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## WADSWORTH COMMISSIONED

After Hard Examination Idaho Boy Is Admitted To The Rank of Commissioned Officer.

Herbert A. Wadsworth, '10, wired Lieutenant Cathro yesterday from Seattle that he had successfully passed the physical examination required for admission to the Army, and had thus fulfilled the last requirement between him and a commission in the regular army. The many friends of Wadsworth are jubilant as a result, for, after his failure to pass the physical tests six months ago, having successfully passed one of the most gruelling examinations ever given to candidates for commissions, considerable disappointment ensued, when he failed to meet the physical requirements, and the news now that these have been successfully met by Lieutenant Wadsworth has mended matters to everyone's satisfaction.

Lieutenant Wadsworth was a cadet captain and cadet major in the battalion here, while an undergraduate, and was very successful in his management of the battalion. He also held a first lieutenant's commission in the Idaho National Guard, prior to his passing the examination. As a commissioned officer in the regular United States Army his friends are sure that he will execute the duties of his new position with the same spirit in which he worked among them and are of the opinion that Uncle Sam has made a valuable addition to his war department.

### Remember.

That classical stunt is pulled off Wednesday night at the dorm at eight o'clock. That same one you read about in last week's number of the Argonaut. If you want to have a real good and lively time before quitting these college halls for vacation, turn out. And be you lord or lady, you will be cordially welcomed, well entertained and handsomely fed. Don't forget the time, the place, or the girl.

Sec. Victor Price Debaters.

Mr. Rowe Holman, '11, now of Helena, Montana, spent the past week in Moscow visiting the University, and calling upon old friends. Mr. Holman intends to register at Columbia University next fall, unless his friends succeed in drawing him back to Idaho.

## COMIC OPERA BY VOCAL STUDENTS BIG EVENT

### Presentation of "H. M. S. Pinafore" An Achievement Long To Be Remembered in Musical Circles Here.

With Professor Eugene H. Storer at the helm and manned by a crew of university students, "H. M. S. Pinafore," last evening sailed across the footlights at Eggan's hall, and into the hearts of a large and enthusiastic audience.

It was a newer generation, which last night was delighted by Sullivan's tuneful music, and Gilbert's witty book. It was a generation ennuied with the Cohanesque "musical show," and the voice from the past in "Pinafore" was as refreshing as a nautical breeze. The lyrics in themselves meant something, and have always, direct relation to character and plot. "Pinafore" is an opera, and written; not a "show" such as is "built."

The production was a remarkable achievement upon the part of Professor Storer and his assistants. The members of the cast had developed cleverly under his instruction during the past three months, and in his staging of the opera, and his conducting, as well as in the evidences of his careful coaching which were manifest, Professor Storer demonstrated himself a thorough musician, and an instructor, whose presence must prove of great value to the university.

The production last night was made under the handicap of the illness of the prima donna, Miss Mary Petcina, who was so hoarse as to be unable to sing her role, although she acted her part of Josephine, while Miss Mabelle Rudisill sang.

The cast was well chosen. Enoch Perkins sang Ralph Rackstraw in a sweet and pleasing voice, although lacking, somewhat in power, and a trifle in animation, at times. Ernest Loux was an adequate "Captain Corcoran," with striking stage presence, and beautiful voice of resonant quality, which was heard to good advantage in the Fair Moon song, and the duet "Things are Seldom What They Seem," with Miss Maud Gregory as "Buttercup." Miss Gregory's voice was velvety and sympathetic, and with her charming acting won for that young lady much merited applause. Carl Loux, as "Sir Joseph," was adequate, although perhaps not accepting all the possibilities in the pompousness of the Lord of Admiralty. Miss Nankervis, the "Hebe," has an attractive, clear voice, which was heard with pleasing

effect, and one could have wished for her a more notable role. William Hillman, the "Dick Deadeye," was also pleasing, although his role suffered from lack of clear enunciation. Wendell Phillips was a satisfactory Boatswain's mate, although the part scarcely did justice to his voice.

