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BASKETBALL SEASON CLOSES

Oregon Takes Brilliant Game Before Enthusiastic Crowd

Extra Time is Required to Settle the Issue--Young a Star

The last game of the home schedule of basketball was played in the gymnasium last Tuesday. The University of Oregon quintet was the opponent and succeeded in trouncing the Varsity in the best contest of the season.

Two games were to have been played with the Oregon team, the first on Monday. The visitors, however, were delayed at Pendleton and did not reach Moscow until 9:30. The game had been scheduled to begin at 7 p. m. When it was learned that Oregon could not reach this city in time, the Preps and second team played an exhibition game. The contest was close and exciting but the second team finally won out by a score of 27 to 25.

The game on Tuesday evening was a brilliant one. As usual Idaho outplayed the visitors in the first half and lost the game in the second. Oregon was slightly handicapped by the floor but put up an excellent game, nevertheless.

At the close of the second half the score was tied, 13-13. Under the rules the game is continued until one side scores two points. It was fully seven minutes before these points were scored. In that seven minutes the most spectacular basketball ever seen at Moscow was played; both sides played like demons and time after time the Idaho forwards would shoot for the baskets, the ball would roll around the rim and out again, and the frenzied crowd would groan. Finally one of Oregon's guards came chasing down the field and dropped the ball in the basket for the winning goal.

For Oregon Charmon at guard played the best game. He repeatedly came down the field and threw for baskets. Loosely, the Oregon center, standing six feet five, was excellent on passing but a little slow on floor work. Moore played a fast game at forward.

Idaho's star was Young. Young threw two goals in the first half and was death on fouls. He had five free throws during the game and did not miss one. Montgomery played a great game against the Oregon giant and is entitled to praise for his fast work. Stricklin guarded the speedy Moore faultlessly, while VanScoy, Oregon's star forward couldn't get a basket off Clifford Edmundson. Case was sick and was forced to leave the game a time or two but pluckily played it out. He was a little erratic at goal throwing but did land one by a brilliant throw from the center of the field.

Mayberry Davis of W. S. C. refereed while Murphy of Oregon umpired. Both officials did excellent work.

The game was rather rough and resulted in many hard falls for the participants. Oregon played an exceptionally clean game.

Lineup:
Oregon Idaho
Loosely c Montgomery
Moore f Young
VanScoy f Case

Watson g Stricklin
Charmon g Edmundson
After the game an informal reception for the Oregon boys was held in the gymnasium. This is the first time that Idaho and Oregon have met in basket ball and we hope it will be an annual affair. We now meet our sister state university in football, basket ball, baseball, track and debate.

ANNUAL OFFICERS CHOSEN

The Class of 1910 Elect Officers For Their Gem of the Mountains

The Sophomore class had a meeting on February eleventh and transacted some important business.

First the class officers were elected as follows: Ernest Griner, president; Mary Belle Meldrum, secretary; Mike Leonard, vice-president; Frank Stewart, treasurer; and Albert Jessup, sergeant at arms. All were elected unanimously.

After this the annual officers were elected. Paul Savage was the unanimous choice for editor-in-chief and the class of 1910 are to be congratulated in having such an able man to fill this important position. Although a student in the engineering department of the University he has always taken an active interest in literary work and will no doubt, with his staff make the 1910 annual something for Idaho to be proud of. Frank P. Stewart was elected associate editor and Lee Fluharty, who was class treasurer last semester, was chosen business manager. That Fluharty is a man of unquestionable integrity and good business methods is shown by the way in which he successfully managed the class finances last semester. Ernest Griner was elected assistant business manager and in case Fluharty succumbs to the strain we feel that Griner will manage the annual successfully. The literary department will be in the hands of Jennie Gerhardt with Edith Keyes for an assistant. Both are stars in their English classes and their stories and poems have more than once appeared in the Argonaut and in the 1908 annual. Elsie Larson, Idaho's natural artist, who drew most of the beautiful pictures of the 1908 annual, was chosen art editor. The class left her the privilege of choosing her own assistants. Clarence Edmundson, our long distance runner and also a literary student of ability and an earnest worker of his class, was elected athletic editor. There were several worthy aspirants for the position of joke editor but Chauncy Smith won by a large majority. Lillian Clark, was elected society editor. Last, but the most important of all, was the election of class photographer. That honor fell to Albert Jessup of kodak fame.

