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MEETING OF TRUSTEES.

Maximum of Instructor's Salary Increased

—New Professor of Physiology.

The University Board of Trustees held its regular midwinter meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York city last Saturday. After the business session Mr. George C. Boldt entertained his fellow Trustees and a large number of guests at luncheon.

The business meeting was held in the East room of the hotel and went into session early in the forenoon. Mr. Boldt acted as chairman.

It was announced that Colonel Oliver H. Payne, of New York, the patron of the Cornell University Medical College, had given \$20,000, in addition to his regular donation, for the department of physiology. Dr. Graham Lusk, of New York, was appointed professor of physiology to succeed Dr. Austin Flint, retired.

Provision was made for a new instructorial grade in the University faculty carrying a salary twenty per cent. higher than the maximum salary now paid to instructors. This means that the limit of pay of an instructor will be \$1,200 instead of \$1,000, as at present.

Memorial tablets were voted to Samuel D. Halliday and George R. Williams, late members of the Board of Trustees, to be placed in Boardman Hall; to the late Franklin C. Cornell, to be placed in the Memorial Chapel; to the late Judge Francis M. Finch, to be placed in Boardman Hall, and to the late Professor John L. Morris, to be placed in Sibley College.

It was voted to have a new organ built in Sage Chapel. The details of this undertaking were referred to a committee to be appointed by the executive committee.

Tuition in the College of Agriculture was increased from \$125 to \$150 a year, the increase to take effect in September, 1909. This change brings the tuition fee in this

college up to the same level as in the other technical colleges of the University.

At 1 o'clock the Trustees' meeting was adjourned for luncheon, which was served in the "Myrtle room." The table was arranged in the form of a horseshoe and was decorated with asparagus vine and red carnations. Fifty-five persons were seated at the table. Only two speeches were made—an address by Mr. Boldt and a reply by Mr. Andrew Carnegie. Mr. Carnegie spoke in affectionate terms of Cornell, predicted for it still further progress, and expressed pleasure at meeting the Trustees in New York.

The members of the Board who attended the meeting and luncheon were President Schurman, Miss Putnam, and Messrs. C. M. Tyler, R. A. Pearson, C. E. Cornell, Barr, Blood, Boldt, Carnegie, Edwards, French, Hiscock, Ickelheimer, Kerr, Newman, Morris, McMillin, Shepard, Sackett, Sewell, R. H. Treman, C. E. Treman, Taylor, Van Cleef, White, R. B. Williams, Westinghouse, Treasurer E. L. Williams and Assistant Treasurer Bostwick.

The guests at the luncheon were: George W. Bacon, John Barrett, William H. Corbin, Dean Thomas F. Crane, Henry Clews, C. C. Dickinson, Dr. Horace Fletcher, F. N. Godfrey, E. R. Graham, C. W. Hunt, General Thomas Hubbard, Roger Lewis, Robert McKinney, Professor William M. Polk, Ira A. Place, General Horace Russell, Dr. Lewis A. Stimson, J. G. Schmidlapp, Mrs. Henry Osborne Taylor, Frank A. Vanderlip, General Alexander S. Webb, Clark Williams, Superintendent of Banks; John DeWitt Warner, George C. Boldt, jr., and Mrs. Alfred Graham Miles.

President Schurman will lecture at Utica on February 5 before the One Hundred Club of the Young Men's Christian Association of that city. His subject will be "Some Public Reforms."

THE NEW YORK DINNER.

Ex-President White, President Schurman and Dean Crane on the Toast List.

The large ballroom of the Waldorf was well filled at the twenty-ninth annual dinner of the Cornell alumni of New York, held last Saturday evening. There were about three hundred diners present, and many of the gallery boxes, which extend in two tiers about three sides of the room, were occupied by ladies. At the speakers' table with Roger Lewis, '95, president of the Cornell University Club of New York, who officiated as toastmaster, were ex-President White, President Schurman, Dean Crane, Dean Polk of the Medical College; Dr. Robert T. Morris, '80; John Barrett, director of the Bureau of American Republics; Justice John Ford, '90; Walter C. Kerr, '79; Dr. Louis L. Seaman, '72; John H. Barr, '89, and George Cromwell, president of the Borough of Richmond. Seated next the dais were the members of the University Board of Trustees. Down the middle of the room was a long table at which were gathered Cornell men engaged in the railroad business. They had a special yell for the occasion, ending with a toot! toot! Alongside this table were the singers, former members of the Glee Club, led by Edward Burns, jr., '03, who also acted as cheer leader. There was also a special table for football men. Otherwise the diners were seated mostly by classes, as became evident just before the speaking was to begin, when class yells began to be heard, with '94 leading off. The class of 1908 had this: "Always early, never late! The youngest living graduate! 1908! 1908! 1908!"

