EDITORIALS BY EVERYBODY.

These columns have been surrendered to the students at large this time to secure variety of opinion. The following has been contributed:

"What do we want?" A university yell. It is noticeable that we have none worthy of the name. We have several attempts at yells, but the only one mentionable is that beginning, "Ikey, Ikey, Yah, Yah!" A university yell should be short, sharp and explosive; one that is long and complicated is impracticable. "Rat a to that." is good for the cads, but for a university cry it is simply imbecile. Listen to Harvard, Yale, and Cornell. Their yells are short, simple, and capable of being yelled with startling vehemence. A university cry should bring out prominently the name of the university, and but one yell is needed. Then other colleges may know where you come from, and all the students may learn to shout it in unison. At present in this college not one fifth of the students know the yell. Those who do, seem opposed to giving it, preferring some of those long productions without a grain of meaning in them. The yell of Lake Forest, officially adopted some years ago, was: "Ikey, Ikey, Yah, Yah, Yah, L. F. U.," repeated three times with a "tiger" the last time. It is not a model of its kind, but it equals the average. Suggestions for a new yell would doubtless be received and given airing by the The Stentor.

F. C. S.

One of the most perplexing questions confronting the body of students who care anything about athletics in this university is this: where can we get the where-with-all to successfully carry on the different lines of athletics? We are located in the finest suburb of Chicago, surrounded by wealth, beauty, and by everything of an ideal nature in student life; yet in the midst of all this we suffer the disadvantage of having a small circle from which to draw our material support. Of the student body only about one third understands the different sports or cares anything about them. About one half of this number has to be forced, when it takes dollars and cents to see that the books are properly balanced. Of the residences a small proportion understand the games. Gifts have never been made without a request having first been made. Memory seems to serve the donors well as to the time when they were last called upon, the noble few excepted who seem to give gladly and willingly.
Our athletics are not bad, but they are not what they might be. We practically hold the western championship in football, Chicago team of eastern graduates excepted. We have defeated the High school pennant holders and the game with Evanston will tie or give us the victory over the colleges. In regard to baseball our last year's record was good, having won more games than we did the year before, and not kindergarten games either. The new gymnasium gives high hopes for the future. Our tennis club has some fine players, as good as can be found in other colleges, and better than in some. We also have men in our midst who understand and have belonged to La Crosse teams and boating crews, but what's the use of organizing if you have to stay at home on account of lack in money. Athletics speak a great deal for a university. Why is it that Princeton has such a marked increase this year? Does not that football pennant of last year account for it? Why is it that all the western athletes go to Yale? It is not on account of the possibility of getting on one of the most popular concerns in the country, at least to the young man's mind? Now while we have played good football, we have been defeated badly by the Chicago team, and Chicago has been defeated by Cornell, and Cornell shut out by Harvard. That shows where we would stand in the east. Our men are as good as the eastern men, but lack the training. We can only get professional trainers by hiring them. Would it not be better to spend some of our money in endowing the chair, so to speak, of athletics, which draws so many men with sturdy muscled and clear brain, than spend it on books which are read only by the post-graduate? A better present could not be made than a fifty or one hundred thousand dollar fund, the income to be divided yearly among the different factors in athletics. Can not some one assist in solving this difficult problem? We are too eastern in our desire to linger long in such a state, and we can never hope to get out of the rut so long as we make a few athletes do all the work and bear all their own expenses.

E. Z.

DON'T SPREAD THE RUMOR.