Nearly all of the elections were unanimous. The race, however, which Mike Leonard made for the position of society editor, should not be passed by without comment. If he had had more ballots he would undoubtedly have been elected.

Higher Criticism

Professor Morley addressed the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon on the subject, "Higher Criticism." He gave a clear, concise, and thoroughly impartial exposition of the rise and de-

velopment of the critical school in religion and of the work it has attempted to accomplish.

This school undertook the study of the Bible as history and literature with a view to the examination of genuineness and credibility of its contents. Applying first to two divisions of the school, the conservative or constructive critics, and the radical or destructive critics the name has come to be understood in connection with the latter. While the two schools have worked on common grounds, using the historical method, granting a progressive revelation through time, and granting there have been various revisions, editings, and translations, yet they have arrived at totally different conclusions. The radical school has divided the scriptures into three or four different narratives which they have separated, each of which tells its own story. They have thus been able to discover many contradictions and errors of statement in parallel accounts, by which means they prove the narrative unreliable. This has given a great impetus to Bible study, which while confirming the faith of many has also shaken the faith of many.

Up till 1753 the reliability of the narrative had never been questioned. In this year a French physician assumed from the interchange of the different names for God in the books of Moses that the account must have been compiled from different manuscripts. With this as a working hypothesis the destructive critics set to work on the first six books of the Bible. They found from the many necessary repetitions, from the frequent discrepancies and various inconsistencies, from the want of continuity in the order of the narrative, and from differences in the style, that these books were composite and were not the work of any one author. Thence they originated three theories as to the composition of the Hexateuch, as they named these six books: (1) that it was a conglomeration handed down from many stories; (2) that it was an expansion of a definite tradition, and (3) that it was a stratification of documents written at different times and brought together. The last was the most generally accepted theory and internal evidence was found of three codes from which this stratification was made; the covenant, the deuteronomic and the levitical or priestly. The deuteronomic code is hortatory, gentle, pleading; the levitical code characterized by a love of ceremonial law, a fondness for statistical detail, such as genealogies, and a tendency toward symmetry and similarity of detail; the covenant code forms a more or less connected account.

This theory by its plausibility has tended toward a destruction of faith, and has brought egoism, said Professor Morley in his criticism, while many of the facts do not warrant the interpretation put on them to accomplish the end sought. "By their fruits, ye shall know them," and thence comes the failure of destructive criticism. Conservative criticism tends toward faith and evangelization and the tendency of religious thought today is toward the latter.

Nora Maruer who has been visiting in Spokane during the past week is again in her classes.

NEWS OF THE COLLEGES

President Tucker of Dartmouth Inaugurates Reforms

President Tucker, of Dartmouth College, has taken a decided step in ridding his college of professionalism in athletics. The President of Dartmouth believes that it is sufficient honor for the student to represent the college in athletics without receiving pay for it. He believes that any student receiving any compensation for work in Athletics is a disgrace to the team that he is a member of. All students who have received any form of pay are debarred from representing the school in any intercollegiate contest. Men were debarred who played on summer baseball nines. This is the first Eastern college president who has had the courage to take a decided stand against Athletic professionalism. Many of the Eastern educators have talked against professionalism but Pres. Tucker is the first to put his beliefs in execution.

President Eliot of Harvard, at a recent dinner of the New Hampshire Harvard Club, denied the statement that Harvard was a rich man's college and said that one-fourth of the students were so poor that they had to be helped to get through college.

Yellow journalism has been reduced to a minimum at Princeton by the organization of a Press Club, the members of which body verify reports going out about the university.

