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SANDS OF NEW MEXICO

PROFESSOR SHIMEK READS PAPER AT BACONIAN

Tells of Iowa University Expedition in the Desert Region—The Plant Life There

Prof. B. Shimek read the paper before Baconian last night taking for his subject "The White Sands of New Mexico." A synopsis of the paper follows:

Within the past few years railroads have made possible the investigation of many regions heretofore almost inaccessible. One of these regions lies in eastern New Mexico between the Sacramento and Guadalupe Mountains.

Previous to the work done by the University of Iowa Botany Department, this region had been visited by but one Geologist, and a flying visit had been paid it by a committee to see whether it was a suitable place for the location of a Desert Laboratory by the Carnegie Institution.

We find many seemingly delicate plants here. Ferns are quite abundant but the fronds are covered with hairs, scales or wax to enable them to withstand changes in surrounding conditions. They may become very dry and hard but are ready at the first shower to spring up.

The plant life of the surrounding mountains merges somewhat gradually into that of the desert, cacti, ferns, sage-brush and Composites related to the Golden-rod appearing near the foot of the mountains.

The White Sand of the desert is of the dazzling whiteness of newly fallen snow. Owing to the shifting of the sands many areas occur where plants can get no foothold. The eastern border of the white sand is abrupt and distinct, though it has shifted eastward considerably within the memory of man. Sage-brush, composites and some forms related to Conifers appear in the sand dunes.

The Yucca is the most characteristic plant of the region. Some of these grow to a height of 7 or 8 feet and I have traced the roots 75 feet without finding the end. Some of these plants are said to have been traced down 30 feet into the sand to a foothold in the soil beneath showing that they were here before the sands came.

After this year Northwestern University will abolish the degree of bachelor of philosophy. The announcement of the radical step has come as a result of a result of a long discussion over many changes in the college curriculum. The students who will graduate this year and have been working toward a Ph. B. degree will be given choice between this and an A. B. degree. After this year Northwestern will confer only two degrees—A. B. and B. S.

NO, I THANK YOU

WISCONSIN AGAIN DECLINES TO MEET IOWA

This Time It Was Basketball Badger Management Even Refuses Communication

Wisconsin's high handed method of conducting negotiation with other schools is growing extremely tiresome to Iowa managers who have had occasion to deal with the Badgers. Two instances of Wisconsin's inclination to "cut dances" have occurred in her negotiations with Iowa this year. The first came in the cancelling of the annual debate after everything had been arranged for the contest and the Iowa debaters were just about to hold their preliminary contest. The last instance came in the cancelling of the annual basketball contest which was to have been played here Wednesday. Manager Ross of the Iowa team had a contract with the Badger manager but in spite of this the Wisconsin players went through Iowa City to Grinnell without stopping. Manager Ross used both the mail and wire to get communication with the Badger manager but to no avail.

Wisconsin had a victorious trip until she got to Sioux City. Her team defeated both Grinnell and Highland Park but went down before the Sioux City Y. M. C. A. Giants by the score of 46-16. Reports say that the Sioux City players played horse with the Badgers. The Sioux City team has been defeated but once in three years and is now trying to get a game with the University of Minnesota for the championship of the United States, but the Gophers steadfastly refuse. Sioux City defeated the University of Nebraska by a much larger score than did Minnesota.

Philos Elect Debaters

The Philomathians last night elected the freshmen and sophomore debating teams which will contest in the annual freshman-sophomore debate that will take place in April. H. E. Dow and K. D. Steere were elected on the sophomore team and E. C. Willis and H. O. Field, on the freshman team.

May Form Hearst Club

A goodly number of young democrats in the university and city are about to organize a Hearst club, for the purpose of booming the congressman-millionaire-editor as a rival of the strenuous "Tedd."

The last issue of the Northwestern Druggist contains an excellent likeness of Adin N. Brown, assistant in the laboratory of the university's department of pharmacy. The paper speaks in very complimentary terms of his successful career as a pharmacist.

MANY TENNIS GAMES

VARSITY PLAYERS WILL BE KEPT VERY BUSY

Contests With Minnesota, Northwestern and Michigan—State And Collegiate Meets

The tennis players representing the State University of Iowa will have occasion to engage in some notable contests this year if present plans materialize. The schools against which the Iowa players will have opportunity to compete are none other than Michigan, Northwestern and Minnesota. The negotiations with all of these schools are practically completed.

Iowa's meeting with Northwestern and Michigan will be in the nature of a triple meet in which the players from the three schools will engage on the Northwestern courts. This triple meet will probably take place about May 7.

A meet has also been practically arranged between the Iowa players and those from the university of Minnesota. In addition to these meets the university players will compete in the state meet which will take place at Coe college May 19, and in the intercollegiate meet at Chicago in the latter part of May. Other contests may be arranged later.

Medics on a Jaunt

The annual visit to the Insane Hospital at Independence is being made today by the students of the college of medicine. The party left at 6:15 this morning and will return at 7:50 to-night. While these excursions are secured especially for giving the seniors an opportunity to inspect the hospital they are not restricted to members of this class.

