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CO. I. DEPARTS.

THE BATTALION, BAND, AND MOST OF THE PEOPLE OF IOWA CITY, ITS ESCORT.

Pursuant to the call issued on last evening, the battalion assembled at nine o'clock this morning and escorted Co. I to the depot, where they took the 10:45 train for Des Moines. The militia will await further orders at that place, and perhaps the move to a southern rendezvous in some few weeks.

Men cheered, women wept, and for the first time it was brought vividly before the minds of Iowa City people that war was here in earnest, and the scenes of '61 were being reproduced. To every man we cry God speed, and hope for the best.

Communication.

EDITOR VIDETTE-REPORTER:

Now that war has become a reality, and we are about to lose a number of our classmates, would it not be well to show some appreciation of their conduct in volunteering, by some demonstration on the part of the student body. I would suggest that a flag—presented to them either by the ladies, or the school, the cost to be raised by subscription,—would tend to show our present regard for them, and in the future would always be an inspiration to them by reason of its associations.

Truly yours, GEO. M. PRICE.

The Forum.

An audience which filled the hall greeted the members of The Forum Friday evening, and were entertained by the following program:

"W. J. Bryan" T. F. Lynch
"Jas. G. Blaine" A. R. Sargent
Debate: "Resolved, that the recently proposed peace treaty between England and the United States should have been ratified."

Affirmative—W. R. Holly, E. J. Turner.

Negative—Fred Durbin, W. J. Dille.

Piano Solo Mrs. Anderson
"Grover Cleveland" D. T. Youker
"The Policy of McKinley"

..... C. W. Hackler
The literary numbers, treating exclusively of political subjects, were uniformly well prepared and delivered.

Mr. Hackler's address was of unusual interest at this time, and his thoughtful and conservative remarks were well received.

The piano solo by Mr. Anderson was well executed and called forth a hearty encore.

Zetagathian.

The program in South Hall last evening was opened by a violin and flute duet by Professor Potter and Mr. Rea.

The first literary number was a declamation by M. L. Kephart on "The March of Mind." The gentleman made a very good appearance.

"The After Glow" was the subject of an oration by C. C. Converse. The

production showed good thought and was delivered in a very natural style.

The debate of the evening was on the question: "Resolved, that the popular system of electing the President should be substituted for the present electoral system." The question was affirmed by G. A. Lynch and W. Holt; denied by H. A. McCaffrey and J. F. Ogden.

I. T. Hawk next gave an oration on "Hannibal." The thought of the production was good, and the delivery also commendable.

P. J. Klinker closed the literary program with a declamation entitled "After the Honeymoon." It was a humorous selection and was delivered with skill by the speaker.

A vocal solo by Miss Dow closed the program.

Ely to be Captain.

Lieutenant Ely has been recommended as Captain of one of the two State batteries. Lieutenant Reid, who was formerly instructor here, will be captain of the other. Each battery will consist of 150 men, equipment consisting of six 8 inch breech-loading rifles. The batteries will probably be enlisted largely from among the students of the three State institutions.

Lieutenant Ely has given the very best of satisfaction while in command of our battalion, and we, though grieved at the loss of our leader, yet gladly and most cheerfully congratulate him upon his deserved promotion.

Students here experienced in battery drill will be only too eager to enlist under their popular instructor.

Irving.

Irving presented a good program in North Hall last Friday evening.

The opening music was a much appreciated vocal solo by Miss Dow.

J. W. Miller had the first literary number—an oration on "William Wallace"—in which he paid an eloquent tribute to the sturdy Scotchman.

F. Williams followed with a declamation, "The Face Against the Pane." Although the piece is old, it was well rendered.

The debate was on the subject: "Resolved, that Cabinet officers should have seats and the right to speak and vote in Congress."

Affirmative—H. Roy Mosnat and S. McReynolds.

Negative—B. Swisher and F. C. McCutchen.

The debate was spirited throughout, especially the speeches by McReynolds and Swisher.

