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## NORTHWEST COLLEGIATE BASEBALL CONFERENCE

On last Saturday afternoon the Northwest Collegiate Baseball Conference was organized by representatives from each of the conference colleges. A large amount of business was transacted, and it is believed that the measures taken will put baseball among the colleges of the Northwest on a sound financial basis, and on a basis that will attract the attention of all lovers of the national game in a way never before realized by collegiate baseball enthusiasts.

Mr. Angell of the Oregon Agricultural College was elected president of the conference, and Mr. Savidge of the University of Idaho was elected secretary and official scorer.

From a glance at the schedule it will be seen that every college in the conference meets every other college in at least two games, and in most cases four games. The championship of the conference is to be decided upon a percentage basis and the standing of the respective teams published in the Northwest papers every day. The Portland, Spokane and Seattle papers have asked that this information be sent them at their expense every day for after the season opens there will be a conference game between some two colleges in the Northwest every day with some few exceptions.

At the close of each conference game the official score of that game is to be sent to the official scorer, and from these score sheets the batting and fielding average of each player and of each team is to be computed daily and published weekly in the respective college papers, and every two weeks in the papers of the Northwest.

The team winning the championship of the conference is to be presented by the conference, through the kindness of the A. J. Reach Co., with a silver cup, suitably engraved. The cup is a magnificent trophy, and stands 12 inches high, and belongs to the team that wins it, a new cup being offered each year.

It was further recommended by the conference that no college play any but Northwest Conference teams, for it was believed that with a schedule of 16 games no further time could be found without injury to college work.

The Idaho management has a plan under way for selling a sea-

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THE University of Idaho Club of Boise will give a Reception and Dance to all former and present students of the University, the University Faculty and Graduating Class of the Boise High School, at the Auditorium, on the evening of December 30th. All members of the University, past and present, who can be at Boise on that date are urged to attend. There will be refreshments, a fine orchestra, and much college spirit.

## The Wrath of the Youthful.

Being a Fable.

And it came to pass in those days that a great uproar and much strife did stir up the souls of men. And they were parted and divided man from man as the gods saw fit. And it was that the young men, the flowing-haired, did run about with much wagging, and did speak one to the other, saying: "Are not we much wiser and far better than the old gray-heads, the limping, who desire without ceasing that we do reverence unto them?" And their babbling did ascend even unto high Olympus, where sits Zeus, the aegis-bearing, on his shining throne, and about him sit the gods and goddesses in solemn assembly. And Zeus gat him up in great wrath and did enkindle Rumor, the sly one, saying: "Go forth, oh thou of the loose tongue, and speak this word to the aged sires, the wise, that they may judge these young knaves." And Rumor was not disobedient to the command of Zeus, the father of all, but did get him hence and came down unto the dwellings of mortal men, and did speak winged words into the ears of the sages as they spake one with the other on the house-tops.

Now it so happened that there was called a great assembly, and to the assembly were gathered the old men. And there rose up among them the mighty leader, and he opened his mouth and spake after this manner, saying: "Whence hear we this great wagging and babbling among the young men? Shall we who have been masters aforesaid consent thereto that the foolish youths shall be proud and haughty? Verily, verily, it seemeth not good that it should be so. Let us bring upon them an heavy yoke, that in their foolishness they may not forget us, their betters. Let us make unto them a small green cap with a large white button thereon, and cause that each youth shall wear it upon his left ear, that it shall be a token from

generation unto generation. And let there go forth a decree throughout all the world that he who, in his stubbornness, shall not submit thereto shall feel about him the cold and muddy waters of the river Paradise, which floweth even from its source in the land of Joel unto its end in the country of the Pullmanites." And the saying pleased all of the leaders, and it was so decided, and the decree went forth among the young men.

And it came to pass that when the saying was spread abroad, the youths did rush together in a great wrath. And the smoke of their wrath did wax mighty and did ascend unto high Olympus, so that the everlasting gods did smell thereof. And the youths did all speak at once with a great uproar, and the clamor did fill all the hills and valleys. One gallant youth did belch forth thunder and lightning, and another did open his mouth and did cry with a loud voice: "Give me liberty or give me—my thirty-eight!" But as the time did wax old it came to pass that their anger did cool, and they did speak and take counsel, saying: "Even we shall pass soon from this stage of silly youth, and shall be numbered likewise among the old men, the silver-haired. That day shall it give us great rejoicing to oppress and rebuke the youth. Therefore, it doth so much the more behoove us to submit and to bow our heads to the decrees which the gods have caused to be commanded from high Olympus, that we may gain favor and become wise old men the sooner." And this saying pleased them, every one, and they went forth on their way rejoicing and singing praises.

