

Better Start Work Now for the Exam Drive.

Oh, Well, Spring Vacation is Only Three Months Off.

"HEC" WORKS BASKET BALL MEN HARD IN PREPARATIONS FOR FIRST GAME

First String Squad Now Chosen and Team Work Being Perfected For Winter Drive

The preliminary skirmishes are over, the advance guard has been picked, and "Hec's" basket-ballers are moving forward in battle array.

The squad now consists of 15, which affords ample opportunity for practice games, as it makes possible two teams with their string of subs.

The other members of the squad who are fighting it out are Clarence Hyde, Brigham, Conelson, Hibbard, Evans, Bistline, Ken Hunters, and Irving.

The captain has not been selected yet, but "Hec's" decision will be announced before the first game, which is January 16.

The first games are scheduled for January 16 and 17, when Whitman appears on the local floor.

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AHOY! ROUGH NECKS!!

All male inmates of the U. of I. with depleted pocket-books and horny hands, note the following tidings:

C. S. EDMUNDSON.

FOSTER SCORES INDIFFERENCE

Emissary of Red Cross Strongly Criticizes All Who do Not Help Bear Burdens of War

"Before we talk about distributing the benefits of democracy we want to make sure that there will be any benefits to distribute.

"Slackers are not only those who dodge military service. Any student now in college who is not employing his time to the best of advantage,

"Our own men are over there. They are far from home, they've left all that they hold dear to preserve democracy.

"These men, and the French, too, need clothing, warm sweaters, to withstand the cold and exposure of the trenches.

In concluding his talk, Dr. Foster mentioned the work of the Red Cross. Before his talk, President Holland of W. S. C. spoke briefly.

Atherton Visits. Senator S. P. Atherton of Twin Falls was a visitor at the university plant Wednesday of this week.

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BUILDINGS NEAR COMPLETION

Sheep Barn is Finished, and Dairy Building Will Soon be Ready.

The new building which is to be the home of the dairy department is nearly completed, and before long will be ready for its occupants.

Faculty Beats Sigma Nu. The first of the intramural basketball series was held yesterday, when the faculty five beat the Sigma Nus 22-8.

Battalion Reorganized. Thursday morning the battalion was reorganized according to the new appointments made.

IDAHO JUGGERS ARE CHAMPIONS

Stock Judging Team Makes Clean Sweep of Northwest University Stock Also Wins

Dean Iddings has completed his report of Idaho's participation in the Lewiston and Portland live stock fairs.

The record made by the stock judging teams since 1912 is an unusual one. Participating in 17 contests, they have won firsts in 11 of these.

The short course team also won its home contest this year, defeating Lewiston Normal, and the two high schools teams, which won at Lewiston from a field of 11 contestants.

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PITT ARRIVES AT OBERLIN

Former Idaho Student Makes Good in Music at Ohio Institution.

Raymond Pittenger, or "Pitt," as his friends knew him, is justifying the predictions of the campus by his work in the musical conservatory of Oberlin College.

"Pitt" was well known on the campus. He traveled with the Idaho club for two years, in 1915 as member of the university string quartet, and in 1916, as violin soloist.

New System for "Mil. Sci." Classes. Beginning as soon as possible, there will be a new arrangement in all the military science classes.

BOXING ADDED TO CURRICULUM

Class Scheduled for Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Kinney to be in Charge

The latest addition to the work in physical education is a course in boxing. There has long been a demand for instructions in the manly art, but not until this year did the gym management see fit to accede to the demand.

The class in wrestling is progressing rapidly, and the first tournament is set for January 26. Others will follow.

Schedules for the intramural basketball series have been drawn up, and every organization on the campus has entered a team in the class A league.

Practice periods are arranged for every Saturday and for other hours during the week.

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REORGANIZED BATTALION READY FOR ARDUOUS SPRING TRAINING

BY THE WAY

In six weeks more ALL the photographs for the '19 Gem must be sent to the engraver.

AG GRADUATES MAKING GOOD

Five Former Students of College of Agriculture Receive Advancement

Concrete proof of the high standing of Idaho's graduates in agriculture has recently been received by Dean Iddings in the form of notifications of the appointments of several graduates to responsible positions.

