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## THE COLLEGE HOUR

The first College Hour at the University of Oregon is now a matter of the past. Although it was gotten up wholly without any definite plan, it is needless to say that it was a big success.

Along during the Spring months when everybody is anxiously awaiting the close of the college year there is a tendency to forget for the moment the duty which one owes his university. In the fall when everybody is thoroughly refreshed, tanned and rested by his summer's work and besides, has a comfortable account in a down-town bank as a result of his labors, it is easy to be happy and generous toward the Varsity. Then the "Rah, Rah, Oregon's" come with greater vehemence than now. Never is the college spirit so good as during the football season when the whole year is ahead.

The institution of a plan such as the college hour has done much at many of our larger institutions to ameliorate these conditions. The general effect of the plan is to bring the faculty into closer touch with students and to make students better understand the stern faculty.

At most of the colleges where the College Hour idea has been adopted the four classes take turns in acting as hosts, the girls take their turn and the men also show their entertaining

ability. The faculty as well can conduct at least one session a year without seriously effecting their work in instruction.

Many colleges conduct the college hour once a month, making ten sessions during the year. During the fall however, college spirit is all ready at a high ebb, so that so many sessions seem almost unnecessary.

It seems to the writer of this article that the college hour should become a permanent tradition at the University of Oregon. If we can't have the college hour once a month, let us have seven during the year in the following manner: Let the faculty give the first one in the fall, followed in regular order by the Senior, Junior, Sophomore and Freshmen classes. Then in the spring months the men of the University can conduct one session and as a grand climax of the year let the co-eds finish it up. If the College Hour can improve our college spirit, by all means we want it permanently.

## A WORD TO THE CO-EDS.

Looking over the list of student activities in which the women students of the University can participate, the small chance given the fair sex is very evident. Aside from the small number of girls on our two college papers and in the Y. M. C. A. and Eutaxian Society, very few girls are doing any work at all aside from their regular college duties, which might correctly be termed student body activities.

The fault does not lie with the women of the University; because it is a well known fact that in matters of scholarship the gentler sex would make a very favorable comparison with their male contemporaries. The real reason for the seeming indifference on the part of the women is that there is nothing which they can take part in to any great extent.

Now to give the co-eds a chance to do something before the year is over the editor of the Weekly wishes to make a proposition. We will very willingly turn over the control of the Oregon Weekly to the women of the University for one edition to be known as a special Women's Edition of the publication. The members of the Weekly staff will be perfectly willing to do anything possible to assist the temporary editors.

At all the leading universities of the country the women put out at least one of the editions of the college paper a year. There is no reason why the girls at the University cannot put out a paper which will compare favorably

with a similar feminine publication at any institution of the country.

If the girls of the University wish to take up this proposition preparations should be made at once. The fact that 1908 is a leap year makes it all the more necessary that the co-eds should put out the paper. Think it over.

## STUDENT BODY NOMINATIONS

On Wednesday the annual nomination of candidates for the various student offices will take place. One week later the annual election of officers will be held.

There are a good many offices to fill and a great deal of room for efficient men to do unselfish work for the student body. The offices which are open are as follows:

- President student body.
- Vice-president student body.
- Secretary student body.
- Two members at large, executive committee.
- Three members, athletic council.
- Editor-in-chief Oregon Weekly.
- Two associate editors, Oregon Weekly.
- Business manager, Oregon Weekly.
- Assistant business manager, Oregon Weekly.
- Editor in Chief, Oregon Monthly.
- Four associate editors, Oregon Monthly.
- Business manager, Oregon Monthly.

In most cases there is a logical candidate for every office on the list and such a person should be elected in that event; but in case there is a question as to whether one man is more deserving than another a little wholesome rivalry if conducted upon proper lines can do no harm.

Partisanship should not enter into consideration in this election. It should be the aim of every student to vote individually as he thinks best, and not to be influenced against his better judgment. Let the best man win.

Mr. E. Schwarzschild informs the Weekly that the German societies of the state are a unit in favor of the University appropriation. Mr. Schwarzschild has presented the matter to the Lane County societies and they have strongly endorsed the bill. The German newspapers support it strongly. All members of the German societies and lodges of Oregon have been asked by their officers to work for the bill. The University is strongly favored by Oregon Germans, since it is a powerful center of German culture.