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INTER-STATE CONTEST

Northern Oratorical League Holds its Annual Contest in Iowa City Friday Night—The Orators and Officers

The annual contest of the Northern Oratorical League will be held at the opera house in Iowa City, Friday evening, May 3. The program will be:

President's address, William J. Carr, University of Wisconsin.

Oration, Israel's Last Captivity, Mr Otto Brackett, University of Iowa.

Oration, The World's Orator, Mr Bertram G. Nelson, University of Chicago.

Oration, The Minister Plenipotentiary, Mr Carroll L. Storey, University of Michigan.

Oration, A Hero's Mistake, Mr T. D. Schall, University of Minnesota.

Oration, The Power of a Great Conviction as Illustrated in the Life of Garibaldi, Mr Hesse O. Enwall, Northwestern University.

Oration, The Battle of Saratoga, Mr Clarence Merle Woodruff, Oberlin college.

Oration, The Triumph of Altruism; Miss Louise Loeb, University of Wisconsin.

Decision of the judges.

After the contest will occur the banquet tendered to the orators, delegates, and distinguished visitors by the oratorical association of the University of Iowa at the Kirkwood hotel.

The judges on thought and composition will be—Hon Frank S. Monnett, Columbus, Ohio, President James H. Baker, University of Colorado; and Hon Alston W. Dana, Topeka, Kansas.

The judges on delivery will be—President R. H. Jesse, University of Missouri; Professor Edwin B. Cushing, Yankton college, South Dakota; and Hon Barlett Tripp, Yankton, South Dakota.

The faculty committee of the league is S. H. Clark, chairman, University of Chicago, Professor H. E. Gordon, University of Iowa, Professor D. B. Frankenberger, University of Wisconsin, Professor William G. Caskey, Oberlin college, and Professor R. L. Cumnock, Northwestern university.

The officers of the Northern Oratorical League are: President William J. Carr, University of Wisconsin; Secretary Arthur E. Bestor, University of Chicago; first vice-president, Robert L. Stanley, University of Michigan; second vice-president, William W. Masseur, University of Minnesota; third vice-president, Joseph Dutton, Northwestern University; fourth vice-president, L. W. Storey, Oberlin college; treasurer, C. H. Laartz, University of Iowa.

The annual convention of the league will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Those voting at this meeting being the orator, alternate, and third representative of each university. Among the matters which will probably come before the meeting is the submission of an amendment to the constitution of the league, definitely fixing the succession to the presidency of the association, in case the orator first nominated by the university entitled to the honor should leave his university or resign for any reason whatever.

President and Mrs. G. E. MacLean will give a reception to the visitors and guests from abroad, and the heads of departments of the University of Iowa at their College street home from 5 to 6 o'clock, Friday afternoon.

Geo. H. Fletcher, L. '01, enjoyed a visit from his father Monday.

J. J. Louis, C. '99, has been elected superintendent of the public schools at Harlan.

GRINNELL-IOWA GAME

Iowa Wins With Remarkable Ease Over Scarlet and Black—Good Work Moss in the Box—The Score 10-1

A large crowd witnessed the game between Iowa and Grinnell last Saturday. It was a most excellent day for the players and both teams played to their best advantage. Although it was but an exhibition game, Grinnell played with the purpose of making as good a showing as possible. But they had not the strength of batting to get beyond our fielders when it was possible for them to make a hit, while Iowa hit King for two three baggers and one two bagger and a number of singles. The visitors scored on Willett's error on Fiske's grounder. Williams, the first man to bat for Iowa, struck out for the first time this season. With Struble on third and Hurst on second, Yates and Powell were caught out on flies in right field. Fisk bunted to Moss who handled it nicely. Schilling and Wilcox were caught out in center and right field. Hurst brought in the first score for Iowa in the third inning when Yates made a safe hit through second base. Moss made an enviable record in the fourth when he struck out two men and held the third one to an easy fly to short. Struble made a successful bunt in the first of the fifth, but was left on second. Schilling was thrown out at first by Moss and Marsh drove a fly to Willett who doubled on Wilcox at second. Williams, Struble and Hurst scored for Iowa in the seventh, when Yates made a nice two base to the right field track.

In the eighth Fisk came home from third on Willett's error. Hurst was brought in by Powell's single to center field. Moss brought in Yates, Powell and Willett with a well placed three bagger to left field fence.

