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All-Too-Mercenary.

AN ALL-TOO-MERCENARY, merciless code of business ethics is controlling matters at the University of Oregon, which seems entirely out of keeping with the Oregon Spirit.

The die was cast when the captain of this year's football team was not allowed to take the trip to Los Angeles. True, he was incapacitated for the season, because of his strenuous services last year. Despite his physical incapacity to play football, the doughty captain has been out on the field every night and what he lacked in fitness he more than made up in a true display of Oregon Spirit.

Yet for a few measly dollars, the hero of three football seasons and the martyr of this season has been denied the privilege of accompanying his team on one of the choice trips. His heart is with the team, he has worked night after night with the team, he has instilled some of his own sterling spirit into the team; but it was too expensive for him to make the trip. We maintain that this is a disgraceful display of almighty-dollar worship.

Nor is this all. The Emerald has started knocking, why not continue when there are numerous matters that show the same lack of principle. The student manager was also denied a trip that had been promised him. He has worked steadfastly and conscientiously at his job. Tackmen are ready to train for a hard season, but the facilities are lacking. We also understand that last year's trackmen and baseball men who earned their coveted "O" are still patiently waiting for their sweaters. Men who earned Oregon blankets are blanketless. Is all of this true? If so, why?

We are well aware of the fact that Oregon is not rolling in wealth, we know that the European war has cut off the supplies of dyes necessary for blankets, but we are certain that somewhere—and not far off either—there is sufficient dye and money to reward service to Oregon.

This is what is called procrastination. Suppose the trackmen, the football players, the baseball men procrastinated in practice and training—we wonder where Oregon would rank in athletics. In the spirit of the recent faculty athletic rulings we suggest that monetary matters be made secondary to such matters as these. In the meantime we urge action—action, unfettered by too mercenary a spirit, which is not in harmony with student sentiment.

No Chance for Negotiations.

AGAIN WE hear from Portland papers that Multnomah club has been indulging in "a little unofficial negotiating" toward having the annual championship football battle between O. A. C. and Oregon played in Portland.

Of the Aggies' attitude toward such machinations we have nothing conclusive except their antagonism last year. Be that as it may.

But Oregon is strictly against any such negotiations. Last year demonstrated that fact very forcibly, and if needs be it can be demonstrated again this year; only stronger.

Campus games are rare, inconsequential and far between. The yearly classical is the life of football on the campus. Beginning with this year a new feature will be added to the big day and that is Home-Coming festivities, which will fasten the game to the campus more than ever.

Multnomah may indulge in all the unofficial negotiating she cares to, but we would give them a kindly hint that their effort is wasted. This stand has been re-enforced by the recent faculty ruling which orients the financial matter more than ever. And financial arguments are all that Multnomah can make. If dates are arranged for games with the California universities next year they will probably go to Portland.

But as for the Oregon classic—we say, in the name of student sentiment, NO!

The Library Is Open.

THE LIBRARY was open tonight for the first time in history—open until 10:00 p. m. to accommodate the studious students—and the library was empty. Open but not used. The Emerald started the campaign for an open library after many students had expressed a need for the additional facilities. If the library is not used on Friday night the chances are that it will not remain open. If, on the other hand, the Friday nights prove popular, Saturday opening is only a matter of time. At present the library is open every day from 7:45 until 10:00 p. m., except Saturdays and Sundays. On Saturdays the library is open as usual from 8:00 a. m. until 6:00 p. m. Sunday is the day of rest, but Friday night is a good time for study.

CAMPUS NOTES

Bryant Turner, Sigma Chi, '13, is spending the week-end at the Sigma Chi house. Mr. Turner has been recently in Kanass City and is now returning to his home in Salem.

Ruth Duniway spent last Saturday and Sunday at the Gamma Phi Beta house. Miss Duniway came as a delegate from the Collegiate Alumnae in Portland in an effort to interest University students in a party to be given at the ice hippodrome in Portland November 26. That will be University night. The proceeds are to be given to the fund for the Woman's Memorial building.

The Dormitory club entertained Professor E. F. Lawrence, Roswell Dosch and the students enrolled in the architectural department at an informal dinner Thursday evening.

President P. L. Campbell was in Portland yesterday acting as one of

the judges in the loganberry juice contest, which is being held in connection with the Portland Land Products Show. He will return to Eugene this evening.

COMMUNICATED

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 4, 1915.
To the Editor of The Emerald:—I have been told that there is feeling on the part of some of the students that the special athletic committee had in mind the gradual abolition of all inter-collegiate sports. This is entirely incorrect, as such action was not even discussed by the committee. The suspension of inter-collegiate basketball for a time is an experiment to see whether intra-mural basketball cannot be extended to a much greater number of men than ever before, with the coaches free from the inter-collegiate games and able to give their whole time to organizing and directing contests between the various classes, departments, clubs and fraternities. Much intra-mural basketball by the many instead of intercollegiate basketball by the few is the thing which the faculty wants to give a fair trial.
E. E. DE COU,
Chairman Special Athletic Committee.

BUSY PLANS OUTLINED FOR SUMNER'S STAY

Bishop Sumner of Portland will be on the campus for the week of November 14 to the 20, his program while in this city having been arranged under the auspices of the University and the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian associations. He will give the Vesper talk in Villard Sunday, November 14, and will address the University men on Monday and the women on the following day, appearing before the general assembly Wednesday morning.

During his visit here the bishop will reserve every afternoon for interviews to any student who may wish to gain information on religious matters or social service.

The bishop will be a dinner and lunch guest of the different fraternity and sorority houses and on Tuesday he will occupy the place of honor at a faculty luncheon.

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