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BASEBALL CANDIDATES ARE OUT FOR BERTHS

Practice Daily on Front Campus; Promising Material.

The balmy spring weather has been most enticing to the baseball aspirants and forty candidates are out for berths. On the front campus any afternoon the mound artists can be seen in right "pert" practice with the horsehide sphere.

The material is very promising as the entire team of last year is back. However, Jim Park the star pitcher, will not be able to work on account of injuries and this leaves the pitching staff as yet undecided but there is good material to pick from.

Grubbs, of Mt. Sterling fame and Ad. Thomas, the only port side hurler, are the only pitchers of last year's squad, but Assistant Coach "Lutie" Gossage says some of the new aspirants, to wit: Ireland, of LaGrange, and Cisco, from West Liberty, and several others are showing good stuff. Jimmy Server, who has returned, will be out in uniform in the next few days and quite a bit is expected of him. "Dutch" Schrader, of third base fame, has been switched to the mound and is booked to show something, as well as Franklin Corn, of last year's squad.

The infield will present little, if any, change from last season, and the string of catchers presents some of the best college material to be found in the country. Curt Park and "Zobie" Reed will probably hold down the big part of the receiving line, although Tinker Hayden, a Freshman of George Calvin's tutorage, is showing up well. Capt. Jimmy Park, who has been rather ill for the past few weeks, has returned to school, to the joy of the fans, and though unable to do any pitching, will be seen cavorting around in one of the gardens.

MELCHER TO THROW HIS HAT IN RING

Prof. C. R. Melcher, of the Modern Language Department, has resigned as president of the Lexington Board of Education, preparatory to announcing his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

In his resignation Professor Melcher said that his interpretation of the law made it impossible to retain his membership on the board and become a candidate for office but the other members of the board disagreed with him and an opinion from the Attorney General will be secured.

Professor Melcher will make formal announcement of his candidacy as soon as this question is settled.

Seniors, order your invitations and cap and gown at University Book Store.

JUNIOR PROM TO BE BRILLIANT AFFAIR

The most brilliant of all social events at State University is the Junior Prom. Each year the Juniors of the school hold this traditional and formal dance in honor of the graduating class and they spare no expense or difficulty in trying to eclipse all dances that have ever preceded it. The Juniors who do not meet the obligation of class dues and forego the pleasure of this dance will certainly feel cheap and lonesome on the night of April 16th, when the "Prom" will be given at the Phoenix Hotel.

President Hundley, of the Junior class, announces that there will be twenty dances on this memorable night and that the favors will be beautifully engraved bill-books. All invitations to outsiders will be considered by an advisory committee instead of being distributed evenly among the members of the class.

JUNIOR MECHANICALS ON INSPECTION TRIP

The Junior class of the Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Department left Tuesday for Dayton, Hamilton and Cincinnati, on their annual inspection trip, under the supervision of Professor J. J. Curtiss. These tours are part of the regular work, the object being to bring the young men into contact with the immensity of engineering manufacturing.

The class arrived in Dayton at 7:30 Tuesday evening and went directly to their headquarters at the Phillips Hotel. Yesterday they visited the works of the National Cash Register Company, and the plant of the Brownell Company, manufacturers of engines and boilers.

This morning they will go to Hamilton and visit the Niles Tool Works, and the plant of Long & Allstatter, manufacturers of heavy punching and shearing machinery.

They will leave for Cincinnati this afternoon and tomorrow they will inspect the American Tool Works, the Cincinnati Milling Co., the Cincinnati Eickford Drill Co., and the Cincinnati Planer Co.

Saturday will be spent in visiting the Triumph Electric and Ice Machine Company, at Norwood, and the Union Gas and Electric Company station on Plum Street, under the charge of J. R. Duncan, of the Electrical Engineering Department.

The party will return to Lexington Saturday night. The students who went on the trip are: G. L. Crerry, E. H. Clark, C. K. Dunn, W. H. Dix, J. D. Garrett, W. M. Glenn, A. B. Huff, H. E. Melton, E. R. Pursley, K. G. Pulliam, M. S. Sullivan, T. C. Taylor, J. W. Thompson, F. Whitely, H. Worsham, G. W. Warwick.

