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This issue of the Emerald is in charge of Wm. E. Lowell.

### Democracy in the Student Body

In the last issue of the Emerald it was announced that a movement was on foot to institute a series of monthly dances, the purpose of which is to maintain the spirit of democracy which has characterized the University in the past.

This is a movement long delayed and so important that it should be overlooked no longer. Whether it be by means of dances, parties or any entertainment whatsoever, in some way this spirit must be fostered.

There is nothing which will disrupt the college organization more, which will undermine the student association quicker, which will more surely kill college spirit than factionism. As the college grows larger it is becoming more difficult to know each other and to know each other well is almost an impossibility. As it is with a field of wheat, for a time the crop will require no more than ordinary care, but after a time it becomes necessary to employ some sort of fertilization to make the field bear a full crop of grain, so it is with the college. At first the democracy is almost spontaneous, it needs practically no cultivation, but after a time factions are likely to grow up and the democracy will wane if not cared for.

This is the situation here in the University today. While it cannot be said that the Oregon spirit is dead, with the rapid growth of the college it is absolutely necessary to start some such movement as is planned. It is not the now while it is at its height, for it is a time to act when the spirit is dead but law of nature that after the culmination comes the decline. Are we going to let the Oregon Spirit—famed for its strength all over the Northwest—die when it would take such a slight effort on our part to keep it at its present lead? or shall we strive to maintain the spirit of democracy which has so long characterized our University.

A well known quotation tells us the result when an institution is dominated by factionism rather than democracy—"A house divided against itself will fall."

### ASSISTANT FOR TRACK AND BASEBALL NAMED

The Athletic Council has elected Wendell Barbour assistant manager of track and J. E. Lucky assistant manager of baseball. Barbour is from Eugene and is manager of next year's Oregon. Lucky is from Hood River. Both are sophomores.

## NEW PHASE PRESENTED OF MINISTER'S WORK

Pres. Crooks Talks Entertainingly at Y. M. C. A.—New Officers Nominated.

President Crooks, of Albany College addressed the men's meeting in Deady Hall last evening, in the second address of the series of life work meetings, taking up the subject of "The Call to the Ministry," and presenting it in a new and appealing phase. He showed how the ministry demands a man of greater talent and more diversified ability than any other calling, for the minister must be a strong speaker, an able administrator and executive; he must be able to stand well socially, and appreciate and understand all other vocations and professions.

President Crooks dealt briefly with the conditions of the oriental nations, and showed how it is that the efforts of those in religious work in those countries are having a greater effect than all diplomacy and statesmanship of ambassadors and world diplomats.

The address was very enthusiastically received by the fifty men who were present. The third of the series of life work meetings will be given next Friday evening, when Dr. Sheldon will speak on the subject, "Teaching as a Life Work."

Nominations were made by the nominating committee last evening for the officers of the association for the next year. Charles Koyl was nominated for president, Walter Huntington for vice president, Elliott Roberts for secretary, and Percy Collier for treasurer. Unless other nominees are offered before the next meeting, these men will be unanimously elected at one ballot at the next meeting. The installation will come a week later.

## GRINDERS CAN FINISH IN SEVEN SEMESTERS

"Boners" and students specially gifted with the ability to pull down A and B grades will, by a rule recently adopted by the faculty, be hereafter allowed to outstrip their less fortunate associates in the race for graduation. The new rule does not raise the credit given for an A grade, but simply extends the maximum amount of work from sixteen to eighteen hours.

It is not yet possible to finish the college course in three years, as has been proposed, but by keeping his grades to now easily finish in seven semesters, the required standard the student can The rule is stated as follows: "Students without deficiencies, who have a record for the preceding semester in their grades of one third A's, and additional one third A' and B's, and none below C, shall be permitted to take a maximum of eighteen hours, the excess credits beyond sixteen hours being forfeited in case of failure to maintain the standard mentioned.

Another rule recently adopted by the faculty, which is of special importance to freshmen, is the one raising the required amount of first year English from two to six semester hours. It states that: "Every student, at the beginning of the Freshman year, shall elect either (1) to take an examination, or (2) to take six semester hours, in Rhetoric for which college credit will be given." This rule, however, applies only to students in the college of Literature, Science and the Arts.

Mrs. McMiken and Miss Mason are week-end guests at the Gamma Phi Beta house.

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## NEW CONSTITUTION WEEDS OUT SHIRKERS

### EUTAXIANS APPEAL FOR MORE INTEREST IN MEETINGS

The new constitution of the Eutaxian Society provides for the imposition of a fine of ten cents for any non-performance of duty, whether as officer or on a program and also that if at the end of four weeks any fine, tax or dues shall not have been paid, the person shall be warned by the secretary, and if at the end of the next four weeks the amount is still unpaid, the name of the person shall be struck from the roll by the president.

At the meeting last Wednesday evening, a short program was given without the customary debate. It consisted of a reading by Miss Welch, current events by Miss Knox, and a recitation by Miss Wightman. The members of the society are determined to keep up the splendid interest aroused by the women's Varsity debating team, and are making a special effort to get every one out to the meetings this semester.

"If the girls care anything about the society or its work," said Miss Calkins, the president, in speaking of the matter yesterday, "this is the time to show it. This is the time of the year when all dead branches are being cut from the trees, and the Eutaxian Society is going to follow the general example. The girls who go against Washington in May are all Eutaxians. If the members of the society have any interest in the team and the work they are doing for the society and University, they should come out to the meetings and show it."

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Fifty dollars was contributed to the Y. W. C. A. bungalow fund yesterday when the solicitors appeared on the campus armed with small white tags at ten cents each—the occasion being the promised "tag-day" announced early in the year.

By nine o'clock the student who was not wearing a tag felt like a stranger, and few dared to face the army of pretty workers that met them in front of every building. Faculty and students alike contributed their dimes, all the pet dogs were loaded with tags, and as a result, the rapidly growing Bungalow Fund has now nearly reached the \$500 mark.

Professor F. S. Dunn will speak at Y. M. C. A. Monday evening. All the girls are requested to be present.

## DR. SCHMIDT TO TALK ON SCHILLER IN ASSEMBLY

At assembly next Wednesday morning Dr. F. G. Schmidt, of the department of German, will give an illustrated lecture on the life of Schiller. Some forty or fifty views will be used during the course of the lecture.

Dr. Schmidt is considered an authority on the great German patriot, and his talk should be of general interest to the public as well as students. He delivered a lecture on the same subject last fall before the Germans of Portland and attracted wide interest throughout the state.

## MISS BURGESS GIVES "TAG-DAY" PARTY

Miss Julia Burgess entertained a number of faculty members and upper-classmen at a "tag day" party Friday evening. The guests wore tags suggestive of their favorite hobbies. Alberta Campbell received the prize for the best illustrated hobby, Springtime.

Whist was the game played, in which Mr. Buchen won the prize.