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A NEW HOME

Y. M. C. A. Boys at 335 South Clinton Street—Excellent Plan That Will Appeal to Parents

The Y. M. C. A. house that was announced last term as one of the new things for this year has materialized in the house at 335 South Clinton street. The house has as yet no special title. The fellows in it call it the Y. M. C. A. "frat-house" as much as anything. The twelve men now in the house came together in order to get a better home and more social advantages than were their lot in the promiscuous rooming fashion that is in vogue among most of the students of the university that do not belong to fraternities. The house that they are in has nice, large parlors and comfortable, tastily furnished rooms. There are four rooms upstairs and two downstairs that are used as rooms for the members. No house rules are posted up on the walls and the members say that they do not know of the existence of any rules prohibiting the importation of various articles that are on the forbidden list in some of the other houses. However one of the members said that the landlady he had before he came to the house strictly prohibited smoking in her rooms. The absence of any rules thus far is not taken as indicative that there will be none if the circumstances should arise, but only as showing that as yet all is lovely in the Garden of Eden.

President Boardman, the high mogul of the house looked askance at the name that was being attached to the house. He complained of the name "Y. M. C. A. House" particularly. He claimed that it was not really a representative Y. M. C. A. house there were at least one or two of the Y. M. C. A. officers who were not at the house. He said that the men at the house called it the "Y. M. C. A. frat." President Boardman did not say whether he approved this designation or not. He did say that the fellows expected to get their rooms for about \$4.50 per month apiece, which was quite a reduction from the ordinary rent of rooms, especially when the advantages of larger room-space and the society of the house were considered. President Boardman made his statements about the house between efforts to sell the reporter a Y. M. C. A. ticket at only \$3 for the rest of the year. The officers of the house, besides the president, he said, are: C. H. Laartz, treasurer; and H. S. Hollenbeck, secretary.

The men at the house are: General Secretary, Ira T. Hawk, Vice-president Benjamin Boardman, Membership Committeeman, C. H. Laartz, Dan Perkins, M. L. Kephart, Ralph Fagan, H. N. Brackney, H. J. Brackney, Joel E. Johnson, Henry Walker, H. S. Hollenbeck, and G. R. Miller.

The men who are in the house are among the best students in the university and the fact that there is such a house at the university will doubtless be appreciated by many parents who may wish to be sure that their sons are in excellent company.

The Next Chancellor

It is now believed in university circles that Professor C. N. Gregory, A. M., LL. B., Associate Dean of the Law Faculty of the University of Wisconsin, and Professor of Criminal Law, the Law of Sales, Contracts, and of Probate, will be the next Chancellor of the College of Law. Professor Gregory's name was talked of at the meeting of the regents on the 21st quite as much

as Judge Deemer's and it is believed by good authority that the regents practically selected him for the chancellorship in the event of Judge Deemer's declination. Mr. Gregory is the real head of the Law department of Wisconsin as the dean is not active.

If the students of the College of Law were to elect the chancellor they would undoubtedly select Judge M. J. Wade, of the Iowa-Johnson district, even though they might be as unfortunate as the regents in having their offer refused as Judge Wade has said that he would not accept such an election it was tendered. Judge Wade has been for many years the most popular lecturer in the law department. He is very democratic, always knows the students of the department when he meets them out of the class room, and, best of all to the laws, delivers his lectures without notes.

Hon Milton Remley, the retiring Attorney General of the state is quite an active candidate for the chancellorship. The trouble with Mr Remley's candidacy seems to be that he is stronger outside the board of regents than he is in that body.

Hon L. M. Kean, of Sioux City is a candidate for the position is highly spoken of by the alumni of the northwestern part of the state. It is believed that the board of regents will offer the chancellorship of the department to Judge H. M. Townner, of Corning, who is not a candidate for the position.

California's Explanation

The following letter to Manager McCutchen, of the Iowa team, received in Iowa City today, explains the matter of the California negotiations. It is written by Mr Reno Hutchinson, the Graduate Manager of the University of California. It begins:

"I want to express more fully than a telegram permits my regrets at the awkward and troublesome place in which you and your men were put by this football business.

