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COMBINED SENIOR CLASSES CHOOSE VALEDICTORY GIFT

A combined meeting of the Senior classes of Arts, Science and Agriculture was held Thursday noon in Arts 100 with Doug. Telford in the chair.

Various ideas for the 1928 Valedictory Gift were considered. These included a stone bench in commemoration of Dr. Wesbrook; a memorial on the Fairview site to the old University in consideration of the fact that the class 28 was the last to attend the old buildings; a drinking fountain as a memorial to Dr. Wesbrook; and a painting of Dr. Wesbrook. The meeting was so enthusiastic over the suggestion of the memorial bench that a vote was immediately taken, resulting in the adoption of this idea as a Valedictory Gift.

The importance of getting the class writings for the Annual in early was stressed, in order that the members might obtain the Annuals before Graduation. The class proposes to have an excursion to Wigwam Inn, so that the Seniors might become better acquainted with one another. The date of this event was set for Wednesday, January 25. The class will meet in front of the Science Building at one o'clock and busses will be supplied to take the students to the boat at the foot of Gore Ave. The boat will leave at 1.30, and arrive home about 10 o'clock. Everyone is expected to go "stag." Tea-dances, or bridge-teas were the other alternatives, but were rejected as being too effeninate for stalwart Science hemen and Aggies.

The Senior Ball, another all-important subject was not dealt with on account of the lack of time. The subject, however, is being considered by the combined executive, who will outline plans and dates for the draw and Senior Ball at the next meeting. The draw, it is expected, will take place about February 23 and the dance approximately two weeks later.

Non-Confidence Vote Defeats Government

Will the present government remain in power? That was the question arising in the minds of the members of the House when the Students' Parliament met on Wednesday afternoon. Non-members, who occupied many seats in the gallery, were most likely attracted by the Murphy versus Murphy fight which was about to ensue.

Hon. Paul Murphy opened by moving a resolution of non-confidence in the present government, whose Premier is the Hon. Denis Murphy, Mr. Murphy contended that the present government had failed in its aim, which was essentially to teach something of parliamentary procedure, and to encourage the students to become interested in questions of politics. He stated that it was unconstitutional, inasmuch as the Parliament had not been opened by the speech from the throne. Secondly that there is no Cabinet, but that the Premier had two or three friends gathered around him. Special parts of the discourse appeared to be directed against the Hon. Premier's "man on his right." This was Mr. Ah. Whitely, the talented politician notoriously skilful in parliamentary procedure. Likewise, said the rebellious Murphy, the government has few supporters. There is no party and no platform.

Evidently the government wished power. Only resolutions had been brought up, most of which the party in power had lost, and furthermore no bills which would question the power of the government had been introduced. They have been sincere outwardly, he said, but there has been no action. "There has been much smoke and no flame." On such grounds was rooted the resolution of non-confidence.

It greatly grieved the Hon. F. C. Pilkington to second this motion. Although the policy of the government was stated to be the discussion of topical affairs, this had not been car-

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GREV. ROWLAND, ARTS '29

DENIS MURPHY, ARTS '29

DEBATERS MEET PRAIRIE TEAM

To-night in the auditorium of King Edward High School, one of the major debates of the year takes place, when Messrs. Greville Rowland and Denis Murphy meet Messrs. George Britnell and George Nainby of the University of Saskatchewan. With their eyes turned to the much coveted cup offered to the Western Universities for debating supremacy, both teams will mount the rostrum determined to secure the trophy. Sarcasm, rhetoric, irony, scathing denunciation and burning appeal will be offered to the audience in the attempt to prove and disprove that "Commercial imperialism is a perpetual menace to international peace." This oral battle is scheduled to begin at eight fifteen o'clock. Those attending will be gently relieved of the small sum of twenty-five cents at the door.

The Saskatchewan team arrived this morning, endeavoring to look subdued, but reminding one of caged lions awaiting the opportunity to spring upon their prey. Mr. Leslie Brown, President of the Alma Mater, will be in the chair and will restrain the contending gladiators from other than oral attacks upon each other. With eager expectancy the student body is preparing to attend the combat, their deeper passion for gore having overcome their softer instincts.

Debating at this University has suffered a decline during the last three years, a condition which the Imperial debates only helped to emphasize. But the sale of tickets for to-night's contest reveals a new enthusiasm which may mark a revival of interset in debating.

