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STUDENT ELECTION.

Today is election day and the student officers of next year will be determined by the vote cast. Every student should take advantage of his privilege and should not neglect to fill out his ballot in the registrar's office.

The student government is in the hands of a senate and a council of the senate. The council of the senate is composed of the presidents of the sophomore, junior and senior classes, the president of the associated students and the councilman-at-large. The senate is composed of the above and the commissioners of the various branches of college activity, forensics, demonstrations, finance, athletics, social, and publications. Considerable responsibility devolves upon the senate and many matters are each year brought to them for settlement. That body, by its make-up and limited size, is a wieldy and representative one of the students and can act quickly, if need be, upon important matters and save the delay and unsatisfactory results oftentimes obtained by the entire student body.

It has been shown repeatedly that when a matter is brought up before the assembled associated students, unless it is presented in distinct form with certain recommendations for its passage or rejection, that little will be accomplished by the students in deciding it. The first motion put is usually the one passed. It is the function of the senate and council to so arrange and present matters that action will result. Knowing the student tendency they almost invariably recommend to the student body the action to be taken upon the question brought before them. We have never seen a senate recommendation fail when presented to the student body.

Thus the senate and council have acquired a power and responsibility that, practically, is the power and responsibility of the associated student body in any matters except elections.

It is well to take into consideration the qualifications of the various candidates for the different offices before one's vote is cast. The governing bodies of the students should maintain a certain dignity, should stand definitely for all that is best in student life, should, we believe, be conservative.

THE WONDER OF IT.

In Bozeman, the home of the Montana State College, in a town whose interests are essentially educational, the committee in charge of getting signatures to the petitions for putting the bond issue and mill tax levy for higher educational institutions before the people of the state, were turned down by more than one business man. It is hard to believe. It is hard to think that any business man should be so short sighted as to not be willing to work for any object which benefitted the college, and incidentally his own business. All these men were asked to do was to sign these petitions putting the matter before the voters of the state. They did not even have to pledge themselves to vote for it. Their signature merely was to give the people of Montana a chance to express themselves on the matter. And three out of 39 refused to sign.

Bozeman is a conservative town. In many ways we are proud of that fact. But when a business man gets so conservative that he refuses to lend his aid to a project which will be of immense value to his town, to his state; when he refuses to attach his name to a petition which merely gives the people of the state a chance to vote on the matter something is decidedly wrong with his mental make-up. There's a monkey-wrench in the machinery somewhere.—The Bozeman Courier.

Engineering Notes

The bids on the new engineering shops were opened last Saturday and are now in the hands of the State Board of Examiners. This body has not yet acted on the bids and accordingly the contract has not yet been awarded.

The senior electricals left Wednesday on a trip to Deer Lodge and Butte. Special permission has been received so that they may ride on the electric locomotive from Three Forks to Deer Lodge. While in Butte they will visit and inspect the substations of the Montana Power company. In Deer Lodge they plan to visit the shops of the Milwaukee railway. The persons who will make this trip are: Oberle, Roney, Michel, Flynn, Henry, Glass, and Professor Thaler.

In a recent circular received by the engineering department of the col-Mining Engineers' Handbook," Mr.

Reno H. Sales' name was given as that of one of the associate editors. Mr. Sales received his B. S. degree at Montana State College in 1898. At present he is a geologist with the Anaconda Copper Mining company. This "Mining Engineers' Handbook is one of the most complete and up-to-date works of its kind on the market at present. That a man must be a leader in his line of work before he would be chosen as an associate editor on a book of this kind goes without saying. This honor has been given to a graduate of this college and we have just cause to be proud of him.

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EXTENSION NOTES

Mrs. J. R. Parker entertained at dinner Wednesday evening Mrs. McCleod, Miss Moore and Misses Fanny and Helen Phillips.

Mr. Potter spent last Saturday in Columbia looking after boys' and girls' club work. He will be in Flathead County next week.

Mr. J. C. Taylor and Mr. Ogaard expect to hear Galli Curci sing in Butte this week end, as they will be in that vicinity on Extension business.

Mr. H. E. Murdock and Mrs. L. F. Giesecker returned recently from Townsend where they looked over the Crow creek irrigation project in reference to soil survey. They covered about 65,000 acres on the south side of the Missouri River.

Mr. J. R. Campbell spent Monday and Tuesday in Butte to confer with the supervisor of a school gardening to be held there. There will be four teachers in charge and the Extension Department of the college has promised some assistance. There is a

great deal of enthusiasm among the boys in regard to home gardening. Last year there were 1670 pupils enrolled. Mr. Campbell plans to send a letter of instruction each week.

Mrs. G. C. Roosevelt will hold three clothing schools in Sanders county next week.

