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## DR. M. A. BRANNON BEGINS WORK

**DISTINGUISHED MAN OF LETTERS  
OF NORTH DAKOTA ASSUMES  
DUTIES OF PRESIDENT OF  
UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO**

**Committee Plans Fine Reception.—Stu-  
dents and Townspeople Will Meet  
Dr. Brannon Sometime In  
this Month.**

With the arrival Monday of Dean Brannon, our new president, a new administration in the history of the university commences. Judging from his work elsewhere and the many favorable reports, we cannot but predict an administration characterized by progressiveness and straightforward business methods. Dean Carlyle, who has so ably served as acting-president, will resume his regular duties as Dean of the College of Agriculture, although he may take a short vacation before doing so.

At a recent meeting of the faculty a committee was appointed to arrange a reception for the new president. Miss French was chosen chairman. The committee has lost no time in making preparations and in all probabilities the reception will take place at the Gym on Tuesday evening, April 21. At this time, students, alumni, and townspeople will be given an opportunity to meet Dr. Brannon personally. The reception will be made as informal as possible notwithstanding the fact that the board of regents and the heads of all the state institutions will be present. Dr. Sisson, state commissioner of education, will also be here on that occasion.

Dr. Brannon is occupied in inspecting the various departments and familiarizing himself with his new duties. At a meeting of the board of regents which will occur in a few days, he will become more thoroughly acquainted with the university work.

### KAPPA SIGMA FORMAL

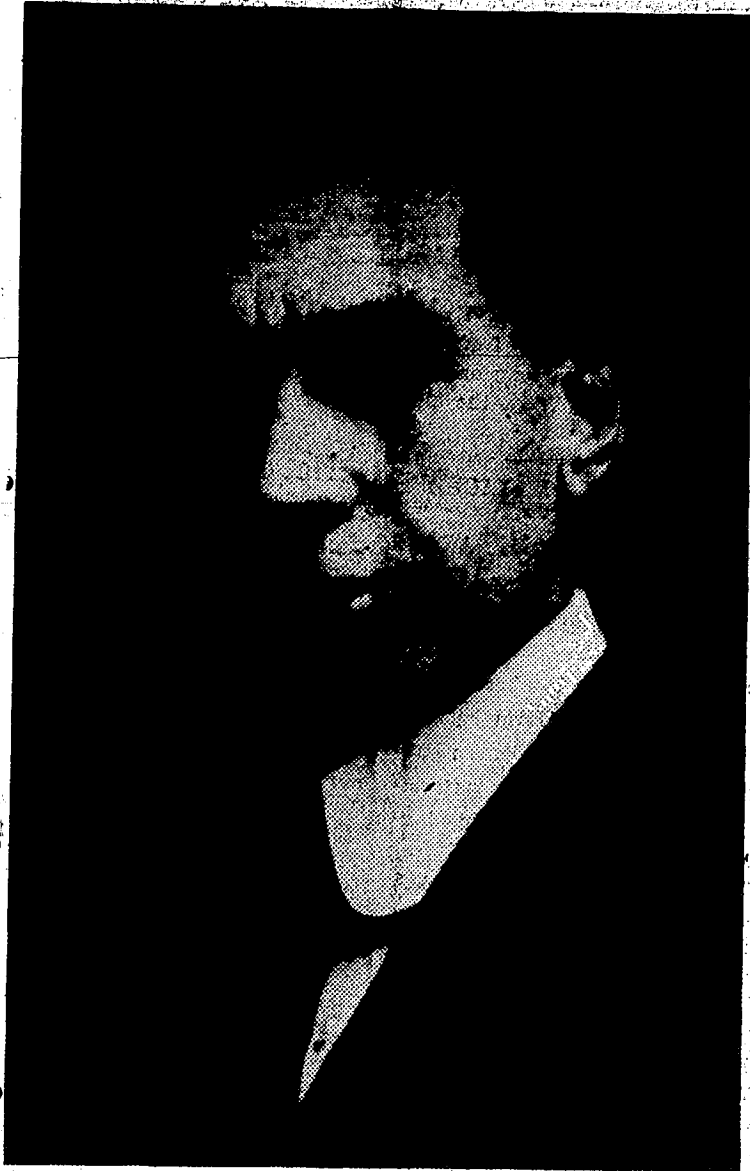
**Second Biennial Ball of Kappa Sigmas  
Held in Eggan's Hall.—Many  
Out-of-Town Guests.**

At Eggan's Hall on Saturday evening, April 4, Gamma Theta chapter of Kappa Sigma held its second biennial ball.

The hall was decorated tastily and beautifully to represent an outdoor dancing pavilion. The ceiling was completely concealed by a solid canopy of blue, of a tinge peculiarly like that of the sky; and through it shown myriads of stars of various magnitude.

To further this conception of outdoors, each of cozy corner, the orchestra pit and the punch corner were screened from the dancing floor by realistic hedges of cedar boughs. Refreshments were served on the stage which was completely isolated from the hall by a solid network of green, save where two arched entrances permitted admission to the arbor itself.

This arbor completed the impression



**DR. MELVIN A. BRANNON**

**New president of the University of Idaho, arrived in Moscow Sunday evening and assumed his duties Monday.**

of an outdoor dancing party; its walls were arranged in orderly confusion, each of which was illuminated by a single candle and the subdued light which shone from above through the blue overhead.

The Kappa Sigma Special was a slow waltz whose particular feature was a large illuminated star and crescent representing the badge of the fraternity; the jewels being represented by lights shining through colored tissue paper.

Prominent among the lesser details of decoration were the five large athletic "I" blankets, the property of as many individual Kappa Sigmas.

Not a single incident marred the pleasure of the evening and the guests departed saying that it was a dance with a difference.

The patronesses were Miss Permeal French, Mrs. C. S. Edmundson, Mrs. E. M. Hulme and Mrs. Victor Price.

The out-of-town guests were the Misses Tosney, Motie, Smith, Deppey, Mechlum, McCormack, Julia and Viola Vestal, Thompson, Michol, Hamilton, Little, Shaudy and Pritchard and the Messrs. Whithorne, O'Neil, Carl Loux, Pennich, Coulter, Alman, Hig, Rosenrätz, Maynard, Cartwright, and Humphrey.

