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THE GREAT HOME COMING.

What better name could be found for the gathering of students and alumni at the University Saturday, November 25, than the "home-coming?" While many will come as strangers, to watch the game, yet a large number will greet former classmates, and look about with familiar eyes.

The event will in more ways than one resemble the prodigal's return. For one, two, three, four years and even longer these made their home here. It was here they found friendships that have been all-enduring; and here they obtained the equipment for battles they have been fighting.

Those who left the University within the last few years will find things much the same, but those of earlier years will find it, as they do the home after many years' absence, changed and perhaps broken up. Yet there comes the joy of family reunion; the greeting of fellow man to his brother, the grasping of hand and the heart-to-heart inquiry, with the "I've often thought and wondered about you," which so warms the heart. Like every home coming it has its pathetic side, yet we are the homefolks, and must make it as joyous as possible.

There is no more reason for saying it today than any other day, but it is quite true today as almost any other day that Steve O'Grady is doing some good work in his Missouri Notes column in the Kansas City Star and Times.

The American physician has not yet found out why the flavor of love is so often followed by a chill.

APPOINTMENTS BY MERIT.

The management of Missouri's eleemosynary institutions is a tribute to her citizenship. The commonwealth is fortunate that men of honor and ability have superintended these charities.

Can we improve?

Should the appointive power of the governor extend to the eleemosynary institutions of the commonwealth? Would not this executive more efficiently administer his office if he were relieved of the task of appointments and rid of the office-seekers?

A change tends to paralyze the efficiency of any plant. Any superintendent is hindered by the likelihood of his tenure lasting only four years. These institutions require specialists. They present delicate scientific questions, beyond the business management.

Is it fair that the deaf and dumb, the blind and the insane should be the spoils of each political campaign? The Missouriian believes that the present splendid administration of our eleemosynary institutions could be improved by a well regulated civil service.

Merit, entirely divorced from political uncertainties, can alone bring the highest efficiency.

Word comes that the University of Kansas has employed a beauty doctor. It seems that his courses will be devoted largely to showing "how it should be done." We suppose that this work will prove exceedingly popular.

Considering the marriage of foreigners to American heiresses, one might be justified in revising the old adage, "the way to a man's heart is through his stomach," into "the way to a man's heart is through your father's pocketbook."

What the Old Grads Saw

Five Years Ago.

Lincoln Steffens, the author of "The Shame of Cities" and "The Struggle For Self-Government," accepted the invitation of the Agricultural College to speak in the Auditorium on December 5.

Ten Years Ago.

An ordinance was passed by the City Council for the laying of sidewalks on Sixth street between Elm and Broadway. It was also decided that six districts for the proposed sewer should be accepted and the property bordering thereon assessed. The sewer was to cost \$1,480.

Twenty Years Ago.

Guiteau, on trial for the assassination of President Garfield, said: "My defence here is that it is the act of the Deity, not mine, and I expect he can take care of it."

Thirty Years Ago.

The Columbia Statesman indignantly refuted the charge of a Jefferson City newspaper that one of Columbia's bank presidents had been fleeced for a large sum of money by the three-card monte game. "Neither of our bank presidents has left town recently, so your information is false," the Statesman said.

Forty Years Ago.

The "Big Boot" store advertised a fine lot of shoe makings to be had at bottom low prices.

The motto of the Statesman was: "Be just and fear not; let all the ends thine aim at be thy country's."

NEWSPAPERS ARE CATALOGUED

Card Index System Used on Volumes in State Historical Library.

The 5,000 volumes of newspapers filed in the State Historical Library are now listed in a card catalogue system the same as all other books in this and the general library. Their cards are in a separate box labeled "newspapers," each under the name of the city or town in which it was published.

The oldest paper in the collection was printed in 1796. It is the Federal Gazette and Baltimore Daily Advertiser. The oldest Missouri paper was printed in 1819, at Old Franklin, the starting point of the Santa Fe Trail. It is the Missouri Intelligencer, the oldest paper west of the Mississippi with the exception of the St. Louis Republic which was founded in 1808. The Intelligencer was moved to Fayette in 1829 and afterward to Columbia, where it became the Columbia Patriot, the predecessor of the Statesman. There is with it a manuscript editorial written in 1841 by W. F. Switzer, who was editor at that time.

All the papers published before 1899 are in rooms on the first floor of Academic Hall. Those since 1899 fill the two new basement rooms on the north side of the corridor and 875 volumes more waiting to be sent to the binder are piled around the walls outside and in the old elevator shaft. Besides these there are 283 volumes already in the bindery.

The State Historical Library receives practically all the papers printed in Missouri, including the college papers.

THEY OFFER \$750 FOR POEM

Southerners May Compete for Prizes Given by University of the South.