Fred E. Drake gave a humorous declamation entitled "The Glorious Fourth."

Two extempo speeches were given by Messrs. Egan and Chamberlain. It is needless to say they were highly appreciated by the audience.

The program closed with a flute and violin duet by Professor Potter and Mr. Rae.

Prince Albert, of Belgium, was a recent visitor at the University of Pennsylvania.

Johns Hopkins University has determined to ask the legislature of Maryland for state aid.

ZET-HEP SPECIAL PLAY.

TO PRESENT "DAUGHTER OF THE STARS."

On next Saturday evening representatives of the Zetagathian and Hesperian Societies will present the "Daughter of the Stars," at St. Brendan's Hall. The play is one that has many times in the past received unlimited praise, and there is every reason to believe that it will lose none of the previous reputation at the hands of South Hall representatives. All the actors concerned have had considerable experience in amateur theatricals, and in addition to this have been trained for the presentation of this play by a professional elocutionist and dramatic artist.

The cast of characters is as follows:
The Honorable Antony Hawkstone Max Lorenz
Mr. Crawley J. Springer
Lieut. Ernest Dalton W. S. Secrest
Bacchus Beeswing A. P. Speers (Butler.)
Katherine Dalton Georgia Adams
Mrs. Mountcarract Mary Hornbrook
Miriam Abbie Safford (Daughter of the Stars.)
Admission 25c.

Hammond Law Senate.

The Hammond Law Senate was greeted with its usual audience last Friday evening.

In response to an encore, the audience was thrilled with the stirring notes of the "Star Spangled Banner."

"It Wakes the Dead" was the title of Senator J. R. Hanley's declamation. It was finely rendered, and captivated the listeners.

Senator Coad's review of the "Merchant of Venice" pleasantly recalled the plot and chief incidents of that great work of England's greatest dramatist.

"The Advantages and Disadvantages of a Young Lawyer's Entering Politics" was ably discussed in an extemporaneous speech by Senator Beard. The Senator discouraged the young lawyer from embarking on such questionable ventures.

The debate which followed on the question: "Resolved, that women should have the right of suffrage," was animated and interesting. The general debate was also entered into with spirit. The question was affirmed by Senators Webber and Moothart, and denied by Senators White and Showalter. The measure was lost by a vote of 8 to 22.

Senator William's vocal solo, "Dear Heart," was highly appreciated. The Senator was heartily cheered and responded with "Good Night."

"Through My Own Spectacles."

Sunday evening at the Unitarian Church, Mr. Kelly delivered an interesting lecture on the subject "Through My Own Spectacles." He took up a number of the tendencies and features that characterize the American people. Our development has been along material lines. The public mania is for "bigness and loudness." Our books, newspapers, manufacturing concerns, business houses—even our Universi-

ties—unite in this striving for size and recognition. The colleges are conspicuous for the progress made in the natural sciences. In everything men seek for greatness. It is, in fact, a prodigious age. Mr. Kelly paid a fitting tribute to Professors Macbride and Calvin, who have "wedded science with literature and art."

Annals of Iowa.

A double number of the Annals of Iowa has just been issued by the Historical Department of Iowa. It comprises about one hundred and sixty pages, a number of which are devoted to illustrations and portraits of those who have been prominent in our State's history. It is especially interesting because of the large number of contributors who are known at the University.

"Institutional Beginnings in a Western State," is the subject of an article by Professor Jessie Macy. Major John F. Lacey writes on "Major General Fred Steele." Chief Justice H. E. Deemer has an article on "Darwin Robert Merritt." Professor J. E. Todd gives an interesting account of "John Brown's Last Visit to Tabor, Iowa." The Editor of the Annals, Chas. Aldrich, furnishes an article on "Dr. S. G. Matson." Hon. T. S. Parvin writes upon "Early Schools and Teachers in Iowa."

