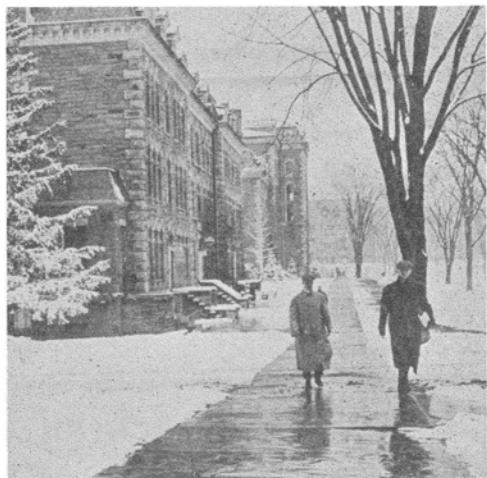


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AFTER this week there remains only a fortnight before the final days of reckoning for the first term. "Block Week" will begin on January 29. The last examinations will be held on February 7 and registration for the second term will be held on Saturday, February 10. Graduates will register the following Monday. The Junior Ball will take place on February 9.

As a result of examinations held in September, three Cornell graduates have received commissions in the regular army. They are Theodore Rhodes Murphy '10, of St. Louis; Claude Martin Thiele '11, of Washington, and Octave De Carre '11, of Washington. All three have been appointed second lieutenants and assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps. They expect to receive their assignments to companies next month. Murphy is a graduate of Sibley College and a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity and has been with the Raymond Concrete Pile Company in New York. The other two are graduates of the College of Civil Engineering. Thiele is a member of the Seal and Serpent fraternity and is now an instructor in civil engineering. In his senior year he attained the rank of major in the cadet corps. De Carre is a member of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary technical society.

The Ithaca Street Railway Company is in the hands of receivers. At Binghamton last Saturday, Supreme Court Justice Lyon appointed Congressman John W. Dwight, of Dryden, and Roger B. Williams, jr., (C. E. '01), of New York, receivers of that company and of the New York, Auburn & Lansing Railroad, known as the Auburn Short Line. The petition for a receivership was made by a bondholders' committee. Both roads have been controlled by A. H. Flint & Co., of New York. The street railway itself is said to be

prosperous, the real difficulty having been in financing the Short Line connecting Auburn and Ithaca. The receivership is the first step in an effort to straighten out the affairs of both roads.

In the Armory this evening will be held the eighteenth annual debate for the Ninety-Four Memorial Prize. The question is the one chosen for the triangular league contest. The six speakers are H. B. Knapp, Port Byron; F. P. Murphy, Stamford; L. E. Neff, Walton; R. B. Ostrander, Kingston; R. E. Pierce, Rock Rapids, Iowa, and H. G. Wilson, Ithaca. R. P. Silverstein, of Scranton, Pa., is the alternate. President Schurman is to preside.

Veterinarians from all parts of the state are in Ithaca for the opening session of their fourth annual conference today and tomorrow. President Schurman and members of the college faculty are to speak. The following are the visiting speakers: Dr. John W. Adams of the School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Richard P. Lyman, for several years secretary of the American Veterinary Medical Association, and now dean of the division of veterinary science of Michigan Agricultural College, and Dr. Cassius Way '06, who has had some years of practical experience in dairy inspection.

S. G. Beilby of Deposit, a sophomore in the college of agriculture, has received a scholarship prize of \$100 as the winner of a competition held by *Farm and Fireside*.

A strong wire fence has been built along the north bank of Cascadilla Gorge between Central Avenue and Edgemoor Lane. This will be interesting news to men who have risked a tumble into the gorge by taking that icy short cut just below the Psi U house in winter, and also to former editors-in-chief of the *Sun* who

have successively thundered at the University authorities for not providing some protection against a fall there. The path was not a highway, and the University was under no legal obligation to make it safe, but evidently there was a moral obligation which the authorities have recognized. The fence is strong enough to stop a horse.

The University has purchased from Arnold Haultain, secretary and literary executor of the late Goldwin Smith, a complete set of *The Nation* (New York). The volumes are now in the University Library. The Library already had a complete file of this periodical, but acquired this set on account of a particular value which the work of Mr. Haultain had given it. Goldwin Smith was a frequent contributor to *The Nation*, but his writings, according to the custom of the paper, were published anonymously. From correspondence and existing proof sheets, however, Mr. Haultain had identified and marked all of Professor Smith's contributions. The first of these articles appeared in 1870 and the last in 1905.

To a closely packed and highly pleased audience Louis A. Fuertes '97 gave an illustrated lecture at the Cornell Club, New York, last Friday night, describing his recent trip to the Andes. There must have been 200 men present to hear his interesting talk, and the bitter weather had kept many members away. The club is going to attempt an entertainment for each Friday night for the next three months. Fuertes will lecture again in March, his subject then being his trip to Yucatan. Jay Van Everen is in charge of the club entertainments.

In the Riverside Literature Series, the Houghton Mifflin Company has included recently "Romeo and Juliet," edited by Professor William Strunk, jr.

A \$100,000 Gift.

From Jacob H. Schiff—To Promote German Studies.

