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Elocutionary Recital.

The Sophomore Elocution class gave a recital in the Zetagathian Hall, Wednesday evening. The entire programme consisted of declamations and dialogues. The audience was not as large as it should have been. These programmes are prepared with a considerable amount of labor and their excellent character has always merited a good audience. The programme was opened by a declamation by Mr. Barton, "The Declaration of Independence" fairly well.

Miss Otto gave "Marguerite" in a manner which showed improvement. "The Alchemist" was given by C. D. Walrod. The speaker's voice has been greatly improved.

Elinor Dubal gave "Veronica" in an excellent manner, her selection was very suitable.

The Scene from the drama of Arnold and Talyrand, given by Ralph Dunlap as Arnold, and S. Otis Hahn as Talyrand, was one of the best features of the evening.

Lulu Holson gave "The Happy Cripple" in a very pleasing manner.

S. D. Whiting gave "The Monster Cannon" in her usual good manner. "The Old Minstrel" given by Maud Butler, was the best we ever heard Miss Butler do.

Amy Zimmerman gave "Bishop Beauvais and the Shepard Girl." This was given very well, much better than we have ever heard her do before.

Nannie Carroll gave "Shiloh" in her usual excellent manner.

The programme was concluded by a dialogue, "Mark Twain and the Interviewer." S. Otis Hahn took the part of "Mark Twain," and Ralph Dunlap the "Interviewer." The humorous nature of this selection made it exceedingly pleasing. The entire program shows that good work is being done along this line.

Germania.

The Germania held their last meeting for the year last night. A very full and interesting program was given. Radasch, '95, read a paper on "Frederick the Great." Miss Otto, '96, read a paper on "The Future of German Language in America." Page, '94, gave a report on "Swiss Scenery." Miss Houser gave a very interesting reading. Miss Bauserman read an excellent translation of Longfellow's "Psalm of Life." She also favored the Club with a well rendered vocal solo, "The Lorelei." Mr. J. C. Walker was a welcome visitor. His encouraging remarks were much appreciated.

The aim of this Club, which was formed in the beginning of the winter term for the purpose of cultivating conversation and general reading among its members, has been carried out with satisfactory results. The membership has increased to fourteen, and meetings have been held weekly during the last two terms. Though a voluntary student movement, it has received much assistance and encouragement from Professor Wilson, under whose direction the work has been carried on. In the absence of a German Seminary the members feel

well satisfied with the benefits received from mutual criticism and encouragement, and the Germania will continue as a permanent organization next year. If a German Seminary be organized under Professor Wilson no doubt many of its members will take part in that.

English Literature Seminary.

"Matthew Arnold as a Literary Critic" was the subject of the last Seminary meeting. After a short sketch of his life extracts from his essays on Celtic literature and on translating Homer were studied. In the essay on Celtic literature he affirms that English poetry gets much of its turn for style and nearly all of its natural magic from a Celtic source. In the essay on Homer he says this writer is the best model of the grand style in poetry to be that which arises when a noble nature, poetically gifted, treats with simplicity or with severity a serious subject. He regarded the grand power of poetry to be its interpretative power, or the power of so dealing with things as to awaken in us a wonderfully new and intimate sense of them and of our relations with them. He defines criticism as the disinterested endeavor to learn and propagate the best that is known and thought in the world, and thus to establish a current of fresh and new ideas.

At the next meeting Arnold's ideas of good poetry will be compared with those of Lowell, Carlyle, Wordsworth and Coleridge.

American History Seminary.

The meeting of the seminary which was held last Thursday afternoon, was one of the most interesting meetings which has been held during the whole year.

Gilmore, '95, read a paper on the reconstruction of the Southern States after the Civil War. He told how these States were admitted to the full rights of Statehood again and outlined the changes which were made in their respective constitutions. Jessie Johnston, '94, read a paper on the growth of arbitration as a means of settling international disputes. She began with a description of the Jay Treaty and showed the development, step by step, of arbitration from that time up to the famous Behring Sea Board of Arbitration of last year.

This was the last meeting of the seminary for this year. The students who have composed it have found their work both a profit and a pleasure and feel that they have derived much benefit from its meetings.

Evening Programme.

Arrangements have been made to have the medals presented at the evening meeting at the Opera House, on State Field Day.

The exercises will consist of wrestling, contests, sparring, boxing, tumbling bar work, high kick, etc. etc., by representatives of the various colleges.

Will Hearst and Jesse L. Kinmonth are visiting in Cedar Falls.

Communication.

