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# STUDENT LIFE

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## AGGIE CLUB DANCE

Hats off to the "Aggie" Club boys! The farmers are sometimes slow, but not in all things as was evidenced Monday night when the boys gave their annual ball.

From start to finish, this took the lead of all College events. No one thing alone made it a great success, but everybody connected with it put a shoulder to the wheel and the ball was all a whirl.

The decorations were the most clever and attractive that have yet been devised and were representative of Agriculture in all its phases, all showing the touch of College training and College spirit. To be appreciated these things must be seen.

The programs, perhaps, stood out as the most distinctive feature each dance being named according to its characteristics, viewed from the standpoint of the farmers. From the Pekin Duck Waddle to the Juicy Lemon Squeeze and on down to the Love-vine Twine Medley, all had a place in the field of Agriculture.

The music and floor of course were Al, but these were only incidents in the affair. The real success was due to the fact that each boy took the responsibility of bringing at least one girl, and as usual, we find the girls at the bottom of all the excitement.

The Sorosis girls particularly made a hit by dressing as farmer girls and the Aggies think they are the best kind after all. The other girls made their hits individually rather than collectively.

For a jolly good time and as a representative College affair, this stands out pre-eminent above all previous events. This fact is attested by all present, and the house was full to overflowing. In fact all the Aggie boys had to take their coats off to get elbow room and to do better work.

The Aggie boys believe "if you want a thing done, do it yourself," and as they wanted this done right, they did it that way.

## New Literary Society.

To cultivate a literary taste while in school should be the desire of every student. To be able to read a poem and give proper expression to the beautiful thoughts embodied in its lines is certainly a most desirable attainment. Another is the ability to state the true merits or demerits of the selection read. It is to accomplish this,—to cultivate a critical literary judgment of both high class poetry and prose that some of the students have at last been successful in organizing a society.

The general aim of the Helicon, therefore, is to add to the classroom study of Shakespeare, Milton, Tennyson and other masters, a bit of popular sance—Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Aldrich, Sill, King—about whom all students should be given the opportunity to know something. In a word, the Helicon offers supplementary, literary education and is, therefore, justly becoming popular in the U. A. C.

## THE HELICON.

Thursday, March 4, poems from Longfellow were studied, Mr. Busby, Miss McKenzie and Mr. Smart leading the discussion, in which many of the students participated. The self expression and interpretation put into those simple poems promise much for the future development of the participants. Oliver Wendell Holmes is the next author to be taken up by the society.

Interesting and instructive clinics are held every Tuesday at the Vet. Hospital, beginning at 2 p. m. More canine patients desired. Careful, clean operating done by students under the direct supervision of Dr. Frederick.

At the last session of the Dry Farming Congress, Utah had many representatives. President Widtsoe, who is considered one of the best authorities on this phase of agriculture, was made 1st vice president of the congress. The congress meets next year at Bozeman, Montana.

## Baseball and Track.

At a meeting of the coaches of the various institutions in the State, held at Salt Lake, various matters pertaining to spring athletics were discussed. Probably most of the students of the college are aware that the State Track Meet is to be held in Logan this year. This is a great event in college athletics, and Logan is fortunate in securing it. The officials for the State meet were decided upon and the baseball schedule of the season was arranged. The following officials were selected: Referee and Starter, D. A. Callahan; Timers, Stoner and Crawford of Logan, and Plummer of Salt Lake; Judges of Finish, Lund of Salt Lake, Rydaldch of Provo, and Thatcher of Logan; Field Judges, Hedges and Tobin, of Salt Lake, and Masters of Ogden; Clerk of Course, Bassett; Scorer, W. D. Bishel.

## SHOP NOTES.

One of the lathes, which went through the shop fire a few years ago, has been repaired and now looks as good as new. This is the fourth "burnt" machine that Prof. Pulley and students have redeemed.

Some excellent hard wood furniture is being made by advanced students in carpentry. Chairs, desks, benches, cabinets, etc., all of oak, are in course of construction and they promise to be the best yet produced by the department.

Mr. Hughes is making a "beehive" chair which is symbolical of the State and will be used on state occasions.

The carriage makers are busy with a new express wagon which will soon be finished. It is certainly a point in our favor to make our own wagons.

Coach Teetzel attended a meeting of the coaches of the State in Salt Lake Sunday last.

Our military band certainly brought credit to itself Wednesday in chapel. It is one of the organizations of which the school may well be proud.

## NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

### Competing Club For Us.

The National Rifle Association is the name of the organization of the Rifle clubs from most of the institutions of the United States where military tactics are taught. An invitation to join was recently received by Captain Perry of our military department, and immediately upon its receipt the cadets organized in preparation for joining the association.

For the best score at 200; 300 and 500 yards in five shots the association offers a button which designates the wearer as a "National Marksman." Championship matches will also be held for all the colleges and universities of the United States, and prizes will be awarded the winning school in these contests. There are two prizes for these shoots, one for indoor and one for outdoor championship. The government is also interested and, very likely, will offer a trophy to the best student team represented in the National shoots.

Every day, in the armory, the boys are practising and a club of ten members will be selected from the thirty highest scores.

It costs but ten cents to join, and every male member of the school is eligible. So far "Bill" Batt has the highest score, he having scored forty-six points out of a possible fifty. Several other "forty and above" scores have been made.

The first shoot will probably take place about the last of March and our rifle team will again represent Utah in the shooting contest against other institutions of our nation.

This is something worth working for and if you are a "shark" with the gun it will pay you to join the club. The following organization has been effected: President, Capt. Conger; Vice President, 2nd Lieutenant Paddock; Secretary, Lieutenant Smart; Treasurer, Corporal Willey.

