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It is graceful in a man to think and speak with propriety, to act with deliberation, and in every occurrence of life to find out and persevere in the truth.—Cicero.

The Breakdown of An Unwelcome System

NOT even a venerable Yale tradition has been able to withstand the rising tide of student opinion, and as a result, compulsory chapel attendance at the New Haven institution is no more.

Yale was not alone, however, in accepting the change. The campaign against compulsion is neither centered at one institution nor is it directed against one object. The past year has seen the fight directed against forcible attempts to bring the student to religion.

In general the move may be said to have met success, having resulted in substitution of optional systems for the compulsory in several colleges, and the opening of the matter to discussion in others.

The commendable work was largely carried on by the National Student Federation, which made a survey among college presidents, editors, students and ministers.

Surprising it is to learn that the collective opinion did not consign all students to a hot time in the hereafter. On the contrary, there was general acceptance of the view that the student is not now more atheistic or insensible to religion than he was in 1900, but that he has acquired a much clearer perception of the relation of religion to life and social service.

In the following opinion, expressed by President Farrand of Cornell, are the views of 70 other university heads, including such men as Thomas of Rutgers, Wilbur of Stanford and Little of Michigan:

"It is obvious that these years have witnessed in the world at large a decreasing interest in creeds, but I am inclined to think that there has been, and particularly in these last years, an increasing interest in the fundamental religious problems... in that increasing interest the undergraduates of our colleges participate. This shows itself in an eagerness to discuss the underlying problems of religious faiths and developments, and also in the responsibilities of services which the applications of religious conviction usually entail."

While opinion of university ministers was rather evenly divided, opposition to compulsory chapel was based largely on unwillingness to spend effort on unappreciative and hostile audiences. Others held, however, that the voluntary groups need the "message" less than those who refuse to attend. On the whole, opinions varied from the belief that there has not been much change to the theory that greater religious interest exists now among undergraduates than ever before.

This survey is interesting not only in its authoritative answer (if one is necessary) to the charge that the colleges are breeding atheism, but also in its indication of the organized strength of student opposition to compulsion in any manner or form.

Victory is not at hand; neither is it far off. The chapel problem was an old one, and probably one of the most disturbing. It remains unsettled, although the few victories will probably have a favorable bearing on the situation in the schools where compulsion is regarded as having the force of divine decree.

Progress is also being made in other fields, heartening advances which should serve to emphasize the fact that though the surface is barely being scratched efforts to discard

the principle of compulsion may yet be successful.

Ironie smiles probably greeted the news that the College of the City of New York has substituted a physical education course for compulsory military training. It will be recalled that student effort directed to the same end last year resulted in strict censorship of the college publication, and apologetic speeches by university officials. So, after having thrown about such terms as "reds," "revolutionists," and "traitors," the compulsionists have quietly lowered their flag.

Victory in this case was achieved with comparative ease. It will not be so in all cases. But the battle has just begun, and already having been called every reprobatory name in the calendar, the students, skins toughened, carry on.

Where reason reigns, the struggle, if at all necessary, will be brief. Where reason does not reign, and that is where most of the compulsionists exist, the battle may be long and drawn-out.

In no cases have the students weakened. Their spirit gives sustenance to the hope and strength to the belief that in the end they will carry their point.

A Cold Reception For the Movie Collegian

AND what of the motion picture football hero? Horrible, according to the Southern California Trojan. If any Los Angeles paper dares to speak of the movies in that tone, either the picture is terrible or the newspaper is unusually emancipated.

Anyway, the producers of two current so-called college life pictures will probably blush from shame as they read the Trojan's castigation, while they shovel in the gold paid by the gullible public to see the real e'legies.

Here is the editorial. It has double effect if you remember that it appeared in a Los Angeles paper. It has triple effect when you realize that the author is probably due to spend the rest of his life in a dungeon for writing this.

To show what real freedom of the press is we are publishing this where all may see it.

It is quite a mystery how the understanding movie director can pull such brodie. Imagine a football player engaging in ten minutes of hell-bent football in a hot sun at the end of which he dances off the gridiron into scented arms of some sweet young thing. Imagine this, and you have before you the closing scene of "Red" Grange's melodrama, "One Minute to Play."

Now the public is not to suspect that the football player could be in any condition but a fresh romantic one by his ten minutes of play. Artistic movies should be an appeal to the emotions and to past experiences—that is art.

