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"COMMENTS FROM THE FRONT OFFICE"

by J. R. Van Pelt

As I understand it, the Student Council established the AMPLIFIER in order to get the current campus news to everyone on the campus quickly and without distortion. This is a really important job.

Speed of publication is important, especially in making announcements of campus events such as dances, debates, convocations, or athletic events. That's why I hope the AMPLIFIER staff will maintain a weekly publication schedule.

Accuracy is also important. In the absence of a dependable publication, news is disseminated mainly by word of mouth. What started out as a factual report soon degenerates, by accumulation of errors, into half fact, half fancy. Such erroneous tales breed misunderstandings and the result is like a football team that misunderstands a signal—somebody goes, and the opponents throw the ball-carrier for a loss. A well-managed campus paper stops such false rumors before they start; it furnishes correct knowledge that helps us all to pull together. The AMPLIFIER can be a big factor on the campus; let's give it lots of cooperation!

On April 28 and 29, the Engineers' Council for Professional Development will inspect the School. This is the regular visit, made every five years, to look over the institution as a basis for accreditation. The visiting committee will be headed by Professor Fred Merryfield of Oregon State. Assisting him will be Professors L. B. Shaffer and John Putnam of the University of California, and Dr. Dana W. Smith of Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation. Dean Tom Kerr of the University of Idaho will be present as an observer representing the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools. Among them all, the committee members are experienced in all of our major fields, and in the administration of higher education. Their comments should be very helpful to us in our future planning for the continued progress of the institution. Dean Adam is serving as the coordinator for the visit.

Looking ahead to the first week in May, about 100 Rotarians will visit the campus on Thursday, May 5. Look for more details next week on this.

OBITUARY

Congratulation to Pete DuToit on a successful operation! Pete spent a few days at the local hospital where his appendix was removed. We understand that they gave him an anesthetic prior to the operation which was not very effective. Pete was still awake when the Doctor began sharpening his scalpel! Luckily they gave him another shot.

Our condolences to Dick Westerman (Ed's brother). Dick does not feel well since he must have caught Pete's appendicitis. Anyhow, Dick had his appendix removed at midnight Wednesday. Let's hope he has as speedy a recovery as Pete. By the way, Dick diagnosed his own case by throwing questions concerning his illness to DuToit. Way to go, Dick! Doctors are expensive!

Swede: Hey, Trev, what are we having for dinner?
Trev: Slop, what do you think?
Swede: Oh. I thought it was something we couldn't eat.
Rose: Wait! I'll catch them two----

Our Research dept. informs us that the bathroom is no longer the room where the most household accidents occur. It's the bedroom!
METE YOUR FACULTY
by Art Norris

If you have taken Freshman Chem, P-Chem, Electro-chem, Chemical Thermodynamics, or Colloid chemistry, you are all quite familiar with Dr. Kenneth McLeod, Associate Professor of Chemistry at the School of Mines. It's pretty easy to tell when Dr. McLeod (or Sleepy Joe, as he is affectionately called by his students) is lecturing in a classroom. From far down the hall comes the sound of a low, booming, sonorous voice, immediately identified as the deep basso heard with the Glee club. The Glee club, however, is not the only outside activity in which Dr. McLeod is engaged. In addition to teaching and cooperating with Mr. McGlashen in research, he is chairman of the faculty committee on research, he is chairman of the committee on visual aids. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, belongs to Sigma Psi, national science honorary, and was named one of the Men of Science for 1955.

Married, and with two children (girl 11, boy 9), he is active in church work; he also is fond of hunting. He has decided to stay in the teaching profession, because he feels that "Education is a process whereby we become acquainted with fundamentals, and a basic knowledge of fundamentals, will provide a means of answering the whys and wherefores of the world. Education is the means, and research is the tool."

Dr. McLeod also stated his only peeve was "students general apathy toward extra-curricular educational and recreational facilities, such as convocations, Anderson Carlisle functions, and programs sponsored by school clubs." Dr. McLeod also commended the work of Drs. Smith and Nile in preparation of undergraduate students, and praised Professors Chance and Albertson for their work in drama, debate, and other activities. In closing, the Doctor, who got his degree at Oregon State College, said he believed his work on the research committee helped promote the fundamental type of research, although the practical type was not neglected.

