

NEW MEMBERS

The chapter has had the honor this spring of initiating to active membership Assistant Professor V. R. Gage, of Sibley College. Professor Gage has received the degrees of M. E. and M. M. E. from Cornell, where he was also elected to membership in Sigma Xi. He is active in Masonry, being a member of Hobasco Lodge and Eagle Chapter. He is already manifesting much interest in fraternity matters and will undoubtedly be of great help to us in the capacity of Faculty Adviser.

Oliver Wesley Dynes. Brother Dynes was initiated on April 29. He holds a B. S. degree from North Dakota Agricultural College and from Cornell, and the latter institution has also conferred the degree of M. S. A. He is now specializing in Farm Crops. He is a member of the Chapter, Commandery and Dakota Consistory. His college honors include membership in Sigma Xi and Phi Kappa Phi.

Emmons D. Day. "Ed" came into the Fraternity in February. He is a Sophomore in Agriculture and will specialize in Pomology. He is a member of the Junior Choir and Festival Chorus and fiddles a bit, so he will be a valuable addition to the house orchestra, next year. He is derived from Ellington, N. Y., and has been a teacher of science for two years at Sherman, N. Y. He will spend the summer managing his farm at Ellington.

Edward Avery Richmond. "Ned" comes from Brockton, Mass., and was initiated in February. He has a B. S. from Dartmouth, where he was a mem-

ber of Phi Kappa Psi. He is now doing research work in Biology and will receive a Ph. D. in June, 1916.

Ivan Grant Alexander. "Alec" comes from Marathon, N. Y. He is a Junior in the Law School and has attained a considerable degree of prominence as a public speaker, having been chosen to compete on the '86 Declamation Stage.

Carl Theodore Beckmann. "Beck" hails from the Bay State and is a Senior in the Civil Engineering College. Beck is famous for his impersonations of "Petey Dink," but we have yet to enjoy a ride in his "Foolish Four." He is a member of the C. E. honorary society Semaphore. He will spend the summer at his home in Northampton, Mass., dividing his time between resting and manufacturing sweets.

Charles Everett Bee. "Buzz" originated in Ba-a-ston but grew up in the "wild and woolly," and comes to us from Alberta, Canada, where he was employed as Division Engineer by the Southern Alberta Land Company, being in charge of irrigation projects for that company. He is a graduate of Leland Stanford with the degree of A. B. in C. E. While there he was captain of the 'varsity crew and was otherwise prominent in athletics. He will receive his Master's degree in C. E. in June.

Llewellyn Harrison Edwards. "Count" can hardly be considered a "new member," having come into the Fraternity a year ago, but, being a member of the "staff," escaped notice in the last issue. He is a product of

Dryden, N. Y., and is a Senior in the C. E. College. He combines a jovial good-fellowship with a large measure of sound judgment and is the oracle of the third floor.

PLEGDED.

We have recently pledged Mr. W. L. Havens, a Junior in Civil Engineering, of Edmeston, N. Y., and Mr. P. G. McVetty, a graduate student in Sibley and Instructor in M. E.

THE VISITORS

Pre-eminent among those who have honored the chapter by a visit during the past year is Ex-President Taft. Mr. Taft is now Professor of Jurisprudence in the Yale Law School and is a member of the Yale Chapter of Acacia. While at Cornell Professor Taft delivered a series of lectures to the University on recent legislative tendencies, discussing, in particular, the anti-trust legislation and its effects. During his stay he took lunch at the chapter-house, after which we enjoyed the rare opportunity of spending a delightful social hour with him and listening to an intimate account of life at the White House. Altogether, the experience was intensely enjoyable and will live long in the memory of each of us. Before leaving, Professor Taft posed with the members of the chapter on the steps for a group picture and promised to send us an autographed portrait of himself. This has since been received and now adorns the wall of our lodge room.

Another notable event of the year was the visit of Brother Roscoe Pound, of the Harvard Chapter. Brother Pound is a Professor in the Harvard Law School and enjoys a national reputation, both as an authority on legal matters and as a botanist. While here he delivered a series of ten lectures on the general subject of

"Modern Justice." During his sojourn in Ithaca, he dined at the chapter-house and, after an informal social hour at the house, the chapter escorted him to the local lodge where he delivered an address. The following evening he spoke at the banquet of the Cornell Masonic Club, so that our members had several opportunities to enjoy his genial personality and extensive learning. Such events are a potent influence in drawing the brothers closer together and increasing their appreciation of the real benefits to be derived from membership in the Fraternity.

