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A STUDENT RIOT.

AT RUSH MEDICAL AND CHICAGO COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGERY.

Evidently S. U. I. is "not the only" institution of learning where physical strength is manifested occasionally in a manner antagonistic to the ideas of justice as held by the local officials.

No doubt the Chicago papers exaggerate and perhaps falsify outright in many of their statements concerning the trouble on Tuesday, in which Rush Medical College and the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, were the opponents of a large number of Chicago police, but their accounts have a ludicrous tinge to say the least.

The Record contains such paragraphs as the following: "The police drew revolvers and the students responded with pots of vasaline. So with varying fortunes the fight went on for nearly half an hour, when the last insurgent was dragged forth to the waiting patrol wagons."

And in the afternoon when again trouble ensued: "Another call was sent to the Warren avenue station, and the number of policemen in the field was increased to twenty-five or thirty. At this juncture the students in the building began to pelt the police with their plaster casts of jaw-bones, phials of strange-smelling medicines and anything else that was at hand. A policeman was struck on the arm with a glass jar that was filled with some healing salve, and was taken to the county hospital. Policeman Sullivan was hit with an assortment of incisors and molars on a plaster of paris foundation, while Policeman Hart came out of the melee with a cast in his eye for which nature was not responsible."

The account then goes on to say that much injustice was done students being arrested who were quietly at work during the entire time. Some professors who were trying to restore order were treated as combatants by the police.

In all some thirty students were required to sign bonds for their appearance at court. All this because the police tried to interfere in a friendly snow-balling contest between the Dents and the Medics, the manner in which the entire affair began.

Dental Department.

The Senior class held a class meeting yesterday. Committees were appointed to look after the commencement exercises.

Professor Nutting is delivering a short course of lectures on Comparative Odontology to the Seniors and Juniors this week.

Dr. DeFord delivered the last of the lectures in special pathology, Tuesday. From now on the time will be taken up with review work.

The Hosford Dental Society will hold their bi-monthly meeting Thursday evening, Feb. 10th. A very interesting program has been arranged.

We understand that the date for graduation has been changed from March 28th to March 25th. The change was received with much favor by all the Seniors.

The sad news of the death of Mr. J. B. Ridenour, D. '96, reached us Tuesday. Mr. Ridenour was in Atlanta, Ga., Dental College, hoping that the change in climate would improve his health. His former classmates adopted resolutions of sympathy to be sent to his family, and also sent a beautiful floral design as a token of their esteem for their former classmate and companion.

Track Team Trainer Engaged.

"Dad" Moulton, the famous trainer of John V. Crum, Tom Cooper the cyclist, Maybury the sprinter, Wisconsin's western intercollegiate championship team, and other notables, will train S. U. I.'s track team during the coming spring. He was earnestly desired by several other Universities, among them Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan, but preferred for various reasons to work for S. U. I. He will arrive about March 15th, and begin work at once. For the ten weeks training season he is to receive \$225.

Homeopathic Medical Department.

Dr. Wylie was a visitor at clinic Saturday.

Dr. Royal did not meet his classes on Tuesday.

Mr. L. H. Sarchet, class of '98, spent Tuesday in Waterloo.

Mr. T. Alexander, class of 1900, has gone home for a few days' visit.

There will be a meeting of the Hahnemanian Society Friday evening. An interesting program is promised.

McCabe, class of '99, was called home on account of the illness of his mother. We hope she may soon be restored to her usual health.

The Honorable M. J. Wade addressed the Johnson County Homeopathic Medical Society, Wednesday. The subject of his interesting address was 'Medical Evidence.'

We noticed some typographical errors, also an error in wording of one part of the clinical report published last week, which made it appear that there had been 377 surgical cases treated in the hospital since the first of the year. These figures are the total number of cases, surgical and otherwise, that have been treated in the hospital since the beginning of the college year.

No Degrees for Women.

