

DEBATE PLANS ARE MADE OUT

Coach Miller Announces Manner in Which Next Semester's Debates Will be Handled

FIVE OLD MEN ARE BACK Lindley, Sandelius, Gochnour, Ott and Darling Will Turn Out—Taylor May Enlist.

With the first encounters of the season over, Idaho's debate squad, under the direction of Coach Miller, is making preparations for the annual spring duel.

War Will Hit Teams

War will probably make itself felt among the ranks of the debaters as much this year as it did last fall, when several of the first string men enlisted.

Several new men have also signified their intentions of appearing. Marvin Angell, a member of one of last years teams, may be induced to come out, and it is also rumored that some women are considering it.

Three Debates This Spring

The debates this spring number only three, a dual debate with Whitman College, and a single debate with the University of Montana at Missoula.

The question for the Montana debate has been decided upon. It is, "Resolved that the plan outlined by the American league to enforce peace should be adopted by international agreement at the end of the war."

No dope is available on either of the opposing teams.

New Plan Followed

A new plan will be followed in the debate work this coming semester. Coach Miller states that debate will be regular course in English, for which all the candidates will register.

The selection of the teams will also be made in a novel manner. From those registering in the course, a debate squad of eight will be chosen, and from these will be chosen the three teams.

Coaching Changed as Well

Coach Miller has also changed the method of coaching. The old style of intensive coaching, where the coach did most of the work on the speeches, revising and working them into shape will be abandoned, and a new plan, placing more responsibility upon the men will be pursued.

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FARMERS-HOUSE KEEPERS WEEK STARTS JANUARY 28

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U SERVICE FLAG IS BEING MADE

Honor Roll of Idaho Shows Over 200 Graduates and Former Students in Service

Dean's Office Compiles Statistics Giving Address, Branch and Enlistment Date

"All students knowing the address of any Idaho man in the service are requested to leave it at the office of Dean Eldridge." This is the plea made by those who are compiling the names and addresses of all the Idaho graduates and former students who are now in the army or other branches of the service.

Service Flag to Be Made

A service flag for the university is also to be made, this work having been undertaken by the girls of the Y. W. C. A. Committees have been appointed to attend to the various details of material, finances, and the number of stars to appear upon it.

Fraternities on the campus are also displaying service flags, altho these, as in the case of the university, are more or less incomplete. The figures are:

Table with 2 columns: Fraternity Name, Number of Stars. Includes Phi Delta Theta (49), Kappa Sigma (43), Sigma Nu (38), Beta Theta Pi (29), Alpha Kappa Epsilon (26), Zeta Chi Alpha (4).

Some of the men have been in the service for several years. Loren Brown, '10, a graduate in engineering, having enlisted in the Canadian army early in the war. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta.

Many I Men Serve

The athletic department is also compiling a list of the letter men in service. The list is not complete. It includes members of the 1917 football and a member of the 1901 bunch. It includes many men who have made names for themselves in Idaho's athletic history. The list follows:

C. B. Appleman, Harold Barger, Lee Bennett, C. F. Bessee, L. A. Blackmer, L. A. Bonneville, Earl Brockman, O. Brunzelle, R. O. Burns, O. Campbell, Z. Cassidy, George Downing, E. DeHaven, G. Evans, "Turk" Gerlough, R. G. Ghormley, Fred Graf, C. Hallam, L. G. Hamilton, Sam Hays, Vic Jones, A. Kettenbach, Tom Lommasson, Fritz Lundstrum, R. McClenahan, H. Martinson, Ennis Massey, Sam Morrison, Buck Phillips, F. C. Robinson, J. T. Ross, V. W. Samms, G. A. Scott, H. B. Soulen, Otto Stillinger, Frank Thomas, J. R. Wheeler, Pip Dingle, Bunt Breshers, C. Roberts, Jack Johnston, Hedley Dingle, John Hayden and Tom Jackson.

This list will be further augmented soon, when those who have passed the examinations for the aviation are called. "Canny" Carnahan, a three letter tackle on the eleven, and captain elect for the coming year has been accepted for this branch and will leave soon. Ralph Largent and Manly Ritchie have passed, as have a number of others. Idaho is doing her share.

NORMAL SCHOOL HEARS LEWIS

Delivers Lecture on Subject of Rural Problems and Patriotism

Professor Howard T. Lewis, head of the department of sociology and economics delivered two lectures at Lewiston Normal School last week. His subjects were "The Essence of Patriotism" and "The Social Mind of the Rural Community." While at Lewiston, Professor Lewis also delivered a lecture to the Outlook Club on "Industrial Conditions After the War."

REED PROBES TOBACCO USERS

Head of Psychology Department Draws Interesting Conclusions From Series of Tests

Tobacco Hurts Efficiency Mental and Motor Abilities Reduced By Its Use—Physical Effects Most Pronounced

"A cigarette in the hand of a student means inefficiency." This is one of the conclusions drawn from a series of tests of the efficiency of smokers and non smokers carried on in the psychology laboratory under the direction of Prof. H. B. Reed.

