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## ENTERTAINMENT

Junior week-end is over and according to all indications it was one of the most successful events of the kind ever held at the University of Oregon. This is perhaps due to the fact that now not only the sororities but the fraternities as well have done away with high school pledging so that now Junior week end entertainment is not done by the various organizations as mere rushing for themselves, but rather as a method of boosting for the University.

But now the question arises, is this method which has been chosen for the spending of Junior week end the best method of enjoying it? Is it of the most advantage to the University? Could it not be better spent by the University if the style of entertainment provided were of different variety?

The main count which must be laid against Junior week-end is that it is apt to be misleading, to give a wrong idea as to what Oregon is and what its aims and ambitions are. A large proportion of the preparatory school visitors here last week will be students at the University in a year or two, but how many of them saw any of the lecture halls or class rooms except from the outside? How many of them had a chance to meet and talk with any of the professors with whom they will later come in contact?

On the contrary, the social side of college life was emphasized, and it is in this that the danger lies of giving to the prospective student the idea that society plays a large part at Oregon instead of the minor part which in reality it takes. A few of those who will come to Eugene to finish their education, perhaps have as their primary idea, social activity rather than study, but it is rather to be believed that the majority of students have a serious purpose in coming to college.

To these, Junior week end as it exists is not fair. They are entertained, they have a good time, or at least they say so, but they are given an impression of college life which is altogether wrong, and which may result in their staying away from college entirely after their high school days are past.

The Junior week end activities are all right in their place, but should at least be supplemented by work which would more truthfully show the ideals of the University and of its students.

## When Old Time Ways Are Best

Among the ancients most of the

pedagogy went on out of doors. Philosophy was perpetuated and classics immortalized under the shade of stately trees, or at least amid the columns of an exterior courtyard. That old custom would be an excellent one to revive here, where the campus is ideal for such a purpose. Two instances other than those in botany, engineering, geography or one of those branches which naturally takes the class out of doors, have tried holding classes out on the campus when the weather is especially inviting without and conducive to drowsiness within doors. In each instance the innovation has been successful and might be followed to advantage by other members of the Faculty.

The Southern Pacific afford the only distraction to the back-to-nature classes and the remedy for the evil is simple. Let the instructor choose for his recitation a secluded nook far from the maddening train, or ask the engineer to muzzle his engine when passing the campus. Certainly the fresh air of the campus is far more productive of clear thinking than is the atmosphere of a stuffy class-room, on a warm day. Let us not overlook the good that lies about us. Back to the simple life and the classes, of the ancient peripatetics.

## COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor:

Last year when the first draft of the purposes of the present Women's League were drawn, there was one article inserted which gave to the association the express right to regulate and to control the social activities of the University women as well as to make all rules pertaining to their conduct. The faculty passed upon the constitution and thus gave their sanction to such duties as had been assumed the newly formed league.

Why then has the league not been allowed to assume these duties? Rules have been given us which are not honestly endorsed by the women. We admit that they may be best for us, but it is a psychological fact that the rules we make ourselves are those which we understand best and therefore obey.

Just now we are told we are falling rapidly to the position of the women at Cornell, where girls have been so restricted that it has resulted in their complete ostracism by the men of the University. No I am not even intimating that the attentions of men are essential in the life of the co-ed, but healthy friendships are a mutual benefit and not to be stunted by antagonistic rules.

When we were permitted to leave our homes and come to a foreign town to complete our educations, we were trusted, and our judgments of right and wrong were respected. Why can not the authorities of the University do likewise? We have tried the faculty system, and frankly I for one, am not satisfied, so now might it not be advisable for even a short time, to let the women at least try to "make good" with rules of their own.

## STUDENTS AND FACULTY ALL THREATEN TO QUIT

James Millikin University Has Difficulty Over President.

Eleven hundred students at James Millikin University, at Decatur, Illinois, have threatened to boycott the institution within the next few days unless the Board of Directors rescinds the action which forces President Fellows to resign Friday when the Board of Directors published their decision, practically all members of the faculty pledged themselves to resign unless Fellows was reinstated.

While the remote cause for the Board's action is not known, the immediate cause was Dr. Fellow's refusal at the order of one of the members of the board, to ask for the resignation of a professor whom Fellows considered efficient.—Daily Illini.

Two Harvard students will pay Uncle Sam \$8,000 each under the income tax law.

Pennants and Pillow Tops at Obaks

Order of the "O" Cigarettes at Obak's.

## CAMPUS NOTES

Leola Ball and Dorothy Sharp are visiting at the Delta Delta Delta house.

