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THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Dr. Schurman Speaks Before the College of Agriculture.

I find there is a good deal of misunderstanding in regard to what Cornell University is doing for agriculture. I have a severe letter before me in which the critic says that some of his friends "point out the large amounts of money that Cornell is getting from [the] federal and state governments and then ask, what is she doing for agriculture in return." The letter concludes thus: "The farmers see great preparations made to receive all others, and comparatively nothing for the farmer, when they say the leading idea that made Cornell possible was the aiding of agriculture."

These are very grave assertions. If correct, Cornell University is guilty of a breach of trust; and its officers should be called to account. If incorrect, it should be easy to refute them.

I propose to lay the facts before you. And following the points of the damnatory letter I have cited I will examine, first, the origin of Cornell University and the ideas that governed it; secondly, the amount of money received by Cornell from the federal and state governments; and, thirdly, the service rendered by Cornell to agricultural education and the advancement of the farmer's interests.

FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Here in a few words is the history of the origin of Cornell University in its relation to the congressional land grant of 1862 and subsequent appropriation of 1890, including in the words of the acts the object of that legislation.

By the Morrill Act of July 2, 1862, Congress enacted that there should be granted to the several states certain amounts of public land, from the sale of which there should be established a perpetual fund, "the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated . . . to the endowment, support and maintenance of at least one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts." The provisions of this act were accepted by New York State whereupon there was handed over to the State Comptroller, New York's share of the congressional land script. The State legislature then passed an act (April 27, 1865) establishing Cornell University and appropriating to it the income from the sale of the script in the State's possession; and providing in the Charter of the University that "the leading object of the corporation hereby created shall be to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, including military tactics, . . . But such other branches of science and knowledge may be embraced in the plan of instruction and investigation pertaining to the University as the trustees

may deem useful and proper." The College Land Script Fund whose income was thus appropriated to Cornell University amounts to \$688,576.12. The State, as guardian of the fund, has turned it into the State treasury,—having issued to Cornell University a certificate of indebtedness on which it pays an annual interest at the rate of five per cent. amounting to \$34,428.80. This is applied to "instruction in such branches as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, etc."

Some years later Congress saw that the provision made for the support of the colleges established under the Morrill Act of 1862 was not sufficient and accordingly, by the second Morrill Act of August 30, 1890, it was enacted that there be "appropriated to each state for the more complete endowment and maintenance of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts established under the provisions of the federal act of July 2, 1862, the sum of \$15,000," to be annually increased by \$1,000 until the sum of \$25,000 was reached, "and the amount thereafter to be paid to each state and territory shall be \$25,000 to be applied only to instruction in agriculture, the mechanic arts, the English language and the various branches of mathematical, physical, natural and economic science, with special reference to their application in the industries of life, and to the facilities for such instruction." This congressional appropriation is now \$25,000 annually.

There is, therefore, available for "instruction in agriculture, the mechanic arts, the English language and the various branches of mathematical, physical, natural and economic science" \$59,428.80 received from the bounty of the United States. This is all that Cornell University receives from the federal government for any purpose. To prevent misapprehension I should perhaps add that the Federal Agricultural Experiment Station, for which there is an annual appropriation of \$13,500, is located at Cornell. But while the University lends its buildings and grounds and gives freely the services of its administrative officers for the conduct of the experiments and the management of the finances of the station, it gets no financial return, and not a cent of the Experiment Station funds can be used for purposes of instruction. Cornell has, therefore, but \$59,428.80 annually from the United States; and the laws enacted by Congress prescribe that it shall be used only for instruction and facilities "in agriculture, the mechanic arts, the English language and the various branches of mathematical, physical, natural and economic science."

EIGHT HUNDRED FREE N. Y. SCHOLARS AT CORNELL.

In return for the federal land grant Cornell University gives free instruction, in all departments, to four students annually from each of the assembly districts of the State, making in all 600 free students annually.

It gives free instruction also to all

agricultural students, of whom at present nearly 200 are enrolled. Thus Cornell University is a benefactor of the State of New York to the extent of conferring upon it annually free instruction for 800 students. On the average it costs a large and well-equipped university like Cornell about \$300 for the education of each student. Cornell therefore, annually gives to the people of the State of New York not much less than \$250,000.

