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Campaign for Beautifying the State University: Planting vines, shrubs, and trees, and erecting monuments.

A campaign for the beautifying of the farms, cities, and homes of Iowans has been resolved upon by the American Farm and Outdoor Association. PROMINENT AMONG THE JESUITS WHICH HAVE BEEN POLISHED ACCEPTABLE AS SERVICE TO AMERICA, THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT DUTY OF THE SENIOR CLASS. IT IS A DUTY WHICH WE MUST NOT DISREGARD. ASSUMING THAT WE ACQUIRE THE QUALITY OF BEAUTY, WE MUST USE IT FOR THE UTILITY OF OUR SOCIETY.

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HAYES ON GOLDEN RULE

WILL NEVER BECOME A LAW


"Can the Golden Rule ever become the basis of legislation and administration of law?" was the subject of Professor Samuel Hayes opening lecture of the term to his class on Tort. The Golden Rule, Professor Hayes holds, cannot, with any conceivable improvement of the law, become the standard for the administration of justice because it is too perfect both for enforcement upon the people and interpretation by the bench.

There is always," said Prof. Hayes, "a conflict to some extent between the legal standard and the moral standard and many people ask us why the law justifies certain acts that are certainly wrong and punishable under the moral law, to go without punishment or correction. The answer is that the moral law is too perfect. Its perfection, which is one of the things that makes the uneducated legal mind think it preferable to the enforcement of the moral standards, is the very reason it cannot be applied by the courts of our land in the judicial settlement of disputes and the punishment of the criminal. It is too perfect to be practical among the great variety of people with whom the law has to deal. It is too perfect, too, for the courts to administer. What kind of a judgment would we have to administer? Legal, moral, and said Prof. Hayes, "I don't believe that any state or nation will ever begin the attempt to administer justice according to the Golden Rule. There is too much difference between what the Golden Rule is and what we can do.

The same can be said of the rule proposed by Rev. Sheldon, "What would Jesus do?" which is in effect the Golden Rule. Every man's interpretation of what Jesus would do in each case will be very different. As a human being, we cannot do it.

Because of this difficulty of the diversity of opinion on the moral law, the standard of law has been taken from the average conduct of the ordinary citizen. If the Golden Rule were to be adopted in this state it would adopt a standard higher than that to which the average citizen could conform.

This question touches very closely the problem of democracy. It is hard to enforce a law against the buying and selling of intoxicating liquor because so many people want to buy and sell it and many sell it. This makes the majority of the people believe that the law is unjust. It may be worse, however, to enshrine such a law on other grounds such as the harm done in the use of liquor. But on general principles it is hard to enforce any statute of a state's citizens. If we should attempt to introduce into Turkey, for example, a law against polygamous marriages, how would that law be enforced? You could not secure the obedience to the standard making polygamy a crime. Because of this inherent difficulty, there will always be two standards, the legal and the moral, one which all must obey, which one may, hope to come by voluntarily.
No one should have a happier New Year than a student and no student should have a better twelfthmonth than a student at the University of Iowa.

Perhaps when the president of the board of regents becomes secretary of the treasury he will send the university enough money to start a national bank of its own.

There are rumors to the effect that someone about the university was lately rendered unconscious by escaping gas or hot air while in one of the buildings. If the report is true, it is probably the first case of actual prostration.

The University of Chicago Weekly has a symposium on "Where Shall We Cash Our Checks?" While knowing nothing of conditions on the Midway, it occurs to us that the receipt in Iowa for cooking a hare is—at first catch your hare.

Coach Knipe begins the new year right. He has gone into the East to study the best gymnasiums with the idea of applying the latest and best ideas in his department of physical training when the time comes to build the new gymnasium building.

The young ladies who made the pennant for the football team are informed that there are a number of Christmas ties and neck scarfs in the possession of the male students which might be obtained and worked into crazy quilts for some of the spring athletes.

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Amusements

"Rudolph and Adolph," on the bill as a farcial melange, was given two performances at the Boyd, yesterday. Its author naively announces in a program foot-note that the play was not written to elevate the stage, but to drive away the blues. In the latter effort he has with the help of Mason and Mason been successful, as it is almost a prolonged laugh from start to finish. The foundation of the piece is the old mistaken identity idea. Two eccentric Germans so much alike in face and figure that their own wives are unable to tell them apart, cause all of the funny complications. In his treatment of the piece its author has followed the lines on which such accepted farces as, "What Happened to Jones," and others of its type are written.

Charles Mason, seen here with "Who's Who," Ward and Vokes, and Dan Mason, late with Willie Collier and "Naughty Anthony," exact the roles of the two eccentric Germans. Both have good singing voices and acrobatic Bavarian dialects. Lottie Willams-Salter, who has the part of Anna Gilbert, a wenchette, sings a coster song in the difficult cockney dialect that wins much favor with the audience. Numerous other prize-worthy specialties are introduced throughout the play.

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