VARSITY HAS BROKEN EVEN WITH STRONGEST TEAMS ON COAST—LOSES MANY BY GRADUATION—GOOD NUCLEUS FOR 1909.

The 1908 foot ball season, while not a championship year, still cannot be called a losing one. Idaho has at times held her own with the strongest teams in the Northwest, and again has met defeat at the hands of some of the smaller institutions. The team has lived up to its reputation of being one of the hardest fighting ones on the gridiron, and has overcome the weight of its opponents by speed. For the last college generation the Idaho back field has been known to the sporting world as the "speediest quartet on the coast."

In the preliminary games the Varsity showed great form, and gave promise of a victorious year. In the Oregon game, the first Intercollegiate contest of the year, while Idaho took the small and the score, still all critics agree that, barring flukes, she should have won. She carried the ball much farther than did the Oregon men, and had not been for the unusual punting of Clarke and the place kicking of Missillen, would certainly have won. The Whitman game was rather a surprise to football men. Although it was known that the Denominational College had a strong team, and had sprung surprises on us before, still the most conservative thought that we would win that contest. But all teams have their off days and this was Idaho's time. Add to this the fact that the team had had a hard trip, were out of condition before the start, and the fact that Whitman had a team of no mean ability, and the defeat is not hard to explain.

Still we tied W. S. C. the school who is always going to do things in the news papers. For the last three years we have won from the State College and to land a fourth victory would be adding insult to injury. It was a mighty hard game, and both teams deserve much praise for their work. To tie W. S. C. on her own grounds would be nearly anyone that the story would have been different on our home field. The last game of the season, Idaho departed from her usual stamping grounds and sought fame in other climes. On Thanksgiving day we met the University of Utah in Salt Lake. Here again the score was a tie, neither team being able to score. While we do not wish to be too boastful we do say that under ordinary circumstances we would have won from the Mormon team. The trip of over twelve hundred miles, the foot of snow, and the strange surroundings, all helped to take the ginger out of the team.

Taken altogether the season was a successful one and one which no school would be ashamed of. And here we may prophesy a little in regard to next year's team. We admit that the prospects are not the best in the world. Idaho loses four men by graduation—Rice, Savidge, Johnson and Pauls. By the four year rule, Small and Smith are disqualified. This means a loss of six men who have been the main stay of the team for several years. But there are good men left. Leukens, Jewell, Thornton, Landstrom, Armstrong, will form a nucleus around which may gather a winning team. There are several backs made up out of four first team material, and there, with the incoming freshmen, cannot help but win points in 1909.

COACH JOHN B. MIDDLETON, '95

Middletlon has fought for Idaho both as player and coach. For three years as an undergraduate he played quarterback and during the season of 1905 had the pleasure of seeing Idaho win the Northwest Championship under his heading. He is one of the football products of "Frik" Griffith, and has even surpassed the former coach in his ability at heading the team. During his two years as coach at Idaho, he has won an enviable reputation. Last season he developed a winning team out of rough material, and the past team has seen the squad break even with the best teams. He has given football some entirely new formations and his love for the Idaho speed has reached even the eastern schools. This is Middleton's last year of football according to his own statement. His loss will be severely felt at Idaho.

CAPTAIN LEON SAVIDGE, '95—LEFT END

Savidge received his early football training in the Boise High School, where he played end for four years. He entered the University as a freshman in 1905 and made first sub. the first year. The next year he played at left end on the first team which position he has held down for the last three years. Savidge is a little man weighing only 157 but he is a mighty hard football player. He has the reputation of being the best breaker of interference in the Northwest, and chiefly for this ability has he been given a place on the All Northwest for the last two years. He is off as quick as the ball is snapped, after succeeding in getting the runner before the interference is snapped. Under his leadership the 1908 team made the most creditable showing. He graduates this year from the Civil Engineering Department and his loss will be keenly felt by next year's squad.

Remember the Watkins Oratorical Contest Saturday Night
The granting of the petition for change of vacation, again shows the re-
creative and democratic spirit of our
faculty. They are always willing to
grant any reasonable request from the
students. However in this case, they
have placed one stipulation on the
students and that is that they re-
turn on time. This seems no more
than reasonable for a straggling return
means a week of broken work. In
such a case the faculty has granted
the students-their request, we feel—that
is only right that the student body
should reciprocate and meet the wish
of the faculty by returning for work
Monday morning, January 4.