A striking example of how state institutions construct athletic fields without taxing the students: Might we not have similar treatment?

The University of Virginia has recently completed a new athletic stadium, at a cost of \$23,000 and seating 7500 and will be called Lambert Field.

—Ex.

## PRESENTATION OF COMEDY OF ERRORS

**LARGEST AUDIENCE OF SCHOOL  
YEAR WITNESS PERFORMANCE  
OF SHAKESPEAREAN DRAMA.**

**Purdy and Cartee Make Great Hit With  
Audience as Fun-makers—Excel-  
lent Training Evidenced.**

On Friday evening, April 3, the English club of the University of Idaho presented Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors. The performance took place in the auditorium before an audience of more than three hundred people. It was the most wide awake audience that has gathered in the auditorium this year, respectfully silent during the serious parts of the play, and quick to see the fun in the more humorous incidents.

The scene was made as near like a street in Ephesus as the club's time and money could make it. It was necessary to make scenery to represent the house of Antipholus, and as there was no street scenery, wood wings were used on the opposite side. The Greek porch, when supplemented by the Greek costumes seemed to succeed in producing the Greek atmosphere, or, at least, in producing a psychological attitude in which the illusion was possible.

The costumes of the Antipholuses, Mr. Lehman and Don David, were all that was needed to make them look very much alike; enough, in fact, to excuse a mistake in identity. The red wigs of the Dromios and the simplicity of the rest of their attire, the paint and putty made them look alike but they differed much in voice and attitude.

As for the presentation proper, it can be truthfully said that we have seen nothing this year in which the cast showed such a thorough understanding of the play. Each player showed a definite knowledge of the meaning and significance of his or her role. And if "every why hath a wherefore" the cast had been taught that wherefore.

Most of the performers had been taught to distinguish between the two great elements of the play—farce and comedy. The purely improbable, the farcical element was played with hardly enough lightness and rapidity so essential to that kind of acting. Insincerity on the faces of the Dromios contrasted well with the real mirth shown by Antipholus of Syracuse as he listened to his man's story of the "kitchen wench." And on one or two occasions the attitude of bewilderment was not sustained until the conclusion of the farcical situations. In scenes of comic nature, dialogue of Adriana and Dromio, or such, the players seemed more at ease.

The acting of most of the players was perhaps made more difficult by the entirely new costume, but only in a very few instances was any embarrassment noticeable. Mr. David in his gestures revealed an eagerness, and depth of conviction that made him together at ease and that made his

### CALENDAR.

- Apr. 9, Thurs.—De Smet club.
- Apr. 13-18, Mon.-Sat.—Encampment and Spring Vacation.
- Apr. 17, Fri.—Band Concert at the auditorium.
- Apr. 24, Fri.—Delta Gamma entertains.
- Apr. 24, Fri.—Baseball with W. S. C. at Pullman.
- Apr. 25, Sat.—Baseball with W. S. C. at Moscow.
- Apr. 25, Sat.—Theta Mu Epsilon entertains.
- Apr. 28, Tues.—"Mikado," at auditorium.
- May 1, Fri.—Baseball, Whitman at Walla Walla.
- May 1, Fri.—Gamma Phi Beta entertains.
- May 2, Sat.—Baseball, Whitman at Walla Walla.
- May 7, Thurs.—Interscholastic meet.
- May 8, Fri.—Interscholastic meet.
- May 8, Fri.—Public speaking 2 play, Auditorium.
- May 9, Sat.—Track meet, W. S. C. at Pullman.

President Lowell of Harvard has recently received from the president of the Imperial University of Japan a complete suit of armor of the early Tokugawa type. It was a gift sent in recognition of services. President Lowell has rendered the Oriental school.

articulation throughout his long, difficult speech to the duke, particularly splendid. David seemed to sympathize so thoroughly with his part in this speech that one with difficulty imagined him other than the real Antipholus.

In facial expression Mr. Crump deserves especial mention. And though he possibly exaggerated the importance of his characteristic posture, he always showed an intelligent, appropriate expression on his face and frequently caused much fun for the audience.

Perhaps the best sense of proportion, the best understanding of the minute details and their relative importance was that displayed by Mr. Lehman. Perfectly familiar with the whole plot of the play and the trials of the actors he was able at different times to lend valuable assistance to his fellows. In the role of the happy Syracusan he moved with ease and smoothness that was always refreshing. With clear, forceful, and intelligent enunciation he brought out many of the fine points in the Shakespearean diction that so many sacrifice in saying.

In this respect also Miss Wall, the charming sister to Adriana, should be mentioned. She read her speeches with faultless articulation and, at the same time displayed a lurking subtlety of meaning that enriched the interpretation vastly.

Miss Kjosness, in the more difficult role of Adriana, evidenced the keenest appreciation of the significance of her moods. The alterations of her tone and manner as she appeared in the different scenes was strong proof of careful coaching and consistent effort. Compelled to weep, to scold and to laugh, she at no time faltered.

The humorous element was best handled by the Dramas, Mr. Purdy and Mr. Cartee. Cartee showed vigor even in his whining, imitating, in his elaborate gesturing, the familiar up-start servant in such excellent manner that even a pessimist would laugh. Purdy was perhaps the favorite of the evening. His remarkable skill in assuming significant attitudes, and especially in expressing himself with a look created shouts of laughter throughout the evening. Mr. Crump and Miss Bauer also contributed largely to the fun of the performance. Green, as Dr. Pince, spoke louder with action than with words. He, too, showed careful training and natural aptitude.

The serious thread of the play upon which the humorous instances were strung was sustained throughout by Mr. Lyon as Aegon; Mr. Waters, as the Duke and Miss McMonigle as the Abbess. Waters showed a stern, cold dignity which bordered on the brutal. He spoke with decision, promptness, and rigidity that did him great credit. Lyon interpreted the pathos of old Aegon's situation in long well-sustained emotional speeches and appropriate gestures.