Dr. McLeod seemed so jovial during the interview that your reporter decided to inquire about the truth of some rumors circulating about the Doc. When I told him what the rumors were, he sprang from his desk, grabbed a quinhydrone electrode lying around (these are awfully dangerous) and attempted to assault your reporter. In conclusion let me say his temper is exceeded only by his disdain for untrue rumors. Anyway I guess they aren't true.

"AMPLIFIER SAYS"
Co-Editor

We were walking down the hall the other day when we overheard this conversation between an alum and a freshman. "Who is the president of the ASSM?" queried the alum. "Gosh, I don't know," replied the freshman, "I'm not even sure what the ASSM is." The old timer then went on to say that back in the good old days, when he was a student, the ASSM was one of the most active organizations on the campus, holding frequent and interesting convocations, and faithfully representing the student body.

The freshman's attitude toward our ASSM is, we think, general throughout the school, and shows that someone is falling down on the job. When we elected our student body officers last M-day, we voted for men who we felt would take an active interest in school affairs, arrange informative convocations, and make an effort to pull school spirit from the "depths." If any of these things have been done, they have been kept very quiet.

M-day is fast approaching, and we would like to see a group of leftist radicals elected who would initiate needed reforms next year.
"THE FACULTY SPEAKS"

by Dr. W. J. McMannis
Geology Department

the morale of the School of Mines student is mighty low! In fact, of the many schools I am personally acquainted with, none is lower.
ripping, roving eyes, cheating of
everal kinds are an all too common
practice. Attitude toward class
work in general is one of "What's
the easiest way to pass this course?"
response, enthusiasm, and genuine
interest are almost totally
lacking in the classroom and in many other
hases of student activity. I attend-
ed six different schools as an under-
graduate and graduate student, and
have taught at two others---in no
ther engineering department was such
situation so prevalent as ours.
is an unhealthy atmosphere in
hich to work for when morale is low,
oral standards suffer, which in
urn further lowers morale.

here must be reasons for this sit-
tation. What is the differ-
etween this and other institutions of higher learning? Can it be that
he average student here is incapable of handling the required credit load?
it is true that ours is higher (19-22 ours) than most other similar schools
16-18 hours max.). If it were true
hat the professor expects 2 hours of
outside work for every lecture hour, he
situation would indeed appear to be hopeless--for the average sophmore,
or instance, would have to devote
rom 6-10 hours per night to outside
udy. Fortunately many of our faculty
ot require this much outside study
lecture hour. In fact many make
allowance for the heavy credit load
nd try to cover all the required ma-
tial in class. Though this sounds
od it still does not alleviate the
ecessary review of class notes and
xt material prior to examinations.

an it be that the average student is lazy? It would seem that this
true at times when the professor
azes around the room and finds a
umber of heads nodding in the breeze.

Yet, it does not stand to reason that so many of the students are cut and cut
lazy.

Can it be that the professors' lectures are boring--so much so that it produces slumber en masse? Does he not make the course material interesting? Does he lack enthusiasm himself? There are certain instances in which these questions may be answered in the affirmative--but by and large, this cannot be the answer. And, can it not be that those few cases may be a reflection of long-continued disinterest on the students' part--despite the professors' efforts?

Surely it cannot be that the average student at MSM is just plain dumb compared to those of other colleges. Nevertheless the situation exists; many faculty members are worried about it and would like to see it corrected. If this school is to be the top-notch school, we must do something about our mental attitudes. As a member of the faculty I welcome suggestions.