President Schurman announced last Thursday that Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, of New York, had made the University a New Year's gift of one hundred thousand dollars for the promotion of studies in German culture. The gift was made on Mr. Schiff's own initiative, and he said that it was intended as a tribute to the good work done by Cornell University and to the broad and liberal spirit which animated that work. For these reasons the gift is particularly gratifying to the authorities and friends of the University.

The fund will be designated "The Jacob H. Schiff Endowment for the Promotion of Studies in German Culture." Except for its assignment to the object named, the gift is without restrictions, the Trustees being free to use the income for salaries or for other purposes coming within the scope of the endowment. No de-

cision has yet been made as to the best manner of applying the income from the fund.

Jacob H. Schiff was born at Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, in 1847. He was educated in the schools of Frankfort and came to the United States in 1865, settling in New York City. He began his business career there as a bank clerk, and in a few years became a partner in the banking and brokerage firm of Budge, Schiff & Co. In 1875 he became the junior member of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of which his father-in-law, Solomon Loeb, was then the senior partner. Since 1885, when Mr. Loeb retired, Mr. Schiff has been the head of the firm. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., are private bankers constantly identified with the largest operations. The firm financed and was largely interested in the reorganization of the Union Pacific in 1897 and the subse-

quent transactions by which the control of the Southern Pacific and other railroads was acquired; placed the large Japanese loan in this country during the war with Russia; shared in the recent fifty-million-dollar loan to China, and has been identified with practically every financial operation of national importance.

Mr. Schiff's philanthropies are well known. He has been a member of several committees for civic betterment in New York City; is vice-president of the Baron de Hirsch Fund and president of the Montefiore home for chronic invalids. He founded the Semitic Museum at Harvard and the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City. He gave a fund of \$10,000 to New York University toward the purchase of a Semitic library, and he was a founder and the first treasurer of Barnard College.

Ethics Clubs for Students.

An Intercollegiate Committee to Encourage Their Formation.

The Ethics Club, lately formed at Cornell, is one of a number which students of various universities are organizing. In the fall of 1910 the American Ethical Union, meeting in New York City, appointed a committee consisting of Professors Morris Jastrow, of the University of Pennsylvania; James H. Leuba, of Bryn Mawr College, and Frank Thilly, of Cornell University, to formulate a plan which might serve as a working basis for a group of such organizations. This committee has recently prepared a report urging the formation of ethics clubs in American universities and offering suggestions as to the manner in which they ought to be conducted. In the opinion of the committee, these associations should supplement the work done by the religious and sociological groups already organized, and should have as their aim to clarify the ideas of the members—and through them the ideas of the student body—regarding

their present relations to the social, business and civic life into which they are soon to enter; and thus to aid them in developing an ethical ideal which will be a guide in the conduct of their life. It is thought that the end will be best reached by the students endeavoring to gain a clear understanding of the ethical problems of college life itself and by entering into the right relations of mutual helpfulness with their fellow students. The clubs are to be organized on an entirely independent basis, without reference whatsoever to the religious, economic or philosophical beliefs of their members. They are to be managed by the students themselves, under the guidance and with the co-operation of such members of the faculties as are interested in their development.

Among the topics to be discussed, it is recommended that a large place be given to those referring to college life; means of mutual helpfulness in

academic work and financial matters; playing for stakes; theatre-going; examinations; sports; personal hygiene; the sex relations; the relation of employer and employees; of the trades and professions to one another and to the state; the ethics of the different professions—medicine, law, teaching, journalism, art, public life, etc. To these topics might be added more academic questions: the ethics of the Greeks, the Romans and the Hebrews; the ethical systems of great religious bodies of our days; and the ethics of great teachers, reformers and philosophers.

The men who are interested in this agency say that we have a right to look to our colleges and universities for the future teachers and leaders of the race, for those who are to take a prominent part in the work of civilization, for those who are to preserve what is good in our life as well as to create better conditions and institutions for the generations to fol-

low. It is essential, they say, that the men and women upon whom these duties devolve should approach their problems with the right ethical attitude, that they should employ the powers which they have been enabled to develop, not in materialistic self-seeking, but in helping to do for others what has been done for them. Many useful agencies already exist

in the various institutions of learning for realizing the desired end and much excellent work is done by groups of serious students in preparing themselves to meet the responsibilities of a larger life in the world. It has long seemed wise to a number of men to increase these agencies by the establishment of clubs which shall devote themselves to the study of

moral questions with a view of gaining a proper outlook upon life.

The newly formed Cornell Ethics Club has held a number of interesting meetings at the Cosmopolitan clubhouse, discussing the Ethics of Journalism and the Ethics of Tolstoi. It is hoped by its founders that it will become one of the established institutions at Cornell.

Cornell Women Students Happy.

At Least, Their Adviser Says They Ought to Be and Tells Why.

One comes back from such a conference as that of the deans of women of the state universities held recently in Chicago in somewhat the same frame of mind as the small street waif who wondered what the poor people did who hadn't any newspapers to sleep under. I know of no other exercise so conducive to contentment as comparison of one's own estate with that of others less well-off, and it was borne in upon me more than once during the conference, that Cornell women, contrary to common report—a report apparently as wide-spread as it is erroneous—are very far from being the least fortunate group of university women in the land.

