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(From Geo. Tucker)

TROPHY STIRS CLASSES

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY RIVALRY AT FEVER HEAT

Spies Hit Hither and Yon Hunting for Dragon Boxer Stolen From Juniors

Class rivalry at Pacific university, Forest Grove, between juniors and seniors has been at fever heat since Boxer, bitterly fought for trophy, was captured several weeks ago from the junior class by a quartet of seniors.

Portland police, at the instance of the anguished juniors, temporarily abandoned search for Inch-Quarter Jimmy to seek the missing trophy, and, armed with a search warrant, invaded the Multnomah hotel where they had been informed Boxer was hidden.

Spies have flitted hither and yon sleuthing for the dragon, only to add to the torment in the hearts of the college juniors, their annual this year was dedicated to Boxer.

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Four years ago A. H. Hill, then financial director of the university, presented the incoming freshmen with Hathor, the elephant, which was brought as a trophy from India. A cup has been offered as the Phi Kappa award for intermural debate. This year is the first that the senior class has acquired all three trophies.

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