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A Festive Junior Week

New System Works Well—All Events Largely Attended—Masque Opera Scores Decided Hit

Once more it becomes the pleasant duty of the NEWS to chronicle the visit of the Junior girl, and the consequent brief distraction from things academic. This year the whole University community laid aside its books and slide rules and test tubes to bid her welcome. Those who used to receive her with half-hearted tolerance, if indeed they turned from their appointed task long enough to receive her at all, were forced to admit this time that she was no intruder, at any rate, since the University had taken official notice of her presence.

The Junior girl of 1906 was just as pretty and charming and well-gowned as her illustrious line of predecessors; just as interested in her surroundings and as interesting to them. Greater praise than this could no man bestow. Alumni who still look back with a bit of a thrill to that Junior week of ninety-blank when they were hosts, will doubtless maintain that no bevy of Junior girls is to be compared with those of *their* undergraduate days, while the members of 1907, with youthful ardor, will speed them to the lists in defence of their fair ladies. There the NEWS must leave them, with the remark that it's all in the point of view.

The new system, by which Junior week was rushed on and off during the *enti'acte* between block week and the opening of the second semester, wrought little change in the real order of things, save to free the men from any slight qualms they might have felt in years gone by over the work they were missing on the hill. The official program was compressed, to be sure, into three days instead of four, but this simply meant that the girls had to dance some twenty miles each night instead of fifteen, and to be content with four hours

sleep—if they were lucky—instead of five.

The sixty miles, approximately, of ground to be tripped over between the opening of the cotillion on Wednesday night and the closing of the prom. on Saturday morning remained the same as before. The fraternity dances were crowded into one night, and a few of them omitted altogether, but it is safe to say that the people danced all the harder in order to lose none of the pleasure that they had under the old regime.

THE ICE CARNIVAL

The ice carnival finally occurred on Saturday night, after having been practically given up a dozen different times. Not until Saturday morning was the committee able to begin the actual preparations, as up to that time the ice was not thick enough to warrant the holding of the carnival. All day Saturday a large force of men labored, and by evening the big inclosure, some 200 feet by 150 feet in dimensions, was ready for the skaters. The toboggan slide was finally abandoned, after a fruitless effort to put it in commission by that evening.

Next to the music by "Patsy" Conway's band, the costumes of the skaters were the most entertaining feature of the carnival. There was something unusual in the spectacle of a natty young summer man, clad in white duck trousers, a shirt waist and a straw hat, making headway against a forty-knot breeze at a dozen degrees below the freezing point. Everybody was properly shocked at the ballet girls, but they did not seem to mind. The foreign population ranged all the way from Esquimaux to Chinese and Filipinos, and each had a good time in his own way. Tramps hobnobbed with millionaires, and there were 57 varieties of clowns in all. It was a brilliant gathering, and the Junior girls, many of them wearing the big red "C" sweater of their brother or somebody's else brother, enjoyed it to the full.

CLEVER MASQUE PLAY

The general verdict of those who have attended Masque plays for several years past is that the performance of "The President of Oolong" last week was as finished and enjoyable an entertainment as has ever been given by that organization. The lines were clever, the music was tuneful and the various roles were filled in a way that would do credit to any band of amateur performers.

The play is a three-act opera from the pen of Romeyn Berry, '04, of *Cornell Widow* and "Big Red Team" fame, and the lyrics were set to music by William Luton Wood, composer of the "Alumni Song" and many other Cornell tunes.

The plot is at least as probable and coherent as that of the average comic opera in current vogue—perhaps more so. The scene is laid on the mythical island of Oolong, and the story deals with the adventures of a princess and her father who have just returned from a visit to America, during which the prince, Chang Lee, has become imbued with the laudable idea of founding a university with some of his excess wealth. He carries the idea into execution with characteristic dispatch, appointing as its first president an American college graduate, John Rogers, whose fortunes have brought him to the island.

In casting about for the necessary dean and registrar to complete the university equipment, Chang Lee hits upon Spike Hennessy and Reginald O'Hoolihan, a pair of nautical personages who have temporarily forsaken the seafaring life. What they lack in mental attainments they make up in physical prowess and sternness of demeanor, and their decrees are enforced in a wonderfully effective manner.

The college atmosphere—so far, at least, as concerns athletics and the various other things that go to make up "student activities"—is reproduced.

with fidelity, and the author makes the most of his opportunities for witty allusions to the foibles of college faculties and executive officers.

The necessary features of a comic opera, including chorus girls, costumes, scenery and "business," were all in evidence at the Lyceum last Wednesday night, and the play was staged with a completeness and finish that surprised and delighted the audience. The scenery, designed by Walter Lytton, '08, who was stage director as well as one of the leading characters in the cast, was painted in Boston, especially for this production, and the costumes were likewise especially prepared. The financing of the production—no small undertaking—was in the hands of Manager Henry Atwater, '06, and his assistants.

Among the players, Mr. Lytton as Chang Lee did excellent work, and G. R. Wilkins, '06, as Chinga Lee, his daughter, was delightfully coy and coquettish. L. G. VanOstrand, '06, as How Mutch, was as laughable a comedian as one would see in a round of comic opera, while O. C. Foster, '06, as R-R-R-eginald O'Hoolihan, and Robert Burns, '07, as Spike Hennessy, were splendid. The bevy of "show girls" and chorus girls were surprisingly graceful and attractive.

