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DRY FARMING FOR THE FRENCH

Dr. Widtsoe's Book Conquers
Paris.

This week Dr. Widtsoe received the first copies of the French edition of his book on Dry Farming. Ever since the book appeared in English it has received much appreciative and flattering comment from French scientists. It was especially timely for them, as they are working out in their colonies in Northern Africa many of the arid land problems which have already been solved in the American West. And so the French translation appears under the sanction of the general government of Algeria where it is expected that the book will be of great value to French colonists. In the main the French edition follows closely the English original as regards text and illustrations, though it is brought up to date by comments on the drought of 1910 and has many pictures of arid land cultivation in Northern Africa. It is also preceded by a valuable preface by M. Augustin Bernard, the well known French scientist and member of the department of Agriculture, under whose supervision the work of translating was done, mainly by his daughter.

Thanks to Prof. Merrill. A translation of this preface will soon appear in the Deseret Farmer, where the many admirers of President Widtsoe's scholarly and useful work will have an opportunity to see how it is admired by our French cousins and how much help they expect to derive from it.

JUNIOR PROM IS SHAPING

More Details Will Be Given
Later.

Look out for the Juniors. They are already busy working on the "Junior Prom." It will probably be held March 18th, but the date has not been definitely arranged as yet. Committees on arrangement have been appointed and the entire class is working. The Prom will without a doubt be the Big dance of the year.

President Widtsoe on The Round-Up and House- keepers' Conference

Utah is coming into her own dominion! Her own people are believing in her possibilities; then all people must needs follow the example! The leading men and women, who in great numbers have spent the last two weeks with us, to discuss the latest and best thought in agriculture and home economics, will apply their high intelligence to a renewed and more certain conquest of the forces of the State. By modern methods, our abundant sunshine, pure water, clean air and fertility-laden soil: will be wrought into tissues of plant and animal to furnish wealth for men; and by the use of the same forces, compelling health and ease will be given the home for the peace of men.

That the attendance at these courses of 1912 has been nearly four times larger than ever before, is a measure of the present condition of agricultural progress in this State. It is a good sign; for, as our agriculture becomes perfected, manufacturing will grow large, and throb with life; commerce will expand with plenty, and the Great American Desert will laugh for the joy of its destiny.

We thank and congratulate those who have attended. We shall attempt to present better programs and demonstrations next year.

GREAT ROUND-UP AND HOUSEKEEP- ERS' CONFERENCE CLOSING TOMORROW

Remarkable Attendance And Interest Runs
High.

Never before in its history has the Utah Agricultural College so completely won its way into the hearts of the people as in the present "Round Up." The enrollment became so large that Prof. Merrill saw it necessary to discriminate against a number of local men who were not registered for the course, but were greedily taking up the room and crowding out men who had paid the price and were entitled to consideration.

In addition to the regular members of the Round-Up. The school has entertained hundreds of guests all of whom left for their various localities, much enthused by the successful work done here and determined to preach and practice what they had learned and thus boost the cause along.

On Feb. 8th the city school children were here in full force and guides were appointed to conduct them through the buildings and explain the various demonstrations.

Feb. 10th the county district school teachers came one hundred strong. Prof. William Petersen addressed them on the question of geology and the phases of it which should be in-

troduced into the grammar grades. After which they were shown through the college, particularly the Round Up demonstrations, etc.

Last Monday the High School students and those of the higher grades of the district schools of Cache county, several hundred in number visited the College to witness the demonstration at the Round Up and Housekeepers conference. They assembled in the chapel hall where Prof. Hogenson delivered an interesting lecture on "Potato Culture." It will be remembered, and with pride by Cache valley people, that the students of Cache county were the first to begin potato growing contests. Prof. Hogenson talked of the most profitable methods of preparing the ground, selecting the seed, tilling, irrigating and harvesting the crop. Keen interest was manifested by students in the contest for it is being closely watched by the High Schools throughout the state. After the lecture was over the students visited the different departments of the school. The college treated the visitors to apples.

