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Recent Foot Ball Conference.

In a recent issue the *U. of M. Daily* makes some very pertinent remarks about the recent foot ball "reform" conference that was held at Chicago under the auspices of Northwestern. This criticism of the conference is well made, for it is difficult to see in what respect the proposed new rules, as they were printed in a recent issue of this paper, will be able to bring about needed reforms. The editorial in the *Daily* is as follows: "As might have been expected, the conference called by Northwestern to 'reform' the foot ball rules accomplished nothing of practical importance. In the first place, it may well be asked where Northwestern acquired the foot ball prestige in the West that made it devolve upon her to call a meeting. The affair from the first savored of domination by the Chicago Athletic Association, and furthermore could not claim to be in the least representative of western foot ball. Why the conference should send someone east to urge its pet reforms is not plain, when they could just as well be sent by mail. So far as the object for which it was called is concerned, the meeting accomplished nothing. It did, however, afford western foot ball managers a good opportunity to get together and do some business on schedules, etc., and this was all that Michigan had looked for from it."

Athletic Association Meeting.

A called meeting of the Athletic Association was held in Close Hall, Wednesday, for the purpose of electing a manager for the track team to fill the place of Russell Smith, who has resigned, and for the purpose of transacting other business. The new officers for the coming year were in charge of the meeting, President Emry and Secretary Hobbs. Larrabee, L. '96, was elected manager of the track team on the first ballot. The foot ball resolution passed at the last meeting of last term, which has caused so much comment, was brought up and discussed at considerable length. The matter was finally brought to a vote by the presentation of a resolution to the effect that it be the sense of the Association that active work at once begin towards the organization of a foot ball team for next year. The resolution was adopted.

Some discussion of field day dates followed. It was discovered that May 24th, the date chosen for the State Athletic Association Meet, is the date for the eastern meet, in which we expect to enter men. This seriously interfered with the plans of the track team, and some change must be made soon. June 1 is the date of the Western Mott Haven Meet at Chicago, so that date is not available for the State Meet either. The Association must take immediate steps toward a change of the date for the State Meet, or else give up hopes for sending any men east. No further business of importance was presented, and the meeting adjourned.

Cornell's (Ia.) home field day will be held on May 4. The program as adopted for state field day will be carried out.

Track Team Work.

More interest is being manifested in track team work this year than ever before in the history of athletics at the University. Every afternoon after 3:30 the track presents a busy, animated scene; besides the large number of candidates for the various events many spectators are usually present to see the work.

The men are developing very rapidly under the hands of Moulton, and are in much better condition than ever before at this time of the year. The track is not yet in first-class condition; it is quite heavy. Men will soon be put at work upon it, however, and a much faster track than last year may be expected.

Only a few of the men have been "put through" yet, but as soon as their condition warrants all will be given trials to show their speed. Allison was sent a half Thursday, in the the walk, and finished in 3:48. He came in fresh, and had he been paced quite a few seconds would have been cut off of the time he did make.

Crum made a fine showing Thursday in the 100 yard dash. He and Collins ran two races. In the first, Collins ran 101 yards to Crum's 100 yards. This distance of 1 yard was maintained all the way down the course, Crum winning by slightly over a yard. The time of this race was not accurately caught, owing to a misunderstanding with the starter.

A second race was run, both men starting from the scratch. The start was a beautiful one; both were up from the ground together. In this race Crum again won in the remarkable time of 10 seconds flat. The course was a full hundred yards in length, having been measured several times, and the track was quite slow.

Smith was tried in the walk for a half-mile, and made it in a little over 4 minutes. With a few weeks more work Smith will undoubtedly cut this mark by a wide margin.

These are the only men who were worked hard Thursday; the others were set at work jogging their distances. As soon as they are sent for time we will give our readers an account of it.

The student body ought to feel encouraged over our prospects for this year in track athletics, and should give our team their hearty support.

Irving.

Despite counter attractions a fair-sized audience assembled in the north hall last evening to listen to Irving's first program of the spring term. With a few well chosen words the outgoing president introduced J. W. Seaman, the president-elect for the coming term. Mr. Seaman's inaugural address was timely and pointed.

The first number on the program proper was a declamation entitled "The Nation's Sure Defense," by Geo. H. Carter. This was Mr. Carter's first appearance in Irving, and he made a very pleasing impression. His position on the floor was easy and his delivery well suited the thought of his selection.

Following this came the debate of the evening on the question: "Resolved, that the reclaiming of desert

land in the United States at the present time is of greater importance than the reclaiming of swamp land." W. N. Stull, in opening for the affirmative made one of the strongest speeches that have been made in Irving this year. Mr. Stull has proven himself not only a fine declaimer but a most able debater. C. E. Smith, the first speaker on the negative, did not get down to his subject as he should have done. However, the last part of his speech contained good argument. Mr. Dewel closed the argument for the affirmative in his usual fine manner. The last speech on the debate was made by C. S. Aldrich, who made, perhaps, the best argument of the evening, and one which won the decision of the judges.

