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Washington's Attitude

Last year, after the O. A. C. game had been scheduled, Washington offered Oregon November 12, and although November 19 was vacant on their schedule, refused to consider any other date. A week ago, indications were that the Washington-Idaho game for November 5 was off, because of the intolerable terms Manager Zednick demanded of Idaho. Briefly, his proposition was to give Idaho fifty per cent of the net receipts, after the two thousand odd Washington students had been admitted free. With this fifty per cent of unguaranteed receipts, Idaho was to defray the heavy expenses of the trip from Moscow to Seattle, to which the Idaho manager quite naturally demurred. Learning of this hitch in the arrangements, Manager Watson wired to Seattle for the date, but has been calmly ignored, and as yet has not been vouchsafed a reply.

Washington's striking athletic successes the past two years have evidently gone to her head, disturbing the equilibrium and the mental balance which should characterize such a great college as is Washington. Impatient of her classification with the smaller conference universities, as Oregon, Whitman and Idaho, which she stigmatizes as "fresh water colleges," Washington is attempting to domineer over and dictate to her sister institutions of the Northwest. She is riding rough shod for a fall. A fall which will be the harder because of her pretensions and self assumed leadership. Defeat from a despised opponent is always doubly bitter. None of us in the Northwest envy Washington's recent good fortune. In the last two years of her phenomenal athletic success, we have accepted defeats without rancor. We have rejoiced with her in her remarkable growth in numbers, and we have taken a neighborly pride in her splendid new buildings.

But with all this success Washington has assumed an attitude of domination, aloofness and disdain for conference rules and conference colleges which bodes ill for the success of the organization. Perhaps Washington chafes under her classification with small colleges and desires to disrupt the conference, as her recent attitude and actions bids fair to do. She should, however, realize that by the force of all natural, irrevocable conditions, we in the Northwest are her logical associates, and she should patiently bear with our failings, until we become her equal in size, as we surely will, in the natural course of events. Instead, Washington places herself above the law, brazenly disregards conference rules, and attempts to dictate to her neighbors. Mucklestone and Eakins, who have been largely instrumental in her football successes, are ineligible. Her victorious track team of 1910 was built around Brailley Gish, who has competed for money, and this fall Washington has endeavored to dictate unreasonable terms for football games to both Idaho and O. A. C.. Manager Zednick refuses Oregon a date, but the Washington dispatches state that

he will probably hold the team together for a casual Holiday game with the University of Indiana.

Great college, as it is, Washington is surely justified in its attempt to broaden its scope, and to include in its schedules the Middle Western and California colleges, and as a good neighbor we will rejoice when Washington defeats Indiana on the gridiron, or California on the water. Because of natural situation, however, Washington must find her chief sphere of activities in the Northwest, and should not adopt an overbearing attitude toward her Northwest neighbors.

Besides, self-erected pedestals are always dangerous and apt to topple unexpectedly. Washington can not win forever. Some of the "fresh water colleges" might defeat her to her never ending chagrin.

MR. VORIES TALKS TO M. ON WORK IN JAPAN

"Planting a Y. M. C. A. in the Stronghold of Buddhism," was the subject of an interesting address, given last night, by Mr. Wm. M. Vories, of Omy, Japan, who for five years has been engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in the interior. Only a fair sized audience was present, but the closest attention was given to Mr. Vories' account of his thrilling experiences in this work.

Six years ago, Mr. Vories went to Japan to teach English in a government school. He was the only person of his race among eight hundred thousand people, and only one of whom was able to speak English intelligibly. Showing American pictures and teaching American games, he organized a Bible class among them. In six months, this was divided into four classes, with a total enrollment of three hundred and twenty men. Though the Buddhist priests, with a number of students immediately began a violent opposition, often resorting to personal violence, the members of the Bible classes refused to give up their study. Mr. Vories was finally discharged from the school, but not until he had built and paid for a Y. M. C. A. building. In spite of this opposition, the work increased, until, at the present time, he has under him six paid secretaries, with branches of the Y. M. C. A. established in a number of the surrounding towns. The opposition has changed to co-operation, and he is now engaged to give a series of lectures on "Christian Ethics" in the school from which he was discharged for teaching Christianity privately a few years before.

