

# The Crescent



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## Noted Hungarian To Speak Here

### Herr Fischer Is Secured by the International Relations Club for Three Special Meetings

Through the local International Relations Club Pacific College and Newberg will have the privilege of hearing the Hungarian, Herr Fischer. He will arrive in Newberg Monday morning, Nov. 16, to remain until Tuesday morning. This opportunity is made possible because of Pacific's connection with the



HERR FISCHER

Carnegie Foundation which sends its lecturers, at its own expense, to the hundreds of International Relations clubs in this country.

Herr Fischer will speak in chapel Monday morning on some phase of Hungary's relations with Europe. He will also be the guest speaker at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon at noon. To fill out the day, the local club is arranging for an informal meeting in the evening.

Herr Fischer has been connected with the Hungarian National Railway and has travelled extensively, especially in South America. He is well informed on modern economic and international problems, and comes from an interesting country, about which people in general are largely ignorant.

### STUDENTS SERPENTINE IN TOWN

If anyone should ask, that howling mob of more or less respectable young citizens seen on the streets of Newberg Friday, Oct. 30, was the student body of Pacific college.

After a most enlightening talk on "Football, How Played and Why," given by Don Larimer, the student body, led by "Winnie," serpentine down through the business district of Newberg in an attempt to advertise the coming game with P. U. Although no very sizable crowd gathered, the business people "pricked up their ears" and decided that Pacific was showing a little pep.

### CITY ATTORNEY GIVES ADVICE

Charles W. Swan, city attorney, talked in chapel Thursday, Nov. 5.

He believes that almost everyone should study some law at some time. A great many difficulties could be avoided if one were better acquainted with the law and also if a little foresight and common sense were used.

A very wise precaution, Mr. Swan pointed out, is to be careful about signing your name to anything. If the contract contains the elements of negotiable business, no matter what happens, the one who has signed must fulfill the obligations therein stated. Also if an attorney is consulted before final settlement disastrous results may be averted. Contrary to popular belief, about seventy-five per cent of a lawyer's time is spent avoiding litigation.

### HALLOWE'EN FROLIC HELD

Many Unique Costumes and Humorous Skits Entertain Large Crowd Friday

The annual Hallowe'en frolic was held in the gym Friday evening. Many unique costumes and humorous skits entertained a large crowd.

After a half hour of merry mixing, Ethel Newberry, social chairman, ordered the grand march to begin. It was a fine contest of stylish marching. Bats, potatoes, Christmas boxes, school children, bands, clowns, old mummies, and others vied to furnish the best presentation of goosesteppes.

The trio of judges, Mr. Perisho, Mr. Frost and Mrs. Curtis Parker, convened to cast their ballot.

After due deliberation and transferring of general opinions the judges awarded the girl's entry to Winnifred Woodward who represented a bat flitting to and fro as quietly as the genuine insectivorous mammal. Some wondered if she could possibly be a vampire bat.

Miss Esther Binford, all wrapped up as a Christmas box, won second place in the girls' group. The sticker on the box said, "Don't open until Santa Says So," but it was necessary to do this in order to see who had won second prize.

A distinguished and audible group from the boys' dorm influenced the judges with their power of music and received first place in the group judging. Second place was awarded to Garnet Guild and Elizabeth Aebischer who presented themselves as two negro washerwomen.

After the judging and awarding of prizes the games were begun. A witches' scramble was held and each boy was grabbed by a girl as soon as the music ceased. This gave ground to the apple relay in which everyone attempted

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### HOLD WORSHIP SERVICE

A Y. W. worship meeting led by Bertha Walton was held October 28. The theme of the meeting, "Service," was brought out by the reading of Van Dyke's "A Handful of Clay" by Bertha Walton. Elizabeth Aebischer read several poems and Eunice Lytle sang as a solo, "Father of Lights." Music for opening and closing the service, "The Lord is in His Holy Temple," was played by Elinor Whipple.

