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COURTESY TO SPEAKERS.

We have a criticism to make. We refer to those fidgety people who can sit just so long at a lecture and then find it necessary to remove their persons elsewhere; also another class of people who always find it convenient to come late and make the slam of the door or the scraping of their feet simultaneous with the announcements so that the speaker cannot be heard. That explains perhaps why Dr. John Straub had to sing a solo for assembly yesterday morning. The number of the song was given out just as our friends of the above-mentioned class arrived as per schedule. No one heard the number and the Dean of the University waded through two verses of the song to receive a hearty handclap for his efforts, simply because it was supposed he was singing a solo.

In the name of all that is courteous a speaker should be given an opportunity to give the message he has to offer. True some speakers are bad and some are good. But a University student is the last person in the world who should make his like and dislikes so known during a University assembly by getting up and leaving while the lecture is in progress. The practice here at Oregon has not been bad in the past but we notice it is like all other growing things that become obnoxious—one person starts and another follows and so on until the disease is chronic. For such a practice there should be no beginning.

COLLEGIATE SPELLING

Don Marquis, who conducts a column in an evening newspaper, departs from the paths of humor to make the following indictment against college men:

"For seventeen years we have fussed around newspaper offices in one capacity or another, and it has been our happy privilege to read the copy of hundreds of young collegians. And never once in all that time have we come across a single young college graduate who was able to spell * * * After a year or two out of college it begins to dawn upon them that possibly spelling may have its le-

gitimate place in producing copy for a newspaper, and they take it up seriously. It is not that they seem to have any prejudice against spelling; they just don't know anything about it. The fact that there is such a thing has evidently never been called to their attention."

It is impossible to quash this indictment by placing the blame on the preparatory schools, for this does not excuse the colleges. And, anyway, the indictment should not be quashed but extended. College men in ninety cases out of a hundred not only cannot spell but also cannot express their thoughts clearly in writing or in conversation.

The colleges need more than the dictionary that Don Marquis recommends as an addition to their equipment. They need also courses in which men may be taught the gentle and much abused art of conversation, so that the superiority of "really?" to "what are yuh trying to do? Kid me?" will be evident.

They need courses in which the simple ability to write intelligently, logically and elegantly will be emphasized and insisted upon. In this respect the modern English writing courses are deficient, as experience in editing a college newspaper will show plainly.

The Oxford man converses with simplicity and refinement. His diction is excellent. He finds that slang and other doubtful vehicles of speech are unnecessary for intelligent expression. He can write a letter or a theme in such a way that his thoughts are arranged in an interesting, clear, logical manner. And, of course, he can spell correctly.

If Columbia contemplates making any sensational changes in its curriculum, it should add a course or two which would enable its undergraduates to follow the example of their English cousins.—*Columbia Spectator.*

RIDES STUDENTS TO CLASSES

Kansas students have no excuse for being late to classes. The university has installed a jitney service at its own expense, and a decrease of 50 per cent in tardiness has already been noted.

FACULTY FOLLOWED MISSOURI SYSTEM

List Shows How Professors Set Standards, High or Low.

202 H GRADES AND 1294 S GRADES GIVEN

Some Mark Harder Than the Average, Others Mark Easier.

Statistics of the grades given last semester, to be read at the regular monthly meeting of the faculty tonight in Guild hall, show that Oregon professors are following the Missouri grading system in fact as well as in theory. This system assumes that given a large body of students one-half in a given subject should receive M, that half the other part should receive grades above M, and the remaining grades below M.

The totals of the grades given are as follows:

H	202
S	1294
M	2116
P	1005
F	294
Inc.	272
Cond.	114

Grand total5297
The grades above M total 1496. Those below M total 1685. If the Missouri system set a strict and absolutely accurate standard, there should have been a total of 1324 grades above M, and the same number below, while the M grades should have totaled 2684, instead of 2116.