The entire amount received from the United States—\$29,428.80 annually—does not begin to provide instruction even in "such branches of learning as are related to agriculture" alone. The present curriculum of the College of Agriculture embraces courses in technical agriculture, botany, entomology, zoology, English, chemistry, physics, drawing, physiology, dairy husbandry, political economy, and horticulture, besides a year or more of electives. The cost of giving instruction in these subjects for the present academic year, 1901-1902, may be seen from the following table:

Salaries of professors, etc., in subjects enumerated	\$88,975 00
Appropriations to said departments for apparatus, etc.	32,773 77
Estimated cost of elective course	25,000 00
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	\$146,748 77

As to most of the courses included in the agricultural curriculum, I think the departments giving them would need, if they were to be first-class, to be about as large and efficient as they now are at Cornell, even if you had not a university but an agricultural college alone. But the departments of English, chemistry, physics, political economy, and drawing are larger with us than the demands of an agricultural college alone would require. The aggregate cost of the annual maintenance of these departments is \$81,375. I propose to charge only half of that to the College of Agriculture; that is to say, the total annual cost of instruction in agriculture (\$146,748.77) should be reduced by \$40,687.50, which would leave a net cost of \$106,061.27. To this, however, should be added something for library (of which the annual cost at Cornell is \$34,390.25) and other general equipment of which agricultural students freely avail themselves, besides heating, lighting, repairs, etc. I consider \$35,000 annually a low estimate for these objects. If this be added to \$106,061.27, the total cost of maintaining the Agricultural College at Cornell University is found to be \$141,061.27.

NEW YORK STATE WORK AT CORNELL.

Towards the maintenance of this Agricultural College by Cornell University, the State of New York does not contribute one cent. It did appropriate a few years ago \$50,000 for a Dairy building, which was intended to form one wing of a great State Hall of Agriculture. But that Hall still remains unbuilt.

I should mention the \$35,000 granted to the College of Agriculture by chapter 430 of the laws of 1899,

which can be applied only to the special object for which it was granted, and that is the promotion of agricultural knowledge throughout the State by university extension methods. The College is happy to aid the State in so useful and helpful a work, but the College itself receives no benefit from it. For the sake of completeness I will add that the State maintains at Cornell University a New York State College of Forestry, for which it makes an annual appropriation of \$10,000, and a New York State College of Veterinary Medicine, for which it makes an annual appropriation of \$25,000. No other appropriation of any kind, either for the University or for State institutions located here, is received by Cornell from the State of New York. All the rest of the revenues of the University is derived from private endowments.

WORK OF THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Now let us see what the College of Agriculture at Cornell is doing for agricultural education and for the promotion of the interest of farmers. I include the University extension work mentioned above and also the work in the experiment station.

Since the College of Agriculture was established it has given instruction to more than sixteen hundred students in residence at Ithaca and it has become one of the foremost colleges of its kind in the United States. Without boasting, I think it may be said that it is recognized as the leader among agricultural colleges and has drawn students, both for advanced and undergraduate work, from nearly every state in the union and from many foreign countries. Students, who can pass the entrance examinations may take a four years' course or a two years' course or a one year's course. But those who cannot pass examinations are admitted to a short winter course, especially designed to meet the needs of young men working for the other nine months on the farms.

There are in attendance at the present time some two hundred students in the various courses. Tuition is free in all courses. During the last five years there have been from ten to twenty graduate students in the University each year who have selected both their major and minor subjects or their major subject in the College of Agriculture. This indicates the opinion that students from other colleges have of the work being done here.

In addition to the students in residence, we are teaching a vast number of students scattered throughout the state by means of correspondence courses. This work is for the promotion of agricultural knowledge throughout the State. There are enrolled in the Farmers' Reading Course department 30,000 students; in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course 8,000 students; in the Junior Naturalists' Club about 30,000 pupils organized into 1,700 clubs; in the Home Nature Study Course about 1,500 teachers.

It will be seen that the College of Agriculture has extended its work

ANOTHER ALUMNI DINNER.

Rocky Mountain Association Has its Annual Meeting.

The Rocky Mountain Cornell association, at its annual dinner, February 15, at Kassler's hall, Denver, presented to the Interscholarship Track association a handsome silver cup. It is open for competition at the annual field day track meetings to students attending the schools constituting the association, the Centennial and Central high schools of Pueblo; high school, Colorado springs; Manual Training and East Denver High schools, Denver.