Mr. Ivan L. Hobson, in charge of Boys' and Girls' club work in the western states with headquarters in Washington, D. C. visited Flathead County last week. A conference was held in Flathead county at which there were present three national leaders, three state leaders and several county agents.

FOOTBALLS IN THE BOOKCASE

During the past week footballs, representing the defeat of the Mines, and the tie with the University, have been placed in the trophy case in the room across the hall from the treasurer's office. The painting of the scores on the balls was done by the art department. The interior decorators have also done some excellent work under the leadership of Miss Florence Aitken, in arranging the trophies which have been won by our athletic teams.

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Society



Rupert Streets spent the week end in Helena.

Hazel Davidson spent the week end in Townsend.

Several students went into Butte today to hear Galli Curci.

Beta Epsilon announces the initiation of Prof Edmund Burke.

Miss Randall will spend the week end with friends in Sheridan.

Marie George spent a very delightful week end at her home in Billings.

"Shorty" Henry was back again from Townsend for a few days this week.

Hazel Davidson was the guest of Jessie Williams at the Hall for lunch Tuesday.

Mrs. Herrick was a guest at the Miller Home in Livingston over the week end.

Ruth Smith returned Sunday from Ravinia, South Dakota, where she has been teaching the past year. She expects to spend the summer in Bozeman.

Fred Cruzen left Thursday for his home in Havre.

A number of students attended the dance in Belgrade Saturday night.

The Alpha O girls enjoyed the company of Mrs. M. M. Duncan at dinner Thursday evening.

Miss Fay Milligan of Helena spent the week end with Ruth Norton at the Phi Gamma House.

"Hick" Stanley '19 will arrive in Bozeman the latter part of this week to attend the Junior Prom.

The Beta Epsilon boys gave a smoker Thursday evening in honor of Mr. Thompson of S. P. E.

Miss Ruth Stirling, Mrs. Abbott, and Miss Abbott were dinner guests at the Phi Gamma House Tuesday.

Miss Bernice Flook, Marie Brandenburg, and Vera Cleland dined at the Sig Alpha House last Sunday.

Professor and Mrs. Schoppe and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holm were dinner guests at the Sig Alpha House last Friday.

Last Saturday Mrs. Rutledge gave a very delightful motor party for the Iota Delta girls up Bridger Canyon.

Miss McCart, Miss Hinman, Harold Wise, and Eugene McLaughlin enjoyed a pleasant auto trip to Karst's last Sunday.

Miss Doris Ingram '19 arrived in Bozeman yesterday and will stay at the Alpha O House until the end of the year.

Mr. Thompson of Colorado Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon was at the Beta Epsilon House Thursday inspecting the local.

Mrs. Thaler entertained some of the college girls at supper Monday afternoon at 5:30 in honor of Ada Baker. Those present were the seven Theta Xi seniors, Mrs. Parker, Georgia Knott, Vivian Cornish and Lucy Axtell.

Georgia Knott gave a delightful announcement dinner for Helen Lease at the Theta Xi house Wednesday evening. The color scheme was red and white, the table being lighted by red candles and having a large basket of red tulips in the center. Small red cupids standing in the hearts of red and white ice cream carried the announcement of Miss Lease's wedding to Mr. Roy Payne June 20th. After the dinner Miss Lease was presented with several beautiful gifts.

Helen Lewis, Louise Forbes, Helen Haller and Theo Muntzer went to Butte Thursday afternoon to hear the concert by Galli Curci.

Georgia Knott, Helen Lease, Evelyn Herriott and Ada Baker spent a delightful week end out West Gallatin at the home of Miss Herriott's sister. The girls returned Sunday afternoon.

Last Sunday Ruth Norton, Alfred McFarlin, Katherine Buzzell Lucien Benepe, Fay Milligan, and Hallam Williams motored up to the Madison valley.

Last Sunday Peg Lindsley, Abalina Montgomery, Amy Burlingame, Edith Stanley Hod Seamans, Russell Pickens, Robert McConnell and Victor Larse went for a picnic near Mt. Ellis.

Helen Tripp, Dorothy Noble, Mary Stranahan, Mildren Forrest, Earl Kelly, Jesse Flynn, "Duckie" Ferrell and Con Harrington enjoyed a picnic supper near Belgrade Saturday afternoon and attended the dance given in that village by the College Boys' Orchestra later in the evening.

Miss Bergstrom gave a shower Tuesday evening for Ada Baker. About 16 girls were present. After music and games were enjoyed, the guest of honor was presented with a large basket filled with beautiful and useful gifts. Lunch was served at midnight.

