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Progress at Barnes Hall

Recent Changes in Policy—Interesting Scheme for Social Club Presented

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During the last few years there have been several changes of importance in the organization of the associations whose activities center at Barnes hall. Those who have watched the development of the Christian association will not be surprised to learn that the "Women's department" of the old Cornell University Christian association has withdrawn from the Men's department and has been reorganized as a Young Women's Christian association. For ten years many students and alumni have believed that the organization could extend its usefulness if the union organization were dissolved and the work of the men and women conducted under separate management.

In point of fact some of the leading branches of work had been carried on independently ever since the two departments were formed. It was, therefore, rather anomalous for the men to discuss and vote upon questions which pertained exclusively to the work of the women, and for the women to advise on problems which they in no way helped to carry out. The only activities, during several years, which were wholly union, were the religious and missionary meetings. In the year 1901-02, part of the religious meetings were held by men and women separately. Subjects were then brought to the attention of both departments which could not, from the nature of the case, be discussed in a mixed meeting. In this experiment the experience of the year demonstrated that the meetings of the women showed more increase in attendance than did those of the men. The leaders among the women came to feel, therefore, that they had everything to gain and nothing to lose if they withdrew entirely and established an independent organization. They could then be at lib-

erty to direct the work which before had been partly directed by the men.

TWO GENERAL SECRETARIES

Another strong argument in favor of separation was the need of a woman as general secretary. It had always been a matter of embarrassment, both to the girls and to the general secretary, that there had been no woman in the office to advise upon religious and other questions in the way that the secretary did for the men. So, also, it was a problem to obtain suitable rooms for the increasing number of girls who live outside of the dormitories. A man could not do this work as well as a woman. Thus gradually there has come a demand for a general secretary whose time should be given to the women's work.

It seemed desirable for the women to ally themselves with the general student Young Women's Christian association movement with which they were not connected under the joint organization. Their delegates to the summer conference were only guests upon the invitation of the committee of arrangements. The travelling secretaries, who are of service to the association in many ways, came to Cornell as the representatives of the Young Men's association and aided the women only indirectly. If regularly affiliated with their own national organization, the young women would be more independent, would be allied with all other college women in the common extension of Christian work and would be able to keep pace with the development of other similar associations throughout the country. Affiliation was impossible under the existing constitution, so withdrawal was imperative if this step were to be taken.

The work of the men was not affected especially by the change. They experienced the advantage of independence of direction in the important branches of the association, as they already existed, and could grow into a wider usefulness in student life if allowed complete control of their own problems.

The separation was not accomplished until fully discussed, and since there was some difference of opinion over the method to be pursued and the status of the two organizations after separation, the whole subject was brought by the students to the Board of Trustees of the association with the request that they suggest a plan of procedure. The board advised that the separation when accomplished be an experiment, and that the women have the privilege of returning to the previous form of organization if the trial was unsuccessful. A series of resolutions and constitutional amendments was drawn up and passed, which gave to the young women the right to form a separate organization which could become affiliated with the American committee of the Y. W. C. A. By withdrawal the rights of voting and holding office in the old association were relinquished, the women were allowed the control of their work, including finance, and were permitted to elect two members of the Board of Trustees, which was enlarged to nine members. They were given the exclusive use of the two east rooms in Barnes hall, and of such other rooms as they might desire, in the same way as previously; this exclusive use, of course, to terminate when they should have procured acceptable quarters elsewhere. The enlarged board maintains the same relation to the new association as to the old one.

At present, therefore, the young women's organization enjoys complete independence and retains all rights and privileges which the women have had in Barnes hall since the beginning, and the two associations are united in their legal representatives, the Board of Trustees.

AFFAIRS ARE PROSPERING

The situation at Barnes hall is good. The activities of the Y. W. C. A. are in excellent condition and those on the ground are convinced that the step was a wise one. Miss Maude L. Kuschke, '04, has been the secretary since the

change took place and has devoted all her time to the affairs of the association with marked success. Miss Kuschke is admirably fitted for the position by her experience in the work at Barnes hall, in which she has been active since her Freshman year. She was prominent in student life, having been a member of numerous clubs and other organizations. The young women have made the most of the opportunity afforded them and the secretary's time has been fully taken since the beginning with personal conference, finding rooms and work for girls who live out of Sage College and with the many other phases of the year's work. There is now no longer a doubt of the need of such a secretary.

The successor to G. C. Patterson, '04, as general secretary, is Mr. A. L. Thayer, Harvard '04. He was engaged in the association work at Harvard, and was well known in connection with the student activities. He was superintendent of a large philanthropic organization in Cambridge. Mr. Thayer has taken up the work with enthusiasm and is already gaining a wide support among the students.

There is not space to mention in detail the results of the work either among men or women. A full report will be sent by the association to the alumni at a later date. In the Y. W. C. A. the membership has increased, the religious meetings have been large and have been directed to meet the special needs of those attending. There has been more interest in Bible study than ever before and the missionary classes have been fully as large as usual. Receptions for both men and women were held with the results which commonly accrue to that branch of the work. The religious work among the men of the University has been faithfully done. The Bible study and neighborhood committees are well organized and a large number of men actively interested. The religious meetings at the opening of the year were of unusual strength. The Rev. Lyman Abbott, Henry Van Dyke, Mr. Clayton S. Cooper and others addressed large audiences.