"Tuesday morning, December 18, our negotiations with Columbia were broken off by the refusal of their faculty to let them come out here. The railroad agent who had been carrying on my negotiations in part asked me if he could telegraph to a Middle-West team, asking which was the best. I replied that Iowa was the best team and that if they had an agent near the University of Iowa they could enquire, though it was too late to make arrangements. Ten minutes after, I sent word not to make any inquiries at all, but his telegram had already gone, gone to the railroad agent, as I supposed, who was to find out your attitude concerning such a trip.

"As I discovered the next day, Wednesday, when your telegrams reached me, they had telegraphed directly to you, and had furthermore made an out and out offer of terms, two things which were completely unauthorized.

"By Wednesday it was too late to arrange for such games. Our men had scattered, as I had told them that there would be no more games, and it was too short notice for advertising, etc. So I wired back that we could not play."

President MacLean, Dean Currier, Professors McConnell, Patrick, Fairbanks, Veblen and Call, Miss Young, Mr Ansley, Mr Plum and Dr Seashore attended the State Teachers' Association meeting in Des Moines during the vacation. President MacLean and Professor Ansley read papers before the Association. Professor Veblen was elected president of the Iowa Academy of Science.

ACME AT ROCK ISLAND

Iowa's Showing When at her Best Gives Minnesota Western Championship, Says Outing

Outing, the final authority on matters of amateur sport, gives the following authoritative review of western football in its January issue, on sale at the city bookstores yesterday:

There was a time when the big teams enjoyed a virtual monopoly of football science, but those days have gone for ever. Graduate players from Yale, Harvard, and Princeton—and more recently from Pennsylvania also have disseminated football knowledge from Maine to the Pacific, so much that the face of the situation is wholly changed. This is one reason for the "surprises" of which the daily press has so much to say. Another explanation lies in the glorious uncertainty of any competitive sport in which teams of men rather than individuals take part, for there are, under those circumstances, many more and complex elements to be taken into account.

Every season in recent years has furnished its surprises—the present one no more than some which have preceded it.

ADVANCE IN STANDARD

The present season has witnessed a decided advance in the standard of football in the middle west. Not only have the defensive tactics of the western teams been of an unusually high order, but in offensive also marked improvement has been shown. It is interesting to note, too, the effect which eastern coaches have had upon the game in the west. Three distinct types of football based upon the systems followed at Princeton, at Yale and at Pennsylvania, can be easily recognized, Harvard as yet having had very little influence. King at Wisconsin; Lea at Michigan; Holt and Smith at Illinois, and Booth at Nebraska, have developed in these universities types of football patterned almost precisely after that of their alma matres. The Princeton defense has been somewhat modified by both King and Booth, but in the attack all adhere closely to open style of game, with seven men on the rush line and three backs in line behind the quarter. At Iowa, Knipe has developed a powerful and versatile style of play by combining the well-known "guards back" of Pennsylvania with the open "straight football" of Princeton. Hollister, at Northwestern, influenced somewhat by the style of play with which he was familiar while at Pennsylvania, has evolved an original system of attack, which is now known as the Northwestern tandem. While the defense of the Northwestern team, patterned closely after that of Pennsylvania has been uniformly strong, very little can be said in favor of Hollister's system of attack when judged by its results against teams which he has encountered.

The question of Western Championship and the relative standing of the various teams in the running is always of interest at the season's close. Unfortunately, no final game for the undisputed championship of the middle west, as in the fall of 1899, the leaders must be reached by a consideration of their individual records. The fallacy of taking the actual number of points scored as an index of the relative strength of various teams has often been demonstrated, but a careful analysis of important games leads to very accurate conclusions.

THE FIRST CLASS

Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa can at once be assigned to the first class without question, and with no near competitors. Iowa's claim to

a place in this class rests entirely upon the record of her scores against teams of the second class, as she played neither Minnesota or Wisconsin. Neither Minnesota nor Iowa has been defeated, while the only game lost by Wisconsin was to Minnesota by the close score of 5 to 6. This game played upon the 3d of November, and fairly and deservedly won by Minnesota, clearly establishes her title to superiority over Wisconsin.