I am convinced that, quite aside from academic considerations, the college life at Cornell offers to women certain advantages not duplicated in any of the other great co-educational institutions. It seems to me that Cornell, unconsciously, to be sure, and quite unintentionally, has combined for her women the many advantages of the co-educational university with the one great advantage of the separate woman's college—the advantage, namely, of the opportunity to develop individual powers and capacities in all sorts of separate activities unshared by men and therefore not dominated by them. I am quite sure that that sentence is open to misinterpretation; but not having time to amend it, I must resort to explanation and illustration.

I have attended recently two conferences of women deans—the first a general one held in connection with the meeting of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae and including not only deans of women from the co-

educational schools but also women deans from the affiliated colleges and the separate women's colleges; the second a conference of the deans of women of the state universities. In both of these meetings the same question came up for discussion incidentally, though in neither of them was it down on the program. "Do the women of the co-educational schools," it was asked, "find the same opportunity for free self-expression and for individual development in the general activities of college life as do the men or as do the women in the affiliated or the separate colleges?" "If not, should they not and how can they?"

These were the questions. A few institutions replied that their women were certainly at no disadvantage; that, as a matter of fact, in most of the college activities they were not merely the power behind the throne but on it as well; but in most of these cases it transpired also that the women outnumbered the men. The great majority of the co-educational institutions admitted that their women played only minor parts if any in the general university life. They were permitted to be vice-presidents or secretaries or anything else useful but not too honorable or responsible and they were expected for the rest, like children, to be seen and not heard.

The deans of the affiliated colleges and the women's colleges nodded wisely and deemed it a condition greatly to be deplored but perfectly natural and inevitable, just one of the inherent disadvantages of co-education. The co-educational deans had not much to offer that was helpful. The assumption seemed to be

general that in the co-educational college the women must either share the activities of the men or go without, poor things! The whole discussion revealed to me quite clearly a fact of which I had before been only vaguely conscious—namely, that the women of Cornell have, in a measure unknown in other co-educational institutions, a separate and independent college life, with their own traditions, their own organizations, their own activities—a college life such as is to be found elsewhere only in the affiliated or the separate woman's college; a life at least as rich, as full, as varied, as replete with opportunity for self-development as any that the University offers its men.

So separately, indeed, is the life of the women lived that I doubt if the University as a whole knows much about it. I am wondering, too, how much it has changed since the days of the earlier alumnae. That it has grown tremendously more complex I feel certain. I hesitate to enumerate the organizations to which any one of our four hundred girls might possibly belong and the "functions" in which she will probably have to participate during the year. It is a little appalling.

First and most inclusive and most pervasive is the Women's Student Government Association, of which every woman registered in the University is *ipso facto* a member. With its house committees in the various houses for women, and among the "scattered" women, and its central executive committee, it is an admirably organized and thoroughly efficient agency not only for maintaining discipline and enforcing high standards of conduct but for extend-

ing a helping hand to a fellow student whenever it is needed.

Less inclusive organizations are the Young Women's Christian Association, the Sports and Pastimes Association (women's athletic association, including rowing, basketball and tennis clubs), the Sage Dramatic Club, the six national and two local sororities, Der Hexenkreis (the senior honorary society), Raven and Serpent (the junior honorary society), and the various class organizations; for, be it known, that while the women are a part of the regular university class organizations, they nevertheless maintain a separate class organization for their own purposes.

After such an enumeration I am certain that no one will question the wisdom of the device known as the Census Bureau and operated by the Student Government Association for the purpose of limiting the number of offices that may be held by any one girl, each office being given its rating so far as possible on the basis of the amount of work and time required.

There are many entertainments given during the year in which the men of the University share—the large Sage College reception to the Faculty and Board of Trustees at the beginning of the year; the smaller Sage College "at homes," card parties, and dances; the various sorority dances; the entertainments occasion-

ally given by the other "organized" houses; the Christian Association socials, fairs, etc.; but by far the cleverest and most delightful entertainments of the year are those from which the men in general are barred. Usually a few highly favored professors with their wives receive invitations. Sometimes they are purely student affairs.

Among these more exclusive entertainments are the class "stunts," of which one is given by each class annually; the Sage Dramatic Club performances; the sophomore entertainment for the freshmen; the junior entertainment for the freshmen; the "circus" given in the spring by the Sports and Pastimes Association for the benefit of the women's athletics (a sort of feminine Spring Day); the freshman banquet, the senior banquet, etc.

It would be hopeless to attempt to give here any idea of the endless variety and the marvelous cleverness of these entertainments. Certain traditional events are repeated from year to year but with infinite variety in detail. Each year I am invited to attend the wedding of Ima Freshman to Heesa Junior, but no two of these weddings are alike. Each year the freshmen are obliged to make the descent into Hades, but the only invariable adjunct to this gloomy journey is the Sage swimming tank. Given scissors and paste and a bit

of crêpe paper, or needle and thimble and a few yards of cheese cloth, and the clever young fingers can compass almost anything in the way of a costume.

The class "stunts" are usually dramatic in character. Sometimes it is merely the production of some more or less well known farce; sometimes an "original" play, more or less spectacular and full of local hits, the production of some member or some group of members of the class.

Do they do any work, these four hundred young women, with their endless activities? Yes, a little; as much, apparently, as the University requires of them; for it is rarely, indeed, that a woman is dropped for delinquency in her work, and we are all familiar with the old joke about the youth who supposed that Phi Beta Kappa was a sorority. Nevertheless, however well academic standards may be maintained, I say without any hesitation or qualification that the life is too "strenuous," too complex, too hurried, too superficial. I wish I could speak my whole mind on this subject sometime, but it is impossible here and now. Perhaps some of our alumnae, or possibly even some of our alumni, have done some constructive thinking along these lines and will be willing to share the results of it with the NEWS or with me personally.

