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UNIVERSITY GIRLS IN AFFINITY CLUB

Six Have Banded Together and Each Has Marked a Victim.

A "TUBBING" IF THEY FAIL

At Christmas Winners Will "Souse" Those Who Did Not Make Good.

If you see a girl wearing a hunted look, dodging in the mere sight of a girl, don't put her down as a misanthrope, or a football hater trying to escape flattery, or a hushed professor—she may only be sidestepping his self-appointed affinity.

For the University of Missouri, leader in football and things intellectual, has an affinity club, in good working order. The club is composed of half a dozen young women who room at one of the popular boarding houses near the campus. Of course the affinity idea for it is old and can't begin to compare with Uncle Joe Cannon as a sportswriter in the newspapers. But the young women of the affinity club have made several brand new wrinkles to the idea.

Each member of the club, as a requisite of membership, has selected an affinity and told his name to the other girls. The rules of the organization require that she shall have had only the most distant speaking acquaintance with the fortunate one—or the victim, depending on the point of view. The choice is final; the rules prohibit the changing of affinities. Having made her choice, the young woman strives to obtain some marked recognition from her affinity. The penalty for failure is a "tubbing."

The open season for the affinities closes at Christmas. If before that time a member of the club has not succeeded in having her affinity pay her some special attention, she must take a "tubbing" in the presence of the other members who have "made good." And the water won't be warm.

"Marked attention," as defined by the club, means an invitation to a dance or the theater or a request to call. A stroll on the campus won't do. One young woman has already achieved such success with her affinity that she is certain to escape the penalty. Another, not so fortunate, appealed to the sister of the young man she had chosen. The sister told the affinity what a fine girl she was and urged him to call on her. The brother so far has remained obdurate. It is against the rules of the game for a member to tell about the club to any of the marked men. She must win—or lose—on her merits.

BANQUET FOR THE TIGERS.

Columbia Merchants Will Entertain the Varsity Champions.

The merchants of Columbia will give a banquet in honor of the victorious Tiger football team about December 15. Representatives of alumni associations in St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Joplin, Springfield, Carthage and several other towns, members of the faculty and the Tiger squad and coaches will attend. One hundred and thirty persons have been invited.

Each member of the squad who played against Kansas will be given a gold football watch. On one side of the football will be engraved "University of Missouri Football Team, 1909," and on the other, "Missouri Valley Champions."

"The merchants of Columbia have always been behind the team," said W. W. Garth, Jr., who has charge of the plans for the banquet, "and especially this year, and we want to do this occasion to prove our gratitude for the fine showing this year. We intend to make this dinner an annual affair."

JOPLIN STUDENTS IN FOOTBALL

Team Composed of University Men Will Play High-School There.

Elmer Burgess, a freshman in the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri, who has his home in Joplin, Missouri, has arranged for a football game to be played at Christmas between the Joplin high school football team and a team formed from the Joplin students at the university. It is probable that Carl Rustine and David Dexter will be in the line-up of the university team.

Dr. D. T. MacDougal, to Lecture.

Dr. D. T. MacDougal, of the Carnegie Institute at Washington, will talk on "Mutation" in the physics lecture room of the Engineering Building at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

MORE SHOWERS PREDICTED.

"Unsettled" Is the Weather Forecast for Columbia.

The weather forecast promises showers again tonight. Today's forecast for Columbia and vicinity is: "Unsettled with showers late tonight or Wednesday. Warmer tonight."

The temperatures:
7 a.m. 46 11 a.m. 47
8 a.m. 45 12 noon 48
9 a.m. 45 1 p.m. 49
10 a.m. 46 2 p.m. 52

SUES FOR LAND WORTH \$7,317.

Mrs. Mary A. Murray Brings Proceedings Against Daughter-in-Law.

