

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH.

Salt Lake City.—The university closed yesterday for the holiday vacation and will re-open on Jan. 4, 1904. All the railroads gave the rate of one fare for round trip to students who spend the holidays away from the city.

Dr. J. E. Talmage was out of school all the week on account of sickness. Some time ago the doctor, while experimenting with a solution of vanadium mineral, cut his hand on some broken glass. The solution entered the cut and he is now slowly recovering.

President Kingsbury returned from his official visit to Cedar City the first of the week. He is well pleased with the work there. The roof of the new building is now finished and plastering is going on.

The school of mines has just received from the National Standarding bureau at Washington a standard resistance for carrying electric currents up to 50 amperes capacity. This resistance is to be used in connection with the standard cells for calibrating ammeters.

Mr. Ben Tibbey, a junior of the school of mines last year, but now studying at Stanford university, visited the university on Tuesday. Mr. Tibbey says he has learned by experience that no student need leave Utah in order to get a good course in engineering. He regards the equipment of the state school of mines here as equal to any he has seen on the coast.

The Mining Review for Dec. 3 will contain an article on "Mechanical Engineering at the University of Utah," by Prof. Beckstrand.

Mr. George J. Silver, foreman of the machine shop, severed his connection with the university yesterday, to take the position as foreman of Silver Bros. Iron Works. Mr. Silver has been connected with the university since 1890. On Thursday he was awarded a gold watch with a gold chain and locket. On one side of the locket is written "Comments of students 1903," on the other, "Geo. J. Silver."

Mr. J. A. Strane of New York has been employed by the university to succeed Mr. Silver as foreman of the machine shop. Mr. Strane is a graduate of a combined high school and mechanic arts school in the state of New York. Besides this training he has had seven years' experience as a machinist and is now a junior in Sibley college at Cornell university. The university secured Mr. Strane through Prof. Richard L. Lyman, who is now studying at Cornell. Mr. Strane will begin his work on Jan. 4.

Prof. Maud May Babcock has been granted a two weeks' leave of absence, and will spend the holidays in the east. She goes out in the interest of the state school for the deaf, which she will visit at the school in Chicago, Washington, New York, Boston, and will spend Christmas at her old home in Philadelphia. Mrs. Philip S. Mack is conducting her class during her absence.

On Wednesday the college students met and after hearing reports of committees on organization voted to withdraw from the present student body organization and create an organization of the college students of the university. The college men who were officers in the student body resigned their positions. Messrs. George C. Riser, A. Perkins, O. W. Carlson and E. D. Warton were appointed to draft a constitution. The students also voted to affiliate the preparatory students of this action and recommended that they effect an organization of their own. This change in student affairs meets with the approval of both college and preparatory students.

The editor of the Chronicle is continually receiving complimentary letters for his excellent paper. Many say it is the best paper the students have ever published. The unique cover was designed and presented to the Chronicle by Mr. G. M. Marshall.

Last night the "P. A. Frat" entertained the college men with an informal reception and banquet.

Supervisor Lanchmond of domestic science department will spend her vacation in St. Louis.

beside of his father, who is not expected to live.

No meetings are docketed for the coming week.

L. D. S. UNIVERSITY.

Salt Lake City.—School adjourned yesterday for a two-weeks' holiday, and will resume Jan. 4.

On Thursday morning Prest, C. N. Lund of North Sanpete state favored the institution with a visit.

Miss Mabel Hall, a missionary student, has been called to labor in the Northern States, and will leave in a few days for her field of labor.

The class in Greek history is engaged at interesting research work. During the past week the chariot races and theaters have received attention.

The basketball boys have received formal notice that no one of them can play in any public game if he is down in his studies. It is the general hope that no one will have to be cut out for weak work.

Albert Wilkinson, a student of the department of typography, left yesterday to take a position as assistant operator at Lund, on the San Pedro and Los Angeles line. He received his training here in less than a school year.

