Homecoming

By GERTRUDE BROWN

OLD Mother Nature dealt kindly with the homecomers of Iowa State College this year. She marshalled her co-workers expertly and produced weather that would have been satisfactory to the most exacting of royalty.

And the royalty came! Men and women, by the score, leaders and followers of former days, made their way about the old campus, revisiting familiar haunts and inspecting new sights. Absentees of only a year's length found a new Chemical Engineering Building in engineering row; a new Men's Dormitory; Memorial Union and an Entomology Building in process of construction, and the site cleared for the new Dairy Industries Building.

Friday evening found the crowd out on North Field listening to "Pat" Karrigan and "Beanie" Beanblossom generating pep for the Iowa State-Kansas Aggie game. From there the crowd broke and followed various lines of march about the campus and nearby sections to view the gala decorations of the houses, halls and the south side business district. Mournful wildcats there were, intricate spider webs, dismal graveyards; cardinal and gold bunting, crepe paper and lights much in evidence—such hosts of clever ideas seemed to have sprung up during the day that everyone wondered how the judges could make any decision. Pi Beta Phi, with its "Spirit of Ames" airplane, ranked first in the sorority class; Beta Theta Pi with a colorful lighting effect, first in the fraternity class, and Margaret Hall first for the dormitory group.

By bed time most of the houses found themselves full to overflowing. Saturday—an ideal balmy Indian Summer day! The crowd turned out 8,000 strong to watch the Cyclones trim the Wildcats 12 to 7.

The whole weekend had been too perfect—too good to be true. Mother Nature had to weep a few tears of joy that evening. But why not? No one was looking—gay alumni and rollicking undergrads had made their way to the various dances and frivolities of the night, over 800 of them appearing at the big homecoming dance in State Gymnasium. So, unobserved, came the little shower. At 12 o'clock peace and serenity ruled once more. The 1927 Homecoming was over!

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