On Tuesday night, Bill Masterson and David Wodlinger struggled down to the C. P. R. station, burdened by the weight of suit cases, hand bags, and trunks crammed with documents closely covered with words and figures. A small crowd of well-wishers accompanied them to the station and mourned their departure. They were off to the little village of Winnipeg, where people drive round in binders and men do business in pools. There they are to fire off their pop-guns, shot-guns, and howitzers against the mighty array of arguments to be produced by the stalwarts of the University of Manitoba.

In to-night's debate here the scramble for African concessions, for Chinese territory, and for Central American republics will be treated in new and startling ways. Fresh motives and desires will be attributed to all the nations who have helped the poor, or it may be grasping industrial leaders to get a start in the world. Sweated labor, the white man's burden, and civilization, are due to be hurled around to make confusion worse confounded. Economic students should welcome this opportunity of increasing their knowledge by the pill method, history students should perceive fresh lights among the broadsides, while both pressimists and optimists may promise themselves new causes of grief and joy. Science men will have an opportunity to make original research in gas emission and absorption. "Come old folks, come young folks."

Reformation in Debates

To-night the second International Debate of the year will take place. If it is anything like former debates, approximately two per cent. of the student body will be present. Some of these will be there because of their real interest in debating; others merely because of a sense of duty. These conditions have prevailed in college debating for the last four or five years.

At the outset let it be clearly understood that we are casting no reflections upon the Debates' manager or the debaters. They have made the best of a difficult situation and they perceive the need for some reformation just as we do. We think that in view of the labour that is expended both by the debaters and the manager better results ought to be forthcoming.

It is obvious that there is something wrong with the system. Is it a system which gives most benefit to and yields most interest to students? We can say with the authority of experience that it does not.

Under the present system debaters are chosen by means of a three or five-minute try-out speech. That is they are judged principally on their delivery and only secondarily on their ability to reason and argue.

The debaters so chosen enter two weeks of hard training, preparing every possible argument. During this period they have no practice whatever, they meet no other team, in a word have no actual experience in debating their subject.

This is certainly not a system calculated to produce the best results. The participants obtain no practice whatever in impromptu debating, and it is in that that the real merit of debating consists.

We advocate an entire reformation in the debating systems of the College and we feel confident that both the debaters and the Debates' manager will agree with us. A debating union which all students with an interest in speaking would be members, would provide the necessary opportunity for impromptu speaking which is essential for a good debater. This is the system which prevails in the Eastern and Old-Country Universities and its results are best seen by the prominent place which debating holds in the student activities.

In concluding, we do not think that debating justifies the time and money spent upon it in view of the small amount of interest which it arouses among students. Unless the system is entirely reformed and made sufficiently alive to arouse interest and to be of actual benefit to many more students, it is not right that so much of the Alma Mater funds and so much time of two or three people should be so spent.

Coming Events

Friday, Jan. 20—
- Sask. Debate, K.E.H.S., 8.15 p.m.
- Ice Hockey Play-offs, Int. vs. Ex-King George, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 21—
- Rugby, Science vs. Firemen. Arts vs. King Edward Old Boys.
- Soccer, Varsity vs. Canadian Legion.
- Basketball, Sen. "A" Women, Normal Gym.
- Sen. "A" Men, at Y.M.C.A.

Monday, Jan. 23—
- Bursar's "At Home"
- Aggie Dance.

Tuesday, Jan. 24—
- S. C. M., Mrs. Helen MacGill, "Child Welfare."
- Ice Hockey, Int. vs. Ex-King George, 5 p.m.

Aggie Dance to be Held on Monday

The faculty of Agriculture has been very busy in the last few days and preparations are well under way for the big Cowbell Ball. The Aggies have been rather secretive and the student body is expecting something quite novel when the curtain is raised at Lester's Court at nine o'clock on the night of Monday, January 23rd. From what little information Ken Moffat would give out it would seem that the dance will be conducted in a new manner which will make it even peppier than in past years. His only definite statement was that a new and even better formula would be used for the punch. The famous chicken sandwiches which have been a feature of the dance for the past ten years will again hold a premier position among the refreshments. Tickets will be on sale to-day noon at the ticket office.

SCIENCE MEET FIREMEN IN FEATURE WEEK-END GAME

Arts will Tangle with King Edward Old Boys—Two Intermediate Fixtures

Still showing the same spirit which was manifested at the first of the year, on Wednesday afternoon over forty-five Varsity Ruggers went through a good work-out under the careful instruction of coaches Tyrwhitt and Granger. The field was frozen hard and the weather anything but ideal. Nevertheless, this did not deter the enthusiasts from the task in hand. Jack handled the seniors who showed plenty of energy, probably due to the cold, while Bob Granger put the intermediates and Frosh through their paces.

