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STUDENTS to the number of about a hundred and ten have had to pack up and leave Ithaca because of their failure in the midyear examinations. This is the largest number busted since 1910. Last year the number was 103. About 140 whose work was unsatisfactory have been allowed to remain in the University on probation. The proportion of students dropped to the number enrolled is about the same in all the colleges, although two, architecture and medicine, report no students dropped. The newspapers have had it that several prominent football men were busted. That is not true. Several were put on probation, but none was dropped. The rowing squad lost one man who was on the freshman eight last spring. Neither track nor baseball is mourning the loss of any promising material.

PROFESSOR J. H. COMSTOCK has received one of the twelve honorary memberships of the Société Entomologique of Belgium. This is one of the world's most eminent associations of entomologists and election to its honorary membership is a rare distinction. Since it was founded, in 1857, only two other Americans, Dr. John Lawrence Le Conte and Dr. G. H. Horn, have been thus honored.

PROFESSOR VLADIMIR KARAPETOFF went to Washington, D. C., this month, and delivered four two-hour lectures before the engineer officers of the United States Army, Washington Barracks. The subjects treated were alternating currents, theory of electrical machinery, design of electrical machinery, and the fundamentals of the magnetic circuit. Lieutenant Atkisson, who is in charge of electrical and mechanical engineering, and his assistant, Lieutenant Lampert, are former students of Professor Karapetoff's at Cornell.

THREE CORNELL MEN are members of a committee of eight architects who have drafted a bill designed to accomplish important reforms in the office of the state architect of New York. The three are Arthur N. Gibb '90, of Ithaca; Dwight R. Collin '94, of New York, and Edward

B. Green '78, of Buffalo. The committee was appointed by the New York State Association of the American Institute of Architects. One proposed reform is to give the state architect the power to assign commissions for public work to architects of the state, the work to be done under his supervision. This is expected to relieve a troublesome congestion in the state office and ultimately to improve the quality of public work in the state. Another change would increase the state architect's term of office from two years to six, making the work of the office less dependent upon politics. Conditions surrounding the office have been unsatisfactory for years. It was chiefly for the purpose of changing those conditions that the four chapters of the American Institute in New York joined in a state association.

A DEBATE was held during the week by students of Sibley College on the subject "The best mode of propulsion for the Ithaca-Auburn Short Line—steam, electric, gasoline, or gasoline-electric." Eight men took part, each mode of propulsion having two advocates. All the contestants had made a study of conditions on the Ithaca-Auburn road. The judges were Professors Diederichs and Winans and R. B. Hayes '02. They stood two to one in favor of gasoline, the arguments in favor of that method having been that it was clean, that the rolling stock might be lightly built, and that the units could be easily and cheaply operated by persons of only moderate intelligence and experience. But the judges said the debate had been very close. The winners were W. F. Clayton '14, of Brooklyn, and J. C. Smaltz '15, of Jersey City.

TOBOGGANING ON BEEBE LAKE has been attended with some risk of a drenching. The last big snowstorm was heavy enough to weigh down the ice at the upper end of the lake. Water seeped in and most of the snow was converted into slush. The slushy area was concealed under a later fall of snow. The management discovered the danger and warned tobogganists about it, but nevertheless, last Saturday night, several

parties slid merrily out and then waded back, thigh-deep in the cold slush. Now the sunken parts have been marked and experienced tobogganists have learned to steer clear of them.

SENIORS are talking of having their class banquet in the Armory this year. If they do there will probably be a big attendance. The banquet must be "dry," anyway, the class having so ordered at the election last fall.

THE WEATHER was so cold on Tuesday morning that the sand in the Sibley foundry was frozen. Men who came to the foundry at 8 o'clock for shop work were dismissed. The squirrels which live in the grove in the quadrangle took refuge from the cold Monday night in the attic of Lincoln Hall, and next day they were all over the building. The official temperature at the Weather Bureau at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning was -15 degrees Fahrenheit, but an extreme of 22 degrees below zero was shown by the recording thermometer at the kiosk on Central Avenue and by instruments at other places on the Campus and the Heights. Cayuga Lake was covered with ice as far down as one could see from the Campus.

ABOUT A YEAR AGO the Oliver Ditson Company published "Old Ironsides," Professor Burt G. Wilder's baritone setting of Oliver Wendell Holmes's well-known verses. The publishers state that of the 700 copies printed not 200 remain on hand.

THE AFFIRMATIVE DEBATE TEAM went to Schenectady and had a practice contest with a team representing Union College last Friday night. The judges decided unanimously in favor of Cornell. Three juniors, W. D. Smith, L. Y. Gaberman, and B. Marquette, represented Cornell.

The Sun announces the election of Donald Bain Vail, a freshman, of Ridge-wood, N. J., to its editorial board.

THE REV. CHARLES A. EATON, pastor of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, New York, will preach in Sage Chapel next Sunday.



MAKING EIGHT O'CLOCKS ON A STORMY MORNING

Photograph by J. P. Troy

Two General Alumni Meetings

PITTSBURGH BANQUET MARCH 14 Board of Directors of the Associate Alumni to Meet in Pittsburgh That Day

The annual banquet of the Cornell Club of Western Pennsylvania will be held at the University Club, Grant Boulevard, Pittsburgh, on Saturday, March 14, at 7 o'clock.

The Board of Directors of the Associate Alumni have accepted the invitation of the club to hold their regular March meeting in Pittsburgh, on that day, so that the occasion should be one of particular interest to Cornell alumni generally, and a large gathering of the local graduates is assured; the members

of the Board of Directors will be the guests of the club at the banquet.

The Pittsburgh organization has also written to the secretaries of all Cornell clubs between the Atlantic Coast and St. Louis and Chicago, asking each club to send a representative to Pittsburgh on March 14, for the purpose of conferring with the Board of Directors of the Associate Alumni, and also to attend the dinner in the evening. It is the desire of the executive committee to secure at that time as large a representation of Cornell alumni and Cornell clubs as can be had: the committee believes that so many meetings are held in New York City, often by reason of necessity, that this Pittsburgh gathering, considerably

nearer the center of population east of the Mississippi River, should prove a tempting opportunity to all (Al Rogers please take notice).

