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# B.S. COURSES 

 FREQUENT MEETINGS OF THE facdlty have recently de. VELOPED INTO ADOPTION OF many changes in cur-
## micula

Provisions for a Better Balanced and More Intensive Course of Study
to be the Result
During the months of January and February frequent meetings of the faculty of the College of Letters and Sciences have been held to consider the matter of revising both the entrance requirements and the curricula of the B.A. and B.S. degrees. After nature ronsideration the recommendations of this College have been ratified by the University Faculty and will be in full force beginning September, 1915.
Putting these various changes into the briefest form, one may' say that two apparently contradictory forces have operated, namely, first, a broadening of the curriculum in each case and the requirements for entering it, and, secondly, a greater specialization in the last two years upon choosing a major. In the above statement the word "apparently" should be noted, for, actually, only one purpose was kept in vicw, and that is the providing for a better balanced and at the same time more intensive course of study. Except for perynitting. since 1910 , a substitute for qequired mathematics for both degrees and, two years late: requiring one year of science for the B.A. dogrec, the curricula for these degrees have not been materially changed in over fourtecn years. In that space of time the ontire faculty has changed in persompel and new idcas have arisen in the educational world, demanding expression in the work outlined for our two degrees in liberal arts. Particutarty with the coming of President Bramon was tho faculty desirous of having our courses of study reflect, to some degrec at least, the results of his long years of experience and study of these very problems, tho it is only fair to say that not the slightest pressure was brot to bear by the President upon the win of the faculty in these misters

Old Names Discarded
Generations of Idalio students-not to say faculty mombers-have struggled with the arbitrary nomenclature of "basics,". "characteristics," and "major, minor, and free electives." and it is doubtful if half a dozen of the half a thousand University alumni could now name with certainty their "major" subject. Obriously, this was an unnecessary and an undesirable situation. First, then, these terms were by unamimous consent discartiod,
To be sure the new outline includes the word "major." but it has taken on a new dignity, since both this term and that of the "relatod minor" are not applien to an indiscriminate aggrega-
tion of all the credits acquired in a subject or group of subjects thruout a four-years' course, but to a rather definitely limited, carefully arranged definitely imiten, and Senior.courses

In, certain specified departments, bast ed upon a broad foundation of ele
mentary and general training in mentary and general training in
Freshman and Sophomore years example, for one majoring in German Elementary and Intermediate German will not count towards the major at all, but will be merely prerequisites to advanced work in that department:
"Scrappy" Courses Barred
Hitherto, it has been perfectly possible for one to have completed his so-called major by the end of his
Junior year, or in exceptional cases even in his Sophomore year, leaving most of the rest of his work to unrelated odds and ends, or at least not progressive work. Under the new system all, or practically all, of the major work will fall in the ast two years and particuarly in the Senior year, by which time a student's educational tools should be sharpest and his choice of the field of his intensive work most deliberate and mature.
The "related minor" is rather solfexplanatory, it being a group of courses less extensive than the major but clearly supplementing it. It is probable that here may be placed courses in certain departments not at present developed to the point of offering majors, tho for these there is also still a considerable number of unspecified credits or "free electives." The major and related minor are together not to amount to over one-hale of the work of Junior and Senior years, except by permission of the Scholarship Committee. This will provide against over-specialization.

## Broad Foundational Work

As preparation for this distinctly higher grade of advanced work alons definite lines, the faculty has made the work of the first two years somewhat more prescribed than hitherto, yet at the same time enforcing a mucl greater breadth of field. For example, one almost blushes to admit, it has hitherto been possible for $\nless$ B.A. student to get thru with no history or economics. and only a smadtering of scincee. and for a B.S. student to omit the entire field of the social sciences and in fact all natural and mathematic-al sciences except one! These defecis will be corrected. In the social science group all B.A. students will hereafter take eighteen credits, twelve of which will regularly come in the first two years, consisting of Medieval History and a new course in Greek and ${ }^{2}$ Roman Civilization. The remaining six required credits may be taken in his tory, economics, or sociology.' B.S. students, similarly, will be required to take a minimum of twelve credits, unspecified, in the history-economics group.
In the great field of science. B.A students will be required to ele:: total of fourteen credits, that is, orcinarily two year-courses, one of which must be taken not later than Sophomore year. This enrichment of the Bachelor of Arts curriculum is in line with the procedure at many of the best institutions of the country and with present educational theory.