During the past two weeks
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BOTANY RECEIVES NEW IMPETUS

NEW LIFE AND GINGER IN-
FUSED INTO THE PLANT
DEPARTMENT.

Plant Pathology To Be a Feature.

Dr. Jensen was sitting in the same old dark office of the Botany department when we called to get an interview for Student Life, but somehow the place suggested change and a new life. It may have been the rearrangement of the office desk, or the removal of the work table that suggested change, but as we talked with the new head of the department we felt that a new era in botanical work was about to dawn at the Agricultural College of Utah. And we said within our soul: "Welcome the day of the awakening of the dry bones of College Botany. Welcome the day of the Plant Pathologist."

Dr. Jensen trod our college halls as a student prior to 1908 in the spring of which year he took his B. S. here. In the Fall of 1908 he went east and entered the graduate school of Cornell. During his first year there he worked out a master's degree in Plant Pathology, writing a thesis
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ORATORICAL CON- TEST NEXT WEEK

WILL BE GREATEST GAB-
FEST EVER

Shades of Cicero, Pericles, and
Demosthenes will be There

Twenty-five students have signified their intention to enter the oratorical contest for the beautiful Hendricks' medal. Prof. Hendricks is surprised and delighted that such great interest has been manifested.

The contest, which bids fair to be of the very highest interest, will occur in the chapel Friday evening, February 23rd at 8 p. m.

It is understood that many of the meek and submissive cattle of Cache Valley are providing patient but startled audiences for a number of our serious souled neo-Websters to practice on. This is quite natural and unavoidable in the absence of the sea shore and its murmuring waves before
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SOMETHING DOING IN EXECUTIVE MEETING

The regular Executive committee meeting was held Wednesday at the Chapel hour in the Student Body room—BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. Matters of great importance were to be considered. Many motions on vital matters of the school were to be motioned and moved. The doors were tightly closed. We might add that the doors were tightly closed because if the doors were not tightly closed the noise in the hall would drown the mild voices of the lady members of the committee.

The committee voted to allow the expenses of Lon J. Haddock in going to Brigham to represent the Student Body at the funeral off the baby of John W. Peters, and also for purchase of a suitable floral wreath.

The bill of \$7.00 for medical attendance for Price, who was injured in practice for basketball team lately, was also allowed.

Miss Babcock desires to appear some time in the near future, and a committee was appointed to arrange the matter in conjunction with the B. Y. C., and the County Teachers.

The committee again struggled with the matter of allowing the money requested to make Student Life room habitable, but no action was decided upon.

Treasurer Coburn reported that receipts were less in a number of items than last year, while expense items continued to outstrip the ones of last year in several cases. His report will be given in full later.

Wanted!

A boy to work in the Chemical laboratory.

It has been decided by the governing officials of the Amateur Athletic Union and National committee that the National Track and Field championship will be held in San Francisco during the Panama Exposition. The Amateur Athletic Union officials have also decided upon the three try-out tracks for the Olympic teams. The Harvard Stadium has been chosen for the Eastern try-outs, Marshall Field in Chicago for the Middle West, and the Golden Gate Field in San Francisco for the West.

BOTANY RECEIVES NEW IMPETUS

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which is the first work to connect up the development of the Science of Plant Pathology.

During summer of 1909 he investigated the Life, History and Control of the Black Rot of Grape in New York.

From Spring of 1909 to Sept. 1910 he was assistant in Plant Pathology in Cornell, which work he resigned to accept the assistantship of Plant Pathology in the U. of California. For six months he there worked on Diseases of Citrus Fruit.

In the summer of 1910 he accepted a fellowship in Cornell, teaching, investigating and preparing his doctor's thesis, which was accepted January, 1912.

The Thesis is a monograph on Fungous Flora of the Soil.

