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## NEW \$100 PRIZE.

For Public Speaking in College of Agriculture—Farmers' Week.

Last week was Farmers' Week at the College of Agriculture. The name given this period is not altogether accurate, for many persons are attracted who are not farmers. About 2,000 persons from outside of Ithaca, it was estimated, were present at some time during the week. These included many owners and managers of large estates, as well as educators, railroad men and manufacturers. Among those who came were President Davis and Dean Morgan of the State agricultural school at Alfred University and Dean Cook of the similar school at St. Lawrence University. Caspar Whitney, the writer on out-of-door life, spent several days at the college. There were exhibits of various kinds and lectures every day from morning till night.

One of the most interesting events of the week occurred at the second annual contest in declamation of the college, held in the auditorium on Friday evening. President White presided. Director Bailey announced that a prize had been given by Mr. A. R. Eastman, of Waterville, N. Y., amounting to \$100, for excellence in public speaking, and to be competed for every year by students of the college of agriculture. It is to be known as the Eastman prize, and after Mr. Eastman's death as the Eastman Memorial Prize.

The Students' Association of the New York State College of Agriculture was formed in the course of the week. Jared Van Wagenen, jr., '91, of Lawyersville, was chosen president; E. L. D. Seymour '09, A. C. King, of Trumansburg; B. D. Van Buren, of Lockport, and H. B. Winters, of Waverly, were chosen vice-presidents, and A. R. Mann '04 was chosen secretary-treasurer. The association will consist of all alumni and present students of the college.

## Pennsylvania Wins Debate.

The debaters of the University of Pennsylvania won the contest of the Triangular League last Friday evening, defeating both Cornell and Columbia. Cornell won her contest with Columbia and so took second place. This was Pennsylvania's third consecutive victory.

The question was: "Resolved, That our legislation should be shaped toward the gradual abandonment of the protective tariff." This was the arrangement of the contest: Cornell, affirmative, and Pennsylvania, negative, at Ithaca; Cornell, negative, and Columbia, affirmative, at New York; Pennsylvania, affirmative, and Columbia, negative, at Philadelphia.

Cornell's speakers on the affirmative side at Ithaca were H. W. Edgerton '10, leader, and C. R. Hugins '11 and H. E. Griffith '10. They were opposed by these Pennsylvanians: D. H. Parke, leader; C. A. Dress and S. Rosenbaum. The Cornell negative team which went to New York consisted of R. C. Edlund '09, leader; H. T. Kent, jr., '08, and H. M. Stephens '09, and the Columbia team which opposed them was made up of John W. Russell, leader; D. S. Townsend and Geddes Smith.

Dean Crane presided at the Ithaca contest, which was held in Barnes Hall. The judges were ex-Mayor Thomas M. Osborne, of Auburn, Mr. C. M. Williams, of Rochester, and Mr. W. W. Farley, of Binghamton. In the contest at Columbia Professor Charles A. Beard presided, and the judges were M. Linn Bruce, former Lieutenant-Governor of New York State; Judge A. P. W. Seaman of the New York Municipal Court, and Mr. C. A. Terry, attorney for the Westinghouse Company.

The decision of the judges at New York was unanimous in favor of Cornell. Those at Ithaca were divided, the decision being two to one in favor of Pennsylvania.

## HUGHES AT WASHINGTON.

Governor Speaks at Dinner of the District Alumni Association.

Governor Charles Evans Hughes of New York, Representative George E. Waldo '72 of Brooklyn and Professor Jeremiah W. Jenks of the Cornell faculty were the guests of honor at the annual banquet of the Cornell Alumni Association of the District of Columbia held at the Raleigh Hotel in Washington on February 22. About 150 graduates, former students and friends of Cornell attended, renewing campus friendships, singing the old college songs and making the banquet hall of the Raleigh ring with the Cornell yell.

John F. Hayford '89, who is shortly to take charge of the engineering department of Northwestern University, was the toastmaster. Besides the guests of honor, the speakers were Mrs. Karl F. Kellerman '02, E. S. Shepherd '02, president of the District alumni association, and A. T. Banning, jr., '04, its secretary and treasurer.