Effects Listed

Mr. Johnson made an extensive study of all the men students then attending the university. He averaged all the grades of the abstainers and indulgers, in the four classes. The table of results is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Grade, Smokers, Non-smokers. Freshmen: Smokers 3.74, Non-smokers 4.33. Sophomores: Smokers 4.1, Non-smokers 4.89. Juniors: Smokers 4.45, Non-smokers 4.85. Seniors: Smokers 5.02, Non-smokers 5.05.

These figures point to the fact that smoking has a greater effect upon the mental efficiency of freshmen than on upper classes, most probably because they are less mature. The difference in grades decreases each year. This is accounted for by the elimination of those to whom smoking is most injurious, and also by the fact that as a man grows older he is not so much affected by tobacco.

Conclusions Drawn

From the results of his study Mr. Johnson drew the following and significant conclusions:

- 1.—The use of tobacco inhibits the control of the muscles, especially those concerned in the finer movements.
2.—It effects a decrease in the accuracy of all mental processes and a corresponding rise in the number of errors.
3.—It inhibits the rapid stimulation of activity of the muscles used in making quicker movements.
4.—It prevents the rapid association of ideas.
5.—Measurable effects on the mind and nerves vanish after three hours.
6.—It effects motor abilities more than mental.
7.—It stimulates some individuals in some processes, but it brings their records down in others.

The gist of the whole thing may be stated as follows: Tobacco using is a harmful habit, especially to students. A pipe, cigarette or cigar in the hand of a student means inefficiency. This statement is applicable to professors as well.

MANY WILLARDS AND GOTCHES WORKING OUT

Courses in Wrestling and Boxing Are Well Filled With Ambitious Mat and Glove Artists

Al Kinney, boxing instructor, and Ed Chester, wrestling tutor, have their hands full. Over a dozen men have signed up for the course in self-defense, and a number almost as large are tumbling around on the padded mats.

The boxing is at present dealing with fundamentals: Footwork, position of arms and body, and such details. No real set-toes have taken place and it is not likely that such will be the case until the class has progressed further. Most of the beginners have not gotten over the idea that the only thing to be done is to slug the other guy, but Kinney is doing his best to break them of this notion.

With the wrestling tournament only two weeks off this work is becoming more serious and strenuous. Six or eight men are working nightly in preparation for the event. Grips and maneuvering are being tot.

The classes in these branches are from five to six, and the all-school gym class is switched to the same hour. Varsity basketball practice has been marked back to the four and five hour.

IS EDUCATION ON WRONG ROAD?

Result of Tests Would Show That Training Along One Line Does Not Develop Mind in General

CONTRADICTS OLD CONCEPTS

Notion That One Course Develops All Mental Faculties is Exploded Says Dr. Reed

"Learning nonsense makes studying German easier." At least that is the statement set forward by two German scientists as a result of their tests of memory. The experiment resulting in the above statement was performed in Germany by two noted psychologists. Their object was to test "Theory of Formal Discipline," which is that a course in one subject improves the mind in general.

Professor Reed, head of the department of psychology and philosophy, declares just the opposite. Professor Reed repeated the experiment, covering the same ground and using exactly the same plan. The results, however, were in almost every detail exactly opposite. Professor Reed did the experimental work in the laboratories of the University of Wyoming, but organized the data here at Idaho. The article in which the results were given appeared in the October issue of the "Journal of Experimental Psychology." Professor Reed's experiments agree with twenty other experiments which have been performed in this country.

The experiment consists of two parts, memory open tests, and learning tests. The most decided difference in results occurs in the test of learning German vocabularies, learning nonsense and then assuming the vocabularies. The German scientists claim then after memorizing of the nonsense the German vocabularies are learned 75 per cent more easily. In other words, learning the nonsense improves the subject's ability to learn. This, however, according to results of later experiments, is an erroneous conclusion. The memorizing of nonsense improves the ability to memorize nonsense only.

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BEST FRESHMEN CHOSEN BY BLEA

Director of Gymnasium States Results of Physical Examinations of Freshmen Men

TEN BEST ARE SELECTED Irving First With Nicholls Second—Unsymmetrical Development Hurts Most

The physical examination of the men of the Freshman class has been completed by Physical Director Bleamaster, and the results tabulated and percentages figured. Also the ten best physical specimens of the class have been decided upon.

Neil Irving of Rupert was easily first, with a final percentage of about 85. He showed the best all around development of the men, and was fore nearly in proportion. Most of his off-center measurements ran over rather than under, his arms, shoulders and legs being unusually well developed.

Nicholls, of Reubens, ranked second, Leo Beuscher of Orofino, third, Al Kinney, of Nampa, fourth, Boyd Cornelison, Moscow, fifth, Lee Gregory, of Reubens, sixth, Leslie Moe of Wardner-Kellogg, seventh, Fred Stewart, of Moscow, eighth, Roy Smith of Priest River, ninth and R. Davis tenth.