The plans for the future of Plant study in the A. C. embrace many changes in equipment and courses. Besides General Botany, advanced work in Plant Histology and Physiology and Taxonomy of Flowering Plants will be offered. Specially important will be the courses in Plant Pathology; one general in nature, on types of diseases, causes of control; others on truck crop and fruit tree diseases.

More study tables are to line the laboratory walls, and lockers will be installed for microscopes and material. There will be special culture room; departmental library of all bulletins and authorities. Wooden doors in the office will be replaced by glass windows, and in countless ways up-to-date rooms, equipment and work will be provided for.

Openings for men in the new science of Plant Pathology are many and promising. West of the Mississippi there are only eight men specialists in the field, and all these are connected with Experiment stations. In the east the proportion is higher, but the demand greater.

The U. S. government is calling for men qualified for this work, and commercially, orchard men require the service of the Plant Doctor.

Dr. Jensen predicts that in the near future specialists will hang out their Plant Doctor shingle much as now the medical doctor does.

PROF. J. W. JENSEN INJURED

We are very sorry to learn of the painful accident which befell Prof. J. W. Jensen, while he was driving to the dam site in the canyon the first of this week.

The accident was caused by an unruly horse which became unmanageable as he approached the canyon. Prof. Jensen was thrown forcibly upon the ground, breaking both bones of the forearm near the wrist. He was given immediate surgical aid and is rapidly improving. We hope that he will soon be able to resume his work at the College.

DEBATE IN 7TH WARD

Thursday Evening, Feb. 21st., at 7:30 p. m. a debate will be held at the Seventh Ward meeting house, under the Auspices of the Ward Mutuals. Question: "Resolved that in the United States Women should have equal suffrage with men." All are welcome.

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EXCHANGES

Michigan is to offer a course in wireless engineering next year.

The freshmen co-eds of the University of Washington wear a green ribbon bow with a pearl button in the center. Every wearer of the verdant badge is required to say "hello" regardless of introductions.

The U. of California Mandolin club spent the Christmas vacation in Honolulu, where they gave several concerts.

The U. of California glee club has just completed a tour of the larger coast cities.

The Cosmopolitan Club of Cornell has just completed a club house in which there is an auditorium capable of accommodating 400 members.

No Liquor Ads.

All liquor advertisements have been ruled out of Cornell College papers by President Schuman. This is one of the results of charges recently made by a western millionaire as to drinking among college students.

The Universities of Michigan and Nebraska have found it necessary to condemn private property adjoining their campuses in order to provide room for more buildings.

Compulsory football practice has been instituted at the University of Wisconsin, all freshmen being required to learn the rudiments of the game. No one, however, is compelled to take part in scrimmages.

A girls' track team is one of the innovations at Minnesota.

Minnesota is soon to put the honor system into operation.

The Michigan Glee Club has been offered a trip to Japan at the expense of the Japanese government.

Baker Goes To Illinois.

Prof. H. P. Baker, formerly instructor in Forestry of the

Pennsylvania State College, has been elected Forester of the University of Illinois and will take up this work there this spring.—La. S. C.

A "Poverty Club" has been organized at the Ohio State University. The club was organized to promote hospitality and good fellowship among the members, and has taken for its motto: "Poverty is no Disgrace."

The U. of N. M. basketball team was defeated in the first game of the season by the Albuquerque Business College Score, 12 to 5.

Dr. M'Queen Gray of the University of New Mexico, has handed in his resignation to take effect at the end of the present scholastic year.

Out of 800 women registered at the U. of W., only 138 are enrolled in Home Economics.

Efforts are being made at the U. of W. to introduce bowling as a sport for women.

The colleges of Japan and China are expected to enter track and field teams in the Olympic games at Stockholm next year.

At the University of New Mexico the names of students delinquent in certain branches of study are posted on the bulletin board and such students are not allowed to participate in athletics.

It is estimated that Yale has directly and indirectly contributed over three million dollars to New Haven during the last year.

The largest university in the world is the University of Calcutta at Calcutta, India.

