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Administration Building Goes Up In Smoke!

Magnificent Building With All Equipment Consumed by a Fierce Fire Which Originated in the Basement at 2:30 Friday Morning.

Entire Library Together With Priceless Collections and Valuable Records Perished. Students and Citizens of Moscow Made Heroic Efforts to Check the Wild Rage of the Flames.

The "Ad" building, the pride of every student and every loyal citizen of the state of Idaho, is a heap of smouldering ruins. The death-dealing fire originated in the east wing of the building near the girls' cloak room about 2:30 Friday morning, a call was sent in and in a few minutes the fire department and a large part of the population of the city were lending strenuous efforts to ward off the impending destruction. For two hours the loyal defenders fought to save the building they loved so well. But of no avail. The flames, fanned by the morning breeze leaped from place to place and by 3:00 o'clock the entire structure was enveloped in flames. From that time the work of those who were endeavoring to save part of the valuables was checked and the intense heat from the raging furnace held them at bay.

The all efforts were turned to the annex. A bucket brigade was formed and water carried from a nearby hydrant and thrown on the steaming building. During all this time heavy showers of coals, cinders, and burning timbers were falling among the fighters making their position extremely dangerous. Several of the students' clothing caught afire but no one was injured.

How it Started.

Two of the students have been sleeping in the administration building. One of the occupants was in Oregon with the debating team. The other, Bennett Williams, was awakened about 2:30 by the annoying smell of smoke. Mr. Williams dressed as rapidly as possible and sought the cause of the smoke. On entering the main corridor of the basement Mr. Williams saw a cloud of

smoke streaming from beneath the girls' cloak room. He ran to the hose and stretched it on the floor. The smoke was becoming dense and the danger from suffocation became evident to Mr. Williams.

Help Is Summoned.

Realizing the danger, he ran to the telephone and turned in a fire alarm. He then ran across the campus to President MacLean's residence and aroused President MacLean and Coach Griffith. He then went to the Kappa Phi Alpha fraternity house and aroused the occupants. The boys jumped from their beds, dressed and ran to the building. For several minutes the boys fought heroically and in a few moments apparently had the fire under control. But the checking was only temporary. The fire had eaten through the ceiling and gained the first corridor. From here the building is open to the third story. The spreading flames leaped up the stair way and followed through this natural flue to the third floor. In fifteen minutes more the east wing was a solid mass of flames and it became evident that the beautiful structure was doomed.

Loyal Citizens Arrive.

By the time the fire had gained the third story more assistance arrived. The students from the fraternity houses were the first on the ground. As they came they aroused the sleeping citizens and by three o'clock at least one thousand students and citizens were fighting desperately. But no human methods could stay the devastating fire. The

rescuers then turned their attention to saving the contents of the building.

Valuable Records Saved.

Walker Young and Carl Keyes entered the Registrar's office and threw desks, files and valuable papers through the windows. Records of the Registrar were thus saved, which, if lost, would put the University in a chaos. Dean Eldridge entered his room and secured all of his records but was unable to save any other valuables. Professor French saved several government records of great importance.

Dr. Little entered his room and secured some valuable instruments. He tried to make a second attempt but was driven back by the suffocating smoke. Harry Manning volunteered to make an attempt and entered the building, broke open glass cases and secured several valuable engineering instruments. After groping around in the smoke for several seconds and securing some very valuable transits and levels, he was driven from the building in an exhausted condition. Instruments to the value of \$1600 were saved by Dr. Little and Harry Manning.

The Building Doomed.

All of this had taken but a short time. It was impossible for anything else to be saved and guards were thrown around the building and everyone was kept at a safe distance. The spire, which was 140 feet in height, was the first part of the building to collapse. There was considerable fear expressed for the welfare of the watchers since it was thought that the steeple and

spire would fall forward. At 8:15 the steeple and spire collapsed and fell into the furnace below.

While this was going on a large crowd was desperately working to save the annex, which is built of wood, and contained several hundred dollars' worth of valuable equipment. Those endeavoring to save this building were in real danger since brands of fire were showering upon them and some caught their clothing afire. The boiler, which was situated in the region of the intense heat, was seething and foaming and an explosion was continually feared.

The large crowd stood around the building until five o'clock, some of the more impetuous considered making attempts to rescue some of their treasures but they were dissuaded by the cool leaders. It was indeed a sad sight to stand and see that magnificent building gutted, without being able to save any of the contents. When the sun rose and shone over the eastern horizon the once beautiful structure looked like a specter. It was a mere skeleton, only the brick wall left standing.

