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MADISON, WIS., FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1901.

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A SCHOOL OF MINES

UNIVERSITY VERY FAVORABLY
ESTABLISHED FOR ONE.

Arguments for Establishment of Such
a School—Proximity to Ore Fields
a Factor.

Wisconsin once boasted of a School of Mines in which mining engineering was taught for many years, but for various reasons this department was abandoned upon the rebuilding of Science Hall. The burning of old Science Hall then made it necessary to entirely rebuild the School of Mines and a further weighty argument against its re-establishment was lack of funds and dearth of students. So the enterprise was then completely dropped. But things are now much changed and the present is doubtless the golden opportunity for the establishment of a School of Mines and Metallurgy at this University. Firstly, there is great demand for such a department as is seen in the attendance at other schools and in the fact that a considerable number are continually entering the College of Engineering for two years work after which they enter a mining school. Secondly, the University of Wisconsin is in peculiarly advantageous circumstances because of the lack of first class schools in the United States, because of our great present facilities especially in the matter of a brilliant line of instructors, and because of the great financial aid which the United States will give in the event of present senate bill 3982 being passed. In respect to the bill just mentioned we would say that after considerable amendment it passed the senate unanimously and was unanimously reported on favorably by the proper committee of the House of Representatives.

The bill provides for an annual appropriation of \$10,000, to be increased \$1,000 a year until it reaches the sum of \$20,000 per annum, to every state or territory establishing a school of mining and metallurgy.

Dean Johnson of the College of Engineering has taken great interest in the bill and carried on a considerable correspondence concerning it with latter part of last year. The project meets with his hearty approval and he feels confident that the bill will pass.

When the bill passes the congress it will require an act of acceptance on the part of our legislature. This should include an appropriation of about \$12,000 on the part of the state for additional equipment to put the work upon the proper footing. When this is done the necessary steps will be at once taken for inaugurating the work in our University by the beginning of the next school year.

The chemistry department needs a new building quite badly and if the legislature allows one, as it is sincerely hoped it will soon do, the old building will be utilized as quarters for the School of Mines and the course in Chemical Engineering which will doubtless also be established by next October. As extra instructors it will be necessary to add but two outsiders, a Professor of Mining and a Professor of Metallurgy.

The University is certainly very favorably established for a course in mining and metallurgy as our departments of geology and mineralogy are especially strong, the former being without doubt unsurpassed upon the

American continent. Professor Van Hise, the head of the geological department, is probably the highest authority in the world on the deposition of ores and a number of other economic branches of his science. He is an assistant upon the United States Geological survey and is in charge of the department of Pre-Cambrian and Metamorphic work. Dr. Hobbs, Mr. C. K. Leith and Mr. I. M. Clements are also assistant geologists upon the national survey. All these men are available as well as many others. No University in the country has such enormous advantages as these. Besides our proximity to the greatest iron and copper fields of the world is a further advantage.

There is no question but that with proper state support the proposed School of Mines could rapidly forge to the forefront of similar American schools. There are now but very few of these in the country and the following list is presented as being about complete: Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston; Columbia at New York City; University of Michigan at Houghton; University of Missouri at Rolla; University of Colorado at Golden; and University of California at Berkeley.

THE SMALL-POX CASE.

Patient Removed to Hospital—Many Unfounded Rumors.

At seven o'clock last evening Ernest V. Moore, the smallpox patient was taken from the Mills home to the contagious hospital on E. Washington Ave. Dr. Bowman, the attending physician states that Mr. Moore is not seriously sick as yet, but is obliged to keep his bed. He is quite weak and was carried by the hospital attendant from the house to the ambulance.

There are all sorts of rumors going the rounds about other cases of smallpox in the city, but the health officers state positively that Moore's case is the only one. All rumors of new cases are absolutely false, and when run down have been proved to be without foundation.

The physicians of the city are being kept busy with the vaccinating needle. At the experiment station this morning one hundred and fifty short course students were lined up and vaccinated. Dr. Frost supervised the work and was assisted by some of his students.

DODGE'S LARGE GIFT.

For Books for the School of Economics and Political Science.

Honorable William E. Dodge of New York City several months ago promised Doctor Ely \$500 for books for the School of Economics and Political Science on condition that \$2,000 in addition should be raised. Friends of the University in Milwaukee took hold of the matter and more than the requisite sum has been subscribed. A list of donors and further particulars will be given later.

This is not Mr. Dodge's first gift to the University for in 1892 when the School of Economics, Political Science and History was established he contributed a sum for special lectures. One of the courses then given was by Dr. Amos G. Warner on "American Charities" and another by Dr. F. H. Wires on "Punishment and Reformation." Both of these lecture courses have been published in the volumes bearing these titles and are the best on their respective subjects.

—Five new members were initiated into the Y. M. C. A. at the prayer meeting last night.