"PERSONALITY SPOTS"

G. A. Nichols

The cock had just crowed; it was a bright and shiny 8:30 AM. Maybe a bit early for an interview; but still, the AMPLIFIER staff is always hard at it! A "thanks" must be given to Jerry Svee for his early rising on that Tuesday morning. He hails from Columbus, Mont., being registered as a freshman student. Before school in the fall of '54 his location for 14 months was Korea. Mining is the field he prefers to follow, having worked in a related capacity before going into the service. During his spare (?) time, he usually is found around the location of the Sigma Phi lounge; on weekends, it's the "pits." In the summer he plans to work with the forest service, and then it'll be back to the "grind" at MSM next fall. "The last issue of the AMPLIFIER," he commented, "was better than usual." (What else could he say with a reporter staring wickedly?) Still, thanks for the boost, Jerry!
"ARTICLES OF LASTING (?) INTEREST"

Editor

Hey! Guess what! M-day is getting closer and closer! The big day of the year for some 250 students and 50 faculty members of the Montana School of Mines. Each year on the first Wednesday of May, the students break out buckets with whitewash and transform the M on top of Big Butte into a clean sparkling landmark. Following the whitewashing, the students try to attract the attention of the campus foreman, Earl Denny, to some object other than the statue of Marcus Daly. Their purpose in this, of course, is to whitewash Marcus as well as the M. For some odd reason Dr. Van Pelt abhors the thought of Marcus looking a clean sparkling white color. The students, naturally, think old Marcus looks too drab and are interested only in beautifying the campus when they paint the old boy. Rumor has it that Denny is posting a 24 hour shotgun watch on Marcus to prevent any vandalism. Since we're good students we'll not accept the challenge--right chickens, oops, I mean men!

Of course, the fire hose will have to be brought into play. For the past five years the town at the bottom of the hill has been totally unprepared for this occasion. However, the city has an emergency ordinance which gives the people the right to buy life preservers at half-price on M-day. At last, Mother will be safe! The fire hose generally washes down the campus and everything on it. Last year the Dean tried to buck the hose and almost lost a perfectly good car. I hear tell that Patton tanks are now available at surplus stores and that the Dean has been doing some checking on the matter.

After the campus has been thoroughly soaked, a Kangaroo court is held. Most of the faculty members, as well as the students, take part in this and everybody has a wonderful time. Games such as baseball are held after. Naturally elections for the student council take place too.

This is our traditional M-day! Now, how about adding a new tradition! What do you say to the faculty taking a larger part in M-day? Why not even get them in on whitewashing the M? Why not get them in on cleaning the campus? Why not let them hold a kangaroo court for errant students?

Fellas, if we take a helluva interest in M-day this year and get the faculty to take a similar interest everyone will enjoy themselves more than ever before.

"TOPIC OF THE DAY"

by Frank P. Howald

Our school at the present time lacks cooperation between the students and the faculty. The student blames the faculty for this failure and in turn the faculty blames the student body. For successful relationships we have to realize this is a fifty-fifty proposition.

All here are human, and are subject to the stresses and strains that life has to offer. We are bound to make mistakes and blunders--faculty and students alike.

There are two sides to every story and the same applies to the situation at the School of Mines. It is my purpose to present both sides without being prejudiced toward anyone, for I am not the judge who can say what is wrong or right.

One of the faculty's gripes is absences from classes for which a few of the students are famous. Another is cribbing, which does not hurt the faculty, but the student body. Last but not least is school spirit of the students, lacking since I have been at the school.

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The students also have many gripes against the faculty. Prejudice against certain students is the major gripe which is present in almost all small schools. Next is the arrangement of tests; they seem to come during the same period. Last but not least is the school spirit of the faculty which is just as bad as the student body's school spirit.

It is my belief that if we have students and faculty cooperating together as a unit, we could be rid of these gripes by both parties. We need more student and faculty get-togethers, with the students being able to talk straight from the shoulder. The most important thing is for all of us to realize that this is a fifty-fifty proposition.

If there are any criticisms of this article, or suggestions for future articles, please let me know.

Dick Westerman reports that the Military Ball proved to be a gala affair, with the cadets turning out in grand style. The Arnold Air Society deserves a good hand for their efforts in making this dance hold to the true Military Ball tradition.

A censor is a lovely man—
I know you think so, too;
He sees three meanings to a joke
When there are only two.

An idiot is the motorist who crashes into the rear end of your car when you stop suddenly without signaling.

Barber: "What's the matter?
Ain't the razor takin' holt?"

