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Program Ready for Opera Night

An opportunity is being given to obtain tickets for the Musical Society concert on Friday (today) at noon, when tickets will be on sale in the foyer of the Auditorium. All seats are reserved and tickets must be exchanged for seat checks at Fletcher Bros., 433 Granville Street, on or after Monday, February 22nd.

An excellent and unique programme has been arranged by the Society. Proper staging and costumes have been procured for every choral number, and all the accompaniments will be played by the full orchestra. Mr. C. Madyn Williams, of the Capitol Orchestra, is in charge of both choir and orchestra, and under his leadership both branches of the Society are excelling themselves in their efforts to make this unique and interesting programme a real success.

Special bus and street car service has been arranged with the B. C. Electric, and it is hoped that every student who appreciates music, will not miss the opportunity of enjoying this treat. The following is a synopsis of the programme:

1. Chant National—O Canada. Lavallee
2. Prologue—I. Paganini...Leoncavallo
Carl Barton
3. (a) Southern Part Song—
Swing Along.....Cook
(b) Irish Air
Kitty of Coleraine.....Lloyd
Glee Club (unaccompanied)
4. Orchestral Novelty—
In a Persian Market.....Ketyby
5. Excerpts—Mikado.....Sullivan
(a) Trio—Three Little Maids,
Kathleen Baird, Jean Woodrow,
Elsie Rillance
(b) Solo—The Sun Whose Rays
Jean Woodrow
(c) Trio and Chorus—So Please you,
Sir,
Kathleen Baird, Jean Woodrow,
Elsie Rillance, Joe Kanis, and
Chorus of Girls
6. Piano Solo—Ballade in G minor
.....Chopin
Christy Madsen
7. Excerpts—Pirates of Penzance
.....Sullivan
(a) Solo and Chorus—Pour, O King,
the Pirate Sherry
Carl Barton and Chorus of Men
(b) Solo—When Frederic Was a
Little Lad
Margaret Kerr
(c) Solo and Chorus—Oh, Better Far
to Live and Die
Bill Phillips and Chorus of Men
8. Violin Solo—
(a) Moment Musical.....Schubert
(b) Hungarian Dance, No. 2. Brahms
Elise Wilma Metz
9. Vocal Duet—
(a) Miserere (Il Trovatore).....Verdi
(b) Sweethearts (Maytime).....Young
Kathleen Baird and Tommy Loudon
10. Bridal Chorus—Rose Maiden.....Cowen
Glee Club and Orchestra

U. B. C. DEBATERS BEAT Y.M.C.A.

The Varsity team has stepped into the lead in the Vancouver Debating League by defeating the Y. M. C. A. on the subject, "Resolved that a Commission form of government with a City Manager would be preferable to the present system of civic government in Vancouver." S. Kobe, W. Taylor and F. C. Pilkington, of the University successfully upheld the affirmative against Messrs. Agar, Wally and Warrick of the "Y."

This victory gives Varsity four straight wins in the series, with no defeats. Two more contests for the team remain on the schedule. The University's other team, the U. B. C., is at present leading the league at the other end of the list.

The Vancouver Debating League provides the only regular extra-mural activity in which the M. L. S. is taking part this session. In this series of debates the University teams are opposed by the public-speaking sections of such well known organizations as the Gyro Club, B. C. Electric, Young Liberals and the Law Students. In spite of the importance of the debates and the value of maintaining the reputation of the University, very few students attend these contests.

Another debate will take place next week when a Varsity team, consisting of E. Dunn, E. Morrison and P. Murphy will meet the Gyros on the subject: "Resolved that the P. G. E. Railway should be completed forthwith." A large attendance of University students would afford great support to our men.



Raise the Alma Mater Fees?

The Students' Council are asking their electorate for an expression of opinion regarding the suggestion that the Alma Mater Fee be raised. The council consider a vote on this question necessary this year and prefer to have it immediately rather than attempt its settlement during the turmoil of the fast-approaching elections.