Mrs. Mary A. Murray, who lives two miles east of Columbia, has brought suit against Mrs. Maggie R. King, her daughter-in-law, for possession of land near Columbia valued at \$7,317.15. Mrs. Murray's son, Nathan King, died last year, without a will. His land was claimed by his wife. This was valued at about \$15,000. Because the mother says, she had an earlier claim on the land, she has filed suit for one-half, allowing the other half to be left in the possession of the widow.

ORCHESTRA IS COMING

Money Raised to Bring St. Louis Symphony Players Here.

The bringing of the St. Louis Symphony company to Columbia has been assured. It was announced by Dr. H. Albrecht, of the Phi Mu Alpha, today that the necessary money had been obtained. The signing of the contract will bring three first-class musical entertainments here. The first will be held in January, the second in February and the last in March.

The members of the Phi Mu Alpha have raised \$1,485, which was necessary as a guarantee. About \$500 has been obtained through personal subscription, and the rest through the sale of tickets. Members of the Phi Mu Alpha say there will be other expenses which must be covered. They hope that the entertainments will be well enough attended to make the venture a success.

Plans are being made to give a series of preparatory talks in the University of Missouri auditorium by Prof. W. H. Pommer to interest students in the entertainments.

BETAS HAD LARGEST CHAPTER

294 Fraternity Men and 77 Sorority Girls Last Year.

In the second semester of the school year 1908-9 294 students of the University of Missouri were members of fraternities and seventy-seven were members of sororities. There are thirteen fraternities at this university and four sororities. Of the fraternities the Beta Theta Pi had the largest membership—thirty men. There were thirty-one women in the Kappa Kappa Gamma last semester. These figures were obtained from the report of the faculty committee on statistics recently submitted to the university council of faculty men.

"EAT A HEAP OF PIE."

Alumni Banquet in Pittsburg During Missouri-Kansas Game.

A number of college alumni met at the Fort Pitt hotel in Pittsburg, Pa., last Thursday afternoon and organized a society which they named the "Eat a Heap of Pie." They held their first annual banquet. The University of Missouri was represented by John Gardner, of Canton, Ohio, and Herbert J. Gladfelter, of Johnstown, Pa.

The Missouri-Kansas football game was discussed and the society expressed a feeling of confidence that the Tigers would uphold the honor of the Old Gold and Black.

LOWMAN IS NO BETTER.

Condition of the Assistant Coach Remains Critical.

Guy S. Lowman, assistant coach of the University of Missouri football team, who was operated on for appendicitis in Kansas City last Saturday, has not shown any marked improvement. Mr. Lowman's condition is said to be extremely critical.

Dr. J. A. Gibson received word last night that there was no change during the day.

COLUMBIANS WENT HUNTING

Records Show Turkey Day Was Spent in Quest of Game.

Many Columbia persons spent Thanksgiving day hunting, according to the record of hunting licenses. The Boone County clerk issued sixty-four licenses the day before Thanksgiving and of these fifty-four were for residents of Columbia. The total number of licenses issued since September 1 is now 1,114.

MANY M. U. GIRLS WEAR DIAMONDS

Sixty Young Women With Gems on Fingers Counted in an Hour.

ONE HAD FOUR RINGS

Most of Them Were Gifts on Graduation Day at the High School.

The high water mark of prosperity, perhaps, is the diamond. By actual count a large percentage of the women of the University of Missouri come from families which reach this standard. In an hour's time in Academic hall this morning sixty young women students who wore diamonds were counted.

At a large estimate, 200 women were seen. Of these at least a fourth wore gloves and perhaps an eighth carried their hands so that it could not be determined whether or not they were diamonds. Some of the diamonds were very tiny and some were large and beautiful gems.

One girl wore a diamond sorority pin, but the rest of the diamonds in evidence were set in rings. Most of them were solitaires, worn on the right hand. One girl had four and said she usually wore five. A number of these rings appeared to be heirlooms.

Most of the diamonds, the young women say, came as a gift from their fathers when they were graduated from high school. In one graduating class where there were nineteen girls each wore a diamond ring on commencement day.