Chancellor Alvry of the University of Nebraska has threatened with expulsion any student guilty of singing in public that devil-may-care student song: "Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here."

For advertising purposes the University of Missouri has moving pictures of student activities shown at different times during the year.

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THE ETERNAL WHY!

Student Propounds a Question For Our Worthy Professors.

This is a two-ided question. And since from the other viewpoint, it may likewise have two sides, withal it must be quadrilateral. It is this: Why does bookishness constantly pass muster for scholarship; and why is spontaneity discounted in college—in the Agricultural College of Utah?

On the first score, we find students, who have become "wise," committing to memory high sounding definitions, fine bookish passages and the like, merely that they may dish them up to their teachers for an A.

The original noise is what counts. And many of the so-called honorary students on the College Roll are merely echoes, and will continue to be, as long as our instructors accept at a premium this rehearsed verbosity in lieu of personal interpretation and original thought. It is a noticeable fact that some youth, quick of wit and with a good memory, may absorb enough from a book, or from the professor's own well-chosen comments, which have been faithfully tabulated in class, to pass off a seemingly first class examination, written in great style exactly to the liking of the professor. For hasn't he handed it back in that dignitaries own words? But can that same student take in any of

that information, work it over, interpret it in terms of life, and then pass it back with the stamp of his own individuality upon it? Often he could, but he doesn't. Why? Because in the student's interpretation, and in his own words, it may not come up in as elaborate a dress-suit of rhetoric as the college professor, who wrote the book, dressed it in. So rather than take a C or D for being himself, he prefers an A for being an echo of Prof. Giddings Salisbury or some other text-maker.

Then on the other side of this dual question, we find an evil just as pronounced as it is flagrant. Why do we have our otherwise able instructors asking questions of a class, and when a student, fairly well informed, ventures an answer, said professor or professors, will sit with a quizzical expression of countenance, accompanied by arched eye-brows and a generally know-it-all air, listening to an earnest yet often futile attempt of a student to express himself intelligently? And when the answer has been given, it is frowned upon, picked to pieces, stabbed, dissected and ridiculed for some professional technicality. Many a good student is thereby stultified in both the desire to and the power of making an easy, logical reply to a perfectly simple question. Where, under right and proper conditions such a student could have given a free, spontaneous, and intelligent answer, he is frightened into making a halting, blundering, incoherent one. So we ask, why do some of our instructors take this very unwise and unpedagogical stand before their classes?

The writer has the utmost respect for the A. C. Faculty, in general, finding them to be a competent lot of men and women of which any high-class institution might well be proud. What is more, said writer has not been mistreated and has no personal grievance. Furthermore, he makes the College Roll, tries to be natural, and has received marks as high as he deserves, in his own estimation. But that does not alter the fact that there are many younger and less "bluffable" who have not, but deserve even more.

Dr. Titus in Eugenics.

Most women prefer ugly men to handsome men. In fact it is said that man is like the pug dog, the uglier he is the more he is in demand by the women. Football heroes are exceptions. Even the handsome ones lose nothing with the fair sex in attractiveness. So cheer up fellows. Forget your face.

GREAT ROUND-UP AND HOUSEKEEPERS CONFERENCE CLOSES TOMORROW

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the regular work of the college, has continued in the usual way in spite of the fact that several thousand visitors besides those enrolled for Roundup and Housekeepers conference have passed through the halls, and inspected the various departments.

The only way a college of this kind can possible grow is to school people to the work it is doing and get their support. The past two weeks has brought evidence that the people are at the back of the school and are determined to boost it on to the greatest possible heights of success.

An Exam. Catastrophe.

A certain English teacher has not yet decided what happened to number 5. The fact is, she gave an exam, and one of her most brilliant students surprised her in the following manner:

I Bunyan was the author of . . . etc.

II The value of Pilgrim's Progress . . . etc.

III Miltons minor poems are . . . etc.

IV Christian's travels are symbolical of . . . etc.

