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Work and Play

John T. McGovern '00, consulting
counsel of the Carnegie Foundation for
the Advancement of Education, is advo-
crating an inquiry into the problem of
establishing a “sound balance between
class room requirements and recreational
privileges and demands.” McGovern, speaking
recently at the annual dinner of the Brown
University Club of New York, points out that students seem to have
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work and play.”

He added that if a reasonable balance
between class room work and play is at-
tained, “the boys will, on the average,
come out into life neither neurasthenic
nor prophetic draymen and profes-
sional baseball and football players.
A decent balance will bring out into the
mature contacts of life the kind of men
who lead us constantly to a happier and
more lasting peace.”

The Rockefeller

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Farm and Home Week, which closed February 18, was to all appearances the same Farmers’ Week that had previously been observed by the College of Agriculture for twenty years. The recent elevation of the Department of Home Economics to the status of a college, the increasing number of women among those attending, and the elaboration of the program to include all phases of farm life brought about the new title.

The program for the week brought more than five thousand visitors, 5,099 of whom were officially registered. The registration in 1927 was 5,159. Fair weather early in the week brought so many visitors to Cornell that the registration figures for the first three days were far ahead of last year’s marks, but rain and snow later in the week reduced the total considerably.

The program followed the lines of those of past years, but if anything it was a little more complete. There were many visitors, from farmers of New York State to a former woman governor of Wyoming, Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross. Most of the program was conducted by members of the staffs of the Colleges of Agriculture and Home Economics and the Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, but the number of visiting lecturers was unusually large.

The program was not wholly devoted to educational events. There were many social happenings and many entertainments.

Dean Albert R. Mann ’04, in his address of welcome, characterized the week as one of instruction and pleasure. He took occasion to survey the entire field of agriculture, discussing economic requirements for progress, the changing agricultural situation, its relation to trade and industry, the effect of efficient agriculture, the cooperative movement, and the necessity of limiting competition.

“Ways must be devised,” Dean Mann said, “to enable country and city populations, farming, trade, and industrial interests, to live together in mutually helpful relations. There must be resistance to the tendency to divide our national house into conflicting groups, rural and urban. Neither can finally be disassociated from the other.”

President Farrand spoke on the importance of having an informed mind. “If real advance,” he said, “is to be made by the agricultural population of the country or by any other specialized group, they must view their problem as a part of the general problem, having their eyes open to this changing and bewildering world.”

Mrs. Ross discussed the woman’s relation to her citizenship, saying that woman’s home-making instinct would serve her in assuming responsibilities for affairs outside the home. Women, she said, should make their citizenship count in exalting political standards and in international relations.

From early morning, when demonstrations began, to late evening, when such events as the Eastman Stage, the Kermis play, and the banquets of many organizations came to an end, visitors were kept on the go. There were several contests for high school judging teams, so that the visitors were not all adults.

**SPORT STUFF**

Occasionally, as when intoxicated with excitement and hope over a presidential inauguration or an endowment drive, Cornell evidences latent ability to put on a good act. The athletic organization has been known to stumble into the successful exploitation of dramatic situations. But when it comes to giving a good show everytime the curtain goes up, the College of Agriculture is awarded the palm without a protest from any quarter.

Farmers’ Week is a wow! Conventionalized scholars in the classical field may lift their heads and expand their nostrils as one disagreeably aware of escaping gas, but their wives and children attend with enthusiasm. They put on their best clothes, too, so as not to be put out of countenance by the fur coats, the iron hats, and the luxurious motor cars of the hardy cultivator. They enjoy the judging of prize horses, fat cattle, and contented swine. They learn how the useful hen has evolved from a primitive, single-barreled, breech-loader to a miraculous mechanism which sprays eggs upon an astonished world with the overwhelming prodigality of a machine gun. They listen to a continuous round of lectures on all the things a farmer can do to make life richer and happier from keeping the sediment out of amateur beer to getting more distance with his wooden clubs.

The world has ceased to ridicule the honest tiller of the soil. Agriculture has become one of the learned professions. The plowman buys too many radios and sport clothes to be treated lightly.

Come people from all over the world to this great fair and they come in all humility. Ancient, austere, and aristocratic virgins seeking the last word in breeding police dogs. Alert persons with things to sell—everything from patent harvesters to brand new economic theories. Gentlemen and ladies with political aspirations and continuing belief in the existence of the farm vote.

Farmers’ Week is Big Time Stuff and the graduates of another century, blind to the metamorphosis of America, will do well to absorb that fact. R. B.

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**ATHLETICS**

**Divide Sports Honors**

In a mid-week game played at New Haven, February 15, Cornell defeated the Yale basketball team by a score of 29 to 18. Displaying a form far superior to that of the Junior Week game with Pennsylvania, Cornell swung into the lead after the first few minutes of the game and was never headed. Scoring on a free toss Ward gave Yale a point lead soon after the opening whistle. Masten’s side shot put the Ithacans to the fore but Nanary put the Blue back in the lead with a basket. Schlossbach followed with a basket and Yale tied the count at four with a foul. Then Layton got into action and with Masten put the Cornellians ahead. When the first half ended the Red was leading 14 to 8.

