UNLUCKY LAD IS STILL A PIRATE

Was Old Enough to Vote But Had Seen One Five Birthdays.

Suppose that you, when you were a tiny tot, too small to even know your name,—suppose you had been given a band of whiskeys, bloodthirsty pirates, to save and to hold till your twenty-first birthday. Imagine being apprenticed to a crew of the disciplines of Captain Keck to be forced to learn their ruffian trade, and then to find out that it had all been a mistake, that a dear nurse girl had been responsible for your predicament.

Of course only those persons of fertile imaginations could ever dream of such happenings in this day and age and it is doubtful if it is within the realm of possibility at all for the young bides. However some of the brave young men who daily tread the campus are no doubt perfectly well able to imagine such a state of affairs.

Now suppose that the long looked for day on which you are to pass your twenty-first milestone comes. At last you are free. You are a pirate no longer.

Then it is discovered that you were born on the twenty-ninth of February, that your birthday comes only once in every four years. You must gain your living as a hunted and hunted sea robber until you are eighty-four instead of twenty-one. More than likely you would become the victim of despair and end it all at once.

Not so, however, with Frederick, the hero of the Frat of Pomona, for his Junior opera to be produced in May.

He resolves to accept his fate like a man. It was through the misdeeds of Ruth, the nurse girl with the poor ears, that Frederick became involved in such a tangle. She mistook the word "pilot" for "pirate" and so it all happened. How it works out those who attend either of the two performances of the Gilbert and Sullivan opera will see.

SUSPENSION BRIDGES AND CASTLEWAYS.

Prof. D. B. Steinsen is daily receiving congratulations on the appearance of his "Valuable Little Monograph." Suspension Bridges and Castleways from the most important authorities in the engineering world. In the many scientific books reports and reviews this work by Professor Steinsen invisible appears and never fails to be reviewed most favorably.

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT NEXT THURSDAY AT GUILD HALL

University Orchestra and Soloist Will Present High Class Musical Entertainment to Students and Faculty.

On Thursday evening, March 14, at eight o'clock sharp, at St. Mark's Guild Hall, the University orchestra, directed by E. Hellek Collens, will make its first appearance in concert. Few announcements made on the University bulletin board and in the city papers has aroused so great an interest or received promises of such enthusiastic support. Students and public alike are keen to hear what the orchestra can do and it is well within the truth to say that no musical event of the college year will take precedence in importance or popularity over the Thursday evening's entertainment.

The program is marked by such variety that it should appeal to all tastes. In addition to several delightful numbers, the orchestra will play selections from six great operas, two by German and four by Italian composers.

The special numbers will certainly be a treat. They include an ensemble number by the University string quartette, a form of music universally liked; a vocal solo by Miss Mauda House who has not yet been heard in public in Moscow; a trombone solo by Carl Melungen, who was enthusiastically encored in the Pastord Mead concert; a piano solo by that favorite, Miss Elma Campbell; and a violin solo by Mr. E. Hellek Collens, whose name on the program will alone be sufficient to attract all the hall.

The orchestra from a small beginning of pieces has grown steadily and surely both in numbers and skill. There are now six members besides the director, and instead of the easy and frivolous pieces first attempted, the repertoire of the orchestra now includes very difficult and very fine music.

Up to this time the orchestra has had all its music from hands earned at public engagements? It is now badly in need of much new music; and it also needs a violin. With the hope of raising at least seventy-five dollars for these purchases, the orchestra is charging an admission fee of fifty cents on Thursday evening, a price that should enable every interested person to attend. The Guild Hall has not a very great seating capacity, and the managers of the concert have decided to place on sale only a limited number of tickets so that there will be no danger of selling more than there will all accommodate. Owing to this fact, those who are eager to hear the concert should buy their tickets in advance and not wait to get them at the door. They are now on sale at Hodgen's Drug store.

