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TALK BY SHELDON

Professor from Electrical Department Gives Instructive Address at Assembly.

Description of Telharmonium, an Instrument by Which Music is Transmitted Over the Wires.

Prof. Sheldon of the electrical engineering department gave the assembly address of Wednesday. His subject was the telharmonium.

The telharmonium, the speaker said, was an instrument or machine for producing music by electricity and distributing it over the wires to any number of subscribers.

We have become used to tapping the electric wires for our light, power, heat, and quick communication and now we will tap them for our music and there is no telling what will be next; truly we are living in an electrical age.

There are not new principles in this machine. The telephone embodies the same principles of the transmission of sound over the wires. The actual production of sound is made in the same way as the receiver in the telephone.

But by the construction of the speaking tube and the receiver in the telephone the voice has to go through seven transformations, losing quality and distinctness by every change, but this machine does away with the first four transformations.

The manufacture of the sound depends simply on the first principle of sound, said Prof. Sheldon, the pitch depending on the frequency or number of vibrations per second, from the lowest sound the human ear can recognize, about 32 vibrations per second, to the highest, about 15,000. These vibrations, when a string is plucked for instance, set

up waves in the atmosphere or transmitting medium which are converted into sound by striking on the ear. The expression "alternating currents" means that electricity moves alternately back and forward in passing along the wire. A sound is produced corresponding to the frequency of these movements or vibrations. This is determined by the speed at which the dynamo is run. The frequency of the lighting circuit of the Gymnasium, the speaker said, was about 60 or 0 next below the bass staff. His own voice, he said, was probably near 125 frequency, the range of the human voice being from 80 to 800.

In the production of sound there are secondary vibrations or harmonics which modify the tones of the fundamental waves. These harmonics are called the first, second and so on according to their frequency and the consequent decreasing degree in which they modify the original tone. The clarinet has only the first, third and fourth harmonics, the piano all up to the seventh and eighth, which produce the screeching sound in a violin, which has nearly all of them, but the telharmonium has them all so that the tones are purer than those of any other instrument and any sound of any quality and volume desired can be produced by it.

This is done by having a number of dynamos running at different speeds and by means of stops operated by a double row key board like that of an organ the circuit of the alternator is closed, furnishing the different tones as desired. Then by means of tone mixers which the currents pass through, a current of one frequency not only produces a fundamental tone but also the harmonics of another tone of a current of different frequency. Tone mixing and control over the harmonics are the advantages which the telharmonium has over other instruments. It surpasses all previous instruments in the control of expression.

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HIGH JINKS ON THE TRACK

Once again this week Idaho meets her ancient rival, W. S. C., on the track and field. Last year we suffered defeat at the hands of the college across the line. With her team strengthened by the services of Coach Vander Veer, Idaho expects to defend the yellow and white to the extent of winning a victory. In spite of the loss of her famous point winner, Murphy, Idaho goes into the contest with a fighting spirit that will win the meet or know a good reason for defeat. The meets with W. S. C. are always contests where college spirit reaches its highest pitch. As in former years, well-

nigh all of the student body of Idaho will journey to Pullman with colors flying and yells splitting the air. Old Pullman town will be gay with hundreds who are on the one or the other side with heart and soul. It is a red-letter day in each year, and no student of either institution who has completely absorbed his alma mater's spirit will miss it.

The meet will be held either on Friday or on Saturday. Which of these days is settled on will be announced later. A special train will be run to Pullman. The round trip will be only 30 cents. Nobody can afford to stay away under such conditions.

SOPHS HAVE PICNIC

Class of 1908 Enjoys a Fine Trip to the Mountains a Few Miles North of Moscow.

Three Wagons Convey Merry-makers to Destination—Fine Grub, Fine Weather, Fine Time.

Saturday saw one of the most enjoyable informal social events of the year in the Sophomore picnic at the base of Moscow mountain, several miles north of town. Most all of the class went on the picnic, together with some of their girl friends, and everything, even the weather, assisted in making the event a pleasurable success.

The merry-makers started from town at 6 o'clock in three wagons. They reached the mountain at 7:30, when a big fire was built and everybody warmed himself. An impromptu baseball game was held in which Harvey Smith acted as umpire. He was mobbed three times and came near being hothanded by the girls. Another game followed to

The party then started the afternoon sports with an enthusiastic game of "work up" in the intervals between covert raids on the grub box a game of baseball was played, A. B.'s and B. S.'s against the engineers. In the first inning, arts-science's pitcher, lost his head, and let the engineers run in nine tallies. He warmed up, and shut them entirely out in the second, and was strongly supported by Ashby, who caught two sizzling flies. From this on the arts and science team played ball hard, and finally won by 14 to 12. Although Hopper umpired he was not ducked in the brook on account of his weight. Marv Hall and Frances Butterfield were brilliant score keepers.

