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LECTURE COURSE.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITS LECTURES AND ENTERTAINMENTS THIS SEASON.

The S. U. I. Lecture Bureau have prepared their course of lectures and entertainments for the coming season. The course last year was eminently successful, and the managers believe that they have secured fully as good a one for the present season. Five lectures and entertainments will be given from November to February, affording a course which the students and citizens of Iowa City have always gladly patronized.

The attractions will be the Pasquali Concert Company, Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, Benjamin C. Chapin, Hon. Geo. W. Wendling, and Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr.

The first number of the Lecture Course is occupied by the Pasquali Concert Company. This company, composed of Mme. Bernice Pasquali, soprano, Mme. Josephine Orlandi, contralto, Signor M. Pasquali, tenor, and Mr. Earnest Gamble, baritone, with Signor Morreale, director, is one of the choicest collections of artistic singers in this country. The company gives both grand opera and high-class concert programs. Their concert will undoubtedly be appreciated by the music-lovers of Iowa City.

Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis will lecture Friday, December 2nd. Dr. Hillis gave the baccalaureate sermon for the class of '97, S. U. I., and all who heard him on that occasion bear testimony that he is an extraordinarily interesting speaker, his heart in the humanities and not in the theologies. Dr. Hillis is the successor of Professor Swing, in the Central Church, Chicago. The sermons he preaches every Sunday morning are published in many of the Chicago dailies and copied extensively throughout the country. He is certainly destined to become one of the most famous men of his generation, for he is to a remarkable degree in accord with both the church and humanity.

Mr. Benjamin C. Chapin, in dramatic interpretations, appears on Monday, January 16th, 1899. Mr. Chapin is one of the rising public readers. His interpretations of Shakespeare, and classic drama, have already won the praises of Chautauqua superintendents from all over the country. "To interpret, as best I can, the power of language, the charm of dramatic action and, above all, the true spirit of the characters in a repertoire of the best comedy and drama, is my effort." Mr. Chapin has stated. His face certainly shows great possibilities for expression and interpretation.

Hon. Geo. W. Wendling will appear about February 1st, the date not being definitely settled. Mr. Wendling's reputation as an orator is well known over the entire United States. Aside from their tremendous lessons and their great dramatic and oratorical power, his orations are works of art, superior in skill and finish to those of the best of the platform lecturers of the country. Many are the immense audiences that have sat enthralled by

Wendling's eloquent presentation of the history of "Saul of Tarsus." The delineation of Paul's character is masterful, the peroration is sublime. And now Mr. Wendling has a new lecture, "Mirabeau—and the French Revolution," that in the opinion of many exceeds any former effort. Mr. Wendling is an alumnus of Chicago University, where he won several oratorical prizes.

Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., will deliver the last lecture of the course, on Washington's birthday, February 22d, 1899. Mr. Dixon is the famous preacher, author, reformer, and orator of New York. He is one of the most unique characters of the present day. He was one of the first ministers in New York City to support Dr. Parkhurst in his assaults on Tammany Hall and municipal corruption. For a sermon preached in defense of Dr. Parkhurst he was arrested by an order from Tammany Hall, on a trumped-up charge of criminal libel. The Sunday after his indictment on this charge by the grand jury, Mr. Dixon entered his pulpit and gave a ringing denunciation of the corrupt grand jury. The effect was electrical. Three days later his case was secretly dismissed. Mr. Dixon is a great surprise to his audience. He looks awkward when he steps on the stage. But when he concludes the audience has no doubt but that his address has been one of the brightest, liveliest and most powerful they have ever listened to. One of the features of his New York congregation—he holds the former pulpit of Dr. Talmage—is that three-fourths of his hearers are men.

The entire course of entertainments, three lectures, one reading, and one musical concert, is a combination which the Lecture Bureau feels will meet with wide-spread approval.

The prices for the course are the same as in previous years: Season tickets, \$1.50. Single tickets, 50 cents. Course tickets will be on sale at the book-stores, beginning Tuesday, Nov. 1st.

