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UNIVERSITY CONSCIENCE.

The People of Wisconsin Think State University Should Serve Its Supporters.

The following news item, taken from a Wisconsin educational journal, seems so much in keeping with conditions thruout many of the other Mississippi Valley states that it is republished in full:

"The report of the legislative committee upon the affairs of the University, made public last month, is a conservative document touching many administrative and professional details of the work of the institution.

"There is no doubt but that the thoroughness of the investigation made by this committee brought discouragement to some individual members of the faculty—men who have given their strength and intellectual powers far more than the state could reasonably demand of them. While this one feature is to be regretted, it is only an incident and was necessary on the part of the men directed to investigate the institution by the law-making body of the commonwealth. We believe that the few thus offended will in time coincide with the general belief of the people of the state—that the investigation, on the whole, was a fair and impartial one and must result in reforms which will bring the University into closer touch with the people upon whom it is directly dependent.

"Without going into details one general result for good seems to have been accomplished, and that is the arousing of the consciences of the powers who control the institution to the fact that the University of Wisconsin was created for the people, and must ever be maintained and con-

ducted in their interests. Unlike Chicago, Yale, Harvard, Leland Stanford and other colleges endowed by private individuals, the Madison institution is dependent upon the tax-payers of the state for its support, and this fundamental fact must never be lost sight of in the administration of its affairs.

"That the University conscience has thus been aroused is evidenced by many reforms already instituted. Football has been cleansed, the "prom" has been deprived of its expensive features, fraternities, are to be regulated, correspondence courses are being established—and we prophesy for the future a peoples' University at Madison, which it will never again be necessary for the legislature to investigate."

Interesting Program to Be Given.

The Palladian Society will meet at the usual time this evening and give the following program:

- Talk—"A Bit of History".....
-Frank Hayden
- Vocal Solo—Selected.....
-Myrtle Kauffman
- Reading—"A Highland Ballad"....
-Mary Brown
- Piano Duet—"King Carnival"....
- Mabel Nelson and Bertha Williams
- Vocal Solo—"September".....
-Helen W. Anderson
- Reading—Selection from "The Vision of Sir Launfal".....
-Eva L. Arnold
- Reading—"Maid Bess".....John Walker
- Vocal Duet—"Neath the Stars"....
- E. Strickland and L. Timmerman

All students are invited to attend. Members are requested to be present for the business meeting.

Sophomores will meet in Memorial Hall Thursday, January 24, at 11 a. m.

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