These tests have been run in previous years, but not upon such a large scale as that on which they were run this year. They are efficient in showing up physical weakness, as tests upon every part of the body are made. Sight and hearing are recorded, blood pressure, heart action, measurements of limbs, trunk and all parts of the body are made, and then strength tests are run. Strength tests show that strength and endurance do not depend on the size of the muscles alone, as often a man with less bulky muscles makes a better showing than a man with a Benar Mac Fadden development.

Some interesting results were disclosed and some abnormal developments noted. Several gym records were smashed, among them the one for lung capacity. William Sutherland broke it with a capacity of 375 cubic inches, and Lee Gregory followed that the next day and bettered that, when he put the indicator up to the 380 mark.

Physical Director Bleamaster found that the thing which ruined the chances of most to get into the ten best, was unsymmetrical development, due to insufficient exercise. This may be overcome he said, by consistent gymnasium work, getting enuf sleep, plenty of fresh air, careful eating and not worrying. This last he states is of great importance as thots exercise a big influence on physical condition.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

LINE-UP IN DOUBT

No First Team Chosen for Initial Games With Whitman Next Wednesday and Thursday

The first team line-up of the varsity quintet is still a matter of doubt. The squad has been cut down to the point where none but the stellar performers remain, but these present such an array of ability that the selection of the best five is a big job. Those comprising the squad are Moe Hunter, Campbell, C. Hyde, G. Hyde, Lindley, Romig, Carder, Fox, Evans, Cornelison and Bingham. The first team has been lining up with Campbell at center Moe and Hunter at forwards, Gene Hyde at floor guard and Lindley laying back. Bill Carder is giving Campbell a hard rub at center, however, and Evans and Clarence Hyde are showing real basketball ability. Should any of the five who now have the call slip up in his play, it will be a quick change to the scrubs for him.

The first games come next week when Whitman is met. No reliable information has been received about the Missionary gang.

Virgil Bullock, ex '19, is a corporal with D company 116 engineers of the 42nd division of the American expeditionary force "somewhere in France."

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BRICKBATS

This is a plea for brickbats, (figuratively speaking) and communications coming under this head are greatly desired. The Argonaut is a student paper; financed by them, and managed by representatives of the student body. But no matter who these representatives may be they cannot, in the real sense of the word, represent the student body, unless the student body takes an active hand in things and sees that they do. Any member of the student body has the right to criticize the news or editorial policy of this paper and have his criticism appear in its columns. This is the function which the Forum is meant to perform and should perform.

We are not so narrow minded as to call ourselves broadminded, and probably many things appearing in the paper seem unreasonable. If so, it is a real service to Idaho and to the Argonaut to tell us so. The paper is the representative of the entire student body—not of an individual or group of individuals, but unless the students themselves see to it that it is the representative of all, it will soon cease to be.

Bring on the brickbats then. The more numerous they are, and the harder they are thrown the more they will be appreciated. This paper is yours, and all that is required to make it so is that you exercise your right. The Forum will be open to all criticisms of whatever nature, the only condition being that they are signed, altho name may be withheld upon request. So bring on the bricks.

Slouchiness" and Schooling.

Nicholas Murray Butler, in his president's reports to the Columbia trustees, quotes high officers of the army as saying that the young fellows brought into service by the draft act are slouchy in body and in mind. For this widespread sagginess he seems to think our schools and colleges must share the blame.

The college, he says, is itself often slouchy; often it tried to entertain instead of instructing and disciplining. He points a moral from from the officers' training camps, in which college men under close watch have changed for the better by incessantly applying themselves to well-defined tasks needed for impending work.

Not relying on his own observation, President Butler requested four officials of the university—Stone, dean of the law school; Lambert, dean of the medical school; Russell, dean of the teachers' college, and Talcott Williams, director of the school of journalism—to write him their opinions on the worth and efficiency of colleges today as compared with their state a generation ago. These replies make almost a quarter of his report. Stone analyzes the college gradu-

ate to the disadvantage of the non-college man; but finds him often lacking in thoroughness, industry and intellectual self-reliance. Lambert believes success in medicine hangs more on the individual's gifts than on his training; in students entering the College of Physicians and Surgeons after four years of college training he sees no better mental discipline than in students entering after two; but he thinks that the college education of 30 years ago gave a man a better chance both to become a doctor in fact as well as name and to appreciate other men's work. Russell finds the modern college extraordinarily improved in teaching and in personal care for the student, but too indifferent to the right and wrong ways of winning intellectual success.

Talcott Williams says that the American college, while superior now in teaching and in equipment, does not require the student to work unremittingly; the college is more loose-jointed than our industries and other organizations; what is worse, it has frankly accepted in its award of formal and informal honors the type and style of man who rates material advance above intellectual devotion.—Exchange.