JOLLY EVENING BY ENGLISH CLUB

Clever Program Arranged for Evening of March 28

The English Club entertainment scheduled for Saturday, March 23, promises several novel features, Miss Margaret Stolle, ex-13, will give a monologue entitled "In a Street Car" that is one of the brightest readings ever heard at the University. Any one who has heard Miss Boile's tell-tale stories from the stage knows that her interpretation will be clever. Then will come the musical novelty which will be a Spanish song and Spanish string music. A mandolin quintet playing serenade airs, will accompany Miss Maude Gregory in an attractive Spanish words song and we will play a Spanish dance which will be given by four girls, Clara Hockett, Gladys Lenniger, Edna Clarke, and Grace Holiday. The evening will close with a charming little comedy called "The Kleptomaniac" by Margaret Cameron. The cast is composed of Charlotte Tuttle, Margaret Allen, Mary Coster, and Helen Chase, Clara Querry, Gladys Nankervis and Laura Whitwell. The playlet is marked by humorous situations and clever lines and has been a pronounced success wherever it has been given.

Helen Smith, of Walla Walla, is a guest of Alice Cooper at the Delta Gamma House.

RATHDRUM--GENE--SEE GAME ON

Basketball Championship of Idaho to be Decided in Gym Friday Night.

Mr. Larson has completed all arrangements for the interscholastic championship game to be played in the Idaho gymnasium Friday night between Rathdrum and Genesee. There is no doubt but what there are the two fastest teams in the state.

Each team is guaranteed expenses for six men. It was planned at first to have a tournament and invite additional teams to the two above team, the Nez Perce and Corvall d'Aires teams, but Nez Perce was unable to come on account of injuries to players and a three team tournament was not thought advisable.

The game will be called at 8:15 Friday evening. The president of the Commercial Club at Corvall called the Graduate Manager up over the telephone and told him to reserve seats for two hundred people to be in that place, Mr. Larson is planning on reserving the balcony for them and placing the students and town people along the side lines.

There will be an informal dance after the game, in order to give the Idaho students a chance to get acquainted with the visitors. There will be no extra admission for this.

Charles Major Coming?

The University almost had the pleasure of hearing at Assembly last Wednesday morning the noted writer, Charles Major, author of "When Kindred was in Flower," "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall," and other well known novels. He had promised Prof. Tall that he would come to the University this week but telephoned Saturday that he was compelled to leave Spokane earlier than he had expected and so it was impossible for him to come. He said he regretted very much his inability to visit the University as he had heard many favorable reports of the institution, and he promised to come here on his next western trip.

The faculty is at present considering the recommendations of the National Educational Association in regard to college entrance requirements. From all accounts there is quite a large field for controversy and debate that is being taken advantage of by the members of our faculty.
The interclass ball?—We'll not have one unless the students get busy at once. It will be impossible. High schools should have been notified two weeks ago. It requires time for a high school to arrange for a truck season and feel any confidence in the quality of a team they can put out—and they will quite turn down any offer that is made to them at the eleventh hour. Give all the high schools an equal chance. Some will have track teams and intend to train hard—whether for our interclassical or not. But others—and the majority of high schools are included in these—will not push much, if any, into track training unless there is some tangible object in view; for they realize they must train hard and well to meet the other schools at an interclassical height.

So, then, in fairness to the high school boys who might come here, and leave imbued with a high spirit for Idaho—the strongest factor in advertising for the university—in fairness to these boys, and to our own efforts in behalf of a creditable, not to say, profitable, interclassical, factor-action that is authoritative in some quarter. Professor Sage was looked to and who accepted the brunt of the the work in this connection for two years, is gone. It is up to the student body to see that some one else, or some committee, fills his place at once. Inaction on the part of the student body for another week more means no interclassical, or such a miserable fortune as if we were better we had none.

Talk it up. Get busy.  