Our new guest book, which was inaugurated at the time of Professor Taft's visit, also reminds us of the visits at various times of R. L. Harrington of Plattsburg; Professor Joseph Q. Adams and Professor Lane Cooper, of Cornell; Professor and Mrs. Paul R. Pope, of Cornell, and many others, individual mention of whom is precluded by a lack of space.

We regret to say that Dr. Gould of the Chicago Chapter finishes his long stay with us about June first. As was announced in our previous issue, Dr. Gould came to Ithaca last November to study the collection of Icelandic literature in the University Library. During his stay, he has lived with us

in the chapter house and has taken an interested and active part in all our activities. The opening of the summer session of Chicago University

will find him busily occupied with the duties of his position as Assistant Professor of German and Scandinavian Literature.

The two important events of the spring, the Music Festival and Navy Day, brought fair guests to our house. During the three days of the Music Festival, we entertained Brother Ruby's sister, Miss Elsie Ruby, and friend, Miss Lillian Myers, both of York, Penn. The Navy Day festivities brought us Brother Bradley's sis-

ter, Miss Harriet Bradley, of Saugatuck, Conn., and Brother Harrington's friend, Miss Julia Clark, of New York City. If these guests derived as much pleasure from their visit as the brothers did from the charm of their presence, we are sure they had a good time.

CONCERNING A NEW HOUSE

On February 6th was held a special meeting of the Acacia Corporation at which action was taken regarding the purchase of a new house for the Cornell Chapter. Previous to this time, letters had been sent to all the alumni of this chapter, to canvass their opinions on the matter and secure suggestions, so the action taken at the meeting may be regarded as fairly indicative of the general sentiment of the entire chapter.

At the outset it may be well to state that the action taken as a result of the meeting has not changed the actual status of the chapter in the least, so far as tangible differences are concerned, but it is certainly true that a real advance has been made in point of definite knowledge on the subject of property values, desirable sites, and, most important of all, alumni sentiment. So it is to be hoped that any steps which may be taken, either next year or the year after, will be taken in the light of such information as

has been compiled during the past year.

At the meeting on Feb. 6th, a committee was appointed to investigate the matter, after a general discussion had shown the advisability of deliberate and careful action, and the following men were named: Bro. R. H. Heath, Chairman, with Brothers Stewart, Chamberlain, Harrington, O'Donnell and Cushing. The meeting then adjourned for five weeks, at the end of which time the committee was to render its report. The committee at once inspected a large number of properties, on the Heights and elsewhere, and ascertained prices and terms. In all, some fifteen locations were particularly considered and data compiled with regard to them. When the meeting reconvened, on March 13, a report was rendered and it was voted to continue the services of the committee, as none of the available propositions were deemed satisfactory in view of present conditions.

Further investigation has failed to

improve the situation and the committee was discharged at the regular annual meeting of the corporation, held on May 15. Brother V. B. Stewart was then appointed as a committee to continue the investigation during the summer, and it is planned to resume activity again with the opening of school in the fall.

So far as the past year is concerned, therefore, it can only be said that circumstances in general appear very unfavorable to any immediate change from our present location. Adverse business conditions, the comparative youth of our alumni, the financial condition of our present active membership, the exorbitant prices demanded for desirable fraternity sites, and the lack of opportunity to dispose of our present property, all combine to render inexpedient any attempt, at present, to undertake anything that will involve such a substantial increase in our fixed charges. But this need occasion us no discouragement, so far as the ultimate outcome is concerned. On the contrary, it cannot be doubted that the present depression will be succeeded by a world-wide reaction toward general prosperity, and, with the amount of definite knowledge at hand and the solidarity of spirit that has been engendered by the effort of the past year, there is no reason why the Cornell Chapter should not be able to celebrate its tenth anniversary in a home that will be second to none, a home that will be suitably located and constructed in a manner designed to meet all our needs. At present such an ideal is clearly impossible of attainment, and the prevailing sentiment seems to demand that nothing less shall be accepted.

