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## S. U. I. FIELD MEET.

GOOD RECORDS MADE AND SOME  
BROKEN.

The eighth annual Spring field meet was held at the Athletic Park yesterday afternoon. A medium sized crowd was in attendance, and in all the events great interest was manifested.

One of the most significant features was the work done by the new men. This is one of the most hopeful signs for the future of athletics in the University, for when our old line athletes graduate we still will have good men to fall back on. Among these prominent underclass athletes may be mentioned Meggars, C. '00. In the sprints and jumps, considering the amount of training he has done, his performance was exceedingly creditable. Bailey, C. '01, Brown, C. '01, and Shaver, L. '99, all did good work.

Following are the events:

### 50 Yard Dash:

The three competitors in this came out in the following order: Chase, Meggars, Prall. Time, 5 2/5 sec. The finish was very close between Meggars and Chase.

### 16 lb. Shot:

Chase, Myers, Burrier and Decker entered. Myers won first, putting the sphere 37 ft. 3 in; Chase, second; Decker, third.

### Running Broad Jump:

Louis, Meggars, Freeman and Neal entered. Meggars won; Freeman, second; Louis, third. Distance, 19 ft. 11 in.

### 100 Yard Dash:

The three competitors finished in the following order. Prall, Chase, Meggars. Time, 10 2/5 sec. In this Meggars made a fine start, and maintained his lead almost to the close.

### 16 lb. Hammer Throw:

In this event Myers threw the hammer the great distance of 123 ft. 8 in., breaking the State record by about 20 feet. Neal received second place; Blackmore, third.

### Mile Walk:

Williams, Walker and Bailey entered. This was a very close contest between Williams and Bailey. Williams led off. The others closed up on the first round. On the second round Bailey got the lead and kept it till near the finish, where Williams passed him and won by a lead of about 15 feet. Time, 7:25.

### Two Mile Exhibition Bicycle Race:

At this juncture the two mile exhibition bicycle race occurred between Misses Ida Peterson and Tillie Anderson, the famous lady bicyclists. Miss Anderson won. Time, 5:14.

### 120 Yard Hurdle:

The three competitors won out in the following order: Alderson, Hecht, Freeman. Time, 19 sec.

### Half Mile Run:

This was a very even race between Brown, Barber and Gothard. Brown won; Barber, second; Gothard, third. Time, 2:06.

### 220 Yard Dash:

Prall led from the start, and maintained it to the finish. It was close for second place between Chase and

Meggars, but the latter won by a few feet. Time, 22 3/5 sec.

### Running High Jump:

Of the three contestants Louis won; Cogswell, second; Freeman, third. Height, 5 ft. 7 in.

### Pole Vault:

Shaver, Hecht, Neal, Freeman, Cogswell entered. Shaver won; Neal, second; Hecht, third. The first place was hotly contested by Shaver and Neal. Height, 9 ft. 9 1/2 in.

### 440 Yard Dash:

Brown, Prall and Barber entered. Prall led out, followed closely by Brown. These two ran a neck and neck race, but Brown finally won by about a foot and a half. Time, 54 sec.

### Hop, Step and Jump:

Neal, Louis, Cogswell, Freeman and Meggars entered. Louis won; Meggars, second. Distance, 41 ft. 11 in.

### Mile Run:

Brown, Barber and Gothard were the competitors, and finished in the order named. Time, 4:53.

### 220 Yard Hurdle:

Louis, Prall, Chase and Hecht entered. They won out in the following order: Chase, Hecht, Louis. Time, 29 3/5.

The bicycle races were postponed, and will probably come off Wednesday.

### The officials were:

Referee—E. W. Moulton.

Starter—James Cavanaugh.

Judges of Finish—Professor A. V. Sims, Professor A. G. Smith, Gordon Harkness.

Field Judges—H. G. Plum, G. N. Bauer, Donald McClain.

Time Keepers—E. W. Moulton, C. H. Bowman, M. C. Parsons.

Clerk of Course—Geo. W. Egan.

Announcer—T. W. Klingenberg.

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## Two-Step Party.