In connection with the Social Service league of Ithaca the two associations have conducted girls' and boys' clubs near the Inlet. A building has been specially fitted up for the purpose of helping people less fortunate than those in the University. This work has

been carried on with tact and has resulted in good. The scope of the work has included games, gymnastics, and dramatic performances; sewing and cooking, etc., with adaptations to the special needs of boys and girls.

FINANCIAL AID NEEDED

In the financial status of the association there has been an important change. For years the general secretary has been obliged to spend too much of his time in raising money and therefore too little in the work of developing the religious and social life



SECRETARY A. L. THAYER.

of the men of the University. The many changes in the office during the last five years have made it impossible to establish and maintain a fixed business system in raising money. In view of the recent unsatisfactory condition and in order to make the financial policy of the association permanent, the Board of Trustees has now undertaken to collect subscriptions from two sources of income, viz., from the alumni and faculty. By the closer oversight of the work than has been the policy in the past, it is hoped that the income may be steady enough to permit the prompt payment of salaries, and large enough to meet the salaries of both secretaries.

The details of the plan are not fully worked out, but as soon as possible they will be communicated to the alumni. If successful this change in fi-

nancial policy will mark one of the most sweeping changes of recent years and one of the most beneficial. The alumni and faculty contributors will then know that their contributions will be received and disbursed by a body whose policies do not change from year to year, and by that body which is most closely connected with the association.

INTERESTING SCHEME OUTLINED

Although as yet in the initial stages of its development, there is a proposed plan which may briefly be mentioned here, by which Barnes hall is likely to become the student social center. In a recent number of the *Cornell Era* a well known undergraduate wrote that the students feel the need of a place where men will be drawn together from all quarters of the University, and which will serve as an Alumni hall, until that project can be realized. Barnes hall is the only building on the Campus in which any attempt has been made to fill that need. For years, receptions, etc., have been held and Freshmen have been taught the ways of the University beneath the roof of Barnes hall. Now a demand is created to make of it a general meeting place. This increased demand requires the use of the whole building, which is too small at best. The dormitory in the basement would be given up and in its place, perhaps billiard and pool tables be installed, or the rooms used for the officers of the student publications, etc. The trophy room would be moved into the large room on the west side of the second floor, where the trophies would show to advantage and the main floor could then be available for offices and meeting places. This is a scheme proposed by the students and is in accord with the recent tendency to make the Campus rather than the city the scene of student activities.

With the building used by the students as a meeting place, the religious work of the association would receive an impetus, for it would then be more closely watched by the students as a whole, and those who do not now would soon realize that at Cornell University the Christian association is an organization working for the good of all the students. Alumni will welcome changes which tend to make student life broader, more congenial and better.

ALUMNI MAY CONTRIBUTE.

The needs of the associations at Barnes hall are many, but the most important is that its finances be placed upon a business basis. If a larger number of the alumni would contribute regularly to the payment of the salaries of the secretaries so that it would be possible to pay them more adequately and more promptly, experienced secretaries could be retained for a period of years and the work of the association would greatly increase in breadth and power.

The Christian associations are not in any way narrow organizations. They have many sides to their activities, and men and women of wide sympathies are needed to direct and stimulate the efforts of the students. Even as Cornell University gives today the broad education that is needed in American life, so the Christian associations minister to the upbuilding of the broad character which exemplifies the best of American ideals.

Junior Week Opened

Ice Carnival Shifted to Saturday—A Bold Coup in High Finance

As the NEWS goes to press, block week—or the remnant thereof which has survived the abolition process—is over, and Junior week is by way of beginning.

According to schedule, the Junior festivities should already have opened, with the ice carnival at Beebe lake on Tuesday evening; but the ice defied the efforts of the local Weather Bureau and persisted in going out of Beebe lake about five days before the carnival was booked to occur. As a last resort, the committee transferred the carnival bodily from the head to the foot of the week's program, in the hope that the frost may linger with us long enough to permit skating on Saturday of this week. In that event the festivities will be closed with skating and tobogganing at Beebe lake on the afternoon and evening of that day.

During the period of preparation for the Junior girls' advent, chief interest centered in the auction sales for the Masque play and the Musical clubs' concert. This was because of an effort to reduce the expense of Junior week this year by a policy of retrenchment wherever possible. Something had been accomplished along this line

by the dance committees in doing away with the extra charge for programs for the cotillion and prom. With the single exception of the men's programs to the Junior, these were all included this year in the price of admission.

Those who had hoped for economy were grievously disappointed when the first choice for Masque seats was sold at a premium of \$3, the record mark. The premiums remained at an exorbitantly high figure throughout the sale, twentieth choice going for something over \$1.50. These amounts, added to the regular price of tickets, made the total from \$3 to \$4.50 per seat. At the close of the auction about twenty scattered seats were left in the entire house.