BARBED WIRE

The local newspaper says that Idaho's basketball prospects are far from fulgent, and that we have no chance to incinerate the northwest. This, we take it, is the modern way of saying "rotten."

Now that the home-guards have went and organized, everybody is feeling easier and is getting more sleep.

One of our religious contemporaries in flaying the kaiser, quotes scripture about the man that "hardeneth his neck." We never won any medals for our Sunday school attendance, but we can beat that.

The only time that any of these new rook caps have any leather in them is when the rooks have them on.

The cookery class of the home economics department has completed some valuable and intricate research. By experiment they have proved conclusively that a cup of water in a pot with a big bottom boils away faster than a cup of water in a pot with a small bottom. This is an absolutely new fact, and its tremendous value will be greatly appreciated by all housewives.

Not satisfied with this achievement, we understand that they are now pursuing some profoundly original investigations as to the construction of a ham sandwich.

More power to their arms. There is another side show called Dietetics, but like the "cook" in cookery, the "diet" is only camouflage. They are learning all about calories, aldehydes and the odorous esters of the fatty acids.

Next spring, after all this foundation work, they will learn how to prepare a real diet of three squares.

Perhaps Some ignoramuses still persist in saying higher education is impractical.

- Common Camouflage**
1. Corporals.
 2. The Sigma Nu basketball team.
 3. Engagements.
 4. Anti-cigarette rule.
 5. The A. S. U. I.
 6. Coeds
 7. Bevo.

"JAZZ ARTICLES"

Plain old "Bill" Hohenzollern is sure having hard luck lately. The Hamburgers, Rear Admiral von Weiner and Field Marshal Tilttem von Beer and just everybody ars killed off. Tuff luck, "Bill."

The local hoodlums have again ravaged the peaceful calm of the Sabbath evening, appearing last Sunday night with drums, cymbals, cowbells, whistles, and other discordant devices and producing a replica of a Jewish conclave at Rector's. These innumerable clashing and bedlam have become so obnoxious that the local sleuths are "intending" to formulate plans for the apprehension of the vandals.

"The kaiser is undoubtedly in a bad fix," one not so easy to get out of as that the city youngster found himself in on the farm. He was up on top of a tall haystack and shouted to the farmer: 'Say, Mr. Barnes, how am I goin' to get down?'

"The farmer considered the problem, and finally solved it. 'Oh, jest shut yer eyes an' walk around a bit,' he said."—Ex.

The intramural basketball league promises to bring forth many lugubrious situations for the humorist. Book worms, fussers, miners, farmers, timber beasts, short ags, and many other denominations will battle for the honor of the respective groups. Uniforms, from overalls to dish towels will provide unusual opportunities for the Jazz column.

Czarovitch Chester, a recent addition to the faculty, has also dashed into the calcium glare. Chester in a recent match with Waddle Nabisco Stevens, so seriously injured his opponent that the Blackfoot lad has been unable to fill his many social engagements. An eye witness of the match states that Czarovitch used unfair means in flooring the big fellow, using banana peeling to precipitate Stevens to the mat and after the appliance of this camouflage—well—you see Chester jis natchally had the advantage thas all. Chester, the wrestling tutor, weighed in at 135, while Stevens tipped the scratch marked 205.

"Kid" Al Kinney, the local instructor of pugilism, is rapidly receiving recognition as a captain of the squared circle and as a result several aspiring "white hopes" are receiving nearsightedness, astigmatism, enlarged noses, cauliflower ears, and that isn't half of it. One lantern jawed assailant suffered a broken

arch, and a compound fracture of the leg while beating a hasty retreat from the obstreperous Kinney.

Our basketball squad has grown into such an anomalous stage that it becomes difficult to pick a group of regulars. The very exclusive group is composed of the "Hide" duet, "Chuck" Evans, "Squintee" Hunter, "Rabbit" Moe, "Corny" Cornelson, "Willy" Carder, "Brig" Brigham, "Deacon" Lindley, "H. A." Romig, "Drom" Campbell and "Trot" Fox. The opening game with Whitman will mark a new epoch in Idaho basketball history, for the present gang of Vandals have the best material that has ever carried the "I" into action.

R. R. Ragsdale of Wallace spent a few days last week at the Kappa Sig house.

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Society Gossip



Gamma Phi Beta's annual "Christmas Party" was observed at the Chapter house on Sunday evening, when the Freshmen entertained the active members and alumnae.

On arrival the guests were sent to a room conspicuously labelled "The Orphans' Home" and promptly at 6:30, two fussy old ladies knocked at the door and led the wide-eyed orphans to the living room which had been miraculously converted into "The Strand." Then several stunts and a song or two followed, and the orphans were now led to the Community Christmas Tree, where candy, popcorn balls and presents, accompanied by fitting poems, were given out by a fat, jolly, Santa Claus. When everybody had been convinced that Santa Claus was a real thing, the orphans found another treat in the dining room, which had been converted into "Childers." A light luncheon was served, and then the party ended by the Frosh throwing many colored serpentines and balloons across the room and over the guests.

