

DES MOINES TRIP WAS ENJOYED BY A. & M. MEN

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they seemed only too glad to make our stay as pleasant as possible.

At 2:30 p. m. the delegates were in their seats at the Coliseum and every seat was taken. They were filled with the students from over 1000 colleges and universities. The Convention was called to order by Dr. John R. Mott, National Chairman of the Student Volunteer Movement. His speech which covers over four columns of space is a master-piece of thought and appeal. During the ensuing days we listened to men whom many of us never dreamed of hearing, such men as Robert E. Speer, G. Sherwood Eddy, Bishop McConnell, Dr. Charles W. Bishop, Dr. S. G. Inman, Dr. John F. Franklin, Dr. Geo. E. Haynes and many other eminent men, all of which made a strong plea for the perpetuation of the work that they have so successfully started. They presented the cold facts in a precise manner and not once did they appeal to the emotional. The motto of the entire convention was "The Evangelization of the World in This Generation." The work of the Convention was divided into two parts, the lectures for the entire delegation being held in the Coliseum and the conference being held in the various churches of the City. The Sunday night service saw the closing of the greatest student gathering in the history of the world. As the hush fell over the house for the Benediction every one realized that much good had been received at this Convention. He realized that he came there a student from his particular institution and to represent it, he came away with the realization that he had become a World-Citizen with all the duties as such.

All was not work in this Convention

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and during the hours that we were not at lectures and conferences we had an opportunity to see part of the City that was being such a gracious host to us. The Capitol building, the frozen river, the beautiful parks, were the things that impressed us most.

Another thing of passing moment was the atmosphere of the whole trip every one seemed to be in the best humor possible and if he had any worries or blues he did not wear them on his sleeve.

A good many funny things were brought out in the course of conversation with the students of other institutions, and a great broadening effect was accomplished. The yells for the Texas delegation were led by Wallace Hawkins of the U. of T. and the whole delegation joined in wholeheartedly, none of the usual feeling showing.

The return trip was rather uneventful except for a five hour lay-over in Kansas City and a very interesting snow-fight at Parsons Kansas, a real snow-fight with all the zeal that a bunch of college students could put into it. With the train in motion it was in reality a picnic crowd, no one being satisfied to remain still or quiet, and having a very human crowd of chaperones a good time was enjoyed by all. The good-byes were said in Dallas, Tuesday morning and considering the feeling that was put in some of the good-byes it was not hard to judge that most of the crowd were sorry that the trip was over and considering that this is Leap-Year it is not certain that the trip for all is over.

To try to put in words the meaning of the convention to the men who attended it would be but a feeble attempt at the least. And every man who made the trip will go out of this school with the conviction that it's the greatest thing that has come into his life. The men who went as delegates from this institution were: Prof. T. F. Mayo, Faculty representative, J. C. Horger, T. Hall, R. H. Maxwell, D. D. Clinton, S. G. West, H. S. Kerr, W. E. Murrah, W. M. Murray, W. D. Seals, and C. C. B. Warden, and our thanks go out to those that made such a trip possible.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY HELD INTERESTING MEETING

Meeting Largely Attended; An Interesting Program and Good Eats

On Monday night the Horticultural Society held a very interesting and entertaining meeting. The topics selected by the entertainment committee were most appropriate and thoroughly treated.

Mr. A. W. Percy in his discussion on Strawberry Growing in Southwest Texas named the most important strawberry growing centers as well as other sections favorable to their culture. The soils and climate conditions required, propagation, cultivation, marketing, and insect pests of the strawberry were fully discussed.

Mr. H. S. Cavitt discussed The Native Persimmon. The following facts were brought out: The persimmon as most of us know it, is looked upon with contempt. The imported Japanese varieties of persimmons are rapidly becoming commercially important in this country. Owing to the large sugar content of our native persimmon there is a



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great field open to the selection and breeding up a commercial variety superior to that of the Japanese. Few people in this country realize the value of the persimmon.

Mr. T. Hall discussed The Fig in South Texas as it is grown in the home garden and in the commercial orchard. The most important principles of fig production, culture, and marketing of the fruit were brought out.

At the conclusion of the discussions the entertainment committee served cookies, ice cream and honest-to-goodness home made cake. If you want to know who baked those cakes just question a member of the committee. The members and visitors present at the meeting can tell you the rest.

PETE SEZ

Ther eain't no "crips" no more these days,

I've found out to my sorrow, Fer those you use to gravy by Have passed into tomorrow.

The profs got wise to it some way, An' now pile on the dope, An' what we used to call a "crip" Is now a last-chance hope.

An' those who think they have a "crip"

Will find out pretty soon The prof will start a direful tale That'll end a funeral tune.

So lay off them if you'd be wise, An' take the straight old stuff; It's got so these modern days The profs are hard to bluff.