Economy had apparently received its death blow. But between this Saturday evening and the concert auction sale on the following Monday, there was much activity in certain quarters, resulting in the boldest *coup* in the history of high finance at Cornell. A gigantic combine of all the fraternities was organized on the mutual agreement not to pay more than \$1.25 premium for concert tickets. The interests were pooled and one man was to bid and buy for all. In case the management refused to sell so many tickets to a single bidder, the fraternities were pledged to boycott the performance.

After considerable debate as to whether it was fair to sell so many seats to one bidder, the management decided that it had no power to change the precedent by limiting the number, without advertising that fact before the sale. Accordingly it was announced that no limit would be placed on the number of seats that each bidder might buy, and the auction sale began. First choice went at the low figure of \$1.40. The fraternity group bided its time, and finally captured seventh choice at the agreed figure of \$1.25. By this time many desirable seats in the theater had been sold to previous bidders, but enough remained so that the holder of choice No. 7 was able to buy 578 tickets at a total cost of over \$1,500, and still leave a few seats in the balcony untaken. Then the 578 seats were distributed by lot among the parties to the combine, and each was obliged perforce to take what to him fell.

Thus did high finance score its triumph and economy once more become the watchword of the hour.

Rules Committee Meets

All Day Session Produces Results—Prof. Dennis Optimistic

Upon his return from the second meeting of the new Intercollegiate Football Rules committee, held at New York last Saturday, Professor L. M. Dennis, chairman of the committee, expressed himself with enthusiasm on the work that is being accomplished by that body. The members of the amalgamated committees are working together in perfect accord, and are permitting nothing to stand in the way of a thorough reform in the best interests of the game. And they confidently expect to produce results in the near future.

Saturday's meeting at the Murray Hill hotel was an all-day session, lasting from the middle of the forenoon until 10 o'clock in the evening. By that time the whole ground had been gone over in a tentative way, and the future work mapped out. Moreover, certain important changes have already been adopted, though the final codification of the new rules was not attempted at this session.

It will be two weeks before the members of the committee will gather again at the Murray Hill hotel to take definite action. The interim will be employed to consider the ideas, to frame the wording of them, and to make such additions as may be deemed necessary after the schemes advocated are thoroughly discussed.

The changes followed the four heads laid down by the first organization meeting of the committee two weeks ago. There were changes to bring about open play, to eliminate unnecessary roughness and brutality, to provide for the appointment of officials by a central board and to test the rules prior to final incorporation in the rule book in actual play.

The recommendations for open play were first taken up. It was decided that there should be a rearrangement of the defense so as to make ground gaining easier, and that the rearrangement should be so ordered as especially to encourage end running. It was decided that the forward pass should be permitted in all parts of the field, provided the ball was not passed ahead of the line of scrimmage, and provided it was not passed to any man who was on the line when the play was started.

Restriction was made as to the positions of the men on offense to limit line plays, and such minor changes as would bring about the desired results.

The ten yard proposition advanced was approved in general but there are several matters yet to be considered before it is finally embodied in the tentative code. The most important question in connection with this is whether it will operate only between the 25 yard lines, the five yard rule operating elsewhere. There is also the question whether but three downs shall be allowed to make the distance, or whether, after three downs and the distance still not gained, the side having the ball shall be allowed to kick but not to run with it, or whether the number of downs shall be increased to four.

The means of effecting the organization of a central board to appoint officials was one of the questions that was left for decision at the next meeting, it being affirmed simply that there should be such provisions, and that the plan advanced by the sub-committee be in general approved.

As to the testing of plays in a field laboratory, it was the sense of the meeting that such tests should be made. The proffer by the Military academy at West Point of its grounds for the purpose will probably be accepted. Annapolis also made a tentative offer of its field and men for the same end, and there is a chance that this may also be used for experimentation.

SUGGESTIONS IN DETAIL.

A memorandum of the recommendations follows:

Disqualification—Striking with the fist, elbow, knee and kicking, punishable for the rest of the game, while the offending team shall lose half the distance to its own goal.

Opening up of play—Any man back of the snapper back shall be allowed to make a forward pass, provided the pass does not reach beyond the line of scrimmage or to a man who was in the line of scrimmage when the ball was put in play.

Not more than six men shall be on the line of defense in the scrimmage. The balance shall be clearly behind the line of all the line men and inside the men on the end of the line.

There shall be no tackling below the knees, except by the men on the line of scrimmage on the defence, and of these

the end men cannot tackle below the knees.

Hurdling in the line shall be prohibited—definition to be decided on later.

The players on the side having possession of the ball shall not hold, block or otherwise obstruct opponents, except with the body, but the player moving with the ball may ward off opponents. Holding or unlawful obstruction includes grappling opponents with the hand or placing the hand on an opponent to obstruct play.

It shall be the duty of all officials to penalize all offences.

Unsportsmanlike conduct shall include the use of insulting language to opponents or officials; the penalty shall be suspension to the end of the game.

