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### CAN THEY USE IT?

In reply to the oft repeated query of certain self-satisfied members of the masculine persuasion, "Now that they've got it, what air the wimen a goin' to do with their suffrage?" Oregon co-eds may point with a triumphant "I told you so," to the present movement to organize groups for the intensive study of social and political problems. Of course this is only a beginning, but it shows that the college women are alive and onto the job (which is more than can be said of many of the men), and it portends the organization of similar movements throughout the State.

There are many important problems, such as schools, sanitation, child labor, water and food inspection, and even the high cost of living, which involve an infinite number of political questions, and which fall naturally within the scope of women's interests and knowledge.

The women of the University, by working along these lines, will be prepared upon graduation to go out into the State and take an important part in perfecting a highly efficient feminine electorate. Everything making toward this end should find unqualified support in the State's highest institution of learning, for here is to be found the purest type of progressive, intelligent democracy.

### No More Tryouts, Says Warner

No more Dramatic Club tryouts will be held until new members are needed to take parts in plays, or until a tryout is requested by students who wish to become members of the club. President Warner says that he is always ready to give tryouts to anyone wishing to gain admittance.

Pendleton, the great Princeton athlete, is to turn professional when he finishes college this year. He has promised to sign up with the Washington Senators.

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## Bouquets and Brickbats

### MOORES DEFENDS FOOTBALL REFERRING TO FACULTY

To the Editor:

In last Saturday's issue of the Emerald I found a veiled, allegorical attack upon athletics at Oregon by my esteemed intellectual benefactor, Professor F. G. Young. Permit me to answer him in plain English.

Professor Young, by speech, actions, and writing, would lead us to believe that we should cease our athletic activity, have no desire to win, and display, for the sake of appropriations, all our Oregon spirit in the classroom, in the state at large, or in the hereafter.

Professor Young's aims are always high, and his theories desirable, but for the sake of conditions as they are, and not as they should be, let me say and ask a few things.

Most experts on American education divide the student's time for the day into three periods of eight hours each: one for college work, one for sleep, and one for play. It is claimed that, by following this formula, the young graduate goes out into the cold world or to the graduate school with fewer technical definitions and hide-bound theories than by observing a more rigid system, but with a broader mind, broader shoulders, and with a heart beating more than twenty-three times a minute.

The young American demands something besides confinement. Shall we give him athletics, pool, poker, or "Springfield?" If the life of the college is wrong, then let us change the system and run night school for high school graduates in every city of the state.

But to athletics again. Many schools and colleges have abolished them, only to re-establish them the following year. O. A. C. and Portland Academy are beautiful examples in our own state. Most boys are boys. It's a pity, but it's true.

Now about winning teams as compared to losing teams. All the world loves a winner. The winning team brings out the crowd. Who is in the crowd? Not "sports" of the bartender type, as has been hinted, but taxpayers of Oregon from every walk of life. This, again, is sad but true. Oregon beat a referendum when she had a winning team. Another strange thing.

It is funny how high school students of the State know so much more about Oregon's athletes than about our faculty. This year, however, the faculty is gaining. It is strange how most voters read the sporting page, pick a winner and take a pride in him. It is strange that the farmer kills or trades his rooster, dog or horse when he finds it bested by his neighbor's fowl or beast. It is strange and a crime that a single Olympic victor is greeted by 15,000 people, while a student winning the highest scholarship honor in the land goes unnoticed.

I'll admit the unfairness of it all. But how can this University take the red blood out of the voters of Oregon? I say, go to it as it is. Our student body is the cleanest and hardest-working student body in the Northwest. The teams are typical of the student body, yet they receive less faculty support than any team I know of.

GORDON C. MOORES.

### MORE EDITORS PROMISE TO ATTEND NEWS CONVENTION

Professor Allen has added to his list of the editors who will attend the conference Friday several more names. In response to an invitation, R. D. Hetzel, Director of O. A. C., has written his acceptance. E. E. Brodie, of the Oregon City Enterprise, will arrive Friday morning with Col. Hofer and Secretary Bates.

The Kappa Sigma, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Sigma Nu, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Delta Delta, Sigma Chi, Alpha Tau Omega and Mary Spiller Hall have each volunteered to entertain a number of the visitors during their attendance at the conference.

Jim Thorpe, the all-around champion of the world, again proved himself worthy of the fullback position on the All-American team by his marvelous open field running in the game between the Indians and West Point last Saturday.

### PROF. YOUNG REPLIES TO MR. MOORES' ARTICLE

To the Editor:—Having been allowed to glance at the communication written by friend, Mr. Moores, I am impelled to say that I regret exceedingly that he was troubled by what I said in last Saturday's Emerald. Indeed, I was greatly surprised at what Coach Moores thinks he discovered in a little effort of mine to enlist alumni for co-operative activity with the University in Commonwealth service.

Furthermore, I am quite as much surprised that my "speech, action and writing" should lead him "to believe that we should cease our athletic activity." In fact, my ardor for "athletic activity" is about twenty times warmer and stronger than is Mr. Moores', for he believes in a kind that gets 20 men out on the field each afternoon. I have been doing my level best for years to have a kind that would get 400 men out every afternoon. Moreover, I have any amount of evidence to prove that with my kind, the University would never have been confronted with a referendum.

Positively, my effort was in no sense an attack upon anything but mossbackism and Philistinism in Oregon life and thought.

I said "all with faith in scientific commonwealth development are eligible" for the game I would have our alumni indulge in. My plea was addressed only to alumni, and I want them to play this new game. There was not the remotest allusion to intercollegiate football. Can't a member of the Faculty longer use a little metaphorical language without being pounced upon as an enemy to that which he has always championed? Verily, I fear Mr. Moores is "seein' things." Seriously, I was just trying to boost a hobby of mine and am willing that Mr. Moores should let me alone while I am at it.

F. G. YOUNG.

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