Victim: "It's taking hold all right, but it ain't letting go again."

huh boys?

Anyway, Bob went to the hospital and donated a pint of his good red blood. The nurse brought him back to school and that is all there was to it! That's what Bob said anyway.

The County Hospital reported that the patient in need of blood is doing nicely, and will be able to return home soon.

The paper staff and student body award Bob a deserved round of applause for his volunteered help in time of need.

"GALAHAD" LONG
by Sally Bires

The age of chivalry is still here! In fact, you can even ask a guy for a pint of his good red blood and surprisingly enough get it!

Seems last Thursday there came to the main office an emergency call from the County Hospital for a blood donor with Type O blood. Sir Bob (Galahad) Long was innocently strolling over the dorm with his buddies, after they had devoured their capacity of coffee and cookies at the Coed Coffee Party, when the call was sounded from the Elvie Murray of the typing office for someone with Type O blood to make a donation. Bob Long volunteered his services or shall we say his good type O blood to the cause.

A nurse from the hospital came up to school and picked Bob up and took him out to the hospital. When talking to Bob, he seemed a little reluctant to say much about the nurse. However, maybe donating blood isn't so bad,
Hear what happened to our dog?

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With only one loss on their record, the Sigma Rho volleyball team won the intramural volleyball contest. This victory may have been due to the scientifically designed construction of the Rho players. On McCourt, for instance, was built with his center of gravity close to the ground. This gives him exceptional maneuverability and he excels at turning sharp corners.

Andy Mular was engineered to perfection; though he is tall enough to reach the ball at any height that it might attain during play, his arms are also long enough that he can pick the ball up off of the floor without bending at the waist. Ted Eterhelote has large, suction-cup feet, so Worcester has Einstein arms (fast as light), J.J. Cleveland can use his feet, and Dick Siguaw has knees and elbows that and both ways. No wonder we won! Nice ting, fellows.

The Rho party of April 17 was enjoyed by all. We wish to thank the nurses who were there for helping to make the party a big success. They deserve a large share of the credit.

The school photographer, Wilson Hong, was privileged to take the Rho group picture the evening of April 17. After snapping a flash bulb in his eyes to make sure the camera was in focus, he posed the group by Braille in the inimitable fashion. He snapped the picture at the count of "one" so that everybody's eyes would be closed, paid us the usual modeling fee, and went on his way.

E. Westerman

G: Hear what happened to our dog?
M: No! What happened?
G: Well, he got sick, so Mother decided to call a vet. However, a friend of Mother's told her that whenever her dog got sick she just poured a pint of gasoline down the dogs throat. So---Mother bought a pint of gas and poured it down the dogs throat. Well the dog went crazy, jumping around, and then suddenly it just dropped over.

M: Gosh-----did it die?
G: No, it just ran out of gas!
"GRADUATE SEMINARS"

by Paul Allsman
Graduate "student"

Graduate seminar registration is required of all candidates for Master's degrees. These seminars are held by each individual department, or sometimes combined for the whole school. Last semester the combined seminar discussed the timely subject of "Uranium," with students of the various departments describing current practice in their particular specialties. This information will be of great value to the participants who will shortly be forced from the sanctuary to face Private Industry.

This semester each department has its own seminar. The geology seminar began on April 14 with a talk by Soe Win on "Origin of Wolframite Magmas." A rousing discussion followed the presentation of these papers. The second seminar was held last night with Miles Pepper's talk on "Geology of the Marysville Butte Area, California" and Bruce Goddard's paper on "Geology of the Whiskey Gulch Area," leading to a very interesting and fruitful question period. Later the students will present the results of their thesis research. These seminars are open to the public, and coats and ties are "de rigueur."

The mineral dressing seminar is more informal and lots of fun. Held every Friday afternoon in "Doc" McGlashan's cellar, it usually features coffee by James Ndulue (most will prefer tea) plus cookies from some or occasionally really excellent pies by those skilled reagent mixers in the department. Various technical talks are given, and a round table discussion is conducted on the Research Project or other problems confronting the department. These seminars are restricted to graduate students, but any student majoring in mineral dressing is invited to sit in.