The cup will be presented to the first student who makes the highest average at three different meets. His name will then be engraved on the trophy. The announcement was made by C. L. Chandler, class of '01, a member of the Cornell cup committee. Associated with him are Whitney Newton, Pueblo; Percy Hagerman, Colorado Springs; C. F. Allen and H. W. Bingham, Denver. Mr. Chandler said the student or students who compete for the cup must have a passing average in all studies. The prize will be competed for the first time at the annual track meet in Denver next May. It is very handsomely engraved, bearing the emblem of Cornell. It is intended to stimulate field sport in Colorado, and at the same time keep the name of Cornell before the high school graduates who intend taking the collegiate course.

The following officers were elected: President, Professor C. W. Comstock, '98, Denver; vice-president, Harry C. Davis, '90, Denver; secretary, C. L. Chandler, '01, Denver; treasurer, C. F. Allen, '73, Denver; re-elected.

The outgoing officers were president, Dr. R. W. Corwin, Pueblo; vice-president, Professor C. W. Comstock, Denver; secretary, A. S. Proctor, Denver; treasurer, C. F. Allen, Denver.

Charles F. Allen, '73, Denver, officiated as toastmaster at the banquet. The banquet room was decorated with Cornell's colors, cut and potted flowers, palms, flags and greens. Toasts were responded to as follows: "The Cornell Navy," J. G. Shackelford, '73; "The Twentieth Century Cornell," Charles L. Chandler, '01; "Trials of Physicians," Dr. R. W. Corwin, '75; "A Crib," E. W. Boynton, '93 (he took his notes from "cribs" on his cuffs, a la college days); "Landscape and Letters," Whitney Newton, '79; "Sources of Cornell's Growth," A. W. Carpenter, '98; "Preservation of Youth," J. J. Lockhart, '71 (he is the oldest classman in the association); "The Use of Modern Warfare," C. M. Becker, '90 (during the recent Telluride strike he was shot and seriously wounded); "The Fatalities of Sports," H. C. Davis, '90. (Two weeks ago, while playing basket ball at the D. A. C. club, he sustained a fracture of the right wrist, which he still carries in a sling. While at Cornell he was president of the freshman class. One night he was kidnapped by another class. To make his escape he jumped through a window, taking sash and glass with him. At the time he did not know where he was, or that the window was on the second story of the building. He escaped without injuries, save for a slight scratch from flying glass.)

The guests of the evening were Max Schwer of Pueblo and Hugh Dixon of Denver. The former represented the schools of Pueblo and

the latter the East Denver high school, which belong to the Interscholarship association.

The members of the alumni association present were: Charles Fletcher Allen, Homer W. Bingham, Edmond P. Boynton, Archie W. Carpenter, Henry Charles Charpiot, Charles Worthington Comstock, Charles Lovell Chandler, Harry Clayton Davis, Abraham Lincoln Hawley, D. Hinman, F. J. Kramer, Joseph Charles Ling, James J. Lockhart, Augustus H. Martin, Whitney Newton, Albert Julius Norton, Alfred S. Proctor, Harry K. Runette, Joel W. Shackelford, Byron Erastus Shear, H. R. Weber, S. T. Richardson, T. H. Savery, Jr., Denver; Charles M. Becker, Telluride; Francis Woodworth Cooper, Dr. R. W. Corwin, Pueblo; John Eckert Greenawalt, William E. Greenawalt, Wall Street; Fred Park Stevens, Robert Hedrick Widdecombe, Colorado Springs.

rendered several selections, which seemed to be well enjoyed by the alumni, who encored each piece several times. At 9:15 Mr. Seward A. Simeons, '79, as toastmaster, rose to introduce Professor Morse Stephens. He spoke briefly upon Cornell affairs, and the value to the alumni of meeting together. He said, that in order to make a meeting of the kind complete, it was necessary to have some one address the body who was in direct touch with the University.

Professor Stephens prefaced his remarks with a few anecdotes which had bearing upon his subject. His talk dealt mainly with the need of a new athletic field, the advantages of which he clearly set forth. He described the present condition of athletics at Cornell and the disadvantage of Percy field, due to its location, concluding his talk with congratulations to the club for their



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BUFFALO ALUMNI DINE.

Banquet and Election of Officers in Western New York.