The replies to the circular letter which was sent to the alumni have been carefully preserved and contain many valuable suggestions which will be of great help to the committee next year. However, it is to be hoped that the apparent failure to accomplish any definite progress will not affect the interest of the men who were so interested as to return replies and write letters on the subject. The greater number of these letters expressed the opinion that the burden of providing a new house should, for the most part, rest upon the active chapter. Many, however, asserted their entire willingness to share it and promised to purchase from one to five bonds. Others professed complete ignorance of the situation and declined to commit themselves as to either the necessity or the possibility of getting a new house at this time. About forty percent. of those addressed did not return replies, at all, doubtless analyzing the situation with sufficient clearness to recognize the factors which we have since found to interfere with our plans. As a whole, however, the interest on the part of the alumni has been very active and a source of great encouragement to the advocates of the new house proposition.

In conclusion, we urge that the subject be kept alive in the mind of every alumnus, and that each one foster his love for the Fraternity and his affection for his own chapter, and, above all, that each one take every opportunity to revive interest on the subject in the minds of the active chapter, to the end that our tenth anniversary may in very fact be marked by the occupancy of a house that will serve for all time as a fitting home for the Cornell Chapter.

THE ACTIVE CHAPTER, 1914-1915

First Row, left to right—Cushing, O'Donnell, Wilson, Deatrick, Peacock, Beckmann, Strong;
 Second Row—Ruby, Massey, Bradley, Harrington, Barnes, Pickerill;
 Third Row—Alexander, Jenkins, Edwards, Bee, Richmond, Crittenden, Day.



The Traveler

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EDITORIAL

This will probably be the final issue of the Traveler for the current year. For the failure to publish the usual three issues the Editor assumes full responsibility. In extenuation of our delinquency, however, it is only fair to say that a number of circumstances have arisen during the course of the year which have rendered the work of the board extremely difficult to perform in a satisfactory manner, as a result of which it has been deferred to the present time. The exact nature of these it is unnecessary to discuss, as they are known to all the members of the active chapter and to some of the alumni. In future, however, it is to be hoped that those who are to guide the destinies of this little paper

In another place in this issue will be found a circular letter, copies of which have been addressed to every member of the Fraternity. The occasion of the Conclave is to be made the focal point of a great gathering of Acacians from every quarter, and the committee in charge is putting forth every effort to make the affair a com-

The outlook for next year is very encouraging, so far as the active chapter is concerned, it being computed that the house will open with a full complement of fifteen men. And this will be true despite the departure of the following men who are occupants at the present time: Dr. C. N. Gould,

may be enabled at all times and all the time to be in close and intimate touch with chapter affairs and chapter sentiment. The dominance of outside interests, whether from choice or from necessity, should not be permitted to exert an undue influence in the relation of the chapter to any of its members, and it is earnestly recommended that a definite policy be adhered to of selecting for this post only those who not only live but eat in the chapter house. Not all can draw upon the fund of personal acquaintanceship that furnished "Steve" with information and inspiration and in the usual case it will be true that the Traveler will flourish only as it is rooted deep in the daily life of the chapter.

plete success. We can only join with them in expressing a desire to see every member of the Fraternity who can by any means manage to do so promise to be one of that great throng. It will be an unequalled opportunity to become imbued with the energy and enthusiasm that is called Acacia Spirit.

who returns to the University of Chicago; Brothers Fox, Edwards, Ruby, Wilson, Barnes, Dalrymple, Crittenden, Harrington and O'Donnell. With "Brad" to guide the good ship and "Cush" to pull "stroke" as Steward, there is every reason for optimism.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual election of officers for the chapter was held at the regular meeting on May 5. The results of the election follow:

Venerable Dean	Brother J. F. Bradley
Senior Dean	Brother E. A. Richmond
Secretary	Brother H. H. Strong
Treasurer	Brother O. W. Dynes
Steward	Brother A. A. Cushing
Ass't. Steward	Brother H. H. Strong
Storekeeper	Brother E. P. Deatrick
Alumni Adviser	Brother R. H. Heath
Faculty Adviser	Brother V. R. Gage
Delegate to Conclave	Brother J. F. Bradley

NEW ACACIA SONGBOOK

The new song books have at last come from the press but they were well worth waiting for. They are attractively printed and the contents are well arranged. Altogether, we have a book of fraternity songs that we may well be proud of. A feature about the book that is especially

gratifying to the members of the Cornell Chapter is the fact that Brother Bradley has "landed" four times, more than the members of any other chapter. The books are bound in cloth and may be obtained from Harry E. Kilmer, Centerview, Mo., at \$1.25 per copy.

