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State Convention.
The next State Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in Iowa City, Feb. 18-21.

The program opened by considerable discussion of the subject by various members of the club in the usual way. The debate was on the question:—Resolved, That sewing and cooking should be introduced into S. U. I. Considerable difference of opinion was created and the speeches were excellent. Mary Alford and Frances Rogers affirmed while Emma Kalkofen and Jessie Speer denied. All three judges decided in the affirmative. A declaration by Mamie Seely closed the program.

Rowing Club Entertainment.
The second entertainment for the benefit of the Rowing Club was given at Close Hall on Saturday evening by a fairly good audience. The whole was a decided success, especially The Meisterschaft, and reflects great credit upon those having it in charge as well as upon the performance.

The program was opened with a cornet solo by Mr. Thompson with guitar accompaniment by Miss Helen Cox. Following was a recitation, "Aunt Peggy and Fine Art," by Jessamine Jones, in costume. A beautiful recitation, the "Song of the Spinning Wheel," was given by Miss Maggie Williams in a manner which won enthusiastic applause. After a pretty banjo and guitar duet by Miss Hess and Mr. Cochran the curtains were drawn and all awaited with impatience the opening scene of The Meisterschaft. When they were at last opened, a pretty scene was disclosed between two sisters who have been sent to Germany to learn the language by the Meisterschaft system and to be separated from their sweethearts. Margareta Groat and Bertha Horak acted the roles of the two enthusiastic girls Margaret and Emma Stephenson to the life. Their landlord, Mrs. Blumenthal, conceives the idea of feigning illness so that the girls may be left alone with Gretchen who does not know a word of English, and hence they will be compelled to talk German. While carrying out her plan the two young men arrive, and after some days spent in cramming Meisterschaft sentences, for like the girls, they are under restrictions to talk nothing but German, they call. The ensuing conversation is composed of detached portions of Meisterschaft, and is extremely ridiculous. Finally Gretchen is bribed and the young people enjoy each other's society for the next three weeks to their hearts content, while she is "stum, blind, todi.

Suddently Mr. Stephenson, the girls' father, appears and Mrs. Blumenthal reports their wonderful progress. But immediately the true state of affairs is discovered by the entrance on the scene of the engrossed lovers, and the whole ends by a pretty tableau of the reconciliation.

To All Students.
To-morrow is January 20, the day set for handing in contributions to the Literary Department of the Junior Annual. Please see to it that your sketch, poem or story is handed to Miss Crawford, Mr. Bailey or any business manager of the "Hawkeye." If you have not already written something, do so tonight and help to make the Hawkeye of class '93 a worthy book.

MANAGERS OF JUNIOR ANNUAL.

A New Institution.
The Western Normal College, of Shennandoah, Iowa, has been consolidated with the Normal University, at Lincoln, Nebraska. The main building of the new institution is to be 150 by 180 feet, five stories high, containing fifty rooms, with an auditorium 50 by 80 feet, which will extend through three stories. Professor Cram has been elected president. There are twelve courses.

Although the Chemical Building is not yet wholly finished, recitations and laboratory work are carried on there. The plumbers, as usual, are inexcessibly slow with their work. New apparatus and machinery is arriving, the digest being on the point of being enclosed in a building of the best make and design. It will be placed in the basement and run by steam. This building is of particular use to the Pharmacetical Department which is just receiving its due recognition as a department of the University.

A new organization has come into existence as was announced by the green and white ribbons worn by several of the young ladies of the University yesterday. Whenever one of these badges is seen it signifies that its bearer belongs to the T. W. V.
There is a growing conviction that the State Athletic Association made a big mistake when it decided to hold the next Field Meet at Marshalltown. It is unreasonable to expect that the people of a non-college town will take interest in college sports which is essential to make them a success. While the citizens of Marshalltown may be friendly toward the State Athletic Association, and toward the various colleges composing the Association, yet there is not that spirit and enthusiasm which the students of a college town can and will create. For the State Field Meet to be successful we need not only friendly rivalry but unbounded enthusiasm. That this enthusiasm is lacking in a non-college town, was seen by the experiment made at Marshalltown last spring. There is no logical reason why the Association should go outside of the college towns to hold the Field Meet. Let the Association look into the matter and if possible change the place. If we are to have a State Athletic Association let us have a good one, and let us hold the State Field Meet at those places where the greatest of enthusiasm and the best of rivalry can be created.

