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SPOKANE COMMITTEE HERE

Chamber of Commerce Reports Favorably On Visit to the University

The Idaho Committee of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce visited the University of Idaho December 14 and 15, 1914, and made an investigation of the institution and plans of President M. A. Brannon and associates for the expansion of its work. The visit was for the purpose of bringing about a closer co-operation between Spokane and the University of Idaho.

What We Saw

The committee made the trip over the experiment station farm and was very much impressed by the fine grade of stock. The farm and stock are for the practical instruction of students in the college of agriculture, the departments of which are in Morrill Hall. A comprehensive survey was made of the college's activities—bacteriological and chemical soil testing, pest investigation by the horticultural section, the department of soils—studying hard wheats and other problems and the small model creamery. In the next building we saw a retort distilling turpentine from yellow pine roots and limbs. We also examined specimens of Idaho wood treated by the process that is being developed to make this wood suitable for interior finishings. The mining building and the fine roomy gymnasium were visited on route to Science Hall, where most of the engineering work is centered. There we saw wood testing, engines and electrical equipment in operation, the work shop with benches for the young men and the crowded rooms of the Department of Chemistry. Our trip terminated at the Administration building, in which are housed the law school and the General College of Letters and Sciences.

The Spirit of the University

Dr. M. A. Brannon, president of the University, is a new man to the Pacific Northwest. He impressed the committee with his earnestness and especially with his broad vision of the university that will prove its value to every man, woman and child in Idaho.

He does not sacrifice the old ideal of the university and university life that makes its mark upon every young man and young woman but he has a fine comprehension of the new field of the university—the spreading out of its influence to make it a university of all the people rather than a place of higher culture for the few.

Four out of five of the students are either wholly or in part earning their way through the University. Much of this earning is by summer work, but more than 75 young men are employed in the university or by business houses of Moscow.

An element in the fine character of the student body is found in the admirable location of the university at Moscow; a clean, prosperous country city. Such a location is almost ideal for the institution.

The dormitory for young women is the only part of the housing of students under the direct control of the university. Miss Permeal French, dean

of women, stated that in the young women's dormitory, and in the fraternity and sorority houses, board and room cost from \$25 to \$30 a month. Many of the students are going through the school year on \$300 to \$350. Some do so with even less.

The Theory of the University

From thoughts expressed by Dr. Brannon and members of his staff and from our own observations, we feel that the University of Idaho is building upon a theory of being useful to the state. This is exemplified by work in agriculture and other industries that will not only meet the pressing problems of today but, by supplementing this work with demonstrations and other extensions into all corners of the state, will make it of direct value to all.

The University Itself

A university is necessarily a seat of learning but we feel that the University of Idaho is, as it should be, conducted for the imparting of higher learning and particularly for technical training to meet the needs of the industrial and economic life of Idaho.

The larger part of this training is for young men because of the many lines of work exclusively open to them. The law school has 33 students and is developing its energy toward a training that will help to bring a better organization of the laws of Idaho.

The engineering departments with more than 50 students are giving training in mining, electrical engineering and other work that will help the men who will be called upon to solve big natural problems for the state.

The allied department of chemistry is largely used to furnish the chemical foundation for these industrial courses but there is a disposition to expand and to recognize that the most useful engineer in the years to come will be the chemical engineer by reason of the place he can take in every line of industry.

The forestry department is ahead of public recognition but not of the needs of the state.

We are surprised to hear that there are 84 students in the department of agriculture and that most of these are seeking education not to get away from the farm, but to acquire a knowledge that would make them of more value on the farm.

For young women, the university is a reflection of industrial conditions in Idaho today. Most of the young women come to prepare themselves for teaching and their interest is in the college of letters and science. Even in this work the intensely practical side of the University has shown itself by building an efficient department of home economics. The theory of such a department is to teach the girls to be improvers of the home, but it seemed that this department and the general industrial work in progress occupy a fitting place in the training of these young women, who are to do

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CALENDAR

Jan. 15, Sat. Glee Club, Auditorium.
Jan. 16, Fri. Spokane Athletic Club vs. Idaho, basketball, Moscow.
Jan. 17, Sun. Chamber Music Recital, 4:30 p. m., Auditorium.
Jan. 23, Sat. W. S. C. vs. Idaho, basketball, evening.
Jan. 29, Fri. O. A. C. vs Idaho, basketball, evening.
Feb. 1, Mon. Whitman vs. Moscow.
Feb. 3, Wed. Whitman vs. Moscow.
Feb. 5, Fri. Play, Ppublic Speaking, class, Auditorium.
Feb. 6, Sat. W. S. C. vs. Idaho, Moscow.
Feb. 8, Mon. Oregon vs. Idaho, Moscow.

ENGLISH CLUB TO PRESENT "CASTE"

Plans Complete for Production of a Well-Known Comedy

The University English Club under the direction of its president, Lesetta Lubken, is planning to present the play "Caste" sometime during March. It is an extremely interesting comedy and is well adapted to college amateurs. The plot is simple, yet effective. The action is spirited and the various character parts lend variety to the caste. Parts are to be played by Helen Deneke, Valborg Kjosness, and Beth Soulen, Lawrence Stone, Ross Cartee, Harold Purdy, and Milton Emmett.

Y. W. C. A.

"1915—What?" was the subject of Rev. Watson's talk to the Y. W. C. A. last Wednesday. Personal influence, the unity of life, and the unchanging God were the main points of his discussion.