A matinee preceded by a game of basketball came off in the gymnasium on Friday. The game was much enjoyed. It was between the Salt Lake and L. D. S. U. teams. The dancing party lasted from 5 to 8 o'clock.

The reporting of the proceedings at the exercise on Wednesday morning furnishes excellent practice for the advanced students of shorthand, who take down the words of each principal speaker. Mayne McDonald, a former student, is in the department.

Instructor Frank has executed a very neat piece of work on the typewriter, in the form of a calendar for 1904. The magazine published in the interest of shorthand and typewriting, and has been secured for the students at a very low price of 30 cents for a year.

Through the efforts of the normal students several volumes of choice pedagogical works have recently been added to the library. The reading room in the new building is filled with oak tables and chairs, while the light that comes through the art windows and skylight is mellow and beautiful, and restful to the eye in reading.

One of the special delights of the week was the singing of Mrs. Connie Thatcher Nibley on Wednesday morning. For the devotional hymn, she sang "Gloria Dei," followed by a sparkling solo "Good Day Marie." Later, at request of the president, the "Message of the Saints" from "The Prince of Pilson," was rendered. Mr. and Mrs. Nibley, now of Oregon, were former students under President Paul in Logan. They are spending the holidays in Utah.

The students' meeting on Wednesday was an interesting session. Joseph Mills, president, conducted the proceedings. Miss McDonald recited a negro dialect piece, brimful of choice humor; Samuel Wells gave an interesting address on the life of Moses; Ethel Lund gave a talk on business qualifications; the students' brass band played three selections in excellent style. Two of the songs were "The Summer Night Serenade," and "Marching March."

The meeting on Friday morning was characterized by brief sentiments from teachers and students. Among the participants were Messrs. Evans, Bird, Messer, Mrs. Kelly, and Miss Ada Bitter from the faculty, and students D. O. Harris, C. H. Sprague, Laura Young, Vernon Felt. College songs were sung by Prof. Kent and the school and by a quartet of the students. A training class led by student John Neilson. The college bands discoursed inspiring music, and the president wished all the boys of the holiday season.

The address of Prof. Maycock before the students' meeting was a crisp and sensible presentation of the subject of self-help. He showed that individual effort is the foundation of every worthy accomplishment, and the indispensable condition of the progress of the student. Especially interesting and characteristic was the speaker's demonstration that a gift of God, in order to be available, must be made our own by persistent labor. This unique but true doctrine was illustrated by citing the case of Oliver Cowdery, upon whom was bestowed the gift of translation. The gift was never enjoyed because the recipient did not devotedly seek to exercise it. Man's agency and effort must be made available, and then the blessing can do for the student is to show him the way and give him the opportunity, in self-effort, after all, that is the deciding factor.

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY.

Provo.—The Christmas number of the White and Blue is just out; the leading features is a story appropriate for the occasion, by Miss Elsie Chamberlain.

The Mystery Club gave a ghost party, at the home of Mrs. Ida Smoot Dusenberry, last Thursday evening. It is needless to say, proceedings were quite original and very amusing.

Santa Claus visits the Kindergarten next Tuesday evening, at which time an informal reception will be given. The work done by the girls of the training school and kindergarten children will be on exhibition.

Mrs. Ida Smoot Dusenberry entertained at dinner Sunday last. The guests were President and Mrs. B. J. Smith, Asst. Hyatt M. Smith, State Senator Murdoch and daughter.

Josie, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Taylor and daughter Hazel.

The 1904's of the High school have had a large photograph of the present members of their class taken, appropriately framed and hung near their quarter of the general study room adjoining the library.

Last week a paper containing a lineup of professors for a proposed basketball match, was found pinned up on the bulletin board. Everybody took it as a hoax; but it seems that there was some fire beneath the smoke. A game has been scheduled between members of the faculty and a picked team from the college; of which more anon.

An open session of the Speech Improvement club was held Wednesday night. The program consisted of selection from Shakespeare, with songs, and speeches of a very interesting type. An admission fee of ten cents was charged, and such is the favor in which this society is growing, that the usual attendance was scarcely diminished on account of it.

