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VARSITY TO GO FORWARD

Regent Holbrook Optimistic Regarding
 Iowa's Future—Next Legislature to
 Grant Needed Appropriations—
 Engineering to be Encouraged

The executive committee of the board of regents of the University of Iowa decided Tuesday to ask of the executive council an appropriation from the emergency fund of the state to purchase new apparatus in lieu of that destroyed and also to provide for the erection of temporary quarters for the medical college and engineering department. There is now \$18,000 in the providential fund of the state and President MacLean says the university will ask for every cent of this. The plan is to frame over the basement and first stories of the burned buildings. Regents Holbrook and Wright, and President MacLean left for Des Moines Wednesday morning to present the matter before the executive council.

Regent Holbrook was in an optimistic mood on the eve of his going to Des Moines to present the claims of the university. "The university will go on and prosper," he said. "It will have what it wants and be what we want it to be in time. It has many needs now that are pressing it, especially in the way of building requirements. But it is growing in strength each year. We may not live to see the day when it has what it should have but five or ten years in the life of an institution that is to exist for centuries is not much."

"We do not know just how much we will get from the council. The estimates for the temporary buildings are some \$6,000 or \$7,000. They will be temporary structures of lath and telegraph poles, just enough to provide shelter."

"The engineering department will not be moved to Ames if we can help it. President MacLean and the whole board are determined to support the department to the extent of the university's ability to do so. There is no doubt about that. There are two new buildings needed to replace the burned buildings—the medical building and an engineering and physics building. The medical building when it is built will be placed on the east campus near the medical hospital. The engineering and physics building will probably go up west of the central building. The museum and library building is also one of the buildings that is needed at once, but we cannot have everything at one time. The armory and gymnasium building is still first on the list of buildings so far as I know. Room will probably be found in the new collegiate hall for the three literary societies. They really ought to have a building by themselves and I think they will have. It will take time, of course. I appreciate the desire of the literary men to have the building on the campus."

"I do not know anything about the selection of the next chancellor as yet. The committee has not yet made its report to the board. It will indeed be hard to find an equal of Chancellor McClain. The committee on its eastern trip found that the name of the Iowa college was in fine repute, and that it was mostly due to the knowledge of the work and personal acquaintance with Judge McClain. Henry Wade Rogers is a man who has had the training for the work in other positions. He has a fine legal mind, and has an excellent reputation."

"I suppose that the fire will somewhat curtail the branching out of the university in some of the wider lines that have been contemplated. I do not know, however."

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DEBATES ARE DETERMINED

Wisconsin-Iowa Debate will Occur at
 Madison or Milwaukee May 10—Full
 Compact Signed for Two
 Year's Debates

C. C. Converse returned from Prairie Du Chem yesterday bearing with him the compact for debate entered into between the representatives of Wisconsin and Iowa to govern two annual debates. The compact is entirely as Iowa had wished to debate all along, with the exception of the last two constructive speeches of the debates, which have been lengthened to 25 and 26 minutes. The compact provides, however, that the debating teams of the two universities may modify its provisions after the debate of 1901, which will probably be done in this instance if the lengthy speeches tire people of Madison or Milwaukee.

This year's debate is to be on the question submitted by Iowa, "Should the United States construct the Nicaraguan Canal?" Wisconsin choosing the affirmative. The debate is to occur at Madison or Milwaukee at the option of Wisconsin. The judges shall judge upon relative worth of argument presented and without consultation. The time of speaking of the affirmative is as follows: 20, 22, 25 and four minutes for rebuttal. The negative receives: 20; 22, and 26 minutes.

Next year's debate question shall be submitted by Wisconsin not later than January 7 and Iowa returns answer by January 22. The debate is to occur not later than April 15.

The compact was signed for Wisconsin by Peter J. Tscherner, for Iowa by C. C. Converse.

A University of Drama

James K. Hackett, the eminent actor, has recently contributed an article to the Chicago American in which he favors the establishment of a University of Drama. Mr Hackett, unlike Mansfield and other actors of note, does not consider the time ripe for a National Theatre, but that nevertheless until that time appears "the cause of the endowed theatre can be best advanced through the creation of a University of Drama."

