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**F**OUNDER'S DAY was celebrated last Monday. University work was suspended and brief exercises were held in the morning in Bailey Hall. The orator was the Hon. Samuel Walker McCall, of Boston, Representative in Congress from Massachusetts. President Schurman introduced him as "the next governor of Massachusetts." He spoke on "Our Composite Nationality," outlining the beginnings of the American Commonwealth and tracing its development through the early colonizations to explain the present American democracy. The principle of natural selection, he said, controlled those early attempts at colonial government. The fittest, who survived, were well prepared to cope with the new problem, the assimilation of alien races. He objected to the metaphor which likens the United States to a "melting pot." The ideal toward which we must strive, Mr. McCall believed, was not a civilization which would assimilate all races, subject them to a fusing process, and turn out a standard brand of American citizen, but a civilization which, through the inspiration of American democracy, will inspire each race to give the best that is in it. Thus, through receiving the composite advantages of all nations, we should achieve a richer and a broader national life.

THE SECOND LECTURE given on the Frank Irvine Foundation was made last Saturday by Charles A. Boston, of New York. The Frank Irvine Foundation was established in 1913 by the Conkling Chapter of the legal fraternity Phi Delta Phi. Mr. Boston's topic was "Legal Ethics."

A COMBINATION of the *Sibley Journal of Engineering*, the *Cornell Civil Engineer*, and the *Cornell Chemist*, and their union in a single publication, to be known by some such name as "Cornell Journal of Technology," is advocated by the editorial board of the *Sibley Journal*, the oldest of the three periodicals. A letter from the managing editor of the *Journal* setting forth the expected benefits of such a union is published in the January number of the *Chemist*. He argues that the professions of engineering and chemistry have many overlapping and com-

mon interests, that one large technical journal could give information which would be of benefit to both, and that a merger of the three publications would make for economy. The editors of the *Chemist* say they are not convinced that the interest of their department could be served as well if their publication were to give up its identity, and they ask for the opinions of their readers on the subject.

LAST WEEK'S LECTURE in the history of civilization course was given by Professor Nathaniel Schmidt. His talk was entitled "The Arabian Nights." He spoke of the debt that civilization owes to the story-teller, saying that science, philosophy, history, statecraft and religion have profited by his art. He told of the origin of the fascinating "Thousand and One Nights" and the important place of these fables among the stories of the world.

SENIORS in the College of Civil Engineering who attended the camp held in the summer between their sophomore and junior years will "reune" in the Alhambra on the night of Saturday, January 16. Professor O. M. Leland, who has been in charge of the annual camp for several years, is on the program for a talk.

THE VETERINARIANS of the state are holding their seventh annual conference at the Veterinary College on January 14 and 15. Thursday morning's program includes talks by several members of the Faculty, including Dr. James Law, and the afternoon is devoted to clinics. At an evening session there will be an address of welcome by President Schurman and an address by Dr. John W. Adams of the University of Pennsylvania. All of Friday will be given to technical addresses and discussions, and on Friday evening will take place the annual banquet of the Society of Comparative Medicine and the Association of College Alumni, at the Clinton House.

A PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST for students of the State College of Agriculture, held at the convention of fruit growers in Rochester last week, was won by Duane S. Hatch '15, of Greenwich,

N. Y. A second prize was awarded to Newton C. Rogers '16, of Canandaigua. The other contestants were Helen S. Clark '17, of Kingston, Pa.; Raymond P. Sanford '17, of Ithaca, and Edward D. Rogers '16, of Brooklyn.

THE IMPORTANT WORK of the Freshman Advisory Committee next year will be directed by Weyland Pfeiffer '16, of Scarsdale, who was elected chairman of the committee last week. His committee will consist of twenty seniors and sixty juniors. Pfeiffer is a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity and is a brother of Karl E. Pfeiffer '12.

THE SCHIFF LECTURES on German art, to have been given this winter by Professor Artur Weese, of the University of Berne, will not be given. The war prevents Professor Weese from keeping his engagement to come to this country.

THE RIFLE TEAM scored 949 in its first match of the season, against Purdue University. The match was scheduled for January 14, but the Cornell riflemen made their records several days in advance. The Purdue score had not been learned early this week. Cornell's score of 949 is sixteen points better than the first score of last year. This year the Cornell marksmen have equipped their rifles with new sights which are expected to increase their accuracy. The next match is with the champion Michigan Aggies.

VARIOUS PLACES have been assigned for the meetings of the three standing committees of the Board of Trustees, on Friday, January 15. All three will meet in New York City, the Committee on General Administration at the Medical College, the Finance Committee at 37 William Street, and the Committee on Buildings and Grounds at 30 Church street. The full Board will meet at the Waldorf-Astoria on Saturday morning, January 16.

THE FOURTH University concert was given in Bailey Hall on January 12 by Katharine Goodson, pianist, and Emilio de Gogorza, baritone.

HEAVY SNOW this week spoiled some good skating on Beebe Lake.



VIEW ACROSS THE QUADRANGLE IN FRONT OF SIBLEY COLLEGE.

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## Making Friends of the Freshmen

THE third year of operation of the Freshman Advisory Committee is covered in the report of the chairman for this year, Robert W. White '15, of Brockport. The number of freshmen visited by members of the committee was 950. These freshmen were distributed about town as follows: Cascadilla Hall, 34; Williams Street and Highland Place, 47; Dryden Road, 110; Buffalo Street and DeWitt Place, 46; Bryant, Oak, and Elmwood Avenues, 40; Catherine, Cook, and Blair Streets, 66; Eddy Street, 58; Stewart Avenue, 126; University Avenue and Lake Street, 29; Delaware, Harvard, and Fairmont Avenues, 43; Osmun Place, Ferris Place, Seneca Street, and Quarry Street, 43; College Avenue, 114; Cornell Heights, 35; Sheldon Court, 54; Linden Avenue, 51; Aurora and State Streets, and downtown Y. M. C. A., 28; Albany and Tompkins Street section (down town), 26.

The committee this year was composed of twenty seniors and sixty juniors, an increase over last year of five seniors

and fifteen juniors. This enlargement was made in order to reach the freshmen more promptly and to complete the work earlier.

Members of the committee could not begin their rounds of visits until after registration day, but much work was done before that. Circular information was sent, during the summer, to prospective freshmen. Information booths were maintained at the railroad stations, at Goldwin Smith Hall, at Sheldon Court, and at the Ithaca Hotel. There were 416 freshmen who visited these booths in search of information, and 84 per cent of them made use of the one at Goldwin Smith Hall. The chairman recommends that all the booths be maintained next year except at the stations, where very few men applied for information.

In its work this year the Advisory Committee undertook to study and devise regulations for the student rooming business in Ithaca. In this work it cooperated with Mr. C. E. Cornell of the Board of Trustees. It found three par-

ticular things that needed attention. They were the work of rooming house agents, the question of contract between student and landlady, and the condition of houses with respect to sanitation, fire-escapes, etc.