ATTENTION!

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SCIENCE PLAY FIREMEN

Four fixtures have been arranged for the week-end menu in the English code, two senior games and a double header in the intermediate series. In the main event Science will tackle the notorious hook and ladder brigade on the Brockton oval at 3:15 p. m. sharp, while the Arts team will clash with the King Edward Old Boys on the lower oval at the same time. In the intermediate division Varsity meets the Meraloma "B" at Strathcona at 2:15, and the Freshmen are to play Ex-King George on the local campus at 3:00 p.m.

The Science-Firemen game promises to be a real battle and many an old feud will be renewed. It is rumoured that the life-savers have arranged a special reception committee for Sparks & Co.

To feel the strength of the Firemen's team one has only to refer to last week-end when the town-hall squad held the fast Ex-King George aggregation 8—3. This means that Science is going to have to step. Bill Locke will be back in armour. Phil Barratt, having used great diplomacy, is back again.

VANCOUVER TO OFFER STRONG TEAM

According to the latest reports the Vancouver aggregation which will meet Varsity about February 10th in the next McKechnie Cup game is to

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L.S.D. PROPOSES TO ABOLISH SELF

At their regular meeting last Monday afternoon the Literary and Scientific Department disturbed the tranquillity of that August body known as the Students' Council by passing a resolution which may seem rather startling to most of the student body. Moved by Miss Watts, it read as follows: "that the Lit. and Scientific Department as constituted at present be abolished and in its place there be a Junior Member on the Council representing all interests now represented by the Literary and Scientific Department."

Those who have followed the activities of the L. S. D. during the past term have probably noticed that a surprisingly high percentage of its work is concerned with class and club budgets and bills. After the budgets have been approved there is little more to be done than the routine business of checking and paying bills. It is quite apparent that this function could be performed at least as expediently by one person. If this student were also a member of the Students' Council financial matters could be attended to both speedily and conveniently.

This year in particular there has been considerable conflict between the L. S. D. and Council. The recommendations of the Literary Department have been rejected and its resolutions retold by Council to such an extent that it has accomplished very little beyond the routine overseeing of expenditures of the various clubs coming under its supervision. It is therefore felt that much time would be saved by referring all but such routine directly to the Council. After some discussion the motion was carried.

It was moved and carried that the following bills be paid:

Players' Club	$150.00
Social Science Club	4.00
C. H. Williams	50.00
Orchestral Music	9.55
Orchestrations	15.60

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KLEPTOMANIACS ??

Among the student body there is existing a group of people guilty of "petty pilfering." Latterly this has noticeably increased until now it is impossible for a student to leave his or her coat in the cloak room for any length of time without valuables being removed from the pockets. It is not always that the loss is that of a purely material nature for the loss of a gift, no matter how intrinsic the value, is often much more regrettable. Not only do pens and purses disappear but, especially towards the end of the term, loose-leaf note books are also removed—a fact in itself which throws the blame directly upon some student and not upon an outsider.

These petty thefts do not point to any mean spirit of revenge but are committed, as the many **empty** purses in the Book Store would imply, solely for the sake of a few cents or some car tickets. As to the indolent persons—they are not worthy of the name of students—who take loose-leaf note books, their crime is even greater. The fact that they are too lazy to take notes for themselves and yet will benefit from the work of others speaks for itself. Considering that the value of notes to the owner is many times greater than the value to the person who pilfers them the loss is all the more to be deplored.

It seems inevitable that in any large organization there should be a certain amount of this petty pilfering, but that it is becoming so prevalent in this University is indeed disgraceful. Such losses do not go without comment and, as is so often the case, the story grows in the telling, with the result that a few dishonest people bring disrepute to the good name of our University.

The disciplinary system of a university, whether an honour system or otherwise, has little or no effect upon people guilty of these thefts. It is only to be hoped that a word of warning to such evil doers will, if not improve existing conditions, at least check the growth of a most dishonourable habit.

CANADA, COMMERCE, AND THE UNIVERSITY

A year or so ago a deputation from the Vancouver Board of Trade interviewed the Senate and desired them to establish a course in Business Administration at the University. The Senate, while concurring with the request, was unable to accede to it because of the large expenditure involved.