On Friday evening, February 21, in Buffalo, occurred the annual dinner of the Cornell Alumni Club of that city. About 75 local Cornellians gathered in the spacious apartments of the Ellicott Club, which had been kindly offered for the occasion. An informal reception was held in the parlors of the club before the banquet, in order that the alumni might personally meet the guest of the evening, Professor H. Morse Stephens of the University Faculty. At 8 o'clock dinner was served in the large room adjoining. During dinner a delegation from the glee club

establishment of a Cornell scholarship for needy Buffalo boys.

Mr. Edward B. Green, '78, was then called upon. He read a complete history of the scholarship since its foundation. He stated that at present there was needed about \$125 to make up the \$4,000 originally agreed upon. The amount was quickly subscribed.

The election of officers was next called for with the following result:

President, Eugene Cary, '78; Vice-Presidents, George C. Miller, '87, Harry L. Taylor, '88, Henry H. Seymour, '71; Athletic Conuselor, Clinton Wycoff, '96; Secretary and Treasurer, Robert M. Codd, Jr., '97.

Death of Former Cornell Instructor.

Mr. John J. Hayes, formerly instructor in elocution in Cornell University, died of paralysis at Boston, Sunday, February 2. Mr. Hayes was the first person to give regular instruction in public speaking in Cornell University and the work which he began here was so successful that its impress is still felt. It was mainly through the efforts of Mr. Hayes and the interest which his work excited that the '86 Memorial Prize was established. He was also the first to organize a dramatic performance by the students of the University. The play known as "A Russian Honeymoon" and was presented in the spring of 1886, the leading part being taken by Horace White, '87, now State Senator from Onondaga county. After leaving here, Mr. Hayes became instructor in elocution at Harvard where he remained until about three years ago when he was obliged to resign on account of ill health.

On Thursday evening, March 6, Hon. William Jennings Bryan will deliver in the Lyceum, his lecture, "A Conquering Nation." Mr. Bryan has recently delivered this lecture at Harvard and the University of Michigan.

Friday and Saturday of last week, Professor T. F. Crane attended the anniversary exercises at Johns Hopkins university.

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One purpose of THE ALUMNI NEWS is to keep Cornell men informed about one another. Every Cornell man, therefore, is invited to contribute to this column news concerning himself or any other student, and every contributor should remember that in sending news items he is conferring a favor upon other Cornellians.

'73, B. S. Willi Brown is trust officer for the Colonial Trust company of St. Louis, Mo., a company which has just been organized.

'74, Ph. B. The Columbus, O., Press for February 16, contained a four-column character study of Emilius O. Randall of the Ohio state university.

Ex-'74. Mayor Jay Kline of Syracuse is engaged in a struggle with the members of labor unions in the employ of the city. Owing to a disagreement one union has boycotted the mayor and his commissioner of public works, and it is threatened in retaliation that hereafter no union men will be employed by the city.

Ex-'76. Andrew B. Humphrey is president of the American Protective Tariff association, which is conducting a vigorous campaign against the proposed reciprocity with Cuba.

'84, B. C. E. Much sympathy and interest is felt at the University in the case of Contractor Ira A. Shaler, who is under indictment for manslaughter in New York city as a result of the subway explosion. It is thought that he will be successfully cleared of the charge of negligence. A letter received in Ithaca recently from Roger B. Williams, Jr., C. E., '01, who worked under Major Shaler for some time, speaks of him as most careful in securing the protection of his workmen.

'88, M. M. E. Professor Rolla C. Carpenter conducted tests at the University recently on the output of the new Portland cement establishment near Ithaca, with most satisfactory results.

'91, B. L. Jot S. Waterman has entered the law partnership of Holmes & Waterman, of Worcester, N. Y.

'92, A. B. George M. Davison was spoken of recently in these columns as having been made head of the Latin department of the Eastern District high school of Brooklyn. Mr. Davison requests that a correction be made, as his rank is the same as that of his colleagues, there being no head to the department.

'94, Ph. D. Joseph A. Leighton is author of a new work entitled "Typical Modern Conceptions of God," which has been published by Longmans, Green & Company. Dr. Leighton is at present chaplain of Hobart college.

'94, M. E.; ex-'97; '97, M. E. Alpheus F. Williams, ex-'97, is assistant manager of the DeBeers gold mines in South Africa. He received the position as the result of his excellent record while in charge of the mines during the war. On the engineering staff of the mines are Percy A. Robbins, '94, and Charles M. Henrotin, '97.

