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OPPOSE FOOTBALL

Columbia University Starts War on Popular College Sport—Clear Colleges Aid.

Civil Authorities also Taking Matter in Hand—All Eyes Upon Big Eastern Universities.

The smouldering opposition to football as it is now played in American colleges has broken out and is beginning to take definite form. For several weeks conferences have been held throughout the East at which the football question has been thoroughly discussed. College presidents and chairmen of athletic committees at the various institutions are beginning to assert themselves. "How shall we revise the rules so as to remove the existing evils and preserve the salient features of the game" is the question that is worrying the faculty and students over the whole land.

There are a great many differences as to the cause of the present evils and as to a remedy which may be devised. Some of those in authority maintain that the greatest evil comes from the fact that one man makes the rules and that his plans are supreme. Others believe that this one man, Walter Camp, is the only man that can save the game. Some believe that the game can be redeemed, others that there is nothing good in it and that it is savage, brutal and wholly detrimental.

But it matters not what these conjectures may be. Football must be played in a different manner and in a different spirit else its death knell is sounding. Columbia was the first big University to take a decisive action. The faculty has abolished the game from their list of athletic sports until the game is materially changed. Their objection to the game is that the spirit is bad and that present rules foster dishonest and unsportsmanlike means to win.

The council of New York University has unanimously decided to abolish football. This action came as a result of a fatality in a recent football game. In a game with Wesleyan University the center on the New York team was killed. The students of the university are behind the council in its action.

Pennsylvania has taken the initiative and has formulated a set of rules to alleviate the existing evils. They propose to have one set of rules govern sports in all American colleges. This would, it is claimed, prevent ringers from playing on teams and would dispense with the continual harangue on eligibility of players.

Benjamin Ide Wheeler is after the game at Berkley. On Wednesday last he called the men students together and delivered a scorching arraignment of

the national football authorities and the spirit with which the game is played.

Not only are the college authorities after a revision of the game but the civil authorities as well are beginning to act. A resolution has been introduced at a meeting of the Chicago city council instructing the corporation counsel to prepare an ordinance prohibiting the playing of intercollegiate football in that city until the rules regulating the game have been revised and changed to eliminate the present dangers of injury to players attendant upon the game. The ordinance has been framed and will probably be enacted.

The few actions here recorded are only a few specific instances of what is being done in various colleges. The colleges are confronting a serious question. It is the universal testimony that something must be done to redeem the game. Heated discussions are in progress and many conjectures are being made as to the probable result. The question is being agitated in every leading university and is of interest to every college student.

HAVE THANKSGIVING DINNER.

Newly Organized Club Enjoy Feed at Home of Prof. Morley.

The I. I. A. I., a small club recently organized by those who were members of a similar organization at Boise High School, and the object of which is purely to promote the enjoyment of its members, held a Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Morley. Those present were Donald S. Whitehead, Samuel E. Vance, Ludwig S. Gerlaugh, Bruce D. Mudgett, Guy Holman, Clyde J. Chaffins, Fred P. Rouillard, Rollin Smith, Fred E. Lukens, Toney Crooks, Frank Noble, Robert Jones. A sumptuous dinner was served, after which the following toasts were proposed: To the event, Guy Holman; to our friends, Rollin Smith; to our mothers, D. S. Whitehead; to our sweethearts, Toney Crooks; to the society, L. S. Gerlaugh; to the University, B. D. Mudgett. The party gathered around the piano and sung several college songs as the closing feature of the evening.

Recital Wednesday.

Professor Thor van Pyk, the newly elected vocal instructor, will make his first appearance before the students next Wednesday evening. Professor Thor van Pyk has established a reputation as a singer in several of the leading American cities. He has only recently come to the West and has located in Spokane. He has appeared before Spokane audiences on several occasions and has won much praise for his talent.

From all reports, the Professor is indeed a talented vocalist and the students will be afforded an excellent chance to hear him on Wednesday.

The event will be under the auspices of the Philharmonic Club and a general admission of 25 cents will be charged.

AFTER YOU AGAIN

Annual Staff Will Continue to Talk Until Its Purpose is Accomplished.

Pictures Must be Taken Immediately—Find the Coupon Printed in This Issue.

The Junior Annual staff met Wednesday and transacted some important business. Each department was thoroughly organized and the work mapped out. More assistants were added to the different departments, the present force being wholly inadequate for the amount of work to be done.

It was definitely decided to put out a book 7x10 on the outside cover. The binding will be of some good material and will probably be in the class colors. The book will contain not less than two hundred pages and will be retailed at two dollars each.