Recently the Kiwanis Club passed a resolution favoring the forming of such a course here. It is quite evident that when two important bodies of citizens which contain some of the most influential and best-informed men in the province, express a wish for higher education in this branch, their opinion may be taken as representative of that of the enlightened electorate in Vancouver. This being the case, we do not think that the students of the University would be asking too much, if, at the coming session of the Legislature, they were to seek a grant to found a Chair in Business Administration in 1929.

The University of British Columbia undertakes to put groups of students well on the road to becoming high school teachers, or metallurgists, or nurses, or chemists, or physicists, or civil engineers, to name but a few professions.

Why should it not, then, aid students to become efficient business men?

R. H. NEELANDS SPEAKS ON LABOR

An interested crowd of students turned out on Tuesday noon at the first S. C .M. lecture for the term, to hear Mr. R. H. Neelands, M.L.A, speak on the subject of "Labor." Mr. Neeland first traced the growth of the Labor Movement, comparing labor conditioins in different periods of history, slavery, serfdom, the Guild system, the changes brought about by the Industrial revolution, and the organization of labor in the International Trades Unions. He described the work of the Trades Unions, using the Typographical Union of which he is a member as an illustration. Some of the activities of his union are correspondence courses, a home for the sick and the aged, old age pensions, and above all the work done in bettering conditions in the work-room, wages and hours of work. In closing the speaker showed how the same principles could be applied to the whole of the community.

Next Tuesday at 12.10 p.m., Mrs. Helen MacGill, Jduge of the Juvenile Court will speak on "A Co-ordinated Programme of Child Welfare." Mrs. MacGill's ability and achievements are well known and the students are looking forward with enthusiasm to this lecture.

MUSICAL SOCIETY

The Musical Society has added another very enjoyable event to its list of successes. On Wednesday evening in Killarney Hall, the members of the Society laid aside, for the time being, their higher aesthetic sense and, under the patronage of Dr. and Mrs. MacDonald and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Williams, disported themselves to the excellent jazz provided by several of the members. Dancing was interspersed by games and singing and judging by the volume of sound everyone enjoyed himself thoroughly; but it is extremely doubtful whether at all times during the evening the society would be recognized as distinctly musical. The success of the party was largely due to the capable management of Miss Edith Dwinnell and Dick Lucas.

Inter Class Debate

Education is scheduled to meet Agriculture in an inter-class debate on February 8 . Agriculture is the home team and has chosen the subject, "Resolved that the proposed expenditure of $10,000,000 by Canada for two warships be upheld."

Will the Education Rep. see Lindsay Black, Agriculture, to arrange sides.

COUNCIL MEETING

At a meeting of the Students' Council on Monday night plans were laid for the Victoria College Invasion, which comes off February 3, 4 and 5. These will be a dance, probably at the Winter Garden on Friday night, and a basketball dance at Normal Gym on Saturday. The usual athletic contests will complete the programme of entertainment.

The minutes of the various societies and organizations were passed. It was decided that the Badminton team will not be sent to Kelowna, as had been planned. The Musical Society's annual concert was announced for March 2 and 3.

Council drew up a resolution protesting against the proposed constitution of a roadhouse in close proximity to the University Campus. Copies of this resolution have been sent to the Premier and the Minister of Lands.

SOCIETY OF THOTH

Last Tuesday afternoon between the hours of three and four p.m., the Scribes of Thoth attended a delightful Pink Tea in the "black hole" of the cafeteria. Covers were laid for twelve, and the tables were most appropriately decorated with blue, rose, and orange table centres. A waitress and Mr. Moss took it in turns to pour tea. The ices were already cut.

The plans for the year were discussed in between times, and a new Scribe of the Papyrus, Mr. R. Gordon was elected. The next meeting of the club was arranged for Wednesday evening at 7.30. All members are invited to attend this assembly at the home of Miss N. King, 4636 8th Ave. West. Members are requested to watch the notice boards.

ARTS MEN

Tuesday noon of next week there will be a general meeting of the Arts Men's Undergrad in Arts 100. Business will include discussion of a smoker or banquet. Such an event offers the only opportunity we have to come together as the members of a faculty. If you feel sure that you could not enjoy a faculty smoker or banquet it might be considered a waste of time for you to attend Tuesday's meeting. But after all each of us is in some measure responsible for the actions or lack of actions of our faculty. The work of the Common Room Committee will also be discussed in the meeting.

Students Parliament

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ried out, as he showed by a long list of subjects that should have been dealt with.