That an idea is afoot to tear the inside out of the college make it into a recitation buildings, and put a brown stone overcoat on the outside; that in the event of the foregoing, dormitories would be built next to Mrs. Rhea's house; the Principal Smith who is coming here from Rockford, Jan. 1, is one of the finest scholars in the state in English studies; that it would be hard to find a cleaner and less tough set of students than can be found at Lake Forest; that some of the professors might put more enthusiasm into the recitations by a little exercise of ingenuity; that "The District School" was one of the richest things ever given here; that the students don't study much; that all the university buildings in the future will be of red brick or brown stone; that one of the college boys has just inherited a fortune; that certain additions to the faculty will be announced at commencement; that Prof. Sanford has his plans all made for the interior arrangement of the new science hall, which is sadly needed; that a solution of glue applied to the head every night before going to bed will prevent the hair from falling out; that something mysterious occurred, Dec. 11—Dr. McPherson of Chicago accompanied by his wife and Mrs. Kelley, a wealthy lady of Chicago, made a mysterious call on President Roberts; that President Roberts accompanied by Mrs. Kelley and Henry Ives Cobb drove about Lake Forest looking at university building sites; and that it has leaked out that Mrs. Kelley is thinking strongly of endowing a large and beautiful library building; that
from several sources, unofficial but authentic, The Stentor has found that Mr. Henry C. Durand will build in the near future, on the corner near Mitchell Hall, a noble, brown stone hall as a residence for the young ladies attending the college, the building to be called "Lois Hall"; that The Stentor knows several other interesting items which will "keep" till next issue.

THE COLLEGE.

Now that the football season is over, let us take a short survey of our quite successful season. The following are the games played:

L. F. vs Chicago university .......................... 0—51
Lake Forest vs Hyde Park ........................... 6—8
" " Manual Training ................................. 0—20
" " S. Division II, school ......................... 22—6
" " Highland Park ................................. 90—0
" " Englewood .............................. 30—4
" " Madison .................. 14—6
" " McCormick Theolog ................. 24—0

The points have been made by the following:

Hyde Park — Kellogg 4, King 2.
South Division—King 12, Steel 4, Durand 4, a safety 2.
Englewood—King 26, Flint 4.
Madison—Steel 4, King 6, Flint 4.
McCormick—Williams 8, King 12, Steel 4.
Totals: King 58, Steel 12, Williams 8, Flint 8, Durand 4, Kellogg 4.

No one kept score of the points in the Highland Park game, except that King kicked 9 goals. King kicked the goals in all the games, having a total of 17 to his credit. The team has an average of 625.

Prof. Halsey, who has been quite ill for some time has gone south to recuperate. He will go first to Thomasville, Ga. He is expecting to return before the beginning of the spring term. Dr. Seeley will take the senior class in Politics next term. The seniors are much pleased with the prospect, and anticipate a pleasant term with the doctor. Prof. Halsey will offer especially fine work in the Science of Law, and Political Economy, the spring term. Some of the sophomore work in his department will go to Prof. Stuart next term. The Stentor trusts Prof. Halsey will return well and hearty in a short time.

The Athenaeum society gave the "Deestricht Skule" to a large audience Saturday the 13th. The teaching abilities of Ichabod Plunkett were something prodigious. "Allie" Candee makes a beautiful girl, so captivating that "Mitch" attempted to squeeze her hand under the impression that she was—but we proceed. "Zim" and Cass were out of sight—before the curtain raised. King, Ellis, Sharon, Dodge, Hopkins, in fact all showed they were born scholars. The singin' and speakin' pieces were especially noteworthy.

The following is clipped from the Chicago Herald: "An important appointment has recently been made in the Chicago Art Institute, Prof. Alfred Emerson having received the position of curator of Classical Antiquities. A better selection could not have been made for Prof. Emerson has long been considered an authority in archaeology. He is a man of prodigious learning and is now Prof. of Greek in Lake Forest university."

Monday, Dec. 1, the McCormick seminary football team was defeated by the home eleven 14 to 0. Williams and King did the brilliant work, though as usual the whole team stuck together like wax and worked like a machine. The McCormick men were heavy, but lacked experience. This makes the 5th straight victory for Lake Forest. President Roberts "set up" the hot lemonade for the McCormicks after the game.

Of last year's university ball nine, only four are back: King, Sharon, Guenther, and Grant. It is known that we have good men in the professional departments in the city, but whether it is advisable to have them on the team or not, ought to be con-
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sidered. The men should be in gymnasium training by Jan., and if new material shows up well here, there will be no need of looking farther.

Those unsightly structures, the storm doors, have been put up, and are causing the usual amount of annoyance and slang. It would seem that the university is determined to wear out these 2x4's before accommodating us better.