### DR. CULVER ADDRESSES MEETING

Dr. Ray Culver of Portland, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., spoke to the Y. M. and Y. W. on Wednesday, Nov. 4. He told how we are living in a secular age: We have taken away God and substituted gods of nationalism, militarism, and prosperity, the supreme god of today. Dr. Culver then gave the story of Henry Wright, who as a student at Yale answered the call of Christ, and gave his life to service. He was directed by the words of Jesus: "I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me," and he set out to win men to Christ, giving his entire life to helping others. Many were brought to lead better lives through the work of this man, who finally sacrificed his life as a result of his determination to put others before himself.

### JUNIORS-SOPHOMORES WIN

Lyceum Ticket Sale Closed Yesterday With \$326 as Total Amount Raised

The battle is over and the Junior-Sophomore team are victors. On Monday, Nov. 9, the last of the money from the Lyceum ticket-selling contest was turned in, and the blue and red thermometers in the main hall registered the final proceeds.

The Junior-Sophomore team won by a margin of forty dollars. They turned in a total of one hundred and eighty-three dollars, while the Senior-Freshman team had the sum of one hundred and forty-three dollars to their credit. Both teams worked hard and as is customary, the losing side will entertain the victors. So far as is yet known, the entertainment will be in the form of a program.

The finish of this annual house-to-house canvass designates merely the finish of the contest and not the end of the sale of tickets. There is yet a large sum to be raised to complete the purchase of the course and pay expenses. Anyone desiring to attend any numbers on this course will save two dollars by purchasing season tickets.

### DEPUTATION GROUP ORGANIZES S. S. ON CHEHALEM MOUNTAIN

The Deputation group has found many opportunities for service this year. Meetings have been held at various neighboring churches nearly every Sunday since school started, and there has been a good attendance at the Tuesday night prayer meetings.

On Sunday morning, October 25, the group had charge of the service at the Friends church at Scotts Mills, Oregon. Oris Keebaugh was the speaker, and Margaret Nothgar and Marita Williams had charge of the special music. In the afternoon the group started a Sunday school at Gibbs school on Chehalem mountain. About twenty-five persons from the community attended, and plans for a regular Sunday school to be held at 9 a. m. each Sunday were made. On November 1, eight from the group went out and three classes were organized. There seems to be a great deal of interest in the Sunday school on the part of the community.

All students interested in Deputation are invited to attend the prayer meetings on Tuesday nights.

## Scottish Concert Here Last Night

### Quartet of Artists Pleases with Varied Program Presented as First Number of Lyceum

On Monday evening, Nov. 9, the first lyceum number of this year's course was presented to a very appreciative audience in the college chapel. The entertainment given by the Scottish Concert Company, which is composed of Miss McMahon, soprano soloist; Miss Forsythe, dancer; Miss Kimball, pianist; and Mr. Kelvin, master of ceremonies, singer, dancer, and bagpipe player, was varied and full of interest throughout.

#### Program Full of Interest

- The numbers given were as follows:
1. Prologue:  
"There's a Wee Bit Land"  
"Hail, Caledonia" .....Company
  2. Solos:  
"Hurrah for the Highland!"  
"Loch Lomond"  
"The Bells of St. Mary's"  
.....Miss McMahon
  3. Dances:  
The Shean Trews  
The Sword Dance  
.....Miss Forsythe
  4. Songs:  
"Bella, the Belle o' Dunoon"  
"You'll Always Meet a Son o' Bonnie Scotland"  
.....Mr. Kelvin
  5. Piano Solos:  
"Witches' Dance"  
"Country Gardens"  
.....Miss Kimball
  6. Duet—"Huntinglower"  
.....Miss McMahon and Mr. Kelvin
  7. Trio—"When We Were Sweethearts"  
Miss McMahon, Miss Kimball and Mr. Kelvin
  8. Duet—"Whispering Hope"  
.....Miss McMahon and Miss Kimball
  9. Dance—Sailor's Hornpipe and Novelty Tap Dance .....Miss Forsythe
  10. Songs:  
"The Wiggie o' the Kilt"  
"Wait 'Till You See My Mary"  
.....Mr. Kelvin
  11. Bagpipe Selections .....Mr. Kelvin