The audience packed the theater, of course, and seemed genuinely pleased with the whole entertainment from start to finish. The galleryful of students, whose means did not permit of the extravagance of parquet seats, devoted themselves to the amusement of the Junior guests between the acts, by going through an extensive repertoire of college and popular ditties. One especially clever touch was the singing of the well known favorite, "That's Where My Money Goes," by way of condolence to the gentlemen who occupied four dollar seats on the ground floor. Some of these gentlemen were frankly amused, while others suppressed their grin of appreciation out of respect for the fair visitors, who presumably knew nothing of auction sales and that sort of thing.

After the second act Mr. Berry was called out to receive a genuine ovation from the audience, and made one of the most graceful and clever curtain speeches that has been heard at the Lyceum in many a day.

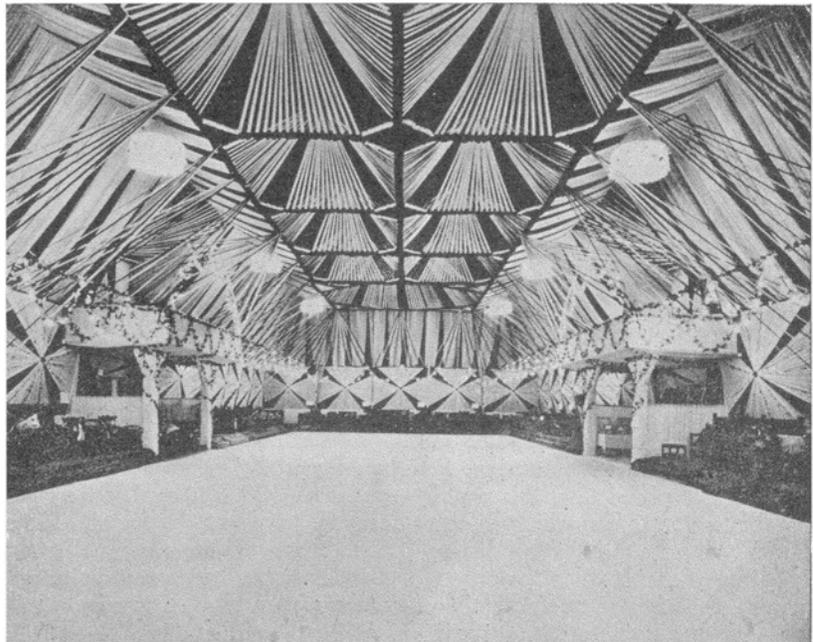
The cast follows:

John Rogers . . . T. R. Henderson, '07
 Chang Lee W. Lytton, '08
 Chinga Lee G. R. Wilkins, '06
 Mimi Tout Court
 W. S. Rowland, '07
 How Mutch, L. G. Van Ostrand, '06
 Ting Foo H. de Mesa, '09
 Spike Hennessy R. Burns, '07
 Reginald O'Hoolihan
 O. C. Foster, '06
 Billy White S. G. Horn, '06
 Prince Joy Boy . . . W. J. Dingsen, '08
 Miss Jackson S. G. Horn, '06
 Billy Butts M. P. Mellon, '08
 Office Boys, G. F. Mosher, '08, P.
 A. Vannan, '08
 Officers . . J. M. Prophet, jr., '08,
 F. S. Adams, '07

Never has the old Armory been the scene of a prettier spectacle. The ceiling was hidden by a great canopy of green and white, while at one end of the hall blazed forth the numerals of 1908 from a myriad of incandescent lamps. The many-hued gowns of the ladies, blended in an ever-changing mass of color, formed a picture not soon to be forgotten.

FRATERNITIES ENTERTAIN

Thursday was fraternity day, and during the afternoon and evening the guests passed from one house to another in quick succession, interrupted only by the concert during the early evening hours. In the afternoon Psi Upsilon gave a cotillion, while Delta



THE ARMORY DECORATED FOR THE JUNIOR PROM.

THE COTILLION

As soon as the curtain fell after the third act of the Masque play, the Junior guests embarked in carriages for the Armory, where the cotillion was waiting to begin. The late hour of starting prevented the whole program of dances from being played, but the cotillion figures were carried out in all their elaborate beauty, under the leadership of P. D. Carman. Almost every conceivable figure was outlined by the dancers, and a handsome assortment of favors was gradually accumulated. Cornell flags, fans, toy balloons, paper hats, miniature steins and Cornell oar hat-pins were among the collection.

Phi and Theta Lambda Phi entertained at receptions. Following the concert at night came enjoyable dances by Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta and Phi Gamma Delta. Most of the fraternities held open house to their friends until daylight of Friday was almost dawning.

A SPLENDID CONCERT

Never was the Cornell Glee club in better voice than on Thursday last; never did it sing under the guidance of a more capable leader. It was Mr. Tourison's last appearance with the clubs, as he had completed his work at the University and was preparing to leave Ithaca, and he led the sixty men

through song after song with perfect smoothness and harmony. The Mandolin club was equally finished in its rendition of a program of pleasing variety. Every number given during the evening was enthusiastically encored, and after some numbers the musicians were compelled to respond three and four times.

The program rendered was substantially the same as that given on the Christmas trip and was delightful from beginning to end. It was, withal, one of the most difficult ever attempted by the clubs. It is not easy to select any numbers for special praise, but "Mrs. Cosy's Boarding House," by the Glee club, the song, "Pale in the Amber West," by the quartet, composed of Messrs. Henderson, Rose, Franklin and Steele, and the Japanese idyll, "Poppies," by the Mandolin club, may be mentioned as particularly pleasing.