A number of the boys went to Englewood, Friday the 5th, to take part in an entertainment of the Y. P. S. C. E., there. John Steele gave his mummy show performance. It proved the attraction of the evening.

Friday the 6th, a hot supper was served by the ladies in the church. The students were out in full force, both societies adjourning. The net proceeds, $50,0 were devoted to the home missionary cause.

The sophomore class indulged in a sleigh ride Friday evening, the 5th. After taking supper at the church they had such a time as can only be had on a sleigh ride.

The average age of the students of the college is 20 years, 10 months. The oldest is 30 years and the youngest 16 years. The prevailing age is 19 years.

The condition of the double windows on the front of the college defies description. If mud had been thrown on them we doubt if they could be dirtier.

The Athenaeum society has purchased a new oak door elegantly carved, for their hall, giving it a very natty appearance.

Farwell's pond has been the general rendezvous of college, cad and semmirie lately. The skating has been excellent.

George Hortie Steel, at present at work for the C. & N. W., may return to college next term.

The electives for next term must be handed in to the faculty before the Christmas vacation.

"The latest out": the last couple into the sem after the church supper.

W. H. McKee's father visited here recently.

THE ACADEMY.

GAMMA SIGMA NOTES.

It is said that Prof. Burnap, of the academy, will have the sophomore class of the college in history next term. If the rumor is true, the sophs are to be congratulated. Prof. Burnap is certainly one of the ablest professors in the academy.

Principal Smith, who will be with us after next term will find a warm reception when he arrives. The boys had but one glance at him when he was here, but they feel sure they will not be disappointed in their new principal.

E. J. Bishop, one of the old boys, has been quite ill with typhoid fever. We are glad to announce, however, that he is improving, and hope before long to hear of his complete recovery.

Nearly all the boys that spent Thanksgiving in Chicago attended the football game. They managed to let everyone know it too, by giving the varsity yells.

The coming contest between the societies promises to be unusually exciting. Both societies are hard at work preparing for it.

"De Gang" of the academy, enjoyed a delightful sleigh ride last Saturday afternoon. They went to Ft. Sheridan.

The supper given at the church Dec. 5, was well attended by the cads, who report a delightful time.

Tommy Jackson was slightly disabled in the Madison football game. One ear is out of sight.
Robert Burchell, another of the old fellows, is also ill. We hope he will be better soon.

Our old friend Dave McAllister was with us last Monday.

TRI KAPPA NOTES.

Economy is wealth, but when it comes to using the back of an old essay for a bulletin program it seems as if brother Gamma Sigma carried it a trifle too far especially as the essay is written with secretary McKee’s usual peculiarities of English and spelling. We suggest that our sister society buy a program case if they can not get clean paper.

The Tri Kappa society has fixed the date for the preliminary contest. Dec. 17 the contest for declaimer will be held, and Jan. 14, for essayist and debaters. The struggle will be hard as usual. The material in both societies is excellent.

Mac Hoyne, an old Tri Kappa, who left in the middle of last year, because the air here did not agree with him, visits town and the boys here occasionally.

Prof. S. (in rhetoric class, 5 p.m.) “Mr. M. can you recite?” Mr. M: “Professor, I am not prepared today, but I can light the gas for you.”

All the boys are awaiting anxiously the arrival of the new principal Prof. Smith. We hear he is especially good in Virgil studies.

Student in Cicero class; “The immensity of the nefarious crime made it destructive to the republic.”

FERRY HALL.

The musical instruments are the principle features of Ferry Hall. Aside from 18 pianos we support a violin, 3 banjos, a guitar, an auto-harp and 3 tin horns. After Christmas the number will be increased by the addition of a jews-harp, silver comb, mouth-organ, and two more banjos. We will then be able to compete with the “Humiston Orchestra.” [And what is the matter with coming over and serenading the college janitor? — Ed.]