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### FINANCE PLAN UNDER WAY

After a brief student body meeting Friday, Nov. 6, Loyde Osborn presented a plan for making the financial affairs of the student organizations easier to execute. The plan provides that all the student organizations of the college give their funds over to a common treasurer who would deposit money and check money out of the common bank account. Mr. Weesner explained that the bookkeeping for such an office would be a comparatively simple matter. Loyde explained that the office might be held by a student, an alumnus or a faculty member. The group, before adjournment, agreed that a committee should be appointed with Loyde Osborn as its head to make plans to organize for the new system.



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## YOUR PLACE IN TOMORROW'S WORLD

Young people who are interested in the missionary work of the world are anxiously awaiting the Eleventh Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement. Students from schools and colleges in all parts of the U. S. will be sent to this great gathering as representatives of their school.

Regardless of how pressing their duties in the foreign land may be, some of the greatest leaders in the missionary field have left and are at this time leaving their work to go to Buffalo. There they will give first hand information, teaching, and guidance to the young people of America who are interested in missionary work at home or abroad.

Expenses have been reduced to as low a cost as possible and the railroad companies have cooperated in granting special rates to students traveling to the convention. Nevertheless, from as great a distance as Newberg to New York the fare is still a considerable sum, and it will probably be impossible for Pacific College to be represented in Buffalo this year, although Y. M. and Y. W. leaders of the college have attended previous gatherings of this movement.

Reports of this conference will undoubtedly be issued early in the coming year and will be sent to the Christian Associations here. We will all want to watch the outcome of this meeting and glean from the report what we will not be able to gain from actual attendance in Buffalo.

In a recent talk for the class in New Testament Times, President Pennington described the happy results all Mohammedans believe come about from "dying in defense of the Crescent." What we need is a few Mohammedans.

## WELCOMING HERR FISCHER

The city of Newberg, and Pacific College in particular, is very fortunate to be able to listen to Herr Fischer. This opportunity is a result of the work of our International Relations Club. This group is not satisfied with narrow thinking, so they are branching out.

We should be very glad to have Herr Fischer with us. His presence will be stimulating. Let us be prepared to give our Hungarian guest an enthusiastic welcome and an intelligent hearing.

## STUDENTS WILL GATHER TO DISCUSS WORLD CHANGES

China and Japan at each other's throats—a League disarmament conference in February which will powerfully influence world history in the years ahead—India agonizing in her struggle to work out her national destiny—a tottering economic system that produces industrial conflict and unemployment the world over—shall we in America be mere spectators, or can, **should**, WILL thinking students have any small part in helping toward the solution of these and other similar crises that are racking the world today? Is there any contribution they can make, any point where their thinking can dig in right now?

Certainly the dizzy rapidity of present world-changes demands that they give careful thought to the place of religion in the present world order; while, by the same token, the rapid modifications in the Christian missionary enterprise necessitate a new and penetrating appraisal of the whole purpose and technique of foreign missions.

The most significant student religious gathering during the present academic year will be the meeting of the Eleventh Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement, at Buffalo, New York, December, 30, 1931, to January 3, 1932. Four thousand delegates from the colleges and universities of the United States and Canada are expected to gather there to consider: 1. The present world situation; 2. The place of Christ in this world-picture; 3. The present problems facing World Christianity; 4. The future of Christian Missions.

The program is being arranged with the advice of some of the best student religious leaders and gives every indication of being extremely effective. The Round Table idea for groups has been especially adapted to the needs of this Convention. Qualified and informed leaders on different phases of the Convention purpose will lead enlarged "fireside conversations" to introduce the students to some vital spot of their own knowledge and experience. This is designed to produce discussion without "the pooling of ignorance," and education without the perpetuation of prejudice.

Pullman, Wash (CN).—"Counter-jumping," dishwashing and other means of student self-support are not inimical to scholastic standing, according to the results of an intensive statistical survey announced at Washington State College this week.