The outcome of the contest over converting Holloway College, London, into a woman's university, has been settled, to the great disappointment of those who have been fighting the award of degrees to women of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge. They confidently believe that the endowment of such an institution would permanently dispose of the question which has been so strenuously agitated for the past ten years. Holloway College will be made what is called a teaching college in connection with London University. It corresponds to American normal schools, which are almost non-existent in England. Miss Emily Penrose, formerly at the head of Bedford College, London, will be in charge of the new institute.

S. U. I. TO DEBATE NEBRASKA.

THE FORUM TO REPRESENT US IN THIS DEBATE.

The Forum and the Debating League have agreed upon conditions relative to the debate with Nebraska, and the success of the event now rests entirely on the completion of the arrangements between S. U. I. and Nebraska University.

This marks a new epoch in our debating history, and an important advance in debating interests. No definite place of holding the contest has as yet been agreed upon, but in all probability it will be at Omaha.

The Forum is a strong society, and we need not fear but its representatives will not uphold the previous debating record of S. U. I.

Resolutions of Sympathy.

Whereas, it has pleased the all-wise Father to remove from our midst our esteemed friend and classmate, J. B. Ridenour, and

Whereas, we appreciate the fact that in this sad bereavement we have sustained a loss that can never be replaced; therefore, be it

Resolved, that we his fellow-members of the Junior Dental class, hereby give expression to our deep regret, and extend to the bereaved family our tender sympathies in this their hour of great affliction. Also be it

Resolved, First, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the sorrowing family; second, that they be published in the University papers, in the Vinton Eagle, and in the Garrison News.

H. H. GARDNER,
MRS. SWAIN,
R. E. MORRIS,
Committee.

Grinnell's View on the Rules.

Professor Stagg, of the University of Chicago, in a recent article, gives his reasons for the revision of the foot ball rules by western colleges. We believe Professor Stagg's position is just, in many respects. The west has a right to revise the rules if it sees fit; fully as much right as our eastern neighbors; and there are many points in which the present rules are deficient; many points which admit of two interpretations, each equally consistent with the letter of the rules. If the authorities who have had charge of the revision of the rules heretofore, fail to make the necessary changes for the good of the sport, then it is the duty of the west to make them. But it seems to us that Professor Stagg overlooks the importance of uniformity in the east and west. Most of us remember the trouble caused by the multiplicity of rules several years ago. Why not wait and see what the eastern rules committee will do before we tamper with this matter? —Scurlet and Black.

Whist League Notice.

The tournament committee has arranged the following schedule of games:

Feb. 14, in Delta Tau Delta Hall. Between teams from Delta Tau Delta and Xi Psi Phi; referees from Phi Delta Phi and Sigma Nu. Between

teams from Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu; referees from Phi Alpha Gamma and Xi Psi Phi.

Feb. 21, in Sigma Nu Hall. Between teams from Phi Delta Phi and Phi Delta Theta; referees from Delta Tau Delta and Phi Alpha Gamma. Between teams from Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Nu; referees from Phi Delta Theta and Xi Psi Phi. Between teams from Phi Alpha Gamma and Xi Psi Phi; referees from Phi Delta Phi and Sigma Nu.

The remainder of the schedule will be made known at these meetings or published later. The games will be governed by the "Laws of Whist," as adopted by the American Whist League. Each fraternity will furnish the facilities for a 16-board game.

Fresh and Soph Contest at U. of P.

The following resolution, as printed in the Pennsylvanian of Jan. 19, shows to some extent the manner in which class spirit is carried on in the eastern colleges:

"At a meeting of the Student Committee, held last Monday, the question of the Freshman class pipe was brought up and the following plan was drawn up to be suggested to the four classes:

"That since the Freshmen have not acted without precedent in this matter, and since they have already ordered their class pipes, and in order to prevent any disorder in College Hall, a contest be established as a university custom which shall in this case hereafter decide the right of Freshmen to smoke class pipes.