The Misses Moore, Caldwell, French and Sweet were hostesses at two very pretty dancing parties given last Friday and Saturday evenings, complimentary to Alpha Delta Pi and Beta Sigma. Each party was a great success and highly enjoyed by all.

## TRANSACTIONS OF ASSOCIATED MINERS

Speech of Francis Jenkins.

Francis Jenkins, who is well known as an operator and engineer in the mining industry in the West, addressed the Associated Miners last night at their regular meeting in the Metallurgical building. Mr. Jenkins said in part:

"You are to be congratulated upon your organization and upon the fact that you have a man at the head of the mining department here who has had a thorough training and wide experience in mining. The experience of others is always a valuable asset to possess. You may learn all there is in a textbook about a subject, and still have a lot to learn when you come up against the actual hard knocks in the field. For this reason the talks that you will hear from time to time by practical men, you will find most valuable.

"The all-important question that looms up to each man when he graduates is, What shall I do? You can't expect to get a job as manager of a mine on the start. You will be lucky to get a position as manager of a wheelbarrow. I want to impress upon you that you are going to get just what you prepare yourself for. When you ask a superintendent for a job he will ask you, 'What can you do?' You may say, 'I was a pretty good baseball player; I made the football team for three years.' The superintendent is very apt to say, 'We are looking for just such men as you. We need some strong men; you will make a good mucker.' If you tell the superintendent what you have been doing, how you have worked in the harvest fields, in the mines—anything to get through school—you will probably get a job, still at mucking or at the bottom. I do not want to go on record as saying that athletics are a detriment; they are not. Football, baseball, etc., are an important part of the college, and should not be neglected. But the glories of football do not help in the mining field. The applause of the multitude for a football hero only makes him a good mucker or a good lumberjack when he is through school. Many a man has never got past his sophomore year because all his time and energy went to athletics instead of to his school work. Athletics are a good thing in their place, but their place is not first

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## Northwest Collegiate Baseball Conference.

Concluded.

son ticket to the eight inter-collegiate games to be played in Moscow, and with the support of the student body and a little support from the town people baseball can be made to pay its way at Idaho.

Following are the minutes of the meeting held at the Oregon hotel, Saturday, Dec. 11, for the purpose of organizing the Pacific Northwest Collegiate Baseball Conference:

Moved by Zednich that Mr. Angell be made chairman of the conference. Carried.

Moved by Zednich that Savidge be made secretary of this conference. Carried.

Moved by Zednich that chairman appoint an executive committee for this conference. Carried.

Zednich, Jones and Angell appointed.

Moved by Zednich that guarantees be \$100 for all games, except when a different agreement can be reached by two parties. Carried.

Moved by Jones that the schedule as in these minutes incorporated be approved by this conference and recommended to the various faculty committees for adoption. Carried.

Moved by Zednich that the conference be called the Pacific Northwest Collegiate Baseball Conference. Carried.

Moved by Savidge that officials for these games be chosen by mutual agreement of the members at least seven days prior to date of game. Carried.

Moved by Jamieson that the Reach ball be adopted as the official ball of this league. Carried.

Moved by Jones that Mr. Jamieson be appointed a committee of one to obtain trophy from Reach Co. Carried.

Moved by Jamieson that each team be limited to 14 men, including coach and manager on long trips. Carried.

Moved by Daveney that all misunderstandings between members of this conference be referred to the executive committee and their adjustment shall be final until the next regular meeting of this conference. Carried.

Moved by Savidge that an official scorer be elected by this conference, to whom the official scores of all games be sent, and whose duty it shall be to compile these scores and forward to respective managers every two weeks during the season. Carried.

Savidge nominated and unanimously elected official scorer.

Moved by Jones that the championship of this conference be decided upon a percentage basis. Carried.

Moved by Zednich that scheduled games be played, rain or shine, and that the above mentioned guarantees be paid, except upon the mutual agreement of the managers to the contrary. Carried.

Moved by Zednich that if additional games are played between conference colleges the results shall count in awarding the championship, provided such games are scheduled before the date of the first conference game. Carried.

Moved by Jones that these minutes and schedules, after approval by the respective faculties, operate as a contract between the several

managers.

Representatives present: Victor Zednich, manager of athletics University of Washington; John Jones, manager of athletics, Washington State College; Paul Savidge, manager baseball team, University of Idaho; Daveney, manager baseball team, Whitman College; Jamieson, manager baseball team, University of Oregon; E. V. Angell, manager of athletics, Oregon Agricultural College; V. P. Giannela, manager baseball team, Oregon Agricultural College.