### Room Agencies

A serious question was that of the rooming agent. There had been numerous agents whose customary compensation for renting a room was the first week's rent, with perhaps a bonus for filling a house. One bad result of this custom was that the agents tried to rent the more expensive rooms first, regardless of the amount which a freshman might be able to pay. Some agents had put guileless freshmen in rooms which were far from the Campus of which were undesirable for some other reason. The committee made a list of room agencies which had operated in 1913-14, found that only two which were to operate this year were worthy of approval, and persuaded those two to work in conjunction with Mr. Cornell and the chairman of the committee, in

return for recognition as approved agencies. An agreement was made providing that the agencies were to appoint their workers subject to the committee's approval; accept a uniform rate of compensation, \$2.50 a man; accept responsibility if clients complained, and make a report of their work at the end of the year. Their agents were to wear a distinctive hat. There were good results. The approved agencies placed about 250 freshmen. Few complaints were received. The average price of rooms rented by the approved agencies was \$2.75, as compared with \$3 last year, showing that more men were placed in the cheaper rooms. The work of the individual agents is characterized by the chairman of the Advisory Committee as "conscientious." Most of the men placed by them are on Dryden Road, College Avenue, Eddy Street, etc., within easy distance of the Campus. The Committee has not heard of any agent accepting a bribe, although agents reported many offers of bribes by landladies whose high-priced rooms were not filling rapidly. One man on Cook Street offered an agent the first week's rent and ten dollars extra, besides the regular fee, for every man placed in his house. Few independent agents were in the field this year. One group formed an organization which called itself "the Cornell Agency," but it did little business. The chairman says that the use of the name Cornell in such a manner should be forbidden. The number of freshmen placed by independent agents did not exceed fifty, but practically all of those fifty were placed far down town or in houses not on the list of approved rooming-houses. The chairman recommends that his successor follow the general plan used this year, but recognize a single agency, of about twenty-five men.

**Forms of Contract**

The question of the form of contract to be made between the student and the landlady was a knotty problem. Various forms of contract were found. At one extreme was the ironbound written contract with a clause like the following: "In order to avoid any possible misunderstanding later, gambling, the bringing in or use of intoxicating liquors, or rough-housing, will not be tolerated on the premises, either of which will be sufficient cause for request to vacate but does not relieve the obligations." That clause, with its queer grammar, was found in a form of contract used by several landladies in the Stewart

Avenue section. The "obligations" included, of course, the duty of the tenant to pay rent for the full year even if he were dispossessed of his room in the fall for "rough-housing" or for a game of penny-ante. "The legality of this contract," the chairman of the committee says, "is doubtful, but the landlady depends upon the freshman's parents to pay any reasonable [sic] amount of money rather than go into court with the case."

The other extreme of the room contract was found in the "verbal agreement." "The landlady tells the freshman that she doesn't require any contract, thus not binding herself to any ruling about light, rebates, furnishings, privileges, etc. However, if the freshman later desires to move, the landlady immediately consults a lawyer and the occupant or his parent is forced to pay the full amount or go into court with the cost. This latter instance occurs frequently and is one that should be stopped," the chairman says.

**Standard Form of Lease**

To help meet the difficulties arising from variety in the form of room contract, a standard form of lease was drafted by members of the faculty of the law school. Under this the tenant takes the room for the school year. The proprietor agrees to maintain furnishings of the kind and condition of those in the room at the date of contract; to care for and keep clean the room and bath; to provide sufficient heat and light, including adequate light at the study table; to permit the reasonable use of the proprietor's telephone; to provide suitable and sufficient facilities for escape in case of fire, and to prevent unnecessary noise. If the tenant leave the University on account of illness or deficiency in university work, or for other good and sufficient reason, he is to pay to the proprietor one-half of the contract rental for the balance of the current term, and upon such payment the contract is to terminate. The contract provides that if the parties disagree as to any matter of fact with respect to its performance, they shall submit their differences to a committee consisting of Mr. C. E. Cornell; the chairman of the Advisory Committee, and the University Proctor, and that the decision of those arbiters shall be final between the parties as to such matters of fact.

Satisfactory results have followed the use of that form of contract. Three hundred freshmen signed it at the be-

ginning of the school year, and only a few complaints have come from them, as compared with the number of complaints coming from those who had signed no contract. Many freshmen have obtained these contracts since they rented rooms under "verbal agreement" and have had the landladies sign them. The use of the standard contract is greatest in the district where the most freshmen were placed by the approved room agents. The chairman recommends that the use of the standard contract be made a precedent to the approval of any rooming house.

**Inspection of Rooming Houses**

In their visits to freshmen, the members of the committee gave particular attention to fire-escapes or the absence of them, and to sanitation. In these respects, the chairman reports, there has been a marked improvement in the last year as a result of agitation and inspection. The question of adequate fire protection is, however, a serious problem in certain localities. The report names several sections on the hill where houses ought to be reinspected and required to provide fire escapes. "The installation of ropes knotted every two feet would be an inexpensive precaution and would give fairly adequate protection to the students."

"In the cases where fire-escapes were poor," the report continues, "the sanitary conditions were only fair. Oftentimes one finds that characteristic odor of a poorly conducted house. It is the result of inadequate ventilation and a house old-fashioned in construction. \* \* \* As a rule the plumbing was found in good condition, the only fault being too few baths for the number living there. This is usually due to the tendency of the landlady to overcrowd her house. In some cases it must have been practically impossible for the men to study under the crowded conditions. This was especially true at —Stewart Avenue. There were 22 men rooming here, utilizing every available space for beds and desks.

**More Rooms Than Are Needed**

"The increase in the number of available rooms in Ithaca has apparently exceeded the growth of the University. No doubt this is caused by the remodeling of Cascadilla Hall, larger fraternity houses, and new rooming houses. As a result there are many of the medium and better classes of rooms unoccupied. This lack of roomers will probably tend to lower the renting price of these rooms for next year. With this excess of rooms,

I would recommend that the revised list of houses be compiled more carefully. The houses that do not have adequate fire-escapes or that are poor in architecture and sanitary conditions at the time of inspection should be omitted from the official list."

The chairman recommends that his successor have a list of suitable boarding houses compiled. The question of proper place for the new men to eat will not, he says, be solved until there is a commodious dining hall conducted by the University; but conditions would be much improved if the boarding houses were compelled to pass a certain rigid inspection and be conducted the same throughout the year.

#### Circulars Helped Freshmen

The circular literature sent to prospective freshmen in the summer included a map of the University environs, a list of the approved rooms, a copy of the standard contract, and a letter from the Advisory Committee. The letter explained the purpose of the committee, the danger of doing business with an independent room agent, and the advantage of the standard contract, called attention to the official information bureau to be maintained at registration time, and offered any possible aid. In reply, letters were received from all parts of the country, thanking the committee for the interest shown and the information given. Questions of all sorts were asked, from the possibility of obtaining employment to the advisability of bringing one's own bedclothes. The committee's statistics show that practically every freshman who received the letter was aided materially by it unless he had already made the arrangements necessary for his comfort. Of 641 men who received it, 470 said they had found it useful to them. One freshman said that the receipt of the committee's letter caused his parents to send him to Cornell. They had not decided which of three universities he should attend, but the information received from Ithaca in the committee's letter was of such a nature that the parents thought this University had an interest in their son and would treat him in the right manner.