Last Thursday evening a very delightful dancing party was given at the Elks' Home by the Omega Beta fraternity. The hall was decorated in yellow and green, the colors of the fraternity and hung about the room were balloons of the same colors. The music was splendid and added attraction to the moonlight waltzes was that the light came from a shield made up of the letters "O B" which served the purpose much better than a moon. During the evening punch was served. The last dance was a feature dance which the guests took down the balloons and kept them bouncing in the air. After the dance refreshments were served in the Ellen Parlors.

MONTANA AGRICULTURAL GRADUATES IN SMITH HUGHES WORK

The following graduates of the State College will be engaged in Smith Hughes vocational work next year:

- J. W. Gray, '16 at Lewistown.
 - Ray C. Cannon, '17 at Deer Lodge.
 - Dan Noble, '19 at Hamilton.
 - Jack Sweat, '20 at Choteau.
 - Otto Roberts, '20 at Enreka.
 - Earl Chattin, '20 at Sidney.
 - W. H. Were, '18 at Whitehall.
 - Herman Dieckman, '20 at Glendive.
 - Neil R. Jones, '10 at Harlowton.
 - Hubert M. Rice, '20 in California.
 - C. C. McCormick, '16 Boise, Idaho.
 - Robert Smith, '19 Park City.
 - J. Stanley Fenton, '22 at Clyde Park.
- Schools thus far employing men from outside the State are: Kalispell,

Alumni and Ex-Students

F. Bertil Linfield, '16, spent a few hours here with his parents recently. He was enroute to South Dakota and was forced to take a round-about course because of washouts.

Ruth Smith, ex-'18, arrived in Bozeman Sunday to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Smith, during vacation.

Maude Perring, '19, visited friends here Friday and left Saturday morning for her home near Salesville.

Ruby Stahlford, '17, who has been teaching in Three Forks, spent a few days of this week in Bozeman.

Ford Leinard, '14, who has been spending a few days with friends in Bozeman, left Sunday for his home in Forsyth.

Bozeman, Boulder, Phillipsburg, Moccasin, Wibaux, Belt, Fairview, Poplar, Hardin, Worden, Cascade, Geraldine, Dillon, Wolf Point Baker.

Schools not yet supplied with men are: Polson, Culbertson, Valier, Hedgerville, Carter, Fortine, Hingham, Moore, White Sulphur, Collins, Musselshell, Broadview, Augusta, Lambert Harlem, Ollie, Winnett, Miles City, Hobson, Browning, Jordan, Conrad, Chinook, Belfry.

FRESHMAN ELECTIONS.

At a Freshman meeting Monday afternoon, the following nominations were made for offices to be held in the Sophomore class of next year: President, Bruce Hollister, Phat Asbury; vice president, Ruth Norton, Nick Oberle; secretary, Don Anderson, Harold Wise; treasurer, Charlie Linden, Ted Cogswell, Harry McCann. The election is to come off at the same time as the elections to the Student Senate.

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Most of all I would like to see the athletics of our institution opened to our girls. Give them a chance to earn their numbers. I can think of nothing that would be half so nice to remember your Alma Mater by as your letter. Girls appreciate letters and sweaters just as much as men do, and would be only too glad to earn them. They do in other places, and why not here? It is a well-known fact that the girls pay every cent as much activity fee as the men—and for what purpose? Just to go to the men's games and yell their lungs out. If one doesn't go to the games and cheer, she is considered a poor sport. There is no fun in going and yelling for the other fellow all the time when you know that he won't get a chance to yell for you. I know, I have tried it. Just open up athletics to girls and see how much better they will turn out to be the men's games. They won't need any "moral persuasion" either. If you don't believe it, try it and find out.

Yearly tennis tournaments for the girls should be organized. Not merely inter-class games, but with other schools.

Then I think the girls are entitled to invade the realms of basketball. Basketball was originated as a game for girls, but boys with their usual grace and candor, not satisfied with football, medicine ball, baseball, and other activities, needs must play the girl's game. Now they consider that the girls are infringing upon their sacred rights if they dare to assume any part in playing the game.

It will not always be so, for the day is passing when women must take a back seat and twiddle their thumbs. "For every evil under the sun There is a remedy or there is none. If there be one, try and find it. If there be none, never mind it."

If the shoe fits, put it on. If not, let's all work together to help the cause and cheer the girls.

A STUDENT
 PERMANENT ATHLETIC
 FIELD WILL BE KNOWN
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Section. S. E. R. C. He sailed the next day for France with the first two hundred American flying cadets, the pick of the nation, to be sent overseas.

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At this time he was transferred to a French Bombing Escadrille in the Fifth Bombing Group and flew in active battle work with them until the 1st Bombing Group (American) was organized. He was assigned to the 11th Aero Squadron in that group on September 1, 1918, and was appointed Flying Officer for his squadron on September 19.