Schedule of games of the Northwest Conference College teams:

Oregon Agricultural College—

March 26—Whitman at Corvallis.

March 28—Whitman at Corvallis.

April 13—Idaho at Corvallis.

April 14—Idaho at Corvallis.

April 25—Whitman at Walla

Walla.

April 26—Whitman at Walla

Walla.

April 27—Washington State at

Pullman.

April 28—Washington State at

Pullman.

April 29—Idaho at Moscow.

April 30—Idaho at Moscow.

May 6—Oregon at Corvallis.

May 7—Oregon at Corvallis.

May 12—Washington U at Cor-

vallis.

May 13—Washington U at Cor-

vallis.

May 25—Washington State at

Corvallis.

May 26—Washington State at

Corvallis.

June 3—Oregon at Eugene.

June 4—Oregon at Eugene.

University of Oregon—

March 29—Whitman at Eugene.

March 30—Whitman at Eugene.

April 11—Idaho at Eugene.

April 12—Idaho at Eugene.

April 18—Whitman at Walla

Walla.

April 19—Whitman at Walla

Walla.

April 20—Idaho at Moscow.

April 21—Idaho at Moscow.

April 22—Washington State at

Pullman.

April 23—Washington State at

Pullman.

May 6—O. A. C. at Corvallis.

May 7—O. A. C. at Corvallis.

May 14—Two Games.—Wash-

ington U at Eugene.

May 25-26—Washington State

at Eugene.

June 34—O. A. C. at Eugene.

Whitman College—

March 26-28—O. A. C. at Cor-

vallis.

March 29-30—Oregon at Eugene.

April 9—Idaho at Walla Walla.

April 18—Oregon U at Walla

Walla.

April 19—Oregon at Walla

Walla.

April 25-26—O. A. C. at Walla

Walla.

May 11-12—Washington State at

Pullman.

May 13—Idaho at Moscow.

May 14—Idaho at Moscow.

At Walla Walla—May 16, Wash-

ington U; May 17, Washington

State; May 21, Washington State.

Washington State College—

At Pullman—April 22-23. Ore-

gon U; April 27-28, O. A. C.; May

7, Idaho; May 11-12, Whitman.

At Walla Walla—May 21, Whit-

man.

At Eugene—May 23-24, Oregon.

At Corvallis—May 25-26, O. A. C.

At Seattle—May 27-28, Wash-

ington U.

At Moscow—May 30 and June 4,

Idaho.

At Walla Walla—April 9, Whit-

man.

At Eugene—April 11-12, Ore-

gon U.

At Corvallis—April 13-14, O. A. C.

At Seattle—April 15-16, Wash-

ington U.

At Moscow—April 20-21, Oregon

U; April 21-30, O. A. C.

At Pullman—May 7, Washing-

ton State.

At Moscow—May 13-14, Whit-

man. May 30-June 4, Washington

State.

University of Washington—

At Seattle—April 15-16, Idaho.

At Corvallis—May 12-13, O. A. C.

At Eugene—May 14, Two Games

—Oregon.

At Walla Walla—May 16-17,

Whitman.

At Seattle—May 27-28, Wash-

ington State.

Mr. Hutton Heard From.

Shanghai, China,

Oct. 28, 1909.

My Dear Mr. Jenkins,—

What would you think of a country where 10 cents silver is worth 11 or 12 cents copper, and \$1.00 is worth 10 cents silver and one copper? Well, that is the kind of a country I am in. The medium of exchange here is the most complicated and the worst in the world. It is certainly perplexing to one from a country where there are 10 cents to a dime, and 100 to a dollar. When I first came, and got about \$2.50 Mexican for one dollar American gold, it looked easy; but when a merchant refused 80 cents small change for an 80-cent purchase, and insisted on having a dollar and giving me 20 cents change, it puzzled me somewhat. He had the bad manners to ring my dollar, too. When I got 17 cents in Chinese stamps for a 20-cent piece, I didn't say a word, but just thought I was lamed lucky to get anything. Now I know the money-changer's sign, and there I get small coins for large ones. To do a good business with the money-changer, you must burst in on him and throw your Mexican dollars on the counter with an air of abandon and extreme unconcern, so he will think you know the rate and that your money is good. He will throw out 110 in silver after he has rung your dollar to his heart's content and wait for you to pick it up; but just let it lie there and demand a copper or two, as the rate may be, and usually he will hand it out. If he refuses there is no use in arguing with him, for once a Chinaman takes a stand he can't "lose face" by changing. That isn't true in bargaining about the price of merchandise, however. The copper isn't worth while, of course, but there is some satisfaction in not being done. We use Mexican dollars and bank notes for large denominations, and the silver coins of Kiang Nan Province for small change. We call them 10 and 20-cent pieces, though they are no such thing. The 20-cent coins are marked 1 mace and 4.4 canda-

reens, and are worth less than 18 cents Mexican. The coppers are a good deal bigger than our quarters, and they come from various provinces. Each is worth 10 cents cash—the coins with square holes. How would you like to have your salary in cash?