It was decided to eliminate all discourses on past history and worn out reminiscences and confine the contents to recent college life at the University. Cartoons will be used in abundance and several of the most talented artists in college have promised to draw for the book. Everything that goes into the book will be fresh and interesting.

The staff decided that every organization in the school shall have space and again it is requested that pictures be taken. All pictures taken after Christmas will be left out. Time will not permit any further delay. Therefore it is requested that the following organizations attend to their pictures this week:

1. Board of athletic managers.
2. Military—
 1. Battalion.
 2. Band.
 3. Staff.

Y. M. and Y. W. O. A., literary societies, Philharmonic Club, Glee Club, A. S. U. I. officers, Argonaut staff, and Debate Council.

The president of each organization will see the editor and make arrangements as to the style and size of pictures.

On account of the danger from financial deficit, a limited number of the Annuals will be published. On this account the staff hopes to approximate the number to be needed. As a tangible means of securing this end each person wishing an Annual will be requested to sign for one and send a blank to the Business Manager properly filled out. In this issue will be found a blank. If you wish an Annual fill out the blank and mail it to James Frazier.

Arrangements are pending for a basket ball game between the Lewiston high school and the Varsity to be played in the gymnasium on Dec. 15.

Prof. French Returns.

Brings Good News that Annual Endowment From Federal Government will Probably be Increased.

Professor French has returned from his trip to Washington, D. C., where he went to attend the annual meeting of directors of experiment stations. The meeting was held in conjunction with a meeting of the presidents of land grant colleges and was one of the most important held in years. The meetings were very interesting and the needs of the institutions were set forth.

Professor French brings us some hopeful news. A bill will be introduced into Congress this winter to increase the Hatch fund. This is a fund created by Congress to be used in experimental work. Each station now receives \$15,000 and it is proposed to increase the fund by \$5000 and then \$1000 a year for five years. The fund will then amount to \$25,000 annually. Secretary Wilson is a staunch supporter of this bill and the opposition of Speaker Cannon, who kept the measure from being enacted last season for financial reasons, is being overcome.

Professor French only remained a short time and has now gone to conduct a series of institutes in various parts of the state. The first meeting will be held in Shoshone. After the meetings in South Idaho are over, a series of meetings will be held in North Idaho.

SOPHS EAT PIG.

Enjoy a Big Feed, with Keyes and Burley as Hosts.

As a proof that 6 to 4 was no humiliating score and as an appreciation of the team's good work in the Freshie-Soph game the Soph team and the boys of the class were entertained on Saturday night, a week ago, at Keyes and Burley's home back of the campus. Nearly every member of the class was present.

The early part of the evening was spent at cards and in reading about, and talking about Thanksgiving night's stirring events. The crowd then gathered around the table where Capt. Claye, as master of ceremonies was carving a good sized roast pig. Coffee and other extras were brought in and those present started in to demolish the pig. They did it with so great a success. The performance was enlivened by frequent toasts. Morrow spoke on the toast to the Soph girls, Slats Carson to Barto, Mac to Shoeblack, Stem told the old, old story of how roast pig was discovered centuries ago in China. After the feed was over more speeches were made. Slats again addressed the crowd, this time on "expenses" Burley spoke on class spirit. Capt. Claye narrated his part in the troubles on Thursday night in a fashion that started reminiscent moods in the other participants present, and the rest of the evening was given over to that theme. The crowd broke up singing Keyes' and Barto's praises, and went home as if the next one could not come too soon.

FOR A NEW FIELD

Twenty-Seven Hundred Dollars Yet to be Raised—Committee Discusses Plans.

Proposition Will Again be Put Before Students—Committees Appointed to Solicit Funds.

The Executive committee in charge of the athletic field movement met Saturday and decided to begin immediately on the work of collecting money that has been raised and securing additional subscriptions. The field committee has about thirteen hundred dollars pledged including the five hundred promised by the regents. This only seems a small sum when \$64,000 are to be raised.

The urgent need of this field is the more realized as the track and baseball season approaches. This season is rapidly approaching and we have no place to train for the work. If we expect to win any meets this spring we must work at once and work hard. Realizing this fact the old sub committees have been discharged and new ones appointed to take their places. The following are the committees to aid in this work and solicit funds from the classes and faculty: Seniors E. H. Magee and Jessie Fritz; Juniors, Gus Larson and Miss Shaff; Sophomores, A. McPherson, Maul McKinley; Freshman, Roy Barto, Edna Dewey; Preparatory department, Henry Smith, Proctor Perkins, Paul Foster and Miss Kirkwood; Faculty, Professor Janes.