The council have brought up the question after a warning from the treasurer that funds are rapidly decreasing, due to this year's policy of extensively encouraging intercollegiate sport. There is plenty of money left to carry out the rest of the activities planned for this year, but it is probable that a balance will not be left large enough to enable next year's executive to carry on freely during the first two months of the next (fall) term. The preservation of a balance approaching \$2,000 is almost necessary since our fees are collected by the Bursar and not handed over to us until November, when he closes his books. This year's council fell heir to about \$1,600, which was found insufficient to meet all the financial demands which developed at the beginning of the year. Of course, raising the fee now would not remedy the situation in time to affect next year's council, but it would prevent further recurrence.

A question of principle is evidently involved. This year's council have definitely set out to encourage intercollegiate competition. Such a policy results in the spending of more money than in past years. If continued by succeeding councils it will make necessary an increase in Alma Mater fees of at least two dollars. Students will be deciding, by their vote, whether or not we should hold less debates and less athletic contests with other universities.

We think that the program of intercollegiate competition carried out this year is not too extensive, and that students should provide for its continuance. We do not think that a nine-dollar Alma Mater levy is excessive, inasmuch as our tuition fees are low in comparison with other universities of our size, and in view of the fact that the Alma Mater assessment in other Canadian universities averages, we believe, about ten dollars. For these reasons we suggest that students vote to raise the fee.

HIGGINS IS HERO IN "PYGMALION"

A young professor of phonetics, known by the unromantic name of Henry Higgins, picks up a cockney flower-girl from the London slums and wagers that he can pass her off as a duchess in six months. From this idea there is developed one of the most comical and yet delightfully romantic plays which have ever been written. The ridiculous situations and conversations which arise when a little street-walk is thrust in the midst of society, her pronunciation made perfect, but her manners and ideas unaltered, makes every minute of the performance alive with interest. One critic writes, "Nothing on our stage in recent years has been so conclusively comic as Eliza's description of her aunt's death, delivered in a London drawing-room, with hesitating but perfect West End pronunciation, and Whitechapel vocabulary." Not only Eliza provides amusement. There is her old father, who classes himself as

one of the "undeserving poor." Being undeserving, he informs one, has its advantages, for nothing is expected of one, and one can enjoy numerous pastimes which the world ignores, not being interested in the undeserving. There is young Freddie Eyrasford-Hill, an effeminate society youth whose drawing voice utters innumerable foolish remarks which he never realizes to be absurd. Every character has a sparkling dialogue throughout the whole play.

But besides the comic side, there is the interest in watching Eliza slowly change in thoughts and aspirations from a street-walk to a beautiful and educated girl. There is the romance of watching her grow to love the teacher who thinks of her only as a problem upon which to experiment. There is the tragedy of seeing the time draw close when the experiment will cease, and she will be left to go back to the slums.

VARSAITY PUTTING ALL THEIR STRENGTH INTO TO-MORROW'S BIG GAME

Team Determined to Win Rugby Classic, McKechnie Cup and Provincial Championship

By Ralph Shaw

The most important McKechnie Cup game of the year is to be played on Saturday, February 20, 3 p.m. at Brockton Point. Varsity vs. Vancouver Rep. (all-star team from all clubs in Vancouver). Varsity must win—The team says it will win—Your support will be of great assistance. The Blue and Gold is being represented by the strongest team fielded this season. Casey's wrist is better. Johnnie McLean (Capt.) will be at his old position of wing-forward. Bill Bain is O. K. now. Tike Abernethy is back from the swimming meet at Banff. These men as well as the rest of the team are in the pink of condition and are keyed right up to championship form. The back division is showing its old-time form with Casey and all the other regulars back in the line-up.

JOHNNIE McLEAN



COMING EVENTS

It will be noticed that a column, headed, "Coming Events," appears in this issue. It is intended to continue this, having it appear every Friday. If this column is incomplete in any way, it will be worse than useless. The co-operation of all will be appreciated in this matter, especially the secretaries of the various clubs and societies, who are asked to give notice of coming meetings, social affairs, games, etc. These notices must be turned into the Publications Board Office as early as possible. All notices for events in the coming week must be in by the previous Wednesday noon.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22—
Swimming, Interclass eliminations. Chalmers Church pool.
Senior Ball, Ambassador, 9.00.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23—
Alma Mater Society meeting, Auditorium, 12.00.
La Canadienne meeting at the home of Miss Clare McQuarrie, 3663-20th Avenue West, 8.00.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25—
American Football vote, men's athletic meeting, 12.15 p.m., auditorium.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26—
Musical Society Concert, Auditorium, 8.15.