Almost as useful as the letter was the list of rooms sent to the freshmen. Of the 641 men receiving the list, 392 used it to their advantage. Of them at least 54 selected their rooms from the list, wrote to the landladies and made contracts before they came to Ithaca.

One nuisance was entirely abated by the Advisory Committee this year. On

this point the report says: "One of the most annoying conditions at the opening of the University, increasing vigorously each year, has been the extreme competitions among the various competitors which would occur on the arrival of trains at the stations. Formerly only the rooming and laundry agents, and the university publications competitors, had to be contended with. However, with the present system of competition in use here, this condition had grown to include agents for pressing establishments, books, drill suits, baggage, and boarding houses in addition to the regular ones. With this mass of struggling men, each trying to sell his products to every freshman, it was perilous to alight. One would snatch the suitcase, another the musical instrument, and the freshman, becoming bewildered, signed everything in sight. \* \* \* To obviate this trouble it was decided that the rooming agents were the only ones necessary to have at the trains. The writer obtained the cooperation of all the business managers of the publications and laundries to keep their competitors away. They signed an agreement not to seek business below the Ithaca Hotel in State Street and above Bryant Avenue in Dryden Road. The cleaners and pressers have their own associations, which decided upon the same practice when they were asked to. The remaining smaller agents were interviewed and were kept well in check. These agreements were all lived up to, and instead of fifty or sixty agents at the steps of the coaches, there were only two authorized rooming agents for each exit. The plan has worked well this year and certainly should be continued in the future."

#### UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT

The registration returns for November 1, 1914, of thirty of the universities of the country have been compiled for *Science* by Professor John C. Burg, of Northwestern University. Cornell retains eighth place in point of size, not counting summer-session enrollment. The eight largest are Columbia (6,752), Pennsylvania (5,736), California (5,614), Michigan (5,522), New York University (5,415), Harvard (5,161), Illinois (5,137), and Cornell (5,078). Inclusion of summer-session figures makes changes in the order of size and puts Cornell in ninth place, with 5,939. Illinois now has more students in engineering (1,406) than Cornell (1,363). Cornell has the largest school of agriculture, with 1,535 students.

## Lectures on Citizenship

### Eminent Non-Residents to Speak Here in the Second Term

A Course in Citizenship is to be given at the University during the second term. The course will consist of lectures each Monday by a non-resident lecturer and each Wednesday by a member of the department of political science. The non-resident lecturers chosen are persons actively engaged in social and civic work. Alumni, represented by the Cornell Civic and Social Committee, are co-operating in arranging and carrying out this course. The class periods alternating with the lectures will be under the direction of Professor W. F. Willcox. Text book, collateral reading, and brief papers will be required. Members of the class will subscribe for *The Survey* for the half-year. Two hours credit will be given. Students who took the course in citizenship last year may take this and receive credit.

A syllabus has been prepared which contains a preliminary statement of the course, made by the Cornell Civic and Social Committee, as follows:

#### Purpose of the Course

"It is the purpose of this course to broaden, enrich and humanize the student's conception of citizenship. From the lectures and discussions it is hoped that he will gain a clearer understanding of great social problems and especially of his own future relations to them. The subjects considered are different from those in last year's course because the variety and scope of problems with which the American citizen has to deal are so great that they cannot be outlined in a single semester. The spirit of the course is practical and constructive; the lecturers are all actively engaged in the fields with which they deal.

"This year several of the lecturers will describe the social duties and responsibilities of members of certain professions. Enlightened business and professional men recognize more clearly than ever before the human relationships of their work in its effect upon the welfare of human society. It is this aspect of their own professional life that these lecturers will endeavor to present. The social value of the individual's work in earning his livelihood is an important and fruitful field for discussion which falls quite naturally within the purpose of this course.

"Arrangements will be made to facilitate personal conferences with the lecturers. These, together with the second

hour a week under the resident professor, will give opportunity to discuss and correlate the subjects presented."

On another page of the syllabus the value of such a course in the curriculum is suggested under the title "Our Need of Citizens":

"It is the experience of those who are actively engaged in civic and social work that even the most advanced communities have produced only a small group of citizens who realize their responsibilities and have both the will and the knowledge to render effective service. Upon this small group falls the burden. Sometimes they have the sympathy and support of a much larger group of citizens who, while unwilling or unable to do their full share, at least uphold the hands of the leaders. Then there is progress. \* \* \* To make of all the peoples and tribes that are pouring into America a strong, enlightened, homogeneous, self-governing nation is far more difficult than it was to conquer the wilderness. It calls not for the sum total of our individual efforts but for the vastly greater power that comes through concerted effort. \* \* \*

We must have an increasing number of citizens who do their share of the work, who feel their responsibility, who know the tasks that must be done and who are willing to give time and thought and effort. The work is too great for small groups, even when they have support instead of opposition. We must broaden the basis of our democracy, make of those potential citizens who content themselves with casting a ballot real citizens who take an active part in the task of making America a constantly better land in which to live and work."

#### The Non-Resident Lecturers

Following is the list of speakers and subjects for the non-resident lectures:

"The citizen and his neighborhood": Neighborhood life, neighborhood democracy, neighborhood organization and neighborhood co-operation. Speaker: Mrs. V. G. Simkhovitch (Boston University, 1890), director of Greenwich Neighborhood Home, New York City. February 15.

"The citizen and municipal affairs": How the management of the city affects the individual citizen and how the individual citizen may affect the management of city affairs. Speaker: George E. Hooker (Amherst, 1883), secretary, City Club of Chicago since 1903. February 22.

"The citizen and the state": Plans incomplete.

"The citizen and taxation": Taxation not a burden but a means of securing necessary results more effectively and economically than is possible by private action; what a citizen's attitude toward taxation should be. Speaker: Lawson Purdy (Trinity College, Conn., 1884), president of the department of taxes and assessments of New York City since 1906, and for ten years prior to that date secretary to the New York State Tax Reform Association. March 8.

"The citizen and town planning": Purpose of town planning is to facilitate business, to provide for expansion along sane lines and to make the town a wholesomer, more convenient and pleasanter place in which to live; the citizen's part in furthering this purpose. Speaker: Edward H. Bennett (Ecole des Beaux Arts, Paris), Chicago, Ill.; associated with Mr. D. H. Burnham in planning Chicago and San Francisco; cities personally planned by him for further expansion and development include Portland, Minneapolis, Detroit, Brooklyn, and Ottawa. March 15.

"The citizen and the immigrant in America": Immigration as a world-wide movement and the results of immigration upon the development of the United States; importance of plans for understanding assimilation; the advantages we may expect to follow assimilation; assimilation as the process both of developing the immigrant for America and developing America through the immigrant. Speaker: Miss Jane Addams (Rockford College, 1881), head resident of Hull House, Chicago. March 22.

"The citizen and child labor": Extent of child labor; harmful and beneficial; significance of child labor, economic, civic, physical, mental, moral, social; changes economic, civic and moral that may be expected to follow abolition of harmful child labor. Speaker: Owen R. Lovejoy (Albion College, 1891), general secretary of the National Child Labor Committee. March 29.

