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THE BURDEN OF THE NATIONS

From a purely intellectual standpoint Dr. Green's lecture, constituting the closing number of the Lyceum season, was probably one of the finest things that has ever come to Newberg. His statement that it was a result of personal experience was borne out by his grasp of the situation. If it had no other worthy result it at least enlightened people as to the real cause of the European war.

Dr. Green spoke of war as "the one vestige of barbarism left in the world." He said that it is conservatively estimated that fifteen billion men have perished in war during the history of the world. While mentioning the inability of the mind to grasp the magnitude of that number, he asked the audience to consider that only a trifle over one billion minutes have passed since the birth of Christ.

Dr. Green very tersely said that "Europe exploded because Europe was loaded." He brought out very clearly the impossibility of such a thing as armed peace being a lasting condition and accredited the friendship between Canada and the United States to our unguarded boundary line. The speaker placed Czar Nicholas as one of a group of "epileptic, superstitious militarists" who have appeared at intervals during the world's history. Others are Alexander the Great who wept because there were no more worlds to conquer, Caesar who always consulted the "antique internal apparatus of a defunct rooster" before entering a battle, and Napoleon, "the scourge of Europe."

Four reasons were given for the present war: (1) Blood lust or race prejudice has never been explained by scientists or psychologists but it exists and always has. Especially is this true between the Teuton and the Slav; (2) Greed as represented by Russia's desire for Constantinople and the Dardanelles; (3) Revenge that France hopes to take against Germany for the seizure of Alsace and Lorraine;

(4) Jealousy between Germany and England for supremacy of the old world.

A glowing tribute was paid to Woodrow Wilson for his consistent peace policy and the speaker closed by asking for the United States the distinguishing attribute of peace maker.

Dr. Green is a pleasing speaker and has a happy faculty of almost talking with his hands. His face is also very expressive, and he is perfectly at ease on the platform. One could hardly believe that he had been talking for over two hours.

FORMER P. C. STUDENT WINS HONORS FOR W. S. C.

The Evergreen, Pullman, Washington, of March 30, reports a two-to-one victorious co-ed debate with Whitman college, which will be of interest to many P. C. students, as Miss Lucile Davis was one of the speakers to uphold the affirmative for W. S. C. We know Miss Davis to be a fluent and convincing speaker, having represented P. C. in the State Oratorical Contest in 1912. She is both capable and dependable, and was active in all forms of student life while here.

ORNITHOLOGY CLASS BIRD HUNT

The ornithology class tramped about ten miles last Saturday on a quest for birds. Leaving the college at 9 a. m. they took the longest road to Dundee, then on to the river. There Messrs. Hawkins and Marshall were ready to take the class across the river in their canoe, and to help eat the bountiful lunch. After an hour's rest the hunt began again, the class not returning home until 4:30. About thirty species were seen, making an intensely profitable as well as enjoyable trip.

Will the logicians of the school explain the reasonableness of this theory?

Boss: No; we have all the men we need.

Laborer: Seems like you could take one more, the little bit of work I'd do.—Judge.

1915 MAY QUEEN ELECTED

Coming, as it does, only once in two years, the May Day celebration is a very important event in the school calendar. Naturally, the first question to be considered was the selection of the May queen. This was held during chapel on April 2. Evidently Eva Campbell was the unquestionable choice of the student body, for her nearest competitor had only 16 votes.

It is safe to say that the day will be one to remember long, for the committee in charge is planning big things. There will be, as usual, the picturesque winding of the May pole. There will be games and drills and the committee has sent in an early order to the weather bureau for an edition de luxe of a charming May day.

Gladys Hannon, the chairman of the committee, has had experience along this line, and her assistants, Myrtle Mills, Christine Hollingsworth, Delbert Replogle and Frank Colcord are all capable workers. Every student is loyal to the queen, and everyone is willing to do his or her best to make the celebration a success.

Long live the queen!

THE NEW PIANO COMING

Prof. Hull was the bearer of glad tidings to the student body on Monday morning. The long-looked-for piano will probably reach Portland on the 15th, and a concert, with the new instrument, has been announced for the 26th. The two pianos will be a great convenience, but think how stale the muscles of the faculty will get from lack of exercise.