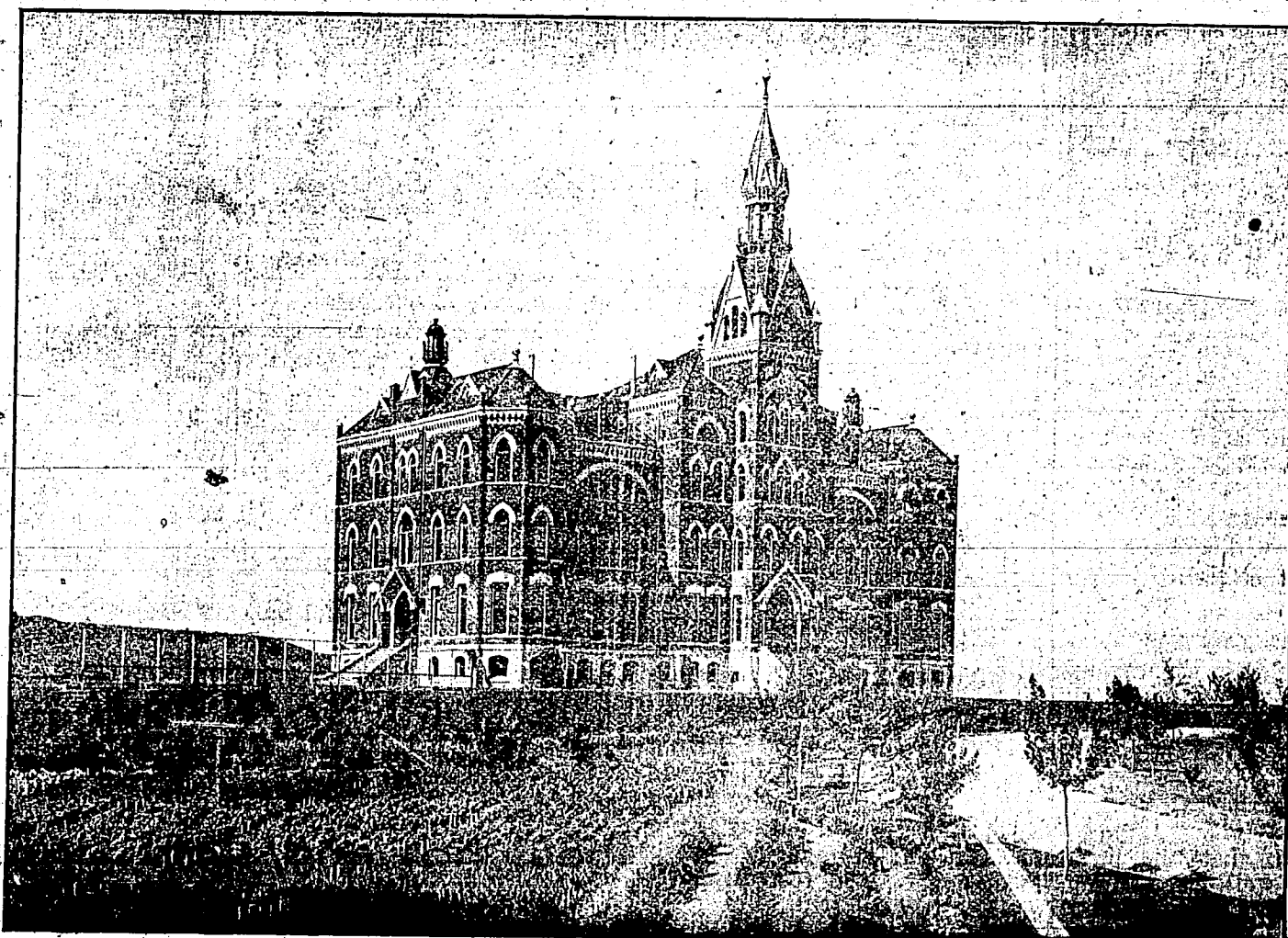
Losses Entailed.

It is difficult to estimate the total loss entailed by the university, but it is approximated at \$350,000. The building represented a cost of \$200,000 and the equipment was worth \$150,000. The total insurance was \$111,500. The Agricultural department lost pamphlets and records that can never be replaced. Investigations covering a period of fifteen years were all consumed. The reports of the scientific investigations were worth thousands of dollars to the state.

Professor Lewis of the Biological department was the heaviest individual loser. He lost a priceless collection of rare specimens that he has been gathering for years. Many rare and extinct species of insects were consumed. A great number of his research papers and many valuable microscope slides also perished. Professor Henderson lost an herbarium that he has been a life-time in gathering. His total loss was about \$7,000 of which about \$5,000 is subject to recovery.

Library Destroyed.

The danger from the sacrifice of human life made it impossible for a single library book to be rescued. The fire originated in the stairway very close to the library and this room was among the first to be enthralled. Twenty thousand volumes were lost, among them many books of great value. All debate and other intercollegiate contracts and papers are among the heap of ashes. The loss of the library is the most severe of all since a majority of the collegiate work consists of individual research. The students taking the English and classical courses will be greatly handicapped but the engineering



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"Stand pat" for the 'Varsity!

Hatfield, Hall, Heyes—three H's form an unconquerable combination.

Freshmen and Sophomores had a new sensation Thursday night—hearing the chairman say "Washington 2, Idaho 1."

For the time being no exchange column can be run in the Argonaut. All of our recent exchanges perished in the fire and what few we can glean from newspapers will be published in the body of the paper.

Mayor Morgan, the Carnegie Library authorities, and the townspeople have exhibited real college spirit these few days past, and deserve the hearty thanks of the students and faculty. We seem not to have appreciated them enough before.