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The aim of the department is to fit and train men to take up the work and develop the wonderful resources of this state.

The people have just recently awakened to the fact that the climate and soil of Utah can not be excelled anywhere.

Our fruit ranks among the best and this should be encouragement to all who desire to follow this splendid line of work.

Our experiment farm at St. George is getting along splendidly, and with the exception of a few injuries by frost everything is ready for spring.

At the State Horticultural Convention to be held at Provo January 29-31, Dr. Bachelor will deliver a lecture on "The Thinning of Apples."

BY WAY OF APPRECIATION

The other day there came to the faculty of the Mechanic Art Department, a box of candy, with compliments, from the Domestic Science Department. It was not merely a taste, but a big box—say five pounds.

We have tasted many sweet things but never before anything sweeter. Ladies we are ever grateful.

To the girls that made it we would say, if this is a fair indication of your fitness—and why not—for the place in life that you and you only can fill, our husky lads should, ere this hour have made the discovery; but never mind, girls, some day, other lads, will see, worship, and carry you away.

The Bird Men.

Soon the north winds will blow
And we shall have snow.
What will the bird men do then,
poor things?

They will sit by the fire
And live higher and higher
On the money they made with
their wings.

—Baltimore Herald.

MECHANIC ARTS

Arrangements for exchanging the large cupul, which was found so large that it has not been used for a number of years for one of more practical size have been made. It is expected that castings for machinery will be made as soon as the new one is installed. The work of tearing the old cupula down so that it can be shipped has already commenced.

The horse shoeers are proving they comprehend and can apply the facts gained by the lectures of Dr. Frederick on the structure and care of horses hoofs. They show remarkable skill in shoeing to repair defects. The College horses are being shod previous to exhibiting them during the Farmers Round Up.

One of the third year carpenters is building a spiral stairs. This is the first time that the construction of a stair case of this nature has ever been attempted.

Ten new students in mechanics have been registered recently and it is expected that many more will start with the beginning of the semester.

ORATORICAL CONTEST
NEXT WEEK

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which Demosthenes poured out the sonorous plaint of his budding soul; and in the absence also of the woods, "the primaevae forest," those "first temples" whose echoes rang to the ponderous declamations of our young Clay and Webster and Prof. Dales of our eastern states.

All these efforts are of vital importance in the development of young public speakers, and give great and important training.

The chapel will be filled next Friday evening with the loyal patrons of the various contestants, and much spirited rivalry is looked for.

The Philosopher.

There is a man in our town,
And he was shrewdly taught.
He knew that sugar would go up
When the sugar trust was caught.

So the very day he heard about
The scandal as to weights
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—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Think of That.

"Why is it, doctor," groaned the victim, "that a tooth has to have a nerve?"

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Alumni Notes

The following letter from one of the old-time Alumni is self-explanatory. The attention of seniors is particularly directed to the last paragraph:

Government of the Province of Alberta, Department of Public Works, Office of the District Surveyor and Engineer, Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, 13th, Jan. 1912.

Mr. C. W. Porter, President,
Mr. Caunte Peterson, Secretary,
U. A. C. Alumni Association,
Logan City, Utah.

Dear Alumnus: Your letter of Nov. 24th last has lain in my desk for a long time unanswered but not unthought of; as my mind frequently reverts to the College and those connected with it, and I often long to be back again for a short visit. It is gratifying to me to note the prominent position the College is assuming through the country, which I attribute, in a large degree to the excellent class of men and women it is sending out each year to the four quarters of the earth. "By their fruits ye shall know them," and I observe that our association is creditably represented in a wide field.

In answer to your question: "What do you think of the advisability of establishing, as a permanent policy of the association, decennial class reunions? Would you be willing to make the journey to Logan once every ten years for a dinner with your class at Commencement time?"