Now is the best time to subscribe for the Acacia Journal. Brother Mann is making it a live issue and is entitled to the loyal support of every member of the Fraternity, active or alumnus. The other fraternities will judge us to a great extent by our na-

tional magazine, and it is to our advantage to make it creditable. Send a dollar to Harry E. Kilmer, Centerview, Mo., and he will send you one of the new Acacia directories, and list you as a subscriber to the Journal.

The Cornell Masonic Club held its annual election of officers after the banquet on April 23. Brothers Brad-

ley and Alexander were elected president and vice-president, respectively.

Those of the alumni who knew "Baldy" Keith will be glad to know that he is an active factor in preparing for a big Acacia time at the Conclave, next September. The following

letter is self explanatory, and we sincerely hope all who read it will take it to heart and make a strenuous effort to be present at that great event.

THE 1915 CONCLAVE

CIRCULAR LETTER SENT TO ALL MEMBERS OF ACACIA. IMPORTANT

Dear Brother:

As you probably already know, the Tenth Annual Conclave of the Acacia Fraternity will be held in San Francisco August 31, September 1, and September 2 of this year. Among the features of the entertainment for the fraternity at that time, the most important will be the regular annual banquet which marks the close of the active business sessions of the Conclave. This banquet will be held on the night of September 2, at a cost of about \$3.00 per plate. For your own particular welfare, as well as for the good of the fraternity as a whole, we want you to enjoy that banquet.

For the first time in the history of Acacia, and for the last time for at least a quarter of a century, the western chapters are to have the privilege of entertaining the National Legislative body of the fraternity. Many circumstances conspire to make this an opportune time for the greatest demonstration of Acacia Spirit that can come to the fraternity during the first half century of its life. The Panama-Pacific Exposition, the large number of Acacia men now living in the region of San Francisco, the nearness of the two entertaining chapters, the large masonic gatherings to be held in San Francisco about this time, and many other influences insure there being in San Francisco at that time a very large number of Acacia men. This great body of Acacians gathered together in one great banquet hall will constitute the most impressive and illustrious group of fraternity brothers that any member of

Acacia can really hope to see for another decade at least. Be a member of that body and you will feel anew and more keenly the wonderful grip that the beautiful ideals of our fraternity has upon men of stamina and worth. Don't pass the matter by as unworthy, but "For the good of the fraternity," for the keener enjoyment of western hospitality and spirit, and for the quickening memory of your own beloved fraternity life, arrange your proposed trip to the coast this year so as to be able to attend the Acacia Conclave Banquet.

Already the Conclave Committee has organized the work of getting Acacia men on this coast out to attend this banquet. The work though newly started is exceedingly encouraging. Signed pledges to attend this function are coming in with satisfying regularity. It would expedite matters considerably and be exceedingly gratifying to the committee if you would send Benj. H. Pratt, 2634 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, California, a card at once, saying that you will, probably will, or certainly will not be in San Francisco on September 2.

The Alumni Chapter of Northern California wishes to do everything in its power to make things easy and pleasant for those Acacia men who visit the Convention and also the Exposition at any time during the year. To this end, A. R. Keith of Cornell has been chosen to act as a distributor of general information to all Acacia enquirers in regard to routes of travel, hotel accommodations, exposition matters, local excursions, and all the oth-

er perplexing questions that meet one in a brief sojourn in a strange and crowded city. He will be ever ready to meet your every need, from making hotel reservations for you—a service that may well be vital in the rush season of the Fair—to informing you of the probable whereabouts of your intimate Acacia brothers who are on the coast at that time. So, for your own personal benefit as well as for the good of the fraternity as a whole, make use of Brother Keith and his fund of information and come in contact with other Acacia men while in San Francisco.