There are two committees at work. The committee on the banquet is composed of the following: J. Harry Letsche '12, chairman; Karl W. Gass '12, John E. Kessler '12, R. Templeton Smith '10, W. S. Wallace '10, W. H. Watson '08, and Thomas C. Wurts '13. The members of the committee on arrangements for the Board of Directors are F. W. Scheidenhelm, chairman; K. W. Gass '12, and E. E. Goodwillie '10.

All Cornell men who happen to be in the Pittsburgh district on March 14 are urged to attend the banquet. Address

John H. Scott, secretary, 1426-27 Park Building, and apprise him of your intentions.

FOR A FEDERATION OF CLUBS

Ohio Association Calls Meeting to Effect a New Organization

A movement to form a federation of local Cornell alumni associations has been started by the Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association. A meeting has been called for Friday afternoon, March 13, in Cleveland, and that association has invited its fellow clubs to send delegates to the meeting. It is also announced that the annual banquet of the Northeastern Ohio association will be held on Saturday evening, March 14.

The invitation which that association has sent to local clubs is dated Cleveland, February 18, and is signed by W. J. Crawford, jr., '07, president, and B. R. Tewksbury, '10, secretary of the association. It is as follows:

"As our Alma Mater approaches the semi-centennial of its usefulness there is a growing feeling among its thoughtful alumni that we, as alumni, should be getting in line for greater service and helpfulness to Cornell. Within the past few years great progress has been made in reorganizing and revitalizing the alumni body as a whole, as evidenced in the constructive activities of the Associate Alumni, under whose auspices have been founded and fostered those important general movements which we now see producing such splendid results under the supervision of the Cornellian Council and the Cornell Association of Class Secretaries. The Associate Alumni has also been a potent agent in arousing among the graduates and former students a greater interest in and attachment to their Alma Mater, but in so large a constituency, scattered over the entire face of the globe, intimate interchange of ideas is impossible, and accordingly the Associate Alumni as an organization, must, standing alone, always be handicapped in its efforts to ascertain and properly express alumni sentiment with regard to existing conditions at the University. There is a widespread feeling, therefore, that the work of the Associate Alumni would be advantageously supplemented and greatly enhanced by the existence, by its side and in hearty co-operation with it, of an organization formed by the federation of the various local Cornell Alumni Associations.

"We have already referred to the

practical impossibility which the Associate Alumni faces with respect to ascertaining and expressing the sentiment of its widely scattered constituency. On the other hand, it is in the locally organized clubs alone, as we find them existing in our larger cities, that alumni sentiment is easily crystalized and readily ascertained. It would seem, therefore, that a federation of such local clubs would promote more intimate intercourse and a greater knowledge of University affairs, which, at the same time, would result in great benefit to the University and a better appreciation of the aims and attitude of the various independent alumni units. As the President of the University has so aptly expressed it, in voicing his hearty approval of the above suggestion—"In union there is strength, and for this reason the idea of getting our Cornell Clubs together has always seemed to me a good one. The confidence, loyalty, and enthusiasm which I found among them in Milwaukee, Chicago, and St. Louis, would be still more effective in a federation in which *all* Cornell Clubs were represented."

"Cornell is reaching that point in her splendid growth when she can justly look to her alumni for sympathy, care, and support. Indeed, as with every university, Cornell must in the future be largely what her alumni make her, and there is a boundless debt of loyalty which we owe, each and every one of us, who have been benefitted by her instruction. The University's needs are limitless, her problems perplexing, her future insecure, and as the work which our Alma Mater is accomplishing is, along with that of sister Universities, the hope of the Nation's progress, even so it is the despair of those who have been carrying her many and heavy burdens.

"Seventeen years ago Harvard alumni, facing our problem, organized their local clubs into a federation to supplement the activities of her general alumni organization, and today we find the Associated Harvard Clubs the most potent alumni influence in University affairs. Twelve years ago Yale followed a similar course, while Princeton, too, has her Federated Clubs, and those of us who have given consideration to the problem are convinced that the time has now arrived when Cornell also should adopt a like plan with due consideration of the special needs of our University. The Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association, through its special committee to which was re-

ferred this subject, has been in close communication with officers of both the Harvard and Yale Associated Clubs, and we have been assured of the great benefits which have accrued to these older universities from the plan which we now propose for Cornell. We have also submitted the question to a postal card ballot of our local alumni with the result that 141 have cordially approved the suggestion, with not a single dissenting vote.

"The interest of Cornell Alumni in University affairs was never so great or so general as at present. At the same time the University's need for active alumni co-operation was never more pressing or more insistent. At this moment the Board of Trustees, through a special commission, is engaged in the important task of revising the entire system of University administration, and this commission urgently desires alumni aid and support in its deliberations. But with the general body of alumni so widely scattered that they cannot be reached how can efficient co-operation be extended except through a federation of the definitely organized alumni units such as we find in our local clubs and associations, and how else, on the other hand, can alumni sentiment be given greater force than when backed and expressed by such an organization.

"With this in view, therefore, the Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association of Cleveland cordially invites your association to send delegates to attend a meeting at the University Club, East 40th Street and Euclid Avenue, Cleveland on Friday afternoon, March 13th, at 1:00 o'clock, to effect a federation of Cornell Alumni Associations, to the end that your association may become a charter member of the new federation. It is also our great pleasure to extend to all such delegates a cordial invitation to be present, as the guests of our Association, at our annual banquet to be held at the University Club on Saturday evening, March 14th, and we shall be very grateful if you will kindly bring this matter before your Board of Directors at the earliest possible date and advise us of the names and addresses of the delegates who will represent you at this meeting in order that we may extend to them personally the above invitation."

Report of the Committee Referred to Above

Light is shed on the genesis of the foregoing circular by an article which the

Cornell Daily Sun of February 24 contains—a report by a committee of the Northeastern Ohio Association. We cannot vouch for the genuineness of this report as printed in the *Sun*, except as it bears internal evidence of being authentic. It is signed by Willard Beahan '78, chairman; Edward R. Alexander '01, Joseph P. Harris '01, and W. J. Crawford, jr., '07, *ex-officio*.