Forum.

The program at Forum last evening abounded in several good individual productions. Special mention should be made of the impersonation of Sheridan's "Rivals," by J. M. Tallman, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the auditors.

PROGRAM.

Paper..... G. E. Patterson
"What an Observer Draws From the South."

Extemporaneous Speech.. W. Y. Dilley
"Governor Tanner and the Recent Mining Troubles."

Debate—"Resolved, that an Anglo-Saxon Alliance would be beneficial to the United States."

Affirmative—G. J. Piersol, E. J. Turner.

Negative—H. E. Taylor, T. F. Lynch.
Impersonation..... J. M. Tallman
Two Scenes from Sheridan's "Rivals."

The debate was decided unanimously in favor of the affirmative.

Notice.

All students desiring to sell Lecture Bureau tickets will please call at Professor Loos' room, Monday, at 1 o'clock. Manager.

FRESHMAN RECEPTION.

NORTH HALL THEIR RENDEZVOUS.

Yes, the Freshmen held their reception—just as they held their class meeting. The Sophomores were there to prevent it, but there was no "scrap." Major Cox, in command of the Sophomore forces, issued sealed orders late in the afternoon. Immediately upon the approach of darkness the companies began to assemble on the campus, the picket line was paced, and reconnoitering parties were sent out. Shortly after seven the vanguard of the enemy appeared, but as it was composed of girls, they were allowed to proceed to the steps of the South Building. Here "Jimmie," acting Brigadier General, had thrown up intrenchments, and refused entrance to all without the pass word. The pretty Freshman girls smiled their prettiest; the "bold, bad," Sophomores entreated and threatened, but all in vain. The forces on both sides were rapidly drawn up in line of battle, but an armistice was declared until orders from the president were received. He being absent, Professor Loos acted as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary. After a hasty conference with Major Cox, a flag of truce was raised, and the Professor asked the men to cease hostilities. He said to their credit that they acted as gentlemen, and when the door was opened the Freshmen entered in peace. But the Sophomores soon stormed the intrenchments, and old "Jimmie" was compelled to open fire upon them, before the steps were cleared. Even the VIDETTE-REPORTER's special correspondent was ordered down, and while arguing with the General, was struck by a projectile from a converted revenue cutter—the missile afterwards proved to be a snowball that completely ruined the newly laundered collar worn for the occasion. This was the only casualty of the day. Great vigilance was kept up to prevent the entrance of "Kernal" Berry, the commander of the Freshman troops. Lieutenants Baker, Burdick and Maey were upon his staff, and acted as body guard: they took a northwestern course, struck the river above town, and followed it down to the first bridge, then crawled up behind the armory, and to the north of the Central building. Just then a hack drove in sight, and Major Cox gave the command to charge. On rushed the splendid line of Sophomores, and as they surrounded the cab, lusty cheers broke the stillness of the night as the door was opened, and—out stepped Private Wilson, who informed them that Commander Berry was just entering the fortifications from the other direction. DEFEATED! OUTGENERALLED! The Freshmen were once more victorious.

In the halls above fair lads and lassies were making merry. Full dress suits were sweaters and old trousers, but that only served to break up the formality of the "first reception."

Time flew all too rapidly, and eleven o'clock—Jimmie's limit—came all too soon. Conversation and music drove

away the thoughts of Algebra and Latin, and the shouts and cries of "Coxey's army," as they listened to the mandates and dodged the charges of Jimmie, but added to the merriment of the Freshmen above. Both commanders spent much of the evening in preparing plans for the campaign that is soon to follow—the banquet.

We wrote an account of Tuttle's capture and abduction, but cut it out, as we understand the gentleman is writing a book entitled "The Naughty Sophomores, or How I Missed the Reception."

Zetagathian.

The audience that listened to the program in South Hall, Friday evening, was a large one. Several forgot the meetings began at half-past seven, however.

