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## On Ph.D.s Jumping the Groove

Many of us have observed how learned men flounder about in subjects over their heads when they get out of their chosen fields. Albert Einstein, for instance, probably is the world's greatest mathematician, yet in the last two years he has demonstrated that he is something of a bonehead about politics.

We once knew a fine fellow who worked for his Ph. D., only to quit studying when he had an hour left to go. He told us he wanted the knowledge that went with the degree, but he didn't want the letters after his name for fear people would think he had a one-track mind.

Now comes a University of Pennsylvania scientist, Dr. Conway Zirkle, to lament "our uneducated Ph. D.s," who, he says, slaved through many years of schooling in narrowly specialized fields, and remain "monumentally naive" when they get out of their grooves. He proposes facetiously that universities grant them degrees and certificates like this:

"John Hopkins University certifies that John W. Doe does not know anything but biochemistry. Please pay no attention to any pronouncement he may make on any other subject, particularly when he joins others of his kind to save the world from something or other."

Maybe the doctor has something there. **Yakima Daily Republic (Reprinted in Spokesman Review)**

Dear Jason, Herb Pendergast sure said a nose full when reviewing The Green Fuse in the last issue of the Argonaut. The next time he has to blow his nose it would be appreciated if he would use a handkerchief instead of the school paper.

I believe that having a music and literary critic write his opinions in the Argonaut is a very fine idea and should be encouraged. I also believe that before criticism is allowed to be printed in the Editorial Column, the critic should understand that which he is criticizing. It is evident that Mr. Pendergast did not understand the story, but nevertheless sets himself up as one to criticize.

The sex in the book seemed to impress Mr. Pendergast to no end, in fact it impressed him so much that he missed everything else in the book. The Green Fuse, like most books, gives the reader that for which he is looking.

As for the author's goal being a comfortable income from royalty checks, why may I ask do most authors go to all of the work and expense to have their books published?

Better to have a short girl than never to have loved a tall.

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## THE EXCUSE

(Second place winner in the Argonaut Short Story Contest) By HERBERT PENDERGAST. Soon he would come to her house, and a boyish exuberance welled within him. He wanted to run and chase his sweeping thoughts through the cool wind. Instead he paused a moment, looking up at the clear, fresh sky. The stars shone like a thousand warm little eyes on him.

Almost unconsciously he murmured: "Perhaps I'll even take a walk. And whisper at the sky; In jump, the little stars will talk to me—when I reply." He smiled. It was not good writing but it was his. He did quite a lot of writing—not good writing, just adolescent word picturing. He gave most of it to Betty.

The little houses along the way glowed with soft, inner light. He looked in at them as he walked along. A group of friends were chattering over a bridge table. A mother was kissing her little boy before he went to bed.

A young couple were laughing excitedly at their ran down the steps on their Friday night date. A loneliness and strange, hollow pain came over him. Perhaps Betty would be out with someone else. Then he saw her house with its huge front window gazing like an open mouth into the night.

He paused a moment and timidly pressed the doorbell. The door opened and a pretty, dark haired girl stared out at him. "Hello, captain," she said. Her full mouth broke into a smile.

"Betty," he stammered to the quick rhythm of his heart, "I wondered if you were finished with the story I gave you in class last week. You see I . . ." He paused and flapped his hands feebly.

She looked at him a moment before replying. "I'm sure I have it somewhere in my room. Won't you come in?" He stepped inside the door and looked awkwardly at the ceiling as Betty ran upstairs.

"Come in and sit down, Quentin." He turned around to see a tall, sparsely-haired man looking at him from the depths of an easy chair in the living room.

"Thank you, sir." He maved into the room stiffly as if a hundred eyes were upon him. Spying a friendly looking davenport at the other end of the room, he walked over to it and sat down.

The man looked up from the paper he was reading and smiled. "I read that story you gave Betty last week and thought that it was quite well done, Quentin. When you grow up, I'm sure you'll be quite a writer."