PROM. A GLORIOUS CLIMAX

The grand climax of Junior week came, as always, in the promenade at the Armory on Friday evening. The great hall had been converted by the decorator's cunning hand into a fairy bower, canopied in red and white, and encircled by a line of boxes decked forth with rugs and cushions and pillows of every conceivable form and hue. Streamers were carried up into great domes, which seemed to elevate the ceiling and give a loftier appearance to the hall. Intertwined with the bunting were hundreds of large artificial red roses, snuggling among green leaves, while frosted electric globes shed their light upon the brilliant scene.

Dancing began at 9:35 p. m. and continued until the stroke of four in the morning. The music was furnished by Mr. Coleman and the Lyceum orchestra and by Mr. Conway and the Ithaca band, and was of the same high order for which those gentlemen are famous.

The Armory floor was terribly overcrowded, of course, and until the supper dances relieved the congestion, dancing of a sort worthy the name was out of the question. Supper was served to 854 persons in all. Excluding the chaperons and non-combatants, this means that some 350 couples were on the floor at one and the same time. How much freedom of movement this left is easily imaginable. It is to be regretted that the pleasure of a dance otherwise so delightful should be mar-

red year after year by the inadequacy of the building to accommodate the guests.

The prom. committee, under the chairmanship of James Q. Newton, '07, had arranged every detail for the comfort of the guests, and managed the financial end of the big function in an admirable way. The innovation of giving away the programs with the dance ticket cut down the receipts by several hundred dollars, and prevented the committee from realizing the profit of last year. The gross receipts were approximately \$3,100 and the expenses \$3,000, leaving a small surplus in the class treasury.

The dancers seemed to appreciate all that had been done for them by their hosts of 1907, and altogether were as merry and spirited an assemblage as ever gathered beneath the roof of the old Armory. But the fateful hour came at last, and when the strains of "Home, Sweet Home" had died away, the throng moved reluctantly from the hall, sobered and saddened by the thought that Junior week of 1906 was indeed a thing of the past.

Appendix to the Program

An extra event was added at the last moment to the program of Junior week, in the form of an intercollegiate basketball game with Yale in the Armory on Saturday afternoon. The game was originally scheduled for Friday night, the date having been fixed some time ago, before it was decided to hold the Junior festivities a week earlier than usual. After this decision was made, the Armory had to be given up to the prom. committee for Friday night, and an afternoon game on that day was altogether out of the question, on account of the presence of a corps of decorators in the big hall throughout the day.

The telegraph and telephone wires between Ithaca and New Haven were kept hot for forty-eight hours in an effort to arrange an alternative date, or else to hold the contest in the nearby city of Auburn. It was finally agreed to hold the game on the afternoon of Saturday, the hour being fixed at four in order to give the Junior guests as long as possible to recover from the effects of the previous night's dissipation.

It was no small undertaking to remove the prom. decorations and pre-

pare the Armory for the basketball teams. The last delegation of merry-makers had scarcely left the hall at 4 a. m. on Saturday, before the decorators were turned loose in the place to undo their work of the day before, and for twelve hours there was much ripping and sawing and crashing of timbers. The effort was successful, and at the appointed hour the Armory was turned over once more to its erstwhile occupants, the athletes.

The attendance at the game was large and the contest was interesting, though it resulted in a victory for Yale by a score of 29 to 18. This was the first home game of the season, and the Cornell five showed some improvement over its earlier playing. Princeton at Ithaca on February 10 is the next contest on the intercollegiate schedule.

Pushing Gorge Project

Brooklyn Alumni Have Plans Prepared
—Hold Interesting Meeting

The Cornell Association of Brooklyn held the most important meeting of its history on Tuesday, January 30. Definite information from the University authorities concerning the proposed improvement of Fall Creek gorge was read, and the members obtained a clear idea of the extent of the task on which they have embarked in deciding to raise a fund for the work in the gorge. Two distinguished alumni and trustees of Cornell, John DeWitt Warner, '72, and Col. Henry W. Sackett, '75, were present and delivered interesting addresses. The meeting was held at the University club of Brooklyn, and followed the customary informal dinner. Dr. Herbert D. Schenck, '82, presided.

Mr. Warner told of the early days of the University, relating his experiences during the first year or so after the opening. At first, he said, there were only two buildings, Cascadilla and the University building, now Morrill hall. Only the lower part of the latter structure was used for classrooms, and above them were living rooms. There were sixteen of these at each end of the building, and three students occupied each room. These comprised Companies A and B of the Cadet Corps, while Companies C, D, E and F were quartered in Cascadilla. The students wore uniforms, which were not uniform, and lived under a

sort of military discipline. For a few weeks they were marched to breakfast each morning, but this soon proved a failure because of the disorder.

The members of each company enjoyed a "shindy" every Friday night, and much ingenuity was devoted to finding new forms of amusement. One favorite entertainment was a pursuit race in the gutter around the roof of the University building, in which an entire company would take part. Upon the erection of the present White hall, the two structures were officially entitled the North University building and the South University building. These names were too cumbersome for the students, who shortened them to "N. U. B." and "S. U. B.," and finally to "Nub" and "Sub."

EARLY DAYS THE BEST

The speaker expressed the opinion that the simple life of the early days, despite its crudities, was more valuable for the training it gave the students than the more complex life of the present day. He said that the college spirit was then certainly more close than now, and that the democratic association of each member of the student body with all the others was a better discipline than can be obtained now in a student population of several thousand. If he had college days to live over again, he said, he would not willingly surrender the advantages of the simple things of the first years of Cornell for the sake of the better equipment and instruction given now.