It was while flying with the French that he was decorated with the Croix de guerre, with the following citation: At the 25 Sector August 18, 1918. Military Aviation Group de bomb. 5 Sq. Bulletin 127

Order No. 43
 Major Vuillemin, Commanding, cites by order of the squadron:
 Cyrus Gotton, 1st. Lieutenant
 American Pilot.

"An excellent pilot, one trustworthy of the greatest undertaking. He has never failed in a bombardment since he has joined the squadron. He particularly distinguished himself on the 16th and 18th of July, 1918, at the time of the bombardments on the foot-bridges of the Marne, as well as on the 9th, 10th, and 11th of August, 1918, at the time of bombardments carried out by him from a low and perilous altitude.

Signed: VUILLEMIN
 As the work of the day bombers was the most dangerous of any undertaken by the air forces, Gotton never wrote home of the real nature of his exploits. However, letters to his mother from members of his own and other squadrons in which he was known, and received since his death, tell of the part he played.

After Lieutenant John Tyler and Roger Chapin, the oldest veterans of the squadron, were shot down early in September, "Cy" led every formation up to the time he himself went down on the last official bombardment his squadron participated in before the end of the war.

He was cited for bravery by his commanding officer, Captain Heater, and recommended for the D. S. C. but this he never received.

On the 4th day of November, the 1st Day Bombing Group was ordered to bomb Montmedy, a German rail "head" about thirty miles back of the Hindenburg line. At 14:30 o'clock Gotton led a formation of the 11th Squadron on that mission. At 16:30 o'clock the formation, after a successful raid, returned but Lieutenants Gotton, pilot, and George E. Bures, observer, were missing.

Four months afterwards they were still reported as "missing" by the War Department. It was not until April 3, 1919, when Lieutenant Lawrence Wylie, A. S. U. S. A., a friend of Gotton's and a member of the Class of 1913 of Montana State College, made a personal investigation at the farm of Blanchampagn, where the wrecked plane of the fallen aviator lies and where the bodies of Gotton and Bures were first buried, that the facts, regarding the battle and the death of the two aviators, became known.

The combat occurred over the Valley of Saily. A formation of American planes were seen flying at considerable height. At the same time a formation of Germans was seen above the Americans and following them. A single plane was seen to fall behind and drop out of the American formation which continued on its way. The single American plane was immediately attacked by three of the Germans. An aerial combat ensued, the German planes diving at the American plane and firing their machine guns, the sounds of which were distinctly heard from the ground. Suddenly the American plane burst

into flames and started on its downward course, apparently out of control, and with the flames continually increasing. At approximately 1500 feet above the farm house of Blanchampagn several objects were seen to fall from the plane. One was the body of Lieutenant Bures; the other objects were the observer's machine gun and turrel. The plane struck the ground with terrific force about 300 yards from the place where the observer's body fell, on the slope of a hill in an open meadow, where it continued to burn fiercely for several hours.

The body of Lieutenant Bures was buried by a French refugee, one Victor Dutelli, the principal informant of Lt. Wylie and an eye witness of the battle, who interred the remains in a garden near the farm house.

A marked grave a few yards from the burned plane bore a simple inscription saying that an American aviator, who fell on the 4th day of November, 1918, was buried there by a company of Saxons. This was the grave of Cyrus Gotton, buried by the Germans.

In the words of his best friend, Roger Chapin, who was in a German hospital at the time of the last fateful expedition of the 11th Squadron: "He died as he had lived."

**SUNDAY PICNICKERS
 HAVE DIFFICULTIES**

Week end parties up Bridger, West Gallatin, Sour Dough. last week met with some rather odd accidents in that many of them had breakdowns of such a nature that necessitated their staying out most of the night. There can be no doubt in the minds of the readers that when there are in the neighborhood of four or five wheels broken in one day that either the spring fever has hit a lot of us or else the garage owners and repair men are out making business. The former seems the most plausible reason for anybody who has been in the business altho the latter might be a good cause. However the story remains and happened in the following manner. Sunday morning was one of those delightful mornings when you wished that all you had to do was to go to church and then lie down on the grass and dream that you were in a land of milk and honey. This was an exceptionally beautiful day and before the sun had been in the sky many hours many of our devoted worshippers had given up the thot of sitting in church for an hour and had planned several picnics in as many different places. So in the course of the day cars varying from a Ford to a Packard had started on a delightful trip to the various picnic grounds which Bridger, West Gallatin and Sour Dough afford. All was well until in the middle of the afternoon when a slight rain started which gradually increased to a steady drizzle which lasted the balance of the day. The rain practically ruined all chances for a successful picnic so the parties broke up. On the way back, to state a specific case, a wheel came off from the car for some unaccountable reason. The result was that one of the party had to go back into town with a passing car to bring back help and repairs. Great consternation was exhibited by members of the party because no one could be decided upon to return with this car. Finally the way out of the difficulty was arrived

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