Miss McMonigle in the gentle firmness of her bearing, in the peaceful sweetness of her voice, and in the soft, natural movements of her head and hands portrayed the kind old Abbess faultlessly. Miss Anthony, Mr. Nisbet, Mr. Vincent and Mr. Wenger all added to the ensemble and helped make the play successful.

It was, of course, not without faults and failures, but the performance was good enough to merit the approval of all.

The cast was trained by Miss Moore and Mr. Lehman, both of whom gave much time and study to the presentation; and both of whom worked with-

out pay. The faults of any gravity at all could be traced to the beastly poor management of the business end of the play and were entirely beyond the control of the coaches.

Much of the success is due to the kindness of Prof. Storer, whose valuable assistance in helping to stage the play merits the gratitude of all.

This will likely be the last performance by the English club this year. The play holds a climactic position in the evolution of the English drama as presented by the club.

Many will remember that the first performance was that of the Shepherd's plays. The next was "Everyman;" and though the jump from this one to Shakespeare is a long one the crowded calendar has forced the club to make it.

#### DAVID APPOINTED MANAGER

Will Help to Direct Tennis Affairs.

Prof. Axtell Will Coach Teams.

Three Cups Offered.

A tennis tournament has been scheduled by Manager Don David between the university teams and teams representing the Lewiston Tennis association. The contest will be staged at Lewiston on April 25. A tournament with W. S. C. has also been scheduled. The new courts west of the Administration building have been completed and regular practice has commenced.

David was appointed student manager of tennis by the athletic board some weeks ago. He is not only a good player, but an enthusiast and a booster for the game. He has arranged for the tournaments mentioned above, and will select a team to go down to Eugene, Oregon, to play with the Oregon schools sometime in the middle of May. It seems possible also that there will be a meet with Whitman some time soon.

Prof. Axtell will coach the teams this year and if his system of try-outs works well he will be able to secure the very best material for his teams. There will be a definite set of tournaments so that players of all degrees of proficiency will get an equal chance to play.

What makes the outlook more bright than usual is the fact that this year there will be at least three cups given for winners of the various meets. Mrs. Hays will give one; Mr. Van der Veer will give one and the usual David tennis cup will also be awarded.

#### An Explanation.

We print below an explanation written by the auditing committee of the English Club in reply to a contribution printed in Monday's Star-Mirror, under the absurd head "The English Club Commercialized." Considering the nature of the article we are not surprised that the author withheld its name and hid behind the signature, "A Member of the English Club."

MOSCOW, Apr. 7.—Editor Star-Mirror:—May we, as members of the English club and as its auditing committee, have a little space in your paper to explain a number of points in the communication of "A Member of the English Club." It would perhaps be tactless to comment on the spirit of that writing; some of the facts, however, should not go uncorrected.

First, the new ruling concerning percentage payment did emphatically not work well with the managers of the first two productions. With the first the manager was underpaid; in the second a slipped cog in the organiza-

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tion brought the expense of the production to a figure in excess of the intake at the door such as the gorgeousness of presentation certainly did not warrant.

Second, it was not a principle of economy, but a chance exigency which left the production without an orchestra. The plays this year of the English club have not used an orchestra and the coach expressed a wish for music at too late a date to make the necessary arrangements.

Thirdly, the matter of sending complimentary tickets has not invariably been in the hands of the coach. For the first production of the year, the coaches had no hand in the matter.

Fourthly, the promise to send tickets to the president—a misunderstanding apparently—could never have been fulfilled since the by-laws of the club, which are not variable at personal pleasure, make no provision for that usage.

Fifthly, the present English club is not money making. The policy of the manager was to regain into the treasury the deficit caused by the previous presentation.

Sixthly, it is the wish of the auditing committee of the English club that the manager be cleared of the accusation of having got himself appointed. The committee freely and of its own volition chose one of its members to manage the production under the rulings of the club.

Finally, it is only justice to the committee's judgment, sanctioned by the faculty auditor, and the integrity of the manager to say that no personal gain could have accrued to him by reducing the number of complimentary tickets and by omitting the orchestra. Such words as cupidity and greed would be

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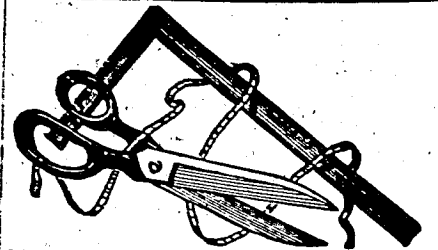
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out-of-place in spirit if they were not by fact discredited.

THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

## APPEAL COMES FOR ASSISTANCE

COLLEGE HALL OF GREAT WOMEN'S COLLEGE BURNED AND GIRLS SUFFER GREAT LOSS

Appeals for Help to Idaho Can at Least By Sympathized With. We Too Had a Burn Out.

In his classes this week Mr. Lehman set forth the situation of Wellesley College as a result of the fire which destroyed Colleg Hall at the school some two weeks since. He then appealed to the students of Idaho as fellow-seekers after knowledge with those who, suffering by this fire and as individuals who benefited by the generosity of those who, eight years ago, gave to resuscitate this institution after a similar calamity. The student body seems to take kindly to the idea and considerable contributions have already been made.

College Hall at Wellesley was one of the very largest buildings of its kind. Not only did it afford dormer space for several hundred girls, but recitation rooms, laboratories, observatories, administrative offices, and reception rooms were housed under the same roof. The obsolete nature of the construction of the building made it impossible to place insurance corresponding to anything like the value of the structure and its contents. Thus its loss is particularly severe.

Accounts of the splendid conduct of the Wellesley girls at the fire vary. But sane report has it that in three minutes without once mentioning the world fire, without the slightest sign of panic, two plucky young women waked and hurried from the building every inmate to the number of several hundred. The loss of property to the students was complete. Dispatches tell of researches carried on for years and of great value to science, the records and results of which have been destroyed. The advanced state of the fire when discovered and close adherence of the students and teachers to the counsel of wisdom that they escape immediately and attempt no rescue of material which would involve loss of life.

Latest reports state that though absolutely crippled, an effort is being made to continue work shortly in temporary quarters.