His idea is that this university should not be a school of acting but "an institution endowed by some philanthropist, and perhaps nurtured by the government" with a curriculum equal to that of any scholastic university. "The chief requirement—without which no person could be admitted to the course of study—should be great talent." Besides studying the literature of England, France and Germany, painting and sculpture, there should be a theatre on whose stage young men and women could be constantly acting, in the study and playing of the various parts. Dancing and fencing would be taught, and in addition as far as possible, ideas of stage management, lighting effects, science and music arrangements, play constitution, and in short, everything pertaining to the art of the theatre and playwriting ought to be imparted to the students."

The scheme is outlined by Mr Hackett is a very interesting one, and should lend itself to the consideration of students interested in the drama. Mr Hackett says he does not expect to live to see such a university founded but perhaps Mr Carnegie may add another to his already large number of noble gifts and endow such a university. —Wisconsin Cardinal.

A. B. Phillips, M '02, is nursing a small-pox patient at Davenport, Iowa.

DE MOTTE WAS A FAKE

President Conner of the Graduate Club
 Advocates a Faculty Advisory Mem-
 ber of Lecture Bureau to Prevent
 Such Disgraces

Mr J. E. Conner, instructor in political science, is the president of the graduate club, which in conjunction with the local alumni association and the Elder Dames' society is endeavoring to bring a noted lecturer to Iowa City to address the university during the spring term. Mr Conner feels, as do many other university people the good that fine lecturers can bring to the students and the university.

"We are trying," said Mr Conner yesterday afternoon to secure a lecturer of reputation, one that will have something to say that university people will want to hear. Men like Ernest Seton Thompson, Hamlin Garland, Wu Ting Fang, and others are the kind we would like."

"Yes, that's it. And, by the way, when do the societies elect next year's bureau? Wouldn't it be a good thing to have a member of the faculty selected as an advisory member of the lecture bureau? He need only have advisory powers, but he would prevent such fakes as De Motte from appearing on the course. Such a man as De Motte, now, it is a disgrace to have on a university course. I have heard De Motte speak in smaller towns and the people there perhaps want his how-to-be-good lectures. But university people don't want that sort of think at all."

"Would you be willing to have these sentiments quoted, Mr Conner?"

"Yes, I would. The faculty advisor would prove beneficial. The next year's course ought to give the lecturers that we want to hear and that will benefit the university."

College of Dentistry

Exams next week.

Moore, '01, spent Sunday at his home in Cedar Rapids.

Brown, '03, who has been suffering from an operation is reported better.

Carpenter, '01, has been out of school the past week on account of sickness.

Clinics have been rather poor the last week, on account of bad weather. To date their has been 5,760 applications for material at the clerk's office.

College of Pharmacy

R. Grover, '00 of Osage is in the city.

Miss Mame Moore of Mt Vernon is the guest of Miss Cooper.

Robertson, '02, who has just recovered from an attack of scarlet fever is again attending classes.

The following program will be given Friday evening, March 22, at the E. L. B. Club:

Music W. H. Warner
 Vocal Solo.

Declamation E. Workman
 Liberty and Prohibition.

Paper L. L. Brodeen
 Relation of Pharmacists to each other and to Physicians.

Music G. Vanderberg
 Vocal Solo.

Declamation Miss Loucks
 Kentucky Philosophy.

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THOMAS ON LIQUOR TAX

Liquor Manufacture Cannot be Taxed Out
 of Existence—Normal Tax Rigidly
 Enforced and Education of Public
 Opinion the Solution

Mr S. E. Thomas presented last night at Close Hall the third lecture on the economic phase of the liquor traffic. The address was the last of the series of lectures that have been interesting and instructive throughout. The lecturer compared the amount expended for alcoholic spirits in 1880 with that paid for other commodities; showing in that year there were \$483,000,000 expended for spirits, not including that used in the arts, while during the same time there was paid for cotton manufactures \$210,000,000, for woolen goods \$160,000,000, for steel and iron \$296,000,000 and for public schools but \$79,000,000.

Mr Thomas made the statement that while the consumption of liquor is increasing, it is not growing in proportion to the growth in population but is increasing more rapidly in the lower class than the population of that class is increasing, it is admitted that increase in the consumption of liquor means an increase in crime, this is certainly cause for solitude.

The lecturer brought out the point that though the excessive taxes have almost driven spirits from use in the arts it has not decreased its consumption as a beverage.