The score:

IOWA
AB R B PO A E
Williams, 2b 6 1 1 7 1 1
Struble, c 5 1 2 8 0 0
Hurst, rf 5 3 3 1 0 0
Yates, 1b 4 1 2 6 0 0
Powell, lf 5 1 1 0 0 0
Story, cf 5 1 1 0 0 0
DuBois, 3b 5 1 1 3 5 0
Willett, ss 5 1 2 1 1 2
Moss, p 5 0 1 1 9 0

45 10 14 27 16 3

GRINNELL
AB R B PO A E
Fiske, capt. ss 1 1 0 2 3 1
Clarke, 3b 3 0 0 2 2 1
Schilling, 2b 4 0 3 3 2 0
Wilcox, 1b 4 0 0 13 1 3
Marsh, c 4 0 1 2 1 1
Thompson, rf 3 0 0 2 2 0
King, p 3 0 0 5 5
Fillmore, rf 4 0 1 2 0 0
Mannatt, lf 3 0 0 1 0 1

29 1 2 27 16 7

Score by innings:
Iowa— 0 0 1 0 0 3 2 4—10
Grinnell— 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—1

Earned runs, Iowa 3; sacrifice hits, Hurst, Willett; three base hits, Marsh, Story, Moss, stolen bases, Hurst, Moss, King; struck out by King, Williams; by Moss, Clark, Schilling, Marsh, Thompson, (2), King, Mannatt; bases on balls, Fiske, 2; base on hit by pitched ball, Thompson; time of game,

The Freshmen have organized a baseball team.

Dean Alice Young left today for Council Bluffs to attend a meeting of the federation of Woman's Clubs.

Wesley Holt, L. '01, who was called to his home by the death of his sister, returned to the university yesterday.

RESULTS OF RESEARCH

Interesting Voluntary Reports at Last Meeting of Baconian This Year—Miss Williams Three Years Study of Illusions

At Baconian Friday night, Dr Gilchrist gave report on Pre-Norman Saxon Architecture which he illustrated with views of the old church at Deerhurst and the remains found at Oxford. Professor reported on the Acoustics of Halls and Public Rooms showing that the rich, soft tones noticed in cathedrals were due to the fact that the walls were deeply carved and their curved surfaces broke up the sound waves and produced a pleasing auditory effect not found where the walls were plane surfaces. Professor Veblen reported upon the death of Henry A. Rowland of John Hopkins who was the leading physicist of America if not of the world. Mr Jones reported upon experiments made to ascertain whether or not stones flow, in which experiments marble when under high pressure was found to undergo a molecular change and become flattened. The test was made to judge of flowing rocks in mountain making.

An interesting report was given by Miss Williams on Illusions of Volume and Area, in which the statements were made that a line to be seen equal to the length of a cylinder must be twenty-one per cent longer while a plate to be seen equal to the length of the cylinder must be thirteen per cent longer. A line must be nine per cent longer than a plate if it is to look as long as the plate while a cube looks four per cent larger than the same sized plate. Upon these data is based the hypothesis that objects having two dimensions look larger because of area and those having three dimensions because of both volumes and area for the reason that the judgment enters into the estimation of size. Objects having area are thought to be larger than those without and so with objects having volume.

Further experiments, said Miss Williams are being made upon such objects bill-boards, houses, and oil tanks. The paper was most interesting, being the result of several years' study of the subject.

The Baconian society then adjourned until next fall.

FUN FOR THE ROOTERS

The 'Varsity Team to Play an Aggregation of Iowa City Players at Athletic Park Thursday Afternoon

The Iowa City Chapter of the Old and Ancient Ball Tossers will line up against the 'Varsity Thursday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock and endeavor to show Dr Knipe's stripplings how the game was played in "Ye Olden Time." The present generation has seen them often in the capacity of rooters or umpires, but never before in the capacity in which they will now appear for positively the last time.

Sueppel it is understood will be allowed to make a home run. And there are other drawing cards too numerous to mention.