With this issue of the Argonaut,
with all our readers a happy Chris-
tmas season. To those whose good
fortune it is to return home, we wish
all the joys attendant on the meeting
of relatives and friends. To those who
are deprived of this privilege, we wish
a happy vacation wherever they are.
They will have keener appreciation of
the home scene when it does come.
Whether we enjoy the recess or not,
depends on ourselves. A spirit of
"good will" hovers over the earth as
this season of which each may partake
as he will. Let us be receptive, and
open to the good around us, and re-
turn in the new year with a more hope-
ful view of life.

There was a little roundup shown at
the last assembly which we would
like to see eradicated. There is no
occasion for cheering announcements,
and those who partake in such practices,
only show their unfitness to move in
cultured circles.

Students’ Matinee Musical
Like Hall. [Wednesday, Dec. 18, 100.]
Program.
Rhode: [singer]....Wollenhaupt.
Theatrec......Chamisado.
Soprano Solo........Carrie Rasson.
Fifth Nocturne....Leybach.
Light Works.
Paradise to the Piano.....Beethoven Young Op. 81
Verne Smith.
In the Lovely Month of May...Merkle.
Trio Mourners........Moszkowski.
Spinning Song....Litoff.
Fifth Nocturne: Litoff.
Gallop, Bute and Train......Ketterer.
Zona Shults.
Am Meer...........Schubert-Litert
Die Jagd.............Hindemregation.
Deutsche Horn

New furnished rooms, with bath,
next near restaurant. Three suites and
single rooms on second floor of Corner
Block. Ransome F. Warren, box 803,
Moscow, Idaho.

Get wise and shave at Graham’s bar-
ber shop.
Jas. Elton, '09, Left Tackle

It was only after a good deal of work that Jim was prevailed upon to come out and help the team. He attended the Washington State College some years ago and has the reputation there of being the best and hardest football player they have ever had at that institution. He was captain of the W.S.C. team his last year there, but was forced to leave college before he had taken his degree. He came back to Idaho and came out for the Varsity team. His work in the line and on the back, tackle around, plays has never been excelled in the Northwest. He is in every play and instills a wholesome fear in the men that play against him that is itself good and considerable discipline. Jim graduates the coming June but the help that he gave the team this year, and the sacrifices that he underwent in order to do so, will always be appreciated by the team and supporters.

George Armstrong, '12 Right End

Armstrong might be called a "chip off of the old block." He comes from a family of football players and certainly lives up to the standard set by his older brothers. Two years ago, George played end on the Varsity team. Last year he was out of school but returned and tried out for the 1908 team. At the first of the season he was played at end which seems to be his natural position. He has a peculiar ability at gently clasping the runner around the knees before he even reaches the line of scrimmage. When he fails to do this, he leaves the interference to a determined conclusion that the half can easily nail the man. Armstrong has two more years of Varsity football and he is sure to win points for Idaho.

Fritz Lundstrom, '12, Right Half

Fritz played right half and made up the third man in what sporting writers of the Northwest called "Idaho's lightning backfield." Fritz won his letter for the first time this year, but he played in every game this fall and was a hard man to best advancing the ball. Fritz is short and stocky and an ex- ceptional hard man to get off of his feet. In the Oregon game he brought the crowd to its feet by making a spectacular run forty yards for a touchdown.

Charles Johnson, '09, Left Half

Johnson is the little man who is an awful big football player. Utah said that if Idaho had a team of "Chick" Johnson it couldn't be whipped. "Chick" has played the deep field for Idaho for three years and for a safety has no peer in the Northwest. He is sure in handling the punts, and as soon as the ball is in his arms he is off like a shot to- wards the opponents goal which he sometimes reaches the whole opposing bunch is in front of him. On the offense he is a good back fieldman and can always find a hole if the line opens up. Altogether, weighing only 150 he makes some 200 pound men look sick when he hits them. It is said that he is handled among the ladies but he never fails to meet a man half way on the grid- iron. Johnson graduates this year and his loss will be severe.