The crowd then ate some more. Lieut. Steunenberg asserted that he had never eaten so much before in all his life. The drivers and the girls started a panic to go home, but were not successful. When it did at last come time to go, another two persons were lost, and could not be found. They returned barely in time not to be left behind. They would have been tossed, but unfortunately the blanket was already packed up. On the return trip jovial 'Cap' Clave lost his lady fair and was greatly distressed over the circumstance for a long time. Seven o'clock saw the wagons pull into Moscow, their occupants yelling vociferously to announce their arrival.

ENTRIES FROM 17 COLLEGES

Many Contestants to Appear in "Big Nine" Track Meet.

Chicago, May 8.—Entries for the intercollegiate conference track meet of the "big nine" colleges to be held on Northwestern field at Evanston, June 2, closed tonight with a total of 427. Seventeen colleges will be represented at the meet, which promises to eclipse anything before attempted by the "big nine" colleges. The University of Michigan leads the list with 59 athletes entered to take part in the various events, Wisconsin enters 46, Iowa 43, and Chicago 41. The other colleges which will be represented in the meet are: Universities of Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Drake, Purdue, Northwestern, Iowa State College, Beloit College, Oberlin College, Kenyon College, and Miami University.

Unless the University of Missouri adopts the freshmen rule the entries from this college will be thrown out. A telegram to this effect was sent to the faculty of the Missouri institution today.

New Catalogue.

Francis Jenkins, Registrar, has announced that he will receive bids up to May 14 for the printing of the University catalogue. The catalogue is to be much the same in style of cover, printing, etc., as the one last issued. Two thousand copies are to be issued. The announcement specifies that the book must be out by June 1, 1906.

BALL GAMES LOST

In a Fierce Battle With the Palouse Giants, the Varsity Comes Out Behind.

Lewiston Normal Wins, 4 to 3, But Idaho Nine Puts Up an Excellent Game.

In one of the prettiest games ever played in the Palouse country the giants of Palouse took the baseball game from the U. of I. team last Wednesday. Score 5 to 3. The school lads played a plucky game throughout and the much praised and overestimated Palousers found a rather disagreeable surprise awaiting them. Middleton pitched a peerless game, striking out nine of the "Giants" heavy hitters. Two pretty doubles in opportune stages of the game won hearty applause from the Palouse fans, who enjoy a good thing when they see it. Wyman distinguished himself in a most pleasing manner in the out field.

The Score.

Idaho 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 0—3
Palouse 1 0 0 1 0 0 8 0—5
Batters—Middleton and Numbers, Plummer and Kavanaugh, Umpire, Coupler. Time 1 hour and 20 minutes—Journal.

FOR SENIOR WEEK

The Schedule of Events for Commencement Week Has Been Completed

Noted Speakers Will Give Addresses—New Feature Will Be Production of Senior Play.

The various events marking the last week of this school year and the close of the stay of the class of 1906 at the University will be begun by the commencement exercises of the preparatory schools on Saturday evening, June 2. The following is the program as arranged at present: Reading, Marie Kirkwood; Class history, Florence Sprague; Salutatory, Clarence Edmundson; Class Prophecy, Clifford Edmundson; Oration, William Solibakke; Valedictory, Ludberg; musical selections, Guy Sigman, Lillian Clark, Gwendolyn McKv. The above is not, of course, the correct order.

On Sunday morning, Rev. William H. Fry of the First M. E. Church will preach the commencement sermon. The commencement concert will come on Monday evening. Prof. Van Pyk will sing. Mrs. Wilson Aull will probably render some pipe organ selections, and Miss Margaret

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U. OF I. VS. U. OF WASH.
BASEBALL, WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

Idaho's Team is steadily growing better. Witness these scores: Idaho, 1; W. S. C., 4; Palouse, 14; W. S. C., 2; Palouse, 5; Idaho, 3; Lewiston Normal, 2; Idaho, 9; Normal, 4; Idaho 3.

One thing will clinch this improvement: Student Support. Look to it that the team is given full backing in the game with U. of W.

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Calendar.