Col. Sackett, who followed Mr. Warner, declared that he agreed with every word that had been said regarding the greater value of the training when students were few and conditions were crude. The University, he said, has come to the parting of the ways, for a student body of 3,000 is quite large enough, and it is time to stop and consider what sort of an institution is to be evolved. He suggested that it might be wise to prevent further increase in the number of students, and that a good way to do it would be to limit Cornell to higher grades of instruction, omitting the more elementary work.

THE GORGE PROJECT

The subject of a Brooklyn alumni fund for improving Fall Creek gorge, which was first broached at the December meeting, was then taken up. Dr. Schenck read communications

from Ithaca, showing that the University authorities were heartily in favor of the project, and that the University controls both sides of the gorge. Professor Rowlee, superintendent of grounds, had stated that he would give his services, without cost, to prepare plans for the work, and that he would endeavor to have the College of Civil Engineering undertake a survey. His suggestions, embodied in a preliminary report, were in part as follows:

"The old carpenter's shop is to be soon removed. On its site I should very much like to see some suitable form of lookout from which the beautiful prospect down the lake might be enjoyed. The walk on the east side of Central avenue would lead directly into this lookout. The path from the foot bridge north would also lead up easterly to this point. Then I would suggest the laying of a path for a ways on the top of the bank of the gorge and then when near the west end of the blacksmith shop carry it obliquely down to the level place in the side of the gorge directly north of the blacksmith shop, where it can meet the path brought in from the end of East avenue.

"From this level place a path can be carried down to the end of the foot bridge in a northwesterly direction and also another path easterly down the bank of the ravine and up to the foot of the cliffs (Primrose cliffs) just below Triphammer falls. If a bridge is to be thrown across the creek at the bottom of the gorge I would suggest this as a most advantageous place. On the north side of the creek I would suggest merely restoring the old paths. I would also suggest the improvement of the approach to the hydraulic laboratory by the construction of a much longer approach and one beginning a considerable distance west of the point where the present path leaves the Forest Home path. Again, I think it would be particularly desirable to have a path laid around the south and eastern shore of Beebe lake close to the water's edge, this path being of gravel and beginning at the woman's boat house and extending up to the narrows at the upper end of the lake."

WILL PREPARE PLANS

A resolution of thanks was voted to Professor Rowlee for the interest he had taken to the project, and it was decided that he be asked to continue

his work and prepare full plans. There was much discussion as to whether the Brooklyn alumni should attempt to raise the whole fund themselves, or whether they should invite other associations to co-operate, and also whether or not the money should be raised and the work done in yearly installments. It was finally decided that it would be impossible to make any intelligent move until it was known what the approximate cost would be, and it was voted to defer action until the University authorities could give information on the subject.

Those present were John DeWitt Warner, '72; W. T. Sprague, '73; Henry W. Sackett, '75; Dr. Herbert D. Schenck, '82; George T. Curnow, '84; F. P. Ingalls, '84; W. A. Moss-cup, '88; T. E. Clark, '90; J. M. Gorman, '90; Dr. Thomas B. Spence, '90; C. M. Weeks, '91; L. J. Doolittle, '93; J. M. Jameson, '93; I. Chester G. Wilkins, '93; William F. Atkinson, '95; Loren E. Harter, '95; W. C. McCarroll, '95; W. W. Southworth, '95; Charles R. Gaston, '96; S. D. Streeter, '96; Frank O. Affeld, jr., '97; John J. Kuhn, '98; W. W. Macon, '98; Gardiner S. Dresser, '00; Llewellyn Morgan, '00; C. W. Wilson, jr., '00; Theodore Bliss, '01; Roy M. Hart, '01; A. H. Sherwood, '01; Sidney G. Koon, '02; E. L. McClure, '02; Richardson Webster, '02; John G. Fairchild, '03; William Neff, '03; Robert W. Palmer, '03; Fred S. Yale, '03; Charles W. Everson, '04; Lewis E. Meeker, jr., '04; Alfred E. Mudge, '04; Lewis E. Palmer, '05; Salmon Whitcomb, '05.

Benefit Performance

New York Alumnae Hope to Repeat Last Year's Success

The success which attended the Cornell benefit performance of "The College Widow" in New York city last spring has encouraged the Cornell Alumnae club of New York to arrange a similar entertainment this season. It will consist of a special performance of "Before and After" at the Manhattan theater, Broadway, near 33d street, on the evening of Friday, February 16. The cast will include Miss Katherine Florence, Leo Ditrichstein, Fritz Williams and Geo. C. Boniface, jr.

The proceeds will be devoted to improving the field in Cascadilla gorge, set aside by the trustees for the use of the Sports and Pastimes association. This field is admirably adapted also for use as an amphitheater for open air meetings of the University, as was pointed out at some length in the columns of the NEWS last winter. Any surplus over the necessary amount, which is estimated at \$500, will be used toward a bell for the library chimes, to be a gift from the alumni and alumnae of Greater New York.

The prices of seats for the performance are the regular box office rates, but any premiums paid for tickets will be devoted directly to the fund. Seats may be reserved by application to the chairman of the fund committee, Dr. N. Gilbert Seymour, '97, 124 East 16th street, New York. After February 13 seats will be offered to the general public at the box office. The other members of the committee are Miss Elizabeth M. Rhodes, '97, president of the Cornell Alumnae club, Seymour P. Thomas, '72, president of the Cornell club, and William F. Atkinson, '95, of the Cornell Association of Brooklyn.