The metallurgy seminar is required of all seniors and graduates in the department. It meets twice weekly, and a technical and currently appropriate subject is assigned for presentation at each meeting. Later each metallurgist will present the results (next column) of his thesis studies for discussion and evaluation by the other young smelter-men. Anybody with nothing else to do at 8 in the morning (?) is welcomed.

The mining department has no graduates this year, but the "No-Name Mining Company" is justly notorious among all senior miners. Each student is assigned one phase of operation of this hypothetical mine. His ideas are roundly criticized by the embryo mine operators, and the Chairman of the Board Stout then issues the final decree of the management. These discussions are very informative, and open to anyone who is not thin-skinned.

Graduate seminars are sometimes cursed by those who must endure them. But look at it this way; how else can you be assured of an A just by making class most of the time?

"CADENCE COUNT"

by R. Westerman

Each year the AFROTC Detachment at the Montana School of Mines endeavors to make the annual Cadet Review a little more spectacular, a little more extraordinary. Plans for the Review this Spring include march music by the Butte High Band, with the entire Review being broadcast over KOPR.

The program this year will take place on the evening of May 18. It will be held in the evening for the benefit of those people who would like to attend the ceremonies and for the benefit of those who would enjoy the radio program. This sort of publicity is essential to the welfare of the Cadet Corps and the School itself; we will be the first unit in the State of Montana to have their Cadet Review broadcast on the air. So--let's get in there and dig, fellows!
"THE KID IN THE CORRIDOR"

Unknown writer

The Kid has to start this week's article off with an apology, I'm sorry. Sorry because I promised you an interview with Irma Button, the new office girl. The truth is that the Kid was scooped. The way the Kid hears it he had so good a time at the ROTC Ball dancing with so many guys) that everyone knows her better than the Kid. Oh well, here is one hot tip; If you need excuse to go over and see her, the new school catalogs are out. Use this pretext.

He Kid really went at the party Sunday night. It wasn't all the Kid had to think that got him, it was all the girls that couldn't find anyone to dance with them, and the thousands of choices on the juke box that made him so confused.

Here is a story the Kid MADE UP for you:

Once upon a time, long ago, there was once a castle called The Hole sitting upon the top of a hill. In the castle, there lived a beautiful maiden by the name of Gertrude later called Gerti for short. Many of the young bloods from the town at the bottom of the hill desired to win the favor of the beautiful young maiden. She spurned all their wooings, however, and everyone despised of winning her hand. Then there appeared in the town one day a gallant, debonair, handsome knight upon a pure grey charger, who threw stones from the early diluvial deposits, instead of using a word. The name of the knight was Rollant Wreed. Wreed and Gerti got along good right away, when she invited him up for a tasty meal of breaded bone, potatoes boiled in Tuf-Skin, and silverfish soup. When he found her favorite hit tunes were his (Rock Love, Hearts of Stone), he was really enthusiastic. Gerti was not so hot to go, though, and she sent him home. Rollant was so desirous of her charms he went to see if Mysterious Mac Lashing could help him out. Of course, Mac had the immediate solution for the reason Gerti was cool to Rollant. He said, "You have underarm odor; don't use Lava soap just because it contains pumice STONE. "Use Ivory like I do," said Mac, "cause it FLOATS!" This, indeed, was the solution, and when asked about the once aloof Gerti, Rollant replied, "She was just a gear-maker's daughter, but she could outstrip them all."

"YOUR CLUB IS"

by R. Foster

The M-club is one of the larger clubs on campus with an active membership of 32. The only requirements for membership are the winning of an "M" in one varsity sport (Football, Basketball, Tennis, Track, and Baseball) and an active interest in the club's affairs.

Officers are elected at the beginning of each semester. The present officers are Pres. Jim Kerr, V. Pres. Howard Bear, and Sec. Treas. Bob Hickman.

This year we have decided to pay $10 to all eligible lettermen towards the purchasing of new M-jackets. We hope to be able to pay the full price of next year's jackets through pop machines sales in the gym and Metallurgy building.

Recently admitted into the M-club were freshmen basketball lettermen Neil Trenagro, Don Kozena, Dave Place, and Don Mahagin.