"CLEVELAND, OHIO, JAN. 23, 1914.

"To the Members of the Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association :

"Your committee, appointed under authority of the resolution passed at the Annual Meeting of the Association October 25th, 1913, to consider the matter of a federation of locally organized Cornell clubs, has, in the course of its deliberations, come face to face with a situation which, to our minds, requires that additional power be given your committee to proceed at once to effect such a federation as has been suggested. The University is facing a crisis in its affairs as a result of wide-spread and growing dissatisfaction among alumni with administrative, social, and scholastic conditions at Ithaca. There is an almost universal feeling, be it justified or not, that the balance of power in the Board of Trustees should be transferred from local business men and that the so-called Ithaca influence in University administration, now widely disapproved, must be divorced. There is also criticism of the present method of transacting practically all business through the agency of committees composed of outside business men where there are paid officers who should shoulder this responsibility themselves, and the Board of Trustees, recognizing the need for a change, has appointed a special committee to study and revise the entire system of administration. This trustee commission urgently needs alumni co-operation. . . . And there are numerous other important matters in regard to all of which united alumni action is necessary.

"Other associations are already aroused to the situation and we find a widespread and spontaneous desire on the part of Cornellians to interest themselves in the welfare and problems of our Alma Mater. * * * We have had letters from Boston, Baltimore, Rochester, Milwaukee, and Chicago, urging that immediate steps be taken toward bringing the active associations together in an organization of their own, and we know that a similar sentiment prevails among the alumni of

other cities, including St. Louis and Detroit, from which we have already heard directly. It is for Cleveland to initiate the move.

" * * * Cornell is now in most urgent need of a similarly well-defined graduate unit which, being thoroughly representative and well-informed, shall be at the same time a restraining influence in University affairs and an active and potent co-operative constructive agency. The proposed federation of local clubs is the logical medium through which this result may be obtained and we have already been assured of the approval and co-operation of the President of the University.

"Your committee therefore, proposes that our association take the initiative and invite other Cornell Alumni Associations to join in a meeting through delegates to consider the federation of organized Cornell Alumni Associations. Are you in favor of your Board of Directors authorizing your Committee to proceed now with this work and bring Cornell associations together for the purpose of considering such federation? Please reply on enclosed postal by return mail.

"WILLARD BEAHAN, Chairman;

"E. R. ALEXANDER,

"J. P. HARRIS,

"W. J. CRAWFORD, JR., *ex-officio*."

Southern Tier Association

A Formal Organization Effected at Elmira

The Cornell alumni of Elmira and vicinity held their annual rejuvenation last Thursday evening at the City Club. The affair was a smoker attended by more than fifty enthusiasts, who heard three interesting talks by Coach Moakley, Coach Sharpe, and Professor Nathaniel Schmidt. Lewis Henry '09 was toastmaster.

After the speeches, a short business session was called to order by Thomas F. Fennell '96, last year's president, and a formal constitution and by-laws were adopted for the formation of the Cornell Alumni Association of the Southern Tier. The organization has been in existence without formal articles for many years. The following officers were elected for the coming year by unanimous vote :

President, Lewis Henry '09; first vice-president, Edgar D. Sebring '03, of Waverly; second vice-president, Walter B. Herendeen '13; third vice-president, John C. Wheeler '09, of Corning; secre-

tary, Levi Ginsburg '13, Elmira; treasurer, William B. Flannery '12, Addison; representative on the Athletic Council, Leslie D. Clute '13.

Lectures Before Blind Persons

Louis A. Fuertes Gives Imitations of Bird Calls and Songs

The average person, although there of course is no such thing, has a stronger visual than auditory imagination, and to this person "Birds" means the flicker of wings through the woods, or a flock of moving things silhouetted against the sky, or dashes of color—a blue jay's wing or the brilliance of a cardinal with the black of its top-knot. To people who do not see, who are blind, the songs of birds are the more positive things, the more natural. They are the only means of identification and are full of memories. With these people, it is not sight, but sound, that means the birds are flying South for the winter, or coming back in the spring, or that a robin is saying the rain is done. And so Louis Agassiz Fuertes [B.S., '97,] the naturalist, gave the greatest pleasure in his power to the audience of blind people he lectured to last night in the American Museum of Natural History, when he talked about "Our Birds and Their Music" and imitated the calls and songs of every bird he mentioned. And it was the blind people in the audience, and not those who had brought them there, who responded most quickly to a familiar note and who were made most happy by it.

Their favorites were the whippoorwill, whose song Mr. Fuertes says is to him the least melancholy, the most joyful and exultant; the different kinds of owl, the field-sparrow and meadow-lark, the woodpewee, and a robin at twilight. Mr. Fuertes gave the song of every bird in this vicinity, from the queer, weird cries of the sea-birds and the songs of the shore-birds, who make flights of thousands of miles every year, to the thin, dry sound of the pewee in the hot summer woods. His thrush notes were marvellously real, and it was the natural tendency of every one in the room who was not blind to close his eyes and feel himself in the especial patch of woods or bit of lawn which had always meant thrushes and thrush-songs to him.—*The Evening Post, New York, February 22.*

THE INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE will be held next Friday night.

"The Meaning of Liberal Culture" Four Talks at a Meeting of Phi Beta Kappa

At an open meeting of the Cornell chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, held in Goldwin Smith B on February 17, the subject of "Liberal Culture" was discussed by four speakers.

President Schurman, the first speaker, remarked on the impression made on him during his recent stay in Greece that religion played a large part in the life of ancient Greece, the culture of which was still the admiration of the world. The quintessence of liberal culture did not consist merely in the study of the ancient languages; the Greeks themselves scorned foreign languages, and produced a thoroughly indigenous culture. Liberal culture came from the appreciation of art, from history, from philosophy, from all subjects which have to do with man. The Greeks were still our exemplars. They appreciated and glorified the works of the human mind as no other nation has done.