NORTHWESTERN GAME THE STANDARD

In considering the relative strength of Iowa and Minnesota, the games played by these institutions against Chicago and Northwestern furnish the standard of comparison. The Minnesota-Chicago game, played upon the second Saturday in October, although resulting in a tie score of 6 to 6, was a virtual victory for Minnesota. Three weeks later, after Chicago had encountered and gone down before both Brown and Pennsylvania, Iowa met and defeated her by a score of 17 to 0. During the first half this game was played on even terms, neither side scoring; but in the second half Chicago went to pieces, and Iowa had it all her own way. On the following Saturday, November 10, Northwestern succeeded in defeating Chicago, 5 to 0, after a hard, close game, in which the two teams seemed about equally matched. One week later, November 17, fresh from their victory over Chicago, Northwestern met Minnesota, and was defeated by 0 to 21 in a game which was cut short twelve minutes on account of darkness, and Northwestern entirely out-classed. Iowa's game with Northwestern upon Thanksgiving Day at once became of importance in determining Iowa's rating. The game resulted in a tie score of 5 to 5, Iowa scarcely holding her own. Iowa's score of 28 to 5 against Michigan in the week following her game with Chicago has become of less importance in the light of Michigan's games with Notre Dame, Ohio State University and Chicago. On November 10 Wisconsin overwhelmed Notre Dame by a score of 64 to 0. On November 17 Michigan could score but 7 points against Notre Dame, while on the following Saturday, in the game with Ohio State University neither side could score.

On Thanksgiving day Chicago defeated alike by Northwestern and Iowa, secured a decisive and well-earned victory of 15 to 5 over Michigan; on this same day, too, Minnesota won by 20 to 12 from Nebraska, a team which had made a clean sweep of the southwest, and up to that day had not been scored on.

A careful and impartial consideration of these facts would therefore, seem to show clearly that to Minnesota the first place should unquestionably be accorded.

Wisconsin's overwhelming defeat of Chicago by a score of 39 to 0 on November 17, and her exceedingly close game with Minnesota would indicate her probable superiority over Iowa.

IOWA AT HER BEST

The tie game which Iowa played with Northwestern when at the acme of her course of training has greatly lessened her rating. Wisconsin defeated Illinois by 27 to 0, and the Illinois vs. Northwestern game resulted in a tie, in which neither side scored.

Outing ranks the teams as follows:—

Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Northwestern, Chicago, Nebraska, Michigan and Illinois, the remainder being in a class the grading of which is difficult and not important, although Indiana and Ohio are entitled to mention for their excellent record.

MICHIGAN-IOWA GAME

Two State University Teams Will Play Football in Chicago Next Thanksgiving

Michigan will meet Iowa in football in Chicago next Thanksgiving day at 11 o'clock in the morning. The negotiations for this game were begun in November when the managers met during the week prior to the Detroit game. In the weeks following steps were taken to obtain the views of the Chicago alumni and friends of the two state universities, with the result that the sentiment was found to be urgently in favor of the proposed game. On December 21st at a meeting of influential Michigan alumni with the management at Ann Arbor, it was practically decided to play this game, which had previously been conditionally approved by the Iowa Board of Control.

The game, which will mark Iowa's first appearance in a concluding Thanksgiving day contest on a Chicago gridiron, will probably be played on the west side or south side base ball grounds. Michigan on the contrary has played in Chicago on Thanksgiving day for years and her alumni in that city, numbering over 2,000 are already organized to make a success of this year's game, and the enthusiasm of the Iowa contingent present at the Chicago game last fall insures that the Hawkeye team will not be without its quota of admirers. That Chicago can furnish sufficient patronage for two Thanksgiving day games was proven in 1899 when in competition with the Chicago game, which had a large attendance, Michigan and Wisconsin had a \$15,000 crowd.