The list to be read gives the exact number of various grades which each faculty member gave in his classes. From this list it will be determined whether a professor is setting his standard of work too high or too low, in accordance with the Missouri system.

The following faculty members held very closely to the Missouri system:

Name	Grades above M	Grades below M
Adams	8	8
Sweetser	19	17
Ayer	31	30
Howe	34	36
Watson	19	18
Schafer	10	8
O'Hara	21	19
Allen	15	17
Shockley	60	69

Members who marked harder than the average or had exceptionally dull classes are as follows:

Name	Grades above M	Grades below M
Stafford	20	34
Shinn	6	12
Hopkins	12	51
Jackson	11	105
Young	13	19
Robbins	12	74
Gilbert	7	91
Clarek	6	15
Kroenberg	0	23
Lyman	10	15
Burgess	22	39
Richardson	11	45
Thacher	28	37
Schmidt	42	65
Clark	17	23
Dymont	5	30
Cummings	26	38
Hayward	9	41
Goldsmith	12	54
Conklin and Wheeler	16	55
Cloran	39	59
Hartman	18	103

The following members seem to have marked easier than the average, or to have been fortunate in having exceptionally bright classes:

Name	Grades above M	Grades below M
Lawrence	12	1
Schroff	41	4
Dosch	17	1
Sheldon	25	11
Stetson	20	8
Dunn	9	2
De Cou	23	9
Middleton	9	0
Perfect	15	5

Forbes	19	0
Fox	90	0
Campbell	96	6
Parsons	16	4
Turney	47	6
Packard	31	8
Schwartz	37	12
Straub	19	3
DeLay	16	2
Wheeler	7	1
Prescott	25	14

INDUSTRIAL SYSTEM FAR FROM EFFICIENT

Something Wrong With Captains of American Industry, Says Ida Tarbell.

Woman Journalist Cites Henry Ford Type of Employer as Basis for Hope.

The ideal of industrially democratic America in which captains of industry endeavor to enable their employees to lead healthful and happy lives was held up by Ida M. Tarbell, journalist, author and industrial efficiency expert who spoke Tuesday night at the Christian church on "Industrial Idealism."

Of more than average height, dressed modestly in blue, Miss Tarbell with few and almost jerky gestures stated her facts clearly and reasoned with a completeness that kept her hearers in rapt attention throughout the lecture.

Miss Tarbell does not agitate. She states the facts as she knows them and lets the people draw their own conclusions.

If a change did not come she declared that this democracy of America would revert into just the same state that we came from Europe to avoid. Something is wrong, she said, with the industrial system of a nation that contains thousands of men out of work who want work. With the advance of foodstuffs and no advance in wages the people are in a still worse state than they were before. And something is wrong where, in the south, the captains of industry assert that it is good for little children to work in factories all day long.

The golden rule in business has worked and she cited the factory of Henry Ford in Detroit, Michigan, where the employees not only receive high wages but where they feel that they have a part in the business. This indicates that the statement in the platform of the Industrial Workers of the World that there can be nothing but antagonism between employer and employee is false.

After her lecture Miss Tarbell met informally many townspeople, professors and students. Members of the University

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of Oregon debating team procured from Miss Tarbell statements concerning strike legislation which they assert will be of special value to them in their debate against O. A. C. tonight.

Theta Sigma Phi entertained Miss Tarbell with a luncheon at the Osburn hotel Tuesday afternoon.

OREGANA WORK MOVES RAPIDLY
The work for the Oregana is progressing rapidly. Last week three lots of cuts were sent in. "All are getting their work in fine," said Emma Wootten, Edi-

tor-in-chief. Miss Wootten has two more weeks to get the work in shape before she goes to Baltimore as a delegate to the national convention of the Gamma Phi Beta.

Subscription pledges are now being taken by the ten or twelve students who have entered in the prize contest. Harold Tregilgas, circulation manager, yesterday began a series of advertising speeches which he will deliver at each of the houses. The object is to learn how many books will be needed before they go to the printer.

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