Governor Hughes received an ovation when he entered the banquet hall from attending another function. A long yell with his name at the end was the greeting which the banqueters gave him; and during his address he was frequently applauded. At the close of the speeches, he shook hands with all present and found many former friends with whom he chatted of the old university life.

Welcoming and introducing Governor Hughes, Toastmaster Hayford referred to the fact that the governor had been, for three years, a professor at Cornell and that he is now, ex-officio, a member of the Board of Trustees.

"I am a Cornell man, once removed and then put back," said Governor Hughes in beginning his address. He first went to Colgate, he said, and graduated at Brown Uni-

versity, but the choice of his mature manhood was Cornell.

"I received the instruction which has done me the most good from those who were officially my students at Cornell," he declared.

"Cornell was a revelation to me, because of the spirit of work I observed on the campus. There was no eight-hour day among the students. We had to drive them out of the library at night and had a hard time answering their questions the next morning. For ingenuity and energy I never say them equaled. It was a place of earnestness of purpose to study for immediate advancement." In many colleges, he said, there is a tendency to lose sight of the fact that the college course gives an opportunity for immediate advancement; but at Cornell the scientific and technical courses have brought students a realization of the opportunity afforded.

Governor Hughes created much amusement when he declared that since he has been the Governor of New York there is no one who wants an office in the state that does not say he was a student of Professor Hughes in Cornell. Even gray-haired men with one foot in the grave, he declared, humorously, have represented themselves as such. He also referred with a smile to the many times he has been awakened at night during the campaigns of the state by bands of young men shouting, "Cornell I yell, yell, yell Cornell!"

Referring to the many Cornell men who have been associated with him in the state government, to Prof. Pearson, the head of the state agriculture department, and to others in the state legislature, he declared that the state had recruited many men from Cornell who had served the commonwealth well.

In closing, Governor Hughes spoke of the money which the state of New York has invested at Cornell University, of the establishment of the state colleges of agriculture and veterinary science under the supervision of the Cornell trustees and authorities, and declared that the investment had been well made and that there was no sentiment in the state to curtail the supervision over the state institutions.

Professor Jenks spoke of improvements in the way the university is meeting the modern educational problem. Representative Waldo pictured the campus as it was when he entered in 1868, there being but two stone buildings and one wooden building for the University.

Among those present were G. E. Patrick '73, L. O. Howard '77, J. S. Lehmaier '78, A. M. Farrington '79, F. A. Holton '83, D. H. Decker '84, A. L. Hough '86, Miss E. A. Runner '86, Dr. and Mrs. David White '86, F. V. Coville '87, Mrs. F. A. Holton '87, Mrs. F. V. Coville '89, J. F. Hayford '89, W. A. White '89, G. H. Ashley '90, L. P. Clephane '90, A. H. Herschel '90, Miss J. T. Martin '90, J. H. Root '90, Harrison Stidham '91, T. J. D. Fuller '92, R. S. Palmer '92, H. H. Burroughs '94, R. S. Lamb '94, E. G. Mason '94, Mrs. G. H. Ashley '95, S. H. T. Hayes '95, Miss M. A. Hooker '95, Mrs. E. K. Hooker, Principal of Sage '87-'97, E. D. Durand '96, Mrs. W. R. Buchanan '97, Mrs. G. E. Griswold '97, J. C. Hoyt '97, M. C. Marsh '97, W. R. Metz '97, R. S. Albee '98, E. G. Lorenzen '98, A. C. Veatch '98, Frank Eastman '99, K. F. Kellerman '00, Miss A. H. Abel '01, J. W. Adams '01, R. M. Brown '01, D. E. Douty '01, Robert Follansbee '02, Mrs. K. F. Kellerman '02, Miss E. G. Mitchell '02, E. S. Shepherd '02, Miss V. K. Charles '03, E. J. Glasson '03, L. F. Hawley '03, G. C. Matson '03, J. B. Smallwood '03, Miss Eliza Tonks '03, R. H. Van Nest '03, A. T. Banning, jr., '04, G. A. Bell '04, W. F. Fletcher '04, Miss A. McNamara '04, V. H. Barnett '05, J. M. Bell '05, W. E. Blount '05, C. E. Burgoon '05, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Muhse '05, M. S. Rich '05, C. B. Mirick '05, C. L. Berger '06, H. R. Cox '06, Miss C. H. Crawford '06, H. P. DuBois '06, Miss A. J. DuBreuil '06, E. E. Free '06, C. C. Huntington '06, P. E. Lesh '06, E. M. McLachlen '06, Miss H. McNamara '06, G. A. Rankin '06, W. W. Reynolds '06, R. S. Teller '06, Earl Wheeler '06, R. D. Donaldson '07, Horace Dulin '07, Miss E. C. Reid '07, Max W. Davis '08, Guy H. Hunt '08, and J. D. Ellsworth, jr., '09.