Professor D. S. Kimball of Sibley College considered the subject from the point of view of the industrial engineer. The modern notion of culture differed from the ancient in that we now desired culture not for the few but for all. Those persons, therefore, who were now working to solve great industrial problems were the men who would make possible in the future the liberal education of all men. Professor Kimball would distinguish not between cultural and non-cultural subjects but between vocational subjects (those taken for the purpose of attaining greater efficiency in earning a living) and liberalizing studies (those pursued for pleasure and for unpractical ends).

Professor Henry A. Sill said that culture began at home; we were not born civilized or cultivated but acquired culture through a process of training. History was valuable in that it introduced us to the achievements of civilization and the progress of the refinement of mankind.

Professor Frank Thilly distinguished between two classes of men: the natural man, who is the slave of his environment, and the cultivated man, who becomes the creator of and the victor over his environment. Education was the transmission of civilization from parent to child. A man became cultivated when he became human, humane. The line by which he reached this state was im-

material. The supreme purpose of all cultural studies was to give man insight into himself, to help him know himself.

A Wild Park for Ithaca Steps Taken to Assure the Preservation of the Renwick Woods

The Renwick woods, comprising more than thirty acres near the head of Cayuga Lake, will be maintained in their wild state as a public park by the city of Ithaca, provided the department of public works adopts a recommendation made last week by the common council of the city. A petition was received by the council from the Cayuga Bird Club, asking that the city take action which would preserve the woodland and, if possible, provide for the management of the park by a naturalist. With only one dissenting vote the council adopted a resolution recommending that that be done. The civic improvement association of the city has since joined with the bird club in advocating the plan.

These woods afford a field unique in this neighborhood for the study of plant and animal life. The vegetation includes many varieties of trees, shrubs, and flowering plants, some of them rare. The place is an ideal bird refuge. To keep the woods as a wild park will preserve a natural laboratory which the biologists of the University have delighted in and which has been admired by students of natural history from many parts of the world. It will also, as was pointed out by one of the aldermen at the council meeting, assure to Ithaca a possession which many cities would covet.

In the western edge of the woods is the Cornell biological field station, occupying a few acres of marsh land which is owned by the University. Here, for several years, Dr. J. G. Needham and his assistants have investigated swamp life. Dr. Needham is professor of limnology, a term coined from a Greek word meaning swamp. All this land which has been described is east of the Cayuga Inlet and the woodland is traversed by Fall Creek. West of the Inlet all the marsh land has been reclaimed in the course of the dredging operations incident to barge canal construction. Some filling has been done on the east side also. Persons who knew of the natural beauty and value of the wooded portion of the flats have feared that the improvement would be carried so far by the city as to destroy something of greater worth than many building sites.

McGill Wrestlers Were Pleased Canadian University Daily Prints Kindly Comment on the Meet

The *Cornell Daily Sun* reprints with an expression of pleasure a very courteous article in the *McGill Daily*, of McGill University, Montreal. The McGill wrestling team was in Ithaca on Saturday, February 14, and on the following Monday the *Daily* said, in introducing its account of the meet:

"Although they were welcomed at Ithaca as the strongest college team in Canada, the McGill wrestlers lost in their six bouts with Cornell on Saturday. They took down a much better team than that of last year, and one which stands a good chance to win out in the approaching Assault-at-Arms, and they returned yesterday full of admiration for the men they had met.

"They said they had no excuses whatever to make for the loss of every bout and stated quite definitely that they had been most fairly defeated by a better team. They commented on the clean style of their opponents' wrestling; of all the six men, hard, quick and experienced, not one of them departed in the least from true sportsman-like work and gave not the least opportunity for any accusations of using what is popularly called dirty work, whether legitimate and open or illegitimate and hidden from the referee.

"They remarked also on the pleasure they had had in meeting personally the members of the team, and liked them all immensely. They said that the manager and assistant manager of the Cornell team had taken the very best of care of them, and had left nothing undone that might in any way add to their comfort.

"The audience also exemplified the splendid Cornell spirit that seems to exist, and cheered McGill and applauded indiscriminately any particular good moves, no matter to which man's disadvantage they were."

WORK ON THE EXTERIOR WALLS of the Schoellkopf Memorial building on Alumni Field has been stopped by the cold weather. The basement has been enclosed, however, and there workmen are putting in steam fittings and laying the concrete floors. The walls are up to a part of the height of the second story.

REGISTRATION for the collegiate crews began yesterday afternoon.



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YALE UNIVERSITY made an interesting experiment on Monday of this week by inaugurating an "alumni university day." Graduates were invited to come to New Haven and spend that day in "an informal study of educational conditions and problems at the university." And the hope was expressed that as many as possible of those who came would remain over Tuesday morning to visit classrooms and laboratories which might especially interest them. The purpose of this gathering was not primarily to provide a holiday and a good time for "old grads" but to give interested Yale graduates an opportunity to see the university at work. Morning hours were left free for attendance at lectures and laboratory exercises. An hour was set aside in the afternoon for visits to library, museum, laboratories, etc., under the guidance of directors and

professors. Another hour was devoted to talks on student interests and problems by representative undergraduates. And in the evening there was a "smoker" for the graduates with members of the faculty. The university spread a luncheon for the visitors and hospitality was provided in the homes of members of the faculty for Sunday or Monday night. In the fact that this program was arranged there is a recognition by Yale of what other universities have observed, namely, that the ordinary "alumni day" gives too little opportunity to the returning alumnus to see his university in actual operation and to form an intelligent opinion of its condition and needs.

A FEDERATION of Cornell alumni clubs and associations was inevitable. The movement now started by the North-eastern Ohio association is essentially for the good of the University. Discussion of university affairs goes on in all the clubs. Opinions are formed there which affect the relations of many graduates to the University. A federation may bring these smouldering opinions out into the open, where they may consume whatever may be wrong in the University's administration—or consume their own rubbish, if no other fuel is found for them. But we beg leave to suggest this: that the federation should start out with the right attitude toward the University, and with freedom from entangling alliances. It should start, not with the presumption that the University is going to the dogs and that a rebellion is the only thing which can save it, but with the premise that the University needs the intelligent and loyal and constructive aid of its alumni. The federation, if it is to do any investigating, should at the start provide means for doing its own investigating. Another suggestion is ventured: its province should be mapped so as not to trespass upon fields which are now efficiently occupied by other alumni organizations. And it should remember that a federation of clubs can not be wholly representative, for not all Cornell men belong to clubs.

