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CHARTERDAY DOINGS

How We Celebrated Our Twenty-Sixth Birthday.

PRES'T RAYMOND'S ADDRESS.

He Gives the University Students an Intellectual Treat—A Scramble for Tickets

Last Friday was Charter-day, the twenty-sixth birthday of the Uni. This anniversary was not celebrated like the twenty-fifth, with brass bands and bunting, and music and speeches; it was not extended into a week's vacation to give the student body a chance to indulge its hilarity, nor were the tidings spread broadcast throughout the land. But it was observed in a quiet, cordial manner, as several thousand visitors from many parts of the state who partook of the chancellor's hospitality that day will testify.

All the buildings and all parts of them were thrown open for inspection, even to the English department in the attic of University hall. Printed cards, specifying the most desirable route, were handed the visitors as they entered the south door of University hall, and they were told to make themselves at home and ask questions, which they did, especially the latter, to the great distress of some young scientists in Nebraska hall.

At three in the afternoon the "Varsity Rifles" gave an exhibition drill in the Armory. The gallery and all available parts on the floor were filled with spectators. The drill the boys put up would have done credit to a much older organization, and made many friends for the company and military department of the university.

During the remainder of the afternoon the chancellor and Governor Holcomb, assisted by Mrs. Canfield and members of the faculty with their wives, held an informal reception in the Armory.

The formal part of the celebration was delivered in the evening at the Lansing theater. It is safe to say that the great building never held a larger crowd and withal a better natured one. Admission was by ticket, but there were no reserved seats and the push and crowd for choice seats was something alarming. Several burly policemen tried to keep the crowd quiet, but it is doubtful if a regiment of United States soldiers could have downed the overflowing spirits of the students that night. The balcony and gallery were filled by students and alumni, while in the lower part of the house were seated many people from Lincoln, Omaha, Ashland and other adjacent cities.

The rising of the curtain at 8 o'clock was a signal for the enthusiasm of the students to break forth once more, and the old Uni yell was given in the most approved style.

The Lincoln Philharmonic orchestra rendered the overture to "Maritana" in a very pleasing manner; the University Glee club sang "The Scarlet and the Cream" and responded to most hearty applause with some more of the same kind; and then Chancellor Canfield introduced the speaker of the evening, President Andrew V. V. Raymond of Union College, New York.

President Raymond proved a

very fluent and pleasing speaker. "Higher Education in Its Relations to National Life" was the subject of the address. After gracefully expressing his pleasure at being in Lincoln and among educational workers, he proceeded to consider his subject in three lights—commercial, governmental and sociological. With no thought of belittling education for its own worth, he sought to impress the fact that its first and greatest mission was to make man better, that in his intercourse with other men they would be bettered. By apt illustrations he showed that revival of intelligence had always preceded great ages of commerce, and concluded that education is the true fountain head, and the success of commerce depends much upon it. In this great work the common schools are but a secondary force. It is the college that directly or indirectly stimulates that mental activity that makes great commercial enterprises possible.

Considering higher education in governmental relations the speaker said that leadership is essential to the very existence of society. That the people govern much less through their leaders than the leaders through the people. The leaders originate and the people accept and repeat their thought. Accepting these things as facts the great need of high minded and intelligent men, to lead the people in the right way, is apparent.

Here he spoke of the devotion to material things which, in this country, had made the mere possession of wealth a commanding influence, and while not seeking to foist the college graduate into office he said there was great need of men in such places who had intelligence of a higher kind than that which is needed to drive a good bargain.