Idaho still enjoys the proud distinction of having no peers in debate. For two years she has met and vanquished all aspirants for championship honors. She reached the latest goal when she met and won the signal victory over the universities of the Triangular League. That victory was not won solely by the team that defeated Oregon but by the six debaters and the coach. It was the result of diligent study and persistent practice. Personal sacrifice and the burning of midnight oil were factors that contributed to the victory; and last but not least there were an ambitious student body cheering them on to their greatest efforts. "For Idaho" was the slogan of those who upheld her fair name in the important contests, and with this thought in their minds they delved into misty records and dusty books and brought forth facts and hurled them at their opponents. We are all familiar with the results.

The first series of annual debates of the triangular league proved to be a complete success. Never has the northwest shown so much interest in forensic contests as was taken in the contests just passed. Each debate drew a large crowd. The newspapers of the vicinity commented upon the success of the plan and hailed with pleasure so merited a discussion of a great problem. While the citizens were seriously thinking of a rate problem and wondering what was the course for congress to

pursue, the universities threshed out the question and presented to them arguments for and against the curtailing of railroad powers by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

From the result of the contests we might infer that the Interstate Commerce Commission is not the body in whom the power to prescribe rates should be vested. This is the conclusion to be drawn from the results of the contests. But the singular fact is that just the reverse was true of the contests held throughout the Eastern colleges. There the affirmative seemed to be the stronger side and won out in most instances. Thus we see that the sentiment is divided; the east for the investment of these powers in the commission; the west against the plan.

But the biggest surprise of all is in the fact that every visiting team won. The visiting teams had the unpopular side of the question, were before strange audiences, and made long journeys to enter the contests. Yet they received seven votes while the home teams secured only two. The debaters were no better than those on the other side, consequently the only conclusion that can be made is that the plans advocated by the affirmative is inefficient and impracticable.

The following resolutions were received from the Student Body of W. S. C., relative to the loss of the Administration Building: Pullman, Wash., March 30th, '06. To the Student Body of the University of Idaho:

Whereas the University of Idaho has suffered a most severe blow to her activities in the loss of her Administration Building by fire on the night of March 29th, and,

Whereas the Student Body of The Washington State College has heard of such loss with pain and regret, be it therefore resolved by the Associated Students of the Washington State College

(1.) That we assure the faculty and the student body of our sister institution—The University of Idaho—of our profound regret at their disastrous loss, and extend to them our sincere sympathy, and

(2.) Be it further resolved that we tender to the University of Idaho our best wishes for her speedy recovery from her loss, and for her continued prosperity.

Eugene R. Ormsbee,
Com. Nelle V. Jones,
Lewis A. Lewis.

This expression of sympathy and good-will from our neighbors at the time of our misfortune is highly appreciated. We cannot commend too much the kindness and thoughtfulness of the Students of W. S. C. as illustrated by this action.

The regents will convene soon and will face the question of a new Administration building. The old 'Ad' is gone and it will be the privilege of the regents to decide what shall take its place. This is the opportune time, this is the psychological moment for raising the slogan of "Idaho—the Northwest's greatest University." We are building all over again. Let us build three times as well. Let March 30 be the birthday of a new Uni-

versity of Idaho that shall stand the queen of northwest educational institutions. That mass meeting of Saturday showed that Idaho spirit is the powerful force that a former generation of college students wished it to be. It is a reality as invigorating as the spirit that moves Yale's sons, or sweeps Harvard on the eve of a great gridiron battle. Under its vivifying might the student body must raise the cry for a greater Idaho, and that cry will spread till it becomes the slogan of the alumnae, the regents, the legislators, and the whole state. We will then see a new 'Ad' go up that shall typify a greater University, and the new epoch of expansion will be upon us. Whether on the ashes of our burned building there rises one three times its size, or whether a new administration building and a new science hall together take its place, does not matter. It only matters that the regents and the legislators and the private friends of the University shall see to it that the step taken is a great advance. This is no visionary ideal, if Idaho spirit enlists itself in the cause. It is simply the part of every student to subscribe himself with the proper determination to this idea—"A new Idaho, the Northwest's greatest University."

Besides bringing forth arguments for both sides of a question, which will be beneficial to the thinking public, the triangular plan is the only way to decide the relative standing of the leading universities in debate.

No one can dispute the title of the winner of these contests. It is hoped that the success of the plan is not only temporary but that it will be lasting. From the interest taken in the first contests it is safe to predict that with each year they will grow more popular with the students, and citizens of the northwest.

Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION.

Oregon and Idaho Associations in Session in Portland on March 30 to April 1.—Nichols and Peebler Represent Idaho.

Leon G. Nichols left Thursday for Portland, Oregon, to attend the sixth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Oregon and Idaho which is in session there March 30 to April 1. Ray Peebler of the Idaho debate team which defeated Oregon is also present at the convention. The University of Oregon, O. A. C., Pacific College, and Willamette University were represented at the convention. Several city associations also sent delegates. The program consisted of addresses by the delegates and by prominent Y. M. C. A. secretaries. F. B. Smith, International Committee secretary, of New York, the greatest man's evangelist of this decade, was the principal speaker. He was aided by A. S. Allen, general secretary of the Seattle Association, and C. W. Wilcox, Washington State secretary. Prominent secretaries of the Portland City Association were present.