Judge W. T. Lafferty, dean of the Law College, went to Columbus, Ohio, last week to act as one of the judges in a debate between the Ohio and Indiana State Universities.

GIRL BASKETEERS HAVE GOOD SEASON

Lose Only One Game—Champs of Tennessee and Kentucky.

Never since the famous days of Bess Hayden, Mary Rhodes and Ruby Fleming has the K. S. U. floor been graced with a girls' basketball team such as that of this year. Each and every one on the team was a star and their teamwork was just as good.

They went through the season with only one defeat, which took place in Louisville with University of Louisville girls and this would not have occurred had the co-eds been in their usual good form.

Notwithstanding this defeat their claim to the Kentucky and Tennessee championship is without a shadow of a doubt, and no other team in the two states should have any legitimate ground for claiming the honor over the K. S. U. lassies. The only strong five which they did not play was the Transylvania one but this team was considered no stronger than the Louisville girls, which no unbiased mind can say was the equal of State.

Only five of the squad were awarded K's this year and they are the regulars of the team: Misses Hughes, Wood, Heller, Taul and Innes.

This season witnesses the last appearance of two of the best players of the memorable machine. Capt. Florence Hughes won her fourth and last K this season and is without doubt one of the most exceptional co-ed basketball performers ever in Kentucky. Miss Nat Wood, who has also won her fourth K on the team, has played a consistent game the whole time, but her best work was done this year; she is one of the scrappiest little guards that has played at "Old State." These two vacancies cause a large gap which will be hard to fill next year.

The record for the season follows: State Girls 27, University of Louisville 16.

State Girls 40, Covington Y. W. C. A. 9.

State Girls 26, Wesleyan College 16.

State Girls 19, Vanderbilt 5.

State Girls 8, University of Louisville 11.

State Girls 16, Wesleyan College 9. Total, 136; opponents, 66.

BATTALION PARADE ON MAIN STREET

The cadet battalion will parade along the downtown streets tomorrow afternoon. The cadets will be in battalion formation and will arrive on Main Street near the viaduct at 3:45 o'clock. Commandant Underwood has been whipping them into shape, with drill every afternoon and expects them to make a creditable showing.

I. P. A. CONTEST PROBABLY APRIL 2

The date on which the prohibition oratorical contest will be held has not been permanently fixed but April 2 is the most probable date so far and will no doubt be selected. The officers of the club request that all contestants be prepared to appear on this date.

The orations will be examined by two lists of judges, one set of judges grading on thought and composition and the other on oral delivery. In order that the first set of judges may have time to look over the orations, those wishing to enter the contest are asked to have their speeches in typewritten form in three copies and ready to hand to R. E. L. Murphy, president of the club, March 29.

It is earnestly hoped that a large number of students will enter the contest and that a good orator will be selected to represent State University in the State contest to be held May 4, at Wilmore, Ky.

JAMES SPEED NEXT ON LYCEUM COURSE

James Speed, of Louisville, will be the next speaker on the Lyceum course program at the University, lecturing in the chapel Saturday evening, March 20. Mr. Speed is widely known as a lecturer on nature subjects, and is said to be especially familiar with the habits and life of birds. His lectures at the University will be illustrated with lantern slides, and will be entitled "Red Head," and "The Haunt of the Great Blue Heron."

This may be the last of the Lyceum course lectures, and all students should be present to hear Mr. Speed. He is highly recommended by the papers in cities where he has made addresses.

BOARD OF COMMERCE VISITS UNIVERSITY

The Board of Commerce visited the University Wednesday at noon on one of their weekly "Little Journeys." Dinner was served to the members at State Hall and after this they visited most of the buildings on the campus where they were given an opportunity to inspect the work of the various departments. They were escorted through the building by the faculty who explained what the students were doing.

The commercial relations of the University to the city were discussed in a series of talks given by members of the faculty, while the luncheon was being served at State Hall. As these were favorably received and as the Board of Commerce seemed very well pleased with what they saw on the campus it is believed that this will help materially in maintaining the good feelings of the citizens toward the students.

