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MANY VALUABLE DISCOVERIES

MADE IN AGRICULTURAL EXPERI- MENTS AT THE FARM.

New Varieties of Grains and Forage
Plants Being Tested—Work on
Grain Smut Problem.

The agriculture department of the University is usually thought of as a school for instruction for prospective farmers and dairymen. In reality the instructional part of the work of the men engaged in this department is confined almost entirely to the winter months when experimental work is impossible. Although the Short Course in Agriculture has attracted wide attention and performs a valuable function, nevertheless, the chief work of the agricultural department of the University is agricultural experimentation. The University experiment farm is a branch of the United States department of agriculture.

Owing to the favorable weather during the last few days the work in the experimental plot department at the farm has been greatly facilitated. All the varieties of grains and forage plants have been seeded except a few which are to be sown when the season is more advanced.

The field in which the experimental plots are located contains about five acres and is divided into seven sections, each section also subdivided.

The work is under the direction of Assistant R. A. Moore who has brought about the systematic arrangement of this experimental work.

In section A an experiment is being carried on with a new grass called the bromus inermis. This variety of grass was introduced by the United States government and is noted for its rank growth and ability to grow on dry soil. It also makes a good sod where pasture is required. The plot was seeded April 23, 1901 and the grass is now 9 inches tall and would make an excellent pasture. On another part of section A, a co-operative experiment with the United States department of agriculture is being carried on with varieties of European and American red clovers. The object is to ascertain whether or not the European varieties are preferable to the common varieties grown in the United States.

On section B an experiment is being made with Turkestan alfalfa sowed with oats as a nurse crop. This alfalfa has been recently introduced into the United States by the various experimental stations and is noted for its hardness to withstand long drought and its ability to endure the cold winters of the north. The alfalfa and its ability to endure the cold was sowed April 24, and is now well above ground, showing an excellent catch.

Section C is reserved for cow peas and soy beans which will be seeded later in the season. The soy bean was probably introduced in the United States from Japan about 25 years ago and has been cultivated with success in the southern states. In Japan it is used extensively as a food, but in this country it is grown as a forage plant. Soy beans of a late variety gave a cutting of 9.9 tons of green forage per acre on the experimental

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First Preliminary To-morrow.
The first preliminary competitive drill of the University regiment will take place tomorrow in the gymnasium. Only the three companies of the first battalion will drill tomorrow while the other companies will compete on Thursday.

The coming drills have been the cause of the manifestation of considerable interest and the competition certainly promises to be very keen. The honor being considered a member the best disciplined company and incidentally to be awarded a silver medal has encouraged every member of the battalion to exert his best efforts.

Furthermore the competitive drills afford an opportunity to the general public of seeing some of the best work done by the department.

The "assembly" call will be sounded promptly at 4:10 p. m., and the companies composing the first battalion will appear. They are officered as follows:

Company A, Captain Phipps; company C, Captain Thorkelson; company E, Captain Kemp.

Following the company drill an individual competitive drill will take place.

IOWA VS WISCONSIN

INTER-COLLEGIATE DEBATE FRIDAY NIGHT.

Indications Point to a Close Contest
With Chances Slightly in Favor
of Wisconsin.

The annual Iowa-Wisconsin debate will be held on Friday evening, May 10th, at Library Hall.

For a number of years these two institutions have met in debating contests and with one exception, Wisconsin has carried off the palm of victory. Last year our team was defeated and this year's debate is therefore of especial interest for Wisconsin's reputation as one of the foremost of western debating institutions, is in a measure at stake. The question is that of governmental construction of the Nicaraguan canal, Wisconsin supporting the affirmative of the proposition. This problem is of vital interest, and every student in the University should avail himself of this opportunity of hearing an able and comprehensive discussion of the question.

Wm. E. Smith, Peter Tscharnier and A. V. Smith will represent Wisconsin. They have worked earnestly and faithfully and well deserve the enthusiastic support of the student body. The Iowan team is composed of Messrs. Merrian, Moore and C. C. Converse, all of them men of ability and prominent in debating and oratory at Iowa.

Two of the judges have been selected: Professor Wigmore of Northwestern University and Professor Bogart of Oberlin. The third will be determined upon within a day or two.

Indications point to a close and interesting contest with chances slightly in favor of Wisconsin.

J. R. Robinson has recently accepted a position at Phoenix, Arizona. He was formerly instructor in butter and cheese making in the dairy school.

Don't fail to see the biggest social event of the season at the theatre Thursday night.

COLLEGE MUSIC AND COMMEDIETTA

HOME CONCERT AT FULLER THURSDAY NIGHT.

Excellent Program Arranged—List of
Patronesses—Seats on Sale Wednesday Afternoon.