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" 16, " U. of W. Moscow
" 18, Track Meet, W. S. C. Pullman
" 12, Baseball, L. S. N. Moscow
" 25, " W. S. C. Moscow
" 30, Track Meet, Triangular Seattle

His duties as a member of the team to debate Utah have kept the editor so busy this week that the work of getting out the Argonaut has fallen to members of the staff.

In the debate council report printed last week, the entry "to Holman, expense to Missoula," should have read "to Hulme." The debate council paid the coach's fare from Moscow to Missoula.

The addition of Sol Turley to the reporting staff of the Argonaut as a result of industrious efforts for some weeks makes five who are now on the paper, besides the elective officers. There is still room for him who works. The kind that work without ceasing are the ones in demand. The Argonaut should take an advance step next year, and if it does, the editors must be supported by an indefatigable staff of news gatherers.

Be sure to be on deck for the track meet with Pullman next Friday. Everybody, in whatever condition, should journey to Pullman. In the words of the show man: Join the procession! The free show (admission only 35 cents) will begin immediately! Everybody see the performing athletes from Idaho in their spectacular stunt of beating Pullman! (The "spectacular" part will be true enough. The veracity of the rest of the sentence depends on you.)

This is a week of activity for Idaho in all departments. Its close will see an intercollegiate baseball game, an intercollegiate track meet, and an intercollegiate debate won or lost. For the defenders of Idaho's honor in the last named, as in the other events the students have the highest hopes. We wish Montandon and Price to know that we are supporting them to the tune of a victory at Salt Lake.

That baseball team of our's is coming up. After their performance at Palouse last week, we must be proud to own them. They were defeated again by Lewiston Normal, Saturday. But it was a close game and the small end of score bears with it no disgrace. A one-armed man could have counted on his fingers the varsity students who were present at the game. An indifferent handful of town "fans" com-

pleted the crowd. The crowd was ashamed of its size and the team might well have been thoroughly disheartened by it. What spurred our team to unusual work at Palouse? It was the unstinted cheer, of encouragement and approval from the Palouse bleachers when Idaho needed or deserved them. Rooting, loyalty, and Idaho spirit is requisite in baseball as elsewhere. Give the Idaho team any where near their just measure of support in the game with Washington this Wednesday, and they will return the favor in their playing. Send the U. of W. nine home to ask the U. of W. debaters how that ever happened on March 29.

Washington Downs Whitman.

Seattle, Wash., May 12.—Washington won the meet with Whitman today, taking 10 firsts to Whitman's four. The winners follow: One hundred yards, Smith, Washington, 10 4/5; half mile, Parker, Washington, 2:03 4/5; high jump, Smith, Washington, 5 feet 10 inches; pole vault, Harrison, Washington, 10 feet 2 inches; 220 yards, Cox, Whitman, 22 2/5 seconds; hammer throw, Dimick, Whitman, 115 feet 6 inches; high hurdles, Philbrook, Whitman, 18 seconds; 440 yards, Oldright, Whitman, 53 seconds; shot put, Riser, Washington, 39 feet 4 inches; mile run, Watson, Washington, 4:47; low hurdles, King, Washington, 27 3/5 seconds; discus throw, Dowly, Washington, 110 feet; Broad jump, Smith, Washington, 21 feet 8 inches; relay, Washington, first, time 3:40.—Spokesman-Review.

Railway to be Built.

Boise, May 12.—The Statesman has a special from Huntington, Ore., saying the contract for the construction of the Northwestern Railway from here to Riparia has been let to the Utah Construction company, the line to be completed by December 31, 1907.

Botany Class in the Mountains.

Saturday, at twelve thirty p. m., there was a merry class leaving the mussy laboratory where dried leaves and chemical orders made life unpleasant. At half past two o'clock this same band of studious botanists were in the midst of the green woods at the foot of Moscow Mountain inhaling with undecipherable pleasure the aromatic odor of cedar, fir, tamarack, and pine, and incidentally seeking a flower here and there. The party turned its various ways among rocks, shrubs, and hills, gathering the choicest of nature's blooms for the mussy old loft at the University. Incidentally the White Cross mine was traversed throughout its length for the edification of the members of the class.

At six thirty luncheon, consisting of coffee, lemonade, cake, cookies, and sherbet was served, by Miss Fogle and Mr. Montandon, and after a few preliminaries the evening journey homeward was begun. The rolling hills and broad extended fields re-echoed with all the popular songs until the most joyous of parties was delivered at the campus.

