

Phi Beta Kappa Members Oppose Six-Mark System

Questionnaire Reveals High, Pass, Fail In Preference Suggest Changes

By GORDON BURNS
The results of a questionnaire recently submitted by the DAILY TAR HEEL to the present Phi Beta Kappa chapter yielded 27 votes objecting to the present system of grading undergraduates here at the University, with only 10 members with no objections.

When asked for suggestions for improving the present system, 11 individuals, or 29.7 percent, voted to substitute three grades "High," "Pass," "Fail" for the present system.

Regarding specific objections to the present system, 19 Phi Betes were against it because "it is impossible to make the precise measurements of a student that the A, B, C, D, E, F, system of grading calls for." Nineteen also objected because "grades tend to cause the student to limit his study only to those facts upon which he will be quizzed and graded."

Objections

Following close upon these numbers, 14 registered their objections to the present system because "grades encourage and reward memory work and superficiality," while 13 objected because "getting-a-certain-grade tends to replace mastery of the subject as the student's goal of study." Twelve objected because "grades encourage students to select 'crip' courses and easy-grading professors."

As for suggestions for improving the present grading system, (Continued on last page)

McKie Will Read Anderson Drama

"High Tor" Will Be Playmaker Reading For Sunday

Maxwell Anderson's newest Broadway hit, "High Tor," will be read by Dr. George McKie, head of the University's department of public speaking, on Sunday evening at 8:30 in the Playmakers theater as one of the regular monthly Sunday evening play-readings sponsored by the Carolina Playmakers to which the public is invited.

Dr. McKie saw a performance of "High Tor" in New York during the spring holidays.

Written in verse, "High Tor" marks another of Anderson's contributions to modern poetic drama. In addition to this play the author of "Winterset" at present has two other plays running in New York.

Holmes May Be Lion

Reports from Dr. Frederick H. Koch's office state that the Playmakers hope to secure the services of the well known comedian, Dr. Urban T. Holmes, who at present is connected with the French department, to play the role of the "Lion" in their Forest theater production of Bernard Shaw's comedy "Androcles and the Lion."

"As the fierce beast who dances a waltz in the arena with Androcles, I am sure that Dr. Holmes will give a memorable performance," says Prof. Koch who is directing the annual production. "His roar should be exceptionally realistic."

University Club Nominates Seven For Presidency

Rippy, Balding, Burns, Moore, Nethercutt, Pugh, Lynch Named; Election Next

The following men were nominated last night for presidency of the University club for the coming year: Fred Rippy, Jim Balding, Gordon Burns, John Moore, George Nethercutt, Carl Pugh and Charles Lynch.

Out-going President Nick Read presided at last night's meeting, held in Graham Memorial, and announced that the election of the president and the remaining officers would be held at the next meeting of the club.

Meyland Elected

Committee members in charge of the smokers held throughout the state during holidays for prospective Carolina students made their reports and stated that several interesting and enjoyable meetings were held.

August Meyland of Wilmington was elected last night into membership in the club to represent Grimes dormitory.

Engineers Leave Today For Annual Inspection Tour

Tennessee Valley Works And Charlotte Plant Will Be Visited By Group

Five civil engineers, W. N. Suominen, R. H. Peck, R. P. Guarino, M. A. Lyons, Jr., and Dan Lipschutz leave Chapel Hill today to make the annual senior inspection tour of the Southern states.

The itinerary includes the Tennessee Valley Works at Knoxville, the Norfolk and Western Railway locomotive plant in Virginia, and the new water and sewage treatment plant in Charlotte.

The engineers will also inspect the scenic highway along the Blue Ridge mountains in Virginia, power projects on the lower Yadkin River, and the Virginia Bridge company's fabrication shop. The trip covers 750 miles by car and will be completed by Tuesday, April 28.

Pierson Explains Pan-Americanism

Dean Of Graduate School Ad- dresses Freshman Assembly

"Pan-Americanism is an ideal of mutual understanding, commerce and friendship among the countries of the Western Hemisphere," said Dean W. W. Pierson of the graduate school in an address to freshman assembly Wednesday as a part of the celebration of Pan-American day.

