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The Irony
Of Honor

A MOVEMENT of the student council toward clothing the lifeless bones of the Oregon honor system with flesh and blood, induces an inquiry into the condition of the fragmentary remains.

The honor system, by which we mean official assumption of the personal honesty of every student at quizz times, has become a departmental matter. So that now it is peculiar to such professional schools as those of law and journalism. In other schools and departments, failure to proctor examinations is often regarded as an obliging eccentricity of the professor. But the persistence in at least these two instances of what has been a general failure, calls for explanation.

It may be that the nature of journalism and law exams, demanding, as they do, mastery of a great mass of material, is so unadaptable to effective cribbing that students surrender without provision. Perhaps their ostensible honesty is merely the dark despair of one threatened with lightning on a wide desert. Such vastnesses make for fatalism.

That may be so, but we doubt it. Honor never responds to distrust but often awakens to confidence. That is its nature, but odd as it may seem, honor has become so archaic at Oregon that it needs to be enforced by fear.

The situation is ludicrous. The myth of the Oregon honor system is revived each season in inspirational assembly talks but it has long since ceased to be anything but a shade. The University may rather boast of an anomaly, a "janus" system. If the proctor fails to catch the culprit, the student is doomed anyway to eternal sleeplessness due to conscience twinges.

The Emerald is not a champion of the honor system applied indiscriminately. Any student body is heterogeneous and those of state universities are most so. Care must be taken that the rod fall not on the wrong back. But we do deplore the popular pastime of eulogizing the Oregon honor system, for such speeches are epitaphs.

Who Said
"War Is Hell?"

THE announcement which Colonel Sinclair issued recently about the adoption of sporty new roll-collar uniforms with shiny brass buttons to replace the familiar dog collar model made us wonder.

Like Sherlock Holmes, we sought a motive—something other than an expression of the clubby tendencies in the campus war department during peaceful intervals. And at length we found a clue.

The R. O. T. C. department at the University of Indiana, it seems, had fallen on evil days when an auxiliary of co-eds was established.

Former Music Major
Awarded Scholarship

Miss Nina Warnock, former Oregon student and solo violinist in the University orchestra, has succeeded in passing the elimination contest which makes her eligible to receive a \$1200 scholarship in the Juilliard Musical Foundation, according to word received by Rex Underwood.

Miss Warnock played before judges in San Francisco, who decided to send her to New York. Here she competed with representatives of other states. Only a few students were honored with scholarships.

Renee Grayce Nelson
In Eugene Hospital

Renee Grayce Nelson, junior in the University, was taken to the Eugene hospital Tuesday afternoon, where she will remain until thoroughly rested, overwork and worry having caused her illness.

Miss Nelson is a member of the Emerald staff; she was in the junior vaudeville last year, and also held parts in other campus plays.

Every sorority on the campus nominated two of its members on a basis of pulchritude, not militancy, and the cadets, in turn, chose five of the beauties to drill with them in uniform.

What a change! A wave of ardent patriotism now sweeps the Indiana campus and floods the barracks with clamorous applicants. War's dark cloud has somersaulted in Indiana and the scintillating silver of its lining reflects gloriously on the burnished accoutrements of the corps.

We're not suggesting anything. We're not even hinting at the occasion for the swagger new togs at Oregon. All we're doing is pointing out the current progress in matters military, confident that Oregon will not lag. And Holmes-like, again, we deduced.

The Same Teaching
At Both Ends

THE four years spent at a university is a period of time in which the human animal is supposed to be laying aside a store of knowledge for use throughout the remainder of his life.

Unlike the squirrel, who has but to prepare for a quite definite period of time, man must plan to care for his needs over an undetermined number of years. Since he will have but little time to learn new things once he is actively engaged with the affairs of life, the measure of his success will depend largely upon the foundations he lays during his years of preparation.

As one youthful Oregon freshman was heard to remark, "They teach the same stuff at both ends of the class"; but what a difference there is to be seen in the results.

At the "head" of the class are to be found the best students. Some gain this position because of brilliance; others because they have mastered the subject as a result of conscientious effort. Their success in life is not guaranteed but may well be expected.

The middle strata of the university product is made up of those who have not made full use of their faculty for learning and of those who have worked hard but are somewhat limited in capacity. Because of the great numbers of men and women from this class who have "done well," it is often said that most successes in life are made by persons of but average education.

It is doubtful, however, if careful investigation would bear this out. At the foot of the class are to be found those too lazy to study, the mental incompetents, and the misfits. Successes have been known to come from this group, but they are the exceptions rather than the rule. To wait on the chance of being the exception to the rule is to play a losing game. To stand a chance of being among the winners in the race, the time of preparation should be utilized to the fullest extent.