Toastmaster Lewis, in his introductory speech, referred to the efforts of the Cornell Club to secure a new and larger house and said that those efforts were now all but successful. He predicted that before the time came for another annual dinner the

club would be in a house of which its members might feel proud. He then introduced President Schurman.

DR. SCHURMAN'S REMARKS.

The President referred to his recent trip through the far western States, and told of the gratification he had felt in observing the work that Cornell men are doing throughout the country and also the attitude of the West toward Cornell. He said that Cornell was the university to which the West looked up as its pattern and exemplar. The spirit of the University was recognized there as the national spirit of to-morrow, and that was the West's own spirit.

President Schurman said he wished that the University could spend all its present income in fostering original investigation, for it had the men for such work. It was doing what it could, he declared, and he referred to the development of the Medical College as a place of research and announced the gift of Colonel Payne to the department of physiology and the appointment of Dr. Graham Lusk. He also announced the action of the Trustees in increasing the maximum salary in the grade of instructor. The President said that Cornell had during the past year given instruction to 4,999 students, including those registered in the Summer Session, and he recalled Ezra Cornell's prophecy, made over thirty-five years ago, that persons then living would see five thousand students on the campus.

The problem before the universities to-day, and in his opinion the acutest problem, President Schurman said, was to furnish competent teachers, especially for freshmen and sophomores. The vice of American education to-day was lack of accuracy. What we needed was to secure the intellectual thoroughness of the old education and at the same time to utilize the new material in the modern languages and the natural sciences, in which the old education was lamentably lacking. He advocated a separate faculty for freshmen and sophomores—a faculty to be composed of men characterized by sympathy with youth and love for teaching. He concluded by saying that so long as Cornell continued true to right ideals, so long as she turned out good men and so long as

these men were living epistles of the truth; so long would her future be assured.

PRESIDENT WHITE SPEAKS.

Ex-President White said that he was glad to meet the alumni, especially those whose faces were fringed with white, for they were his own. He expressed his undying love for the students, the alumni, the faculty, the trustees, for all that constitutes Cornell University. President Schurman's recent experience in the West was not a novel one, he said. Sixteen years ago he himself had travelled through many States of the West, and in every large town he visited he was welcomed by Cornell men who were doing men's work. He said that he read with especial care the CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS and followed with interest the careers of graduates. It was his custom to take a morning walk about the campus. After he had looked upon the buildings and had gone down by the gymnasium and seen the thousands of students coming up the hill, he went home for the work of the day cheered and delighted. "I think," he added, "that if any man in the world may be called happy, I am that man, for every day I see my dreams realized even beyond my hopes." "I am not done with Cornell University," he continued. "I congratulate you on the success of your alma mater." Mr. Cornell's prophecy, he said, was made to him. "I have lived to see 4,999 students in the University and I do not despair of seeing the other."

DEAN CRANE'S ADDRESS.

Among other things Dean Crane said:

"MR. CHAIRMAN AND ALUMNI OF CORNELL: I must confess that I accepted your kind invitation to address you to-night with much apprehension. I feared that the flood of memories which must arise as I looked upon your faces would overwhelm me and drown my utterances. For it is no light matter to take your official farewell of the institution and students with whom you have been associated in the most intimate manner for over forty years, and one does not like to play at the modern banquet the rôle of the skeleton in the ancient feast. Fortunately my memories to-night are almost exclu-

sively cheerful, and if there is any tinge of sadness it is when I recall the youth of noble promise, 'the inheritors of unfulfilled renown,' and the devoted colleagues whom I have survived.

"I know that the impression prevails throughout the country that the professor's life is one of hard work, scanty pay, and tardy recognition. The periodical literature of the last few years has been filled with gloomy articles—from the pathetic plea of the instructor's wife for a 'living wage' to the professor's protest against the tyranny of trustees and presidents. I know I shall lay myself open to the charge of optimism—a frame of mind regarded to-day with considerable disfavor—when I say that I have been able to live decently upon my salary and to maintain my freedom of thought and action. But, perhaps, I should also confess that I have been most fortunate in my career. When I recall what I owe to Ezra Cornell and his family; when I remember the encouragement I received from the first president of the University, who has honored me with his friendship for over forty years; when I dwell upon my relations to the third and present head of the University, whose partial eye is ever discovering, or thinking to discover, some trait in me serviceable to the University and conducive to my own advancement and happiness; when I think of the consideration which I have always received from the Trustees of the University, the large majority now of whom were once my students;—when, I say, I reflect upon those things, I am overwhelmed with gratitude and can truly declare that 'my lines have fallen in pleasant places.'

"And what shall I say of my relations to the great host of students who have gone out from Cornell to all the corners of the earth to fill places of honor and usefulness to their fellowmen!—relations which will always be among the most precious possessions of my life, and if the future shall bring, as it must, days of sorrow, they will be lightened by the memory of the heroic lives and deaths of the youth with whom I have so long associated, and who have repaid my scanty services with their generous affection and respect.

