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Challenge.

The '94 ball team do hereby challenge '95 to a game of ball, to be played within two weeks.

'95 to '94.

Oct. 5, 1891.

We, the class '95, do hereby challenge you, the class of '94, to a cane rush, the rush to take place Oct. 16 after dress parade.

Signed Com.

Literary Societies.

Saturday evening, in spite of the bad weather, a fine audience met in Erodolphian Hall to hear the opening meeting of this society. An energetic debate on the question, *Resolved*, That a republican form of government would be advantageous to England, was decided in the affirmative.

A recitation, two orations and music made up a program which did credit to the society.

Irving Institute held its first open meeting last Friday evening. President H. E. Kelly delivered his inaugural address, and among other recommendations urged the reinstatement of the essay upon the program as an occasional substitute for the light oration or declamation.

Hand-Book.

The Y. M. C. A. Hand-Book will be issued to-day. Every student of the University is to have one. Those desiring extra copies may have the same for 10 cents a copy. Apply to the committee or to Secretary Parsons at the building. Call there any time after this noon and get them.

WILL BAILEY,
C. C. STOVER,
R. M. CONNOR,
Committee.

Baconian Club.

At the regular meeting of the Baconian Club last Friday evening, Dr. Gilchrist read a highly interesting paper on "Surgical Anæsthesia". The history of the subject was briefly traced, the physiological action of some of the more common anæsthetics was described and theories were advanced in explanation of some of the phenomena observed. The paper was discussed by Dr. Calvin, Dr. Patrick and others. Prof. Arner exhibited and described the Thompson-Houston Watt meter, an instrument which performs the same functions in electrical supply as are performed by the gasometer in gas supply. Prof. Nutting gave an account of some original observations made upon the flagellate cells of a certain species of sponge.

Athletic Meeting.

The Athletic Association held a very important business meeting yesterday afternoon. President Schaeffer, Professor Sampson, Mr. Stephenson and Mr. Till were there to give the boys advice. The President spoke first in regard to professionalism in University athletics and was opposed to it and to all questionable practices. He favored *bona fide* amateur teams and contests here and in the State Association. Professor Sampson introduced the following motion, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Faculty of the University be requested to appoint a committee of three professors or instructors, who, with a committee of three students appointed by the Association, shall constitute an Advisory Committee whose duty it shall be to exercise a general supervision over the athletic affairs at the University and to whom shall be referred all questions as to the composition of teams representing the University."

In presenting the motion, Professor Sampson stated two reasons for its adoption. 1st, It brings students and faculty into closer relations concerning athletics. 2d, It secures the best developed material for each team, because the committee is impartial. Mr. Stephenson clearly showed the beneficent results of such a committee in Harvard and felt assured that the result would be the same here. Fuller, Park and L. L. Elliott were appointed as such committee to represent the Association.

Perhaps the most important action of the day was the adoption of the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union, in so far as they define an amateur athlete. By this action no professional athlete in the University may contest in any University team or in any field day sports. He is absolutely barred from all contests. It was decided to hold an Autumn Field Day and a committee of Pierce, Prof. Sampson and Jacques was appointed to make arrangements. A committee of Chantland, Sollenbarger and Larrabee was appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Association. This was done at the special request of Treasurer Pierce. Chantland and Beardsley were appointed to inform the colleges of Iowa who are in the State Athletic Association of the action of our home Association, as regards the adoption of the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union, and to urge those colleges to take the same action.

The Association subscribed for *Outing* and in the future this magazine will be found on file in the reading room in Close Hall.

Alumni Notes.

Ed Collin, L. '69, has practiced law at Northwood, Iowa, ever since graduating.

Ed F. Wehrle, '91, reads law in Mt. Pleasant, with the intention of entering the Senior class next year.

Geo. M. Varnum L. '91, is in partnership with his brother, also an alumnus of S. U. I., at Denver, Col.

J. E. Mershon, L. '91, after looking around at Minneapolis and St. Paul, has settled down in Des Moines.

Jno. S. Tuthill, L. '91, was married during the summer to Miss Dickey, of Iowa City, and is practicing at Waterloo.

S. B. Reed, '84, formerly of Hastings, Neb., is now practicing law at Waterloo, associated with J. S. Tuthill, L. '91, in the firm of Reed & Tuthill.

J. C. Norton, who entered with the Senior class here, graduated from the I. A. C., and has now been elected Assistant Professor in Veterinary Science at his alma mater.

Walter Walker, '83, is one of the many S. U. I. men who are making names for themselves. He is a successful Baptist minister of New York City with a fine church and salary.

Frederick Hall, A. M., '84, is Professor of Latin and Greek in the Los Angeles University. This institution was organized by the Baptist denomination of Southern California in 1887.