"Citizenship in business": Business as it affects the community, the consumer and those engaged in the business; the business man's opportunities. Speaker: Edward A. Filene, Boston, Mass., president of Wm. Filene's Sons Co. April 12.

"The teacher as a citizen": The teacher's peculiar opportunity to influence others, both of this and the coming generation. Speaker: John H. Finley (Knox College, 1887), Commis-

sioner of Education of the State of New York. April 19.

"Citizenship in the administration of justice." The class will attend the lecture for the day in the series on justice in the modern city by Professor Roscoe Pound (University of Nebraska, 1888), Carter professor of jurisprudence in Harvard. April 26.

"The engineer as a citizen": Engineering fundamentally a public service; value of the scientific point of view in the solution of political and social problems; necessity of social and economic training and breadth of vision, in order to realize the possibilities of the engineer in public service. Speaker: Morris Knowles (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1891), director of the department of sanitary engineering and valuation of public utilities, University of Pittsburgh. May 3.

"Rural citizenship": Rural community reconstruction; city and country independence; the statesmanship of rural affairs. Speaker: Kenyon L. Butterfield (Michigan Agricultural College, 1891), president of Massachusetts Agricultural College. May 10.

"The citizen as a public official": The opportunities and obligations of the private citizen; how co-operation between official and citizen may be encouraged and maintained; what has been accomplished in New York by the pursuance of progressive municipal policies and what may be hoped for from the continuation and extension of such policies. Speaker: George McAneny, President of the Board of Aldermen, New York City. May 17.

"What type of citizenship does America need?" The proper balance between private interests and public interests. Speaker: Jeremiah W. Jenks (Michigan, 1878), director of the division of public affairs, New York University.

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THE amount of good work done by the Freshman Advisory Committee is only suggested in the report of the chairman, summarized in this number. Little is said about the moral effect upon nine hundred and fifty freshmen of receiving visits from upperclassmen with offers of sympathy, advice, and assistance. But one can guess how much such a visit may mean for many a newcomer to a big university, in encouragement and in good feeling toward his fellow students. When the work was planned, three years ago, its chief object was to smooth the way for freshmen by means of these visits soon after registration day, but the first committee, in 1912, found unsuspected fields of work opening before it. One of these was the improvement of the conditions surrounding freshmen in some Ithaca rooming houses. Last year members of the committee were instructed to report what they observed as to fire protection and sanitation. What they reported led to a recommenda-

tion by the committee that the Board of Trustees provide for a yearly inspection of rooming houses. Such a provision was made. The present report says that improvement has already been accomplished and that there is room for more. Some things were learned last year about room agencies and room contracts which led the committee this year to make a special study of those matters, with good results which the chairman relates in his report. Another innovation of this year's committee was the sending of a circular letter to prospective freshmen in the summer. The letter anticipated a good many of the difficulties which freshmen encounter on their arrival at college, and helped to remove them.

ALUMNI CO-OPERATION in the work of the University is admirably accomplished by the Cornell Civic and Social Committee. That committee is an association of Cornellians who are engaged, most of them professionally, in work designed to improve civic, social, and living conditions in this country. Some of them are in organizations like the Russell Sage Foundation and the National Housing Association. Others are employed in local philanthropy or local charity organization. The committee suggested to the University a course of lectures on citizenship and helped in making the arrangements for them. The course was given during the first term of 1913-14. It was so successful that a similar course, but with different subjects and different speakers, has been arranged for the second term of this year. An outline of the course is given on another page.

#### CORRECTION

In the printing of a biographical sketch of Henry J. Patten '84, a nominee for Alumni Trustee, in the NEWS last week, several words which were in the copy were omitted. In the corrected sentence below the omitted words are in italics: "He is a non-resident member of the *Cornell University Club of New York City*, and is a resident member of the University Club of Chicago, the Union League Club of Chicago, the University Club of Evanston, the Glen View Golf Club, and various other clubs and similar organizations."

INSTRUCTOR: "What are the properties of nitrous oxide?" Pupil (1918): "It is a gas which when breathed causes people to laugh and therefore is used in dentistry."—*The Cornell Chemist*.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE ON THE CORNELL CAMPUS

*R. L. Burdick in The Conning Tower of the New York Tribune*

At dusk I trudged the whited hill,  
Now still and lone, save that the brook,  
As yet unbound by wintry chill,  
Sang on its song of School and Book.

Ahead loomed out the lighted face  
Of Time—the clock entowered high—  
Whose hands showed six through dark-  
ening space,  
And chimes rang vibrant to the sky.

"It came upon a midnight clear,"  
They pealed; nor any creed on earth  
But must have stopped, as I, to hear  
The message of the Teacher's birth.

The strains, now faint, now seeming near  
As blew the wind, dispelled the cold  
And I, pulse-quicken'd by the cheer,  
Trudged on; my leaden cloud now gold.

#### CORNELL CLUB OF NEW YORK

At the last meeting of the Board of Governors of the Cornell University Club of New York, held December 21, the following men were elected to membership in the club: Cornelius F. Roland '09, Lester S. Brady '13, Professor H. N. Ogden '89, W. A. Backus '10, Warren Murdock '13, Robert Plaut '14, Dorsey W. Hyde, jr., '13, Albert L. Nachmann '05, John William Peters '13, Edward L. Bernays '12, and Allen D. Meaney '16.

The Long Island Club, an undergraduate organization, held its annual dinner at the Cornell University Club of New York on January 2. More than thirty men were present.

On January 4, before the concert and dance at the Waldorf-Astoria, the Cornell University Club of New York entertained the members of the glee and mandolin clubs with a dinner at the clubhouse. More than seventy men sat down to the dinner.

#### MINNESOTA

Plans are near completion for the forming of a Cornell alumni association to cover Minnesota, Northern Wisconsin, and the Dakotas. O. L. Taylor '81, D. R. Cotton '05, and C. Ray Vincent '08 are undertaking to start and complete the formation of such an association, and as a beginning they are arranging for a dinner to be given Tuesday, February 2, at the new University Club of Saint Paul. Professor D. S. Kimball

will be present to speak on Cornell matters, and the Star Theatre's motion pictures of Campus life will be shown. Since the completion in 1912 of the University Club building at a cost of \$150,000, that club has been a successful incentive toward the forming of many active and useful alumni associations. That new club was made possible through the personal efforts of D. R. Cotton '05, as chairman of the building committee, and as chairman of the house committee, and now as president of the club. A Cornell association has been noticeably absent. Information about the dinner may be obtained of C. Ray Vincent, 1404 Pioneer Building, Saint Paul, Minn.

**ALUMNI CALENDAR**

**Friday, January 22.**

*Baltimore.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell Alumni Association of Maryland.

*New York.*—Annual banquet and reunion of the Cornell Society of Civil Engineers, at the Hotel McAlpin, Friday evening, January 22. This banquet is for all Cornell engineers and their guests. All those desiring to attend should advise the treasurer, W. S. Edge, 1 Liberty Street, New York.