Preps Have Big Blowout—
A reunion of the cast of "The Rivals" took the form of a delightful dinner party given by Professor Brick and Lehman at the Home of the Officers on the fifth of March. The table, which was screened off from the rest of the dining room, was tastefully decorated in pink and white, with old-fashioned place cards, tiny candles nearing to carry out the atmosphere of the eighteenth century. Mr. Lehman added much to the jollity of the party by a clever speech regarding the loss of the cast thirty years from now. This was followed by an equally clever speech from Mr. Brick acting out the character of Sir Lucius O'Trigger. Carl Meade, still is the part of Sir Anthony Absolute who was always helping other people out of difficult situations, again came to the rescue of the others and expressed their enjoyment. After the play everyone went across the street to the Orpheum Theatre where they spent the remainder of a charming evening.

Saturday evening in the auditorium of the Methodist church the Wattin's gold medal contest was held. There were six oral trials given to an audience of some two hundred people, among whom were more than a handful of students. It seems very unusual that the student body does not support this activity at least by being refrain from scheduling counter attractions for the same evening. Nevertheless the audience was well repaid for its splendid attention. It will be some time before another contest of such a high standard will be held before a Moscow audience.

Mr. Foster won first place and the 100 yards with quite a lead. He received three first prices on composition and poetical, and three second prices on delivery. The subject of his oration was "Our Part in the Peace Movement." His work showed depth and was expressed in perfect English. His delivery was pleasing and quiet, always commanding the closest attention.

Along with this contest was held a preliminary Prohibition contest to choose a representative to meet similar representatives from Pullman, Whitman, Caldwell and Spokane in a second oratorical battle. All the west men there selected will vie for the national Prohibition Oratorical honors, held in the early summer. The ladies of the local W. C. T. U. contributed a $10 and $5 prize to the winners of this contest. Mr. John McEvoy won this place and will take the responsibility of representing Idaho in the contest with Pullman and the others named. The winner of the second or Prohibition prize was Mr. Jus. McGuren.

Students to Be Stock Judges—
A student stock judging contest between representatives of the agricultural colleges of Idaho, Oregon and Washington will be one of the features of the Pacific-Northwest Livestock at Portland, March 18-20. The contestants will judge all classes of hogs, cattle, sheep and hogs. The prize consisting of $100 in gold.

Idaho will send two teams of five men each. One team will be made up of the students taking the six months course in practical agriculture, the other of those enrolled in the regular four year course. The latter team will consist of Carl Johnson of Idaho Falls, J. R. Maughan of Preston, E. Case, Claude Howid and W. B. Xjoven. The School of Practical Agriculture will be represented by H. R. Greenslet, of Nampa; C. C. Leth, of Twin Falls; M. V. Miller, H. R. Abel and C. R. Adams. Dean Carlyle who will be one of the stock judges, and Professor H. J. Eddings will also make the trip.

A carload of the University's prize winning stock will also be exhibited at the show. Among this lot will be Amorita, the grand champion mare at the Chicago International Live Stock Exposition in 1909 and reserve champion among a class of fifty last year, a two-year-old Hereford steer, to be champion in its class at the same exposition, and a pure bred Berkshire hog, champion at the Oregon State Fair last year.

CALENDAR
March 14th, Thursday—Orchestrical Concert at Gold Hall.
March 15th, Friday—Basketball Game, Geneen and Rashdum. Inernal dance after the game.
March 16th, Saturday—Phi Delta Theta entertains Omega Pi.
March 22nd, Friday—Dormitory entertain Phi Delta Theta. Kappa Sigma Formal.
March 23rd, Saturday—English Club entertainment.
March 29th, Friday—Prep Squall and Whitman Debate.
April 5th, Friday—Zeta Delta entertain Dornitory.
April 12th, Fridays—Freshman Glee Club.

NOTICES
There will be a Freshman class meeting Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 in the Math Room. Important.
Orchestrical Rehearsal, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. This is the last rehearsal before the concert. Be early.
Miners—Burrus Johnson will address the members of the A. M. U. I. at the Zeta Delta house. Thursday at 4:30.
Basket Ball Men—All suits and equipment must be handed in to either myself or Mr. Van der Veer some time this week. G. L. Larson.
All members of the Junior class will please pay their semester dues of fifty cents to the treasurer, Percy Stewart.
Prof. Temple (in Biology class)—Where is your laboratory manual? I'm a faculty— I forgot it. I bought a law book instead.
Prof. Temple—Oh, I see! You are looking for a case.