Among the visitors last Wednesday morning at devotional, was Elder S. J. Foster, recently from Australia, where he has been filling a mission during the last three years. Elder Foster was one of the first to take the missionary course as offered in the academy. His address before the students was unusually well considered and to the point.

Mr. Fred J. Foldstedt of Gunnison was an enthusiastic visitor in Prof. Miller's classes, for two or three days last week. Mr. Foldstedt is one of the leading cornetists in the state. He finished the course offered in the academy, two years ago, and has since been teaching band music in the town of Sanpete county.

At the faculty meeting Monday evening, it was decided to order pens, and let be adopted for examination work. Also that only soft black pencils be used. A committee was appointed to secure these supplies and place them in the hands of the students before the opening day of examination.

The closing ball of this semester was given last night, under the auspices of the management of the White and Blue. An unusually large crowd was in attendance, but the best of order prevailed, and the managers of the student paper congratulate themselves on an increased bank account, which is likely to balance any over-drafts for improvements.

The grounds for the new Preparatory and Missionary building were dedicated last Sunday morning by Elder A. H. Lund, in the presence of the faculty, students, and many visitors. This building will be ready for occupancy by the opening of next school year.

Miss Alta Erenback is one of the students lately graduated from the school of music, who has found remunerative employment. She is teaching music in St. George, Utah, and Eureka. John Brown, another graduate, is at present continuing his studies in the Boston Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Lester W. Mangum, editor of the "White and Blue," is preparing, so it is understood, to enter Stanford next semester; to which end he got excited by his studies last week, and is at present acting as advance agent, for the local concert tour of Miss Arvilla Clark and Oscar Kishman. The company is at present holding forth in the large towns of Sanpete county; with what success, we have not yet learned.

The School of Music presented a very interesting concert last Friday. Among the numbers was a ladies' double quartet, a mandolin and guitar selection by a club of 16, a male quartet, "My Old Kentucky Home," "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," by Willard Andelin, a comic song, "It Beats the Ever," by Prof. Lund, "Cold Herrin," a Scotch song, by Miss Pearl Boren, a piano duet by Prof. Lund and Reid, and a closing chorus from "The Messiah," by the choir.

BRIGHAM YOUNG COLLEGE.

Logan, Dec. 18.—The term ends in the college last Friday night by the amusement committee was one of the greatest social events in the history of the Brigham Young college. The large assembly room was filled to the capacity by students and visitors who listened to the rendering of an excellent program.

The gymnasium was so crowded that it was necessary to divide the dancers into two groups by red and white button hole badges, and allow each group to dance every other number. Prizes were awarded in various contests, to Miss Lettie Busby, Miss Maggie Jones, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Moses and Dr. L. N. Smith. The proceeds of the party were used by the musical department for purchasing band instruments.

Supt. J. E. Carlisle, of the Sunday schools of Cache state, visited school on Monday, and addressed the students in devotional exercises. Brother Carlisle expressed himself as having a particular interest in this institution because of the high grade of work characteristic of it. He gave some very good advice which was much enjoyed by the faculty and students.