The second half found the Hacans putting up a strong defense which the Ithacans were unable to penetrate with any success, while Cornell, led by Masten, continued to gradually draw away from the Bulldogs until there was no doubt of the outcome.

Masten was the scoring ace for Cornell with 10 points, while Layton and Caldwell each contributed six points. The excellent defense work of Stein and Captain Schlossbach was a big factor in the Cornell victory.

The line-up:

**Cornell (29)**

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Referee, Rumsey; umpire, O’Shea; time of periods, 20 minutes.

Four Cornell varsity teams engaged in competition on February 18, the wrestling and fencing teams recording victories while the basketball and tennis teams were losing. Cornell wrestlers won their third straight victory, 12 to 9, over the previously undefeated Lehigh matmen at Bethlehem. The fencers smothered Pennsylvania in the Drill Hall, 12 to 5, the Ithacans putting up a strong defense which the Ithacans were unable to penetrate with any success, while Cornell, led by Masten, continued to gradually draw away from the Bulldogs until there was no doubt of the outcome. The tennis team lost by one match to Pennsylvania on the Drill Hall courts, 5 to 4, and the basketball team, in an inter-

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The whistle ended the period. The score was
accurate passing, scored enough points
to give the Green a four-point lead as the
making ten points to Dartmouth's five.
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Swarthout, rf 2 i 5
Spaeth, If 2 o 4
Schmidt, If o o o
With Langdell, giant Dartmouth center,
easily outjumping Masten, the Green
quintet started against Cornell with a
rush, Langdell and Heep scoring three
points, before Masten and Schlossbach
netted a free throw each. Swarthout of
Dartmouth and Masten added field goals,
and Langdell and Schlossbach connected
from the foul line, when Lewis, Cornell
forward, tossed a field goal that gave Cor-
nel a brief one-point lead. Langdell and
Heep came through for four points in
the second half alone. Only in
short of amazing. The rangy Dartmouth
forward, tossed a field goal that gave Cor-
nel's rally was matched point for
point by Dartmouth for the first few min-
utes of the second half, but as the Green's
defense tightened, Cornell changed its
attack to a long-distance peppering of the
basket that failed to produce goals, while
Heep and Langdell started to display
their scoring ability.
Heep's shooting accuracy was little
short of amazing. The rangy Dartmouth
guard flung shot after shot into the net
without touching the rim. He collected
two goals in the second half alone.
Both teams changed their line-ups fre-
cently as the game drew to a close, but
Cornell's offensive never functioned well,
and the long shots went wild. Only in
shooting from the foul line did Cornell dis-
play superiority, the Red and White
making ten points to Dartmouth's five.

The line-up:
Dartmouth (37)

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Schmidt, If 0 0 0
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Voseler, rf 0 0 0
Langdell, c 3 2 8
Hein, c 1 1 3
Heep, lg 8 1 7g
Morris, lg 0 0 0
Austin, rg 0 0 0
Fils, rg 0 0 0
Totals 16 5 37

Cornell (24)

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Hall, If 0 0 0
Leyton, rf 2 0 4
Caldwell, If 1 1
Masten, c 2 4 8
Stein, lg 0 0 0
Beek, lg 1 1
Schlossbach, rg 0 5 5
Fisher, rg 0 0 0
Totals 27 10 24
Referee: Murray. Umpire: Brennan.
Time of halves: 20 minutes.

Wrestlers Win Another
The victory of the wrestling team over
Leigh was gained by the margin of one
bout, all matches being decided on time
advantage decisions. Josefsen, 115-
pounder, continued his drive for the inter-
collegiate title by defeating McGovern,
and John T. HOLSMAN in the 125-pound
class, Stanley in the 158-pound class, and
Stafford, transferred from the heavy-
weight to the 175-pound division, also won.
Stafford's victory over LeRoi was the
most decisive, the Cornell wrestler getting
a time advantage of eight minutes.
Josefsen's margin was the smallest, while
John Holman and Stanley captured their
bouts with advantages of more than half
the length of the bouts.
The summaries:
115-pound class: Josefsen, Cornell, de-
feated McGovern, Lehigh, on decision. Time advantage: 3:01.
125-pound class: J. Holman, Cornell, de-
feated Palm, Lehigh, on decision. Time advantage: 7:08.
135-pound class: Lewis, Lehigh, de-
feated William T. Holman, Cornell, on
decision. Time advantage: 3:02.
145-pound class: Heilmann, Lehigh, de-
feated Heilmann, Cornell, on decision.
Time advantage: 1:18.
158-pound class: Stanley, Cornell, de-
feated Landis, Lehigh, on decision. Time
advantage: 5:32.
175-pound class: STAFFORD, Cornell, de-
feated LeRoi, Lehigh, on decision. Time
advantage: 8:00.

Heavyweight class: Miller, Lehigh, de-
feated Johnson, Cornell, on decision.
Referee: Detar, Penn State.

Foilsmen Star
The victory of the fencing team over
Pennsylvania demonstrated the marked
superiority of the Cornell foilsmen, who
won all nine matches in the foil division.
Three points, one with the epee and two
with the saber, completed Cornell's
scoring.
Pennsylvania won the epee bouts, three
matches to one, and the four saber bouts
were evenly divided. CHANDON, Cornell's
candidate for Olympic fencing honors,
scored three victories with the foil and one
with the epee.