We sincerely hope that you will not put this matter off, but even if your possible visit to California during the year seems almost hopeless, send Brother Keith a card saying, I will, I may, or I do not expect to be in San Francisco during the year. Address A. R. Keith, 201 Sansome Street, San Francisco, California.

Little things we are asking of you, these,—yet how easy it will be for one to lay aside this communication and forget the matter till it is too late. We hope that you will catch the vision of a little group of men out on the western coast giving generously of their time and thought that Acacia may benefit wonderfully by this year's Conference, and that you will therefore not be among the thoughtless few who will ignore this communication and therefore add their mite to a pulling down rather than a building up of our fraternity.

Let us hear from you in any event, and try to be on hand in September. It will be worth your while.

Sincerely and fraternally,

THE COMMITTEE

Ernest R. Neill, Stanford,
A. R. Keith, Cornell, Alumni Chapter
Benj. H. Pratt, California.

ALUMNI NOTES

(N. B. The prefixed numeral refers to the date of initiation—not graduation—as being more pertinent to present purposes.)

'07. Brother John D. Coffman is in the Forest service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and is located at Weaverville, California. We have heard from him this year, but he does not divulge any information concerning his own progress, although he seems optimistic regarding the chances for a new chapter house.

'08. Brother Sidney Gridley paid us

a brief visit during the year. He is with the Kinkead Mfg. Co., having charge of the local office at Philadelphia.

'10. Brother B. B. Ramey is with the Westinghouse Company and is located at Wilkesburg, Pa. He speaks of taking dinner with Brother "Mabel" Jones at Pittsburg, and also alludes to his own custom of spending week ends at Butler, Pa. But he insists that no special significance is to be attached to the last mentioned fact. "We hae oor doots."

'10. Brother Lester Morrow writes interestingly from Norman, Okla., regarding the activity of the University Masons at that place. He seems to consider the chances for a chapter rather favorable. We can depend on "Les" to push things along in the right direction.

'11 Brother E. P. Vreeland has written in regard to the new house proposition and reports progress along the road toward happiness. More specific information on this subject is found on another page of this issue.

'10. Brother Paul W. Thompson has paid us two visits, this year, the second one being on Spring Day. On the 29th of May he gave a talk before the Cornell Alumni Association of Michigan, discussing the crew races, baseball game and other things that he saw on his visit here. He is still with the Edison Illuminating Company and his new address is 500 Hamilton Ave., Detroit, Mich.

'10. Brother Hermit H. Gill has recently notified us of a change of address from 511 Cass Ave., to 472 Second Ave., Detroit, Mich.

MARRIAGES.

On December 29, 1914, Brother Harvey N. Gilbert was married to Miss Maude Fogle and resides at Brookline, Mass.

Brother Millard J. Edsall was married on March third last to Mrs. Christine Cooper of this city. Bro-

ther Edsall is now living on his farm at North Lansing, N. Y., where he is engaged in the raising of poultry.

The announcement was recently received of the marriage of Brother Horace B. Robinson, Jr., to Miss Mary I. Johnson, on April seventeenth.

On May 20th, Brother Charles E. Bee was married to Miss Helen E. Blake, of this city. The ceremony was performed in the grove near the College of Agriculture, but came as a surprise to the members of the chapter. Brother Bee and his bride are now in New York City on their honeymoon, from which place they will leave in a few weeks for California, where his mother resides.

BIRTHS.

On January 8th, a son, Harvey S., was born to Brother and Mrs. George W. Lewis of Swarthmore, Penn.

On March 3rd, Brother and Mrs. W. A. Carter of Detroit, Mich., became the proud parents of a son, Preston Day.

Brother and Mrs. E. P. Vreeland of Salamanca, N. Y., were gladdened by the arrival of a son and heir, Edward Butterfield, on April 7th.

ENGAGEMENTS.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Grace Fordyce, of Pasadena, Calif., to Brother D. Scott Fox, of this city. The marriage will occur during the summer.