In all probability a meeting of the student body will be called for Wednesday. Watch for the hour. It is very essential that every student be present. The executive committee has a report to make that is of vital importance. The members of the committees will do their duty if they make it a point to see any member of the executive committee and find out the plans for the meeting.

The executive committee has decided to set a limit to the time allowed on notes. Nearly all of the notes held against the students came due on Oct. 1, but the time has been extended to February 1. E. H. Magee is the treasurer of the committee and has the charge of all collections. Stationary has been procured with letter heads, that gives the personnel of athletic managers and the work will be taken up with friends in a systematic order.

This field when completed will be the finest in the northwest; no matter where it is located it will be equipped and made modern. The track will be at least a four lap track. Plans have been made for a grandstand that will seat one thousand people and bleachers can be added from time to time.

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The programme of last week's vesper services is printed in full in this issue. These services are welcomed by the entire student body. They add much to the sanctity of the day.

The Junior class has appointed a committee to prepare resolutions to present to the faculty requesting them to frame a rule specifying that before a student can graduate he must have a clear record in his class relations. What is meant by this is that all class dues, fines, and assessments legitimately levied must be paid before he can graduate. This is to stop a pernicious habit that some students have of avoiding all such small items of expense. This would be a good rule, but should perhaps be made a little stronger and say that not only in his classes must a student have a clear record but also with all student organizations. This would make the necessary expenses attendant upon all functions fall equally upon the students. Such a rule exists in nearly every Eastern University.

The contention has been advanced by some that the O. A. C. has a claim upon the northwest championship equal to that maintained by Idaho and base their contention upon the fact that they defeated Washington by a greater score than did Idaho. If comparative scores are to be the basis upon which to decide the championship, Idaho is clearly on the top. It remains a fact that Idaho has not been scored upon this year, while O. A. C. fell before the University of Oregon which in turn was outplayed by Washington, although the game ended in a tie. One thing in the O. A. C.'s favor was the superior weight and the advantage given to them by a wet field. From the reports O. A. C. was superior to Washington but the fact must be remembered that so was Idaho. Idaho and Washington met early in the season and neither was in the best of condition. In the game Thursday both teams were at their best. However, we maintain that Idaho is the champion and gladly accede second place to one of the Oregon schools. We do not boast that we can beat the O. A. C. or the U. of O., but we do claim that we have made the best record during the season just past and have a clear title to championship and it has been granted to us by the leading critics of the N. W., Idaho has not won the championship since 1901, when "Cap." Horton led his team to victory over Washington in Spokane.

The Argonaut is pleased to note that the executive committee of the athletic field is again

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at work. Everyone is aware of the importance of the task which the associated student body is attempting. Last spring when the proposition was first proposed it met with hearty support. Eight hundred dollars were pledged in one week. The committees set to work with a will and started operations. During the summer interest in the project waned; now the matter has been reborn, we hope that it will be carried to successful finish.

The students of Idaho have always been staunch supporters of student enterprises but have never been confronted with a proposition of this magnitude. This is the most important issue that has ever arisen, calling forth the ingenuity of the students. It is probable that we will not be able to send out a track team unless we can make the scheme go through. The old track is in a deplorable condition and does more harm than good to a training athlete. Furthermore, the city ball park is on the market and is likely to be sold at anytime. In such an event the teams would be forced to retire from the field.

Let us join hands and push the matter to completion. When the mass meeting is called, let us make it enthusiastic; lend our financial and moral support and have a new field or "bust." The Argonaut is ready to give time and space or in anyway to help further a good cause.

Exchanges.

The "Collier's Weekly" is publishing a series of four articles on athletic conditions at the great Middle Western universities. In treating of the conditions at the Universities of Michigan, Pres. Jordan of Stanford summed up his opinion of Yost and his methods by the following statement: "All of us who have had Yost or Yost-like men about are not to be counted as sinless."

The upperclassmen of the University of Nevada are agitating the question of abolishing the "Prep" department there.

E. P. Stott, quarterback of Stanford's football team was unanimously elected football captain for 1906.

Columbia has recently received the bequest of \$50,000 for the foundation of a Roosevelt chair of American History.

The cartoons of the University of Utah Chronicle are very attractive and suggestive and are the best that come to our table.

