Close Hall

A circular has been issued giving some interesting statements, and also making an earnest appeal for aid to the people of Iowa.

Since the erection of Close Hall and its occupation by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., the two associations have been unable to meet the expenses through the ordinary sources of means. The deficit thus resulting, especially up to June 30, 1896, will be very near two thousand dollars.

A thorough study of the situation has shown that this deficit must continue unless the associations can relieve the attending interest charges by its liquidation. Furthermore, unless the capacity of Close Hall be increased, the institution cannot, even upon a self-supporting basis, make alterations in the building as desired.

It is proposed therefore to raise by subscription a guaranteed sum sufficient to relieve the associations from debt, and to enable the trustees to make alterations in the steam plant and central building, which will more than double the effective capacity of the building. The future of Close Hall depends upon the success of this canvass.

It would be difficult to overestimate the benefits conferred upon the University by Close Hall and the interests centering therein. It furnishes the only available auditorium of sufficient size to accommodate the students and faculty of the University.

Close Hall serves as headquarters for our football team, track team and base ball team, providing, as it does the only gymnasium and bathroom accessible to both.

It is made use of as headquarters for all the visiting delegations of whatever character that visits our college. Its reading room and its gymnasium serve as a resort for a large body of students and others that may wish to seek relaxation in less desirable ways.

Furthermore, and most important of all, its influence upon the student body is distinctly and emphatically such as to promote a higher Christian life such as might otherwise be less pronounced in a school of non-sectarian character.

All these, and much more, it does as well as it can under the conditions by which it is surrounded. Will you help to carry on its good work to better advantage?

The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. of the State University of Iowa have an aggregate paying membership of 395, which number is the highest in the country, for in so many states as thirty-nine consecutive years. It has been reduced to one hundred and fifty members, but with a growing proportion of students, the results are hopeful.

There were located in rooms and board 700 students. The board was requested to provide employment for the number of 12 tutors for this year. The request was refused on the ground that the appeal for aid will meet with the support that it deserves.

An Honor Crowned Life

Rev. Charles William Schaeffer, D. D., LL.D., the aged father of President Schaeffer, died at noon Sunday, March 15, 1896, at Germantown (Philadelphia) after a very short illness, heart disease being the immediate cause.

He was chairman of the Luther Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, and he was at the seminary the preceding Monday, giving instructions to the ministers. "He was one of the oldest, best known and most loved Lutherans, and was distinguished as an earnest and forcible preacher," says the Germantown Telegraph, and his history attests that statement.

Remembering

Perry Trattford, of the Harvard Athletic Committee, has suggested that a Board of Arbitration be appointed, to consist of neutral colleges, the duty of which shall be to impartially decide the various foot ball disputes which may arise between the different colleges.

At the annual meeting of the Yale basketball team, it was decided to attempt to bring about the formation of a league between Princeton, Yale, Trinity and Wesleyan, for next season, and for Princeton and Yale to meet in New York the night before the annual foot ball game.

The University of Chicago will not meet Columbia. This year in debate. The former's oratorical association held a meeting Wednesday afternoon, by which it is circumscribed. Will they get on the market a few thousand dollars, and be very near two thousand dollars?

Haywre'97

The few remaining copies of the Junior Annual are now on sale at ten dollars a box. They include about 50 copies yet unsold and about 150 subscriptions yet to be filled. Now, in all seriousness, if you want a Hay- wre, be sure to call for it at once. The book cannot in justice to itself hold the books longer for subscribers.

Broken Field, Princeton's New athletic grounds, is rapidly nearing completion, and is now expected that the field will be ready for the team games in the opening of college next fall. The field is to be made complete and it will be certain to be the finest that has ever been made in any college in the country, for it will be laid out in eight tennis courts and three base ball fields. The ground of the field is in charge of Mr. Harris, the Botany and Scientific School. The field is to be kept dry by two series of drains; one a two-foot under drain for storm water; the other a system at intervals of 30 or 40 feet for surface water.

The team of four men chosen to represent Princeton at the Athenian games sailed from New York the past week on board the steamship Fulda. Colfelt,96, was prevented from making the trip, by the opposition of his parents, and H. B. Jamison, '97, was chosen by Captain Garrett to take his place on the team. Some of the light men, who are not eligible to the American College, have a long way to go. Jamison, in the recent trials, was a close second to Colfelt at the quarter-mile run. In the absence of Captain Garrett, H. C. Brokaw will take charge of the team of out doors, as soon as the weather permits, and it is expected that the men will get at least a month of out-door work before they can take part in the ancient games, which take place on May 2.

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Rodney Ayer enjoyed a visit from his sister, of Cedar Falls, this week. Friday evening, March 20, the Senior girls had a spread in North Hall.

Margaret Van Meter spent the vacation week with relatives in Chicago. Miss Elain DeVoll joined the Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternity last night. Miss Grace Brudham, of Cornell College, is visiting with University friends.

The Hopeans will give a reception to the other literary societies this evening.

Harriete Holt has been spending the vacation in company with a sprained ankle.

G. A. McRory, 98, has again entered the University after an absence of four terms.

Mattie Dunham left to-day for her home in Mason City. She will not return this term.

C. C. Yost has re-entered the University for special work after an absence of one year.

Professor Wilcox did not meet his classes on Friday, owing to his absence in Des Moines.

Professor Shinkel, who has been quite seriously ill for the past two weeks, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradway entertained some of their University friends at a taffy pull Thursday night.

R. C. Koke is not at home attending to his spring bicycle business and will not return until about April 6.

The Senior German class will do seminary work this term, and the Juniors will read German lyric poetry.

Now that we have such splendid weather for athletic work, every man should come out and improve the opportunity.

H. D. Williams, ex-Phr. 90, has resigned his position with Boermer's Pharmacy and has accepted a position with W. H. Graft.

Lester Jackson will not be in the University this term, having accepted a position in St. Louis. He will return to graduate in June.

E. W. Cottle, '98, has been looking for the winter as instructor in the Dordt Business College, is again present in the Law Department.

L. J. Kirkland, '98, who was called home at the close of the fall term by the illness of his sister, has again entered the Law Department.

W. C. Dewell will remain at his home in Marshall, Ia., until commencement, when he will return to the University and graduate with '96.

The base ball benefit dance will be held on April 6. Tickets will be sold for 85c, including dancing, cards, and refreshments. The gypsy admission will be 25 cents.

The track athletes met at the park Wednesday afternoon for a little preliminary work. The track has been improved and we should like to see a large number of athletes at work.

Our prospects for base ball this year are very good, but the management needs financial assistance. The season tickets to the base ball games are still for sale at one dollar and every student should purchase one and thus aid a good cause.

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