N. B.—This article was intended for last week's Argonaut.—Ed.

### George Fitch and Civil Engineers.

The following gives us a humorous picture of the civil engineer as painted by George Fitch, author of the Siwash College stories.

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A civil engineer is a quiet man with a thick coat of sunburn, who spends his time revising climates, editing the landscape and training up rivers into lives of usefulness. In order to do this the civil engineer does not tear the earth wide open with a hundred-ton spade or perform other feats of strength. He is usually of ordinary size and if he only used his own hands he could not push around a small creek, let alone a river. The civil engineer does not rely on muscle. When he desires to move a mountain or wipe out a few hundred square miles of desert with a

dam he takes his logarithm book and retires to a quiet spot where he fills an acre of brown paper full of figures. At the end of six months he emerges with a tired air and a car-load of blueprints and motions to the steam shovels to come on up and get busy.

The civil engineer is not generally known. This is because he cannot often be found on the street corners or in the clubs, or in the act of decorating grand opera with a vast white shirt front. He usually lives in the wilderness in hip boots and a last week's shave. After the ordinary man has lived in a wilderness for a few years his mother wouldn't know him. But after an engineer has lived in a wilderness the same length of time its mother wouldn't know it. The engineer is continually editing and revising nature rearranging mountains, and making rivers back up and go the other way. He is as restless and unsatisfied with the way things look as the woman who always rearranges the parlor furniture while her husband is away so that he may fall over it when he comes home in the dark and receive a pleasant surprise.

The civil engineer has hung railroads on mountain sides, run tunnels under city streets, made oceans shake hands, harnessed up Niagara Falls, made parks out of the western deserts and has put a reverse gear in the Chicago river. Some day he will begin experimenting with the earth's orbit and we may yet have Christmas at the Forth of July and a weekly comet service to Mars. Who knows? Logarithms and a square jaw working harmoniously can do almost anything.

### Y. M. AND Y. W. C. A. SOCIAL.

Christians Meet and Enjoy Various Novel Games.—Costume Dance With Ice cream and Cake.

The members of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. were very agreeably entertained at Ridenbaugh hall Saturday night, if all reports are true. The fun began with the old-fashioned game of "conversation," in which the guests were given two minutes to discuss each of a variety of subjects such as "Why I left home, or the new domestic science," "the new president—Girls, don't you wish you were single?" "the new golf links," "why women should vote," "how old was Anne and why?" with other equally pertinent and impertinent topics. Immediately after the talk-fest a score card was exhibited announcing a track meet between Harvard and Yale. Sides were chosen and practice began at once for the yelling contest that headed the program. The two schools competed in the most up-to-date fashion, rendering the yells of Yale and Harvard in a way that would have warmed the heart of an alumnus of either institution. The various events were run off in rapid succession with much mirth and rival shouting. Mr. Morley became the proud possessor of a pair of curling-irons which he won as a prize in the high jump. The continuous glum, the changeable, horse-laugh, and the long lean whistle caused much merriment, not unmixed with concern for the honor of the school. An Eskimo race which this part of the program was characterized by a keen desire to win and a very refreshing forgetfulness of dignity. The decision for the entire meet was rendered in favor of Harvard (or was it Yale?) and the trophy duly awarded.

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This proved to be a small enameled coffee pot filled with candy beans, with a blank space to be inscribed with the name of the winning captain and his crew. A guessing contest was the next thing in order. Advertisements were hung along the walls for people of brawny brain and wide reading to guess at. Of course that sort of left some of us out, but the general effect was good.

While the guests were busy discussing their ice-cream and cake to Misses Denecke and Watts danced a very charming costume dance which met with instant approval. Miss Luck sang very sweetly to the accompaniment of her guitar. Twice she responded to an encore while Mr. Steinman strove to appear disinterested. Miss Olsor recited several selections from ancient and modern authors (not including Adam, who is reported to have been the author of the whole human race). The evening broke up very much in the usual way and all reported a most enjoyable evening.

### LAWYERS ARGUE ABOUT IT. Case Tried in Moot Court Before Judge Adams.—Some Have to Pay As Usual.

The moot court held an interesting session last Wednesday. Judge Russel Adams presided. The case of Jones versus Lyon was being fought fiercely by Verne Taylor for the plaintiff and Don Buffington for the defendant. The plaintiff sued on promissory note of \$1000 due six years ago. It was decided by the jury that the case of the defense was lost. A new trial may be called Monday.

### Kappa Sigma Initiation.

Saturday evening, March 23, Kappa Sigmas initiated four pledges at their home. Those initiated were: Merland Schultz of Moscow, Guy Colquhoun of Coeur d'Alene, Russel Cunningham and Aden Hyde of Boise.



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Article titled 'WALD WINS SCHOLARSHIP' discussing the awarding of a scholarship to Wald by the American Academy at Rome.

Article titled 'THE ATHLETIC FIELD' discussing the state's cooperation with the students in the construction of the new athletic field.

Article titled 'Baseball at Montana' discussing the athletic committee's decision to abolish all intercollegiate baseball for one year.

YOUTHFUL FAIR YEAH, BEHOLD!

With some modifications still pending about the organization of the University of Montana...

THE UNIVERSITY POLICE CLUB

The following is a clipping from an exchange that shows the results of a new society that was started at the University of Montana...

# AMENDMENTS TO A. S. U. I. CON.

## IMPORTANT CHANGES IN PRESENT CONSTITUTION NECESSARY TO SYSTEM OF FEES.

### Faculty Committee Meet With Sub- Committee from A. S. U. I. Executive Board and Propose Changes.

Prof. Ph. Soulen and Dean J. G. Eldridge met some time ago with Marvin Mulkey and Chester Smith who represented the student body and proposed the following amendments.

Amendment to Sec. 2. of Article I of Constitution. All registered students in any department of the University of Idaho shall be eligible to membership.

Amendment to the amendment to Sec. 1 of Article III of the By-laws: The dues of members of this association shall be as follows:

Members registered for seven or more credit hours in collegiate departments shall pay \$5.00 per semester, which shall entitle them to a subscription to the Argonaut, and a season ticket to athletic events. An exception shall be made in the case of persons registering on or after December 1, when the dues shall be \$2.50, entitling them to full privileges of membership for the remainder of the semester.