GERTRUDE S. MARTIN.

The Hittite Inscriptions Copied.

Cornell Expedition Publishes Results of Its Work in Asia.

Under the title "Travels and Studies in the Nearer East" the results of the Cornell Expedition to Asia Minor and the Assyro-Babylonian Orient have begun to appear. The first instalment, issued as Part II of Volume I, has just been published. It is devoted to the presentation of Hittite inscriptions which the members of the expedition copied, and some of which they discovered themselves.

The expedition was organized by Professor J. R. S. Sterrett with funds contributed by a number of persons, and three Cornell graduates, pupils of Dr. Sterrett, took part in it. They were Albert T. Olmstead (A. B. '02,

A. M. '03, Ph.D. '06), who was the director of the expedition; Benson B. Charles (A. B. '06) and Jesse E. Wrench (A. B. '06). They went to Asia Minor in the spring of 1907 and spent more than a year in travel through Asia Minor, north Syria, Mesopotamia, Assyria and Babylonia.

In the division of labor at the beginning of the trip, Charles, as philologist, agreed to accept the responsibility for the securing and publishing of the Hittite inscriptions. The other members assisted him whenever they were present in the work of squeezing, photographing and copying. But they say that the major part of the work was done by Charles

and that the credit for it belongs to him. The present bulletin is a large quarto of 49 pages, with 27 plates and 45 half tone reproductions of photographs. The expedition visited every monument bearing Hittite inscriptions that it could learn of, and found a number of new ones. When an inscribed rock was reached it was first cleaned, often a matter of much time and trouble. Then the squeeze paper was pounded in. In this condition, a hand copy was made, the uniform white surface showing every slightest rise or incision which might hitherto have been concealed by the weathered and discolored rock. When the sun gave the longest shadow, this

white surface was photographed. In the case of two previously known inscriptions a good half was added, and the longest of all, that at Boghaz K  i, the Hittite capital, is virtually a discovery of the Cornell expedition, for it is so badly weathered that Professor Winckler had given it up as hopeless. This inscription is about thirty feet long by eight feet high and is cut in relief on the smoothed face of an outcropping mass of limestone, known as the Nishan Tash (Beacon Stone), within the fortifications of the ancient capital. Boghaz K  i was being excavated by the Germans when the Cornell party arrived there, but Professor Puchstein, then in charge,

kindly declared that it would not be poaching on the German preserves if the Cornell men attempted to copy the inscription. By making a squeeze-paper impression, a photograph and two drawings, Dr. Charles was able to construct a final copy which recovers the greater part of this important record. The party spent two days and a half on this work and made another visit to the place at the close of the expedition.

At Egri K  i (Crooked Village), south of Mt. Argaeus, the Cornell men made discoveries which are expected to throw light on the subject of Hittite methods of burial, concerning which practically nothing is

known. At other places discoveries were made which afford new knowledge of Hittite trade routes.

It is hoped that the entire first volume of the "Travels and Studies" can be given to the public before the end of 1912. There will be a second volume, and the entire work will contain detailed information as to the topography and history of the regions visited and studies in epigraphy, ceramics, archaeology, religion and art. The publication of Dr. Charles's work on the Hittite inscriptions has been impatiently awaited by scholars who are endeavoring to discover the key to the decipherment of the Hittite language.

Presidencies for Cornell.

Cornell professors will be at the head of the American Statistical Association, the American Philosophical Association and the New York State Classical Teachers' Association as the result of elections held during the Christmas recess. Professor Walter F. Willcox, of the department of economics and statistics, was elected president of the American Statistical Association at its annual meeting in Washington. Professor Frank A. Fetter, for ten years professor of economics at Cornell, but now at Princeton University, was elected president of the American Economic Association. At the eleventh annual meeting of the American Philosophical Association, held at Harvard University, Professor Frank Thilly, of the Sage School of Philosophy, was elected president. Professor C. L. Durham will be the executive of the New York State Classical Teachers' Association for the coming year.

Professor Ralph S. Tarr retired from the presidency of the Association of American Geographers at the Christmas meeting. He addressed the association on "The Glaciers and Glaciation of Alaska." The honor of delivering the evening lecture at the meeting of the Entomological Society of America fell this year to Professor J. H. Comstock, who spoke on "Some Biological Features of Spiders."

The American Association for the Advancement of Science elected thirty new fellows. Among this number were Professors F. A. Barnes

and G. M. Whipple of the University faculty. Dr. H. E. Summers '86, of Iowa State College, was elected general secretary of the association, and Dr. William Trelease '80 was elected to fill a vacancy on the council. J. A. Holmes '81, of Washington, director of the United States Bureau of Mines, was elected a vice-president.

Two Triangular Debates.