"The contest suggested by the committee is essentially a tug of war, forty men to be on each side, and the contest to last for fifteen minutes, the details thereof to be left to the two lower classes. It is also suggested that if the Freshmen win they have a large pipe, about two feet long, made and present it on class day to the best athlete in the class. If this plan be followed the Freshman pipe committee will not deliver the pipes to any Freshmen but keep them till the Sophomore year. The name of 'Rope Spree' was suggested for this contest."

Nominations.

We, the undersigned, members of the Athletic Union of the University of Iowa, place in nomination J. W. McKee, for the office of Treasurer of said Union for the next succeeding year.

A. J. MCGUIRE, and 14 others.

We, the undersigned, members of the Athletic Union, hereby present the nomination of Geo. W. Egan, C. '00, for President of the Athletic Union for the coming year.

J. R. FRAILEY, and 14 others.

The amount of money offered to the students of Chicago University in prizes for debate, reaches \$1,300 yearly.

Everets Wrenn, an old Harvard athlete, now of Chicago, has made a statement in which he says the west is imperinent in its attempt to change the foot ball rules without consulting the east. Professor Stagg does not agree with Wrenn, and so deeply does he feel upon the subject that he has prepared an answer to the charge, as well as to the changes which the committee made in the rules.

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The Hesperian, of Nebraska University, in its denunciation of our esteemed contemporary, the Quill, for its recent editorial, makes such statements as the following: "Twenty-three ambitious kidnapers were suspended for the remainder of the year," "students break up a Cherry Sister show," "many students arrested." We are not inclined to interfere with the combative parties as such, but seriously object to having such erroneous statements brought forward in the guise of facts, even though it be in the form of debate, and presented on the right side of the question.

The Ariel, of Minnesota University, seriously laments the practice of "springing quizzes" on unsuspecting students, and even goes so far as to say it deprives the student of that beneficial practice, "cramming." Perhaps in the far future, when the editor emerges into the intellectual brightness of the 19th century, he will discover that "cramming" is universally condemned, not only as energy wasted in regard to the bettering of the mind, but as being an actual injury to future study. If a student is so far behind in any study that he can not stand at least a fair examination at any time, it is sufficient proof that his work is too heavy. If ideas can not be retained throughout a term, what possibility is there of retaining them through life.

Faculty Action.

Now that the excitement of the suspension has largely died away, and it is permitted to view the matter carefully and thoughtfully, the injustice caused by the extreme measures of the Faculty become only the more apparent.

It is perhaps some consolation to the punished ones to know that they have the sympathy of the student body, as testified by the presented petition, and the majority of the residents of Iowa City, to know that people who have a chance to be informed on such matters, and whose judgment certainly could be relied upon, are firmly convinced of the fact that the punishment was too severe; to reflect on the other hand that undoubtedly the action was taken largely to pacify an outside world, people who were informed largely by false reports, and since they had no means of ascertaining the FACTS, became consequently very irate.

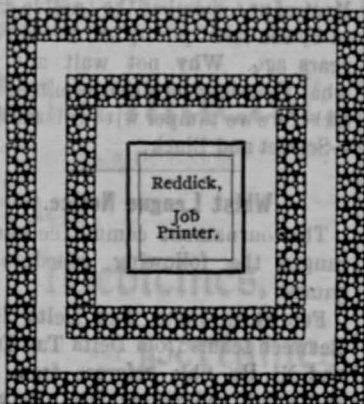
To reflect upon this may afford much consolation but no remedy.

To see students in this University repeatedly and constantly indulge in practices and conduct amply deserving outright expulsion, and yet go unnoticed and unpunished by authoritative action, and then to remember the a slight participation by some of the most upright, industrious and straightforward students we have, in an affair which custom had maintained for sixty years, and which was practically upheld by the Faculty only last year, causes an indefinite suspension, to see this and think of the blasted hopes in young breasts that never dreamed of wrong, is indeed gratifying to any observer. But the fates have proclaimed and now only the memory of the unfortunate circumstance remains, and where might is right and a misinformed public must be appeased, nothing is left to do but abide by the decision—and think.