Annual Will Soon Appear.

A college annual fulfills several purposes. A college is judged by its student activities. An annual is the record of the year's

work in the various departments. It is a relic, a souvenir, and a history whose value increases more and more after one graduates and leaves the dear old college halls to battle his way through life.

This has been a very unfavorable year for our college annual. However, all difficulties have been overcome and within 10 days Vol. IV of the "Gem of the Mountains" will appear. Proof for most of the book was read during the past week. The balance of the cuts reached Spokane last Saturday. The management of the annual desires that all persons who have cuts in the annual settle for the same sometime this week.

Folk Threatened.

Jefferson City, Mo., May 10.—An infernal machine was found under Gov. Folk's window by a lawn mower yesterday afternoon. It was loaded with nitro-glycerine. No arrests have been made. Gov. Folk believes it is the work of a crank.

Decoration Day.

The morning exercises will occur at 10 o'clock at the city park. They will consist of songs, recitations, reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, and addresses by the Post Commander and by County Attorney W. E. Stillinger, orator of the day. There will be a picnic dinner at the park, after which the procession will form and march to the cemetery. There, there will be appropriate exercises, the decoration of the graves, and a salute fired by the University Cadets under the command of Lieut. Steunenberg.

Prof. Hulme At Boise.

Professor Hulme of the University made us his annual visit this week. We look forward to these visits with pleasure even though we know we do not always make an excellent showing. This time, by means of a stereopticon lecture, he took us on a journey through England, Scotland, and France.

It was a most enjoyable hour and we were sorry when Professor Hulme closed. We wish we might have heard him again, but are trying to satisfy ourselves with the thought that he will bring us something good next year.—Boise High School Courier.

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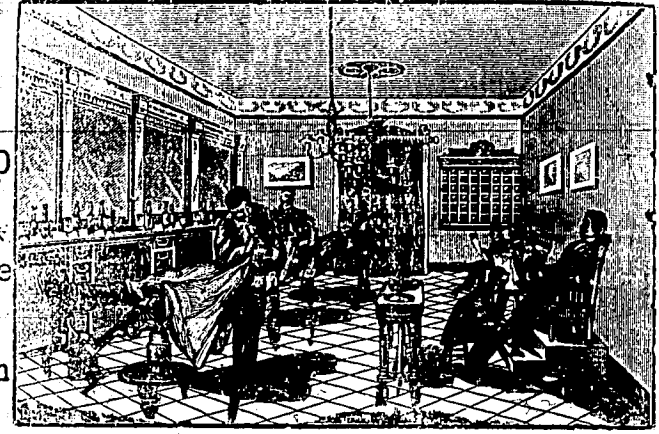
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Whitman defeated Washington at baseball, Saturday. Score 6 to 3.

More walls of the "Ad" building fell in the high wind of last Thursday.

Target shooting for the cadets is in full swing in the field back of the gym.

Walker Young's father came in last week after an extended eastern trip.

Miss Rose St. Clair has donated to the University an Eilers Piano certificate worth \$70.

Dr. Lewis and his botany class took a jaunt into the country in a hayrack, on Saturday.

Committees have been appointed to make all arrangements for the senior ball.

Prof. Cogswell made a trip to Spokane Saturday in the interests of the department of Music.

Neat black caps with the gold numerals, 1910, are adorning the heads of some of the third year preparatory students.

Merrill Yothers '07, was last Saturday unanimously elected assistant manager of the boys' boarding club for next year.

Wm. K. Roosevelt, '07, left for his home, Ackley, Iowa, last Thursday. He was called home on account of the serious illness of his sister.

Some of the Dormitory girls entertained friends there Friday night. Truth was the game of the evening and everyone had an enjoyable time.

Ben W. Oppenheim, '04, formerly editor of the Argonaut, now stenographer for U. S. District Judge Beatty, of Boise, is visiting in Moscow.

The seniors have petitioned the faculty to allow them to be excused a week early this semester and to give them their credits without examination.

Norman Adkinson, Editor-in-Chief of the 1907 "Gem of the Mountains," left for Spokane Monday to read the proof for the Annual, which is being printed in Spokane.

Saturday, Roy Eichelberger was re-elected manager of the boys co-operative boarding club, to serve for next year. This is a testimonial to the splendid way in which he has managed the club for the past year.

Miss Edna Grace Condon, who graduated from the music department here several years ago, and went to New Orleans after graduation was married on April 21 at St. Louis to Mr. Barttram Murray Kisch. They will make their home in Chicago.