The dues of members registering for less than seven credit hours shall be \$2.50 each, semester, which shall entitle them to a subscription to the Argonaut.

If a member discontinues his college work within two weeks after date of registration, his dues may be refunded with the exception of a fee of twenty-five cents. At the time of such refund, the subscription to the Argonaut and the season ticket to athletic events shall be canceled.

Members who are registered as graduate students, candidates for an advanced degree, shall pay \$2.50 per semester as dues, which shall entitle them to a subscription to the Argonaut. Such persons may have the option of paying \$5.00 per semester as dues entitling them to full privileges of membership.

Persons not registered in the office of the Dean and receiving no college credit for their work shall not be considered eligible to membership in this association. This clause shall be interpreted to include students in the department of music whose work consists of practical music only, night students in shop work, members of the faculty taking college courses but not looking towards a degree, and persons attending classes merely as auditors or visitors.

The dues of members registered in the School of Practical Agriculture, the School of Home Science and the Six Months Commercial Course in Dairying shall be \$5.00, which shall entitle them to a subscription to the Argonaut and a season ticket to athletic events during the six months of their residence.

The dues of members registering in the short courses in mining, forestry, and education shall be \$2.50.

The need for the proposed amendment can be readily seen, for it is evident that the five dollar per semester rule cannot be made to apply to a large number of cases provided for therein. The object of the amendment is to

provide an adequate, just, and comprehensive classification of all persons attending the university in respect to the payment of the student association fee. While absolute justice is a difficult thing to secure through the medium of a series of rules, yet the flexibility of their administration will in large measure, assure fair and equitable treatment. The adoption of the amendment should also serve to simplify in some measure the work of registering students in the administrative offices of the university.

It is scarcely necessary to bring forward arguments in favor of the principle of compulsory membership in the student association. It is one that has been justified necessity, and has been universally adopted in American colleges. An effort has been made in the drafting of this amendment to apply this principle to the conditions existing here at Idaho in such a way that the distinctions made shall be according to the benefit derived from the student activities.

It might be argued that such a policy would exempt those enrolled in the six to ten weeks short courses from the payment of any student fee. It was thought, on the other hand, that persons taking these courses would feel no injustice in paying a nominal fee of two and one-half dollars, but that they would receive their compensation indirectly from the advantages obtained from the university.

Persons taking practical courses in music (at present many of these are children) are in reality private students. Classes in agriculture for the benefit of farmers, or in domestic science for the ladies down town comes under the head of "extension work" and is in no way connected with student affairs. The same might be said of "auditors" or "visitors" in regular classes.

It is essential that the various provisions of the amendment should be carefully examined and any defects remedied before final adoption by the A. S. U. I. and presentation to the board of education for approval. For this reason it should be carefully studied by every member of the student body.

C. F. S.

### Note of Gratitude.

Although the flowers were gifts of friends here and now, yet they awakened a train of thought and memories of many friends of time past, some of them gone never to return. In my partially delirious condition this vision came to me. The flowers seemed to lead me over familiar paths, through highly cultivated parks and flower gardens, over broad valleys, where the lillies abound. They led me to the mountain fastness where the pussy willows bent downward until their soft downy pussies touched the surface of the foamy waters would gently grasp the willows and push them down stream until they sprang back stroking with kindness as if to soothe the stream. Again the stream would grasp the willows with a firmer grip and carry them farther down the stream, causing the willows to spring back with greater speed, thereby slapping the surface of the stream as if rebuking it for its turbulence. They led me among a profusion of tall slender graceful ferns and I seemed to climb the tall rocky pinnacle to gather the fine fibered moss. While I was thus engaged, clinging fast with one hand and glancing down into the deep abyss below, which seemed to be full of roses and sweet scented flowers of all kinds,

with a shudder I awoke from my pleasant reverie.

May these words express to my friends my thanks for their many well wishes, kind and solicitous inquiries, and the profusion of flowers sent to me during my recent illness.

FRANCIS JENKINS.

### Greenwood-Griner Nuptials.

Word has reached here that Irving Griner and Miss Lulu Greenwood are to be married April 16th in Wenatchee, Washington. Mr. Griner's sister is also to be married at the same time, making a double wedding. Miss Greenwood was formerly a student at Idaho and is a member of the Omega Pi sorority. Mr. Griner graduated from the law department last year and is a member of the Theta Mu Epsilon fraternity. Both were well known in college circles and their many friends wish them happiness. They will make their home in Cashmere, Washington.

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### DUTY OF WATER IN SOILS

Prof. Peterson Carries On Experiment in Lewiston. Also in Moscow and Later in Gooding.

Dr. P. P. Peterson was in Lewiston last Saturday preparing an experiment to be conducted this coming summer on the Duty of Water in Soils. The same experiment is also being conducted at Moscow, and will soon be started at the Gooding experiment station. Work has been done in other states on this same subject but satisfactory results have not been obtained. By eliminating the sources of error which have vitiated the results of these former experiments, Dr. Peterson hopes to obtain authentic data on the subject.

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# ORATORICAL CONTEST ON SOON

**ALL CANDIDATES FOR PRIZE GIVEN FOR BEST ORATION SHOULD GET BUSY AT ONCE.**

**Some Girls Have Already Won the Medal and Prospects for a Co-ed Winner Were Never Brighter.**

The Annual Watkins oratorical contest will be held sometime in May, according to a recent statement of the debate council. The exact date has not yet been set, but the holding of this annual forensic contest this year is a certainty. At least a month will elapse before the contest, but it is intimated that already a number of students are working over their orations.

Those who are most interested in this annual affair say there are two inducements to those whose talents lie in such a field, but who hesitate about taking part. The first is a valuable gold medal, handsomely engraved with the winner's name, offered in memory of the late W. W. Watkins, M. D., of Moscow, and awarded to the student winning first place. And the second inducement is the valuable training in being able to face an audience, and clearly and convincingly set forth one's political, social, economic, religious, financial and even moral ideals on a given subject. The opportunities for students to train themselves in the art of public speaking are not numerous at the University of Idaho, and such an occasion should not be lightly overlooked.