BAND HAS SUMMER CONTRACTS

University Cadet Players Have Received Many Offers.

The University Cadet band will maintain its organization next summer. Already contracts have been made for the band to play at Electric park, Joplin, in June; at the meeting of the Traveling Men's association in Marshall, Mo.; at the Elks' convention in Detroit, Mich., in July, and a week in July at the Knight Templars' convocation in Chicago.

About thirty members will remain with the band. All of its appearances will be under contract.

"It is the best band the university has ever had," said B. H. Ozment, the director, today.

"The new material that came in this year is far superior to previous years. It made a hit in Kansas City, not only for its excellent playing and appearance, but for the good behavior of its members. We heard nothing but compliments on all sides. Mayor Crittenden of Kansas City was one who paid the band a compliment."

UNIVERSITY CLEANS STREETS.

Dirt Being Removed From Gutters Before Snow Falls.

The dirt which has been accumulating in the gutters of the paved streets adjoining the campus of the University of Missouri is being removed. Prof. M. L. Lipscomb, superintendent of buildings and grounds, who has charge of the work, says the streets will be thoroughly cleaned before snow falls. He urges all property owners to clean the dirt from the gutters in front of their homes so the winter rains can wash the streets clean. He says the dirt from the gutters is very fertile and is good to spread on the lawn before winter. A little work now will prevent the streets becoming dirty and sloppy after the heavy snows begin to fall, he says.

WAS PROUD OF HIS LOUD SOCKS

But a Crowd of Fellow Students Took Them Off for Him.

"Loud" socks proved the undoing of E. R. Albin, of St. Louis, a sophomore in the College of Arts and Science at the University of Missouri, when he attempted to display them too prominently before a crowd of students last Monday. Albin was so pleased with the socks that he added a "dutch" roll to his trousers to show them off better. The crowd failed to appreciate the effect. He was ordered to take them off, and when he refused the students removed them for him. He was compelled to walk to his room at Lathrop Hall in his bare feet.

Governor Appoints Dr. Parrish.

Dr. J. C. Parrish, chairman of the executive board of the University of Missouri, has been appointed by Governor Hadley delegate from Missouri to the National Rivers and Harbors Congress to be held December 6 and 7 in Washington.

MUST GET \$12,000 BEFORE MIDNIGHT

Telegraphic Returns From the Bible College Campaign Tonight.

DEAN SHARPE CONFIDENT

Total of \$50,000 Needed to Get the R. A. Long Endowment.

A few days ago citizens of Columbia gathered to watch bulletins announcing the success or defeat of the Tiger football team. Tonight they will gather at the Christian church to watch bulletins telling whether the Bible College of Missouri has been successful in raising \$50,000 in order to get a similar amount offered by R. A. Long of Kansas City.

The limit set by Mr. Long for raising the amount is December 1. A total amount of \$37,000 had been raised by noon today. This leaves \$12,000 to be procured by midnight tonight. Twelve persons are in various parts of Missouri today making an extraordinary effort to raise this amount.

The faculty and students of the Bible College of Missouri, the congregation of the Christian church and all persons in Columbia interested in raising the endowment will gather at the Christian church tonight and hear the telegraphic reports of the campaign.

"I have no proof the amount will be raised, but I have faith," said Prof. C. M. Sharpe, dean of the college, this morning. "We will not give up until the last gun is fired."

The work of raising the endowment is in charge of the Rev. G. D. Edwards, of Columbia, the financial agent for the college. He is in Kansas City directing the work of soliciting funds in that city.

The \$50,000 endowment offered by Mr. Long provided the college raised a similar amount, was offered a year ago. Most of the money already procured was raised in the smaller towns of Missouri. The college already has an endowment of \$50,000.

MORE HONOR FOR M. U.

Scholarship and First Prize to Stock Judging Team in Chicago.