## B.S. a Heal Science Degree

Perhaps equally striking are the changes in the Bachelor of Science curriculum. At present the require-ments for the B.A. and the B. B.
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## U. OF W. DEFEATS

 IDAHO QUINTET
## N OXE 0F THE FASTEST GAMES

 PleAYED ON THE IDAHO COURT THIS YEAR THE WASHINGtoN men are winnersThe Passing and Team Work of the Visitling Team Deserve Special Coniment

Well we gave them a battle, one grand little battle and even if they did waltz away with the contest there will always be some consolation in the fact that the score at the end of the first half was Washington $14-$ Idaho 11. Savidge and his crew pushed the final total up to 34-22 but they had to scrap for every point they made
"Pink's" men sure put up a whirlwind game in that initial session and Savide was badly worried, worried to such an extent that he called time out to try to whip one of his stars into shape by some warm advice. The score was tied repeatedly during this half and only the stellar work of the Washington captain kept Idaho from grabbing the lead.
Washington started the second half with nore stuff than , they had evidenced during the first entanglement and they fattened up their three-point lead to a comfortable margin. Charlie Gray was stepping his usual speedy gait during the last half, chalking up his fourth field goal and Aden Hyde shot one basket that brought the fans to their feet with its class but Savidge was not to be denied and his six field goals, Washington's winning margin, decided things
We'll all hg̣e to doff our hats to Savidg. He's an great basket ball player and his men played a clean game on the whole. If there arc better centers in the country than the Washington captain and, coach wo wier heard of them.
One bouquet must be passed to Charlie Gray. With Fancher, an AllNorthwest guard, watching him. Charlie shot four field goals and added to that the feat of hooping ten frec throws.
The papers say that Washington won again at Seattle on Monday by a 29-17 score but of course we can't get all the dope until the team returns.
The following was the lineup for Friday's game:
Idaho.
Washington.
Gray ...........R.F........ Robinson Hyde . . . . . . . . . L.F.......... Davidson Martinson .......C........... . Savidge Keane ..........R.G............ McFe Jardine . . . . . . .L.G.......... Fancher Idaho scoring-Field goals, Gray 4, Hyde, Jardine; free throws, Gray 10. Washington scoring-Field goals, Savidge 6, Robinson 3, Davidson 2. VcFec 2, Fancher; free throws, Savidge 6.

Referec-Hinderman of Spokane.

Headline in the Whitman College Pioneer says, "Mid-Year Test Brings Out Long Distance Men." Lots of those long distance men fell by the wayside here.

CALENDAR
Feb. 20, Sat., Whitman vs. Idaho at Walla Walla, Basketball Feb. 23, Tues., W. S. C. vs. Idaho at Pullman, Basketball.
Feb. 24, Wed., W. S. C. vs. Idaho at Moscow, Basketball.
Feb. 26, Fri., Zeta Delta Dance.
Mar., Fri., Debate, Gonzaga vs. Idaho, Auditorium

## NOTICE

Monday, February 22d, will be observed as a holtday. In the-Assembly Hall at 10:30 a: m., a program-will be given, consisting of patriotic songs and adddresses in recognition of the Anniversary of Washington's birth.
Inasmuch as this is the only academic exercise on Monday the entire student and faculty body should* arrange to join in this Anniversary Celebration.
(Signed). MELVIN A. BRANNON.
President.
VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY AT DORMIIORY

Mary McClenahan, Grace Darling, Marguerite Linn, Margaret Rawlings, Edna Herrington, and Olive Merrih entertained the girls of Ridenbaugh Hall at a Valentine party Saturday evening.
Games Suitable for Valentine's day were played, The Queen of Hearts and a heart humt. Then the girls played charades until summoned to the dining room. There they found a long table charmingly deeorated with a basket of carnations and red ribbons. Clever little place cards located each one in her proper class. A dainty luncheon was served and the reading of the Valentines which were exchangcd , and the giving of toasts afforded much merriment. The party closed with dancing of a rollicking Virginia Rieel.

## gate seiman coming

Gale Seaman, student secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the Pacific Coast, will visit the University of Idaho February 26. Mr. Seaman desires to meet all men who are interasted in the Weatherford meetings. Mr. Seaman is well known and liked, by the students. All men interested in promoting the Weatherford meetings are asked to meet $\frac{4}{\mathrm{~m}}$ Room 3 . Enginecr ing Building, at 12 o'clock, February 26. Neeting will last 30 minutes.