The other outstanding brodie supposedly depicting college life was in "The Campus Flirt." In this picture there was a certain incident known as the "pass-over" in which the prospects for Kappa Beta sorority were lined around the four walls of a boarding house living room.

In come the Kappa Beta girls. The main group stands back in the doorway while a sorority member enters the room, makes a tour about the lined-up prospects, points her finger at each privileged one and cries out, "Kappa Beta wants you."

Do the movie directors think that the public is as gullible as that? Are there no college men among them? Say rather high school sophomores. Are there no high school sophomores among them? Gosh! What an uneducated lot movie directors!

overcharge, every student who bought a copy of C. C. Maxey's "The Problems of Government," will receive a refund of seventy-five cents immediately upon application. One hundred volumes were sold.

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University Daily Kansan. A peculiar problem is presented here, for the men greatly outnumber the women students, and all "eligible" girls are dated up far in advance. Last year the price of admission to varsity dances was fixed at 75 cents for daters and \$1.25 for stags, in the hope of encouraging dating. It has been found, however, that stags cheerfully pay the extra amount, and no difference has been noticed in the number of couples attending dances. Student opinion turns toward the old system of equal admission fee, but no decision has been reached. No one can decide which is the best way since whatever method is tried, the stags keep on staggings and the daters keep on dating the same girls.

WANTED—Girl to cook evening meals and two meals on Saturday in exchange for room and board. Must know how to cook. Apply at office of "Indiana Daily Student."

If she doesn't know how, she'll have to eat her own lead biscuits.

While everyone is getting excited about "the youngest freshman in the University," everywhere, how about the "oldest freshman?" Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., claims him in Abraham Kalom, 45-year-old Russian immigrant, who supports his wife and three children by raising sugar beets.

American Chemical Society of Oregon to Meet Here October 16

The Oregon section of the American Chemical society will meet in McClure hall, October 16, Dr. Roger J. Williams, president of the Oregon section of the society and professor of chemistry here, announced yesterday.

Dr. E. C. Gilbert, professor in physical chemistry at Oregon Agricultural College, and counselor of the Oregon section, will give a report of the national convention at Philadelphia, at which he represented Oregon recently. Dr. Floyd C. Rowland, head of chemical engineering at O. A. C., will lecture on "The Chemical Resources of Oregon."

A special meeting of the Oregon Chemical society will be held in Portland, Saturday, November 6, at which Dr. Ernst Cohen, of the University of Utrecht, Amsterdam, Holland, will be the principal speaker. Dr. Cohen, a prominent Dutch chemist, and for the last two years lecturer at Cornell University, will address the society on the subject of "The Metastability Matter and Alleged Constancy."

Eastern Economist To Speak Here Friday

Dr. Richard T. Ely, head of the bureau of farm economics in Northwestern University, and for a number of years professor of economics at the University of Wisconsin, will speak Friday evening of this week at 6 o'clock at the meeting of the Social Science club at the Anchorage. Any member of the faculty interested in hearing Dr. Ely is invited to attend the dinner. Reservations of other than club members must be made by notifying Ralph Casey, school of journalism, telephone 1600. Cover charge is 65 cents.

Dean Gilbert's classes in public finance will hear Dr. Ely speak at 11 a. m. Friday. Students who are interested may attend providing they have no other classes. Dr. Ely will also address the graduate club Saturday.

Professor Gets Prize For Advertising Talk

W. F. G. Thacher, of the school of journalism, won the award for the best address at the annual convention of the Pacific Coast Advertising Clubs association held at San Francisco last July.

The subject of the address was "The Place of Advertising on the University Curriculum." The award was to have been a gold medal, but was changed to a desk set.

Taylor to Give Results Of Psychology Tests

Howard R. Taylor, assistant professor of psychology, will hold conferences with freshmen on the results of the psychology tests, in 305 Condon Thursday and Friday from four to five o'clock.



OFFERING THE SHUTTLE SONG: "SHUTTLE ACQUAINTANCE BE FORGOT."



1. Stand on left leg.
2. Describe an arc with other leg, pausing on way to massage scalp vigorously with foot.
3. Extend arms directly to the rear, and shake well before using.
4. Knit two, purl two.
5. Pick a pipe and pack it.
6. Inhale with short, quick gasps, allowing smoke to protrude from eyes.
7. Jump up and down on ball of one foot and heel of other repeating aloud, "Aimee did! Aimee didn't!" twenty times.
8. Keep that school girl complexion, first asking the man that owns one.
9. Touch floor with hands, keeping knees bent and eyebrows raised.
10. Save the surface and you save all.
11. Save your energy by washing your clothes with Binso.
12. Cool off with a G-E fan.