"I have left my colleagues to the last, but that is sometimes the emphatic place. The Faculty of Cornell has been pre-eminently a faculty of young men from the very start—how young it is you can judge when I say that, with one exception, I am the oldest man in active service. It has always been a body of devoted scholars and enthusiastic teachers, loyal to the University and to each other; and it is a remarkable fact that, in spite of its heterogeneous nature, it has never been rent by feuds of any kind, as has been the case too often in other universities. If my thirteen years of administrative labors have been crowned by any measure of success it is due to the unflinching co-operation and friendly regard of my colleagues.

"And so, Mr. Chairman, as I said at first, my memories are happy ones,—happier perhaps than those of any man, with one exception, who sits at this board tonight, for I have lived to see the almost incredible success of an enterprise, the inception of which I beheld, and I may be permitted to say: 'Et quorum pars longa fui.' The one exception, it is needless to say, is the beloved first president of the University, Mr. Andrew D. White, who is entitled to use the unchanged words of Virgil and to declare with truth: 'Et quorum pars magna fui!'

"To me the most pathetic figures in history are those of the men who have died before their hopes have been fulfilled, and I have often wished that Ezra Cornell could have lived a little longer; but I remember that he was a confirmed optimist, and died in the belief that he left some living who should one day see five thousand students in Cornell! I was much concerned, President Schurman, when I read in the new edition of the Register that Cornell University had given instruction this last year to 4,999 students. Had I known that fact in time I should have begged you, with my fondness for round numbers, to go out into the highways and compel at least one to come in, although he had not on his academic garment!

"I do not intend, Mr. Chairman, to accentuate my age and the propriety of my retirement by indulging in personal reminiscences to-night; but in the light and warmth of this

banquet-room I may recall for a moment the bleak hill-top of forty years ago with its solitary building, up to which some of you once struggled. A few evenings ago I was coming out of a lecture in Rockefeller Hall, and I was amazed as I looked down on the great quadrangle before me,—all the buildings were ablaze with lights, from the Medical College, the Law Library, the University Library, the College of Architecture, around to Goldwin Smith Hall, while back of the quadrangle and on the hill gleamed the wards of the state, the Veterinary and Agricultural Colleges. And I thought of the teeming life where forty years ago were darkness and silence, and I seemed to see the generations who had already left those walls and those who would follow until some mighty cataclysm of nature should once more strip that hill of trees and towers!

"I could not but feel the dignity of my profession and the singular privilege I had enjoyed of seeing the wonderful growth of the University, and it is not surprising if I should view with some apprehension the future when I shall have resigned the responsibilities of so many years. I have noticed this same uneasiness on the part of others. One college president said to me recently: 'I suppose you will start for Italy the very day of your retirement.' I replied that I should continue to live in Ithaca, and when he expressed his surprise I answered: 'You must remember that I have been only a dean, and that I can continue to reside in Ithaca with impunity after my retirement.' I added that even a president had done so for over twenty years, apparently to his own satisfaction, and certainly to the delight of his fellow-citizens. I have sometimes thought, however, that perhaps I should go away to live. I remember that I was once invited to address the alumni in an adjoining city and I found there one of the trustees of the University. I apologized for being away from my post. He cheerfully replied: 'Don't speak of it. You're a more valuable man out of Ithaca than in it.'

"Another college president, a sprightly youth of over eighty—one of the most remarkable men of our times—said to me confidentially last week: 'I should really like to know

what you are going to do. I am thinking of retiring, myself, before long!'

"Well, first of all I should like to go back these forty years and become a student again. Alas; I cannot enter Cornell. I have helped to make the entrance requirements too high for that; but I can at least try to improve my own mind, which has been too long neglected. Some years ago I met one of my colleagues during the long vacation. 'Are you engaged in the Summer School?' he inquired. 'No,' I replied, 'I spend my vacations cultivating my own mind.' 'Of course,' he answered, 'you must find a great deal to do. Good morning, good morning!' Another colleague, doubtless with some such idea in his head, after he was absolutely sure of my retirement, called my attention to Metchnikoff's schemes for the prolongation of human life, while a third colleague, as a possible consolation for what might seem to me a premature retirement, convinced me by statistics that I had already lived just twice as long I should have done!

"I have been confirmed in my intention to become a scholar once more by a remark in one of Seneca's letters to Lucilius. The old philosopher tells his young friend that he is going to school, and if any one asks when learning acquired at the close of life will be profitable, and for what purpose, he replies: 'That I may leave this life a better man,' and adds that he is not only going to school but teaching—what? By his example, that an old man too must learn!

"Above all I want to show my gratitude to the man whose munificent bounty has encouraged American scholars by relieving their anxiety for their own future and for that of those dear to them, while still in their intellectual prime, to make substantial contributions to knowledge and to the welfare of their fellow-men.