## r. W. MINIG CONFERENCE

The annual Northwest Mining Convention is to be held at Spokane next week beginning February 22 and cnding February 27. It is being held under the auspices of the Spokane Mining Men's Club, the Spokane Engineering and Technical Association, and the Spokane Chamber of Commerce. A reception to all visiting delegates will be held on Tuesday evening. President Brannon is a member of the reception committee.

- "Everybody knows the steps of a lawyer's carecr-he tries in turn to get on, to get honor, to get honest."


## Shanghai men

 TO ATTEND IDAHO
## WHL TAKE WORK.IN RAILWA

 ENGINEERING AND ECONOMICS AT THE UNIVERSITYWere Students of S. R. Sheldon, Formerly Connected With the University of Idaho

Messrs. P. K. Hsu and P. F. Yang of Shanghai, China, graduates of the railway engineering department of the Government Institute of Technology, arrived in Moscow last evening to take up special work in railway engineering and, economics at the university, pending the approval by the Department of Labor and Immigration of a contract under which they will enter the traffic department of the Santa Fe Railtray company.
Mr. Hsu and Mr. Yang left Shänghai January 15th. At Kobe. Japan, they left the steamer, and traveling by rail, visited the clties of Kioto and Tokio before rejoining the ship at Yokohama They arrired in Seattle on the 12th, and after spending a few days with friends there, came directly to Mosсон.
Both have been students under S. R Sheldon, on whose recommendation they came to the University of Idaho They report that Mr. Sheldon is one of the most able and popular men erer connected with the fistitute, and that he is now dean of the electrical engineering department. one of the two sections into which the collegiate department is dirided.
The Gorernment Institute of Technology consists of thrce schools, and the enrollment is in excess of seven hundred. Students enter the primars department at the age of twelve or thirteen. with not less than tivo sears of treining in English, and spend four years there. Then follow five rears in the Middle School. which corresmonds to the American high school and the freshmin rear of college. The three rears in the College are deroted almost entirely to technical studies. and, following graduation. students enter the serrice of the goverament railwars, telegraph. telephone or educational departments, or go abroad for further studs or to gain experience with industrial or public serrice companies.

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Presideni Eranwan commended the stacents and facultr for their support of Assembls. The turnout was large. The viclin soles by Mr. Parmelee were well reccived and enthus:astically apnlauded.

The speaker of the day was to have been the heac of the Hictory Depar:ment of Wasiington Stait College but unaroidably he could not be here. Professor E. M. Hulme spoke in hic stead. dealing briety with the philosophy of human life and limit:tions of human reasen.

When the sient laws ofi erclution and life for which we are indebted to Darrion and the lavas governins inanimate things. "were propounded it was the hope of philosophy to unlock all the questions of life. But science did not answer the questions.

Whence came we? Why are we here? Whither are we going? Pessimism arose because these problems were not solved.
Since the time of Emmanuel Kant philosophy has been more humble contenting itself with problems like these:. What is the origin of our knowledge, its extent and ability? The human gets knowledge in two ways, induction and deduction, reasoning from general specific or specific to general things. The instances upon which knowledge is founded are gotten thru the senses before the brain takes hold of them. For instance by vibrations, touch transfer the sensation of hard or soft; the eye transfers the sensation of green, yellow, etc.
But these systems or senses are too few to know the world in which we live. We cannot know electricity or radium. Not only are the systems too few in number but they are too limited in scope. There are vibrations too fast and ribrations too slow for the ear to record. Mechanically there are instruments which can record them. In smell the dog surpasses man; in sight, the eagle surpasses him. Senses vary n individuals and from time to time. Thus we see the greatest defect in our understanding is that the systems are too limited in number and in scope. We know nothing of an object in itself at first hand. We know only the vibrations and they may be misleading. This difficulty in understanding the world is an insurmountable once. The phanomena about us we cannot know but only make deductions from them. No one can prove time, space, or the existence of course and effect. Ther are assumed.
Our knowledge then is inadequate to prove from whence we came why we are here and where we are going. Eren the existence of an outside world. it is claimed, cannot be proved. Science depends upon sensations for its material. It is a limited-instru ment. Likewise each science is limited and hence it must be modest.
But men cannot live by the aid of sciences alone. Ther must go over the wall berond these limitations. The human heart always aspires to know and therefore it goes to the priest, to the artist. to the philosopher, to anwer the questions of life.
There are four solutions to the questions of life: whence came we. why here. Where going:
First. Revelation.
Second. Denial. which teaches that all ends with the grave. There have alrays been poets of pessimism
Third. Doubt. The agnostic does not know how things will end.
Fourth. Faith, or the assent of the mind and heart to something which we cannot prove. It is justified in the experiences of the human race. The greatest basis of justification of faith is the need of a postulate for some outcome of human life. It is as useful as the use of time and space. and men are justified in believing there will be a just outcome to all noble deeds.