Mr. Barr of Spokane visited Jor- dan '11 over Sunday. The two were former class mates in Kansas College, Illinois.

He will have three more years on the team, and much can be expected of him.

E. W. Jewell, '12, Center

Idaho was faced this fall with the proposition of breaking in a new center and considerable fear was expressed as to the result. Center under the new game is one of the hardest positions on the team to play. Jewell tried out for the position and though the new game was something different from what behind it has been used to, he put all his energy into it and steadily rounded into shape. Marked improvement was noted in his playing from game to game until at the close of the season he was playing a good hard consistent game. He has three more years on the Varsity team and he can be counted upon to make a good showing at the center position.

Miles Woods and Blit- -entertained at a chafing dish party in the Library of Riddleburgh Hall last Friday evening. The first part of the evening was spent in a novel game of advertisement after which the young ladies showed their skill in Domestic Science. Those present were Misses Wilson, Hansen, Clifton, Ellis, Woody-Mears, Thomas, Tweedy, Vance, Cooks and Armstrong.

Profs. Moore, director of the University farm, had the misfortune to have his left arm taken off last Friday. He was running a feed mill which became choked. In attempting to clear it, his arm was caught in the machinery and crushed to the elbow. He was immediately taken to the Olive Street hospital where it was found that the forearm must be amputated. He is rapidly improving and is resting remarkably well under the circumstances.

Profs. Craig and Beach, two noted horticulturists, were visiting the Univer- sity and Experiment Station Saturday. Prof. Craig was formerly Professor of Horticulture at the Iowa Agricultural college but is now head of that Department at Cornell. Mr. Beach is Prof. of Horticulture at Iowa and was one of Prof. Pearsen's teachers. Both gentlemen were attending the National Apple Show at Southwick last week.

James Thornton, '12, Full Back

Thornton has played two years on the Varsity team— one year in 1908 and last season at fullback. While a comparatively light man, he plays the back position with ease. He is quick on the start, hits the line hard, and runs interference well. He is always hanging around the mix-up seeking a fumble and when he once gets away, five points are easily scored for Idaho. Twice during the last season, he made spectacular runs from recovered fumbles. Jimmy says, "I'd love to play football! It is the spirit that makes him such a formidable man. On the defense he is particularly strong in backing up the line and when he does not pile up a line back, it is because he cannot get at 'em. Thorn- toin has two more years on the Varsity team and will be one of the models of next year's squad.

Charles Johnson, '09, Left Half

Smith learned the rudiments of football at Idaho, never having seen a "pigskin" before he came to the University. For the last four years he has been playing on the first team either as guard or left tackle. He is at home in either of the positions and makes his opponent feel very made away from home when he hits him. For conscientious and consistent football "Herc." has no peer on the team. He weighs 192 pounds but can get the start from most sinners. He has even been switched into the back field and made a most credit- able showing at full back. When he hits the line it either breaks or breaks. For his great ability on defense, he has received several votes for the All Northwest. But it is rumored- that he is in love, and the four year ride, disqualify him from all further participation at Idaho. His loss will be keenly felt.

Claro Ashby '12 went to his home in Coeur d' Alene last week, intending to spend the holidays working in the mines.

Henry Smith, '10, Right Tackle
Olympic Games At London, 1908.

Dr. E. A. Ross, professor of sociol-
ology in the University of Wisconsin,
will lecture in Moscow Feb. 8th, on
"Latter Day Sinners and Saints." Dr.
Ross was scheduled as Commencement
speaker at the University a few years
ago but was delayed by floods and did
not reach Moscow until the students
had all left town. Dr. Ross is an
unusual lecturer in this respect. The
latter was being carried on by the
Coast Guard. The former was
transported by automobile. The two
personalities are largely responsible
for bringing the lecturer here at this
time.
Danny turned as his mother entered, and watched her as she took the cndale from the shelf and lighted it. They went to bed early, these people, but they would not compel him to go. At the foot of the stairs the woman passed, the pale glow of the candle lighting up a large, friendly face as she moved south out the eyes, the dark face, the wide mouth, the hands in the chest, the gray along the temples.

