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POPULAR FESTIVAL TO BE RE-

Fac-Simile of the Old English May

Day Fete to be Given on Iowa

(Mary Grove Chawner)

servance to May," with this invoca-

tion on his lips: "May, with all thy

flowers and thy grene,

Wel-come be thou, well faire, freshe

I hope that I som grene gete way."

It mattered no to Chaucer, nor to

his English readers, that his hero

in Athens. Indeed the spirit of wel-

come to spring was the same in all

But though the month of May

bears the name of a Latin goddess

and traces its ancient games to her

festival, it was in the north that the

May Day games were most celebrat-

ed, perhaps because the rigorous

winters made spring most welcome.

And in the annals of "Merrie Eng-

land" whose people have always

loved outdoor sports, May Day held

its place for centuries. On this day

everybody was up early in the morn-

ing to go "a-Maying"-that is, to

go out in the fields to bring in green

branches and flowers, especially from

the May-bush or hawthorne, then

likely to be in bloom and therefore

called "the May." Besides these

loads of greenery, there was brought

into the town with gaily decked

oxen a tall tree, stripped of its

branches, to be set up on the village

revived this year at Iowa, on the

twenty-second of May, instead of the

first. The advantage of the later

date in our climate is especially evi-

dent this year, when we might echo

"For half our May's so awfully like

ocean currents and we must remem-

ber too, that the May Day of me-

dieval England was, by the old style

calendar, nearly two weeks nearer

the summer solstice than our first of

May. But now we see that spring

full o' blossoms, leaves and birds,"

lowa's May Day. The revival of the

freshest and finest part of these old

games should draw to Iowa field, as

to the old village green, all the peo-

the old May Day.

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EVERY DAY COSTUMES

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The fast freshmen team from Chicago university will arrive in Iowa City either this afternoon or tonight. Only a small squad of eleven or twelve men will represent the Midway school but nearly every man is cap-English poets have sung of the able of pulling points in at least thorus of May and of the May Day three or four entries. "Old Man' games since Chaucer sent the young Stagg has gathered in many of the old high school stars from the midhero of his "Knights' Tale" out to the fatal grove, "for to doon his obdle west and has built up a wonderful team this spring.

> Perhaps his best find is Davenport, the Oklahoma sprinter, who ran his lap of the mile relay at the Philadelphia games in :50 flat. This great tunner will enter seven or eight events tomorrow. Jestis denudo 8

Harris, the old West Des Moines was a prince of Thebes sojourning sprinter is Davenport's running mate. He has appeared on Iowa field before and needs no introduction. Two years ago at the state high school and is the same today—in all lands meet he broke the state record in the broad jump, with a leap of 21 feet, 2 inches.

> Abrams who will compete in the jumps and weights events was in school here last year.

consistently all spring for this meet the majority of the points in these J. S. Leeper.

The meet will begin promptly at o'clock. Preliminaries will be run off in the two hurdles and in the 100 yard and 220 yard dashes.

Following is the list of entries from the Midway school:

120 yard hurdles: Harris, Rosenthal. 100 yard dash: Abrams, Harris, Davenport. Mile run: Baird, Kelley, This popular old festival is to be Smith. Pole vault: Anderson, Lawler, Roscenthal. Discus: Abrams, Gerrend, Rademacher. 440 yard dash: Baird, Davenport, Harris, Smith. 220 yard hurdles: Davenport, Harris, Rosenthal. Shot put: Abrams, Daven, port, Gerrend, Rademacher. Broad jump: Abrams, Anderson, Davenport, Harris. 220 yard dash: Abrams, Dav-Twould rile a Shaker or an evrige enport, Harris, Smith. 880 yard run: Baird, Davenport, Kelley, Smith We must not forget the difference Hammer: Abrams, Davenport, Harris, between old England and New Eng-Gerrend, Rademacher. High jump: land in the matter of neighboring Abrams, Anderson.

Hep-Zet Play.

The Hep-Zet cast repeated "Just Out of College" last night for the benefit of the commenceemnt Frolic committee, under the title of "The Pickle is at last ready to "Toss the fields Play." This reproduction has scored a decided hit throughout the United and everything is auspicious for States.

