

SOCIETIES HELD BANE OF STUDENT HI SCHOOL LIFE

The activities of the small social organizations operating within the student body of Salem high school have resulted in a muffled warfare being waged back and forth by those directly and indirectly connected with the school. That the organizations should exist, that they should not exist, that they are fraternalistic, that they are not fraternalistic, that they are useful and that they are harmful are among the allegations flung from the two opposing camps in the controversy.

An examination of the situation, involving consultation with teachers, parents and students, brings out the following facts: Adding up the number of organizations that admittedly exist and some few that are not admitted to exist, a total is reached of 29 small groups, 19 of which take in new members only by vote, and 7 of which are said to constitute a pinnacle of social prominence; a high school student which holds itself out—perhaps effectively—to those not in its pale as representing the crowning achievement of high school life.

Inner Circle Exclusive. Four girls and three boys' societies constitute this inner circle of social existence. The girls' organizations are the K. C. T. A., Phoenix and T. N. T. clubs. The boys have the J. C. K. O. and Friars organizations. Their status socially, politically and economically has been and is being thoroughly discussed both pro and con.

The pro believe that the clubs are filling the students' need for social life; that they are natural, wholesome and admirable means of social expression. The con maintain that the organizations are, with their ideas of exclusion and superiority, harmful and antisocial—that they amount to high school fraternities, which are forbidden by law. The pro retort that they are not fraternities, there being a difference based on the idea that they are required to file copies of their constitutions with the school board, and that they do not have secret symbols, incantations or ceremonies of any kind. The con insist that these are and are technicalities, and that to all intents and purposes the clubs have gravitated to them all the clique ideas that characterize college fraternities without the ability to temper them with the common sense of more mature minds.

Members Are Defiant. The defenders of the clubs usually conclude their arguments something like this: "Anyway, what are you going to do about it? The clubs are in the school. You can't arbitrarily order them out, and have an end of them. As they are now they are controlled and regulated by the faculty. And even granting that they are subversive, exclusive and that they dominate the social and political life of the school, take away the clubs and these same boys and girls would dominate in the same way."

The opponents of the clubs admit that they don't know exactly what to do about it, but they insist that deserving students are often overlooked by the clubs because of clothes or some other non-essential. Furthermore, they say, even granting that difference exist among the students, the organizations accentuate those differences by attempting to give a general impression of their own superiority, which of course implies inferiority among the rest. And abolition of the clubs would not result in their continuing in secret, at least not for long, since one main purpose of their existence is the satisfaction their members derive from the fact that everyone knows they are club members.

Controversy Endless. And so the controversy continues. Parents whose children are among the favored few protect the strenuous social life that the position involves. Parents whose children are not so fortunate resent the idea that their children are left "out in the cold."

There are a number of clubs and societies that exist in the school aside from the "big seven" which form the pivot of social and political activities. The S. club is limited to students with athletic letters. The H. Y. club is supposed to be religious and is also social. The Sunkhpo dramatic society, composed of boys and girls, gives one play a year. The Philosophical society, whose members are all

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BANK RESOURCES SHOW INCREASE FOR PAST YEAR

A report by Frank C. Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, shows that at the close of business December 31, 1924, resources of the 280 state and national banks in Oregon totaled \$331,311,332.23 as against \$327,362,276.08 on the corresponding date of the previous year. Loans and discounts showed a decrease of \$5,765,932.71 as compared with the previous year, or \$154,627,551.11 as compared with \$170,393,483.82.

"The investment in United States and other bonds and securities during the same period showed an increase of \$5,055,159.36," says the report. "The aggregate of these items on December 31, 1924, was \$72,921,508.14 as compared with \$71,990,562.59 on December 31, 1923, or an increase in this class of investments during four years of \$26,930,625.55. These investments represent a secondary reserve which may be readily converted into cash to meet any sudden or unexpected demands."

"Invested capital December 31, 1924, was \$25,151,046.90 compared with \$25,632,040.31 December 31, 1923, or an increase of \$1,448,490.59."

