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The man who "paddles his own canoe" always has a boat-load who are looking for a free ride.

Silence is music; *pretend* to know and you are a tin pan and drum-sticks in the hands of a small boy.

Access to a great library without knowing what you ought to read is like going to a banquet without an appetite. The viands are nice to *look at*, that is all.

No student who can possibly spare the time should fail to hear Rev. MacAyeal next Tuesday evening on the "Religious Element in Politics." Better neglect a lesson than miss it.

Our base-ball boys are doing the best practice work we have ever seen on the campus. Under the able direction of coach Robinson, we are sure to win some victories on the inter collegiate trip, that will redound to the honor of the University.

It is surprising to see how many of the students have planned for definite work during the summer. We do not believe that there is a more energetic and business like body of students in the United States. It is safe to say that over half at least of the young men are paying part or all of their own expenses while they are in school. Does this not mean something in regard to the future usefulness of our students? We think it does. Henceforth we will not see so many college graduates thrown on the world unprepared for the stern realities of life—a drift and a wreck because life has been all theory and no practice.

Field-Day.

Field day exercises were held on the campus Friday afternoon, May 7. Although the day was disagreeable bleaching boards were filled by a large crowd which encouraged the contestants. The company relay race was won by Co. A, Co. C second. This company also won the bayonet race. The 100 dash was run in heats. Collett and Pepoon won the first heat, R. D. Andreson and Hancock second, best time 11 seconds flat. In the final Andreson first, Collett second, time 11 2-5. W. E. Andreson won the high jump, but did not reach his record of five feet, 4 1/2; Kyle second. The broad jump and pole vault were both won by default by Andreson and Benedict respectively. The 220 yard dash was won by R. D. Andreson, Pepoon second, time 25 2-5. Turner won both the hammer throw and shot put, by a small margin over Hausen, his only competitor. The standing broad jump was won by Pillsbury; this jump was 9 feet 7 1/2 inches. Kyle won the hurdle race over W. E. Andreson in 17 seconds. The mile run was won by Ryan, Thompson second.

The intercollegiate Field-day between Doan, Wesleyan and the University has been set for tomorrow, May 15th. An interesting program has been arranged and if the day is good some records will no doubt be broken. The students should come out with colors, yells and tin horns and encourage the contestants.

Girls Gym.

The girl's gymnasium exhibition last Saturday evening was the most successful exhibition that has been given. The people who were fortunate enough to have tickets did not let the rain keep them at home. Some of the boys who could not "work" a ticket were willing to sit in the windows and did not seem to mind the rain. Anything to see the girls perform.

The class work was very good and showed their careful training, but the part which pleased the audience most, was the apparatus work and the mass drill.

The girls surprised every one in their apparatus work. It was most like a four ringed circus to try and watch all of them. The performance on the ladder, the swinging rings and the jumping are perhaps the most difficult work of the evening. The highest jump was five feet three inches.

The mass drill was very pretty. All the class came on to the floor and gave free hand work. The exhibition closed with a short game of basket ball. If the members of the Legislature could have seen the way the girls tumbled around, they would undoubtedly have considered it a very brutal and uncivilized game, even worse than foot ball.

The girls entered into the work with a great deal of enthusiasm, and that accounts for the success of the exhibition.

The boys will have to work pretty hard if they give any thing which will surpass the girls.