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A SAD TALE OF INSANITY

DEFENSE SHOWS HAMLET IRRESPONSIBLE

Evidences of Insanity of Defendant Are Many—Schiefelbein An Excellent Witness for Hamlet

A tale of sadness over a father's death which gradually brought on madness, exhibited in countless acts of depravity and responsibility was unfolded by the first testimony for the defense, given in the case of state of Iowa vs. Hamlet in the University of Iowa junior law moot court.

H. A. Schiefelbein of Waterloo was the first witness for the defense. He was an old acquaintance of Hamlet's and told a very convincing story on the witness stand. He gave the impression of retaining his grief and sympathy for Hamlet's insanity with difficulty.

"Before the death of the elder Hamlet," testified Mr. Schiefelbein, "Hamlet was scrupulously neat in dress and personal appearance, dressed in the most approved fashion, wore clothes of the latest cut, was careful to keep his mustache in good condition, he curled the ends upward by the aid of wax, I believe, kept his hair always well combed and parted in the middle. Intellectually he always occupied the front rank and was considered brilliant. Socially he made many friends and when seeing friends pass him on the street would go across to speak to them pleasantly. His disposition was jovial, not flip-pant, but of a mirth relished by sensible men.

After the death of his father he changed in disposition. At first he seemed no sadder than men ordinarily are at the death of a dear relative but after a short time a great change took place, a very revolution in his dress, habits, appearance and disposition. His clothing and hair was unkempt, at times part of his clothing was lacking, he took to brooding by himself. He came to have a habit of constantly talking to himself incoherently and incomprehensibly.

"I was in Castle Elsinore November 1, when the King and Queen asked Hamlet to throw off his melancholy. Hamlet replied that it was not only his outward appearance but that he had that in his bosom which he dared not tell, a raging fire that consumed him. The king replied again urging him to throw away his sadness, adding that Hamlet was his son and next in line to the throne.

"Hamlet then left the room and began mumbling to himself. After a time his words became audible and I heard him express a desire that his too solid flesh would melt and wishing the Almighty had not fixed his canons against self-slaughter, Horatio then came in and Hamlet told him there was nothing in this world left to live for. Then a fit came upon Hamlet and he stared

into vacancy, saying that he thought he saw his father."

The defense scored an important point in the cross-examination of O. W. Emmons, the last witness for the state. Mr. Emmons admitted, after a fire of questions by Attorney Linville that when the Queen reproached Hamlet with being mad, when he was upbraiding her in her chamber Hamlet replied in substance that he was as sane as the queen.

The defense will later prove by expert witnesses that denial of insanity is a characteristic of insane persons.

The trial will proceed more rapidly next week, when afternoon sessions of the court will be held.

BRYAN ON OUR COUNTRY

Orator Wants to Conquer the World By the Example of Truth and Justice

Col. Wm. J. Bryan lectured on "The Conquering Nation" last evening, at the armory.

He said the United States is the greatest nation on earth and he wants it to conquer the world, not by night but by the power of the example of justice and truth.

Professor H. E. Gordon introduced Judge Wade as chairman of the evening. Judge Wade received a very enthusiastic welcome from the students, it being one of his first appearances before them since his election as congressman.

Judge Wade said that the Conquering Nation could be but one, nation, the one which has never been conquered, which has never been defeated, the greatest nation on the face of the earth—the United States of America. A man who in oratorical powers is gifted as few men in the world's history have been gifted would speak of the virtues which must be cultivated if the United States is to continue to conquer.

Mr. Bryan said that he was glad to be able to speak to students and citizens who have the benefit of students, for he thought that a town which has a great university is fortunate in many ways.

Ever since Iowa took from his state its Chancellor to become its university president, he had wanted to renew acquaintances with him at his present home, and to speak of the principles of our country to his students.

The armory was fairly well filled for the lecture.

C. O. Giese, M. '05, is pledged to Phi Rho Sigma fraternity.

Col. W. J. Bryan was the guest of honor at a dinner at the Imperial last evening, attended by the prominent democrats of the city.

