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Student Life

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NUMBER 19.

MILITARY BALL MONDAY NIGHT

FAIR WOMEN AND BRAVE
MEN IN THEIR BEAUTY
AND THEIR CHIVALRY

Governor Spry and Staff Will
Honor Notable Occasion.

Monday night, February 26th, will occur what is generally conceded by all students to be the crowning social event of the school year—the much-spoken and time-honored annual Military Ball. To most students and friends the mere mention of the name brings vividly to mind the memories of former celebrations of the same event in picturesque forms which defy description, but to those new students who perchance have never before heard of "The Military Ball", Student Life now takes pleasure in introducing you to the term. As was demonstrated to the writer by several inquiries made of him recently, while away from school, many former students who are now engaged in practical work, keep well in mind this occasion, as the little boy looks forward to the Fourth of July and fire crackers.

But any of our friends making extra exertions to be present may rest assured that the end will justify the means.

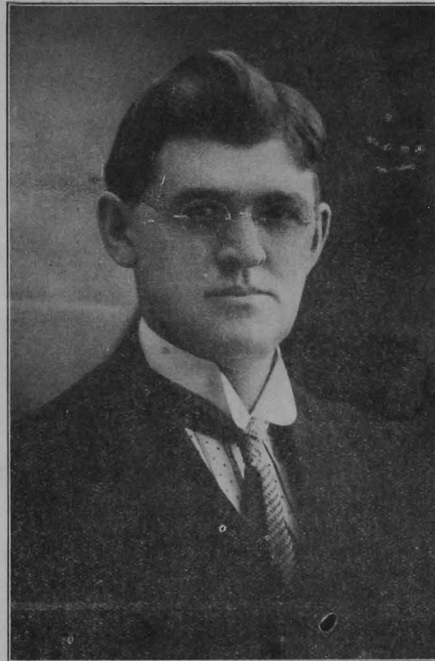
The Military Department are bold in declaring that the demonstration this year will be of a

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INFORMAL TALKS ON LITERARY TOPICS

A considerable number of College students, particularly seniors, juniors and specials, have expressed the wish that the Institution might provide a series of informal lectures with illustrative readings to prevent their interest in literature from dying out completely. To meet the want of this class of students, most of whom are taking no courses in literature, the English Department will conduct such a series of literary talks. These will be made as follows:

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Moving Spirit of The Round-Up.

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Andrus, Lyman
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Ball, Isaac B.
Barker, Joseph D.
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Bennion, Heber
Benion, Mary
Bennion, Theron W.
Bjarnason, Loftor
Bowen, Alice
Braithwaite, George R.
Bunderson, Herwin
Burns, Retta
Christensen, Orson
Clayton, Christine
Cole, Truman
Dixon, Asael H.
Eccles, Marie
Fister, George
Fowler, Benjamin
Glenn, Walter
Goodwin, Nettie
Hansen, Chas. F.
Groebli, Elizabeth
Green, Mark
Hill, Reuben

Hickman, Joseph
Hendrickson, Irene
Hunsaker, Veda
Haw, Vaigan
Jennings, David
Janson, Gilbert
Israelson, O. W.
Isaacson, May
Lauritzen, John I.
Lee, Lucile
McAlister, Florence
Martineau, Vere L.
Morrel, Della
Ogden, Junius F.
Peters, John W.
Porter, Ralph O.
Price, Sterling E.
Roes, Chas. W.
Sharp, John A.
Stewart, George
Wangsgard, Louis B.
Webb, Heber J.
White, John E.
Wilson, John
Humphreys, LeGrande

FIRST ROLL High School

Batt, Ruby
Behling, John W.
Dansie, Ivy

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MONTANA AND WYOMING TO PLAY A. C. U. HERE

Coach to Send Offer With Guarantee for Games Here Next Fall.

At the regular Executive committee Wednesday, Coach and Manager Pfister were authorized to offer Wyoming and Montana each a guarantee of \$500 for games to be played here sometime next fall. Coach seemed to feel sure that these guarantees were ample and that the teams would gladly accept the proposals. Wyoming had a strong team last year, but will have to more fully comply with the Conference rules in her games this year.