The University of Missouri's College of Agriculture has won new laurels. Now it has received first honors in the horse-judging contest at the National Live Stock Show in Chicago. This includes also the J. Ogden Armour scholarship of \$250. Announcement of this new recognition of the College of Agriculture was received by Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the University of Missouri, in a telegram from F. B. Mumford, dean of the College of Agriculture, this morning.

Missouri's stock-judging team includes: C. M. McWilliams, H. Hackel, J. E. Ryland, C. B. Smoot, L. A. Weaver, T. R. Douglas and Walter Williams. They were accompanied to Chicago by Denn Mumford and other members of the faculty.

Six schools besides Missouri were represented.

DR. LOVEJOY AT ASSEMBLY.

Professor of Philosophy Delivers First of Series of Scientific Lectures.

The faculty of the University of Missouri will endeavor to show wherein the university differs from an athletic club, according to speeches by President A. Ross Hill and Prof. A. O. Lovejoy, in the first of the non-technical lectures to be given at the university assemblies this winter. Dr. Hill said the course was designed to supplement the work of the lecture room.

The first lecture on "Science and the Sciences" was delivered by Dr. Lovejoy, professor of philosophy. He said persons are likely to think the main object of a university is athletic, especially at this time of the year he spoke of the hope of philosophers for the reduction of all the sciences to one general science.

HEAD OF NURSES' SCHOOL QUILTS

Miss Josephine Shields Resigns After Five Years at Hospital.

The resignation of Miss Josephine Shields, head of the Nurses' Training School at the Parker Memorial Hospital, was accepted by the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri at a meeting in Kansas City last Wednesday. The resignation will take effect January 1, 1910. Miss Shields completed her fifth year at the Parker Memorial Hospital last October. She says she desires a rest.

"GOLDEN" CHANCE FOR NOBLES

Dr. Max Meyer Finds Matrimonial "Ad" in Vienna Paper.

Dr. Max Meyer, professor of psychology in the University of Missouri, who is on a year's leave of absence in Germany, has found in "The New Vienna Daily" of November 18, an advertisement of a matrimonial agency which contracts for the marriage of German aristocrats and rich American girls. Mr. Meyer has sent a marked copy of the Vienna paper to the University Missourian. Here is the translation:

An Appeal to Aristocrats.

A serious candidate will depart presently for America. The same has there favorable relations with the financial world and intends to arrange matrimonial alliances between parties possessing millions and well situated aristocrats. Letters of those interested are requested to be sent to

Dollarprinces
Vienna, Maximilian Street.

BUTTER AT 40 CENTS

Highest Price Asked in Columbia for Twenty Years.

The price of butter in Columbia is higher now than it has been for twenty years. It is retailing here now at 40 cents a pound.

"If you will explain why all other farm products are higher probably you can explain why butter is so high," was the comment of Clarence H. Eckles, professor of dairy husbandry of the University of Missouri, today.

"Of course at this time of the year butter is higher because the cows are stabled and they are fed dry feed. This does not produce a supply of milk and butter fat that the meadow grass does."

The dealers attributed the high price to the increase in the cost of feed, which has almost doubled in price in the last two years. The creamery has a ready sale for its products at the Elgin prices, which is taken as the standard of prices. The farmers realize more money from the sale of their butter fat to the creamery than from the butter itself. Prices for butter fat at the creamery vary according to the market price, but are usually at the same price or a cent lower.

"I AM MARRIED NOW."

Instructor in Engineering Surprised His Class This Morning.

W. R. Benson, an instructor in the School of Engineering, and Miss May Hart, cashier at the Missouri Store, were married Thanksgiving Day at the home of the bride at Midway, near Columbia. The first news of the wedding was when Mr. Benson told his class in freshman engineering this morning.

He began his lecture with "I am married now."

Mr. Benson was graduated from the University of Missouri in 1907. He returned to take a position as instructor in civil engineering last September.

WANT GAME WITH ILLINOIS.

Alumni in St. Louis Favor Dropping Contest With Washington.