"Many people have fallen into the habit of thinking that, at the beginning of a new year, they can turn over a new leaf, wipe out and forget what they have done the past year. It may be a new leaf but it is the same hand that holds the pen. The influence of the past year or years in the future cannot be wiped out, for life is a unit and is not broken up into years as the human mind thinks.

"In order to have a steadier hand at the writing, it is necessary to have God's allpowerful hand guiding yours. A few minutes of each day set aside for communication with Him will insure a cleaner page and straighter writing."

University of Washington

Radical changes in the point honor system whereby all women who have accumulated 25 points to their credit are automatically disqualified for holding office in any undergraduate organization were completed recently by the women's league. The new system will go into effect at the beginning of the second semester.

Prospects for the races with the eastern crews and the university are growing brighter every day. Should the official of the Panama-Pacific exposition guarantee the expenses of the eastern crews a three or four cornered regatta is assured.

FIRST GAME HERE SATURDAY

IN THE GYM. ON SATURDAY WILL BE STAGED THE FIRST BASKETBALL GAME OF THE SEASON

Spokane Aggregation Is Speedy—Game Will Be Fast

Spokane's crack S. A. A. C. basketball team will be on deck Saturday night for a game with the men of "Pink" to be put on at the Gym. The battle will start at 8 o'clock and it promises to be the warmest young scraps that the bugs will have the opportunity of witnessing all season.

The S. A. A. C. five is composed of former college bright lights, among them Belt and Johnson, said to be two of the niftiest forwards in the northwest. Rumor has it that this Belt is one of the fastest men ever seen on a Spokane floor.

Graduate Manager Favre had originally billed this Spokane game for Friday but he waived his claim to the date to let the Glee Club concert slip in.

Coach Griffith has not decided definitely on the warriors he will use Saturday but he will probably start Kinnison at center, Captain Jardine and Keane at the guards and Gray at one forward. Martinson may be sent into the fray in the second half but the big center will not be eligible until the next semester begins and "Pink" intends to work the men he will have to use in his first few conference games. Stillinger may get a chance to show his stuff but he has been suffering with an injured foot that has put him on the hospital list. Aden Hyde, an "I" man last year has not reported for practice since the holidays because of illness.

The coach is not particularly enthusiastic about this season's prospects but he expects to have a scrappy bunch that will show plenty of speedy team work and which will probably win more than a majority of its games.

Don't forget the hour that Saturday's game starts, 8 straight-up in the Gym. Everybody be on deck to pull for a win to send the team off for the season in a burst of glory and a cloud of dust.

SLEIGH RIDE

Mr. Carl Smith entertained the girls of Ridenbaugh Hall with a sleigh ride last Friday night. Two big sleighs were crowded with the girls. They drove into the country and did not return until 10 o'clock, when they were treated to hot refreshments at the dormitory. Though the weather was disagreeable the girls had a most enjoyable trip and united in three cheers for Mr. Smith.

Wellesley

That Wellesley College has procured its endowment and restoration fund of \$2,430,000 was made known at Boston this week.

One of the latest gifts was \$25,000 from Andrew Carnegie for enlargement of the library.

Co-operation Among Farmers.

BUSINESS MEN INVITES STUDENTS

MOSCOW BUSINESS MEN EXTEND INVITATION TO U. STUDENTS TO ATTEND LUNCHEONS

Tuesday's Luncheon Given Over to the Discussion of University Affairs

It was an enthusiastic welcome that was extended by the Moscow chamber of commerce at its luncheon Tuesday to the five students of the University who were its guests. To give the students an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the practical workings of a good, live commercial club an invitation was recently extended by the organization to President Brannon to delegate five students each week to attend the Tuesday luncheons of the club. The first student attendance was in evidence at this week's gathering.

Tuesday's luncheon was virtually given over to the University forces. In addition to the five students who were guests of the club, the glee club appeared for a fifteen-minute entertainment and President Brannon came in for one of his characteristic addresses.

The president's remarks were centered upon the University's organization, its sources of revenue, its student body and its far reaching influences. His address was of that spirited sort for which he is noted and was received with great enthusiasm on the part of the business men of the city. By means of two carefully prepared charts Dr. Brannon displayed some remarkable facts and figures, one chart showing the school's splendid organization of departments and colleges, and the other displaying the University's income as compared with the incomes of its neighboring colleges and universities.

Great as are the influences of the University in the city of Moscow, said President Brannon, it is far more than a local institution. Through its field of service the institution is a state university; through its sources of revenue it is a federal enterprise. During the past biennium the University received from federal funds, including the income from her federal land endowment, a total of \$297,186. During the same period she received from state appropriations \$219,900. The remaining \$60,000 of the University's receipts for the past two years were derived from local funds in connection with various departments of the institution and the extension farms throughout the state. From these figures it will appear that for every two dollars received by the University from the state three dollars were received from the federal government.

In comparison with neighboring colleges and universities the University of Idaho receives a remarkably small annual income from state appropriations, her revenue from state taxes amounting in the past two years to about ninety three cents out of every one hundred dollars of taxes collected by the state. No other state in the Union is providing higher education for its young men and women at such an extremely low cost to its taxpayers.

Write or telephone us any news items you know.

SPOKANE COMMITTEE HERE

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their part to molding the future schools of Idaho. The time is coming when the common schools will do more and more of the practical fitting of boys and girls for the business of life. In such work teaching home economics and practical instruction in these things that have to do with every day life will occupy a place of increasing importance.