Miss Rudesill's voice, heard under the disadvantage of singing in the wings was pleasing, and a remarkably sweet and tender quality.

Between the acts Professor E. J. Carey played a brilliant coronet solo, the "Bessie" polka, and Professor E. Hellier Collens rendered the Sarasate arrangement of Chopin's Nocturne No. 2, with brilliancy and deep sympathy, responding to an encore.

Besides Professor Storer who deserves highest praise for his coaching and stage management, and his company, much credit is due Miss Jean Wold, the costumer, and teacher of dancing, Lester Albert, for electrical effects, and M. W. Ebel, who painted the special scenery for the production.

Besides those mentioned in the cast, the following were members of the chorus and orchestra:

Members of the chorus—Sopranos, Miss Evelyn Meeks, Miss Maud Himes, Miss Marguerite Jones, Miss Elizabeth Redway, Miss Minnie Minden, Miss Bessie Perkins, Miss Mabelle Rudesill, Understudy to Josephine; altos, Miss Florence Stephenson, Miss Ursel Storhecker, Miss Rose Sieler, Miss Dorothy Taylor, Miss Helen Denecke, Miss Lulu Curtis; tenors, Mr. Vernon Fawcett, Mr. Edmund R. Greenslet, Mr. A. D. Wicher, Mr. F. A. Record, Mr. John McEvers; basses, Mr. B. J. Smith, Mr. Herbert W. Whitten, Mr. H. L. Chamberlain, Mr. C. E. Watts, Mr. Wendell Phillips.

Members of the orchestra—First violins, E. Hellier Collens, orchestra leader, Mr. George O'Donnell; second violins, Mr. R. Brink, Mr. Albert Anderson; cello, Mr. Robert Gillespie; bass, Professor Edward J. Carey; clarinet, Mr. Henry Soulen; cornet, Mr. Floyd Quinby; horn, Mr. J. Davis; trombone, Mr. Carl Melguen; accompanist, Miss Edna Campbell.

Fred Bier, ex '12, was in Moscow the first of the week, enroute to Wieser from St. Maries, where he is employed in the forest service.

## IDAHO GETS NEW BUILDING

One Of The Finest Forestry Laboratories In The United States Will Be Erected Here.

At a meeting of the North Idaho Forestry Association in Spokane, December 16, the timber holders unanimously passed a resolution whereby they agreed to pro rate their holdings in Idaho to the amount of \$58,000 for the construction of a forestry building at the University. This money will be for the University alone.

These timber men deserve great credit for their action and the gratitude of the people of Idaho. The students of the University will be especially proud of the fine new building to be erected on their campus. This will give Idaho the most extensive forestry laboratories of any college in the United States. Work on the building will begin in the near future.

### Idaho at the Stock Show.

At a meeting of the Northwestern Live Stock Association last week at Lewiston, the University was well represented. It had on exhibition several fat cattle, sheep and hogs, all of which caused much favorable comment from breeders and farmers throughout the country.

Some of the finest pure breed stock changed hands at the auction sales. On Tuesday, a University Duroc Jersey brought \$70, almost twice as much as any other hog sold.

The judging teams, composed of long and short course men were, disappointed at the failure of a U. S. C. team to show up. This left the contest one between the two Idaho teams. C. E. Johnson, '13, took first with a score of 353 points out of a possible 400. H. R. Abel took second and M. Miller third. The scores were high, as compared with similar grades at other shows, ranging from 306 to 353.

Prof. Iddings expects to do a few additional stunts with his men at Portland next March.

President MacLean officiated at the opening of the Guild Hall of St. Mark's church last Thursday evening.

The De Smet Club met at the home of Miss Katherine Keane on last Thursday evening. A very successful and entertaining meeting is reported.