High taxes place a premium on fraud; well illustrated by the "Whiskey Ring" which operated in Missouri during Grant's administration. It robbed the nation of millions of dollars and was finally brought to justice through the efforts of Benjamin F. Bristow, Secretary of the Treasury under Grant. Since the manufacture of spirituous liquors cannot be taxed out of existence and since excessive taxation is productive of fraud, the only solution at present seems to be a normal tax rigidly enforced and a sane and general discussion of the subject, tending to educate public opinion.

Battalion Orders

Headquarters University Battalion,
 Iowa City, Ia., March 20, 1901.
 General Orders)
 No. XII. }

I. There will be no more drill this term.

II. In the spring term, the drill will be by the entire battalion on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 4:30 p. m. The first drill will be held on Wednesday, April 3.

III. All petitions for excuse from military drill for the spring term must be presented in person at the battalion headquarters on Tuesday, April 2, at 4:30 p. m.

By order of MAJOR HARKNESS.
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 First Lieutenant and Adjutant.

Polygon met last evening with Miss Wilson and elected officers for the ensuing term: President, R. M. Anderson; vice-president, H. G. Walker; secretary, Miss Loizeaux; treasurer, Miss Switzer.

President MacLean returned from Des Moines last night, the executive council having granted the university \$15,000 from the providential fund of the state to provide for general rehabilitation. The plans for the new work will be made at once and approved at the April meeting of the board. By September the medical college and all the displaced departments of the university will be in better condition than before the fire.

SOPHOMORE DEBATE

Irving Wins the Contest by Two Decisions—Speakers are Well Prepared and the Contest is a Close One.

The annual Sophomore debate between Irving Institute and the Zetagathian Society was held last night in the Unitarian church, resulting in a victory for Irving by two decisions.

The question discussed was—Resolved, That the Two Legal Tenders, United States Notes and Treasury Notes, should be Redeemed and Cancelled. The proposition was affirmed for Irving by H. G. McClain, J. W. Shorett and C. T. Kemmerer, and denied for Zetagathian by W. H. Anderson, E. H. McCoy and H. E. Hadley. The judges of the debate were Professor Macbride, Professor Smith and Judge Deemer.

In opening the debate for the affirmative, Mr. H. G. McClain set forth the history of the United States and Treasury notes, showing that the former were issued as a war measure and had lost for the government by their depreciation over \$621,000,000 and that the treasury notes were issued to force a fictitious value on silver. The notes are unsound in principle. Their parity cannot be maintained. They are dangerous in time of panic.

Mr. W. H. Anderson for the negative insisted that the past history of the greenback was no argument against its present use as a money because the law of 1900 makes it absolutely safe by providing for a reserve by which it will be redeemed. Greenbacks have a uniform rate of value, are readily acceptable and convenient. They have saved the interest upon a reserve amounting to \$6,000,000.

Mr. J. W. Shorett introduced charts proving that the greenback does not save the interest on a reserve fund and is not economic, that the amount expended in the redemption of the notes would have paid the interest on a reserve fund for 77 years, whereas the notes have been issued only 38 years. The currency is not elastic; the currency contracts when it should expand and vice versa. The greenback currency is not stable. While the law of 1900 makes it absolutely safe for the individual it is unsafe for the government. In times of panic the government is embarrassed. Mr. Shorett's speech was the best of the evening.

Mr. E. H. McCoy in continuing for the negative showed that the cost of redemption would be \$316,000,000. Under the law of 1900 the government cannot be embarrassed in time of panic because bonds will only be issued where there is no money in the general funds of the treasury and such a condition will never exist. Mr. McCoy showed a deep knowledge of the question and made a very creditable speech.

Mr. C. T. Kemmerer in a very clear and forcible speech rebutted the argument of the negative and explained that the affirmative proposed no substitute for the notes when redeemed but would depend upon the natural laws and balance of trade to replenish treasury and let gold take the place of the greenbacks.

The constructive argument for the negative was closed by Mr. H. E. Hadley.

The rebuttal speeches by Mr. Mr. McCoy and Shorett were very creditable.

The debate as a whole was fully up to the standard of former class debates and showed long and careful preparation.

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EDITORIAL.