'96, M. E. Nathaniel S. Reeder, Jr., is superintendent of the Montour Railroad company, one of the properties of the Pittsburg Coal company. His office is at Coraopolis, Pa. '98, A. B. Floyd W. Mundy, who is connected with the brokerage firm of Granger, Farwell & Company, of

Chicago, is the author of a new book entitled, "The Earning Power of Railroads," which is intended for the use of investors. The work contains information regarding the earnings, capitalization and mileage of one hundred railroads in the United States and Canada, with the rate per mile for each company of its capitalization, earnings and operating expenses.

'98, Ph. B. Clara L. Mellor has been elected vice-president of the Graduate Students' club of New York university, where she is taking advanced work in English.

'99, B. S. Homer H. Gage, who has been studying at the Albany Normal college, has been appointed to a position as teacher of Latin and modern languages in the high school at Wellsville, N. Y.

'00, B. Arch. Herbert S. Olin is now with Hunt & Hunt, architects, at 28 East 21st street, New York city. He is living at 41 West 16th street.

'00, M. E. Philip Will has resigned his position with the Sill Stone company of Rochester, N. Y., and is taking a course at the School of Mines at Columbia university.

'01, A. B. Harry B. Smith is teaching physics in the high school at Waterloo, N. Y.

'01, B. S. A. Gilbert M. Tucker, Jr., has a position in the office of the Country Gentleman of Albany, of which his father is editor.

Ex-'01. Layton S. Lyon is convalescing at his home in Williamsport, Pa., from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Ex-'01. Francis Tyler has given up the position he held with a Michigan lumber company, and is now living in New York city. He is studying music with Edward Meehan, one of the foremost vocal teachers of the country.

'01, M. E. J. Norris Oliphant is in the office of Oliphant, Norris & Company, brokers, at 20 Broad street, New York city. His home address is 24 Remsen street, Brooklyn.

'01, A. B. Frederick Willis is with the firm of H. W. Peabody & Company, 17 State street, New York city. He lives at 133 Bowne avenue, Flushing.

Ex-'01. G. Stuart Lang has a position with the General Electric company at Schenectady.

'01, C. E. Alfred S. Mirick and William C. Thomas are in the engineering department of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad company at Denison, Iowa.

Obituaries.

SUSAN J. EVANS.

On Monday, February 3, Susan Jane Evans, Ph. B., '97, died at Port Chester, N. Y., of typhoid fever. She was engaged in teaching at that place. Interment occurred at her home in Rome, N. Y.

DENNIS P. LYNCH.

Dennis Philip Lynch, LL. B., '89, died at his home in Elmira, N. Y., Sunday, Feb. 16. The deceased was a prominent lawyer in that city, and had taken an active part in political affairs. He was at one time city attorney, and last fall was the Democratic nominee for member of assembly from Chemung county.

WILLIAM W. FOLLMER.

William Wilcox Follmer, M. E., '01, died in Pittsburg, Pa., Tuesday, February 18, after a brief illness with pneumonia. He was engaged in engineering work at the time of

his death, holding an excellent position in the estimating department of the Pittsburg Valve & Iron company.

The deceased was a native of Williamsport, Pa., and prepared for college at Dickinson seminary, where he graduated with honors. He entered Cornell in 1897 in the engineering course and next year became a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He took an active part in the class and University affairs, acting as vice-president of the class in its sophomore year and serving on a number of committees. He was also interested in athletics, and secured several wrestling championships. Last October he married Mrs. Jessie Priest Armstrong, of Ithaca, in this city, the couple locating in Pittsburg.

"His prospects for a happy and successful career were brighter than those of the vast majority of college students of to-day, and his sudden death after an illness of only three days is a severe shock to his bereaved wife and family, his brothers in S. A. E., and his many friends."

Weddings.

BLANDFORD—RAMAGE.

On Tuesday, February 11, Miss Blandine Blandford and Joseph C. Ramage, E. E., '90, were united in marriage. They will make their home in Washington, D. C., where Mr. Ramage has just been admitted to the bar. At present he is connected with the Southern Railway company as superintendent of tests.

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Calendar of Coming Events.

Mar. 2, Sunday—University preacher, President Charles Cuthbert Hall, Union Theological Seminary, New York city.
Mar. 7, Friday—Cornell-Columbia debate at the Lyceum, Ithaca.
March 8, Saturday—Fencing, Cornell vs. West Point.
Mar. 9, Sunday—University preacher, Rev. Samuel A. Eliot, D. D., Boston, Mass.
Mar. 14, Wednesday—Junior Smoker.
Mar. 15, Saturday—Indoor track meet with Michigan, at Ann Arbor.
March 28, Friday—Intercollegiate Fencing meet in New York city.