The first number on the program was a guitar and mandolin duet by Messrs. Jayne and Kelley, which was rendered in their usual superior manner. They received an encore.

The literary program rendered was as follows:

Declamation..... J. W. Rich
"Our Flag."

Oration..... W. S. Goldsmith
"Our Intellectual and Moral Progress."

Debate: "Resolved, that the United States should not enter upon a career of territorial expansion."

Affirmative—R. A. Cook, R. V. Downing.

Negative—J. E. Gow, H. A. McCeffrie.

Declamation..... Eller
The thought and composition of Mr. Goldsmith's oration were especially fine.

The debate was spirited throughout, and very evenly contested. Mr. Downing's appearance was among the finest in South Hall this year.

The debate was decided in favor of the affirmative.

Mr. Eller's declamation was the event of the evening. His manner suited the dramatic selection very well.

The piano duet by Misses Barrett and DeSelle received a well-merited encore.

Wedding Bells.

Another alumnus has fallen a victim to cupid's shafts. Miss Julia M. Crawford, C. '93, was married to Mr. Q. K. Underwood, at Gillispie, Ill., October 10th. The bride was a prominent newspaper worker while in the University, being a member of the VIDETTE-REPORTER staff. She has since done reportorial work on the St. Louis dailies. The happy couple will be at home in St. Louis, Mo., after November 1st. The VIDETTE-REPORTER joins with the young lady's many friends of her University days in extending best wishes for the future.

McCarthy has been elected by the Irvings to represent them upon the Sophomore debate.

W. S. Ankeney, ex-'99, of Des Moines, leaves to-day for Amkona, Florida, where he will spend the winter.

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University Extension.

In our last issue was published an account of the work the University Extension department is doing in offering some stimulus to education in various parts of the state. The work done by our self-sacrificing professors who now take the lecture engagements as so much extra work, can not help but be beneficial to the University. The lectures are a means of letting the people know what advantages their State University offers.

A glance over the list of lectures and lecturers shows what a rare treat is offered by them. We would be glad if it could be arranged to give some of the lectures at Iowa City, as was so successfully done last year in the Public Library Lecture Course. Local societies could not do better than avail themselves of the opportunities afforded for general culture. The courses while not always successful financially, have always been marked by their educational effects. One of the prominent men of the town where a course of lectures had been given, said: "I heard more serious conversation on serious topics during those two months than during all the remaining months of the year."

Lecture Course.

In this issue is published the announcements made by the managers of the S. U. I. Lecture Bureau as to the dates they have secured for their annual course of lectures and entertainments for the school year 1898-9. For several years this course has been one of the most attractive features of the University. The courses given in past years have been especially popular, the seating capacity of the Opera

House being tested to its utmost on many occasions.

The Bureau is maintained by the Zetagathian Society and Irving Institute. It is managed by members of these literary societies elected for that purpose.

Last season the management gave entire satisfaction, and that year's policy will be followed in every respect by the present Bureau. The exchange of tickets proved such a convenience in the reservation of seats that it will be used again this season. Also, the afternoon seeming the time best suited for reserving seats, the hour will remain the same.

The broad-minded, progressive student rarely misses the opportunity of hearing such lecturers as Wendling or Hillis, or of listening to such musical and dramatic entertainments as are afforded. The new student occasionally says he cannot afford the time or money, but the upper classman's judgment is that he cannot afford to miss it.

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Grinnell Game.

Two weeks from to day occurs our game with Iowa College, at Grinnell. That quite a number of students would like to go with the team to cheer them on to victory, we feel well assured. If a \$1.25 rate could be obtained from the railroads, something like two hundred students would undoubtedly attend the game. Papers should be circulated soon to ascertain just how many would avail themselves of such a rate as could be secured. C.