> Practically the same cast appeared as on the previous rendition and without exception showed a high order of histrionic talent.

ple "both less and more" and fill The work of Misses Moler and them with the mirth and jollity of Moulton and Messra. Guta and Crowl

BIG MEET TOMOROW MORNING SHOULD ATHLETICS COUNT FOR CREDIT

ZETAGATHIANS WILL SETTLE THE QUESTION TONIGHT.

Irvings to Discuss Iowa's Liquor Problem-Philos Revel in Humor.

Should an athlete be given credit toward graduation for work done on an athletic team representing his school? This is the question which Zetagathian society will debate this evening. Irving institute will attempt to solve the liquor problem in the State of Iowa while the Philomathans will conduct a humorous debate on the question of whether a pumpkin growing on a vine which has crept onto another person's land belongs to the first or second party.

Zetagathian Society: Music. Optoward graduation should be given for work done on athletic teams rep--Baker, Reams. Negative,-Buckner, Holman. Declamation,-Swan.

Irving Institute: Music. "Humor from the cartoonist's paint of view." The Iowa freshmen have trained Twain and Billie Nye,"-L. A. Kennel. Debate, "Resolved, that a pumpand will undoubtedly make a great kin growing on a vine which has sprints. Alderman, O'Brien, Murphy is found." Affirmative,—George Fishand Wagner are throwing the weights er, Schlund. Negative,-Ring, Klein. in good shape and should capture "Prominent humorists of today,"-

Y. W. C. A. Notice

Miss Francis Crawford will lead the prayer meeting which will be held Sunday at 8:45 a. m. in Close

Marshall-Law-Irving Game.

ciety baseball league will be played this afternoon at 3 o'clock between Irving Institute and the Marshall-Law society.

Hawkeyes for Sale.

There a few Hawkeyes on sale at he book stores, but a small number emain to be sold. Those subscribers who have not called for their annuals can procure them at either of the

Special 12 Page Edition of the Add

with full running report of the Invitation Meet will be on the streets shortly after the last event, ending the meet.

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INTERSCHOLASTIC EDITION;

Extra.

Tomorrow afternoon the Daily lowan will issue a special Interscholastic edition of twelve pages. The edition will be printed in two sec tions. The first section will contain eight pages and the second section will contain four pages. This extra will be on sale shortly after the last event is pulled off.

This is the third of a series of special editions which the Iowan has issued this year. The first was a twelve page special issued during the Dental clinic and the second was a twenty page Law edition in three

The Interscholastic special will deal with many phases of Iowa and interscholastic athletics. The number tional,-Hayer. Debate, "That credit of special articles will be large. Prof. A. G. Smith has an article on "The Chicago Conference." Prof. L. M resenting their school." Affirmative, Byers has a similar sketch dealing with Iowa's relation to the Missouri Conference. An extensive history of interscholastic and freshmen athletics will occupy a large part of the paper. Jacob Van der Zee who is in charge -R. Hilton. "The work of Mark of tennis in the university has traced the development of this sport since

One of the most interesting articles showing tomorrow. Keppler has been crept onto another person's land be- will center about the equipment of out all week and will enter the longs to the person on whose land it lowa's athletes and the methods of training which are in vogue in the university at the present time.

its institution here long years ago.

All of last year's interscholastic records will be run and also all the entries in this year's meet.

Physical Director E. G. Schroeder gives an explanation of the purpose, plans, methods and benefits of the physical training work done here.

Besides all this valuable data, there re of interest at any time

At the time of the Iowa-Ames game at Ames in 1907 the Iowan had an extra on the streets fifteen minutes after the final whistle blew. This year this feat is to be repeated if possible, only on a larger scale. The extra will contain twelve pages instead of four, as at that time.

MacLean in Des Moines

President George E. MacLean goes to the state capital this mornng to attend a meeting of the state Board of Educational Examiners.