AN ENCOURAGING SIGN.

We always welcome signs of life in our alumni associations and delight to call attention to their activities. It is the Rocky Mountain Alumni Association that deserves particular mention just now. From the account of its annual dinner published elsewhere in this issue it will be seen that the association has just presented a silver cup to the Colorado Interscholastic Track Association to be competed for in its track meets. The minor purpose of the gift is to stimulate field sport in Colorado. Its major purpose, and the one in which we as Cornellians are mainly interested, is to keep the name of Cornell before high school students who are looking forward to taking a university course.

It is becoming the custom for several of our alumni associations to have annual dinners, and it would be a matter of profound congratulation if these dinners were made the occasion not only for eating, drinking, good fellowship and the renewal of University ties, but also for doing something for our Alma Mater. As a general proposition we do not favor soliciting contributions at these dinners. Many people justly resent being invited to a social gathering only to be subjected to solicita-

tions which cannot under the circumstances be evaded without embarrassment. All this should in most cases be done beforehand, and the dinner made only the time when the cup is presented, the scholarship conferred, the thing done, whatever it is, which is to advance the interests of the University in one direction or another. The mistake is often made of thinking that it is not worth while to do a little thing, or, at least, that there is an element of shame in it. The shame comes from doing nothing at all, not from doing a very little thing if that is all that can reasonably be expected. Link something unselfish to these dinners, and much will be added to the enjoyment and satisfaction they give. We are firm believers in the proposition that the organized alumni can do much for their Alma Mater, and as these dinners probably do more than any other one thing to keep the alumni organized, it is quite fitting that they should also be made the occasion for a display of alumni loyalty.

WORK OF THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

We urge upon the alumni a careful reading of President Schurman's address to the College of Agriculture which we print in full in this issue. The address has been put in pamphlet form and a limited number of copies is available for distribution to those who make application to the President's secretary. While the address is of peculiar interest to the people of New York state, it nevertheless contains much information of a general nature which cannot fail to be of interest to all our alumni, wherever they are situated.

We think it is quite true that the average alumnus knows scarcely anything about the work which our College of Agriculture is doing. That this should not be so becomes quite evident when our attention is directed to the fact that the Charter of the University provides that "the leading object of the corporation hereby created shall be to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, including military tactics, . . . But such other branches of science and knowledge may be embraced in the plan of instruction and investigation pertaining to the University as the trustees may deem useful and proper." The President's address furnishes us with the information which we all ought to have concerning the work of the Agricultural College, and therefore should be carefully read. The work is a great work, and one of which we can justly be proud. We cannot fail to be overwhelmed by its magnitude when we are told that in one branch of the work of the College, namely the University Extension work, at least 83,000 persons in New York state, outside of Ithaca, are receiving instruction along agricultural lines. For

fuller information with respect to the University Extension work than is given in President's Schurman's address, we refer our readers to the article on that subject by Professor John Craig, head of that department, which appeared in the issue of the ALUMNI NEWS for January 29.

But as it is with other departments of the University, so it is with the Agricultural College. It is without a home of its own and a Hall of Agriculture is sorely needed. A bill was recently introduced into the New York State Senate by Senator Samuel S. Slater, '94, of New York city, which provides for constructing and equipping a building on the University Campus to be used by the College of Agriculture. When we learn from President Schurman's address that Cornell "annually gives to the people of the State of New York not much less than \$250,000" (approximately the amount expended in educating the agricultural students, to whom free instruction is given, and those students holding State scholarships,) our request for State aid seems to be perfectly justified. When one considers the great work which the Agricultural College is doing now with its limited facilities, one is almost overcome with the thought of what the College could do if it were adequately provided for.

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THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

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over a wide field and is reaching a vast number of the rural population. It may be said that in addition to the persons reached as enumerated many hundred more get instruction incidentally. It may also be said that the work of University Extension is carried on along University lines. Lessons are sent to be studied and examination questions answered and returned. This necessitates a vast amount of work that cannot be tabulated in any way except by stating the number of students in these various University Extension Courses.

Nearly five hundred farmers have conducted experiments on their own farms under the careful supervision of members of the teaching force. This is in addition to the investigations carried on at the University. There is scarcely a subject connected with fruit or crops that has not been studied from close range in a majority of the counties of the State.