"Demand deposits including all girls, is a literary organization meeting once a month. The Ample club is a group of boys whose purpose is to install a moving picture machine at the high school. The Forensic Forum's avowed purpose may be seen from its name. It is said to be practically out of existence. While it lasted it was composed of both boys and girls. The Corona club is claimed to have a purpose largely literary. Its membership is mixed. The Royal Troubadours and Cecilia club are musical organizations, boys' and girls' respectively."

Some Really Secret. The Root Owls and Bohemians, not admitted by the high school principal to exist, are apparently organized on the order of the J. C. K. O. and Friars clubs, being now in their embryo stage and awaiting a favorable opportunity to announce themselves officially.

The girls' athletic association, usually called the G. A. A., comprises all girls of the physical education department and such others as may be admitted to the organization by vote.

Of all student organizations in Salem high school it is stated that the Girls' Reserve, auxiliary to the Salem Y. W. C. A., is the only one allowing members to join without first being voted in.

The inner sphere of social prominence has been generously estimated to contain 250 students, the remaining 750 being kept outside the bar of social exclusion.

No one accuses the clubs of staging "wild parties." Many do accuse them of taking too much time and energy that should logically be spent on studies.

As illustrative of the finances involved, it is said that the Phoenix club staged a dance at the Elks Country club last spring which cost \$30. This is given as the general pace set by the societies.

The really social clubs average 20 or 25 members each.

classes December 31, 1924, aggregated \$177,498,899.28, as compared with \$175,695,624.92 at the close of business December 31, 1923, or an increase of \$1,713,274.36. These deposits show a small increase in spite of the shrinkage in deposits maintained by the state treasurer. On December 31, 1924, the credit balances of the state treasurer were \$9,511,477.63. On December 31, 1923, they were \$8,385,517.25 or a decrease in state deposits during the year 1924 of \$1,174,429.62."

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them by thousands in all languages to give to their passengers before they embark."

Plans for the sixth quadrennial convention of the International Council of Women, to be held in Washington, D. C., May 1-14, will depend to a considerable extent on the interest taken by clubwomen in the United States, as necessary funds must be in hand to permit definite arrangements, according to Mrs. Charles E. Runyon, chairman of Oregon clubwomen's participation in the convention.

Mrs. John D. Sherman, president of the general federation, stated in the general federation news: "When the News comes to you again the board meeting in Washington will have passed and the quadrennial will be hard upon us."

Many prominent club women of London will attend the convention. Among them will be Lady Frances Balfour, Lady Aequith and Lady Trustram Eve.

Charles E. Hughes has sent out letters asking ambassadors to give hearty cooperation to all.

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national council women arranged to attend the convention. President and Mrs. Coolidge will welcome the convention guests on ceremonial evening. Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker stated in the Federation News: "The quadrennial meeting in the United States at this time is providential and I believe with all the thinking women who are studying international problems, that this great world convention will be a direct and definite step toward world peace. If the organized women of the United States can just realize the importance of this meeting we shall have no difficulty in raising any amount that is required."

An appeal has been sent out to the women of the state to give, though the gift be small. All gifts gratefully received—without them the women will fail to raise the fund and all plans must come to an immediate stop. Oregon's quota is \$3500.

Mrs. Runyon, chairman for Oregon, has been notified that special rates will be given on the railroads for those wishing to attend the convention in Washington—Oregonian.

The Coterie club of Portland unanimously voted to accept the invitation of Mrs. G. C. Moser, wife of the speaker of the house, to be her guests here and visit the legislature on the day of the next meeting, February 13, at the meeting of the Coterie held recently.

Mrs. Martha Byrd is spending several weeks as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Prince W. Byrd.

The February business meeting of the Salem Woman's club will be held at the club house next Saturday afternoon.

Miss May Bollier and Miss

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Elsie Lippold were hostesses at the Bollier home one evening last week at a shower honoring Miss Theresa Fowle, charming bride-elect. Attractive Valentine decorations were combined with pussy willows and cyclamen. Mrs. Robert Bollier and Miss Ethel Bollier assisted the hostesses.

In addition to Miss Fowle, the honor guest, the guests were Mrs. T. S. Creech, Miss Winifred Eyre, Miss Gladys Humphrey, Miss Harriet Mercer, Miss Anne Boettje, Miss May Rauch, Miss Joanna Gibbons, Miss Vivian Hargrove and Miss Marion Linn.

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