"And so I shall try to retire, not in the spirit of the gentle English essayist—whose farewell words were: '*Opus operatum est*, I have done all that I came into the world to do, I have worked taskwork and have the rest of the day to myself';—but rather in the spirit of Shakespeare's Prospero, when he broke his staff

and drowned his book and left his island home for a new life in Milan, ——— be cheerful, sir, Our revels now are ended.' ”

OTHER SPEAKERS.

John Barrett told of the opportunities for college men in the South American republics and paid a tribute to Elihu Root, who retired that day as Secretary of State. John Ford's address was an appeal to university men to interest themselves in the government of the city, especially in the acute problem of transportation. A telegram from Governor Hughes was read, expressing his regret at not being able to attend the dinner.

The dinner committee was composed of William W. Ricker, '96, chairman; Walter C. Kerr '79, J. G. White, '85, Frederick M. Whyte '89, Thomas B. Bryson '94, Erle W. Whitfield '95, Arthur H. Sherwood '01, Edward Burns, jr., '03, George H. Turner '03 and George C. Boldt, jr., '05.

Brooklyn Alumni Hear Good News.

The fourth monthly spread of Brooklyn Cornellians took place on Tuesday evening, January 19, at the University Club of Brooklyn. Professor W. W. Rowlee, '88, the guest of honor, was introduced by President John L. Moffat. Professor Rowlee had brought with him from Ithaca about one hundred lantern slides, the chief purpose of which was to show the progress that had been made in Fall Creek Gorge with the funds forwarded by the Cornell Association of Brooklyn. He stated that he was able to revise his original estimate of the work, and said that, owing to the aid extended by the University Trustees and to the better knowledge of conditions that came after the job had been begun, he found that only half of the \$5,000 that had been deemed necessary for the work need be expended to bring the gorge into the condition planned by the Brooklynites. Professor Rowlee's pictures were thrown on the screen and aroused much admiration. There were views showing parts of the gorge before and after the improvement, and the contrasts were strikingly apparent. Other pictures illustrated the development of the natural features in and about the campus. Those which portrayed Cornell in

the earlier days formed the subject of many reminiscences among the members of the association. Dr. H. P. de Forest and Dr. Moffat were moved to tell of their experiences and impressions while at the University.

Elmer I. Thompson, guard on the football team of two years ago, was another speaker. He said that the improvement in football affairs since the new coaching system was inaugurated had been steady and apparent. Each team, he said, had been better than the preceding eleven, and alumni should be encouraged by the prospect of permanent benefits in that line. During the football discussion Captain Joseph W. Beacham, '97, who is now recovering from a serious illness, was remembered. It was resolved to send him the following telegram:

"The Brooklyn bunch, remembering your talk of last February, drink to your continued health, happiness and prosperity."

The alumni at this meeting included James M. Gorman, '90; C. I. Jones, '86; George W. Conable, '90; Richardson Webster, '02; Dr. John L. Moffat, '73; William A. Mosserop, '88; Charles L. Mulligan, '07; Richard A. Geis, '08; W. W. Southworth, '93; W. A. Morgan, '05; Harry A. Lucker, '08; Charles A. Carpenter, '08; T. C. Ulbricht, '08; M. C. Maxwell, '00; E. C. Welch, '06; W. J. Kaup, '00; Dr. Herbert D. Schenck, '82; J. A. Boorstein, '05; A. C. Davis, '06; E. T. Fallows, '90; C. F. Horne, '97; E. I. Thompson, '09; C. W. J. Fuchs, '04; H. G. A. Fuchs, '09; Dr. Henry P. de Forest, '84; R. P. Morse, '03; Richard A. Wright, '05, and G. M. Davison, '92.

Directory of Washington Cornellians.

A "Directory of Cornellians of the District of Columbia" has just been published by the Alumni Association of the District. It is a well printed booklet of twenty-six pages. The names are arranged in alphabetical order, and in each case the class and degree, present occupation and address are given.

The next meeting of the Modern Language Association will be held at Cornell University during the Christmas recess next winter. A formal invitation for this meeting was extended by President Schurman and it has been accepted.

FOR ALUMNI TRUSTEE.

Cornell Alumnae Club of New York Nominates Mrs. Wilhelm Miller.

