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**COMMENDABLE ACTION**

The recent action of the student body in voting upon themselves an annual assessment of ten dollars to help in a small way to defray the expense of operating this institution is a commendable one. This vote was so preponderantly in favor of the action that it can be considered practically unanimous. The students who voted against it did so because they did not feel they could make the financial sacrifice involved. As a whole, this vote really registers a vote of approval for the executive department of the institution.

Even to the most casual observer it was quite apparent that the board of education would never adopt the proposal. Such an action would be deliberately contrary to the practices and traditions of the state institutions which have always stood on a non-tuition free education basis for citizens of Idaho.

But as a means of demonstrating the attitude of the Idaho student body it could not be surpassed. Idaho's students are alive to the financial situation confronting this institution and have proven conclusively that they are ready to back their regard for their university.

**OUR VISITORS**

It would be well to recall the interscholastic week is practically upon us. The high school students who will represent their various institutions are your guests during their stay at Idaho and it is your privilege as well as your duty to show them a good time. According to a survey of Idaho's students, the interscholastic track meet has been instrumental in bringing many a man to college here. Practically every one of these men proved their first hand knowledge of Idaho as a university when they were your guests, when you were showing them through the various buildings and departments. Time spent in entertaining visitors is well spent.

**HE WILL AND HE WON'T**

Any gentleman can swear, get drunk, tell stories that would lower him in the estimation of his mother or wife, and go where he would be ashamed to be seen by the boy he loves—but he won't.

Any gentleman can drive a sharp bargain, he can take advantage of the other man's necessities, he can drive him into a corner, he can rub his hands gleefully and say to himself, as he sees him writhe, "business is business"—but he won't. Any gentleman can kick a dog, abuse a horse, misuse a child, laugh at another man's mistakes and devilishly gloat over another man's failures—but he won't. Any gentleman can grow cynical, sour and pessimistic; he can scoff at all things, ridicule your judgment—but he won't; any gentleman can say harsh, sarcastic and cruel things; he can stab you with words, he can crush flowers and fertile weeds—but he won't; any gentleman can make this old world, this topsy-turvy, this greatly misunderstood, this flimsy, not to be understood world, a far better place because of the fact that he is content to pass along the way—and he will.

Now that vacation is a thing to be remembered, it is well to recall that college is still in existence. That the spring days are here and we are sorely tempted to idle away our hours, the paramount reason for our presence at this institution is a scholastic one and we should not let the spring call us too far away from our duties with pen and paper and the class room.

The interclass-interfraternity baseball games should afford amusement to a large percentage of the Idaho student body this spring. The formation of this league is a commendable step toward interesting more students in athletics and deserves the support of every one, whether competing or not.

**THE FORUM**

**JESUS COLLEGE, Oxford, March 20.**  
 The Editor of the Argonaut, Dear Sir: In view of the election of the Idaho Rhodes scholar for 1917 this coming autumn, I desire thus early to give a word of encouragement to all who are in position to do so, to compete for the scholarship. I doubt not that all the Idaho men know something of the scholarship, its money value, and the splendid opportunity of study in one of the oldest and best Universities in the world, and travel over Europe, which is in itself almost as valuable as a college career. It is possible however that some of the best men, who have but small interest in the Classics, and who well know that the Classics have been and still are the chief pursuit at Oxford, may be under the impression that if other subjects do exist they are rudimentary and valueless, and that three years spent here would be wasted to them. If such there be, their lack of information does the University, and perhaps themselves, much injustice. It is true that few technical subjects are given, such as mining engineering, but the thorough general courses are well worth the time and worthy the ability of advanced students of history, and science, as well as those of languages, and philosophies. President Brannon and many others of the Faculty will be glad to describe this University and the entrance requirements in greater detail to any who wish to try for the opportunity of enjoying these things.

So much is general; but I wish to deal more particularly with the present situation. Probably everyone knows that this University is very depleted now, the remnant being made up of men excused for physical defects, to finish their courses in June, or for other very good reasons, and aliens. The great majority have gone to fight for their country. Some of the sons have gone too. Scholastic opportunities have naturally suffered somewhat of a discount. But the great gap is in the other things without which a university is only a house of drudgery. Athletics gives only sporadic hints of itself. Clubs and societies have much difficulty in keeping their names alive, with the exception of the American Club, of course. The social life, which is a characteristic and essential feature of the Oxford system, still exists, though at a serious handicap. Then too the movement of the traveller in Europe is greatly circumscribed and impeded. There is a mitigating advantage in being here in war time, in viewing the war and economic and political events at closer range, and in lending service at military hospitals and in Y. M. C. A. work, as most of us Americans have already done, more or less. But on the whole I should say that the factors which make a Rhodes Scholarship desirable are at present suspended.