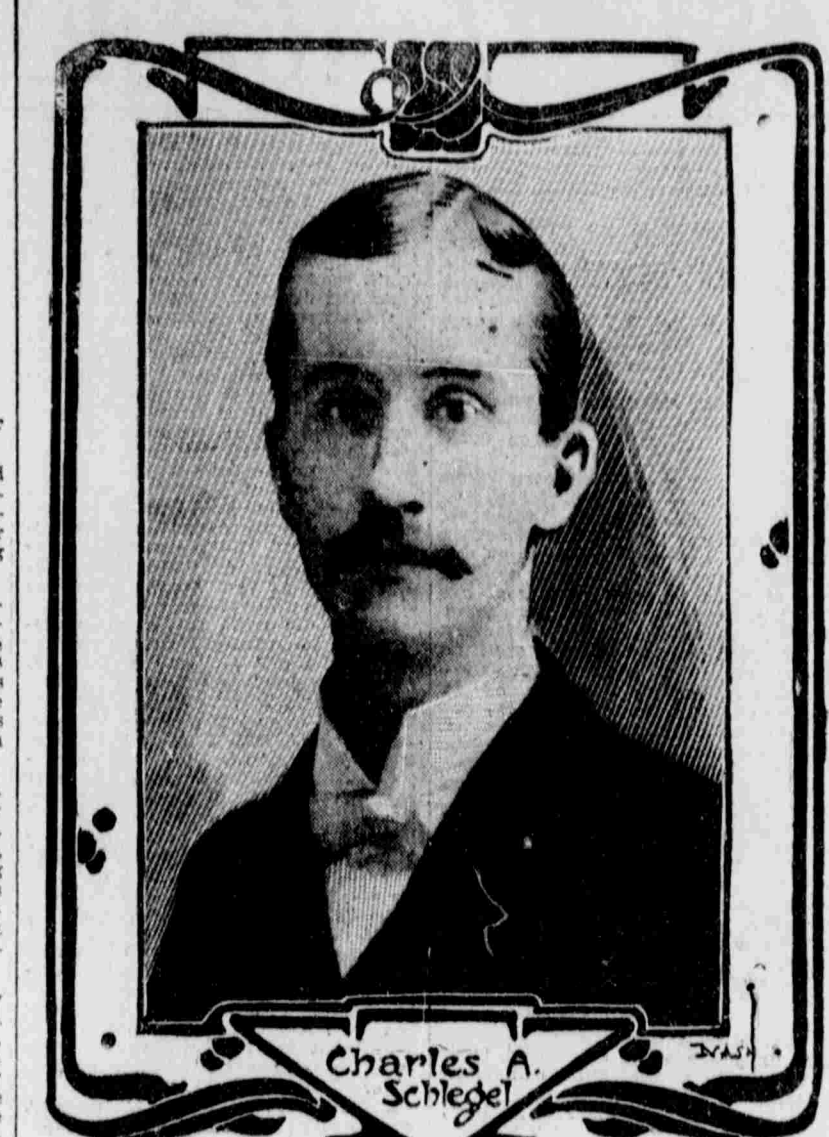
A game of basketball was played in the gymnasium on Monday, those taking part being the junior team versus the class of 1904. The result was a victory for the graduating class by a score of 21 to 10. The result of this game was that the class did not challenge the Brigham Young college basketball team. The boys of the senior class did remarkably well, but they were not quite enough for their opponents, as a score of 21 to 8 in favor of the Brigham Young college team demonstrated.

The missionary class met in the chapel hall on Tuesday night.

The second year class gave a party in the gymnasium on Tuesday night, to which they invited only their partners and members of the faculty. Dancing and games took place, and during the evening, fruit and other delicious refreshments were served. The affair was a very pleasant one.

There will be a meeting of the board of trustees on Friday in the president's office. It is expected that president Joseph F. Smith will be in attendance, and if he is, the students will no doubt be favored with some advice from him in devotional exercises.

CROWING HOPE FOR BLIND.



Charles A. Schlegel, the enthusiastic blind lecturer and poet, is a graduate of the New York School for the Blind. He predicts that with the educational facilities now being given them the blind will soon find their way into useful positions in the professions and industries.

tural college dancing matinee last Wednesday.

Dr. D. C. Budge visited school a short time on Thursday and gave some very excellent advice to the students in devotional respecting the care they should exercise in going home for the holidays, and coming in contact with disease affected districts. After this advice there is no reason why students should be the means of spreading disease, if the advice is in any way carried out.

The college "Crimson" is out and ready for distribution. This is the first issue, and it is as fine a college paper as ever made its appearance for the first time.

The girls of the second year cooking class are preparing to give a Christmas dinner on Friday, in honor of the parents, members of the faculty and board of trustees. The dining room is nicely decorated with evergreens and red lights.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Logan.—A large number of inquiries are coming to President Kerp concerning the winter courses to begin Jan. 5, 1904.