Investigations and Experiments

The research work by the technical departments is so closely allied to the instruction that it is hard to draw the line between them. We found ourselves especially interested in these researches and their direct bearing upon the life of Idaho. We asked questions in the dairy barn about the yields of milk, food rations, percentages of butter fat; and then, in the College of Agriculture, we found much of interest in the tests of soils and the different products. Different but equally vital are the pruning and original investigations in the department of horticulture. Closely akin to this, we saw the chemical tests being made with juices and constituent parts of the apple to determine the chemical elements that enter into apple storage.

The most interesting experiments were those of the department of forestry, working with the bureau of chemistry of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This work has been with the stumps and pitchy wood from the Idaho yellow pine and the investigators are satisfied that 70 per cent or 75 per cent of these stumps are of such value that they will pay a handsome return from distillation. They have proven that these stumps will yield in turpentine, pine oil, heavy oil, acid water and charcoal a value of \$20 or more a cord.

Utilizing this acid water, which is of the same character as the acid dyes from coal tar, the forestry department has developed a system of treating wood whereby the dyes enter the commoner grades of Idaho soft wood and give them a richness of finish and color that make them rival the best hardwood. The committee has no wish to single out this work, but it has taken occasion to say this much because it would like to be the means of waking the lumbermen of Idaho to the importance of this work.

What is needed is the selfish interest of private individuals to take this technical work and put it upon a business basis. Experimenting is all that the university can do, but it ought to have co-operation, so that experiments upon vital problems that confront business in Idaho may when completed be taken by the different lines and made to pay a maximum return to the state.

In the experimental and general work of the university there is a spirit of co-operation with all agencies and institutions. In almost every branch of agricultural investigations, the U. S. Department of Agriculture is lending active co-operation, usually thru trained men and special appropriations.

The original research work is not accomplishing as much as it could because of the lack of funds for publishing bulletins. The lumbermen, farmers, orchardists and miners are barred from a large part of the benefit of this work and for that reason their co-operation and interest are not secured. Carrying the Work of U. to the People
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ter department, we could not but feel the need of putting this work before the people of Idaho. For instance, if every farmer could go through the dairy barn and see the herd, he would learn a lesson that would enable him to make more money. If the lumberman could see what is being done in the forestry department; if the housewife or man in any line of work could see with their own eyes the different activities under the guidance of experts, the result would be better and more valuable work by all.

In this feeling we were glad to find we were in accord with Dr. Brannon. His theory is that the university is a university of all the state, and much of the work done and a great part of the planning for the future are based upon carrying the university to the people.

The results of the work have been carried to the public by the old established "Farmers' Institute" and through livestock demonstration trains. These are to be supplemented during January and February with movable schools in every part of the state. These schools will be a modification of the "short term" that have been a feature of the agricultural, livestock and home development in the middle western states. It is planned to have six schools in operation, moving the instructors back and forth from one to another so as to provide a complete week's program, treating the work of the farm and the farm home.

This will impress the university upon a considerable part of the more progressive people in the agricultural districts. Dr. Brannon hopes to carry the work further.

Dr. Brannon looks to the day when the university will not only send certain kinds of scientific training to the people but play a vital part in their life. He believes that there can be developed a co-operation between the university and every community, and all phases of the university work carried into these communities through a series of winter lectures that will build centers of interest around them.

The committee believes that such expansion of the university can be made the foundation of many practical things that will arouse a better spirit and bring about greater progress.

For instance, if one feature of the work in these community discussions could be a series of talks upon the practical value of really good roads and the easy and common sense way to get them, a wonderful development in the progress of Idaho could be brought about.

The Outputs of the University

The dairy herd and fine livestock are needed at the university as practical object lessons to students of what livestock should be. However, securing the greatest possible benefit demands that this same stock or some of its kind be shown in every agricultural region.

Idaho has such widely different characteristics that this problem of practical demonstrations is of great importance. The university has recognized this and with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is conducting demonstration farms that are of great value.

At Aberdeen, in Bingham county, is an experiment farm, demonstrating, among other things, new varieties of seeds both for irrigated and for dry lands. Seeds from these experiments are being introduced in all parts of the state.

At Gooding is an irrigation experiment station devoting its efforts to dairying and the development of forage crops, such as clover and alfalfa.

At Jerome, in Gooding county, is the potato station that has done so much toward making Southern Idaho the premier potato district of the west.

The experimental farm at Caldwell is new and most of its work has been directed toward soil problems.

The farms at Sandpoint and Clagstone in Northern Idaho are also new. These are designed to deal with the logged off land problems and the development of the rich soils of Northern Idaho into dairy farms.

This work at special stations is being supplemented by county extension agents and special horticultural agents. In fact, under the Lever bill the university looks forward to the day when it will be able to join hands with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and with the county authorities in having an active man in each county of the state.

Direct Work on Problems of the People

It is a part of the work of such an institution to encourage the people to carry their troubles to the university and bring about a close relationship between the work-a-day world and the scientific study of its problems.

In agriculture, forestry, mining, in every part of the work of the people, there arise problems that cannot be answered in the light of previous experience and most of these are scientific in some of their bearings. The university is seeking to impress the people with its willingness to help them in these problems, and each year it is occupying a closer position as confidential business and economic adviser.

President Brannon believes that this service can be developed to the point where the people will not only ask questions but their relation with the university can be put upon the basis of conducting a regular correspondence school. This will carry the practical and cultural work into every home willing to open its doors.

Idaho and the University Must Progress Together

The university of the future must be a university that will be a vital and integral part of the life of the country it seeks to serve. Such a function is the hope of the men who are building the University of Idaho.