On next Thursday evening, at Smith's Armory, will occur the first annual Two-Step Party, given under the auspices of the Athletic Union, for the benefit of our track team. This promises to be the most pleasant event of the season. It is earnestly hoped that every one invited will attend. Every student is requested to consider himself a committee of one to make this party a great success, not only socially, but financially as well. This is perhaps the only opportunity presented to those invited to meet and have a good time. Upon the young ladies rests in no small degree the responsibility of the success of this party. Yours Respectfully,

GEO. W. EGAN.

## Attention Committee!

Those who were appointed on the committee to solicitate members for the delegation to go to the State Field Meet at Des Moines, are requested to report at once. The names must be in before any estimate can be made either of the number going, or the rate to be had. Friends in the city who wish to go at that time should make it known by handing in their names or signing some one of the several lists now in the hands of the committee. GEO. W. EGAN.

## IOWA WINS THE DEBATE.

MINNESOTA SECURES BUT ONE OF  
THE JUDGES.

As was announced in our columns on Saturday, the S. U. I. representatives were victorious over those of U. of M. at Minneapolis, Minn., on last Friday evening.

The debate was held in Chapel Hall in the presence of an enthusiastic audience that cheered both teams with equal vigor.

Although the Minnesota men were older and perhaps more experienced than their opponents, they seemed to lack the complete grasp of the question, which is such a characteristic feature of our debating contests. Thorough and persistent work, coupled with intense interest, and loyally supported by the student body, have been the secrets of our success.

The speakers upon the debate appeared as follows:

Aff. for Iowa.	Neg. for Minn.
W. N. Stull,	S. C. Scott,
F. H. Blume,	W. B. Stewart,
Chas. O. Giese,	W. C. Hodgson.

Messrs. Blume and Stewart giving the closing for the respective sides.

The discussion was lively and spirited, one side being urged on by the fact that they were on home territory, the other by the remembrance of S. U. I.'s former victories.

The treatment accorded the men from Iowa City was entirely satisfactory. Nothing that could aid in their enjoyment and entertainment was left undone, and a pleasant trip is the report of all.

A debate for next year was arranged for, and if the prophecies of the prominent literary men of the institution are reliable, we are hereafter to meet more formidable opponents from the Gopher State, for they are awakening interest along literary lines, and much improvement is expected in the near future.

## From the Cornellian.

We print below some extracts from Saturday's Cornellian:

"Crab O'Connor's Rag Chewers Defeated by Capt. White's Invincibles by a score of 4 to 3," is the way the heading reads.

"Until about six o'clock last evening the State University ball team thought that they were the only 'tin cans in the alley,' and Capt. O'Connor had no idea but that he was the only one in sight, or that had a right to rattle.

"Of all the contemptible, dirty work, from start to finish, that any team ever had practiced on them, S. U. I. gave to Cornell yesterday. There were no police, no ropes, and not even a request to use our men in a gentlemanly manner. However, with a man like O'Connor at the head of the ball team, no other result could be expected.

"From the start they intended that no barrier should be placed in the way of an opportunity to steal the game. Our umpire they would not accept, and while they intended to have their choice of their own, they

wouldn't give us ours. They wouldn't play if we didn't give them every chance of stealing. So we had to do it to get a crack at them. Right on the start their man made such a plain steal that on request they took him down and put up another. He, Cavanaugh, made three rank decisions at second base, calling out Armstrong when the second baseman dropped the ball, and Williams when safe by four feet. Stephens, who umpired for Cornell, and who had charge of balls and strikes, never had a kick.

"Our boys played like professionals, and we should be proud of them. We have ball players who are students, gentlemen, and artists in the game

"GENTLEMEN ARE SADLY LACKING AT THE UNIVERSITY."

Comments are needless. We can submit to defeat with good grace, if need be, but our sense of decency and regard for the truth rebels against such an effusion of perfidy and false accusation. By this article the editors of the Cornellian have severed the friendly rivalry previously existing between the two schools, and disgraced the field of college journalism by its exuberant falseness.