After the debate S. D. Whiting delivered a speech on "Our Relations with Cuba." Among other things the speaker declared that the Cuban question would never be settled until Cuba and the United States were one. Mr. Whiting's production was greatly enhanced by his easy delivery.

The last number of the evening was a declamation entitled "The March of Mind," by H. E. Taylor. This was the first appearance of Mr. Taylor, also, and despite a little uneasiness on the floor his selection was excellently delivered.

Junior Law Lyceum.

The Junior Law Lyceum met last evening, in the Law lecture room, for their first formal meeting this term.

The first moments of the evening were occupied in the installation of the newly elected officers who are to serve during the balance of the school year. The ceremonies were very informal. The out-going president, Mr. H. H. Kepler, in a few appropriate remarks, thanked the members for past favors, and thereupon surrendered the reins of office to the incoming president, Mr. R. J. Gaines.

The program followed. The first number was a short address on the history of some of Iowa's early lawyers, with anecdotes relating to the times in which these men figured so conspicuously, delivered by W. E. Bates. The address deserved the close attention which it received; it reflects great credit upon the speaker, and was fully equal to the high standard of this gentleman's productions.

A select reading by Mr. W. H. Hughes, followed, entitled, "St. Peter at the Gate," a humorous selection, was well delivered and highly appreciated by all.

Mr. Lush delivered a five minute extemporaneous speech on the modern novel; considering the nature of the subject the talk was all that could have been expected.

The program closed with a short talk on college examinations, by M. J. Butterfield, after which society adjourned for one week.

Because some illiterate men have attained wealth, it does not by any means follow that a well trained mind or a knowledge of the history and literature of the chief nations of the world, or of science and arts, unfits a man for business.—*Iowa Wesleyan.*

Erodelphian Program.

The Erodelphians will give their first program of the term this evening. It will be as follows:

- Music.
- Declamation Mary Otto
"The Fashionable School Girl."
- Extemporaneous Speech.. May Collson
Debate: "Resolved, that the High School course should be arranged without regard to preparation for College."
Affirmative, Rose Henderson and Zne Kostomlatsky.
Negative, Mary Alford and Mary McGuire.
- Declamation Nora Allen
"Yes, I am Guilty."
- Extemporaneous Speech.....
..... Adelaide Lasheck
- Declamation Minerva Lowman
"Lady Wentworth."
Music.

Review of Reviews

"The Living Greek: a Glance at His Politics," is the title of an interesting article by Professor J. Irving Mannat, of Brown University, in the April *Review of Reviews*. So little is known in this country about political conditions in modern Greece that Professor Manatt's study of the situation there is peculiarly welcome. The article throws much light on the workings of the Greek constitution, with which the writer became familiar during his service as United States Consul at Athens. The personalities of Tricoupis and Delyanni, the statesmen, and of the different members of the royal household are charmingly described by Professor Manatt, and the tendency of this article is to awaken a livelier interest in the fortunes of the little "Kingdom of the Hellenes."

The editor calls attention to the recent development of college oratory, and instances several notable debates held at different institutions East and West. As against certain extreme manifestations of interest in athletics, the editor cites "the genuine enthusiasm for the study of public questions, for college journalism, and particularly for competitive debating."

In the boat race between Oxford and Cambridge, last Saturday, at Putney on the Thames, Oxford won by two lengths. This was the 57th race which they have had.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the Athletic Association Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock at Close Hall. Every member should be present.

Notice.

All men intending to train for the track team must begin active work on Monday next. Hand your names to Moulton, Crum or myself.

W. LARRABEE, JR.,
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Fact and Rumor.

Mary Vale, '98, is sick with the
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Mrs. Patrick visited the French
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The Phi Delta Phis gave a card
party in their halls last night.

The Zetagathian report for to-day's
issue will appear next Tuesday.

A. E. Walsh was visited by his two
brothers, of Clinton, Wednesday.

C. J. Miller, L. '96, has been ill for
the past few days but is improving.

W. E. Carpenter, '97, was unable to
attend classes yesterday owing to ill-
ness.

J. L. Kinmonth gave a lecture on
the money question at Shueyville last
evening.

F. W. Paschal, Law '90, of the law
firm of Powell & Paschal, Des Moines,
attended law lectures Friday.

Mr. Shimek and a number of his
botany students made their first ex-
cursion into the woods Wednesday
afternoon.

Jno. B. Ryan and Wm. L. Ryan,
both of the Junior Law class, were
initiated into Phi Delta Phi Wednes-
day evening.

Mr. C. P. Chase, of Clinton, is in the
city on his way to Grinnell, Iowa,
where he is planning the installment
of a sewer plant.

