

College Press

**THE OXFORD SYSTEM**  
(Wisconsin Cardinal)

"It's really quite jolly," as my English friends would say. Over our cups or Pall Malls, we talk about all manner of things. You'd be surprised how different the college man at Oxford is from the college man at Wisconsin. It isn't dates and dancing and drinking that he talks about. It is studies, current events of significance, music, art, religion, life itself that interests him. I never felt so keenly how truly educated these fellows are, what a wealth of priceless treasure they hold in their minds, and how miserably poor I am in comparison. How I wish that I could go back to Wisconsin and about to them to live, to get at the deeper things of life.

"At Oxford all undergraduates go out for sport. It is cricket, rugby, swimming, tennis or rowing. An Oxford man plays because he wants to, whereas many a Wisconsin man finds it a sterner duty. Athletics are more widespread here and less intense.

"There are no daily assignments to

cut, no middle-semester over which to burn the midnight oil, no lectures in which to keep awake. Instead of a special program there is a certain amount of knowledge that the student must learn by the end of the term. He provides himself with a little book called "Examination Statutes" which outlines everything that he must know for his examinations. He prepares himself with the help of his 'don,' who is his guide and friend.

"Many are the happy evenings or afternoons in which they sit together over a cup of tea or a cigarette, talking about many things. These are not lessons of history or Latin, but lessons of life, which enrich the student tenfold more than dull questions and parrot-like replies."

Thus writes a Wisconsin graduate now studying at Oxford. He seems to feel as so many others who know anything about the English system have felt, that Oxford and Cambridge give a young man an education a great deal deeper than the more mechanical, more superficial American method. The so-called "honor courses" at Swarthmore and the new scheme being tried out by our own economics department by which superior students are being allowed to study and research on their own initiative are evidences that dissatisfaction with the present modes on this side of the Atlantic has taken concrete form.

Likewise in the athletic world, is the free and easy, less tense, less spectacular way of the English the solution now being asked concerning the future of football. At least, it seems a much less expensive, less hysterical and more normal method.

**THE MAN FROM AMHERST**  
(The Daily Cardinal)

Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn is one of the few educators of the present day who not only believes in academic freedom, but who also accepts the responsibility that goes with it. He is also one of that few, who not only have definite convictions in regard to teaching, but also the courage to state those convictions frankly.

Dr. Meiklejohn has two great objectives in education, the cultivation of proper thinking and the liberty of the teacher to freely exercise his function—Lehrfreiheit the Germans call it. The teacher must of course accept the responsibility which such a position entails. In Meiklejohn's own words:

"And here, I think, one may make a railing accusation against our own scholars, especially in our own country. They have not a lively enough sense of that for which they are responsible, or, if you like, of their own importance."

Again he says: "One of the greatest dangers of the American college is that it will be drawn into the common life, that it will conform to that life, will take the common standards as its own, rejoicing in its likeness to other groups of men, rather than in the necessary difference which every scholar has from every other man who it not a scholar."

Wisconsin needs men who say things like that, and who not only say them, but also believe what they say. A school should not be a seat of conservatism, but rather a constant experimentation, keeping the gold, and rejecting the dross of the findings.

Another statement that was made by the former president of Amherst, is, "The only genuine pedagogic sin I know is dragging our students by the nose to preconceived conclusions." This is hitting an existing evil on the head, an evil that is too prevalent in our schools.

At the present time everyone admits that the University of Wisconsin needs some kind of rejuvenation. For years the educators and the legislators were "passing the buck" back and forth over what the cause was, but no one attempted to repair the situation. About a year ago an excellent start was made, but why stop there? One man cannot handle an institution that is constantly growing larger and increasing in complexity daily. The selection of personnel for the purpose of developing a larger policy is the essence of administration. Let us hope that Dr. Meiklejohn will be a part of the personnel at Wisconsin.

**Investigate Dry Law Violation**

The committee appointed by the board of trustees of Ohio State University, pursuant to a request from Governor Donahay, to investigate the charges of dry law violation and communism placed against the students of that institution, recently reported that their investigation had shown these charges to be without foundation.

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**Nebraska Men in Employ of General Electric Company To Be on Program**

Alumni of the various colleges and universities represented in the Schenectady works of the General Electric Company, at a meeting held in the Edison club the evening of January 8, determined to repeat the International Intercollegiate Smoker program broadcast last year from WGY.

A very enthusiastic reception was accorded the first program which was broadcast last year by the Edison Club. More replies were received by the WGY station regarding this entertainment than about any other program. Letters received recently requesting that the smoker program be broadcast again this year led to the meeting of the alumni. These men unanimously voted to repeat the idea.