The orations may be on any subject under the sun, for in this each contestant is given great freedom. It is not difficult in this day to find a subject on which a student has real convictions. The orations are not limited in length, but generally they do not exceed fifteen minutes. A contestant who goes over that time doubtless impairs his chances of winning. There are two sets of judges. The first pass upon the thought and composition of the orations. Each contestant hands a copy of his oration in typewritten form to the debate council with no name signed. The name is in a separate envelope. In this all chances for prejudice or partiality are wholly eliminated. The second set of judges are for the presentation and ranks the participants according to delivery.

The contest will be held in the university auditorium. It is believed that a number of the gentler sex propose to contest for honors this year, and it is sincerely hoped by all that the co-eds will be properly represented.

The medal has been awarded as follows, and it will be noted that among the winners are many of the foremost of Idaho graduates:

1894—Florence May Corbett.....	96
1895—Arthur Prentiss Adair.....	96
1896—Peter LaDon Orcutt.....	ex-100
1897—Marcus W. Burnett.....	98
1898—Jennie Eva Hughes.....	99
1899—Glen Peter McKinley.....	ex-100
1900—John R. McConnell.....	ex-100
1901—Aubrey Eagle.....	99
1902—Wm. E. Lee.....	99
1903—Chas. D. Laxton.....	99
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1905—Thomas R. Jones.....	99
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1907—James H. Frazier.....	99
1908—Wm. K. Gwin.....	99
1909—Bob O. Jones.....	99

1910—Ransom A. Mackie.....	Special
1911—(No reward).....	
1912—Ralph Baxter Foster.....	73
1913—Parker V. Lucas.....	72

### MORE CONTRIBUTIONS.

**Neptune Hose Company Give Fifty Dollars for the Purchase of New Books—Dean Ayers Jubilant.**

The Neptune Hose Company No. 2 has donated \$50 to the law school for the purchase of books for the law library. This support is a strong endorsement and encouragement to the law school for which the students and faculty are truly grateful. Dean Ayers expresses the sentiment of the whole law school when he says: "I was never so surprised and pleased in my life. Indeed, you can say just that and more too. Why, the very idea of this gift coming to us entirely unsolicited is enough to make a man have the rosiest kind of views of this world and of his fellow man. Do you wonder that I am optimistic about the law school and that I have the nerve to go out and ask for, not only a library, but for an endowment fund? Why, it's enough to make me feel encouraged about talking anything. My colleagues and I are more than grateful to Neptune Hose Company No. 2 for their handsome present. It was certainly mighty fine of them to vote us such a splendid gift, and by so doing to endorse the law school and the work we are doing here."

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### AGRICULTURAL CLUB MEETS

**Good Live Program Promised to Make the Future Meeting Popular as Well as Instructive.**

Over thirty students were present at a meeting of the Agricultural Club held last Wednesday evening. These meetings are becoming quite popular with the students and some valuable information is obtained. The following program was given:

Growing Popularity of the Hereford Breed—C. M. Elliot, Trumbull school—E. J. Fieldsted, Outlook for Agricultural Graduates—Prof. E. J. Edgington, County Agent—J. P. Thompson

**Could the Amount of Money Be Put to Better Use. Is This Money Well Expended?**

The expenses for the maintenance of athletics at Harvard university during the school year 1912 and 1913 amounted to \$124,886.63. The expense for the maintenance of football was greater than for any other sport, amounting to \$30,152.68. The receipts from football were \$114,864.12. The total receipts from all athletic games was \$156,553.64.

**Record Made by W. S. C. Team Commendable and Praiseworthy.**

The news that the W. S. C. rifle team had won the championship of Class B in the intercollegiate rifle shoot series of the United States was received with great joy by all friends of the state college. This gives our rifle team the position of second place among the colleges of the United States, since Michigan Agricultural college won the championship of Class A—Evergreen.

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### POULTRYMEN ASK ADVICE

**Poultry Raisers in All Sections of State Losing Fowls Killed by Tuberculosis.**

One of the greatest dangers which are confronting the poultrymen of the state is the malady of tuberculosis, according to Professor Paul Moore of the department of poultry at the university. Tuberculosis, says Professor Moore, is rapidly gaining a foothold in the poultry flocks of the state and is destroying more fowls than are killed by any other disease. Many appeals have been received recently by Professor Moore from poultry raisers in all sections of the state and those have led him to investigate the causes of the spread of the disease. One woman recently reported the loss of eighty birds within a very short period, their deaths being due to tuberculosis.

Through an examination of fowls which have been sent him, Professor Moore has found that in scarcely any cases the disease has affected the lungs of the fowls, its traces being confined almost entirely to the intestines. This, it is said, is an indication that the birds have contracted the disease, not by breathing foul air, but by eating food which they gather from ground on which tubercular cattle or hogs have been kept. He believes that if chickens are kept in clean, sanitary pens and not permitted to follow tubercular stock the spread of the disease can be readily checked. The flocks should be examined, also, and all birds destroyed which are suffering from the malady.

### A Men's Dormitory.

At Northwestern the trustees have passed a ruling that all freshmen must live in dormitories or fraternity houses.

Let us, not forget that we are in need of a men's dormitory. Many have advocated that a freshman ruling similar to that at Northwestern be enacted at Idaho but until a dormitory affording adequate accommodations can be obtained the ruling is impossible. Alas that we are not interested in our own welfare!

### Miss Newlin Leaves School

Miss Peninah Newlin, a prominent member of the junior class and the Delta Gamma sorority, leaves this evening for her home in Boise. Miss Newlin will accompany her mother on a trip east. Illness of relatives is the direct cause of here having to leave school at this time of the year. She will return and graduate with her class next year.

### How Soon Will Idaho Fall in Line?

The senior class at the University of Washington has asked the faculty to write the diplomas in English instead of Latin. California has taken similar action.—U. of W. Daily.

This is a good current event topic. What an admirable subject for an English theme!