The Cedar Rapids basket ball team
will play the home team in the local
gymnasium, April 12, at 7:30 sharp.
This will be the only match game of
the season.

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The Sigma Nus entertained last night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Whiteis, who leave next week for a two years' sojourn in Europe.

Mr. Pitkin, travelling secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, is to be in Iowa City, April 20th and 21st. He will address the students in behalf of foreign missionary work.

Mr. Edward M. Nealley, C. '87, L. '90, of Burlington, was in the city yesterday, enroute to Grinnell, where he will deliver a course of lectures before I. C. students on the economic and social questions of the day.

The Y. W. C. A. held their regular business meeting Wednesday. A committee was appointed to arrange a tennis court and to get the boat ready for use. The cost of these privileges is \$1 for this term.

Dr. T. P. Findlay, Sc. '90, has received the appointment of surgeon of the Mexican Central Railway. He will be located at Agnas Calientes, near the City of Mexico, where he will have charge of a large hospital.

S. U. I. will be well represented in the May number of the *Midland*. The leading article announced for that issue is "The Switzerland of Iowa," by Professor Calvin, while Frank Russell presents an interesting paper on his trip to the far north.

The fifth international convention of the Young Woman's Christian Association of the United States and the British Provinces will be held at Pittsburg, Pa., April 18-21. The Association here will send no delegates, though the University will be represented by Miss Nellie Ankeny, '92, State Secretary of the Y. W. C. A.

Mr. A. J. Cox, C. E. '91, has returned from a trip to Boston, New York, Washington and other eastern cities, where, in company with Mr. C. P. Chase, '91, of Clinton, he has spent several weeks examining sewage disposal plants and investigating the question of sewage disposal by intermittent filtration.

The representatives of five of the high schools of the state meet at Tipton to-day to perfect arrangements for holding an inter-high school field meet at some time during this spring. The meet will probably be held at Muscatine. The schools represented are those of Iowa City, Tipton, Muscatine, Clinton and Cedar Rapids.

Ben. F. Shambaugh, '92, A. M. '93, took the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania on the twenty-third of March. Dr. Shambaugh sailed Wednesday for Germany, where he will remain until January, 1896, studying German governments and institutions. He will be instructor in Political Science in S. U. I., beginning with the winter term.

The Senior class met Thursday evening at Close Hall and organized a base ball team. W. L. Converse was chosen captain and Webster L. Mason, manager. There is much good material in the class, and if they accept the Junior's challenge some hot games may be looked for. The organization of base ball teams among the different classes is to be commended, and is a means of building up and strengthening all departments of athletics.

Notice.

The judges' stand will be let to the highest bidder for use on field day. Bids open until April 15. Hand your bids to me.

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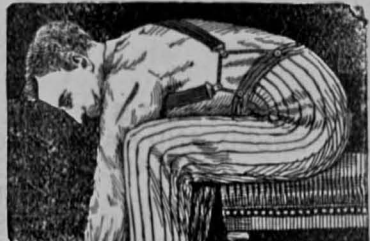
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erside and Muscatine, 10:50 p.m.
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The astronomical prog-
ress, so far as it is a ma-
terial, offers nothing of
rarity or interest. The
eclipses is somewhat
usual, but three of the
small, partial eclipses of
are all visible in the U.
The two eclipses of the
ever, one of which occur
10 and one to occur Sep-
both total, and both in
country from beginning
year, also, the moon ever
eclipses over the Pleiades, and
ations possess the same
served at widely separa-

The sunspot maximum
two years ago, and the
solar surface is now decl-
there is no reason to look
nomena of special inter-
quarter for the present.

As for the planets, Ma-
far away, and for more
years will not again be
situated as he was last a-
urn is far to the south
his opposition in April
be too low down for sat-
servation. During the
months of the year Ju-
other hand, was admi-
and monopolized the in-
servers; and during the
summer Venus will be s-
evening sky.

The only periodic com-
et is due this year ar-
Brose's. The former
pletes its orbit every th-
years (the shortest
known), came in sight
ember, but did not re-
lion until February, an-
observation. It is very
becoming visible to
and the chief interest
to it lies in the str-
shortening of its perio-
dion which still remain
certain explanation,
generally supposed to
collision with some inv-
swarm. Brose's comet
its last visit in 1890, an-
of five and a half years
next summer; but it
situated, and will be s-
may very possibly eluc-

Of course, it is per-
and much to be desir-
great comet may appe-
announced, or that so-
may unexpectedly burst
cy; but such phenome-
within the range of our
Probably before the
year the immense fort-
of the Chicago Univ-
erected in the magni-
tory now building for
eva, Wisconsin; and it
by that time the gr-
now being constructe-
servatory of the Caps-
may also be mounte-
after the southern h-
possess at least one i-
parable in power with
now so numerous in
And yet, after all, th-
of astronomy depends
unobtrusive, faithful,