Quakers Win at Tennis
Pennsylvania's victory in indoor tennis
was scored through superior play in the
puzzle. The Quaker netmen winning four
of the six singles matches, after Cornell
had scored a 2 to 1 lead in doubles.

The summaries:
Singles
Levine, Pennsylvania, defeated Levin, Cornell, 6-2, 6-4; HOFKIN, Pennsyl-
vania, defeated Bicket, Cornell, 6-3, 8-6; SIMMONS, Pennsylvania, defeated Custer, Cornell, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; STANGER, Pennsylvania,
defeated Bush, Cornell, 6-3, 6-4; Halstead, Cornell, defeated Kraft, Penn-
sylvania, 75, 7-5; Runey, Cornell, de-
feated Ryan, Pennsylvania, 6-4, 6-4.

Doubles
Levine and SIMMONS, Pennsylvania, defeated Levin and Bush, Cornell, 10-8, 6-3; Bicket and Dietrich, Cornell, de-
feated Hofkin and Kraft, Pennsylvania, 12-10, 6-4; Custer and Strachan, Cornell, de-
feated Stanger and Ryan, Pennsylvania, 6-1, 6-0.

Freshmen Five Losses
The 1931 basketball quintet lost a hard-
fought game to Rochester East High
School in the Drill Hall February 18, by
the score of 23-22. Two extra periods
were required to break the 20-20 tie that
existed at the end of the regular playing
period. The game was a preliminary to
the Cornell-Dartmouth varsity contest.

Find Curious Momento
A message written by prisoners of
Spandau Prison just outside of Berlin has
been found in the interior of the massive
oak chair which has served Cornell presi-
dents since 1868. The message is dated
September 24, 1868.
The chair, which has stood in the
President's office in Morrill Hall where
the Trustees hold their meetings, was
recently moved. A wooden medallion of
Eraa Cornell fell from its place in the top
of the chair, and workmen engaged in
restoring the medallion found the mes-
tage, tightly folded, and wrapped in a
covering of tin foil, in a hole bored in
the back of the chair.
The message, written in a flowing Ger-
man script, has been translated as follows:
"Go out into all the world and bear witness
to what zest, strength, and endurance
brought into existence between prison
walls."
It is signed "The United Work-
men."
The chair was built and carved by
prisoners in the wood-working shops of
Spandau Prison. It was bought in Europe
by Andrew D. White, and presented by
him to the University.

Inscriptions on two silver plates on
either side of the medallion of Ezra Cornell
read as follows: "To Cornell University.
For the use of his successors in the Presi-
dency. A gift from Andrew Dickson
White. Berlin, Prussia, 1868."
The unique message will be placed in
the Library as a momento of the earliest
days of the University. The President's
chair will continue to be used.
THE CLUBS

**Springfield, Mass.**

There will be a dinner of the Club at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, February 24, at the University Club rooms, Bridgeway Hotel, Springfield, Mass. An orchestra has been engaged and a song leader is warming up. The speakers will be Romeyn Berry '04 and Harold Flack '12. A first showing of motion pictures of wild life in Panama, with comments by Thornton Burgess, is also scheduled.

**Chicago**

On Friday, February 10, President Farrand was the guest of honor at the annual banquet. There were over two hundred diners. Wesley M. Dixon '18, president of the Club, opened the meeting with a brief address of welcome, assuring Dr. Farrand of the enthusiastic support of Chicago alumni in his administration of Cornell affairs. Dixon then introduced William C. Strong '94, who guided the meeting as toastmaster.

The toastmaster presented Eugene W. Goodwillie, the sixth Cornell man to receive a Rhodes Scholarship within the last eight years. Albert Brunner, trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, read a telegram of greeting to the Club and to Dr. Farrand from Provost Josiah H. Penniman, and paid high tribute to Cornell men and their President.

"Joe Beacham was then introduced and had the Alumni roaring with side lights on Ithaca life and activity, and made a tremendous hit," says one correspondent. Dr. Farrand then spoke of the Cornell of today and of the future. He explained in detail the recent merger of Cornell affairs. Dixon then introduced William C. Strong '94, who guided the meeting as toastmaster.

**New York Women**

Before this issue of The Alumni News went to press, a notice was received that the annual luncheon of the Women's Club was scheduled for Saturday, February 18, with Dean Kimball as the principal speaker. The luncheon was to be held at the new home of the Club in The Barbizon, 140 East Sixtieth-third Street, New York.

At the same time it was announced that the next regular meeting of the Club will be held on March 10. On March 17 there will be a symposium on the problems of alumnae clubs in New York at the Intercollegiate alumnae meeting for alumnae of Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Cornell, Mt. Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar, and Wellesley.

The new home of the Women's Club offers many interesting features. It provides materials and equipment where members may make tea without charge. The club room is available to members for class or personal dinners or bridge parties, and for committee meetings.

Other attractions include use of the Barbizon pool and participation of Club members as hostesses at a series of musical recitals in the hotel. On Thursday evenings during February there will be "talks by Cornellians who are doing interesting and unusual things." A member of the executive committee will pour tea every Sunday afternoon from three to six, when members may bring men friends.