The Members Council announced that the Board would later in the season make "Little Journeys" to the Experiment Station and to the hog cholera serum plant on the experiment farm.

KENTUCKY DEBATERS DEFEAT GEORGETOWN

Receive Unanimous Decision of Judges in Annual Contest.

The Kentucky debating team won their eleventh annual debate from Georgetown College on last Friday night. The record of State, in the Kentucky Association, has remained unbroken for the past eight years. Out of these eleven debates the University of Kentucky has been defeated twice.

The association is composed of Georgetown College, Central University, Transylvania University and State University of Kentucky. Last year our team defeated Central and Danville and Georgetown won over Transylvania. The winners of last year met in the chapel last Friday night and the team, composed entirely of Union Society members, upheld the record of debating. Transylvania will meet Central at Danville March 26. The Kentucky team will next meet the winners of that logomachy.

The question for discussion of the Kentucky-Georgetown debate was "Resolved, That the State of Kentucky Should Adopt the Unicameral System of Government."

The affirmative, upheld by Kentucky State, was represented by Messrs. S. S. Combs, C. W. Bailey and J. N. Farmer. These debaters put up an almost perfect debate. Their team work was superb. It could be justly said that never could a greater trio represent the University on the platform.

Georgetown chose the negative and was represented by Messrs. J. A. Neal, R. Hubbard and R. W. Foster. The Georgetown debaters began discussing a question of government with that reverence presented by theologians. The team made a good presentation of the subject and upheld the good name of Georgetown, though accompanied by a small number of brother students.

The judges were Messrs. Charles Wheeler, Houstonville, Ky.; Mr. J. W. Winn, Mt. Sterling, Ky., and Edwin Quarles, of Lexington, Ky. Their decision was rendered unanimous for the affirmative.

SNEAK THIEF MAKES HAUL AT DORMITORY

The rooms of Charles Petrie and Logan Green, of Hopkinsville, and K. P. Howe, of Elizaville, at the old dormitory, were entered through a window Saturday night, by a sneak thief, who took two suits of clothes, three pairs of shoes, three razors and several pairs of pants. The loss was reported to the police and a suit of clothes and a pair of trousers belonging to Petrie were located by Detectives Donlan and Stewart in second-hand shops Tuesday. No clue to the other articles have been found.

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PEACE AND PREPARATION FOR WAR.

Elsewhere in the columns of The IDEA is found an article pertaining to an address delivered by Dr. Louis Lochner, of the University of Wisconsin, pertaining to peace. He is working for international conciliation and believes that this great neutral nation should take the lead in disarmament.

It is apparent that the need of the man behind the gun has been urgent in the past. Philosophers contend that might is right and that power shall ever be dominant. Never have rulers and statesmen made so many loving speeches as within the last decade. Nothing has flourished within the present generation so much as the campaign for peace—except the manufacture of armament.

All men with love for their brethren are opposed to the wholesale slaughter of soldiers. The power of reason appeals to the same mind as the proper tribunal to settle all disputes. Should men and kings be able to confide in one another and put forth the principle of brotherly love as did the Nazirine, there would be no occasion for dispute.

It seems as if one nation becomes mighty in war because it fears the aggression of another. This is emphasized by the present European conflict which can not be described except by that art which is older than language.

The people of America are opposed seemingly to a strong military propaganda. Columbia University has started a campaign for peace, declaring that the soldier unsheathing the crimson sword has too long been our favorite hero. And today it is souls and not soldiers that we want.

The history of the nations is little more than the history of war. Man is a warlike being and conflicts are inevitable until some substitute is given to the peoples of the earth.

Vandy co-eds have now gone in for indoor baseball. Of course they'll have the usual positions of catch-im, pitch-im, first basewoman, etc.

The girls of Transylvania and Hamilton held their first track meet last week and a Miss Mahoney carried off the honors. "Ray fer the Irish!"