There is no class of people who realize the need and appreciate the value of a good library more than students do. Yet few students are able to build up that library which they so much admire and value. Many look forward to the day when they shall have a library containing the best and choicest books. The library is the student's best friend. Modern education demands not that we shall remember everything, but rather that we shall be able to know where to find the desired information. Every thought dwelt upon, every idea considered, becomes a part of our mental fabric. We only store away things to recall them when needed, but the secret of a good education is to know where to find the thing formerly stored away. No one expects to master a subject in four years. The best and only thing we can do is to glean a general knowledge from the various subjects studied, and in this way ascertain which subjects delight us most. After we have ascertained this, it is a good plan to become acquainted with the leading books on this particular subject, so as to be able, when opportunity occurs, to build up a library according to our taste. We will be greatly aided in our selections if we secure a list from the professors of the leading books on their special subjects. In this way we will find no difficulty when we leave the University in securing the very best books. All education is complete; one subject overlaps the other, hence to master one subject thoroughly a general knowledge of others is essential. If then we can not during our University career build up a private library, yet we can at least make the necessary preparations and preparations which will eventually prove of lasting benefit to us.

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Local and Personal.

The seminary in Philosophy meets this evening.

There will be 75 candidates for the Yale hall team.

No one should fail to hear Stagg, the great athlete of Yale.

There are now 353 students in the Collegiate Department.

Geo. Robinson, L. '93, and Harry P. Toogood, L. '90, are new members of Phi Delta Theta.

G. L. Houser, '94, who has been quite sick with a grippe, is again able to attend his classes.

C. Vollmer, M. '92, who has been at home sick with the typhoid fever, returned to the University to day.

A large and very handsome glass case has been added to the herbarium, for the use of the fruits and seeds.

The Library Association, at Fairfield, has received a donation of $30,000 from Andrew Carnegie.

A reunion of the Alumni of the State Normal was held at Des Moines during the State Teachers Association meeting.

The second lecture of the University Extension Course, at Davenport, Ia., was delivered by Professor Calvin, on Saturday evening last.

A very important Y. M. C. A. business meeting is called for this (Tuesday) evening, at 7 p.m. All members are urged to be present.

The Y. W. C. A. is endeavoring to get up a class for a course of lectures on Cooking, to be given by Miss Johnson, a graduate of Wells College.

T. F. M. Huntington was awarded first honors at the home oratorical contest at Mt. Vernon. His subject was "The moral influence of government."

Walter Biering, M. '92, slipped on the hospital floor, Friday, and in falling pulled a tank of boiling water over himself, scalding his arms very badly.

Alonzo Stagg, who lectures here next Saturday evening, is at present instructor in the training school at Springfield, Mass. Next year he will be Professor of Athletics at the new Chicago University.

The Christian Association is indebted to W. J. Young, of Clinton, Iowa, for an album showing views of Clinton and Lyons. Mr. Young is the gentleman who recently gave $20,000 to the Clinton Association.

The seminary in Pedagogy held an interesting meeting last Saturday morning. A paper was read by Florence Brown, '92, on the "Public High Schools." Following are the members: F. A. Stowe, '92, C. L. Smith, '91, Frank Nelson, '92, Julia Rogers, '93, Fannie Patten, '92, Helen Hardoy, '92, May Gaymon, '92, Florence Brown, '92, F. G. Pierce, '90, W. F. Myers, '92, M. H. Lyon, '92.

Professor Nutting's sister, Mrs. Ross, from Illinois, is spending a few weeks with him.

Col. George W. Baine will deliver a temperance lecture at Clove Hall on the 7th of March.


Mrs. Sophia Hutchinson Teeters has been visiting her mother and sister in Iowa City during the past week.

The Misses Myra Dew, Adelaide Clark and Elizabeth Schaeffer have gone to Des Moines to attend the inauguration ceremonies and visit friends.

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The great society drama entitled "An Unequal Match" will be presented at the Opera House under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Choate, assisted by the best of local talent for benefit of Co. C, 3d Regiment, I. N. G., Thursday and Friday nights.

Engagement Extraordinary.

Paul Alexander Johnston, confessed by all to be the greatest mind reader the world has ever produced, will be at the Opera House Thursday, January 30. His performances in the large cities have been wondrously successful. All Chicago has been stirred by his marvelous exhibitions. It is impossible for any one to see his work and to doubt that it is what he says it is. Prices — lower floor, 50 cts., gallery, 35 cts.

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