At a large and representative business meeting, called for the purpose in December, the Cornell Alumnae Club of New York voted to nominate Mrs. Wilhelm Miller (Mary Rogers, Class of 1896), of Elizabeth, N. J., to succeed Miss Ruth Putnam as trustee of Cornell University, to be elected by the alumni in June, 1909. Mrs. Miller is a representative Cornell woman, and Cornell clubs or individuals wishing information regarding the candidate should write any member of the following Committee of Alumnae: Dr. Gertrude Rochester, chairman, 845 Lexington avenue, New York city; Miss Mary R. Fitzpatrick, secretary, 165 South Ninth street, Brooklyn; Mrs. Lee de Forest, 315 West Ninety-seventh street, New York city; Miss Marguerite T. Lee, 378 Third street, Brooklyn; Miss Florence Slater, 358 Lexington avenue, New York city; Mrs. Samuel S. Slater, 76 William street, New York city; Miss Elizabeth Briggs, 11½ West Eighty-fourth street, New York city; Miss Zillah Heidenheim, 172 Hewes street, Brooklyn; Dr. N. Gilbert Seymour, 129 East Seventeenth street, New York city; Mrs. J. D. E. Duncan, corresponding secretary of the Cornell Alumnae Club of New York, 368 William street, East Orange, N. J.

Class Secretaries Discuss Reunion.

A regular meeting of the Cornell Association of Class Secretaries was held at the Cornell Club in New York on Saturday afternoon, January 23. Those present were Professor C. L. Crandall '72, Dr. Henry P. de Forest '84, R. J. Eidlitz '85, Dr. V. A. Moore '87, Professor W. W. Rowlee '88, E. E. Bogart '94, Jesse Fuller, jr., '98, Dr. R. S. Haynes '99, Frederick Willis '01, representing John S. Gay; W. J. Norton '02, Raymond P. Morse '03, Seth W. Shoemaker '08, Dr. W. J. Jones of the Medical College and Woodford Patterson of the ALUMNI NEWS. Professor Rowlee was in the chair.

A resolution was adopted instruct-

ing the executive committee of the association to tender the new Cornellian Council the assistance of the class secretaries in organizing and carrying on its work.

There was a general discussion of matters pertaining to the alumni reunion in June, especially of the matter of program. Various members said they thought the reunion would be more enjoyable if the events were closer together geographically. It was suggested that, if the alumni-*'*varsity baseball game could not be played on the hill, the game be omitted altogether or that a game between two teams of alumni be substituted for it, the contest to take place on the hill. The comparative advantages of Wednesday and Saturday as the principal reunion day were also discussed. Finally a resolution was adopted instructing the executive committee to co-operate with the Commencement Committee of the Board of Trustees and with other organizations that help to make the graduate and undergraduate program of Commencement Week, with a view of devising a satisfactory arrangement.

Further discussion of reunion matters resulted in the appointment of a committee, consisting of Messrs. Eidlitz, Morse and Haynes, to consider the practicability of adopting the so-called Dix scheme of reunions or some similar plan and to report at the June meeting. The Dix scheme was described in detail in the ALUMNI NEWS of February 22, 1905. Its author is or was secretary of the class of '81 of Princeton. Its idea is to do away with the present plan of holding reunions of isolated classes separated from one another by five-year intervals and to substitute a schedule by which four classes that were in college together shall all return to the University in the same year.

It was announced that Mr. R. H. Treman and Mr. E. E. Bogart had resigned as secretaries respectively of the classes of '78 and '94. Mr. Willard Beahan had succeeded Mr. Treman, but Mr. Bogart's successor had not yet been elected. The report of the treasurer showed a healthy balance on hand. The next meeting of the association will be held in Ithaca in June.

ANNOUNCEMENTS,

Notice to Cornell Men in the Southern States.

The attention of all Cornell men residing in the Southern States is called to the formation of the first Cornell Club attempted in the South. This organization is known as the Cornell Club of Louisiana, with headquarters at New Orleans. Non-resident membership, with dues fixed at \$1 per year, is offered to all Cornell men in the South outside of Louisiana.

This is not an alumni association, so it is not necessary to be a graduate to join the club.

Cornell is obtaining a good foothold in our section, and Cornell men now living in Dixie can greatly aid the further growth of the University's reputation by connecting themselves with the only Cornell association in the South.

Until the Cornellians in your vicinity form an association, it seems to me to be your duty to support the first organized Southern effort to boom Cornell.

If you have a "Cornell backbone" in you, and do not wish to see Princeton, Harvard and Yale attract the cream of the Southland's young manhood to their halls of learning, become a bona fide supporter of Cornell by joining the Cornell Club of Louisiana as a non-resident member.

EDW. E. SOULE, '88,
Secretary Cornell Club of Louisiana.
603 St. Charles street,
New Orleans.

Boston Dinner, February 5.

The annual dinner of the Cornell Club of New England will be given at the Copley Square Hotel, Boston, on Friday evening, February 5, at 7 o'clock. The guests of honor will be the two "Deans"—the one about to retire from active service, Dean Thomas F. Crane, and the other, familiarly known to so many of the older alumni as "the Dean," Professor H. S. White of Harvard. "Jack" Moakley, who comes on with the track team for the B. A. A. meet, will be there and will speak. Others on the toast list are Henry F. Hurlburt, '75, and William S. McNary.