U. OF CALIFORNIA

University of California, Feb. 15th (P.I.P.A.)—Lists of student speakers have been sent to the principals of 54 high schools in the state by the A.S.C.U. Deputations Bureau. The letters offer the services of the speakers for the purpose of acquainting the school students throughout the state with the purposes, ideals, practices, and traditions of college life at California. Several schools have asked for speakers. The Bureau will also send out copies of the Blue and Gold, the college annual, to high schools.

The Vigilance Committee requests all students to refrain from cutting corners and tramping down the newly dug plots around the Auditorium and Arts buildings.

History of U. B. C. in Cup Game
In 1920, Varsity entered the McKechnie Cup series for the first time. U. B. C. won the cup every year until last year. The team will do its best to win the cup this year. In the old days, the reason that the teams were so successful was that the whole college turned out to the games. It was of benefit to the students to go to the games. Those games are remembered as powerful factors in the pleasures of college life. The graduates still talk of the thrills at the old games. The same thrills are in store for YOU on Saturday. It was somewhat of a disappointment to the graduates to see Varsity lose the cup last year, but it was lost so gloriously that they felt reconciled. They have hopes that the McKechnie Cup will adorn the halls of their dreams at Point Grey. The winning of the McKechnie Cup is a real tradition at U. B. C.—it is your duty to see that this tradition is preserved.

Present Situation
The situation at present is that Vancouver Rep. is one game ahead of Varsity, having won the U. B. C. Rep. game at the first of the year. A win on Saturday gives Varsity a tie with Vancouver. The final game will be played on February 27.

Everybody come out on Saturday. The north section of the grandstand will be reserved for Varsity students. We want everybody together and everybody wearing colors. DON'T BE AFRAID TO YELL. If the team goes onto the field with a few supporters it is just the same as any ordinary team, it is not a college team. If there are no supporters the team feels that no one is interested, since the students can't even come to the game. But a team playing before a stand full of enthusiastic students knows that some one wants them to win. Then it is a college team, fighting for its Alma Mater as well as for victory in the game.

Team Needs a Dry Field
If it is a dry day and the field is fast, Varsity will be playing under ideal conditions. The speed and open style of play of Varsity's team shows off to best advantage on a dry day. The Vancouver Rep. team is composed of 15 husky, heavy and experienced veterans. To counteract these advantages Varsity needs dash, spirit, fight and inspiration. An enthusiastic crowd of supporters contributes these qualities very materially to the team.

So far this year, Varsity athletes have not been very successful, especially the ones participating in major sports. One reason is that there have been only one or two good Varsity crowds out this season. Rugby still has a chance to bring some honors to U. B. C. The Tisdall Cup was won two weeks ago and the McKechnie Cup is at stake now. If you want the coveted McKechnie Cup on the platform on presentation day—help win it on Saturday!

Varsity Must Turn Out
Final workouts have been held and everyone is well satisfied with the condition of the team. The players are resting until Saturday. The team is entering the game with instructions to put everything they have into the game from the start and to keep the play open and the ball moving, to offset the Rep.'s advantage in weight. This style of play makes a spectacular game.

Come to the Point on Saturday at 3 p.m. Sit in the Varsity section and YELL.

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OUR COMMON ROOMS

The conception of men's common rooms savours of something rather worldly. It would not be, perhaps, a bad subject for one of our realistic novelists, who write on anything mundane and who especially glory in elaborating details sordid and ugly. To say the least the women's lounge rooms, contrasted to the men's, appear fairy-decked apartments in a land of ideal romance.

However, to come back to earth, there are several factors, which, multiplied together, add greatly to the already vulgar setting produced by chairs "a la bar-room." Lunch papers are scattered about, tobacco ash and pipe dregs lie around in smudges on the floor, cigarette butts are tossed away and put out by a crunching heel spin.