The line up:

OLD AND ANCIENT
Hoffer c
Lowry p
Tantlinger 1b
Murschel 2b
Loftus 3b
Zmunt ss
Lindsley lf
Sueppel cf
Shrader rf

VARSITY
Stubble
Hurst
Yates
Williams
DuBois
Willett
Powell
Storey
Moss

Amor Sargent, L. '99, now of Cedar Rapids, visited Saturday and Sunday at the Beta house.

STUDENTS WASTE ENERGY

Address by Dr G. T. W. Patrick Before the Y. M. C. A., on the Subject of Mental Waste and Economy in Student Life

Physical and emotional activity as well as mental activity fatigue the brain, said Dr Patrick before a large audience of young men at Close Hall Sunday afternoon. There is a limit to every student's mental capacity. If he spends the greater part of his time in study his brain becomes tired and he wastes mental energy for his mind no longer has the power to comprehend and retain readily. If he spends too much time in exercise he does so at the expense of his intellect for all physical exertion over a certain amount consumes mental vitality which might be expended in mental work. The problem is to divide ones activity between mental and physical exercise in such a manner as to make mental development paramount for in the struggle for existence in every sphere of activity, it is mind that wins now.

Health and vigorous mental activity requires a certain amount of physical exercise. Physical exercise, like every other kind of activity, consumes brain energy, but it reacts to build up brain tissue and to keep the whole body in a state of health. From the standpoint of mental economics, the students' physical exercise should be enough in amount to keep the body in perfect health—but beyond that it detracts just so much from the amount of mental work he can do. The form of the exercise should be such as to call into use as many muscles as possible, particularly those not used in daily student life. Tennis would seem to be pretty well qualified to give the necessary all around movements, or rowing. An ideal method of taking exercise would be an hour's horse-backride followed by a half hour in the gymnasium and a bath. The students' exercise should be play, not work, and should take the form of recreation rather than systematic drills or tasks. The present day system of athletics almost unavoidably furnishes excessive exercise, excessive in amount, if not in quality, and poorly distributed. The energy spent in training beyond the exercise requirements detracts from the amount of mental work that we can do. The amount of sleep we should take depends on the habits of the sleeper. If one sleeps without dreaming and in a room free from light and noise, he can get along with less sleep than otherwise. The average student will require about eight hours of sleep for the practice of mental economy.

Probably the most serious source of waste in a student's life is in lack of concentration. Most students have too many irons in the fire. They cannot give to each subject the concentrated attention necessary to produce permanent results. Many students carry too many studies at once. Furthermore, numerous outside diversions tend to dissipate one's energies. Membership in all sorts of societies, literary, social and religious, fraternities, debating leagues, lecture bureaus, newspaper staffs, editorial boards, class organizations, athletic organizations and clubs of many kinds make concentration impossible. It is true that all these things give a certain kind of discipline and prepare a menu of real life. This kind of education will make an all-around fairly good average citizen; it will require more concentration to make a great man. There are also sources of mutual waste in an emotional moral and religious life. Religion should not be a source of fear, trouble or doubt. It should be a support and a constant sustaining power.

FAVORABLE TO DRAKE

Comparison of Result of Field Meets Point to Drake as Winner—Grinnell and Drake to Take State Meet

The Des Moines Leader prints the following review of the state track teams:

Persons following closely pre-meet developments of the Iowa intercollegiate athletic association engaged in considerable speculation Saturday in comparing the records made by Drake and Iowa City in their home meets on Friday. Supporters of both institutions in Des Moines vehemently declared the records were legitimate and had not been doctored for the purpose of inducing competitors to become over-confident in the belief that these institutions do not hold so much of a claim to sure point-winning as is generally supposed. At the university the records were very poor, giving a shade of doubt to the statement that they were on the square. In spite of this, Secretary W. H. Bremer, member of the games committee from the university, says he has positive information to the effect that the records were bona fide. If this be true, Iowa must take on a strong line of improvement if she expects to win the meet as handily as last year, for Drake bettered every Iowa record but the half-mile run, the mile, the high hurdles, the low hurdles and the discus. That this should be so, seems as if was an easy proposition for the blue and white in the state meet, so far as these institutions are concerned.