**Youngstown**

The Cornell Club of Mahoning and Shenango Valleys held an annual luncheon at Youngstown, Ohio, on Friday February 10, with Coach John F. Moakley as guest of honor. James E. Bennett '11 was elected to the Board of Trustees for a five year term.

Several Cornellians availed themselves of the opportunity to hear further from "Jack" by accompanying Mr. Moakley to a Father and Son Banquet, where he was speaker of the evening.

**Philadelphia**

On the evening of February 11 Dean Kimball was a guest of honor. Following dinner two reels of moving pictures were shown, giving everyone a chance to find out what was wrong with his golf or tennis game. Slow motion pictures were shown of American and foreign stars in both of those games.

Dean Kimball then told of the plans for the physical development of the University, and the difficulties in bringing about these changes. He also dwelt at some length on the difficulties of obtaining the desired type of students. Athletics and attendant problems came in for their share of discussion, and the Dean explained the part alumni clubs could play in connection with athletics.

Dean Kimball was followed by former Professor Clarence F. Hirschfeld '05, who had just arrived in the city, and who related some of his experiences both in and out of the University.

**WANT "AVIGATION" COURSE**

Although University officials have not been consulted, a bill has been introduced in the State Legislature by Senator Marcellus H. Evans of New York for the establishment of a course in "avigation" at Cornell University. "Avigation" is a term used to designate air navigation. The bill calls for an appropriation of $150,000.

The bill authorizes the Commissioner to employ personnel, to purchase necessary lands, and to provide housing.

"When proper housing facilities have been provided," the bill continues, "the commissioner shall acquire by purchase, gift, or loan such airplanes and other supplies as may be necessary for their operation."
A Tale of High Adventure


This is the story, told in the words of the Count himself, of his experiences from boyhood to the end of the World War. The narrative has all the thrills and romance of the best stories of adventure—even reminding one of the old pirate tales—and a tenfold added interest in that it is all true.

Count Luckner is one of the most vivid and picturesque characters that figured in the War. In early boyhood his career of adventure began; at the age of thirteen he ran away to sea. His family, distinguished in the military life of Germany for generations back, had long before designed him for a cavalry officer in the Imperial German Army. His school training had been slight, although his father had tried every means to keep him in school; in a class of thirty-four, he says, his rank was always thirty-four.

His first voyage was a notable one; on the old Russian sailing vessel Niobe, a freighter bound for Australia, he spent eighty days in the roughest company, hearing a language of which he knew not a word, cleaning the pig-sties, and living on the scraps left from the crew’s table. Washed overboard in a storm, he was picked up by the men after clinging to an albatross that had flown down to devour him.

After several years of such experiences, drifting about the world, on the sea most of the time, but again in various ports doing any sort of work he could find to earn food and shelter, he realized that if he was ever to become a naval officer rather than a common vagabond sailor, he must complete his studies. So he returned to his native country, worked hard, and at last became an officer in the Navy. He saved several lives and finally, owing to his pluck and bravery, came to the notice of the Kaiser.

In 1916 he was put in command of an old sailing vessel, which became his famous Seeadler, and given the seemingly impossible job of running the Allied blockade. This he did, performing one of the most brilliant strategic feats of the War. The Seeadler was disguised as a Norwegian freighter (even to the log book and the records on the phonograph). He sunk fourteen ships and destroyed twenty-five million dollars’ worth of shipping, all without the loss of a single life, returning his prisoners to port after treating them like guests aboard his ship.

Count Luckner’s code of honor as a seaman and his sense of fair play never failed, and his courage, generosity, and ever present good humor won him friends everywhere.

The Seeadler was at length wrecked, and with five of his men he traveled in an open boat only eighteen feet long, more than a thousand miles to safety. He was taken prisoner in the Fiji Islands and after the Armistice, as he was about to leave, he was given by the natives their highest tribal honor. Even to them he had become a hero. Many honors were conferred upon him later in recognition of his remarkable achievements.

In closing, he says: “As a sailor who has sailed under many flags and whose friends and pals are the citizens of many countries and climes, it is my dream that we shall one day all speak the same language and have so many common interests that terrible wars will no longer occur.”

Count Luckner spoke on January 21 before one of the largest lecture audiences ever assembled in Bailey Hall.

Books and Magazine Articles

In The Romanic Review for October-December Professor Ernest H. Hespelt '10, of New York University, is one of the contributors of Book Notes.

In The Beloit Alumnus for January Professor Oliver M. Ainsworth ’15 of Beloit prints a recent address on “What Phi Beta Kappa Represents in Literature.”


In Science for February 3 Dr. Leland O. Howard ’77 presents “An Instance of the Increase of Malaria by Civilization.”

In The Saturday Review of Literature for January 21 Professor Wilbur C. Abbott, ’02-5 Grad., of Harvard, reviews the second volume of Sir Sidney Lee’s “King Edward the Seventh: a Biography.” In the issue for January 28 Professor Allan Nevins reviews the revised edition of “America” by Dr. Hendrik W. van Loon ’05, and there is a portrait of the author. In the same issue for February 4 Professor Nevins reviews Gamaliel Bradford’s “Dwight L. Moody: a Worker in Souls.” In the issue for February 11 Professor Nevins reviews Ben Ames Williams’s “Splendor.”

The price of Professor Nevins’s “The Emergence of Modern America” (Macmillan; reviewed in our issue for January 5) is $4.