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This is the last issue of the Argonaut before the Christmas vacation. Hurrah for the vacation! And a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you. May this, the end of the year bring you the best fruits of the year's toil and may it be the climax of the year's joy. Christmas vacation should be the culminating point, or climax, of the year's pleasure to every person who is not held by some other portion of the year. Study hard to the end of the week and, no matter what the "prof" said, don't carry a book home with you on vacation. It doesn't pay. For if you really have to use books then you'd better stay here and work out your salvation with a continuation of the steady grind; but if you really can go home, then you are more than able to lose sight of those hateful books. It doesn't pay to study hard all the time, and Christmas holidays are the "psychological time" not to. Merry Christmas!

A word about the new constitution may not now be out of place. Many of the present sophomores and freshmen are indifferent, or feel that any effort they might make against some part of the constitution would be futile. This inaction is exactly the thing that must be avoided. Two or three years from now they will live and work out their student problems under the guidance or restrictions of these rules, or constitution. Therefore, at present they should make the proposed changes a common topic of conversation and when in doubt as to reasons for the change, they should go to the Executive Board and ask an explanation. Indifference in the matter is more than careless. When the constitution is passed, if it is passed, it will be sanctioned by the Associated Students of the University, which includes everyone in attendance here. And no matter what the action of any student before, or after, that time, the passing of the constitution will be his act. Hence the vigilance necessary that nothing be "slipped over" on anyone. Study the old constitution in the Y. M. C. A. Handbook (which is an authentic copy) and compare it with that published in the Argonaut several weeks ago. Come to the next

student assembly with an inquisitive why for things you don't understand; and be stocked with some of the Misourian spirit, should occasion demand it.

### Points.

Don't forget to tell about the new Forestry building to your friends on the vacation home. Remember always that you are an Idaho student.

After the music festival of a week ago last Saturday, more appreciation for that at home would be not out of place.

Were paid coaches for debate present at just now there are for athletics (e. g. in the Gym at present), think you the assembly hall would lack population except at 10:30 Wednesdays?

What a nice thing a swimming pool in the gymnasium at Idaho would be!

### Chemists! Engineers!

All members of the Chemical Society, Civil Engineering Society and the Associated Miners are requested to be present Wednesday evening at a joint meeting of these three clubs in the Civil Engineering room. The meeting will be addressed by E. Ashton of the Portland Cement Co., of Metaline Falls, Wash., who is connected with that company in the capacity of Chemical Engineer. The meeting will be called at 7:30 sharp.

### Prize Winning Live Stock for The University.

Dean Carlyle of the College of Agriculture has returned from Chicago, where he was one of the judges at the International Live Stock Exposition. He brought back with him a car load of prize-winning stock for the University farm. In the car was one Percheron mare, which was grand champion mare of the show in 1909, and was reserve champion in a class of fifty this year; three pure-bred Hereford heifers; three pure-bred Hereford steers; three imported Shropshire sheep, and three pure-bred Duroc-Jersey hogs.

### Oregon Busy In Basket Ball.

The University of Oregon begins the season this year in better shape than ever before. With the exception of Elliot, one of last year's guards, every member of the 1911 squad is present, to say nothing of the crack inter-class and inter-fraternity throwers developed last year from the freshman material.

The Preps need not feel so bad over their defeat by Genesee last month. Last Monday the same High School team met and defeated the Spokane High School team in Spokane with a score of 24-20.

Homer Youngs who was quarantined for scarlet fever is out of captivity and is again able to resume his college work.

### An Ole Bull Story.

The name of Ole Bull, late violin virtuoso, has been much before the public recently in connection with court proceedings instituted by his heirs, therefore a story concerning him is in order.

The famous violinist was greatly admired by Stephenson, inventor of the locomotive, although the latter had little appreciation of music in his soul. A call of some nature one day took Stephenson to Ole Bull's home. After the business on hand had been transacted the inventor arose to go, where upon the master pressed him to remain and hear the tones of a famous violin which had lately come into his possession.