"Thank you, sir." He wanted desperately to prolong the conversation, but could think of nothing to say. The man's eyes then returned to the paper in his lap.

The boy began to examine the room. It was long and seemed somewhat stiff despite the fireplace at one end. Perhaps it was the wallpaper with its cool, green patterns.

His thoughts were interrupted when Betty came clattering down the stairs. He arose and walked toward her. "I'm very sorry," she said while handing him three or four battered papers, "but I've lost some of the pages."

Her dark brown eyes were focused on him intently. A strange lump rose in his throat, and he found it impossible to swallow. "It's all right," he mumbled, "I can remember most of it."

He looked at her. Their eyes met. "Thanks a lot for going to the trouble of getting it . . ." He cast a frantic look around him for the door. "I'll see you in school Monday," she said in a puzzled voice.

## THANKS

On behalf of the residents of West Sixth Village we would like to thank the following groups and people for their cooperation with our program during the Christmas holidays.

To Mr. Cornish for the loudspeaker and cooperation; to Mr. McCowan for being Santa; to the Washington Water Power for the lighting; to the Chamber of Commerce for their cooperation.

To the Forestry Service for the tree; to the maintenance men for decorating the tree; to the Moscow Electric for the prizes; to the judges, Mrs. Tisdale, Miss Maribel Schupfer and Mr. McPherson.

To the committee members, Dick and Betty Preece, Bob and Ida Fehl, Jim and Ellen Lex and Bob Segquist. To the Mortar Board for children's Christmas candy.

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CLOTHES MAKE THE BMOG A few weeks ago I discussed fashions for coeds. I pointed out then that any girl who really wanted to go places on campus had to be bold and ingenious when it came to clothes.

Believe me, man, you'll never get anywhere if you keep skulking around in those old plus-fours. What you need is some dash, some verve, some inventiveness in your apparel. Don't be imprisoned by the traditional conservatism of men's clothing.

But I digress. We were talking about men's campus fashions. Let us turn now to a persistent rumor that a garment called the "suit" is on the verge of making a comeback.

I slunk home and lit a Philip Morris and sat down to think. I always light a Philip Morris when I sit down to think. For their mild vintage tobacco is a great aid to cerebration.

# Students Announce Holiday Betrothals

**ROJAN-PIETSCH**  
Carol Rojan announced her engagement to Gary Pleisch, SAE, Wednesday, December 16, at Ethel Steel House.

Carol is a junior majoring in home economics, and Gary is a junior journalism major.

The main table was centered with a miniature sleigh of red carnations. The ring was displayed in the center of the bouquet in a red carnation. At each place were "Special Peachy Editions" of the Idaho Argonaut which told of the couple's courtship and engagement.

After a summer wedding, the pair will return to Idaho for their senior year.

Dinner guests were Marie Brammer, Barbara Brewer, Larry Haight, Bud Van Stone and Fritz Holz.

**HUSCKE-LOONEY**  
At a candlelight fireside held Tuesday night at the Delta Gamma house, Arma Huscke announced her engagement to Larry Looney, Kappa Sigma.

A poem letter was read to the girls revealing the news of the Christmas Eve engagement. The news was also revealed during vacation in Payette.

The ring was displayed in the center of a nosegay of pink and white carnations, with pink ribbon inscribed in gold—"Arma and Larry." Large silver trays of fudge were passed.

No definite wedding date has been set, however, Christmas plans are tentative.

**CASTATER-NEALEY**  
"Wheelin' for a Weddin'" announced the engagement of Phil Castater, Alpha Phi, to Stan Nealey, Sigma Chi, Wednesday night at dinner.

The tables were decorated with bouquets of yellow and white daisies while the head table had a large Sigma Chi crest centerpiece. The cross, done in red and white carnations, held the engagement ring. Small cars, replicas of Nealey's, were at each place, with the sign, "Wheelin' for a Weddin'", trailing behind.