The members of the college of medicine visiting Independence today are: Miss Arflett, C. C. Baldwin, H. E. Bowman, F. W. Cross, W. N. Gordon, H. J. Jones, C. S. Krause, R. R. Kulp, J. B. Naftzger, H. Peare, T. C. Sauerbry, P. H. Schroeder, R. F. Shahan, C. H. Swift, E. H. Whitehead, E. R. Walker and Agnes Safeley.

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity will initiate tonight. The three men to be taken in are Arthur Jayne of Muscatine, Ray Richmond of Dallas Center and H. A. Neustadt of La Salle, Ill.

At the University of Illinois the students are condemning the practice of men who have not made an athletic team wearing the uniform of that team. They say that the official emblems of the University and the various marks of athletic distinction are being cheapened to a very considerable degree. The graduate manager of athletics has been empowered to enforce a rule against unauthorized wearing of athletic uniforms.

NOMINATE CUMMINS

ZETS WOULD HAVE HIM RUN FOR PRESIDENT

Plans for Mock Convention Are About Completed—Utah Delegation to be Contested

In the judgement of the members of the Zetagathian literary society Governor A. B. Cummins should be placed in nomination, at the next republican national convention, to oppose Theodore Roosevelt for president. This is the report of the committee that was selected to lay plans for the mock republican national convention which that society will hold within a couple of weeks. Governor VanSant of Minnesota represented by P. Rinker will make the speech placing Gov. Cummins in nomination. Cummins will be represented by A. H. Wright. Roosevelt will be represented by Ray Files and will be placed in nomination by R. C. Quigley representing Senator Spooner. Senator Hoar may also be nominated.

V. R. Penticost representing Senator Payne is to be chairman of the national committee and will introduce as temporary chairman Chauncey Depew represented by H. D. Hunt. Leslie M. Shaw represented by J. O. Johnson president of Zetagathia will be permanent chairman of the convention.

Babcock of Wisconsin represented by E. H. McCoy will make the majority report for the platform committee, favoring the continuation of the present high tariff. A minority report in favor of the Iowa Idea will be presented.

Senator Fairbanks of Indiana represented by Will Brinton is to be the only candidate for vice-president. He will be nominated by Senator Frye represented by A. W. Lauer.

There is to be a contest over the question of seating the Utah delegation on the charge of polygamy. An effort is to be made to admit delegates from Hawaii and other American possessions but this may be hard fought.

Code Supplement

The report of the members of the code commission will soon be made public relative to the cost of the code supplement.

The report will show that the cost of the 15,000 volumes of the code supplement which the commission got out was \$1.43. The original estimate of the cost per volume was \$1.50. The cost involves the printing and binding, editing and annotation. The code supplement was edited by John R. Carter of Sioux City and was annotated by Justice Emlin McClain of the supreme court.

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The Mock Convention

Zetagathia has hit upon a happy idea in the plan to hold a mock national convention. No little amount of good can come from such gatherings. The only feature to be regretted is that all of the literary societies here did not join in giving the convention.

At Chicago university the other day the members of the literary societies united in holding a state convention and nominating a candidate for governor. Reports say that it was an enthusiastic gathering and productive of a great deal of good.

A mock convention here, participated in by the members of all the societies would surely be occasion for lots of enthusiasm. The natural rivalry between the various societies would add interest, and the increased size of the body would add inspiration to the individual performers.

Think it over!

Wisconsin cut her debate with Iowa and then lived up to her reputation thus established by cutting her basketball date with Iowa. Probably Wisconsin thinks it is better to forego the pleasure of tasting the pudding than to have the mouth burned.

Four men turned out to the meeting of athletes Thursday night. The others were so busily engaged at training that they could not get out.

The backbone of winter, etc.

EXCHANGE

College journalism was introduced by Daniel Webster at Dartmouth College more than a century ago.

A Wisconsin freshman lifted 1144 pounds in the recent strength test, breaking the University record.

The Japanese and Russian students of the University of Pennsylvania recently engaged in a hand to hand fight. The row was caused by the Japanese students flaunting newspapers telling of a Russian defeat in the faces of the Russian students.

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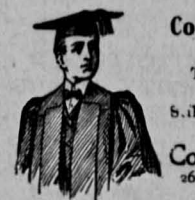
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Drake-Wisconsin
 Arrangements were completed yesterday by Dr. Monilaw for a football game between Wisconsin and Drake on October 22 at Madison.

The game makes the second which Drake will play with a member of the "Big Nine." The Michigan-Drake game will be played at Ann Arbor on November 5. Drake's one game between these two contests will be with Grinnell, on October 29. There are still four open dates on the Drake schedule, which will probably be filled within two weeks. Drake will play with Iowa and probably with Des Moines and still. Though no contracts have been made, Drake may also play with Missonri and Cornell.

The board of athletic control will meet Monday evening and decide several important questions. A selection will be made for manager of the baseball team and a number of dates for games will be ratified. The date of the Iowa-Drake football game next fall will also be decided upon.

Mr. Milton Remley left for Des Moines yesterday, where she will visit with her daughter, Mrs. Lovell.

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