Realizing that the resolution was of a most serious nature, the Speaker condescended to leave his dias, in order to express his ideas. He admitted that the Parliament had failed in its attempts. The members must either be serious, learn the procedure, and adopt a definite programme, or simply hold an open forum for general discussion. If there is to be an assembly it must be something worth while.

Hon. Ab. Whitely, in defence, said that the opposition had made mountains out of mole-hills. He feared that the rebellious spirit of the member from Ashcroft was trying to break the government.

Finally the Premier rose to defend himself, his friend at his right, and his party. He regretted that the opposition did not have sufficient common decency not to be too personal or too severe in their attacks. He compared "the hopeless divergency of views" of his opponents to "the quiet unassuming manner" of his supporters. He asserted that he had done his best both in an orderly manner and decently, and he claimed that the resolution of non-confidence was introduced for one of two motives;—either the opposition had a desire for power or was insane.

Finally a vote was taken, and the opposition won by a majority of two. The house must now be dissolved and a new government formed.

The large attendance in the Visitor's Gallery was much appreciated and the fact that more students are taking an interest in Parliament promises well for the future. Visitors, however, must not take the remarks of certain politicians concerning the presence of "sensation hunters" too seriously, as they were delivered merely to further party tactics and not to discourage attendance. Every student in the University is cordially invited to attend all meetings of the Students' Parliament.

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Valedictory Gifts

As the class of '28 meets to-day to decide on its valedictory gift, perhaps a few suggestions from the Feature Department will not seem ill-timed. Last year we offered a number of such ideas to the graduating year but they were all ignored. Still, we are not discouraged.

A valedictory gift should be something that is needed by the University and must be something permanent—(even if the University buildings are not).

First of all, many students have been clamouring for gondolas on the Lily Pond. Arts '28 would be assured of everlasting fame if it donated one or even two of this species of vessel to its Alma Mater. Moreover the Rowing Club would be saved the trouble of going down to Coal Harbor to practise.

If this suggestion should appear a little extravagant, the Seniors can easily find another suitable gift. For instance, the Chess Club would gratefully accept a few more boards and sets of men. There is no doubt that such a gift is needed—to keep them quiet. And as to permanency, anyone who has watched a whole chess game will not worry about that.

It also would be a good idea to start a fund to buy hats for the Freshmen when they become Sophomores. They will all find their old headgear several sizes too small.

An original idea would be to hire a number of people (news boys preferred) to come and root for the Varsity at the Rugby games. This would fool outsiders into thinking that Varsity students had at least a slight interest in the showing of their athletes.

A really valuable present that would please everybody would be an elevator in the Science Building. Phil., Ec. and Chem. students would greatly appreciate such an innovation and would certainly patronize it. Of course there would have to be a rule preventing Freshmen, Aggies and other yokels from riding up and down "just for fun."

A really humane present would be a set of rugby helmets complete with nose-guards for the protection of English I. classes.

Then there is the sun-dial in the Botanical Gardens. It is a sad but indisputable fact that this instrument can be read only in the day time. Here is a great opportunity for the Upper Year. It could provide the sun-dial with luminous figures so that it could be used after dark. This would be as wisely chosen and as useful as most valedictory gifts.

"If you could join the service, what branch would you take up?"

"I'd go into the aviation branch."

"Why go into that?"

"When I got tired, I could drop out." —Ex

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Traffic Cop—"What's the idea of balling up traffic? Why don't you use your noodle?"

Co-ed (just learning to drive)—"I didn't know a Chevrolet had one." —Ex.

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Student Inertia

There have been periodic outcries about the lack of support that Varsity students give to the games in which the University takes part. Many sneers have been levelled at the listless undergrads, and great efforts have been made to arouse enthusiasm for athletic contests. Yet those that have been shouting the loudest have themselves been guilty of indifference towards one of Varsity's most outstanding activities. Probably only the Aggies know the names of the Varsity team that has been defeating all comers—in the Agassis Egg-Laying Contest.

At the present moment the U. B. C. is leading by seventy-five points. Yet only the Aggies rejoice in our triumph. No one else pays any attention. Artsmen think of other things and Sciencemen do not.

Yet if only interest could be aroused, how changed would be everything. Daily, the noble leghorns would be cheered on to greater efforts by rows and rows of frenzied students. The thunderous Kitsilanos would drown the sound of the referee's whistle, stopping only to allow the coach, the world-famous Hen No. 6 herself, to cackle signals from the side-lines. Imagine how the stalwart hens, knowing that their whole Alma Mater was behind them, would excel themselves and carry the blue and gold to yet another victory.