Ole Bull began to explain the marvellous construction of the violin, the perfect exactness required in each minutest part. The inventor became interested in the subject. Finally Ole Bull explained how the sound waves were produced and the relation of the different parts to their production. Then still explaining—he drew his magic bow across the strings in a burst of exquisite music.

Stephenson listened, spellbound. Ole Bull played on. When the music finally died away Stephenson burst into tears and sobbed. "There has been something in my life that was lacking, and at last I've found out what it is," *New York Globe.*

At the University of Minnesota most of the pictures of the leading man in a student play have been cut from the posters. Girls are suspected, for marks of scissors and not of knives were left on the placards by the souvenir hunters, or admirers of the leading man which ever the case may be.

Bowling alleys are one of the features of the gymnasium at Syracuse. Two of the alleys are for the use of the faculty, while the rest are for the students. The entire equipment was donated recently by John D. Archbold.

Corpulent co-eds at the University of Minnesota are thinking seriously of forming an anti-fat club. No one will be admitted to membership who weighs more than 135 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutton entertained the Omega Pi's at dinner, Saturday evening, at the Guild Hall.

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## AT ASSEMBLY.

The Student Assembly Wednesday was one of the most eventful of the year. The old subject of football sweaters came up for discussion, and there can now surely be no doubt in any one's mind as to the will of the student body in regard to the presentation of sweaters. This matter was the cause of considerable comment and hard feeling on the part of a few last year, and the Athletic Board certainly acted wisely in presenting the proposition to the students for their approval. The motion for the presentation of the sweaters passed by an almost unanimous vote, only four students not voting for it.

There has been a great deal of "talk" around the college this year of cutting out basket ball from the conference schedule. This has been on the part of only a few, however, and has had no influence on the students in general as shown at Assembly when the matter came up for discussion and vote. Basket ball does not net any great profits at Idaho, but it pays for itself and therefore offers no cause for its abolishment.

Baseball, on the other hand, is the cause of an annual deficit. It is not supported by the students, and could be continued only at a great loss to the student body, which already has a large debt on its hands. It was voted to instruct Graduate Manager Larson to arrange no regular conference schedule in baseball, but to schedule games, if possible, with Whitman and Washington State College. We can play Whitman and W. S. C. without the incurrance of the big deficit that always follows games with the coast colleges. A conference schedule will be arranged, as usual, in basket ball.

The new A. S. U. I. constitution was read and will be taken up, section by section, for discussion at the next Assembly.

### A National College Paper.

The Inter-Collegian, a magazine for students, faculty and alumni of American colleges and academies, published by The Inter-Collegian Company, 52552 Chicago Opera House Block, will make its initial appearance shortly. It will keep in touch with each institution and to include every important event in the monthly reviews. The news of general interest will embrace changes in the faculty, increase in student enrollment, bequests, new buildings, etc.

The chief business of the magazine will be to stimulate interest in higher education, to promote cooperation and mutual advancement among the institutions, to reflect college life and to inculcate college ideals, college traditions, and the American college spirit among the youth of the land.

There is considerable agitation in Oregon to adopt the graduate coach system.

### Shall We Incorporate The Y. M. C. A. Boarding Club?

The faithful few who attended the meeting Sunday afternoon enjoyed a strong and helpful talk by Dean Eldridge, on the topic, "Are We Square?" He brought out most strongly, the importance of absolute sincerity in thought, speech and conduct on the part of every man. A number of the faculty were present.

After Dean Eldridge's talk, the matter of incorporating the Boarding Club came up for discussion. Although the Club has been remarkably successful thus far, yet the managers felt that it would be advisable to organize it on a more business-like basis. Prof. Wilbur kindly outlined the relative advantages of an incorporation and a voluntary co-operative association having a limited membership. The prevailing opinion of those present was that it would not be best to incorporate the club, and it will probably be re-organized after the holidays on the membership plan of a co-operative association.