Prof. Miles F. Reed has returned from his trip over the northern part of the state. He reports very favorably on our outlook for next year. He was very much impressed by the growth of the High Schools and says that many of them are adding another year to their course.

Enjoy Feed,

The members of the Y. M. O. A. held an infomal feed in place of the regular evening meal, in the basement of the M. E. church

last Tuesday. The object was to have a little jollification together and to talk over Association work for the future. Beans and pie and orange cider disappeared rapidly, after which toasts from various of those present enlivened the occasion.

HARVARD REPENTS.

Overseers Give Permission to Resume Football at the Cambridge U.

Boston, May 9.—Authority to resume football at Harvard was given this afternoon by a vote of the board of overseers, the decision to permit the game being, however, by no means unanimous. Nine of the twenty-four members, including President Charles W. Eliot, registered themselves as opposed to football.—Daily Pioneer Press.

Marco Catlin, the former Yale star athlete, has been engaged for a second year to coach the Iowa State University athletic teams.

The University of Minnesota will graduate a class of 525 next June, if some of them do not flunk out at the eleventh hour. The B. A.'s have 221 of the total, 65 per cent of them being girls. Of the rest 113 are from the law department.

Heyburn Ill.

Dispatches from Washington on Sunday conveyed the information to his Idaho constituents that Senator W. B. Heyburn was again seriously ill. It is a recurrence of his old trouble, appendicitis, with throat and stomach complications. This is the third attack during the present session of Congress. It is needless to say that his friends are much worried over his condition.

Grandstand Falls.

Peoria, Ill., May 4.—In the collapse of an amphitheatre at the Fulton county high school track meet at Astoria, Ill., today, two young people were dangerously injured and fifteen others suffered serious bruises and broken limbs. Three thousand people had massed into the frail structure, which collapsed under the unusual weight.

Fired First Shot at Manila.

New York, May 8.—Consumption, due to illness contracted in the Philippines, caused the death in a local hospital for consumptives, of Nicholas D. Moylan, who laid claim to the distinction of having fired the first shot in the engagement of Admiral Dewey's famous squadron in Manila bay, which ended in the destruction of the Spanish fleet.

Drilling Contests, May 26.

Entries are open for the drilling contest on "Miners Field Day" the 26th. There will be two events of fifteen minutes each double-handed drilling with 8 pound hammers and single handed drilling with 3 1/2 pound hammers. The committee in charge desires to find out as soon as possible how many are going to enter so that tools may be provided for all. This is something new and promises to be an interesting contest.

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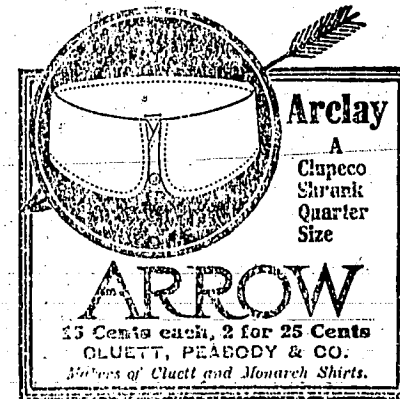
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ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Oregon, Washington and Idaho compete for Honors, in Moscow, June 1.

Idaho is this year to compete at home in the Interstate Oratorical contest with the Universities of Oregon and Washington. The contest will be held probably in the Methodist church, on May 29 or 31.

For Idaho, James W. Galloway, '06, will deliver an oration on "Millet, the Peasant Painter." Those who heard him in the Watkins Contest have confidence in his ability to capture high honors for his university in the greater competition. Martin Musser, of the University of Washington will speak on "Men of Destiny." The Oregon competitor is not yet known. Mr. Hamilton W. Mabie, Assistant editor of the Outlook; Prof. Thomas W. Nadal, of Olivet College, Mich., and Pres. Thomas McClelland of Knox College, will judge the manuscripts. The judges on delivery are not yet determined.

In former contests Idaho has taken second rate honors. With the elimination of the Inland Empire Oratorical League, of Whitman, W.S. C. and Montana, it is believed Idaho will do better work in oratory, and those interested are hoping earnestly for first place for Idaho in the coming contest.

The King County (Wash.) Bar Association gives \$100 in prizes. Of this, \$75 goes to the competitor who wins first, and \$25 to the winner of second place.

AFTER UTAH'S SCALP.

Price and Montandon Will Leave for Salt Lake this Week.