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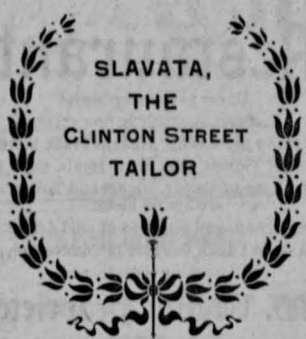
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FACT AND RUMOR.

E. E. Blythe attended a sale at home
this week.

Ilggenfritz is attending classes again
after three days sickness.

L. H. Meadows and Plummer visit-
ed the Omaha Exposition this week.

R. G. Anderson went home this
morning to make political speeches
and vote.

The Betas will move into their new
chapter-house on Clinton street about
Nov. 1st.

Miss Eversmeyer, L. '98, who is now
practicng in Muscatine, called on
friends here Friday.

Quizzes are now in order. The
schedule for Friday was Politics I,
English History U. S. History, Zoolo-
gy and Physics.

The men who will represent the
Zetagathian society on the Junior
Debate are Geo. Fletcher, Rahl, and
A. P. Speers.

The foot ball team left this morn-
ing at ten o'clock. Nearly one hundred
tickets were sold by the C. R. I. & P.
to Rock Island.

After watching the Seniors in a few
practice games the Instructors have
decided not to accept the challenge to
play foot ball.

The Zetagathian society elected the
following men, last night, to repre-
sent them on the Sophomore debate:
W. C. Frank, J. H. Burrus, J. E. Gow.

All unsigned locals that are dropped
into our news boxes will be signed
with a "B." The editors will not hold
themselves responsible for the mis-
takes of these items.

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The Zets initiated McCabe last evening.

Soukup, L. '00, took in the exposition at Omaha, Thursday.

The Zets submit the question for both class debates this year.

Pinkham, DeKay and Berry were initiated into Irving last night.

The Seniors will hold a social in the Society Halls next Wednesday.

Professor Macbride's botanical expedition has been indefinitely postponed.

Mrs. Larrabee visited in the city yesterday. Helen, '99, went home with her this morning.

The second team left for Panora this morning, at half-past four, chaperoned by Assistant Manager Holbrook.

Misses Daum and Spurgeon and Messrs. Cass and Beck, by their Freshman-like humility, forced themselves into the old South building, Thursday evening. They, on reaching the second landing, were so overwhelmed by their warm reception that they stayed awhile to chat with the pleasant Freshman girls. Suddenly remembering their unprepared lessons, they decided to leave their entertaining hostesses.

The following local was dropped into our news box. It has been a question with the editor whether to print it or to hand it over to the Hawkeye. At last it was decided to publish it and ask for an interpretation for our next issue: "The Heps had a swell time Wed eve at Minnehaha they left Y. M. C. A. at six and how the boys bought the chrysanthemums they all had some when they left, the ice box was "nit" for empty is the cradle when the boy's out."

Irving.

A good sized audience assembled at North Hall, last evening, to hear Irving's program, which was indeed a credit to Irving Institute. Four of the numbers were initial appearances, and if these men are a criterion of Irving's new talent, she is to be congratulated on her success in allying such men with herself.

The program was opened with a beautiful piano duet by Misses DeSellum and Barrett, which richly merited the applause it called forth.

A. G. Kemley made his first appearance, reciting "Sixty's Christmas," in a most delightful manner.

Mr. Switzer then entertained the audience with a speech on "Reminiscences of Camp Life." The speech although somewhat long, displayed Mr. Switzer's ability to select and relate those things from his experiences, which are of general interest.

The debate on the question: "Resolved, that there should be legislation against speculation in futures and options," was affirmed by Messrs. McLaughlin and Pinkham, and denied by Messrs. McCarthy and Kindall.

The arguments were for the most part logically and clearly presented. One of the commendable features of the debate was the familiarity that each one displayed with the subject.

The decision of the judges was in favor of the affirmative.

The debate was followed by an oration, "The Greatness of Burke," in which Mr. Egan sustained his previous reputation as an orator.

The program was closed by a mandolin and guitar duet, by Messrs. Jayne and Kelley.

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