While the program last year was exceptionally well received, a few of the listeners suggested that the affair might be made briefer or divided between two nights. With this idea in mind, the event will be broadcast in two parts on succeeding Saturday nights. The dates selected are February 27 and March 6.

An effort is being made to secure the representation on the program of every school which boasts of an alumnus in the Schenectady Works. Several colleges with small groups have already signified their intentions of combining with other schools located near their alma mater.

To prevent the program on either

night from being in any way sectional, the colleges participating will be equally divided between the two dates, the selection being based upon an effort to make the programs of both nights equally good.

Following are the names of the University of Nebraska men now in the employ of the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, who will participate in the International Intercollegiate Broadcasting program from Station WGY:

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- L. W. Turner, '05.
- G. F. Brown, '04.

**CADET OFFICERS FOR NEW SEMESTER CHOSEN**  
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**THIRD BATTALION**  
Commanding officer, Major Mark Fair.

Adjutant—First Lieutenant Lloyd I. Tucker.  
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First Lieutenant Donald E. Weight.  
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First Lieutenant Elton N. Baker.  
Second Lieutenant Oscar H. Keehn.  
Second Lieutenant Henry M. Risenstein.

**Company L**  
Commanding officer, Captain Ernest C. Hodder.  
Second in Command, First Lieutenant Ray E. Hall.  
First Lieutenant Leo P. Black.  
Second Lieutenant Ralph B. Major.

**Company M**  
Commanding officer, Captain Charles E. Griffith.  
Second in Command, Captain E. Lloyd Jones.  
First Lieutenant Gilbert H. Noh.  
Second Lieutenant Harry K. Dwyer.

**Regimental Headquarters Company**  
Commanding officer, Captain Melvin C. Lewis.  
Second in Command, First Lieutenant Leo Barnell.  
Second Lieutenant Ed R. Crowley.  
Second Lieutenant Theodore R. King.  
The following are attached to units for the purpose of drill only:  
Captain Harold Stebbins, Company H.

Captain Robert E. Powell, Company E.  
Captain Milan J. Kopac, Company L.  
Captain Forest R. Hall, Company H.  
Captain Charles R. Hrdlicka, Company D.  
Captain Donald C. Malcolm, Company B.  
First Lieutenant Paul D. Stauffer, Company B.  
First Lieutenant Edward L. Ellingson, Company F.  
First Lieutenant Lloyd I. Tucker, Company B.

**MANY COLLEGES BAN CHARLESTON DANCE**  
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at Smith College have discovered. Because record floor girls in a certain dormitory occasionally studied the powers that be decreed that no third floor girls be permitted to Charleston in their rooms. The event was duly recorded in the press and the Smith girls read in the papers that the rule had passed in the nick of time in order to save the toppling building and also many lives.

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**Agricultural College Promotes Formaldehyde Treatment For Potatoes**

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With the country facing the greatest shortage of potatoes in sixty years, and the prospects indicating a shortage of seed potatoes this spring in Nebraska, the College of Agriculture and Extension Service is starting a campaign for the treatment of all uncertified seed stock which is planted in the state this spring. The supply of certified seed will not begin to meet the demand, they predict, and the next best thing to do is to treat the tubers with a hot formaldehyde solution or the corrosive sublimate treatment.

E. W. McFarland has been employed by the Agricultural Extension Service to give his full time this spring with seed dealers and others who are asking for help with the new formaldehyde method of treating. Mr. McFarland has had several years of experience with college officials who work with the western potato growers on certification. He is well known and well liked among the big growers of western Nebraska, it is said.

The formaldehyde treatment originated in Iowa just recently and is particularly adapted for treating seed in carload lots. It will be much more economical and satisfactory than the slower corrosive sublimate treatment for dealers who ship in several carlots each year and sell them for seed.

The new method requires only enough equipment to dip the potatoes into a hot bath of the formaldehyde solution. The cost of treating will run from three to eight cents per bushel, it is estimated.

The treatment will control scab, black scurf, and partially control

black leg, the three most serious diseases of the potatoes that are usually shipped in from the North each year for seed.

Everyone will probably want to plant potatoes this spring because they are high in price now, the college men think, and only the early potatoes are likely to bring a good price next summer when the market will be flooded soon after new potatoes are ready to sell. This is another reason why growers should be interested in high yields of the earliest varieties and at the earliest date possible. Treatment will help make strong vines which will produce early and large potatoes.

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