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THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1914.

## STANDARDIZING THE HESITATION.

The Hesitation waltz and the one-step have been accepted by the Oregon students, as was evidenced at yesterday's matinee dance. The Tango was not in evidence, but a general enthusiasm was manifested over the new steps seen for the first time at a varsity dance, and a general desire on the part of the uninitiated to learn the mysteries.

But it is not hard to foresee a difficulty in the path of the dancers. Not that, "he who hesitates is lost," as one co-ed remarked yesterday, but that he who hesitates must make sure that his partner hesitates in the same way as he does.

There were at least three different steps to this variety of waltz on exhibition during the Sophomore party Friday, and at least as many more are known to be in existence. So that it seems as if a knowledge of all would be necessary for a satisfactory performance.

A better solution, however, lies in the selection and general acceptance of one or two of the more popular steps. The dance is thus offered for some of the University's patriotic students to perform a real service to the members of the student body by choosing and dancing the best of the varieties, and in this way giving an example which will sooner or later crystallize into custom and result in the standardization of the hesitation.

## HOLDING OUR OWN.

Miss Guppy's statement, on her return from the Conference of Deans held in Chicago, that the University of Oregon is holding its own with other institutions of the kind, is highly encouraging. There has been too much of a tendency on the part of easterners, and, what is more important, negatively speaking, on the part of citizens of this state and of others on the Pacific Coast, to regard western universities as inferior to those in that section of the country lying on the far side of the Mississippi. But now this idea should be dispelled.

In regard to the advantages offered, in regard to student activities, and in regard to the class of students, Oregon is holding its own. Let us hope that the day is not far distant when the prejudice in favor of institutions not readily within reach will be banished. Let us look forward to the time when Oregon will be generally considered good enough for Oregonians.

Lloyd Bailey is a week-end guest at the Fiji House.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Sigma Delta Chi—Important meeting will be held Tuesday evening in the Library building. Every member will be present. 7:30 o'clock.

Laurean Meeting—The regular weekly assembly will be held Tuesday evening in Deady.

Basketball—First conference game of season with W. S. C. in the Gymnasium Friday evening.

Eutaxians—Regular meeting comes next Tuesday.

W. M. White of Albany will be the Y. M. C. A. speaker next Thursday night. Music by Dormitory Orchestra.

Many copies of Granville's Trigonometry wanted at Y. M. Book Exchange at once. Bring in your old copies.

## HOME STRETCH.

The time for the dreaded first semester examinations draws to a close, and in a fever of excitement we make one grand effort to bring our marks from an "F" to an "H." The O. A. C. Barometer has the following timely advice for the eleventh-hour "boner":

"The home stretch is now before us. Only four more weeks and the final examinations for the semester will keep us awake nights. For many who will leave the institution at the end of this period, it will be the last of their college education.

The test always comes on the home stretch. If one can sprint on the finish, and win out, he is, indeed, to be classed among the unusual, but most of us have to make our best time on the grinding laps that precede the finish. So now, with the home stretch clear before us, let us get in some good hard work, and place a safe lead between us and the dreaded 'F' before the final sprint comes with its examinations.

"Vacations are always welcome, but they undoubtedly break into the routine of things. However, everyone, of course, slept well, rested up, has stored up sufficient energy during the two weeks to carry them through the coming period without any difficulty. So let us start in now, and get into things as we have never gotten in before, and finish the semester in a proverbial blaze of glory."

## CHURCH DIRECTORY.

Church directory of services in Eugene tomorrow, for students as furnished by the University Y. M. C. A. is as follows:

Baptist Church—H. W. Davis, pastor. 11 a. m., "Is the World Growing Better?" 7:30 p. m., Rev. Edith Hill Booker will speak.

First Methodist Church—H. S. Wilkinson, pastor. 10:45 a. m., "The Symphony of Praise." 7:30 p. m., "The Christ of Experiences."

Presbyterian Church—Wm. Parsons, pastor. 11 a. m., "Room for the Spiritual." 7:30 p. m., "The True Response of the Heart to Christ."

Congregational Church—A. M. Spangler, pastor. 11 a. m., "Power." 7:30 p. m., "Work and Wages."