There is some fear that such violent manifestations might wreak havoc on the coming generation of U. B. C. Leghorns by addling them in their adolescence. The few detractors of this noble sport accuse the pullets of professionalism, but this charge has been utterly discredited by the action of the R. O. P. association in reaffirming the amateur status of Hen No. 6 and recommending that she represent Canada in the next Olympic games.

But at present it is left to the Aggies to support the team and eagerly follow its successes. Only the Aggies, at the end of each day's play, count the precious eggs that comprise the score. It is true that Artsmen may meet some of these eggs in the Cafeteria, but by that time the Agassis Egg-Laying Contest will have been forgotten by even the oldest Aggie.

Alleaed Jokes

Disappointed Professor, after Xmas exams—"You seem to fail to realize the importance of your work."

Freshman—"Ah! but a man's reach should exceed his grasp, or what's a heaven for?"

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Mamie Moloney—"Do you think these garters look prettiest above or below the knee?"

L. Meredith—"H-m-m! Lemme see now."

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First Science Man—"Yes, I'm a track man."

Second Stevedore—"What section do you work on?" —Ex.

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"Gosh, all hemlock!" sighed Socrates, as he eyed the fatal cup. —Ex.

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Science '30 — "Is this a first-class restaurant?"

Waitress—"Oh, yes, but we don't mind serving you." —Ex.

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"Can I interest you in something in silk stockings?"

"Er—yes; but not while my wife is about!" —Ex.

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She—"I never go out with the same man twice."

He—"If I were you I wouldn't boast about it." —Ex.

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A fortune of uncounted millions awaits, or should await, the enterprising publisher who collects and edits in one volume the edifying and morally instructive group of stories of Milt Gross.

These stories, which have appeared lately, are in the great master's later, or Rabelasian, manner. In them he touches those sublime heights of inspiration that so few of his predecessors managed to reach. His marvellous historical novels of recent date reach transcendant summits that even the much touted English writer of the sixteenth century, William Shakespeare, did not attain. These historical novels reveal the great figures of the past in a newer and more human light than do the earlier and lesser historians who have attempted to chronicle the thoughts and actions of History's favorites. He throws aside the mantle of obscurity that has covered the inner, private life of the heroes and heroines of times past, and reveals in an unshrinking, yet sympathetic manner, the little foibles and peculiarities of the great.

His work abounds in human sympathy, pathos, and an uncanny insight into the human heart. In his powerful and gripping story of high society in Ur of the Chaldees, "Semsum wit Delliuh," he shows this latter trait very clearly. How skilfully Delliuh, that "wickit wemp," plays up to the vanity of the conceited strong man. How seductive is her request to her cave-man husband to "weegle de biceeps a little, dollink." How suddenly she changes, having lulled the unsuspecting victim of her feminine wiles to sound slumber. Semsun's first snore has hardly announced his departure to the land of dreams, when his unfaithful spouse summons her concealed "boy-frens" who reap the sleeping giant's luxuriant locks. How pitiable is the heroes plight when he wakes. He, the strong man whose favorite pastime was to take an iron bar, display it to the admiring multitudes, and cry, "geeve onct a look, peeples, irrun barr, hmm! prresto, pretzel, hm!"; was reduced to impotence, utter and complete. How well the master artist draws his characters, and with what a delicate hand he throbs his reader's heart strings.

His other historical novels maintain the high standard set by his first work. That great tragedy, "Entony wit Clipettera," is a marvel of literary art. The love of these two great figures has been the theme of song and story for two thousand years, culminating in this magnificent work, which overtops the puerile emanations of mediocre hack-writers, such as Shakespeare in a complete manner that can be best expressed in the great master's own words "wit a tennut." The touching, naive love of Clipettera which fills Entony's heart and bubbles over on the battlefield in the cri du coeur, "Now I esk yuh werry coffidenshully, ent she swet?" is delineated with a master hand. In despair at the loss of the battle, Clipettera, stings herself "wit a esp" and dies. The rest of the story is too famous to need repetition, but it gains new force and power under the spell of the master artist.

