Public Rehearsal of Choral. With all At- tended—Dr. Gilchrist Analyzes the Music—Chorus Works Perfectly

The gallery of the liberal arts auditorium was well filled to hear the public rehearsal of the Choral Union last night. Prof. Gilchrist leader of the chorus explained the meaning of the oratorio, stating the analysis of each scene briefly before its rendering by the chorus.

There are three schools of oratorio music, the classical school of Handel, the intermediate school represented by Mendelssohn and of which Elijah is a good example, and the modern school of which the work of Gunod is characteristic. Prof. Gilchrist stated that he played the oratorio Elijah the first time it was sung in America in 1847. The oratorio was first sung in 1816. It was rendered in both Boston and Philadelphia in 1847 and Prof. Gilchrist was the originator of the latter concert.

The instrumental introduction to the opening number carried the feeling of complaint among the Hebrews caused by the long famine. These musings led to the development of the battle, and finally became almost open revolt. The oratorio is divided into two parts, the first representing the prophecy of Elijah and its fulfillment and the second denoting by its words and music Elijah’s per- formance ascension and ascention into Heaven.

The narrative leading up to the drama follow closely the biblical story of the prophet beginning with the utterings among the Hebrews, the incident with the prophet an- d the mocking of the priests of Baal and developing his life step by step till his ascension to Heaven in a pillar of fire.

The degree of perfection the chorus has attained is indeed very pleasing. The soprano is by far the strongest section of the chorus and the tenors are still somewhat weak but as a whole the work of the singers is remarkably fine.

Prof. Fairbanks gave his Hone­ yer class, this week, an interesting talk on early Grecian architecture and archaeological research, illustrating his remarks with a num­ ber of stereopticon views.

The fifth game in the inter-so­ ciety series was played yesterday between teams from Hammond and Philomathean. The law de­ baters had much of the best of the arguments, the score being 14 to 4.

The Iowa Beta chapter of Pi Beta Phi will be at home to their alumni and the visiting Phi Phis among the P. E. O. delegates at the house of Mrs. R. F. Shambaugh, this afternoon from two until five.

SENATE PARCELS WORK
Faculty Committees on Commencement Arrangements Appointed

The university senate recently appointed the committees of the faculty on commencement ar­ rangements as follows: The pro­ gram for commencement week was placed in charge of the board of deans. Chairman of the sen­ site committee, Prof. C. E. Seashore; Secretary, Dean Allee Young, committee to receive dis­ inguished guests, Prof. MacLean and Dean A. N. Carrier; trans­ portation, Prof. H. S. Richards; printing and invitations, Prof. W. L. Birring, seating and arrange­ ments, Prof. W. J. Teeters, music Prof. W. L. Bywater.

Although the hotels in the city have recently been enlarged, but it is expected that many of the guests will have to be accom­ modated in private homes.

Pres. Olinger has received a challenge from Drake sophomores for a game of baseball to be play­ ed in Iowa City. The challengers ask a guarantee of expenses.

Miss Dorothy Wickersham ’99, of Cedar Rapids, will be here over Sunday, the guest of Miss Graff.

The game on their schedule at Illinois is $16. Barnard College students re­ cently presented “The Manoeuv­ res of Jane.” It proved to be the most successful play ever given by the undergraduates of Barnard.

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INTHENTS FOR MINSTREL SHOW
ALL THE GREAT SPECIALTIES
O’Brian Bros., Tumbling Skirt—Holly Mail and Huffy Short in Song and Dance—Good Solos

The last and funniest thing that has happened will be the uni­ versity minstrels at the opera house next Wednesday night.

The very naming of the spec­ tacles on the program indicates that anyone who does not take precaution is likely to gug him­ self at the show for it has some warm tone.

Holly Mail and Huffy Short in the first act are to be the scene of the minstrel show will be remembered from their work at the senior circus and they are certain to make a hit.

Fordyce has a special picture fea­ ture that is the best ever. For­ dyce’s own songs are given in a good old plantation style and make real Georgia “niggers” born green with envy. The great at­ traction of the minstrels is fur­ nished by the same impossible end men Humeston and “Biddle” Owen. Humeston and Biddle’s twin specialities will certainly make a hit while Owen’s skirt dance would definitely get itself a big laugh on the vandervill stage. Tidly Ann and a Leye Song will be ren­ dered by the same incomparable per­ former. O’Brien Bros. in their tumbling stunt will be on the program and are alone worth the price of admission.

The minstrel ends up with a big levy scene on a southern plantation with singing and dancing, picking cotton and eating cake walking and a general southern jubilee.

Bolos will be rendered by Dick O’Brien “Johannie” Clark, “Hall” Bell, “Huffy” and “Smith” Fred Bailey, “Nolly” Hall and “Doc” Fordyce.

“The Wisconsin baseball team has refused to play the second game on their schedule at Illinois field on account of the mix-up at the former game.

The senior class of Chicago University will leave three benches on the campus as a class me­ morial. The cost of the benches will be $375.

Two very important changes have recently been made in the Yale curriculum. The elective science system is to be extended into the freshman year and Greek is no longer required for admission.

The football team of the women’s tennis team at Stan­ ford will be a granted awarded with the officials. The football “B” has been refused by the athletic committee. Their swears will have the word “B” as preface.

