

# Grades Determine 'Survival of Fittest'

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College is the old story of the "survival of the fittest"—the fittest being determined by professors and their grade books.

According to Regulations for Undergraduate Students, grades are assigned to students only on the instructor's judgment of the students' scholastic achievement.

On the basis of the three point grading system, passing grades include 3, 2, and 1. Failing grades are -1 and -2. An "in between" grade of 0, or "zip" as it is called, may also be awarded.

A 3 grade designates "excellent" work and is the equivalent of an "A" or a numerical mark from 90-100.

**Zip is Passing**  
"Good" work is indicated by a 2 which is equal to a "B" or a grade between 80-89. A grade of 1 designates "fair" work and is the equivalent of a "C" or a mark between 70-79.

A zip, equal to a mark of 60-69, is considered passing and gives the student credit for taking the course, but does not give him grade points. If a zip is received in a course required for the student's major, it must be repeated.

Grades of -1, called "bar one" and equal to 59-65, and -2, called "bar two" equal to 44-50, are considered failing. Required courses in which zips are received must be repeated. If the course is an elective, it does not have to be repeated.

**Grade Points Equal Credits**  
For courses such as English composition 0 in which no credit is given the grade will be either P if passed or F if failed.

In addition to completing course requirements in his curriculum, a student must earn the number of grade points equal to the number of credits required in that curriculum.

Grade points are determined by multiplying the grade earned in the course by the number of credits it carries.

The All-College average is determined by dividing the total of all credits taken while at the College into the total grade points. To have the equal number of grade points and credits required for graduation, an All-College average of 1 must be obtained.

Seniors who have maintained an All-College average of 2.4 or higher will be graduated with honors. Students receiving an average of 2.5 in a semester are eligible for the dean's list in their school that semester.

Freshmen receiving a 2.5 average are eligible for Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman men's scholastic honorary society, and Alpha Lambda Delta, national freshman women's scholastic honorary society. Activities and professional societies also require certain All-College averages for membership.

A student failing in 50 per cent or more of his scheduled work at

the end of any semester except the first semester, or whose All-College average falls below 0.05 at the end of his fourth or any succeeding semester will be dismissed from the College for unsatisfactory scholarship.

At the end of any semester a student failing more than 35 per cent of his scheduled work or a student whose grade point average falls below 0.65 will be placed on probation by the College.

The Dean of Admissions will impose academic probation for unsatisfactory scholarship. While on probation a student may not participate in any extra-curricular activity but may continue as a member withholding an office or committee membership or taking active part in its programs.

**Admission to DIR**  
A student whose average at the end of his second or third semester is below 0.50 will be referred to the Division of Intermediate Registration.

If admitted to DIR a student will remain there for one or two semesters. A student not accepted by DIR or the dean of a school at the end of two semesters in DIR will be dismissed from the College for unsatisfactory scholarship.

## With Open Mind—

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apartments and ended—after the "woman's touch"—with scalloped drapes, weird colored rugs on the floors, and tragically-dainty furniture.

It was about as useful as sun glasses in a mine shaft.

No, we are afraid the whole idea will have to go. Penn State men will have to continue their subjugation to the restrictive ratio. It will be better than women engineers.

Women at the College have continually been encroaching upon male rights, however, even though they remain in the minority. This year, we understand, coeds are living in Pollock Circle.

If they can live in Pollock through just one winter they deserve the right to become engineers. If you don't believe this, just take one look at a Pollock dorm—the Waldorf of Penn State.

# Mrs. Bernard Gives Books To Library

The extensive library of the late Dr. L. L. Bernard, internationally known sociologist, and lecturer in sociology at the College, from 1947 until his death in 1951, was formally presented to Pattee Library in July.

The collection, part of which was previously in use in the library, was presented by Dr. Jessie R. Bernard, widow of the sociologist.

## Morse Accepts

Mrs. Bernard, professor of sociology, stated a library is a reflection of the man who collects it, and she was pleased to present in the name of her husband the collection of books to the College. The library contains more than 20,000 volumes, and includes many pamphlets and reprints.

A. O. Morse, College provost, accepted the collection, and Dr. Seth W. Russell, assistant to the president and former assistant dean of the Liberal Arts school; Dr. Franklin S. Krauss, head of the Department of Romance Languages; and Ralph W. McComb, College librarian, added statements of commemoration to the acceptance.

## In 15 Languages

Dr. Bernard began his library in 1920 with the purpose of assembling material for research he was doing on the history of social theory. Until his death he continued to add between 500 and 1000 books a year (two or three volumes a day) to the collection.

The majority of the books are from Latin America, where Dr. Bernard was well known in the field of sociology. Many books were bought in Europe and include volumes in 15 different languages.

**Bookplate Marks Library**  
Included in the collection is a copy of Henry Hughes' "A Treatise on Sociology, Theoretical and Applied," the first book written on sociology.

A bookplate, marking the L. L. Bernard memorial collection, has been designed and will indicate each volume in the collection.

## Library Schedule Set For Orientation Week

The hours the Pattee Library will be open to students during Orientation Week are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. The library will be closed Sunday.

The regular fall schedule, which will go into effect Sept. 21, is 7:50 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday; 7:50 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and 2 to 10 p.m. Sunday.

The Shenandoah Valley is one of the most productive of the apple-growing areas of the United States.

# Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Perhaps we should discontinue using student advisers for the new freshman orientation program."

# Reserved for Frosh Only

Having been freshmen ourselves for a couple years, we know what the frosh think about customs.

We've heard the Nittany and Pollock dorms didn't meet the expectations of some frosh. We understand.

Frosh will take health tests, hearing tests, English placement tests, and psych tests this week, and classes haven't even started. After this week, freshmen will

think it ought to be "Nittany Lines."

We consider a freshman oriented to campus when he stops trying to tell time by Old Main's chimes.

Freshmen are required to know the names and locations of all campus buildings. That's so the upperclassmen will be able to find their classes.

Oh well, you think this is bad? You're right!

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