This university and its work will travel with the progress of the state. If the state is to expand and meet its problems intelligently, so must its university. By expansion we do not mean putting up great buildings. Fine buildings are not useful as work. But this university must be built into a great school, not alone for the value that it can be to the industrial and social progress of Idaho, but for the institution that can be created for training the young men and young women of the Idaho of the future. These young men and young women must be trained in culture—culture of the mind and that still better culture that learns the joy of doing useful work for the pleasure of the work itself.

There are some improvements needed for the practical improvement of the university. For instance, the creamery ought not to be in a crowded corner of Morrill Hall. It ought to be a separate business establishment.

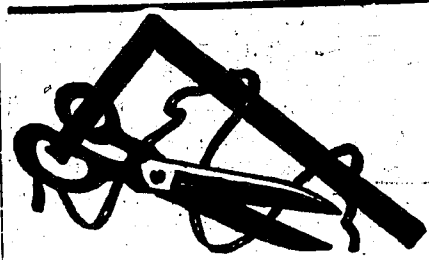
The barn for the breeding stock is comfortable and perhaps answers its purpose, but it is a questionable policy for the state to expose its valuable animals to the danger of fire

that must exist in such a building.

The general administration building is crowded, and if the work is not already hampered, it soon will be. The missing wing must be completed soon.

Your committee wishes to express the belief that one of the greatest needs of this university and its body of earnest men and women is a more thorough co-operation not only of the people of Idaho but of the people of neighboring states. This spirit is shown by the business men of Moscow and by those close to the institution, but most of us are too indifferent to the real work that this university can do for our benefit.

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DID YOU NOTICE?

"To err is human, to forgive divine." Please be just a trifle divine if you can, Doctor. We may not know the difference between a Pheonix and a Spheonix but, say, aren't we rather clever at this quotation stuff?

ARE YOU PREPARED?

We are on our home stretch once more. Only a few days and we will have commenced our second semester's work. In the meantime, however, the pleasure will be all ours of writing those examinations which determine very largely whether we are permitted to register the second semester. This pleasure comes only twice each school year and much do we welcome it. Are YOU ready for the home stretch?

There are at all schools invariably two classes of students: "The ever ready" and "the never ready." To the first class belong those who always smile when the examinations are mentioned. They perform their task as they go. They prepare their lessons each day and are ready when the final call comes. You have seen them the day before the "quiss." They greet you with the same smile and look just as pleasant as usual with no thot of the morrow.

The other class of students is the "never ready." Have you ever observed any student belonging to this class? Meet him, if you will, on the day before the "final." Talk to him about his work. What will he always say? "He never had a chance. His 'Prof.' was not fair. His lessons were too long." Did you ever know him to give the right excuse? He has allowed his work to pile up from day to day until he finds himself almost in a helpless condition. His lessons were never prepared. Is he going to be in on the night before the "final?" Yes he is. He has a big task on his hands that night. He must review his "trig." history, English, French, Greek, philosophy and what not in one night, in one sitting. The early hours of the next day has come when he finds himself in a half-sleepy condition to jot down a few notes touching the most vital points. He may be jotting down a difficult formula or some very complex rule. In his sleepy state, however, he is not fully (?) awake to what he is doing, so in place of having his pencil point on the paper it is over on that big cuff of his shirt sleeve. Or, in an effort to see what time it is, he may even be putting into the case of his watch what was supposed to go on some piece of paper, namely: (M plus N) to the 11th power is equal to ??, etc.

There are, perhaps, some students

in all schools who have the habit of becoming negligent and allowing their work to pile up from day to day. Their intention may be good at the outset but they may not have the stick-to-it-ivness to keep up the pace for the entire year. They failed to stick to the pace they set. It is a long distance race and we have two weeks, as yet, in which to finish. Since we have all qualified for the "finals" let us all try to get a placing at the finish.

Bear in mind that only three placings are safe at the finish: A, B, or C.

ASSEMBLY

This little article is written primarily for those who make it a habit of missing assembly and for those who have become such slaves to the habit that they have forgotten that the weekly assemblies are still in evidence. Fortunately, however, there are evry few about the campus who have forgotten that assemblies are still held on Wednesday of each week. They notice at least that at or near the assembly hour a large number of faculty members and students are headed for the Auditorium and that at times the movement in that direction is so great that they themselves are carried with that body even to the entrance. Some effort may be required to get thru the entrance as the force of the movement in that direction seems to lose its affect somewhat at that place. Or perhaps there are other reasons, or better put excuses, why they do not step inside. Rather than have the speaker stand at the entrance and speak in two directions so as to accomodate those inside and those in the hall it has been decided that the speaker will hereafter and forever more occupy his place on the rostrum. It would insure more convenience all around.

Why this indifference to the assembly hour? Is there any valid reason for staying away? Is the assembly talk too difficult to grasp so it requires too much effort on your part? Or perhaps you are not interested in the subject? Perhaps you are conducting an experiment that demands your attention that hour; or you may even have to visit with some one. Have you really tried to reconcile your absence with any of these excuses?

For the benefit of those who have made it a habit of missing assemblies this year we take great pleasure in announcing that the programmes are uniquely arranged. They are of such a nature that a student denies himself a great privilege when he misses one. The talks given are instructive and intensely interesting. The music, which finds expression in vocal and instrumental, is of the best to be had in the University. The thot, too, of this being the only occasion during the week in which students may get together is of no little consequence and should be taken more seriously than it is taken at the present time. Then, too, there is no small effort required of the chairmaq of the Assembly Committee to arrange for those creditable programmes of which we have had so many this year. Let us reward him for his effort by manifesting our appreciation of what he is doing.