### A. M. U. I. in Bi-Weekly Session

The bi-weekly meeting of the Associated Miners was held December 13 in H. J. Maguire's rooms. The secretary was instructed to purchase writing paper with the Association's letter head. Mr. C. Stewart gave the talk of the evening. He spoke on the ore formation around Silver Bell, Arizona. There the ore occurs in an igneous contact with limestone. His talk, with lantern slides and maps of the mining district, together with some experiences with the giant cactus made the discussion very interesting.

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Some nouns are like physical masses. They are a miscellaneous group in fact they include practically all the lower classes of society. They come from families—some of them are dependent on the human machine some on the human world. Many of them are made of flesh, some of them are made of spirit. It is the advertising that makes it possible in the political world for one party to have an overwhelming majority at one election, and the opposing party at the next.

The human perceptions must not be forgotten. These small men are divided into some small categories. You find them everywhere and the less they feel importance the more they make over the matter.

Some people are human beings, some are trying to find their more important folk, but being nothing in themselves, sometimes they happen to be in positions of much importance, while again their presence or absence makes no practical difference.

There are also human inventions, though why they are invented, or invented themselves, no other person can give you. They are the people who are ever in the wrong place, saying the wrong thing, at the wrong time.

As we find all parts of speech in a book so we find all varieties of people in our world. And as in reading the book we do not weigh each word separately, but look for the sense they make together, so let us not say this kind of that individual is not necessary in the world, but rather consider them all as essential elements for a properly run world.

**Moscow Grade Schools Institute University.**

The pupils of the grammar grades of Moscow City schools assisted by the High School classes will present "Jata and the Bear-stalk," the well known fairy tale, which has been modernized and set to music by Frederick Field Bullard. A specialty will be put on between acts. The operetta will be shown in Eggar's Hall next Thursday evening, December 11, 1911.

Misses Beat Redway, Alice Cooper, Mary Perkins, Maude Gregory, Margaret Deering and Mrs. Deering were guests at the Phi Delta Theta House for dinner Sunday.

Said, Said, Said At The Hub.

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### Some Idaho Classicists

In the December number of the Classical Journal, under the heading of "Practice and Prospect," are ten metrical translations, by students from Latin classics, principally Horace's Odes. Some of these are far from serious and lack deep significance but in the explanatory preface introductory to the translations, the editor says, "We give first several of medium length which seem to have considerable merit as serious performances." The first of these translations is by Baxter Mow, '13, of Ode III 9, from Horace. The third is Ode I 22, from Horace, by Miss Jewell Bothwell, '12. Considerable pride is being manifested by Idaho students in the showing made by our undergraduates who well deserve the congratulations of their friends in their achievement.

The juniors are planning a ride and party at Joel for this evening.

Statistics compiled at the University of Washington show that 1.78 hours time is spent in preparing the average recitation. The laws had the easiest time of it; 11 subjects reported showed an average of 1.40 hours per recitation. The engineers spent the longest time in preparation—1.90 hours. The B. A.'s put in 1.77 hours. Classified by groups, the philosophical group seems to have been the easiest, requiring an average of 1.43 hours per recitation; the language-literature group follows with 1.66 hours; the scientific-mathematical comes last, with 1.93 hours.

The profits on football at Washington amounted to over \$2000.00 this season. One item in the graduate managers report is \$170 for expense of scouts. Coaching cost \$3500.

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The first indoor track meet was held last Friday afternoon in Lewis hall and the gymnasium, the races taking place in the large open hall. There was a large crowd present and much rooting for the different teams.

The first event was the forty yard dash. There were about fifteen contestants entered in this race and it had to be run in heats. In the finals McGregor of the Frischman team was first, and Wheeler of the Law team, second. The time was caught at 4 1 5.

The second event was the half mile handicap. The men were handicapped all the way from 25 yards down to the scratch. On the scratch were Fields, Mason and Redeker. Johnson, of the Law team, held the lead for the first three laps, but was forced to drop out. The race was won by Rowell of the Freshman team, with J. D. Davis, of the Junior team, second.