The Hohenzollerns are not alone in their intimate knowledge of the wars of the Almightr. A Mr. Francis Williams ends a noem with the line
"And all the while God and I stood ouiside in His blessed sunlight and aughed."
-Passim.
To which we rould add. in defense "not ended ret."


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CHANGE B.A. AND B.S. COURSES
(Continued from Page 1) grees differ only in one particular, there being in the one a "characteristic language" and in the other a "characteristic science." In every other respect the two curricula may be identical, tho of course they often are not.' Doubtless, many who naturaliy would have registered for the 2 A . degree and whose tastes ran in that direction, have been practically forceal into the B.S. curriculum by their total or partial lack of preparation in Latin. (Riegarding this, see below.) Accordingly, the B.S. degree has in many cases not connoted any really intensive work in science whatever, but only a diluted, makeshift, secondchoice affair. Not only have there been enrolled for the B.S. degree those who were properly Arts students, but also those who for various reasoñ have found themselves unable to complete with their original class the work outlined for the degrees in Ag riculture, Forestry, Home Economics or the various branches of Engineering. Hitherto such students have been allowed to transfer their credits in these technical subjects, and receive the general science degree. From now on, those transferring to the B.S. de gree must meet the full requiremonts of major, related minor, social science natural science, foreign language, English, and mathematics outlined for that degree.
It is probable that hereafter some of those who have only a general. interest in science will register as B. 7 . students while those who really wish to specialize in science will gladly sulbmit to the stricter discipline of tha B.S. degree. taking in Freshman vear the necessary foundation of matlicmatics and chemistry and in the Sophomore year physics, and in the last two years of their course majoring in either Botany, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics. Physics, or Zoology
Those pursuing a premedical comse of only two years will be permitter in Freshman year to substitute Botary or Zoology for Mathematics, but if they register for the Junior year of the B.S. curriculum, they must take one year of Mathematics.

## B.A. Majors

In the B.A. course, for the present, majors will be permitted only in Econqmies and Political Science. English. German, Greek, History, Latin, Music, and Romance aLnguages. liberal allowance of free slectives will permit practically a second major in science or other non-major subject when desired by the B.A. student.
While permitting as much foreign language work as before, the new outline requires only two years' work (1t to 18 credits) in French, German, Greek, Latin, or Spanish for eithe: the B.A. or the B.S. degree. On ac count of the universally recognized value of the study of foreign languages and literatures it is not expected that elections in these departments will be materially decreased. It was noted that during the discussions no representative of the language departments made any protest whatevel against the radical curtailment of required work in foreign languages for the B.A. degres. Personally, I do not care to have in my classes students who are taking German only under the compulsion of gradation reguire ments. requirement remains garding foreign language require-
credits instead of 16 will be the minimum.

Summary of New Requirements The forthcoming University catalog to be issued in April will contain further details of the new plan, but the following summary will serve in some measure to indicate its scope. Next year's Freshmen will be required to ulfi all the new requirements, this year's Freshmen most of them, while if the case of next year's Juniors and Seniors individual arrangements will have to be made. Some will prefer to graduate under the old requirements, while others have already found upon study of the new outline that they can eadily adjust themselves to its broader and deeper provisions.
Briefly then, the B.A. curriculum will require 12 credits of Englith ${ }^{2} 14-$ 18 (average 16) credits of one foreign language, 8 credits of Physical EducaIon for women, or Military Science, 14 credits of the mathematical or natural sciences, 18 credits of the social sci-ences-a total of 68 credits; and in addition a major of 16-20 credits, a related minor of $6-10$ credits, and sufficient free electives to equal a grand total of 128 credits.
The corresponding numbers of credts for the B.S. degree are: English 12, one foreign language 14-18, Physic al Education of Women, or Military Science 8, sciences 24 (Mathematics 8 , Chemistry 8, Physics 8), social sciences 12 -a total of 72 ; plus a major of $16-20$, a related minor of $6-10$, and free electives sufficient to make a grand total of 128 credits.

