust. The 'O' could disappear from Skinner's butte. Waldo could go to Siberia. And the University of Oregon would still stand.

We're not so sure we could hold things together if that boost in coffee prices ever gets out of the rumor stage. Nothing touches the heartstrings, and pursestrings, of America more than the morning, or afternoon, or evening cup of that wicked, black, calorie-less, vitamin-less brew known in this society as coffee.

No one can make what is known, with tongue-in-cheek, as "good" coffee. It is inevitably too strong, too watery, too hot, too cold or just plain mud. But, taking all into consideration, coffee has been gathered up in the warm, loving bosom of American college life and made a tradition.

It's over a cup of coffee that you seminar for a final. Coffee sets the scene for informal, man-to-man discussions of world affairs and the state of the union. The nostalgic aroma penetrates even the drama of the two bright-eyed freshmen looking into each others eyes to discover what life and love and things are all about—over a cup of coffee.

Coffee doesn't quite make the world go around. But it does make the world of Taylor's, The Side, and the Student Union move at a lovely, whirling pace.

Can tea or milk or chocolate ever take the place of a "cupa" coffee, please." No, these liquids, noble as they are, have none of the stamina, nostalgia and friendship brewing qualities which the Brazilian coffee bean possesses in full measure.

Oregon students are not rich. They are not millionaire playboys. They do not have lobbies in Congress or an "in" with Brazil. They only want to live in peace and drink their coffee at a reasonable cost. And they cannot afford 15-cent coffee.—(E.S.)

## Common Bond



"School—School—School—Am I glad it's Friday."

## Alumni Conference Set for SU, Jan. 30

The University of Oregon Alumni Leaders' conference will hold its sixth annual meeting in the Student Union Jan. 30.

To bring the alumni leaders up-to-date on University and alumni affairs is the purpose of the meeting as stated by Les Anderson, alumni director. Among those in attendance at the meeting will be all county directors, club presidents and executive committee members.

Registration will last from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. A full day's program of talks and discussions is planned. The conference will conclude with members attending the Oregon-Oregon State college basketball game.

Morning speakers will be Anderson discussing "The Year Behind Us and Plans for 1954;" Bill Bowerman, assistant director of athletics, answering the question "Is Our Expanding Grant-in-Aid Program Paying Off?" and Eldon Johnson, dean of the college of liberal arts, posing "Why Liberal Arts?"

Charles R. Holloway, Jr., chairman of the alumni scholarship fund will speak on "Community Scholarship."

John Richards, vice-chancellor of the State System of Higher Education will speak to the group at the noon luncheon. His topic will be "The Place of a State University."

The afternoon session will cover athletics, freshman counseling and faculty research projects. "Research at Oregon" will be presented by Ivan Niven, professor of mathematics.

Bill Berg, president of the Eugene Duck club, will speak on the "Alumni View of Athletes and Athletics." Bill Borchert, head basketball coach will talk on the Oregon basketball team.

Four student counselors in a panel will discuss freshman dormitory life. They will tell of their work with the freshmen men.

A pre-game reception is scheduled at the Eugene hotel in the early evening.

## Maier Named Prexy Of Skull and Dagger

Bob Maier, sophomore in business, will be acting president of Skull and Dagger, sophomore men's service honorary, for the remainder of winter term, it was learned Thursday evening. Maier is vice-president of the group.

Skull and Dagger president Phil Lynch failed to make a 2 point GPA fall term and is ineligible to hold his position this term. Lynch will remain inactive in the organization during winter term, he told the Emerald.

Provisions of the Skull and Dagger constitution state that the vice-president will serve as acting president when the president is declared ineligible, but that the president will re-assume his duties when he is again eligible, Lynch said.

## Director to Meet U Religious Ass'n

J. Edward Dirks, associate general director of the commission on Christian higher education, will meet with the members of the University Religious directors association at noon Saturday. Dirks is a guest of the University and the Eugene Westminster foundation.

The executive director of the Department of Campus Christian Life of the National Council of Churches for Christ, Dirk will be entertained at a faculty dinner Friday evening.

He will be one of the speakers at the Oregon State college Religious Evaluation week Jan. 24 through 30.

## Skit, Exhibitions Slated For Cosmo Club Meet

A skit by foreign students and an exhibition of American square dances will be featured at Cosmopolitan club's joint meeting with the Oregon State club Friday, from 8 to 12 p. m. at Plymouth House.

Agnes Weitz, of Hanover, Germany, will play German folk tunes on the flute, and Jim Ian, of Singapore, will sing Malayan classical music.

Four new officers of the club were appointed at the last cabinet meeting. They are Dale Banks, treasurer; Rita Grislis and Ingrid Meijling, alumni secretaries; and Ana Gloria Dlugatch, social co-chairman.

## Fishbowl Mixer Slated As Post-Game Dance

A Fishbowl Mixer is scheduled for Saturday evening following the basketball game by the Student Union dance committee, according to Chairman Phyllis Pearson.

Pat Dugan, sophomore in speech from KWAX, will play the records along with a commentary on the music.

Miss Pearson urges all students to bring their fathers to the dance following the game.

## Campus Calendar

Noon Italian Tbl 111 SU  
 12:30 H. S. Prj Regis Lobby 2nd Fl SU  
 4:00 Fri at 4 Fishbowl SU  
 7:45 Fri Eve Cof Hr Brs Rm  
 10:00 Barbershop Quartet Ballrm SU

## Officers Appointed For Military Units

The Army and Air Force ROTC units have announced the appointment of their cadet officer staffs for the remainder of the year. These staffs are in charge of compiling and executing the drill programs for their respective units.

Two new top men take over as the leaders of the two groups. The Army's cadet colonel is Karl Harshbarger, senior in speech, and the Air Force top man is now cadet colonel Norm F. Webb, senior in political science.

Among the other members of the Army staff are lieutenant colonels Navarre Davis, Fred Gent, Don Hedgepeth, and Charles Soderberg. Three cadet majors, Robert Bennett, John Weaver, and Jerome Nudelman, round out the top echelon.

Air Force appointments include lieutenant colonels Robert L. Newburn, Joseph M. Kennedy, L. Kenneth Sweitzer and Alan Oppliger. Cadet majors on the new staff are S. Len Berrie, John D. Daily, Clarence D. Suiter, Lloyd R. Hutchinson, and John H. Akers. Other members to receive positions include cadet captain Thomas S. Swalm and first lieutenant Douglas R. Thompson.

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