CORNELL CLUB OF WASHINGTON

The annual dinner of the Cornell Club of Washington will be held on Saturday, March 7, at the University Club. Tickets may be procured from Herbert R. Cox, Bureau of plant Industry.

A COUNTRY HOUSE BY MESSRS. TROWBRIDGE & ACKERMAN

A new building which is receiving much notice from architects and much praise from critics is a country house on Long Island which was designed by Messrs. Trowbridge & Ackerman, of New York (A.B. Trowbridge '90 and F. L. Ackerman '01, both graduates of the Cornell University College of Architecture). The entire January issue of *The Architectural Review* has been devoted to a description of this one building, which, the *Review* says, "is one of the most consistently perfect and complete country houses that has yet been built in America." Photographs and drawings of the house were shown this winter at the exhibition of the Architectural League of New York, and several of the critics called it the most beautiful and interesting feature of the exhibition. The house is situated near Glen Cove and is the home of Mr. George Pratt.

PROFESSOR AND CHAUFFEUR

This is a story Professor Nathaniel Schmidt told on himself when he was in St. Louis this month. It is related in the *Post-Dispatch*:

Professor Schmidt and George J. Tansey '88, of St. Louis, are great friends. The Tanseys' chauffeur is a Schmidt, too. Mrs. Tansey was going to give a dinner in the Professor's honor and he had occasion to call her up on the telephone.

"Is this Mrs. Tansey's residence?" he asked, and the answer came that it was. So he said, "This is Professor Schmidt," and before he could get any further the voice at the other end of the wire said in capital letters:

"WHO?"

"Professor Schmidt."

"Schmidt, is it?" replied the voice. "Ah! go on, Schmidt, you know Mrs. Tansey's not here. She's down at the skimphony concert a-waitin' for ye to come for her. So ye better quit your foolin' and get doon there with the autymobile."

ALUMNAE CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

Miss Reta E. Keenan will entertain at bridge on Saturday, February 28, for the benefit of the scholarship fund of the Cornell Alumnae Club of Philadelphia.

A regular meeting of the Cornell Alumnae Club of Philadelphia will be held on Saturday afternoon, March 7,

at the home of Mrs. Ernest L. Bossinger (Laura Popplewell '07), 556 East Woodlawn Street, Germantown.

ALUMNI CALENDAR

Secretaries of alumni associations and other persons are requested to send to **THE NEWS**, for publication in this column, advance information of the dates of events in which alumni may be interested.

Saturday, March 7.

Washington, D. C.—Annual dinner of the Cornell Club of Washington, at the University Club. Tickets may be secured by addressing Herbert R. Cox, Bureau of Plant Industry.

Philadelphia.—Regular meeting of the Cornell Alumnae Club of Philadelphia, at the home of Mrs. E. L. Bossinger, 556 East Woodlawn Street, Germantown.

Friday, March 13.

Cleveland, Ohio.—Meeting called by the Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association for the purpose of organizing a federation of Cornell clubs. At the University Club, East Fortieth Street and Euclid Avenue, at 1 o'clock.

Saturday, March 14.

Pittsburgh.—Annual banquet of the Cornell Club of Western Pennsylvania, at the University Club, Grant Boulevard, 7 o'clock. The Board of Directors of the Associate Alumni will meet in Pittsburgh on the same day and will be guests at the banquet. All Cornell clubs east of the Mississippi have been invited to send representatives to the meeting and the banquet. A general invitation to the banquet has been extended to Cornell men. Reservations may be obtained from John H. Scott, secretary, 1426-27 Park Building, Pittsburgh.

Cleveland, Ohio.—Annual banquet of the Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association. The University Club.

MR. HENRY LANE WILSON, lately ambassador to Mexico, will lecture in Sibley Dome to-morrow (Friday) night on "Present Conditions in Mexico." While he is in Ithaca Mr. Wilson will be the guest of President Schurman. He has two sons who are students in the University, one a member of the junior class and the other a freshman.

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ATHLETICS

Basketball

Victory over Columbia and Defeat by Pennsylvania

Basketball had its ups and downs during the week. After taking a fall out of Columbia, the league leader, Cornell was unexpectedly trounced by Pennsylvania. Yale defeated Princeton and so became tied with Cornell for second place. Then Cornell forged ahead again by winning from Dartmouth. Columbia overcame Princeton and drew a little further ahead of the rest.

The teams then ranked as follows :

Columbia.....	6	1	.857
Cornell.....	5	2	.714
Yale.....	4	2	.666
Princeton.....	4	5	.444
Pennsylvania.....	2	5	.288
Dartmouth.....	1	7	.125

The remainder of the season's schedule is as follows : February 24, Pennsylvania at Yale; February 27, Cornell at Yale; February 28, Princeton at Dartmouth; February 28, Columbia at Pennsylvania; March 3, Columbia at Yale; March 5, Pennsylvania at Cornell; March 6, Yale at Columbia; March 10, Dartmouth at Cornell.

Pennsylvania, 24; Cornell, 20

Hopes of winning the championship which were fanned by the victory over Columbia were damped by a defeat in Philadelphia last Saturday night. The Pennsylvania team, which has been near the foot of the list all the season, surprised itself by winning from Captain Halsted's men, 24 to 20. Coach Kiefaber did not pick his team till a few minutes before the game. At the end of the first half the score stood 12 to 10 in Cornell's favor, and the scoring was close until the middle of the second period, when goals in quick succession by three Penn players put the home team well ahead.

Coach Kiefaber writes in the Philadelphia Press :

"Coach Sharpe's men still have a chance and a mighty good one, for I still maintain that Cornell has the best team in the league and should Columbia be beaten here this week, the race will undoubtedly result in a tie.

"Cornell was caught napping on Saturday night. The Ithacans came to this city believing victory was an absolute certainty, but they were soon mistaken. Instead of playing against a team that

was a weakling, Coach Sharpe's men met a rejuvenated quintet that was ready to fight for victory until the last whistle blew. Cornell did not put any 'pep' into the game at any time and was clearly outplayed."