There is much counterfeit money here. If the money-changer throws your dollar back and says it is "blasa," it means that some ingenious Chinaman has split it open and given it brass insides. If a coin is soft, it's likely lead. Almost every Mexican dollar has the "ohop" or mark of some business house on it, and that is supposed to mark its genuineness, but it is good form to ring every dollar you get.

The tael is the commercial currency of China. It is not a coin, but just a weight of silver, and its subdivisions are the mace and the vandareen, which correspond to our dime and cent; that is, 10 and 100 respectively to the tael. Of course, the value of the tael in terms of gold varies from day to day with the condition of the market.

After all, the money system here is very simple. There is just one axiom—you get trimmed coming and going.

How did that heating plant turn out, financially and otherwise. I wish I could have stayed to finish it. I'd like to know how you settled with Lauder and with the Northern Pacific on that freight rate on pipe-casing. I suppose you deposited my last warrant to my credit at the First National? Likely there has been some use for it before this.

Yours truly,

S. E. Hutton.

Box 651, U. S. P. O.,  
Shanghai, China.

## Debate Council Meeting.

A meeting of the debate council was held last Wednesday. All the members were present. Aside from allowing a few bills, the only business transacted was indorsement of an amendment to the Triangular debate contract. The amendment to be offered stipulates that no student who has earned as many credits as are required to take a bachelor's degree shall be eligible to enter the Triangular debate. This ruling corresponds to the four-year rule in athletics. There is at the present time a provision in the Triangular contract that to enter the debates a student must be a bona fide undergraduate. This provision, however, is rather indefinite, and capable of misconstruction. The Idaho debate council thinks that the new wording will be much better.

Orah Howard, '09, was a weekend visitor at the Beta Sigma house.

Quinn Wilson, ex-'10, is visiting friends in Moscow.

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### Huber Grimm Is Washington's Captain for 1910.

By Jack Hensley.

University of Washington, Dec. 11.—Huber Grimm, '11, All-Northwest left tackle, was elected captain of the Varsity football team for the year 1910 at the annual football banquet held at the Washington Annex hotel, Thursday night. Grimm played on the team in 1905, 1907, and this year. He was a member of the baseball team that went to Japan during the summer of 1908. He is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity.

In his speech Victor Zednick, general manager, stated that "he had a good hunch that Dobie would consent to coach the Washington footballers again next year." And Dobie didn't deny it. The students have interpreted this as a tacit acceptance of the position for another year. They are joyful accordingly.

Dobie was the toast of the evening. He was spoken of as "the greatest coach in the country," and handed other posies of like nature. During the evening he threw off his cloak of pessimism and joked with the men as he had never done before.

President Kane in his speech took a radical stand in favor of football as now played. He censured the hystericals who knocked football because of its alleged brutality, and quoted figures to show that it had not claimed as many

victims as hunting, autoing, horse-back riding and other sports that are considered tame enough for women. Prexy certainly struck the popular chord in the student mind when he took that stand.

Verne Fitch, '10, was elected editor of the University of Washington Daily on Wednesday, for the next semester. He is now telegraph editor of the Daily, and was editor of the 1910 junior annual.

Hereafter all candidates for positions on the Daily's staff will have to pass an examination. They will be required to compose a creditable news story in a given length of time, and must answer certain questions concerning student affairs.

Tonight in Ye College Inne Grill the staff of the paper will be given a banquet. Heretofore all agitation for feeds or recognition of the journalists' work has been unavailing. A heartless board of control has always refused its sanction.

Edna Campbell, '13, spent Sunday in Pullman.

Geneal Hague, '13, is attending classes again.

Cecelia Parkhill, '13, visited in Kennewick, Wash., last week.

George Campbell, ex-'11, was a guest at the Kappa Sigma house on Sunday.

Sadie Stockton, '08, visited relatives in Pullman Saturday and Sunday.