*Newark.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell Alumni Association of Northern New Jersey.

**Saturday, January 23.**

*Boston.*—The 17th annual banquet of the Cornell Club of New England will be held on Saturday evening, January 23. The toastmaster will be Dr. George W. Nasmyth '07, founder of the international association of Cosmopolitan Clubs. The representative from the Faculty will be the well known and well liked Professor D. S. Kimball. Warren Ogden '01 will speak as the representative of the Associate Alumni. A quartet of former Glee Club stars is rehearsing all the old favorites. The Boston members of the club are making special plans for the entertainment of out-of-town Cornell men who will attend the banquet.

*Philadelphia.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell Club of Philadelphia.

**Wednesday, January 27.**

*Pittsburgh.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell Club of Western Pennsylvania, at the Union Club, First National Bank Building. President Schurman will be the guest of honor. Tickets from K. W. Gass, 125 Stratford Avenue.

**Thursday, January 28.**

*Cincinnati.*—An informal dinner of Cornell men of Cincinnati will be held

at the University Club on Thursday evening, January 28. President Schurman will be the guest of the association at that time. All Cornell men in the vicinity of Cincinnati are cordially invited. All communications may be addressed to Julian A. Pollak, the Pollak Steel Company, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Friday, January 29.**

*Indianapolis.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell Alumni Association of Indiana.

*Milwaukee.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell Alumni Association of Milwaukee.

**Saturday, January 30.**

*Chicago.*—Annual banquet of the Cornell University Association of Chicago.

*Wilkes-Barre, Pa.*—The Luzerne County Cornell Club will hold its second meeting at the Hotel Redington on Saturday, January 30. Supper at 6:30 p. m. Tickets seventy-five cents. All Cornell men in this vicinity are invited to attend. Send your name to E. B. Wagner, Secretary, 56 North Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre.

**Tuesday, February 2.**

*St. Paul, Minn.*—A Cornell alumni dinner will be held on February 2, at the new University Club in St. Paul, for all Cornell men in Minnesota, Northern Wisconsin, and the Dakotas. Professor D. S. Kimball will be present to speak of recent developments at Cornell, and the Star Theatre motion pictures of the Campus, etc., will be exhibited. Steps will be taken to form a permanent alumni association. For information about the dinner, address C. Ray Vincent, 1404 Pioneer Building, St. Paul, Minn.

**OBITUARY**

**George D. Bills ['74]**

George Dudley Bills died suddenly of heart failure at his home in Oak Park, Chicago, Ill., on January 6. Mr. Bills entered Cornell in 1871 as a sophomore and remained two years. He was engaged in business in Chicago for many years, and at the time of his death he was president of George D. Bills & Co., wholesale dealers in fruits and vegetables. He was a member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He leaves a son, George D. Bills, jr., of the class of 1908.

**D. Maujer McLaughlin '98**

Daniel Maujer McLaughlin, who was a student here for four years (1894-98), died on January 3 at his home in Brooklyn. He had been engaged in the real estate business. A widow survives him.

McLaughlin took part in many student activities when he was an undergraduate. He played football, being a member of the varsity team in his sophomore year. He was football manager in his senior year. He was business manager of the *Sun* and president of his class in junior year. He was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity and of Sphinx Head.

**J. H. Pettit '00**

James Harvey Pettit, professor in the college of agriculture of the University of Illinois, died on December 30 at Long Beach, California. He was on leave of absence from the university and had gone to California for his health. His wife and a son survive him.

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## Cosmopolitan Decennial

### A Three-Day Celebration

January 11, the birthday of Ezra Cornell, is also the birthday of the Cornell Cosmopolitan Club. This year the members of the club celebrated the tenth anniversary of its foundation with a celebration which lasted three days. It began with an opening reception on January 9 and closed with an "international banquet" on the 11th. The remarkable growth of the club since its foundation in 1905 was fittingly celebrated by an excellent list of speakers. The rapid development of the Cosmopolitan movement at Cornell, and its significance at the present time, was the theme of the entire meeting. Dr. George W. Nasmyth '07, and Dr. John Mez, of Munich, were the principal speakers at the opening reception. Dr. Nasmyth spoke on "The World State: its Obstacles and Advantages," and Dr. Mez entitled his remarks "Something Neutral." Suh Hu '14, president of the club last year and chairman of the committee in charge of the celebration, spoke on "What We Stand For." His talk, which he has summarized for the NEWS, gives his idea of the meaning of the Cosmopolitan movement as follows:

#### Address of Suh Hu

"The ideals for which we stand, can be summed up in the words of Goldwin Smith which have now become the motto of the Cosmopolitan Club movement: 'Above all nations is Humanity.' This motto, like every other epigrammatic truth, needs concrete interpretation. In my humble opinion, two interpretations may be suggested. First, applied to the race question, this motto means that above all external differences of race, nationality, religion, language, and custom,—there is something common to all men, something of universal appeal, namely, their humanity. As Burns has well said, 'A man's a man for a' that.' It is this belief in the humanity of men that has led this Club to open its doors to all men, irrespective of race, religion, or pecuniary conditions.

"Secondly, applied to the problem of international relations, this motto means, to us at least, a possible solution of the great political difficulties which the world will have to face ere long. The most important question is: Shall the world continue to believe that my country, my *Kultur*, must be *ueber alles?* or shall the law of the nations in the future be this: That higher above all nations, there is a 'Higher Nationality', to use Lord Haldane's happy

phrase? This Higher Nationality, we believe, is Humanity. This Club never stands for anti-patriotism. It only wishes to internationalize our nationalism, so to speak."

#### International Banquet

On Sunday a luncheon was given to the alumni members of the club, some of whom had returned to Ithaca. In the evening the members gathered in the clubhouse for a "fireside party" before the big fireplace. On Monday evening the entire membership of the club and numerous guests, about 400 in all, assembled in the clubhouse for the international banquet. The menu, beginning with "Cosmopolitan gumbo," included dishes peculiar to nine of the more important nations represented in the club. The *piece de resistance* was American roast turkey.

The address of welcome was given by the president of the club, H. Blanco-Morales '15, of San Juan, Porto Rico. Suh Hu spoke on the recent convention at Columbus, Ohio, of the Cosmopolitan Clubs of America, which he attended. Rodolfo Roth '05, one of the founders, and Dr. Nasmyth responded to a toast to the alumni. Dr. Nasmyth spoke of the alumni as the "heritage" of the club, the men who have the secret of the redemption of society from war. "The world needs the leadership we can give. We must prepare the way for the great constructive policy of the future," he said. Professor Nathaniel Schmidt, in a speech entitled "After the War—What?" characterized cosmopolitanism as the spirit of fraternity which will ultimately create a true brotherhood of man. War, he said, was as unnatural as slavery, and was created solely by men, who could abolish it. The reaction after the war, Professor Schmidt believed, would be toward an extension of democracy everywhere. Questions as to peace and war would be put into the hands of the people. He continued: "It is the work of the cosmopolitans of to-day to construct one human race, bound together by one bond of humanity, the spirit of the world."