A very enjoyable little dancing party was given at the Kappa Sigma house last Saturday evening. Those present were the Misses McKenna, Carithers, Burns, York, Willis, Jones, K. Frantz, Morley, H. Frantz, McCormack, Peterson, Kendall, M. Sampson, Waring, DeMott, Millick, Thatcher, Wallace, Robins, McCallie and Burke. The chaperons were: Dr. and Mrs. Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Edmundson, and Dr. and Mrs. Hills. The music was furnished by Messrs. Blackinger and Ott.

Kroeger-Campbell

Thursday afternoon, December 5, Miss Stella Campbell and Gustave H. Kroeger were married by the Rev. David Jones. Only the members of the family were present. Mrs. Kroeger is a former Whitman student, and a daughter of the late Mr. Campbell, a mining engineer of Atlanta. Mr. Kroeger is a graduate of the University of Idaho at Moscow, where he obtained the degree of Master of science. After graduation he was engaged for some time as assistant teacher at the university, teaching soil bacteriology. For the last five years he has been engaged in farming and fruit raising. The young people left immediately after their marriage on their wedding trip. They expect to make their residence in Iwywild.

Sigma Nu gave an informal house dance Saturday night. The guests were Prof. and Mrs. Gail, Misses Babcock, Glindemann, Gronsdahl, Schott, Ziegler, Sweeney, Falquist, Blomquist, Sholes, Drennan, Brown, Elder, Sund, Richardson and Messrs. Johnson, Friedmann, Anderson and Smith.

Heard in the Halls

Catharine: "Did you hear that the Kappa Sigs were arrested last night?"
 Mary: "What for?"
 Catharine: "Why they have three deer Hydes in their possession, and it's against the law to have more than one."

We notice by the frocks that some of the fair damsels have sprung on us since the Xmas vacation, that they are "wearing them higher" in our home towns.

First Kappa Sig: "Is Ellen Waring?"
 Second Kappa Sig: "Wearing what?"
 First Kappa Sig: "Ask Billy"??

Frosh: "I'm going to war now."
 Jazz: "Why?"
 Frosh: "Why stay in college when dancing has been taken over by the government?"

 PERSONAL MENTION

 Andrew Christenson spent Sunday with Sigma Nu.

Harold V. Whelan returned from Wallace Monday.

Gladys Duthie spent the week-end at her home in Troy.

Cora Salter spent the vacation at her home in Montana.

Norma Dow, ex-'18, spent the week end at the Kappa house.

Grace Eagleson, ex '19 is assisting in the library of the Boise high school.

Helga Anderson has returned to the university from Boise where she spent the vacation.

Dorothy and Frances Forch returned Saturday after spending the holidays at their home in Nampa.

The engagements of Frances Bailey to Tom Jackson and that of Ernestine Drennan to Earl Duthie were announced last fall.

L. R. Bonneville, '16, now lieutenant in the U. S. army, was married to Mary Patterson of Coeur d'Alene during the Christmas vacation.

Another engagement was announced at the Kappa house Saturday evening. Raymie Forbes, ex-'18, of Lewiston to Robert Duff of Boise.

Genevieve and Marie Millick returned Wednesday to resume their work, after spending Christmas vacation at their home in Blackfoot.

C. J. Safley, ex '17, formerly reporter on the Argonaut, and now editor of the Idaho Free Press, had his home destroyed by fire recently.

YE BALLADE OF YE PROFFE

Wild Verse by Member of Professor Miller's Class in Advanced English

George Miller is a pro-fes-sor,
 A learned man is he;
 He's travelled every foreign land
 And sailed on every sea.

He's travelled every land, I say
 And sailed on every sea—
 And rudimental repetition
 That's supposed to be.

Once on a time he wrote a book
 By scholars it was bought,
 And even George himself admits
 It changed the trend of that.

He likes to read "Sir Patrick Spens"
 It thrills his cave man blood,
 He likes to read the "Home Journal"
 But there, I'm slinging mud.

He rises every morn at three
 It does seem rather late.
 He then prepares his own breakfast
 But can't make school by eight.

He has a class of seniors grave
 I called on it one day.
 A kindergarten it looked like—
 The class was all at play.

King William was King James' son,
 He wore a stove-pipe hat
 Turn to the east, turn to the west
 And all such stuff as that.

But Miller—Gee! it got my goat
 I thot that I would die
 For when they called him Georgie
 Porgie
 He began to cry. —W. B. B., '18.

MILLER ENTERTAINS ADVANCED ENGLISH CLASS

Novel Party to Be Given By Dr. Miller and Class in Folk Literature for Advanced Classes

Friday night Dr. G. M. Miller, head of the department of English, will entertain his classes in advanced English at a unique party. The class in "Folk Literature" will act as joint hosts with Dr. Miller, with the other advanced classes as guests.