STUDENT WIVES

The Student Wives entertained the Faculty Wives at a party on the evening of April 13th. Mrs. Griswold showed slides her daughter took while living in Japan, and gave an interesting, explanatory talk on them. The delightful luncheon and social hour which followed was enjoyed by all. There were twenty faculty wives present.
A senior farewell dinner at 7:30 P.M. at Lydia's May 11th, will serve as the closing meeting of the year. Those girls interested in attending the dinner should contact Bonnie Schurtz, phone 2-6480.

COED CLUB

Recently the coeds held a coffee party for the students and faculty and assume that since no deaths were reported that it was a success.

Tuesday they will sponsor a meeting of the Frogs Inc. at 7:30 in the pool. All students are invited to come and swim and have chili afterwards in the coffee shop. Let's have a big crowd.

THE INQUERING REPORTER

by Pete duToit

What is your opinion about students being "docked" for irregular class attendance?

Being asked the above question the different answers were received from students around the campus of Montana School of Mines went like this. (The names are concealed to protect the innocent).

George D. "There is nothing you can do about it. If I were the president of this school, I'd---"

J. H. "I think if a guy can make it without attending classes, he should be given credit for it."

Bob T. "That's a crock of----. Why at B.C., the guys----."

Art S. "Why heck, the student is paying for it. He should have the privilege of going or staying away."

George C. "I can't talk about that. I'd be docked in every subject."

There's only one course where I have regular attendance and that is the Dean's course. The Dean has a memory like an elephant. He'll ask you when you're not alert, why you had not been in class and you'll be sitting there saying: "Well---see---because---I guess---I don't know!"

R.G. "It boils down to this: Why be treated like grade-school kids; every student should have the right to regulate his own life."

Sam Caddy - "Why don't the profs make tape recordings of their lectures so that the students can listen to them at home (or turn the volume way down)."

BAKER OIL TOOL REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. R. L. Turner, Rocky Mt. Dist. Mgr. from Denver and Mr. H.C. Hanright, Asst. Dist. Sales Manager from Billings, lectured on some of the specialized equipment manufactured by the Baker Oil Tool Co., Monday, Apr. 18, in the Petroleum building at 3:30 P.M.


Mr. Turner and Mr. Hanright, besides being very generous in lecturing to us, provided coffee and doughnuts to all those in attendance. The tools mentioned above have been left in the care of Mr. Harnish in the Petroleum building for a few days so that students interested may see them.

R. Foster
PERSONALITIES AND JOKES
by B. Huber

TOPIC OF THE WEEK ******* WOMEN!

Like Confucius say, "Man who grow too big for britches, get exposed in the end," so I better be careful on this subject. Rather than take the job of evaluating the species feminine all by myself, I would like to quote on the subject from that great scholar Joe (The Rich Girls Kinsey) Forte. He stated, "Fickle redheads, fickle blonds, and fickle brunettes." How true, how true. But he went on to say, "Women are like cigarettes, advertised as cool and refreshing but really hard on one's constitution. So round, so firm, so fully packed, but not so easy on the dough. So white and pure on the exterior, but that is only skin deep, and from a distance, they present a warm glow, but more than one has had his fingers burned. They burn slowly, but surely and someone has to snuff them out. They are common and easily obtained, usually for a price, unless they can be had for free. They are found in all parts of the world, in all walks of life, and in possession of any body. The present price boils down to about a dime a dozen or nearly so and once a habit has been formed, they are very hard to get along without." AMEN!!!!

QUOTEABLE QUOTES------
"Her face was her chaperone."

OVERHEARD AT THE RHO PARTY---------
"HAROLD TREWEEK, put down that beer bottle, you might hurt someone."
"Well, well, if it isn't DARRELL (POPULARITY PLUS) BODIE."
"Come, come, now, DON MC COURT let OLD MCDONALD take you home to beddy-bye."
"CARL CANTFIELD, what the hell did you put in that last drink?"
"WHO put his hand through the front window of the jukebox?"
"Hey, BOB NAGEL, ED AND DICK WESTMAN, JOHN DEBEER, ART MORRIS, GEORGE WILHELM. Don't leave early. You partygoers???"