In The Princeton Alumni Weekly for February 5 Professor Edwin W. Kemmerer, Ph.D. ’03, of Princeton, writes on “The Outflow of Gold: Some Reasons Why This Monetary Elluix Should Tend to Hasten the Return to World Prosperity.”

AN INVESTMENT IN YOUTH

ALUMNI of many colleges are concerned with the fullness of the academic schedule. The inquiry requested by Mr. McGovern, if made, should bring valuable results. The situation is not at all clear, nor the case proved in advance for either side. Neither, in fact, are there two clean cut sides, the one believing in six o'clock closing and the other in, let us say, four o'clock.

The situation is complicated by the probability that shorter hours mean either an easier course, a longer course, or an increase in classroom space and the instructing staff. The tendency is apparently in the opposite direction along all these lines. It must not be presumed that the inquiry is designed primarily for the benefit of fall athletics. If so it would be absurd to waste time on it. The sun sets at 5.45 in the summer and the sunrises at 6.30 in the winter; an electric metering system for consumer electric power is therefore, a thoroughgoing revision of the present schedules has been suggested for Cambridge.

An electric metering system for consumer electric power is being developed by Professor Vladimir Karapetoff of the School of Electrical Engineering. A patent has been issued, and all rights have been assigned by Professor Karapetoff to the General Electric Company.

Rate-regulating bodies have emphasized the need of a rational distribution of the actual cost of service in the part of public utilities, and the metering device designed by Professor Karapetoff will aid in shifting such costs. Industrial establishments draw a good deal of so-called reactive energy from distributing lines during one part of an alternation (1/120 of a second) and return some of this energy during another part of an alternation. It is generally recognized that consumers with such fluctuating energy flow not only should pay for the net amount of energy used up, but also should be penalized for periodically taking more energy than is needed and then returning the balance.

The proposed electric meters include current rectifiers in whose series and potential circuits, so as to register only during the parts of the cycle when energy is being returned to the line. At the end of a definite period, the ordinary meter registers the actual consumption and another special meter shows the amount of energy returned.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, February 24
Dinner, Cornell Club of Springfield, Mass. Bridgeport Hotel, 6.30 p.m.

Saturday, February 25
Indoor track, triangular meet, Harvard-Dartmouth-Cornell, Boston Arena. Basketball, Princeton. The Drill Hall, 8 p.m.

Wrestling, Pennsylvania. The Drill Hall, 2.30 p.m.

Freshman wrestling, Lehigh at Ithaca. Fencing, Hamilton and Yale at Clinton.

Wednesday, February 29
Basketball, Columbia at New York.

Friday, March 2
Intercollegiate indoor tennis tournament for the Larned Cup. The Drill Hall. Preliminary matches at 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, March 3
Intercollegiate indoor tennis tournament. The Drill Hall. Semi-finals at 10 a.m.; finals at 2.30 p.m.

Basketball, Syracuse at Syracuse.

Freshman basketball, Cortland Normal at Cortland.

Indoor track, Intercollegiates at New York.

Fencing, Princeton. Tower Room, Drill Hall, 3 p.m.

Saturday, March 10
Meeting, Cornell Women’s Club of New York. The Barbizon.

Indoor track, Yale. The Drill Hall, 8 p.m.

Basketball, Dartmouth at Hanover.

Freshman basketball, Cortland Normal at Ithaca.

Wrestling, Penn State at State College.

Freshman wrestling, Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.

EDWIN A. KEMMERER, Ph.D., ’03, professor of economics and finance at Princeton University since 1912, will be the speaker at the annual banquet of the Ithaca Chamber of Commerce on March 13. Professor Kemmerer taught at Cornell from 1906 to 1912.
President Farrand, Dean Mann, and Professor Knudson Invited to Study Research Possibilities

A survey of agricultural conditions on the island of Porto Rico, with particular reference to the problems of tropical agriculture and to the opportunity for intensive scientific research in that field, will be made by President Farrand, Dean Albert R. Mann '04 of the College of Agriculture, and Dr. Lewis Knudson, Ph.D. '11, professor of botany.

The invitation to conduct this survey was extended by Governor Horace M. Towner of Porto Rico upon the favorable decision of the University after representations by the Porto Rican Government and a special committee of the National Research Council.

The Cornell delegation will sail for Porto Rico on March 1. President Farrand and Dean Mann will study the situation from the organization and administrative points of view. Professor Knudson will serve as technical adviser. Upon the completion of the survey about March 15, Professor Knudson, who is on sabbatical leave, will sail for Guatamala, where he will study agricultural problems.

The need for such a study of tropical agriculture has long been recognized, and scientific organizations interested in the project of establishing research activity believe that the results of such an organized research would prove valuable to all tropical countries. The climate and vegetation of Porto Rico are regarded as ideally suited to the development of this project.

Representatives of the National Research Council and of the Porto Rican Government who have conferred with Cornell officials on the subject include Governor Towner, Charles E. Chardon, B.S. '19, commissioner of agriculture and labor of Porto Rico; Dr. William Crocker of the Boyce Thompson Institute of Plant Research and chairman of the American Bureau of Tropical Agriculture of the National Research Council; Dr. William A. Orton, director of the Tropical Plant Research Foundation and chairman of the special committee of the National Research Council on the establishment of a graduate school of tropical agriculture; Dr. Robert A. Harper, professor of botany at Columbia, and Dr. Nathaniel L. Britton of the New York Botanical Gardens, who has made a special study of the vegetation of Porto Rico.

