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BUSY ROYCROFTERS.

Miss Field Relates Her Experiences While Working Among Them in East Aurora. A Very Happy Band.

MISS FIELD AT CONVOCATION.

Miss Helen Field talked very entertainingly of the Roycrofters to a large audience at convocation Friday morning. She began by telling that the Roycrofters are a little band of people who paint and write and make beautiful things. There are three hundred of them at work all the time making books, pictures, furniture and other pretty things. The name Roycroft signifies king-craft and means that the Roycrofters make things fit for a king.

Miss Field did not know Elbert Hubbard when she wrote to him and asked him if she could go to work in his shop. He replied in a little note that he would ask Ali Baba. After consulting with Ali Baba, he wrote to Miss Field that Ali Baba could probably find something for her to do. On her arrival, in the sleepy old town of East Aurora, which is seventeen miles from Buffalo, she asked an old man the way to the Roycroft shop. The old gentleman told her to go straight down the main street of the town till she came to something that didn't look like anything else. She walked past gardens and beds of roses till she came to a strange stone building with turreted towers. Inside were tables covered with books and happy laughing people were working there.

When she asked to see Elbert Hubbard, Miss Field was directed to a large room, where in the midst of a lot of young people a long-haired man sat quietly reading his morning mail. He remembered the letter she had written and welcomed her. Then he showed her the different departments of the work.

Everything is full of interest in the book-binding department, where the head book-binder is a queer old German. He has no patience with the American society girl who goes to Hubbard and wants to learn book-binding. Mr. Hubbard invariably sends her to the old German who tells her that it took him seven years to learn the trade. She comes back crestfallen and Hubbard tells her that being a German, the old man cannot rightly appreciate the American girl. She then goes away happy.

The sculptor, Saint Jerome is a man with a stern face, and a occasional smile which won him the name of Saint. He once came to Hubbard looking for work. Hubbard took a fancy to him and he has been in the shop ever since. Ali Baba is a quaint old man of general utility, paid for his services by Mr. Hubbard, but really at the beck and call of anyone and everyone in the whole colony.

Mr. Hawthorne is man who came

from Sing Sing years ago with the prison palar on his face. He could find work nowhere until he finally came to the Roycroft shop. Mr. Hubbard put him at work among the stones with which they were building the library. Here he seemed much at home. He did his work well and showed such ability and honesty that he became supervisor of the work. He is now a very important factor in the working of the Roycroft shop.

FRESHMEN DEFEAT THE SOPHOMORES.

A warmly contested game of basket ball was played last Saturday night between the Sophomores and the Freshmen. The armory was filled with spectators, both students and visitors from the city. The cheering for both sides showed that there was plenty of spirit among the underclass men. The game was very close at all times, the score standing at 9 to 11 at the close of the first half. When time was called at the close of the game the Freshmen had made 24 points while the Sophomores could count but 19.

Some very good playing was seen on both sides and the men showed that they had been doing some good practicing. The game was characterized, however by very rough playing on both sides. The Freshmen were much more skilful in passing the ball and usually kept it in the sophomores territory. Some of the sophomores remarked after the game that one of their best men was not permitted to play, and attributed their defeat to this fact. The barring out of one of the best men, it is said, was done simply on account of some personal differences.

The line up was as follows: Freshmen, Lehmer and McDonald, forwards; Hankins, center; Huse and Beers, guards. Sophomores, Newton, center; Manning, and Myers, forwards; McCutcheon and Anderson, guards.

For some time it seems that the football management has been negotiating with Kansas in order to make arrangements with them to play the return game of football on our home grounds next season. Owing to the fact that our most important games will be played on other grounds, a special effort has been made to have Kansas play in Lincoln again next year.

According to a contract, it is said, Nebraska was to play Kansas in the latter state on McCook field. Last Saturday, Manager Foster of the Hawkeyes reported to the athletic board of Kansas University that it seemed very improbable that Nebraska would be willing to come down. This stirred the otherwise calm board to action and it at once voted that it would have no further athletic relations with Nebraska if it persisted in its refusal to play the scheduled game in Kansas.