ANNUAL BANQUET

On the evening of May first, twenty-eight active members and alumni assembled at the Ithaca Hotel for the annual banquet of the chapter. Brother C. W. Bennett presided at the affair. Toasts were responded to as follows: Brother C. M. Harrington on "The Chapter"; Brother O'Donnell, on "Our Motto"; Brother Gould on "The Cultivation of Fraternal Spirit." The Acacia Quartet, composed of Brothers Harrington, Crittenden, Deatruck and Ruby, sang a number of selections from the new Acacia song-book. Impromptu remarks by Brother Pickerill and Alumni Brothers Heath, Vanderhoef, Ellis, Griffith, Stewart and Chamberlain followed and covered a wide range of topics. The affair was highly successful from every standpoint, but was particularly valuable in tightening the bonds of friendship and fraternal

spirit, especially between the alumni who were present and the members of the active chapter.

Another delightful event of a social nature was the St. Patrick's Day party at the home of Brother and Mrs. Ellis, in this city. By a strange co-incidence, the members of the Mu Phi Epsilon Sorority, of which Mrs. Ellis is a member, were entertained the same evening. It is safe to say, however, that the pleasure of the brothers was not lessened by this fact. The evening was spent at cards and terminated with a sumptuous repast. Barring the fact that two of the brothers were, to quote "Woody," too (censored) slow to take a girl home, there was nothing to mar the pleasure of the evening, and it is the unanimous opinion that Mr. Ellis is the right sort of brother to have.

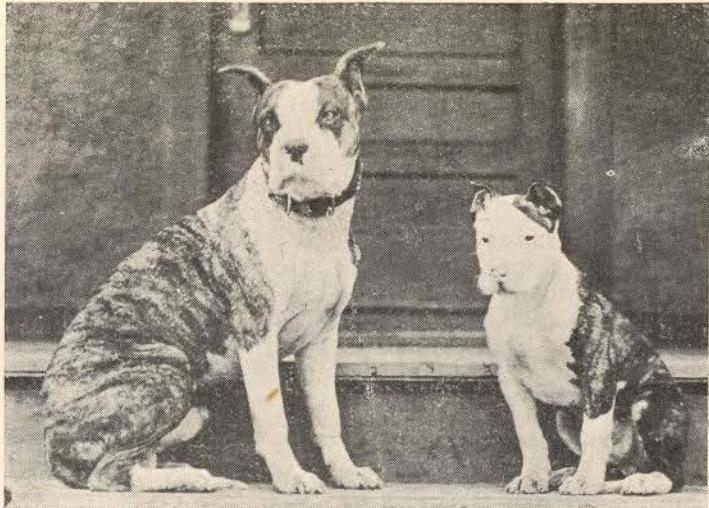
MASONIC CLUB BANQUET

The annual banquet of the Cornell Masonic Club was held on April 23rd at the Cascadilla Cafeteria. A good meal was enjoyed and a fine list of speakers was heard. The feature of the evening was an address by Prof. Roscoe Pound of Harvard University who made a plea for a more careful consideration of the true philosophy of Masonry and the rejection of the foolish and impossible beliefs connected with the mystical side. Other speakers were Dr. C. N. Gould of Chicago University and Mr. M. J. Watkins, District Deputy Grand Master of the 30th Masonic District of New

York. Prof. G. A. Everett of the Agricultural College gave some very enjoyable readings in the French-Canadian dialect and Brother O'Donnell, President of the Club made a few remarks touching the origin and purpose of the organization. "Brad" and Ruby gave us something in the way of musical entertainment. We had a very able toastmaster in the person of Prof. Frank Thilly of the Department of Philosophy. The affair was a grand success in every way and we hope to see this organization growing in strength and popularity next year.

THE DOGS

As was announced in our last issue, Hiram has a son and heir who is known to us as Hiram Jr. The pup has risen to the honor of being our official dog, the old dog being conspicuous chiefly by his absence. When "Pick" brought the pup to us, he carried him in his overcoat pocket but now, at the age of six months, he is as large as his sire. He has inherited his father's taste for Wilbur buds and, in order to get one, will sit up, speak or shake hands as desired. Owing to a rabies quarantine in Ithaca, the pup



FATHER AND SON, AT EASTER

has to wear a muzzle when he is outdoors and that muzzle is the bane of his existence. It was found rather difficult to keep two dogs in conformity with the quarantine requirements and plans were made to give old Hi to some interested party who would give him a home the rest of his life but as yet this plan has not materialized.

