

The evils of dancing at IU in 1913

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itation to dance, believing he was an IU student.

Later they went for a stroll outside the building. They ambled toward the university gymnasium (later named the Assembly Hall), but Helen said she must turn back, explaining, "Mabel will be waiting for me."

It was alleged at Stineburg's trial that he tried to force some kind of pill into Helen's mouth, presumably to render her incapa-

ble of resisting his "advances." Unfortunately, in the ensuing struggle, the young woman was so severely injured that her eyes were swollen shut, and she lost consciousness. At Stineburg's trial she testified that when she regained her senses briefly, he was pounding her in the face and choking her. When she came to again, she was alone.

What happened afterward was amply described in the *Telephone* of Nov. 21. "Miss Murphy said in the distance she heard music and crawled towards it. She crawled on the ground until she came up

against a building, and then gained her feet. She called several times for her roommate, Mabel, and then someone came to her aid. She was placed in a car and taken to Dr. (Homer) Woolery's office and then to her room at the (Henry) Woods home."

Reaching the haven of her room was, of course, not the end of her ordeal. The state — accustomed to looking at life through Victorian glasses — was obliged to give some thought to young Stineburg's future.

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