Nothing tugged hard at Danny's heart; there was a queer feeling in his throat; and the next moment his arms were around his mother's neck.

"You're sorry, Mother, I'm so bad. I don't like bacon and beans."

"I know, Danny, I know," she answered gently. "You'll be up soon, you will."

"Yes." And as she closed the stair-door behind him, he whispered, "and his eyes were bright.

"Oh, I know, what I'd wish, if I were you, then," she said. "It was this year for the blue one.

Then—and—was that a knock at the door?"

The fairy, of course! He leaped to his logs to unload at night, as he'd have to see,.still to see, as one of the ghostly company deftly adjusted an article something like his own over one eye, one being covered by a green shade, and one by a red.

It was then ordered to kneel, and not wishing to be imposed, did as I was told, kneeling, bowing, with the knee, the foot, the hand, and the mask. Then the fairy appeared, a face, or rather, a mask, and I knew I was in a dream. When we knelt, or she sat down, a mask of cold-water which had carelessly "I'm left there. My white robte was covered by a gray shade, and one by a red.

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A few days later, the mask was found at the door, pinned an old shawl over her head.

"Would you mind watching the bacon, a little, Danny, I'm going after the children."

But Danny's eye caught the gleam of the ring he had slipped upon his finger.

"No, but you're a Queen, now, Mother, you have a ring."

And it was signed, "Titania, Queen of the Fairies, and her fairy godmother."

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Laugh, and the World Laughs With You,

Perhaps these jokes are old
And should be on the shelf;
If you can do it better,
Send in a few yourself.
— Ex.

Toasts to Woman
Woman—The most vivid of Nature's products—The most complete of Art's renaissance.

Woman—While invaluable the most desirable and fascinating of mysteries, when possessed the most definite of certainties.

Woman—Here's to woman, the quite impossible sort, just perfect enough for man to adore, just faulty enough for man to love.

Woman—At her word too good for the best man—at her best all ready for heaven.

Woman—The incarnation of all the virtues, the reincarnation of all the vices. Her virtue is frequently sublimely virginal, her vices often delightfully vicious.

Woman—The Creator's joke on man. The problem without solution, the riddle without answer, the more fascinating because understood by no man, nor of herself.

Woman—The great plastic artist of the universe, molding manlike as the potter his clay, but not for results, merely for the pleasure of moulding.

Woman—Uncertain, coy, yes, if you please, yet life without her would not please.
— Ex.

Reports say that Miss French returned too late to get into the Dormitory last Sunday night. According to the rules no girl can open the door after dark without first reporting to the Dean of Women. But for once formality was dispensed with. Queen isn't it.

A grape juice while at Geneese; A night of dissipations; Make some fun and talk a little more About the boy "Carnation."

Waltzing: "You are the breath of my life."
Dr. "Why don't you hold your breath a little?"—Ex.

Autumn Joys.
The summer days have gone their ways, to join the days of summer's olden; the eager air is making bare the trees, the leaves are red and golden; the flowers that blossomed are now entombed, the more is chill, the night is wintry; and I counter the same old stent that all my life has made me weary.

Hard by you grew cool heating stove is standing red and freeze and rusty, and I must block its front and back, and get myself all scratched and dusty. And I must pack it on my back, about a mile, to our shanty, and work with wise and pipes and fire, the while I quote warm things from Dante.
— Ex.

Running a paper is like driving a horse. Every one thinks he can do it better than the one who has the reins.

A Change of Circumstances.
Said a Junior to a Freshman.
"May I come to-night to thee?"
"Yes, you may," replied the maiden.
With a blush that charmed to see.

But the Junior, false andickle.
Met that day a new coquette,
And that night he went to see her;
Sent the Freshman his regret.

When the maid received the message,
She wondered, sighed, but trusted still,
Till the truth, which reached her later,
Caused angry light her eyes to fill.
A year had passed, and now the Senior,
Asked once more to see the maid,
She, with smooth sweet voice consented,
While quietly lock in, brown eyes played.