"Love is a sea skirted by long pier, out upon which young couples stroll to sit and fall in."—Ex.

Misses Viola and Julia Vestal, Thompson and Nichols, of Pullman, were house guests of Omega Pi Saturday night.



## LAUD WORK OF MR. SHATTUCK

**EFFORTS OF FORESTRY DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY ATTRACTING WIDE ATTENTION.**

**Spokesman-Review Makes Editorial Comment Bearing on Experiments of Saving Wood By-Products.**

The work of the forestry department at the University of Idaho in which it is being demonstrated that the removal of stumps on logged-off lands and the saving of by-products of the wood at the same time is not only attracting the attention of scientists throughout the land but congress is getting some insight to the experiments carried on by Professor Shattuck, through Senator Brady's efforts to secure a federal appropriation to aid the department. A very high tribute is paid to Dr. Shattuck by the Spokesman-Review which in an editorial says:

"From the earliest settlement of the Pacific northwest the stump of the majestic fallen tree has been an object of detestation and dread. An encumbrance to the soil, its removal could be achieved only with sweat and toil and grime and costly detonations of dynamite. Full many a heart has sunk in discouragement before it. And on the heavy timbered lands of western Washington and Oregon, full many a life has worn away in the long struggle to draw its huge roots from the clinging and make way for the free running of the plow.

"But now we begin to glimpse the big fact that the long loathed stump is a thing of economic value to mankind. It is something more than obstructing stubborn wood. It is tar, turpentine, creosote for preserving timbers, wood alcohol and aniline dyes. It is wealth.

"Science has made that interesting discovery, and Professor Shattuck of the Idaho state university at Moscow is an acknowledged leader in this new domain of economic thought. His valuable work has passed well beyond the experimental stage, and has sympathetic recognition by the United States department of agriculture.

"A house bill in congress appropriates \$5000 for government experiments on logged-off lands, and Senator Brady of Idaho has an amendment to increase the appropriation to \$15,000. The secretary of agriculture approves it, and he and Senator Brady have an understanding that if it carries, the added \$10,000 will be used in developing means for extracting chemicals, oils and other commercial products from stumps. If the \$15,000 is appropriated, Senator Brady will recommend to the department that a considerable part of it be expended at the University of Idaho under the joint direction of Professor Shattuck and officials of the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture, who are engaged in the same line of investigation.

"In all probability the recommendation will be adopted, for the department feels that Professor Shattuck has made even greater progress with this important line of investigation than have any of the scientists of the government.

"The sum asked for this work is so trifling, and the object sought so vastly important, that congress should gladly make the appropriation. Here's

wishing success to Professor Shattuck. May he speed the day when the owner of a tract of logged-off land will complacently survey the stumps which thickly dot his little domain, and count them with the pleasing sense of proprietorship with which the contented stockman now counts his hogs, his sheep or his cattle."

### BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Isaac E. McDougall spent Saturday in Spokane.

John Perkins spent the week-end at his home in Lewiston.

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Zeta Delta smoked at Alpha Kappa Epsilon Saturday evening.

Miss Little, of Lewiston, spent Saturday and Sunday at the Gamma Phi house.

Mr. Henry Wallace will deliver commencement address at W. S. C. on June 11th.

We have the latest in haircuts. New stock just arrived. Russell's Barber Shop.

The Misses Permelia and Gertrude Hays left Saturday night for their home in Boise.

Ruth Motle, Katherine Smith, and Harriet Bolger were in Moscow Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Florence McCormack of Coeur d'Alene was the week-end guest of Gamma Phi Beta.

Miss Stephenson entertained Miss Dorthea Wenz at dinner Sunday at Ridenbaugh hall.

Roy F. Tuttle, business manager of the Argonaut, went to Spokane Saturday on business.

Miss Florence McCormack of Coeur d'Alene was the dinner guest of Delta Gamma Friday evening.

Miss Deffey of Seattle and Mrs. Marjorie Matthews were guests at the Gamma Phi house this week.

Misses Newlin, Marley, McMonigle, and Denecke were dinner guests at the Phi Delta Theta house Sunday.

Everett West returned Monday from Lewiston where for a few days he has been visiting his relatives.

Tuesday evening Delta Gamma entertained the Misses Permelia, Gertrude, and Elizabeth Hayes at dinner.

It is rumored about the campus that the cadet band is becoming so small and dried up that great fear is entertained for its existence.

Forest-Grove College reports that interest in tennis is increasing and that tennis bids fair to become one of the most popular of college games.

Dean French entertained our new president, Dr. Melvin A. Brannon, and our retiring executive, Dr. Carlyle, at lunch Monday noon at Ridenbaugh hall.

J. C. Safley, a member of the freshman class, has left the university to accept a position on the staff of the Iowa "Democrat" at Davenport, Iowa. Mr. Safley is a member of the Delta Theta fraternity.

Mrs. Evalyn Nichols-Roy, who is a missionary in Shillong, Assam, India, and who is a graduate of the university, class '99, is visiting in Moscow. She

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STUDENTS' TRADE SOLICITED

addressed the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. meeting last week.

The silviculture class studied forest conditions at first hand on the university section in the Moscow mountains last Saturday. Monson, Morris, Kambich, Schofield, and Moody remained out over night and returned Sunday.

The Misses Zelba Macklim, Ruth Shoudy, Alma Prichard, and Elizabeth Tainter of Colfax and Pullman were guests of Delta Gamma Saturday night. While here they attended the Kappa Sigma formal.

The university orchestral concert given recently at Eugene, Oregon, was a distinct success according to an exchange. George O'Donnell, an Idaho alumnus is playing with the first violin section. He is teaching German at the U. of O.

Gamma Phi Beta entertained at a delightful progressive luncheon, Saturday, in honor of their house guests, the Misses McCormack and Permelia and Gertrude Hays. Others present besides the members of the sorority were the Misses Willis, Franz, Watkins, Denning, Richardson, Carlyle and Deffey.

The baseball squad accompanied by Coach Griffith and Manager Larson will go to Spokane Saturday where the Idaho team will meet the Indians. The game will serve Coach Griffith as a preliminary try-out through which he will be able to get a line on his recruits.