The committee is sparing no pains to make the benefit performance a most enjoyable occasion for all Cornellians, and in the light of last year's success there can be little doubt that the effort will bear fruit. The theater will be decorated in Cornell colors, the orchestra will play Cornell music, and the whole atmosphere will be thoroughly Cornelian. The interest with which last season's benefit was viewed by the New York public is shown by the fact that two metropolitan theaters asked "the privilege of entertaining Cornell this year."

Interesting experiments are being carried on at the forcing house to determine the influence of artificial light on the growth of plants from a commercial standpoint. Last year similar experiments were made, but then the interest centered chiefly in the scientific side. It was found that flowers and vegetables could be developed with artificial light almost as well as with sunlight, and the experiments this year are arranged to determine the commercial practicability of this method of forcing the growth of plants. Both acetylene and electric light are being used in the tests.

New Englanders Dine

Record Attendance at Boston Banquet
—Several Distinguished Guests

The eighth annual dinner of the New England Cornell club was held at the rooms of the University club, Boston, on Saturday evening, January 27. Fifty men were present—the high water mark in the history of these functions. The general excellence of the dinner was attributable to the faithful efforts of the executive committee, C. H. Thurber, '86; J. T. Auerbach, '90; G. H. Stickney, '96; A. P. Bryant, '00, and H. A. Hitchcock, '00, who introduced several new features which added greatly to the success of the dinner.

The guests of the evening were Lieutenant-governor F. H. Jackson, '73, of Rhode Island; Dean T. F. Crane of the University faculty; Professor Horatio S. White of Harvard, chairman of the Harvard Athletic committee, and formerly president of the Cornell Athletic council, and Professor William E. Mott, formerly of the Cornell civil engineering faculty, now of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Lewis E. Chester, '89, represented the local alumni on the toast list, which was as follows:

"The University," Dean Thomas F. Crane, Princeton, '64.

"The Old and the New," Professor Horatio S. White, Harvard, '73.

"The Cornell Engineer," Professor William E. Mott, '94, Grad.

"The Politician and His Opportunity," the Hon. Frederick H. Jackson, '73.

"Men, the 'Varsity and Things," Lewis E. Chester, '89.

The menu was printed tastefully in red and white, and on the inside page were the words and music of "The Big Red Team," reprinted from the cut used in the NEWS last autumn.

Dean Crane, as official University representative, held the close attention of his hearers with an interesting exposition of University affairs during the past year.

Professor White's past connection with Cornell and his recent services to it in the administration of the Willard Fiske estate, made him a welcome guest, and the Cornell-Harvard *entente cordiale*, as well as Harvard's attitude toward the football reform agitation,

received interesting treatment in his speech.

Professor Mott spoke appreciatively of the record of the Cornell engineer, and of the inadvisability of a complete severance of engineering from liberal education.

Lieutenant-governor Jackson was heartily welcomed as a loyal Cornelian as well as a distinguished man of affairs, and his plea for a civic awakening on the part of the educated man was listened to with the closest attention. L. E. Chester, '89, sounded a similar note in his speech, quoting Byron effectively in illustration.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Following the dinner came the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, J. T. Auerbach, '90; vice-presidents, H. J. Messenger, '80; T. W. Mann, '78, and F. H. Jackson, '73; secretary-treasurer, H. A. Hitchcock, '00; executive committee, C. H. Thurber, '86; L. E. Chester, '89; A. P. Bryant, '00; athletic director, W. L. Bowman, '04.

A partial list of those present follows:

J. D. Adams, '82; J. T. Auerbach, '90; W. N. Brown, '02; W. L. Bowman, '04; E. S. Browne, '99; A. P. Bryant, '00; J. F. Bush, '73; L. E. Chester, '89; F. C. Cosby, '93; J. W. Cowles, '90; W. W. Elmer, '02; H. A. Hitchcock, '00; S. P. Hitchcock, '01; W. F. Higgins, '90; R. E. Joslyn, '05; H. J. Messenger, '80; A. B. Myrick, '99; C. T. Reed, '03; T. H. Piser, '95; J. D. Shaw, '04; J. C. Shaw, '04; J. G. Smith, '03; G. Stickney, '96; H. A. Sawyer, '90; P. R. Sleight, '00, Sp.; F. S. Thomas, '80; E. F. Thayer, '00; R. P. Tobin, '96; H. Van Everen, '91; R. O. Walter, '01; G. W. Weinhoeber, '00; G. K. Woodworth, '96; J. C. Pearson, '03; T. F. Cassidy, '96; G. S. Bliss, '90; H. F. Evans, '93; C. M. Story, '01, G.

In the January number of the *Educational Review* the relative success of graduates of the most prominent American colleges, as shown by the proportion appearing in "Who's Who in America," is compared. Cornell stands third, following Harvard and Yale, with 76 out of 1,046 graduates in arts up to 1890.

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THE CLUBHOUSE PROJECT

The project mentioned by Mr. Geer in the NEWS last week, whereby Barnes hall may be fitted up as a social meeting place for the students of the University, deserves unqualified support. The need of such a clubhouse, where the students may meet one another under the stimulus of a social atmosphere, has long been apparent to everyone who is at all familiar with conditions at other universities.

The value of such an institution as Houston hall at Philadelphia, for instance, cannot be overestimated. It is the headquarters for the student life of the university; there the men may meet on common ground to discuss university questions, to hold committee meetings, or to while away a leisure hour in billiard room or bowling alley.