"Say how do you like polo?"
"Not very good, fact I don't like it at all."
"What's the reason?"
"Too much horse-play."

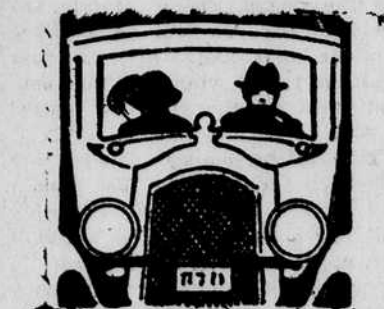
THEIR VACATIONS
Spent the early part of the vacation on the beaches of Alaska in a reform movement to wipe out necking among clams. This accomplished he accepted a contract with a vaudeville circuit and spent the remainder of the summer giving illustrated lectures on "What I Got Out of College."

"I GUESS I'M A WEAKLING," SAID THE DRY COP. "I'LL NEVER POSSESS A STRONG GIN."



Our idea of a smart man is the fellow who marries the domestic science teacher so that he can get some practical experience in camp cooking.

Just to show Portland what a good Girl Scout she is, Teddy Swafford showed two "lost" men the way to go home the other morning.



The next number on the menu will be a falsetto duet by Russ Ferris entitled, "I couldn't turn of the dash-lite so I covered it with my hat."

"What gets me," said the criminal, "is the electric chair."

As the man who deals in goose feathers says, the first requisite of business is pluck.

VENUS
"Lovely statue over there."

"Whose is it?"
"Oh it belongs to the city."
"No, no, I mean what's it of?"
"Granite, I guess."
"But what does it represent?"
"Oh about \$50,000."
"Thanks."

WARM!
"I'm getting there by degrees," said the fly as he began his ascent of the thermometer.



Sarah B.: "Bob Mautz was the inspiration of my life, the very goal of my ambition, but..."
Chi O: "But what?"
Sarah B.: "But father kicked the goal."

WALK THEN, DERN YE, WALK.
SEVEN SEERS



McDonald: last day: Milton Sills and Betty Bronson in "Paradise," by Cosmo Hamilton, with Noah Beery and Charlie Murray; McDonald "Merrymakers" synecopating stage band in "Campus Capers," a medley of music, mirth, songs and dances, nightly at nine; Felix comedy; Kinogram news events and pictures of Oregon-Washington football game; Frank D. C. Alexander at the organ.

Coming—Reginald Denny in his first super-farce comedy, "Take It From Me," adapted from the sensational successful musical comedy and portrayed by a great cast of supporting players, also, McDonald "Merrymakers" in a new presentation of "Campus Capers."

Rex—first day: "Combat," a gripping melodrama of the Northwoods—climaxed by a tremendous forest



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From Other Colleges

"I owe a lot to my fraternity," says P. Green in the Berkeley "Daily Californian."

"I owe a lot to the students," the Co-op at the southern branch of the University of California should paraphrase. It has announced through the "Grizzly," that because of an

overcharge, every student who bought a copy of C. C. Maxey's "The Problems of Government," will receive a refund of seventy-five cents immediately upon application. One hundred volumes were sold.

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fire—with House Peters and Wanda Hawley, co-starred; comedy, "Thanks for the Boat Ride," an ocean of joy; Kinogram news events; Clifton Emmel at the organ.

Coming—Hoot Gibson in his most likeable role in "The Man in the Saddle," an exciting comedy drama of the west, and "Fighting with Buffalo Bill," the greatest story of adventure ever screened, adapted from the story by "Buffalo Bill" Cody, himself.

Swimming Practice Begins Tonight for Men

Announcement has been made by Coach Abercrombie, swimming coach, that varsity practice would begin in the Woman's building pool tonight at 7 o'clock. Regular practices will

be held every Monday night at 7 o'clock. Regular practices will be held every Monday night at 9 o'clock and Wednesday and Friday at seven.

State Editors to Hold Annual Meet in March

Eric W. Allen, dean in the School of Journalism, who has been in Portland conferring with Joe Thomson, editor of the Hood River Glacier, in regard to the plans for the coming newspaper conference, which is held annually in Eugene, announces that the dates for the meeting are set for March 4 and 5.

President Arnold Bennett Hall will take a leading part in the program.

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