But let me emphasize that no one should be deterred from becoming a candidate on that account. In the first place, in the transition to the modified system of awarding scholarships, Idaho's next scholar should come into residence in the autumn of 1917. I have reason to believe that the war will be over before that time. But even if I am mistaken, the war can not continue long after that date. And the Rhodes trustees willingly allow one to postpone his tenure under present circumstances. I think the desirability of being here just after the war to witness its scars and the work of reconstruction will be tremendous. And there will be no end of vivid experiences which students returning from the war can relate.

I therefore predict a golden opportunity for the next scholar, or next two, from Idaho, and I hope and desire that a goodly number of men will see it in the same light as I do, and decide to make an attempt to win the scholarship. Keep the matter in mind during the summer, and do not forget your knowledge of Latin and Math (I scarcely need remind you that you need not necessarily take the Greek till after the scholarship is definitely awarded you.) The first step is easy, and well within the ability of most college students, and even if Fortune does not favor your second step, you will at least have gone something for the glory of Idaho by taking the first.

I suppose Foster has written the Argonaut a detailed account of his thrilling experience in the sinking of the Maloja recently. In case he has not, I will mention that he had volunteered for a year of service with the Y. M. C. A. in Egypt. He set sail on the Maloja which was mined (probably) on February 27th, off Dover, and sank in about a half hour. The lifeboats could not be used, and those who survived did so after a considerable time in the water, which was rough. We think Foster was very fortunate to escape with his life. He came back and visited us a few days, and set out again, this time cross-

ing to France, to take ship at Marseilles.

I am arranging to go to Paris this vacation (six weeks) to work at the Ambulance Americaine in Neuilly. Again let me express my hope to see Idaho make a good showing in the scholarship examination this fall. If anyone wishes to ask more about conditions here, he is invited to write, and I will go into greater detail. Yours very truly,  
 BAXTXER M. MOW.

**WELSH SINGERS SCORE SUCCESS**

On Friday afternoon, April 4, the Royal Gwent Welsh singers presented a very pleasing program to an audience which made up in appreciation what it lacked in numbers. It was unfortunate that conflicting events made it necessary to give the program in the afternoon instead of in the evening, when, it is certain, the crowd would have been larger.

Every number offered by this gifted group was well received, and encores were frequent. The ensemble work was splendid, while some of the solo work was even more pleasing.

Following is the program:  
**PART I.**  
 Chorus—The Soldiers' Chorus, Gounod Ensemble  
 Song—Shipmates O' Mine..... Mr. George Hopkins  
 Duet—Flow Gently Deva..... Parry Messrs. White and Stratton  
 Part Song—Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming..... Arranged by Bell Ensemble

Trio—The Ticklers..... Martini Messrs. Waldon, White and John  
 Song—Mother Macfree..... Ball Mr. G. Howell  
 Sextet—now the Night in Starlight Splendor..... Dressler Members of the Party  
 An African Idyl—Timbuctoo..... Giebel Ensemble

**INTERMISSION**  
**PART II.**  
 Chorus—The Destruction of Gaza..... Derille Ensemble  
 Song—The Maid of the Mill..... Adams Mr. E. John  
 An Irish Melody—Eileen Alannah..... Ensemble

Song—The Maniac..... Russel Mr. Ben Jones  
 Quartette—The Johnny Schmoker..... Risc Messrs. Waldon, Stratton, White and John  
 Chorus—The Hallelujah Chorus..... Arranged by Oakley Ensemble

Welsh National Anthem..... Soloist, Mr. Stratton and Ensemble  
 Finale—America.

**PHI DELTS WIN**

Yesterday afternoon, before a small crowd, the Sigma Nus' went down to defeat before the Phi Delta Theta team of ball tossers. The score is unobtainable and even if it were not it would be almost unmentionable. But the few spectators enjoyed the battle. Errors were more frequent than hits, and some of the combatants actually experienced difficulty in determining the exact course to be pursued between bases. Blackmer did nice work pitching for the winners, while Cy Garber experienced more or less difficulty locating his catcher. As a whole the interfraternity-interclass baseball program seems to be the event of the spring. Today the sophomores and juniors are tenting as the first steps in the effort to be the lucky team to meet the winners of the other division of the league.

**ASSEMBLY**

The speakers at assembly last Monday, G. D. Axline, Miss McCoy and Mr. Werner, expressed the opinion that the university was the pulse of Idaho's educational body. In their daily work each institution has looked to the university for guidance in their educational matters.