The need of a social clubhouse at Cornell has, we say, long been felt. It has been repeatedly urged on many sides, but always with an eye to that

future day when the alumni hall or commons might become an accomplished fact. No one seemed to realize that a temporary expedient lay at hand; that present action, rather than future plans, was demanded.

Now the Christian association, through its efficient secretary, Mr. Thayer, has come forward generously and tendered the use of Barnes hall for clubhouse purposes until more permanent quarters can be provided. The building is well adapted for such use, and if the scheme is carried out it will be simply an extension of the excellent work which the association is already doing in furnishing a reading room and a trophy room for the University community.

The only condition imposed by the Barnes hall authorities is that enough money be raised to replace the income now received from students who occupy rooms in the building. A canvass of the undergraduates will soon be made with a view to sounding them on this question of financial support. If the verdict is favorable, as there is every reason to expect it will be, the execution of the new project is assured.

Let our readers think for a moment what it would mean to have a social clubhouse at Cornell where every student of the University might feel free to spend his leisure hours in pleasant relaxation from the work of classroom or shop; where he might learn to know his fellow students, smoking a friendly pipe, perchance, and chatting of the things that interest young men in a college community.

The fraternity houses have long supplied this sort of thing to their members, but their field is narrow and circumscribed, and it seems a pity that hundreds and hundreds of men who are not in the fraternity membership should go through college with scarce a dim notion of what "good fellowship" really means. Surely they have missed something vital in their college

life. It is the leisure hours, after all, that make or mar the happiness of the college man, and it is the memory of these, and how and where and with whom they were spent, that stays with him long after he has forgotten some of the bits of wisdom that fell from learned lips in the lecture room.

Not that Cornell men should work less—far from it—but they should play more. The president has said many times that the Cornell Campus is a mighty hard working community, and after some observations at other large universities, we are in no mood to dissent from this statement. Is there not all the more reason, then, why this hard working community should have a place where it can get together and talk of something else than penal code sections and watt meter readings, and train the hand to hold the billiard cue rather than the compass or the dissecting knife?

To the new project, then, the NEWS lends its hearty indorsement, and speaks the support of Cornell alumni moral or financial, or both.

1906 Baseball Schedule

As the NEWS goes to press, Manager J. D. Coffin announces the following baseball schedule for the coming season, as ratified by the Athletic council Monday evening:

SOUTHERN TRIP

March 26, 27, 28—Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tenn.

March 29—Nashville southern league at Nashville, Tenn.

March 30—Louisville league at Louisville, Ky.

March 31—Kentucky University at Lexington, Ky.

HOME SCHEDULE

Wed., April 4—Hobart.

Sat., April 7—Niagara.

Wed., April 11—Dartmouth.

Sat., April 14—Lafayette.

Tues., April 17—Rochester eastern league.

Wed. April 18—Rochester eastern league.

Sat., April 21—Princeton.

Wed., April 26—Amherst.

Sat., April 28—Pennsylvania State.

Wed., May 2—Open.
 Sat., May 5—Columbia.
 Wed., May 9—Oberlin.
 Sat., May 12—Princeton at Princeton.
 Wed., May 16—Vermont.
 Fri., May 18—Columbia at New York.
 Sat., May 19—Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.
 Wed., May 23—Bucknell.
 Fri., May 25—Fordham at New York.
 Sat., May 26—Yale at New Haven.
 Wed., May 30—Pennsylvania.
 Fri., June 1—Andover at Andover.

Sat., June 2—Harvard at Cambridge.
 Wed., June 20—Alumni game.

Football Conference

To the Football Alumni of Cornell University: A meeting of the football alumni will be held at the Cornell University club, 158 West 45th street, New York city, at 3 p. m., Sunday, February 11.

Professor Dennis and Coach Warner will be present, the situation for the coming year and the new rules will be discussed and an informal committee will be appointed to co-operate with the team of next year.

Unfortunately, there is not much

time to notify all the old Varsity men and managers whose presence at this meeting is desired, but an effort will be made to reach all of them in time to attend. It seems best, however, to hold the meeting at the time of the annual New York dinner.

This notice will be sent in duplicate to as many as can be reached, with the request that they notify others of the meeting, so it is hoped that in spite of the short notice a full meeting can be held.

(Signed)

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New York Dinner Saturday

Preparations for the New York dinner, to be held at the Waldorf on Saturday evening, February 10, at 7 o'clock, have been going forward steadily during the past week, and as the NEWS goes to press word comes that the dinner will be as interesting and lively a function as ever took place within the confines of the Greater City. The dinner is given by the Cornell University club of New York but it is for "every Cornellian who ever trod the Campus at Ithaca and who loves the Alma Mater."

In compiling the toast list, the committee decided to emphasize quality rather than quantity, and now announces that the speakers will be limited to five, of whom three are President J. G. Schurman; Professor Ralph C. H. Catterall, whose reputation as an after dinner speaker is rapidly spreading from the center of the Cornell world, at Ithaca, to its remotest outskirts, and Sherman Moreland, '92, majority leader of the lower house at Albany, who is to be welcomed as one of the most prominent Cornell graduates of the past fifteen years.

Music under the direction of "Bill" Young, '93, will be plentiful, and champion stunt-makers will appear on the platform after each course. These will include Louis A. Fuyertes, '97, Royal S. Goldsbury, Princeton, '91, Francis S. Hutchins, of Williams, and others. Everard Calthrop, '92, one of the best tenors in New York city, has promised to sing at the dinner.

The guests will be seated by classes, and special tables may be reserved by notifying Treasurer Edward L. Stevens. Seats should be reserved by Friday noon at the latest.