The Thursday evening choral meetings continue to grow more interesting. Mrs. Hester, Miss Davis, De Prose, Miss Jeanette Wilson, Miss Ethel Smith and Miss Ripley have been attentively listened to, and the voices of the "manly volunteers" from the college have added to the gusto of the occasions. At the last meeting everybody seemed to be singing heartily, and some of the months looked like this:

Mrs. Phraner, nee Van Vleck, who held the position of principal of Ferry Hall before Dr. Seely came, visited Lake Forest Friday. She expressed great surprise at the changes in the buildings. She found but two familiar faces among the girls and only one in the faculty.

We sympathize with the college in the loss of Prof. Halsey. We regret exceedingly that his health obliges him to leave Lake Forest, but we hope, with all his friends, that he may be greatly benefited by his winter in the south, and be able to return to us soon.

A new engagement between a seminary girl and a college student has been discovered this week. We would like to be more definite, but our lips are sealed. [Which one of them is it, and were the lips sealed according to Hoyle? — Ed.]
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We would suggest to one young lady, that she look twice before she raps on the window to a passing man who may be her father. And to a certain member of the academy that, all are not laundresses who are found in the laundry.

A large number from Ferry Hall attended the “Snow Tea” given by the ladies of the church recently. The evening passed pleasantly for all, and the ladies are to be congratulated on the success of the evening.

Dr. Seely has engaged a man and his wife to take charge of the laundry. Both are well acquainted with their work, and we hope to find an improvement in this department.

It has been rumored that the Misses Houghton and Clark of Spokane Falls, will return to Ferry Hall next term. We can only hope the rumor will prove true.

Alla Knox has been unable to return to her duties at Ferry Hall since Thanksgiving vacation on account of illness. We hope to welcome her back soon.

Two cases of mistaken identity appear in this number of The Stentor. These should be cautions to certain members of the academy and seminary.

Miss MacArthur, formerly a member of Ferry Hall, has recently become engaged to a young doctor of Chicago, so says rumor.

Advantage has been taken of the sleighing by all. The coming pleasure of hitching sent a thrill of joy to the heart of every sem.

The seniors wish to thank the University club for the pleasant evening spent with them at the last meeting.

A pupil’s recital will be held Monday evening, Dec. 15. Angelo DeProsse extends an invitation to all.

ALUMNI AND PERSONAL.

May me ask just one or two favors of the “alumni and personals?” Can you not steal, say two or three minutes once in a long while to write us of your whereabouts and doings? Also after you have written something interesting about yourself, which everyone will be anxious to read please don’t add, with the result of spoiling all you have said before, that you forbid our publishing it, for no one would be interested in it, and you do not wish to see your name in print.

89.—They had a big Thanksgiving day in the Plattsmouth High School, where W. N. Halsey is a professor. There were exercises by the children and a huge dinner where 1000 people sat down. The Plattsmouth Daily Herald says: “Too much credit can not be given Prof. McClelland and Prof. Halsey who did so much for others at their own personal inconvenience.” “Walter” is liked wherever he goes.

Prof. Zenos, who was known and loved so well by Lake Forest students, both as a teacher and friend, is even more successful in his work at Hartford theological seminary. His field is larger and his expansion is in proportion. Many talents but scarcely seen in him here are there made fully apparent and render him both popular and influential among faculty and students.

An eastern paper chronicles the sad intelligence of the death at Binghamton, N. Y., of Mrs. Elizabeth Osborne, the aged mother of Eleazer Osborne, the university treasurer here last year. Mr. Osborne’s large circle of friends and acquaintances here sympathize with him deeply in his loss.

88.—E. E. Nourse, who is in his senior year at Hartford seminary represents the students on a committe of the faculty who
edit a bi-monthly resume of theological science. The publication has also many original articles and is a most valuable periodical in all respects. Prof. Zenos is one of the faculty committee.

'88.—Martha Ashley, Ferry Hall class, is teaching in a boarding school at Arvilla, N. Dak. Her classes are made up of both sexes, and all ages. Variety is the spice of her labors. When a 20 year old "flunks" in spelling she calls up a 10 year old to translate Caesar.

'90.—J. Edwards Smith, ex-chief-gobbler of this wopper-jawed old sheet, is now a dashing notary public at LaCrosse. He writes blood-curdling "fakes" for the La Crosse press occasionally. He also deals in policies—insurance policies,—town lots, and "futures" of the fair sex.