Pres. Axline of the Albion State Normal brought the lesson of the Inland Empire Teachers' Assn. last week. A man can make himself only what he determines to be. Our future does not always depend upon our position of birth. Many of these obstacles can be overcome by culture. It is something in the person that determines his future, whether he betters himself and those about him or not.

Mr. Werner, who has charge of the development of Idaho's normal schools, showed that Idaho needed a more unified state spirit. We are divided into many communities and at the same time that these communities are growing up, we must also build up a state spirit. This is one of the duties of the students in the institutions of higher learning. He also expressed the belief that the greatest loss to Idaho as well as the nation was the unskilled hands and minds of her youth.

**EQUIP PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Some time ago a movement was instigated by the economics department to raise funds and better equip the department of public utilities. They promised every contributor direct assistance in solving this problem. The Lewiston-Clarkston Improvement Company thru their president, R. A. Foster, were the first to accept



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the proposition and have presented the department with \$25. The presentation was greatly appreciated by Professor Lewis and the department faculty-students, and will be applied to the purchase of new books dealing with public utilities.

**WINSLOW HEARD FROM**

According to a letter recently received from Mr. A. M. Winslow, he is much pleased with his new location and with his new work. Mr. Winslow is located at Jackson, Michigan, and is in the employ of the Fargo Engineering Company. This is a company of hydraulic engineers who make

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**FROM OTHER COLLEGES**

**Women Graduates Are Practical**  
Sixty women of the first four classes of Bryn Mawr College have announced as their twenty-fifth anniversary gift a study of fire prevention for the whole state of Pennsylvania. Under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry, two experts have been chosen to push the work of investigating those state industrial establishments employing women and girls, to the end of minimizing the fire dangers surrounding them. That their contribution will succeed in bitagating notorious factory dangers is probable, but more significant is the fact that women themselves testify to a new sense of responsibility.

**Brough Wins Arkansas Race**  
LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Dr. Charles H. Brough of Fayetteville, until recently professor of political economy in the University of Arkansas, was nominated for governor in the state democratic primary, which is equivalent to election. His plurality probably will exceed 15,000.

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Ask us About Them  
**SHERFEY'S**

utes in Congress still holds the Washington pennant which it wrested from Yale some years ago. The University of Virginia, as we should expect under a Democratic regime, follows next with 20. Then come Harvard 19, Yale 13, Wisconsin 10, Alabama 7, Mississippi 7, Missouri 7, Minnesota 6, Iowa 6, and Georgia 6. The fact that of the eleven institutions which have more than five representatives in Congress, all but two are state universities, shows what an important factor in political life these institutions have become. It is equally interesting to observe that such large and important universities as Columbia, Pennsylvania, Cornell, and Princeton have only three of their men in Congress and John Hopkins and Stanford none at all. Twenty-eight per cent of the members mention no institution of higher education and presumably attend none.—The Independent.

**College Graduates in Government**  
Since the United States was founded, only one man in seven hundred and fifty has gone thru college, yet from this group have come 17 of the 26 presidents, 19 of the 27 vice presidents, and 17 of the 34 persons in the Hall of Fame. Only 1 per cent of our present population are college people, yet this small percentage furnishes 29 of the 51 governors of states and territories, 61 of the United States Senators, 272 out of 395 Congressmen, and 9 of the 9 Supreme Court Judges.

**Ask New Columbia Schedule**  
Faculty members and students will come together at a general meeting of the undergraduates of Columbia college on Thursday evening to discuss the advisability of rearranging the schedule of the daily class room and laboratory periods. The principal change advocated by the students is the holding of eight o'clock classes in certain prescribed subjects and scheduling laboratory hours for the morning instead of solely in the afternoon as at present.

Primarily the students want the changes in order to permit them to have more time for athletic and other extra-curricular interests, but it is a plan which Dean F. P. Keppel has contemplated for several years. It is said that if the student sentiment is in favor of the move the faculty will vote to rearrange the classes.

Columbia alone of the large universities does not schedule any of its classes for hours earlier than 9 o'clock in the morning.

**Princeton Men for Camp**  
Without solicitation more than 140 Princeton students have signified their intention of attending various military encampments this summer. The list includes the names of some of the most prominent men on the campus and all classes are represented. Thirteen of the men have signed for Camp Oglethorpe in Georgia, while the remainder are destined for Plattsburg. Some of the men will decide for the navy cruises instead of the camp as soon as more definite information in regard to them is received.

It is expected to follow the present campaign with a personal canvas and that the number will be doubled. At present the actual number of men registered is greater than at either Harvard or Yale.

Among the students who will go to Plattsburg are Ed Shea, president of the senior class and baseball and football player; Lamb Heyniger, elected the best all around man in the senior class; H. Harvey, editor in chief of the "Daily Princetonian"; Peacock, captain of the hockey team, and the managers of the baseball and football teams.