Washington, D. C.—Historic Anacostia Island in the Potomac river just west of the White House has been purchased by the Roosevelt Memorial Association as the site of a national memorial to Theodore Roosevelt. Just what form of memorial will be erected on the heavily wooded 90 acre island has not been determined.

Lost in Chapel—A new style feather with a small black hat on it.

"The Barnyard Blues" is not much of a song for words, but Oh, what an air!

## HALLOWE'EN FROLIC HELD

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ed to balance an apple on the end of a long thin stick and parade from one end of the gym to the other and back again.

A miniature football game furnished barrels of fun. Tom Howard, referee, had to dodge the hand slides of Dennis McGuire and Chester Weed of one team and the offside playing by Don Larimer and Willie Post of the other team. The battle was climaxed by every man listening to the birdies sing. Harry Christie entered as water boy and restored the glory of the game by reviving the young men with sawdust.

The genrichy race was marred by an accident to Mr. Pennington who fell and struck the floor. In all, the hen, Mr. Weesner, laid the golden egg. The donkey, Mr. Armstrong, was still braying last we heard of him.

After so many exciting events a group picture was taken by Roger Hart and everyone smiled their best. For partners the boys had to draw a girl's slipper from a box and then find the girl. Some boys couldn't find the shoe they wanted so they went home.

Cider and pie a la mode were served cafeteria style. Everyone became quiet and the lights were dimmed while Miss Binford told a thrilling ghost story. Immediately following this the upper classes journeyed their respective ways and left the poor greenies to dismantle all decorations and temporary fixtures, which they did in grand style.

## QUESTING FOR LETTERS

The Reed College Quest carries a column in each issue headed "The Letter Box." One of the suprising things about this column is that it uses letters that have actually been received from students. The Crescent has a letter box placed in the main hall and it would carry two columns of letters, if any arrived.

The last Quest letter box used two letters. The first said:

"The purpose of a newspaper on any campus is to depict current events about the school to the students. It is not for the purpose of giving one's idea on Hooverism and Pollyannaism; or giving news on latest developments in the League of Nations and so forth. A paper is for its readers, so why not have college news, gossip and activity within its columns instead of this matter which one meets every day within his sociology class or economics class as it may be."

And then came a reply: "It would seem a pity that woodmen should fell trees, and that countless others should expend their efforts in the process of producing paper for the sake of printing such stuff as has of late appeared in our most illuminating paper. I refer not to your paper in general, but in particular to such noble writings as . . . your last editorial in which you stated, 'A primary duty of a school paper as we see it is to give a fair cross-section of school opinion—'. I must say that what with the world problems which confront every thinking man and woman of today, if there is no better material available as student thought, if students are not concerned with problems which threaten international, national, and local aspects of civilization, problems of social, political, economic or other culture import, it were much better to leave unsaid such 'fair cross-sections of school opinions'."

These two outbursts were well timed and only go to illustrate a point. In the words of the column's promoter—"If we were only sure that it wouldn't offend somebody, and had the money to put up for prizes, we would immediately announce a contest on the subject, 'What is a poor editor to do?'"

Thank God there are no Monday mornings in heaven.

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## Red Cross Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The annual enrollment of members which the American Red Cross will launch on Armistice Day, November 11, this year signalizes the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of that organization.

The views of Dr. Livingston Farrand, president of Cornell, are distinctly in point here, because not only has he looked forward, but he has borne in mind how closely the future of all things now with us is allied with the forward-looking generation now in the country's educational institutions.

After detailing the trials of the post-war period of reorganization, with which he was closely identified in his years of association with the Red Cross and which he likened to the problems confronting it today, he told, not long ago, an audience of Red Cross leaders and representatives from all over the nation:

"I have to do, year in and year out, with American youth, and I hear a great many aspersions cast, particularly by the older generation, which never speaks the language of youth, upon the qualities of the present generation. Take my word for it, the present generation of youth is infinitely better than your and my generation. It is the best we have known.