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**At Liszt Hall.**

The following program was given at Liszt Hall last Wednesday afternoon and was most successful:

- Southern Melodies..... Shelley Margaret Harmer, Miss Stookton.
- Minuet Antique..... Paderwski Margaret Harmer.
- Mandolin Solo (Selected)..... Professor Tull.
- Minuet in G..... Borowski
- Invitation to the Dance..... C. M. Von Weber Mattie Heer.

The program below will be given at the same place on Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 4 p. m., to which all are welcome:

- Spanish Dance..... Moskowski Edna Campbell, Miss Stookton.
- Waltz..... Karganoff
- To Spring..... Grieg
- March Grotesque..... Sinding Edna Campbell.
- Violin, "Consolation"..... Mendelssohn Alma Barber.
- Song (Selected)..... Elizabeth Redway.
- Two Larks..... Lisohetiszki Kaminei Ostrow..... Rubenstein Edna Campbell.

Students should see the Chinese and Japanese musical instruments at Liszt Hall. Perhaps you will some time be able to contribute to this collection, which will ultimately be made a permanent collection for the University museum.

**At Christmas Time.**

Ring out the bells!  
The season tells  
The right good cheer of Christmas time;  
Let hearts attune  
In ancient rune  
Spell out the mystic Christmas rhyme.

Come be a child with me  
As old-time days;  
Deck out the shadowy tree,  
And happy voices raise.

Come and be happy tonight—  
There are those who have tried  
To make the heart of you light,  
Cast not their gift aside.

Speak to some lonely heart  
And smile away his tear,  
Then your soul will have part,  
Some share of Christmas cheer.

Come tripping light,  
Gaily bedight,  
To sound the delightful Christmas chime;  
Lay by your care  
And be aware  
The mirthful air of Christmas time.

—Meryl Dunkle.

**Girls' Basket Ball.**

The girls seem to be taking more interest in basket ball this year than ever before. Several inter-class games have already been played, and the girls are quite enthusiastic. Dr. Kanaga is to be commended on his success, and we all hope some intercollegiate games can be arranged. But there must be a change before the girls' basket ball can become very

extensive.

The boys are bewildered beyond measure by the fact that they are entirely prohibited from seeing the games. So far no plausible reason has been found for this. It is not so in any other school, nor can the rule be followed in an intercollegiate game. Other schools would be as much surprised at such a demand as are the Idaho boys, and for that matter, the girls also.

Is the question one of morals? If so, why are our sister institutions not troubled with like pangs of conscience? There must be some difference in the morality of our students and those of other schools. If this is the case, the difference must surely be for the worse. We students object to this insinuation. The boys and girls of this university are capable of associating without any demoralizing effect upon each other.

We have wondered if the girls' gymnasium uniforms are such that the girls must remain hidden while wearing them. Certainly, this is not true. No demand has been made that the boys should change the style of their suits. If the authorities consider the girls' uniforms indecent, by all means, let them be changed at once. At any rate, the students would welcome an explanation of the reason that the boys are excluded from the games.

**Sophomores Meet.**

Last Wednesday the Sophs held a class meeting. Some important business was transacted. The committee on class sweaters made a report and the class voted to get gray sweaters with the class numerals in red. The old sweater committee was authorized to canvass the class and send in the order. The committee appointed at a previous meeting to draw up a class yell was called on, but was not ready to report.

Arthur Heer was elected yell leader. The class then voted to put out a sophomore edition of The Argonaut. Moon and Holman were elected to the respective positions of manager and editor-in-chief. Probably the most important action of the class was in regard to the Senior-Junior resolution as to the freshman's headgear. The class voted to endorse the upper classmen's action and to pledge the Sophomore support in the enforcement of the proclamations.

Mrs. L. McKan and daughter, Gladys, of Spokane were guests of Leroy McKan, '13, on Sunday.

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**Ridenbaugh Prize Debate.**  
The seventh annual debate for the Ridenbaugh prize of \$25.00 was held on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 11. The successful competitor was Paul Clemens of the Junior class. There were 13 contestants, from whom eight men were to be selected for further work in preparation for the Triangular League debates with Oregon and Washington. Taken altogether, it was a good trial debate, although it is the general opinion that it was not up to last year's excellent standard. Perhaps this is due largely to the question, a rather heavy and encumbered proposition, which reads as follows: "Resolved, That all corporations engaged in interstate commerce should be required to take out a federal charter."

The eight men chosen are: Paul Durrie, Frank Osborne, Joseph Adams, John Rook, Paul Clemens, Ira Tweedy, Ransom Mackie and Rowe Holman. From those eight contestants six will be chosen later on. The judges were Professors Axtell, Soulen and Hulme.