Alumni of the University of Missouri in St. Louis are planning to bring the Tigers and the University of Illinois together on the gridiron in St. Louis some time next fall. The second Saturday before Thanksgiving is suggested. The Tigers would then be in midseason form and still have time enough to prepare for the Kansas game.

The St. Louis Times said: "The Missouri-Washington game of late years has never amounted to much, as the Myrtle and Maroon squad is always underdog. Competent judges claim that with Missouri playing its fastest, it could show the Pikers under, 50 to 0."

The Times strongly favors a game between the Tigers and the Wild.

HISTORY OF OLD NEWSPAPERS

St. Louis Republic Issues Booklet Telling of Century-Old Papers.

"The Century Club of American Newspapers" is the title of an attractive booklet just issued by the St. Louis Republic. It contains a story of each of the eighty-two newspapers in this country which have lived 100 years or more.

The book contains pictures of the Republic building in St. Louis and of the early editors of the Republic. The St. Louis Republic is the only newspaper in Missouri more than 100 years old. Pennsylvania has the largest number of century-old newspapers. Nineteen are listed with the club from that state.

GIRL WIFE TRIES TO END HER LIFE

Mrs. Acton, Mother of a Three-Months-Old Child, Drinks Poison.

LITTLE CHANCE TO LIVE

Quarreled with Husband Because He Went to Dances Without Her.

Mrs. Myrtle Acton, the girl-mother of a three-months-old child, is near death at her home on North Eighth Street as the result of an attempt to end her life by drinking wood alcohol Sunday afternoon. She had quarreled with her husband, Wesley Acton, because, it is said, he attended dances without her.

Mrs. Acton, who is 18 years old, was married about a year ago. Her husband is employed at the Hamilton-Brown shoe factory. Relatives say they quarreled frequently.

Members of her brother-in-law's family, who live in the same house, noticed that something was wrong with her when she walked into the room from another part of the house about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. When they questioned her, she told them what she had done.

Her physician said this morning that she is still suffering from the effects of the drug and that there is little chance of her recovery. She was thought to be better yesterday afternoon, but became worse this morning.

TO ENFORCE SCHOOL LAW.

U. R. Hertig Will Investigate All Cases of Truancy.

U. R. Hertig, attendance officer of the Columbia school district, expects to enforce the law regarding children who do not attend school.

"Many cases of truancy are due to neglect on the part of parents or guardians in not seeing that their children go to school every day," said Mr. Hertig this morning. "Children between the ages of 8 and 16 years have, by law, the privilege of a common school education, and parents and guardians are required by this law to offer such privileges. I shall enforce this law. Children under 14 years of age may be excused only by mental or physical inability. Children from 14 to 16 years of age may be excused if their earnings are necessary for the support of the family. I shall consult with Prof. William Hays, superintendent of the public schools, this afternoon, and we will go over a list of all truantees. I shall begin work at once."

BIG EIGHT CONFERENCE TO MEET

May Form a "Big Five" and Freeze Out Three Colleges.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—Faculty representatives of the "Big Eight" colleges are billed to meet once more in Chicago this winter in a special session to consider the question of reorganization of the conference group and possibly to definitely accomplish the threatened breaking of ties between the leading Western universities. The gathering is slated for early in January.

According to leaders, the proposal to form a "Big Five" of Chicago, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois, will be the real subject of discussion at the meeting. Protests on the new laws made at the November 12 meeting, however, are expected to be the outward reasons for another assembling of the athletic clan.

LINCOLN INSTITUTE GROWING.

President's Report Tells of Increased Interest Over the State.

Lincoln Institute, the state normal and industrial school for negroes, had an enrollment of 515 at the session of 1908-1909. This is a small increase over the previous session.

B. F. Allen, president of the school, in his report to the state superintendent of schools, says that interest in the work has been growing all over the state. Industrial work is compulsory for all students at the school.

Dean Williams a Delegate.

Governor Hadley has appointed Walter Williams, dean of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri, delegate to the National Commercial Congress, to be held in Washington December 6 and 7.