Varsity Is Improving

Fine Offensive Last Night

Team in Cashing Strength at Every Practice—Sayings of Pell and Ristine.

The practice on Iowa field last night showed encouraging improvement in the Iowa team. The offense was the best seen from the varsity and the defense was fairly good, though a number of old men were out of their positions and several experiments were being tried. The receivers, it is true, scored twice on the varsity, but they were allowed six downs to make their distance. With the regular ends Covington and Jackson in their positions, and Captain Hollenbeck in the line, the defense will be something to an opinion well of the Michigan smashers and runs.

A number of changes in the lineup were made, that of Fred Buckley to left halfback being perhaps the most important. Buckley is a good tackler and a good helper and would make a good right back. In any event it seems possible he may fill this position for the rest of the season. McGovern is playing right guard and Coach Knipe paid close attention to his work. He has the fire which is wanted for the position and if he can make good at it, one great load would be removed from the shoulders of the coaches.

A new room would be welcomed by another tackle could be brought in and exchanged. He was again the bright light of practice last night—his factoring and energy is no better than ever and taking a delight in his work. Covington was in his fourth game and again last night and played in his usual fine form. Siberts hurt his hand in the practice, an accident which will mean much to the team. There may be some time injury to the team which will measure up with Michigan a week from Saturday but as to the interchanging of this it is quite possible that Ames may not win even if Mr. Ristine says she will.

Pi Beta Phi Initiate.

Saturday evening the Iowa Theta chapter of Pi Beta Phi met at the home of Miss Edna Boerner and initiated the following members: Helen L. Allen '06, Alice C. Agnes Remley '06, Anaamoss; and Verne Stockdale '06, Walacet. After the initiation the chapter gave a banquet to their new members and alumni. Speeches, games, and a general good time helped to while away the hours.

Among the guests of Iowa guests were: Dorothy Schults, Burlington; Nona Stockdale, Walacet; Leda Pinkham, Wichita, Kansas; and Anna Robinson Rule.

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Don't Lower the Bars

Need for More Not Less Education

Dean Currier Gives His Ideas on the Shortening of College Courses Following the Lead of Harvard.

By DR. AMOS N. CURRIER.

The scope and import of the action of Harvard University allowing the completion of the undergraduate course in three years, seems to have been widely misconstrued. As I understand it, nothing is abated from the conditions heretofore prescribed for the bachelor's degree except the time requirement. In former years the course has been completed, substantially or entirely, in three years but the degree could not be obtained only at the close of the fourth year. Hereafter students who are granted the bachelor's degree in three years are to be graduated only at the close of the third year. This change, if it is one of practical value, is, in my opinion, a serious mistake. It is not likely to prevail in all institutions, and in some degree in many colleges and universities. In most cases, the shortening of time by overcrowding is impossible for the student since the breadth and quality of scholarship inevitably suffer. Besides, it is indefensible but very real and permanent influence of a wholesome atmosphere needs time to produce its best results in developing, maturing and refining these subjects to it. Lower requirements for the bachelor's degree ought not to be thought of and would not be adopted by the best colleges and universities. If exigencies of time or means require early entrance upon business or professional study, let it be regarded as an unfortunate necessity in individual cases. The profession and colleges which do more to prepare the bachelor's degree for entrance may well make substantial concessions to college graduates by the acceptance of equivalents unless they wish to force greater loneliness to students without college training.

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The Laws of 1905

The freshmen held a meeting in the College Room on Tuesday night R. Porter as delegate to the university assembly. The meeting was adjourned, when someone proposed a banquet. This met with much favor. Trouble began, however, when a motion, to entertain the college girls, was made. The senior college opposers the motion, but in the end the majority were overruled. Serious consideration, however, resulted in the appointment of a committee to make plans for a banquet, and to report at the next meeting of the class. The class then adjourned with their yell of, "Stu! Boom! Bang! Who eats 'em alive?"

The Laws! The Laws of 1905.

Brown has a code known as "College customs," which consists of the following rules: 1. Seniors alone shall be allowed to occupy the seats of the Van Wickle Memorial Gatos. 2. No silk hat shall be worn until junior week of his class. 3. No freshman shall eat in the dining room on the campus. 4. No freshman shall wear a straw hat until Memorial Day. 5. No freshman shall be allowed on the south side of College street. If, however, he is making a freshman base ball game he shall be allowed the use of either side of College street. Otherwise the rule remains in force throughout the college year. 6. No freshman shall be allowed to wear any preparatory school insignia, handkerchiefs, bow ties or numbers. 7. Only seniors shall be allowed on the middle east steps.
While it might have been better earlier, yet it is so far ahead of last year's in these respects, that we cannot complain.

Last year's hand book did well for a Christmas gift; this year's is too early for even a Thanksgiving present.

Formulated customs make laws. This being true, a law regulating the wandering steps of the dental students, should be formulated from their custom of taking short cuts across the campus. This law once ascertained, the board of regents might add another walk or two to our checker board system.

The managers of the cross country runs are to be praised for their successful efforts. It has been tried here before, but never with much success or enthusiasm. These runs run on line pleasure, training, and health.

Plan to attend at least a part of the sessions of the Iowa Conference of charities and corrections. The student body are especially invited to these meetings. In the general lecture room October 30 and 31.

The student body this year is favored with an abundance in the line of lecture courses, and this in addition to the political campaign in this district, affords an excellent and a rare opportunity to hear the best.

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Mr. C. G. Raguet of Davenport visited his daughter Miss Margaretie Raguet ‘06.

Secretary Shaw and Lafe Young of the Des Moines Capital will speak at the armory tomorrow night.

The Wade Club will send a large delegation to Solon to attend the Wade rally.

Swain ‘06 has been elected to Germania.

Sigma Xi meets tonight for the reading and discussion of scientific papers by the members. The meeting is for members only.

Prof. Van Steenderen will read a paper before the circle Franciscans on Thursday evening.

The University Wade club will attend the Judge Wade rally at Davenport tomorrow afternoon. A special train leaving Iowa City at 10 o’clock p. m. will carry a host of Judge Wade’s admirers. The university band will accompany them.

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