The University of Montana has given us good hard games the past two years, and it is expected that there game here will excite large enough attendance of town people to almost cover the guarantee. The guarantee with Montana is to be from \$400 to \$500, and conditioned on their giving our team a similar guarantee next year.

Coach also asked for authority to submit a counter proposition to the U. of U. in regard the matter of passes for our Thanksgiving Game with them next year. The first understanding was that each school was to have equal pass privileges, including passes to the board of Regents of the "U" and the board of Directors of the A. C. But the contract submitted to us by the "U" now puts the privilege of issuing passes entirely in their hands. It is a minor point but Coach thought it advisable to be settled right.

THE HENDRICKS MEDAL

ORATORICAL CONTEST TO
NIGHT AT 7:30 IN THE
CHAPEL.

This evening the much talked of and long expected oratorical contest takes place in the College Chapel. It is to be hoped that the majority of the members of the Student Body will be assembled at 7:30 to hear their friends and fellow-classmates emulate the

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fame of Daniel Webster and Patrick Henry. Invite all your friends, relatives, acquaintances, and fill the Chapel.

Every student who realizes the value of being able to speak in public; every debater, impressed as he must be with the necessity of extempore rebuttal, and ease and poise in the public forum; in short, every student with the least touch of ambition to sway his fellow-beings by the power of the spoken word, should enter this contest. It is one of the few occasions when the girls of the U. A. C. should show the so-called Lord of Creation that in the department of spoken eloquence at least, woman is easily his peer.

The gold medal offered as a prize is given by Professor Hendricks in the hope that it may stimulate the students of the U. A. C. to place a more correct appreciation on the value of coherent extemporaneous speaking: the ability to think clearly and to express one's thoughts forcefully and effectively while standing before an audience. This ability, in and of itself, is of untold value to any individual. In the College collectively, it would be the greatest single factor in keeping the debating record of the U. A. C. up to its present high level.

The following are the rules of the contest.

Each speaker may occupy only eight minutes of time. A warning tap will be given when seven minutes have elapsed.

No notes of any kind, and no memorized passages will be permitted in the contest. It is to be purely a test of ability to speak extemporaneously.

Each of the five judges will vote by ballot, without consultation, for the speaker who, in the opinion of the judge, stands first. If the majority of the judges fail to agree, they will resort to consultation.

Each speaker must select his subject from the following list. Report in the course of the afternoon or evening to one of the following: Miss Huntsman, Prof.

Hendricks, Prof. Pedersen, Prof. Larsen, Prof. Carroll.

List of Subjects.

The Pioneers.
Educational By-Products.
A Municipal Theatre for Logan.
Our Canyons as Real Estate Assets.
The Nobel Peace Prize.
"Back to the Farm."
Our New Gymnasium.
Pensions in the United States.
The Southern Problem.
The Country Newspaper.
Senator Dolliver: Statesman and Orator.
Booker T. Washington and Industrial Education.
The Perseverance of Senator Gore.
The Sympathetic Side of Lincoln.
The Humorous Side of Lincoln.
Why the U. S. Should Elect a Democratic President.
The Honor System.
Student Self-Government.
The Power of the Newspaper.
The Theatre: Its Use and Abuse.
Intensive Farming.
The Utah Orchards.
The Statesmanship of Washington.
The Reclamation Act.
The Smoot Homestead Act.
The Methods of the Salvation Army.
The Strike on the Harriman R. R. System.
The Awakening of China.
Landscape Gardening.
Logan's Present City Government.
The Next Republican National Convention: a Forecast.
The Powers of the Speaker of the House.
The Planetary Hypothesis.
Public Speaking of To-Day.
The Humor of Charles Dickens.
The Farmers' Round-Up.
Woman in Legislation.
Woman in the Home.
Jane Addams: America's Greatest Woman.
The Change in the Feminine Ideal.
The Place of Art in Industrial Education.
What the Experiment Station Does for the Farmer.
Madame Curie.
The White Plague.

Hugo De Vries.
Metschnikoff.
The Measure of a Man.
More Money for Peace—Less for War.