Now each common room is provided with a receptacle (a box which looks as if it had been picked up behind a green grocer's stall, but a receptacle for all that) and there is no excuse for all this untidiness. Owing to the limited number of lockers (a situation which is, of course, no fault of the students), hats coats and books are littered around on chairs and tables, or on the floor. Over and above this the lower common room in Arts is far from being healthy. This is a matter for the authorities.

The Science common rooms are untidy enough, but owing to the difference in number are not in with the Arts. It may be suggested that Freshmen be excluded from the Arts' upper common room. At present there is a growing tendency for them to monopolize things in general. They are found "reserving" chairs in the upper room for their classmates; and expect senior students to stand calmly by, and look pleasant. Freshmen, even as other people, should know their place.

Let the student body then make an effort to check its slovenliness, which is tending to make common rooms more and more resemble Hottentot hovels. Their present condition offends not only the poetic souls of the cultured, but even the physical senses of the unaccommodated and uncouth.

TREES AND TRADITIONS

There has been much talk recently about traditions, and the ways and means by which we should create and cherish them. This is only natural, as we all feel the immediate necessity of manufacturing a brand new set to commemorate our coming to Point Grey; but unfortunately traditions grow up and are not made. Conditions have to be favourable, and a few stock buildings placed at intervals about a bleak and ugly campus is scarcely an atmosphere in which we would expect such delicate plants to flourish.

The only possible solution seems to be trees. Long avenues of trees are essential to a true University; they lend to its seclusion and dignity and help to mellow the objectionable newness. Traditions "fallow fawning."

In the meantime, however, the trees have to be planted, and the suggestion that the valedictory gift of the Class of '26 be set aside for trees seems to us one of the most practical and most attractive of those so far received. There are really very few fine trees in Vancouver or the vicinity, and the cost of them is trifling compared with the long life. An ornamental row of trees from the Mall to the Library for instance, would be an excellent way of commemorating the class. A tablet could be put up giving the details, or better still, the avenue could be called "26 Row."

The chief objection seems to be that tree planting is part of the governmental programme for the University, but as there is apparently no immediate possibility of their carrying it out, and as the need is imminent, the objection is scarcely of consequence.

But whether or not the Class of '26 act on the suggestion and start the ball rolling, we would urge that some organized scheme of tree planting be embarked upon at once, so that twenty years from now we will not still be merely talking of the University that is to be.

Sport is Subject of Noon Address

"Athletics and the Church" was the theme of Dr. J. G. Davidson's address Monday noon in Agr. 100.

The speaker remarked on the emphasis placed by Greeks on the place of athletics in conjunction with training of the finer arts.

He scored the modern church tendency to encourage attendance by stressing the importance of gymnastics in church life. It was a pagan practise which today's institutions should have outgrown.

Dr. Davidson closed with a few words relative to recent tendencies in religious movements and way accorded an enthusiastic applause for his address.

RELAY NOTICE

Each class is required to hand in to either Charlie Mottley or Frank Elliot a list of its members and the names of two members of the class who will each provide cars for the event. This information must be received by Monday next.

Information re Scholarships

Information is in the hands of the Registrar regarding Bursaries of the value of \$750.00, Studentships of the value of \$1,000.00, and Fellowships of the value of \$1,200.00. These scholarships are given for high distinction in scientific study and are awarded by the National Research Council. The Ramsay Memorial Fellowship, of the value of \$1,500.00 is given to persons who show a high capacity for individual research in chemistry. Application for the first must be made not later than May 25th and for the latter three not later than April 15th. Further information as well as application forms may be had from the Registrar.

CLASSICS CLUB

The Classics Club will meet at 8 o'clock this Saturday at the home of Miss Edith Dinnell, 2019 Forty-fifth Avenue West. Miss Winnifred Boyes, of Arts '27, will read a paper on "Roman Amusements and Games." A full turnout of members is requested.