SPEAKS ON SMALL-POX

DR. RUSSELL ADDRESSES CONVENTION ON CURRENT TOPIC.

Gives Short History of the Disease, its Symptoms and General Treatment—Address in Part.

Those who attended the weekly convocation today were rewarded by an unusually interesting program.

After the singing of several songs Dean Birge gave a short address in which he congratulated the student body upon their sensible attitude respecting the threatened smallpox scare. He also referred briefly to the Art Exhibit now running, advising all to certainly visit the exhibit.

Mr. Brown, '04, then rendered a beautiful violin solo.

This musical selection was immediately followed by Dr. Russell, head of the department of Bacteriology, upon the subject of "Smallpox; its Causes, Methods of Dissemination, and Methods of Prevention." His treatment of the theme was very clear and logical. He referred to past history of the disease and stated that during the middle ages it was one of the most fearful of all plagues. However, owing to modern improved methods of treatment, more especially to vaccination, smallpox is now one of the least to be feared of all contagious diseases. The vital statistics of Massachusetts for the last twenty-five years show very plainly the truth of this statement.

There are more deaths in Wisconsin per day, from diphtheria than there are from smallpox in a whole year. The statistics of the last year show but ten deaths in all Wisconsin from this much-feared disease.

The losses from smallpox are yearly growing less and may be wellnigh extinguished with the increased use of modern methods. The acting or causal agent of smallpox has not however yet been found although it is universally thought to be a germ. The disease is disseminated by the air and can be communicated directly by the sick subject or by objects with which he comes in contact. The incubation period of the disease is about twelve days and during that time it cannot be communicated. During this period chills, pains in the side and limbs, and often fevers or headaches are the chief symptoms. Finally a rash appears and breaks out after two or three days; a shotted appearance results due to numerous small pimples under the epidermis. These enlarge, break down and the body is then covered with a dry, dustlike crust from which the disease is spread. The modern treatment is vaccination and the appliance of a disinfectant ointment to the body thus limiting its spread and palliating the slightly painful condition of the crust. After a severe case of smallpox there is almost a certainty of lifelong immunity.

Inoculation, in which human virus is used, and vaccination in which bovine virus is used are the two methods of prevention. The latter is now exclusively used. It is practically a specific against the disease.

German children must be vaccinated before two and again before twelve those entering the army are again vaccinated and the result is that in Germany smallpox is now a medical curiosity, the deaths last year from that disease being but one hundred and sixteen in a population of fifty mil-

lion. Germany is a model of precaution in dealing with this disease.

Dr. Russell concluded by saying there was absolutely no occasion for fear of a general epidemic but cautioned all to be vaccinated and insure themselves and others against possible danger.

ART EXHIBIT.

Library Open To-morrow Evening That All May See It.

To-morrow evening by special permission, the Historical Library will be open, allowing an opportunity for all to visit the Art Exhibit in the Historical Rooms. The Self-Government Association has arranged for a series of short talks by members of the faculty which will be delivered in the following order:

Friday evening Professor Haskins; Saturday afternoon at 2:30, Miss Kollong; Latin day evening, Professor Sharp; Monday afternoon, Professor O'Shea; Monday evening, Professor Slaughter; Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Eaton; Tuesday evening, Miss Kellogg; Wednesday afternoon, Professor Dodge; Wednesday evening, Professor Hobbs; Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Carson; Friday afternoon, Mr. Smith; Friday evening, Professor Jastrow.

The exhibit will be open every afternoon and evening for the remainder of this week and all of next, and is entirely free. The lecture to-morrow afternoon will be at 2:30 in order to enable the library to close at four as usual. The other lectures will take place at four in the afternoon and eight in the evening.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

Professor Sparling Preparing Bill For Legislature.

The Municipal league of Wisconsin will try to have certain measures passed by the legislature this winter. In line with the model charter adopted by the National Municipal league Prof. Sparling of the University, secretary of the state league, is now preparing a bill providing for the uniform government of cities in the state. It will fix the term of office of the mayor at two years and of aldermen at four years, one-half of them to go out every two years. This, it is claimed, will insure a more continuous government.

"The trouble now is," said Prof. Sparling, "that as soon as an official learns his duties it is time for him to get out."

The schedule of salaries for the mayor of cities of different classes is also fixed. The maximum amount is stated, but the exact sum to be paid is left to the several city governments.

The effect of this reform, Mr. Sparling says, will be to eliminate partisanship in municipal government. A bill providing for uniform accounts for all Wisconsin cities will also be introduced.

Dr. Sparling says that he is not certain who he will get to father the bill, but will likely ask E. Ray Stevens to introduce it.

The Municipal league, he says, will take no action in regard to the primary election law as it is now a partisan issue in this state.