## MARY ROGERS MILLER.

Biographical Sketch of a Candidate for Alumni Trustee.

[The following biographical sketch of Mrs. Wilhelm Miller was prepared by the Cornell Alumnae Club of New York, by whom Mrs. Miller has been nominated for the office of Alumni Trustee.]

Mrs. Wilhelm Miller (Mary Rogers Miller), '96, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, was born on a farm in Dallas County, Iowa, April 21, 1868. At the age of seventeen she commenced teaching in a district school. After some years, during which she taught in rural, village and city schools of her native state, and Minnesota, and after preparing for Cornell at Iowa State College, she entered the University in 1893. In 1896 she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science. In her senior year at Cornell she was appointed laboratory assistant in the department of entomology, and did instructor's work in that department during summer terms.

In 1897, when the University began its extension movement in the College of Agriculture, Mrs. Miller was appointed lecturer in Nature Study, and in this work, during the next six years, she lectured at schools and teachers' institutes in practically every county of the State of New York. During this time, she had entire charge, for a number of years, of the Nature Study work at the State Summer School at Thousand Island Park, and taught the subject one year at the Chautauqua Summer School. *New York Education*, April, 1900, says of this work: "Mrs. Miller has done untold good for the rural and town schools of the state, through her institute work. But not satisfied with these labors, she has, with her fellow-workers from Cornell, been invading the city school system, and with equally delightful and satisfactory results." Through this lecture work and the Nature Study Correspondence Course, which she inaugurated, she was the means of bringing into touch with the University and its advantages thousands of persons—parents and teachers, young women and children; many of these have since become loyal Cornellians. In the sum-

mer of 1899 and 1900, Mrs. Miller taught in the Cornell Summer School with the rank of instructor. She has appeared on the programs of the National Education Association, of the New York State Science Association, and of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. She has lectured exten-



sively at institutes in Massachusetts and Delaware.

In 1899 she was married to Wilhelm Miller, Ph. D., Cornell, '99, who had been assistant in the Horticultural Department, and is now on the editorial staff of *Country Life in America* and *The Garden Magazine*. In 1903, Dr. and Mrs. Miller moved to New York and later to New Jersey, where they now live. They have one daughter. In the spring of 1908, Dr. and Mrs. Miller went abroad, and spent the summer studying English gardens.

Since her departure from Ithaca, Mrs. Miller has kept in close touch with the University. She has visited Cornell many times. In the winter of 1906 she delivered two lectures at the Agricultural College.

Mrs. Miller has taught in every grade from the primary school to the University. While a student, she lived two years in Sage College. During her ten years' residence in Ithaca, as student, instructor and lecturer, she has had opportunity to view student life from many standpoints. She knows the homes of

students as only one can who has lived in the country and the village, as well as in the small city and the metropolis.

Mrs. Miller was elected to the Sigma Xi fraternity in her senior year. She is a member of the Meridian Club of New York City, and of various scientific and professional associations. She was for two years treasurer, and now is president, of the Cornell Alumnae Club of New York. In 1906 she was chosen to represent this club on the General Alumni Committee (Committee of Seventeen). Of her work in this organization, the chairman writes: "A very active and creditable representative she has been. She has attended all our meetings; has shown herself helpful and full of suggestions in the solving of our problems, and in every way a level-headed well-balanced member, who has ideas, and is able to present them in such a way as to win the approval of her colleagues."

In view of her wide and many-sided experience, Mrs. Miller may well be regarded as a representative Cornell woman.