"Herc" Smith, '10, has been appointed county agent for Bonner county, with headquarters at Sandpoint.

Stanley Brown, '16, who has been teaching at Asotin, Wash., since his graduation, has been appointed county agent for one of the eastern central Washington counties.

Claude Heard, '13, has also moved up. He has been selected by the British government to take charge of special agricultural work, and leaves soon for his new position.

Robert J. Leth, '15, has been appointed state seed analyst, with office in Boise.

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All the men are prominent in student activities.

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Wenger was a member of the Glee Club during his four years in school, and was a member of the 1915-16 quartet.

Cordula Mow, '13, was in Moscow a short time last week visiting her parents.

Misses Nora Faris, Angeline Burns and Winifred Biethan spent Christmas holidays at their homes in Southern Idaho.

New Officers Commissioned and Appointed to Companies; Johnson Succeeds Davison as Major

The continued good weather has proven a great boon to the battalion, and should it continue, Idaho will soon have the best military unit she has ever had.

A dual system is being carried out, half the battalion spending two days in theory work and map making two days a week, while the other half puts in their time in the practical maneuvers.

In the practical work, fire control is being worked out, as commanders consider this one of the most important features of training and discipline.

Appointments Made. Ambrose Johnson, formerly Captain of A Company, has been promoted to the rank of major of the battalion, succeeding Maurice Davison, who went to the Fort Riley training camp.

In regard to the training camp, Lieutenant Felker had little to say beyond his expression of confidence in the men.

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BUSINESS AS USUAL

Stories are again being circulated that the university will not open the second semester, and a result students intending to come and some in college at present are rearranging their plans.

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A REMINDER

Now is the time to make that fresh start you've promised yourself.

Another Chance.

Another athletic season is coming, and again Idaho students will be shown up in their true colors. We all know what these colors were last fall, but what they will be this winter and spring is theirs to decide.

The team is a green team, but it is a game team, and it has ability. All that it needs to prove this ability concretely is student support. No team will put forth its best for indifferent backers, but it will fight to the last, if its supporters are fighting with it. This team has the ability and has the fight. See that they are given a chance to show it.

Right now, when everything is up in the air, it is time for us as college students to sit down and do some serious thinking. Why are we here? Some of us come to have a good time, others to make a frat or the football team, and others to study. Any of these ends may be worthy end in itself, according to one's make-up, but whatever the reason for our coming, we are here, and we are spending valuable time and money. Unless the work we do justifies this expenditure, we are parasites, on the state, the university, and our parents.

Too many of us are prone to let our work slide, and when questioned about it, lay it on the war, and the general uncertainty it has brot about. This is an easy way of dodging our responsibility, and it is a dishonest way. We must face the issue square-

ly, and realize where the blame really falls; not on the war, but upon us.

A person who really has the nation's interests at heart, doesn't go around bemoaning his lack of concentration, and saying that he "feels that his place isn't here." He buckles in, and makes the most of his opportunity while he has it. If you are liable to the draft, or can not return next semester, it is all the more reason to work now. If you do this, when the call comes to serve, you can answer "Ready."

THE FORUM

Evacuation Hospital No. 1,
 M. O. T. C., Ft. Riley, Kan.
 December 13, 1917.

To My University Friends, Greetings for Christmas:

Little did I dream during the holidays of 1916 that in a year I would be at sea, on a government transport, being carried to the front. But it is so. Our company, the first of its sort in the American army, is about to leave behind its experimental cast and assume the duties of an active, actual organization.

Our hospital will be similar to the British Casualty Clearing Stations—stations between the field and base hospitals of our division, first in the line of communications and directly behind the zone of the advance. Our work will be the care of sick and wounded until they can be evacuated to the base hospital or shaped up to be restored to the trenches. The capacity of our hospital, according to army regulations, is 432 beds. We will be expected, however, during emergencies, to care for 1000 men, receiving and evacuating half that number constantly during stress of battle.

Our personnel comprises 16 officers, all of them surgeons, and 179 men. Most of the men are college men, from pretty much all over the country. Over half of us are from the west. In "esprit" I doubt if our command could be excelled.

Just now we are too happy to be well behaved, for only this morning came our sailing orders. I can see only a fleet of transports, surrounded by protecting battleships—and, ultimately, France!