That the need of trained men was also strong in dealing with questions of sociology. Sociology is not the science of government but the science of humanity, and in it a new feeling, that of brotherhood, is fast displacing the old one of unbridled individual liberty. The very life of the nation depends upon the force which is behind this new feeling, but like all new forces it is dangerous unless intelligently controlled. In closing Dr. Raymond said: "Nothing reveals the vital relation between higher education and the interests of the state more than the prominence now given by colleges to the study of sociology as a science. There is mere promise for the future in this single fact than in all the efforts of legislation to regulate the relations between man and man. For out of the schools are coming and will come in increased numbers, men freed from prejudice and in sympathy with the new truth, men able to lead in the development of the civilization promised of old, when men shall not learn war any more and peace shall flow like a river. Toward this kingdom of God upon earth, this relation of human brotherhood, all prophecy points and all progress leads."

At the close of the speaker's remarks the chancellor came to the front of the stage and said, "We stand adjourned until one year from date." The great audience quickly left the building and, save for the yells and songs of the University boys which were kept up till a late hour, Charter-day of '95 was history.

THE PROM A SUCCESS

Financially and Socially it was all Right.

BUT A LITTLE TOO CROWDED

Society Events of Charter Week—Several Whist Parties Held—Pi Betas Pull Ta fy.

One of the most charming events of the season in their circles was the Junior Prom, given at the Lincoln last Thursday week.

Nothing was lacking which could add to the perfect enjoyment. About three hundred people were present and although it was a little crowded when all were on the floor, no one complained for the success of the Prom was assured. After being trodden on in many dances the consoling thought in the minds of the happy Juniors was "Physically a wreck, but financially a success." The hall was brilliantly lighted and banners of the various fraternities and of the Palladian society adorned the walls.

Dependent from the chandelier was an enormous foot-ball in the scarlet and cream, bearing the words "Champion, '94." Below was the real pigskin which has been the prize coveted in so many hard won struggles.

Irvine's orchestra furnished the the excellent dance music for which it is noted, and ices to refresh the warm and weary dancers were served throughout the evening.

Miss Louise Pound entertained delightfully at whist Saturday evening. The guests were all lovers of the game, and availed themselves of the opportunity of matching skill with skill. The winners of the royal were Miss Loomis and Ross Pound. A charming luncheon was followed by dancing until 12 o'clock ushered in a new day. The following were present: Misses Clark, Loomis, Ricketts, Risser, Case, Harwood, Schwab, Polk, Whiting, Paddock, Olivia Pound, Gerrard, Ficken, Kirker, Lewis; Messrs. Brown, Cooley, Barber, Clark, Loughlin, Marlay, Whitmore, Everett, Will Clark, Kennard, Phillips, Norton, Pound, Reid, and Mr. and Mrs. Weisner.

Monday evening Miss Etta Ricketts entertained a few friends at her home in honor of Miss Adams of Superior. After several hard fought games of whist, delightful refreshments were served. Then tables were removed and an impromptu german followed. To many it was a first experience in this dance and therefore all the more enjoyable. Those present were Misses Adams, Heaton, Shaw, Sewell, Harley, Dewese and Law; Messrs. McLucas, Walsh, Grube, Harley, Adams, Forbes, Ricketts, Bridgmann, McFarland and Brown.

Last Thursday the Pi Beta Phi had one of their famous taffy-pulls at the home of Mrs. W. S. Summers. While the candy was cooling some one made way with part of it. Although the girls have no hope for the candy, they would like to have the plates returned.

A delightful card party was given by Miss Schell at her home Tuesday. The evening was spent very pleasantly in cards and dancing. The participants were Misses Polk, Turner, Paddock, Harwood, Dewese; Messrs. Barber, Suddeth, McMullen, Virgil Barber, Humphrey and Korsemeier.

On Thursday evening the Christian associations of the Uni held their semi-annual reception at the new conservatory. The hall and parlors were very prettily decorated in the Uni colors, and with smilax and potted plants. During the evening Miss Perkins of the conservatory, played two selections which were most favorably received. The evening was very pleasantly spent in singing college songs, and in a social time. Refreshments were served in the dining room, where everything was prettily arranged. The tables were brightened by bowls of scarlet and white carnations, and smilax. About three hundred people availed themselves of the opportunity of spending a very pleasant evening.