THE CORNELL ALUMNAE CLUB OF NEW YORK.  
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- Florence Slater, '00,
- Caroline Adsitt Slater, '91.

At a meeting of the Cornell University Christian Association held last week in Barnes Hall, the following officers were elected: President, G. M. Wicker, '09; first vice-president, W. D. Craig, '12; second vice-president, H. W. Coryell, '11; treasurer, C. A. Harrington, '10; recording secretary, P. S. Lyon, '12.

Professor William Wistar Comfort of Haverford College will lecture in Goldwin Smith Hall on Friday evening on "The Saracens in Medieval Christian Poetry."

SIBLEY COLLEGE CHANGE.

Three Departments Discontinued for Reasons of Educational Policy.

Three departments of Sibley College—those of marine engineering, naval architecture and railway mechanical engineering—have been discontinued. This action was nearly coincident with the departure from Cornell of the heads of two of the departments, Professors C. C. Thomas and H. Wade Hibbard. But these professors did not go because their departments had been or were to be abolished, nor was their departure the cause of the termination. Professor Thomas took charge of the department of steam engineering at the University of Wisconsin last October, and about a month ago Professor Hibbard became head of the department of mechanical engineering at the University of Missouri. Each of these men was drawn away by an opportunity for advancement and for broader work in his profession. Professor George R. McDermott, who is now the head of the department of naval architecture, will be transferred to the department of machine design next October, and will give, together with a course in structural design, a senior elective in naval architecture.

It is in the educational policy of Sibley College and not in any exigency that the reason for the termination of these departments lies. The faculty of the college believes that the undergraduate should spend at least the first three years of his course in getting a thorough grounding in the fundamentals of his profession—in the sciences which must underlie any application of mechanical principles to engineering. For specialization toward the end of the course the college recommends departments that find application throughout the whole field of mechanical engineering and not merely in parts of it. The purpose, therefore, of the change is to emphasize the fundamental work of the course and to confine specialization to the broadest fields.

Saturday, March 13, is the date of the annual dinner of the Cornell Club of Western Pennsylvania.

## ATHLETICS.

### Fencing Match with the Navy.

In a finely contested tournament at Annapolis on Saturday afternoon, the Naval Academy fencing team won from Cornell by five bouts to four. Cornell's fencers were T. E. Fassett '10, Elmira; Dario Espindola '10, La Plata, Argentine Republic, and T. J. Hollenberger '09, Chicago. In the sixth bout, between Espindola and Midshipman Bradford, there were two ties, and the second extra fence-off took place just before the final bout of the match, the Cornell man winning. Espindola then began his contest with Brandt, the Navy captain, with the bouts standing four to four. This last bout was a fine one, Espindola showing speed and resource, while the midshipman was cool and steady. It ended in a tie. Brandt won the fence-off by a small margin and with it the match. The summary:

First round—Brandt, Navy, defeated Fassett, Cornell; Espindola, Cornell, defeated Borchardt, Navy; Bradford, Navy, defeated Hollenberger, Cornell.

Second round—Fassett, Cornell, defeated Borchardt, Navy; Brandt, Navy, defeated Hollenberger, Cornell; Espindola, Cornell, and Bradford, Navy, tied in two bouts. Final fence-off won by Espindola.

Third round—Borchardt, Navy, defeated Hollenberger, Cornell; Fassett, Cornell, defeated Bradford, Navy; Espindola, Cornell, and Brandt, Navy, tied. Fence-off won by Brandt.

March 26 and 27 are the dates for the championship tournament of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association, which will be held in New York city. The preliminary bouts will take place at Turn Verein Hall, Lexington avenue and Eighty-fourth street, and the finals at the Hotel Astor. As was the case last year, separate preliminary meets will be held to eliminate three teams. There will be three of these contests on March 13, taking place simultaneously at Annapolis, Ithaca and Boston. At Annapolis, Princeton, Pennsylvania and the Naval Academy will meet. Columbia, Cornell and

the Military Academy will come together at Ithaca, and Yale, Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will meet at Boston.