The time of preparation is the present. "There is plenty of room at the top."

Shirrell to Address
Delta Chi's at Seattle

Elmer F. Shirrell, dean of men, left yesterday for Seattle, where he will speak at the founder's day banquet of the Delta Chi fraternity.

This is an annual affair for men from Northwest chapters of the fraternity and will be held at the Seattle Yacht club. Dean Shirrell will speak on "The Fraternity as an Educational Auxiliary."

Mr. and Mrs. Shirrell are motor-ing north and plan to return to Portland for the football game Saturday.

Dean Shirrell will speak at the Kiwanis' meeting Monday noon at the Osborn hotel. He will talk on "Vacationa Vagabonds."

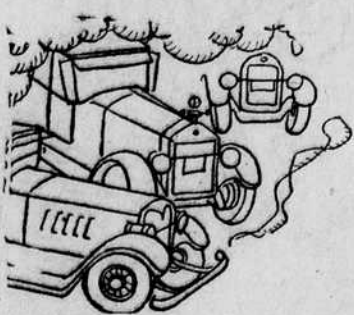
Meeting Will Be Held
By Spanish Honorary

The members of Sigma Delta Pi, national Spanish honorary fraternity, will hold their first meeting of the year tonight at 7:30 at the Y. W. C. A. Bungalow. The meeting is to be of both a business and social nature. The fraternity will welcome two new members, Juan H. Rael and Miss Stella Castlemann, both of whom are new members of the romance language department here.



TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT OF THE FROSH RECEPTION AT LESTER COURT. STUDENTS ARE REQUESTED TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN AN ORDERLY WAY AND NOT TO CROWD.—The Ubysey, University of British Columbia.

Billy O'Bryant, after seeing the above, said he liked the snap and "punch" the Canadians use when they put on parties, and also added that there was "rum" for improvement.



Concealed behind the cars in this picture is Artie Fishel, who was recently presented a Rhodes scholarship for crossing Thirteenth street between the hours of 12 and 12:10 noon. The picture was taken from the north shore and shows him as he is about to land. Two previous attempts were called off, due to unfavorable weather. Two friends accompanied him and supplied him with food during the attempt.

Gretchen dropped in last evening to use the phone. Said she was just going to call O. A. C. and get some patrons and patronesses for a barn dance.

CO-ED COUNCIL

Dear Aunt Seerah: We have found out lately that the father of one of our pledges is a bootlegger. It seems he is one of the biggest bootleggers. What can we do?

TOPSY AND TURVY.

Dear Topsy and Turvy: This sounds very serious. Please give me her father's name immediately.

AUNT SEERAH.

Frosh Ben Dover says the Oregon traditions are rapidly disappearing, all right. He says that with the street cars will go the old tradition of pulling trolleys.

STYLE NOTE FROM PARIS Sweat shirts will be taboo as a substitute for tux coats during the winter formal of this year.



Gretchen thinks the part of the song that goes "At dear old Oregon" must refer to the period in which fees are paid.

Divorced are Mr.

And Mrs.

Borah;

He never slept

But what he'd

Snorah.

Our friend with the swishing false teeth said last night that if Helen of Troy had lived in as open a house as the Phi Sigs, nobody would have had to write of her private life.

OUR IDEA OF A PESSIMIST The frosh who wears the verdant lid beneath his military cap.

One of our little gold-digger friends says that her last date turned out to be a flat tire, so she's going to use him for a spare from now on.

PROBLEM OF THE DAY Whether to buy a nice new \$50 suit or else put a little more with it and go up and pay the fees.



BULL-E-TIN If there isn't "rum" for you on the train, call a Seer.

We have discovered why football is so popular among the undertakers. They always like to see people kick-off.

ASK ME ANOTHER (Q.) What is the first killing of which there is any record? (A.) The killing of a pint by Napoleon after one of his early battles.

DIZZY DEFINITIONS Mustache: (noun)—Down at the mouth.

SEVEN SEERS.

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Phi Sigma Kappa announces the pledging of La Vant Holden of Tillamook.

Big Tokolo dinner, College Side Inn at 6:15 tonight. Important.

"Homeric Poems in Art," lecture by Professor F. S. Dunn, 7:45, in 105 Deady hall tonight.

Sigma Delta Chi luncheon today at

the Anchorage. Important business. Alpha Kappa Delta meeting tonight, 8 p. m., at Dean Young's home.

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2:00 p. m.

6:05 p. m.

Arrive Portland

11:40 a. m.

2:45 p. m.

5:35 p. m.

10:00 p. m.

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Leave Portland

8:05 a. m.

10:50 a. m.

2:05 p. m.

6:05 p. m.

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