The summary :

Cornell	Pennsylvania
Lunden.....right forward.....	Bullitt
Brown.....left forward.....	Freed
G. C. Halsted.....center.....	Seelbach..
H. C. Halsted.....right guard.....	Bloom
Jandorf.....left guard.....	Wallace

Substitutes—Ashmead for H. C. Halsted, Haeberle for Jandorf, Cross for Lunden, H. C. Halsted for G. C. Halsted, Crane for Bullitt, Hardwick for Wallace. Goals from field—Brown 2, H. C. Halsted 2, Ashmead; Seelbach 4, Bullitt, Freed, Wallace. Goals from fouls—G. C. Halsted, 10 out of 16; Brown, 0 out of 1; Bloom, 10 out of 21. Referee—Melick, of Trenton.

Cornell 41; Columbia, 19

A crowd as large as the Armory could hold saw the team make up for its earlier defeat by Columbia. The game turned out to be much easier for Cornell than had been expected. The Morningside players scored only four points during the whole first period, while Cornell ran up 18; in the second period Cornell more than held that advantage. The victory was due chiefly to deadly accuracy in the throwing of field goals, especially by Brown and Lunden, the forwards. Columbia made as many shots at the basket as Cornell, if not more. Another factor was the fast work of Cornell in guarding, Jandorf and the Halsteds spoiling many a Columbia chance for a basket after clever passing had brought the ball well into Cornell territory. The home players seemed more alert than the visitors. Columbia scored first with a field goal, but Cornell had a dozen points before the visitors got another basket.

Benson of Columbia was sent off the floor early in the first period for his fourth personal foul. Late in the second period Captain Meenan and H. C. Halsted were retired after a little display of temper. The summary :

Cornell	Columbia
Lunden.....right forward.....	Dwyer
Brown.....left forward.....	Meenan
G. C. Halsted.....center.....	Wegener
H. C. Halsted.....right guard.....	Lee
Jandorf.....left guard.....	Benson

Substitutions—Ashmead for H. C. Halsted; Reynolds for Benson, Snell for Reynolds, Lee for Wegener, Wegener for Lee, Burghardt for Meenan. Goals from field—Brown 8, Lunden 6, Jandorf 2, H. C. Halsted, G. C. Halsted; Dwyer 3, Meenan 3, Wegener. Goals from fouls—G. C. Halsted, 5 out of 11; Lee, 5 out of 10; Benson missed one. Halves—20 minutes. Referee—Sommers, Pennsylvania. Umpire—Wendelken, New York.

Track

One Mile Relay Team Loses Race with Pennsylvania

The one-mile relay team was defeated by Pennsylvania at Philadelphia last Saturday night in a close race. A quartet which included Lippincott and Meredith beat the Cornell runners by about four yards in 3 minutes 43 seconds. Cornell's team was the same one that ran against Harvard two weeks earlier. It was composed of J. S. Lewis '16, F. Starr '16, H. E. Irish '16, and D. S. Caldwell '14. Lewis gained a little on Lockwood and Starr held his own against Kelley. Irish lost ten yards in his relay with Lippincott. Caldwell cut down that distance by six yards, running against Meredith in the last relay.

Association Football

A Coach Engaged

The soccer team has engaged a coach. He is Percy Johnson, an Englishman, who has lived in Brooklyn and has coached the Manual Traniing High School team for six years, turning out in that time five championship teams. He is expected in Ithaca about the middle of March.

Captain R. T. Cotton '14 called a meeting of candidates this week to make plans for the season. Practice will begin in the baseball cage next week. There are six teams in the intercollegiate league this year. The schedule follows :

March 14, Columbia at Haverford, Pennsylvania at Yale; March 21, Columbia at Pennsylvania, Haverford at Yale; March 28, Columbia at Yale, Haverford at Cornell; April 2, Cornell at Harvard; April 3, Cornell at Columbia; April 4, Yale at Harvard, Pennsylvania at Haverford; April 11, Harvard at Pennsylvania; April 13, Harvard at Haverford; April 18, Harvard at Columbia, Pennsylvania at Cornell; April 25, Yale at Cornell.

Wrestling

Team Defeats Pennsylvania and Loses at Annapolis

The Cornell wrestlers won a match with Pennsylvania at Philadelphia last Friday, and on the next day were defeated at Annapolis by the Naval Academy.

In the Pennsylvania meet the final score was 22 to 11. Cornell gained four falls, counting five points each. Pennsylvania won one fall and a decision

which counts four points. One bout was drawn, adding two points to the score of either team.

The only fall gained by Pennsylvania was accomplished by Michael Dorizas, a 230-pound Greek, who threw E. W. Kleinert '16, Cornell's heavyweight, in twenty-four seconds. The falls scored for Cornell were made by W. J. Culbertson '15, in the 115 pound class; Captain T. I. S. Boak '14, in the 125 pound class; H. R. Allen, sp., 145 pounds, and E. G. Gallogly '15, in the 175 pound class. Julius Samkoff '15, 135 pounds, drew with his opponent, and G. T. Culbertson '15 lost his bout in the 158 pound class.

The Navy wrestlers took six of the seven events, three on falls and three by decision. Captain Boak won a decision in his bout. Kleinert, weighting in at 180, met a 215-pound adversary.