Unnecessary roughness—Striking the runner with the ball with the heel, striking with the lock hand by line men in breaking through, tackling the runner when out of bounds and all other acts of unnecessary roughness. The penalty shall be fifteen yards.

It is further recommended that upon being disqualified for a second offence during the season, the player guilty of the offence be disqualified for one year.

There shall be a referee, two umpires and a linesman, but in games of minor importance the second umpire shall be dispensed with on agreement.

As regards the question of the neutral zone the Harvard suggestion was accepted. It was:

"That in a scrimmage the holder of the ball shall place it flat upon the ground and put it in play with its long axis at right angles to the line of scrimmage, and that until the ball is put in play no part of any player, except of the man who puts the ball in play, shall be ahead of the point of the ball nearer his own goal."

The only absentee from the meeting was Dr. Paul J. Dashiell of Annapolis, his place being taken by Lieut. Charles Buckwalter of the United States Navy. Professor Dennis presided.

Debate Question Settled

Public ownership of street railways will be the issue in the debates of the triangular league this year. In order to balance the question more evenly, however, the question has been turned around, and now reads: "Resolved, That American cities should seek the

solution of the street railway problem in private ownership and operation."

Cornell will support the affirmative against Columbia at Ithaca, and the negative against Pennsylvania at Philadelphia. Both debates, as well as the one between Pennsylvania and Columbia in New York, will be held on Friday evening, March 9.

The final competition for places on the Cornell teams will be held on February 7. The teams will probably be selected mainly from the speakers on the '94 stage, and the indications are that the teams this season will be composed of much younger debaters than those of previous years. The material in the Junior and Sophomore classes this year is excellent. The Senior class, however, is almost unrepresented, as some of its best debaters are disqualified by being members of the staff of instruction.

Summer Session Plans

Prof. Bristol to be Director—Many Prominent Teachers Engaged

The faculty for the Cornell summer session of 1906 was selected at the last meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees. Professor George P. Bristol is to be the director. Professor Charles De Garmo, who has had charge of this work up to this year, will be absent on his sabbatical vacation during next term and through the coming summer.

In addition to the Cornell teachers who have given their time to the summer school work in preceding years, Professor J. W. Jenks of the department of political science and Professor L. M. Dennis of the department of chemistry will assist in the work of instruction. In all about twenty departments of the University will be represented. The faculty will consist of 58 members, including 18 professors, 19 assistant professors and 21 instructors.

Besides the members of the regular University faculty, a number of teachers will be present from other institutions. Among these will be Professor Coulter of Purdue, Professor A. R. Hill of the University of Missouri, Professor von Klenze of the University of Chicago, Professor Thayer of Princeton and Messrs. Dryer of the Indiana Normal school, Whitbeck of

the New Jersey Normal school, MacMurray of the Illinois Normal school, Farnham of the Oswego Normal school, A. D. Dear of the Technical High school at Springfield, Mass., and T. C. Mitchell of the Boys' High school, Brooklyn.

E. L. Stevens, assistant superintendent of schools in New York city, and C. W. Furlong, well known as an artist and illustrator, and a former instructor at Cornell, will also be among the number.

One of the innovations of the summer school this year will be the appointment of a resident preacher. The Rev. Dr. George W. Knox of the Union Theological seminary in New York city has been selected to fill this position.

An extension of the work of the school along several different lines is included in the plans for the season. A course of lectures on topics of national importance will be an interesting feature of the session. The complete announcement of courses will be issued in about a fortnight.

"Big Red Team" in Demand

Cornell's football song, "The Big Red Team," is having almost a phenomenal sale. The clamorous demand for the first edition of 1,000 copies, which was exhausted in twenty-four hours after it went on sale, has already been mentioned herein. A second instalment of a thousand copies was then rushed from the presses in the thought that this would more than meet the call for the new song. But the supply soon gave out again and finally the Musical clubs management in desperation ordered a third edition of 3,000 sheets, which is now on sale in the Ithaca music stores and may be procured of the Cornell Musical clubs, which undertook the publication of the song.

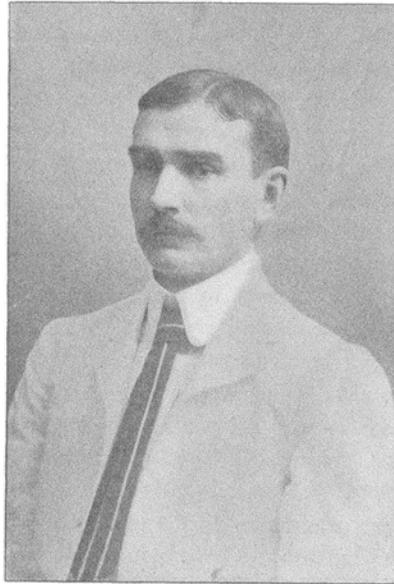
A general call for "The Big Red Team" is now being felt in other cities and a number of wholesale orders have been received from music dealers in various parts of the country. The song has evidently been recognized by the public as possessing genuine merit as a musical composition, apart from its local interest to Cornellians. The authors, Messrs. Tourison and Berry, are receiving not a few congratulations on the success of their maiden effort.