The Power of Truth.
The Dickens Centenary.
Educational Ideals of To-Day.
The Dollar Hen.

Either the affirmative or the negative of the following propositions:

Resolved.—
That Intercollegiate Athletic Contests should be Abolished.

That in English Speaking Countries, Operas should be sung in English.

That Bill Boards should be Eliminated by Taxation.

That the Parcel Post System would seriously injure Local Retail Trade.

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EXCHANGES

The question of judicial recall has been selected for the triangular debate between the Universities of Colorado, Kansas and Utah

The railroads in Missouri offer scholarship prizes to the boys who grow the best ten ears of corn in his county. There are sixty boys taking the agricultural course in the state university this winter as the result of this offer.

Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, if Botany won't kill us, Chemistry must.—N. D. A. C. Freshman Special.

To advertise the institution, the U. of Missouri has moving pictures of various students activities shown throughout the state during the year.

New Library for Harvard

The new library proposed by the Harvard Corporation will cost \$2,000,000 and will have shelf room for 2,400,000 volumes.

U. of W. Tightens Up

Seventeen students at the University of Washington were forced to leave and 355 were conditioned, according to the December report of the recorder.

There has been a great deal of talk among the Alumni and undergraduates of Dartmouth College about adopting the lion as their special college animal. If this is done it will be necessary to have the animal rampant as the Columbia mascot is a lion couchant.

At the University of Oregon the athletic council has voted unanimously to establish the graduate coach system in football. The plans are to have Rickard S. Smith as advisory head and three assistant coaches—one coach to drill the line men, one to drill the end men and the other to drill the backs.

A ruling has been made by the regents of the University of the University of Nebraska that no more political meetings for the discussion of public questions may be held on the campus.

The Noble Prize for chemistry has been recently awarded to Mme. Marie Curie of the University of Paris. It was Mme. Curie with her husband, who discovered radium.

Idaho School of Forestry.

The University of Idaho expects in the near future to have one of the strongest and best equipped forestry departments in the United States.

Trials of the Frost

Freshman at Wisconsin are not allowed to walk on the campus. They are compelled to run from the buildings with their caps in their left hands.

In a recent swimming contest held in Brook pool at Princeton University the intercollegiate record for the 220 yard swim was broken by E. Cross, a sophomore at that institution. Cross covered the distance in 27 minutes and 37 seconds, just one second less than the former intercollegiate record.

Important Discovery Made

A discovery has been made by the students in the department of chemistry at the University of Washington of a process which will place Douglas fir oil on a par with that which is extracted from pine. This will utilize the millions of feet of fir stumps, roots and tree limbs which at present represent nearly one-half the standing timber. The process also provides for the manufacture of a fine grade of paper from the waste after the oil has been extracted.

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ferent from clas-room work as could well be imagined. There will be no required attendance, no text-books, no recitations, no required reading, no tests, no examinations, no questions asked, no credit. The aim will be simply and solely to introduce to the audience, men and women of note in the literary world, especially the contemporary literary world; to interest the students in meritorious literature, partly by comment, but chiefly by illustrative extracts.

The range of topics will embrace fiction, contemporary and standard, the drama, epic and lyric poetry, biography and autobiography, the essay, satire and parody, etc. For the present, the lectures will be held Saturday afternoon at 4:30, in Room 352. The first meeting will occur tomorrow at that hour. To keep up the total differentiation from "courses in literature," the subject is not announced beforehand. A cordial invitation is extended to all students, regular or special, of collegiate standing.

There were twenty-six candidates in answer to a call for first track practice at Princeton University.

MILITARY BALL MONDAY NIGHT

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higher order than in any previous year. In the first place the work will be supervised by the Art department, already well organized, which fact justifies us in the conclusion that the decorations will be first class. The battalion is in "good shape" and well trained, and will be composed of one hundred and fifty cadets. For three weeks previous to the exhibition last year it will be remembered that Captain Caffey was absent, hence the cadets were deprived of his able direction; with his presence they have developed a battalion worthy of our highest admiration. The beautiful weather, too, has made it possible to use the lawns on which to drill; and many a damsel may be seen in the library windows looking with silent adoration down upon the blue forms with glistening weapons as they respond precisely and with alacrity to the commands of the officers, and in time with the flagrant notes of our military band.