I should say that it will be an excellent move; but dinners ten years apart seem a long time and I should be in favor of having them more frequently. I should be willing to make the trip to Logan, and believe we ought to have something special to take us there, as we think that it is not especially necessary for us to attend, and we do not take the time to break away from our business long enough to pay our College and the Association, the simple respect we owe them. I would, therefore, suggest that we make the period five years instead of ten. I have been away thirteen years, almost on the frontier, and have never yet taken the time to pay our institution a visit since I left. Simply because I had nothing particular to call me there.

I am enclosing a postal note for one dollar to cover the subscrip-

tion for Student Life for the ensuing year, and in passing might say that I enjoy reading the paper very much and look for its arrival as much or more than I do the daily news.

Our country and city are going ahead faster than public improvement can meet the demand. Our city, especially, is putting on its cloak in readiness for the Dry Farming Congress meet next October. It is gratifying to note that our President, Dr. Widtsoe, is at the head of that worthy organization.

I shall need an assistant for next season, beginning about April 1st, and I would ask you to mention that fact in the columns of Student Life. It might be the means of placing some of the Utah boys in a position to get experience. The work is mostly transit work and running the party in the field. Correspondence solicited.

I trust that the present year may be a prosperous one for the College and student, the Alumni and Student Life. With best wishes, I remain, yours truly,

R. C. GORDON, '99.

Miss Ina Stratford expects to attend the summer school of the University of California.

Miss Helen Bartlett expects to visit at home in the East next summer.

Miss Clara Parish thinks Student Life is better this year than usual.

FATHER WISHES MOTHER WUZ THERE

She'll Sure Be There Next Year.

At last father has a new complaint. The bread mother used to make is a thing of the past, and on the fly-leaf of his almanac he has carefully copied down the College receipt for finger rolls.

"I'll jist give this 'ere to Miranda and fetch her along next year to learn to cook grub more scientific like. That electricity is terrible savin' on matches, and kindlin' wood. Ef I could once git used to them that elevators, I'd take one right along."

But that's enough from Farmer Cornfassel's sentiments, but his philosophy is still the spirit of the Round-Up. PROGRESS is the watchword of every one attending the Housekeepers' Conference and Farmers' Round-Up.

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Farmers of Both States Plant Large Acreage to Turkey Red—Is Graded High.

Reports received by the local flour trade indicate that Utah and southern Idaho farmers have planted a large acreage to Turkey Red wheat; and while there may not be a sufficient quantity to grind this wheat straight, it is believed there will be enough available this season for blending purposes. A Salt Lake baker states that in his opinion, flour from Turkey Red wheat of southern Idaho makes the best bread of any flour that can be obtained in the northwest. He recently made a chemical test of five carloads of Idaho flour which far exceeded his most sanguine expectations, and proved that the demand for good hard flour increases from year to year, while the soft wheat becomes each year more and more of a drug on the market. It is claimed that Turkey Red wheat solves the milling question, that home bakers would patronize home milled flour, if the mills would furnish the goods required, and that the mills will furnish good stock if the farmers will raise sufficient Turkey

Red wheat.

The milling industry in Utah has been urged to organize as it is organized in other states where millers' associations have existed for years, placing these millers in a position to invade this state and take profits that should belong here. One local miller says:

"Let us realize that better wheat, more careful milling and a union of action will bring a broader market, better profits and an enlargement of our business. There is no reason why the milling industry of this section should be lagging behind that of other states, and if we all lend a helping hand, great benefits will result to the mills and to the wheat growers, which means incidentally more money in our state."

Henry H. Blood of Kaysville remarks in this connection: "It may be that some sections of our district may not be adapted to the successful raising of Turkey Red wheat. Consequently we cannot consistently, as those farmers do, plant this class of wheat when another variety will bring in better returns. It is quite necessary to have the farmers' assistance in our endeavors, and it is the intention to invite several practical farmers to our next millers' and grain dealers' convention, that we may learn their position, and if possible be of some assistance to them."—Deseret News.

Locals

Students and Faculty members are requested to return all Home Economics books to the library.