Paul Clemens, the new Ridenbaugh debater, hails from southern Idaho, where he did his preparatory work at the College of Idaho. His freshman year was spent at Occidental College, in Los Angeles, Calif. Last year he came to Idaho and won the position of leader of the team that defeated Oregon in debate. This is the only intercollegiate debate in which he has taken part. He has qualities that fit him for leadership, and he is a very desirable addition to the list of Ridenbaugh men.

The following is a list of the former winners of the Ridenbaugh prize: R. W. Overman, '04; Victor E. Price, '06; Charles A. Montandon, '06; Guy Holman, '08; Robert Jones, '09, and Ralph Williams, ex-'13. In the list are included men who helped to defeat Washington State College, Whitman College, University of Montana, University of Utah, University of Oregon, and University of Washington.

Mrs. Mary E. Ridenbaugh, the donor of the prize, was a member of the board of regents for a number of years, being at one time the secretary of the board, and at another time vice president. She was always devoted to the University, and still retains a great interest in its welfare. The debate council desires to take this opportunity of thanking her publicly for her continued interest in debate.

**Whitman Trying to Get Fort Walla Walla.**  
By J. Howard Shubert, Special Correspondent, Whitman College.  
Whitman College, Dec. 11.—President Penrose and Dean Hendrick are at present in Washington for the purpose of securing the government land where Fort Walla Walla is located. A bill is pending in congress which will give the land to the college if it is passed. The bill was introduced last Tuesday by Senator Wesley Jones.

It is understood at Whitman that the college authorities are having signal success in Washington, and should the government favor the abandonment of the fort just west of the city limits, Whitman College would have the best possible site for their new buildings. The 620 acres which the fort occupies is excellent property and ideally located. It is understood that if the grant is secured Whitman College will have to educate the Indians of preparatory standing free of charges for all time. It is rumored that the present college buildings will be used for that purpose.

President Taft and the secretary of war favor the project. The class basket ball teams are all picked for the coming games, which start next Wednesday. There was a meeting of all basket ball men recently, at which rules were discussed. The A. A. U. rules will be used for the contests, and the players were warned against violation of the two rules "Holding" and "Advancing the Ball."

Clifford Edmundson, '11, addressed those interested in fruit cultivation, at Coeur d'Alene City, Dec. 12. His subject was "Orchards."

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Gem of the states!  
Thy value none can know  
Nor estimate;  
But in thee, our Idaho,  
Out-sparkling all the rest.

Thy spirit tried by fire,  
Proved brave and strong;  
And while with loving hearts  
We sing this song,  
We pledge thee loyalty,  
And thru endless days  
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Thy students shall praise.

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Leon G. Nichols."

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### RUGBY.

This year, after the worst series of defeats ever recorded in the Northwest, we have been unable to find a single Idaho student who favors the adoption of Rugby instead of the American game of football.

Those fanatical persons who call themselves reformers have raised a great cry over the dangers of football, and evidently having in mind some parlor game, have cried Rugby. They tell us no good qualities of the game they propose and we wonder if they know what they are, or if there are any. Our knowledge of the English game is limited. Rugby may be a good game, for England. There is another word, however, which seems to be almost as popular with English writers as is the name Rugby. We do not know that there is any connection between gout and Rugby, but they are both English specialties.

We know that there have been accidents, and even fatalities at football. We also know that these have been advertised with "scare" headlines and red ink, as though some one took a fiendish delight in the fact that a college athlete had met with an accident at football. We would remind those parlor athletes that men have been found dead in bed. We have seen girls rudely push one another out of the way while playing "drop the handkerchief." Men have drowned in trying to learn to swim. Foot-racers have died from over-exertion. And still these things are not ruled out.

Shall we let football go? Shall we give up this greatest of college games because some fearful spectator has decried it as rough?

We believe that as long as there are college men in America there will be college football. The rules may be modified to advantage, but the game is here to stay, and we believe that very little change is necessary in the rules.

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### COLLEGE LETTER MEN.

The practice of wearing the college initial letter owes its origin to two sources. First, men who were proud of the institution which they represented wore the letter purely through a feeling of loyalty, and second, the institution which the men represented was proud to confer upon them the emblem. Every man who was able to win the right to wear his college letter was proud of the privilege.

This year it has been noticed that very few men in the Northwest colleges are wearing their letter. Some to whom it has been awarded have never had it placed on a jersey. What is the matter? Is it that men are no longer proud of their colleges; has the spirit of loyalty entirely disappeared; or is it that the colleges no longer proud of the men who represent them, are simply conferring the emblem as an old form which they do not feel that they have the initiative to break?