The baseball trip to Lewiston which was to have been made Friday morning was called off on account of the fire. Many of the boys were up all night and were too exhausted and too disheartened to take the trip.

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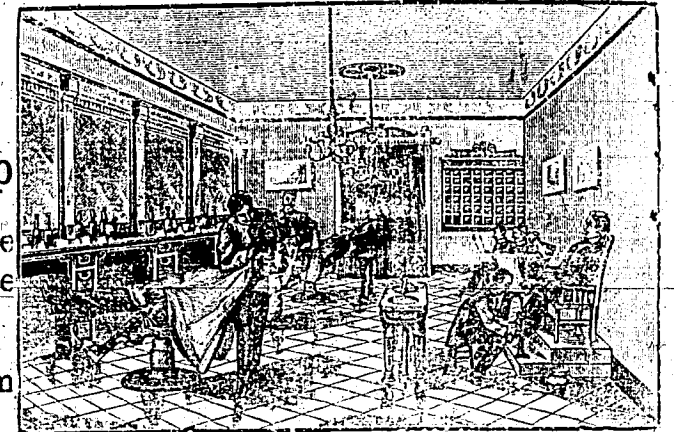
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Debate at Oregon Results in Unanimous Decision In Favor of Representatives of the Silver and Gold.

Price, Morrow, and Peebler Swing Three Votes at Eugene—Washington Wins on Negative at Moscow—Oregon Proves Successful Against Washington

By winning an unanimous decision in the debate at Eugene with the University of Oregon and one vote in the debate at Moscow with the University of Washington, the University of Idaho, according to the rules of the Triangular Debate League, is the champion of the first series of the League debates. In a field which, after all, is perhaps the finest meeting-ground for the universities, Idaho has clearly demonstrated her superiority. Last year was a banner year for Idaho in debate. She achieved a record never equalled by any other college—three unanimous victories in inter-collegiate debate. Thus far in the present year Idaho has won two unanimous debate victories and lost one debate by a vote of two to one.



V. E. PRICE

Eugene, Ore., March 29.—Oregon's strong team went down to defeat before the Idaho debaters tonight in Villard hall. Both teams evidenced the most thorough preparation and the debate was ably carried on by both sides. The contest turned on the work of the two leaders, T. E. Dodson of Oregon and V. E. Price of Idaho, and their forensic endeavors were the features of the debate.

J. R. Latourette of Oregon opened the contest with a careful and discriminative presentation of the facts that extortionate and discriminative railroad rates exist for which public sentiment demands a change. Roy Peebler, for Idaho, followed in the negative, and scored on the items of car evil and terminal roads' discrimination.

F. V. Galloway second for affirmative argued the remedy was sufficient to cure the evils that exist. McKeen Morrow pointed out that it had not been proved that evils exist that could be remedied by the plan. And then he argued that other evils would result. T. E. Dodson argued for the expediency of the remedy as shown by the records

of the commission. V. E. Price closed Idaho's debate by a strong presentation of the unconstitutional features of the proposed remedy and by his powerful attack upon Dodson's speech left the case of the affirmative in such



McKEEN F. MORROW

a ruined condition that five minutes of really great rebuttal by Oregon's leader could not gather it together again. The decision of the judges was unanimous.

The judges, W. D. Fenton, G. G. Gammans and R. W. McTague, prominent Portland attorneys, and Chairman I. M. Glenn of the University of Oregon, ruled in favor of the University of Idaho contenders.—Oregonian.

Washington Wins by One Vote.

The Washington-Idaho debate was an interesting contest. The question was "Resolved, That the Interstate Commerce Commission should be given power to prescribe a reasonable maximum rate in cases brought before it, these rates to go into effect within a reasonable time and to



ROY PEEBLER

obtain from thence onward, subject to review by the courts." Idaho advocated the proposition and Washington assailed it.

The debate was opened by Mr. Jewett D. Matthews. In a concise and well-expressed speech he presented the first part of the affirmative case. He spoke with a certain degree of finish and



CHARLES A. MONTANDON

ease, but his delivery lacked the fire of deep conviction and the emphasis that denotes complete mastery of the matter. With greater intellectual maturity he will no doubt be able to do work in debate that will be more impressive and persuasive.

Miss Margaret Heyes was the first representative of the negative. She is a bright looking, intelligent young lady, whose delivery is not very telling because of lack of breath. The negative case, she said, consisted of three parts: (1) Existing laws are sufficient to remedy evils of which complaint is made; (2) The measure proposed by the affirmative is impracticable; and (3) Existing law can be enforced. Her speech consisted very largely



ORLANDO P. DARWIN

of the reading of various sections of the Act to Regulate Commerce and the frequent iteration of the assertion that such sections could be enforced and were sufficient to effect the end they were designed to achieve.