Succeeds as Engineer

O. L. Ingalls, '86, City Engineer of Manila, and His Important Work

Prominent among that goodly company of men who have gone out from the Cornell College of Civil Engineering in recent years to assume positions of responsibility in many parts of the world is Owen L. Ingalls, '86, who for several years past has been city engineer of Manila, in the Philippines.

Mr. Ingalls was born in 1864 near Peterboro, Madison county, N. Y. He was prepared for college at Evans academy at that place and entered the



OWEN L. INGALLS, '85

University in 1882, in the course in civil engineering. While here he took an active interest in athletics, playing on the Varsity nine in '85, Harry Taylor, now president of the Eastern league, being one of his team mates.

After graduation in 1886, Mr. Ingalls worked two years for the Burlington and Missouri railroad in Nebraska, where he became division superintendent on construction. Coming East in 1888, he secured by competitive examination a position on the Croton aqueduct, where he became an expert on rock cutting.

On the completion of the aqueduct, he was offered a position in Washington, D. C., in the department of sewers. He was later made assistant superintendent of the department, where he drafted the plans and superintended the construction of some of the largest

sewers in the world, that crossing the Capitol grounds having a diameter of twenty-two feet.

Early in 1902 he was made superintendent of the plumbing department in the city, but before he had had time to carry the work very far he received from the Civil Service commission of the Philippines the appointment of city engineer of Manila.

Owing to the action of Spanish laws concerning land titles, the low position of the city of Manila and the fact that the subsoil is water-soaked sand, the building of a system of sewers for the city presents some very difficult problems. These have been successfully solved; plans are now complete and within the next year the great work of building a system of drainage for a city of over 300,000 inhabitants will have been begun.

Mr. Ingalls takes a warm interest in affairs at Cornell and entertains many Cornell men who find themselves in the distant islands.

Halls to be Dedicated

The Rockefeller Hall of Physics will be dedicated during the session of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, to be held at Ithaca from June 28 to July 3. The decision was reached at a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees. At the same meeting it was decided to hold the dedication ceremonies of the Goldwin Smith Hall of Humanities during Commencement week.

The mild weather of the winter thus far has been taken advantage of by the contractors who are at work on the two structures, and there is no doubt that both buildings will be finished in time. The Hall of Physics will be ready for occupancy in the spring, as the laboratories are now being fitted up. The Hall of Humanities is likely to be completed before the physics building, although some delay has been encountered in starting the work upon the north wing, which is at present the dairy building.

Baseball practice will be resumed in the Armory on Monday, February 5. At that time Hugh Jennings, '04, who is captain and manager of the Baltimore team, will take charge of the practice and will coach the team until the middle of March.

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WANTED: AN AUDITORIUM

The need of an auditorium where University entertainments may be held was never more strikingly shown than at the recent auction sales for the Junior week performances. It was not the greediness of the Masque management that made seats sell for four dollars and over, but the excessive demand for choice seats at the play. The bidding was raised to this exorbitant figure in the face of Manager Atwater's protest that such prices were unnecessary.

Afterward's a number of people, angry at their own foolishness, complained vigorously of the result. They could not blame the conditions in general. The remedy applied by the fraternity combine at the concert was successful in keeping the prices down to a reasonable average level—though the total premiums almost equalled last year's—but it worked a great deal of injustice to non-fraternity men who were not warned of the scheme and

wanted to buy eighth or ninth choice. Then when they came to the box office to purchase their seats they found that the figure-head who held seventh choice had practically cleaned out the house.

The remark is heard on all sides that something must be done to remedy conditions, and it is certain that some expedient will be adopted before Senior week. But whatever this may be, it must inevitably be a makeshift merely, for so long as the demand for choice seats exceeds the supply, competition is bound to bring inflated prices. And all this leaves out of account the thousands of students who would like to attend a Junior week performance of Masque or Musical clubs, but have not the means to pay the prices.

The only real remedy is the providing of an auditorium that will hold all the University folk and their guests, without excluding everybody who isn't absolutely compelled to attend by the demands of his position as host. The need for such an Auditorium has been urged repeatedly by Andrew D. White, by President Schurman and by others who have felt the inadequacy of the Armory for University gatherings. Their appeal is strengthened many-fold by such impossible situations as are brought by each succeeding Junior and Senior week.

THE SUN COMPLIMENTED

The *Cornell Sun* is now well along on its second year since its expansion into an eight page daily, with a column of morning telegraph news hot from the metropolitan wire. The expansion policy has been justified and the permanence of the new system seems assured. Although we are compelled now and then to take issue with our contemporary in its too impetuous voicing of hasty undergraduate sentiment, the NEWS is none the less alive to the excellence of the *Sun* in very many respects. We are convinced that it fills

its large place in the Cornell undergraduate world in a truly admirable way. It has, indeed, made itself quite indispensable to everyone whose connection with the University creates an interest in the daily happenings on the Cornell Campus.

