



Diplomas—Union Cards

Frost Says Degrees To Lose Distinction

By Susie Linkroum

In the near future a college degree will have as much value as a union card, according to Robert Frost, one of America's foremost poets.

Frost feels that soon so many people will have college degrees that the distinction between them and non-college degree holders will be lessened considerably. A degree will merely be a membership card to an anonymous group, he said.

Those people who will be able to rise above the average and distinguish themselves without the crutch of a college degree will be the admirable people, Frost said.

Frost claims that there are two approaches that he uses in writing poetry. One is "just like singing in the bathroom" — a poem comes suddenly into his thoughts and is reproduced verbally.

The other approach consists of a thought or an idea that is clarified as it is put into words, Frost said. The concept is developed towards a specific direction.

Frost is presently on the faculties of Dartmouth College, Harvard University, Yale University, and Amherst College. He is also

the Consultant of Humanities at the Library of Congress. He particularly enjoys his job in the nation's capital and he said that he liked talking to the non-poets in Washington.

Frost was first offered the job as poetry consultant in Washington, but said humorously that he wished to be "consultant of everything." Seriously speaking he said he feels that more fields are covered under the title of the humanities.

He stressed that science should be organized under one man, presumably a philosopher, a man of humanities. He believes that science as well as literature are included in humanities.

When the subject of the Beatnik generation was mentioned, Frost began to chuckle. He was asked his opinion of Beatnik poets and he replied, "I laughed, didn't I?" He followed up this retort by saying "Let's see some of their poetry."

Frost's recitation-discussion Saturday night packed Schwab Auditorium with an overflow crowd. The small, bright-eyed man recited several of his recent and his old-favorite poems. He sparked his recitation by making interesting and humorous comments about his poetry and other matters.

Snow Elected Junior IFC Vice President

William Snow, Phi Gamma Delta, was elected vice president of the Junior Interfraternity Council at its first meeting of the semester last night.

Fay Badertscher, Alpha Gamma Rho, was elected secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Richard Moyer, Jr. IFC president, announced that applications

for membership in Jr. IFC committees are now available. The committees are rushing, Christmas tree sales, Greek Week, scholarship, pledge banquet and publicity.

Chairmen of Jr. IFC committees will also serve as members of parallel IFC committees.

Coed Dining For Nittany Postponed

Men students living in the Nittany Residence Halls will not eat their meals with coeds this year.

Frank J. Simes, dean of men, said those students now eating in the Nittany Dining Hall will not be transferred to the women's dining hall areas.

Simes said modifications in dining hall procedure would have to be made to handle the larger number of students eating in the dining halls. These modifications could not be accomplished in the near future.

"Without these modification, it is felt the advantages that would accrue, socially and otherwise, would be offset by the inconveniences that might result," he said.

Men living in the Nittany area may be assigned to women's dining halls, after the Pollock Residence Halls are completed.

Harald Sandstrom, president of the Association of Independent Men, had suggested at the first board of governors meeting that a poll be taken in the Nittany area to determine student opinion on the change.

However, the poll was never taken. Barry Rein, president of the Nittany Halls Council and member of the AIM board of governors, said he had received no official request to take the poll.

Rein said the general feeling among the Nittany residents was against eating in the women's dining halls. He said he thought perhaps the decision not to transfer the men to women's dining halls was because the opinion of the Nittany residents was generally known.

Ganter Will Head University Party

Mary Ann Ganter was elected University Party minority floor leader for the Student Government Assembly Thursday.

Miss Ganter, a senior in business administration from Bethel Park, replaces Howard Byers, who resigned recently.

Byers also resigned from his post as Rules Committee member, but no replacement has been named yet at the request of Committee chairman Peter Luckie, Byers said.

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LANGUAGE MADE SIMPLE: NO. 1

In this day of swift international communications, like radio, television, and the raft, it becomes more and more important to be solidly grounded in foreign languages. Accordingly, I have asked the makers of Philip Morris whether I might not occasionally forego levity in this column and instead use it for a lesson in language.

"Of course, silly!" chuckled the makers of Philip Morris, tousling my yellow locks. Oh, grand men they are, just as full of natural goodness as the cigarettes they make, just as clean and fresh, just as friendly, just as agreeable to have along in all times and climes and places. "Of course, fond boy," laughed the makers, and tossed me up and down in a blanket until, giddy with giggling, I bade them desist, and then we all had basins of farina and smoked Philip Morrises and sang songs until the campfire had turned to embers.

For our first lesson in language we will take up French. We will approach French in the modern manner—ignoring the tedious rules of grammar and concentrating instead on idiom. After all, when we go to France, what does it matter if we can parse and conjugate? What matters is that we should be able to speak *idiomatic conversational* French.

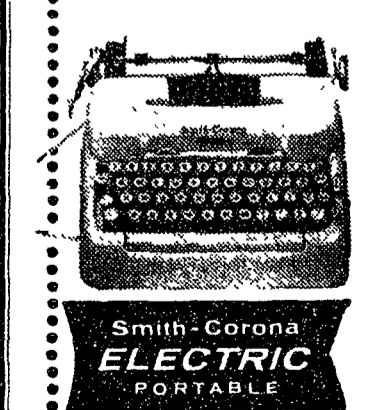
So, for the first exercise, translate the following real, true-to-life dialogue between two real, true-to-life Frenchmen named Claude (pronounced *Clôhd*) and Pierre (also pronounced *Clôhd*).

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CLAUDE: Good morning, sir. Can you direct me to the nearest monk?

PIERRE: I have regret, but I am a stranger here myself.

CLAUDE: Is it that you come from the France?

PIERRE: You have right.

CLAUDE: I also. Come, let us mount the airplane and return ourselves to the France.

PIERRE: We must defend from smoking until the airplane elevates itself.

CLAUDE: Ah, now it has elevated itself. Will you have a Philippe Maurice?

PIERRE: Mercy.

CLAUDE: How many years has the small gray cat of the sick admiral?

PIERRE: She has four years, but the tall brown dog of the short blacksmith has only three.

CLAUDE: In the garden of my aunt it makes warm in the summer and cold in the winter.

PIERRE: What a coincidence! In the garden of my aunt too!

CLAUDE: Ah, we are landing. Regard how the airplane depresses itself.

PIERRE: What shall you do in the France?

CLAUDE: I shall make a promenade and see various sights of cultural significance, like the Louvre, the Tomb of Napoleon, and the Eiffel Tower . . . What shall you do?

PIERRE: I shall try to pick up the stewardess.

CLAUDE: Long live the France!

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