Pacific University submitted the following question to Whittman College:—"Resolved, that the inter-state commerce commission should have power to fix railroad rates in disputed cases; these rates to be in force until revised by the higher courts."

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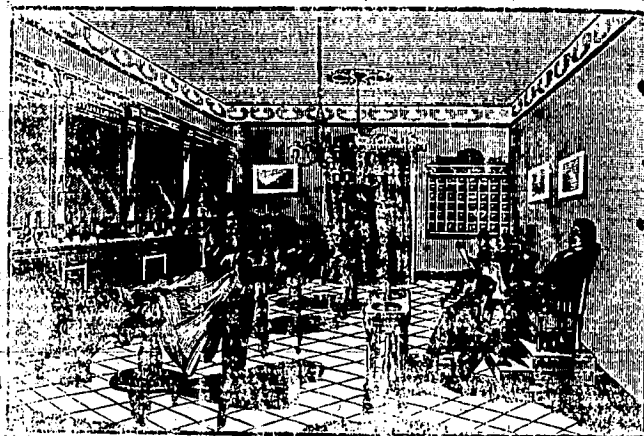
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Dickinson will be back in school this week.

Sadie Stockton visited friends in Pullman during the vacation.

Florence Anderson spent Thanksgiving at her home in Wallace.

Robert Swadner, ex-'04, spent Thanksgiving with his parents in Moscow.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting on Sunday was a special Thanksgiving service.

Don't forget the recital in the auditorium, Wednesday evening. Admission 25c.

Professor Reed spent his vacation in the Clearwater country hunting for big game.

Middleton and Roosevelt returned Thursday from a business trip into the Clearwater country.

Nettie Hitt spent Thanksgiving week with her sister who is attending the Normal at Lewiston.

Why couldn't Mr. Howard hold up both hands at once the night the Kappa Phi's were out sleigh riding?

The Seniors have at last received their corduroys, which made their first public appearance today.

The Electrical Association will meet next Wednesday at 3:50. Matthews will read a paper on "Polyphase Motors."

Julia Keyes, ex-'08, was married on the 23rd of last month to Mr. C. R. Burley at the home of her sister in Ione, Oregon.

Some of the Sophomore boys returned to the days of their youth Saturday night and took the girls "out sliding down hill."

State Auditor Robert Bragaw and wife, of Boise, spent Wednesday in Moscow visiting with their son who is in school here.

Billy Thomas went to Lewiston, Thursday, to visit friends and to witness the football game between the Lewiston high school and the Normal.

Joe Lavigne, an old U. of I. student, spent Thanksgiving in Moscow, visiting with friends. Joe is now the prosecuting attorney of Kootenai county.

"Pink" went to Seattle and acted as an official in the O. A. C. Washington game played in that city Thursday. The Farmers won by a score of 15 to 0.

Miss Ellen Anderson entertained informally, Friday afternoon, in honor of her guests, Miss Mirbell Peel and Miss Ada Thomas, of Boise, who have been attending the Lewiston Normal and were in Moscow for Thanksgiving vacation.

Ross E. Rowell, ex-'07, is preparing to take an examination for qualifications as a second lieutenant in the marine corps. Ross has been recommended by Senator Heyburn for the position. Ten places are to be filled for which there are twenty-five applicants.

Montandon went to his home in St. Maries to spend Thanksgiving.

Miss Winnie Calkins was hostess at dinner to a few of her girl friends on the thirtieth.

P. K. Perkins, Driscoll and Wm. Solibakke have been appointed by the third year preparatory class to determine upon a class pin.

Paul Foster, Peebler and Ad. were chosen to represent the Amphictyon society in the inter-society debate. The debate will occur about January 20.

An old fashioned Thanksgiving dinner was served at the Hall on the thirtieth. During the meal each of the twenty-six guests at the table entertained the company with a clever (?) story.

The Kappa Phi Alphas gave a jolly sleighing party last Friday night. Two four-horse sleighs were laden with noisy human freight and started out at about seven o'clock and drove until ten, after which time refreshments were served at the Frat house and dancing was enjoyed.

The Freshman football team celebrated their victory over the Sophs last Thursday. King Barto acted as host and his rooms were the scene of a lively party. A roast pig and a good supply of "Forneys" constituted the menu. Different members of the party entertained the crowd by telling fairy tales or furnished a musical selection.