MAY DAY BREAKFAST PLANNED

The student body is planning to give a breakfast on the morning of May 1st. This will be the opening feature of the days celebration and will be something new for Pacific. The price of the breakfast will be 25 cents a plate, and every member of the college is expected to be present. The exact time and place will be announced later.

It has not yet been decided which team will debate in Albany.

THE JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET APRIL 10

One of the biggest social events of the college year took place at the home of Mrs. Hodgin on last Saturday evening, when the junior class acted as hosts at the annual senior banquet. The color scheme of the main part of the house was yellow and green, carried out by large jardeneries of dog-tooth violets and sprays of ivy.

At 6:30 the guests met in the dining room, where the class colors of pink and gray predominated. Here pink sweet peas constituted the floral decorations. Covers were laid for thirteen at the table, but no casualties have resulted as yet. Following is the

MENU

Grape Fruit with Wafers
Roast Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Asparagus
Salad

Rolls

Pickles
Jelly
Ice Cream and Cake
Coffee
Nuts
Mints

With Pres. Pennington as toast master the toasts were:

A Voyage

"Yes I seek it still,—
My great adventure and my guiding
Star!
For look ye, friends, the voyage is not
eone."

Captain Pres. Pennington
"How skillfully the captain guides his
goodly ship."

Home Port Eva Campbell
"Farewell my home, my home no longer
now,
Witness of many a calm and happy
day."

Ship Paul Lewis
"A vessel as goodly and strong and
staunch,
As ever weathered a wintry sea."

Crew Ellis Pickett
"It was a gallant crew that manned
the sturdy craft."

Passengers Myrtle Thomas
"The mingled company was onward
swept, onward over the waves"

Ships Met Arthur Benson
"Ships are striving onward, driving
day and night they roam."

Destination Harry Haworth
"All places that the eye of heaven visits
Are to wise men ports and
happy havens"

The favors were pink sweet peas, and those present were Pres. and Mrs. Pennington, Gladys Hannon, Eva Campbell, Florence Kaufman, Myrtle Thomas, Walter Wilson, Arthur Benson, Lisle Hubbard, Harry Haworth, Ellis Pickett, Paul Lewis and Delbert Replogle.

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President Pennington's general information test leaves us with the feeling that we know still less than we thought we did. Let us hope there is one result at least—to make our reading worth while in place of a mere pastime. Seek to place an obstruction in the passage from one ear to the other.

It is too bad more members of the student body and faculty, as well, do not realize the charm of the Monday noon prayer meetings. True, we all have enough to keep us busy but these little gatherings seem to get right down to the fundamentals of one's faith. As someone has said "If you want to know the membership of a church, attend its prayer meetings" so here you feel the people are those whom Carlyle would call genuine-genuine in spirit and not wholly lip worshippers. Come and see.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES

At a joint meeting of the Y. M. and Y. W., March 31, the officers of the two associations were installed.

Following the installation, Mr. Stone, of the Portland Y. W. C. A., spoke on the subject of "Student Secretaryship as a Life Work."

Mr. Stone classified all work under four heads: the job, position, profession and calling; he then discussed the relative importance of the work itself and the money received for it, in each of the four divisions.

To the man with a calling, the work is of the greatest importance, and if the calling be along the line of student secretaryship, he must be prepared to do more work, and a greater variety of it, for less money, than in any other field of service. Before concluding his address Mr. Stone

the student secretary is among the most pleasant, and is not without its compensations.

Good Friday was observed by the holding of a noon prayer meeting led by Lyra Miles and Paul Lewis.

The new president, Lyra Miles, led the regular Y. W. meeting, April 7; giving us, in a short talk, some of the things she desired for the girls of the association, during the coming year, emphasizing especially the necessity for each member feeling a deep sense of responsibility for the work of the Y. W.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The Young Men and Young Women's Christian Associations held a joint meeting on March 31, at which Harry Stone, the general secretary of the Portland association, spoke on Y. M. C. A. secretaryship as a life calling. Mr. Stone is known to many of the older students, as he was student secretary in Oregon several years ago. He gave a history of the Y. M. C. A. work and then gave a very forceful talk on the good an association secretary can do.