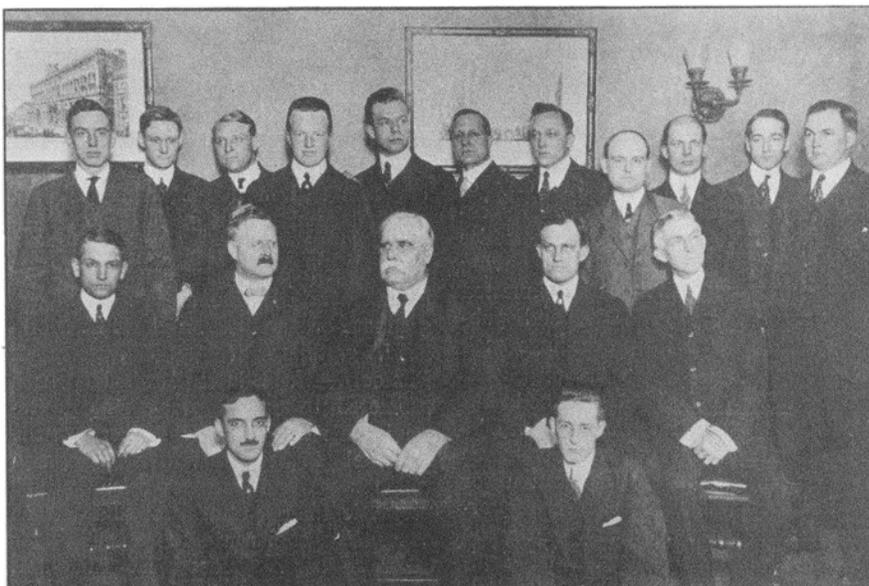
Hawaii Club's New Trophy

A Plaque to Be Held by School Winning Cross-Country Meet

The Cornell Club of Hawaii has purchased from Dieges & Clust a plaque to be offered as a trophy of the cross-country championship of the Interscholastic League of Hawaii. About a year ago the club provided a cup (pictured in the NEWS last week) for the combined track and cross-country meeting of the league. The new plaque is like the one presented by the class of 1908 for an annual interscholastic cross-country meet in Ithaca, bearing the picture of J. P. Jones breaking the mile record. Like the Hawaii Club's track cup, its cross-country plaque will be held by the winning school for one year, permanent possession to be the reward of three victories.

The club has voted, provided Lidgate's parents consent, to call the plaque "The William Orr Lidgate Trophy" in memory of a student who came from Hawaii to Cornell and died here in October, 1911, at the beginning of his junior year. "Bill" Lidgate had many friends among his fellow students and was assistant baseball manager at the time of his death.

In January the schoolboys of Hawaii were already beginning to train for the "Cornell" events. At least six young men from Hawaii will enter Cornell as freshmen next fall.



REUNION OF CREW MEN AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB, CHICAGO, JANUARY 24
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Photograph by courtesy of *The Chicago Tribune*.

Following is an account of a small-boy athletic competition taken from a Honolulu newspaper :

"Cornell has been climbing steadily at the Midgets' championship shield competition at Palama Settlement, and now they are just one point ahead of Princeton, the score in points now standing : Cornell 82, Princeton 81. They got ahead of their opponents by winning a hotly contested soccer game Saturday morning. It was a fast game, too, for these two teams are keen rivals, and are running neck and neck in their fight for the coveted championship.

"Soccer is taking a firm hold of these small boys, and they are fast becoming skilful players. Not one of these Palama Midgets weighs more than eighty pounds, but their present proficiency augurs well for some fine interscholastic soccer material. The score in Saturday's game was Cornell 1, Princeton 0. The teams were as follows :

"Cornell—Hong Ying (captain), Wah Chan, Abraham, Kam Dick, John Manaka, Ah Fong, Hoichi, Eddie Oleson,

Hong Wah, Carlos Oleson, and Hajimi Hattorie.

"Princeton—Tai Lock (capt.), Philip Mark, Ah Hui, Wichi Morita, Ben Ka-hoopii, Shigi, Eddie Smith, Toroki, Ah Shan, Ah Sin, Young Cheong, and Kazuo Hirashima."

Rifle shooting.—In the seventh round of the tournament, Washington State College, the leader in Class B, defeated Cornell, 980 to 960.

Collegiate basketball.—The College of Civil Engineering is still leading.

Baseball.—Battery candidates and infielders have begun work in the new cage.

Minor sports.—Captain Boak of the wrestling team has been elected to represent the minor sports on the Athletic Council, succeeding H. W. Peters '14, who resigned when he was appointed Secretary of the University. A. S. Ainsworth '14, basketball manager, has been elected field manager of the minor sports competition.

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ALUMNI NOTES

'74, B.Agr.—Professor William R. Laz-enby of the Ohio State University has been re-elected president of the Columbus Horticultural Society. This is an organization in which the city of Columbus and the State University co-operate. It is one of the oldest societies of its kind in the United States, having been organized in 1845. It has invested funds amounting to \$6,000, and publishes a volume of its proceedings each year.

'92, C.E.—William G. Atwood has recently been appointed Assistant District Engineer, Interstate Commerce Commission, Division of Valuation for the Southern District, with headquarters at Chattanooga, Tenn. For the past six years he has been Chief Engineer of the Lake Erie & Western Railroad. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and of the American Railway Engineering Association, being chairman of the committee on uniform contracts in the last named organization.

'93, LL.M.—George W. Schurman has been elected chairman of the executive committee of the Bar Association of New York. He is a member of the firm of Rounds, Schurman & Dwight, which succeeded the firm of Hughes, Rounds & Schurman when Charles E. Hughes became a Justice in the Supreme Court of the United States. Mr. Schurman is a brother of President Schurman.

'97, A.M.; '00, Ph.D.—Wilhelm Miller, assistant professor of landscape horticulture in the University of Illinois (formerly managing editor of *Country Life in America* and editor of the *Garden Magazine*), offers a series of seven extension lectures on landscape gardening designed to increase local interest in Illinois in neighborhood planting, roadside planting, etc.

'01, LL.B.—Earl J. Bennett is vice-president of the Bank of Rockville Center (N. Y.), capitalized at \$50,000 and reporting deposits of \$1,400,000 in its latest annual statement.

'01, M.E.—William B. Rawson is now efficiency engineer at plant number one of the Canada Cement Company, near Montreal. The plant's capacity was recently increased from 2,000 to 12,000 barrels. Rawson was formerly in charge of Medicine Hat Mill number fourteen, 4,000 barrels capacity.

'03, M.E.—There has been formed in St. Louis a partnership including two Cornell men, H. Leland Lowe and Judson H. Boughton (both M.E. '03), styled the Motor Car & Motor Boat Company, with offices in the Pierce Building. This company makes a specialty of yachts, launches and marine equipment, which are fast coming into general use on the Mississippi and tributary rivers for pleasure and commercial purposes. The other members of the firm are D. H. Skeen, graduate of Annapolis, and W. C. Morehead, graduate of the University of Missouri.—H. Leland Lowe has been promoted to second vice-president (retaining his title of chief engineer) of the National Light & Power Company, which owns and operates public utility properties in the Southwest and acts as consulting engineer and manager for other utilities. Judson H. Boughton has been re-elected president. This company's general offices are in the Pierce Building, St. Louis.