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ABOUT THE CAMPUS.
Who asked if this is leap year?
Louis Jessup and Ray Armstrong were guests to dinner at Ridenbaugh Hall Sunday.
It is rumored that the customary Sunday afternoon tea is soon to be resumed.
Miss Josephine Wayman, '14, who has been quite ill during the past week, is again able to attend classes.
Theta Mu Billmore entertained the girls of Ridenbaugh Hall, Saturday evening. A clever program was carried out, making the evening enjoyable to the guests present.
Coach Griffith is at work on the baseball schedule for the different classes. To date there has been nothing done in regard to the fraternity league schedule.
The meeting of the Mines Association which was to be held Tuesday evening has been postponed to Thursday evening.
Jack Wheeler left Monday for Vale, Oregon, where he will be located for some time. He intends taking the examination for admission to the bar in the spring.
Miss Haner was the guest of Gamma Phi Beta at dinner Wednesday evening.
On Sunday Gamma Phi Beta entertained Jack Wheeler, Ernest Ellis and Chas. Annest at dinner.
Miss Kathryn Smith and Marguerite Almon spent the week end at Miss Smith's home in Pocatello.
Ray Lyman '12 who has been in charge of an orchard near Lewiston has been in Moscow looking after business for the last few days. He left Monday for Boise where he will enter the employ of the government.
Mr. E. F. Kehlbeck, recently in charge of extension work in dairying at Ohio State University, has been appointed field dairymen for Idaho. He will work in cooperation with the government under the direction of the university. A field man in dairying and general agriculture for Idaho will be appointed about July 1.
Jas. B. Hayes, '11 and his father, Samuel H. Hayes, have presented the Department of Civil Engineering with four large and handsome photographs of the Salmon River dam at the Twin Falls Irrigation and Water Company's project. This is one of the high masonry dams of the world.

NOTICE—The Bulletin Board in the Administration Building will hereafter be closed to visitors.

IN THE GYMNASIUM.
The indoor track meet between the first and second year Ags was won by the former with a score of twenty to fifteen.
At the track meet held Friday night there were over fifty men present. Talks were made by Graduate Manager Larson, Captain Van den Berg, Watkins, Redeker and George Scott. There was a great deal of enthusiasm displayed at the meeting.
Mr. Vander Veer wishes to announce that the entertainment which he was seeking to give in order to raise money for tennis supplies, has been called off. Mr. Vander Veer has raised the funds through a different source.
The track team will have new suits this year. The shirt and trousers will probably be of a silvery color with a solid '11' and wings on the shirt.
The dance announced in last week's Argonaut has been called off on account of the informal dance which is to be given after the basketball game Friday night.