I cannot state accurately how many lectures before farmers' organizations have been delivered since the College was established, but they certainly number several thousand. In addition to all this, the College has done a vast work in helping the farmers out of their difficulties by personal correspondence. From five to ten thousand letters per year in answer to questions are written by the staff. This work alone is a great tax upon the College, but the benefits derived are so great that the practice still continues of answering, to the best of our ability, all questions relating to agriculture, directly or remotely.

The Experiment Station a part of the College of Agriculture, has published 196 bulletins, in editions averaging more than 20,000 each, and fourteen annual reports. Whenever there is a serious outbreak of insects or fungi, a specialist is dispatched immediately to make investigations and to help overcome the difficulty. It is becoming well known throughout the State, that at any time the farmers may command, and they do command, the attention and the scientific knowledge of the entire force, with the view of securing relief. Every department of scientific and practical agriculture is represented on the staff, therefore we are able to give assistance in time of need in any activity related to agriculture.

Our agricultural students have gone to all parts of the State and carried with them the light of science to aid the farmer in his arduous and difficult, though independent and noble calling. Our professors, by their investigations on the diseases that attack grains and fruits and flocks and herds, have saved, I believe, millions of dollars to the State. Did not the Cornell method of combating the pear sylla save over a million dollars to a single county? Have not Cornell methods of orcharding added noticeably to the prosperity of our farmers and fruit growers? I have at least been told so, on what I regard as expert authority. And I believe that the farmers of the State hold in grateful honor the names of Professors Roberts, Bailey, Caldwell, Law, Comstock, Atkinson, Wing, Slingerland,

Craig, and their newer fellowlaborers at Cornell who are devoting their lives to bringing science to the aid of the farmers as the engineering faculties have brought science to the aid of the manufacturing classes. The President of the University has always co-operated with them to the utmost of his ability; for, having been brought up on a farm, he feels peculiar and most earnest sympathy with this division of the University. And what the President and Faculty have recommended the Board of Trustees have, to the utmost of their power, authorized.

It must, however, be borne in mind that, apart from the funds heretofore mentioned, all the property and endowments of Cornell University have come from the gifts of individual benefactors; and nearly all these benefactors have designated the objects for which their gifts were intended. The University has sacredly observed the obligations thus imposed upon it. No one has given for agriculture; apparently no one will. The University funds are all mortgaged for the existing instruction in agriculture, mechanic arts, and the other divisions of the University. A big hall is needed for the work of the College of Agriculture. Will not the State provide it?

Professor Robertson, Agricultural and Dairy Commissioner of the Dominion of Canada, after a three days visit at Cornell, writes as follows: "I do not know of another great University that is doing the same sort of work. Institutions of this kind generally confine their activities to the professional and scholastic classes, but here is one that is bringing its culture and its wealth of knowledge, based on careful research, to the help of the common people in their practical, every-day work."

We want to make and keep the Agricultural College at Cornell the best in the United States. Other states have furnished buildings, equipment and facilities for their agricultural colleges by legislative appropriations. Within recent years Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin have each voted from \$200,000 to \$300,000 for that purpose. We appeal to New York State to follow their example; and the exhibit I have made shows, I think conclusively, the merits of the Agricultural College at Cornell.

Relay Team Defeated.

The point of Trainer Moakley of repeated calls for more candidates for the track team was very clearly seen on the evening of Saturday, February 22, when Cornell's relay team was beaten by Notre Dame at the Georgetown University games in Washington. Scarcity of material was directly responsible for defeat. Trainer Moakley at the last moment was forced to leave Sears, '05, behind. Walton, '02, Ketchum, '04, Rogers, '02, and Young, '02, accordingly were entered for Cornell. Of these, Captain Young was just out of the Infirmary; but Trainer Moakley was obliged to enter him for sheer lack of any one else to substitute. Ketchum had not run very long and was hardly in trim to enter.

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running and won the event easily by 25 yards.

Each relay was about 300 yards, the total being 1,200 yards. The time made by the Notre Dame men was the best of the evening, being 2:38 1-5. Each of the 4 men in the Cornell team lost distance to his opponent. They ran in the following order: Walton lost 4 yards to Staples; Young lost 10 yards to Herbert; Ketchum lost 6 yards to Kirby; and Rogers lost 5 yards to Gearin.