Wisconsin Preliminary Debate

This evening will occur the preliminary for the Wisconsin debate. It is upon the question: "Resolved, that the U. S. government should construct and operate the Nicaraguan canal, its absolute neutrality being guaranteed by international agreement." This question will be affirmed by the following representatives of the Irving Institute: Mr. F. C. Drake, of Adel, Iowa, Mr. F. S. Merriau, of Marble Rock, Iowa, and Mr. Merritt Brackett, of Iowa City, Iowa. The representatives of the Zetagathian society who deny are: Mr. W. L. Coyne, of Montrose, Iowa, Mr. W. F. Moore, of Panora, Iowa, and Mr. C. C. Converse, of Cresco, Iowa. The society that wins the preliminary debate will elect two of its debaters for the final debate with Wisconsin, and the losing society will elect one debater. The final debate with Wisconsin will occur at Madison, Wisconsin, some time in March. It is the third annual debate between the universities and will possess more than usual delight to the victor on account of its being the "rubber," Wisconsin having won the first debate at Madison in 1899 and Iowa having captured the second at Iowa City in 1900. The question discussed will be the same as that for the preliminary, it being Iowa's intention to submit the question January 7 to Wisconsin.

J. C. Rule, '03, has enrolled as a student in the Still College of Osteopathy, at Des Moines.

Paul Haddock, L, '99, was married at Bedford, Iowa, on New Year's day, to Miss Magdalene Fowler. Mr. Haddock is now practicing law with his father at Bedford. He is a nephew of Judge Wm. J. Haddock and a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He won the State Tennis championship in 1899.

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EDITORIAL.

If and Supposing

The opinion of Outing, Mr Caspar Whitney's periodical of amateur sport, is always of such value in matters of intercollegiate interest that its resume of western football is printed in another column of this issue. Its opinion this year is particularly good, providing that its premises are always formed on a well informed basis. The discussion of the performances of Iowa and Minnesota is a fair, unbiased comparison of the records of the two teams and the conclusion of the review, that Minnesota is the western champion is entitled to the highest respect. If, as the review premises, Iowa was in the acme of her physical condition at the Rock Island game and only tied the Northwestern team, against which the gopher team had scored 21 points ten days before, the championship can most clearly be awarded to Minnesota. The writer of the review rightly places the showing that would be made in the Rock Island game by Iowa as the turning point of the championship after the Minnesota-Northwestern game of November 17. To a writer who did not see the game of November 29, and has not had the privilege of securing a correct opinion on the game from the players in it or some of the best judges who witnessed it and is not on confidential terms with the cooks of the hotels where the teams stopped, the size of the score does look rather favorable to the conclusions of those who attempt to decide the western championship on a basis of the showing there made by Iowa. That is what the writer in Outing does.

Supposing, however, the Minnesota team, the night before the Northwestern game, had eaten at their training table some cream potatoes in which croton oil was used as a flavoring extract. And supposing that by a queer coincidence, the Minnesota team had felt the next day more like wrung-out dish-rags or victims of a cholera plague than anything else that they could think of. And supposing, that at this "Acme of their course in training" they had gone into

the game with Northwestern and played her to a tie. And supposing, that Iowa had some ten days later played the game that her team was capable of when they went on the field for their last practice at Iowa City before leaving for Rock Island. These are all wild suppositions, of course, but suppose they were true. Would there be any particularly urgent cry from Minneapolis to decide the western championship on the basis of comparative scores? Or would we hear that old but very true saying that comparative scores are not always fair tests?

Of course, these ifs and supposes are all imaginative. And nobody cares who is the western champion anyway and if they did they would know very well that it is not Iowa. For Iowa played Northwestern 5 to 5 at Rock Island on Thanksgiving day.

Church Services

First English Lutheran Church, R. H. Williams, pastor; services at 10:45 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. C. E. Prayer Meeting at 6:30 p. m. You are cordially invited to these services.

Baptist Church, corner of Clinton and Burlington streets, Charles S. Brown, Pastor, residence 313 Reynolds street. Sunday school at 9:30 A. M., Mr A. C. Howell, supt. Morning subject, The best is Yet to Come. Evening subject, What the Twentieth Century Expects of the Young People.

