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Courtesy

It has been called to our attention by a number of students that courtesy on the campus is definitely on the wane. Not only is discourtesy to be found in the classrooms, but in the halls and in the washrooms. In a great many classes the usual constant undertone during a lecture has increased at an alarming rate during the last few months until students find necessary such expedients as cupped hands over ears in order to follow the lecture. A remark by one distressed pedagogue has become legendary since the start of this semester, "You can use as many ponies as you like on my examinations, but please pay attention in class!"

We have noticed a decided increase in those impromptu wrestling bouts in the Student Union washroom and have noted that many of the participants are sophomores, who are generally supposed to know better. Perhaps these same students are the ones who create the sound effects for the "thundering herd" in the halls of Chapin while classes are in progress.

We certainly hope that these and other breaches of the laws of courtesy (disturbance in the library, included) are just passing fads among certain students, but our better judgement tells us that it is more completely a case of general laxity and indifference on the part of the student body.

Accoustics

While we listened to the musical club concert last Friday, we debated why it is that the clubs always sound so much better at the Goodman Theater than they do in our own auditorium. The answer came to us in one word—acoustics. Our auditorium has seen much improvement in looks and equipment during the last year and is now the proud possessor of an up to date P. A. system with all the fixings including a lapel microphone. The only hitch is that with all the improvements, the auditorium still drags its old fetters of unfavorable acoustics, manifested particularly by an annoying echo. The reverberations produced by a musical performance in the Student Union are painful to the listener when the auditorium is only partially filled, the effect lessening only slightly when a great number of human bodies provide a measure of sound absorption.

The reverberation is so pronounced when the amplifying system is used that two of our most recent speakers in general assemblies, both of them experienced in the use of P.A. systems, refused to use the help that the unit offered them because of the disturbing effects produced.

As a step forward in remedying this situation, we suggest that our world famed Research Foundation be engaged to do a little home work. Surely our sound experts could be persuaded to make a sound survey of the auditorium and report what changes would have to be made. Our experience in such matters, though slight, tells us that a 100 per cent improvement would be accomplished by hanging plain wall coverings at strategic points. What do you say, researchers?

"The Slipstick"

Cleave to "The Slipstick"; let
the Slapstick fly where it may

Hi muk hearties! Swell day ain't it. Only 15 days till Easter vacation or didn't you guys know? And only 93 days till we get out for summer or rather till we get out for the ten days between then and summer school. Aw goshalmuddy I got spring fever already.

I see no evil, I hear no evil, I speak no evil; gee, but I'm a sissy.

Prof. Oldenburger: Wake up that fellow next to yov Martiniak.

Leo Martiniak: Aw gosh, Prof, you do it, you put him to sleep.

"Did your husband use to do crazy things when he became intoxicated?"

"Goodness, no! He married me!"

"James, is my wife dressed?"

"No, sir!", promptly.

"You're fired!"

Reformer: "Stop, do you think a glass of that vile stuff will quench your thirst?"

Howie Young: "No, sir, I'm gonna drink the whole jug."

A sugar daddy is just a simple form of crystalized sap.

There once was a maiden of Siam,

Who said to her lover, young Kiam,

"If you kiss me, of course

You will have to use force—

But God knows you're stronger than I am!"

If all the college boys who slept in class were laid end to end they would be more comfortable.

It's an ill wind that shows no pretty knees.

To a bottle:

'Tis very strange that you and I

Together cannot pull;

For you are full when I am dry,

And dry when I am full.

Father—"Did you give Rita that copy of 'What Every Girl Should Know'?"

Mother of Coed—"Yes, and she's writing a letter to the author suggesting the addition of three new chapters."

Swedish cop: "Pull over there, where in H-I do you think you're going?"

Doctor: "I'm a physician."

Cop: "I don't care if you are going fishing, you're coming along to the station with me."

A small boy was leading a donkey past an army camp. A soldier, looking for some fun, asked: "What are you holding onto your brother so tight for, sonny?"

"So he won't join the army," the youngster retorted without pausing.

A town girl, staying in the country, became friendly with a young farmer.

One evening, as they were strolling across a field, they saw a cow and her calf rubbing noses in affectionate fashion.

"Ah," sighed the farmer sheepishly, "that makes me want to do the same."

"Well, why not," said the girl calmly; "It's your cow, isn't it?"