Orlando P. Darwin met the attack of the negative, though not in an effective way. In presenting the second part of the affirmative he displayed a wide and detailed knowledge of the subject. He spoke with the ardor of personal belief, when he shall have overcome the nervousness that possessed him upon the platform he will be one of the most valuable debaters that represent Idaho.

To Mr. Charles W. Hall was assigned the task of proving the second of the negative's propositions, namely that the proposed measure would be impracticable.

But he devoted his time chiefly to proving not that the measure could not be made to work but that its operation would be attended by grave evils; which, obviously, is an altogether different proposition. The chief evil would be that of inelastic rates. The maximum rates established by the Commission could not be departed from upon considerations of equity. Mr. Hall has a quiet and rather pleasing address, but it is not particularly effective.

Charles A. Montandon closed the case for the affirmative. It was so strongly supported that the succeeding speaker made not the slightest attempt to meet it. Before beginning upon the final part of the constructive case Mr. Montandon devoted some time to the refutation of the arguments of the preceding speaker. Some of his replies were aimed at in the right direction, yet it was not a very accurate fire. He spoke rapidly and with great earnestness, and when his speech was concluded the affirmative position seemed to be in good condition.

The final speaker for the negative was Floyd Hatfield. He opened his remarks by referring to the "oratory" of his opponent. He recapitulated the arguments of his colleagues, offering an oc-



JEWETT D. MATTHEWS

casional sentence of refutation, and unfolded the third proposition of the negative. He spoke calmly and deliberately and presented his matter in an effective manner. He was the most self-possessed speaker of the evening, and this lent additional weight to his argument.

Mr. Montandon closed the debate with a five minute speech. Had this speech been directed effectively against the final negative proposition the debate would rightfully have belonged to Idaho. It could have been shown that the alternative submitted by the negative was radically defective. The plan had been anticipated and debated in the practice debates. The failure to expose its inherent defect was a costly one for Idaho. However, the argument by Mr. Montandon did a great deal to tear down the powerful case of the negative. As it was the judges found themselves confronted by a difficult task. In a minute or two one voted for Washington and the other for Idaho. The third judge had a long sum in addition to complete. Finally he found that each team had scored 170. Then he voted for the negative because "the burden of proof rested upon the affirmative."

The chairman of the debate

was Mayor Wm. M. Morgan; and the judges were Judge J. G. Hinckle, of Spokane, Mr. John O. Bender, of Lewiston and President George H. Black, of the Lewiston Normal School. The first two voted for the negative; the last voted for the affirmative.

It was not a first-class debate. It was not up to the level of several of the debates in which Idaho has recently participated. Yet the subject was one of vital importance and interesting in itself. The audience, which numbered something over two hundred, consisting chiefly of members of the University.



EDWARD M. HULME

U. of O. Defeats U. of W.

It was a night of victory for the railroads and railroad interests. Oregon won, 2 to 1; Washington won, 2 to 1; and Idaho, under the leadership of perhaps the best college debater in the Northwest, Victor E. Price, whose nearest rival for that honor is Floyd A. Hatfield, of Washington, won over Oregon by the unanimous decision of the judges. This makes Idaho the winner of the triangular debate.

Denny Hall, at the State University, was crowded with the largest audience that ever turned out for an intercollegiate debate at Washington. W. C. Winslow, for Oregon, made the hit of the evening, appealing to the audience and eliciting burst after burst of applause. Mr. Winslow is a loquacious, genial-looking youngster, who has the faculty of captivating an audience. The distinguishing features of his debate was his retort shot directly at his opponents with appealing force. Ridicule, repartee and a mild form of bluff formed his stock in trade.

The audience, while full of applause for Washington because of their loyalty to the state University, were nevertheless disposed to rejoice openly whenever Oregon made a point in favor of the railroads, which they seemed strongly to believe. The audience were indeed railroad sympathizers.

Washington aimed to prove that public interests demand rate regulation; that rates will not regulate themselves equitably, and that the commission is thoroughly competent, because intellectually qualified to do the regulating. Further, they cited the delays now met with in substituting a new rate for one that is found unreasonable or discrim-

BIG MASS MEETING

Enthusiastic Rally at Gymnasium at 10 O'Clock on Saturday Morning After the Fire.

Speeches by Faculty, Students and Alumnae Inspire All Present to Support University in its Hour of Need.

The first gathering of students and faculty after the great fire took place Saturday morning in the gymnasium. It was much like a family gathering near the ruins of its former home, but it was optimistic always, and at times the crowd was swept with waves of irresistible enthusiasm. The total effect was certainly to arouse every student's fighting spirit, and some of the speakers raised the battle cry for a new and greater University.

A large number of chairs had been brought into the gymnasium and were occupied. Besides, many of the boys found seats on mats stretched out on the floor. The band in the gallery played a selection before the assembly was called to order by Charles A. Montandon, president of the A. S. U. I.

Mr. Montandon said in his introductory address that the students present had borne a part in the greatest calamity which has ever befallen the University. But, he said, it is the part of manhood and womanhood to stand by the University in its hour of need, and he decried the alleged home-going of some of the students. After his address Goble led the students in three yells which were given with overflowing spirit.