Presbyterian Church, corner of Clinton and Market streets, Edward N. Barrett, D. D., pastor Manse, No. 4 West Market street. In the morning the Pastor will present the Annual Motto Text for 1901. The Ecumenical Hymn by Monsell and Woodman will be sung by chorus and congregation. In the evening by request the subject will be The Evening and the Morning make the Day. Special music.

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All Souls' Church, corner of Iowa Avenue and Clinton streets. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching service at 10:45 Rev Duren J. H. Ward, Ph. D., Minister. Subject, Religion in the 21st Century.

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Eddie Crum, L. '03, will not return to the university.
The Zetagathians this morning elected J. J. Sharpe cheernmaster for the debate this evening.
Professors Nutting and Shimek attended a meeting of the Western Scientists, at Chicago, during the holidays.
The freshman banquet will occur at the St James hotel next Friday evening. The price of the tickets this year is \$3.75.
Professors Wilson and Van Steenderen attended the meeting of the Modern Language Association at Philadelphia during the vacation.
Mt. Hermon, Jordan, Mt. Zion Dardanelles, Solomons Pauls and 60 other views of Holy Land and Turkey shown in illustrated lecture by Supt. S. K. Stevenson, opera house, January 8th.
Professor Patrick has returned from Lincoln, Nebraska, where he read a paper before the Western Philosophical Association. The association decided to hold its next annual meeting at Iowa City.

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Mr H R Reynolds, L. '00, was married to Miss Mary Crum, of Bedford, Iowa, on December 26.
Miss Adelaide Lashek, '00, is spending the vacation time of her school at Harlan, Iowa, in the city.
Professor S. Calvin was in Oregon, during the vacation, on professional work, connected with the examination of some large copper mines in the state.
Professor G T. W. Patrick will read his paper on 'The Profanity of Philosophy, which he read at the meeting of the Western Philosophical Society, before the Baconian Society at its meeting next Friday evening.
Mr W. L. Coyne, of Montrose, Iowa, will not be in the university during the winter term, having accepted a position at his home town. He will leave the city after the Irving-Zetagathian debate this evening.

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Dr E. A. Rogers, demonstrator in the dental college, was married last evening to Miss Joy, of this city.
Miss Jessie Hastings, '98, who is teaching at Missouri Valley, Iowa, is spending her vacation in the city.
Professor T. H. Macbride delivered an address on Schools and Scholars, at Hopkinton, Iowa, on the occasion of the dedication of the new library building of Lenox College.
Professors Loos and Wilcox and Dr Patterson attended the meeting of the American Economic Association and of the American Historical Association at Detroit and Ann Arbor during the vacation. Professor Shambaugh was to have attended the meeting and read a paper on Frontier Claim and Land Grant Associations in Iowa, but was detained by an attack of scarlet fever.

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Mr G. L. Flom, instructor in charge of the department of Scandinavian languages, was married at Brooklyn, New York, on December 25, to Miss Lauretta Regina Muldoon.

The board of regents at their last meeting elected Judge H. E. Deemer, L. '79, chancellor of the College of Law. Judge Deemer wired his declination immediately upon notification of the election. The board also authorized the medical faculty to extend the medical course to nine months commencing in September, 1901, approved the University Senate's plan for a university council, and for the the summer session, and elected Miss Susan Parish head nurse of the University Hospital and Mr W. E. Beck instructor in mathematics to succeed A. VonEnde, resigned. The board's action on the request of the faculty of Liberal Arts for \$8,000 for the Engineering department was equivocal.

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The house that g baters as they came was the largest eve history of the de The judges of the Judge Wade, Pr and Rev G. L. Cad McCoy was the pre the evening. Re nounced the invoca The question deb the United States s and Operate the Nic absolute neutrality by International ag was affirmed by I and denied by th society.

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Mr W. L. Coyne said in opening th the advantages of t were admitted, but a shorter route for government than ownership. He t to show the impos structing the canal the undesirability c He denied that canal was the mos and compared g private constructio vantage of the for made a fine appear Mr F. S. Mer Rock, showed that had reported in fa struction of the ca to the audience to clusions in prefer ne's. He showed struction of the ca the freight charges