Every talk is the result of a large amount of research on the part of the speaker. To hear such a talk means that you get the benefit of another man's work which would, no doubt, have taken you many days to get and, in most cases, perhaps you will have

to oblige yourself by not getting that knowledge at all. If the talk does not dwell on the particular subject in which you may be interested, or discusses some phase of the work you are taking at the University it is erroneous to think that you do not need to hear it or that you would not learn anything from it. Learn, whenever possible, all you can about the other man's work and you will be in the long run well paid for your effort.


Let us get together and boost this thing along. Certainly it should be no drag and it is not our duty to make it appear as such.

Meet us at the next assembly on Wednesday of next week. The programme will be posted on the bulletin board.

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cert will be given in the Auditorium
at 8:30 and is the first of a short
series of recitals to be given before
the faculty and students of the Uni-
versity, and the citizens of Moscow.

With the exception of the leader,
the personnel of the String Quartet is
the same as of last year. The former
appearances of the Quartet have been
so favorably received that the mem-
bers welcomed the opportunities for
study which the present year offers,
with increasing enthusiasm. Conse-
quently, improvement in the ensemble
is already perceptible as a result of
wider experience in this field of art,
and a greater personal sympathy with
the organization itself.

The String Quartet has been playing
co-operatively with the Glee Club and
aside from the extraordinary credit-
able appearance in Lewiston with this
organization, has a place on the pro-
gram at their home concert next Fri-
day, January 15th, which, by the way,
is pronounced by authoritative opin-
ions as being above the average Glee
Club entertainment as given in univer-
sities and colleges.

The program of the Chamber Musical
Recital includes a concerto for two vio-
lins without accompaniment, by Chas.
de Beriot. Needless to say, this num-
ber is novel and interesting and rep-
resents the best student talent in the
University in violin playing. The
other numbers on the program are rep-
resentative standard works chosen for
their interest and contrast, and it is
hoped that a good attendance may be
a source of encouragement for a con-
tinuation of these enjoyable Sunday
afternoon musicales.

GLEE CLUB

Once upon a time there was a de-
partment store in a big city and it
slaughtered prices and the people
thronged its aisles and the proprietor
had to ask the chief of police for his
reserves to keep the mob from doing
violence unto itself and to others. Now
the Glee Club management heard this
story and it took a snickersnee and it
hacked its prices unmercifully, carved
them to the bone and then took a
couple of slices off the bone. The
prices moaned, groaned and writhed
in anguish but the management was
thinking of you, gentle reader and
there you are.

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the String Quartet, the University
Quartet and the best soloists in the
city, all for the price you used to
pay for looking at "Nellie, the Beau-
tiful Cloak Girl."

Prof. Eugene Storer has been pol-
ishing up the club ever since school
opened and he is said to have worked

his charges to a high state of brilli-
ancy on their big hits at Lewiston.

The quartet has added several new
numbers to its repertoire and it will
probably be in mid-season form for
Friday's appearance. Watch for the
"Women" selection.

The string quartet with Prof. Par-
melee and Howard Holladay playing
first and second violin respectively,
with Raymond Pittinger playing the
viola and Russell Cunningham, mak-
ing the 'cello behave, has arranged to
present some new selections that
will undoubtedly pull a big hand.

If you have failed to get your tickets
phone to the Economical at once and
have them reserved. There may be a
few choice seats left.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. conducted the regu-
lar meeting of the Epworth league in
the Methodist church Sunday night.
The subject was "Some Besetments
for 1915." The war in Europe ap-
pears to be a challenge to Christian
faith, but in destruction of life and
property it does not begin to compare
with the wars of the nineteenth cen-
tury. Furthermore, only a small por-
tion of the world's area has war. Many
large and great nations are at peace.

There are many other things to
challenge our faith as students. The
Freshmen may come from a home
where Jesus Christ is a vital force
in thought and action. Now he meets
men who are thoroughly honorable
and congenial, but who have a very
different religious perspective. His
faith is tested. What shall he do?

Again he meets a besetment in the
use of his time. There are so many
interests, apparently good and whole-
some which press for student support.
But one of the great lessons the col-
lege should teach is a wise use of
time—the ability to eliminate those
influences which do not make the
largest returns in sound character and
personal efficiency.

At the beginning of the new year it
is not necessary to burden our calen-
dar with good resolutions as it is to
apply to ourselves the microscope of
introspection and thus determine
whether we have gained or lost in
personal worth. "And whatsoever
things are lovely, whatsoever things
are true, whatsoever things are of
good report, think on these things."

Dr. Exner Gives Instructive Talks

Dr. M. J. Exner, a member of the
International committee of the Y. M.
C. A., is visiting the colleges and uni-
versities of the northwest to promote
sex education.

He spent January 11 and 12 at the
University of Idaho delivering two
lectures to the men of the University,
one to the high school boys and one
to the faculty of the University of
Idaho.

Dr. Exner presents his subject in a
practical and thoroughly constructive
manner and is attested by the fact
that many universities with sex edu-
cation in their curriculum have en-
gaged him as a lecturer. And at
other institutions where such are not
the conditions, practically the entire
male student body heard Dr. Exner
speak, which was true here.

It is a matter of very serious re-
gret that Dr. Exner's lectures did not
command a large and thoroughly rep-
resentative body of college men. By
actual count there were only 122 pres-
ent Monday night and a much smaller
number Tuesday night. In view of the

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fact that this is near the close of the
semester and there are many demands
on the students time, the lectures
were placed early in the evening.
They closed at 8 p. m. The only con-
clusion to be drawn is that those who
were not present failed to realize the
importance of this opportunity and
permitted affairs of a minor character
to command their time.