Omaha Club.

Among recent organizations at the University this year is a club formed by the students from Omaha. This club is called the University of Nebraska Omaha Club, and differs in its aims from any other student organization in the school.

The object of the club is to bring the Omaha students more in contact with each other socially, and to interest Omaha people in behalf of the University.

Up to about a week ago this club had no perfected organization, and was held together only by the interest taken in it. At a meeting held on the 13th of this month, a regular constitution was adopted, and the following officers were elected: President, Otis Whipple; vice president H. P. Leavitt; secretary, J. V. Cortelyou; treasurer, Alfred Saville. At present the membership amounts to about fifteen members, but as there are thirty students from Omaha, this number will probably be greatly increased in a very short time.

This club has probably done more than any other student organization in the University to bring before the legislature and especially before the Omaha delegation the great need of an appropriation for the University. However, the club has not limited its efforts to the legislature alone, but has also exerted itself in Omaha, and brought the condition of the University before the Omaha Commercial club.

Believing that a patriotic address would be very appropriate for Washington's birthday, this enterprising organization has secured the services of Mr. Jeffres, a promising young Omaha lawyer to address the students.

CARL B. BURNHAM.

Dr. Boise Dead.

James R. Boise, editor and compiler of "Six Books of Homer's Iliad," and the "Anabasis," and author of a Greek grammar, textbooks used in this university, died February 9, at his home in Chicago. He had just passed his eightieth birthday, having been born January 27, 1815. He received the degree of A.M., from Brown University, Ph.D., from the University of Tubingen, LL.D. from the University of Michigan, and S.T.D. from Brown University in 1879.

ATHLETIC CONTEST.

Preliminaries of the Field Day Exercises.

BOXING MATCH A STARTER.

It Will Take Place March 23d Rules Governing the Sport.

It was the original intention to have a wrestling and boxing contest in connection with the field-day sports in May, but owing to the nature of the former exercises and in accordance with eastern collegiate practice, it was considered advisable to make the wrestling and boxing contest a separate mid-winter event. The contest will be held Saturday, March 23d, in the Armory.

The rules governing the boxing contest are those of the New York Athletic Club, which are accepted by all amateurs of America. The more essential rules are in substance: The contest shall take place in a 24-foot square with one referee and two umpires governing. Each contestant is allowed but one attendant, who remains outside the ropes during rounds. There shall be three rounds both in trial and final bouts, and each round shall last three minutes, with thirty seconds intermission. The class limits in the boxing as well as the wrestling contests shall be under 135 pounds; for light weight under 158 pounds; for middle weight and over 158 pounds for heavy weight. The wrestling will be governed by the catch as catch can rules.

This is the first event of the kind in our University and it is creating unusual interest. A large number of the "pat" athletes have signified their intention of entering. Such contestants as Sinclair, Flippin, Wilson, Shue, Frank, Cameron, Barnes, Hamer, Langworthy and Dean Gardner are a sufficient guarantee of an exciting and clean exhibition. An entrance fee of fifty cents will be charged for contestants and a small sum for spectators. This is done in order that medals may be secured for the successful contestants.

The entry book will be opened next week, meanwhile the prospective contestants are quietly training. IKE FACE.

The Play Postponed.

At a business meeting of the Dramatic Club held Tuesday night at Miss Maud Shaw's home, it was decided not to present the two farces which were given at Ashland, on account of two members of the cast having left Lincoln. This leaves the club handicapped for the present. Miss Josephine Lottridge has gone to Deadwood, S. D., for a visit of two months, and Harry Shears at present is in Omaha. Manager Cooley says that the club will present something before the "season closes," and if "Chums" and the "Open Gate" cannot be given, a new farce will be prepared. He asks the admirers of the club to have a little patience and they will not be disappointed.

Mr. G. S. Pearl has finished the work in the senior law school, and has gone to El Reno, Oklahoma, where he hopes to begin to practice immediately.