Y.M.C.A. CONVENTION.

One of the Most Successful Meetings Yet Held, Closed Last Night. University Well Represented.

(Special From York.)

The twenty-second annual state convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the state came to a close at the M. E. church at York last night.

The number of delegates present regularly representing their home towns and associations amounted to about one hundred and sixty, divided among city, railroad, and college associations. The University of Nebraska was represented by about twenty delegates. The majority of Lincoln delegates arrived at York Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The meeting was therefore delayed for a short time for them.

On the whole the convention is pronounced the best yet held, having drawn out great interest and enthusiasm both from the delegates and the citizens of York. A series of basket ball games was played on Saturday afternoon at the York auditorium. York succeeded in defeating a picked team of Lincoln and Omaha men. Omaha association defeated a Lincoln association team and Wesleyan was in turn defeated by Hastings. The games were the first ever played in York and therefore elicited a great deal of interest.

Saturday evening Chancellor Andrews delivered an address before a packed house on "Christian Citizenship." On his introduction he was greeted with the university yell. His remarks were listened to very attentively and highly appreciated. Dr. H. E. Ward found it necessary to return to Lincoln Saturday morning. The Y.M.C.A. club of the university was called upon for several musical selections to which it responded and was heartily cheered.

A unique feature of the convention was the serving of meals to all the guests assembled at "Fraternal Hall." At each meal a number sat down to excellent repasts furnished by the ladies of the different churches of York.

At the business session of the convention the sum of \$82.50 was raised by subscription to carry on the state work. The subscriptions were made up as follows: Individual subscriptions \$406.50. City and Railroad associations \$310.00. College associations \$166.00. It was further decided that the coming state budget would amount to \$2,500.00. Mr. J.P. Bailey the present secretary will be continued in the same for the coming year.

Yesterday's program was full to overflowing and kept the delegates busy all day. The convention held eight different meetings during the day, excluding the morning services at all the churches and Sunday schools. A special train left York

this morning carrying the Lincoln and Omaha delegates home. The other delegates will leave during the day.

JOINT PARTY.

Perhaps one of the most pleasant social functions which has occurred for some time was the annual joint party of the university literary societies given last Friday evening at Walsh hall. The three societies which participated in the social event were the Unions, Delians and the Palladians. The dancing room and the parlors had been tastily decorated with the university and various society colors. There were about sixty couples in attendance, a number of alumni and former members from out of the city being present to renew old acquaintances.

Various forms of amusement had been provided in order to make the evening pleasant for every one present. In the parlors were cozy corners where gathered groups for quiet conversation. Tables where games of cards and crokinole were played were occupied during the evening by those who did not care to indulge in the dancing. The dance hall was the place where most of the students enjoyed themselves.

The music for the occasion was furnished by the Quick orchestra and was, as those present say, the best that the university people have had for some time. All of them speak in the highest terms of praise for it and attribute much of the pleasantness of the evening to the splendid music.

The party on the whole was undoubtedly the best that has been held for some time. These parties are intended to cultivate a more friendly spirit between the different societies and to make acquaintances. They are always strictly informal and a decidedly democratic affair.

BASKETBALL.

The Delians have elected Roy Bickford manager of their basket ball team. They have also accepted a challenge from the Union society to play a game for the inter-society championship. The Delians held the championship last year.

An interesting game of basketball will be played next Tuesday evening at 8 pm. in the armory, between the sophomores and the second Y.M.C.A. teams. The game promises to be one of the best that has been played for some time. The latter team defeated the Freshmen team by a score of 23 to 29. On Tuesday evening after the soph-Y.M.C.A. game the juniors and seniors will do battle for honors on the floor. A week from next Wednesday night the Sophomores will play the Lincoln high school team.

A. E. Shelton addressed the labor lyceum at Richards hall last night on "The Philosophy of History."