TO S—

When the gods of youth are shattered
And crumbled into clay,
New idols take the place of those
That have fallen and passed away.
When your faith is broken
And the wounds have had time to heal,
A new faith enters your soul
And new gods make appeal.
But always in the silence
That bridges the dark and dawn
A longing seizes the spirit
For the gods that have come and gone.
And I have found another love,
Both beautiful and true;
But I cannot help a wild regret
That my new love is not you.
—E. J. D.

Correspondence

COACH RECEIVES PRAISE

Editor Ubyssy,

Dear Sir:

I would like to make a few remarks concerning our coach, Mr. Norman Cox, in order to make it clear to the students what we owe to him. From the showing the boys made at Banff, it has been proven conclusively that a paid coach is an asset to the College, and I think that next year's Swimming Executive should do their utmost to get him back again.

Most people, it is true, will say the coach is paid for his work, why shouldn't he make a good showing? I would like to point out that Mr. Cox has taken a great deal more interest in this College than his one or two hours a week instructions necessitates. He made the trip to Victoria at Christmas on his own, and did a great deal to help our team to make the good showing it made there, and he has spent a great deal more time on our team outside of our regular hours preparing them for outside competition.

In regard to our new gymnasium and swimming pool I think the committee in charge would be well advised to consult him, at least, for he has many of the latest ideas on both, and his advice might save a lot of trouble later. The advice of a man who has been in charge of some of the best pools on the continent, should not be neglected.

I am writing this letter because I feel that the students do not realize what Mr. Cox has done to help the swimming club this year, and I think he has a great deal of credit coming to him for the showing the team made at Banff.

Yours truly,

DALTON ALLAN,
President.

Frosh and Sophs

Meet in Debate

Freshmen and Sophomores will close in wordy combat at 3 p.m. Monday, February 22nd, in Arts 100 to decide who will secure the right to meet Education '26 in the last round of the Men's Inter-class Debating League.

The subject of the debate is, "Resolved that capital punishment for murder should be abolished."

The affirmative is being taken by W. E. Weekes and Denis Murphy on behalf of Arts '29, while Bill Brown and Douglas Telford will represent the second year students.

Both classes have defeated their opponents in the first round of the series, and have every intention of keeping up the good work. As this is one of the last inter-class debates of the year, it is expected that enthusiastic supporters of both years will turn out in force.

Remember 3 p.m., Monday, February 22nd, Agr. 100.

Week-End Retreat Undertaken by S.C.M.

Nine students, chaperoned by Mrs. McQuarrie, spent the week-end of February 6-7 in "retreat" at Whytecliff in a camp kindly loaned by the Y.V.C.A. Lack of proper stove and knives and forks forced a return to primitive ways of cooking and eating, but could not damp the interest in the matters discussed. Considerable time was spent in discussing the problem of the Oriental students in the University life.

Seven enthusiastic people sat up till 10 o'clock Monday morning and found real fellowship round the big fireplace.

It is hoped that time may be found for at least two more retreats before term ends. Anyone interested in joining one should see Clare McQuarrie or Charlie Gibbard.

EXCHANGE

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, February 17th (P. I. P. A.)—Grady Setzler, former editor of the Wampus, the college comic, and his assistant editor have been nominated by the students' committee for the editorship of the magazine, as both students have been reinstated after being ousted from their position as because of faculty criticism.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, February 17th (P. I. P. A.)—Completion of the work on Hearst Hall, new women's physical education building, is near. The building will contain three swimming pools.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, February 1th (P. I. P.)—In the wrestling meet with the University of Idaho here Saturday, the Huskies were losers by three matches to two. Two of their letter men lost their matches.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, February 17th—University of Idaho are attempting to make a permanent football agreement with U. of W., providing for a game every other year in Spokane. These teams will meet in Spokane this year for the first time in three years.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, (P. I. P. A.)—The first collegiate presentation of "The Beggar on Horseback," a play in 12 scenes and requiring the efforts of 150 people was made here Friday and Saturday evenings.

TOMMY LOUDEN



SONG BOOK UNDER WAY

Permission was granted to the Rooters' Club to proceed with the collection of songs and yells with the idea of forming a permanent U.B.C. song-book. The arrangements for publication are under the direction of the Editor-in-Chief of the Publications Board.