HULME'S HISTORY

RECEIVES COMMENT

Professor Hulme's book has been re-
viewed in the American Historical Re-
view by Professor George C. Sellery,
of the University of Wisconsin. After
speaking of the inadequacy of the
acknowledgement of the indebtedness
of the book to the "outlines" of Prof.
Burr, of Cornell, to whom the book
is dedicated, (an inadequacy that was
unavoidable in as much as Professor
Burr advised that there be no foot
notes, preface, or addenda if it were
possible to dispense with them) the
review says: "A careful reading of
the book leads the reviewer to the
opinion that Mr. Hulme has worked
over the entire field for himself and
has made it in large measure his own.
... The book is presumably designed
for advanced college classes.... Its
erudition is marked; it is a thesaurus
of lore on the leading, minor, and
curious personalities in the intellect-
ual, scientific, artistic, literary, and re-
ligious life of the period. The style
is dignified and felicitous, although at
times not untouched with preciosity.
It differentiates itself from compar-
able works in English by its broader
conception of the Middle Ages by the

more critical attitude toward Luther
and Calvin, and by its more liberal
treatment of Roman Catholicism. In
a word, its merits are numerous and
weighty."

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used to."

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farmer is supposed to know the bot-
anical name of what he is raising,
an' the automolligical name of the
insects that eat it, an' the pharma-
ceutical name of the chemical that
will kill it, somebody's got to pay."

IN MINERALOGY

Professor: "Name the largest known
diamond."

Silves: "The ace."

Harry—Gertrude's parents are very
particular about her moral education.
Harriet—In what way?

Harry—In every way. In school
last week they wanted the teacher to
excuse her from improper fractions.
—Judge.

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PROFESSOR LEWIS TALKS TO ASSEMBLY

INTERESTING TALK GIVEN IN THE
ASSEMBLY LAST WEEK ON
"SOCIAL UNREST"

Vivid Picture Was Given of the Grad-
ual Development of Unrest and
Evidence of Same

A rumor has been circulated to the effect that a considerable number of young ladies were conspicuously absent from the last assembly. Be this as it may the fact remains that Mr. Lewis' address on "The Social Unrest" was distinctly worth hearing.

In a brief discussion of the nature and extent of this unrest the speaker called attention to a number of the late books of popular fiction which reflect existing conditions, such as: Jack London's "Valley of the Moon," Churchill's "Inside of the Cup," Harold Bell Wright's, "Eyes of the World" and others. All of these indicate a disturbed public mind.

"To understand this movement we must remember that progress in all lines of human endeavor in the last century and a half has been simply stupendous. If a man who had lived in the last century could have seen the war engines now in use in Europe, or if he could have seen one hundred weavers displaced by a single machine, he would scarcely have believed his senses. If he could have foreseen this he would have expected that all poverty, vice, and social inequality would have disappeared. But this much of his dream would never have been fulfilled. Conditions that effect the laboring man have not been improved in proportion to the improvement in mechanical devices of every sort.

To better understand this unrest we must go back into English history. During the eighteenth century there were three great changes in England: A rural change, an urban change, and a change of thought,

It is difficult for us now to appreciate the fact that at that time the farmers had as yet no knowledge of such things as the use of cultivated grasses, the use of root crops, such as turnips, and the scientific breeding of cattle. The introduction of these developments in England brought about what is known as the Period of the Second Enclosures. The enclosing of what had been common land meant that all those persons who were either unwilling or unable to farm in the new way had to find some other occupation. A tremendous amount of distress resulted. But one could not complain of the enclosing of the land, because the new farmer did better work.

The second change took place in the cities. From 1838 down with improvements in machinery, use of steam, and substitution of coal for wood as fuel, and opening up of railroads, everything was revolutionized. This meant that the farmers out of a job could move to the cities and take up factory work—and they did. The population of English cities doubled in seventy years.

Then came the change of thought. A new philosophy came to be accepted, a philosophy which said that the government should do as little as it could. Every man knows his own business better than anybody else.

it follows that the government should not interfere. This theory assumed that men were equal in their bargaining power. This is not true, because a man who owned a factory could dictate terms to a lot of employees who must agree or starved to death.

The consequences of these three movements were widespread, and the evils very great. Men and women worked half naked in damp mines for twelve hours daily. Children were set to work in mines at five years of age. In northern England pauper children were set to work in cotton mills, poorly housed, worse fed, and cruelly treated. Owing to the sparse population there was none to see or to care. Gradually England came to see that men are not equal in bargaining power and the law must be resorted to. So a long series of factory laws was passed. We now have the old age pension bill, the workmen's compensation law, the minimum wage, etc. There never was a time when employers appreciated so much the value of man as now. He has been devoting his thought entirely to his machine. He is now coming to see that it is to his interest in dollars and cents to have workmen who are well housed, well fed and contented.

In addition to these economical factors there are three other factors of special importance: the passing of the frontier, universal suffrage, and education. Universal suffrage is a good thing, but it has meant some disturbing things. It has meant that politicians have been unable to control while the people were becoming trained to exercise the ballot, and it has also meant that when men were told that they were politically equal, they began to think that they were socially equal, which they are not, never were, and never will be.

Education is also a good thing—it makes people think. But it has also contributed to the unrest. It has this danger, that people may give away before a lot of dogma, instead of thinking for themselves. There is also a serious lack of training in school for the use of the ballot.