A prize of \$500 and one of \$250 for which only Southerners may compete may be tried for by University of Missouri students. The prizes are for an epic poem of the Civil War. They are being offered by the University Extension Department of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.

The prize of \$250 is for best plan and outline of the projected poem. In this outline will be required three things. First, a brief description of the author's point of view, showing his conception of the historical and philosophical import of the war. Second, a concise summary of the story and action of the poem, giving his conception of the chief characters and their mutual relation. Third, a brief synopsis of each book or canto, including, when necessary, a suggestion of the function which a book or canto is intended to fill in the scheme of the whole poem.

In the prize of \$500, the competitor may elect which book or canto of his poem he shall write, the minimum number of lines being 600, the maximum 1,200. The widest latitude is to be allowed in the choice of verse form or verse forms.

Manuscripts are to reach the office of the extension department between April 15 and May 15, 1912. The poems and inquiries concerning the contest are to be sent to James O. Spearing, Sewanee, Tenn.

What to Wear This Winter

The University of Missouri girl is a rather conservative person. She turns over novelties of dress very carefully in her mind before she finally accepts them and Columbia shop-keepers are well aware of the fact.

That is why they are feeling their way with the new dancing cap so carefully. One or two of the Columbia milliners are displaying a few of them, however—dainty point d'esprit affairs with perky bows or tiny flowers on them. But they are so easily made that the girl who is the least bit clever with her needle can make one in an hour or two. Consequently the shops have laid in a larger supply of malines, nets, tulles and so on to meet the demand when Miss College Girl finally realizes how becoming the confections are.

Filminess is the watchword in neckwear this season and the department stores are stocked lavishly with delicate laces and nets made into frills and jabots. No winter suit seems to be quite finished without this dainty accessory, those who know say. Everything has side platings; silk blouses have them in chiffon or of the same material, and the plainest waist is transformed with a trim white frill finished off at the throat with a stiff black pump bow. These bows come in the most bizarre colors this season, reds and greens, and almost any combination seems to be good.

Another idea in neckwear which is fluffy and attractive is a double ruffle, the under one being of plaited net, over which is laid another plaited ruffle of net of another color.

Many of the new dresses and suit skirts seen in Broadway shops are slashed almost to the knee and buttoned. But these slashings need not be closed, the buyers say. Not that the abhorred directoire is coming back, but merely to show pretty silk petticoats underneath. These underskirts usually have accordion flounces of the same depth of the slashes and differ in color from the outer skirts and in shade. Some of these petticoats are edged with fringe instead of the usual narrow ruffle; not a very durable style, however.

Although Christmas is still some distance off, the early buyer is at large, revelling in the wide choice of selection that she will not have later. A shop keeper who knows prophecies that the popular Christmas presents this year will be that daintiest of dress accessories, a linen or lace collar and cuffs. And he has stocked up accordingly. Certain it is that these pretty sailor or round collars are becoming to everyone and a wonderful rejuvenation of last winter's dresses.

Another Christmas novelty is the reticule bag. They have endless possibilities for smartness.

The scarf is ubiquitous this winter. Your new dancing dress isn't complete without one. Fashion says you may throw it over your shoulders, or twine it through your arms or let its ends float behind you, as you like. It may be made of everything from the most delicate chiffons to embroidered silk. But whatever it is, don't fail to get one. Say Columbia fashion prophets. And they know. —F. L.

Viewpoints

Why College Education.

Editor the Missouriian:—According to the definition given by James, the noted psychologist of America, education is "the organization of acquired habits of conduct and tendencies to behavior." No place is better than the college in which youth learns to acquire good habits. In the light of experience and civilization, men and women must be brought up under careful instruction of professors in the way they should go.

It is of necessity that youth must come to colleges to learn how to behave properly, how to think correctly, and how to acquire principles and facts logically, before their habits are formed. Perhaps they may obtain these things through a series of bitter experiences, but it does not pay for anybody in an age of enlightenment to make that experiment.

At present, people believe in the short cut. The college is the shortest way which leads to a successful life. Experience tells us that education and success go hand in hand. The aim of colleges is to provide young men and women with education for living a practical and useful life. That is why many prosperous men are college graduates.

T. H.

FRESHMEN DEFEAT JUNIORS

Game Went to First Year Men By Score of 5 to 0.

If the Tigers had a hard game at St. Louis, the little Tigers, the scrub Tigers, and the rest of the Tiger family, had games just as hard here. Seven men were carried off Rollins Field and several others were hurt who went back in the game after a breathing spell.

The freshmen beat the juniors 5 to 0. The seniors forfeited their game to the sophomores, and the sophomores played the second freshman team, beating them 6 to 0. The freshman team will meet the seniors Wednesday afternoon, and the junior-sophomore game will be Thursday.