THE meeting of the girls' fraternities at Close Hall this afternoon to discuss earlier hours for parties is an excellent move. While the blame for the late hours and the initiative in ending parties earlier lies with the men of the university, the deliberations of the girls this afternoon will have great weight in the matter.

THE series of interesting and scholarly lectures on the liquor question by Mr Thomas which ended last night should be followed by other addresses giving the fruits of studies of the university's instructional staff and graduate college. The students who requested Mr Thomas' lectures will wish to have more of the same excellent kind.

AND now the wonder grows apace and the question is heard on every hand: "What was Wisconsin howling about?" The only explanation for her charges, protestations, and delays that occur to Iowans, in view of the compact finally signed, is that she was sore because of a defeat and howled on general principles. According to the compact, Wisconsin and Iowa will meet for two more years. During this time it is to be hoped that Wisconsin will learn to take defeat from Iowa, if it happens, as well as Iowa took defeat from Wisconsin in the first meeting of the universities in debate. The Cardinal, too, may learn that it is not good form to make insinuations and charges when particulars and proofs are lacking. The Cardinal, of course, has not had the advantage of beholding the tattered and torn condition in which the Iowa City Republican emerged from its attack on Manager McCutchen. If it had beheld that horrible example, its indiscretion would have been inexcusable.

Up to the Association
 The suggestion by President Conner of the Graduate club that an advisory faculty member be added to the lecture bureau is another indication that thoughtful university people do not at all approve of the lecture bureau as at present conducted. Such an advisory member might help the lecture course more or less; it would depend upon the professor selected

some extent. The trouble with the bureau, however, is not that it lacks advice; it has enjoyed great advantages along this line: but it has spurned suggestions of improvement in the course under the dogged belief that the courses it offers pay and that they are wanted by the patrons the bureau has drummed up in Iowa City, Lone Tree, Riverside, and surrounding country.

The error of this belief was sufficiently pointed out the bureau last year. The remedy for the situation lies with the two societies composing the lecture association. The annual meeting this spring should be the occasion of a general house-cleaning. The bureau should be instructed to arrange a course that will appeal to university men and be creditable to the university.

If the lecture association desires to have the present university lecture bureau continue to receive university support and acceptance, it must adopt this course. The university has had about all it will stand of the present university lecture bureau.

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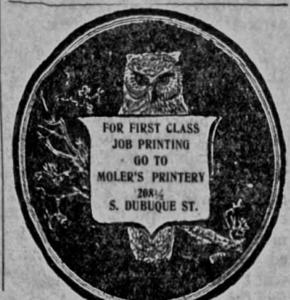
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Fred Bailey, '01, will spend the spring and summer doing work along physiological lines at Johns Hopkins university.

Americana Germania, in its current number, contains a paper on The Grammatical Gender of English Words in German by Professor C. B. Wilson and a paper pointing out the similarity between Ivanhoe and Lichtenstein by Mr. C. W. Eastman.

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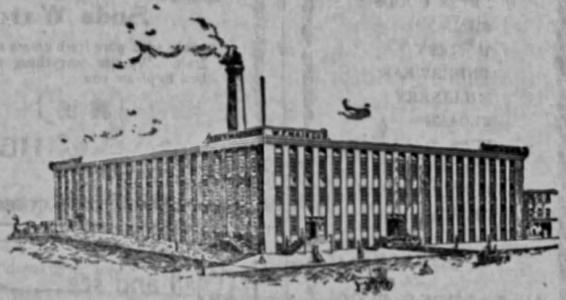
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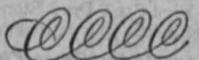
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At a recent meeting of Erodolphian the spring term of officers were elected: Miss Esther Swisher, president; Miss Ella Parsons, vice-president; Sadie Kemmerer, recording secretary and Elsie Boerner, corresponding secretary.

The Kappa Kappa Gramma fraternity has asked the Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi fraternities to meet with it to discuss earlier hours for parties. The invitation was accepted. The meeting will be held at Close Hall at 4:30 this afternoon.

Professor McConnell will speak at Muscatine tomorrow before the teachers of the public schools. His subject will be, Parents and Pupils, their Duties and Responsibilities. The high schools, to be visited by him this week include: Postville, Decorah, Clermont, Cresco, Osage, Algona and Orange City.

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The board will make a tentative budget at the April meeting and a full budget of expenditures in every line at the June meeting.

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