Mr. Christian Hogansen, a graduate of 1899, is in Logan on a month's leave of absence. He is connected with the division of soils in the United States department of agriculture.

During the past week Prof. Peterson has been giving illustrated lectures to his geology class, using lantern slides from views he has taken in the Wasatch and Bear River ranges.

Prof. Peterson has moved from the third floor to the south end of the basement, where he has four fine rooms fitted up as geological museum, laboratory, assaying room and lecture room.

The students in art under the direction of Mr. Stutterd are well advanced in designing, and are now doing considerable color work.

The Christmas number of Student Life came out yesterday.

Director Whitson and Prof. Hutt went to Brigham last Wednesday to lease an orchard for the joint experiment to be conducted by the station and the United States department of agriculture.

Prof. Dryden left yesterday for California, where he expects to spend a month with his family.

The second year manual training girls have completed the study of the course in fibrous materials, and the holidays will take up the kitchen, the range and the theory of cooking.

Misses Ella Maughan, Hazel Love and Minnie Peterson, as a part of their work in domestic science, gave an elegant Christmas dinner in the college dining room to 10 invited guests. A seven course dinner was served, the menu being a most excellent one.

The practice cooking and lunch serving will begin after the holidays.

The chafing dish demonstration lessons closed last Wednesday.

The senior girls have completed household sanitation and are doing general reading preparatory to examination.

A new simplex separator was put into the dairy during the past week.

Prof. Clark has very frequent calls to treat sick stock here in the valley. Much of the sickness is doubtless caused by exposure and might be avoided by proper housing.

Prof. Wilson goes to San Francisco and Los Angeles during the vacation.

The engineers had their mid-term examinations during the week.

The Misses Holmgren will spend their vacation in Brigham City.

Miss Wyant will spend the holidays with friends in Ogden.

Prof. and Mrs. Caine will spend part of the vacation with his father in Salt Lake City.

Capt. and Mrs. Styer and family will visit Mrs. Styer's parents in Salt Lake during the holidays.

The college orchestra gave another of its popular matinee dances last Wednesday.

Prof. Swigerty Antal delighted the students with two remarkably fine violin selections at chapel one day last week.

Dr. Moench is coming from Lawrenceburg, Tennessee to spend the holidays with his family.

Capt. and Mrs. Styer have kept open house for the cadets a number of evenings during the week. The boys report royal royal entertainers.

Messrs. Mathews, Downey, Allen and Wade, the Eureka delegation.

The congress organized by the Star consists of about 100 members and is doing excellent work.

Mr. J. T. Caine III, a graduate of last June, will return from Ames, Iowa, where he is doing post-graduate work, to spend the holidays with his parents, Prof. and Mrs. Caine.

The senior engineers are spending holidays and three afternoons during the week on their irrigation project in Logan canyon.

The horse feeding experiment, including all the horses belonging to the college and station, has been inaugurated. The purpose is to test the value of wet and dry best pulp and carrots as feed for horses.

Prof. Boxell is arranging for correspondence between students of the department of commerce here and commercial schools in Paris and Berlin.

Nearly all of the students will spend their vacation at their respective homes.

Mr. Moore lectured before the Commercial club on the "Country Newspaper." His lecture was instructive and he clearly portrayed the duties of the country newspaper in the home.

The "Phi Delta Nu" held the first initiation ceremonies Saturday evening. Three new members were grounded out. The boys have just received some handsome fraternity pins and caps.

The students in finance have just completed the organization of a college bank. This bank is organized under the same banking laws of Utah. The stock is being sold in the commercial department. In the near future this class will organize the other offices of the department. This work gives the student practical ideas of the organization of these corporations.

Collections are arriving daily for the commercial museum. When this museum is completed it will be one of the most instructive parts in the department.