### Basketball.

Two out-of-town games were played by the 'varsity basketball team during the week. At Washington on Friday the Georgetown University five was defeated by a score of 22 to 21. As the score indicates, the game was close and exciting throughout. Cornell led by a basket throughout the first half, and just as time was called a foul made the points 15 to 12. In the second half Georgetown tied the score at 21. With one minute to play Crosby shot a foul and this gave Cornell a lead which was held till time was called. On Saturday, at Philadelphia, the team met the Pennsylvania five and was defeated by a score of 34 to 21.

### To Row Races up Stream.

New conditions will govern the intercollegiate regatta to be held on the Hudson on June 26 next. For the first time since the series of races was begun in 1895 the races will be rowed up-stream. What is usually the finish of the course will be the start. The bridge will mark the first mile of the course instead of the third. Tide conditions are the cause of the change. Otherwise the program will be as usual. It is said that the United States Coast Survey has figured out for the stewards that it will be necessary to row up the river in 1913 and 1915, as well as in 1909. The suggestion was made that this change in the direction of the race might affect the time, but this was quickly dispelled when it was realized that the majority of the colleges during the practice on the Hudson prior to the race row their time trials up stream.

### Track Athletics.

It was decided at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America in New York on Saturday that the championship track games should be held in the Harvard stadium at Cambridge on May 28 and 29. The University of Virginia, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and

Bowdoin College were admitted to membership in the association. The by-laws were amended so as to allow each college competing in the 'cross-country championship' run to enter twenty men seven of whom may compete. The rule formerly permitted only twelve men to enter. Theodore G. Rockwell, Cornell '09 president of the association, presided at the meeting. In the election of officers for the ensuing year Romeyn Berry '04 was chosen a member of the advisory committee, and Professor Herman Diederichs '97 a member of the faculty committee.

At Troy last week a Cornell team defeated Columbia in a two-mile relay race. The Cornell runners were Grant, Taylor, Ebersole and Jones. MacArthur and Hoffman took first and second places in the forty-yard dash. French, running from scratch, took third place in the half-mile, and Keasbey was third in the high jump. Cosgrove and Talbot, the latter with a heavy handicap, took first and third places in the shot-put.

By a score of 61 to 41 the sophomores defeated the freshmen in the underclass meet on the board track last Saturday.

### Phi Beta Kappa Elections.

Elections to the Phi Beta Kappa Society were announced on Friday, after a meeting of the faculty members of the society. One of the juniors who received the honor is Tunfu Hu, of Wusieh, China. He is the first Chinaman to wear the key at Cornell. He is twenty-two years old and received his preparatory education at Nanyang College in Shanghai. Seventeen seniors, the full number that could be elected, were chosen, and thirteen juniors, one less than the maximum possible number. Of the thirty students chosen seventeen are women.

Following are the names of the persons elected:

#### SENIORS

Louise Harriette Atwater, Clearview, N. Y.; Dane Lewis Baldwin, Groton, N. Y.; Lawrence Gale Bennett, Ithaca, N. Y.; Roscoe Claudius Edlund, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Fritz Fernow, Ithaca, N. Y.; Elsie Lindsay Gwyn, Springdale, N. C.; Flora

Madge Hartman, Bozeman, Mont.; Pauline Eshner Hirsh, Philadelphia, Pa.; Queenie Northrup Horton, Brewster, N. Y.; Eugene Jackson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Loring DeLacy Jones, Brooklyn, N. Y.; John Llewelyn Kuschke, Plymouth, Pa.; Rhoda Grace Mix, Ithaca, N. Y.; Sara Davis Provost, Port Chester, N. Y.; Eva Winifred Rorty, Middletown, N. Y.; Harold Montelle Stephens, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Bessie Cleveland Stern, Paterson, N. J.

JUNIORS

Sarah Elizabeth Barnholt, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hymen Max Barr, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Llewellyn Buell, Syracuse, N. Y.; Wallace Everett Caldwell, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Henry White Edgerton, Washington D. C.; Mary Stearns Heffenger, Portsmouth, N. H.; Ruth Bertha Hoffsten, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tunfu Hu, Wusieh, China; Edith Josephine Munsell, Utica, N. Y.; Rachel Selceter, Philadelphia, Pa.; Maud Miriam Sheldon, Ithaca, N. Y.; Isabel Shepard, Honeoye Falls, N. Y., and Jeanette Amalie Stern, Paterson, N. J.