Three "stunt" men who recently appeared in a comedy at Stanford University refused an offer of \$300 a week on the vaudeville circuit.

Columbia, Harvard, Princeton and Yale have issued a challenge for the annual chess matches with Oxford and Cambridge.

Install Machinery

The entire consignment of machinery for the new mining building has arrived and the Junior and Senior miners are busy installing it in the metallurgical building. The machinery was designed and constructed by the Allis-Chalmers Company of Chicago.

The whole mill will be built by the mining students and they will also install every piece of machinery. When completed there will be installed a complete concentrator, including card table, wilfley, and Frue vanner, a two stamp mill; sampling works; cyanide plant; and smelter. The miners are now putting in the stamp battery foundation and the concrete for a large gyratory Gates crusher. One large motor has already been installed by which the machinery will be driven, and another will be put in place soon.

The senior miners have all selected thesis subjects and most of them have selected some phase of metallurgical investigation. This work will fit in with the course in mill construction and the seniors have an opportunity to become acquainted with this line of work that is rarely enjoyed.

The preparatory students were hosts at a dance given at the skating rink on Washington and Third streets Friday night, after the basket ball game between the prep teams of Idaho and Washington State College.

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WHERE ARE THE REPORTS?

At the meeting of the executive committee of the A. S. U. I. last week, attention was called to the tardiness with which financial reports are forthcoming from the three departments of the Associated Students. There is a regulation of the A. S. U. I. constitution which requires reports every three months. Perhaps this is hardly practicable, but certainly there should be one or two complete statements during the year as to the condition of the student treasury. Every student is interested in the matter to the extent of four dollars yearly, and all have a right to know what is done with the money. The present haphazard methods in this particular are very undesirable. It would be a commendable reform if every manager would get the habit of making a complete financial statement to the executive committee immediately after the close of the season over which he has charge. If, in addition to this, the organizations benefiting from A. S. U. I. funds should make regular and complete financial statements, it would be possible at least twice a year to publish in the columns of the Argonaut a full showing of the exact status of the Associated Students treasury.

O. A. C. IN LINE

The editor and business manager of the O. A. C. Barometer were recently voted salaries of \$100 and 50 respectively. The Barometer is a weekly paper publishing about the same amount of news as the Argonaut. The action of the O. A. C. student body in voting to recompense the business manager of the student weekly is in line with the similar move made last spring by the A. S. U. I. It is likely that O. A. C. will find by experience that the step is a just and expedient one. A salary of \$50 for a year's work in the business management of a college paper is not at all extravagant—it is so small, in fact, that the business manager earns it all and then has a good part of the year left in which to do his work purely for the sake of his college's welfare. But ye poor editor is still left out in the cold. No claim has ever been advanced for money compensation for the work of this position. Surely it is reasonable though to suggest that college credits should be given the editor who spends the better part of two days every week in getting out the college paper. Next year some definite effort should be made to prevail upon the faculty to give two or three credits, at least, for a year's work on the Argonaut.

THE ARGONAUT is determined to bring the students from their lethargy even if it is compelled to resort to a torpedo in order to do so. To some men it may seem foolhardy for them to try for the track team and their only argument is, that there are better men in sight. If every one were so easily baffled we never would have a track team. There is scarcely a man on

Comparative table showing the statistics of the University of Idaho and of the universities of the six contiguous states.