At the Faculty meeting yesterday afternoon it was decided that there should be no exercises in the Collegiate department on next Wednesday and Friday. It is very evident that the Faculty were placed in a peculiar position in regard to this matter. The term is drawing near to its close, and it requires considerable judicious management to arrange matters so that the necessary amount of work required to be done, and the time allowed to do it in, come out even. Holidays certainly do break into the professors' plans quite seriously at times. Yet it seems very evident that the action of the Faculty in granting two holidays next week was the only thing which wisely could be done. Decoration day has come to be an established national holiday all over the land, and when our public institutions cease to observe it as such they are defeating one of the main objects for which they exist,—the development of patriotic citizens. To grant a holiday on Friday was the only wise course which could be taken. During the forenoon there will be a number of students of other colleges in the city, who will be expected to be entertained, and to do this will require the time and efforts of the entire student body. We occasionally hear it remarked that it would have been sufficient to have excused classes during the afternoon, and not in the morning; especially is this said of Wednesday. As a matter of fact, however, this is no holiday to the great majority of the students. Many of the students have all their class work in the morning, and therefore any time used in the way of recreation would, from necessity, be taken from their own time.

It seems to me that the Faculty are to be commended for their action, both for the regard which they hold for a national holiday, and as a stroke of policy for the best interests of the school.

W. M. D.

Zetagathian Program.

Miss Lulu Morrison opened the program with a vocal solo which was highly appreciated by the audience.

D. H. Barton gave an oration on "Garfield." The speaker was somewhat hesitant in delivery. With practice he will overcome this hesitancy.

"King Philip to the White Settler," was the subject of a declamation rendered by C. D. Walrod, who, as usual, held the closest attention of his auditors.

The proposition that the "Income Tax Clause of the Wilson Bill should become a Law," was affirmed by Messrs. H. O. Pratt and H. P. Williams, and denied by Messrs. W. E. Carpenter and F. W. Beckman. The speakers ably defended their respective positions on the question. The decision of the judges was given in favor of the negative.

W. R. Patterson showed in an interesting speech how England has been "The Tyrant of Nations."

Arthur Bailey delivered a humorous declamation, "The Book-Canvasser," which was very well received.

The following members were elect-

ed for next fall term: President, H. O. Pratt; Vice-President, H. C. Dorcas; Recording Secretary, P. L. Kaye; Corresponding Secretary, E. G. Moon; Treasurer, W. H. Hanson; Sergeant-at-Arms, Thomas and Carpenter.

Examining Committee.

The examination of the Senior Laws, before the State Examining Board, will be held on June 6, 7 and 8.

The committee appointed by the Supreme Court is this year composed of the following named attorneys:

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U. I. U. Entries.

In addition to the entries announced in Thursday's issue, the following have been received by the Secretary from U. I. U.—

Hop, step and jump—F. L. Wolf and A. E. Comstock.

Running broad jump—F. L. Wolf and M. E. Comstock.

Running high jump—F. L. Wolf and W. W. Davis.

120 yard hurdle—F. L. Wolf.

220 yard hurdle—A. E. Comstock and W. W. Davis.

100 and 220 yard dashes—W. W. Davis and M. E. Comstock.

440 yard run—A. E. Comstock.

Old Gold Wins.

The vote which was taken yesterday and to-day to obtain the sentiment of the student body in regard to the color to be worn on State Field Day, resulted in a victory for old gold. The vote being 213 for old gold, and 98 for gold. We wish to offer no apology for taking this vote as it was taken at the request of the ladies Y. W. C. A. The vote in itself settles nothing definitely. There was simply a prevailing idea that the color should be changed and many valid reasons were given for changing it. The votes, however, showed clearly that the original color is preferred by the majority. We believe it to be the duty now of every student to wear old gold as it would have been their duty to wear gold had that vote prevailed. It seems to us that it would be wise for a committee to be chosen to select a certain shade of old gold and keep samples of this shade on hand and when ordering from our merchants insist on receiving this particular shade. By this means we believe many of the former difficulties would be obviated.

Notice.

The regular Y. M. C. A. meeting will be held Sunday, at 4 o'clock.

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We are pleased to learn that the Faculty has at last decided to suspend University work on Memorial Day. This action is of course in harmony with custom and patriotic sentiment. That there was considerable hesitation over taking the step, illustrates the fact that the University makes too little of the day. In a community of students such as we are, comprising a fair part of the best element of the coming generation, and headed by a Faculty that is desirous and able to educate for a rounded citizenship, it would seem only appropriate for such lessons also to be taught as naturally become most prominent on Decoration Day. Aside from the Zet-Irving program in the evening, there is nothing in the way of memorial services that can be imputed to the University,—and even this program is not intended for the University nor sustained altogether by it; there is no assembly of the students, no address for them, nothing that is intended to develop especially in them the higher patriotism that is so lamentably lacking to-day. Other schools have their appropriate assemblages. Let us hope that by next year there will be with us some change for the better.