'90.—Sarah Buell, Ferry Hall class, is teaching in the Sterling high school. She is holding up Ferry Hall's literary standard, for we hear of her as secretary to a literary organization called "The Mutual Improvement Society."

The engagement of William Cargill, an old academy boy, to Miss May McMillan of LaCrosse, Wis., is announced. Miss McMillan is a cousin of our old friend "Doonigan" McMillan.

'92.—Lillie Ward is spending a pleasant year at Smith college. She enjoys it even more than last year. Francis Ward is also at Smith and is reported as under the same circumstances.

'91.—The pictures of both Gallwey and Lansden appear in "Frank Leslie's Illustrated Weekly" for Dec. 6, in connection with the Yale-Princeton football game.

H. M. Stanley, our librarian, is attracting large attention as a writer on scientific topics. His articles have been favorably quoted by the highest authorities.

'87.—Rob't Porterfield, one of the waybacks, is in Spokane Falls.

EXCHANGES.

In the Dec., *Aegis* is a pointed editorial on college orations, and the unlimited capacity of the orators to suggest reforms. It is astonishing what effect the experience of a few years of practical life has on the ordinary college student. He graduates from college bubbling over with enthusiasm and brim full of the idea of reform. He has a clear idea of the crying evils of the times; of the great crises that confront the civil and political liberty of the people; but a few months of contact with the practical world clears his mind of theories and brings him down to the hard pan everyday way of doing business. He realizes that he must conform largely to the ways of the world's thinking. The conclusion is forced on him that it is only once in a while a genius who can wake the people from the lethargy and indifference they have fallen into; but nevertheless let us have the enthusiasm. Well directed energy can accomplish much.

No college man squares his accounts with his alma mater with the payment of his last term bill. He still owes her more than Desdemona owed her father and lover both, and the most important and simplest of those duties is to subscribe, read and encourage in every possible way the publication of the students of his own college.—*Mail and Express*.

The committee of the overseers of Harvard, in their recent report on athletics in colleges, says that athletic sport, though it interferes with progress in studies, does so much to improve the physique of the students that probably the business or professional
man may gain more at the end of his career in prolonged life and capacity for good.

The Yale rush line averages 178 pounds in weight—10 pounds heavier than the Harvard rush line. The rushers average over 6 feet tall, and far overtop the Harvard line, which averages only 5 feet 9 inches per man. Heiflenginger, the Yale giant, is 6 ft 3 in.

The Tennessee University Student for Nov., contains interesting articles. It is one of the best edited college magazines that comes to our table.

The winner of second place in the Ohio State Oratorical contest stole an essay and was suspended for a year. Moral—be original.

The tug of war will be dropped from the list of sports by the Berkeley Athletic club after May 1st, as an injurious sport.

In 6 years 389 students of the Prussian public schools have committed suicide through fear of "flunking" in examinations.

The center rush in the De Panw football team weighs 226 pounds.

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TOWN TOPICS.

Here is a good story and The Stentor has promised not to tell it.

Mr. Carter H. Fitz Hugh is known to many of our citizens as a genial gentleman, but fewer know him in the character of a coon hunt leader. Mr. Fitz Hugh has been shooting hares frequently in our forests, but hares grew to be tame game and Mr. Fitz Hugh conceived the idea of a coon hunt.

On a recent Saturday night a party assembled at Blair Lodge on Mr. Fitz Hugh’s invitation clothed and equipped for a veritable coon hunt. The dramatis personae was as follows: The Rev. Mr. Fowler, resident of Glasgow, Scotland, now visiting in this country, and a gentleman with all anxious to view the institutions of our land coon hunts included; Mr. E. F. Chapin, a gentleman of our town noted for his appreciation of fun; and Dr. Walter Smith, a gentleman hitherto inexperienced in coon hunts; minor characters or otherwise: Thomas Hughes’ two yellow dogs, Julien Mathews and his man Alec. The Rev. Mr. Fowler was robed in his native Tweed garments. Mr. Chapin had donned a horse-hide coat, and leggings of the same. Mr. Fitz Hugh's canvas suit was said to be the regulation thing for a coon hunt. Dr. Smith's accoutrements consisted of a silk hat, a cane, a high collar and a pair of kid gloves.