A certain student whose name we wouldn't tell under any circumstances wants to get his picture in the annual and is looking for someone with a panoramic camera.

Belgian professors left without positions because of the war are coming to the United States, says a news item. Thus does the war throw great hardships upon American college students.

The Georgetown supporter who sent the debating team a note reading, "get your watch chains ready for the medal," at the debate Friday night, failed to consider the possibility that State's watch chains had already been made ready.

We take this means of notifying the M. A. C. Holcad that the poem "Dead," originally appearing in this paper and reprinted in their issue of March 8, was the work of J. F. Corn, a Junior A. B. student here, and due credit should

have been given to The IDEA.

We note that a book exchange is to be opened under the auspices of the faculty on the campus of the University of Michigan. Such a movement might be a success under faculty supervision, but past experience shows that whenever the "exchange" is controlled by the students, they generally fail to leave the other book.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The faculty of the College of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, State University of Kentucky, were called in special session at 9 a. m., March 10, 1915, and passed the following resolutions:

Whereas, The father of our Dean, Professor F. Paul Anderson, died at his home in Moline, Illinois, on Monday, March 8th; be it resolved,

First, That we, the faculty of the College of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, State University of Kentucky, express in this way our sincere sympathy with Professor Anderson and the members of his family in their loss.

Second, That a telegram expressing our sympathy and a copy of these resolutions be sent to Professor Anderson.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be entered on the minutes of the faculty.

Fourth, That the Lexington daily papers and the University IDEA be requested to publish these resolutions.

Signed,

JOSEPH DICKER, A. L. WILHOITE, W. E. FREEMAN, Committee.

BOARD OF EDUCATION EMPLOYS MITCHELL

B. H. Mitchell, a student in the Horticultural Department, has been employed by the Board of Education as supervisor of home school gardens during the summer. He will have charge of the gardens in a school yet to be selected by himself and superintendent Cassidy, of the public schools.

He will begin his work about the first of the month and will devote two afternoons each week and all of Saturday as long as the gardens require attention.

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ILLINOIS GIVES OUT
MILITARY INFORMATION

At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of the University of Illinois there was authorized the establishment of a Military Information Division in connection with the University Military Department. The idea was conceived by Joseph N. Greene, cadet-colonel and brigade commander, and is under the direct supervision of the commandant, Major F. D. Webster, Inf. U. S. A. The purpose of the division is to "compile impartial information upon all matters concerning military and naval questions of whatever character and to impart it to the university community and to all others who may apply." The university has set aside sufficient funds to pay three members of the cadet corps, one Senator to serve as chief of the division, and two Juniors to serve as assistants.

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**SENIOR INSPECTION
TRIP ITINERARY**

The Senior Mechanicals, thirty-five in number, will go to Chicago from Lexington Sunday, March 21, for the annual Senior inspection trip. The week will be spent in inspecting and visiting the mechanical and industrial plants in and about Chicago, including the Gary Steel Works, the Pullman Car Works, Central Telephone Company, Western Electric shops and others.

Headquarters will be at the Palmer House where any mail should be addressed. The party will travel over the Q. & C. and Big Four in a special Pullman.

Saturday night, March 27, the students will be guests at a banquet given by the State University Alumni Association of Chicago, the president of which this year is H. H. Lowry, of the 1910 class.

Detailed description of the trip will be mailed the Lexington papers daily.

**WEEKLY MEETING
OF "AG." SOCIETY**

The Agricultural Society held its regular meeting Monday night with an interesting program. Prof. E. J. Kinney, of the Agronomy Department, gave a talk in which he pointed out the duty of the Agricultural College graduate as producers of good seed. He said that the inquiries coming in to the Experiment Station indicate that the demand is such as to warrant one man in every county in Kentucky to devote his entire time to good seed production. Professor Kinney also urged the Agricultural College graduate to try to keep out of teaching and agricultural work as much as possible, and go back to the farm where he can lead an independent life and be able to help his community.