Walton and Ketchum entered the 50-yard low hurdles. The former ran from scratch and won second in the final heat. Ketchum appeared only in the trial heat, not entering the final.

The race between the University of Pennsylvania and Georgetown, was won by Georgetown.

C. U. C. A. Elects Officers.

At the annual meeting of the executive committee of the Christian Association held Monday, February 24, the following officers were elected:

President—H. S. Braucher, '03.
1st Vice-president—W. J. Reinhart, '04.
2nd Vice-president—R. H. Gault, '02.
Treasurer—G. N. Pease, '04.
Secretary—G. L. Genung, '05.
In the women's department, the election resulted as follows:
President—Miss G. E. Inman, '03.
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2nd Vice-president—Miss E. S. Jenness, '04.
Treasurer—Miss Isabelle Emerson, '03.
Secretary—Miss M. L. Adsit, '05.

The Infirmary is being taxed to the limit of its capacity, all available room being occupied by sick students, among whom there seems to be an unusual amount of illness.

At the skating carnival on Beebe lake Saturday, the Ithaca band played from 3 to 5:30 p. m. There were about 2,500 persons on the ice during the afternoon.

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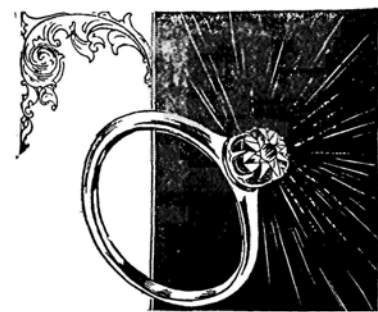
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Yale Wins at Hockey.

On Saturday evening, February 22, in the St. Nicholas Rink, New York city, the hockey team was defeated by Yale in an exciting contest. As Yale had played about eighteen games before this one and Cornell none, our team went into the match more with the idea of keeping the score down than with any hope of winning. The play on both sides was fierce and hard, but Yale clearly out-classed Cornell both in attack and defence. Our team showed good form, however, and seemed to lack only experience.

There were several hard knocks during the game, Captain Wood of Cornell receiving a severe blow in the mouth from one of the Yale men's sticks, which cut his lip and broke two teeth; Lewis sustained a broken finger and received a blow over the left eye which necessitated his retirement from the game for some time. Potter of Yale was obliged to leave the game on account of a severe blow on the head.

The two captains, Stoddard and Wood, faced off and Cornell at once rushed toward the Yale goal. The play was very aggressive and several times the Yale team work was broken up. Yale then rushed the puck back and Snow made two good shots for goals, both of which were stopped by Day. After this the game was nearly all in Cornell's territory. The first goal was made by Inman from a scrimmage after fifteen minutes of play.

When play was resumed Stoddard drove down toward the Cornell goal and the puck glanced off Day's leg guard and went into the net, scoring a second goal for Yale.

In the second half, Nevins was substituted by Yale for Smith. After two minutes' play he helped Stoddard make Yale's third goal. Inman made the next goal for a scrimmage and Stoddard scored the fifth from another scrimmage.

Yale5	Positions	Cornell 0
Thompson	Goal	Day
Ward	Point	Dederer
Hitchcock	Coverpoint	Ellis
Potter	Forward	Armstrong
(Smith) (Nevins)		
Inman	Forward	Lewis
Stoddard	Forward	Wood
Snow	Forward	Lee

Score, Yale 5, Cornell 0. Goals, Inman 2, Stoddard 3. Referee, T. A. Howard, New York Athletic club. Goal umpires, W. Stern, Columbia; T. Roberts, Cornell. Length of halves, 20 minutes.

The society of Gamma Alpha which was organized last year, has recently decided that membership shall be restricted to such graduate, senior and junior students as are specializing in some branch of pure or applied science; the society remains non-secret, and is not in any sense one of the undergraduate fraternities.

The Masque council reports that the Junior Week play was most successful financially. It has been decided to abandon the idea of an Easter trip.

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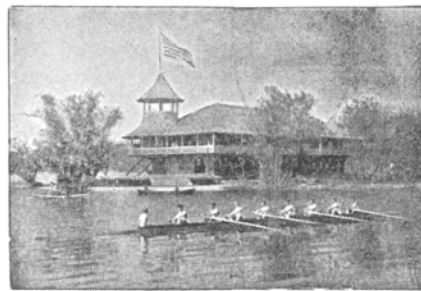
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