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COLLEGE EDITORS CON- VENTION.

At St. Louis, June 20-30 In-
clusive.

For the first time in the history of college journalism, the editors of college papers from all over the United States are to meet together in a convention. This gathering will take place at the Worlds Fair in St. Louis and will last ten days, from June 20-30.

The exposition authorities will issue complimentary passes to the editors, thus affording free passage during the entire time of the convention. In addition to this the management of the following attractions will also furnish complimentary passes to each of their concessions: "The Irish Village" or as it is more popularly known, The Irish Industrial Exhibition, which contains in addition to its industrial exhibits, reproductions of Ireland's most famous and historical buildings.

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Garra ien's Ancient Rome, being a representation of that famous city, in the tenth year of the reign of the profligate Nero and just before it was destroyed by fire.

"The Firefighters' Exhibit," in which will be presented the modern developments in the art of saving life and property from fire, by men and horses which have been in training for years.

"Lincoln's Log Cabin." This will probably be the most interesting historical exhibit, to Americans, at the fair, as in addition to the cabin there will be on exhibition the books from which he gained his education.

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the present on down to Monsier Adam and Madame Eve.

"The Cliff Dwellers" exhibit will consist of a mammoth cliff over 100 feet in height, in which will be shown the rude habitations of the ancient cliff dwellers, now extinct.

Other minor concessions which will be open to the college editors are the "Temple of Mirth," the "Esquimaux Village," "Battle Abbey," "Magic Whirlpool," "Old St. Louis," "Palais Du Costume," "A Trip to the North Pole," "Galveston Flood," "Scenic Railway," and an exhibition of "Submarine Diving."

From the above it will be seen that the leaders of this convention have succeeded in securing an abundance of amusing as well as educating entertainment for the members of the convention. Other important factors in making this week of the Fair especially interesting to collegemen are that the great national oratorical contest will be held on the afternoon of June 22, and that college base ball will be played from June 20 to 25.

Societies.

PHILODORIAN.

The society met as usual, and after the initiation of the new corps of officers rendered the following program:

"The Loss of Time," Ross Sward.

Essay, E. K. Miller.

Editorial, R. C. Glover.

Recitation, W. G. Trill.

Discussion: Resolved, That the best interests of the laboring classes would be advanced by a formation of a separate labor party. Affirmative, Geo. Simpson and Robert Shepard; negative, F. L. Grannis and R. R. Matthews.

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR.

Daily, 12:15 a. m.—V. M. C. A. Prayer Circle, room 11.

Daily, 11:15 a. m.—V. W. C. A. Prayer Circle, room 15.

Friday, 3:45 p. m.—Philodorian.

Friday, 7:30 p. m.—Philodorian.

Sunday, 3 p. m.—V. M. C. A., Prof. Tutthill, leader.

Sunday, 3 p. m.—V. W. C. A.

Time, of all things in the world, is the longest and the shortest, the most divisible and the most extended, the most neglected and the most regretted, without which nothing can be done, which devours all that is little and ennobles all that is great.

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"The two facts of the century just closed that portend most for the human race are the rise of Russia and the growth of the United States.

Within these two nations are gathering mighty factors of national power, mightier factors than have yet appeared in the history of the world, factors resembling in general nature but exceeding in magnitude those that brought forth the Empire of Rome, and the British Empire—cumulative factors that mark Russia for a military empire destined to throw Rome into the shade, and the United States for a mighty naval power toward which the vast power of Great Britain is but a stepping stone."

The necessity for that naval power presents itself from all sides; our location—two of our borders being coast lines upon the two largest oceans of the world—our position, as the greatest productive country of the world and consequently depending upon the seas as a pathway for our vast commerce, and as the possessor of exterior holdings which can easily be used as a basis for a navy, and, lastly, our attitude toward the civilization and Christianization of the world, all demand the growth of an extensive naval power.

The United States is bounded by the Dominion of Canada, Mexico, and 17,000 miles of coast line. About this coast line and its rivers and harbors, has gathered the wealth of our nation. About our sea coast has settled over half the population of the United States. Here it is that the manufacturing industries, upon which depends the very life of our country, have been built up. What protection do we offer this most valuable portion of our land? True, we have a few fortifications, mines and torpedoes, as means of defense. But experience in the Civil War ought to teach Amer-

icans that these will not suffice for a protection against the world. In an article in the North-American Review, Capt. Hobson says: "The only accident policy, the only insurance, the only guarantee of security, for all this property, for all the homes, upon which depends the happiness of so many millions of American citizens, is the navy."

"Estimating legitimate naval requirements from coast line exposure, the navy of the United States should be the largest in the world."

