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SOPHOMORE VAUDEVILLE PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

Annual Entertainment Will Be Representative Of All Colleges In University.

Allen and Brosius Write Incidental Music for Sketches—Tryouts Held Saturday.

The cast for the Sophomore Vaudeville was chosen at the tryouts held last Saturday afternoon. A great deal of interest was shown and there was strong competition for the leading roles. The sketches are of especial interest because most of the music has been written by Rudolph Brosius, who recently completed the comic opera, "The Campus Heart Breaker."

Those who will take part in "The Daisy Chaser" which will represent the leading feature of the Sophomore Vaudeville will be Mildred Borom, Academic, George Geib, Engineer, and William Fahrnquist, Agricultural. The sketch is in the form of a musical comedy in a summer setting and is supposed to represent all the colleges. The players will be assisted by a ballet chorus composed of six girls and six men, chosen from all colleges.

An academic sketch also written by Rudolph Brosius, is called "Airy Flarey." The following sophomores will participate: Marie Johnston as Flo Montgomery; Norman Mitchell, as Jack Montgomery; and Walter Hughes as a stage hand.

The engineers are planning to give a humorous revival of their camp life at Fort Snelling last summer. Edgar Allen has written the music for this but the title has not been definitely decided.

The agricultural college will also give a special sketch. The sophomore girls are to contribute their parts towards the vaudeville in a form of special dancing, which will be in charge of Catherine Leland and Ruth Knowlton.

The parts were chosen by a class committee, Dr. Anna Phelan and Rudolph Brosius.

ADELPHIAN PARTY FRIDAY

Inter-Fraternity Informal Will Be Held at Noble's Hall—Vaudeville Program Arranged.

The Adelpian dance will be held at Mrs. Noble's new hall, Friday evening. All arrangements have been completed by the committee in charge to make the party a big success.

An overtown orchestra has been procured to furnish the music and it is expected that a large number of fraternity men will attend. This will be the first inter-fraternity dance to be held since examinations. The tickets are one dollar each and may be secured from Walter Hughes or Allen Moore. All fraternity men are invited.

The program consists of sixteen numbers and four extras. A series of vaudeville sketches are also being prepared. Seiforde Stellwagen is in charge of the arrangements.

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* The University Glee Club will sing in chapel today. The selections will be, "Thou Art Like Unto a Flower," by Protheroe, and "Coppah Moon," by Shelley.
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TOURNAMENT PLANS COMPLETE

Inter-College Basket Ball Schedule Arranged—Contests Begin in Academic College Today.

Representatives from all colleges met in Dr. Cooke's office yesterday to complete the schedule and arrange for the inter-college basket ball tournament. A series of elimination games between the classes will be played and after the preliminary games, the captains will select men from the various classes to represent the college in the final series.

The teams competing in the final inter-college contests will be composed of picked men chosen by the class captains from all of the classes so that only the best men will play on the representative college teams. Any man who has not played in a conference basket ball game is eligible for a position.

The first game is to be played today between the academic classes. All games will begin at seven o'clock and there will be fifteen minute halves unless otherwise arranged between the captains.

The winning team will be awarded a trophy by the Board of Control and each member on the team will be presented with a watch fob.

SENIOR SPREAD TONIGHT.

Dean Comstock And Mrs. Ladd Guests of Cap and Gown.

The Cap and Gown spread will take place in Shevlin this evening at 5:30 o'clock. Dean Comstock and Mrs. Jessie Ladd are to be honor guests. Janet Rankin will act as toastmistress. Truma Brockway will talk on "Opportunities of Leap Year," Helen Rogers on "Why I am a Man-Hater," and Ruth Sorenson on "How to Propose."

Hildur Linton has charge of the stunts which will follow the spread and promises, as a head liner, a wonderful Italian opera.

Registrar Will Issue Grades.

Registrar E. B. Pierce yesterday issued the following statement in regard to the reports last semester's work; "Reports upon the work of the first semester will be issued by the Registrar to all students who turn in their record books."

Senior Informal at Leamington.

An all-senior dancing party will be held the evening of March twenty-second at the Hotel Leamington. The affair is to be very informal. The price of the tickets has not as yet been decided. They will be on sale, however, by members of the senior class by Saturday noon.

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* Important meeting of junior class in chapel today, after the services. Honor system, inter-class basket ball, party and class dues to be discussed.
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HONOR SYSTEM UP AGAIN

Representatives Will Speak For Organizations at General Meeting—Gillam States Plans.

Representatives of all organizations on the campus will send representatives to a meeting of the Student's Council, which will be held in the near future, in order to determine the advisability of adopting an honor system for the upper classes in the university. The representatives are to be instructed by their respective organizations, and it is thought that this plan will provide a definite statement of student opinion on the matter.