T. J. Hall one of the men injured was taken to Parker Memorial Hospital. His condition is not serious.

OIL PAINTINGS ARE HERE NOW

Exhibition of Art Lover's Guild is Open Tomorrow.

Forty oil paintings representing the present-day art of American painters will be on exhibition tomorrow morning in the Archeological Museum. This collection of pictures was brought to Columbia by the Art Lover's Guild, being their annual exhibit of oil-paintings. Earlier this season the Guild brought a collection of old prints to the museum for exhibition. This is the sixth year of the work of the guild in bringing specimens of representative art to Columbia.

City Council Meets Tomorrow.

The City Council will hold its regular meeting tomorrow night at the City Hall.

FOURTH GAME WITH ST. LOUIS

Jesuits Have Defeated the Tigers Three Times.

The game Saturday between Missouri and St. Louis was the fourth between the two universities. All three games played by the schools up to this year have resulted in victories for the Jesuits, while the Tigers have not scored against their opponents.

Last year, in St. Louis, Missouri lost on a drop kick by Dockery. They had the ball at one time within three yards of the touchdown, but failed to score.

The game was played in St. Louis this year again because the first two contests were played at Columbia. St. Louis insisted that the game be played there again. The game next year will be played at Columbia, unless St. Louis is dropped and Vanderbilt is given this place on the schedule. The results of past games between St. Louis and Missouri have been as follows:

- 1905—Missouri 0; St. Louis 17
- 1906—Missouri 0; St. Louis 17
- 1910—Missouri 0; St. Louis 3.

Mrs. R. P. Sims Dies, Aged 77.

Relatives in Columbia have been notified of the death of Mrs. R. P. Sims at her home near Fort Cobb, Okla. Mrs. Sims was 77 years old. She had many friends in Columbia, where she formerly lived. She was a sister of Mrs. P. S. Quinn and Mrs. E. A. Hamilton, of Columbia.

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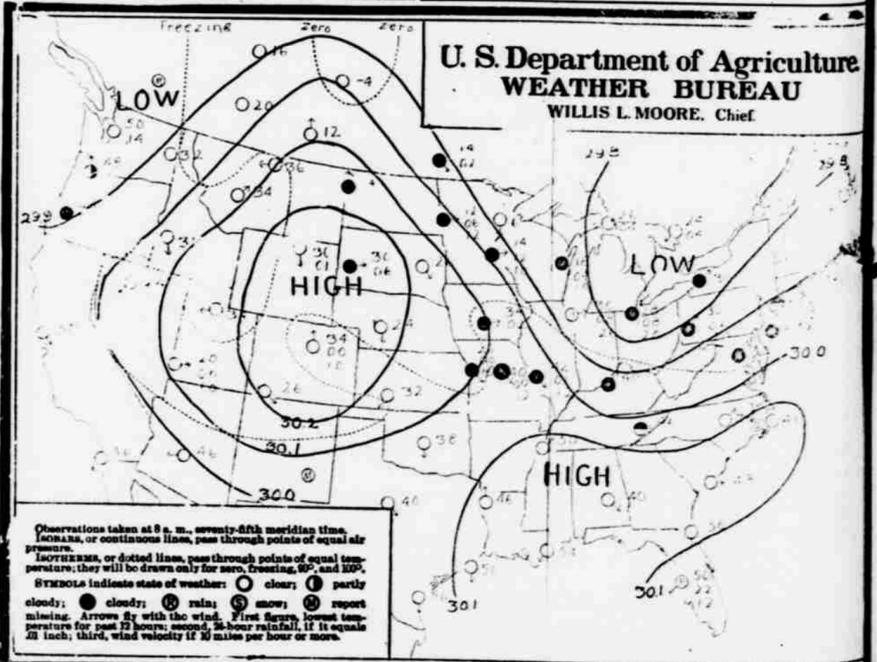


There is generally "something doing" in the way of sorting over the wardrobe, cleaning pressing and putting the good garments away for the next season. Send them to us and we will put them in the finest shape for you at little cost. We will save you all the time and trouble and make a far better job of it than you could yourself. You can get your pressing for \$1 tickets good until used up. Call up 848 red. ST. LOUIS FRENCH DRY CLEANING COMPANY.

THE DOUGLAS STUDIO

Henry Holborn, Prop. 910A BROADWAY.

The Missouriian's Official Weather Report



WEATHER CONDITIONS.—Clear weather with moderately low temperatures prevail throughout the country, except north of the Ohio where unsettled and stormy conditions obtain. Snows have fallen generally over the Lake region and St. Lawrence Valley section since Saturday. A low is entering extreme northwestern part of the country from the Pacific this morning, and will likely move southward during the next two days. Fair weather will probably continue in Columbia during the next 36 hours, although there will become cloudiness during the first of the period. The lowest temperature tonight will be near or slightly below freezing.