But protection for coast lines is not the only reason why the United States should maintain a navy. Last year our foreign commerce alone, without considering our extensive coast-wise river, and lake trade, amounted to \$2,300,000,000. In time of war what security have we that this our water borne property will not be blockaded at home? What will insure our commerce against molestation at sea, and from becoming the prey and booty of our enemies? The navy alone can give us this security. The navy alone can guarantee our commerce a safe departure, and an unmolested arrival at its destination. And yet in naval strength, we are only fourth among the nations of the world. Three-fourths of our foreign commerce is carried by nations which have stronger navies than ours.

What would be the result of a great Americo-European war? It takes us three years to build a battleship; a foreign fleet could be at our doors in one week's time. What does all this mean? Simply this: If ever such a war should take place, and we have no assurance that it will not, our commerce would be checked and our water borne property destroyed, our coast would be threatened, our factories would be shut down, our farmers would have no markets for their produce, in fact, we would find our-

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Associations

Y. M. C. A.

Last Sunday's meeting was led by Mr. Oliver. The day was beautiful with every outside attraction yet we were glad to find every chair of the room occupied.

After a short prayer and praise service, Mr. Oliver gave us a very instructive address using as his theme, "What was Jesus' Conception of a Lost Man?" Jesus had a real personal interest in men. He sought the personal relationships of man only to further the interests of humanity. Man, as the highest type of God's love and power, was, through his lost state, a burden on the heart and life of Christ. The strange relationship into which man had come with God had placed him in a lost condition and Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost.

Those who failed to hear Mr. Oliver, failed to receive that inspiration which Christian students are, by careful preparation able to give each other.

Next Sunday's meeting is to be led by Prof. Tutthill.

Don't forget the time: 3:00 p. m.

Y. W. C. A.

The noonday prayer-meetings led by Lena Shindler this last week have been very well attended. This is encouraging, for when a dozen or more girls can meet in a prayer circle every day there is every reason for believing that an interest in the Christian work is being sustained. The Thursday evening meeting was led by Lily Hardwick and was very helpful as was the meeting of Sunday also. This meeting was to have been led by two Capitola delegates, Gussie Randall and Sylva Jones, but as Miss Jones could not be in town, Miss Randall conducted the meeting alone.

Miss Shields, the traveling

secretary of the northwest schools and colleges, arrived here on the morning of the 9th and will stay till Tuesday evening. A well attended meeting was held at the boarding hall on Monday at 7:00 p. m. It was a splendid meeting and it is a matter of regret that every girl in school was not there. Several meetings and private conferences are to be held on Tuesday before Miss Shields leaves for Portland.

The girls who are to attend the conference at Capitola will leave Thursday evening on the late train and will arrive at Capitola, which is about a hundred miles south of San Francisco, on Saturday evening. They will remain there ten days and will meet many of the great Y. W. C. A. workers of the world as well as other great Christian workers.

FIRST MEET FRIDAY.

Cardinal and Old Gold Meet
Dallas Crimson.

Next Friday afternoon on the university field our team will vie with the men from the Dallas college for supremacy on the track and field. Several of the Willamette men went to Dallas last Saturday and witnessed the meet between Dallas and McMinnville which resulted in favor of a latter team by score of 68 to 58.

Dallas has some very lively men and those who are informed predict that the meet will be closely contested on both sides. Among the stars on the Dallas team are Poling, who is an all around man; Slater on the hurdles; Lörmer, who pole vaults 10 feet; Van Orsdel in the quarter, and Castle in the weights. For Willamette the team has not been entirely chosen as yet but Unruh, Hewitt, Love, James in weights, Spires, Riddell, Talbot in hurdles; Ford, Whitman, Judd in distance, Winslow in vault, Daddow, Matthews, Dart in jumps, and Riddell, Matthews, Miller, Catlin, Dart, James, Fisher and Shanks in the sprints will probably be among those who will make it interesting for Dallas.

Trainer Moulton is bringing the men out nicely and though the time has been very short, will have them in fair condition by Friday. Mr. Moulton is truly a great trainer and though we do not expect to make any records tremble or do any very great things this year, we do expect to form the nucleus for a winning team in the course of a year or two.

In regard to Friday's meet however the boys are quite confident of winning and are anxious to continue the draw between the two institutions on the basket ball floor by a decisive victory on the track.

