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Existence Justified?

THE PLAY given by Mask and Buskin, chapter of Associated University Players, Thursday evening was most enjoyable entertainment. The fraternity, in producing "Kempy," proved its worth. It furnished an outlet for campus stage talent, and it gave pleasure to a large number of University folk.

Acted and directed by its members only, the organization carried out a principle other clubs and fraternities of similar nature should consider. This is the principle of being worthwhile. There are others, indeed, which can justify existence on like grounds. Among these, and not attempting to include or exclude, weigh or balance, judge or sentence, but merely by way of illustration, may be mentioned Mu Phi Epsilon and Phi Mu Alpha, musical fraternities, each of which has given a delightful program before the student body this school year.

Such organizations, professing to take only those who have shown capabilities, or ambition toward development, in their particular field, have a very wholesome effect on the students in their schools. They furnish a stimulus to honest endeavor and attainment of excellence in work. They are a goal, a worthy goal, to the underclassman. The freshman has something tangible and real to strive for. In the process he will gather to himself, also, those intangible and abstract influences of culture so essential.

In contrast to these and other worthy organizations there are many clubs, honorary fraternities, and other groups on this campus which do not have any apparent excuse for existence, other, perhaps, than offering opportunities for a few students to hold the offices of president, sergeant-at-arms and other "honors."

It would be well for all organizations to "check up" on themselves and determine if they are worth the student-hours devoted to them, or whether they simply consume valuable time and energy in "going through" useless formalities. In other words, are they really worth-while? Do they benefit anything or anybody? Have they a job to do? Are they doing it? The Emerald believes there is a very considerable number, which, in answer to these questions, would be forced to answer, "No!"

"Going, Going—Gone!"

"GOING once! Going twice! Going three times! Gone! Gone to the young co-ed in Russian galoshes. Step forward, please, and take this fine fountain pen lost and unclaimed by some careless owner!"

Such will be the fate of many an orphan "slave"—umbrellas, compacts, pencils, pens, coats, and all other trinkets and treasures, many with sentimental values, gathered in by the University Lost and Found department up to November of last year. There is one more chance left for the forsaken articles to find their rightful masters, on Monday afternoon between 3 and 3:30 o'clock in Journalism building.

Tuesday morning, at 10 o'clock, three hard-hearted and inexorable auctioneers, Randall Jones, Bob Mautz and James Leake, will turn a deaf ear to any entreaties of prior right and "knock 'em down" to the highest bidder. The auction block will be on the Library steps.

Don't you hear that poor, lonely pen given you by some gallant calling aloud to be saved this awful fate of being sold "down river" into alien hands? One chance left to heed the call!

Welcome news comes from the direction of the Music building. Dedication of the music auditorium, postponed a number of times, is promised within the next three weeks. Formal opening of the hall has been eagerly awaited by the many campus people interested in music. Decorations and architecture, richly combined, will produce an atmosphere enhancing the enjoyment of any concert. Restriction of availability to programs of the highest class only and the consequent associations should make of it, traditionally, a center of joy and inspiration.

Campus Bulletin

Notices will be printed in this column for two issues only. Copy must be in this office by 5:30 on the day before it is to be published, and must be limited to 20 words.

Dr. Wheeler's Class in Systematic psychology will meet again at the regular time on Wednesday, March 4.

JAPANESE PRUNE TREE BLOOMS IN EVIDENCE

The Japanese prune tree which stands back of Friendly hall is in bloom. The tree blossoms every year long before it puts forth its leaves. This is one of the first to bloom on the campus, the white Spirea and yellow Forsythia being the only other plants which are blossoming.

The magnolia bushes are budding and with a few more sunny days their large flowers will be in evidence, says H. M. Fisher, superintendent of grounds, who watches the campus shrubbery and sees the first blossoms that appear.

C. D. THORPE HAS THESIS ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

Professor C. D. Thorpe, former instructor in public speaking on the campus, has had his doctor's thesis accepted for publication. The thesis, which is on the subject of "The Mind of Keats," is to be published by the Oxford Press. Professor Thorpe is now at the University of Michigan, where he is completing work for his doctor's degree, and is acting as assistant professor. He will return to the University in the fall.