New Idmission Requirements
As a corollary to thg above changes in graduation requircments came the relaxed Latin requirement for admission to the B.A. curriculum. It was argued that many students come here from small towns where Latia is not tanght, or if taught, is carried for only two years. The requirment of three years of Latin was therefore declared to be a bar which keeps some from coming to the University at all and which drives others wrongly into the B.S. curriculum. Beginning with September, 1915, themere, students will be admitted to any curriculum in the University of Idaho upon presenting two years' work in any one accepted foreign langunge. the only further proviso being that for the B.A degree two years of clementary Latin must be pursued in college when a foreign language other than Latin was presented for admission.
The lively and continued discuscions upon the Latin requircment for admission developed very clearly the fect that while it was deemod expedient to make this change to meet present Idaho conditions, it was the practically unanimous belief of not only the Letters and Sciences faculty but also of the professors of engineering, law, forestry, etc., that Latin is highly desirable in the high-school preparation for college of all classes of students. Thus, while Latin is no longer an entrance prerequisite to any curriculum, it is urgently recommended not only to all prospective B.A. stulents but also to those intending to so into law, science, medicine, engineering, or forestry that they take at least two, and if possible four, years of preparatory Latin

From Eleven to Four
Certainly, the faculty of the Unirersity of Idaho will hardly be accused even by radical educational reforms of being unduly conservative regarding foreign language require-


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two years the combined language re quirements for admission to and gradration from the B.A. curriculum have been reduced from' eleven years' work to four. Formerly four years of Latin and two of another language were re quired for admission, while a two year "basic" and a threc-year "char acteristic" language were required for the B.A. degree.
Personally, while I represent a modn language department, I look foivard confidently to the time when the present swing of the pendulum away from everything that savors of the old classical discipline will be reversed. If it is not, I cannot but wonder what will become of the future student who endeavors to read our own English literature, or to understand other than superficially the language or literature of any othe: modern people, or to learn in anything but parrot-fashion the meaning of the ordinary terms in present-day sci ence, art. law. or medicine.

To sum up, I consider that the faculty has met the present secondary school situation in Idaho frankly and fairly and has planned for the University's future graduates a stronger and better training than ever before. I trust that the importance and newness of the subject-matter may in some measure justify the great length of this article.
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THE TEACHER IND THE FLCNKER
There is a growing sentiment that efliciency and success in teaching are not measured by the number of failures chalked up by the teacher at the end of a semester's work. There is : tendency oi late to shift a share of the responsibility for failures from the student to the teacher. Berond minor considerations, persistent flunking in any one class is becoming more and more, to be regarded with doubt as to the teacher's ability to present the subject in an interesting and intelligible manner- Tie elective system is an expression of this doubt.
The following is an interesting commentary on the subject, written by Friderick E. Bolton for the Journal of Education
-One excellent measure of success in any teacher is the number, of pupils who successfully accomplish the given work. Frequently teachers whe fail the most pupils gre adjudged to be the most successfu!. But this is an absolutely ricious stenderd. It is the business of the teacher to create such an enthusiasm for his work that the pupils will study and succeed. Assuming that all the iunits are properly prepared on entering a given class. and assuming that they are regula: in atteadance and in sood lealth. sll the pupils should complete the work sat isfaciorily. Of course in a large cless some may be unprapared to enter unon the rork and some mar be unable to succed because of distracting outside intuences. However. the proportion who cannot carry the work successfunt should te very small inceed. An everage of more than 5 ber cent of failures stould wrong. and that with the teacher. The teacher should cxamine his own work most critically to see if the faule is not his own. To be sure pupils should not be given passing grades rithout having earned then:. but if ninetr-fire per cent do not earn a passins grade the teacher has probably failed to be a real

GLEE CLIB TO MAKE NORTHERY TRIP

On the morning of March eighth the Glee Club leares for its first tour of the northern section of the state. The towns included on the trip are Spokane, Wallace, Coeur d'Alene. Sandpoint, Kellogg, St. Maries. and possibly Ratidrum. Le F. Stone, the business manager of the club, and John McErers, adrance agent. were in Snokane last Wednesday and Thursday
arranging for the appearance of the club at that place. Mr. Stone returning the next day and Mr. McEvers going on to complete agreements with each of the northern towns.
Very favorable word has been received from Sandpoint, Wallace, Kellogg, and Coeur d'Alene. In Spokane the appearance will be under the auspunes of the University Club and will probably be held in the Club Rooms. This but marks the beginnings of what will after this be a regular thing the same as the athletic trips. With the success that will undoubtedly be theirs on their maiden venture rext season should see them include the southern portion of the state as well as the north in their travels.
The hearty support and co-operation necessary for such an undertaking has been readily forthcoming from each ndividual in the club and it is earnestly hoped that the student body will see fit to give their undivided support toward any measures that will be necessary to see them safely on their road to the north.