Among other features of the exhibition will be the Battalion Parade, Exhibition Parade by a picked company, and Grand March. It is understood that the Governor and staff and certain officers from Ft. Douglas will be present to review the cadets. It must be viewed as a distinct and unique affair when the highest civil and military officers of our State honor it by their presence. Indeed, all factors promise to lend themselves to the making of the Military Ball a great success and giving to it the characteristic military dignity with an added feeling of general friendliness and social warmth.

Morris: "Are you going to the Ogden High ball?"

Clayton, misinterpreting the last word: "No, fifty were expelled from the B. Y. C. on account of the Ogden "high-ball."

Big Endowment

The school of journalism at Columbia has received an endowment of \$3,000,000 from the late Joseph Pulitzer of the New York world.

COLLEGE ROLL

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Evans, Lawrence
Frew, Arnold
Gardner, Grandison
Gardner, Erastus
Hinkley, Charles O.
Hendricks, Iris
Hu'cheon, Alice
Kimball, Delbert
Larsen, Anna E.
Lewis, Grover
McAister, Irvine L.
McInteer, Berthus B.
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Man, Albert R.
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Nelson, Melvin
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Raymond, Mosella
Reese, Wm. G. Jr.
Reynolds, Katie
Shackleford, Wm. J.
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Snow, Hazel
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Thirkill, Frank

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After giving the detailed account of the practical way in which the charges for insurance are made, Mr. Farrell gave a splendid description of the immensity of an insurance business and the tremendous amount of commercial paper that is handled.

The lecture was thoroughly enjoyed and already preparations are under way for more such talks.

One hundred and twenty men have turned out for the crew at Pennsylvania.

ART NOTES

The Art department of the College seems to have been a source of surprise to most of the many visitors during the past two weeks. They were surprised first at seeing so much room occupied by a department which they supposed consisted merely of a course or two in freehand drawing and picture making. They were further surprised to see in each room visited an entirely different line of work going on and especially to see the practical nature of all the required courses. They were also surprised to note that even in the elementary courses students were doing just that line of work which was indispensable in the school to which they belonged; thus boys in Agriculture doing plant, animal, and insect study in a more or less analytic way; while the girls were studying decorative work with problems of the home as motifs. This latter course especially was attractive to the lady visitors from the Conference. "Why don't you give us more of this and at least you ought to have let us know. This kind of work and study is just as essential as cooking or economics," said one visitor after having spent about an hour in the department and having the work explained to her. Another lady said she had a daughter in school who had taken no art yet, as she entered a third year student. The girl said she didn't want to take art if she could help it. The mother said she knew her girl couldn't have visited the department or she would have felt different. Again, one of our present students came to find out if it were not possible to escape art, but on finding out what it was she became enthusiastic and is one of our strongest students. Her only regret now is that she won't be able to get as much as she would like. This growth in interest is due to the practical nature of the courses. The department is growing, because it is supplying a long felt need in the hearts of the people. In this way it is trying to uphold the ideals of the College.

O. A. C. Hopeful

The outlook for the O. A. C. in basket ball this year is by no means as dark as it has been in the immediate past. This year there is an abundance of excellent available material.

"SWEET KITTY BELAIRES"

The Coy Maid to Appear March 22 and 23. Miss Smart and entire Cast Moving under full Head.

Manager Ed. Holmgren and the Executive committee decided to submit to the President's office the dates, March 22nd and 23rd, as the two evenings for the drama "Sweet Kitty Belaires."

Miss Smart reports steady progress by the cast, and all feel that they will be in good trim by the dates set next month. The play is a joyous affair, and the cast is well chosen so that the college and the town's people can count on a treat in the drama.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Joe Olsen: This is a little off the subject, Professor, but how do you distinguish artificial diamonds from the natural ones?

This point was made sufficiently clear to Mr. Olsen, but there was more he wanted to know and question No. 2 ran like this:

The jewelers say, Professor, that it is very difficult to distinguish between a radium diamond and the real thing. If there is so little difference in the appearance, why should not the radium diamond, which can be obtained for \$4, answer the same purpose as the same size in the natural gem, which would cost something like \$100?