Readers' Club Meeting

The Readers' club met last evening with Miss Taylor on North Dubuque street. After the regular program the members held a rehearsal of the play of "Noah's Flood," which will be presented at the May Day Fete.13 and betrate steamfront eldal

Gamma Sigma Organized at Coe . Prof. Henry E. Gordon acted as toastmaster at the installation of the Gamma Sigma forensic fraternity at Coe College Tuesday evening. Sev. eral of the members of lowa's debatteams were in attendan

SPECIAL ISSUED AFTER MEET. SECOND ANNUAL MEET **WILL COME TOMORROW**

TWENTY-SIX SCHOOLS ATHLETES.

Elaborate Entertainment Planned-Freshmen Rally Will be Held

Tomorrow is the big day. The high choolers and the Chicago freshmen will be here in full force and Iowa will be ready to welcome them. Twenty-six high schools will send their star athletes to participate in the econd annual interscholastic. Already ome of them have arrived and by tomorrow morning over two hundred athletes together with crowds of rooters will be on Iowa field. Elaborate preparations are being made for the entertainment of the visitors. The freshmen are taking charge of the matter and are pushing things with a vim. A rally will be held tonight at the Natural Science Hall and everyone is urged to attend and help the freshmen along. Speeches will be made by Mark Catlin, Tommy O'Brien and Merle Alderman.

Tomorrow night after supper another rousing rally will be held from seven to eight, the band will give open air concert on the campus and after that the freshmen will assemble for a big bonfire and night shirt parade. Every freshman of all the colleges will take part in this big rally and the visitors will be shown a few eye openers in regard to Iowa

The buttons are here and have been distributed galore. Every loyal freshman is wearing one of the badges with the familiar motto, "I will for lowa." oxivi quest

A new feature will be sprung in the way of tickets. They will be in the will be a number of special editorials shape of a block "I" of old gold pa-The fourth game in the inter-so- and a large amount of statistics which per with a small picture of the old black string will be attached and the tickets will be tied to the button

> The visiting athletes will be cared for in the armory as usual. A trainng dinner will be served at 12 o'clock by the ladies of the Methodist church Drawings for places will be held Friday night at the Triangle club.

The officials for the meet are as follows: A. S. Clark, Chicago, referee and starter, Timers, S. H. Bush, S. P. Seig, Max Mayer. Judges of finish, L. M. Byers, H. G. Plum, W. W. Smith, C. VanEpps. Judges of weights, E. Starbuck, E. F. Piper, I. C. Hastings, I. E. Stutsman. Judges of jumps, W. J. Teeters, G. E. Engstrom. Clerk of course, E. G. Schroeder. Assistants, J. O. Perrine, Mark Hyland, James Keefe, Merle Alderman, R. Hammer. Police, J. G. Griffith, H. L. Heinzman. Inspectors, Will Riley, Will Hotz, R. Gross, R. E. Renshaw. Scorer, F. G. Higbee. An nouncer, O. L. Johnson, and at whole

Wassam at Davenport

Professor C. W. Wassam will go to Davenport Saturday where he will deliver a lecture Saturday night.

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SUNDAY'S IOWAN.

The management of the Iowan takes this opportunity of informing its subscribers that the regular Sunday paper will be delivered to them as usual. The special edition which is to be issued tomorrow afternoon will have no effect whatever upon the regular issue.

IOWAN STAFF.

On account of the special edition of the Iowan Saturday afternoon all members of the staff are requested to submit all copy for Sunday's paper before 9 o'clock Saturday mornshman is tweating one of

Jesup Prize Contest. 101 111

Mr. Chas. M. Jesup of White Plains, N. Y., who is much interested in the establishment of civics clubs in the colleges and universities offered a prize of fifty dollars to be awarded to the man undergraduate of the State University of Iowa who submitted the best essay on some phase or phases of present day citizenship as viewed from a non-partisan standpoint. He also offered a prize of \$50 to the woman undergraduate who would submit the best essay on some phase or phases of the social problems affecting the development and advancement of the status of women. The service bas ser

All essays written in competition for the prizes were to be submitted to the committee on awards on or before the 1st of May, 1909.

Three women have submitted es says for the prize offered to women and five men have submitted essays in competition for the prize offered to men.

Night Shirt Parade.