We receive the following from our special correspondent at Des Moines:—"John A. McCall, who is a graduate of the State University, class '72, and one of the most prominent attorneys of the city, introduced General Sheridan to an immense audience at Foster's opera house, last night, in one of the neatest and most elegant speeches of the kind ever heard in Des Moines. Mr. McCall is yet a young man, but stands high in social, professional and political circles. Four years ago he led the independent Republicans from the party on local issues, successfully, but has again become a true blue Republican, in whose party councils his ability has won him an influential place. So it was that he was called upon to introduce the far famed New York stumper to the people of Des Moines. He has been the recipient of many compliments on the effort, and the appreciation was universal. Mr. McCall has won the title next to Judge G. G. Wright as being the Chauncey Depew of the west. The honor he wins is reflected upon the University."

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Iowa City, Iowa

The Athletic Association, at a meeting yesterday afternoon, adopted as its own the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union of America. By this action all professional athletes are barred from entrance to contests of the association. This is a long step in the direction of pure athletics in the State University. Its effect will be to place our athletics upon a higher plane by making them fairer. Fear has been expressed that the move might injure us in the State contest. If the other Colleges of the State Association refuse to adopt these rules, they may. In taking this step the association was entirely unselfish and manifested a disposition to act for the future good of S. U. I. rather than for present personal success. In short our association bars out all professionalism, believing this to be the only good and right course to take, without any reference to what our associate colleges may do. We hope, however, and believe that the other members of the State Association will see this matter in the same true light in which we have seen it and that their action in the premises will be for the abolition of professional athletics from Iowa Colleges.

When we take into account the great advantages which the University library affords it would seem that no student can, with justice to himself, neglect to do, each week, a certain amount of reading. How many hours are squandered during the school year for a want of proper economy! If we would only be more systematic in our work we would be surprised to find how much time we would have for the reading of periodicals and good books. Not only does reading serve as a pleasant diversion from the ordinary routine work, but no other recreation is so beneficial, so necessary, in fact, for the formation of the full and complete man. Let us then make the most of our opportunities. Let us at least try to become acquainted with the leading works and

thus acquire a taste for reading. Many questions, social, religious and political agitate the public mind to-day. Do you wish to know what they are? Do you wish to know the ideas advanced? Go to the library and read the books and periodicals found there.

Students who wish to join an Anglo-Saxon class meeting Thursday at 11, will please let me know at once.
M. W. SAMPSON.

The students of the Engineering Department start out this afternoon on a practical surveying expedition. Fourteen in number, with Prof. Jameson at their head they are now marching up Turkey Creek and intend to camp about six miles from here. They have secured six large and four small tents, and with a "chief cook" they expect to add pleasure to profit. They will lay out an imaginary railroad, going over their survey three times. They will remain until Saturday.

Mighty in valor as well as in numbers, the Freshmen are beginning to demonstrate to the upper classes that they are not to be "sneezed at," at least unless the sneezing is the result of being ducked. The Sophomores, overtaken at their own game, were caught in the attic trying to overhear the proceedings of the Freshman meeting Saturday morning. Such offenses are not allowed to pass unpunished by this year's stirring Freshman class; apologies and promises were of no avail; the crime could only be wiped out by being held under the pump, and under the pump were these Sophomores held until they cried "enough," and with drooping pinions slunk away. Sophomores, take warning.

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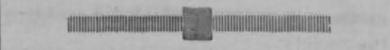
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"What nation is in the soup to-day?" exclaims a distracted English History student.

Miss Katie Sherman was in from her school at Solon to attend the Kappa initiation.

The ball park has been rented for another year and is being put in shape for practice.

The enrollment has already gone considerably above 800. We do not yet lower our first estimate of 1,000.

The Juniors were examined in English History yesterday morning. Mr. Wick conducted the examination.

The German Seminary will hold its first meeting Wednesday evening. Mr. Langenhorst and Miss Barber will read papers.

Miss Call was compelled to dismiss some of her classes yesterday on account of the low degree of the temperature in the Y. M. C. A. building.

The Junior Laws organized Saturday. The following is a list of the officers: President, Mallory; vice president, Morse; secretary and treasurer, Ma-reau.

Professor Hastings wishes to announce to students and others interested in singing that he will organize a class at Close Hall, Tuesday evening, (to-night) Oct. 6, at 7 o'clock.

Miss Jessie Johnston received Sunday the sad news of the death of her mother. She left Sunday for her home in Ida Grove. The sad event will compel Miss Johnston to give up her college course.

Delta Tau Delta had their halls quite severely damaged by fire and water last Sunday morning. It is quite hard on the boys, as they had just repapered and repaired their halls. We understand, however, that the loss was covered by insurance.

Professor M. F. Arey, Professor of Natural Science at the State Normal School, has been spending a few days here that he might inspect our botanical, biological and zoological departments. He is highly pleased with the work done here, and expresses himself as well repaid for his visit.

The weekly and daily periodicals have been removed from the library and are now on file at Close Hall. A beautiful edition of Browning, bound in half leather, and accompanied with large sized photogravures, has been added to the library.

The young ladies of S. U. I. are in a dilemma. Of course they all wish to

attend the lecture course this winter and are willing to purchase the course tickets. But the uncertain gallantry of our young men may make this purchase a useless expense, at least partially so. In such cases would it not be simple justice for the Bureau to redeem any such unused tickets at the original cost or 30 cents each? Of course to reserve a seat would be to use the tickets. Let the Bureau give us a response.

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