A customer sat down at a table in a smart restaurant and tied a napkin around his neck. The scandalized manager called a waiter and instructed him to, "try to make him understand as tactfully as possible, that that's not done."

Said the thoughtful waiter to the customer: "Pardon me, sir. Shave or haircut, sir?"

She: "I just saw Dot walking down the street with her new evening gown under her arm.

He: "Don't tell me the styles have come to that."

MORE CORSETS

A bewildered man entered a ladies' specialty shop. "I want a corset for my wife," he said.

"What bust?" asked the clerk.

"Nothin'. It just wore out."

"I've finished with that girl."

"Why?"

"She asked me if I danced."

"What's so insulting about that?"

"I was dancing with her when she asked me."

REGULAR MEALS

In the early days in the Northwest, farmers and homesteaders had a hard time.

Said a homesteader to a storekeeper one day, "Gimme a slab of bacon."

"Big or little slab?" inquired the storekeeper.

"Biggest slab you've got. I've eaten so many cotton-tails and jackrabbits that everytime I hear a dog bark I run under the porch."

I know! I know! I'll be seeing you.

Oh Mia!

Fraternity Notes

THETA XI

Theta Xi's officers for the coming year are:

President—Forrest R. Wolf.

Vice President—Charles Durkee.

Treasurer—Edward Mock.

Secretary—John Mangan.

Housman—Frank Grote.

Assistant Houseman—William Dres.

Theta Xi has pledged: Gene Clears, E. E. '42; Phil Graham, Co-op, '43; Robert McFarland, M. E., '42; George Novotny, M. E., '42 and Rudy Rieder, Co-op, '43.

DELTA TAU DELTA

Thursday and Friday of last week were the days of the convention of the Western Division of the Fraternity up at Evanston. Saturday was also included, but after the annual Founders' Day banquet held at the Union League Club, all thoughts were turning to the famous "Delt Prom" being held that night at the Terrace Casino of the Morrison. Deltas from all over the west were in attendance and many new friends were made.

During the past week Delta Tau Delta pledged Dick Ekstrom, and John M. Peterson.

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

On Friday, Feb. 23, Phi Kappa Sigma initiated Wendell Christensen, Quine Douglas, Allan Gullborg, Frank Hull, Frank Havlik, Richard Hameister, William Lease, Gus Mustakus, William Rush, Harry Storey, Charles Woel, Edward Walinski, and Charles Wright. To fill the vacancy, Dr. H. W. Davey and Harry Devine, Jr., were pledged.

Phi KaKppa Sigma beat Triangle 18 to 13 in the basketball tourney but were beaten by Alpha Sigma Phi in the finals.

BETA OMEGA NU

At the last meeting Harold Davey passed the initiation tests and got the vote of the active chapter, and so he became a member. Ernie Harrison's initiation was postponed one meeting because of the Beloit wrestling match.

Arx News

Memories, memories, of that old BILL we knew so well, of the boy that's gone to . . . to cupid's fold. His "JAY WALKING" around the lower school and we do mean "JAY," has caused him no end of razzing, but hark! he has set March 29 as the day of revenge, so tormentors beware, this Junior is out to cook your goose.

Then there is that story about the Frosh that we missed . . . one day coke bottles were kept on the window sills till Tea Time, (their hour of relaxation, around three o'clock) at which time the said liquid was prepared for consumption, and during the consumption the door opened . . . Guess who! . . . Dean Tibbals . . . Here and there . . . Gittelson almost paying Joe two cents for a Tech News . . . Pointek hot on the trail of knowledge, or is there some other attraction in the library . . . Christensen in the Glee Club concert . . . Fox or maybe Mirotanic, senior checker champ . . . Artistic "instinks" to be revealed in the Junior Formal posters . . . Hyams trying to tell a joke, any joke, the answer of which his listeners don't already know.

Andy has a new girl who comes calling for him, with her chauffeur if you please . . . How does he do it! . . . let's hope there won't be any more snow till Woehl can remedy the damage done by the varmints who nailed his rubbers to the wall . . . Eric chief frosh pencil sharpener . . . Dodge will be with the men in white Junior Week (wrong angle Reinke) as he was elected the Arx Junior marshal . . . Dan Miller elected as the alternate Marshal . . . M'love Stienweg and his classy new pants . . .

Leap day offered Michaelson his chance, but alas, he stalled to long and Moore accepted the pleas of our Southern Magnolia . . . and so the marriage minister Weese