He that night was ushered in,
Self composed, proud and tall,
But he waited, long and vainly,
For the maid had fritted him.
—Beaute L. Perkins, '12

The Boy's Escape.
The boy stood on the railroad track,
The twin was coming fast;
The boy stepped off the railroad track,
And let the train go past.
—Delia Goby, '12

Laugh, and the class laughs with you.
Laugh, and you laugh alone.
The first is when the joke is the teacher's.
The last when the joke is your own.
—Ex.

The man with a pipe is to his fellow creatures what the thimble is to the lower animals.
— Ex.

My Dog.
My dog jumps up when he beholds,
A Tom-cat in a tree;
So was it when he was a pup,
So is it now since he's grown up,
So let him be.
— Jesse Pierce, '12

Teacher. "What is the birthplace of man?"
Tommy. "Vaseline, ma'am."
— Ex.

A Prop Spoothing.
Once a Prop was heard to say,
"Spoothing with his girl one day;
"Wouldn't it be funny,
"If I'd had the money,
"Every night to go To the ten cent show?"
—Rowe Holmes, '12

Drill, drill, drill.
For one whole hour each day;
And I would that I might utter,
The things I'd like to say.
"'Tis well for the athlete,
For he gets out of drill,
But O the woe to the rest of us,
Who heed the commandant's will.

Went to see the football game,
Went that I would play the same,
So in haste I joined the team.
And now I'm writing this from heaven.
—Ex.

News of the Battalion.
Gen. Orders, No. 49.
The scheme for practical and theoretical instruction for the battalion of cadets during the winter months of the present year, on days now used for practical instruction, is announced to go into effect at once.

1. On days of inclement weather when it is impracticable to drill out of doors, drill will be conducted in the gymnasium by company in the order "A" Co., "B" Co., and "C" Co. After the roll call and reading of orders, companies other than the one whose turn it is to drill will be dismissed.

2. Battalion drill and inspection will be held at least once a week, usually on Fridays. Notification will be given in advance when this occurs on some other week day.

3. A non-commissioned officer's school conducted by the Captain of each company for the non-commissioned officers of his company will be conducted during the next company drill hour following the drill hour of his company.

Room fourteen will be used for this purpose.

5. The Cadet Major will have general supervision over both the practical and theoretical instruction.

General Order, No. 50.
In addition to Dr. W. H. Carithers, Capt. Surgeon, Battalion of Cadets, the physical director of the University, Dr. E. K. Kenaga, will hereafter perform the duties of battalion surgeon and all certificates from Dr. Kenaga will be accepted. Present orders to the contrary are rescinded.

Clarence McWilliams of Co. "A," Dan Hamilton of Co. "B," and Mulkey of Co. "C," put up the best appearance at the inspection last Friday. On account of the weather there was no parade.

Gwin, I. A., Fahlone, and Madden have sick leave.
was to secure the admission of the local chapter into the national order and they succeeded admirably. The chapter was granted on November 28 of Thanksgiving week, the first vote being 94 to 14. The application went through more than one re-consideration that has ever been before the fraternity before, the majority of the conservative men in the east went into line for the first time in the history of the fraternity. There was great enthusiasm after the vote was cast. The Idaho yells being used frequently. The hotel, off campus for the fraternity, French was initiated into the fraternity at the convention, and the three upper classes of the local fraternity were the 40 odd members of the organization who are in Spokane during the Christmas vacation and be there initiated, and returning home, will initiate their Avon freshmen. Messrs. And E. H. Goodwin, Rogers, Middle- ton and Kirkwood, alumni of the local chapter, will also attend the Spokane initiation, as many members from all over the State and several others from the East. Dr. Gurney reports a most enjoyable program at the convention, the evening being given to social events, from the smoker at the University Club on Monday, to the banquet Thanksgiving evening and the final grand ball of Friday evening.

The day sessions were closed to all except the fraternity men, and were occupied with business. The Mayor of Pigeon Forge gave the speech of welcome at the opening session.

SOCIOLOGY CLUB ORGANIZED

University of Idaho Sociologists Meet and Elect Officers Governor Goodwin First President

The University of Idaho sociologists met on December 14th at the home of Mr. A. P. Vaughan and affected an organization to be known as the Idaho Sociological Society. The charter is open to all students in this department at the University, and to all interested in the study and discussion of social problems of the day. The work of the society is to be a nucleus for the American Sociological Society.