'04, M.E.—Charles A. Roberts is in charge of the new business of the Ohio properties owned by the United Service Company of Scranton, Pa. These properties consist of three main generating stations at Coshocton, Cambridge, and New Philadelphia, Ohio, furnishing current to surrounding towns. Roberts lives at Coshocton.

'04, A.B.—In the February issue of the *Library Journal* there is a selected list of ninety books of modern American poetry recommended for universal purchase by libraries. In the list is "The Rose-Jar" by Thomas S. Jones, jr.

'08, C.E.—Mrs. Ralph Kinton Stevens announces the marriage of her daughter, Barbara Caroline, to Matthew Derbyshire Mann, jr., on February 7, at Santa Barbara, California.

'09, C.E.—Louis Kampf is a construction engineer for Lockwood, Greene & Co., of Boston. He has nearly finished the construction of a manufacturing plant in Buffalo and will leave there in a short time for Wisconsin. His address is 60 Federal Street, Boston, Mass.

'09, M.E.—Robert Stanton Baum was married to Miss Mercy Edna Ducker at Los Angeles, Cal., on February 11.

'09, M.E.—Mrs. Max G. Hopf announces the engagement of her daughter, Agnes Julia, to Frederic Oliver Ebeling.

'10, B.S.A.—Louis F. Boyle was married on February 11 to Miss Anna R. Egbert (Brigham Young University,

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1910). Boyle has disposed of his interests in the Inter-Mountain Industrial Association and is now operating the largest specialized potato farm in Utah. He is also acting as a specialist in agriculture for the American Smelting & Refining Company. His address is Lewiston, Utah.

'10, M.E.—George K. Miltenberger has been transferred from Fulton, Ky., to Perryville, Missouri, where he is general manager of the Perry County Public Utilities Company, a subsidiary of the National Light & Power Company of St. Louis.

'11, A.B.—H. B. ("Doc") Bole is superintendent of the Hydraulic Pressed Steel Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

'11, M.E.—Delmar G. Roos is staff engineer of the Locomobile Company of America, in Bridgeport, Conn. H. H. ("Spike") Williamson, M.E., '11, is also in Bridgeport. He is on the engineering staff of the Porcupine Boiler Works, of his brother, J. K. Williamson '06, is the chief engineer.

'11, M.E.—P. R. Chambers is the manager of the Manatee Electric Company, a J. G. White property, at Bradenton, Florida.

'11, M.E.—Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Lillian B. Marsh, daughter of Mr. George E. Marsh of Alton, Ill., to William G. Christy '11. The wedding will take place early in April. Christy is assistant to H. H. Humphrey, consulting engineer, in St. Louis, Mo., and lives at 1828 Evergreen Avenue, Alton, Ill.

'11, A.B.—S. O. Houser has given up a position in the engineering department of the Westchester Lighting Company at Mount Vernon, N. Y., to become secretary of boys' work in the West Side Y. M. C. A., 1515 West Monroe Street, Chicago.

'11, M.E.—John O. Fuchs is with the Abilene Water Company at Abilene, Texas.

'11, A.B.—Geoffrey C. May is in the foreign department of the National City Bank, New York. He lives at 170 Madison Street, Brooklyn.

'12, LL.B.—Henry J. Kimball severed his connection with the firm of Cobb & Cosgrove, of Watertown, N. Y., on February 1st, and opened an office for general law practice at 42 Otis Building, Watertown.

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'12, M.E.—Karl D. Pettit was married to Miss Estelle Fitch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith Fitch, of Brooklyn, N. Y., on February 14. The wedding ceremony took place at the First Reformed Church, Seventh Avenue and Carroll Street, Brooklyn. Charles C. Marshall '11, of Sayville, L. I., was best man, and among the ushers were William W. Slaymaker '12, of Philadelphia; F. Dana Burnet '11, and Rollo K. Blanchard '10, of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Pettit will be at home after April 1st at 708 Ocean Avenue, Flatbush, Brooklyn.

'12, M.E.—Oswald Rothmaler is in the power division of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. His address is 1293 Bergen Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'12, A.B.—Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Harriet D. Good, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Good, of Akron, Ohio, to Arthur J. Saalfeld, jr., also of Akron. Saalfeld is with the Goodrich Rubber Company.

'12, LL.B.—Harry Aaron has opened an office for the practice of law at 189 Montague Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'13, C.E.—Robert Levy has returned from a six months trip through Europe Asia Minor, and Northern Africa. He is with the Traitel Marble Contracting Company, Long Island City.

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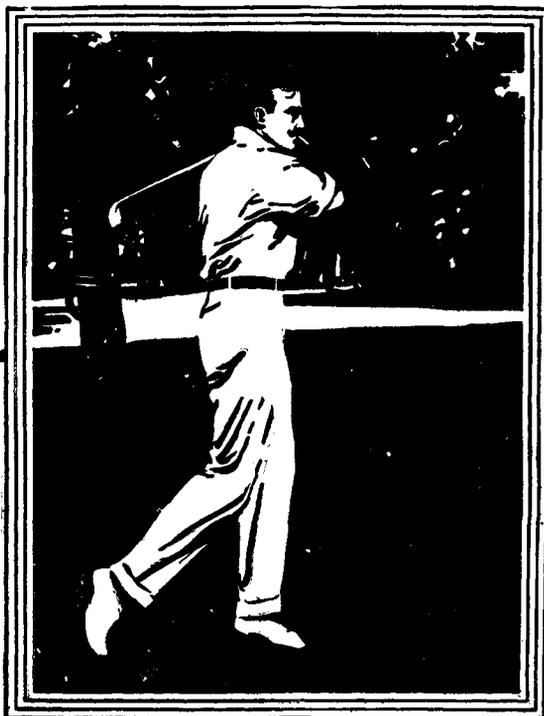
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