On Friday next Idaho will hold her last intercollegiate debate of the year, when Victor E. Price, '06, and Charles A. Montandon, '06, meet the University of Utah at Salt Lake City. They are going against Utah with the expectation of having a hard fight for victory. The question is that debated with Washington State College last year, but there is one important modification and Idaho has a different side, the negative. It reads thus, "Resolved, That laws should be passed compelling the management of any business undertaking that secures control of an industry to sell its products at reasonable prices and without discrimination." The negative is allowed to offer no alternatives, and the constitutionality of the proposition is not to be questioned.

Montandon and Price have been hard at work on this question and will put up a strong fight. They will meet George Hedger and Harold Stephens for Utah. The debate is to be held in one of the large theatres of Salt Lake. Ike Alexander, the Utah manager, is expected to secure a mammoth audience to listen to the debate.

FOR SENIOR WEEK.

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Lauder, a this year's graduate of the Music Department, will play.

Senior class day exercises come Tuesday afternoon. Charles Montandon will deliver the class oration. On the same afternoon G. A. R. exercises will be held. That evening the University oration will be delivered by Hon. J. F. Ailshie of the Idaho Supreme Court.

The conclusion of all these ceremonies will be on Wednesday. That morning the seniors will be granted their diplomas and the commencement address will be delivered. For this, Rabbi Stephen L. Wise, of Portland, will in all probability be secured. Rabbi Wise is a graduate of Columbia University in the class of 1892. He received his Ph.D. from Columbia in 1901.

He delivered an exceedingly valuable address here during commencement week, three years ago. Wednesday afternoon will occur the annual alumni banquet, and the annual reception to the graduating class will be held Wednesday evening.

The senior ball is to be held the evening of June 1, and the class play will come some time in the week. They are as yet unsettled as to date. All other exercises will probably be in the M. E. Church.

TALK BY SHELDON.

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There is no noise made at the instrument and the one who is operating the keys hears no noise unless he attaches a telephone receiver to the wire as any one else would do for it is the vibrations set up on the metallic disc of the receiver which converts the current into sound.

The first machine is now at Holyoke, Mass., the home of the inventors, Dr. Thaddeus Cahill and his two brothers who have been working on it for a decade. It consists of 145 dynamos, 2000 switches, thousands of controlling devices, etc., and is 60 feet long, constructed of 18 inch steel girders, weighs 200 tons and cost \$200,000.

Companies have been organized to install them in several of the large cities of the country, one of them at Seattle, so Prof. Sheldon left us the hope in closing, that we may have an opportunity to connect with it and hear it over long distance.

The exercises were closed by a piano solo by Miss Esther Larson.

Presentation of Cannon.

The presentation of the cannon belonging to Major Anderson Post to the University will be made on the campus on June 5th. The Post has chosen Col. R. H. Barton to make the presentation address.—Evening Journal.

This is the cannon over which

there has been so much discussion in the papers as to whether it had or had not been given to the University. It seems that its fate has been settled at last.

In Honor of Lewiston.

Some of the University students put their heads and purses together last Saturday and gave a reception and ball for their friends from Lewiston at the Club house. The Normal baseball team was already here and the victorious High School track team and its supporters came in on the evening train from Pullman. A thoroughly good time was enjoyed by everybody.

Webs Meet.

An enthusiastic bunch of Websterians gathered at the Gymnasium Friday evening. The program consisted of a debate on the question "Resolved, That Idaho can and will win the W. S. C. track meet," and of a speech by Charles Kincaid on "The Feelings of a Barnstormer." It is needless to say which way the debate was decided. The Barnstormer speech was very brief but highly interesting. A committee was appointed to confer with the Amphictyons and arrange for holding the Heyburn debate. The debate will be held under difficulties this year but neither society desires not to have it.

Amphictyons.

Madam Marie Camille Moissan won her sensational \$10,000 breach-of-promise suit in the Amphictyon Society last Friday evening. A large crowd was present and all of the time was given up to the trial, no other business being transacted.

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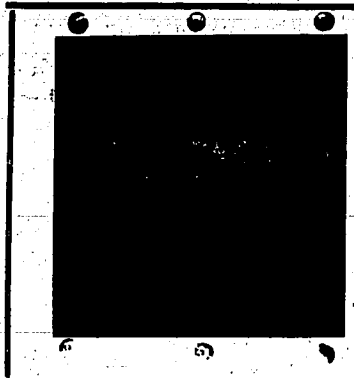
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