WANTED—Students with cars to help in the entertainment of the Imperial Debaters on March 5th, 8th, 9th and 10th. Please hand in names with times available to Len Irwin at the Students' Council office.

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RETROSPECTION

I am not a psychoanalyst, I am not a philosopher, and I do not take education. Therefore, I suppose there is really no excuse for the uncomfortable moods of retrospection which sometimes settle upon the very best of us, myself included. I hope I am not singular in this respect, but I sometimes derive exquisite discomfort from the recollection of past idiosyncrasies perpetrated by myself. Let us take a case in point. Last Saturday, in what must have been a peculiar moment of mental aberration, I made a rash promise to arise at the ghastly hour of nine o'clock and venture into the wild woods of West Vancouver. To do so, I was given to understand that I must catch the West Vancouver Ferry, which, I was told, left Vancouver at ten-thirty. Some of my friends seemed to have most unreasonable doubts as to my powers of self-determination, and one silly bloke took it upon himself to come round and call for me on Sunday morning. So about ten a.m., just when I was about to turn over and have my much-needed beauty sleep, a beastly vision with bleeding chin, soapy face and disgusting old clothes, burst into my sacrosanct bedroom, shouting, "Hell, hurry up, we'll miss the ferry!" and proceeded to arouse me in a crude and indelicate manner. I object to being addressed as "Hell," but I airily passed over the insult, and proceeded to dress gracefully, while the impossible person danced round me and said strange words. The blighted idiot wouldn't let me put on a collar or tie, and never even gave me time to shine my sabbatarian boots! Within five minutes I found myself eagerly scanning the damp reaches of Broadway West for a passing street car. There was none in sight, so the Prime Idiot made the suggestion that we meander down to Fourth, which we eventually did, just succeeding in missing a car by half a block. Thereupon my usual resourcefulness came to the fore, so we strode swiftly back to Broadway, to observe a Number 14 disappearing in the distance. We waited, and continued to wait. I gazed at my companion's vacant face and made a swift resolve. A car, a beautiful limousine, was approaching. I stalked majestically forward and held out my hand. . . . and it actually stopped! The driver was a taciturn man. He was not over-enthusiastic. I do not think he was a Christian, but he agreed to take us as far as Broadway West and Granville. So for five minutes we bowed along in stately majesty, while I cast triumphant glances at the Prime Idiot. When we got to Granville, I remarked to our friend that it would be a nice morning for a drive over the bridge, to which he made a most extraordinary retort. He also said, "hell," but what he said was, "Hell, yes, but I'm a taxi!" For one awful moment I almost fainted, then I said, "Quite," very quietly, and dropped off the running board into the road. The Prime Idiot was not far behind. It was with a feeling of unutterable relief that I saw the last of that Taxi.

Well, we caught the ferry, thanks to a friendly Providence and my cleverness, and it's all ancient history now. But retrospection is a wonderful thing. So is a taxi.

"G."

"Well, Robbie, I hear that you have another baby at your house."
"Yeh, and maw says if we get one more we can get in the Pathe News Reel."

—Wabash Caveman.

An ounce of prevention may be worth a pound of cure but just the same it is absolutely useless to persuade me that it does any good to sprinkle an onion patch with Listerine.

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THE SHINE OF WESTERN MOONS

By P.I.P.

Chapter VI. To the Last Shot.
"Crack!" Rattlesnake Ike's rifle slipped from his grasp as a bullet struck him on the wrist and dislocated his wrist-watch. A splintering crash told that his own bullet had sped on its way. The foreman's face was livid with rage, like a venerable senator forced to pick up papers on the campus. "Who the dickens fired that there shot?" he snarled. "Scatter, ye varmints and surround the shack. Some-one shall pay for this." Old man Carson staggered back from the window as Rattlesnake Ike's bullet whizzed past his shoulder. "They have shot me in the silhouette," he gasped. The _____s."
"S-sh," said Speedy, "You would shock a chief reporter."
Rancher and tenderfoot snatched up their rifles and crouched low as a swarm of bullets whined through the window and thudded against the thick log walls. "Bar the door," snapped Carson. "They'll all be singing the Prisoner's Song when the sheriffs git after them." Crouching against the wall they returned the fire through chinks in the wall. "I had never appreciated Chinks before," said Rodolf, "and I lived in Vancouver all my life." Streaks of flame were stabbing through the darkness, followed by the roar of rifles and six-shooters that re-echoed through the gulch. "To the death," gasped Old Man Carson as he re-loaded for the thirty-fifth time. "We will hold out as long as we can. I will not give up until the Day of Judgment or until Arts '29 graduates," replied Speedy, "even if they are as many as Seniors at a Sophomore party."