An important business meeting will be held at 6 o'clock, at which a new constitution will be proposed

and officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

Dinner tickets are \$2 each; they may be obtained of the secretary, Harry L. Taylor, 15 Newbury street, Boston.

Syracuse Dinner, February 6.

The Cornell Club of Syracuse will have its annual dinner on Saturday evening, February 6, at the Country Club. President Schurman will be the club's guest. The dinner will be served promptly at 7 o'clock. Extra cars will be run by the suburban railroad for the accommodation of the Cornell alumni, leaving Syracuse at 6:30 and returning at 11 o'clock.

1900 Notice.

Men of 1900 living in New York city and vicinity will meet for informal dinner at the Cornell University Club, 58 West Forty-fifth street, on Friday evening, February 5, at 6:30 o'clock.

Student Killed.

Parkman Leavitt of East Orange, N. J., a freshman in Sibley College, was instantly killed on Sunday afternoon by coming in contact with a live electric wire while walking on Oak avenue near the Cascadilla School. It is supposed that he touched a guy wire which had become charged from an electric light wire. Several physicians worked over him for two hours, but were unable to restore him to consciousness. The body was taken to East Orange on Monday, accompanied by several members of the Zeta Psi fraternity, of which Leavitt was a member.

It is expected that an investigation will be made to fix the responsibility for the dangerous condition which resulted in young Leavitt's death.

Many persons were unable to gain admittance to Barnes Hall on Monday evening, so large was the number of those who went to hear Signor Guglielmo Ferrero, the Roman historian. Signor Ferrero delivered another lecture on Tuesday afternoon.

Owing to a thaw, which carried the ice out of Beebe Lake, the Ice Carnival, which was scheduled for Tuesday evening as the first event of Junior Week, was postponed to Saturday and may have to be abandoned.

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INVITATION TO FACULTY.

The Northwestern Cornell Club expects to hold its annual dinner some time in the latter part of February in Minneapolis. The secretary of the club has written to inquire if any one of the Faculty is likely to be in the West about that time. He says that the club would like to have any such member of the Faculty as its guest and would fix

the date of the dinner to suit his plans. This paragraph is printed as the simplest way to bring the invitation to members of the Faculty.

New Way to Get College Buildings.

By a novel arrangement, the University of Washington will soon be the possessor of several fine new buildings which it might not otherwise obtain in a decade. Lack of accommodations for the normal increase of students has resulted in a decrease in enrollment of new students at Washington this year and the natural growth of the school has been seriously retarded. Now a remedy has been found in an appropriation of one million dollars by the State for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, which will be held next summer on the university campus. Six hundred thousand dollars of this goes to permanent buildings for the University. Three of the largest are the Auditorium, the Machinery Hall and the Fine Arts buildings, which are destined to become the University Auditorium, the Mechanics hall and the Chemistry building. Besides these buildings, provided for by legislative appropriation, there will be other permanent and semi-permanent buildings erected by various states, counties and societies, which will serve to house new departments and provide much needed classrooms.

Comment on Prof. Bennett's Address.

Professor Charles E. Bennett's address as president of the American Philological Association at the recent convention in Toronto called forth an appreciative editorial in the *Toronto Globe*. The subject of the address was "An Ancient Schoolmaster's Message to Present-day Teachers." "The address," says the *Globe*, "although it dealt with the work of a man who practiced law and taught rhetoric in the days of Nero, was as modern in its interest and as local in its applications as if Quintilian were the master whom education in Ontario sadly needs and has needed for more than a generation. . . . Blame yourself as a teacher, declared Quintilian, for the failure of your pupils. And his exhortation, needed to-day and deserving of emphasis in every school, was that boys should learn to decline nouns and conjugate verbs if they would be made to understand

or to profit by their subsequent lessons. . . . No less pertinent and no less practical were the words of Quintilian on the importance of a trained memory, not a memory made expert to play mechanical tricks but a learning by heart, through practice and labor, of such things in the literature [of] truth as enrich the mind and serve the purposes of true education. Very pertinent was the condemnation of those who would multiply confusions for the pupil. Latin is hard enough anyway, remarked Professor Bennett, commenting on the old master's words, without multiplying artificial difficulties through confusions in spelling and pronunciation; and he added, 'Latin exists for the pupil, not the pupil for Latin.' He might have said the same with even more earnestness of English, and the notion entertained by some people in or about the Education Department, in the matter of the spelling of English words, would illustrate his point. There were pedants in Quintilian's day who would do for the Latin what is attempted to be done to-day for the English by those who insist on spelling 'labor,' 'honor,' and such words with a 'u' under the misapprehension that such spelling is old or is English."

Letter to the Editor.

EDITOR OF THE ALUMNI NEWS—
Sir: I think it is only fair to President Schurman to say through the NEWS that his two addresses, entirely extemporaneous, before the Cornell men at banquet assembled in the new Palace Hotel of Seattle and before the picked company of professional and business men at the Rainier Club, were models.