Mayor William M. Morgan was the next speaker. He delivered an address which made a deep impression on the assembly. The University, he said, was not burned when the Ad building went up in flames. It still lives, and cannot be lost except by the desertion of those who support it—the faculty, the students and the people. Moscow is determined to prevent any movement of the Preparatory Department to Lewiston, in response to President Black's invitation to receive all preparatory students into the Normal dormitories. The townspeople, with princely liberality, offered over a half-a-dozen good situations in which the work could be carried on, besides dwellings all over town to which classes would have been welcome. Among the places offered were, the M. E. Church, the Elks Temple, the Carnegie Library, City Hall, Federal Court Rooms, I. O. O. F. Hall and Moscow Business College. The Business College man had made far reaching sacrifices in rental payment, and so forth, on his building, but he offered it without reserve, rather than let a University department go out of Moscow. Like public spirit was manifested by the ladies who gave over the Carnegie Library, just when they had it ready for occupancy and were moving in the books.

Mayor Morgan urged that it would be cowardice for a student to quit unless it was absolutely

necessary, and the townspeople were relieving student financial difficulties by subscription. H. R. Smith was called upon but declined to take up time, preferring to hear from students and faculty.

John R. Middleton expressed briefly his strong attachment to the University and his determination to stand by it at its crisis hour. Estel Hunter followed him with a speech expressing like sentiments, and urging the students to fight for a greater University. Holman followed Hunter. Carrie Thompson and O. P. Darwin spoke for their respective classes. J. Loyal Adkison again voiced the sentiment that the assembled body of students have the opportunity of their lives to take great responsibilities on their shoulders and see that the University becomes stronger by reason of its loss. Bessie Gibson '07, followed with a brief talk. James W. Galloway said that we have a faculty to be proud of—a fact which this great fire has emphasized—and that the students must stand by them. He was followed by George Wyman, Hazel Morrow, Walter M. Meyers, Ora Howard and Albert McPherson.

Prof. James spoke for the faculty, and was followed by Miles F. Reed, principal of the preparatory department. Prof. Reed, as representative of the Alumnae Association predicted active help from the graduates. Regent Sweet spoke next. Dr. Little mentioned that \$1600 in Civil Engineering instruments had been saved, largely by the aid of the students. Prof. Henderson called to mind that charge in the Philippines in which the Idaho regiment, composed partly of Varsity students, led, and of which General Charles King said, "There goes the American soldier and all he can't stop him." Prof. Henderson urged that the students try to deserve as strong approval. Prof. Hulme gave a strong talk, and advanced the plea for the replacement of the Ad building by one three times as large. He suggested that one wing could be built now and the rest when the money is forthcoming.

Other professors gave excellent talks, and the meeting was closed with announcements and other business incident to the starting up of classes on Monday. Dr. MacLean told the story of the fire. He said that the most serious danger to scholarship is involved in the loss of the library. He suggested that private contributions should be centered on its speedy replacement. The meeting closed with the Varsity song.

IDAHO WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

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inatory. The time element is really the vital one, they said. Oregon came back with the counter argument that the measure proposed by the affirmative would not help matters but rather would do positive harm. The problem is too big for a commission of five men to handle. The impracticability of the plan is the chief objection, they argued. Considerable stress was laid on the argument that rates are not exorbitant and that to so hamper the railroads will injure them and the country because not permitting of the development of sections which

should be developed. There would be corruption in the commission, in railroad circles and in congress.

John W. Campbell, for Washington, made a forceful speech, defining the question and outlining the propositions, he and his colleagues would prove. Stanley Griffith's debate was notable for its logic, outline and splendid diction. Ingham Hughes had the most telling arguments of the evening. J. B. Dodson, for Oregon, spoke frankly and persuasively. J. C. Veatch had a splendid speech, but his rebuttal was not so strong as was expected. In polished diction, outline and literary merit Washington had Oregon beaten, but Oregon won out on delivery.—Seattle Times.

Help University.

Proceeds from the debate between Moscow and Palouse High Schools which is to be at the Moscow Theatre on April 7, are to go to buy books for students who lost by the fire. The profits of the concert at the M. E. church on April 6, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society go to the replacement of the library. Private gifts for the same purpose are also being gotten.



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Nick Sheridan visited his timber claim at Lewiston Friday.

Miss Grace Bounds, of Genesee is visiting with Edith Watson, '09.

Victor E. Price visited with friends in Seattle on his return from Eugene.

Miss Bowman, a student of the W. S. O., was a guest at Ridenbaugh Hall last week.

A reception in honor of the Washington team was given at the dormitory after the debate.

Regent Sweet arrived in Moscow Saturday having been summoned by the news of the disaster.

Dean A. R. Priest of the University of Washington accompanied the U. of W. debaters to Moscow.

Rodney Small and Art Rogers went to Lewiston Friday to arrange baseball games for the near future.

Peter C. Cutt, '03, present editor of the Troy News came to Moscow Friday to take a last look at the old building.

President Roach has called for a meeting of the Board of Regents to be held in Moscow next Thursday. Governor Gooding will meet with the regents.