Prof. Porter did not attempt to solve this problem, since he was not acquainted with radium diamonds, and was not up on the prices.

There was evidently something still unsettled in Mr. Olsen's mind for he continued:

Is it possible to make artificial diamonds as large as the ordinary sizes used in rings?"

But the bell rang and we didn't hear the rest. Be careful, girls.

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Yes, we were defeated! Fairly outplayed by the team of the B. Y. College last Monday night.

We congratulate the Crimson on their success and good team work. But we have no feelings of fault finding toward our own team, for not a man shirked his duty or failed to play his best during the entire game. The great difficulty with our team was its lack of practice. The team has not played together enough to get thoroughly acquainted, as was evident throughout the game.

We have had no gymnasium this year, not even the old garret affair of other years. Every time the team has practiced they have been compelled to go away down there to the B. Y. "gym" and have had no chance to get in shape for a game against men who are playing every day.

But what do we care for defeat anyway? Who ever heard of such a trifle as a basketball defeat injuring, even to a small degree, the courage of a bunch of sturdy Aggies?

We are delighted over the results of the game, for it brought more to us than victory could have done; it brought about a glorious resurrection of the school spirit and patriotism which had lain dormant throughout the past months of this school. Hundreds had declared it dead, and made pessimistical prognostications as to its ever being revived this year. However it was discovered that College spirit was not dead, but peacefully sleeping in an extremely peaceful and quiet school where nothing had happened for many months to disturb its slumbers.

Last Monday the first real "call to arms" of the year came, for our old opponent the B. Y. C., who for the past two years has known only defeat at our hands, sent out a loud and boisterous challenge to us to meet them again in basket ball. And what was the result: The smoldering fire of Patriotism found only in the breasts of true Aggies was instantly fanned to flames, a few hundred attended the game and let B. Y. know they were there too.

The Pessimist, who had long since preached the funeral sermon over what he considered the cor-

pse of Aggie spirit, opened his eyes in wonder and surprise and stuffed his fingers in his ears to preserve his ear drums as "Race-a-ty Cax" "A-G-G-I-E-S" etc. etc rent the air and stimulated the team to their best efforts.

Not the least feature of the evening was our clown band led by Drum-Major Clayton, who certainly understood his business. The costumes were fine, especially Sharp as Teddy Roosevelt. The music also was appropriate and assisted much in awakening the students to the fact that they were "to get behind the team."

Oh how we have longed to see this spirit before! How the days have dragged by and burdensome study has been uninterrupted by anything in the way of life! How delightfully inspiring a good healthy cheer is to tired mind. Every one agrees that it is the life of college. Now what are we going to do? Let it die out again or keep it alive? We have got to stand together and back up the team. Other games are coming on in the future. Other years are coming when we will have a gymnasium of our own. Base ball and track work are coming.

Tomorrow those interested in this work will meet. Are you among them? What are you willing to do? Now do get out and shake yourself and take fresh air at least, and if you can't play you can cheer. Labor to keep alive within your breast that little spark of school spirit and boost Don't knock. Whoever saw a horse kick and pull at the same time. When you feel that school life is dull remember that you are part of the school and are expected to do as much to support it as is anyone else.

THAT FRESHMAN PARTY

The Freshmen held forth in the Women's Building last Saturday night. There was nothing slow about it either. How could there be with the Freshies? There was a program of songs, piano and mandolin and guitar music. Dancing was also enjoyed.

Ice cream blocks and wafers were served a la Freshie.

Among the guests were members of every class in school, from the dignified Seniors down to the meek and lowly Prep. Altogether it was a splendid time.

We've been preps, we'll be seniors sometime, but we're glad we're Freshies now. Hurrah!

