

Several of the Uni. boys imported their best girls for the contest and banquet, consequently a few of our most patriotic and loyal girls did not have a way to go, hence they were deprived of a very enjoyable time.

The most characteristic and noticeable feature of the party given at the home of Mr. Floyd Seybolt on the evening of May 6 was the attention shown to a fair prepress by Mr. Clark. The boys say that Bill is "mashed."

Dr. Griffith, a member of the Royal Microscopical society of England, lectured before some of the scientific students Friday evening on the microscope. He is the inventor of the Griffith Club microscope which he fully explained.

The Phi Beta Kappa of Rochester university has elected Professor Hodgman to the Iota chapter. This is a special honor which is not conferred to societies but is open to all graduates attaining the highest degree in scholarship.

Last week Professor Hicks received from Berlin four historical and geological volumes on China, written by Baron von Richthofen. These exhaustive works with their excellent illustrations and maps make a valuable addition to the geological library.

W. H. Sawyer, '93, having left his banquet tickets at home, attempted to gain entrance to the grand feast by means of two lecture tickets. At first the door-keeper refused to let him enter; but finally consented, after Mr. Sawyer's lady had made a very eloquent plea.

The Sunday morning's *Bee*, of May 11, contains an article written by Irving Manatt, ex-chancellor of the Nebraska state university. In this article Mr. Manatt has given an interesting account of the Greeks' celebration of the sixty-ninth anniversary of their independence.

The last proof sheets of the catalogue have been corrected and it will soon be ready for distribution. Its bright, clean appearance, together with accurateness, will present a favorable contrast to last year's issue. It will show a total of 474 students, 264 male and 210 female, an increase of 47 over last year, which is decidedly encouraging considering that the increase is in the college classes.

The poor preppies feel very much hurt on account of the article that appeared in our last issue concerning them, and declare eternal vengeance against the editor that wrote it. Poor little creatures we are sorry we hurt your feelings, but alas, you should have made your complaints sooner.

We take pleasure in making note of the marriage of Mr. R. S. Mockett, once a member of '88, and Miss Minnie Broady, which took place at the home of the bride near Cresco, Neb. It was a very quiet wedding, only the members of the two families being present. After the ceremony the wedding party came to Lincoln. Mr. and Mrs. Mockett will live with the groom's parents until they get ready to begin housekeeping. THE HESPERIAN extends hearty congratulations to the newly wedded pair, and wish that their life may be one of happiness and joy.

Professor Brace has been granted a patent upon his new dynamo. This machine embodies many new principles in its construction, one of the most important being a fixed commutator. The dynamo is designed for laboratory use and will add greatly to the facilities for the study of electricity. Two alternate current arc lamps have been received and are being tested. These are the only lamps of the kind west of Pittsburg. It is the intention to supply the light for Grant Hall from our electrical laboratory. When the dynamo and lamps are thoroughly tested further particulars will be given.

A few days ago Professor Brace received from Berlin some very fine apparatus for the study of polarization and double refraction of light. The order for this apparatus was placed two years ago, and but one man in Berlin was skilled enough in this line to work upon the instruments.

In working upon the histology of the young cucumber plant A. J. McClatchie has found that the methods similar to those used in zoology can be applied to plant tissue in preparing it for section cutting on the microtome. He has spent most of the term experimenting on the different methods used in treating the several kinds of vegetable tissue and has obtained some very satisfactory results.

Mr. Chappell visited eleven largest towns of the state to find out the real wages and the manner of living of unskilled laborers in Nebraska, for the purpose of ascertaining whether it is possible for unskilled laborers to save any great amount of money. He found them particularly intelligent as to the means of ameliorating their condition, and noticed as much intelligence among the unskilled as among skilled laborers. He spent most of his time in Omaha and Grand Island. Mr. Chappell's investigations will soon be published in a Sunday edition of the Omaha *World Herald*.

Monday afternoon Lieutenant Griffith gave a lecture upon "Explosives as Employed in the Military Service." The composition of the different explosives, and the various kinds of permanent gases generated by them, also the chemical equations or reactions and the relative power of the most powerful explosives are explained. The lieutenant has a large class that is taking great interest in the work. There was a time when studies in the military department were slighted as much as possible, but the present instructor has succeeded admirably in arousing interest for the work in his department.

Messrs H. A. Senter, B. C. Yates, W. E. Brook, and P. L. Hibbard, having accepted good positions will be in school no more this term. Mr. Senter is employed by the Nebraska beet sugar experiment station. Professor Nicholson has established an experiment station in each county throughout the state. Mr. Senter will have the supervision of this work; he will also take the amount of rainfall at each place and report the same to the station at Lincoln. Messrs Brook and Yates are working with the B. & M. repairing surveyors gang. The gang with which Brook works makes their headquarters at Lincoln, and the one with which Yates works is stationed in the southern part of the state. Mr. Hibbard is working with a surveying party that is setting grade stakes for the new railroad that is being constructed between Custer City and Deadwood, South Dakota.

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THE HESPERIAN continues to fight the Greek letter fraternities.—*College Chips*.

That is true. We're in the fight to stay.

The *Ogontz Mosaic* for April contains a supplement in commemoration of Lincoln which has, however, but little original material. Nevertheless who can say that ladies are not patriotic?

The *Scholastic* contains a characterization sketch upon the "Foibles of College Boys," which in genuinely humorous style gives the characteristics of the four peculiarly college "fiends," the athletic man, the bard or musician, the society man and the "man who owns the place." The descriptions are all well drawn, and are illustrated after the manner of *Puck* or *Judge*. The article is full of good hits.