On April 7 the meeting was led by Paul Lewis, the new president, who gave a short talk on what the association ought to mean to the students the following year.

AGORETON SOCIETY

On April 7 the program of the Agoreton Society was in keeping with the subject, "Hall of Fame." The attendance was increased and a general spirit of interest was maintained during the meeting. The roll call was answered by thirty second biographical sketches of great men. Every great man from Abe Lincoln to our own beloved Paul Lewis was mentioned. Following this a chalk talk was given by Meade Elliott and illustrated by Ross Miles.

Walter H. Wilson gave an excellent example of ornamental impromptu speaking on "How We May Become Great Men." He laid special emphasis on the fact that we, as students of P. C., have a perfect environment for becoming great men.

One of the most rousing numbers on the program was an original discussion by Prof. Hawkins, H. H. Haworth and Cecil Pearson on "Great Men of Tomorrow." It is hard to tell which of the three will be the great one. Perhaps all of them may be honored by that title. Cecil, from all outward appearances, took the matter the most calmly

decided, in the usual business meeting, to discontinue the initiation fees of the society. But the all-star event of the hour was the critic's report, rendered by Ellis Pickett, in which he displayed much original humor and gave some fatherly advice, which only members of the society can appreciate.

The debate on the question: Resolved that Congress should provide for an immediate increase in the United States navy, will be April 16.

The debaters are: Affirmative, Clarence Jones, Meade Elliott. Negative, Arthur Benson and Ellis Pickett.

Original conversation in literary:

"Do you think we had better quit and run, or just stop?"

"I don't see that it makes much difference. If we quit and run we lose our cork, and if we just stop we are stoppers."

"Yes, but some stoppers are just plugs."

Prof. Spahr: "Too much deference betrays a feeling of inferiority."

Pluto: "Then you don't believe in using the word 'Sir' very often?"

Prof. Spahr: "No sir, I do not."

W. A. G.—"Go wash your ears."

C. J.—"Oh! wait awhile till I can find a bath tub."

M. D. H.: "Some people talk to show their intelligence, and others to show their ignorance."

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TIMELY CHAPEL GLEANINGS

President Pennington carried on a debate with himself for three mornings on the advisability of Pacific College playing football in the future. While he insisted that he would rather play football than any other game he left some of us, at least, with the impression that some substitute would be better in this particular institution.

The Student Body is being reminded from time to time that the second semester is practically half gone and that it will be necessary to "get in and dig" if we wish to make good grades. Just what must it mean to a 95 per cent student to get a grade of 75? It means that he just got through "by the skin of his teeth" when he should have had a margin of at least twenty per cent. It means that he has been squandering time, wasting ability, and that the teacher has probably stretched things a point or two to get him through. "Going, going at seventy-five; can't someone make it eighty?"

For a person to admit that he knows nothing of a subject and then give as able a talk on it as Professor Hawkins did in chapel Friday morning almost seems inconsistent. Anyway it disproved the assertion that one has to be thoroughly acquainted with a subject before he can talk on it convincingly. Probably no one in the Student Body had ever thought of the Ideal student having as many attributes as the speaker demanded. He must be a person of action, he must be able to acquire facts, to think about them and he must have culture—a culture that means mental and moral development.

TREFIAN PROGRAM

The Trefian program March 31, opened by responding to the roll call with events of some country or city beginning with the same letter as the members name. Mrs. Hodgin invited all present to spend the summer with her abroad, so all eagerly embarked in the enormous aeroplane, which was managed by Paul Lewis. A most delightful fortnight was spent in England, under the able guidance of Mrs. Hodgin; then Henrietta Welch acted as guide through Japan, Alta Gumm through Turkey and Grace Benson through Russia. Some were effected by air sickness, which closely resembles sea sickness, but the sweet voice of Esther Terrell singing an Irish ballad helped all to recover soon after reaching the home land.

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