The *Sun* publishes with pardonable pride the following tribute from Professor William Lyon Phelps of the English literature department of Yale University. The paragraph is culled from a general review of college publications, contributed by Professor Phelps to a recent number of the *Yale News*:

"The present year of grace is not yet a month old, and already several events of first-rate importance to Yale journalism have taken place. The *News* has grown broad in more ways than one, and the *Yale Monthly Magazine* is no dream. I congratulate the *News* most heartily on a high-minded and unselfish attempt to transform itself from an advertising score-card into a college newspaper; this is a move in the right direction, indicating a combination of brains, courage and morality. In connection with this important step, everyone should read Mr. Wilson's article in the *Yale Monthly*, which I warmly commend for its good sense and its modesty, typical Yale qualities. The *Cornell Sun*—which, in my judgment, is the best college daily in America—has for some time set the pace and given the proper example. I know nothing about the finances of the *News*, for it is none of my business how much money it makes or what it does with it; but I trust that some day its editors will see fit to reduce the subscription price from four to three dollars. I cannot get along without the *News*, but I think the number four has already enough prominence at Yale. Is there anything in a name? The *Cornell Sun* is the best college daily in America, and the *New York Sun* is the best American newspaper. Let there be light."

Two Regattas Arranged

It was announced on Monday that Cornell will send a Varsity crew to row Harvard on the Charles river at Boston on May 26. The race will be

held under the same conditions as last year, the course being $1\frac{7}{8}$ miles. The reason for Cornell's visiting Boston this year again is because Harvard's Junior crew came to Ithaca three years in succession.

The Junior Varsity regatta, omitted last spring, will be resumed this year on Cayuga lake on Decoration day. Pennsylvania has already accepted Cornell's invitation to take part in the regatta and one other university has been invited. Columbia was obliged to decline on account of her final examinations which occur during that week. The course will be the customary two mile stretch, and the other arrangements will probably be similar to those of the 1904 regatta.

Judge George A. Benton, '71

George A. Benton, who received the degree of A. B. from Cornell University in 1871, has been designated by Governor Higgins for the important office of county judge of Monroe county. He will hold for one year, but is practically assured of the Republican nomination next fall for the regular term, and of election by the usual Monroe county Republican majority. The appointment was made to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Judge Arthur E. Sutherland to be Supreme Court justice in the seventh judicial district.

George Alden Benton was born at Tolland, Conn., May 7, 1848, of good old Revolutionary stock, his mother, Louisa Alden, being a lineal

descendant of John Alden of Mayflower fame. After studying for two years at Williams College, Mr. Benton came to Cornell to continue his studies and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then entered the Columbia Law school, from which he graduated in '74. He was alumni orator at Cornell in '76, and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

The young lawyer began the practice of his profession at Rochester in September, 1874, and his career since then has been characterized by marked ability in his profession and by prominence in public affairs. He served as district attorney of Monroe county for two terms, from 1887 to 1893, and in '96 was elected to the position of sur-

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Toledo Pleased

Any doubt remaining in the minds of Cornellians as to the Cornell Musical clubs' having "made good" at their recent concert in Toledo was dispelled by a letter received by Graduate Manager Senior a few days ago from W. J. Sherman, B. C. E., '77, president of the Toledo Alumni association.

Mr. Sherman writes:

"In behalf of the alumni of Toledo and their numerous friends, I wish to extend to you and the club our heartiest congratulations on the work done by the Glee club during their recent tour.

"We were all more than delighted with the concert given us and nothing but words of praise could be heard on all sides. We hope Toledo will be regularly included in the annual trips of the club hereafter."

Song by H. H. Seymour

Set to Old Irish Air, Familiar to All in "Fair Harvard"

The song printed below is sent to the NEWS by Henry H. Seymour, B. S., '71, of Buffalo, who also wrote the alumni song published in these columns several weeks ago. Mr. Seymour states that whenever in the past he thought of writing a Cornell song he always intended it should be set to "the charming old Irish air which was composed at least a hundred years before Moore wrote his lovely song to it, the first line of which I place at the head of mine, as indicating the air. This was long before I was aware that 'Fair Harvard' had been written to the same music."

The song follows:

O Believe Me Cornell

(Air: "Believe me if all thy endearing young charms.")

O believe me, Cornell, if all thy sweet charms

Of Campus, of lake and of dale
Were to fade from my mind, were to die from my heart

And vanish like that old twice told tale,

Still would I declare that all that one hath

Which charms and attracts to the soul

Was born of the dreams 'midst thy beautiful scenes

Which lifted one on towards the goal.

Chorus.

Yes, the heart that hath loved thee

Never forgets, but as warmly loves on to the close

As the lover who sees in the face of his love

Not the lily, or violet, but the rose.

O believe me, Cornell, that though since those dear days

When I saw thee so young and so bold

I've wandered 'mid many a beautiful scene

Far away in regions of old,

Still do I declare thy towers and chimes,

Thy spirit, thy beauty, thy light,

Have held one aloft, and given food to the hearts

Driven straight to the thick of the fight.

Chorus.

O believe me, Cornell, there are things in this world,

That one learns at thy beautiful shrine,

That excel all the gifts by wild fortune hurled,

True hostages 'gainst the ravage of Time.