Rattlesnake Ike pulled his moustache in desperation. "Goddern them, I'll git them yet," he snarled. "I'll git Old Man Carson's darter an' dictate my own terms. Here, El Loco," he shouted. "Take charge here. I'm off to the H Bar L Ranch to kidnap Old Carson's darter."

The foreman raced from cover to cover, and sprang on his broncho. "So's yer old man," he shouted in derision as he galloped into the darkness.

Rodolph Speedy shuddered as he heard the foreman's shout above the din of battle. "What can we do?" he said, turning to Carson. "We're as helpless as Chile Buchanan with Stevens after him." "Can't do nothin'," replied the rancher. "We're cornered—I've only got five rounds left."

Captain El Loco smiled grimly as he noticed that the fire from the shack was slackening. "Get ready to rush, men," he called. "Then for the gold!"

Dora Carson was sitting by the table of the ranch-house, reading an annual that our hero had left for her. Her eyes were fastened on the handsome portrait of Rodolph Speedy, while her lips murmured over and over the words written beneath:

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REPORT OF THE LECTURE

(With all the necessary apologies, acknowledgements, explanations, etc. customary for this sort of thing.)

9.05—Class seriously considers leaving on account of non-arrival of prof. McWhirtle gets up to go.

9.07—Prof. arrives. McWhirtle is again seated. Prof.—"We will resume to-day, our work of discussing the life of Cillas, the great philologist." Madeley drops pen. Pilkington coughs, and Taylor sneezes.

9.08—Brown arrives concluding his record seventeen straight absences. Miss King picks up pen and hands it to Madeley. Taylor coughs and Pilkington sneezes. Prof. tells joke, I Murphy and half class laugh. 2 Murphies and half class sneer beautifully. Gartshore drops pen.

9.16—Miss Baillie picks up pen and hands it to Gartshore. 117 students drop pens.

9.30—Smith gets put out for laughing at editorial in Ubyssy. Littlest editor drops pen. George Davidson picks it up. Briff Clown quietly shoots him.

9.45—Stedman starts argument on spelling of word in biblical allusion. Max Wright arrives, slightly late. Freshman arrives, slightly early.

9.55—Prof. assigns readings, which class take down. Guernsey decides to do them. Gong rings.

CONFUSING

Little Boy: "Look ma, the circus has come to town; there's one of the clowns."
Ma: "Hush, darling. That's not a clown. That's just a college man."—Beanpot.

Note:—This is Regarded As a Joke.

She buried her face in her hands, "Rudy, my hero," she whispered. "Isn't he sweet!" The clock struck the hour, and she remembered that she was in dreadful suspense. "They ought to be back by now," she said to herself. "Something dreadful must have happened!"

A sound of galloping hoofs, drawing ever nearer, broke the silence of the western air. It reached its crescendo outside the ranch house and stopped. Dora Carson ran to the door and opened it. "Hello, papa," she said, then stood as still as death.

Confronting her was Rattlesnake Ike!

(To be continued.)

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TUUM EST
(A Sport Editorial)

Saturday at Brockton Point Varsity's McKechnie Cup team plays the Vancouver Rep. The Vancouver team is one game ahead of Varsity; a win for the Blue and Gold means a draw; a draw means another game. If, however, Varsity is defeated, Vancouver will retain the cup.

Last year, for the first time in several seasons, Varsity lost this trophy. This year the team hopes to regain it. Last Saturday only a handful of spectators attended the rugby game; so few in fact that the team could easily perceive the students' apathy. The absentees were not, with the exception of possibly a hundred, at other games. The delinquents, generally, are people so self-centred that they have no interest in a mere game. They are either wrapped up in their studies and oblivious of all other student activities; or they are those whose principal athletic achievement is the drinking of pink tea. They are towers of strength to the student body!

