The teenth convocation of the university was called to order at ten o'clock this morning with Dr. Benjamin F. Trueblood as the orator of the day. The student body did not seem so anxious to hear of the history of the peace development as did they to meet with our distinguished legislators and the attendance was not nearly so large. Dr. Trueblood had a busy schedule of meetings in which the Iowan, having been at one time president of Penn college and the degree of L. L. D., and conferred upon him by the State University of Iowa. He chose for his subject the Development of Inter-national Peace.

"The present movement for the elimination of war from human society and for the permanent establishment of peace among the nations, is the largest, most important and most wide reaching in its purposes of all the social movements of our time," said Dr. Trueblood. Beginning with the budding of the peace policy back in the fifteen cent. he traced the development of that policy which means the elimination of war from the methods of settling national difficulties.

Christianity, liberation of thought, education, progress in science, invention, economic knowledge, political institutions, modes of communication and travel and commercial development have brought about an almost new world, and along with these developments have grown such a tendency toward the reign of law and peace.

Mr. Trueblood thinks that all international and colonial wars will ultimately be abolished and that it is no credit to either intelligence or moral character of the civilized powers that such wars have not been made impossible.

In even immense and expensive armaments of the nations he sees evidences of the growth of peace, yet he would have our nation maintain only such an army and navy as would be adequate for the defense of the nation's honor.

"Pessimists," said he, "seek to belittle the Hague Conference because of the Philippines, China and South African War. The Philippine war broke out before the conference; the Boxer rebellion was the outcome of two and a half centuries of contention, war and bitter race hatred and the Chinese explosion had been brewing for over a half century. Only a super brain could have made such growth of armaments and still forever the noise of battle—there is not a member of this House of Representa-tives who is under the influence of Krieglose Zeit, a period about which the boldest minds of the race have dreamed and sung, when war will be intolerable and unknown; when the nations will be pointed out in museums as instruments of torture of today.

The president made the following announcements before dismissing the audience: The first convocation for the spring term will be held in the evening of April 1.

"Degrees will be awarded to the Senior Medical, Homeopathic and the Pharmaceutical students at this meeting.

The summer session will begin June 16 and continue for 6 weeks.

M. HUGUES LE ROUX COMING MAY 1.

May 1 is the date fixed upon for the lecture on "The Relation of the French Novel and French Society," by Monsieur Hugues Le Roux, who has just arrived in the United States to deliver a series of lectures before the Harvard University students. Monsieur Le Roux is a noted man by descent and a man of some forty-two years of age. He has made a thorough study of French literature and sociology, has written several works of fiction and drama and speaks both French and English with equal fluency. He has been called a "gentleman" by his fellow students and is a man who can be trusted.

The French students are the chief supporters of the French society and are working hard to make the society a success.

The following program will be given in the Enrodelphian hall this evening: music, declamation, Esther Cooper; oration, Edna, Mings; debate, affir., Cela Dalton and Abbie Stearmans; Bertha Sunier and Agnes Conley; music, dec., Florence Seyler; oration, Helen Carlin.

The Cardinal is authority for the statement that the committee, with the exception of the faculty, have signed their names to it. The committee has been called the "no-suit" committee.

The ball team has recently paid $100 to the hat worn by Wilkes Brooks. The hat was presented to the President Lincoln.
honour our flag and see how quick these same students offer their lives for their country's cause.

It is to be hoped that the ill fate of Professor Pearson of Northwestern will be fresh in the minds of all sectarian school professors today, so that they may not be tempted to question the whole truth of the hatchet story.

The students of the university will join with us in extending sympathy to the members of the Sigma Nu fraternity in the loss of their home and property.

From the nature of the subject discussed one might have expected to see the freshman medics attend in a body—but they didn't.


coming Events.

February 18th, Dramatic Recital.

The wedding of Miss Greta Chase to Major John Hull will be celebrated on Thursday, April 3. Major Hull is an alumnus of the university and a very popular man while here.

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The senior laws at Nebraska seem to be employing the most of their time in hatching plots whereby they can embarass the law lecturers. The alarm clock and the ill-smelling acid tricks have just recently been resurrected and brought to bear upon the nerves of the Nebraska legal fraternity. Such tricks as these are decidedly puerile in their nature and have no place in the mind of the true university or even the high school student. Down in the grades of the public school is where we should look for the origin and end of such childish pranks. There where the child often cares nought for an education and takes himself to be a martyr who is sent to school to learn only to please the teacher one may in a measure forgive the offender but where university students resort to such measures the act loses what mitigation ignorance may give it and becomes at once an act of coarsest rowdism.

Apparently "peace" is not a topic of all-absorbing interest to the students at Iowa university. No. But let another country put to deaf hour countrymen or dis-
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