Clarence Orgo, Washington, '13, spent the week-end at the Alpha Tau Omega house, returning to Corvallis Monday evening. Mr. Orgo is an instructor in the Corvallis high school.

John Veatch of Portland is visiting at the Kappa Sigma house.

Lillian Boylen, Martha Huderman, Eva Brock, and Grace Bean were guests Monday noon at the Kappa Sigma house.

Beta Theta Pi announces the pledging of Wayne Stater '17.

Robert Prosser was a dinner guest Tuesday evening at the Beta Theta Pi house.

Governor and Mrs. West were dinner guests Tuesday evening at the Beta Theta Pi house.

Lester Loden ex. '16, is visiting at the Beta Theta Pi house.

Carl Houston was a guest Tuesday evening of the Kappa Alpha Theta house.

Clarence Brotherton was a guest Sunday evening at the Beta Theta Pi house.

Mrs. Oswald West and daughter Helen were guests of Catharine Carlson at the Gamma Phi Beta house Saturday and Sunday.

Peggy Boylen and Martha Huderman of Pendleton, who have been visiting at the Gamma Phi Beta house returned home yesterday.

William Burgard spent the week end in Portland.

## EXCHANGES.

Spring football practice has begun at O. A. C.

Northwestern has adopted the student council plan of government for the student body.

University of Michigan.—University students are now conducting the playground work in the ward schools of Ann Arbor. They have full charge of the sports of boys and will train the baseball and track teams in preparation for a big field meet in June. This is done under the supervision of the city school board and the university Y. M. C. A. who are cooperating with the students.

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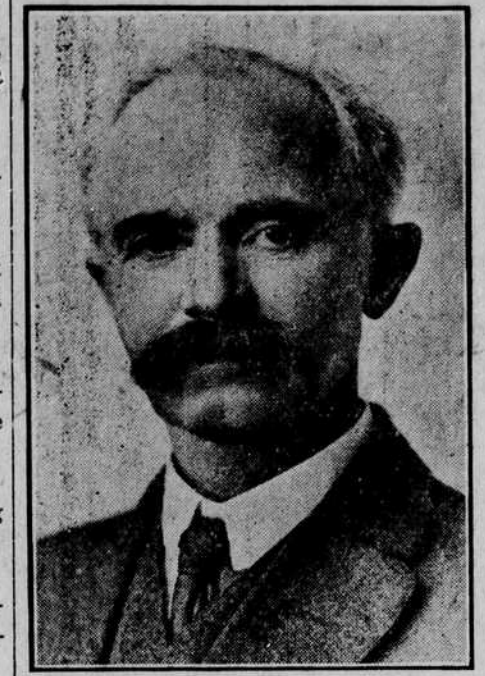
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H. R. KNIGHT, Agent Eugene

University of Michigan, May 4.—P. H. Peng, the former private secretary of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, ex-president of China, will be among the foreign students of the university next fall as a special student sent by the new Chinese government. Mr. Peng is now taking his required academic work in the city high school and will enter the literary department next fall, specializing in political science and economics.

Drink Red "Tane" cherry at Obaks.

Reed College was recently put on the list of standardized colleges.



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## RED EMERALD HAS EFFECT ON ALLEGED ICE PLANT

Thetas Proceed to Melt. Men Callers Bask in Social Tropics

Who can dispute the power of the press?

The "Red Emerald" had its effect in more ways than one, but its authors probably did not dream that their influence would be sufficient to bring about a "spring thaw." A "spring thaw", however was a result of a false communication published in the Red Emerald, which implied that the Kappa Alpha Theta house has the reputation of resembling a cold storage plant.

When Del Stannard, an occasional visitor made an evening call Sunday, he was received with overwhelming cordiality. The underclassmen took his hat and coat at the door, before he had time to say good evening he was escorted to a rocker and gently deposited among the pillows which had been arranged for his comfort. Now almost dazed, he placed his feet upon the foot-stool brought by one of the young women.

Del recovered. The answer to his first question as to why and wherefore lay on the mantelpiece in the form of a placard inscribed with the words "Spring Thaw."

Each of the "Theta men" was greeted with the same effusions that night, and each was in turn dumfounded.

Guy Needham, state students and boys' work secretary, spent yesterday and today on the campus with the new cabinet members of the Y. M. C. A. and conferred with them in regards to the work for next year.

Next year the officers of the Doughnut League will be, President, Alpha Tau Omega representative, vice president Sigma Chi representative, and Secretary-Treasurer Phi Delta Theta representative.

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