Picot. "Say, Pace, what's the sign when a cat chases its tail?"

Pace: "That it is trying to see its finish."

Farmer introducing his friend to Dr. Thomas: "It's a country zentleman an' it wants to sign for the Round Up."

Dr. Thomas. "What is the law of Diminishing Returns?"

Student: "As a man grows older he grows less useful."

Prep. "Say, is that fellow a member of the faculty?"

Junior: "No, that is only Welsh, who hasn't had time to shave."

Gee! what-a-wad.

One of our country friends over for the Round-Up was found waiting at the office early Monday morning to register for the College Roll. As he found several of his friends taking that course he decided to join.

Dr. Thomas, in Sociology: "It is impossible to estimate the value of companionship on character. Now, Miss Bullen, how do you select your friends?"

Miss Bullen: "I try to choose them as high as possible."

One of our Farmer friends got mixed and applied at the B. Y. for the Farmers Round-Up. He desired his higher training to be along the lines of preparing bones for chickens and picture framing. Student Life suggests that these courses be added to the schedule for his special benefit.

In Geology Tuesday morning Prof Peterson was trying to get an expression from the class on the probable thickness of limestone strata and finally lit on B. S. Martineau. Said Martineau: "Oh, it could be any thickness." "A thousand feet?" queried the Professor. "No," replied Martineau. "Then a thousand feet is not 'any' thickness?" asked the professor. "No, on the contrary I call that some thickness," retorted B. S.

Preps in Museum: "Let's go down and study the nervous system on that manicule."

Prof. Larsen: "Use Disparage in a sentence."

Student: "Disparage! Ye rebels."

FAMILIAR FACES.

An unusually large number of old faces were noticeable about the school Saturday, it really seemed as though it might be a day of reunion. Among the familiar ones were Lucile Jensen, A. C. Cooley, Heber Hancock and Leroy Beagley of the class of 1911 and also Ivan Hobson. Miss Jensen is a member of the faculty of the Brigham City High School and reports from there are most flattering of the work that she is doing in the department of domestic arts. Mr Cooley has charge of the work in Agriculture in the Sandy High School and he reports that upwards of seventy-five husky fellows are doing work in his department. Mr. Hancock is at the Ogden High School in charge of the work in Agriculture. He introduced this line of instruction in this school and reports a splendid interest in the work on the part of the youngsters of the Junction City. Mr. Hobson is also at the Ogden High. Mr. Beagley is principal of the Wellsville High School and is building up a splendid school at that place.

We are always glad to have visits from old students and to learn of their successful achievements. Come again!

In Psychology.

Prof. D. C. Jensen: When you blush you may be sure that your medula oblongata has been affected.

B. Martineau. Is that the only function the medula oblongata has?

Bryant's face certainly showed that he possessed a medula oblongata after this "break."

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1912THE ROAR OF THE
CAT-A-RACT.

There are times when we envy the cat. It (we use the word IT advisedly, for as to just what particular gender it belonged history is silent) therefore we repeat—it of the traditional nine lives, we mean. What a thing to be the proud owner of nine lives if only for this one week! Now we can appreciate the depths to which the fervent soul of the poet was stirred when in an impassioned moment he penned the immortal lines "the cat came back." Of course the cat came back! He, she, or it had attended a session of the Round-Up, or Housekeepers Conference. It had lived, for a few brief hours in the wonderful atmosphere that characterizes such gatherings. It had detected the wisdom which flowed as a subtle medium from the speaker to the hearers. It had basked for a spell in the great burst of knowledge which seemed to permeate the air until its "relative humidity" stood out in big gobs on the notebooks in the pockets of the delegates. It had sat with its full feline attention close riveted for two solid hours as the clarion voice of Professor Lewis A. Merrill proclaimed the dawn of the new era in soil management. With what gusto it had joined in the salvo of applause which greeted President Widdtsoe's declamation against the mammon of unrighteous farming! How its cat-soul had burned as the sonorous tones of John T. III dissertated on the particular virtue in the "pin bones." How soothing, and yet how satisfying the calm placid utterances of Dr. Stewart as he calmly drew his nitrates and nitrites out of the air and held them up to the astonished gaze of the brethren! How it marvelled at the wonderful capacity of the human mind as Dr. Ball gently turned back the curtains of the "bug world" and introduced a few orders, and sub-orders, and disorders for the edification of the audience. Nor will space permit mention of the soothing notes of Prof. Bachelor, or the soft cadences of Winsor or Bark, as they vainly sought to elucidate the "duty of water," in an already over-dry town. Surely this was the most unkindest cut of all!