Cornell will take part in two triangular debates this winter. On February 16, one week before the annual league contest with Pennsylvania and Columbia, there will be a three-cornered meeting of debaters from the University of Rochester, Union University and Cornell, disputation being held in Rochester, Schenectady and Ithaca. The same question will be argued in both contests, and the Cornell teams will be the same in both. A meeting of representatives of the universities in the Triangular Debate League was held during the Christmas recess at Columbia University. Cornell was represented by F. P. Murphy, president of the Debate Council. The purpose of the meeting was to change the wording of the question. As finally phrased the question is: "*Resolved*, that the Sherman Anti-Trust law be repealed and a law passed whereby corporations doing interstate business be regulated instead of destroyed." The final selection of the Cornell teams will be made next week. Pennsylvania and Columbia have already chosen their men.

Agricultural Council.

The Agricultural College Council met in Ithaca last Saturday and organized itself. Two sessions, morning and afternoon, were held, one in the President's office in Morrill Hall and the other at the agricultural college. Every member of the new Council was present—Trustees Sackett, Wilson, Carlisle, Stevens, Miller, Pearson, Pratt, Beahan and Barr and President Schurman, together with Director Bailey and Treasurer Williams. The membership of the Council is eleven, but since Mr. Pearson is both Commissioner of Agriculture and president of the State Agricultural Society, ten persons constitute the full membership. The Director of the College and the Treasurer of the University, although not members of the Council, are expected to meet and deliberate with it.

The general policies of the college were formulated, the duties of the director were defined and everything at present needed for the administration of the college was done. The Council is entitled to name one member of the University Committee on Grounds, and it elected Colonel Sackett. It chose Messrs. Beahan and Stevens to be members of the building committee of the college; the other members of this committee are, by statute, the President and the chairman of the University Committee on Buildings, Mr. R. H. Treman. These other committees were appointed: Audits and Accounts, Messrs. Wilson, Carlisle and Stevens; Farms, Messrs. Pratt, Pearson and Wilson.

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The Adviser of Women makes some interesting observations about the lady students, as the *Era* used to call them before a nickname had been invented. (We are going to try to write this paragraph without using the words co-education or co-ed, for we don't aim to get anybody excited.) Mrs. Martin has discovered, and she is pleased to say it, that at Cornell the women enjoy a privilege which women do not enjoy in any other co-ed—in any state university, the privilege of flocking by themselves. Now will all the old male grads please notice that? The women students of to-day are regarded as fortunate because they have their own social life, their own class organizations, their own "student activities," and they are acquiring their own traditions. They

have a college life of their own, Mrs. Martin says, "such as is to be found elsewhere only in the affiliated or the separate woman's college"—Radcliffe, Barnard, Smith or Wellesley. If this sort of thing goes on, some day there may be a funeral for those fighting words which we promised not to use in this paragraph.

Mr. Schiff's praise multiplies the value of his generous gift. Having contributed \$5,000 to Cornell's endowment fund ten years ago, he cannot have been altogether unobservant of the institution since then, and we may suppose that he formed his own opinion of it and that he weighed his words when he commended its good work and its liberal spirit. He had given large sums for higher education, but never to Cornell. That under such circumstances he has selected this University to receive a fund for the promotion of studies in German culture is gratifying, for it is evidence that the University is not without a good reputation in the liberal studies as well as in the technical and the agricultural.

The Cornell alumni in attendance at the monthly meetings of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in New York are forming the habit of getting together for dinner at the Cornell University Club, 65 Park Avenue. A large and representative attendance has already been built up and all are enthusiastic as to the possibilities of the plan in promoting interest in the Institute, and in forming and renewing college ties. Cornellians who expect to attend the reunions should notify the steward of the club a few days in advance, and for the purpose of these reunions the club has extended its privileges to non-member Cornellians.

In order to avoid a conflict with the crew celebration, the Cosmopolitan Club has postponed its annual Founder's Day smoker to Saturday evening. The smoker will commemorate the eighth anniversary of the founding of the club. Professor Heinrich Ries will be the toastmaster. G. W. Nasmvth '07 and J. C. Faure '12, who represented the club at the annual convention at Purdue University during the holidays, will make their report.

Letters on Football. Training of the Eleven.

Editor of the Cornell Alumni News: Kindly state in your columns that there was nothing but the best of feeling between the football coaches and me during the past season, and that my views on the conditioning of the players or on anything else concerned with the team were given the greatest consideration.

JOHN F. MOAKLEY.

From a Former Captain.

Editor of the Cornell Alumni News: Prospects are fair for much discussion in your columns concerning Cornell's football. For the past five years, I have watched the results of our further efforts to perfect the alumni system of coaching, and the results can hardly be considered successful. I am more convinced than ever that what we need is the so-called "professional system," if this means that the head coach is an experienced and competent coach retained under contract for a period of years, to have complete charge of football coaching, instruction, and the enforcement of discipline. I have had much experience at Cornell and elsewhere under both systems, and I have concluded that what we want is a man, a thoroughly competent coach, a student of football, whose duties include the studying of the qualities of his men, thinking, making, and coaching football; in other words, a head coach such as we have in the other major branches of our athletics. I venture to say that the "Old Man" and "Jack" know their men and know what they can do long before outdoor practice has commenced, and these men have already been taught that discipline and faithful training are essential to success.