Some one has suggested that it is too easy to win the letter now, and that the star athlete refuses to wear it because another man with only half his ability has won the same privilege. In other words, it is feared that some man will be placed in a class a little below his standard by wearing the letter. However, it is believed that the emblem should be worn by the normal man. If a man cannot be classed with the normal he must be a freak, and if he desires to be especially noted as such he should be given a freak medal of some sort instead of the emblem worn by the normal man.

There is no apparent reason why the college athlete who is a genuine student in a college whose athletes are pure and clean should refuse to wear his letter. Much more, he should be proud to do so, and if he doesn't it is good evidence that there is something wrong with the man or with the college which he represents. If the requirements for winning the letter are too low, let us raise them to what they should be. At all events do not let it be thought that college loyalty is a thing of the past.

### OUR LIBRARY.

Idaho students have every reason to be proud of their new library, and we believe they are proud of it. The room is nearly 60 feet square, with windows on three sides of it, being in the south end of the Administration building. Thus it is well lighted, and we think the most attractive library in the country. It contains 8,537 volumes, besides 9,000 United States documents. These are all encased in pressed steel stacks, which are finished in olive green. These books are valued at about \$34,000. The library furniture is of white oak in natural finish. The heavy oak chairs and the cork

carpet will greatly lessen the noise, and as the papers are to be kept in an adjoining room, quiet is almost assured.

The librarian is always ready to help those who do not find what they want, or if possible to do so, to answer questions.

New library rules were published in the last issue of The Argonaut, and we hope, and believe, that every one will take pride enough in our library to follow these rules precisely.

We know that the old room was dark and generally cold. Some one was always rattling the paper racks or moving about on the carpetless floor. Unless one possessed unusual powers of concentration, it was impossible to read with any degree of satisfaction. Consequently, the students busied themselves by talking in very loud whispers, carving their own or their neighbor's name on the furniture, marking valuable books, or calling down maledictions on some one for not keeping the library warm. This, however, is now a matter of history. Our new library is complete. We believe that under the new conditions the students will forget these old amusements; that they will follow the rules and do nothing that will in anyway mar the beauty or value of the books or furniture.

### Mace High School.

On Dec. 4, 1909, in the Mace Auditorium, Mace High school defeated Wallace High school, 16 to 10. As there is much rivalry between the schools the game was hotly contested, and although rather rough, was won by a good margin. Mace rooters went wild over the victory. The Wallace boys outweighed Mace about 10 pounds to the man, but Mace's superior team work prevailed. This victory gives Mace High school the championship of Shoshone county on comparative scores, they having defeated Wallace, Wardner and Kellogg, while Burke and Harrison have been defeated by Kellogg.

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in college life.

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"And now to come back to the graduate of the school of mines. He may be a mucker, or may be running a wheelbarrow in the mill, but sooner or later the bosses will discuss his qualities, and they will know whether he is making good or not. If he be a careless workman, he has no more chance to rise than the man who never saw a school, and will likely lose his job even as a mucker. However, if he be a careful workman, and tries to do his duty, he will be rewarded by a rise in position and salary at the first opportunity.

Fellows, don't be afraid you will do something that isn't part of your job; never draw the line about where your work begins or ends. If you see anything that needs to be done, pitch in and do it, whether it is part of your job or not. That kind of effort will always be rewarded, for the bosses notice those things and are sure to recognize them. The office will keep tab on you and you will be promoted in due time, if you are worth it.

Begin at the beginning and learn as you go along. Pry into things, and keep your eyes open. When you wish to know something about the mine or its workings that you can't learn by observation, go to some one who is thoroughly competent to advise you."

Mr. Jenkins then spoke of mine

accidents, relating some that had come under his personal observation and suggested some ways that loss of life could be avoided by taking proper precautions. In conclusion, he said:

"The principal thing in preparing for the struggle is to make yourself as well rounded out as possible. Get as much of the civil engineering as possible. You can not choose your job; you will have to take what is offered, and there is more chance in surveying perhaps, than in other lines. Don't be afraid to take what is offered; you may have to hold a chain for a man who doesn't know as much about surveying as you do, but you can always learn something from him. Mine surveying is in itself an art, and is one of the most important things that an engineer is called upon to do."

### Football Review.

The football season of 1909 was for Idaho one of the most unfortunate that has ever been experienced by this institution. However, the spirit of the coach, players and student body was all that could be desired. At no time was there any lack of enthusiasm on the part of the student body and, the fight which the team made against Pullman shows that the varsity squad tried to uphold the yellow and white of Idaho as the spectators would have it defended.