President Schurman attended the banquet with the Hon. Samuel W. McCall, the Founder's Day orator. Mr. McCall made a short speech in which he said that the banquet was the most interesting part of Cornell that he had seen. The meeting of so many different nationalities he called "a ray of hope." He also prophesied that such organizations might easily be in future the means of settling international differences.

President Schurman outlined the early life of Ezra Cornell, touching upon the coincidence in date of his birthday with that of the club's foundation. Dr. Mez, who is the president of the Corda Fratres, International Federation of Students, gave a "Corda Fratres Message" to the Cornell chapter.

Professor F. A. Barnes, of the College of Civil Engineering, acted as toastmaster. The program was dedicated to him in the following words: "To Professor Fred Asa Barnes, for ten years the most faithful worker for the club, this program is dedicated with our gratitude and affection." The committee in charge of the banquet was as follows: Suh Hu '14, Shanghai, China, chairman; F. Cucurullo '15, Brooklyn; C. Dedlow '15, Johannesburg, South Africa; E. G. Fleming '15, Buffalo; L. E. Freudenthal '16, Solomonville, Ariz.; J. B. Shepard, grad., Buffalo.

On the program were printed the following verses written by Suh Hu:

"Let here begin a Brotherhood of Man,  
Wherein the West shall freely meet the East,  
And man greet man as man—greatest as least.  
To know and love each other is our plan."

So spoke our Founders; so our work began;  
We made no place for pleasant dance and feast,  
But each man of us vowed to serve as priest  
In mankind's holy war and lead the van.

What have we done in ten years passed away?  
Little, perhaps: no *one* grain salts the sea.  
But we have faith that come it will—that Day—  
When these our dreams no longer dreams shall be,  
And every nation on the earth shall say:  
Above all nations is humanity!

### The Ninety-Four Prize

Won by L. Y. Gaberman '15, of Hartford, Conn.

The Ninety-Four Memorial Prize in debate was awarded last Saturday night to Louis Yurlic Gaberman, of Hartford, Conn., a senior in the College of Law. The other contestants were S. S. Leibowitz '15, Brooklyn; E. M. Ostrofsky '15, Brooklyn; E. D. Rogers '16, Brooklyn; R. P. Sanford '16, Ithaca; and H. A. Wichelns '16, Brooklyn. The prize is \$94, the income of a fund given by the class of 1894.

The judges of the contest were W. P. Chapman '95, of New York, the first winner of the '94; W. W. Taylor '07, of Brooklyn, a former winner of the Woodford Prize; and the Right Rev. David H. Greer, Bishop of New York. President Schurman presided. About 600 persons heard the debate.

The proposition debated was: "Resolved, that in view of the present situation the United States should take immediate steps to increase its army and

navy." Gaberman, the winner, took the negative side, and based his argument on the contention that the United States was not likely to be drawn into the present war. The same proposition will be debated later in the year by the triangular debate league, composed of Cornell, Columbia, and Pennsylvania.

### Musical Tour a Success

#### Glee and Mandolin Clubs were Splendidly Entertained

The Cornell Musical Clubs made a distinct social and artistic success in their Christmas trip, judging from the flattering comments of the newspapers in the towns they visited. The sixty men who made the trip gave excellent entertainment to very good houses and were excellently entertained in turn by the alumni of the various cities.

The clubs left Ithaca on Wednesday, December 23, for Denver. They stopped in Chicago for dinner at the University Club Friday night, had Christmas dinner on the train, and arrived in Denver Saturday. Here they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. James at breakfast at the James home, and at noon attended a luncheon given for them by Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Coors, at their home in Golden. In the afternoon a dance was given for the clubs by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Phipps at the Country Club. After the concert that night the men were entertained at a smoker by the Rocky Mountain Cornell Association.

In Omaha the alumni had arranged an automobile ride to Council Bluffs which was taken by most of the men. They were entertained in the afternoon at a tea dance given by Mrs. Barton Millard, a relative of H. E. Millard '16, of the mandolin club. After the concert a ball was given by the alumni at the Rome Hotel.

An automobile ride, a tea dance, and a smoker were the affairs of the day in Kansas City. In St. Louis on the 30th a tea dance was given for the clubs by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ittner. The Cornell Club of St. Louis gave a smoker after the concert at the St. Louis Club.

The New Year's Eve concert was given in Milwaukee. Here the alumni took the clubs to the theatre in the afternoon, and entertained them at the Palm Garden after the concert.

At Chicago the clubs were put up at the University Club, where Professor Dann joined them for a rehearsal. The men attended the annual New Year's reception of the University Club. The

concert that night at Orchestra Hall attracted the largest audience that ever attended a Cornell Musical Clubs concert, about 2700 persons. The management had agreed that after the musical clubs had taken their expenses from the proceeds of the seat sale, the remainder should be given to the Junior League, a local charitable organization. Through this plan very effective advertising was obtained, and the clubs fared better financially than they would have done without the co-operation of the Junior League. The League received more than a thousand dollars in profits.

The clubs left Chicago for Toledo, where they were entertained at a tea dance at the Hotel Secor given by the alumni. Immediately after the concert they left Toledo for New York, where the final concert of the trip was given on January 4 at the Waldorf. The concert, given in the grand ball room, was followed immediately by a dance. The clubs returned to Ithaca that night, arriving on the morning of January 5, the day instruction was resumed.

### A Letter from the Trenches

#### Professor Mauxion Writes of His Life on the Firing Line

A letter, dated December 16, has been received by Professor George Young from Professor Georges Mauxion, who left his work in the College of Architecture to join the French reserves immediately after the beginning of the war. He does not, of course, tell where he is, but he appends to his letter an address which will carry messages to him in France. His letter follows:

"DEAR PROFESSOR YOUNG: You wrote me a few days ago asking me to speak of soldier life. It is very quiet and rather sad, only sometimes a noisy shell comes to break our relative rest.

"Just now we are in the north of France, near the Germans and always more and more near. Every ten days, about, we have some days of rest, back of the firing line, and during these few days (which are of the shortest) we can wash our linen and clean our faces, hands, etc., which are sometimes coated with mud. For baths—quite impossible. Generally for these few days we are in a small town where many things are lacking—so many soldiers living here and the inhabitants having evacuated.

"During the time when we are on the firing line (sometimes 300 feet from the enemy) we do not sleep. We live in the "tranchées" (long excavations, all along the firing line which are about

four feet deep and three feet wide, sheltered very seldom). Naturally when it is raining our feet and legs are very damp; but it is war.

"Everybody is obliged to be ready, night and day, to fight.

"Sometimes we are in second line. That means a little bit more quiet, also there the living is more comfortable, shelters with fires for the soldiers; and for the meals, they are served sufficiently warm abundantly. Something very remarkable for those not used to it is to see in a large field, where perhaps 20,000 men are living, only ten or twenty men in sight. The others are walking in roads below the ground, where you find fires, kitchens, straw beds, etc. Also, during the nights all these people are running about doing what they have to do.