The alumni system of football coaching, as employed at Cornell, is defective for a number of reasons. The head coach has usually been retained for one season, and the chief object has been to produce a winning team for that season, usually, to the sacrifice of the development of a squad of material for successive seasons. Visiting alumni, returning to assist in coaching, are not competent to coach anything but fundamentals, for they are not familiar with the style of play, which, with

us, changes every year. As was my experience on Percy Field, visiting alumni coaches did more harm than good by attempting to make a player's individual style of play conform with what he (coach) had been taught in previous years. How can a visiting coach, returning for a week or so, comprehensively instruct a player, whom he has never seen play, in the way to stand, charge, etc.? Right here is where a player's individuality has often been destroyed. Team work is essential, but destroy a player's individuality and you ruin the player. Individuality must be developed to conform with the system, but first let us get a system, which we can only get through instruction under an experienced coach for a sufficient number of years to enable the style and method of play to become standard. By system, I mean a standard style of play, in which the specific duties of every player on the team on regular, or standard, formations are prescribed. Lacking a system, as we have, is it any wonder that demoralization among the players has resulted? Can a player be properly developed if for a week or two he is coached by one visiting coach this way, and the next week or two he is coached by another visiting coach another way? This, I believe, has been the glaring defect in our system of coaching. I experienced just these things when a player on Percy Field, and I saw good material wasted through the application of such methods.

In 1904, when Glenn Warner was returned to Cornell under a three-year contract to assume the duties of head coach, we bade fair to begin the development of a system. He found us an undeveloped and inexperienced squad of material left from a disastrous season of alumni coaching the previous year. At the end of his third season, he had as creditable a team as had ever represented Cornell, and left a superb squad of material for the incoming alumni coaches. In two years, the developed material had disappeared, the playing of the team had markedly depreciated, and there was no system. Today, we are confronted with the same problem that we had to meet in 1904.

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It is fortunate for us that Glenn Warner is a Cornell alumnus, as he is one of the most experienced and successful football coaches in the country, and it would be more fortunate for us were we to enlist his services for another period of years, a longer period.

JAMES LYNNAH, 1905.
Newburgh, New York,
December 29, 1911.

Radical Move in Football.

That Cornell should go outside its own alumni body for football coaches is the opinion of the Athletic Council. At a meeting Saturday night the Council adopted a resolution reciting "that it is the sentiment of this Council, such sentiment to be conveyed to the field committee and to the football committee of this Council, that outside help be procured next year in the football coaching." The two committees named in this resolution have the duty, under a rule "adopted by the Athletic Council December 17, 1906, for the more effective management of football coaching," of nominating the coaches, and Paragraph 3 of that rule was accordingly amended by the Council to read as follows:

"3.—That the Field Committee and the Football Committee of the Athletic Council shall recommend to the Council for appointment the necessary regular coaches for each year, selected from the alumni or former students, wearers of the football 'C,' and such other coaches as they may deem necessary."

The Council re-elected T. F. Fen nell '96 and George Young, jr., '00, alumni members of the field committee. The third member is the captain of the eleven.

The Council ratified the election of E. W. Butler as captain.

Ballots were mailed this week to former football players for the nomination of candidates for election to two places on the alumni football advisory committee to succeed Wyckoff and Alexander, whose terms will expire on February 1 next.

Athletics.

Hockey with Princeton.

Next Saturday night, in the Syracuse Arena, the Cornell hockey team will meet a strong opponent in the Princeton seven. Princeton last Saturday defeated Dartmouth 14 to 0. The Tigers are strong this winter and they expect to take the championship away from Cornell. A large party of undergraduates will probably go from Ithaca to see the game. Both the Lehigh and the Short Line offer special rates, and the Lehigh is planning to run a special train.

Hockey and Basketball.

Columbia met Cornell in basketball and hockey Saturday and the honors were evenly divided. To the surprise of all followers of both games Columbia won in hockey and Cornell won in basketball. All previous records pointed to the opposite outcome. The New Yorkers won the hockey game by a score of 6 to 2, and the basketball score was 19 to 7. It was the first time Cornell had beaten Columbia in basketball since 1901.

Defeat of the Seven.

Lack of team play and poor goal shooting are given as the cause of the defeat of the hockey team on the Syracuse Arena rink. Columbia did not make a showing in the intercollegiate league games last season that promised much of a contest with Cornell. The varsity was faster than the Columbia team, but the New Yorkers excelled in team work and accuracy. In the first period, Cornell played a very aggressive game. Time and again the puck was worked up on the Columbia net only to be lost on a poor shot. Cornell scored but once and Columbia made three tallies in this period. Captain Vail went in for Dean at goal when the second half opened. He had been out of the game since early in the season with an injured ankle and was far from his usual form. His presence seemed to rally the team and it played aggressively. Smith shot Cornell's second goal after four minutes of play. Cornell tried desperately to even up the score and kept most of the play in Columbia's territory. Lovejoy scored another goal for Columbia after he and Bates had worked the puck down the ice. Near the end of

the half Bangs and Bates each scored for the New York team. The summary:

CORNELL.	COLUMBIA.
Dean, Vail goal	Milbank
Clark point	Washburn
Smith coverpoint	Trimble
Hill rover	Bates
Scheu center	Whitlock
Moore right wing	Lovejoy
Tewksbury left wing	Bangs
Referee—Kinsella. Judge—Tenney.	

Victory for the Five.