Space does not permit of a comprehensive review of the other novels of the series, but they are equally masterly in style and lucid and picturesque in diction. The great melodrama, "Leddy Godiwa" "that gudgeous femmie" is a masterly treatment of the noble theme of virtue triumphing over vice, and the sub-plot of the poor but honest "hoptishun" is a ment that "Hevun will purtec de wolkin goil." The story of "Heddum wit goil." The story of "Heddum wit Heve wit de goddan frum Hedden" is a splendid exposition of the "Eternal Triangle." Heddum is a hero of the red-blooded he-man type, almost a cave-man, and he is drawn in a masterly style. His helpmate, Heve, is a type of the fair but fragile girl-wife who tires of her simple country home and handsome, honest husband, and falls for the wiles of the smooth dark stranger from the city, the "wenemus soipent" who beguiles the simple village matron with his honeyed words and actions.

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Nonsense Discussed at Letters Club

The first meeting of the Letters' Club for the term was held on Tuesday, January 17, at the house of Mrs. Henry Angus. The evening opened with an expression of regret for the death of Undine Howay, whom the club was fortunate in having for its secretary last year, and whose wit intelligence and interest had stimulated the meetings for the two years of her membership.

Mr. Larsen made some inspiring suggestions for subjects next year. The subject started by Robert Thorpe at Tuesday's meeting was "Nonsense." His paper was nebulous, but interesting, partly because of its nebulous character, and partly because of the obvious relish with which the writer regarded his subject.

There were many original ideas in the paper, which were exemplified by the reading of Nonsense rhymes. These thoughts had not been moulded in form, and the writer arrived at no definite conclusion as to the essence of Nonsense. Thus the members were stimulated by the ideas thrown out and the indecisive conclusion to discover for themselves the essentials of Nonsense Literature.

ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE

At a meeting of the U. B. C. Student Section of the Engineering Institute of Canada, held on Wednesday, about 130 students, members of the faculty and visitors, heard a very interesting address on "The Cariboo Highway," given by Mr. Patrick Philip, deputy minister of Public Works for British Columbia.

Mr. Philip prefaced his address by some suggestions to the student who thinks seriously of his future success. Following these, the speaker gave a brief history of the discovery of the Fraser Canyon by Simon Fraser and later the construction of the historic Cariboo road, which was closely followed by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

This pioneer trail has been retrodden since the opening of the present modern Cariboo Highway, which will be completed next September. Mr. Philip described the construction of this highway, the nature of the work and the standards adopted by the Public Works Department of British Columbia. He quoted comparative figures between this province and several European countries and some statistics of the highway system of B. C.

The large number of slides shown by Mr. Philip left no doubt regarding the scenic wonders of the Cariboo Road and those illustrating the old and new Alexandra bridges at Spuzzam, together with the old Indian bridge, were especially interesting.

The lantern was capably operated by R. L. Morrison, Sc. '29.

MATHEMATICS CLUB

Mr. Gordon Patten, Arts '27, spoke at a well-attended meeting of the Mathematics Club, last Thursday, on the subject of "Conformal Mapping." This topic was dealt with in a very able manner by Mr. Patten, and the various maps that he constructed to illustrate his subject were exceedingly interesting.

Minnesota Fellowships

Four Shevlin Fellowships at $500, one each in the Colleges of Agriculture, Chemistry, Medicine, and Science, Literature, and the Arts.

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Philosophy—1 assistant.
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Psychology—6 teaching assistants, 1 assistant.
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Sociology—2 teaching assistants, 4 assistants.

Application for these fellowships must be made on or before March 1. Blank applications may be obtained from the Graduate School, 224 Administration Building, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

*Special Requirements. Graduate Fellowships and Assistantships are available in Anatomy, Bio-Physics, Physiology, Pathology and Bacteriology, as well as in Clinical Investigation and Medicine and Surgery. Address inquiries to Dean of the Graduate School, Minneapolis, or the Director of Graduate Work, Mayo Foundation, Rochester, Minn.

Women's Senior "A" to Meet Duffus Team

On Saturday evening at 7:00 o'clock, in the Noral Gym. the Varsity Senior A Women's team plays one of the most important games of the year.

The record of the team to date is: played one game and lost one. This result only occurred through hard luck with postponed games and the one game played, coming within less than one week of the exams.

The team which defeated Varsity was the Duffus B. C. Commercials. At half-time, the score stood 12-4, and at three-quarter time, stood 18-8. The final score was 18-17 in favor of the Duffus.

The scores themselves, saying nothing for the games, proves there is plenty of fighting spirit and determination in the U. B. C. team.

There was only a handful of Varsity rooters who were greatly outnumbered by the Duffus support.

English Rugby

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be the strongest squad gathered together from local teams for some time. McMillan, who is showing up well at five-eighths for the Rowing Club will be in the line-up. He had received injuries prior to the previous game with Vancouver this year and was unable to play. He is a hard worker and will offer Varsity plenty of trouble. Another candidate is Farmer who will further strengthen the Vancouver squad. From all angles it looks as if Varsity is going to have a tough battle.