The following were elected last year as juniors: Miss F. E. Bibbins, F. C. Church, R. E. Coulson, Miss A. M. Dieckmann, A. H. Gilbert, Miss F. Kiso, F. M. Morgan, F. A. Rice, Miss M. A. Stone and H. R. Weaver.

Professor Hart's Illness.

Professor James Morgan Hart is in a New York city hospital, recovering from an operation which he underwent a short time ago. He is doing well and expects to return to his home in Ithaca soon. He and Mrs. Hart went to Italy early in the winter in the hope that his health would improve. It did not mend, and they returned to New York.

Cornell Men Organize Company.

Several Cornell men have just organized and incorporated the Moran Engineering Company, machinery merchants and contracting engineers, of Seattle, Wash. John M. Moran '06 is president and treasurer of the company, James D. Mudge '04 is vice-president, and Harold G. Stern '06 is secretary. A

modern concrete building will be erected for the company in Seattle. The property on which this building will stand was purchased for the company by George B. Kittinger '86, and the incorporation papers were drawn by Harold Preston '79.

New Style of Announcement.

On Saturday evening of this week the annual dinner of the Northwestern Cornell Club will be held at Donaldson's Tea Room in Minneapolis. Posters announcing the event are headed "Levi Alley Railroad." They say: "Cornell men will be pleased to learn that owing to the regular dinner of the Northwestern Cornell Club a Cornell special will be run, with tickets on sale at reduced rates, good for this evening and date only, \$2.37 for the round trip, including sleeper, which may be taken directly after the evening's entertainment. Train will leave Donaldson's Tea Room Station at 7:13 p. m., and returning, arrive home, we suppose most any time along about midnight. We should like to remark that there will be absolutely no speeches en route. An orchestra will make a noise like a train of cars should any of the lawyers read this too literally."

Goldwin Smith on Athletics.

The following letter from Professor Goldwin Smith, written at Toronto, February 11, to the editor of the *Cornell Era*, is published in the latest number of that magazine:

"I see that the number of athletes failing to pass a University examination is less than it was. The shade of Ezra Cornell will rejoice. What our founder wanted was, not show of muscle, but preparation for life, in which, in the case of University men, muscle does not count for much. The force spent in football cannot be recalled for study. Let us have games by all means, but games which exercise, not exhaust, and in which all alike can take part. Besides, there is military drill, good in itself, and not to be neglected if the force of the country is to be kept in the right hands. Into some Universities the betting-ring seems to have crept; never I hope into ours.

"Yours faithfully,  
"GOLDWIN SMITH."

OBITUARY.

ALFRED L. SNELL '76.

Alfred Lasher Snell, managing editor of the *Oil City Derrick*, died at his home in Oil City on February 24. Mr. Snell was born in St. Johnsville, N. Y., on October 20, 1854. He entered the course in science at Cornell in 1872 and was a student for three years. In 1880 he went to Bradford, Pa., and began his newspaper career as special correspondent and oil statistician for the *Oil City Derrick*. From 1883 till 1887 he was one of the owners of the *Petroleum Age*. He sold his interest and became editor of the *Bradford Morning Era*, which position he resigned to become managing editor of the *Derrick*. Mr. Snell was said to be one of the best authorities on petroleum in the United States. He leaves a widow and one son.

D. B. KENNEDY '90.

Dwight Bruce Kennedy died on February 25 at his home in Oakmont, Pa. Mr. Kennedy was born in Syracuse, N. Y., in 1867, and was a student in Sibley College from 1886 to 1890. He was a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. He went to Pittsburg eighteen years ago and for eight years was mechanical engineer at the Carnegie steel works. For the last ten years he had been employed as mechanical engineer by William B. Scaife & Sons of Oakmont. He leaves a widow.

L. G. MILLER, '96.

Louis Gillespie Miller, first lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps, died on December 13 last in the Naval Hospital at Canacao, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant Miller's home was in Columbus, O. He entered Cornell in 1892 and studied architecture for three years. He was a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity and a brother of Theron Butler Miller '93. Soon after he left college he obtained a commission as second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps and he saw active service with Admiral Sampson's fleet in the war with Spain.