UNIVERSITY EVENTS

The final standing of Cornell in the three major sports, track, base ball and crew, for 1915, has not been determined at date of writing. Judging from mid-season form, however, not even her most pessimistic supporters would place Cornell lower than second place among eastern colleges in any

one of the three sports mentioned. Many enthusiasts are already predicting not only a clean sweep in track but victory in the intercollegiate baseball league and first place at Poughkeepsie.

Sporting authorities generally concede that Cornell will be an easy winner at the intercollegiate track meet on Franklin Field May 29th. Of

the 43 points scored in the 1914, only 18 were lost by graduation, leaving Cornell more points than were scored by any one of the teams representing Dartmouth, Yale Harvard or Princeton in last year's meet. Among the new men competing for Cornell this year, there are

several who are sure point winners. Richards and Foss, particularly stand out as stars of the first magnitude. At their best these two men should be easy winners in the high jump and pole vault respectively. In addition Richards should pick up a second or third place in the broad jump and may place in the shot put. Cornell is expected to score heavily in the distance

runs with her stars Speiden, Windnagle, Hoffmire and Potter. In the sprints and hurdles lies the weakness of the team, although Ingersoll appears a likely winner in the 100 yard dash.

Two dual meets have been registered as victories for the season of 1915. That with Harvard was uncomfortably close 57 1-2 to 59 1-2 due in part to bet-

ter early season form displayed by Harvard. Two weeks later on May 15th, Pennsylvania went down to defeat by a one-sided score of 41 1-3 to 72 2-3.

High hopes are entertained by the ardent supporters of the baseball team that Cornell will head the intercollegiate base-



THE DOGS TODAY, AND "COUNT"

ball league for 1915. After a somewhat disastrous start mid-season found the team playing championship ball. An even break has been secured against Princeton and Columbia and decisive victories registered against Dartmouth, Michigan and Yale. The most important games still on the schedule are two with Pennsylvania and a return game with Yale. In

Mellen, Bills, Donovan and Keating, Cornell has the fastest infield seen on Percy Field this year. Clary the regular backstop is playing his first year but has developed into one of the most dependable catchers Cornell has ever had. In Russell, Bryant and Johnson, Coach Sharpe has a trio of pitchers second to none in the inter-collegiate world. Cornell's chief weakness lies in the outfield. Neither Burpee, Gordon or Sutterby are proficient with the stick, although their fielding has been at least average. One of the pleasing features of Cornell's playing has been the general absence of "bone" headed playing that often mars the performances of the average college baseball team.

Cornell has been so long recognized as pre-eminent in college rowing circles that it comes with a shock to realize that she has lost both early season races, the triangular race with Princeton and Yale on Lake Carnegie and the race with Harvard May 22nd on Lake Cayuga. Both were two mile races rowed against two mile crews. Loyal supporters of the Cornell eight console themselves that Coach Courtney has the four mile race at Poughkeepsie in mind. A victory there would more than offset the early defeats. It is undeniable that while the crew shows power and plenty of reserve strength, yet the men lack the polish in their stroke so necessary in any winning eight.

THE MAY FESTIVAL

The annual May Music Festival was unusually successful, this year, and is rapidly becoming a source of much desirable publicity for the University. Among the soloists who contributed to the success of the event, this year were John McCormick, Florence Hinkle, Evan Williams and others. The Boston Symphony Orchestra furnished the instrumental portion. Among the chorus of University people who participated were three of our own men—Harrington, Deatrck and Day.

The first girder of the new Armory and Drill-Hall was swung into place on Saturday, May twenty-second, and each day sees the structure becoming more impressive in its size and general appearance. Standing as it does on a knoll, it will be one of the most

conspicuous features of the University landscape.

Last fall, after his visit here, Mr. Carnegie donated a sum of money to be used in erecting a fireproof addition to the Library to contain valuable books and manuscripts. This is now nearing completion and abuts on the main building on the north side. The materials used are steel and stone, rendering it absolutely fireproof.

An additional gift of \$85,000 for dormitories by an anonymous donor has recently been announced by the Trustees, making the total now \$50,000. One of the buildings is now almost completed and will be ready for occupancy by fall. Another is under way.