Mr. W. A. Jensen, instructor in stenography and typewriting, reports that never before have so many students been registered for work in his classes, and that they are pursuing their work with zeal and enthusiasm.

WEBER STAKE ACADEMY.

Ogden.—School closed last Friday for the holiday vacation. Both students and teachers have worked very hard and will appreciate the two weeks' rest.

Messrs. Moore and Cooper, representing the Basketball Team of Cheyenne Business College, called at the school last Tuesday looking to the arrangement of a game with our boys. The Cheyenne business college team holds the championship of Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming, and the boys say they are very desirous of adding Utah to the list. Our team will meet them on the date to be announced later.

At devotional exercises this week Bishop E. T. Woolley spoke on the subject of prayer. In a way his address was unique, as he opened his remarks by singing "Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire," etc., and closed by singing "Did You Think to Pray?" The students thoroughly enjoyed his remarks and are prepared to say that Bishop Woolley is a singer of no mean talent. The other speakers were: Wednesday, Orlando Woolley on the "Choice of Words"; Thursday, Dr. E. L. Rich, on "The Importance of Choosing our Words"; Friday, "Ira Woodmansee, on "Thoughts from the Parable of the Fig Tree."

Our missionary class was somewhat surprised by a visit of two members of the missionary committee last Wednesday, Elders George Reynolds and Seymour B. Young. This means that early in the spring some letters from Box "B" will find their way in the box where the mail man delivers our mail. The night school was not disappointed, either.

At 4 o'clock last Wednesday the school was addressed by Elders Reynolds and Young, both speaking on the Book of Mormon.

At 10 o'clock Friday, the students all assembled in the study hall, where they received the report of the lecture committee.

The faculty played basketball with the regular team on Wednesday. No casualties resulted, but some of the faculty, when once up stairs the next day, were noticed to remain there until their day's work ended, not even going home for lunch.

Many members of the night school desired to continue school during holidays.

Mr. W. A. Jensen goes to Butte and Helena to visit relatives during the vacation.

The choir of 60 members and the band of 17 are making fine progress under the direction of Mr. Mitten. The choir is rendering such anthems as "Praise Ye the Father," by Gounod.

Among the students who returned to their homes for the vacation this morning were Miss Lilly Laird and

days, but some find it impossible to attend on account of late working hours, so it was thought wise to adjourn until Jan. 4.

All the citizens of Ogden who patronized lectures last year will know what to expect when we announce that the course for 1904, beginning on Jan. 11, is even better than the successful one of last year. Prof. Clark of the University of Chicago, who so completely captured the public last year, is scheduled on the season ticket for two dramatic readings.

President L. W. Shurtliff paid the school a short visit last week. He is pleased with the work being done in the day and the night school.

Dr. Rich's talk was directed right to the students. His remarks about preparatory studies were timely. "Students," he said, "consider yourselves too good, too important to be caught loafing at any time."

After devotional, it is said, he promised some physiological specimens for the laboratory.

ONEIDA STAKE ACADEMY.

Preston, Idaho, Dec. 6.—The Oneida stake academy, under the auspices of

its Students' society, has given some very instructive and interesting entertainments. Recent visits have been paid to this institution of learning by Prof. John T. Miller of the Latter-day Saints' university, Prof. J. E. Hickman of the Brigham Young university, and Prof. D. C. Jensen of the B. Y. college. These prominent Utah educators each delivered an splendid educational and moral lectures. Students, teachers and patrons will long remember the excellent advice given by the visiting brethren.

On Friday evening Dec. 11, the Emma Ramsey Concert company, under the management of the academy, rendered a beautiful program in music and song. The audience was enthusiastic in its praise of the performers, and the school in particular feels honored by a visit from Utah's sweetest singer.

Two hundred students have been registered during the semester which closes on Friday, Dec. 18. Examinations have been completed in all of the classes, and the students have given evidence of a fair understanding of the subjects which have been taught. All concerned recognize the blessings of God in the labors that have been accomplished and sincerely trust that their future efforts may be crowned with success.

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