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EDUCATION A LA NIETZSCHE

COLLEGE education received a dum-dum bullet—in the form of a communication—from a former correspondence-student, who quit patronizing the University's get-educated-quick department, fearing lest his get-rich-quick ambitions suffer from the development of too tender a conscience.

The letter from this would-be Super-man shows only too clearly that he did his correspondence work in history. On investigation we verified this deduction, and thereby lies the whole explanation. One of the courses which the student took was European history, which begins with the Napoleonic wars. The latter shows only too clearly the effects of this study. Evidently the writer, who wants to develop "a callous conscience and a slumbering pity" drank deep of Napoleonic lore, and, like the youth who super-saturates his receptive mind with Nivk Carters until he goes out "scooping" for hair-breadth escapades and adventures, was hypnotized by the Corsican's "will to power," if we be permitted to use Nietzsche's phrase. This, of course is only a theory but it looks plausible from the tenor of the letter.

Napoleon desired military fame and international power, and human life was no obstacle worth noting. On the memorable retreat from ice-bound Russia, Napoleon ordered his favorite company to shoot down their own men-in-arms in order that they might escape across a bridge. So, too, the late correspondence student has ambitions—ambitions to "get riches, no matter by what method; to secure fame, even at the cost of a million souls; to trample upon the faces of the poor and make the rich bow before him." If we remember correctly Napoleon is accredited with saying something to that effect.

Not only does this person with the ambition of the Corsican general show a knowledge of history, but also a knowledge of philosophy. His ambition is purely Nietzschean—the individualism of a tyrant, who is endowed with an exaggerated idea of the will-to-power.

Let us say to the writer—if he ever reads this—that he is far behind the times. Really we don't think you can get by, unless you seek other fields. The super-men of tomorrow will constitute the aristocracy of brains, and we know of no better place for brain-food than the University. Also the tendency in the world of modern commerce is anti-Nietzschean to a great extent. Rockefeller realized this when he stated that he would like to see capital and labor reconciled. Henry Ford got the same "hunch" when he instituted his noted profit-sharing system, and he certainly isn't of the trample-in-the-dust variety that the writer idealizes—at least not from the looks of his peace pilgrimage.

If you mean what you say—but, really we think you're "kidding"—we have a scheme for you to follow. If you want to get rich, and are not particular about the method—why turn Jimmy Valentine; if you want to secure fame, even at the cost of a million souls, go to Europe and fight both sides; if you want to trample upon the faces of the poor and make the rich bow down—and worship you, we infer—why to assume the role of a modern Peer Gynt. If you can do all of these things, your "lofty" ambitions will be realized.

EVERYBODY OUT FOR GOLF

SATURDAY is Golf Day, which does not mean a lot of hard work by any means. On the other hand it means a lot of fun for the time being and a lot more in the future. It also means a free lunch.

The object of Golf Day is primarily to get the new golf links ready for use.

The committee in charge of the work wants as many men as are free on Saturday morning. The more, the easier; and the greater the fun. The University women have agreed to prepare a huge luncheon to be served on the grounds to the workers only. They have prepared enough to feed a hundred men—and themselves.

If the turn-out is great the work can be completed in two or three hours—maybe less. At noon this big luncheon will be served by the women and after the remnants have been cleared away some of the expert golfers of the campus will instruct the *parvenus* how to hit the ball without busting the club, and instruct in the difference between a styptic and niblick—and a host of other things that such men as President Wilson; and ex-President Taft like to talk about a few minutes every day after they have settled with international difficulties, and teaching law.

The big problem is to get the men out. The women will be there with the lunch. Will the men be there with hoes, rakes, pitchforks and shovels?

We recommend that every organization—fraternities and dormitory—hold themselves responsible for a reasonable number of men. Surely the effort is worth the reward, which is a golf course near at hand and for the use of all students.

CAMPUS NOTES

The Fortnightly club will give a dance Friday evening in the armory for the benefit of the women's building. They say women may come together in groups as it is leap year. Card tables will be provided for those who do not wish to dance, where either bridge or five hundred may be played. The girls' glee club will sing and will be assisted by Mrs. Middleton, Miss Forbes and Mrs. Tacher. Miss Frieda Goldsmith and Miss Hazel Rader will give the feature dance, an aesthetic production of Pierrot and Pierrette.

Delta Tau Delta announces the pledging of Hermos Giffen of Bellingham, Washington.

Sunday dinner guests of Delta Tau Delta were Mr. and Mrs. Brownell, of Gardiner, Oregon, and Howard and Everett George.

Mr. Cockerline, of Albany, was a Wednesday dinner guest at the Beta Theta Pi house.

Harry Kuck returned Tuesday from The Dalles where he attended the funeral of his grandfather, J. H. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Herdman, of Portland, and Professor and Mrs. W. F. G. Thacher were Wednesday dinner guests of Delta Tau Delta.

Iota Chi announces the pledging of Otto Bush Pfahl and Alvin Wiewestek, both of Oregon City.

Gertrude Taylor, '15, of Albany, spent the week-end at the Kappa Alpha Theta house.

Gladys Wilkins is not attending classes on account of la grippe.

CUES

(ECHO JUNE ZAHL)
17 days 'til exams. Do your cramming early.

Did everybody notice the Sigma Nu headgear in the current doughnut series? Some yarn.

By the way we didn't notice the suits.

Professor Allen announces through this column that any one (faculty or otherwise) having anything barbaric in their nature will have a chance to exhibit it in the big pageant.

Fellows don't push! The girls are talking seriously of starting a doughnut league.

You've all heard of the correspondence student who wants to trample on the faces of the poor. At least he will never be at the foot.

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