His talk followed a concert of the national anthems of all the countries of the Americas played by an orchestra under the direction of Dr. B. F. Swalin of the music department.

Many Aspects

"Pan-Americanism has come to include many aspects of our lives," Pierson continued. "Originally it was considered on a political and economic basis, but now conferences have been held in many fields, and especially (Continued on last page)

Peace Forum Takes Action Against Arms

Students And Faculty Send Telegram To Senators

Taking immediate action in the student peace movement, students and professors engaging in an open forum discussion of war and peace last night sent a telegram to North Carolina senators urging the passing of measures to further the fight against war.

The message, voted upon by the group, read as follows: "Carolina Students' Peace demonstration urges you to vote against fascist Hill-Sheppard conscription bill, oppose further military and naval expenditures, support Nye neutrality bill and proposals to nationalize, munitions production and provide popular referendum to determine whether or not the United States will declare war."

Open Discussion

Arnold Williams, professor of English, opened the night's discussion by pointing out the relation between militarism and fascism. "War and fascism go together. You cannot separate the two," he declared. "You can not keep America out of war if war is in the world. You couldn't in 1914 when you had a neutrality policy equal to that of today, and you can not now. The only thing to do is to stop fascism wherever it starts and whenever it starts," he declared.

Williams advocated the adoption of the Nye resolution. He (Continued on last page)

Senior Regalia

The deadline for seniors wishing to be measured for their senior regalia is today and all that have not done so are asked to see Jack Lipman today and place their orders.

Leaders Will Be Tapped By Golden Fleece May 2

Mysterious Ceremony To Be Per- formed In Memorial Hall By Hooded Men In Black

By ALLEN MERRILL
Two hooded men in black will wander through a pitch dark Memorial hall the night of May 2 to single out of a mass of students the men who will become members of the order of the Golden Fleece for 1937.

When one of the hooded men has hurdled three rows of people and has landed on the shoulders of some prospective member, a glaring spotlight will disperse the darkness and illuminate the selected man for the curious crowd. So he is tapped.

Membership Limited

Membership in the order is limited to graduating or rising seniors and those men are selected who, in the eyes of the incumbent members, have excelled in campus leadership and service and who have cultivated a "high quality of personality."

The order of the Golden Fleece was founded around 1904 by Horace Williams, Edward Kidder Graham, and Eben Alexander as a secret honorary fraternity which recognized leadership and carried on sub rosa ac- (Continued on last page)

Director



Carl M. Fistel, University sophomore from White Plains, N. Y., who is student director of the Wigwag and Masque's production of "Say the Word." Fistel was instrumental in the organization of the musical comedy group, and was elected its president.

Dance Details Being Formed

Dance Committeemen Deciding Decorations

The Junior-Senior dance committee, under the leadership of Claude Hobbs, has been hard at work the past few days planning the decorations for the coming dance set.

With only two weeks before the festivities begin, the committee is hard pressed to settle all details contingent upon such a large undertaking.

Concession Bids

Bids for the cloak room and soft drink concessions will be considered by the committee at its next meeting either Monday or Tuesday of next week.

Fraternity social representatives are reminded that the Sammy Kaye band will be available for hire for an hour on each of the two days. On Friday May 7 the orchestra will be open from 7:30 until 8:30, and on Saturday the eighth, from 7 until 8. All campus groups interested should get in touch with Chairman Claude Hobbs.

Education Group Holds First Meet

A. L. Cheek Is Named Temp- orary Chairman Of Group

A group of eighteen students from the department of education met Tuesday night with G. B. Phillips in Peabody hall for the purpose of forming a definite organization for students contemplating a future in the field of teaching.

A. L. Cheek was named temporary chairman of the group and a steering committee composed of Ruth Walston, A. P. Smith, and F. E. Thomas was elected, with Kenyon Withrow as secretary.

The next meeting of the group has been called for next Wednesday night at 7:30 and will meet weekly thereafter.

Stewart Will Talk

The Rev. Donald Stewart will conduct tonight's session of the Hillel foundation in Graham Memorial, discussing "The Significance of a University."