This unrest is a good thing. We need it. It will bring good results. But we need to be careful to keep our heads, to keep cool, to study the facts and be ready to meet our responsibilities and fulfil our obligations. We need to worship a little less at the feet of the god of things as they are and a little more at the feet of the god of things as they ought to be, but we must do so in a sane, intelligent way."

FORENSIC

What seems to be the busiest place in the university is the magazine department in the library. The musty volumes of by-gone days are being hauled down from their places and diligently scanned for argument by the debaters who figure on doing things up brown next Saturday afternoon, in the tryout. Vigorous efforts are being made by sixteen or twenty men to make a favorable rank in the first debate tryout.

There will be two tryouts for the Gonzaga teams. It is believed that all but about ten of the best speakers will be eliminated in the first tryout Saturday, and all but six of the ten eliminated a week from Saturday. Competition will be keen. A number of good men will be in the scramble, six "I" men, and some other first-rate men are scheduled for the tryouts.

It seems quite well pleas-

ed with the way in which the men are going after debate this semester. With his able support and the co-operation of the students Gonzaga will have to earn all forensic victories scored over Idaho this year. When we compare the present outlook with that of last year on the same occasion we have reason to believe that the seed of genuine Idaho spirit has started to grow. Let us see that the frost does not nip it.

The tryouts Saturday will be held in the Auditorium and anyone wishing

to hear the speeches will be cordially welcomed. This will be a good occasion on which to show your institutional spirit. The hour is two. This activity is worthy of your support. The debaters are working hard and the speeches are expected to be interesting and instructive. If you are one of those kickers who think that the best debate talent of the University is never represented on the teams, come out and be convinced that Idaho's best student speakers will engage in the tryout.

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ASSEMBLY

Assembly opened Wednesday with the usual congregational singing and the quite unusual and fine singing of two solos by Mrs. H. T. Lewis. The first number, Slave Song by Teresa del Riego was a descriptive piece in which the counter melody in a minor was interwoven in a masterful way. The second number, Countess, in Thy Dancing, by Gaston Lemaire was expressive of quite a different mood—light-hearted and care-free. Mrs. Lewis's interpretations were technically correct and her voice evidences beauty and color quite as much as it does thro training.

The address by Professor Soulen was prefaced by a few timely remarks by the President in which he indicated in no uncertain terms that the disintegration and disinterestedness of the student body in regard to most phases of student activity must undergo a radical change. The President cited the interest manifested in the insignificant attendance at debate and musical concerts as unworthy of a student body. He did not take kindly to the idea of tacking a thirty-minute dance onto every social event in order to offer some inducement to the student. The President was absolutely justified in his remarks and if he can centralize this group of scattered interests, yea, this group of individuals, political elite organizations into a unified student body, he will have accomplished what the Wisconsin State Legislature failed to accomplish in that state.

Prof. Soulen, by way of introduction, said that in addition to the perfectly just criticisms made by President Brannon he had but one fault to find with the assembly audience, namely, their persistence in hanging back so perilously near the loose ends of the rope—the rope referring to the present means being used to bring students and faculty closer to the front. In searching for a suitable term by which to address an audience whom he could not call "fellow instructors" nor yet "fellow students" he encountered the difficulty which an eastern professor met in a similar predicament.

This man had been invited to make an address to the prisoners at a western penitentiary. The novelty of the situation embarrassed him but he began:

"My fellow citizens—"
This did not sound quite right so he made another dash:

"My fellow convicts—"
The prisoners began to grin and the nervous professor broke forth with:

"Well boys, I don't seem to know just how to address you but I'm glad to see so many of you here—"

The beautiful Greek myth which represents Perseus successfully accomplishing the dangerous mission of going to the eave of Medusa in the dark, misty realms of the northland, severing her hideous head and bringing it as a votive offering at the nuptials of his mother Danae to King Polydectes, was used as an allegory to emphasize (1) the importance of having and knowing one's life mission and (2) of accomplishing this mission with the least amount of wasted energy, that is, most efficiently.

Time permitted only a brief presentation of the second phase.

No one questions the importance to a college student of deciding what to

do in life. No less important is it to know how to do. There is a best way to do everything even to shovel dirt as shown by the experiments, conducted by the Bethlehem steel works. As a people we are frequently characterized as the most prodigal of nations.

Nature has scattered her bounties full and free. We have proceeded to waste them in an appalling manner.

Our wasteful methods in farming and forestry would, if not fortunately checked by intelligent, scientific study, lead us ere long into national bankruptcy. Statisticians tell us we supply the world with 43 out of every 100 tons of coal consumed—a source of pardonable pride, were it not for the fact that for every four million tons marketed we have wasted six million tons.

Enough natural gas was wasted in 1907 to furnish light to every city in the U. S. with over 100,000 population. It is estimated that one tenth of our wheat crop has been annually destroyed by insects. One and a half million people die every year in the U. S. and three million are incapacitated because of sickness, a sad picture made infinitely more sad by the fact that one third of this might have been prevented.

More accurate and minute study of tremendous economic losses and scientific research to terminate wastefulness are among the most hopeful signs of modern times.

What is true of us as a nation is equally true of us as students. There is a way to study, there is also a best way to study. Tho not as readily measured there is unquestionably an enormous loss of mental energy due to wasteful educational methods, curricula, unsanitary schools and inefficient teaching and studying.