The entertainment for the evening will be furnished by the members of the class in Folk Literature, and will consist of readings, singing, and other discussions. Belle Willis is to read a paper, ballads will be sung, and Folk dances and games such as "Skip to My Lou" will be played. This party or entertainment constitutes a regular part of the course in English.

Faculty Women's Club Meets
 The Faculty Women's Club met in Ridenbaugh Hall Monday afternoon, quite a number being present. Rev. Budge, rector of St. Mark's, gave a reading.

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 SPECIAL RATES TO STUDENTS

LAW COLLEGE IS DEPLETED

Entire Senior Class is In National Service

For the first time in its history the law college of the university has no senior class. Last spring the junior class was unusually large, and the largest graduating class in its existence was anticipated. However, the officers training camp at Presidio took several, enlistments during the summer took several more, and when college opened this fall only a remnant of the class remained. These stuck to the ship for a while and then one by one migrated to the service. Fred Hanson was the last to leave.

The rest of the classes were also hard hit. The juniors are catching the fever now, and next year may also witness a seniorless law school.

Cadets Making Maps

The rooks in the cadet battalion are getting real experience in warfare these days. The latest innovation is the drawing of contour maps. Blue prints are furnished them by the commandant, on which are laid off rivers and other "landscape." Their job is to make a presentable military map.

GRADUATE TAKES Ph. D.

Alice E. Gipson '05 Takes Doctorate at Yale University

J. G. Eldridge, dean of the university faculty has received from Alice E. Gipson '05, a bound copy of her doctor's thesis. The thesis was entitled "John Home, a Study of His Life and Works, with special reference to his tragedy of 'Douglas' and the controversies which followed its first presentations."

This dissertation was presented to the faculty of the graduate school of Yale University as partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of doctor of philosophy. Miss Gipson was granted the degree in 1916.

New Librarian Arrives

Miss Maude Covington has been added to the library force as loan desk assistant. She takes the place of Miss Ethel Bower, who previously held this position. Miss Covington comes from the Spokane library, and Miss Bower left for the Portland library.

Skog is Champ Rasser

By virtue of his decisive and consistent victories over George Rogers, Fred Skog, janitor of the administration building, has duly installed himself as the best heavyweight wrestler in the university. The contestants were evenly matched in weight, but Fred's superior skill and aggressiveness pulled him out victor. It is rumored that he will go into retirement, unless some sufficiently good contestant appears.

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COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS CLUB HOLDS BI-WEEKLY MEET

The Commerce and Economics Club held its regular bi-weekly meeting at the Beta Theta Pi house, Wednesday night. The speaker was Mr. Touter of the department of English at the Lewiston Normal, and the subject on which he spoke was "social tendencies."

Home Ecs. Meet

The Home Economics Club held a meeting at the Gamma Phi Beta house Friday night. The organization was perfected, and plans made for the coming months. These include a number of meetings.

INTRAMURAL B. B. LEAGUE MAKING GOOD SHOWING

Four Games of Series Played, With Five Games Being Played Each Week—Percentage Column Soon

Intramural basketball league is off in a cloud of dust. The Class A league has already a full list of teams, and eight of these have gone into action in the past week, with more action coming every day. The first game was played last Friday, the faculty cleaning up the Sigma Nu five. On Saturday the Zeta Chi quintet took the measure of the Co-ops to the tune of 31 to 8. Pat Perrine, star guard on the varsity eleven, was the best man for the Z-Xs. He played at center.

The next game, played Monday, was between the Phi Deltas and the third year short course men. The short course men proved entirely too much for the long coursers, and the Phi Deltas took the short end of the score.

From the standpoint of fun the Barb-Kappa Sig game played Tuesday, was the best. The first half ended 8-8, after fast and furious playing featured by the defensive work of Hec Edmundson, guard of the Kappa Sigs. McDonald, center, also played a fine game, accounting for all eight of the K. Z. points, four field goals. The next half, however, Hec dropped out, and a new man attempted to take his place. The result was quickly apparent, and the Barbs began easing in the baskets with greater regularity. The game ended 20-12, favor of the Barbs. The stars for the K. Z. bunch were McDonald, center and "Kewpie" Bloom, forward. "Kewpie" maintained a spotless record by missing every basket he shot for, and throwing two foul goals out of two attempts. For the Barbs, Carpenter floor guard, showed the best form. McClure at forward played a good game, making the majority of the scores.

Neither aggregation showed any team work, except in brief flashes. Bleamaster refereed.

Beginning next week enuf games will have been played to start a percentage column.

The hours for the games have also been moved up to 5-6. This enables more men to get out.

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DANCING CLASS ORGANIZED

R. S. Calvert of Lewiston Will Instruct Students in Best Methods

With the sanction of the faculty, Prof. R. D. Calvert, will appear at the gymnasium on Friday evening, January 11th, at 7:30 for the purpose of organizing a class in dancing among the student body.