At Yale there has been a rule passed that students of the entering class who are not proficient swimmers shall be given a lesson in swimming. Such lessons are to be given credit for as the required gymnasium work.

PRE-GOPHER DEBATE

PRELIMINARY CONTEST BETWEEN ZETS AND IRVINGS

Argument upon the Compulsory Arbitration Question—Professor Calvin to be One of the Judges

Will Minnesota be represented at the Minnesota preliminary debate Monday evening?

For some years past strangers from the Northland have attended Iowa's debate preliminary to the Minnesota-Iowa debate. Each time they have been compelled to yield up their notes of the contest at its close.

Three years ago, Guy Caldwell, a member of the team which was to debate Iowa in the final debate, was the spy at Iowa's preliminary. He was chased to the St. James hotel after the debate by students under the lead of J. R. Frailey and compelled to tear up his notes. Later Minnesota withdrew him from the debate.

Last year, one McLaughlin, a traveling map maker who confessed to connections with Minnesota, was observed taking shorthand notes at the debate. At its close he was induced to burn them up. Later he threatened legal proceedings against the men who held him, up but they are still at large.

Strangers desiring to take shorthand notes Monday evening would do well to leave identification cards with the presiding officer before the debate.

The debate will be held at the opera house Monday evening. It will be upon the question of compulsory arbitration, the Irvings arguing in favor of such a plan and the Zetagathians denying.

Professor Calvin is the only judge who has been selected so far. The other two will be agreed upon by Monday morning.

The Irving debaters will be: G. E. Hill of Burlington, E. R. Johnston of Iowa City and T. E. Diamond of Orange City. For the Zetagathians will appear C. H. Edmundson of Iowa City, G. E. Greene of Greene, and Purley Rinker of Iowa City.

A LONG QUESTION

The wording of the question to be debated Monday evening is:

"That the adjudication of disputes between employers and their employees should be made a part of the administration of justice.

"Interpretations; (1) Granted that special courts with appropriate rules of procedure may be established if desirable. (2) Granted that labor unions may be required to incorporate if necessary."

Y. M. C. A. Elect Officers

Y. M. C. A. have elected the following officers for next year:

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BACONIAN

Interesting Electro Dynamic Experiments

At the Baconian meeting last night Mr. C. F. Lorenz made some interesting electro-dynamic experiments.

The simplest case illustrating the force relations of currents would be a current passing through two parallel wires. They would attract or repel one another according to the direction of the current in one.

Mr. Lorenz arranged two coils, one on top of the other. When a current passed through them, they would attract so that one would lift the other. When the directions of the currents were opposite one coil would be thrown forcibly upward. This action was strengthened by putting an iron core inside the coil. With a large electro-magnet these effects were shown on a more striking scale. A copper ring was suspended over one pole of the magnet. When the current was passing steadily there was no noticed effect, but when the current was broken the ring was attracted downward. By breaking the current in the magnet a current was produced in the ring thus making a magnet of it. When the ring is cut no current can pass, and no effects are produced.

Move a copper disk between the poles of an electro-magnet and the air seems viscous and produces the sensation of moving the disk in syrup. If a pendulum with a copper bob vibrates between the poles of this powerful magnet it will be stopped in the middle of its swing. It will not pass the magnet. The same principle is made use of in the watt-meters used to measure the quantity of electricity used by consumers.

Many interesting phenomena are produced by alternating currents. Pass such a current through the coils of an electro-magnet and hold a tin pan to the pole. A distinct note is heard. You can even feel the intermittent character of the force by holding a piece of iron near the pole. The coils in an incandescent lamp are attracted by an electro-magnet. If you have light produced by an alternating current, like the arc lights in the stores of this city, you can make an interesting experiment.

Move a bright object like a key from side to side and you will not have a continuous "streak" but at every flash the key will be illuminated and you will see a number of keys standing out in the direction of your movement.