The system now proposed applies only to the upper classes, and if it proves successful, will be extended to include freshmen and sophomore students. Stanley Gillam, president of the academic council, announced the new plans yesterday. In his opinion the time is now ripe to establish an honor system at Minnesota. "The honor system we have devised," said Mr. Gillam, "is simply a provision for self-government, and it leaves the problem of cheating to be dealt with by the students themselves. In other words it puts cribbing up to the students. I believe that ideas have crystallized and matured to such an extent here, that self-government can be successfully inaugurated now."

DATE SET FOR PROCESSION.

Cap and Gown Day to be Observed March 13th.

The Annual Cap and Gown day will be observed by the senior class Wednesday, March 13th.

The committee this year have awarded the Cap and Gown contract to Cottrell and Leonard, the firm that furnished the faculty with their gowns for President Vincent's inauguration. They are of somewhat different style this year than have been used at Minnesota. Measurements for the gowns were taken Friday of last week and will be taken today and Friday in the senior room, No. 17 Folwell Hall.

About 85 girls have so far given their orders and 15 of the men have done so. It is desirable that all of the seniors get their orders in at once. The professional colleges will wear caps and gowns at their graduation exercises this spring.

MASS MEETING THURSDAY.

President of Rooters Club Sends Call For Enthusiasm.

President George Gamble, of the Rooters club has announced a mass meeting to be held in chapel on Thursday. This meeting is to be called in an endeavor to stir up enthusiasm for the coming Gopher-Badger basket ball game.

"If rooting will help, the Gophers are going to put up the greatest fight ever," says Gamble.

UNIVERSITY SENATE PLANS CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL

Faculty Members Meet at President Vincent's Home to Discuss Constitution.

New Institution Will be a Reorganized and Enlarged Type of Present Council.

A meeting of the University Faculty Council was held Monday evening at the home of President Vincent, to discuss the proposed constitution of the new University senate. In December a committee, headed by Professor Henry J. Fletcher of the law school, was appointed to draft a constitution to submit to the council for approval. The committee reported two weeks ago. It is hoped to act upon the constitution finally at the next meeting, which will be held March 11th.

The proposed senate is practically the present council reorganized on a somewhat broader basis. Its membership will be increased from thirty professors to about one hundred. These members will be representatives of all the colleges. The senate will act in conjunction with the president and the board of regents as a part of the university administrative machinery. Matters pertaining to the colleges as a whole will be considered by the senate and its recommendations will be reviewed by the president.

Dr. Thomas G. Lee, secretary of the council, said yesterday that, "The present council committees on athletics, inter-collegiate relations, school administration or Dean's committee, etc., will be continued under the new plan. We hope that the senate, by reason of its enlarged size may be even more successful than the council."

MANY GIRLS TRY OUT

Competition Keen for Inter-Class Basket Ball Honors—Contest Saturday March 16th.

Saturday evening March 16th has been fixed for the girls basket ball tournament. As usual there will be three games played, two preliminaries and the final. The line-up of the teams has not been announced. The drawings will not be made until the night of the tournament.

The seniors seem to have the advantage of the other teams because of their experience, but with "Rube" Rosenwald and Wanless drilling the sophomores, things look promising for some hard games.

All of the teams have re-elected their captains. They are as follows: seniors, Truma Brockway; juniors, Hulda Swedberg; sophomores, Beatrice Atkinson. The freshman girls have chosen Ida Lyness, as their leader. All of the coaches announce keen competition for places.

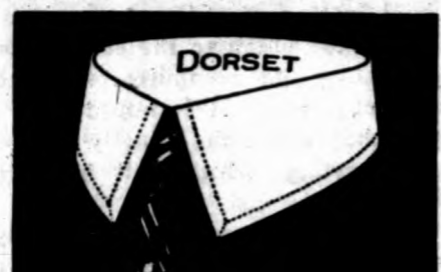
The games will begin at 7:45 sharp and there will be informal dancing after the game. Announcement of the ticket sale will be made in the Daily the latter part of the week.

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ORATORY AND SUPPORT.

There was a time in the history of American universities when oratory and debates were among the most popular of student activities. There must be some vital reason for the singular change of attitude displayed by the present day student bodies.

Debate and oratory are as much a valuable training today as they ever were, and the quality of either the debates or the debaters has probably increased rather than decreased since the time of the platform popularity. The change then cannot be blamed on either of these.

Perhaps athletics have developed to such an extent, recently, that the support which was formerly given to debating has been transferred. Or it may be that the people do not realize the value of public speaking as they once did. But thrills can be had at oratorical contests and debates, and mental giants are as much to be worshipped as physical ones, and the value of effective speaking cannot be overlooked by anyone who has heard some of the men who have spoken at the University this year. President Vincent ought to be a good example.

It is hard to feel that such an important and beneficial student activity will ever have to give up to others, and yet at the present time there is barely sufficient support at Minnesota to justify the holding of contests of any kind. We print below a communication from some one interested in debate and oratory.