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3. To Edmundson, referee.................................................................. 3.00
4. R. E. Fare to Pullman, 13 men.................................................... 3.00
5. Hotel expenses of team at Pullman............................................. 15.50
6. R. E. Fare, Pullman to Moscow, 12 men........................................ 3.60
7. 50 per cent of gate receipts to W. S. C........................................... 42.50
8. R. E. Fare, 15 men to Pullman..................................................... 3.90
9. Lunch for team at Pullman.......................................................... 2.00
10. Hotel expenses of team at Pullman............................................ 18.00
11. R. E. Fare, Pullman to Moscow, 13 men...................................... 3.90
12. Advertisement of game in Argonaut.............................................. 3.25
13. To Edmundson, referee, W. S. C game.......................................... 3.00
14. Bar-Mirror, for printing.............................................................. 9.00
15. Guarantee to University of Washington...................................... 75.00
16. To Edmundson, referee.............................................................. 3.00
17. Postage stamps............................................................................. 1.00
18. Guarantee to University of Oregon............................................. 75.00
19. To Edmundson, Referee............................................................. 3.00
20. To G. F. Albright, making rubber stamp...................................... 4.00
21. Guarantee to O. A. C................................................................. 75.00
22. To Edmundson, referee............................................................. 3.00
23. R. E. Fare, Moscow-Engle and Portland-Moscow.......................... 183.05
24. Tourist sleepers, Spokane-Portland, 7 men................................... 8.75
25. Dinner at Spokane for Team....................................................... 4.50
26. Breakfast on Train....................................................................... 5.50
27. Lunch at Allaby, enroute to Eugene............................................. 3.50
28. Dinner at Eugene......................................................................... 5.15
29. Breakfast at Eugene.................................................................... 2.45
30. Lunch at Eugene......................................................................... 1.65
31. Rooms at Eugene, two nights...................................................... 7.00
32. Dinner at Eugene......................................................................... 2.25
33. Breakfast at Eugene.................................................................... 2.45
34. R. E. Fare, Eugene to Albany...................................................... 9.45
35. R. E. Fare, Albany to Corvallis.................................................... 2.45
36. Hotel expenses at Corvallis, two days......................................... 24.50
37. Breakfast on boat, enroute to Salem............................................ 2.45
38. Fare by boat from Corvallis to Salem........................................... 5.25
39. Lunch at Salem........................................................................... 5.50
40. Dinner at Salem.......................................................................... 6.00
41. Rooms at Salem.......................................................................... 4.50
42. R. E. Fare, Salem to Portland...................................................... 10.50
43. Breakfast at Portland................................................................. 6.35
44. Berths, Seattle to Spokane, 6 men............................................. 7.50
45. Dinner at Seattle, 7 men............................................................. 3.70
46. Breakfast on Diner, 6 men.......................................................... 2.40
47. Lunch on Diner, 6 men............................................................... 6.15
48. To Bellingham, berth and meals, Seattle-Moscow......................... 3.00
49. To Coach Griffith, incidentally on trip....................................... 1.25
50. To Moscow Telephone and Telegraph Co.................................. 3.65
51. To Moscow Shoes Laundry.......................................................... 2.00
52. To Idaho Post, printing............................................................... 8.50
53. To Star-Mirror, printing.............................................................. 9.75
54. To Economic Pharmacy, medical supplies................................. 9.91
55. To K. Hodgson, office supplies................................................... 3.95
56. To David & Elly Co., equipment and supplies............................. 84.21
57. To Janitor, for tending to light and heat....................................... 5.00

Total expenditures........................................................................ $829.27

INTERCOLLEGIATE.

Following Harvard's change last fall term from the "elective" to the "group" system in study courses, comes the announcement that Yale has abandoned the elective system in favor of the group system, while allowing a limited choice in subjects, insures greater discipline in undergraduate training in the college. This step, which is being taken in more or less modified form by many educational institutions throughout the country, will, it is expected, raise the educational standards in America to an enormous degree.

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This professor does not advocate making so called grinds out of students; he would even tolerate the man who despises his studies, if he spends his time in other activities which open his mind to the world about him and so develop his thought process, that he will be able to think and act in an organized manner when he leaves college.

The objection the professor makes to our athletics is not that we do not make good athletes, but that we use them too well. Health is necessary in order that we may do our work well, but when we make the highest require those things the flesh can be made to do, we are aiming at other than thought process development and are missing that which in future life will do us the most good.

We think this thought is worthy of consideration by students, whose naturally lean toward the more attractive material things, and by the faculty who are apt to be too engrossed in the making of things. The ends of a University are lost sight of. It seems to us that could the students keep this criterion constantly before them, much of the abuse arising from athletics and other student enterprises would disappear, and should all the faculty work in the light of it, many courses, now of no practical benefit, beyond the development of parrot-like minds, would rise to a plane of real usefulness.—Oregon-Emerald.

State vs. National Control of Waterpower.