Grinnell's home meet will not come off until next Friday, so that they are still a dark horse at present writing. Of the events that the Drake team excelled the university, Grinnell will take from them at least the following: The 100-yard dash and the 220-yard dash; Bair, Conger and Spaulding will figure, and the broad and the high jump, while the quarer mile will be a hard race between Kies of Drake and Captain Evans and Van Dyke of Grinnell, provided Brown of the state university does not run away from all of them. Yielding these points to Grinnell and not counting those to be taken by the other members of the association, it looks as if the state university will still have the meet by safe margin for some of the strong men of the Iowa team have not been fortunate enough to have their names appear in the home meet.

Ames will cut the hardest upon the points to be scored by Drake in the weights, while the Agricultural college will also deprive the blue and white from seconds and thirds to be made in the sprints. No one questions the state university's ability to take the half and mile with ease. The discus also looks as if it was easy for Hull of Iowa City. Warner, although over-reached by Pell of Drake in the home meet will likely take the shot put.

The only points that Drake are counting upon for certain is the hammer and the hop, step and jump. Captain Chapman ought to run Crouch a good race in the hurdles, provided his recent injury does not put him out of condition, so that while home meets have been held in three of the leading institutions that compose the association any attempt at predicting results is only a matter of speculation.

Home meets held under auspices of the college running men with local timers and officials generally are apt to distort and minimize time, height and distance. Other conditions than these also enter into consideration, as for instance the condition of the track and the

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THE Northern Oratorical League
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 worth while to be in attendance.

THE new home for the Engin-
 eers is now so far advanced as to
 permit of occupancy. Great credit
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 A. V. Sims for the haste with
 which the work was pushed to
 completion.

THE article on the medical ex-
 aminations of April 4 and 5 in
 last Saturday's VIDETTE-REPORT-
 ER was the simple truth, embel-
 lished by no art and obtained in a
 perfectly legitimate manner. The
 statement by a person signing
 himself "J. C. Shrader" that the
 state board of medical examiners
 is not responsible for the state of
 affairs may be true or not, but it
 does not affect the article in this
 paper. Doctor Shrader is advised
 that it is not considered good
 form in the best circles of the
 medical profession or in society
 in general to abuse one with
 whom he disagrees without point-
 ing out where he is in error.
 Doctor Shrader's degenerate organ
 of publicity is referred to the ed-
 itors of the Quill if it wants a
 fight. This paper has no fighting
 editor but from past occur-
 rences in the "literary" journal's
 office there is reason to believe
 that the passing of the lie to the
 parties mentioned would result in
 some accommodation.

The Grinnell Team

The baseball game Saturday
 between Grinnell and Iowa was
 marked by good feeling on every
 hand. The Grinnell team made
 some fine plays and put up gener-
 ally the gritty game that is al-
 ways expected from the college
 where the students have the
 spirit of true sportsmanship
 to their athletics. The game
 was a practice game for both
 teams and it showed that Grinnell
 will have a very creditable team.
 When, by the time of the league
 game, the new men become ac-
 customed to their positions, the
 Scarlet and Black team will force
 the 'Varsity to its best playing.

The Iowa team played good
 ball Saturday and cheered the

hearts of the few enthusiasts who
 attended the game by its work.
 The 'Varsity deserves a much
 larger attendance at its games.

Girls' Basket Ball.

Saturday evening there will be
 two games of basket ball played
 in the Close Hall gymnasium be-
 tween the girls' teams. The first
 will be between the first and
 second teams, and in the other
 the second team will meet one
 made up of the Iowa City mem-
 bers of the girls' classes.

The time will be 7:30 sharp,
 and the admission will be 15 cents.
 The proceeds to go to the fund
 for building the new fence around
 the basket ball court on the ath-
 letic grounds. It is hardly neces-
 sary to state that the games will
 be worth seeing.

Track Team

There will be an important meet-
 ing of all the candidates for the
 track team at 7:30 tonight in Pro-
 fessor Loos' lecture room.

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where he was called to explere
the theories of a would-be geolo-
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in a victory for the latter by a
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nature of the day on which the meet is held. Of course each college will swear that the reports given out are authentic, and each of the opposing institutions take such records with a pinch of salt. Enough has been learned from the meets held thus far that the contest will be close for the second and third places and that some surprises may turn up as to the winner. Could we take the records made in the home meets as final Drake would have a good chance for second place, with the struggle between Grinnell and Iowa for the championship. But the times caught by the watches held by inexperienced timers are little to be relied upon though the officials were honest and the report sent out by them authentic.

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