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The HESPERIAN.

With this issue the HESPERIAN begins its twenty-seventh year of publication. For twenty-six years the HESPERIAN has been recognized as the *students'* paper. There is every reason to believe that the paper will more than ever deserve this recognition during the coming year. The HESPERIAN will continue to be the only college publication advocating college democracy, the only paper offering encouragement to university literary talent and the only paper which does not fill its news columns with city paper reprint.

The size of the type to be used on the HESPERIAN has this year been reduced and the number of pages increased. This will enable the paper to give its readers more literary matter, more locals and personals, more society, debating, department and athletic news, more jokes and editorials. In short, the HESPERIAN is going to be still a better paper than it has been in the past. In being what a college journal is supposed to be the HESPERIAN has no real rival. *Now is the time to subscribe.*

A Correction.

By some one's carelessness both the university calendar and the Y. M. C. A. hand book announce that the HESPERIAN is a semi-monthly publication. This not only does the HESPERIAN an injustice but it misinforms new students, who have no reason to know otherwise. This HESPERIAN is not semi-monthly; it is published every Friday, and it would seem to follow that it is a weekly publication.

The Palladian Souvenir.

Appropriate to the commemoration of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of its organization, the Palladian society issued a souvenir. The souvenir is intended to point out the beginning, the progress and the field of the Palladian society; as well to emphasize for what the society has stood, what it has done for its members, and for the university.

The souvenir contains a very creditably written history, not only of the society, but of the university, covering a period of twenty-five years, or from 1871 to 1896. It also contains a list of all persons, who ever belonged to the society, giving the year they graduated, their catalogue address and their present address. There are also lists of all who ever held offices in the society, and of the present members of the society. The constitution of the society and brief histories of the P. B. D. C. and P. G. D. C. complete the souvenir.

The souvenir contains several cuts of subjects dearest to Palladian hearts. The first is that of Wm. H. Snell '73, the first president of the society. The next is that of Amos G. Warner '85, to whom the souvenir is dedicated. It also contains cuts of the "Old Home," the "Present Members" and of Miss Flora Bullock, the anniversary president.

The literary part of the souvenir is unusually well written, the cuts are good, and aside from a few inaccuracies in names and addresses it is a credit to the university as well as to the society.

Society or Fraternity?

Doubtless there are very few new students who have not been accosted with the question: "Are you going to work with the societies or with the fraternities?" The first time the new student hears this question he is fairly dazed. He does not see its significance. Perhaps he has read in the daily papers of 'barbs' and 'frats,' and of their scraps. He has had little or no sympathy with either. He has been led to believe that societies and fraternities are simply organizations to gratify student tastes and give vent to personal antagonisms. He does not appreciate the extent of the influence a college organization has on its members. It is impossible for him to con-