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### A PRACTICAL ART.

The gift of a yearly prize of one hundred dollars for public speaking is the College of Agriculture is interesting as showing how varied is the work of that college. At first thought most persons would suppose that an agriculturist hardly need be a good public speaker and that such ability could be only a "frill." But the college recognizes that the problems of rural life are not all material. Some of them are social and they call for educated men, living in the community, who can get on their feet and express their ideas. One of the judges at last year's contest in declamation at the college came from a county where an attempt was being made to prevent the renomination of a corrupt office holder who had the support of the local political machine. After the speaking was over he was heard to say that he wished he had

some of those young men to talk to the people of his county.

Mr. Eastman, the founder of the prize, has been a leader in agricultural matters in the State. He was chairman of a State convention which met at Syracuse not long ago to consider the subject of abandoned farms. He had shown his interest in the college already, having given the prizes which were awarded at the second annual contest in public speaking at the college last week.

In no other field does a college get so close to the practitioners of its science as in agriculture, and the closer it can get to them the better it can do its work. According to its ideal every member of the faculty, every graduate and every student should be an extension teacher. It follows that the art of public speaking is in agriculture one of the practical arts.

### "1907's" Opinion Endorsed.

EDITOR, CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS: The opinion of "1907" expressed in his letter to the News which you published this week is, I believe, shared by a great many alumni. Alumni dinners ought to be moderate in price, not only to increase the attendance but especially the attendance of the younger element, for the recent graduates form the live link between real undergraduates and those whose ties are more worn and weak.

The enthusiasm and spirit of those whose short career makes a \$5 dinner a forbidding if not actually forbidden luxury are often just what is needed to carry a dinner to success.

It is the belief of the writer that this reduction can be effected without endangering the desirable dignity of the event. 1895.

New York, Feb. 19, 1909.

The Right Rev. Charles Tyler Olmsted, Episcopalian, Bishop of Central New York, preached in Sage Chapel last Sunday. The University preacher next week will be the Rev. F. E. Clark, founder of the Society of Christian Endeavor.

The civil engineers will hold their banquet at the Ithaca Hotel on Friday evening, March 19.

### CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

'69, A. B.—John A. Rea was one of the speakers at a banquet of two thousand "Tacoma Boosters" in the state armory at Tacoma, Wash., on February 12. He spoke on the subject of a great stadium which is to be constructed for the Tacoma high school.

'84, B. S.—Dr. Henry L. Shively, head of the tuberculosis clinic of the Presbyterian Hospital, New York city, is to be resident physician in superintendence of a group of model tenements to be erected between Avenues A and B and East Seventy-seventh and Seventy-Eighth streets, which are designed especially for families with tuberculous members. Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt is to build the tenements, and eighteen city lots have been bought for the purpose. The cost is estimated at \$1,000,000, but it is thought that the tenements will be self-supporting. They will house 350 to 375 families. They are designed with interior courts and out-door stairways opening from the courts, and with other features of construction devised to give the tenants the greatest possible amount of fresh air and sunlight. The plan is Dr. Shively's and the buildings will be known as the Shively sanitary tenements.

'86 B. S.—The New York *Sun* says: "Mr. H. C. Chatfield-Taylor's first novel to appear after an interval of several years and his first work since the biography of Molière will be issued next month on the author's forty-fourth birthday. The novel will be entitled 'Fame's Pathway.' It deals with episodes from the early life, professional struggles and love affairs of the great French dramatist, the scenes being laid in Paris and the French provinces. The pictures will be by 'Job' (Comte de Breville), who illustrated the author's 'Molière.'"

'87, C. E.—Albert J. Himes, assistant chief engineer of the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Company, has been designated as the engineer in charge of all work involved in the elimination of grade crossings in the city of Cleveland, with the title of Engineer of Grade Elimination. All questions relating



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'04, A. B.—The address of R. W. Fullerton is now in care of the Chicago Lumber & Coal Company, St. Louis, Mo.

'05, M. E.—The address of F. W. Poate is in care of Mackenzie & Company, Shanghai, China.

'05, M. E.—C. R. Wylie is an instructor in the electrical laboratory of the University of Cincinnati.