And down in the Woman's Building they talked dress, and cooking, and dress and sewing, and dress and housekeeping, and spending and dress, and sanitation and bacteriology and dress, and house arrangement, and textile judging, and—O, yes, and dress. Surely there never before were heard so many good things in any two weeks! And then Miss Huntington and her aids displayed cooking appliances, and plain and fancy stitchwork; Hats—weird

and wonderful, and then a lot of soft and filmy dry goods most strange and mysterious to the masculine mind.

Nor did all the information come from the trained college men and women. Many of the men who had met the problems of practical life first handed were there, and they gave freely of their experiences for the benefit of others in the gatherings. Men who had met the encroachments of King Alkali (not alcohol) and had drained the very life out of him! Men who had accepted the challenge of the elements in all their fearsome moods, and had flung back the challenge squarely in the face. Men who had met all the mad swirl of nature and remained undaunted. These were there and if they received benefits from the college men, surely the whole student body and faculty will be the better for their two weeks contact with such men.

And so in conclusion as the Round-Up and Conference draws to a close let us again go on our way rejoicing in the glorious prospect which the future in roseate hues presents us, and when again the gladsome announcement of another such gathering is proclaimed may each and every one now in attendance remember that—"the cat came back."

THE HENDRICKS
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Medal for Oratory.

The Hendricks Medal is the gift of Professor George B. Hendricks, to the young man or young woman student of the College giving the best extemporaneous exposition of Oratory. The contest is an annual event and takes place sometime between Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays.

As this period is now upon us we await the announcement any day.

It has been customary in the past to announce a list of subjects from which the aspirant may select any one on the day just preceding the date of the contest and we presume the same plan will be followed this year.

It is a splendid opportunity for our young men and women to demonstrate their platform ability and we trust there will be no dearth of material when the event is announced.

Any further information may be obtained from the Editor of Student Life or from Professor Hendricks.

To those of our students who may not know and to those who may have forgotten we call attention to the Hendricks

Society

SOROSIS PARTY

Without doubt the most original and enjoyable social event of the year was the character masquerade given by "Sorosis" Friday evening in the Preston Block. The many character representations were exceedingly clever, particularly "Mutt" and "Jeff," "Gloomy Gus," "Germany Carroll," "The Faculty" were ably represented by Martha Washington, generally known to us as Miss Huntsman; also Prof. Dale as Buster Brown.

The hall was decorated in a scheme for St. Valentine's day, thousands of red hearts hung overhead, and the lights and windows were covered with strings of tiny hearts.

Delicious punch and fudge were served throughout the evening. The girls are certainly to be complimented on the success of their undertaking.

The Pi Zeta Pi Frat entertained for themselves and partners on Saturday night at a dancing party. The Preston hall was artistically decorated and punch was served.

Out of town Frat. men who were guests for the evening were: Vince Cardon, Heber Hancock,

Abe Cooley, E. P. Hoff, Ivo Hobson, Earl Robinson. All present had a very enjoyable evening.

The Sigma Alpha Frat entertained their partners Monday evening at the Pavilion, followed by a supper at Murdock's.

NOTICE.

Will the person who took from Mr. Hendricks' desk, a copy of Charities (Mar. 1909) which is the third number of the Pittsburg Series, kindly return it, as it breaks a set.

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