The Executive Committee of the A. S. U. at a called meeting on Thursday, voted to dispense with the ballot voting for representative to the Northwest Athletic Conference. This action was taken because of the withdrawal of Mr. Jones, leaving only one candidate. Mr. Magee, being the sole nominee, was declared elected.

Mr. Newton, foreman of the plasterers in the new "Art" building, was nearly disabled last Monday while at work. He and his partner were in the room with a little color lime. His friend spotted the gas and got some out for some fresh air. Newton went to work and was soon found in a collapsed condition. Dean Eldridge called Dr. Kasapa who sent the man to the Community Hospital where he is slowly recovering.

Dr. L. E. Gurney has returned from an extended trip in the east, and attended the annual meeting of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity convention at Pigeon Forge. There were three delegates from our chapter at the convention, Burton L. French, Wm. Lee and Dr. Gurney. Their mission...
Assembly.

The address at Assembly last Wednesday was by Mr. Geo. H. Fields, editor of the Idaho Post. Under the title "The Highwater Mark of the Confederacy," he gave an interesting and instructive account of the Battle of Gettysburg. Mr. Fields has visited the battlefield and it was partly because of his familiarity with its geography that his talk was of an entertaining. He is a very pleasing speaker and was so thoroughly interested in his subject that he succeeded in making his audience enjoy it. After the address the audience was entertained by two vocal solois by Prof. S. Hooper.

The first few minutes of the hour were given to a student meeting at which nominations for a representative to the Northwest Athletic Conference were made. Frank Magee and R. O. Jones were the only nominees.

Informal Song Recital.

The song recital given in List Hall last Wednesday was a success in every way. The program was enjoyed by a good sized audience among which were many faculty members.

Miss Kiesler showed the result of months of careful work by her interpretation of the song "Popple." Miss Carrie Horton sang the delightful little Irish melody "Boocho Shoo" with fine tone, color and sympathy. The "Poor Leaf" group showed her ability to do bright work in contrast.

Mr. Arthur Thomas surprised his friends with his song of singing, Miss Sams always does her musical work intelligently.

Miss Kettenbach's voice gives promise of rare expression and power.

Basket Ball

Considerable interest at this time is being taken in the class basketball games. Each class has a team and last Wednesday night a double header was played. The Freshmen and Sophomores tussled up and the Freshmen got the small end of a 19 to 7 score.

The Juniors and Seniors also played, and their game was evenly matched. The Juniors won by one point, the score being 18 to 17.

The two winning teams are scheduled to play a game in the near future and a great game can be looked for. These games are helping to raise the student body up over basketball, and also enriching the management to some extent, an admission of twenty-five cents being charged for the games.

Calendar

Dec. 15, Tuesday, 2:35 p.m., Idaho Sociological Society, open meeting.

Dec. 16, Wednesday—Football supporter by Domestic Science Department. Dec. 18, Friday evening—Christmas holidays begin.

Dec. 19, Saturday—Watkins Oratorical contest.

Jan. 4, Monday—University schedule resumed.

Jan. 9, Saturday—Basketball W. S. C. armory.

Jan. 15, Friday—Junior Promenade.

Jan. 16, Saturday—Basketball W. S. C. at Pullman.

Jan. 23, Friday—Basketball, Whitman at Walla Walla.

Jan. 28, Friday—Basketball W. S. C. armory.

Feb. 8 and 9, Monday and Tuesday—Basketball, Whitman armory.

Feb. 19, Friday—Military ball.

Classical Club

Last Friday night the members of the Latin and Greek classes met at the home of Prof. H. L. Ackray, where he interested them with a description of ancient Rome. He illustrated the talk with humorous pictures and an excellent map of the city.

After the lecture delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Ackray and the company seemed to realize that there is something more than dead languages connected with the classical court.

The faculty, at a special meeting last Friday, granted the students' petition asking for the beginning of the Christmas vacation Friday, Dec. 18th, instead of Tuesday the 22nd. This gives practically three days longer recess. The granting of this request was in the form of an agreement with the students whereby they should return on time and not come in several days late as is often done.

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