The committee includes: William F. Atkinson, chairman, 44 Court street, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Edward L. Stevens, treasurer, 154 Nassau street, New York; Arthur J. Baldwin, George W. Bacon, Robert L. Gordon, Roger Lewis and Franklin Mathews.

Chicago Dinner Next Week

The whole state of Illinois is reported to be in a turmoil of preparation for the annual Cornell dinner, to be held at Chicago on Saturday, the 17th. Echoes of the disturbance are

said to have reached the neighboring states of Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa, and even St. Louis telegraphs in that there is certainly something doing up in the Windy City.

The dinner will be held at Vogel-sang's new banquet hall at 178 Madison street, Chicago, and the committee announces that you can tell the hall by its Cornell colors, which will be present in gorgeous profusion. The hour is 6:30 p. m., and as already announced, the dinner will be popular priced, in order to draw a bigger crowd.

The full toast list is not yet ready for the public, but it is announced that "Prexy" Adams, '93, will appear in an original stunt, "The Village Toastmaster."

Anybody interested is asked to communicate with J. K. Cady, '78, president, at 172 Washington street, or John R. Bensley, '00, secretary, at 3933 Ellis avenue or 1502 Michigan avenue, Chicago.

Cornell Obituaries

ADAH M. HORTON, '02

Miss Adah Murray Horton, A. B., '02, died at the home of her brother, Clinton T. Horton, '99, in Buffalo, N. Y., on January 14. Her body was taken to her home in Silver Creek, N. Y., for burial.

Miss Horton was born in Silver Creek on September 5, 1880, and graduated from the high school in that place in 1896. She won a state scholarship and entered Cornell two years later with the class of 1902. She was a prominent member of the Delta Gamma fraternity, and her bright and winning personality made for her hosts of friends during her college years. After leaving Cornell she spent a year at her home in Silver Creek, and the following winter she spent in Porto Rico, teaching English in one of the graded schools. She was very successful as a teacher, and in a short time became a great favorite among her pupils.

She was a member of the Association of Collegiate Alumni of Western New York, and had many friends in and near Silver Creek. She is survived by her parents, and by two brothers, Albert H. Horton, '98, of Chicago, and Clinton T. Horton, '99, of Buffalo.

Cornell Alumni Notes

'72—William B. Hull is a manufacturer at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

'73, M. E.—John W. Hill is with the firm of Armour & Co., of Chicago, and his address is 206 East 44th street, Chicago, Ill.

'74, B. S.—J. Tuttle Hurd is a lawyer at 206 Broadway, New York city.

'78, B. Sc.—A. E. Beardsley is professor of biology in the State Normal school at Greeley, Col.

'82—Douglas W. Hutchinson is with Coit & Co., at 33 West Washington street, Chicago, Ill.

'85, M. E.—Charles H. Smith is instructor in physics in the Hyde Park High school at Chicago. He is also editor of *School Science and Mathematics*.

'86, D. Sc.—Theodore B. Comstock resides at 827 Beacon street, Los Angeles, Cal.

'88—Walter C. Noyes, who for several years past has been judge of the court of common pleas in New London county, Connecticut, has recently published a work on "American Railroad Rates." He is also the author of a book on "Intercorporate Relations" which appeared about two years ago.

'90, B. Arch.—Clarence E. Dobbin is a builder with offices at 500 West 121st street, New York city.

'91, B. L.—Manfred J. Holmes is in the department of general method and psychology of the State Normal University at Normal, Ill.

'92, Ph. D.—Frederick B. Maxwell is instructor in biology at the William McKinley High school, Chicago, Ill.

'92, M. M. E.—John C. McMynn is consulting engineer with Robert W. Hunt & Co. of Chicago, Ill. His address is 1121 Rookery.

'92, A. B.—Thomas F. Kane is instructor in mathematics in the George William Curtis High school, New York city.

'93, M. E.—E. P. Chapin is principal of the Manual Training High school at Louisville, Ky.

'93, B. Arch.—Waldo S. Kellogg is at 254 Madison avenue, New York city.

'94, Ph. B.—W. H. Lighty is head of the social settlement and superintendent of the Self Culture Hall association at St. Louis, Mo. His address is 1832 Carr street.

'94, B. S.—George P. Knox has been appointed principal of the Yeatman High school at St. Louis, Mo.

'94, Ph. B.—Herbert J. Jones is superintendent of schools of the Central Worcester union, at Holden, Mass.

'95, C. E.; '97, LL. B.—Roger Lewis is an attorney in the Mutual Life building, 43 Cedar street, New York city.

'96, M. E.—H. S. Johnson is representative for the Morgan Gardiner company at Charleston, W. Va.

'98, Ph. B.—On December 26, 1905, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bailey at their home in Wilmington, Del. Mrs. Mabel Dobbin Bailey received the degree of Ph. B. from Cornell in '98.

'98, LL. B.—Charles B. Johnson is an attorney at Andes, N. Y.

'98, LL. B.—Marshall P. Howard is a practicing attorney with offices

in the Kilmer building, Binghamton, N. Y.

'98, B. S.—The firm of Schmidt & Gallatin of 111 Broadway, New York city, announces that Charles Hildreth Blair, jr., '98, became a member of the firm on the first day of February. Mr. Blair is well known to alumni of the late nineties as a pitcher on the Varsity nine for three years, and a prominent member of the class of '98. He is a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, and a son of Charles H. Blair, '72, of New York city.

'99, B. S.—Walter G. Harper is president of the Walter G. Harper Lumber company of Meadville, Pa.