So when I have another note to you, perhaps it will bear the mystic words, "Somewhere in France,"

Sincerely,

McKINLEY HELM.

On New Year's eve several members of Gamma Phi Beta who remained in town over the holidays enjoyed a dinner party at the Hotel Moscow, after which they migrated across town to the "firemen's" ball.

BARBED WIRE

Lifting the freshman eligibility rule was a cruel blow to the "varsity" basketballers. They had their sweaters already won, and the recipients all picked out.

Bill Carder, however, is still "holding" his own.

Log jams aren't good to eat. Dean Miller says so.

Spring is on the road. McCarty has appeared in a "fried egg" derby.

"Turk" Gerlough turned down a chance to play with the Camp Lewis football team because he'd rather drill. War makes some queer changes.

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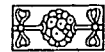
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The Schedule.

Jan. 4—Faculty vs. Sigma Nu.
Jan. 5—Zeta Chi vs. Cooperative Club.
Jan. 7—Phi Deltas vs. 3d-year S.P.A.
Jan. 8—Kappa Sigs vs. Barbs.
Jan. 9—Practice.
Jan. 10—Akes vs. Betas.
Jan. 11—Sigma Nus vs. Zeta Chis.
Jan. 12—Faculty vs. Cooperative Club.
Jan. 14—Phi Deltas vs. Barbs.
Jan. 15—Kappa Sigs vs. 3d-year S. P. A.
Jan. 16—Practice.
Jan. 17—Akes vs. Barbs.
Jan. 18—Betas vs. faculty.
Jan. 19—Sigma Nus vs. Phi Deltas.
Jan. 21—3d-year S. P. A. vs. Zeta Chis.

Jan. 22—Coop. Club vs. Kappa Sigs
Jan. 23—Practice.
Jan. 24—Betas vs. Barbs.
The rest of the schedule has not been arranged as yet, but games will be played up until the end of the season, early in March.

The real need of the enterprise is more teams, as there are still a number of organizations which have not entered a class B five.

The class in gym work is being well attended, but according to Blea, the number is still far under that which should be in attendance. "Students, and professors as well, don't realize the value of keeping themselves physically fit. They say they can't spare the time. But if they'd count up the days lost thru grippes, colds and other diseases which are a result of poor condition, they'd look at the matter in a different light. The state is paying good money for the professors' services and the students' tuition, and for them to waste this because of poor physical condition is little short of embezzlement. Then, too, good physical condition means increased mental efficiency."

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"Gimme the third dance."

"Oh, but I'm so tired."

"Les drive over to Blackfoot tonight?"

"Are you 21 years old? Lemme see yer card."

Ah, cruel Fate! Canst thou not deal me another ace?

"Bunnie" Moore, watching the sun come up over the hills for the sixth consecutive morning, "Oh, where is my easel?"

The Firemen's Ball.

"Say, lady, take off them spurs."

Oh, my, but that man with the box-back coat sure does hit hard."

"Ain't them kids a noosance, tho, a bunpin' everybody."

"Gee, but this sure is a dollar's worth."

"Yep, the suburbs is good enuf for me."

"The next dance will be a square dance."

"Two more couples wanted here."

"Say, but that young buck a hammering the drum is a hummer."

"Aw, Maw, I can't dance."

The gunny sacks issued by the war

department have arrived, so everybody must turn out in proper uniform."—Major Johnson.

"Ain't it a grand and glorious feeling to get back under the protecting wing of conventionality again?"

Basket ball has suffered a severe setback due to the lack of practice. Owing to the debris in the gym after the firemen's ball, the combined efforts of all janitors have thus far been futile in scraping the floor and getting things in shaps for the sharpshooters.

The local medics are doing a poor business these days. The warm weather has emptied the Gritman hospital, cripples have lost their crutches, B. V. D.s, Crepe de Chine and Georgette are appearing. In fact, the green grass is growing all around. Hurry up! Hurry up, spring.

Broadway is in darkness. So is our local main street, most of the time.

Economy has been the impetus for further advancement in the way of food production. Whale steak, snapping turtle and Tuna fish are some recent additions to the list of edibles, but perhaps the most recent delicacy to be selected are the purebred sheep. Berkshires, Shropshires, Lincilnshires and Razorbacks are the most coveted of the list.—Pd. adv.