—Twenty-one men were vaccinated by Dr. Sheldon at the Y. M. C. A. house after eleven o'clock last night.

—C. G. Collins, '01, is seriously ill at the Phi Psi house with pneumonia.

—Sam Echlin, '98, visited Phi Psi brothers Thursday.

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Oil was poured on the troubled waters at the convocation today. That might be one way of describing a smooth talk.

Now that the mantle of winter covers the earth, there is heard the merry jingle of the sleighbells by night and the more or less merry jingle of the alarm clock at morn.

January Alumni Appears.

The January number of the Alumni Magazine is distributed and adds one more to the series of interesting numbers that this magazine has given us since its publication commenced. The leading article on "Needs of the University" is an excellent symposium of opinions from such men as Senator Vilas, Acting-President Birge, John Johnson and others.

Another interesting item is the account of the agitation that took place long ago for a medical department at the University. "A Girl's Spree a Dozen Years Ago" is completed in this number. The best part of the issue is the record of current events in University circles. This department cannot help being of the greatest interest to those alumni who take the magazine. Many an old alumnus is rejoiced to hear of the doings of his old literary society or of some organization that he has been connected with.

Ancient and Modern Rome.

In the first part of his illustrated lecture yesterday afternoon, Dr. Showerman mentioned many of the parallels between ancient and modern life at Rome which are impressed upon the mind of the student there and which bring him into touch with the Romans of two thousand years ago. The parallels given were especially in the line of burial customs. The lecturer recited several of his experiences among the modern Romans and told of their effect in drawing antiquity much nearer.

The Appian Way was next taken up, and an afternoon's excursion upon it described. The lecture was concluded with a history and description of the Imperial Fora in the city of Rome from Augustus to Aurelian.

The next illustrated lecture will occur Tuesday.

Short Course Literary Society.

The regular meeting of the short course literary society will be held this evening at 7 o'clock in main hall. The band, composed of members of the course, will play, and a feature is an address by some member of the faculty. Much interest is taken in the proceedings and the hall is usually well filled. The program for tonight is as follows: Music society; recitation, C. W. Lassen; music, quartet; selection, R. E. Bradley; music band; selection, R. E. Shaw; recitation, R. Burton; Fish Stories, Wm. McLain. There will also be a debate on the question, "Resolved, that northern Wisconsin offers better opportunities for the young man than the southern portion." The affirmative will be supported by J. H. Liebe, Wm. R. Thompson and James M. Signor and the negative by G. W. Smith, C. D. Gordon and J. D. Clark. Then will follow the reading of the Crescent, the weekly newspaper of the Short Course society. The editor is S. E. Watson, who has for assistants C. K. Moore, W. E. Holt, R. E. Kluck, L. J. Birge, J. J. Woohos, L. F. Keogh, J. E. Bellinger and J. E. Donnelly.

Skating.

The snow has again spoiled the skating, to the keen regret of hundreds of students who have been taking their exercise on the ice of late. The management of the Skating Club could not clean a rink yesterday, because of a strong wind that blew the snow back as fast as it was removed. However, they will put eight scrapers at work today, and expect to have a large space at the foot of Frances street in excellent condition by Saturday. Mr. Meyer has had some tickets printed, and they will soon be placed on sale at a very moderate price. The ice will be cleaned from day to day, so that this popular outdoor sport may be enjoyed for some time to come.

Rev. H. T. Colestock, Sunday.

The Rev. H. T. Colestock, pastor of the Baptist church, will address the Y. M. C. A. meeting next Sunday. His subject will be "Looking at the Unseen." Those who heard Mr. Colestock last spring will be especially glad of another opportunity.

Mr. W. W. Cooper, of Kenosha, who was announced for next Sunday, will be here a week later.

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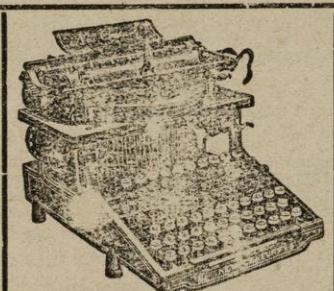
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Notice—English 30.

Those members of the 9 and 11 o'clock divisions of English 30 who failed to pass the first two quizzes will be given an opportunity to try again on Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 3 p. m.

J. F. A. Pyre.

Algebra.

The examination in Algebra which was to have occurred in Room 1, U. H. at 9 a. m. Saturday, Jan. 2, has been postponed to same hour, Saturday, Jan. 19.

A. R. Crathorne.

Classical Club.

The Classical Club will meet Saturday evening, the 12th, at the home of Miss Katherine Allen, 228 Langdon. Selections from Tibullus will be read. Grant Showerman.

German.