He talked to the Cornell men two hours, invested an old theme with remarkable interest and established a lasting reputation as a conversational talker. In the same quiet, masterful way he addressed the Rainier Club meeting upon national and international topics, and no more delighted company of the brains of Seattle ever left the banquet hall of that club than when he finished. "Captivated" is a mild term in this instance, but will do.

Our college and business men of Seattle are satisfied that in the calendar of American College Presi-

dents Jacob Gould Schurman, following the retirement of Eliot, will be one of three and I think first of the three.

JOHN A. REA.
Tacoma, Wash.,
January 19, 1909.

Book Notes.

Among the books to be published this year by Houghton Mifflin Company is a study of "The German Element in the United States," by Professor Albert Bernhardt Faust of Cornell. The first draft of this work, which is to be in two volumes, won the prize of \$3,000 offered by Conrad Seipp, of Chicago, for the best essay on the theme. Professor Faust's text, which represents the labor of ten years, is to be lavishly illustrated.

President Eliot's recent book on "University Administration" is reviewed in the last number of *Science* by President David Starr Jordan '72. The article is in effect a review of the forty years of President Eliot's administration at Harvard. In the university of forty years ago, Dr. Jordan says, "the professional schools had no foundation in science or in culture, and the instruction given in them was guiltless of pedagogic methods or ideals. In almost all departments of Harvard College advanced education was a grind rewarded by a degree. The degree was a badge of social and intellectual achievement, not a disclosure of the secret of power. To change all this was not an easy task, and the young president had grown middle-aged before the greater part of his work was achieved. He rightly interpreted his position as representing in no sense a fact accomplished. It was of necessity a continuous struggle; a struggle for greater means, for better men and for higher ideals. An American university is never finished." He continues:

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Football Game With Harvard Scheduled.

The *Harvard Crimson* said on January 21:

"The University football management has made the announcement that a game with Cornell to be played in the Stadium on November 6 has been included in the schedule for next fall, subject to the approval of the Athletic Committee. As yet no arrangement has been made in

regard to a return game to be played at Ithaca. The athletic relations between Harvard and Cornell have always been most friendly, as is shown by this change in the teams which the University will meet in football. The date of the Indian game, which was played on November 7 last fall, will probably be October 23.

"It is now twelve years since the University football team has met Cornell, though in the early nineties the game figured in the schedule with great regularity. The last game was played in 1897, when the University team won by the score of 24 to 0. This makes the sixth sport in which Harvard and Cornell compete directly, the others being rowing, baseball, relay racing, association football and lacrosse."

No announcement regarding the game has been made by the athletic management at Ithaca, for the reason that the schedule has not yet been ratified by the Athletic Council. A statement of the complete schedule may be expected after the next meeting of the Council. The announcement from Cambridge has appeared

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Football Advisers Meet.

A meeting of the Cornell Alumni Football Advisory Committee was held in the Engineers' Club, New York city, last Saturday. All the members were present—T. F. Fennell '96, C. R. Wyckoff '96, J. W. Beacham '97, E. R. Alexander '01 and Henry Schoellkopf '02. A report was received from the field committee on the work of the past two seasons, and there was a discussion of plans for the future. Those who were at the meeting expressed satisfaction with the way the graduate coaching system was working. Steps were taken looking to the nomination of a field committee for next season, the members of which are to be elected by the Athletic Council.

In a hard-fought game the 'varsity basketball team defeated the Niagara University five in the Armory last Saturday evening by a score of 28 to 26. At the end of the first half Niagara led, 19 to 16.

CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

'96, L.L. B.—Thomas F. Fennell, recently appointed first deputy Secretary of State of New York, was married on November 25 last to Miss F. Sibyl Wyckoff, of Elmira, N. Y.

'97, M. E.—C. J. Heilman has resumed his employment with W. R. Grace & Company, and has been ordered to Valparaiso, Chile. He was formerly employed by the same company in Peru.

'98.—Announcement has been made of the engagement of Dr. H. H. M. Lyle and Mrs. B. B. McGregor, of New York city. Dr. Lyle is now associate surgeon at St. Luke's Hospital.

'98, M. E.—S. S. Barrett has taken up the management of the Barrett Bindery Company of Chicago, and is vice-president and treasurer of the company. His address is 180 Monroe street.

'00, Ph. B.—A. E. Petermann is practicing law in Calumet, Mich.

'01, A. B.—Albert S. Price lives at 310 Lake View avenue, James-

town, N. Y. He is secretary and treasurer of the Jamestown Lighting & Power Company.

'02, A. B.—At a special meeting of the vestry of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church, 141st street and Convent avenue, New York city, last week, it was decided to call the Rev. George Ashton Oldham to succeed as rector the late Dr. John T. Patey. Mr. Oldham went to St. Luke's as assistant rector last June. A month ago he was elected associate rector. Before his death Dr. Patey said he hoped Mr. Oldham would succeed him. Mr. Oldham is one of the youngest men ever called to the rectorship of a large Protestant Episcopal church in New York city.