"It is free from misconceptions and prejudices and hypocracies in which you and I were bred without protest

on our part; and now there is a tendency to see clearly and, if we can inspire that group with this spirit which has made the Red Cross what it is, there is no doubt as to the future.

"I do not look for any great, new, dramatic development in the program of the Red Cross. I don't think it needs it. The superb readiness which has developed during these last ten years in the face of emergent catastrophe, the readiness to act, and not only the readiness to act but the ability to act effectively—no one can doubt that in the face of national peril, should it arise, the Red Cross would be again the expression of a patriotic spirit which was the finest thing that was aroused by the trial through which we passed in 1917."

The Red Cross movement has an international side which must, both at present and in the future, hold interest for all Americans. At the close of the World War, in the course of peace-time adjustment, there was created the League of Red Cross Societies, through American leadership, and a sponsorship which has continued in the post-war years. Through the League there has developed a growing international relationship in the Red Cross field.

Thus, today, the Red Cross in rounding its first fifty years, is putting into practical effect that spirit of helpfulness at home and abroad in which it had its inception.

## PACIFIC U. WINS FROM P. C.

### Quaker Team Makes Only Score in First Play—Lack of Subs Cripples

On Friday, Oct. 30, the Pacific University Baby Badgers visited Newberg and overwhelmed the crippled P. C. team. With but eleven men able to face the invaders, the local boys played as if they were afraid of injury and the necessity of playing with but 10 men. It wasn't a game. Although the score showed 37-7, only two of the University's touchdowns were earned. The remainder of the score was piled up because of sloppy tackling, intercepted passes, and poor defensive work.

The College boys were decidedly off their game in the first half, their lone score being the result of a nice run behind interference that accidentally clicked. Denny McGuire scored the only touchdown on the opening kickoff of the game. After that, the team collapsed, and the only factor was time. At the half, the score was 23-7. A terrific "talking to" between halves by Coach Armstrong was responded to by a burst of spirit that held the game scoreless in the third quarter. But a frantic rush for a touchdown resulted in one fumble, and one intercepted pass, both of which gave the Badgers 7 points.

The high-lights of the game, as far as the P. C. boys were concerned, were an intercepted pass which Tom Howard carried to a touchdown, only to find that his team had been off-side, and the opening play in which McGuire starred.

No one was injured because no one played hard enough to get hurt. However, the game was just one of those "off games" that every team knows so well.

Last Friday's game with Monmouth was called off because the injuries to Pacific's team were still in evidence, and the boys were intent on getting patched up to get a whack at Reed next Friday. With Jim Haworth, Ronny Hutchins, and Don Larimer back in the harness next week, and with a tough week's practice in view, the team is pointing toward a possible victory from Reed at home.

## I. R. C. BOOKS

Besides being of value to the members themselves, the International Relations Club wishes to be of service to the entire student body and faculty. Consequently it has placed its books at the disposal of anyone wishing to use them. The books are found in the Library Annex beside and below Dr. Perisho's reserve. They are to be used, not as reserve books, but as regular library books, except for a few special privileges extended to club members. They will be handled from the Annex desk.

Mayur's "America Looks Abroad" and Patterson's "The World's Economic Dilemma" are of special interest in this time of depression. The Draft Convention of the Preparatory Commission for the February Disarmament Conference will be found valuable. A Fortnightly Summary of International Events comes to each club member and to the Library.

Don't be afraid to make use of the club's literature—it is there for your convenience.

## PENNINGTON TO BROADCAST

Next Saturday evening, Nov. 14, from 5:00 until 6:00 there will be a national and local broadcast over KGW in the interests of the Liberal Arts colleges.

Pacific students will be interested to know that the local broadcast from 5:00 until 5:30 will include addresses by President Levi T. Pennington, and by President Norman F. Coleman of Reed College. Special music will also be presented.

The speakers on the national program, from 5:30 until 6:00, are to be President Herbert Hoover, Dr. John H. Finley, and Dr. Robert L. Kelly, executive secretary of the Association of American Colleges.