S. U. I. is represented by Dr. B. F. Shambaugh, who has a paper on "The Case of Mr. Loring Wheeler. His appointment and Resignation as Chief Justice of the County Court of Dubuque."

Resolutions of Sympathy.

Whereas, our fellow-classmate, A. B. Phillips, has been bereaved in the death of his beloved father, and

Whereas, it is fitting that we, the members of the class of 1900, should express our heartfelt sympathy in his great affliction; therefore, be it

"Resolved, that we, his fellow-members of the Sophomore class, do hereby extend to him our heartfelt sympathy in this sad hour of affliction, and further be it

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be published in the college papers, and a copy sent to the sorrowing one.

GEO. H. FLETCHER,
MAMIE POLK,
AUSTIN CASS.

Philomathean.

Mr. H. A. Angus opened the program with a well-rendered declamation entitled: "Things at Home are Crossways."

The audience then listened to some excellent violin music.

The question for debate: "Resolved, that the referendum and initiative be established in the United States," was affirmed by Mr. Schenk and Mr. Hunter, and denied by A. G. Yates and E. E. Blythe.

The discussion was quite spirited throughout, and each debater showed careful preparation.

"The Political Demagogue" was the subject of Mr. Baker's thoughtful oration.

M. G. Hilpert entertained the Society in his usual pleasing manner with an illustrated topic entitled "Mines and their Operation."

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The Volunteer Company.

For the past few days the entire University has been in a state of feverish excitement, brought about by the active preparation for war that has been going on. A large number of students have joined Co. "I," I. N. G., and will soon be encamped in the South, ready for action. The volunteer company of S. U. I. has been filled with students of the University, and hopes to be able to join the National Guards in a short time.

Lieutenant Ely is in Des Moines, and will soon know what the Governor will do, but it is very probable that the company will be called, for the militia does not furnish the required number of men from Iowa.

The Faculty have been warmly commended for their action in allowing the Seniors to receive their diplomas in June. This is certainly no more than right, for the rules of the institution compel the student to take the military work, and one credit is small compensation for three years' drill. The majority of the students are hostile to the entire department, but having no choice but to take it, and now being called upon to leave, they surely should receive recognition from the school. The only objection is that the Faculty's action was not broad enough, but should be made to include the granting of credit for the Spring term's work to the other classmen. Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors all furnish their quota, and it seems no more than right that all who have done good work should receive credits.

The company will drill daily until orders are received, and if called into active service, will show the country the kind of men that are being raised in the Hawkeye State. Wherever

they go, and whatever they do, we feel confident that they will reflect glory not only upon themselves, but also upon the University from which they go.

After all the turmoil and anxiety caused by the war news, and after the loss of sleep caused by our getting up late at night to find that the company leaves next morning, our wearied mind naturally turns back again to our school problems, and the all-important question: "Who will win the Soph-Fresh Field Meet next Friday?" comes before our mind. The answer to this perplexing riddle is—"the Freshmen."

It is generally considered that the Freshmen will not have a difficult task in defeating their rivals. Yet there are some who think that the Sophs, by winning all the field events, will give them a close rub.

Of course it is highly improbable that the Sophomores will get any of the track events, as the Freshies have Mantz and Brown entered in these. The bicycle races are undecided as yet. So although the chances are all in favor of the Freshies, the field events may turn the scale and make it a close contest.

The participants in the meet are, for the most part, new men, and it is to be hoped that every student who is left after the exciting events of the week, will be down to cheer his or her favorites.

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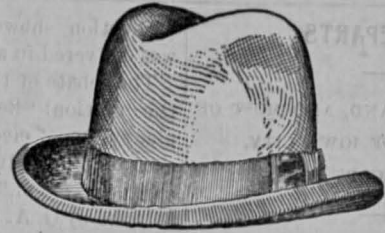
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FACT AND RUMOR.

Dr. Harriman will go the front as surgeon.

I. C. Welty, L. '98, has left for Spirit Lake.

Instructor Cook has joined Co. B. at Davenport.