President Farrand and Dean Mann are expected to represent Cornell at the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration of the University of Porto Rico. President Farrand will also address the Cornell Club of Porto Rico before his return to the United States about March 15.

The annual report of Dean Albert R. Mann '04 of the College of Agriculture is an ominous document. He blames in no dubioue terms the State of New York for its parsimony toward the College. "The situation is highly acute. The College has no power to protect itself against the demands of other institutions throughout the United States which may desire to draw highly qualified teachers or investigators from its staff. It is equally embarrassed in seeking to fill vacancies. The years of foresight and of great devotion in bringing the New York State College of Agriculture to its present high standing are jeopardized by this policy. . . . There is no greater need in the State College of Agriculture than an immediate and adequate advance in salaries; and there is perhaps no action of greater importance which the State can take for the permanent welfare of its agriculture, which is one of its greatest industries and resources and one of its responsibilities." He continues with a complaint of the overcrowded and unsuit ed quarters provided for the work of investigation.

Speaking of popular courses, a one-hour course in Dutch and Flemish art, given by Professor D. F. Finnkynson of Wells College, was announced for this term. The registration proved so enormous that the class has had to be held in Baker Laboratory. If the Faculty is to be guided at all by consumer-demand, it should include that the time is ripe for the establishment of a Department of Fine Arts.

N. E. Odell of Toronto, a member of the Mount Everest expedition of 1924, lectured here last Saturday on that great ascent, one of the noblest feats of audacity and endurance of our times. So sensational were his photographs, so graphic his descriptions, that several in the audience complained of mountain sickness. If you have a chance to hear Mr. Odell, don't let anything interfere. You will find it worth a dozen dances or a hundred movies

The 1928 Blazers are on display, and for the first time in years they are received with general cries of hoop-la. They are a solid luscious maroon, bound with silk, and with the Cornell shield on the pocket. Here is a plushy garment of a senior in the spring, fit to provoke delighted cooings from the (relatively) drab-feathered female.

Last year there were 305 births in Ithaca and 246 deaths. The causes of deaths were, in order: cancer, 34; accidents, 33; (twelve of these automobile accidents); pneumonia, 30; apoplexy, 27; and so on. We leave you to reflect on the dreadful frequency of accidents, and on the efficiency of the physician as opposed to the ineffectiveness of our control of the vast voltages of our civilization.

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THE ALUMNI

'87 PhB—Francis Leon Chrisman and Mrs. Chrisman are spending several weeks in Washington renewing friendships with newspaper correspondents whom Mr. Chrisman knew while he was serving as Washington correspondent for New York newspapers. While in college, Chrisman was secretary to Andrew D. White, and was the first undergraduate to serve as correspondent on a large scale for out-of-town newspapers.

'96 LLB—LeRoy N. French is a member of the law firm of Keeler, Fickert and French, at 817 H. W. Hellman Building, Los Angeles.

'97 PhD—Professor Paul R. Peirce of Oberlin will be absent on sabbatical leave for the first semester of 1928-9.

'05—Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Shinaman have announced the marriage of their daughter, Ada Shinaman Kinsaid, to Jay L. Crouse, on February 9, in Syracuse, N. Y.

'06—Edward H. Faile is an industrial engineer, with E. H. Faile and Company, at 441 Lexington Avenue, New York. He lives on Fenimore Road, Mamaroneck, N. Y.

'06—Edward F. Brundage is assistant manager of sales with the Solvay Sales Corporation, at 40 Rector Street, New York. He lives at 30 Fifth Avenue.

'06 ME—Edwin G. Boring, professor of psychology and director of the Psychological Laboratory at Harvard, has been elected president of the American Psychological Association for the ensuing year.

'08 ME—John E. Fredericks is vice-president of the Lexington Water Power Company, with offices in the Arcade Building in Columbus, S. C.

'09 ME—John F. Goodrich is a scenario writer. He writes that he is "still trying to uplift the great American public (at plenty of profit), Emil Jannings in 'The Last Command' being the last effort." His address is 5777 Franklin Avenue, Hollywood, Calif.

'10 BArch—A son, William Stoddard, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bertram P. Floyd on February 8, at Beverly, Mass. Floyd is with the Abethorw Construction Company of Boston.

'11 BArch—Benjamin C. Bloch is a member of the architectural firm of Bloch and Hesse at 18 East Forty-first Street, New York.

'13 ME—Fred G. Cory, who for the past year and a half has been associated with the B. F. Goodrich Company at Akron, Ohio, has been appointed auditor of the Pacific Goodrich Rubber Company. The new corporation is now completing a large plant in Los Angeles, and will start manufacturing about March 15. Cory may be addressed in care of the company in Los Angeles.

'15 MD—Dr. M. Blanche Norton has announced the opening of her new offices at 200 West Fifty-ninth Street, New York.