In the basketball game, held in the Armory, the visitors made only one field goal. The Cornell men guarded almost perfectly and had team play down to such a fine point that they kept the ball most of the time. The first half ended with a score of 10 to 3. In the second half the play was about even for the first four minutes. Kaufman then shot a basket for Cornell and the game became quite rough, each side being penalized for fouls. Cornell profited in this, for Kaufman missed only one out of seven shots. The line-up and summary:

CORNELL.	COLUMBIA.
Elton l. f.	Meenan
Kaufman r. f. ... C. D. Benson	
G. C. Halsted c.	Rohn
H. C. Halsted ... l. g.	Jacques
Parnes r. g.	Osterhaut

Goals from field—Kaufman 2, G. C. Halsted 2, Parnes 1, Cross 1, Osterhaut 1. Goals from fouls—Kaufman 6, Elton 1, C. D. Benson 5. Substitutions—Cornell—Cross for G. C. Halsted, Freer for H. C. Halsted, Ward for Kaufman, Vanderlyn for Elton, Andrews for Parnes. Columbia—Benson for Meenan, Dwver for Jacques. Referee—Salmon, Brooklyn Y. M. C. A. Umpire—Owens, Chicago. Time of halves—20 minutes.

Managers Lose the "C."

Managers of major sports are not to have the privilege of wearing the "C." At a meeting Saturday night the Athletic Council, by a vote of 8 to 7, rescinded its action taken at its meeting of November 13, when it voted to award the varsity letter to the managers of football, baseball, rowing and track athletics. That action had been condemned by undergraduates and especially by the great majority of the Wearers of the "C." Some insignia may be devised for the managers, but the Council has not yet decided what it shall be.

A big dinner of track men will be held on January 20.

Athletic Notes.

In practice before the Christmas recess, J. P. Jones '13 strained an achilles tendon, and gave up running for several weeks. It was reported that he would be able to run no more this winter, but Coach Moakley, thinks he will be all right soon.

The varsity cross-country team has elected J. P. Jones captain for next season.

The championship law school team in the intercollege basketball series lost to the civil engineers last week and dropped from first to third place. Arts swamped Architecture 33 to 8. Arts and Veterinary have each won two games and lost one; Law, Sibley and Agriculture have each won one game and lost one; Civil Engineering has one victory and two defeats; and Architecture has lost three games.

Cornell's swimming season will be opened tomorrow night in New York with Columbia. Friday night the varsity will meet the team of the College of the City of New York.

Winter baseball practice started Monday in the Armory cage. The first call was only for new men.

Music, Pictures.

B. F. Lent, of Ithaca, has just published "Glee Club Songs for High School and College," edited by Hollis Dann and William Luton Wood. The book contains the words and music of 23 songs, many of them old favorites like "We Meet Again To-Night," and not a few of them selections which the Cornell Glee Club is using, such as "Johnny Schmoker," "Imogene Donohue," "Dip Me in the Golden Sea," and "The Whizz-Fish." The price of the book is 50 cents; postpaid, 55 cents; special rates in quantities to clubs.

A few copies of the Cable-Von Engeln 1912 Cornell Calendar are still in the hands of the publisher, H. C. Cable, 405 College Avenue. The six large campus photographs in this calendar seem to us to be as good a collection of Cornell views as we have seen. They have individuality, atmosphere and charm. Each one may be framed separately to serve as a pleasant reminder of spring, summer, fall or winter at Cornell long after 1912 has rolled around. The price of the book is one dollar.

The Honors of 1911.

In his summary of the intercollegiate athletic year, published in the Philadelphia *Evening Telegraph* and other papers, Mr. Edward R. Bushnell says:

With the close of the year 1911 in the domain of intercollegiate athletics, two universities divide the season's athletic honors. They are Cornell and Princeton. Counting only the number of team championships in the various sports, Cornell has the better record, but counting only the four major sports, Princeton did possibly a little better than Cornell. The four major sports referred to are football, baseball, rowing and track athletics. Princeton won the undisputed title on the gridiron and diamond, Cornell doing likewise on the water and track.

But while Princeton championships were limited to the major sports Cornell won unusual honors in four of the minor sports as well. Undoubtedly there is more honor attached to winning the football title than the championship in any of the other major sports. There is not much to choose between rowing, baseball and track athletics, though if Cornell were given the option there is little doubt that the Ithacans would take the unusual distinction of winning a football championship for two of the

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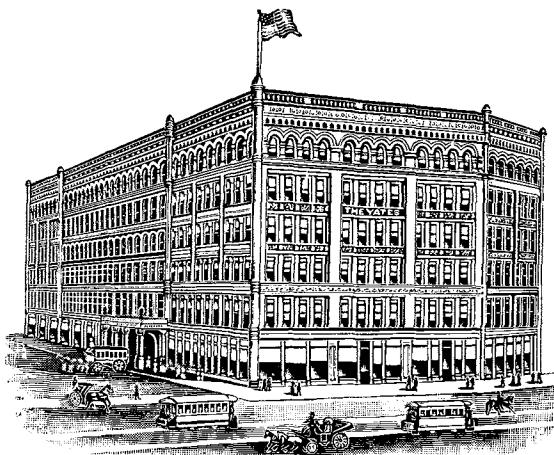
championships which they now hold. Never before in Cornell's athletic history have the Ithacans made anything like this impressive showing. They have been first in track athletics and rowing in the same year, but they never picked up so many minor sports championships in a season before. Cornell also had reason to be very proud of her baseball team, which, if it had not suffered a defeat at the hands of Princeton, would have had a good right to the intercollegiate championship. As it was, the two universities played two games, of which one resulted in a tie after playing sixteen innings, and the other a victory by a narrow margin for Princeton. In the major sports Cornell made a rather sorry showing in football alone. For some reason or other it seems impossible for the Ithacans to put football on a winning basis. They have tried in vain for years, but have never been able to turn out anything but a highly erratic eleven. This year's team was no exception, playing football of the highest and most mediocre type on successive Saturdays.