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B. Y. U. STUDENTS CELEBRATE

The B. Y. U., of Provo, won their annual debate with the U. of U. Friday evening, Feb. 16, receiving two of the votes of the judges. The question was, "Resolved that all judges should be subject to popular recall." On the same evening the basketball team also defeated the strong five of the U. of U. in Salt Lake. In celebration of their double vic-

tory, a general holiday seems to have been declared Monday and headed by their band the students 1000 strong, marched through the streets cheering, singing, and in a general way displaying great enthusiasm over their victories. Our southern neighbors are surely live ones, and it is easy to see why the representatives of the school in the various activities make the determined "fights" they do in their contests.

Locals

Say, doesn't that "Thomas Smart" plate show up classy over on the gym.

Who ever saw more "College spirit" than at the B. Y. game last Monday? Some class!

Don't forget the Basketball Game To-night, with the U. of U. at 8 p. m. Everybody come.

Prof. Alvin Peterson, of the English Department, is going East for further study next year.

Jack: "Sam, why don't you take Miss A—to the dance?"

Sam: "O, no! she's got sore lips."

Next Monday, the 26th, is two months since Christmas. Now, altogether, "Why it doesn't seem possible."

Harry Beagley, of the Senior class has been offered a position in the Nephi High school. This is in his home town, and it seems likely that he will accept.

ALL THOSE INTENDING TO PLAY BASEBALL OR TAKE TRACK WORK, PLEASE MEET IN ROOM 76 AT 4 O'CLOCK SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24.

The Fifth Ward Mutuals have the following program in the 5th ward hall, February 29, at 7:30 p. m.: Prof. Larsen: "What the Bible has Contributed to Literature." Prof. Arnold: "What Heathen Religions have Contributed to Literature." All welcome.

See yourselves as other see you. These are just a few out of the exam papers of one class. Brush up! Never let it happen again: Avarage, merchandice, bussness, us—use, refered, effort, comodity, leagle, payed, ment—meant, deserable, uselly, curency, eapaial, hording, pardnership, disolve, pare—pair, loof, collage, libble—liable, hense, proffits, convienient.

Don't you get a touch of spring fever seeing the track men get out to practice?

Don't forget the Basketball Game To-night, with the U. of U. at 8 p. m. Everybody come.

On Kirby's book the following found written in bold type:
U. A. C. 1913.
Cornell 1914.
Jail 1915.

It is understood Prof. Porter and Professor Turpin are considering the question of further study next year.

Cheer up fellows! Even when we do lose basketball games right along, just think how it will be when we get in the new gym.

Lost—A watch and fob between Second South and U. A. C. Initials J. L. M. on front case. Finder please return to Registrar's office.

Remember the Military Ball! Grandest thing ever yet. At Auditorium Monday night, Feb. 26, 8:30 p. m. Tickets \$1.00. Extra ladies 25c.

Picot: When the district school kids came up here they gave them buttermilk and apples.

Dollar: How do you know, did they take you for one of them?

Pres. Leroy Stevens of Student Body has been offered the first position open for the Seniors this year. It is the Principalship of Millard Stake Academy. He is considering the matter.

The rumor that was scattered thru the halls about Schweitzer and Irene in the Bot. Lab. is declared by the lady herself to be absolutely without foundation. Schweitzer simply grins and says nothing. Since Beers has made no denial as to his performance on the hill we are only left to believe that the story is valid.

Never mind, Aggies, the spirit was even better than the singing last Friday night.

Hunsacker, in Ec. 2: "A poor man is one who hasn't enough to live upon, more or less."

Don't forget the Basketball Game To-night, with the U. of U. at 8 p. m. Everybody come.

It seemed natural to have Patty Barret Sharp around school last week. She said she felt fine and when asked how Dave was, replied, "lonesome."

What's the matter with the A. C. Band? Nothing at all! As everyone who heard them in chapel, or elsewhere, will tell you. The one end man is a little too conspicuous with his short claironet, as it were. Sacrifice individual prestige to team work, my boy, and you will be more highly respected. "But don't the boys play fine!" That's the word in every-one's mouth.

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"THE ETERNAL WHY." In our last imprint "The Eternal Why" contribution by a student criticized some attitudes of teachers, some methods of teaching, and some standards of scholarship in the A. C. which our contributor took exception to. Among them the College Roll, and a sort of parrot-like form of class recitation were mentioned.