Preparations for the annual Glee club concert are rapidly nearing completion. A list of patronesses has been arranged, which is as follows: Mesdames Spooner, Vilas, Main, Edsall, Reinsch, Scott, Birge, Slaughter, B. W. Jones, Bardeen, A. D. Conover, Miner, Stanley Hanks, Olin, H. T. Sheldon, Sharpe, J. M. Parkinson, Trowbridge, Snow, Dye, C. A. Curtis, B. J. Stevens, Bashford, Spensley, J. S. Smith, Marshall, L. M. Hanks, Winslow, E. S. Sheldon, Hiestand, F. W. Brown; Messrs. Bunn, Bright, Gregory.

One of the most attractive features of the program will be the play, which is to be given under the direction of the Haresfoot club. The play is a twenty-five minute comedietta called "The Littlest Girl," which was dramatized and played by Hillyars from Richard Harding Davis' "Her First Appearance." It was first played at the Empire in New York, with great success and afterwards produced all over the country. It was used for several years by Daniel Frohman for a curtain raiser, and is still a royalty play for professionals. "The Littlest Girl" will be given at the end of the program.

The rest of the program will be the regular Glee and Mandolin club concert, with a number of special features. Among these will be a number composed of old Varsity songs, a feature which has been talked of for several years. As at last year's concert the Girl's Glee club will render a selection. Mr. F. P. Bowen will sing a solo.

The concert will be given at popular prices, the best seats being a dollar. Reserved seats can be obtained Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the box office.

Dr. Robinson To-morrow.

Dr. Robinson, late of the University of Toronto but now connected with the McCormick Institute of Chicago will deliver the first of the series of Hebrew lectures at room 16 Main Hall to-morrow at 4 o'clock. Dr. Robinson spent several years in the Land of Moab and the lecture will be on "The Desert of the Wanderings."

The lecture will be illustrated by many interesting lantern slide views from photographs taken by the lecturer.

Judges for Competitive Drills.

The committee to judge the contests of May 7th and May 9th are:

Major H. W. Quentmeyer, 1st Regt. W. N. G., Capt. J. P. Joachim, Co. G. 1st Regt. W. N. G., 1st Lieut. J. W. O'Connell.

The committee for the final contest, May 16th will be hereafter announced. The four captains of the best drilled companies will be appointed next fall in the order of merit: Colonel, Lieut.-Colonel of Regiment and Majors of the first and second battalion.

C. A. Curtis,
Commandant.

TRAINING TABLE STARTED.

Sixteen Track Candidates Will Fare
at University Hotel.

The training table for the track men was started today at the University hotel. The following sixteen men were sent to the table: Captain McGowan, Hahn, Keachie, Webster, Carpenter, MacEachron, Burdick Chapman, Senn, Schule, Borreson, Bredsteen, Bishop, Hughes, MacFarland and McCrossen.

The special attractions for the track meet Friday will be the relay race between Madison and South Side high schools, the inter-sorority 100 yard dash and the inter-fraternity relay race. Each fraternity will be represented by six men each of whom is to run about one hundred and fifty yards. All men are eligible to run who have not made the track team during the past two years.

WISCONSIN LEADS

HEADS PERCENTAGE LIST IN "BIG NINE" RACE.

Beloit Will Play Here Wednesday and
Chicago Comes to Try Conclusions on Saturday.

	W.	L.	P. C.
Wisconsin	3	0	1000
Chicago	3	1	750
Michigan	2	2	500
Illinois	2	3	400
Northwestern	1	4	200
Minnesota	0	4	000

The above results while not including all of the big nine give the standing of the leading teams of the conference colleges. Wisconsin takes the lead, having won all of her championship games. The Maroons take second place, having a clean record with the exception of the game with the Illinois when they were unmercifully trounced. Michigan quit even on her trip, which shows that the Wolverines have a fast bunch in the championship race. Illinois and Northwestern have been playing erratic games and unless a brace is taken they will not cut much figure in the pennant figuring. Minnesota failed to win a game on her trip although some of the contests were extremely close. Indiana and Purdue put up such an indiscriminate article of ball that they are hardly in the class with the others while Iowa has played no championship games as yet.

The Week's Outlook.

Illinois plays two games with Michigan and one with Chicago this week. This is a good chance for the Illini to show the stuff they are made of and things may look different before another week comes round.

For Wisconsin there comes another trying week. The two victories over Minnesota and Northwestern showed no particular strength on the part of the Badgers although the stick work on Saturday was the best seen here this season. Both games were won by a single score and a team that will play good ball will be in hailing distance of them at all times.

Beloit comes to try conclusions with the locals on Wednesday. Notwithstanding the overwhelming defeat of last week, the Varsity players are confident of giving the Line City team a close rub and should their present batting streak continue, Adkins may come to grief.

The Maroons are scheduled for Saturday.
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Saturday's Game.

Saturday's defeat of Northwestern was very acceptable to the students of the University, especially after our overwhelming defeat at the hands of Beloit last Wednesday. The team this year seems to be what it has seldom been before, and that is a good batting team. In college games a good hitting team always has the advantage, as the fielders as a rule, are not able to cover as much ground as the professional players; and the rooters will readily forgive fielding errors if the team only hits the ball when hits are needed.