Thy clouds and thy sky, thy beautiful lake,

The repose of thy glorious hills, which, eternal and calm, bring solace and balm

To sad hearts that nothing else fills.

Chorus.

HENRY H. SEYMOUR, '71.

Brief University News

The Junior Smoker will be held in the Armory on Friday evening, February 9. The toastmaster will be William Metcalf, jr., LL. B., '01, of Pittsburg, and the principal speaker will be Dean Huffcut of the Law school. The program will be shortened somewhat this year, and will include several original features.

M. Julien Tiersot lectured before the Alliance Francais, at a recent meeting, on the popular songs of France. In illustrating his lecture, he played

and sang many of the most famous French songs, adding greatly to the interest of his remarks, which were entirely in French. M. Tiersot is a lecturer sent by the French government to address the different branches of the Alliance Francais in America.

The warm weather of the present season has made it possible for the oarsmen to continue their work on the water through the greater part of January, and last week both Varsity and Freshman candidates reported regularly at the boathouse on the Inlet. The Freshmen are beginning to show traces of rowing form already, and the preliminary practice on the water will give them an advantage over the crews of former years. Although the warm weather is about over now, it is certain that the work on the machines will not continue long enough this season to make the work as monotonous as it has been in the past. No call has been issued for Varsity candidates as yet, but a considerable number of old men are reporting, and the prospects for a good crew are considered promising.

Cornell Alumni Notes

'70, A. B.—Brandt V. B. Dixon is president of the H. Sophie Newcomb Memorial College at New Orleans, La.

'73, B. S.—Charles F. Wheelock is chief of the division of examinations of the New York state department of education. His address is Canajoharie, N. Y.

'74, B. C. E.—Horace B. Robinson, engineer for the National Transit and Affiliated companies, with headquarters at Oil City, Pa., was in Ithaca last week visiting his son, who is a Freshman in the College of Civil Engineering.

'77—Frederick M. Moore is representative in New York state for the Elliott Addressing machine company of 100 Purchase street, Boston, Mass. His office is at Buffalo, N. Y.

'80, B. S.—Mrs. Esse Bissell Dakin is head of the department of mathematics and assistant principal of the high school at South Bend, Ind.

'83, B. L.—J. H. Humphries is supervising principal of schools at Towanda, Pa.

'86, Ph. B.—Isaac H. Russell is

principal of the North East Borough schools at North East, Pa.

'86, A. B.—Albertus D. Perkins of Cortland, N. Y., is the central New York agent of D. C. Heath & Co., publishers.

'90, B. S.—Charles J. Ling is instructor in physics in the Denver, Col., Manual Training High school.

'90 — Dr. George Livingstone Brodhead is practicing medicine at 110 West 57th street, New York city. Since entering upon his professional career, Dr. Brodhead has made a specialty of obstetrics, in which branch he has achieved a reputation not only as a skilled practitioner, but as a consultant in the most difficult cases. He has been called upon many times for contributions to the leading medical journals of the country and for addresses before meetings and conventions of the medical fraternity and many medical societies. Among his most recent contributions is an article which appeared in the *New York Medical Journal* for January 13, and which was read by invitation before the East Side Physicians' association of New York city, October 20, 1905,

and the New Rochelle Medical society December 11, 1905. Dr. Brodhead has held many positions of importance, among them that of professor of obstetrics at the New York Post Graduate Medical school and hospital, and instructor in obstetrics at the New York University and Bellevue Hospital Medical College.

'91, A. B.—Clinton S. Marsh, who resigned last spring from the superintendency of schools at Auburn, N. Y., is spending the year in European travel and study.

'92, M. E.—F. N. Sanders is employed as assistant engineer in the Barge canal office at Albany, N. Y. His address is 235 State street.

'94, Ph. B.—Sarah A. Dynes is at the head of the department of history and civics at the State Normal school, Trenton, N. J.

'94, A. M.—Wendell M. Strong has been selected as assistant actuary of the Equitable Life Insurance company. Mr. Strong was formerly at the head of the Chicago office of this company.

'97, M. E.—Kenneth E. Stuart is

with the Batcheller Pneumatic Tube company of 1038 Ridge avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

'97, M. E.—H. C. Woodbridge has been appointed master mechanic of the Buffalo and Rochester divisions of the B., R. & P., railway. His headquarters are at East Salamanca, N. Y. After graduating Mr. Woodbridge entered the locomotive repair shops of the M. & St. L. railroad at Minneapolis and remained with that road until 1903, when he entered the employ of the Schenectady locomotive works as traveling engineer. In September, 1904, he became general foreman at Elmira of the D., L. & W. railroad. In this position he made such an excellent record that he was called to his present responsible post last November.

'98, LL. B.—George F. Bodine is district attorney of Seneca county, with offices at Waterloo, N. Y.