We learn from those officials who have charge of the financial affairs of the Y. M. C. A., that there are a number of the members who have not yet paid their membership fee. It certainly is evident to any person who has used the privileges offered by the association that money is needed badly. The running expense is no small amount, and many improvements are necessary which cannot be obtained owing to lack of funds. The officers of the association have been very lenient with the members in regard to paying their dues, much more so than good financial policy would permit, and now for persons to put off paying until the last moment, and in some cases evade paying altogether,

should not be tolerated. Our association is not yet on a financial basis where it can afford to make any concessions to those who are obliged to work their way through school, and we are sorry that it is not. We will venture the assertion, however, that this is not the class of students who are delinquent as a rule. It is more frequently the person who has the money if he chooses to use it for such purpose, but prefers to evade such bills if possible and use his allowances for his own selfish ends. The officers of the association cannot be too stringent in dealing with such persons. The Y. M. C. A. is in a position where it needs all the money it can get and especially all that it has a past claim to.

Judge Geo. G. Wright was received as an honorary member into the Phi Delta Phi Fraternity, at a special meeting in the parlors of the St. James yesterday afternoon. The Judge has been here for the past week giving his annual course of lectures on Constitutional Limitations before the Law Department, and returns to Des Moines, to-day.

Notice.

The last meeting of the Missionary Circle will be held Sunday, at 3 o'clock. It is desired that every member be present.

Notice.

By the action of the Faculty, yesterday afternoon, there will be no exercises in the Collegiate Department, next Wednesday and Friday.

Notice.

Republican club will meet Monday evening, 6:30 at Close Hall, to elect officers and a delegate to the Convention at Denver, Colorado. Let every Republican come

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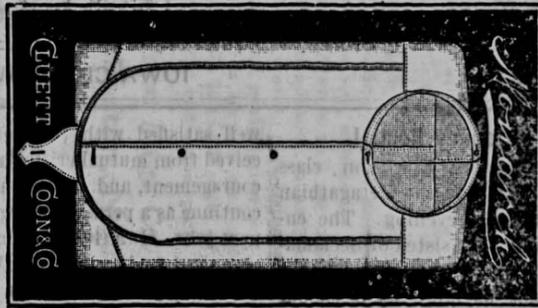
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The members of the French classes
were given an examination Thursday
morning.

O. C. Anderson left last evening
for his home in Estherville, where he
will spend a few days.

Miss Susie Parsons, of Cedar Rapids,
is spending a few days in the city
with Miss Hattie Aldrich, of Tipton.

The mother of M. E. Lumbar, '94,
has arrived in the city to visit with
Mr. Lumbar and his wife until after
Commencement.

Miss Nannie Carroll will teach in
the second ward school, this city, the
coming year, and Elizabeth Jones, ex-
'96, will teach in the first ward.

Drs. Hazard and Gilchrist, of the
Homeopathic Faculty, left for Cedar
Rapids, Wednesday, to attend the
annual meeting of the Iowa Habne-
manian Association.

Judge Hammond's library, which it
was thought would be given to the
University, has, through an error in
his will, been transferred to the law
school of Washington University, St.
Louis.

We are informed by President
Schaeffer, that the excursion to S. U.
I., contemplated by the Normal
School, will take place Monday, June
4. The number expected to partici-
pate is 300.

The class in European History hav-
ing completed the allotted text book
work were assigned reports Thursday,
on various phases of oriental relig-
ions. These reports will occupy the
time of the two remaining meetings
of the class.

CALL ON BLOOM & MAYER FOR CLOTHING AND HATS.

Professor L. F. Parker, formerly a member of our University Faculty, but now of I. C., delivered a lecture before the Historical Society, at Close Hall, last night upon the subject, "Iowa's Early Teachers."

The Phi Delta Phis gave a card party in their Hall last evening. Light refreshments were served and cards were played until a late hour. The first prizes were won by Frank P. Noble and Miss Harriette G. Holt.

The Erodolphians at their regular business meeting, yesterday afternoon, elected the following officers for the fall term: President, Florence Zerwekh; Vice-President, Mary Barrett; Treasurer, Clem Otto; Recording Secretary, Elinor Dubal; Corresponding Secretary, Buelah McFarland.

The Iowa Hahnemanian Society which met this week in Cedar Rapids will hold next year's meeting here, some time in May, in our new Homeopathic Medical Building. Among the officers elected for the coming year are Dr. D. W. Dickinson, Secretary, and Dr. Geo. W. Royal, Treasurer; both members of our Faculty.

The exercises at the Opera House on the evening of State Field Day will be a fitting closing to the events of the day. Arrangements are being made for boxing contest, fencing, bayonet drill, horizontal bar work, views of well known persons and things, tumbling, etc. The medals will also be presented there. All the colleges will attend in a body.

The Irving Institute elected the following officers for next fall term: President, J. C. Virtue; Vice-president, J. Seaman; Secretary, Roy Palmeter; Corresponding Secretary, Page; Treasurer, S. D. Whiting. They elected the following men to represent their society in the inter-society debate: W. C. Dewell, J. H. Allen, and S. D. Whiting.

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