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If there is anything vitally important to the happiness of human beings it is that they should relish their habitual pursuit.—John Stuart Mill.

Surpassing Fond Hopes; The Student Report

SURPASSING by far the fondest hopes of its creators, the undergraduate report on the status of intellectual vigor at the university, issued last spring, has attracted the serious attention of noted educators in various parts of the country.

With our pride and satisfaction is mingled a goodly portion of surprise. The committee made its survey with only local problems in mind and aimed at stimulating activity toward local improvement. That the problems at Oregon might have a counterpart in other schools was not considered. The committee's greatest hope was that the report be given full consideration here.

What, then, does the outside interest mean? Evidently organized introspection is not a widespread activity among colleges. More than that, however, the Oregon report has aroused much favorable comment, and is to be brought to the attention of the Association of American colleges by Edward S. Parsons, president of Marietta college. The interest has certainly been more than casual, and for that we are thankful.

It should not be assumed that the report holds the key to educational reform and that the principles it embodies are the best as well as the most applicable. We are sure the widespread interest was not occasioned by such a belief.

The members of the committee did not offer the suggestions with this motive nor were they unanimous in their views on the value of the suggestions embodied in the statement. Merely reviewing the situation, the committee had no desire to dictate, even were such a course possible. The suggested reforms were based on what appeared to the committee to be the best features of the systems employed in other universities and colleges as well as at Oregon. They were meant as possible aids to the administration should it determine to alter the existing educational system. Most probably the outside interest evidenced in the report is concerned with the spirit which prompted the students to analyze their own situation rather than with the remedies they proposed.

The report is not now a dead issue. The problem although recognized, remains to be solved. All the fine things that may be said by other educators about the statement will in no way alleviate the problem at Oregon. Surely it will not be said that

the report was "not without honor—save in its own college?"

It Might Have Been Worse at That

Bootleg automobile rides and moonshine Fords are considered by the Daily Californian possible outgrowths of the ban on student-owned automobiles at the University of Illinois. If our geography is right, Chicago is in Illinois. That should prove that anything is likely to happen.

The Californian makes it clear that the Oregon students have gotten off easy. It believes that official bans are far more effective than letters sent to fond parents. Illinois has apparently learned by experience that half-way measures are ineffective. Consequently no student may drive an automobile in the town of Champaign, the site of the university, or possess a car while enrolled in the institution. Rigid enforcement is promised by Thomas Arkle Clark, venerable dean of deans.

Perhaps the riding academies will flourish or blind pig automobile joyrides may follow. At any rate Illinois is making a great experiment that we shall watch with interest.

In the meantime the few Oregon students who are reluctant to give up the luxuries of dilapidated flivvers, may console themselves by realizing that it might be worse.

And, oh yes. While the Illinois authorities are taking steps to protect students' morals, why not change the name of the university town? Aqua, Illinois, would sound much more pure than Champaign.

An Opportunity to Hear the New President

For months we have been waiting to see him and hear him; today we have that opportunity. Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, by virtue of his training and experience and his position as head of the institution, is sure to have some interesting ideas on leadership, the topic announced for his talk.

On the assumption that the new president will outline his policies, it should hardly be necessary for us to point out that the meeting today will be of general interest.

The entire student body should be at the assembly.

Commendation for Pan-Hellenic

Has Pan-Hellenic been congratulated for its abolition of the "traditional ceremonies" attending women's pledging? It should be. We are glad someone finally realized that the bit of barbarism disguised by designation as a tradition, had no place in campus life.

his classes in order to contribute to the family living.

Dean Walker has written to many parents urging them to suggest to their sons and daughters who are attending the University that they leave their autos at home. It is neither a request nor a demand; rather an appeal, which is couched in this language: "The increasing use of automobiles by university students has been observed with much concern by university officials everywhere. Careful studies have shown that they cause poor scholarship, are expensive, waste valuable time, increase the danger of moral delinquency, and cause traffic congestion about the campus; that at best they are undesirable and unnecessary at college, and that they often positively are demoralizing."

It seems a little hard on the parents to ask them to speak to their boys and girls on this delicate subject, and we can imagine that some of them may not like it. Probably some of the students refused to go to the University unless they were provided with autos, and it is going to be very unpleasant for the parents to have to tell Sonny and Sunshine that they must send the machines home. Then we might expect to hear Sunshine and Sonny declare it was a question of no autos or no university; and what are the distressed parents going to do with them? They can't hang around the apartment house, and the university is about the only place they can go. It is a very difficult position for mere parents to occupy.