At Cornell all but five fever patients have been discharged. There are but two nurses left in charge with authorities, and the infirmary an­ nex in Stimson Hall is about to close. There are but five patients in the infirmary, and all are convalescent.

NOTH INGS INITIATE
Honor Men Receive the Mysteris of Scimitar and Fez

Last night the Scimitar and Fez initiated the ten honor men, who will have charge of the order next year. Those chosen to receive, this distinctive honor were: H. G. Walker, J. F. Kunz, C. O. Briggs, C. P. Schenck, W. F. Hellfell, L. D. Bedford, F. D. Kern, B. A. Moaff and E. R. Jackson.

After the initiation ceremo­ nies were over, the organization made their way down the street to the Leland, singing their songs, with now and then a Hawkeye yell. Refreshments were served, and toasts given by the initiates. Ever and anon the voices chanted, (“Rocking on the Billows” and other songs door to the singer man’s heart were sung. H. G. Walker was selected as the heir apparent, to the su­ taneous, and upon the de­ cision of Murad Drewry will assume the scepter.

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MILITARY BALL
TODAY
Laws Debate Merger

The juniors in the law societies will hold a joint debate Monday evening on the question “Resolved, That the merger of railroad companies should be prohibited.” The question will be affirmed for Hammond by P. N. Humphrey, N. S. Gunnng and W. S. Ridge­ way. Forum has the negative and is represented by D. W. Whiting, A. A. Brown, and J. L. Meighen. The judges selected are Samuel Hayes, T. H. Mac­ bride and M. J. Wade.

Prof. R. D. George, left last night for a two weeks trip in British Columbia.

The freshman Eorodelphians will present their act, “A Detec­ tive in Petticoats” at St. Bren­ dan’s Hall Monday evening.

The senior tax at Princeton is $416. An oil well has been discovered at the University of California.

Henry C. King was installed as president of Oberlin College on May 13.

The Princeton Gun Club recently defended the University Pennsylvania team by a score of 220 to 211.

Fitting Memorial

Michigan seniors will turn the University memorial money into the hands of trustees to be loaned to needy students.

A bi-annual tax of 25 cents was levied for the expenses of keeping the records of the class after graduation.

Spring football practice began last week at the University of Nebraska.

Half a million dollars has been appropriated for dormitories at Cornell.

The intercollegiate golf champ­ ionship tournament will be held next fall at the Garden City Golf Club, October 20-24.

About thirty men are coming out regularly for rowing practice at the Stanford University and are making rapid progress.

Yale has revived an old custom. Twice a week in the spring the university glee club sings college songs at the Senior Pense.

The financiers of the University of Minnesota are in no very good condition according to the Min­ nesota Daily. While only $8,000 in the fund this year will be distributed to the state auditor’s hands amount­ ing to $60,000.
Soonest filled and late comers are that remain unfilled. These are room schedule. The most thing in the minds of all, with all the foresighted student is ning to lay plans for next year. Dance reminds one that the year is 1903-'04 as House.

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Calendar for the Week.

May 15—Military ball.
May 16—Baseball, varsity vs. Ames, 1 p.m.
May 15—Dual Meet, Iowa vs Grinnell, 1 p.m.
May 16—May Musical Festival, all sports, 4:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.
May 19—Locomotive, M. Mahleu, Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
May 20—Minstrels, at the Opera House.

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A Word to the Wise

The announcements of the various colleges of the university for 1903-'04 can now be obtained at the executive office. Their appearance reminds one that the year is fast drawing to a close and that the foresighted student is beginning to lay plans for next year. College work being the primary thing in the minds of all, with all else subordinate, the thing of first importance to the student planning for next year is his classroom schedule. The most popular courses and sections are always soonest filled and late comers are compelled to take the sections that remain unfilled. These are usually the afternoon sections which many avoid. In many cases special arrangements with the professors at the head of departments are necessary to permit of making certain schedules. Such arrangements can always be more easily made at this time when both professor and student have more leisure time than during the rush and hurray attendant upon registration day in the fall. The wise student will arrange and scheme out his course long before the September days begin to call him back to the campus.

It is unfortunate that the meet with Grinnell occurs at the same time as the afternoon concert of the May Festival. Both will be interesting, both athletic games and the festival will be good in their lines. Both are in need of and merit support of the university public. It will have to be a matter largely of personal preference, which one to go to.

Some days are crowded full of events. As much transpires in their short compass of twenty-four hours as occurs in the length of whole months at other times.

During the twenty-four we have an armory party, a league ball game, a dual Track meet, and the May Festival.

The only contest field meet on the home grounds occurs tomorrow.

Prof. Losi was in Cedar Rapids last night as judge on the Cedar Rapids-Ottumwa high school debate.

Roy A. Cook left for Independence today to attend the inspection of Company L, Fifty-third Iowa, of which he is first sergeant.

Prof. Allen Johnson who occupies the chair of history at Iowa College will speak before the members of the graduate club in the liberal arts auditorium next Thursday evening, May 21. His topic will be Douglas and Lincoln.

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The competitive examination for the Official medal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science will be held on Thursday, May 19, at 10 a.m., in room 119, L. A. This examination will be open to any undergraduate student in the department of French and will be conducted on the following topics.