In the issue of "Science", a monthly semi-scientific magazine for March, Dr. J. M. Aldrich, professor of biology in the University, enters interestingly in elicitation of another article written by Dr. W. J. McGee, which appeared in the same magazine for December.

Dr. McGee printed a series of "Essential Principles of Conservation", which Dr. Aldrich finds in part fallacious, based on ignorance of actual conditions in the west. The latter finds Dr. McGee's assumption that the western states have never felt the presence of large threats in the past, and general social habits should be established, ill-founded. "It is very late in the day", he writes, "to talk about the general principles which should govern the framing of laws on this subject", and he is mounting to suggest that legislators at present should be tentative and experimental. Every western state has voluminous laws on the subject and ten times more voluminous legal decisions on these laws.

Dr. Aldrich also strenuously objects to a principle enunciated by Dr. McGee in regard to water: "The essential principle of natural equity upon which specific legislation may rest has already found expression, both by statesmen and by powerful associations of citizens including both jurists and publicists, in the invariable proposition—now become axiomatic—that all the water belongs to all the people". He furnishes argument that this principle is fallacious, in fact, that it is not true.

He believes thoroughly in the ability of the people of the west to cope with the problems involved in the conservation and development of their water power.

"It wearies the patience of the people of the West to be obliged to deal with combinations with such persons, who do not understand how to use our resources, and who would protect us. Our reliance on ourselves; we are amply clothed with authority to do all that is necessary; our experience and training have familiarized us with the work ahead; and our purpose is to protect the interests of our public, our own public, ourselves, in all necessary and reasonable ways."

Where can I invest my life to the greatest advantage?—What should be my life's work?—These are questions that present themselves to every man, and until they are answered, no one can get the greatest possible good out of a college career.

Perhaps all of us are having some difficulty in deciding these questions. To meet this need the Y. M. C. A. has provided a series of meetings in which the important cuttings of today will be presented. As this will be a connected series plan should be made to attend each meeting. The first talk will be on the General Principles Involved in Choosing a Life Work by Professor Bonfils, next Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. in the geology room in the School of Mines building. All University men are invited.

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Saturday evening the Agricultural Club held their annual "blow out" in
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were "there in a bunch." About seventy
boys, girls and profs took part in the "doin's."

The general committee in charge
was Querry, Richards, and Yasantis
and they proved themselves capable by
the entertainment and refreshments pro-
duced.

In all the games played the irrigation
farmers bucked against those from the
dry-farm sections. Several games
(including football) were played and
the final summary of points showed
that the "wets" were the more pros-
perous. Refreshments were served,
consisting of sandwiches, coffee, ice
cream and cookies.

One thing to be commented was
the attendance of the professors. Near-
ly every Agr. Prof. was there for a good
time.

Miss Hartley acted as chaperon.
The meeting closed at 11:30, but it
is reported that some of the boys did
got home for some time after that.

AT ASSEMBLY.

At Assembly last Wednesday
Professor Adrich delivered a very
interesting lecture on the trip
that he made thru Utah and California
last summer, illustrating his talk
with eastern slides. Various scenes
along his route, some of the inves-
tigations which he made in
connection with his work in the
Agriculture department of the Univer-
sity. Professor Adrich spent con-
siderable time in the vicinity of
Salt Lake, where he made an ex-
tended study of salt water insects,
and especially the "salt fly" which
is found in countless millions
around the shores of the lake. In
his lecture he discussed the nature
and habits of this fly, the breeding
places, etc. Many other interesting
facts in connection were
described and shown by Professor
Adrich.

Following the lecture Professor
Street's flautists—Charles Mand
Kingsley, Mary Petkus and Pro-
tress Street rendered two beauti-
ful selections which were heart-
ily applauded.

Guy Holman, jr., who has been
visiting at the Theta Nu House
for the past two weeks, left Mon-
day for his home in Muncie,
where he will remain a few days
before going to the University of
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"Empowering," exclaimed Adam,
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