'15 CE—Carl C. Cooman is an assistant engineer with the Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, working on hydro-electric design and construction. He lives at 32 Woodrow Avenue, Beechwood Station, Rochester, N. Y. A son, Robert Moore, was born on December 24. Cooman writes, "If 'R. B.' can wait about twenty years a few like me will solve the football problem automatically. Carl, Jr., aged four years, can already make a creditable flying tackle. Mary Luella, aged two, expects to matriculate about 1944."

'18 BArch; '18 BS—Kenneth F. Coffin is with Coffin and Coffin, architects at 522 Fifth Avenue, New York. Mrs. Coffin was Norma Devany '18. They have a daughter, Phyllis Jean, aged two and a half. They live at 263 Drake Avenue, New Rochelle, N. Y.

'18, '20 BS—A son, Bruce Broad, was born on September 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Gavett. Mrs. Gavett was Ida M. Raffloer '19. They live on Valley Road, Watchung, N. J.

'18, '20 BS—Sidney C. Doolittle is advertising manager of the Fidelity and Deposit Company, at 520 Fidelity Building, Baltimore, Md. They deal in surety bonds and burglary insurance. Doolittle lives at 300 Taplow Road.

'18 AB; '19—Talbot M. Malcolm is associated with the law firm of Phillips and Avery, at 41 Park Row, New York. Herbert A. St. George '96 is a member of the firm. Talbot lives at 321 Hyslip Avenue, Westfield, N. J. He has three sons, Talbot M., Jr., aged four, Bruce Leslie, aged two, and Allen Rufus, aged six months. Talbot writes that Eleanor Sharp '19 is teaching English in the Hoekaday School in Dallas, Texas.

'20 CE—Harold S. Fisher is teaching mathematics in the East High School in Buffalo. He lives at 247 Eudell Avenue, Kenmore, N. Y.

'20 BS—Henry H. Straus has been elected a vice-president in charge of rail steel bar production and sales for the Inland Steel Company of Chicago. He has been vice-president of the Red Top Post Company in Chicago and vice-president of the Buffalo Steel Company in Tonawanda, N. Y.

'21 AB, '24 MD—Curtis T. Prout is a Fellow at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. He lives at 904 West Center Street.

'21 AB—Theodore M. Trousdale is assistant resident physician in eye, ear, nose, and throat at the Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn.

'21 BS—Joseph Sterling was married in September to Miss Ethel M. Michelson of Rochester, N. Y. They are living at 99 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
'21 BS—John L. Dickinson, Jr., was married on December 31 to Miss Florence King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. King of West Suffield, Conn. They are living at 143 Belmont Avenue, Springfield, Mass. Dickinson is field organization manager of the Eastern States Farmers’ Exchange.

'21 ME; '21 AB—A son, Bruce Deylen, was born on January 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Rowland F. Davis, of 596 Argyle Road, Brooklyn, N. Y. Mrs. Davis was Sophie M. Deylen ’21. Davis is in the engineering department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company at 105 Broadway, New York.

'22 AB—Elwood G. Feldstein has announced that he has formed a partnership with James A. Bernson for the practice of law, under the firm name of Feldstein and Bernson, with offices in the Transportation Building at 225 Broadway, New York.

'22 AM, '25 PhD—Professor Frederick L. Jones, of the English department of Baylor University, was married on August 30 to Miss Lucile Smith, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Reuben Decatur Smith of Greenville, S. C. The ceremony was performed at the Pendleton Street Baptist Church.

'22, '24 ME—A son, William Charles, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Walker on December 21. They live in Gatineau, Quebec, Canada.

'22 DVM—John F. Bullard has resigned as assistant veterinarian in the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station to become private veterinarian on two large thoroughbred horse breeding farms. His address is 203 State Street, Lexington, Ky.

'22, '26 AB—Grace K. O’Reilley is teaching chemistry in the John Marshall High School in Rochester, N. Y. She lives at 163 Reynolds Street.

'22 AB—Esther H. Powell is doing psychiatric social work with the United States Veterans’ Bureau in the Boston, Mass., regional office. She lives at 9 Dunstable Road, Cambridge.

'22 EE—Robert E. Roesh is chief engineer with the Stonewall Power Company in Manassas, Va.

'23 Grad—Mr. and Mrs. William McCarthy of Mineola, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Viola, to John J. Stephens.

'22, '23 BS—Walter R. Dann lives at 191 Willard Street, New Haven, Conn. A son, Robert Treat, was born last August.

'22 LLB—Barton Baker is general counsel for the Auditing Bureau of Rochester, N. Y. His office is at 1054 Lincoln-Alliance Bank Building. In June, 1926, he received the degree of Doctor of Civil Law, cum laude, from the Chicago Law School.

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'22 EE—Henry M. Beatty is now associated with the Dingle-Clark Company, electrical contractors in Cleveland, as construction sales engineer.

'23 BS—Lowry T. Mead, Jr., is with the Public Service Electric and Gas Company, located in the Newark, N. J., commercial office as assistant to the assistant engineer of train control with the company, located in the Newark, N. J., commercial office as assistant to the assistant engineer of train control with the Public Service Electric and Gas Company. He lives at 83 Swaine Place, West Orange, N. J. He has a son, Harold, who is four.

'23, '24 ME; '25—Buel F. Titus is assistant engineer of train control with the New York Central Lines. Mrs. Titus was Jean A. MacMillan '25. They live at Apartment 3 C, 3225 Bainbridge Avenue, New York.