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"Is it on the earth?"
"Nope."
"Can we see it?"
"Nope."
"Is it real?"
"Nope."
"Well, what in the Sam Hill is it then?"

After reading the above conversation you've doubtless come to the conclusion that both parties are residents of the North Idaho Sanatorium. But this isn't the case. It's only a payment of what was said at the greatest guessing bee ever held in Latah county. The occasion was Dean Little's annual holiday party for the left-over engineers; the place was the dean's home. The indoor sport indulged in was the well known parlor pastime, "Yes and No," and the quotations were some of the interrogations addressed to the party by Professor Collier in his frenzied attempt to run down the square root

of minus three. But we'll have to call a halt here, as we are WAY ahead of our story, and every high school graduate knows that to violate the chronological order is a worse offense than busting into the decalog.

To begin with, it was SOME party. None of your old high-brow-boiled-shirt affairs, but a regular party, where you felt at home right from the start, and kept on feeling that way right straight thru. The left-over engineer is usually a pretty home-sick guy, and he never misses any chance to try to forget about it. So we were all there on time, good and ready to forget, and, believe me, WE DID. For five solid hours thots of home were as far from our minds as--well, as far as thots usually are, and that's fairly far.

Well, to begin with again, the bunch started to congregate a little after six, and kept on congregating till 15 had arrived. After some informal introductions, time was passed in gassing and getting acquainted generally. Supper was announced then, and we fell to with a will. Each engineer had his own place and a place card, and on each card was a charade or conundrum which made the problems in math 101 look like 2 plus 2 is 4. Or perhaps it's are 4, but anyway, you

know what we mean. They were hard.

We divided our time between salad and conundrums and let the coffee get cold. Finally, by the time the last course had been put on and inside about 15 per cent of the conundrums had been solved. But by this time the table was cleared off, so we could give undivided attention to the solving. Results started right away, and one by one the tuff ones were gotten. "Slim" Almqvist after a manful struggle finally announced his as "outrage." This was no fair, tho, as "Slim" is a varsity baseball man and he had one about the umpire calling a runner out at first. Every one who plays baseball knows that's an outrage, so "Slim" had a head start. "Stub," his little brother, had the worst one in the bunch, and it defied the efforts of every one for over an hour. Probably we'd be at it yet, if the dean hadn't given some first aid.

Music was next on the program, and "Stub" Almqvist, as head musician, presided over the victrola. He put on a creditable program, but let it run down in the middle of a piece. "Stub" is chemical engineer, tho, and isn't supposed to know anything about machinery.

Then came the guessing bee, and it was rich. Each victim had 20 guesses to find the object chosen. Fifteen to 17 was the average number taken, altho the dean hung up the high mark of the evening when he found the rose bowl in seven. The Almqvist brothers shone at this, too, but "Slim" was again the best. He had no difficulty in guessing the planet Mars after learning it was off the earth, weighed more than a hundred pounds, and was over a thousand years old. "Stub" had a hard time locating the Panama canal, and chased it out of the room into Moscow, then Idaho, the United States, and then North American. As usual, the best was left last, and when Professor Collier was sent out, "Slim's" pervert brain suggested the square root of minus three. Rules had to be suspended, and Collier was given as many questions as he pleased. On the 28th he located it in mathematics, and seven questions later he found out it was a number. This was his "farthest north," however, and he had to be told. As he thereby won the booby prize, the faculty made a clean sweep of all the awards.

The party disembarked at 11:30, and we said our adieus and thanks to the dean and Mrs. Little. They were real thank-yous, too, which was only proper after having had a real time.

So, you see, that once in a while it's pretty good to be an engineer.

Gerlough Enlists.

Bob Gerlough, '16, who for the past two years has been teaching at Wardner-Kellogg high school, has given up his position and has enlisted in the medical corps. He is stationed at one of the base hospitals.

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(Continued from page one.) a record showing this year. They won two grand championships, two reserve to grand champion, four championships, ten firsts, eight seconds, five thirds, and two fourths. For the first time in six years, the Idaho steer failed to attain the distinction of grand champion at the Portland show, but the Idaho entry was the last one to stay on the judging ring with the winners.

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