Mr. I. C. Graddy gave a "Short History of Farm Demonstration." He emphasized the necessity of combining theory with practice, also the valuable service that farm demonstration work has rendered the farmer. A. N. Gordon, one of the last year's arts and science graduates, and now taking work in the College of Agriculture, gave a pleasing talk on "Arts and Agriculture," reciting Bacon's Essay on Studies to illustrate the point of his talk.

**METAL TESTS MADE
BY M. & E. COLLEGE**

The Department of Mechanics of Materials of the College of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering has just completed a series of tests to determine the efficiency of electrically welded steel and cast iron. The tests were made for the C. N. O. & T. P. railroad, which does a great deal of electrical welding at its modern shops at Ferguson, Kentucky.

The breaking strength of the solid bar was compared with that of a bar of the same size and material but electrically welded. The bars were broken on the large 200,000-ton testing machine. The efficiency of the welds were found to vary from 40 per cent to nearly 100 per cent, the largest variation being in the cast iron welds.

**BIOLOGICAL CLUB
MEETING TOMORROW**

The Biological Club will hold its regular monthly meeting in the geological lecture room, Science Building, Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Prof. E. F. Farquhar, will lecture on "The Literature of Science," and Mr. C. Sidney Adams will talk on "The Cultivated Varieties of Grapes."

The public is cordially invited to hear these lectures.

**TASHOF AND BARR
IN EXTENSION WORK**

Professor I. P. Tashof and Prof. T. J. Barr, of the College of Mines and Metallurgy, are engaged in delivering a series of lectures in the interest of the extension work of the department. Professor Tashof this week is visiting Frankfort, Louisville, Newport and Cynthiana, and Professor Barr will leave Monday on a tour which will include Winchester, Mt. Sterling, Ashland, Catlettsburg, Pineville and Louisa. In each one of the towns lectures will be given before the high school students on mining and the mining industry in this State. The talks will be illustrated by lantern slides. This is the first year that an elaborate program of these lectures has been planned and many towns in addition to those mentioned will be visited during the year.

EXPERIMENT STATION NOTES

By L. H. Nelson.

J. H. Carmody, of the Experiment Station, is in Bowling Green this week instituting a large number of fertilizer tests on strawberries. The people in the Bowling Green neighborhood have a Strawberry Growers Association only a few years old. This association has grown rapidly until it now ships 100 to 250 cars of strawberries this year. Its ambition is to make the best better, both as regards yields and quality and the growers in this association are furnishing the land, labor and bearing the necessary expense to conduct these investigations.

Prof. T. R. Bryant is at present actively engaged in an alfalfa growing campaign in Harrison County. Plots have been selected on sixteen individual farms on which from one to ten acres of alfalfa will be grown, all being conducted as directed by the Experiment Station. This is the twelfth alfalfa club organized in the State the twelve clubs comprising 148 members. During Farmers' Week these members and others interested in alfalfa production organized the State Alfalfa Growers' Association, with A. F. Shouse, Fayette County, president; L. L. Dorsey, Anchorage, Ky., vice-president; T. R. Bryant, of the Experiment Station, secretary-treasurer. The members of this association are almost uniformly successful and have succeeded in growing good alfalfa in places where it had almost failed on previous trials.

Today Messrs. D. D. Slade, W. D. Nichols, Mark J. Smith, Miss Mary Sweeney, Professors W. S. Anderson, Sidney Adams and T. R. Bryant will go to North Middletown, Ky., to take part in a two days' farmers institute.

The Free Live Stock Exchange, started less than a year ago and maintained by the Experiment Station under the charge of Professor Bryant, reports encouraging success. It has been responsible for an enormous volume of sales in spite of the demoralizing effects of the war and the foot and mouth disease. The purpose of this exchange is to act as a medium between prospective buyers and sellers. No responsibility is assumed by the exchange but they put into communication those having stock to sell and those wishing to buy, leaving them to make their own trade. No fees are charged and the hope that this service would be of benefit to stockmen has been very largely realized.