But we can not blame the faculty

for trying to get the parents to take the initiative; indeed, the faculty should have our praise for seeking to point out to the mothers and fathers of Oregon that there is some responsibility attached to parenthood. We do not overlook the fact that the faculty may be doing a little side-stopping; it would be pleased if could be ruled from the campus the harmful, unnecessary auto by parental wish, and without the likelihood of the strike that would follow a No Auto order from the university authorities.

But if the parents do a little dodging on their own account—what then? Dean Walker declares the machines are the cause of poor scholarship, increase the danger of moral delinquency, and are often positively demoralizing. Under the circumstances, it seems to be a matter with which the parents have little and the University authorities have all to do. Even at the risk of a strike, the faculty should purge the University of whatever increases the danger of moral delinquency and that is positively demoralizing.



CHI PSI OBSERVATORY AGAIN IN OPERATION!

Sirus Pinchpenny's Diary
 Early up, singing merrily, and did chuck the cook under the chin til she did feed me grapefruit and cinnamon toast to my heart's content, the affectionate creature. Soon to work but could do little so many were the jokes thrust upon me about A. McPherson. A pox say I for such drive. Anon out upon the campus to gaze upon the many proud possessors of new pledge pins of varied hues and descriptions. Did see some which can be used for collar buttons and others which would fit in a gas meter or gum machine. By night home and did fall to playing of games and what not with the freshman til long past 9 o'clock, so to bed.

An optimist is a girl who hopes to make Phi Beta Kappa on a fur coat.

RUSHING BULL.

BETA'S THROW RALLY WHEN SHEARER PLEDGES.
 When Wally, social lion cub, let the boys pin him down such exuberance was shown, Jerry Gunther, erstwhile level-headed hoopster, and Rolf Klep, cool-minded editor of the new magazine, jumped in the mill race. Klep, upon being inter-

viewed after his plunge, stated that he was merely getting in practice for the first number of the "Web-foot."

THETA'S PLEDGE BOOZE BAY.

Three demure little maids who have seen the world through a beer bottle and who owe their vigorous upbringing to the wilds of Marshfield will mow the Theta lawn and stoke the furnace this term.

PHI PSI'S PAY FORMAL/ CALL HELLO!

Descending in a cloud upon a certain house to demand a certain man, rushing off to follow directions, returning in a huff and with threatening glances, only to come back to that certain house with meek apologies are the tactics of the eleventh streeters.

FOR THE LOVE-LORN

The SPE'S should have no troubles concerning love or anything more delicate this year for we notice in the pledge list that they have a pledge named Marian Miller.

LOOK OUT!

WARNING! To girls and especially those of the freshmen class—shun Lambda Psi pins as you would wooden nickels—soon the bright new ones will come and the old ones must be done away with—their one

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idea is to plant them or put them to seed.

AND THE KAPPAS!
 One little freshman during the course of conversation during a hectic rush-week luncheon, sweetly said, "Isn't it fine that the Chi Omega's have a new house for they can now get their national—Alpha Chi Omega."

HELLO!

RUSH WEEK IS OVER AND THE FIJIS ARE AGAIN SPEAKING TO MEN OF OTHER TONGS.
 Question: What keeps the movies cool? Answer: The movie fans.

Our candidate for the pest house this week—is a freshman who thought the ol' pioneer was Dean Straub.

A few reasons why we should not forget our grudge against Spain.
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As Others See it
 The Auto on the Campus (The Spectator)
EXCLUSION of the automobile from the college campus is such a serious invasion of the rights of the students, that where it has been practiced, we have confidently expected to see them do something about it. Naturally, we looked for a series of strikes, through which our children and young men and women who are beneficiaries of our tax-supported educational programme usually register dissatisfaction. It is a highly flattering commentary on the American sense of humor that we are able to view as something highly joenlar our many school strikes in which our spirited young people abandon the class room, and refuse to return until they have been given everything they demanded through a complete surrender on the part of the authorities. As we know that without the aid and encouragement of the youthful students' parents, these school strikes could not be successfully prosecuted, we find the spectacle of the school walk-out and boycott overwhelmingly funny. Our enjoyment of these highly amusing strikes in which the fond parents foster the playful recalcitrancy of their sportive offspring is greatly enhanced when we note the arrest of a poor widow or a sick father for permitting the son of school age to shirk

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