Only three teams entered the relay and one of them lost out in the first two laps, so the race lay between the Aggies and the Law school, but it was no trouble for the Law school to win almost by a lap.

The tug-of-war was a fierce contest, but the short course Aggies got the drop on the Freshman team and the Freshman team could not overcome this handicap.

The high jump was a surprise. Scott, who jumped five feet ten last spring in the Pullman meet, was unable to go over the bar at five feet.

The high kick brought forth a new man, an Aggie by the name of Meyers, who kicked eight feet three inches, with Hoobler a close second.

The Freshmen won the basket ball game from the short-course Aggies by the close score of 20 to 15.

Mr. Vander Veer was well satisfied with the meet and thinks he can see prospects of several good men coming up for track next spring. He was also well pleased with the attendance and the interest taken by the spectators.

During the past week nearly all of the games of the interclass series have been played off. The Juniors defeated the Sophomores by the close score of 14 to 13, and still retain the lead of the league, not having yet lost a game. The Sophomores are second high, having lost but the one game. The Seniors won from the Preps by a score of 14 to 4, thus keeping the Seniors out of the ditch.

The series has been a successful one, every game being played but one, and that was between the Aggies and the Juniors, the Aggies forfeiting last night on account of an injury to one of their men.

The Conference basket ball season will start after the holidays, although the games as yet have not been scheduled.

In gymnasium tests up to this time the largest gain reported by Mr. Vander Veer is that made by Miss Josephine Wayman. Miss Wayman has tested 560 pounds above her last year's test. This is just one example of what "gym work" can do.

### ABOUT THE CAMPUS.

The Violin Quartet made its first public appearance last Thursday evening when it opened the services in the opening of the new Guild Hall of St. Mark's church.

Prof. Temple his hands full analyzing samples of seeds which are sent in from various parts of the state. Tests for purity and germination are made.

Harold Hughart, '14, who was called to his home in Pocatello before Thanksgiving, returned to Moscow last Sunday and has resumed his work at the University.

Prof. Patterson will leave Thursday for Chicago, New York and other eastern cities, where he will spend his vacation.

J. W. Strohecker, '11, arrived in Moscow last Saturday for an indefinite visit at the Theta Mu Epsilon house. "Stro" has been in the U. S. G. S. since last June.

On account of poor health, Jennette Fox does not expect to return to school until next semester.

W. H. Mason left last Saturday for St. Anthony, having in charge a youngster for the reform school. "Bill" will stop in Nampa for a short visit at home before returning to Moscow.

Prof. Tuill's Freshman and Sophomore English classes were given exams in current events this week.

Graduate Manager Gus Larson has refused to sign a requisition for the purchase of sweaters for the football men. Perhaps "Gus" is right after all—we are in debt only about \$1600 already.

Walter Scott, '14, left last Monday for Boise, where he was called on business. He expects to finish his business interests before vocation is over, however, and will be on duty the 8th of January.

W. N. Ellis, '13, will spend the holidays in the northern part of the state.

Theta Mu Epsilon entertained at dinner Sunday. The guests present were Mrs. Caroline Isaacson, Josephine Wayman, Margit Walle, Lorena Dartt, Bertha Leighton, Lesetta Lubkin, Beth Gerhardt, and Helen Cashe.

The basket ball "dopsters" are digging up all available "dope" and are getting lines on the situation to be in readiness for the season just opening. Great interest is resulting in the University on account of the results of the inter-class and inter-fraternity games.

### Argies Meet.

Prof. Hamilton gave a lecture on gasoline tractors at the meeting of the Agricultural club Wednesday evening. He made his subject very interesting with a number of lantern slides.

Besides the lecture the subject, Resolved: That non-irrigated apples are better than irrigated apples, was debated. Ralph and Hall on the affirmative won against Lyman and Querie on the negative.



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