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ARE INSTALLED**

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of the Y. W. C. A. took place Sunday
evening at the regular meeting. They
are as follows:

Misses Betty Farra, president; Mary
Howard, vice-president; Rebecca
Smith, treasurer; Kathleen Garrow,
secretary; Helen Burkholder, music;
Frances Geisel, pianist; Ina Darnall,
devotional; Elizabeth Alexander, poster;
Judith Beard, association news;
A. L. Whitworth, membership; Elsie
Heller, social; Lelah Galt, Bible
study; Vivian De Laine, hospital;
Marie Becker, rooms.

The new cabinet entertained the old
with a reception Monday night. De-
lightful refreshments were served.

J. W. Reed, Assistant Inspector of
Mines has recently returned from an
inspection trip of the mines in Whit-
ley county. He states that he found
conditions there similar to those in
other parts of the State. The plants
are running their full quota of em-
ployees three days a week. He said,
however, that there was a general ten-
dency toward improvement.

President H. S. Barker delivered an
address at a meeting of the State Uni-
versity Alumni Club in New York City
last week.

**TURNER RESIGNS AS
GRADUATE MANAGER**

J. D. Turner, graduate manager of
athletics, announced Tuesday that he
had tendered his resignation to the
faculty athletic committee to take ef-
fect as soon as his successor was
named. The resignation was sent to
the committee several days ago, but
Prof. E. L. Gillis, chairman of the com-
mittee, said that it had not even been
considered.

Turner was graduate manager of
athletics in '06 and '07, but for the past
eight years, previous to this, the teams
were managed by student managers,
under the supervision of the faculty
committee. Turner took up the work
again last summer and completed last
year's schedule. He has prepared for
next fall the best football schedule in
the history of the school, with four of
the six big games and the practice
games on Stoll Field.

Mr. Turner has worked faithfully to
place athletics on a higher scale, and
he has endeavored with unceasing dil-
igence, to secure good teams in all
contests. It is with regret that the
students and committee are deprived
of his valuable services in developing
the schedule and work in general con-
nected with student athletics.

PATT HALL NEWS

Miss Anita Crabbe leaves Saturday
for her home in Louisville.

Miss Lucie Shepherd has returned
after a pleasant visit to her home in
Fulton.

Miss Ruby Jane Tucker is visiting
Misses Elsie Heller and Ina Darnall.

Miss Marguerite Schweers spent the
week-end in Frankfort.

Miss Elizabeth Eldridge was the
guest of Miss Julia Eastin, on Mays-
ville Pike, last week-end.

Miss Mary Parker visited Miss May
Earnes Browning for the week-end.

Miss Anne Ammerman, of Cyn-
thiana, visited her sister, Lois Ammer-
man, last week.

Misses Laura Lee Jamison, Mary
Hamilton and Mary Gruber will spend
Saturday in Millersburg.

Miss Mary Oglesby is spending sev-
eral days in Shelbyville with her
parents.

President and Mrs. Barker were visi-
tors in Louisville this week.

Mrs. Kavanaugh and daughter visit-
ed Miss Aleene Kavanaugh Saturday.

Miss Olive Taul spent the night with
Miss Bess White, Saturday.

Miss Rachael Bohrer was a visitor
at the hall last week-end.

Miss Sara Winn McConnell hap-
pened to a very painful accident when
she fell down the stairs and injured
her spine. She is resting very well
now.

Miss Christine Hopkins visited re-
latives in Louisville last week.

Miss Elizabeth Frohman visited in
Fayette Park Sunday.

Miss Genevieve Johnson entertained
in honor of her birthday, Sunday even-
ing, with a six o'clock dinner at the
home of Mrs. M. L. Pence, on Merino
Street. The guests were: Misses
Laura Lee Jamison, Clara Whitworth,
Mary Gruber, Mary Hamilton, Helen
Desha, Esther Bailey, Annie Lewis
Whitworth, Marie Stamper, Martha
Varnon, Aleene Kavanaugh and Gene-
vieve Johnson, and Mr. William Henry
Townsend.

Mrs. W. M. Duncan will be the guest
of her daughter, Florence and Eliza-
beth, Wednesday.

Miss Mary Ricketts spent the week-
end at her home in Mt. Sterling.

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