"Naturally a bad friend is the aeroplane. A year ago everyone was going out of doors to see it as a curiosity, but now it is the contrary, for very often if this sad bird sees something he goes to tell what he saw to some cannon which at once send us their salutations. But everyone becomes acquainted with the bullet and I am surprised to see the soldiers laughing at the thrilling of the bullets crossing the air.

"As you know the two armies are in waiting and there is little fighting now, but maybe very soon—I don't know \* \* \*

But you are in a neutral country and be content to remain neutral. History later will tell the truth.

"I hope to find a day soon when I can write quietly about many small things but now I am too nervous and the time is very short.

"My regards, etc. \* \* \*

"GEORGES MAUXION, Sous Lieutenant, 20<sup>ie</sup> Campagnie, 5 Bataillon, 250 Regt. Infanterie, 62 Division de Réserve, Lecteur Postal No. 86."

FARMERS' WEEK at the College of Agriculture will be February 8 to 13. On the basis of attendance in other years it is estimated by the college authorities that there should be at least 3,500 persons present. Besides the lectures, exhibits, and practical demonstrations on various farm subjects, there will be held a large number of conventions or conferences of societies which deal with agriculture and allied interests. Among such will be meetings of the state drainage convention, floral club federations, the state poultry association, rural engineering society, home-makers' conference, vegetable growers' association, and the country church conference.

# ATHLETICS

## Basketball

### Cornell, 28 : Pennsylvania, 25

The team defeated Pennsylvania's five, its first league opponent, at Philadelphia on January 9, in a game remarkable for number of fouls called by the referee. Each team had twenty chances to shoot goals from fouls. Cornell scored sixteen points in this way, and Pennsylvania fifteen. The final total score was 28 for Cornell and 25 for Pennsylvania. The score at the end of the first half was 15 to 15. Of Cornell's score at that time seven points, and of Pennsylvania's score five points, were from foul goals. In the second half each team made only one goal from the field, but Cornell made more goals from fouls and so won the game. The summary :

<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Pennsylvania</i>
Brown.....right forward.....	McNichol
Lunden.....left forward.....	Williamson
Haeberle.....center.....	Seelbach
Ashmead.....right guard.....	Evans
Jandorf.....left guard.....	Wallace

Field goals—Cornell: Brown 2, Lunden, Haeberle, Jandorf, Ashmead; Pennsylvania: Seelbach 2, Williamson, Wallace, Evans. Goals substitutions—Hardwick for Evans, Bullitt for Williamson. Referee—Mr. Millick.

### Cornell, 57; Buffalo, 19

In the Armory on January 11 the five of the University of Buffalo was defeated by a team of Cornell substitutes, 57 to 19. The Cornell players at the beginning of the game were Younglove, Roth, Sutterby, Wilson, and Shelton.

### Cornell, 24: Union, 18

Coming from behind in the second half, Cornell defeated Union in a non-league game in the Armory on January 6 by a score of 24 to 18. Union appeared much faster in the first half and forced the playing throughout, but careful guarding kept the scoring down. Two field goals and a foul put Union in the lead at once. Then Brown scored three foul goals for Cornell, and followed these with two field goals, completing the scoring for Cornell in the first half. Another field goal and three fouls, thrown by Houghton for Union, made the score 10 to 7.

Cornell began the second half with a rush. Ashmead and Lunden each scored from the field. Cornell fouled and Houghton missed his only free throw of nine attempts. The score was tied at 14-all for some time, but a flash of clever team work and accurate shooting gave Cornell four successive baskets. The lead of eight points was enough to

win, although Union scored two field goals just before the whistle blew.

The line-up :

<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Union</i>
Brown.....right forward.....	J. Beaver
Lunden.....left forward.....	Haubner
Haeberle.....center.....	Woods
Ashmead.....right guard.....	D. Beaver
Jandorf.....left guard.....	Houghton

Goals from field—Cornell: Brown 3, Lunden 3, Ashmead 2, Haeberle 2; Union: Houghton 2, Woods, J. Beaver, D. Beaver. Goals from fouls—Houghton, 8 out of 9; Brown, 4 out of 8. No substitutions. Time of halves—20 minutes. Referee—Thorpe of Columbia.

## Hockey

### Harvard Team Wins an Easy Victory Over the Cornell Seven

Harvard's hockey team defeated the Cornell seven last Saturday night in the Boston Arena, by the score of 8 to 1. The Cornell seven, after forcing the play throughout the first half, went to pieces entirely. Absence of team play on Cornell's part was the chief factor in Harvard's victory. In the first half, the clever individual work of the Cornell forwards kept the puck in Harvard territory most of the time. In nine minutes Barbour scored the first goal on a long low shot from the side of the rink after dribbling the puck down the side boards unassisted. This was the only score in the first period. Early in the second half the Cornell forwards began to tire from their individual efforts, and when Babbitt, the clever rover, was banished for two minutes for rough play, the team seemed to be demoralized. The Crimson scored two goals in quick succession. Two more goals were the signal for the appearance of a complete set of Harvard substitutes. These fresh players skated all around the Cornell team, who had only one substitute to put in. The summary :

<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Harvard</i>
Beebee.....goal.....	Wylde
Hunter.....point.....	Morgan
Hill.....cover point.....	Claffin
Babbitt.....rover.....	Phillips
Kent.....centre.....	Townsend
Harding.....left wing.....	Curtis
Barbour.....right wing.....	Baldwin

Substitutes—Maury for Kent, Fisher for Curtis, Wanamaker for Townsend, Baker for Phillips, Kissel for Baldwin, Bliss for Kissel, Doty for Claffin, Clark for Morgan, Eckfeldt for Clark, Hart for Wylde. Goals—Barbour, Townsend 2, Wanamaker 2, Morgan, Baldwin, Fisher, Bliss. Referee—Tingley. Time of halves—20 minutes.

**Association Football.**—Cornell is ranked third in the intercollegiate league, all games played. Pennsylvania is first and Harvard is second. The other contestants were Columbia, Princeton, Yale and Haverford.

The Walking Club plans to hold a three-mile ski race on the Campus on January 16.

# ALUMNI NOTES

'83, B.S.; '86, M.S.; '07, Ph.D.—At the recent convocation of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Professor Charles S. Prosser, of Ohio State University, was made vice-president of the section of geology and geography for the next convocation, which will be held at Columbus, Ohio, in December, 1915.

'96, Ph.B.—William C. Truman was elected supervisor of the village of Owego, N. Y., on January 5. He was the only candidate in the village election who ran on both the Republican and the Citizens tickets.

'97, LL.B.—Bradley Fuller, of Utica, N. Y., is district attorney of Oneida County.

'97, M.E.—Kenneth E. Stuart has changed his address from Philadelphia to No. 2 Broad St. Place, London, England. He is with the International Pneumatic Tube Company.

'01, B.S.A.; '04, A.M.—A. G. Ruggles was promoted last June from assistant professor to associate professor of entomology in the college of agriculture, University of Minnesota. He was a delegate from that division of the college to the recent convocation of the American Association for the Advancement of Science at Philadelphia.

'02—Earle H. Gimper is manager of the Citrus Belt Gas Company at Corona, California.