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The staff is open to any suggestion from any member of the faculty or student body on any subject of interest about the school. Send in your views on current topics.

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In our dark hour, two years ago, we were craving aid from some effective source. Now that the B. Y. C. has lost its college courses we extend to them our heartfelt sympathies.

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We notice, in the "O. A. C. Barometer", that the total appropriation for the Oregon Agricultural College will this year reach the \$500,000 mark. In our innocence we wonder what they will do with all of it.

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Now that spring is coming on and our campus is beginning to take on its wonted beauty, a few benches, placed here and there upon the grounds, would add materially to the enjoyment of an hour spent in the open air. Why could not the shops gallantly come to the rescue?

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Did you ever, while browsing in the Library, come across some volume, whose presence on our shelves you had never suspected? An excellent way of making

students acquainted with the presence of new books would be to have a special shelf where such books might be reserved for a certain period until all were aware of the new acquisition.

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The State Field and Track meet is to be held at Logan this year. This will be our first chance for a crack at the other institutions in a meet of this kind on our own grounds. May 15 is the date set, and every man in this school, if there is any running blood in him, should be trying for the track team so that we shall be able to do things when the day comes.

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If the present Legislature grants us all we ask for we shall have next year a stock judging pavilion, a woman's building, an addition to the teaching force, and several other educational advantages. At the present rate of progress the proper amount of money will in very few years put this institution on a high plane among institutions in this country. We are young yet and so is the State, but there are bright days coming.

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## ALUMNI NOTES

Professor Wm. Peterson, '99, is very ill with acute rheumatism. He was brought back from Chicago by Wm. Jardine, and is at

present at the Hot Springs near Ogden. His many friends unite in hoping for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Mamie Smith Larsen, '97, was a visitor at the College this week. For several years she has been teaching at Dingle, Idaho.

Mr. R. S. Ballantyne, '05, visited us last week. He has gone to Salt Lake to take up engineering work.

The following is an extract from an editorial in the Feb. 27 issue of the Park City Record. Both Mr. Kearns and Mr. Olsen are A. C. Alumni, being members of the class of 1907: "Never in the history of the local high school has better work been done or a better feeling prevailed among the pupils than at present. Principal Kearns has proved his worth as an instructor, and under his capable management the high school has been improved materially the past year. He has an able corps of teachers assisting him. The commercial department particularly has been strengthened since the election of Mr. Olsen. He understands the art of teaching and his methods are thorough and successful."

It is not often that this column presents a review of some new book. Few of the Alumni of the A. C. U. have written books, although a very large percentage of the members are engaged in academic pursuits. It is with correspondingly greater pleasure, therefore, that mention is made of a new publication, just out, from the pen of Professor Wm. Peterson, '99. In collaboration with President Widtsoe, Mr. Peterson has written a Geography of Utah. It is a thin but compact quarto, of 44 pages, neatly bound in buckram, and published by Rand McNally & Co., in Dodge's Geographical Series. It consists of three parts: Utah as a whole; the growth and development of cities; statistics and aids to teachers. The work is copiously and beautifully illustrated, and better still it is written in simple, clear, straightforward English, with the sense of vitality that comes from a thorough grasp of the subject. The various sections on agriculture and on the history and growth of our State were written by President Widtsoe, the remainder by Professor Peterson. Already the little volume has been adopted by the chief city boards for use in the public schools, and in that field it is un-

doubtedly destined to become the leading text book in the State.

Mr. A. B. Larsen, '94, who has not been heard from for some time is now at Provo, in the U. S. Reclamation Service. He was formerly in the R. R. Mail Service. He intends to visit us at Commencement and we hope he may come up even earlier.

S. Grover Rich, '05, and Mrs. Mildred F. Rich, '06, recently had a very narrow escape from instantaneous death. While driving across the railroad track at Blackfoot, Idaho, a train struck the team, killing both horses, and destroying the carriage. The occupants escaped with minor scratches and bruises. So close was the danger that Mrs. Rich's furs were cut and mangled by the engine.

Walter W. McLaughlin, '96, in charge of the Utah Division of Irrigation of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is busy preparing reports of last season's work for the Department at Washington. The Irrigation Department is now in charge of Professor Fortier, formerly a member of the A. C. U. faculty.

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**LOCALS.**

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Jimmy Kearns and Aaron Olsen  
are making a great hit in the  
Park City High School.

Mrs. Willard Langton and Mrs.  
Guy Thatcher were guests of Miss  
Huntsman at luncheon Wednes-  
day.

Pres. Widtsoe, Doctor Ball and  
Doctor Thomas are in Salt Lake,  
during the closing hours of the  
legislature.

Miss Whiting is "making  
good" in "The American Citi-  
zen," as "Aunt Carola", the part  
Mel Homer was to play.

Miss Love has a large class  
of girls doing advanced experi-  
mental work in the kitchen. They  
are now working with proteids.

The following plan has been  
suggested for writing up our col-  
lege socials: Fine crowd; fine de-  
corations; fine spirit; "nuf sed."

From ten to twenty track men  
and as many baseball men can be  
seen every afternoon taking ad-  
vantage of the dry spots to do a  
little out door "working out."

The Oregon A. C. second team  
basketball men are to receive the  
same kind of sweaters given to  
the first team, but instead of the  
letter, a black figure 2 is to be  
placed on the front.

E. E. Elliott, dean of the school  
of Agriculture of Idaho, and J. A.  
Franson, the dairy man for the  
University, were visitors to the  
institution. They are looking over  
the conditions here at the college.

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