Phyllis is a sophomore majoring in elementary education. Stan is a junior psychology major. An August wedding is planned.

**CARTER-MAY**  
Dorothy Carter announced her engagement to Robert May at a party at her home over vacation. The mantel was decorated with dance pictures above which was a long, large illustrated book, trimmed with holly with "through the years" written on it.

The guests were greeted at the door with Christmas cards saying "Happy New Year from Dorothy and Bob in June." They will be married June 7. Dorothy is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and Bob is a member of Sigma Chi.

**REED-WRIGHT**  
Kay Reed, Alpha Chi Omega, announced her engagement to Jim Wright, Delta Chi, at a guest dinner Wednesday at the Alpha Chi house. Favors were white cards printed with "New Year's Resolution—Jim and Kay" and "1955" in red letters. A cupid's chariot centerpiece of red carnations and white daisies held the ring. Special dinner guests were Mrs. Richard Feecey, Mrs. Ted Jones, and Mrs. Bryce

## Social Notes . . . .

# Steel House Plans Annual Winter Dance

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Connie, who lives at Forney, is majoring in elementary education. Don is a graduate of the College of Idaho, now at Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Connecticut.

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son, who was recently notified of being on the Mademoiselle college board.

Wednesday the Delta and Kappa Eta, Marigay Nelson and Glen held an all-house dinner exchange. Entertaining was provided by Bill Brown Jug.

## A Campus-to-Career Case History



### "Always something new"

"Different types of work appeal to different men," says Donald O'Brien (A.B., Indiana, '50), in the Traffic Department with Indiana Bell Telephone Company. "For me, I'll take a job that keeps me hopping. And that's just the kind of job I have."

"You'd think that after two years I'd have all the variables pinned down. But it doesn't work that way. When you supervise telephone service for thousands of different customers whose

needs are always changing, there's always something new coming up."

"I started with Indiana Bell in 1952, after two years in the Army. My training program exposed me to many different kinds of telephone work—customer contact, personnel, accounting, operations. I saw a lot of jobs which looked as interesting as mine. As much as I like the kind of work I'm doing now, I bet I'll like my next spot even better."

Don's enthusiasm for his job is pretty typical of how most young college men feel about their telephone careers. Perhaps you'd be interested in a similar opportunity with a Bell Telephone operating company, such as Indiana Bell . . . or with Bell Telephone Laboratories, Western Electric or Sandia Corporation. See your Placement Officer for more information.



## Officers Elected For 'Just Us' Club

Yvonne Swanstrom was elected president of the "Just Us" club, an organization made up of law student's wives, last Tuesday evening in the SUB.

Other officers elected were Virginia McDevitt, vice president; Jo Anne Nixon, secretary; and Louise Smith, treasurer. Mrs. Carolyn Folz, law librarian, is the faculty advisor to the group.

## Idaho Commission Supports Research With \$9,000 Grant

A \$9,000 grant from the Idaho advertising commission to help finance research, production and increase of foundation seed potato stock during the coming two years was announced recently by Dr. J. E. Kraus, associate director of the University of Idaho agricultural experiment station.

"This is the second substantial grant the commission has made to help this program. The last covered the past two years. "Foundation seed is the basis of Idaho's big potato industry," explains Dr. Kraus. "Without good seed stock it would not be possible to have a potato industry."

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## The Lockheed Missile Systems Division announces an advanced study program for MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREES

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<p>During the regular school year the industrial assignment will be coordinated with the Study Program to permit a half-time University schedule of advanced study. During the school vacation periods participants will be employed full-time at the Lockheed Missile Systems Division.</p>	<p>Salaries will be determined by the individual's qualifications and experience in accordance with accepted current standards. Participants are eligible for health, accident and life insurance as well as other benefits accorded full-time staff members.</p>	<p>Tuition, admission fees, and costs of textbooks covering the number of units required by the University for a Master of Science Degree, will be borne by Lockheed. A travel and moving allowance will be provided for those residing outside the Southern California area.</p>

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