'23 ME—Nevin T. Brenner is a salesman of coal conveying machinery. He lives at 7411 Church Avenue, Ben Avon, Pittsburgh. His engagement was announced in December to Miss Helen A. Snively of Pittsburgh.

'23, '24 BS—Julian R. Fleischmann is with N. Masem and Son, building contractors, in Brooklyn, N. Y. He lives at 61 West Ninth Street, New York.

'23 AB—Gladyss Cunningham is teaching in South Pasadena, Calif. She lives at 1018 Brent Avenue.

'24 BS; '20 BS; '24—Carroll C. Grimme is now with the Harris Seed Company near Rochester, N. Y., "trying to persuade timid souls that gardening is the easiest thing in the world and that it's never quite successful unless Harris seeds are planted." She lives in Rochester at 19 Cumberland Street. She writes that Francis C. Wilbur '20 and Robert T. Smith '24 are with the Harris Company in the vegetable department.

'24 ME—Robert J. Sloan, Jr., is with the Crouse-Hinds Company, "making more traffic signals to annoy the good citizens of Ithaca." He lives at 195 Clifton Place, Syracuse, N. Y.

'24, '25 CE; '24, '25 BS—A daughter, Barbara Jeanne, was born on January 4 to Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Kirby (Marion L. Bool '24). They live at 1935 Tildman Street, Allentown, Pa.

'24 ME; '25 ME—Simon Broder is now assistant examiner in the United States Patent Office. He writes that the next desk to his is occupied by Spencer Brownell, Jr., '25. In February, 1927, Broder received the degree of A.M. from George Washington University, majoring in psychology. His thesis, "The Psychology of Invention," was published in the Journal of the Patent Office Society. Last June he received the degree of LL.B. from George Washington University, and of Master of Patent Law from the Washington College of Law. He is a member of the bar. He was married last August to Miss Billie Frances Bernstein, in Frederick, Md., "the town where Barbara Frietchie spoke in iambic tetrameter to Mr. Jackson." They live at 1360 Madison Street, N. W., Washington.

'24 AB—Elizabeth A. Anderson is teaching in the Oakside Junior High School in Peekskill, N. Y. She lives on Grove Street.

'24 AB; '26 AM; '21 AB—Rogers P. Churchill is doing research work at the University of Chicago. He has passed the preliminary examinations for his Ph.D. in Russian and modern European history. He expects to be abroad for fifteen months after next June, mostly in Russia and Germany. Since 1925 he has been successively a scholar, fellow, and assistant in modern European history at Chicago. He lives at Apartment 1, 5437 Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago. He writes that a daughter, Wanda Dorene, was born on January 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. Williams, and that they have a five-year
old son, John Thornton, Williams is superintendent of schools in Stearns, Ky.

'25 BS '26—Willard E. Georgia is a buyer for Curtiss Brothers Company, packers of Blue Label food products. He lives at 206 Colebourne Road, Rochester, N. Y. He has a year-old daughter, Beverly Jane. He writes that George M. Edmunds '26 is a bookkeeper for the Holister Lumber Company in Rochester, and lives at 61 Lafayette Park.

'25 BS '25 MB '26—Madeleine C. Heine and Harold L. Treu were married on December 31. Herman Knauss '25 was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Treu are living at 71-38 Austin Street, Forest Hills, Long Island, N. Y.

'25 AB—On January 1 Rose Spiegel went to the Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York as an intern. She is the first woman to be given this position there.

'25 AB—Edwin C. Coyne is a senior in the Cornell Medical College in New York. He lives at 100 North Broadway, Yonkers, N. Y.

'25 AB—Norvelle E. Curtis is in her second year of teaching history and English in the Vocational High School in Pleasant Mount, Pa.

'25 AB—Goodman R. Davis, Jr., is a sculptor at 350 Park Avenue, New York. He lives at 124 East Twenty-seventh Street.

'26 AB—Catherine A. Dotterweich was married in December to Fred B. Bauer, who is physical director and coach at the Indian School in Mt. Pleasant, Mich. She is continuing to teach auditorium work there.

'26 BS '29—Mr. and Mrs. John J. Barker have announced the marriage of their daughter, Eunice M. Barker '29, to Raymond W. Fischer. They are living in Summit, N. J.

'27 BS—Louis Block has entered partnership with six brothers in operating a chain of stores. He is legal adviser. He lives at 220 South Michigan Street, South Bend, Ind.

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'27 BS—Virginia A. Van Slyke is nutrition worker for the nutrition committee of the American Red Cross in Binghamton, N. Y.

'27 AB—Mildred F. McFarland is in her second year of teaching history and English in the Vocational High School in Pleasant Mount, Pa.

'28 BS—Harry B. Love is assistant manager of the Neche-Allen Hotel in Pottsville, Pa.

'28 ME—Tereane Blake is with the Ridgeview Manufacturing Company at 96 Liberty Street, New York as engineering salesman. He lives at 178 Eightieth Street, Brooklyn.

'28 BS—Esther M. Rhodes is doing student dietitian work at the Clifton Springs Sanitarium in Clifton Springs, N. Y. Her permanent home address is R. D. 1, Elmira, N. Y.

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