Did you hear about the wino who came in the U & I and ordered a round for the house, a shot for himself, and then bought Ed a drink. After Ed had set up the drinks, he found out the guy didn't have any dough. He then cuffed him across the choppers and bodily threw him out of the bar. Two hours later the same wino came in and repeated his order, except that he didn't offer to buy Ed a drink. Curious Ed asked the guy as he went to throw him out, why he didn't get a drink this time and the wino replied, "You get mean when you're drinking."

ACADEMIC PROBATION

In case some of you haven't obtained the new Montana School of Mines Catalog, we thought it would be a good idea to bring to your attention the new ruling concerning Academic Probation which appears on page 45 in the catalog.

Here it is, as it is, in the Catalog: The term "academic probation" refers to the status of a student who has not maintained a satisfactory level of achievement, either in quantity or in quality. In order to provide additional time for study, a student on academic probation is not permitted to hold elective offices in campus organizations. In order to remain in good standing, freshmen and general students must receive passing grades in at least 12 credit hours and earn 12 grade points in each semester. A sophomore, junior, or senior is similarly placed on probation if he fails to receive at least 12 credits and to maintain a 1.0 grade point index. Perhaps if some of you don't fully understand the new ruling, it would pay to discuss it with your faculty adviser.

DEBATE TEAM

The Debate Team left to participate in the Tau Kappa Alpha Speech Tournament at Montana State University the 21st to the 23rd of April.
Revised schedule:
April 16, PP due to weather
April 23, Carroll at Helena
April 30, MSC at Butte
May 3, WMCOE at Dillon
May 5, WMCOE at Butte
May 8, playoff with WMCOE
May 13, 14, at Billings if we win playoffs

Coach Cullen is handicapped by time and weather, but is blessed with the turnout and the enthusiasm of players regardless of the elements. He believes that the team will do well, having shown considerably more promise in this department than in batting, which with more time and better weather could improve noticeably. In short, there is much room for improvement in this latter important department.

The teams roster includes:
- Catching, H. Bear, who was a relief catcher last year and who shows good possibilities this year; Williams who is a possible outfielder.
- Pitching, right-handers Trengove & Geevers, who are both experienced, and left-handers Baker and Anderson.
- 1st base, Danowski, who is the best for the position and a good utility man.
- 2nd base, Pulju, who is a former letterman, and Hickman, who can catch and play outfield as well.
- 3rd base, Riggleman, who lettered last year.
- Outfielders, McNiel, Steeves, Vogel, and Kosena.

Geevers, who has shown the most power at the plate, and Baker may lay in the outfield, when not pitching, because of their batting strength.

Reeck, who is recovering from an injury, is a letterman outfielder and can do pitching chores when necessary.

Tennis, 1955

May 13, 14 Mines will play Western 2 of 3 matches on dates listed. Winners will represent Western District in singles and doubles at Tournament in Billings.

The tennis team is developing into a fairly good team. Probable doubles teams are, B. Campbell and D. Barnum; Ted Berthelote and Don Marthys.

Coach Olsen has charge of the competition for places on the varsity tennis team. A tournament will be arranged to decide who will represent the Mines in singles competition.

An interesting item: Don Mathis and Mike Lavis won the conference doubles championship last year. Mike Lavis is ineligible this year.

The tennis team's roster includes Mathis, Lanphere, Campbell, Barnum and Berthelote.

Golf, 1955

May 13, 14 Mines will enter 2 students in tournament at Billings.

The golf team is capably represented by Frank Baker, Al Deurbrock, and Jack Hunter. Any student is welcome to be a candidate for the conference tournament.

Intramurals

Seven teams entered the campus competition for the volleyball championship. They are:
- Theta Tau 1, 2, 3
- Sigma Rho
- Koppers
- Butte Rats
- Sophmores

Sigma Rho team won the championship cup with only one loss marring their record.

It is almost time for softball competition to begin. All those wishing to enter a team should watch the bulletin board in the gym for the time when competition starts.