| | IDAHO | NEVADA | WASHINGTON | UTAH | OREGON | MONTANA | WYOMING |
|--|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Income for maintenance..... | \$99,639.00 | \$100,500.00 | \$160,000.00 | \$126,942.00 | \$58,500.00 | \$74,800.00 | \$88,534.00 |
| Total enrollment of students..... | 488 | 343 | 1,132 | 1,008 | 696 | 383 | 264 |
| Enrollment in Liberal Arts..... | 117 | 46 | 667 | 100 | 298 | 140 | 30 |
| Enrollment in Engineering..... | 118 | 71 | 252 | 157 | 97 | 50 | 34 |
| Enrollment in Preparatory..... | 179 | 104 | 0 | 442 | 0 | 112 | 45 |
| Total teaching force..... | 40 | 27 | 66 | No report | 87 | 26 | 25 |
| Annual salary of full professor..... | \$1,800.00 | \$2,400.00 | \$2,100.00 | \$2,200.00 | \$2,900.00 | \$2,100.00 | \$1,900.00 |
| Total state aid to institution since foundation..... | \$637,478.99 | \$1,450,000.00 | \$2,680,000.00 | No report | No report | \$681,390.00 | No report |
| Value grounds and buildings..... | \$300,000.00 | \$297,770.00 | \$750,000.00 | \$590,700.00 | \$305,000.00 | \$260,000.00 | \$230,000.00 |
| Value of equipment..... | \$70,758.00 | \$107,962.00 | \$246,020.00 | \$128,965.00 | \$50,000.00 | \$100,000.00 | \$135,756.00 |

The figures in the Idaho column are for the calendar year 1907; those for other institutions are for the scholastic year ending June 1907.

Some statistical tables are dry as powder, some are as interesting as fiction; and some are fiction. The above comparison of the northwestern universities is not fiction, and for any high school or collegiate student of Idaho they should prove thoroughly interesting.

Studying the attendance column for instance, Idaho stands exactly at the middle, Washington, Utah and Oregon having more students, Montana, Nevada and Wyoming fewer. But looking closer the table shows that for all the 1000 enrollment, Idaho and Montana both have more students in the regular arts and sciences college course than does the University of Utah. This work is taken by one-tenth of the students in Utah; at the same time the preparatory students there number 442, or four and a half times the liberal arts roll and over one-third of the total roll.

the team now who made the team the first season. The freshman is indeed an exception who wins a first place on his initial attempt. Track stars are not made in one season. To be a star in the cinders means several seasons of patient, consistent training. There is not a student in college who would not be well repaid for the time he spent trying for the team, even though he never won a point. Nothing is so thoroughly conducive to rosy cheeks, a manly physique and a clear brain as track work.

Another fact that must not be overlooked. Smith, Fawcett, and Edmundson will put in their last spring for Idaho this year. The conference rules will take all these stars from intercollegiate competition. Who will take their places? You can if you will. Now is the time to help Idaho. Now is the time to help yourself. Come out and run seconds and thirds for Idaho this year and firsts next year. A mass meeting of men students will be held during the coming week to scare up some interest in spring athletics. Watch for the hour! Let every one come to this meeting, and come prepared to sacrifice, talk, and work for Idaho and for victory.

Notice.

An unusual amount of other work makes it impossible for the editor to give to the Argonaut the time which it demands, for the next four or five issues, and the associate editor is similarly situated. Till the triangular debates are over, therefore, T. E. Hunter has consented to assume responsibility for the paper, and will be the acting editor.

Guy Holman.

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Nevada also has a heavy prep department. Utah offers no report of instructors, but in Wyoming a majority of the teaching force is connected with the preparatory department, and in Nevada about two-fifths of the faculty. The schools with small liberal arts enrollment as a rule have a large enrollment in "special courses," also Washington and Oregon have no prep department and have strong enrollment in the liberal arts departments. All the schools in this group have strong mining and engineering departments.

If a comparison of the faculties be made, Oregon is the most heavily manned, having one teacher to every eight taught. Idaho's ratio is one to eleven. The ratio for the whole group, omitting Utah for want of data, is twelve. In the complete report of the Bureau of Education covering eighty-two state institutions the proportion is

one instructor for every fifteen two-thirds pupils. Where university work is done this is not unusual nor extravagant; and the heavy list of instructors in Oregon is accounted for by the professional schools connected with her university.

In value of grounds and buildings Idaho keeps her old place at the exact center of the list, the same schools above and below again. Investigating the question of annual income for maintenance and that of equipment we find that Idaho and Oregon have not received as liberally from the public treasury as have their sister schools.