**Some Student**  
A graduate student in the department of chemistry at the University of Washington recently received a ton of wood in 50 pound sacks by parcel post, to be used in research work for a thesis.

**John Hopkins to Move**  
John Hopkins University will be removed from Baltimore to Homewood next fall. At this time, every department will be moved into a new home. New buildings will be erected as fast as funds permit.

**May Abolish Athletics**  
The abolition of all intercollegiate

sports at Wisconsin may be brought before the next meeting of faculty in connection with the discussion of intercollegiate baseball.

**Utah to Retain Athletics**  
By an almost unanimous vote the student body of the University of Utah decided to retain intercollegiate athletics and secure an athletic coach. Lack of interest among the students to support athletics brought the question up.

**Utah Punishes Sophs**  
Sophomores who were arraigned before the student court last week on charges of damaging property during the attempt to break up the freshman play were sentenced to sixteen hours of work upon the athletic field.

**Some Lecturer**  
Yale—A lecturer who has been accustomed to address the Yale students annually has had his contract cancelled because the acquisition of a Harvard accent has ruined his voice.

**SQUIBS**  
Now that the short ays are gone, don't forget to swat the fly.

Cy Garber distinguished himself in yesterday's matinee. It was obvious to all enthusiasts that he had better go back to the mining industry.

The possibility of war with Mexico was apparently too great for Jack Adams to risk a repetition of the escapade of a few years ago, so he got married. Married men don't enlist, you know.

Monk West added to his athletic lustre by his demonstration in the ball game yesterday. The entire crowd was right behind Monk and applauded vicariously every time Monk came to bat. We understand Monk is sorely grieved because his captain put him away down in the batting order.

Slim Almquist admitted that he never realized college could be such a heavenly place until he made the trip to Montana with the ball team.

A. J. Priest, assistant business manager of the Idaho Glee Club, is contemplating mortgaging the Administration building to pay the deficit incurred by Idaho's musical tourists.

We understand that Charles Gray's exodus from the burning Sigma Nu house partook somewhat of the spectacular. He evidenced little regard for dressing conventions and his descent from the third floor to good old mother earth was an exhibition worthy of any athlete.

**At the Ball Game**  
"Get a hit, Jimmie, and we'll give you a bottle of milk."  
Roy Groniger was conspicuous among a group of Idaho's football men Saturday. His "I" sweater was painfully absent.  
Sam Stillinger is still sporting his



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sweater around. We understand, however, it is contracted for and that Sam is just wearing it to "show off."

**MR. COLLIER ASSISTANT IN CIVIL ENGINEERING**

Mr. Ira Collier has been engaged to take charge of the work of assistant in the civil engineering department. Mr. Collier is a graduate of the University of Washington and has had four years of practical experience on railroad construction, on city work, as transitman, Washington State Highway Department, and in stream gauging for the U. S. Geological Survey.

**ORPHEUM Theatre**

TRIANGLE — — — WEDNESDAY — — — TRIANGLE  
Marie Doro in **"THE WOOD NYMPH"**  
Daphne Arnold has been brought up from early childhood in the California redwood forests by her mother who has left her husband on account of a quarrel. She is taught to distrust men, but to admire the Greek gods. While clapping her hands before a tree, she calls for Apollo to come forth. Apollo doesn't come, but Bill Jones does, and then—but why tell. And **"Perils of the Park"** Triangle-Keystone  
Harry Gribbon, a lively husband, is too attentive to Marie Manley, a pretty maid, on his wife's birthday. Alice Davenport, his wife, is some Amazon when her anger is aroused. Harry McCoy, the gardener, does some nifty locket-lifting and purse-snatching.  
METRO — — — THURSDAY — — — METRO  
**"The Upstart"**  
From the stage play of the same name.

FRIDAY  
Willard Mack in **"The CONQUEROR"** Cast and

**"A MOVIE STAR"** Triangle-Keystone  
Mack Swain, a film idol, goes to see himself on the screen. Polly Moran, his wife, discovers how friend husband is idolized. Julia Faye, his fair admirer, causes him to forget wife when he sees her.

Special Children's Matinee Saturday at 2 o'clock. "Cinderella," "The Circus Stow-away," "Capt. Scott's South Pole Expedition," "Indian Dances and Pastimes," "Mir-lan."

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Coming the first week of May—Charlie Chaplin in a burlesque on "Carmen," in four reels. The people of Moscow have seen Theda Bara and Geraldine Farrar in "Carmen," and now comes Charles Chaplin. Watch Spokane papers this week for further notice.