As Northwestern has succeeded in defeating Illinois, our chances for the western championship are brighter than ever, and if the good work continues the coveted rag may yet float in the breezes at Camp Randall.

Sacred Concert.

The announcement that a sacred concert will be given next Sunday afternoon is a gratifying one and if the interest that was taken in those given before is any criterion the attendance will be most gratifying. These concerts uniformly command the best musical talent in the University and more than repay the time necessary to attend them. The class of music rendered is of the highest and the meeting will be a rare musical treat as well as a religious gathering. The efforts made to get up this concert are another evidence of the christian associations of the University. Everybody should attend if possible.

The Weather.

Showers tonight and Tuesday. Cooler to-night.

—Dean W. A. Henry returned from Beaver Dam Saturday where he delivered a lecture on Sugar Beet Culture.

—Professor C. H. Haskins gave a dinner at Keeley's Saturday afternoon, for a dozen gentleman friends.

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urday and Stagg's men should be a good match for Wisconsin. Although defeated but once this year in a championship game, Notre Dame made them look like carfare on Saturday, and they have yet to show their ability to play good consistent ball.

Saturday's Game.

Northwestern was a sweet morsel for the Badgers Saturday, "Doc" Hollister's men being taken into camp by the score of seven to six. The locals played a miserable fielding game having eight almost inexcusable errors to their discredit while the Methodists rejoiced in having but one. Captain Pierce's men made it up, however, in their stick work. Johnson the purple crack pitcher being put out of business in four innings while four safe ones were harvested off Jackson's delivery by the first four men up. Mathews was almost invincible. His opponents could get but four safe hits during the game. For Wisconsin Pierce and Ware did especially good work with the stick, the latter pounding out the first home run of the season while "Bemis" could be counted on for a good one when needed.

Shortstop seems to be troubling the coach at present. After Brobst's poor record at Beloit and Erickson's scarcely better showing during the latter part of the same game, a change was inevitable. Murphy was tried Saturday but did nothing remarkable although he accepted his two chances without error.

—The English Club has presented to the University Library the following books:

Brown, T. E.—Collected poems. Hovey, Richard—"Along the trail: a book of lyrics." Meynell, Alice—Poems. Roberts, C. G. D.—"New York nocturnes and other poems." Watson, Rosamund M.—"A summer night and other poems," and "Vespertilia and other verses."

—Professor and Mrs. M. V. O'Shea entertained the ladies of the Pi Beta Phi sorority and their gentleman friends Saturday evening at a dancing party. Some 25 couples were present.

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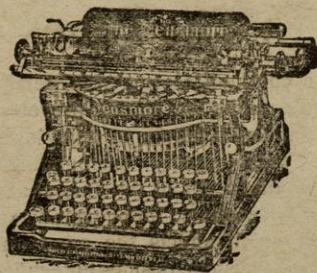
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Leader.

1903 Badger Board.

There will be a meeting of the 1903 Badger Board in Seminary room A, law building at 7 o'clock, Wednesday, May 8.

Richard H. Hollen, Chairman.

Base Ball Season Tickets.

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C. H. Kilpatrick.

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Junior Class Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the junior class in room 16, Main Hall, Wednesday at 5 p. m., for the election of Junior Life Custodian and for discussion relating to the adoption of the cap and gown for next fall.

Henry Janes, president.

Senior Class Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the senior class in the senior law lecture room at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon. As it is nearing commencement time and important business is to be transacted, a full attendance is requested.

President.

Oratorical and Debating League.

The annual meeting will be held Friday afternoon May 10th in junior law lecture room, law building, at 4 p. m., for election of officers and transaction of important business. All literary society men should be present.

R. A. Maurer, President.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The committee on intercollegiate relations of the Y. M. C. A. is at present planning for the publication of its annual hand book. The book bids fair to be a very good production.

The joint cabinet meeting of the Christian Associations will occur on Tuesday evening of next week at the home of Professor M. V. O'Shea.

The mid-week meeting on Thursday evening at the Y. M. C. A. parlors will be led by Rev. B. B. Bigler of the Presbyterian church.

The next regular Sunday afternoon meeting will be given up to a sacred concert to be given at Library Hall at the regular hour.

"Faith and Reason" was the subject of Professor Kahlenberg's address before the students yesterday afternoon.

The address was an able handling of the difficult problem of the conflict of science and religion.

The Phi Delt's new sail boat suffered an accident yesterday afternoon by the breaking of the mast. The accident occurred across the lake about a half mile from Maple Bluff, with twelve on board, including Peter Sterling. The John Day went to the rescue.

The golf meeting is postponed until tomorrow evening. The meeting will be held at the Park hotel at 7:15 and everybody interested in golf is requested to attend.

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