AN ERA OF GROWTH
COLLEGE OF MEDICINE SHOWS PROGRESS
The New Anatomical Laboratory Only Building for the Exclusive Use of One College

Promptly at 4:30 p.m. yesterday in the presence of about one hundred fifty students, the cornerstone of the anatomy building was laid. President MacLean opening the ceremonies spoke a few words, saying that the anatomical laboratory was being built with funds voted by the two weeks of the last General Assembly, that it approximated another great step forward in the equipment of the college. He entered into the details of the building for the sole use of one department and he hoped the day would come when every department would have a separate building.

Dean Guthrie said that though he had seen the cloud dark and lowering over the college of medicine, yet the outlook was never so bright as now. He read the list of publications which were placed in the corner stone, the collection being about the same as that placed in the cornerstone of the laboratory building.

Dr. John H. Arrimont gave a brief history of the college of medicine of the University of Iowa. He said in part: "In 1848, W. F. Peck, of Davenport, organized the medical department of the University. This was the first faculty of medicine, extending anatomic and chemical questions for this year will be entirely of a practical nature.

J. T. Duncan M. D. will be able soon to leave the hospital and continue his studies.

Dean Guthrie gave six o'clock dinner to the members of the medical faculty at the Berkeley last night.

The senior medical class will go in a body to Independence Saturday for the purpose of investigating the state hospital for the insane.

Y. W. C. A. yesterday elected Prof. Leona Loos as delegate to the semi-annual national convention to be held at Wilkes-Barre early in April.

The senior medical women have begun the custom of wearing the classical senior caps. This has been beautified the last few days by a magnificent bouquet of roses and carnations, the gift of Mr. J. G. Berryhill of Des Moines.

The ladies' drawing room has been beautified by the presence of flowers, the gift of Mr. B. T. Power of Des Moines.
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Calendar for the Week.
March 5—Lecture, The Life and meaning of words, Prof. G. T. Flom, 7:00 p. m.
March 7—Preliminary Debate, Hammond vs. Forum.
March 7—Meeting Iowan Board 11:00 a.m.

What is a University?
The Iowa City Republican says editorially: “Now when the university has been lifted from the vulgar plane of mere prettiness, it has a pretty good time to let go of athletics as a university affair. The institution is hard pressed for support funds, and the $4,000 a year it has been spending upon athletics would buy a lot of books and put several departments in better shape.” The fallacy of such statements conceived and brought forth in grossest ignorance of college life and work of today is so apparent as to make them unworthy of serious consideration, and we only advert to this one on account of the systematic frequency of such sophistry in two of our city contemporaries.

To “let go” of athletics would be the biggest folly for this or any other university or college and the $4,000 a year, if such is the sum, which they cost is the serious consideration for the benefits received. Outside of class room work, athletics are the greatest factor in American student life. They are the one common interest possessed by students in the different classes and colleges. This interest claims the energies of all and the desire of all for the success of their alma mater on the field produces a student body infused with varisty spirit and united in loyalty to the institution. On leaving the college halls, this spirit makes them strong and un­tiring alumni.

The consensus of opinion among educators and physicians is that athletics benefit the individual student who participates in them both in his mind and his morals, as well as his physique. This is shown by the statements of, among others, Pres. MacLean, Prof. Angell, Pres. Northrup, Prof. Eliot, and Pres. Harper. A great number of physicians have testified that the apparent physical benefits are not a delusion, among whom are Doctors Dean, Whitest and Harri man of Iowa City. In addition to this, the athletic gives the student who participates in them in a broader view of college life. He becomes acquainted with other institutions and other college men and gains a wider, more cosmopolitan idea of university work than that furnished within the limits of his own narrow campus. Athletics advertise the college better than all other things combined. Provost Pepper of Pennsylvania once said that a winning football team the next year would be worth $905,000 to the University of Pennsylvania. The amount of space in newspapers alone which athletics gain for any one large university could not be purchased with $4,000 or four times four thousand dollars. In addition to this, college athletics are the main topic of conversation among high school pupils when a school speaks of colleges and a large per cent of them select their college merely on account of having heard of it in athletics.

Let go of athletics? No, we would sooner let go of the new head of liberal arts. The faculty and student body could meet in a unit and constitute a university, but with all college life gone, all varsity spirit destroyed, the student had better go home and get their education by correspondence.

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"King Dodo" by Frank Pixley and Gustav Liders will be the attraction at the Opera House next Friday, March 6th, and it can be recommended to the music lovers of this city as a performance most worthy of their patronage. "King Dodo" has been played with success in all the large cities of the country and has received unstinted praise for the company, authors and management. Patrons of the Opera House will do well to secure seats in advance as doubleless a record breaking audience will turn out on this occasion.

Walter Camp said recently in defense of football: "There is a certain amount of danger in all sports, but we can hardly eliminate it without making milkshakes of the boys.

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The United States Civil Service Commission asks for the names of graduates who may desire to become candidates for positions in the civil service. The manual of examinations may be seen at the president's office.

Now when the football season is past and gone and the critics have picked to their satisfaction at least, the all-State, all-Eastern, all-Southern, and all-American teams, it is interesting to notice a pipe-dreamer's football team all-time:

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