At the Theatres

HELLIG—Today "The Clean Heart," A. S. M. Hutchinson's great novel ably dramatized. Coming: "The Thief of Bagdad," all next week, except Wednesday. Elaborately filmed, with Douglas Fairbanks in the leading role. Atmospheric prologue. Plan to attend the collegiate night, Friday. Special college prologue.

THE REX—Last day: The West's own favorite son, Hoot Gibson in "The Hurricane Kid," a rapid ridin' romance of the sunset ranges, with Marion Nixon, Violet LaPlante and "Pal," the queen of wild horses; Comedy: "The Polo Kid," a riot of roars; The "Made-in-Oregon" news reel, "Webfoot Weekly;" Robert V. Hainsworth in musical accompaniment on the mighty Wurlitzer. Coming: Wm. B. DeMille's "Locked Doors," with Betty Compson, Theodore Roberts, Kathlyn Williams, Robert Edison and Theodore Von Eitz; presented with prolog, "Twas Ever Thus," featuring Mildred Baldwin, Hugh Winder and dainty Helen Phipps.

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COMING EVENTS

Saturday, February 28
2:00 p. m.—Swimming, Frosh-Rooks, Woman's building.
2:30 p. m.—Track try-outs, Hayward field.
3:00 p. m.—Swimming, O. A. C.-Oregon, Woman's building.
Basketball, Washington-Oregon, at Seattle.
Monday, March 2
Wrestling, O. A. C.-Oregon, at Corvallis. Varsity and frosh.

ZOOLOGISTS TO HAVE SUMMER SCHOOL CAMP

Something new in summer session work is being planned for this summer in the form of a zoology camp at Sunset Bay, fourteen miles west of Marshfield. Only a limited number of students will be allowed to sign up for the course, since too many cannot be accommodated. The camp will last from June 22 to July 25, although registration for the course must be made by June 10.

Eight hours credit will be given for the class, which will study all manner of marine zoology. Sunset Bay is ideally located for such a study with many rocky projections, tide pools, sandy beaches, mud flats and shallow water. The students will live in four cottages and in tents. Although it is difficult to estimate, the zoology faculty believes that \$75 will cover all expenses, including fees and board. Students will be boarded at cost, and will be required to furnish only their own bedding, notebooks, hand lenses and dissecting instruments. Microscopes and books will be furnished by the department.
A few students who have taken no zoology previously will be allowed to enter the class. All those

CAMPUS LATIN CLUB ELECTS TEN MEMBERS

Collegium Augustale, University Latin club, elected 10 new members, at a meeting held Thursday night, at the Y. W. bungalow. They are, Catharine Stone, Kathryn Compton, Beatrice Wilder, Justine Ackerson, Joanne Ackerson, Erma Boepfy, Helen Mumaw, Catherine Enright, Martha Rae Stanley, and Bruce Todd.

The program consisted of the reading of Bernard Shaw's "Caesar and Cleopatra." Abbey Adams was in charge of the program. At the next meeting, which is to be held March 10, the Cataline conspiracy will be discussed.

STUDENTS AT COLUMBIA CALLED MOST RADICAL

Columbia University.—That Columbia University undergraduates are the most radical in the country is the opinion of Prof. H. T. Moore, of Dartmouth, who recently conducted a nation-wide survey of college students as to their views on social and political problems.

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"THE NEW SCIENCE AND THE OLD FAITH"

An Address by Dr. L. F. Giffin, Head of the Department of Biology at Reed College, at the Unitarian Church, Sunday morning.

Dr. Griffin has been secured to give the address at the annual Laymen's Service of the local Unitarian church. The service begins at 10:45 o'clock.

There is a new and fundamental philosophy of life emerging in our times inspired by Science and moulded by the scientific method. Dr. Griffin is a brilliant scholar with rare gifts of exposition. Few men are better qualified to interpret this new philosophy.

The musical program will include a duet by Robert McKnight and Robert Hunt.

University men and women are cordially invited to attend this service at "The Little Church of the Human Spirit."