Until further notice Mrs. Eaton's classes will report as follows:

Mod. Cl. Fresh. to Miss Herfurth. Mod. Cl. Soph. to Mr. Lessing. The class in Mod. German (Tu. Th) at 10) to Dr. Roedder, the class in Laokoon (Tu. at 2, W. at 12) to Professor Voss. The Engin. Fresh. Section (M. Tu. Th. F. at 11) will recite to Mr. Meisnest in room 2, all the other classes recite as heretofore in room 9.

Ernst Voss.

Members of the Faculty.

The editors of the Alumni Magazine desire to publish a complete record of the participation of members of the faculty in meetings of educational and scientific societies. With this in view, members of the faculty are requested kindly to leave the necessary memoranda with Registrar Hiestand or Professor Meyer.

To all Students in the College of Engineering.

I take this means of announcing to all students in the College of Engineering that Mrs. Johnson and I will be at home, very informally, on Saturday evenings from now till the end of the college year, to all the students in this college. Because of our limited accommodations, however, it has been thought best to give to each of the four classes particular evenings, and the following scheme has been decided upon. The first Saturday evening in every month will be given to the senior class and graduate students, the second to the junior class, the third to the sophomore class, and the fourth (and also the fifth if there be one), to the freshman class. While this division it not intended to be rigid, and any student would be gladly received on any evening, it will probably be found best to adhere to this classification in a general way. Because the first Saturday evening of this month has already passed, both the senior and junior students will be received on Saturday evening January 12th. It is hoped that every student in the college will avail himself of this invitation one or more times during the college year. These evenings will be absolutely informal and it will be our effort to make those who come feel at home and without constraint.

J. B. Johnson,
Dean College of Engineering.

Mrs. Abbie Fiske Eaton instructor in German fell on the slippery pavement of the Congregational church, fracturing her arm at the wrist. Dr. Sheldon was called and reduced the fracture. Mrs. Eaton is resting easily, although she suffers some pain, and expects to be out in a few days. In the meantime arrangements have been made for others of the faculty to have her classes.

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Chairman.

Fencing Club.

Mr. Pierre de Soucy will meet all students who wish to take lessons in fencing at 4 o'clock Saturday, Jan. 12th, in my office. This work will be accepted as a substitute for the regular gymnasium drills.

J. C. Elsom.

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To the Editor:

My attention has been called to the fact that I am quoted as saying that the University joint debates are not of such value as to deserve publication. I have consistently opposed every suggestion that they be published in the Bulletin of the University, for reasons which I will state. Before doing so I desire to say that I appreciate the great amount of painstaking labor which is devoted to the collection of the data for these debates, as well as the ability which is shown in sifting the material and preparing it for a most effective presentation. I should be the last to cast any slur upon the character of these investigations for the purpose intended, and the reputation of Wisconsin as a debating University is a sufficient indication of their value as debates.

It is only when these debates are published as contributions to knowledge emanating from a University that I would presume to question their value. This I would do, not because they do not contain a store of information, but because its manner of presentation is argumentative rather than scientific. It will hardly be denied that the one object sought in a University debate is to secure the decision of the jury for the debater's own society—and this not on the merits of the question necessarily but on the merits of the debate. To win a debate for the society defending the weaker side of the question would reflect the greater credit. Of necessity facts can not be presented with proper regard to their importance—those unfavorable to the debater's contention must be suppressed or if considered their value must be minimized or an incorrect impression be conveyed concerning them.

For one debater to present an array of figures and diagrams to prove a point in debate and for his opponent to follow with figures and diagrams to prove the contrary, is so common as to occasion no surprise. Yet as the conclusions formed in the two instances may be diametrically opposed to one another, both cannot be right, and though an understanding of all the conditions might harmonize the extreme statements the debate offers neither the time nor the proper temper for its accomplishments. The effect of such presentation is therefore to enrage rather than to clear the intellect addressed by the debater. These difficulties which seem to be inherent in the debate render them unsuited to publication as investigations of a scientific character. An investigation published by a University should above all things be an honest, dispassionate and full discussion of determined facts. A debate is in its very essence a dishonest presentation—though intentionally and allowably such, for a debater who should state his honest opinion based on a calm study of the facts and with no regard to its effect upon the decision would be very properly ruled out.

I trust that this somewhat lengthy presentation of my ground for opposing publication of debates in the Bulletin of the University will not be interpreted as indicating hostility to them considered as debates or to their publication as such.

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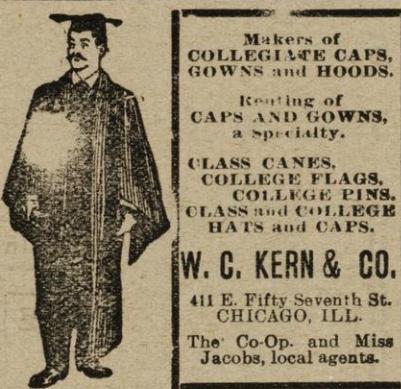
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