Prof. Calvert, who last season conducted classes among the student body comes well equipped in his line of work, having spent the past summer studying in the best schools of New York City, and says he is prepared to give to the students what is accepted as the best in dancing.

He invites all students, and especially the members of the faculty to be present on the above mentioned date to see and hear what he has to offer.

The first meeting will be devoted to organization, demonstrating, talks on dancing, and a practical demonstration of the teaching methods to those contemplating taking up the work.

The class, when organized, will be divided into two periods, from 7:30 to 8:30, instructions for beginners; and from 8:30 to 9:45 for advanced instruction. The course will consist of six lessons.

BLEAMASTER HOLDS BUSINESSMEN'S CLASS

Semi-weekly Session of T. B. M. Being Held in Local High School Gym—Attendance Good

Physical Director Bleamaster, in following out his plan of making the department of physical education really useful, has organized a businessmen's class in gym work which meets twice a week in the gymnasium of the local high school. The class, which has been thriving for two weeks, consists mainly of gymnastics, work with the medicine ball and such games as hand ball and volley ball.

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MOSCOW MOUNTAIN IS SUBJECT OF WEIRD THEME

For years one of the annual classics of second year English students was a description of Moscow Mountain. Many "masterpieces" have been produced, and two years ago a poetic effusion on this subject was published in the Argonaut. Of the prose efforts, however, the following, which was recently unearthed from the archives of the English department, takes the cake. Here it is:

Moscow Mountain

Moscow Mountain lies about seven miles northeast of Moscow. It is about two miles long, rising much higher than the range of which it is a part. It has two peaks, both of which have a bare place on top. The peak on the east end is lower than the one on the west end. These peaks gradually slope into a depression in the middle. The descent is very rapid on the ends.

The rise from the main land below is gradual for a ways and then very rapid. The mountain is covered with timber. Trees may be distinguished.

In the early spring very light green patches of tamarack may be seen among the darker green fir.

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PROFESSOR REED URGES STUDENTS TO TAKE TEST
Head of Psychology Department Will Make Mental Examination of Undergraduates

Evidently the student body is so thoroughly convinced that it has no Shakespeares, Kaisers or Charlie Chaplins among its numbers that it considers Professor Reed's offer to determine these facts superfluous. At any rate only six students of the 499 on the rolls have had sufficient faith in their talents to have them tested, altho the offer was made almost two months ago.

According to Professor Reed the conclusions drawn from the tests are not hap-hazard generalizations, but are based on accurate, scientific facts and laws. By means of the tests, a persons natural bent may be discovered and reliable information gained as to the workings of your mental machinery. If a few bolts and gears were left out when your plant was assembled, the test can tell you all about it and just where this missing apparatus should be. If you have more wheels than ordinary, or the wheels you have revolve in a new manner, the test can tell you that too. If this latter is the case you are probably a genius, and ought to start developing your capabilities at once, but in either event you can't afford to lose any time.

This chance is a real chance to obtain knowledge of yourself. Any fortune teller will charge you four bits and up for telling you that there's lots of money up the line a ways, and that there's a dark man with whiskers who'll raise Cain with your plans, but this a chance to get reliable information, and get it gratis.

VARSITY IS NOW HOOVERIZING
Athletic Department Using Cotton Jerseys in Place of Wool

The athletic department of the university is also doing its bit in aiding the war. The woolen jerseys which until this year, have been used in outfitting the varsity basketball teams, have been supplanted by jerseys of cotton. This will also be the case with the football jerseys next fall. According to Director Bleamaster, the use of cotton instead of wool will not lower the efficiency of the players in either football or basketball.

This saving, while not large in the case of one team, would amount to a great deal if all athletic teams would adopt the custom.

It still remains to be seen whether this patriotic motive will extend itself to the giving of cotton "T" sweaters, instead of the all-wool variety.

Gym Well Patronized
 According to a statement made by Physical Director Bleamaster, the gymnasium is now being used by a greater percentage of the men students than ever before. 135 lockers have been given out, the number of men "doubling up," and those using no locker, brings the total number up to around 170. This constitutes about 90 per cent of the men now in school.

NEW STUDENTS ENROLL AT MONTANA UNIVERSITY
Old Students Complete Registration at the Close of First College Quarter

The second quarter of the college year at the Montana University will begin Thursday, January 3. The students who were enrolled during the past quarter completed their registration before the holidays began. Only new students will register at the opening of the quarter.

No accurate prediction of the new students who will register can be made because of the abnormal conditions prevailing. The total enrollment last quarter was 549 students. This number did not include correspondence study students.

The faculty generally regard the quarter system as satisfactory. The college year is divided now into four periods instead of two semesters and a six-weeks summer school.