In regards the College Roll and its implied standard of judging a student's capacity in scholarship by his A and B record we rise to say this:

Without doubt the standard is crude, and hence the judgment it suggests is wide of the true mark at times, and in cases works positive injustice to the better grade of students who are conscientious in sticking to original thought, and are honest and fair in examinations. And yet we thing the College Roll has a place here at the A. C. It has a place because it furnishes a motive for endeavor to excell in class work.

Now, "The Eternal Why" writer would seem to be an advanced student. To such the motive to excell given by the College Roll is meaningless. More or less it seems "kiddish", no doubt, and a reflection somewhat on his good judgment of what is required here of him. But remember, we deal here with an average of young people, and to them a spirit of rivalry, of competition, is vital. To them the College Roll is not "kiddish." It is a serious "point de resistance," a sort of bulletin board, shouting out the progress of the battle in the arena below. He's concerned in that announcement vitally.

Of course the Roll works woe as well as weal. But so does any competition in life, whether it be rivalry with one's peers, or simply the struggle with the world for a living. But God made his world on that plan. And though in life's struggles in God's world here below, the thief, the robber, the high finance plunderer are directly stimulated into growth and made temporarily to flourish as the "green bay tree," yet we willingly admit that all in all the plan of competition and struggle is wisely enforced in mundane affairs. And this notwithstanding the evil it seems to promote and almost invite.

So let us say, the plan of rivalry for which a College Roll stands is wisely instituted at the A. C. We can add merely, let the wisest discretion be used in working out the details of the plan.

HISTORY VS. HISTRI- ONIC DISPLAY

This week and last had in them the anniversaries of two great Americans, i. e. Washington and Lincoln. To fittingly recall to our minds the deep debt of gratitude we owe these two great men, Prof. Dale of the department of History, prepared and gave to us (not forcefully, but he gave it) a neat, little, patriotic talk on this subject of men, freedom, patriot-

ism, etc.

Some said we should have had a "stirring," patriotic address. True, Prof. Dale didn't swing his arms nor shout; but he gave a genuine patriotic address, just the same. In college we should rely more upon individual thought, and not be as the ingredients of a plum-pudding that need so much "stirring."

The populace generally is influenced more through the emotions than through the reasoning

HAVE A PURPOSE.

The spectacle of two students being expelled from College is a sad one. It tells its own tale, and wears its own warning. To us it sadly repeats, "low purpose." Without purpose life is as a rudderless bark; with purpose life sails triumphant over every treacherous or troublesome sea. Youth particularly needs purpose, and we thank the Creator that so many of the young people of Utah are thrilling with an exuberance of noble desire and ambition.

The two young men expelled last week from the halls of the A. C. showed utter abandon. Their attendance record and grades displayed complete lack of good faith and honest effort.

Coming as this disgraceful denouement has between the birthdays of our national heroes, Lincoln and Washington, the example of Lincoln comes forcibly to mind. To this "low-born" son of the back woods, it seemed that even the backdoor of opportunity was "banned and barred." But a serious purpose possessed the young man. An ambition to improve himself down-tramped every obstacle, and as a result the babe borne in the chinky log huts in the woods of Kentucky died full of honors in the Capitol of our Nation. Take from the youthful Lincoln his leaven of righteous ambition and you could scarcely have more than a six foot six champion rail splitter, or a lanky roustabout floating up and down the Mississippi on "freighters."

The moral is inevitable: you who feel yourselves borne on to effort and to struggle for advancement, accept the impulse as a heaven-borne gift, and let it have liberal dominion along; the best lines; you who feel it ebb at times give not way to the spirit of abandon, nor even to discouragement, but work on till the tide changes and again bears you along. A student can do nothing without a steady aim, a definite purpose.

"Live for something; have a purpose,

And that purpose keep in view.

Half the wrecks that strew life's ocean,

If some star had been their guide,

Might have still been riding safely,

But they drifted with the tide."

power. To the scholarly mind, however, truth, logic, and experience appeal more strongly than does a super-abundance of sentimental or emotional forensics.

Having a message and saying something every sentence, is making a good address. Student.

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