At 9 o’clock the party went to look for the moon, the first requisite for a real coon hunt. The moon had taken itself to parts unknown, but the party was undaunted. Mr. Fitz Hugh, succeeded by Mr. Fowler, followed by Dr. Smith, pressed hard by Mr. Chapin, with Julian Mathews, Thomas Hughes, Alec and the yellow dogs acting as flank movement, traveled south. The coon hunt proceeded to Ft. Sheridan.

No coons in sight.

The path was retraced, plenty of hares, but no coon.

The Rev. Mr. Fowler looked at his Caledonian watch. It said 11 o’clock and no coon.

Suddenly it occurred to Julien Mathews that the coons lived on fish gathered along the lake shore, and that it was too late in the season for fish; so the coon must needs seek the habitation of man and prowl around the back yards of the noble mansions in our town.

Thomas Hughes ’lowed he had seen coons as big as 20 pounds during the week. The Rev. Mr. Fowler suggested that the back yards be visited if need be, for the reluctant coon. The suggestion was no sooner made than carried out.

Mr. Carter Fitz Hugh and party made themselves a vigilance committe, and sought the elusive coon in the following locations:
Durand’s back yard, Dwight’s back yard.
Farwell’s back yard.

No coon as yet.

The blood of the party was up. The Rev. Mr. Fowler, of Glasgow, Scotland, was heard to remark that America was a great place for coons. Dr. Smith thought so too.

Mr. Chapin suggested that the coon hunt ought not to terminate till the festive coon had been sought in the ravines. The ravines were visited.

No coon.

Tired and sick of life, the coon party dispersed at 1:30 Sunday morn.

The Rev. Mr. Fowler hung his tweed suit on a chair, Dr. Smith placed his high collar on the closet shelf, Mr. Fitz Hugh folded his canvas suit and put it in his trunk, Mr. Chapin stowed away his horse-hide coat and leggings in the garret, the party went to rest and dreamed of — coon.

Last Thanksgiving evening, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Chapin pleasantly entertained a large company of the university boys and girls.

The committee in charge of the Christmas program for the Presbyterian church are making extensive plans for a happy time.

The C. & N. W. has changed the six month’s commutation form of suburban passenger tickets to a quarterly form.

The Art Institute will meet at the home of Simon Reid. Prof. Emerson will read a paper on Olympia.

Frank G. Hall, a summer resident here, has offered for sale his residence opposite Mrs. Stanley’s.

Fred Wise was killed by the cars at Deer-ing, Dec. 5.

LATE NEWS.

This year’s catalogue is just out, numbering 153 pages. A short resume of departments has been added on the opening pages. Hon. C. B. Farwell appears as President of the board, and the names of Levi Yaggy, Henry M. Lyman, M. D., and Marvin Haghitt have been added to the trustees. Ovid has been added to the college entrance examinations, and French is given as an optional set-off for German. In the senior year, classical, Chemistry is substituted for Electricity in the fall term, and Science of Law and Mathematical Physics have been added to the electives. The college term expense totals figure 50 cents more than last year. The total number of students is about 200 more than that of last year, when it was 1235.

The University club met — yes, they met the enemy last Tuesday night. Robert Browning was the study of the evening, and Prof. McCuan, of Madison, Wis., defended Browning and his work right valiantly. He is an ardent admirer of Browning, and his essay called forth the most animated discussion. Music was rendered by Mrs. Emerson to the delight of all. The executive committee announced that Prof. Locy would give a paper on the Physiological Basis of Life, and Prof. Walter Smith on the Psychology of Laughter at the succeeding meetings.

A company of young people chaperoned by Mrs. Mallory, of Ferry Hall, had a sleighing party Dec. 9. Mrs. Mallory is an ideal chaperon and the young people unite in thanking her for her kindness.

Mrs. Seeley has been ill for a few days.
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