The judges of the Washington debate, together with several faculty people, were guests of the Kappa Phi Alpha fraternity at dinner Thursday evening.

President Black of the Lewiston Normal generously offered to take care of the "Preps" providing accommodations could not be secured for them in Moscow.

Ray Price student of the preparatory department suffered a severe sprain of his right ankle while drilling last week. The injured member is improving rapidly and Ray is again in school.

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A meeting of the board of regents will be held in Moscow next Thursday. The meeting is a special one and the matter of reconstructing the "Ad" building will be taken up. Governor Gooding has kindly consented to meet with the board and render whatever assistance within his power.

Oscar Solibakke went to Troy for a short visit last week.

Mr. Montandon, father of Charles A., was down from St. Maries to hear the Washington debate. He spent the next day visiting and looking over the University.

Mary McFarland, '05, returned from her school-teaching in Oregon last Friday. She arrived on the 4:30 (a. m.) train and the burning Ad building was the first sight that met her eyes.

PLAY IN THEATRE.

English Club Plays "As You Like It" in Down Town Auditorium Next Wednesday Evening.

The English Club Committee under Hazel Morrow's supervision will have "As You Like It" ready for presentation on next Wednesday evening at the Moscow theatre. Admission is to be 50 cents, as the management will have been at considerable expense in the production of the play.

The committee has been rehearsing for some time, and have even gone to the inconvenience of night rehearsal. It is believed that they are well prepared and that the acting will be up to a high standard for amateur players. The cast of characters is as follows:

The Banished Duke—Olyde Oakes
Duke Frederick—Ohas. Kincaid

Jaques—Sol Turley
LeBeau—T. E. Smith
Charles—Arthur Pauls
Oliver—James W. Galloway
Orlando—Arthur Rogers
Adam—Guy Holman
Dennis—Leigh Savidge
Touchstone—Frank Magee
Corin—Geo. Wyman
Silvius—John R. Middleton
Rosalind—Hazel Morrow
Celia—Florence Anderson
Orlando, Rosalind, Celia and Oliver are the principal characters of the play. Jaques, a melancholy philosopher, who makes the well known speech about the seven ages of man, is also very a captivating character and the part will be well played by Sol Turley. Rehearsals have brought out the fact that Frank Magee, in the part of Touchstone, the clown, will be far the most humorous actor of the evening. Corin, a simple countryman, and Silvius, a love-lorn shepherd will be well played by George Wyman and John Middleton, respectively.

This will be the first real attempt at a dramatic performance by University students since the University Dramatic Club, in 1901-2, presented "She Stoops to Conquer." It is expected that a large audience will be present, and that the townspeople will turn out well. This will be in appreciation of the opportunity (rare in Moscow) of witnessing the presentation of a play of Shakespeare.

"As You Like It" Wednesday evening.

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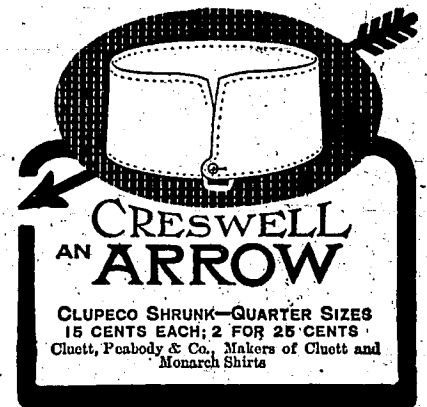
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Baseball Captain

W. K. Roosevelt was unanimously elected captain of the baseball team on March 2. "Teddy" as he is almost universally known, was one of the star slab artists of last year's team and will again be found in the center of the diamond. When he is not pitching he will play second base and Middleton will go in the box. "Teddy" is one of the best college players in the northwest and enjoys the perfect confidence of every player on the team.

The games with the Lewiston high and normal schools which were to have been played in Lewiston Friday and Saturday were postponed on account of the fire. The trip will be taken in the early part of next week. The following Friday and Saturday the boys will cross bats with the Spokane league team at Moscow. The team is improving rapidly and promises to develop into the best team out for years.

Y. W. C. A.

On Sunday April 1 Mrs. Janes will address the Y. W. C. A. on Association work. She will speak especially on the Y. W. C. A. of Berkley. Every girl is cordially invited to come. The meetings led by Mrs. Sweet and Mrs. Eldridge were well attended and were found exceedingly interesting and helpful to all.

The meeting will be held in Ridenbaugh Hall.

Rules Governing First Inter Class Track Meet.

1. Each Collegiate Class will be permitted to enter a team.
2. Each man must be registered with the class which he represents.

NOTE.—The Registrar's record shall determine to which class a man belongs. The class standing of special students shall be determined by the committee. Their decision shall be based upon the number of credits the student carries with different classes.