Women in Japan attend classes at some of the universities, but they are only visitors and receive no credits or degrees. Anyone who talks co-education is considered a pickle-headed boy.

Eldon (in restaurant): "Would you like a little shrimp?"

Bernice: "Say, what are you doing, proposing?"

## OUR NATIONAL FORESTS

There are fourteen national forests in Oregon, and eight in Washington. These forests belong to the American people. You own an interest in them. They are not locked up as "reserves," so don't even call them "reserves." They are "national forests," handled by the U. S. Forest Service, to produce the greatest returns in wood, forage, water storage, and recreation for the American people.

Ripe timber, needed for lumber and industry, is sold to the highest bidder. It is cut in such a way that a new crop may grow on the same ground. Permits are issued to stockmen to graze their sheep and cattle on the grass and weeds of the forest. This use, too, is properly regulated so that other forest values may not be damaged. Forested hillsides are protected to conserve and regulate streamflow for water power, irrigation and city drinking water. Public campgrounds are set aside for the public, and summer home sites are leased, where mountain cabins may be built.

Of all the money taken in by the Forest Service from timber sales, grazing, water power, and special uses, 25 per cent is returned to the counties to be used for roads and schools. The Forest Service also spends large sums of money in the forest communities building roads, trails, telephone lines, and other permanent improvements, as well as for protection. The greatest benefit, however, is the proper handling and use of these forests for the best interests of the people, and the growing of new tree crops for the future.

It seems that Carl Sandoz may eventually complete the business trips to Corvallis to see a man about a dog.

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## SEVEN Y. W. GIRLS ATTEND CONFERENCE AT LINFIELD

Seven members of the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet attended a Y. W. conference held at Linfield College, Saturday, Nov. 7. Miss Sutton and Mrs. Hubert Armstrong attended as advisors and took active part in the conference. Delegates from five colleges—Pacific University, Willamette University, Linfield College, Oregon State Normal, and Pacific College, met to talk over problems confronting them.

The conference was called to order by Lucy Ellen Beal, President of the Y. W. C. A. at Linfield. Devotions were led by the delegation from Willamette. Miss Parker, student secretary from O. S. C., discussed the National Y. W. C. A. as a unit and the student Y. W.'s in relation to that unit. From 10:15 to 11:15 individual meetings of the different committee chairmen—Finance, World Fellowship, Worship, Social, Social Service, and Publicity—were held. Following this a fifteen minute intermission was allowed during which the girls got acquainted and talked over plans already made.

Announcement concerning the forthcoming Newport Conference, Pan-American Conference at Reed College, Seabeck Conference, National Convention, and Student Volunteer Conference at Buffalo, N. Y., were made by various delegates.

Lunch hour proved a happy time. Group singing was led by Mrs. Armstrong. Each of the member at the conference had brought her own lunch; coffee and tea were served.

The hour from 1:00 to 2:00 p. m. was given over to reports of the committee meetings held earlier in the day.

A group discussion on local campus problems, led by Willa Hayes, proved useful and encouraging.

Mrs. Dielschneider, president of the McMinnville Women's Club, closed the conference with a short address on the subject of "Prayer, Power and Personality."

## SCOTTISH CONCERT HERE LAST NIGHT

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### 12. Solos:

"Annie Laurie"  
"Comin' Thru the Rye"  
"Blue Danube"

.....Miss McMahon  
Finale—Group of Sir Harry Lauder's songs, by the company.

If this first number may be taken as an indication, the course promises to be worth while and extremely interesting.

### CAMPUS GLIMPSES

George Denman has left school to accept a position as a meteorologist.

Helen Williams, "Gen" Hollingworth, Mary Sue Binford, Noel Bowman, Archie Yergen, "Spud" Post, and Ralph Moore were among the old students at the Hallowe'en party.

Believe it or not, the cemetery is a center of attraction—especially after Hallowe'en parties.