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FACT AND RUMOR.
Professor Kelley did not meet his class in Burke, on Tuesday.
The plans for the new Collegiate building will be decided upon on March 28th.
Nebraska Sophomores are having serious trouble in the election of their Junior Annual Board.
Dr. Gilchrist lectured to the Seniors in military science, Wednesday, upon the subject "Military Hygiene."
The annual dual track and field meet between the universities of Chicago and Illinois, will be held on May 14, at Marshall Field.
The number of volumes in the libraries of some of the more important western Universities is as follows: Michigan, 112,000; Wisconsin, 48,000; Illinois, 30,000; Northwestern, 33,000; Minnesota, 30,000; Missouri, 25,000; Chicago, 330,000; California, 70,000.
Professor L. F. Parker, who formerly filled the chair of History at S. U. I., and has been filling a similar position at Grinnell, has resigned his position at that institution and now holds an office on the staff of the Iowa G. A. R. His duty will be to teach patriotism to Iowa school children.
Minnesota's paper will soon be changed to the "Daily Ariel." It is worth while to note that each student pays a fee to the registrar and receives the paper. It will be a folio for four days, the fifty being devoted to literary and miscellaneous matter. It will be a morning paper, and will go to press not earlier than 9 o'clock p. m.

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Library Lecture Course.

In order to pay off the debt on the city library, the following lecture course has been arranged:

Feb. 17—"The Life and Death of a Tree," Professor T. H. McBride.

March 2—"The Law of the Land," Judge M. J. Wade.

March 7—"English Cathedrals," Dr. J. G. Gilchrist.

March 16—"The Calamity Howler," Professor W. C. Wilcox.

March 21—"A Glimpse of Men in the Tropics," Professor B. Shimek.

The lectures will be held at Close Hall. Course tickets \$1.00.

Edward Hanlon Ten Eyck will represent the University of Pennsylvania in the Henley regatta next summer.

The Hesperian, of Nebraska, says of the base ball outlook at that institution: "Manager Denison has arranged a trip into Kansas the first week in May. The third week in May the team goes east. On Decoration day the team goes to Kansas City to take part in a tournament between Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska. Then there will be a series of games at Omaha, during the Exposition. Such a schedule as this ought to encourage all the base ball men in school to put forth their best efforts to 'make the team.'"

Notice to Athletic Union.

By reason of the fact that only two nominations have as yet been made for the several offices to be filled at coming election of officers called for Wednesday, Feb. 16th, as provided for by the Constitution, this election is thereby necessarily postponed, and will occur Saturday evening, February 26th, at 7 o'clock. At this meeting ALL officers of the Union for the school year 1898-'99, including the managers of the track and base ball teams, are to be elected. The Union is earnestly solicited to see that competition for these offices is aroused, as this is the only means possible to create and insure a healthy athletic spirit and sentiment in S. U. I. Nominations must be published in the University papers on or before Saturday, Feb. 19. J. R. FRAILEY, President Athletic Union.

Cornell's A. B. Degree.

Many people prophesied that the value of the A. B. degree at Cornell would decline and decay on account of the changes that were made in lessening the importance of Latin and Greek as entrance requirements. These people will be surprised to read that out of one hundred and thirty-Freshmen (September '97) in arts, one hundred and twenty-eight offered Latin for entrance, while only nine availed themselves of the permission to substitute a combination of advanced French, advanced German, and the higher mathematics. Of those who offered Latin, eighty-one combined a modern language with it, and forty-seven combined it with Greek. Those who offered Latin with a modern language chose German in fifty-four instances, and French in twenty-seven.—Cornell Daily Sun.

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