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May Festival.
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 Judd made very fast time in the mile Monday.
 Ask Miss Wheeler what she means by four to one.
 Miss Ruth Gabrielson visited chapel Tuesday morning.
 The fence around the Athletic Field has been repaired.
 The Girls Gym Class is favored(?) with an audience every practice night.
 Have you ever been initiated into the secrets of the Hall family? We have.
 Misses Winifred Rigdon and Mamie Watterson were chapel visitors Tuesday.
 The music recital which was scheduled for Tuesday evening has been postponed.
 The portion of the campus which has recently been mowed, shows a decided improvement.
 The Third Years, chaperoned by Dean McDonald, enjoyed a very pleasant picnic Tuesday evening.
 The joint entertainment by the societies for Friday night promises to be of more than usual interest.
 Mr. Southwick is not only a thorough Shaksperian student but a great actor as well.—Milwaukee Journal.
 The first field meet of the year will occur Friday afternoon between the teams of Dallas College and W. U.
 We are sure none of Willamette's Coeds would be so disloyal as to suggest ice cream or candy to the boys who are training.
 Every student in school should witness our first field meet next Friday. It will be worth seeing and the fellows deserve our support.
 Track work is going fine. Dad Moulton is well liked by all the fellows and is doing his best to get us into condition for Friday.
 "Where, oh where, did Bobbie go, Oh where, oh where, can he be," was the cry which echoed around Piety Hill Sunday afternoon.
 Prof. McCall and F. W. Poorman took in the Republicau rally at Woodburn Saturday night. They were both able to be in school Monday.

Oh Mr. Weather Man, send us a nice Saturday by return mail so we can have our picnic. Yours Truly,

FIRST AND SECOND YEARS.

Art Guis, a point winner on Willamette's track team was in the city Tuesday and took occasion to have a look at the new athletic field. He says it is O. K.

Misses Maud Griswold and Hattie Higgins, former students, were Chapel visitors recently. Miss Higgins has recently closed a successful term of school near the State Fair Grounds.

Messrs Spires, Winslow, Catlin, Judd, Keyes, Miller, Chapter, Ford, Talbot and Hunt took in the Dallas-McMinville meet at Dallas Saturday. They report a very pleasant trip and an interesting meet.

Miss Louise Shields, Northwest Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. spent Monday and Tuesday with the Willamette Association. A meeting was held at the Hall Monday evening and Tuesday morning she visited chapel and spoke at some length of the Capitola and Gearhart conferences.

WILLIE ROSE.

Willie Rose sat on a tack.
 Willie Rose will ne'er come back.
 We take it Willie Rose is dead,
 Willie Rise?

Willie Rose, in all his might,
 Sat on a stick of dynamite,
 A crash, a roar, a flash of light,
 Willie Rose.

Willie Rose, the little beast,
 Ate a half a cake of yeast,
 Willie Rise?

To tell the truth it was not long
 That after he had done this wrong,
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WHY DOES POPCORN POP?

The peculiar explosive expansion of the starch grains that has given popcorn its name has been studied by Prof. Henry Kraemer, of Philadelphia, who read a paper on the subject at a recent meeting of scientific men. From an abstract in Science, May 1, we learn that there is a marked difference of structure between different kinds of corn. All are altered by heat, but only in the popcorn is the structure such as to favor an explosion. According to Science, three distinct kinds of grains may be distinguished, as follows: One variety, representing the sweet corn, contains comparatively nearly spherical starch grains, besides considerable dextrin and a small amount of a reducing-sugar. The second class includes the dents and possibly also the soft corns, and in these the greater portion of the endosperm is whitish and more or less mealy; the starch grains in this mealy area are rounded or slightly polygonal—and have a central rarefied area or point of origin of growth.—The third class includes the popcorns, in which the endosperm is more or less translucent and horny, and the cells of which contain closely arranged polygonal starch grains having a central rarefied area.—Some of the flint corns closely resemble the popcorns and form a group intermediate and the dent corns. The writer goes on to say:

"If the entire grains of these several groups are heated in a popper or in a hot-air oven at a temperature between 145 degrees C. and 160 degrees C. for from four to ten minutes, there will be a splitting or popping open of the grains from the apex and a modification of the contents varying according to the kind of corn. In the sweet corn the grain swells very perceptibly, becoming hollow in the center, the endosperm becoming more or less friable and containing an increased amount of reducing sugars. In the dent corns there is a splitting of the hulls and the endosperm, and this may take place on the flat surface or along the edge, or the upper portion may separate the lid.—In the popcorns there is a splitting of the grain along the two radii, the endosperm swelling very considerably, the peripheral portions cohering with the hull and thus leaving a cen-

tral more or less a rounded mass; where the popping is perfect the quarters turn back and meet below the embryo. On examining the endosperm of the popped grain it is observed that there has been considerable alteration in the starch grains and cell-walls, and that the starch has been changed into a soluble form, the amount of which depends upon the degree of alteration in the endosperm cells and their contents.

"The structural characteristics of the starch grains in the altered areas of the different popcorns would seem to indicate that the popping of the grain of corn results from the expansion of the individual starch grains, the degree of expansion depending upon the relative amount of water and air in the grains. As an illustration of this it may be stated that perfectly fresh popcorn or popcorn that has been soaked in water for 24 hours will pop but little in the true sense of the word. On the other hand, a popcorn which was seven years old, but had not lost its germinating power, would not pop unless first soaked in water and then allowed to dry for from four to twelve hours. That this property probably resides in the starch grain is further shown by the fact that pieces of the popcorn grain will pop."