WARATAHS PLAY STRAIGHT FOOTBALL

Having nearly completed their successful tour of the Old Country and the continent the crack team from New South Wales will shortly leave for Canada and will meet Varsity during the first week in March. From reports of able critics, both young and old, there seems to be a general agreement as to the speed of this noted aggregation. Their team work is perfection in itself and one noted authority claims that they are equal to if not better than the All Blacks which toured here several years ago. He claims they have little subtlety in their game but play in a straight-forward style and rarely change their tactics. Ross, the full-back, is awarded an equal standing with the best that have been produced. Although not possessing any great individual star they are considered excellent as a team and use team-work to get results. The play is clean-cut and enjoyable to watch.

Badminton Loses

On Tuesday last, Badminton B team met the Pushfeathers only to lose the match by a score of 15-7. The players did not come up to their usual mark, but are looking to retrieve themselves in the coming tournaments.

On Saturday, A team will play New Westminster at 2.30 at the Royal City. At the same time B team will meet Shaughnessy Military here at the Drill Hall.

The men seemed to be the strong part of the match on Tuesday. Shields, a new recruit, proved star of the evening. In the Mixed Doubles he and Miss Leach won 3 out of 4 games, and with Fernie he was also successful in the men's doubles. The women lost their doubles altogether.

FIRST SOCCER

On Saturday, January 21st, Varsity first soccer meet Canadian Legion in the first round of the Province Cup. The game is to be played at Cambie street grounds at 2.15. Although Canadian Legion are a second division team, they are quite capable of giving Varsity a hard battle. As the game is to be played on a hard ground, the speedy Varsity team will have an advantage.

Oarsmen Start Spring Program

An important meeting will be held Friday, January 20, at 12.20 p.m. in Applied Science 102 for the election of officers. Everyone interested in rowing should be present.

Several very good practices have been held since the beginning of the Spring term. A good crowd is turning out, and some new men have been shown the principles of the sport. On Wednesday last a practice was held in the new 8-Oared boat, kindly donated to us by the Washington Club just before Christmas. Bill Bain, who rowed for the Blue and Gold several years ago, gave the boys some very useful coaching.

The club has been seriously handicapped by the loss of its president, Bob Thorpe, and the captain, Les Mallory, who have had to resign because of other duties. As soon as these places are filled regular practices will be arranged, and crews shaped for the Spring contests.

Crews are not limited to heavy men but include those of medium height and weight. Fees for the full season are $5 a man, and practices are arranged, as far as possible, to conform to students' time-tables. Watch the notice boards for further announcements.

PUCK STARS LOSE

On Tuesday night Varsity met Monarch Juniors, the league-leading ice-stars, and waltzed gamely down to a 8—1 defeat. This was the final league game of the season, and Monarchs have come forth undefeated. Varsity, playing two reserve men short, put up a hard fight, and it was nearing the end of the last period when Monarchs went out for two goals.

Varsity Juniors will meet King George in the play-off game on Monday night, immediately following the Senior tilt between Towers and Ex-King George. This is to be a knock-out game, and, should they lose, will have to leave the ice for the season. A win will secure another game for Friday night.

Carswell opened the score by batting in the puck during the first few minutes of play. It was Varsity's only goal for the evening. During the second period Parker made several fast attempts, but at goal Lockwood's gaiters seemed impregnable. At the close of the period two Monarch men combined to knot the score.

The third session was decisive. Varsity, with two men short in the reserve, was forced to play practically without relief, and by this time was pretty well tuckered out. In spite of this, they kept up a steady game, and it was only by chance that Monarchs scored the two decisive goals of the night. The firest event was accidentally helped in by a Varsity man, and the second slipped through Straight's skates during a goal-yard scrimmage.

Carswell was the Varsity star, with Parker following close in his wake. Straight was outstanding in goal and made several sensational stops. The team has unfortunately lost two of its star performers—Pat Callan and Larry Callan—who are preparing to leave the city and consequently will not be available for future games. The team will have to work harder than ever on Monday night, but they have real material to work with.

The team: Straight, Dalton, Matthews, Parker, Carswell, Hume, and Pike.

To-night (Friday, 20) at 10 o'clock Varsity Intermediates and Ex-King George stage the first game of the play-offs; the second is to be on Tuesday evening, at 6 o'clock.

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