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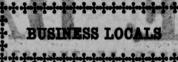
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Those intending to compete are requested to submit their names to Professor Weld at an early date.

Teachers Elected.

R. H. Sylvester, scholar in Education, has been elected professor of Education in Penn College.

W. L. Carberry has been elected to a science position in the Moline, Ill., high school and A A . W . W

C. H. Simmers, scholar of Education, has been elected to assistantship in Education in the University of Special-Friday, 7:36 F. niznosiW

Elsie Cerny, instructor in Latin and German at Nora Springs, Ia.: Lydia Heery instructor in History at Eagle Grove; L. T. Hill superintendent at Monona.

The junior Hesperians of the Shaeffer House entertained the senor Hesperians and Zetagathians last evening at a picnic party. Mr. and Mrs. Luxford chaperoned the party.

Harlan Manuscript Received. The State Historical Society of Iowa has just received the James Harlan Autobiographical Manuscript consisting of 10,000 pages of histor-

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James Harlan was born in 1820 Competition is open to all stu- and removed to Iowa in 1846, reachdents who are finishing with the ing Iowa City on March 25. He took current year, the sophomore work an active part in educational and rein pure mathematics. The prize of ligious matters during the period of fifty dollars (\$50.00) may be divid- the territory. In later years his home ed equally between not more than was at Mt. Pleasant, Ia., where he died in 1899.

The Autobiographical Manuscript has been preserved by his daughter, Mrs. Rob't T. Lincoln, of Chicago.

COMING EVENTS

May 14. Phi. Delta Theta vs. Sig-Ma Chi in Pan-Hellenic league. May 15. Mebda dance at Little

Dutch hall, May 15. (Morning) Chicago freshmen vs. Iowa freshmen on Iowa

lineis Theatre, Chicago, May 15. (Afternoon) Annual interscholastic meet at Iowa field.

May 17. Monday, President's reception to candidates for degrees, Colleges of Medicine, Homeopathic Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy; President's house, 8 o'clock.

May 18. Tuesday. President's reception to candidates for degrees, Colleges of Law and Graduate College; President's house, 8 o'clock. May 21. Ames vs. Iowa on Iowa

May 21. Annual Phi Delta Phi banquet at Burkley Imperial Hotel. May 21. Friday. President's re-

ception to candidates for degrees Colleges of Liberal Arts and Applied Science; President's house, 8 o'clock.

May 22. Brokers club dance at Majestic hall. May 22. May Day Fete.

May 22. Nu Sigma Nu dance at Woodmen hall. May 22. Philo-Octave dance at

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PERSONAL and SOCIAL +

Miss Lydia Heary spent Wednesday in Cedar Rapids.

F. E. Allen, L. '11, Estherville, Ia., is pledged to Phi Delta Theta. Miss Mabel Coopers of Oelwein is visiting her sister, Miss Edna Cooper.

The geology classes will go to Solon Saturday to do field work. Mrs. Mark Catlin entertained at an

afternoon tea-party Thursday. Miss Mae Keyser was in Marengo Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Lyle of Tipton spent Sunda in Iowa City Visiting friends.

Mr. Emil Kluckholn has returned from a visit at his home, Odebolt, and Des Moines.

The student volunteers of Y. W. C. A. enjoyed a picnic yesterday morning.

Miss Ellen Filean goes today to Attalissa to visit Miss Margaret An-

erson. HILDT H. DJ. The seniors of Hesperia and Zetathaia will give their joint senior pro gram this evening.

Prof. W. C. Wilcox's mother will return to the city next week to take p her residence here.

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Chester Baxter, Emil Kluekholm, and Paul Darnell leave today for an over-Sunday visit at the home of the former in Winfield

shower Wednesday evening in honor plays which is distinguished by an of Miss Pauline Swisher who is to be married May 25.

Mrs. Gregory who has been caring for her daughter Gertrude L. A. '12, which was very much in evidence 14-Third Degree.

Miss Dorothy Frankie has been during a severe illness, has returned

Miss Elizabeth Lancaster has re-The senior girls at the Shaffer turned to her home at Buffalo after visiting the past week with Iowa City friends.

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