'98, Ph. D.—Benjamin M. Duggar, professor of botany in the University of Missouri, and collaborator in the bureau of plant industry, has written a pamphlet on "The Principles of Mushroom Growing and Mushroom



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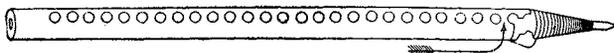
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'99, A. B.—Miss L. L. Abeling has been appointed teacher in German in the Manual Training High school of Brooklyn. There are now six Cornellians in the faculty of this school. The school has been transferred recently to its new quarters, said to be one of the finest high school buildings in the country.

'99, M. E.—Walter F. Kelley is at the port of Halifax, N. S., engaged in installing the fog protective system of the Submarine Signal company of Boston.

'00, A. B. — Kennington L. Thompson is superintendent and principal of the Cattaraugus High school at Cattaraugus, N. Y.

'00, C. E.—Frederic F. Hall is assistant engineer of the Nevada Northern railway, and his address is 2425 Hillside avenue, Berkeley, Cal.

'00, Ph. D.—W. A. Murrill has been appointed first assistant in the laboratories of the New York Botanical Gardens, Bronx Park, New York city.

'00, D. V. M.—Charles H. Jewell, veterinarian of the Thirteenth regiment, U. S. A., was detailed as instructor in hippology in the Cavalry and Artillery school at Fort Riley, Kan., upon his return from the Philippines last August.

'00, M. E.—Charles R. Scott has been assistant general manager of the Morningside central office of the New York Telephone company since the office was opened in 1902. During that time the office has increased 160 per cent. in equipment.

'01, C. E.—M. deK. Smith is in the office of the assistant engineer of the West Shore & New Jersey railroad company, and his address is Second and Penn streets, Camden, N. J.

'01, M. E.—William H. Baker is at Breckenridge, Col., managing the properties of an eastern syndicate which recently bought out the interests of the Goldpan Mining company at that place.

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'02, A. B.; '05, LL. B.—Ralph H. Kent is at Claremore, Indian Territory.

'02, Ph. D.—C. S. Gager has been appointed director of laboratories of the New York Botanical Garden, Bronx Park, New York city.

'02, LL. B.—The engagement of Miss Blanche Josephine Luffkin of St. Paul, Minn., to Joseph W. Cook, has been announced. Mr. Cook is assistant superintendent of the claim department of the National Surety company, 346 Broadway, New York city.

'03, C. E.—Henry F. Badger has recently accepted a position with the

Milwaukee Southern railway company, 704-8 Railway Exchange building, Milwaukee, Wis.

'03, C. E.—L. S. Hulburd is in the Barge Canal office at Albany, N. Y.

'03, M. E.—Carl L. Wernicke is in the San Francisco office, at 425 Market street, of the Westinghouse Electric company of Pittsburg.

'04, A. B.—Thomas S. Jones, jr., has a sonnet in the February *Smart Set*, entitled "Old Roses." He is also the author of the only poem in the February *Appleton's Booklover's* magazine, entitled "As in a Rose Jar."

'04, M. E.—Francis N. Bard has left the Platt Iron Works company of



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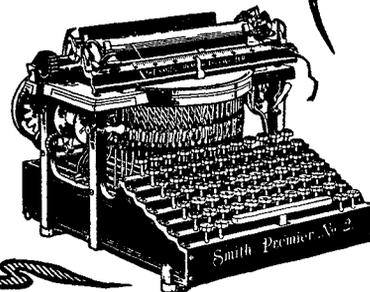
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Dayton, O., to enter the steam turbine department of the Allis Chalmers company. His address is The Granada, 1341 Grand avenue, Milwaukee, Wis.

'05, A. B.—Eugene D. Merriman is superintendent of schools at North Belvidere, Ill.

'05, A. B.—B. B. McGinnis is with the National Tube company, Frick building, Pittsburg, Pa.

'05, M. E.—R. H. Bourne is in the drafting room of the Wellman-Searer-Morgan company of Cleveland, Ohio.

'05, M. E.—Anton Vonnegut is serving an apprenticeship with the U. S. Cement company of Bedford, Ind.

'05—S. S. Holden has a responsible position in the Chicago office of the Forbes Lithographing company of Boston.

'05, E. E.—William J. Miskella is in the apparatus engineering department of the Western Electric company at Chicago, Ill. His address is 221 South Winchester avenue.

'05, M. E.—Otto Schwartz is in the Memphis, Tenn., branch office of Ford, Bacon & Davis, engineers, of New York city. His home address is 807 Adams street, Memphis, Tenn.

'05—A. B. Hoffman has been transferred from the New York office of the Gray National Telautograph company, and has been placed in charge of the St. Louis, Mo., office at 3523 Olive street.

'05, M. C. E.—A treatise on Railroading, written in the Chinese language by T. C. Hu, has been published at Shanghai, China. The work is an attractively bound volume of more than 400 pages and contains 94 illustrations, including a portrait of the author in American garb. There are six columns to the page, and forty Chinese characters, each representing a word, to the column. The first of the four sections of the book treats of the benefits which railroads confer upon a country, and the importance of civil and mechanical engineering studies. The second deals with railroad finance and economics, and the third with the problems of railway construction and maintenance. The final section is devoted to railroad management and organization. The book is the first comprehensive treatise on this subject published in China.

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