Mr. Vories has been in America several months, endeavoring to raise \$8,000 with which to build another building. The money is now pledged, and he will sail on Saturday for Japan. For the past four years the local association has contributed to the work of Mr. Vories, and therefore was especially interested.

FROLIC PROMISED AT SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE

Informality and Democracy Will
Mark Student Dance

Preparations are moving apace in the Men's Gymnasium for the first student body dance, to be held on November 5. The floor bids fair to rival the slipperiness of glass, and the music will be, to say the least, irresistible. Informality and democracy of spirit will prevail, and the best time of the season may be anticipated. Everyone seems imbued with enthusiasm over the prospects, and a large attendance is assured.

The date of the first student body dance has been set for Saturday evening, November 5.

CALENDAR
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* Friday, Nov. 4—
* 7:00 P. M., Deady, Y. M. C. A.
* 8:00 P. M., Deady, Engineering Club.
* 8:00 P. M., Kappa Alpha Theta, open house.
* Saturday, Nov. 5—
* 2:30 P. M., Kincaid Field, U. of O.
* Freshmen vs. O. A. C. Freshmen.
* 7:30 P. M., Deady, Laurean Society.
* 8:15 P. M., Men's Gym., student body dance.
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ALGEBRA EXAMINATION STUMPS RHODES MEN

Too Long to be Answered in the
Time Allotted

Those who took the Rhodes scholarship examinations express grave doubt as to whether they passed. In the main the examinations were not difficult, so they say, except the one in Algebra.

The problems were long and there were many of them, and no one of the five taking the examination was able to finish it in the allotted two hours.

Dean Collins, in speaking of the examination, said: "The problems were not so difficult as they were long. None of us came anywhere near finishing this examination. I figure that my highest possible grade in Algebra is 62 per cent." The papers are graded at Oxford, England, and the returns are expected about the first week in December.

Owl Club Meets

The Owl Club held its second meeting of this year at the Tri Delta house Tuesday evening. After a short business meeting the Owls enjoyed a few informal dances. Refreshments characteristic of the season were served in the dining room.

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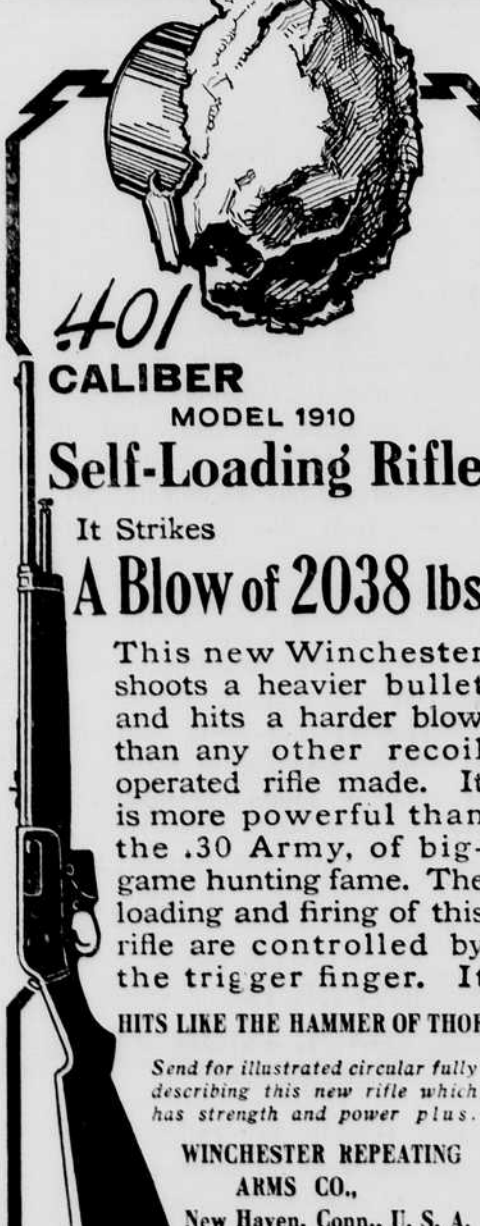
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