## I. IT. C. A.

The meeting last Wednesday was one of the most interesting the association has had this year. It was a student's meeting. The topic for discussion was Beautr. Short talks were given on Beauty of poetry, music, nature, the Bible, and others. The: beauty of music was illustrated by a piano solo by Miss Norma Dow. The girls realized that the best and most enjoyed meetings are those in which every girl does something to help make it interesting.
The $F$. W. girls held a candy sale in the Administration building last Wednesdar morning. The proceeds mounted to $\$ 10.50$. This will go torards fitting up the rest-room:

The district trustees of the public chools of Latah county have been alled together by the county superintendent for a session in Moscow. The meeting is to be held in Morril Hall on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning. February, 23 and 24. Many of the speakers will be professors from the University: Prof. Robb will discuss. "Club Work, Or How to Interest Parents in the Work oi the Children." and Prof. Soulen will talk on "School Buildings." Prof. Lewis speaks on "Social Center Work." and Miss Hoover will also give some interesting discussions. Presiden: Black of the Lewiston Normal will give two addresses. one of which will be concerned with "Countr Enits."

Misses Edna and Mary Mellison have gone to their home in Kendrick this week to recuperate from a severe at ack of the "grippe."

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Decorations Artistically IrrangedToasts Creditahly Given-Pleasant Evening Spent

Saturday evening at Ridenbaugh Hall Gamma Phi Beta held her ammal banquet. The tables were placed in the form of the Greek letter Phi and were artistically decorated with scarlet camations and tulle, which culminatd in a graceful centerpiece in the phasure were all provided for and d in a graceful centerpiece in the lent a distinctive individuality to the
istically clever and funny, and coming after the more serious talk delighted everyboly.
The fifteen new members of Gamma Phi Beta, who so thoroly enjoyed their first sorority banquet were as fol lows: Nora Ashton, Angelina Burns, Evelyn Cox, Gliedys Dittemore, Catherine Frantz, Ge:trude Hays, Parmelia Hays, Joyce Jenness, Glauys Johnson, Verna Johannesen, Rosmaric Mallon, Marjory Scçrea, Tress McMahon, Carol Ryrie, and Loraine Selby.

## OMEGA PI INFORMAL

Of necessity like all other such af fairs in its general features the Informal given by Omega Pi at the K . of $P$. Hall last Saturday evening was different. The little things making for


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middle of the round table which made the center of the Phi. Small reil (andles at each place spread a warm glow over the hapuy faces of the thirty-eight active and alumni members gathered in honor of the initiates. The following menu was served: Oyster cocktail Saratoga wafers
Creamed chicken in timbales Stufferl potatces
Escalloped corn with green peppers White bread Olives Cranbery jelly Tomato salad

Wafers
Nougat ice cream Devil's food cake Mints Salted loanuts Bar le duc care Grape bunch
Miss Elsie Nelson, whose manage ment of the cafeteria has been so sucressful, deservos much crodit for the delicious banquet which she prepared.
When the punch was served. Mrs. Clifford Edmundson, who acted as toastmistress, arose and introduced the subject of the toasts. The speakers followet out the simile of a mountain and the rarious experiences met in climbing it in their toasts. Nora Ashton, '18, spoke on "The Crescent's First Beams on the Pathway"; Charlotte Lewis, '17, said a few words about the difficulty of clinibing "In the Clouds"; Marjory Zumhof, '16, responded with a poem about the mountain "Above the Clouls"; Katharine Pitcairn, '15, had the topic, "Nearing the Summit'; and Edna Dewey, '09. spoke about "The. Summit" from the riew of an alumnus as a fitting climax for such a serics of tonsts: Verna Johannesen, '18, gave a prophecy of What was, to come after the summit had been reached, it was character- Eagleso

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## SCIENCE LECTURE GIVEN MONDAY