Rabbi Zeiger, director of the local Hillel group, last night invited any interested students to attend the service. It will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Quadrangle Dance Set Opens Tonight

Zucker Accepts Indiana's Offer Of College Post

German Department Head Re- signs, Effective Fall Quarter, To Accept Chair

Dr. A. E. Zucker, head of the German department here, yesterday announced his resignation in order to accept the position of professor and head of the German department at Indiana university in Bloomington, Indiana, effective next fall quarter.

Dr. Zucker is a native of Indiana and got his A.B. degree at Illinois university and his Ph.D. in German at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Zucker spent a good deal of time in Europe studying at the universities of Berlin, Munich, Vienna, and Paris. Dr. Zucker came here two years ago from the University of Maryland where he was also head of the department of German.

In giving his resignation Dr. (Continued on last page)

Playmakers Plan Second Bill For Tomorrow Night

Tonight's Program Postponed To Avoid Conflict With Cen- tennial Pageant

The second half of the program on the fifth production bill of the Carolina Playmakers for this season will be given tomorrow night at 8:30 o'clock in their theater. There will be no performance tonight in order to avoid conflict with the Centennial Pageant of Education being given in Durham.

Plays to be presented tomorrow night include "Toujours Gai," a modern tragedy by Virginia LaRochelle; "Barge Incident," by Herb Meadow, Federal theater playwright; and "Naughty Boy," by William Chichester.

The plays are being given on the regular season ticket program.

Language Group To Offer Plays

French Dramas Will Be Present- ed May Fourteenth

The Romance languages department and the French club are preparing a program of French plays ranging from farce to horror which will be presented May 14th in the Playmakers theater.

The piece de resistance of the evenings performance will be a presentation of "Monsieur de Pourceaugnac," according to Walter Creech of the French department, one of the least known yet most hilarious comedies of Moliere which will be acted by members of the faculty.

Sharing the same program, and offering contrast to the classic farce of Moliere, a student cast will present a horror play written in the manner of the Grand Guignol by Walter Creech.

Rehearsals of both plays are already under way and the casts will be made public soon.

Bids Will Be On Sale For Weekend Dances On Each Floor

Johnson Will Play

Tonight the Tin Can will be the scene of what the Interdormitory council has long been working for—the first of the Quadrangle frolics, a set of dances that will give all dormitory residents a chance to attend at least one dance during the year.

Chairman of the Dance Committee Billy Robertson said that bids for the set would remain on sale in each dormitory until the dances started. The councilman on each floor is supplied with enough bids for that floor. There have been 75 extra bids issued which will be sold to the campus at large, Robertson said. These will cost \$1.00 per set. Bids for the dormitory residents will be 50 cents.

Annual Affair

For the past year the council has been working on this idea, first trying to give the dormitories individual dances, but later turning to the idea that a set of dances given by the upper and lower quadrangles combined would be the beginning of what might turn into an annual affair. At a council meeting Wednesday night Supervisor Ellis expressed hope that these dances will be perpetual and added that he visualized in the future dormitory dances that would rank with the larger sets, such as Junior-Seniors.

Robertson reported to the council meeting Wednesday night that there would be no figure during the dances, adding that there would be no-breaks instead. Yesterday afternoon (Continued on last page)

Monetary Grant Awarded Society

Romance Department Will Pub- lish Works Of du Bartas

The American Council of Learned societies at its last meeting voted a grant of \$1,500 to the department of romance languages here for the publication of the second volume of "The Works of Guillaume de Saluste Sier du Bartas," which is edited by Dr. U. T. Holmes, R. W. Linker, and J. C. Lyons of the French department.

The first volume, published by the University of North Carolina Press in 1935, is a study of the poet's life and works. The second volume contains the first half of the text the "Muse Chrestienne" and the "Premiere Sepmaine."

May 1 Is Deadline For Book Contest

Russell, Downs And Newsome To Act As Judges

All students who have entered or are going to enter the Student Library award contest are asked to turn in their names and a list of the books comprising their libraries to Dr. Harry K. Russell or Miss Nora Beust on or before May 1.

The judges for this year's contest are Dr. Russell, R. B. Downs, University librarian, and Dr. A. R. Newsome. These judges will visit each student li- (Continued on last page)