'00, A. B.; '02, A. M.—Miss Alice Baldwin is preceptress of Fargo College at Fargo, N. D.

'00, Ph. B.—Ellard A. Buck is instructor in science in the Trenton High school, Trenton, N. J.

'00, B. S. A.; '01, A. M.—Gordon M. Bentley is instructor in zoology and histology at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.

'00, Ph. D.—K. C. Davis is prin-

cipal of the Dunn County School of Agriculture at Menomonie, Wis.

'00, A. B.—Floyd P. Johnson is head of the Boys' High school and instructor in French and Greek in the Friends' school at Wilmington, Del.

'00—The engagement of Miss Louise B. Wolfer of Newark, N. J., to Walter Nuffort, '00, has been announced. Mr. Nuffort is addressed at 200 Bergen street, Newark, N. J.

'00, G.—Chester B. Curtis was appointed vice-president of the Central High school in St. Louis, Mo., last fall.

'01, Ph. D.—G. W. Stewart is professor of physics in the State University of North Dakota, at Grand Frelso, N. D.

'01, B. S. F.—Clifford R. Pettis is state forester in charge of the state nursery at Saranac junction, N. Y.

'01, A. B.—A. N. Slocum is with the Real Estate Trust company of Pittsburg at 311 Fourth avenue, and his residence is at 539 Jeanette street, Wilkinsburg, Pa. A second son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Slocum on Christmas morning, 1905.



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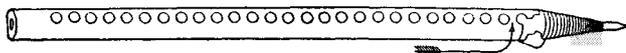
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'02, M. E.—A. C. Williams is engaged in mining in the West. He left Hinsdale, Ill., for Phoenix, Arizona, on February 1.

'02, A. B.—The Rev. George Ashton Oldham, who is a member of the staff of Grace church in New York city, has been appointed chaplain of Columbia University. Mr. Oldham was prominent in literary and musical circles during his undergraduate years. He was a Woodford speaker and an instructor in oratory for two years.

'02, A. B.—A. S. Petty has been appointed district agent of the Northwestern Mutual Life insurance company, under contract with William F. Atkinson, '95, general agent at New York. Mr. Petty will make his headquarters at Patchogue, Long Island, where he has been in business since his graduation.

'03, C. E.—Joseph E. Craig is superintendent of the department of light and water in the city of Clarksdale, Miss.

'03, M. E.—Announcement is made of the wedding of Lea P. Warner of Wilmington, Del., and Miss Edith E. Gausler of Camden, N. J., on January 18, 1906.

'03, A. B.—G. E. D. Brady is salesman for the Library Bureau at 501 Diamond Block building, Pittsburg, Pa.

'03—Frederick W. Germann is studying at Columbia University. His address is 90 Norman avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'03, LL. B.—The partnership of Lyons & Goldsmith in Binghamton has been dissolved by mutual consent, and Harry Goldsmith, '03, has opened offices for the general practice of law at 1104 Kilmer building, Binghamton, N. Y.

'04, M. E.—M. S. Van Vleet is telephone engineer in the engineering department of the Stromberg Carlson Telephone Manufacturing company. His address is 147 Spencer street, Rochester, N. Y.

'04, M. E.; '05, M. M. E.—Charles H. Day has left the employ of the La Vergne Machine company to enter the service of the Boston Ele-

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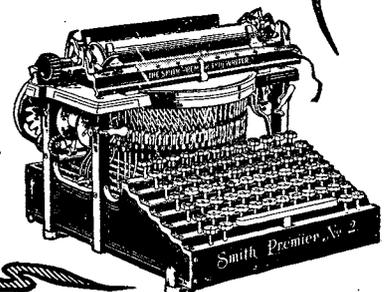
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'04, M. D.—Dr. Zella White Stewart is practicing medicine at Grand Frelso, N. D.

'04, M. E.—J. F. Muller is a machinist's apprentice at Little Rock, Ark. His address is 414 Rector avenue.

'04, A. B.—The engagement of Miss Ethelyn Felice Binkley, '04, of Spokane, Wash., to A. L. White of the same city, has been announced.

'05, A. B.—Miss Mary Porter Smith is teaching in the high school at Hubbard, Ia.

'05, C. E.—E. Viertels is with the Interborough Rapid Transit company, in the department of maintenance of way. His address is 32 Park place, New York city.

'05, A. B.—Franklin Edgerton, 2d, is studying at the University of Munich. On March 1 Mr. Edgerton will go to Italy for a six weeks' visit, and on his return will take a course in the University of Jena.

'05, LL. B.—Roy C. McHenry is a member of the law firm of McHenry & Race, 667-8 O'Neil building, Binghamton, N. Y.

'05—Jay Lansing Crouse is in the engineering department of the Franklin Motor company of Syracuse, N. Y.

'05, LL. B.—William Lynn Ransom, one of the most effective campaign speakers that Cornell has produced in the last decade, and a lifelong Democrat, has gone over to the enemy's camp, and will henceforth be found fighting in the ranks of the Republican party. It will be remembered that Mr. Ransom was the independent candidate for the New York Assembly against Arthur C. Wade in the campaign last fall, and succeeded after an arduous campaign in reducing Wade's normal plurality of 5,000 to less than 300. This record was considered phenomenal in view of the fact that Mr. Ransom had not been out of college a year, and had no organization behind him. Since his campaign he has entered into partnership with a prominent young Republican attorney in Jamestown. His formal affiliation with the Republican party was announced a few days ago, when his name appeared at the head of a list of Republican signers endorsing a local nomination.

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