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As to Class Dances

A movement of opposition is afoot against the custom that has heretofore been observed in the University of Oregon, of assessing the cost of class dances upon all of the members of the class, instead of upon those members only who can participate in the dance. The first positive step in this campaign will be taken by the senior class at its meeting Thursday afternoon. A resolution is to be introduced at that time embodying this idea—taxes for class dances to be levied only upon those members of the class who are benefited by the dance.

This resolution will no doubt be opposed by a number of the more conservative members of the senior class. They will maintain that, in spite of the fact that no class can be more than partially represented at a dance, it is nevertheless, an affair of the entire organization. It is a social function held in the name of the class, hence the responsibility for its success must rest upon all of the individuals who are members of the class which is entertaining.

This stand is not without its merits. Nevertheless, the stronger arguments appear to rest with those who are supporting the opposite view. Every class must fall naturally into two divisions, when one is considering the question—those who do and those who do not dance. Among the latter there is certain to be a large number who have conscientious scruples not only against dancing themselves, but against all dances and dancing. It is manifestly unjust that these should be called upon to bear a portion of the expense of something which, aside from the fact that it does not benefit them in the least, they can not conscientiously either sanction or support.

Still others there are who, although they have no objections against dancing, never dance themselves. They are indifferent. They are not represented at any dance given by their class; they derive no particular benefit or pleasure from it. For this reason, other members of the class who do dance, have no legitimate ground for insisting that those who do not dance should be called upon to help bear the burden of expenses of this kind.

The influence of the senior class can do much to assist in eliminating this abuse. The Emerald heartily endorses the resolution which is to be brought forward for that purpose, at the coming meeting of the class. In spite of whatever may be said to the contrary, a class dance never was and never can be a social function representing the whole organization under whose auspices it is given. In plain terms, it never can be anything more than an entertainment given by the dancers of this or that class, to the other dancers of the University. That being the case, let the expenses of the entertainment be levied accord-

ingly, leaving out those who can not possibly have any interest in or benefit from it.

TRAINING TABLE FOR TRACK TEAM STARTS

Twelve of the Fourteen Who Will Compose Triangular Team Picked by Trainer

Twelve of the men who have made the best showing this season on the track were placed on the training table, which was served for the first time at 6:30 yesterday evening in the Dormitory dining room.

The men elected were: Ben Williams, Riddell, Latourette, Johns, McDaniels, Hawkins, Elliott, Kellogg, Henderson, Neill, McClure and Kay.

Fourteen men will be the limit this season for the training table and the two vacant places will probably be filled before the Triangular meet at Seattle.

HIGH SCHOOLS LISTEN TO VARSITY SPEAKERS

Lincoln High School Holds Rousing Promotion Assembly

As a result of the county organization movement for the purpose of interesting high school students in the University of Oregon, many meetings were held by the students during vacation week at the various high schools throughout the state, at which representative students of their alumni made speeches encouraging the high school students to choose Oregon as their alma mater.

Probably the largest Oregon demonstration of all was the one held at Lincoln High School, of Portland, on Friday afternoon. More than twenty of the school's alumni who are now Varsity students attended the special assembly, which was called for the occasion at that time.

"Sap" Latourette, of whom all Lincoln High is proud because of the showing he has made in athletics, spoke on athletics at Oregon. Miss Jennie Lilly, editor of the Oregon Monthly, and Miss Ella Dobie, Oregon '06, now a teacher in Lincoln High, were the women representatives who made enthusiastic addresses.

One of the most pleasing features of the afternoon's program were the Oregon song sung by a quartet composed of George Mallet, Lloyd Barzee, Raphael Geisler and Francis Curtis.

After this meeting, Lloyd Barzee led a similar but less pretentious delegation to an assembly held at his alma mater, Washington High School.

More than a dozen meetings in the various counties have been reported.

Seniors Meet Tomorrow

The senior class will hold an important meeting tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock in Prof. Schmidt's room. Reports will be given from the Senior Play management and from several of the committees. It is rumored that a dividend is to be distributed among those who attend. B. H. Williams announces that he intends to introduce a resolution favoring the maintenance of class dances by an admission charge instead of by a class tax.

The Slide Rule Club has announced a meeting for Thursday afternoon at four o'clock in Dr. Leonard's room.

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FOOTBALL MAN SPEAKS ON WORK OF PHYSICIAN

Y. M. C. A. Continues Series of Life Work Lectures Friday Evening

On account of the interest that has been taken in the series of Life Work meetings that have been held through the past two months, one or two more numbers have been added. Next Friday evening Dr. C. W. Southworth, of Eugene, will give an address on "The Work of the Physician." Dr. Southworth is an old Michigan football man, having played end on the team with Dr. Leonard, and he knows and understands college ways and ideals. He is said to be a good speaker as well as a good football man and on this subject should prove of interest to a large number of men in the University.

Plans are now under way for the annual trip up the mill race, which will probably be held on Saturday, May 7. A number of boats and canoes will be collected to take the crowd up the race and across the river, where supper will be served. Harvey Slater, chairman of the social committee, will have charge of the event.

Miss Stoner, of Kansas City, Missouri, has been the guest of the Gamma Delta Gamma sorority for a few days. A reception was given in her honor Monday evening.

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