'05.—Howard Maxwell is electrical inspector for the Ohio Inspection Bureau, having charge of the Dayton branch office.

'05, M. E.—E. P. Dandridge is chief engineer with the Pittsburg Coal Washer Company, builders of coal washing and handling machinery. His address is 6345 Marchand street, Pittsburg.

'06, C. E.—E. D. Burnell has changed his address from Mobile Ala., to Cristobal, Canal Zone, in care of the Chief Engineer of the Panama Railroad.

'06, A. B.—Nicholas H. Noyes has resigned his position as circulation manager with the Crowell

Publishing Company of New York, publishers of the *Woman's Home Companion* and *Farm and Fireside*, to accept the position of circulation manager of *McClure's Magazine*, 44 East Twenty-third street New York.

'06, M. E.—John Gould is with the Olds Motor Works, manufacturers of the Oldsmobile, at Lansing, Mich.

'06, LL. B.—George E. Wynkoop is now with McGuire & Wood, attorneys, Wilder building, Rochester N. Y.

'06, C. E.—The address of P. L. Pierce is Engineer Department, Culbraz, Canal Zone.

'06, M. E.—E. W. Campion has changed his address from Montreal to Farnham, Quebec.

'06, M. E.—A. Maughan, formerly with the Madison River Power Company at Renova, Mont., is now with the Seattle Electric Company and his address is 708 Olive street, Seattle, Wash.

'07, A. B.—G. F. Mosher has just returned from a trip abroad. He is

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'07, C. E.—J. C. Blaylock is an engineer with H. Eilenberger & Company, general contractors, of Chicago. His address is 1487 Wellington street.

'07, C. E.—G. H. Rekate is with the Coast and Geodetic Survey at Washington.

'07, D. V. M.—George R. Chase, of Attica, N. Y., has been appointed a state veterinarian.

'07, M. E.—Fred S. Tuerk is in the New York office of the Western Electric Company. He lives at 19 Davis avenue, East Orange, N. J.

'07, M. E.—W. A. Dennett has removed from Holyoke, Mass., to 609 Madison avenue, Plainfield, N. J. He is with the Vacuum Cleaner Company.

'07, C. E.—G. A. Stanton, of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, is now on duty on board the



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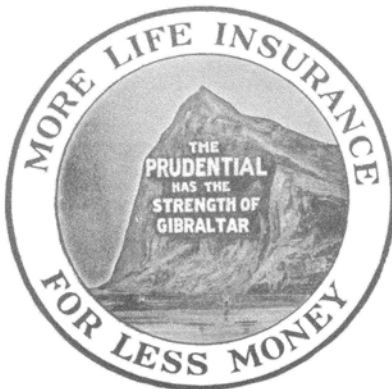
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'07, B. S. A.—H. B. Grubb is with Thomas Mawson, landscape architect, and his address is Sheldwick Lees, Faversham, Kent, England.

'08, B. S. A.—T. H. Desmond is with Townsend & Fleming, landscape architects, 1326 Prudential Building, Buffalo, N. Y.

'08, C. E.—Hamilton V. Miles's address is 285 Dearborn street, Buffalo, N. Y.

'08, C. E.—The address of J. Birkhahn is 48 East Eighty-eighth street, New York.

'08—Sidney H. Sonn is in the real estate business with Sonn Brothers, 149 Church street, New York.

'08, M. E.—Herman L. Rogers is a cadet engineer with the Public Service Railway Company of New Jersey. His address is in care of the Y. M. C. A., Newark, N. J.

'08, C. E.—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Manwaring of Ann Arbor, Mich. have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gladys E., to Lawrence F. Bowman of Duluth, Minn.

'08 A. B.—Leroy R. Goodrich is sales manager of the Frontier Press

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'08.—David M. Warren is studying at the University of Wisconsin. His address is The Irving, Madison, Wis.

'08, M. E.—R. C. Werner, jr., has changed his address from Brooklyn, N. Y., to 286 Rush street, Chicago

'08, LL. B.—A. Heber Winder is associated with Judge John W. Kreitzer, of Dayton, O., in the practice of law. His address is McIntire Building, Second and Main streets, Dayton.

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