## S. U. I. Wins at Tennis.

Last Saturday four of S. U. I.'s tennis players met four of Grinnell's players in a tournament held at Grinnell. Out of four sets played, S. U. I. won three. This makes the second victory for our men, they having beat Cornell two weeks ago.

On account of rain the Grinnell tournament was played indoors. Through the kindness of Miss Rand, who has charge of the girls' gymnasium, the boys were permitted to play there.

The first match was between Haddock of S. U. I. and Ward of Grinnell, the former winning with little trouble.

The second match was between Haddock and Weed of S. U. I., and Byers and Pumroy of Grinnell, the former players winning with ease.

The third match was between Weed of S. U. I., and Branche of Grinnell. Weed won the first set with ease, but won the second set only after a hard fight.

The fourth match was between Balle and Hull, of S. U. I. and Ward and Branche of Grinnell, the latter players winning with little trouble.

The State Tennis Tournament will be held here Thursday and Friday of this week. Haddock will represent S. U. I. in the singles, and Haddock and Weed in the doubles. If the two tournaments already held are at all indicative of the results of the State Tournament, it certainly looks as though our boys stand a very good chance to win it. Let all who possibly can come out and cheer them on to victory.

The Yale University Athletic Association has granted the privilege of wearing the University "Y" to the golf team.

There are four hundred and fifty-one colleges in the United States, one hundred and fifteen medical and fifty-two law schools.

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### Friday's Game.

While the game last Friday was the most important one yet played, and the crowd would naturally be larger, yet the number in attendance would seem to justify the managers in putting the admission at thirty-five cents. We have steadily maintained that the lower price brings out enough more people to warrant the reduction, and we believe that where such a large series of games are played on the home grounds, the managers would make more, in the long run, by charging thirty-five cents for each of the games.

### "Kids" at the Ball Games.

The preponderance of the younger element of Iowa City's population at the ball games this week has called down the wrath of the spectators upon the managers for allowing the "kids" in the grounds. Many are so young that they care nothing for the game; others go because their infantile tendencies lead them wherever there is a crowd. If they would sit down and stay there no one would object, but they cluster around the players and try to get as near the batter as possible, much to the annoyance of the players, and especially to spectators on the grand stand. It is often impossible for a catcher to get a foul ball because of the crowd of youngsters. But the greatest objection is their obstructing the view from the spectators. People complain and are justified in complaining, when they pay thirty-five cents or a half a dollar to see a game and then are hindered by a gang of dead head "kids," and we believe that we voice the public sentiment when we criticize the management for not keeping the youngsters out, or at least putting up ropes and compelling them to stay

outside. The visiting teams have complained of the nuisance, saying that at no other school are the rabble permitted in, without paying, et alone being allowed to get in the way of players and spectators.

### The Dual Meet.

As many know, the Dual Meet with Grinnell this year will be held on that school's grounds, but that S. U. I. may be well supported, a reduced rate for the round trip has been secured. As a result of the unceasing labors of the friends of athletics in the University, a number of the students have agreed to take advantage of the reduced rate and be present at the meet. However, the more that go, the greater are the prospects of victory, and considering the rate, and the object of the excursion, many more than have yet decided to go should do so.

S. U. I.'s chances of winning have never been better than this year. As is usually conceded, a comparison of the records of the home meets of the two schools shows the advantage lies with the wearers of Old Gold. However, as Scarlet and Black opportunely remarks, "the race is not won until the tape is broken," and hence the vigil must not cease until S. U. I. returns victorious. To aid in this result is a glorious privilege. Will you not be one to go and thus help gain a victory?

### Zetagathian.

The Zetagathian program Friday evening was opened by a vocal solo, which was well received.

Fred P. Williams followed with an extemporaneous speech relative to the Evanston contest. He related many interesting incident of the occasion which, connected with his humorous views, made this a very entertaining number.

J. T. Hawk then declaimed "A Palace o' the King." Mr. Hawk's delivery was very graceful and fitting to the selection.

The debate of the evening was on the question "Resolved, that the Hawaiian Islands should be annexed to the United States."

The question was affirmed by H. S. Wright and A. A. McCaffrey; denied by H. H. Lancaster and J. E. Gow.