A good many Cornell men have tried to solve their gridiron problems, but it seems impossible. The consensus of opinion seems to be that Cornell's difficulties are due almost entirely to lack of system. In their endeavor to turn out winning teams they have tried first one plan and then another. It is doubtful if they

ever present a winning eleven until they can decide upon a good system and stick to it until it turns out a championship eleven. When it does this there is no doubt that football championships will be as frequent at Cornell as they are now at Yale, Princeton or Pennsylvania.

Of all the major sports, track athletics won the most renown. Never in the history of amateur athletics, intercollegiate or club, has there been a meet to compare with that which Cornell won in the Harvard Stadium on May 26 and 27. While full credit must be given to all of the men who made this record-breaking meet such a marvelous one, no one will deny that the real star was J. P. Jones, with Crig, of Michigan, a close second. What stamps Jones as such a marvel was his feat in making such wonderful time in the half-mile after his world record mile. There was no doubt in the minds of the critics that had Jones run the half-mile first he would have done it in 1.51 or better, which would have been a new world record. Jones demonstrated that he is not only a wonderful mile and half-mile runner, but the best cross-country performer in the college ranks, and probably the best man in America. For the second time in succession he has won the intercollegiate cross-country championship. Without doubt he is the greatest athletic production of the year 1911.

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'86, Ph.B.—H. M. Beardsley, for some time secretary and treasurer of the Elmira Water, Light & Railroad Company, Elmira, N. Y., and for more than a year acting general manager, has been appointed general manager of the company.

'91, C. E.—Harrison Stidham is

secretary and manager of the Washington Fertilizer Company, Hibbs Building, Washington, D. C.

'98, B. S.—Dr. J. Ernest Gignoux has removed his office to 616 Madison Avenue, New York City. His practice is now limited to the ear, nose and throat.

'00, A. B.—Charles E. Newton is vice-president of the Frederick H. Levey Company, printing ink manufacturers, 59 Beekman Street, New York. He lives at 469 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn.

'02, M. E.—J. P. Kittredge is superintendent of the steel casting works of the National Malleable Castings Company at Sharon, Pa.

'02, A. B.—The Rev. G. Ashton Oldham, who preached in Sage Chapel last Sunday, is the rector of St. Luke's Church, Convent Avenue and 141st Street, New York.

'03—Edwin M. Bosworth has been

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'04, A. B.—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mills, a daughter, Celia Brett Mills, October 24, 1911, at their home, 161 West End Avenue, Binghamton, N. Y.

'05, A. B.—The present address of Elizabeth Nichols is 2 Avenue Road, Shanghai, China.

'05, M. E.—Mr. and Mrs. Griswold Wilson, of Cleveland, announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, on December 31, 1911.

'05, M. E.—N. G. Brayer is assistant superintendent of the plant of the National Malleable Castings Company at Sharon, Pa.

'06—John Newhall is now in the sales department of the Premier Motor Mfg. Co., 314 North Delaware Street, Indianapolis.

'06, M. E.—Mr. and Mrs. John H. Blauvelt announce the marriage of their daughter, Edna Halsey, to C. J. Walbran, jr., on December 9 at Grace Church, Brooklyn. There were present only members of the two families, with B. C. Bellows '06, who acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Walbran are at home at 547 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'06, A. B.—Born, on December 8, a daughter, Doris Roberta, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Nichols, The Delmar, Germantown, Pa.

'08, C. E.—John M. Lewis is chief engineer and superintendent of coal mines at Thacker Mines, W. Va.

'09, A. B.—The address of Frederic C. Church is 33 Rue du Dragon, Paris.

'09, M. E.—R. W. Tassie, formerly on construction work with the Cleveland Construction Company, is now an electrical engineer with the Havana Electric Railway Company. His

address is Apartado 570, Havana, Cuba.

'10—Mr. Hans van Nes announces the marriage of his daughter, Rhoda Jane, to Stanley Woodruff Allen, on January 2, at Glendale, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Allen will make their home in Glendale.

'10, B. Arch.—E. E. Goodwillie is in the sales department of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, and is connected with the Steelton, Pa., sales office of that company. His home address is 403 North Second Street, Harrisburg, Pa.

'10, LL.B.—W. H. Kennedy is resident secretary of the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company at Buffalo. His address is 320 Front Avenue.

'11, B. Chem.—Charles Silver is employed in the chemical laboratory of the Bureau of Standards at Washington.

'11, M. E.—W. H. Reid is with the American Locomotive Company and lives at 842 Union Street, Schenectady.—R. P. Heath is with the same company. His address is 213 Seward Place, Schenectady.

'11, M. E.—Frank R. Wallace's address is The Belgravia, Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. He is with the Tabor Manufacturing Company and is specializing in scientific shop management.

'11, M. E.—Norman E. Brice is with the Maryland Steel Company and his address is 512 B Street, Sparrow's Point, Md.



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