'03, A.B.—Raxley F. Weber is occupied with bibliographical work on the rubber industry, in the offices of the United States Rubber Company, in New York.

'03, F.E.—Asa S. Williams, who is a forest engineer in British Columbia, recently suffered severe injuries in an accident. He writes from St. Luke's Hospital, Powell River, B. C., that he had a foot crushed, a leg broken, and his skull fractured, but that he is now on the way to recovery.

'05, Law—Paul E. Lesh is a member of the firm of Wilson, Huidekoper & Lesh, just formed for the practice of law, with offices in the Wilkins Building, 1512 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. His partners are Nathaniel Wilson, Clarence R. Wilson, lately United States Attorney, District of Columbia, and Reginald S. Huidekoper, lately Assistant United States Attorney in the same district.

'05, B.S.A.—Carol Aronovici's present

office address is 425 South Fifteenth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

'06, A.B.; '08, LL.B.—John D. Collins, of Ithaca, has been appointed by Governor Whitman to be district attorney of Tompkins County. He succeeds Morris S. Halliday '06, who resigned after his election to the State Senate.

'07, LL.B.—Blaine F. Sturgis, of Medina, N. Y., has been appointed a deputy in the Attorney General's office at Albany. Sturgis has been in the law office of L'Hommedieu & Whedon at Medina. He was the Republican candidate for member of Assembly in 1913.

'07, A.B.—A note in the NEWS of December 24 (page 165), respecting Robert Stanton, was incorrect because of a typographical omission. Stanton has enlisted in the French army for the war, and has been assigned to the English army, where he is attached to the staff as an interpreter and chauffeur.

'08, M.E.—Mr. W. W. Allen, of Camden, N. J., has announced the engagement of his daughter Linda to O. F. Woodworth of Grenloch, N. J.

'08, M.E.; '12, M.M.E.—Announcement has been made of T. Carlile Ulbricht's engagement to Miss Beatrice Alexander Himely, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Himely, of Havana and New York. Ulbricht is with the Havana Electric Railway, Light & Power Company.

'09, M.E.—Announcement has been made of Lockwood Hill's engagement to Miss Katherine Gatch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elias S. Gatch, of St. Louis, Mo.

'09, C.E.—R. Y. Thatcher was married to Miss Gertrude Krull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Krull, of Buffalo, N. Y., on December 26. Their address is 300 Baynes Street, Buffalo. Thatcher is in the engineering department of the New York Central Railroad, and has been in charge of grade crossing work on the Buffalo belt line during the last summer and fall.

'10, LL.B.—James N. Gehring, of Manhasset, has been appointed transfer appraiser for Nassau County, N. Y.

'11—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Gould, jr., at Seneca Falls, N. Y., on December 24, and has been named S. S. Gould 3d.

'11, M.E.—Manuel F. Galdo is at Cardenas, Cuba. He is chief engineer of the plants of M. Galdo, manufacturer of machinery, and is a consulting engineer for sugar factories. He expects

soon to open an office as consulting engineer in South America in partnership with F. J. Casablanca, M.E. '11.

'11, M.E.—Herbert B. Reynolds is in the motive power department of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and lives at 61 West Seventy-first Street, New York.

'11, M.E.—Ralph E. Chapman's address is 1710 Caton Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. He is a mechanical engineer with the Merritt & Chapman Derrick & Wrecking Company, 17 Battery Place, New York.

'12—A second son, Russel Davenport, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Erle E. Devlin, of Cynwyd, Pa., on September 10 last.

'12, M.E.—Joseph Kastner, jr., represents the John Thomson Press Company in the Middle West, with headquarters

in Cincinnati. He was married to Miss Agnes V. Richter of Boonton, N. J., on June 30, 1914, and now lives at 2811 Highland Avenue, Cincinnati.

'12, M.E.—Alfred Bonney, jr., is with the Youngstown division of the National Lamp Works of the General Electric Company. He lives at 403 Falls Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio. He has a daughter, Dorothy Rapalje, born on July 23, 1914.

'12, A.B.—Mr. William Bullivant, of Port Jervis, N. Y., announces the engagement of his daughter, Annie Millington Bullivant ('12), to Karl Erwin Pfeiffer ('12), of Scarsdale, N. Y.

'12, LL.B.—William E. Hawke's address is 31 Holyoke Street, Malden, Mass. He is traveling auditor for the Stone & Webster Management Association, of Boston, managers of public

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'12, M.E.; '13, A.B.—A daughter who has been named Elizabeth Ellsworth Carson was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dale B. Carson at New York City on January 4.

'12, M.E.—Charles Winfred Harper was married to Miss Mabel Virginia Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newton R. Moore, at Peoria, Ill., on January 4. They will be at home after February 1st at Burnsville, North Carolina.

'13, M.E.—B. C. Hope has returned from his home in Australia and is now with the Champion Fibre Company at Canton, North Carolina. A. G. Pounsford, M.E. '13, is at Canton with the same company.

'13, M. E.—Durbin Van Law is with the Nevada-California Power Company at Bishop, California.

'13, A.B.—L. B. Young is in the engineering department of the United States Radiator Corporation, Detroit, and lives at 415 Hubbard Avenue.

'13, M.E.—R. J. Jones is in the turbine research department of the General Electric Company. His address is 90 South Common Street, Lynn, Mass.

'13, M.E.—T. C. Hoag has joined the forces of the Good Mfg. Co., Inc., 303-305 East 134th Street, New York. This company manufactures brass and rubber goods for the plumbing trade. It has branch houses at San Francisco and Niagara Falls, Ont. H. E. Riegger '10 is cashier of the company.

'13, C.E.—Roger W. Parkhurst has left the Cornwall Kaolin Company to accept employment in the valuation department of the Nickel Plate Railroad.

His address is 11425 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

'13, A.B.—Joseph A Carr's address is 3807 Westminster Place, St. Louis, Mo.

'13, L.L.B.—Milton L. Knoepke has formed a partnership with Waldemar F. Timme for the general practice of law, under the firm name of Timme & Knoepke, with offices in the Singer Building, 149 Broadway, New York.

'13, M.E.—W. A. More has left the employment of the Buchanan Electric Steel Company to go into business in Buffalo, where his address will be 8 Soldiers Place.

'14, C.E.—Edward C. Panton was married to Miss Lucie Bement, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bement, of Ithaca, on December 31. Mr. and Mrs. Panton will make their home in Vancouver, B. C.

'14, M.E.—James Moffatt's address is 2200 Prospect Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. He is a salesman for the Aluminum Castings Company.

'14, B.S.—Simon Marcovitch is an assistant in entomology at the University of Minnesota.

'14, C.E.—N. C. McMath is an engineer on the Fraser River crossing of the Kettle Valley Railroad for the Canadian Bridge Company. His address is Hope Station, British Columbia.

'14, LL.B.—Elmer E. Finck is in the law office of O'Brien, Hamlin, Donovan & Goodyear, 604 Iroquois Building, Buffalo, N. Y.

'14, LL.B.—H. D. Williams is a member of the law firm of Miller & Williams, Utica City National Bank Building, Utica, N. Y.

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