'03, M. E.—E. G. France has removed from South Bend, Ind., to Cairo, Ill. He is with the Singer Manufacturing Company.

'04, F. E.—G. B. Lull is state forester of California, with headquarters at Sacramento.

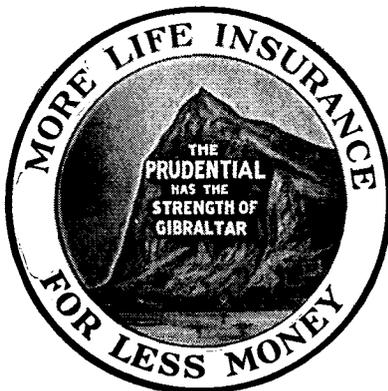
'05, A. B.—Anna L. Smith is teaching Latin and history in the Taconic school at Lakeville, Conn.

'05.—Alfred George Kuhn was

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married on December 30 to Miss Pauline Elizabeth Annen, daughter of Mrs. Henry E. Klotz, of Washington, D. C. The wedding was solemnized in St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia. Eugene C. Batchelar, '02, was the bridegroom's attendant. Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn will be at home after February 15 at the Roma Apartments, City of Mexico.

'06, M. C. E.—W. F. Martin was married on September 17 last to Miss Lulu May Tryon, daughter of Mrs. Mary D. Tryon, of Los Angeles, Cal. Their home is at 1143 Catalina street, Dos Angeles. Mr. Martin is an engineer with the United States Geological Survey.

'06, M. E.—Carl W. Boegehold, formerly with the Niles-Bement-Pond Company at New York, is now a draftsman with the Deane Steam Pump Company at Holyoke, Mass. His address is 193 Chestnut street.

'06, M. D.; '07, A. B.—Frank P. Goodwin has changed his address from Presbyterian Hospital, New York city, to 663 Lake View avenue, Jamestown, N. Y.

'06, A. B.—Francis R. Nitchie, formerly of Depue, Ill., is now an assistant in physics in the University.

'07, M. E.—Roderick D. Donaldson has resigned his position with the Baltimore Lighting Company and has taken a position with the Potomac Electric Power Company. His address is 1104 L street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

'07, B. Arch.—Robert H. Coit is the Illinois representative of Clark L. Poole & Company, bankers, 600 Commercial National Bank building, Chicago, Ill.

'07, M. E.—Harry M. Parmley is in the construction department of the Berwind White Coal Mining Com-

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'07, M. E.—John A. Ferguson is with the Thomas J. Reilly Company, contractors, of New York city. His address is 571 West 139th street.

'07, M. E.—H. Craig Sutton has removed from Pittsfield, Mass., to 17 North Church street, Schenectady, N. Y.

'07, C. E.—Harold A. Brainerd is now an engineer in the office of Alfred Noble, chief engineer of the Pennsylvania Tunnel & Terminal Railroad Company, at 315 Fifth avenue, New York city. He lives at 71 Westfield avenue, Westfield, N. J.

'08, M. E.—Stanley Short is now in the steam engineering department of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company, of Pittsburg, and may be addressed at 1320 Frick building or 7132 Bennett street, Homewood station, Pittsburg.

'08, A. B.—The address of Edna L. Mertz is 209 East Broadway, Sedalia, Mo.

'08, A. B.—William B. Heller is with Ladenburg, Thalman & Company, bankers, 25 Broad street, New York.

'08, M. E.—S. G. Miller was married on December 31 to Miss Faynetta Alice Markell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Markell, of 445 North Tioga street, Ithaca.

'08, M. E.—B. S. McConnell is with the American Radiator Company at their main offices, 282 Michigan avenue, Chicago, Ill. His home address is 60 Hawthorne place.

'08, M. E.—Morris B. Rosevear

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'08, A. B.—Clarence E. Baer is registered as a student clerk in the law offices of E. N. Baer, New Castle, Pa.

'08, M. E.—Donald Stewart has removed from Tampa to Key West, Fla. He is with the Key West Electric Company and his address is Box 158.

'08, M. E.—N. D. Preston has changed his address from Brooklyn, N. Y., to 6 Grant Place, Washington, D. C.

'08, M. E.—The address of O. W. Howard is 238 North Seventh street, Camden, N. J.

'08, C. E.—John W. Taussig, who is with the Raymond Concrete Pile Company of New York, has been sent to St. Louis to drive the concrete piles for a new post office building.

'08, M. E.—Edwin G. Boring is with the Bethlehem Steel Company. His address is 138 South New street, Bethlehem, Pa.

On Saturday evening, February 6, the varsity relay team will compete with Harvard in a race to be held under the auspices of the Boston Athletic Association.

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