Large numbers of students have only the remotest notion of any specific purpose in studying a subject. Lack of ability, even among college students, to organize ideas, to differentiate between the important and the unimportant, to use ideas after they have gone to the laborous process of acquiring and remembering them is extremely common.

Fortunately, here too, the public mind is awakening to the fact that a higher type of efficiency is necessary. Schools and educational processes are criticized, sometimes unwisely but more often sympathetically, as never before in American history. Out of the clash of opinions, the keener search for elimination of wastefulness we may hope for a larger usefulness, a greater measure of service, a more efficient life. As an illustration of this search for higher efficiency Prof. Soulen referred to the lucid and forceful address of President Brannon at the Tuesday luncheon of the Moscow chamber of commerce, an address which breathed the spirit not only of "doing things" but of doing them in the best way.

Prof. Soulen's talk was appreciated as a helpful reminder that the one

word most essential to a college student was efficiency. Efficiency is the word most essential to a college standard of measurement when the men and women go out to become useful in the service of the state or elsewhere. The many illustrations of efficiency in all lines of work proved the speaker's contention that there is a best way to do anything worth doing at all.

A student would have great opportunities to learn if he only had the time.

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FROM OTHER COLLEGES

Oregon Agricultural College

According to reports, Sigma Alpha Epsilon has granted a charter to the Delta Omega club at the institution, this being the first national fraternity to enter the field at the college.

The news has caused somewhat of a stir in the fraternity world. It signifies that O. A. C., hitherto one of the largest colleges in the country without fraternities, has raised its scholastic rating to the required standard and is considered advisable field for fraternities.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has also recently entered Washington State College.

California

A dual track meet has been arranged between the University of Illinois and the University of California, to take place in Berkley, Cal., April 3. The meet will be the first visit to California of a track team representing an eastern university.

University of Montana

The school of law at the university has been admitted to membership of the American Association of Law School.

The new building for the students in forestry is now completed and will be occupied by this department of the college in a few days.

Yale

Plans are being perfected for the annual meeting of the large sectional Federation of Yale Clubs. The rally and meeting of the Associated Western clubs is to be held, this year, in Kansas City on Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22. The Western Federation meetings in recent years have been attended by from 200 to 300 graduates, and have been the most important Yale rallies outside of New Haven.

Dartmouth

Among the new courses for next semester is Prof. F. N. Anderson's course on "The World War." The scope of this course will be determined largely by the progress of the war, and will consist of discussion based on state papers and magazine articles. A course in "Dramatic Criticism" and one in "American Painting" will also be offered.

University of Wisconsin

Military drill is compulsory at the university but the quaker students have defied the commandant and refused to drill. The university authorities and quakers have yet to settle their differences.

Reports are to the effect that many changes are to be made at Wisconsin in a short time.

One report is that Ex-President Taft has been approached in regard to the presidency in case President Van Hise retires. It is stated that Mr. Taft has written a letter intimating he would accept under certain conditions.

Harvard

For the purpose of stamping out the resemblance of a caste system, the faculty has decided that all freshmen must eat in the commons, and have their rooms in the new dormitories. Altho there is a slight difference in the size and rental of the rooms, all will be furnished uniformly and be of equal convenience.

Pennsylvania

The Philadelphia ward in the American ambulance hospital in Paris will be in charge of a corp of physicians from Philadelphia, according to a re-

cent announcement of Dr. J. Wm. White, who is a trustee of the university. Pennsylvania will send eight or ten physicians required to care for the wounded French or British soldiers in the Philadelphia ward. It is probable Dr. White will go and be in charge of the corps.

Oklahoma

The university has arranged a short course for instruction for merchants during the week of January 11. The course will be held under the school of commerce and industry of which Dr. Jerome Dowd is director. Lectures of ability have been secured from many sections and many lines of activity.

Virginia

A new course in South American government and history was opened at the university at the opening of the second semester. The course is especially designed for young men who are looking to careers in the consular service of the United States or in the field of business as its agents in South America.

Brief Local News

Albert Knudson made a trip to Lewiston last week end.

Messrs. Boles Cornelison and Ryan were dinner guests of Kappa Sigma last Thursday.

Kappa Sigma entertained with a sleigh ride and dance at Joel on Friday, January 8th.

Thelma Dykes of Portland, who is visiting Vesta Cornwall, was a dinner guest of Omega Pi Thursday.

President Brannon returned Friday, January 8, from a hurried trip to Chicago and other eastern points.

Sam Morrison has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the athletic board. "Baldy" Johnstone is no longer in our midst.

Beta Theta Pi entertained at dinner Sunday Misses Lubkin, Wenz, Brown, K. Keane, Woods, Kjosness, and Works.

Mrs. Ross was a dinner guest at the Kappa Sigma house Tuesday. She is spending the week in Moscow visiting her son and the University.

Martin Lewis, B. S., '13, is teaching school at St. Joe Idaho. He reports the unique experience of teaching English to a class of Italians.

Many applications for catalogs are being received daily from prospective students. It is hoped that the new catalogs will be issued at an early date.

Mr. Charles A. Fisher, supervisor of the Clearwater National Forest, will deliver a lecture to the forestry students Monday evening, January 18, at 8 p. m., in room 34, Morrill Hall. Everybody is invited.

Pres. Geo. H. Black of the Lewiston State Normal will deliver next week's assembly address. It is urged that the attendance be good. The University orchestra is on the program for a couple of good numbers.

The Home Economics club held its meeting Monday evening, January 11. Dorothy Taylor, the president, presided. A paper was given by Helen Denecke on the National Consumers' League. A musical number by Flor-

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