It has often been said that support means the winning or losing of a game. This is not true; for if it were, how do any of our teams manage to win? But on Saturday, students have possibly the last opportunity to show that they appreciate the efforts which players have made to uphold Varsity's reputation in athletics. Moreover, former Varsity players will oppose Varsity. We want to dumbfound them by the vigor of our rooters' attack, to make them wish they were playing for Varsity again. Every rooster present will be a thorn in the side of the opposition. We want to see plenty of thorns.

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Playing Data

Name	No.	Position	Age	Weight	Height	Year	Record
Forwards							
White	14	Hook	A'29	S.V.H.S., Fro. McK. C.
Davidson	15	Hook	19	170	5' 11"	A'28	Frosh.
McQuarrie	18	Lock	20	184	6' 1/2"	A'29	Frosh.
Brock	11	2nd Rk.	21	170	6'	Sc.'26	R.N.C., McKechnie Cup.
Mahon	12	2nd Rk.	20	180	6'	A'29	K.E.H.S.
Price	10	3rd Rk.	27	180	6' 1"	P.G.	McKechnie Cup.
Bain	9	3rd Rk.	23	175	6' 1"	Sc.'26	Miller Cup.
Backs							
J. McLean	8	W. Fd.	21	157	5' 10"	A'27	K.H.S., McK. C., 3 ys.
R. Shaw	7	1/2 Bk.	19	161	5' 11"	A'28	K.E.H.S., McKechnie C.
Kelly	5	3/4	19	174 1/2	5' 10"	Sc.'29	K.E.H.S., Frosh.
Casselman	3	In. 3	20	149	5' 11"	Sc.'29	K.E.H.S., McKechnie C.
Willis	4	In. 3	18	171	5' 10 1/2"	Sc.'28	Victoria Rep.
Eaton	2	Wg. 3	19	150	5' 10 1/2"	A'28	K.G.H.S., Frosh.
Louden	6	Wg. 3	21	145	5' 10 1/2"	Sc.'26	K.E.H.S., Miller Cup.
Abernethy	1	F. Bk.	20	164	6' 1"	A'28	Kits. H.S.



HAROLD KELLY

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Council Discusses Alma Mater Fees

Whether intercollegiate sport can be carried on to any great extent on our present Alma Mater budget was one of the important matters discussed at the last meeting of the Students' Council. The Council have encouraged intercollegiate sports this year to a greater extent than ever before, with the result that finances have suffered. The situation is made more critical because there must be a surplus to carry on work with next year of at least \$2,000.00, for no Alma Mater fees can be obtained from the Bursar until very late in the fall term. Consequently if we are to carry on an ambitious programme next year, especially in the way of intercollegiate sport, Alma Mater fees will have to be raised. To discuss this question in particular and finances in general an Alma Mater meeting has been called for noon Tuesday, February 23rd, in the Auditorium.

On the recommendation of the Rooters' Club, F. C. Buckland, Arts '29, has been declared winner of the original yell contest. The prize winning yell goes as follows:
Spoo—ah, pee—kaw, kaw—wa—wa
Spoo—ah, pee—kaw, kaw—wa—wak,
Spoo—ah, pee—kaw, kaw—wa—wak,
British Columbia,
U.B.C. Rah.
(The first three lines are Indian for "Blue and Gold.")

The entertainment of the Imperial Debaters was discussed. The final schedule will appear in our next issue.

R. W. MacNeil, of Tacoma, was tendered \$20.00 for compensation for a coat that was stolen at the basketball dance.

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CANADIAN RUGBY—
Varsity Cubs vs. Merolomas, McBride Park, 2.30.

SWIMMING—
Interclass Meet, February 25.

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There is an abundance of good material on this subject in the library and Mr. Soward has kindly offered to give assistance to any who desire it. The subject is a very excellent one and should arouse much interest and competition for the valuable prize. For further information see Mr. Soward or the president of the Men's or Women's Lit.

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