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Fair Play, If You Please.

Young Mr. Bristol is insane now and unable to tell his own side of the story, but if he were in his right mind and back at the University, no one who really knows anything about the unfortunate incident that has been so widely heralded as the cause of his misfortune by certain newspapers, doubts that his own testimony would effectually clear all whose names have been linked with the affair.

In the columns of the Portland Journal, Mr. Bristol has been dragged through a cruel "hazing," and held in a tub of icy water "until his struggles ceased." The Oregonian has "hazed" him likewise; so has The Telegram.

The Journal, The Oregonian, and The Telegram, not having been present at this "hazing" of course know all about it, and those who were there know nothing about it at all. The Oregonian, not having seen the occurrence, is free in suggesting the penitentiary. The Doughnut will not argue with these papers; if their minds are made up, they are made up, that is all, and no amount of evidence the other way would do the least amount of good.

Thus the fact, for instance, that Mr. Bristol was NOT held in a tub of water until his struggles ceased, but was merely DIPPED into water with the chill taken off, and IMMEDIATELY taken out, the whole thing not taking 10 seconds, can be of no consequence. Neither can the fact that Mr. Bristol laughed and joked about the matter, and seemed somewhat amused; and that he was at once given warm, dry clothes by the students, have any consequence. Nor the fact that more than 20 EYE-WITNESSES of the bathtubbing gave statements to this effect to THE DOUGHNUT and agreed to make AFFIDAVITS.

Also it is of no consequence whatever that Dr. Clarence Nichols of Portland has said young Mr. Bristol would have gone insane, happen whatever might. Nor the fact that his landlady has told of many things that convinced her he was insane long before the bathtubbing took place.

It is not the intention of The Doughnut to defend the institution of bathtubbing—which, however, in the Dormitory was used by GENERAL CONSENT, on Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores or Freshmen alike, as a mild way of keeping discipline, much better than reporting slight disturbances to the faculty. But any well kept child every week of its life receives worse treatment than Mr. Bristol received. For the child is put into a bathtub, naked, and SCRUBBED, while Mr. Bristol was merely dipped in with his clothes on, and lifted out again.

Mr. Bristol is sincerely to be pitied but there should be some little sympathy with the young men whose characters have been blackly maligned in newspaper stories, wherein the truth was safely guarded from the light of day. If a college student falls off a porch and breaks his arm, it has come to be a newspaper custom to make a hazing out of it.

The regents are to investigate the whole Bristol matter, it is said. This is well and good; for now the WHOLE truth will come out. And if the newspapers will NOT, the regents WILL give fair play.

Looks as though the debaters and orators could be awarded "O's", as at other universities, without straining a point.

The men really should not keep their hats off as suggested by the Editor of the Woman's Weekly, between the Library and Deady hall.

Some newspaper would get hold of it, and then we would have another dreadful "hazing" scandal.

President Townsend's suggestion is a good one. At the student body meeting Wednesday would be a good time to abolish the word "pigging."

With the coming of Spring, it's about time we heard from the advance guard of the Spring poets.

Of course, Gentle Reader, there really isn't any "athletic aristocracy."

It's now up to the Dormitory waiters to be practicing the lockstep.

BY DOLLY DOUGHNUT.

Athletic Aristocracy.

The college with the football team,
No proposition begs;
When a chap hasn't any brains,
They educate his legs.—Ex.

Springtime.

'Tis midnight; the setting sun
Is calmly rising in the west;
The rapid river slowly runs,
The frog is in his downy nest;
The pensive goat and sportive cow
Leap from bough to bow.

Handy Method.

First fraternity man: "Our Jap's at home washing dishes."
Second fraternity man: "We don't have to wash dishes; Oliver Huston's got a dog."

Dramatic Club.

Young Author: "Now, at this point, you fall into the hero's arms."
She: "Who is the hero?"

Author: "Me, of course. What do you think I wrote the play for?"
—Minnehaha.

It Isn't Made.

Freshman Correll: "Aha, my pretty miss, and how's the milk maid this morning?"

She (bashfully): "'Taint made at all; we git it out'n the cow."

At Oregon.

House Mother: "How on earth did you get into this awful state?"

Thirsty Rankin: "Don't tell the railroad authorities, mum, but I come in on a freight."

Cruel Awakening.

Professor Cloran, in French class: "Go to the board, Mr. Winn Nicholas—if you don't mind walking in your sleep."

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Faculty Defined.

A faculty is a body of men surrounded by red tape—Cornell Widow.

GET A HUSTLE ON THAT OREGANA COPY!

Editor Huston of the Junior Oregana is discouraged over the poor support that publication is being given by the students of the University. Not a story or poem has been handed in, not a college josh has appeared, and only two cartoons.

Huston did not weep when interviewed by a Doughnut reporter yesterday, but a pained expression came into his face.

"It is enough to make one's guardian angel say Gee Whiz! or I will sell out" declared the editor with some feeling. "The students should ginger up and use some of their latent talent. They have nothing to loose and everything to gain, and the practice will do them good. For their benefit Oregana staff has offered the following prizes for contributions:

"For the best story, five free copies will be awarded; three copies will be given for the best poem; and the cleverest college josh submitted will bring its originator one free copy.

"Lively and significant cartoons we desire and require, and the two best will each win a free "Oregana." Good pictures relating to college activities we want, and we will pay for them if it is necessary. Now we hope the students will come through and do their part."

Those moved by this urgent appeal are requested by the staff of the Oregana to turn in their contributions to Editor-in-Chief Huston, Associate Editor Ben Williams, or Manager Carey V. Loosley, at once.



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