Grinnell is to cross bats with our boys Saturday.

Miss Mack, of Grinnell, is visiting Miss Alice McGee.

H. Claude Horak entertained the Foster Whist League last evening.

Classes were all dismissed this morning to allow the students to cheer Co. I.

The State High School Declamatory Contest will be held at Fairfield next year.

Judge Seeds has started a special course in Justice Practice for the benefit of the Senior Laws.

Chancellor McClain is out of town for a couple of days. Judge Seeds has charge of his classes during his absence.

Rev. Dr. E. F. Bartholomew, president of Augustana College, at Rock Island, Ill., filled the pulpit at the English Lutheran church, Sunday.

C. E. Merriam, a graduate of the Collegiate department of '95, has been appointed lecturer in Political Theory at Columbia University, New York City.

Mrs. W. L. Bierring gave a progressive cinch party in honor of Mrs. Castes, of Pittsburg, Pa., Saturday afternoon, from 2 to 6 o'clock. Mrs. H. E. Ely won the first prize.

CALL ON BLOOM & MAYER FOR CLOTHING AND HATS.

The entertainment at St. Brendan's Hall Sunday evening was a great success, financially and otherwise. The proceeds go to the Athletic Union. A number of University students took a prominent part.

The Freshman Dents and the High Schoolers met on the base ball diamond last Saturday. At the beginning of the eighth inning the score stood 10 to 10, when, owing to a decision of the umpire, the game stopped.

Rev. Chas. S. Brown, of the Baptist church, preached Sunday morning on "Lessons from the Impending War," and Rev. Dr. M. A. Bullock, of the Congregational church, on "Crossing the Rubicon." Both of these patriotic sermons were listened to by a large number of students.

J. R. Frailey accompanied Co. I. to Des Moines this morning. He will see what arrangements can be made in regard to the volunteer company, and hopes to have them called in a few days. If the Governor will not accept them, or does not need them, Frailey will join his regular company.

At the tennis tournament, Saturday afternoon, S. U. I. again got the best of the boys from Cornell. On the whole our fellows outplayed the visitors on every hand. The score was: Weed and Balle vs. Rigby and McIntosh, 6-3, 6-1. Haddock and Holbrook vs. Tucker and Hirdeman, 6-4, 6-6, 6-4.

The funeral services in memory of Dr. Elizabeth Hess were held at the Christian church, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The attendance was large. The Johnson County Medical Society, of which the late Dr. Hess was president, last year, made a beautiful floral offering in the form of a flower-lyre. Many other floral offerings were presented.

It is impossible to obtain the names of all the students who have left to join their companies. The students who enlisted in Co. I., I. N. G. of this city, are: McElroy, Hobby, Startzman, Switzer, Watkins, Dutcher, Ogden, Kemmerer, Lynch and Havner. Curtis, Mark Williams, Read, Roach, Mason, Hutchinson and Bray, will join the 3d Regiment at Des Moines, Yule and Geo. Johnson the 1st Regiment, and Fee, the 2d.

The Iowa State Medical Society will hold its 47th annual convention in Des Moines, May 18, 19, 20. Dr. W. D. Middleton will deliver the response to Mayor MacVicar's address of welcome. Among the papers, addresses and discussions are those by Dr. C. S. Chase, "Food and Water, Their Preparation and Adulteration;" Dr. C. M. Hobby, "Purulent Ophthalmia," and "The Eye Treatment of Epileptics;" Dr. J. C. Shrader, "Sanitation as Applied to the Health of Children Fed on Cows' Milk;" Dr. J. R. Guthrie, "Laceration of the Cervix and Perineum;" Dr. W. L. Bierring, "Serum Therapy; Its Sphere and Limitation," and "Myxoedema;" Dr. D. W. Littig, "Gastric Neurosis;" Dr. Littig is a member of the committee on finance, and Dr. Shrader is chairman of the committee on ethics.

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