Despite the question chosen the debate was interesting and quite skillfully conducted.

The next number was a declamation by E. G. Copeland, entitled "The Raggaby Man." It was a humorous selection, well given.

The oration of G. A. Lynch, "Charles V," was a very fine production, and Mr. Lynch's delivery was equally good.

The program was closed with a piano solo by Miss Reno.

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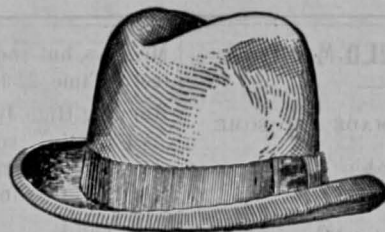
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The Betas gave a party Saturday  
night.

Phi Delta Phi entertained Friday  
night.

Tabard is planning a picnic for  
Thursday.

E. J. Skewis, L.'98, spent Sunday at  
Mt. Vernon.

The Whist Club picniced up the  
river yesterday.

The zoology classes will go on a pic-  
nic next Saturday.

Mark Williams is back from Des  
Moines for a visit.

The Delta Gammas went boating  
yesterday afternoon.

Remember the Senior Erodolphian  
program next Saturday.

Miss Hornbrook has been elected  
to a position in the High School at  
Le Mars.

A large crowd was present at the  
patriotic services held at Close Hall  
Sunday afternoon.

Professor J. W. Ruggles died Satur-  
day at the home of his sister, Mrs.  
Baldwin, in Oak Park, Ill.

The first game of the season with  
Grinnell will be played here to-mor-  
row. Admission, 35c. Game called  
at 2:45 p. m.

The entertainment presented at  
Columbus Hall, Sunday evening, for  
the benefit of the Athletic Union,  
was well received.

The game of ball between Grinnell and Drake, which was to have been played at Grinnell last Saturday, was postponed on account of rain.

Professor E. A. Carter will deliver a Decoration Day address at Wilton. In the evening of the same day he will give his impersonations of "Hamlet."

The farces which the Irvings and Erodolphians have been planning to give for the benefit of the Athletic Union, have been postponed until next fall.

The S. U. I. base ball team is scheduled for three games in the near future. The boys are to play the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis, next Saturday, and on their return trip will play Decorah and Upper Iowa University.

In the "New Plays" column of the Dramatic News, we find the following notice of the Irving-Erodolphian farce, a synopsis of which recently appeared in the Quill: "It is a comedienne written by 'Three Juniors of S. U. I.' They are certainly juniors in the business of writing plays, for the handling of the plot evidences the work of the novice. Their material is good, but there is no striking climax, the ending is weak and with all an entire lack of regard for stage settings and scenic effects"

**Irving.**

Irving presented a program of high excellence to a large and attentive audience Friday night. The declamations were well rendered, and the debate earnest and spirited.

Miss Reno opened the program with a piano solo. The selection was heartily applauded. She responded with a short but charming encore.

Mr. Springer opened the literary part of the program with a declamation entitled "Don't You Think so Bill?"

Mr. Warner expounded logically on a reciprocity treaty with Canada. He held that the demand governs the supply, and that smuggling would cease by such a treaty.

Debate: "Resolved, that Cuba, if free, should be annexed to the U. S." Affirmed by Thos. Kingland and H. E. Taylor.

Denied by Ralph Smith and W. W. Chamberlain.

Thos. Kingland argued that tangible reasons and firmly established precedents are far superior in determining results, to fanciful imagination and inflated theories.

Mr. Smith opened for the negative. He held that the Cubans did not wish annexation, and that it would involve great expense for the United States.

Mr. Taylor showed that the Cubans did not desire autonomy. He held that the relations between the United States and Cuba were such as to insure firm and lasting ties.

Mr. Chamberlain closed for the negative with earnest considerations.

Mr. Brockway's declamation, "The Story of a Traitor," was delivered with a force characteristic of that gentleman.

The last but not least number was an oration on "Commerce," given by W. W. Loomis. The production not only showed elegance of diction, but was delivered in a faultless manner.

The debate was decided in favor of the negative.

The last music was furnished by Mrs. Deming.

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