Of all the Lyceum canvassing experiences Sandy seems to have gotten the worst of the deal.

The American History class has gone back to the good old days when everybody was using crayons to color maps. Even Coach is doing it.

Coffee has been added to the dormitory menu.

### Good Old Days

The good old days must be coming back again. Read a sign down the street that said: "Ladies Ready to Wear Clothing."

## CHAPEL TALKS

Tuesday, Nov. 3

A brief review of the life of Thomas A. Edison was presented in chapel Tuesday morning by Pres. Pennington.

Thomas A. Edison was born in Milan, Ohio, February 11, 1874. He was of Dutch ancestry on his father's side and of Scotch on his mother's side. His formal education was limited to three months in public school. At twelve years of age he was a newsboy and three years later he became a telegraph operator. He had been studying previously in this field and handled it with remarkable success.

In 1868, at twenty-one years of age, he patented his first invention. It is hard to realize the tremendous mental ability and persistence which this scientific wizard must have had in order to accomplish so much. He held over one thousand patents. There fittingly have been conferred upon him a great many medals and honorary degrees. He was commander of the Legion of Honor, by the French government and received the congressional gold medal. The honorary degrees conferred upon him are Ph. D., Doctor of Law, and Doctor of Science.

Although he may be pronounced dead, yet in a fuller sense Thomas A. Edison is not dead but is very much alive in the world today.

October 27

Pres. Pennington gave an appropriate talk Tuesday, Oct. 27, on prohibition—not prohibition as we usually think of it, as referring to the liquor traffic—but prohibition regarding our own personal conduct. The problem is an age old one, that of a suitable place for students to study.

Last year the student body chose a committee which each week turned in the names of those students causing unnecessary disturbances in Room 14, with recommendations that they stay out of that room for a week. The reports were accepted and carried out every week.

It seemed wise to change the system this year. The library annex, under both student and faculty supervision, has so far been quite successful. However, it is sometimes necessary to remind students that the room is for study.

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Pacific is a Quaker college. Therefore Pacific is peaceful. Well, maybe, but inspite of its peacefulness discussions have been heard. In fact if students are inclined to bring up certain topics they may be heard at any time. Perhaps the easiest subject to start a more or less heated discussion on would be traditions.

What are traditions and why are traditions? According to the dictionary tradition is "the transmission of knowledge, opinions, doctrines, customs, practices, etc., from generation to generation, originally by word of mouth and by example, though afterward embodied in literature; unwritten especially in illiterate communities and distinguished as oral tradition." Well, that seems to answer the first question—aside from omitting paddles as a means of transmitting traditions. Now, the second question is not so easily settled. The prevalent arguments are that traditions hold up previously set standards, that they further school spirit, and give the school an interesting background. Then of course they give an occasional air of merriment from time to time.

The reasons for having some of the traditions at Pacific are more or less obscure even if the penalties for breaking them are very much in evidence. Some time in ages past these traditions have been started for some good reason but the originators were probably not thinking of posterity. All of which brings us to the third question, which is: Are the traditions now "in vogue" worth while? Herein will doubtless lie the discussion (long and loud!).

For the sake of diplomacy this article will only be "con." In the writer's opinion, the best tradition on the

campus is the one of greeting every fellow student and every faculty member in a pleasant and courteous manner wherever and whenever they are met. With it should be mentioned the courteous attention Pacific students have always given visitors and chapel speakers. Another one that should not be entirely forgotten is the entertaining of Newberg High School seniors in the spring. Like the poor, and mosquitoes, we have with us always, wearing of freshman caps, clapping in chapel, use of the south door, and hanging coats someplace beside the bannisters. In the spring we must remember that only seniors pick flowers on the front campus.

Some other questions might be asked, entirely in the spirit of inquiry—for be it known the writer is in favor of keeping up the majority of our traditions—would be these: Is it not possible to run some things "into the ground"? Is it not rather easy to let some of our worthwhile traditions go while we stress some that have no reason or value?

Please do not start a war over this but let's think about it for a while.

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