But first and last, the showing of Idaho is one that every student can be well proud of; while he keeps in his mind this additional encouragement that his alma mater is forging ahead and in a few years will be nearer the column than today

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Miss Ruth Broman spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Troy.

Ray Price, a former Idaho student now attending W. S. C. was in Moscow Friday.

Miss Eva Anderson visited at her home in Potlatch over Saturday and Sunday.

Eva Anderson visited at her home in Palouse, Wash., from Friday until Monday.

Miss Susie Thomas and Ethel Bennet were among those who heard Paderewski in Spokane last Wednesday evening.

The executive committee of the A. S. U. I. held a meeting last Tuesday for making appropriations from the funds for the various departments of the associated students.

A. P. Peterson, '02, is visiting in Moscow during an enforced vacation occasioned by an epidemic of scarlet fever at Genesee, where he is principal of the high school.

High School Debates

It is gratifying to note the interest in debate taken by some of the high schools in the southern part of state. In speaking of the recent Weiser-Payette debate the Weiser Signal has this to say:

"Taking all in all, this debate was both highly interesting and instructive. It is our individual belief that many of the so called statesmen who discuss the same question in the chambers of congress, are not as well informed on the question at issue as are these six young students of the Weiser and Payette high schools. Not only that, but all the students in debate work in each school have gained in their course of preparation such stores of practical knowledge covering a vital economic problem, as will stand them in good stead in their exercise of the prerogatives pertaining to American citizenship."

And in writing to Professor Hulme about the Boise-Caldwell debate Dr. Boone of the College of Idaho says: "We shall always feel ourselves indebted to you for initiating this debate work in southern Idaho. It surely has borne good fruit from an educational standpoint."

But there is much to do yet. Idaho is very far behind the neighboring states in this line of work. Oregon and Washington greatly excel us in the work of organizing inter-scholastic debate, and strange as it may seem, so does Montana. All three of our sister state universities appropriate funds for carrying on this work. In Oregon, Washington and Montana all kinds of inter-scholastic meets in athletics and debate are systematically fostered by the universities. But thus far Idaho has done nothing beyond the beginning of debate work in half a dozen high schools. Is it not high time to ask the question: What is the matter with Idaho?

"Mine He No Good"

By Henry Smith, 1910

"Six hundred!" The cage tender cried sharply to the few loitering miners who seemed reluctant to leave the bright summer shun shine to begin their "shift" in the mine. The system of letting the men down to work was to lower the "nine hundred level" men first, those who worked upon the six hundred level next, and if any were detailed to repair the timbers of "the hundred level" they were the last to enter the mine.

On this occasion two lumbermen had been ordered by the "shifter" to work on the "three hundred foot level" replacing some of the rotten timbers that were threatening to give way. "We work three hundred" said one of the men. He was a heavy, powerfully built, fellow of medium height and age. His oval face, his blue eyes and blond hair, his slow and broken speech served to identify him as being of Scandinavian descent. He was known throughout the mine as "Otto the big Miner." The other man who followed close behind him and carried several of the tools of the craft was slightly taller than Otto but of somewhat lighter build. His hair was of a brown, straw color, while his face could never win a prize for its beauty against very strong competition in a county fair. His nationality was a debated point among some of the miners. Several of them thought he was a Swede, others thought his tall lank form could have been grown only in Missouri or Arkansas, some believed him to be a Dutchman, a few guessed him to be Irish, while he himself would have probably admitted that he was a Palouser and had some vague idea of graduating from college some time. He would come to any one calling "Otto's pardner."

These two men descended on the last cage. When they reached the "three hundred station" they stepped from the hoist, released the cage by pulling a cord, and started to look for the trouble. They tramped along the musty unused tunnel, pausing now and then to prod some post or cross-piece with their candle stick. Some times the stick would sink nearly through a post, showing how rotten and unsafe the timbers in that part of the mine really were. "Timber he no good here" muttered Otto. "It certainly does look like she might come in any time" agreed his companion.