We were unfortunate in having but one practice game, and after this one game the team was given no resting period until the close of the season. A schedule which would have given the team a couple of more practice games and a longer season would have been much to the team's advantage.

Coach Grogan and Assistant Coach Nissen were hard at work all the time, and no one has yet been known to offer a complaint concerning their earnest and conscientious work in trying to give

Idaho a winning team.

The men on the team were consistent in their work and training, and their poor work on the field was not due directly to the men, but to the lack of a field general. The only time the squad seemed to have the right man driving them was while they were in southern Idaho, when they won two games, one from the College of Idaho and the other from the Boise Collegians.

Captain Stokesbury, at right guard, was always playing the game for Idaho, and as it is his last year, the poor record of the team was perhaps more discouraging to him than to any one, but he should always remember that the earnest cry of the student body was, "We are right behind you, Stokes!"

Captain Stokesbury is the only man Idaho loses by the four-year rule or by graduation, and his successor will have a more experienced team. The experience of those men will be Idaho's main hope for a winning team in 1910.

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**EXCHANGES.**

A debating team composed of Chinese students at the University of Pennsylvania recently defeated a team of Orientals from Cornell.

There is a stir of excitement at Whitman because the faculty recently passed a resolution which may affect football in all the athletic circles of the Northwest. The resolution reads as follows: "That the faculty favor the modification of the present game of football to the extent of doing away with mass plays and, and should this fail to be done, will consider the advisability of abolishing the game."

The Harvard Glee club is planning to take a Christmas trip to Denver, making only seven stops on the way.

At the University of Oregon the freshmen have decided that the best way to get rid of their green caps is to burn them publicly at the end of the year. None will be kept as souvenirs.

At the University of Minnesota a movement has been started by which all athletes will be coached for final examinations. The recent inauguration of Ernest Fox Nich-

ols, D. C., as president of Dartmouth is a departure from the old custom of giving such places to men who have been educated along classical lines.

A course in aeroplane work is the latest announcement from the Boston Institute of Technology.

President Taft is to receive his "Y" this year from the Yale athletic authorities.

Berlin is fast becoming the overwhelming center of university life in Germany. Paris leads all university centers, with 16,220 students. Next in point of attendance come Berlin, 15,220; Budapest, 6,555; Vienna, 6,205; Moscow, 5,860; Madrid, 5,196; Naples, 4,918. Registration statistics for our large universities have been completed, and show that Columbia, with 6,132, heads the list. Next in enrollment come Pennsylvania, with 5,835; Michigan, with 5,200; Harvard, with 3,994; Cornell, with 3,903, and Yale, with 3,264.

Undergraduates who take their meals at the University Boarding club at Missouri are fined for the use of profanity while at the table. The proceeds will finance a banquet later in the year.



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**W. S. C.'s Rifle Team at Work.**

By W. S. Kelly, Special Correspondent W. S. C.

Pullman, Wash., Dec. 11.—The State College Rifle club began practice the first of last week. They were delayed somewhat in getting started, owing to the failure of the ammunition to arrive in time. The club is composed of nearly 100 members, and more are expected to enroll later. Comparative score contests are held every Friday with other clubs of the same standing. The State College team won both in the indoor and the outdoor intercollegiate contests last year, and the prospects for another winning team this year are exceedingly bright, several perfect scores having been already made.

**O. A. C. Barometer Semi-Weekly**

By O. B. Hardy.

With the last issue the O. A. C. Barometer became a semi-weekly, a long planned move. A revision of the editorial staff has been made and several new offices have been created. As the success of any publication depends upon the efficiency of its staff, a system of work is planned whereby experienced

men may be had at all times as heads of the various student publications, and a much higher grade of work will be assured. The organization of a press club in the near future is contemplated, so that any persons interested in this work will be given an opportunity to study the same.

At a recent meeting of the athletic board the official athletic insignia was awarded to the following 16 football men: Evendon, Bergman, Breithaupt, Clark, Dunn, Enberg, Gilbert, Hawley, Huntley, Keck, Loosley, Nelson, Rasmussen, Reynolds, Wallace and Wolf.

The cups offered by Coach Metzger at the beginning of the season to the men who stayed in every game they played without time having to be taken out for injury on their account were earned by Evendon and Hawley, and bear the inscription "To the man who was always in the game."

Get the habit. Shave at Graham's barber Shop.

Fred Skog, janitor of the Administration building, wishes to announce that he will have for rent after the Christmas holidays a suite of two rooms at the corner of Deakin avenue and College street.

Olive Kadletz, '13, will spend the holidays in Wallace, the guest of Veronica Foley, '11.