PRESIDENT BRANAON GIVES IN STRUCTIVE LECTURE TO FORESTRI CLEB

## Position of Darvinism as a Science

 ExplainedMany people other than members of the forestry club availed themselves of the opportunity, Monday evening, of hearing President Brannon's lecture on Charles Darwin and his work.
Dr. Brannon presented his subject in simple, direct language, avoiding, as far as is possible in such a discussion, the use of technical terms, and thas made his talk of interest even to those who have not been educated along biological lines. He pointed out first that the science of Darwinism has been misunderstood and misinterpreted by those who hare studied it only slightly, or not at all. "Darwinism," he said, "never was synonymous with organic evolution. It had to deal specifically with the theory of descent;" the theory of descent being associated with natural selection and kindred subjects.
Explaining the position of Darwinism as a science he said:
"Man had long observed that there were large numbers of different kinds of animals and plants on the ea $\because$ 's surface. He had explained the orizins of these organisms in various ways some students supported the riew that these organisms had arisen spontaneously; others that they were created supernaturally; and a third group, headed br the great Darwin. held that they descended from ancestors of lower types. This theory of descent refers to the origin of kinds of life and not to the origin oi life itselî."
The first part of the talk was given over largely' to the life of Darwin. and the second part to the reading and discussion of extracts from his "Origin of species."
Darwin's birth occurred on the same day and year as that of Lincoln. February 12. 1809. As a bor Darwin took little interest in school work, although he was fond of reading and also of the study of chemistry. At the age of 16 hè was sent, by his, father, to Edinburgh University, and later to Cambridge. At both schools he was but an indifferent student. but he became associated with some of the great scientists of that time. While on an excursion with Sedwick, the geologist, a tropical shell was found in a gravel pit, and it was this little incident. says Darwin, that made him realize that "science consists in grouping facts_so that general laws or conclusions may be drawn from them."
It was through the efforts of the botanist. Henslow, that he was enabled to sail with a scientific expedition on the Beagle. The royage lasted nearly five years and corered a large part of the earth's surface. It was probably this royage that started Darwin on his scientific career.
In his youfg Darwin was greatly interested in poetry and music, but later in life, according to his own statement, he became indifferent to them, and also lost faith in the general teachings of Christianity. He did not become an entire Athiest. or disbeliever, but rather an Agnostic-onc who is not sure

The second part of Dr. Brannon's talk-that on the "Origin of Species" -was necessarily somewhat technical. Characteristic selections from Darwin's work were read and discussed; one of the pripcipal points made being that no attempt is made to explain by Natural Selection the cause of variability in plants or animals. Natural Selection deals entirely with the preservation of inviduals in which favorable variations occur and the destruction of those with unfavorable characteristics.
In closing Dr. Brannon explained the extent to which Darwin's teachings are accepted by present day scientists, and explained some of the objections raised against them.

## AGRICCLTURE:

On Friday, February 26, the Short Ags. will meet the local high school in Lewis Court to contend for track honors. Just exactly what events there will be has not been decided, but there will not be a pole vault, javelin, discus, or hundred-yard dash. The meet last year was a decided success. and should be better this year, as there are a number of discrepancies vet to be settled.
Ralph W. Hughes. who formerly iad charge of the University dairy inerd, recently received a position in the Idaho Industrial Training School at St. Anthony. He will take charge of the fine herd of dairy cows owned by the school.

That the S. P. A. Literary Club is a successful organiaztion is easily shown by noting the attendance and enthusiasm of the Short Ag. boys. The program on Thursday added ancther o their series of enjoyable evenings The paper by Wanewright. Gorton asd Lockwood was thoroughly anpreciated.
Prof. Hamilton's talk on "The Practical School Man's Opportunities" coritained some very pertinent facts regarding the position the short course man will ocupy when he leaves se! !ool. The Short Ags. in their coursic of fifteen months $g \in t$ the cream of the studies offered in the Cniversity: it is they who will go back and make the farm pay. At the same time they get enough technical training and saipaific work to enable them to fall in line with the progress of the dar. Lons course men are in great debiand as teachers, county experts. extension workers, etc., and their training in many cases fits them more for these positions than for practical arning. Movable schools sometimes have trouble to interest people whose cld fogy ideas do not jibe with the ideas of "them college fellers." But fill our farms with men who have had the s . P. A. training and the extension work will become much more effective and eass, because the farmers will alieady have the "bug" of enthusiasm as well as an appreciation of the work being done for them.
It is sometimes thot that the short course is of no more value than a higit school training, but Prof. Hamilton pointed out the adrantages of the former in the College enrivonment, better qualified instructors, and most imnortant of all, the chance to act as a man and develop honor in one's self, which opportunity is too often restricted by high school discipline.
A recitation by Beeker, and a reading by Palmer in honor of Liucoln, concluded the program.