Dinwit—Say, our backbones are like serial stories, arn't they? Thinwit—Prove it. Dinwit—Continued in our necks. | Harvard Lampoon.

Teacher—Can any little girl tell me who was Columbus? Sadie (frantically snapping her fingers)—I know. Teacher—Well, Sadie? Sadie—Columbus the gem of the ocean.—Philadelphia Press.

Between 10 and 15 men of the Y. M. C. A. will leave as delegates to the Northwest Student Conference, at Gearhart Park, Oregon, on next Tuesday night, May 28. Whitman is proud to send forth such a large delegation to so creditable an enterprise. The boys carry with them the best wishes of the entire institution.—Pioneer.

The worst form of fiends yet thrust upon a suffering Student Body is the poster fiend. Nothing is safe now in the shape of a placard, and if it is unsuited for decorating the fiend's room, then the cry is, "I want it for my scrapbook."—Pioneer.

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selves in the midst of the greatest crisis of ages.

Measuring the size of our navy by the size and needs of our water borne property, the navy of the United States should again be the largest in the world.

Within the last few years the United States has taken upon itself the responsibility of protecting territories far across the seas, territories that absolutely cannot be protected by any other means than through the navy. Let us imagine ourselves citizens of the Philippine Islands. Would we, located 8,000 miles across the ocean, feel secure, under the protection of a country which possesses only a fourth rate navy? Would we be secure? The Philippine Islands can be snatched from our possession as easily as we took them from Spain. And unless the United States is willing to build up its navy it is woefully unready, not only in fact, but in purpose to assert itself as protector of any foreign territory.

"Thus from considerations of material interests far reaching and vital to our country's welfare—considerations that involve the security of our coast, the protection of our water borne commerce," the safe guarding of our exterior possessions, our interests in each of these cases being larger than those of any other nation, from each and every consideration of material interest upon which the legitimate size of a navy should be computed, the United States should maintain the greatest navy in the world; indeed, the size being proportioned to her needs, the navy of the United States should be almost equal to the combined navies of the world."

So much for material interests. But what about other considerations? The Monroe Doctrine? In the recent Venezuelan trouble, suppose England and Germany had been of mind to take affairs into their own hands. Could the United States, with its fourth-rate navy have enforced the Monroe Doctrine? If we had declared war, our navy would have been utterly annihilated. Now a glance into the workings of the Hague Tribunal: There, in over half the questions that arise, America is being made the arbiter. Without a strong navy at our command, how can we expect our decisions to be respected?

Although these our avowed principals are unceasingly demanding a strong navy, yet the greatest call for the navy is not for protection in what we have done, but for protection in what we might do.

It is not only best for ourselves but far better for the world to have the balance of power vested

in a peaceful nation like America than in any of the war-like nations of Europe. In the late Chinese question, America was the leading nation that stood for a just and peaceable solution. Our attitude toward the settlement of our new acquisitions has been nothing but that of peace and brotherhood. In fact, our ambition is not simply to acquire more territory, but rather to uplift the unfortunate. America of all nations should be, and with a strong nation could be, the peace nation of the nations.

How will the navy maintain this peace? The answer to this question is plain and simple. If the world knows that the United States is supported by a navy sufficient to enforce its demands it will comply with our requirements without testing our authority. The clear expression of national purpose, accompanied by evident and adequate means to carry it into effect, is the surest safeguard against war. It is the preparedness of the enemy and not acquiescence in the existing state of things that now holds back the armies of Europe. And with us, "The Angel of Peace is an efficient navy."

This will cost. But if a strong navy will secure peace, cost what it will it is cheaper than war. Should we hold back? Should we thwart our possibilities because it will cost something? Should we consider dollars and cents when it comes to doing away with the terrible features of war? If we wish to accomplish anything, we must pay the price.

Therefore, if we would use the Monroe Doctrine as a means of repressing foreign invasion of our continent, if we would give our decisions at The Hague weight and stability, if we would make the "Stars and Stripes" an emblem of peace, justice and mercy throughout the world; in fact, if we would use "Old Glory" in any case as a protector of the oppressed, we must have a navy.

Would that that day might be hastened when our navy would be made ten times its present size. Then when America raises her voice among the nations of the world, and demands justice and mercy, it will have weight; then when America says to the world as it is now saying to its possessions "Peace on earth, good will to men," the world will listen to our call; then it will be, as it should be now, in word and in truth, America not only mistress of the seas, but "America, the enlightener of the world, the Arbiter of nations."

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