Rules of Meeting:

1. Intercollegiate rules shall govern unless otherwise specified.
2. The places in each event shall count as follows: 1st place shall count 5 points. 2nd place shall count 3 points. 3rd place shall count 1 point. The Relay shall count 5 points for the winning team. Seconds and third places in this event will count nothing. The team which wins the greatest number of points will be declared winner and awarded the Junior Trophy.
4. The following units will be contested:

Shot put,	100 yd dash,
hammer throw,	220 yd dash,
discus throw,	440 yd dash,
pole vault,	high jump,
broad jump,	880 yd run,
1 mile run,	120 yd high hurdles,
220 yd low hurdles,	1 mile relay.

Entry rules:

- I. The entries from any class will not be received until such class has elected its captain and manager.
- II. The captain of each team shall file all entries from his class.
- III. All entries must be handed to W. W. Goble, sec. of the Committee before Saturday, April 14.
- IV. No class shall be permitted to enter more than three men in one event.

NOTE.—An exception to the above is the relay in which six men may be entered.

The order of events will be arranged to suit the greatest number. Track and field events will be run off at the same time and those who expect to compete in both of these classes should report to the committee at once. This will insure an arrangement which will avoid conflicts.

Preparatory Debate Off.

The destruction of all debate material in the fire has made it impossible for the preparatory team which was to meet Davenport High School to prepare itself adequately for that contest. The team is composed of Proctor Perkins, William Solibakke, and Charles Deane. The question was that of the relative democracy of the cabinet and congressional systems of government. The debate, which was to have been held in the University auditorium sometime this month, will, in all probability, be called off. Prof. Hulme's time is so fully occupied with other concerns, the loss of material is so great, and it is so difficult to secure a place for holding the debate, that calling it off is almost the only action possible.

About Simplon Tunnel.

The assembly talk on Wednesday by Dr. Little was about Simplon Tunnel which connects France and Italy by a much shorter route than has formerly been available. The tunnel is 12.3 miles long. Dr. Little said that the most striking thing about the preparation for the work was the scientific thoroughness of it. After the work was fairly started, this preparation was abundantly justified. Many obstacles were imposed to the work. A spring of hot water which was encountered after the tunnel from one side had reached its highest point and was going down grade was one of the most formidable difficulties. The work was to have been finished in five years but took a little more than that time. A forfeit of \$1000 per day over time was paid.

IDAHO STATE NEWS

Gleaned From Our Exchanges.

Grading Begins on P. & I. N.

Council, Idaho, March 31.—Grading has been begun on the Pacific & Idaho Northern extension. Contractor Long left here with an outfit yesterday, and other outfits will be sent out as fast as they can secure men and teams.

Engineer Luck of Weiser has taken a crew of surveyors to Salmon river to complete the survey to Grangeville, and it is the company's intention to push the line clear through this season.—Review.

Another Railroad.

Dudley, Idaho, March 31.—The Hoo Doo Lumber company, of which H. F. Samuels and Walter A. Jones of Wallace recently became members, having a few days ago paid \$20,000 for the interests of State Senator Al

Page and A. J. Delvin of Warner, is constructing a logging railroad from the north bank of the river here into the company's forest, by which logs will be conveyed to the sawmill. The road eventually will be about 12 miles long, but at present only two and a half miles will be built. The building of the road is well under way and the steel and rolling stock equipment, etc., are in transit from the east. All will be in readiness for operation within 30 days, says the management.

Contracts have been let to cut timber off a great tract of forest tributary to Canyon gulch, and the Coeur d'Alene river. A body of timber of over 200,000 feet will be tapped by the new railroad.—Review.

Militiamen Plan Building.

Genesee, Idaho, March 31.—Genesee may have a new opera house. The members of Company H, I. N. G., solicited business men for funds to purchase a lot upon which to build a structure, and have secured more than \$500. The volunteers are negotiating for the Krum lot, adjoining the Conant block.

The building is to be of brick and stone, 50x80 feet. The stage will be as near regulation size as possible. A neat balcony and four exits are mentioned in the preliminary plans. The seats are to be arranged so that they can be easily removed and the floor used for drill purposes and dancing. G. Steltz, a local architect, is at work on the plans and specifications. The building will be ready for use 60 days from the letting of the contract.—Review.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING GOES UP IN SMOKE

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students will not suffer so much since their library in the mining building was untouched.

The music department lost seven pianos. The records of all preparatory students and all the private papers of the preparatory faculty were burned.

The Administration Building.

Construction of the administration building was begun in 1889 by the firm of Taylor & Lauder, of Moscow. The original contract called for the construction of the building at a cost of \$99,000, exclusive of the foundation. The foundation was put in at a cost of \$20,000. In 1892 the first wing was completed and the building opened for the reception of students. Since that time the other wing has been completed and the entire structure finished. In 1899 the auditorium was finished and then the original plans had been carried out. When completed the building consisted of four stories and a basement.—It was for many years the finest building in the state of Idaho and was one of the finest college administration buildings in the Northwest.

Many Visit Ruins.

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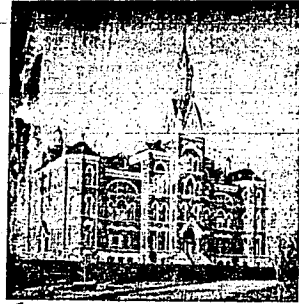
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