First Christian Church—J. S. McCallum, pastor.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Cosmo Hamilton's sensational play, "The Blindness of Virtue," will be the attraction at the Eugene theatre Saturday, January 17. This drama is based on a subject that is of the utmost importance to every civilized home. It will be acted by William Morris' company of English players. The play was originally produced at the Lytton theatre in London where it had a run of two years. It was one of the important productions of last season in this country. The play has for its object the teaching of parents the necessity of instructing their young daughters in the problems of life, that they may be saved in later years the pain of making the discovery for themselves, under circumstances which would prove distressing and humiliating to them, and to safeguard them in their every day lives. The play is a comedy, notwithstanding the preachment it makes, and is entertaining throughout.

## SOCIETY.

By Beatrice Lilly.

Post-holiday gayeties have taken the usual form of dances, both formal and informal.

The Sophomore matinee dance Friday afternoon was a debut for the "hesitation" waltz, white hosiery among the masculine element, amateur dancing instructors and Senior originality.

Phi Delta Theta entertained the members of the Men's Glee Club with a formal dance Friday evening. Boughs of fir and hemlock formed the decoration, and the programs were of blue leather with the fraternity emblem in white and gold. During the evening favors of white carnations were given. The patronesses were President and Mrs. Campbell, Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith and Director and Mrs. Ralph H. Lyman.

Mrs. Alexander Martin entertains this evening with a formal dance at the Country Club in honor of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity and its guests. The decorations will be in greens, Oregon grape and ferns, combined with the fraternity colors of blue and gold. The patronesses are Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shore Smith.

The Omega is giving an informal dance tonight in honor of the football squad.

Kappa Sigma is also entertaining with an informal dance this evening.

Lillian Morgen and Alma Ross of Portland and Elsie Bain of Albany are week-end guests at the Kappa Alpha Theta house.

The under-grads of Kappa Alpha Theta entertained with an informal dance in honor of their guests Friday evening.

Dr. T. C. Cloran and Dr. and Mrs. F. G. G. Schmidt were dinner guests at the Delta Delta house Wednesday evening.

Delta Delta Delta entertained with an informal dance Friday evening.

Miss Margaret Penabaker is a guest at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house.

The Freshmen of the Avava Club are entertaining this evening with an informal dance in honor of the Freshmen of a number of other houses. A number of the new dances will be in evidence. There will be about 22 couples present.

John Veatch of Portland, who has been visiting at the Kappa Sigma House, returned to Portland Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. DeCou, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers and Miss Eva Stinson were dinner guests of Kappa Kappa Gamma on Thursday evening.

Harry Miller of Portland and William Moses of Salem are house-guests at the Phi Delta Theta House.

Beta Theta Pi announces a new pledge in the person of Chester Fee.

Geary Garrett of Medford has been visiting his brother, Vernon, at the Sigma Nu House.

Dr. E. S. Conklin was a dinner guest at the Beta Theta Pi House Thursday evening.

John Coshaw, ex-'16, of Hood River, is visiting for a few days at the A. T. O. House.

Miss Guppy returned Friday from the east, where she visited a number of universities and colleges.

Wallace Cunfield is attending the Phi Gamma Delta "Ekklesia" at Atlantic City. With John Black, who has been attending the Y. M. C. A. convention at Kansas City, Mo., he will visit a few chapters in southern universities before returning.

Mrs. Sophronia Jessup, house-mother of Delta Gamma, and A. Jessup Strang have been called to Salem on account of the illness of the latter's mother.

Raymond Early, formerly of the class of 1913 at Oregon, is visiting in Eugene.

## NATIONAL UNIVERSITY FOR GRADUATES WANTED

Recent Convention in Washington Favors Plan of Having Big School

A resolution, urging congress to make an appropriation for the purpose of establishing a National University, for graduate students, at Washington D. C., passed by a unanimous vote at the recent convention of State Universities held in Washington. This convention has at many previous times, expressed itself in favor of founding such an institution. The proposition has been brought before congress several times, but owing to the large amount of other business congress has never taken definite action, except to create a committee.

The proposal of the National Convention of State Universities is for the federal government to appropriate funds for establishing and maintaining such an institution. The members of the convention also anticipate that large sums will later be given by private individuals.

Those advocating the National University point out that in Washington are unlimited resources for carrying on study and investigation in all lines of human knowledge. Here is located the Congressional Library, the Smithsonian Institute, bureaus of all kinds, Congress and the Supreme Court. They assert these opportunities should be taken advantage of by the nation.

Probably the Universities which have graduate schools will oppose a National Institution, as they have in the past, but the answer is, that a national University would supplementary and would not substitute.

President Campbell states that "he is heartily in favor of the plan" and that he "believes it would be of great benefit and use to the nation."

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