A half hour later they had finished the inspection and were preparing to remove a splintered post that seemed to be barely holding up a huge mass of loose rock. This was a very difficult task, for they did not know exactly how much prying and tampering would bring down the post and block the tunnel or possibly cover them under a few tons of stone.

Otto told his partner to clear away some of the rubbish while he himself would go and look for a suitable timber to replace the old one. With the very first shovelfull some of the loose rock came tumbling down. This caused him to jump back. He then gave the place a careful inspection and decided it was safe enough begun work again. A few minutes later a small stone fell suddenly upon his candle stick, knocking it down and leaving him in inky blackness. Now when anyone's without a light in a mine he is at a decided disadvantage. Anything might happen. In this case the post seemed to take a malicious interest in the situation for before Otto's partner could as much as think which pocket contained his match box there was a crash and a roar as the old timber gave way. The man felt himself thrown forcibly into the slimy oze of the tunnel and

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Mrs. Young returned from Spokane Thursday, where she chaperoned the young ladies of the University who attended the concert by Paderewski.

"Mine He No Good"

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felt a large boulder fall upon his leg and then rebounding hold it with a vise like grip wedged in between two other stones. He wished heartily for the resourceful Otto. He yelled with all of the force he could put in to the sound. The other timbers around him kept cracking in a terrifying way. A little farther down the tunnel toward the shaft he thought he heard another cave in. Alone in total darkness, pressed down in the mud with several numbed spots that might be broken bones; expecting the groaning timbers to give away and bury him under tons of stone at any moment, and believing that his escape was effectually barred from any human aid, he despaired of ever seeing the sunlight again.

More rock kept falling. The snapping of the timber became louder. A rock of considerable size rolled down from the pile and struck him on the head. Among the many beautiful fire works which he beheld one seemed to grow brighter. "I am dying at last" he thought, "It is growing brighter. Spirits can see in the dark I guess." He then seemed to lose interest in the falling rock and began thinking of other things. The rock must have crazed him for he wondered dimly if his spirit would have to climb out of the mine up the slippery unsafe ladders or if it could slip into the cage and steal a ride out.

His reverie was broken by Otto's voice saying "Mine he all come in soon. I see if I can lift rock, you crawl out." Otto's mighty muscles come in beautifully when it comes to lifting. This time he seized the large boulder that lay across his partner's legs and although it was nearly as large as a dining room table he lifted it so that it could be blocked up. Then he drew his partner out and hurried away just as some of the remaining timbers gave way and blocked up the tunnel.

It seemed that he had only started back to work when he heard the crash and returned quickly, his partner did not really hear another "cave in" but probably thought he heard a strange noise when the boulder hit him on the head.

After they were in safety and found

no bones broken, Otto muttered, "Mine he no good, timber he bad" and then he began to swear in Finnish for he could not speak English fluently enough to suit the occasion.

Resolution

Whereas, it has pleased God in his all-wise providence to remove from our midst the mother of Harry, Charles, Mabelle and Lila Johnson, fellow students of ours,

Be it resolved that we, the students of the Preparatory Department of the University of Idaho, extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be published in the University Argonaut and a copy of the same presented to them.

Wilfred Herrington, '08 was prevented by illness from attending classes Friday.

Mrs. Mary E. Young was in Spokane last week to hear the Paderewski concert.

A typographical oversight was the cause last week of omitting to give the name of the author of the story, "New Year's Calls." It was the work of Nina Stewart '10.

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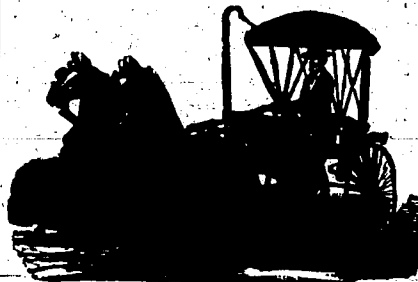
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