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## Brief Local News

Norma Dow is pledged Omega Pi . Norma Martin returned to school last Wednesday.

Frank Martin was pledged Kappa Sigma last week.

Worsham, Purude, 05, wats a guest of Phi Delta Theta last week-end.

Mabelle Rudesill and Zella Bigham were up for the Omega Pi dance.

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Miss Lillian Compton of Potlatch was a week-end guest of Omega Pi

Edna and Mary Wellison went to Kendrick Sunday on account of ill ness.

Emory Knudson is visiting his brothers at the Kappa Sigma house this week.

For Easeball and Track Men-Bet ter Shoes, in all sizes and lower prices at Davids'.
David Eaves, '16, of Lewiston was a visitor at Phi Delta Theta Suturday and Sunday.

Fred Shields, '10, of Spoken was a risitor at Phi Delta Theta Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Save your whiskers for the Idaho Barber Shop, Gibford Bros., Props.

Andy-Speaking of his aim in education: "Viola, well, I'm looking for more than YOU are."

Messrs. Burns, Martinson, and Hyde went to Pullman last Saturday to see the U. of W.-W. S .C. game.
"Dud" Clarke of Whitman was a quest of Phi Delta Theta Wednesday. He has registered in the U. of I

Misses Lubkin, Kjosness, Works, McArthur, Mullin, Anderson, and Woods were dinner guests of Kappa Sigma Sunday.
Misses Watts and Zimmerman of Pullman came over to see the $U$. of $W$.T. of I. game. They were guests of Kappa Sigma.
For Baseball and Track Men-Better Shoes, in all sizes and lower prices; at Davids'.
Mis Lottie Work went to her home in Kamiah on Thursday where she will remain a few days. She has been ill for: several days with th "grippe."


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The graduating class of the S. P. A have chosen George Fox and C. $\mathrm{J}^{\prime}$ Johnson as commensement speakers The exercises will be held Thursday March 11, at the auditorium.

Pren Moore attended a meeting of the State Branch executive board of the American Poultry Association last Thursday at Grangeville. On Friday evening he lectured on poultry tepics to a large audience.

Dorothy Ellis and "Peg" Mcans came up last Saturday from Lewiston to attend the initiation and banquet of Gamma Phi Beta. Miss Ellis has a position teaching Home Economics in Lewiston this semester.
Mis $_{s}$ French will give a reading at the next meeting of the Y. W. C. A., February 24. Mis French's readings are always delightful and it is expected that the meeting will be one of the largest of the year.
The movable schools of the University, under the direction of Mr. C. D Center are doing excellent work and having great success in southern and eastern Idaho where they ane in progress. Prof. Hickman has been visiting them and has been granted leave of absence to attend two more
of the schools. of the schools.
Sunday Dr. Brannon has been asked to speak in Pullman at the Older Boys Conference held under the auspices of the Inland Empire Sunday School Asociation. Dr. Brannon will speak in the afternoon on "Playing the Game," and in the evening on "Team Work." Judge Ailshie of Boise will also speak on the program

Harry Soulen, '14, instructor in agriculture at ${ }^{\circ}$ the Beaverhead county high school at Dillon, Montana, has received considerable credit in recent issues of the Dillon papers for the splendid work of his basket ball team. Out of six games, including those with Butte central high school and Anaconda his boys won four games and ied the fifth. This unusual fine record will give the Dillon boys a place on the state championship contest to be held at Missoula.
For Baseball and Track Men-Bet er Shoes, in all sizes and lower prices at Davids'.

## IV. S. C.

For the past month the men trying out for the second triangular debates have been having regulat practice and Coach Oxerman has been sizing up his material. Satur day he announced that those who will in all probability represent $W$ S. C. are "Billy" Smith and Eric Egge on the affirmative team, agains the U. of. W., and Enoch Torpen and Paul Browder on the negative, against Whitman.
Altho there were originally 16 candidates for places on these teams, only seven were still working on the question Saturday; when Mr. Overman an nounced the successful men.-Evergreen.

Montana State College Band to Serenade Legislators
The band of the Montana State College leaves for Helena Friday. where they will give two concerts, one before the state legislature at noon in the senate chamber and the other in the auditorium. Apparently they are after a good appropriation. Let us hope that they have success.


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