Miss Pearl Forteith and Mr. Carl Loux greatly surprised their many college friends by announcing at the Kappa Sigma formal ball last Saturday night their marriage, which took place during the Christmas holidays at the home of Miss Forteith's parents in Rossland, B. C. Mr. Loux is employed as an engineer at the Otawa mine, in Nelson, B. C. Mrs. Loux, who is a freshman at the university and a member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority, will continue her studies until June. As the winter climate in Nelson is too severe for her

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health, she will probably return to the university next fall to go on with her college work. Mr. and Mrs. Loux are both extremely popular in college circles. They were the recipients of many social courtesies during Mr. Loux's short stay here. He left today for Canada.

According to a wire received today from Portland by Dean Carlyle the big shipment of sheep recently made by the university's experiment station at Caldwell sold for top-notch prices, the 510 lambs going at \$7.25, and the ewes and wethers at \$5.75. The prices brought by the lambs have not been surpassed on the Portland markets this year, while the price for which the ewes and wethers sold have not been equaled. The entire shipment was sold to the Union Meat company.

The second of a series of chamber music concerts by the university string quartet which was given at the varsity auditorium Sunday afternoon was enjoyed by an even larger crowd than that which attended the first concert two weeks ago. The music was of excellent quality and the explanatory remarks by Professor E. M. Hulme were greatly enjoyed.

Graduate Manager, G. L. Larson today inspected the academic records of all candidates for places on the track and baseball teams. The eligibility of candidates must be vouched for to the conference managers before they can win a place on the university teams.

# PANAMA TOLLS QUESTION DISCUSSED

JUDGE JAMES H. FORNEY TELLS STUDENTS OF CONTROVERSY BETWEEN ENGLAND AND AMERICA.

Prof. Storor Leads the Students in a Number of Hymns.—Attendance Larger than Usual.

That the United States has a debt of honor to perform in the settlement of the Panama canal tolls controversy; that it was the intent of the Balboa treaty in 1854 that American vessels should not be exempted; and that congress would be justified in repealing the exemption provision passed under the Taft administration were the salient points in an able address by Judge James H. Forney of Moscow. Wednesday morning. Judge Forney was the assembly speaker for last week.

The speaker opened his talk to the students by pointing out the attention this question is receiving throughout the country, and showed how President Wilson was led to address a message to congress urging the repeal of the tolls exemption clause. Despite the fact that the democratic party pledged itself to support this clause. He then traced the passage of the law in 1912 by which American coast-wise vessels should be allowed to pass through the canal free of tolls. Judge Forney pointed out that the heated controversy now arises because it is proposed to violate the Hay-Panama treaty of 1912.

"President Wilson takes the stand," said the speaker, "that the toll exemption is a contravention of the treaty between England and the United States made in 1854. He believes that the honor of the country is at stake."

Judge Forney emphasized that times change and men with them, but principles never. The speaker traced the framing of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty in 1852 between Great Britain and the United States very clearly, and pointed out what part the Monroe Doctrine played in the history of the Panama canal. "About 1823 an alliance was formed," explained Judge Forney, "called the Holy Alliance. It was formed of Russia, Austria, and Prussia, and one of its purposes was to colonize Mexico. You will remember that President Monroe was then in the

White House, and the United States declared she would look with disfavor upon the colonization of the Western Hemisphere by the countries of Europe."

In reviewing and analyzing the treaties which congress must abide by in settling this delicate question, it was the belief of Judge Forney that "Hay of this country and Poincaré of England evidently meant what they said and said what they meant in that treaty of 1901, that the canal should be forever free and open."

The speaker believed that we should go back, not to the letter, but to the spirit and intent of the treaties to determine our present policy. Judge Forney characterized the Panama canal as "a great highway of mankind," and urged that no selfish motives be considered in settling this matter.

Judge Forney is a well known citizen of Moscow, and has been prominent in legal circles for some time. The students appreciate the opportunity to hear such men, and it is fortunate that such questions of public interest can be discussed at assembly. Acting-President Carlin expressed himself well pleased with the attendance, both of students and faculty, and congratulated the freshmen upon the way in which they always fill their section of the auditorium. A feature of last week's assembly was the singing of assembly hymns, led by Professor Storor.

## FARMERS' INSTITUTE

University Professors will Speak to Farmers on Subjects of Vital Importance at Potlatch.

Farmers' institute will be held at Potlatch April 10 and 11, under the auspices of the Union church. Several instructors from the university will attend. The following program has been arranged:

Friday, April 10.

10:00—Dairying in the Palouse country. Professor E. V. Ellington.

11:00—Discussion and Comments—subject, Dairying.

1:00—Poultry and Poultry Raising. Prof. Peon Moore, followed by discussion.

1:30—Silks and Sericulture. Prof. E. V. Ellington.

Saturday, April 11.

10:00—Fertility of the Soil. Dr. P. P. Peterson.

11:00—Livestock on the Farm. Prof. E. J. Hittings.

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## FALL IN

Everything Ready for Annual Encampment. Will Start Monday Morning.

Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock the special train carrying the cadets will leave for Hayden Lake. All cadets will assemble in Lewis Hall at 7:00 where the roll will be called. All baggage must be loaded before seven o'clock Monday morning and each cadet will be allowed one suit case and one roll of bedding. These may be loaded any time after Saturday noon. Who he onto him who fails to appear at said train for he shall be privileged to fill one more semester and to attend one more encampment. Captain L. F. Stone has been chosen quartermaster. Sergeants Miller and Schuffeldt will serve as baggage masters.

W. S. C. Sniffing.

With several men in the hospital and a few apparently following the team prospects are far from bright for a winning baseball team this year. Injuries and sickness have cast their gloom over baseball prospects early in the season, and have made it extremely difficult to develop any team work so far.—The Evergreen.

We do not take the above very seriously. It is just a fair sample of the

swan songs that come from Mr. J. Bender's camp each season. We can count on a fast aggregation from the state college so let's work every minute.

Pres. Emeritus Elliot of Harvard College, celebrated his eightieth birthday on March twentieth.—EX.