To the Editor of the Daily:

An examination of the records of Minnesota in inter-collegiate debates during the last twelve years shows that out of 28 debates held, Minnesota has won fifteen and lost thirteen, while during the last six years, since the formation of the Central Debating Circuit with Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois, Minnesota has won seven out of twelve debates held. In oratory, during the last twelve years, since the formation of the Northwestern Oratorical League, composed of Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Northwestern, Oberlin and Minnesota, Minnesota has won four prizes, having received one first, and three second honors. While this record is not exceptional, it is good, and Minnesota may well be proud of it. We won both inter-collegiate debates this year, one with Wisconsin, the other with Nebraska.

While Minnesota has thus been more than holding her own in pub-

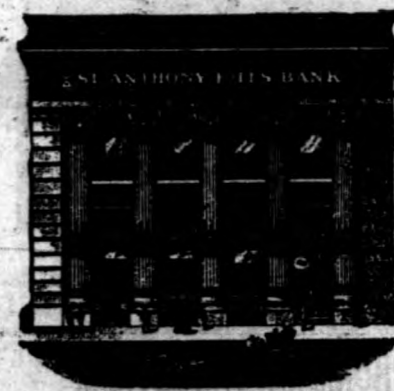
lic speaking contests with her sister Universities of the Middle West, What support have the students been giving this important form of student activity? Sad to relate, that support has not been at all what it should have been. For the last 8 or 10 years it has been steadily on the wane, and soon bids fair to become conspicuous for its absence. Those whose memories go back as far as the beginning of the century, tell us that chapel used to be crowded for inter-collegiate contests, yea, even to the filling up of the aisles. At the debate with Nebraska last December at which, Minnesota won a magnificent victory, there were present not to exceed 150 people. What a mighty falling off was there! Whither has fled that Minnesota Spirit for which we like to think our Alma Mater is famed.

Is it not time that the students were waking up to the situation and realizing that they ought not to withhold their support from such important student activities as oratory and debate? We cannot afford to invite visiting contestants to come here from a distance of hundreds of miles to talk to empty benches. Shall it be said that Minnesota students are not interested in public discussions? Is not Minnesota Spirit broad enough to support an activity that furnishes the finest training for citizenship?

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To the Editor of the Daily:

In the perusal of the Daily's columns during the last few days, I notice that a mock national convention is to be held in the Armory on the twentieth of March. On its very face such a departure is plainly a novelty at Minnesota and being such it would be but natural for the casual student to be but slightly interested. However, it seems to me, that this convention should receive the earnest cooperation of every Minnesota student. In the first place it is instructive in that it will be a real miniature national convention and will give those who attend a very concrete idea as to just how the presidents of the United States are nominated. Secondly, it will be of practical value for those who participate as many chances to display oratorical ability will be given. In the third place it will be amusing and entertaining to

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University Coach Wants Men for Freshmen-Shattuck Meet.

With the Shattuck-Freshmen track meet less than two weeks away, Dr. Grant, coach of the track team is very anxious that all Freshman athletes try to take part in this contest. Shattuck is said to have a very strong team this season, as usual and it will be no easy task to humble the cadets. Minneapolis Central high competed against them last Saturday and was defeated 73-22.

The meet will be held on the indoor dirt track at Shattuck. This track is rather small and will undoubtedly interfere with fast time, but Dr. Grant hopes that his youngsters will be able to make a good showing. He wants every runner and field man to report immediately and try out for the team.

GIRLS DO MISSION WORK.

Members of Y. W. C. A. Visit Patients in Elliott Hospital.

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Some of the money earned by the Christmas candy sale on the campus is still left, and will be used for Easter flowers for the hospital. Ruth Marshall, chairman of the committee, says, "We have seven girls on the committee; we could use seventy."

A movement is on foot for forming a similar committee in the Y. M. C. A. for work in the men's wards of the hospital.

DEBATE IN LAW SCHOOL.

Inter-Class Forensic Contest Takes Place March 28th.

Team representing the junior and middle classes of the college of law will debate Thursday evening, March 28th, on the question "Resolved, that the superior and appellate court judges

should be appointed by the executive of the state."

The teams of both classes were chosen late last week by Prof. Rarig of the academic department and Prof. Willis of the law school. The debators who will represent the junior class are Harvey Hoshour, Raymond Zieseemer and D. J. Olsen with John Skadberg as alternate. The middle law team will consist of A. C. Richardson, John Seibel Jr., and H. Junck.

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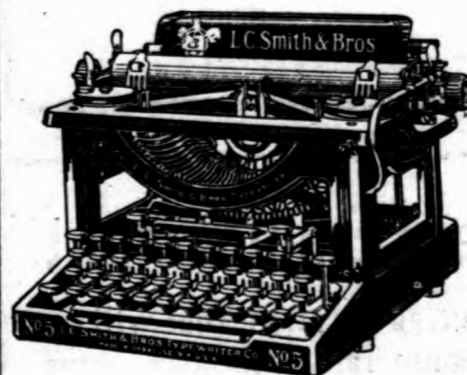
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