The class of temporary politics at Princeton has been organized into a chamber of deputies, modeled exactly after the French chamber. The seniors constitute the conservative and the Juniors the radical element. The ministry has been chosen from the conservatives.

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Calendar for the Week.

March 14—Erodelphian farce, St. Brendan's Hall.
March 16—Minnesota Preliminary Debate, Opera House, 8:00 p. m.
March 16—Lecture, Life Insurance Mr. J. A. Jackson, auditorium, 4:30 and 7:00 p. m.
March 17—Home Oratorical contest, Opera House, 8:00 p. m.
March 21—Indoor Field Meet, Armory.
March 21—Meeting IOWAN Board, northwest room Old Capital 1:00 p. m.

The newspaper correspondents wouldn't care if the Hamlet trial lasted all spring.

It is pretty safe to say that Minnesota won't send a spy to the debate next Monday night. The Gophers know when they have enough.

That Sigma Nu story bears evidences of internal dissension. Why shouldn't the alleged young lady have preferred to write her message to shouting it from the sidewalk?

The Minnesota preliminary debate will be held Monday evening. All persons attending the debate are warned not to attempt to take the speeches down in shorthand. There hasn't been any excitement at the university for some time and students love excitement.

The defence is now getting in its work in the Hamlet murder case. All readers of the Iowan are cautioned not to make up their minds as to the merits of the case until the evidence is all in.

Mr. Bryan receives the hearty thanks of the university for his generous action in devoting the proceeds of his lecture to the founding of the Wm. J. Bryan Prize in Political Science.

The junior laws must be very careful not to make any mistakes in the Hamlet murder trial. Shakespeare clubs in Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Minnesota, North Dakota and Maryland are following the case very closely through the columns of the Iowan.

President Peterson advocates trips for the varsity debating teams, arguing that there is no reason why intercollegiate debates should not awaken the same enthusiasm as intercollegiate baseball games. Quite true, but they don't. Those who can tell why can doubtless tell why a week ago five-dollar bills went begging for seats to an inferior production of "King Dodo," while yesterday seats for a very superior oration by Colonel Bryan were begging for fifty-cent pieces.

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"Peck's Bad Boy," entirely rewritten and rearranged, will appear at the opera house, next Saturday. While it is styled "an encyclopedia of laughter with a telescopic plot," it has however, a plot which revolves around the troubles of the German groceryman and is overflowing with the most intense and clean humor, which is so uproariously funny in its situations.

"The Strollers" with Marguerita Sylva in the title role will be the medium of entertainment next, at the opera house March 20. Miss Sylva has been received with much favor on her two previous tours in a steller capacity in "Princess Chic" and "Miss Bob White" and her natural charm and delightful personality has made her many friends. She is supposed to be an exponent of romantic roles but she has a strong comedy vein and is said to form a very pleasing picture in the part of "Bertha." The music

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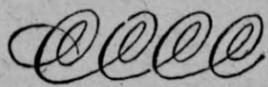
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All students, who expect to take a degree from the college of liberal arts at the end of the summer session, are requested to call at the office of the registrar at their early convenience.

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.

Seniors in the college of liberal arts who have not yet returned their credit books to the office of the Registrar are requested to do so at once in order that they may be posted to date.

The executive committee of the Board of Regents will meet Thursday, March 19. All matters for their consideration must be in the President's office by noon of the previous day.

University extension courses in Japanese and Chinese are announced by the University of California.

Trinity Episcopal church, the Rev. Geo H. Cornell rector in charge. Services tomorrow. Holy Comunion 8:00 a. m., Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon 10:45 a. m. Vespers 5:00 p. m. All are cordially invited.

Congregational church, George Luther Cady pastor—Sunday School at 10. Morning service at 11. Subject of sermon "Paul at Rome," Young Peoples meeting at 6:30. Evening service at 7:30 subject of the sermon "Lancelot and Elaine or the Power of Purity" from "The Idylls of the King."

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