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## An Era of Bad Feeling.

JUST AT the crucial period when the University is progressing into a position of strength throughout the state, there is growing up within the institution a condition that we hate to see, for it bodes evil. We mean an era of bad feeling between students and faculty.

We have broached the matter for editorial purposes with various members of the faculty, but we have been greeted and answered—all in one—by a cross between a smile and a shrug of the shoulders. If the faculty has nothing up its sleeve there is at least a manifestation of something that the students as a whole do not like.

And what is the cause of this era of bad feeling? It is easy to analyze. First, there came the talk of a ban on intercollegiate athletics. Out of that grew the suspension of basketball, which the student body was disposed to take in a fairminded way. The latest twist is the pending action on the student body tax; shall it be compulsory or voluntary. The students expressed themselves firmly on the matter and still there are echoes that indicate that the matter is not yet buried. Sifting it to its fundamentals, we find it another subtle attack on intercollegiate athletics.

The question is, where does the faculty get the power that they have arbitrarily taken into their hands? From what we can hear on the outside, faculty meetings are attem with projects of student body reform. And along with the faculty, as a kind of weather vane, marches a certain class of students who have no sympathetic existence with the student body. There are divinity students, special students and relations of faculty members—nearly all of them older and with a thwarted viewpoint and a narrow, impractical philosophy that they call altruism and social reform.

The general attitude of the students is, what's going to happen next, and along with that there is manifesting itself from day to day a spirit of militancy. There is talk of a revolt from the more excitable, and an attitude of watchful waiting from the more complaisant.

Where there is smoke there is a possibility of fire, and surely there will come a time when student sentiment will break out in opposition to the extreme paternalism that the faculty seems bent on creating and fostering.

It seems to us that the faculty surely has problems of its own that are worthy of solution without intruding on the ground of student matters. Students, formerly very conservative, are expressing themselves radically these days. Imagine what the radicals are doing and thinking?

Thomas Jefferson said that the best government is one which governs least, and, so too, we think that the best faculty is one that governs least.

## CAMPUS NOTES

Mrs. George W. McMath, of Portland, president of the Oregon Congress of Mothers, Miss Ruth Catlin, principal of a girls' school in Portland, and Mrs. W. F. G. Thatcher were Saturday evening dinner guests of Alpha Phi.

Dr. and Mrs. F. G. G. Schmidt were Sunday dinner guests at the Pi Beta Phi house.

Nash Taylor of Corvallis spent the week-end at the Iota Chi house.

Fred Kiddle and George Gates were Sunday evening supper guests at the Kappa Alpha Theta house.

Walter S. Kennon spent part of last week-end at Monmouth visiting his sister.

Sunday dinner guests at Alpha Tau Omega were Miss R. Louise Fitch, Mary Murdock, Leone Williams, Delilah McDaniel, Genevieve Chapin and Marie Churchill.

Alpha Tau Omega held initiation Sunday night for Leo Potter and Ernest Nail.

Mrs. McCready of Lewiston, was a dinner guest Sunday at the Chi Omega house.

Lucille Shepherd spent the week-end at the Chi Omega house stopping off on her way from the exposition.

Jack Mintague, Albert Gillette, Kenneth Bartlett and Harry Biot were Kappa Alpha Theta Sunday dinner guests.

Hazel Toose, '14, is visiting at the Chi Omega house, having stopped over on her way from California to her home in Oregon City.

Sara Simons, returned Sunday to her home in Albany.

Beta Theta Pi entertained Dr. and Mrs. William Kuykendall and Miss Mabel Kuykendall at dinner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Herman Oberteuffer were Saturday evening dinner guests at the Beta Theta Pi house.

The Annual Sophomore hop held Saturday night in the Armory, was the first formal University dance of the year, and the two hundred couple who enjoyed the event were warm in their praise of the hospitality of the Sophomore class. Festoons of evergreens lined the balcony and wreaths of evergreen mingled with red and green lights were suspended over the balcony. Streamers of red and green hung from the balcony railing to the stage. The twelve piece orchestra was seated in a summer house of evergreens, placed in the center of the floor.

Punch was served from a cake of ice, placed in a cave of snow and icicles.

The feature dance was an allegory parody on "Every Woman," entitled "Every College Woman", and very clever were the events of college days portrayed.

Patrons and patronesses were: President and Mrs. P. L. Campbell, Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Conklin, Professor and Mrs. Fred Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Beadke, Dean and Mrs. John Straub, Miss M. Ruth Guppy, Mr. and Mrs. William Hayward and Mr. and Mrs. Thacher.

Gamma Phi Beta held initiation Friday evening, for Dorothy Collier of Eugene.

Phi Gamma Delta dinner guests Sunday were: Mrs. Hamilton Weir, Grace Mackenzie, Kate Stanfield, Eva Brock, Florence Stelwer, Florence Parelius, Helen Guttery, Mary Cellars.

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