"One virtue of the four-quarter plan is that it allows a healthy and energetic student to work through the year with a short but sufficient vacation and graduate in three years," says President E. O. Sisson. "This is one of the best means of 'speeding up' the production of high grade brains to help win the war and when it is won to rebuild the world. The full-length summer quarter will also be a great advantage to teachers, occupied during the regular school year who wish to make real progress in their education. We should take greater advantage of the fine summer climate and wonderful summer environment of Missoula. Finally university plant is too valuable to lie idle two or three of the best months of the year."

Dr. Sisson was formerly commissioner of education for Idaho.

BRADLEY RETURNS TO BOISE
Argonaut Staff Cartoonist Forced to Leave School by Sickness

Ed Bradley, a member of the Freshman class, registered in the pre-medic course has been forced to leave school because of sickness. Bradley had been ill for quite a time and while he was recovering, the physicians deemed it inadvisable that he return to his school work this year. He left for Boise on the southern special.

Bradley was also a member of the Argonaut staff, holding a position as cartoonist. He did good work, and his absence will be felt by his classmates and the whole school. No one has yet been appointed to fill his place on the paper.

Soulen Speaks at Dedication
 Professor Ph. Soulen, head of the School of Education, spoke at the dedication of the new high school building at Pierce City, Idaho, last week.

TIMBER BEASTS HEAR MYRICK
Supervisor of U. S. Forest Service Station Addresses Forestry Club

Supervisor Myrick of the U. S. forest service stationed at Kalispell, Montana, addressed the forest club at its meeting last Monday evening. He discussed the method of conducting timber sales by the U. S. forest service and showed in an interesting way the exceedingly important part wood is playing in the conduct of the war. Spruce is essential to the manufacture of aeroplanes, and other woods play almost as important parts in shipbuilding. It is also used in the hasty constructions of temporary buildings.

THREE REPRESENT IDAHO AT TEACHERS' MEETING

President Lindley and Professors Lewis and Soulen Take Part in Annual State Convention in Boise

President Lindley, Professor H. T. Lewis and Professor Philip Soulen were the university representatives at the annual meeting of the Idaho Teachers' Association held in Boise during the holidays. Dr. Lindley of Idaho and Henry Suzzalo, president of the University of Washington were the principal speakers. President Lindley and Prof. Soulen were on the program a number of times and were very favorably received. Professor Lewis handled the section meetings of the Social Science department. Prof. Lewis has been elected chairman of the Social Science department for next year.

"The attendance at the Teachers' Association this year" said Prof. Lewis, "was not as large as in former years, but was very satisfactory"

SOULEN HEADS COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Idaho Professor Made Chairman of Committee of State Teachers' Association

At the annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association held at Boise, Professor Soulen, of the School of Education was made chairman of the committee on higher education for the coming year.

While at the conference Professor Soulen delivered a paper on "Effective High School Visitation and Inspection." The importance of this work is being recognized more every year.

Professor Soulen returned January first.

IS EDUCATION ON WRONG ROAD
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nothing else. That is to say, that taking one course does not improve the mind in general. Only insofar as the subjects studied are definitely and closely related are they helpful to one another. For instance, taking English literature would not better fit an engineer's mind to study drafting.

Other interesting portions of the experiment were the memorizing of poetry, repeating a passage of prose which had been read, and repeating of numbers. In repeating a passage of prose it was found that out of a group of 34 words, only 10 were retained, while of 10 words all were retained. This demonstrates that the mind cannot take any more than just so much at once any more than a man can take 10 foot strides at an ordinary walk.

This Theory of Formal Discipline is, however, almost universally accepted as an educational standard, and in taking certain vocational

courses the student is required to take subjects.

Another interesting fact disclosed by these tests is that an individual's natural talent or ability cannot be increased; but, it can be developed to be 100 per cent more efficient. This is the object of education; to develop natural abilities and discover latent talent.

DEBATE PLANS ARE MADE OUT

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realize the true ideal of debating—to develop and train the men so that they are able to think clearly on their feet, to coordinate facts independently, and marshal and deliver them in the most convincing manner. The object in debating, he states, is not to win debates, but to make the debaters more efficient along the above lines than they were before taking the course.

Banquet Possible
 It is possible that a banquet may be held at the end of the season, but the plan is still nebulous.

Few debates were scheduled this year because of the depleted debate fund, and a greatly decreased registration next semester may still further complicate the financial end.

It is possible, if the question for the Whitman debate is received this week, that the tryouts will be held this semester, but in case it does not arrive till the week following, they will be postponed until the next semester.

LIST OF EXEMPTED ENGINEERS COMPLETED

Dean Little of the college of engineering, has just compiled the list of engineering students who will be exempt from the draft under the recent provisions of the government, which places engineering students of military age in the reserve list.

The selection was made according to scholastic standing during their attendance at the university, and only a portion of the upper one-third of the students were placed on the list. The standards were obtained by averaging the standings of the graduates of the engineering school, and from the averages thus obtained a standard was selected. All above this dead line were given a place on the list. The names are not yet ready for publication.

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Y. W. C. A. Informal Tea
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