The dormitory was partially deserted last week during the Thanksgiving recess. Della Shaff, Martha Semper and Ora Howard spent vacation at their homes in Lewiston; Nettie Hitt visited her sister at the Lewiston Normal; Bess Gibson and Nan Eoyt were at their homes in Spokane; Esther and Elsie Larson at their homes in Troy; Florence Anderson at her home in Wallace; Marguerite Bush spent the holidays with Mrs. Hodgins, of Moscow; Leila Tilley was at her home in Tekoa; Amanda Moerder at her home in Moscow; and Miss Shultz at her home in Stites.

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Debate Notes.

A contract submitted by the debate council to W. S. C., to govern this year's debate, has been signed by the latter institution and the W. S. C.-Idaho debate is now assured. Washington and Idaho have submitted their debate subjects to the secretary of the triangular league at Oregon. Washington has sent us her list of judges for the debate to be held at Moscow, between Idaho and Washington, and all other arrangements for the triangular debate are moving along rapidly.

Vesper Services in Auditorium.
The following program was rendered at the vesper services in the auditorium on Sunday, of last week. They were cut out of last week's Argonaut by lack of space:

Prelude
Piano "Angels' Serenade" Braga
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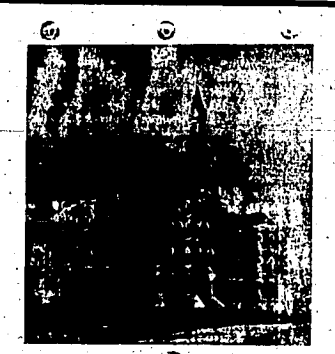
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Junior Prom, December 8.
Final Arrangements For the Big Dance Completed.

On next Friday evening the class of 1907 will give the annual Junior Prom. The committees have been hard at work for several weeks and are preparing for a big function. From present indications, one of the largest crowds that has ever attended an annual dance will be present next Friday evening. A larger percentage of the town people are preparing to attend than is customary.

On account of the rules governing functions held in the gymnasium, the dance will begin earlier than usual. The program will start promptly at 8:15 o'clock and will come to an end at twelve o'clock sharp.

Special music has been prepared for the occasion and the hall will present a pleasing spectacle to the spectator as well as the dancer. Come and see pretty gowns! Come and have a taste of good punch! Come and help make the biggest social function of the year a grand success! The price of tickets including all side issues will be \$2.00.

International Arbitration

A movement has been started by some of the college presidents to utilize Washington's Birthday as a day for discussion of the question of international peace arbitration in all diplomatic difficulties. Dr. MacLean has recently received a letter from Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California, in which he outlines the purpose of the movement and requesting Idaho to signify if she were in accord with the plan.

It is the purpose of the movement to set aside Washington's birthday as a day to discuss at all colleges, means of arbitrating in international differences. The questions may be discussed in general assembly, by means of a debate or by having some noted speaker to lecture. By this means it is hoped to prepare the minds of the students for a sane, careful view of all international broils. In this manner the originators of the scheme hope to change the antagonistic state of the American mind to a state of good feeling.

Dr. MacLean referred the matter to the debate council

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which decided that they had not the time to make a debate the means of the discussion. The Executive Board of the A. S. U. I., decided that the plan was feasible and worthy and that they would like to carry the scheme out by having a speaker for the occasion. This will add a great amount of interest to our exercises for this date.

New Assay Buildings.

Final plans for the new assay building have been completed and blue prints made of the specifications. These have been placed in the city hall where they may be inspected by anyone desiring to see the plans for the structure. Several architects are figuring on the job and their bids will be submitted this week.

The building will be a one story brick and cement structure. The outside dimensions will be 52x110 feet. The building plans have been criticised and corrected by several of the best known mining experts in the United States and have the combined good features of them all. There will be twenty-six furnaces, a wet assay room, weighing rooms, store rooms and work rooms.

The building will be constructed on the plot of ground just north of Dr. MacLean's residence and will face the west. An entrance will be made on the south side facing the Administration building which will be the one used by the students. A porch will be constructed on the west end and will add greatly to the beauty of the building. The trimmings of the windows and cornices will be of stone.

The metallurgical building will be built directly west of the assay building but actual construction on it will not begin until next summer. The construction of the assay building will commence as soon as the contract can be let and a few little details settled.

Recent Football Scores.

Chicago 2, Michigan 0.
 Pennsylvania 6, Cornell 0.
 O. A. C. 15, U. of W. 0.
 Multnomah A. C. 6, U. of O., 0.
 Nebraska 24, Illinois 0.
 Kansas 24, Missouri 0.
 Lewiston High 17, Normal 0

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