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PENNSYLVANIA, 42; CORNELL, 0.

Varsity Eleven Never a Factor in Concluding Game of Season.

The annual Thanksgiving Day game at Philadelphia was the logical ending of the most disastrous football season that Cornell has experienced in ten years. The score of 42 to 0 was awful in its disproportion, but it gives a fair idea of the relative strength of the two elevens.

Pennsylvania had improved wonderfully after her showing against Columbia and Harvard earlier in the season, but even so she did not have a championship team,—a team comparable with that magnificent Princeton eleven which in overwhelming Cornell four weeks before gave the first intimation of the superb form that was to win first place on the college gridiron this season.

The Cornell delegation of more than one thousand undergraduates and alumni went to Philadelphia expecting to see their team brace up and retrieve its fallen reputation. But when the game was over they slunk away to their homes overwhelmed with the sense of irretrievable defeat. And yet the eleven had been consistent: the finale had been one befitting the drama as a whole.

In the general disaster two or three bright features shone out clearly: these were the plucky fight which Coffin, in this his last gridiron battle for Cornell, and Rice, at the close of his first campaign under her standard, alike fought to the very end; and the brilliant playing of the Cornell ends, neither of whom had been allowed his place until the closing days of the season. Again and again Hackstaff and Forge stopped long gains through the line by running back of the play and tackling the runner from behind. In painful contrast to these features was the defense, or lack of defense, offered by the Cornell line from tackle to tackle; the total lack of snap in the line; and the fact, only too obvious, that the Red and White eleven had not the slightest idea of the rudiments of football. Every time Captain Hunt's men secured the ball they could try any one of a number of tricks, but as for straight football, it was a sealed book to them.

Pennsylvania showed her ability throughout the game to plough through the opposing line at any point absolutely at will. When the Cornell line played low, the stalwart Red and Blue backs swept fiercely over it; when the line played high

it was tossed aside by an attack so compact as to be well nigh irresistible. A striking point about the advances of the Pennsylvanians was that they did not stop when the runner was tackled, but plunged on for a distance equal to or even greater than the space already covered. This was made possible by the splendid team work of the Philadelphians; they played together as one man, helping each other, pushing, lifting and dragging, so that the runner had much more than his individual strength to depend upon. With Cornell it was the reverse; even if a back was once fairly started without a swarm of Quakers piling upon him, he was compelled to force his way toward the opposing goal alone and unaided.

Though averaging as much in weight as did their opponents, Captain Hunt's men were outclassed from start to finish. In the whole game, exclusive of ground gained in running back punts, Pennsylvania gained approximately five hundred two yards, while Cornell gained barely one hundred thirty-eight yards. In the first half, Pennsylvania gained two hundred forty-three yards; Cornell, forty-two. In the second half, the Philadelphians advanced the ball two hundred fifty-nine yards, while the efforts of Captain Hunt's men netted about ninety-six yards.

Of Cornell's total of one hundred thirty-eight yards gained, one hundred twenty-three, or all but fifteen yards, were made by Rice and Coffin in four sensational runs. In the first half Rice made thirty-five yards on a dash past Pennsylvania's end and in the second half he added twenty-five and forty-three yards more on similar plays. In the latter portion of the contest Coffin gained twenty yards on a fake kick.

From these figures of actual distance gained by the two teams, a fair idea may be gleaned of the merits of the Cornell eleven. In the whole contest the Ithacans gained but fifteen yards in line bucking and on end runs, exclusive of the four plays enumerated above.

Coffin opened the game for Cornell and kicked off to Bennett on Pennsylvania's 5-yard line. Bennett, Piekarski, Drake and Torrey made successive gains through the line, carrying the ball to Pennsylvania's 45-yard mark where Cornell braced and held her opponents for two downs, forcing them to punt. Brewster brought the ball back ten yards and on the next down Rice seized the pigskin and sped thirty-

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F. D. COLSON TO COACH AT HARVARD.

Assistant to Mr. Courtney will Develop Crimson's Varsity Eight.

Frederick D. Colson, '97, instructor in procedure in the Cornell College of Law and assistant coach of the Cornell crews will this spring coach the Harvard University crew. Mr. Colson has received a leave of absence from the University for the spring term and goes to Cambridge to pursue research



FREDERICK D. COLSON, '97.

work in the library of Harvard college, to attend lectures in the Harvard law school and to coach the Crimson crews. In the fall Mr. Colson will return to Ithaca to resume his duties in the law faculty and to work with Coach Courtney in the development of the Cornell crews.

The following statement issued by Captain Dillingham explains the arrangement which has been made:

"Permit me to make public the arrangements that have been made for coaching the crews during the coming season. A committee consisting of Mr. E. C. Storrow, '89, Mr. G. S. Mumford, '87, and Mr. F. L. Higginson, Jr., '00, has been appointed to confer with the captain instead of a single graduate head coach. Co-operating with this committee, Mr. F. D. Colson will coach the university crew. Mr. Colson is a graduate of Cornell University, received the degree of LL.B. from the same institution, and for the past four years has been instructing in the Cornell College of Law. He has received a leave of absence for the second half year, and comes to Harvard partly in order to become familiar with the method of instruction and administration in the Harvard law school, and to carry on special work in the law library."

The Harvard Crimson commented editorially on the change of system at Harvard, saying:

"We are unwilling, most of us,

to give up the entire control of an important branch of athletics to a professional coach, or even to an amateur, who has not been connected with the university. For this reason, the new committee of three graduates, to each one of whom Harvard owes a great debt of gratitude for all he has done for rowing here, will, with the captain of the university crew, have entire charge of all matters on the river.

"Under the supervision of these men, Mr. Colson will have the immediate task of coaching. Through a long experience under the tutelage of Mr. Courtney, perhaps the best professional coach in America, and by reason also of experience in actual coaching at Cornell, Mr. Colson has gained an insight into rowing which will help him to instruct the university crew in the methods that, from considerations both of speed and of physical conditions of the men, will be most advantageous.

"The new system is, of course, an experiment. It is one, however, which appear to promise excellent results. By its combination of the best graduate coaching, under the leadership of three trusted men, with the coaching of one brought up under the guidance of a very successful professional, it should set a very high standard for the rowing instruction next spring."

Few men have had greater experience in Cornell aquatics than Frederick D. Colson. He came to Ithaca in the fall of '93 and in June '94 steered his freshman crew. In his sophomore year he was coxswain of the Cornell eight which rowed in the Henley regatta and in the following year steered the crew which defeated Harvard, Pennsylvania and Columbia at Poughkeepsie. In his senior year Mr. Colson was coxswain of the crew which defeated Yale and Harvard at Poughkeepsie on June 24th and Pennsylvania and Columbia on the same course on July 2nd. In the fall of '97 Mr. Colson returned to Cornell to enter the college of law and that year captained the crew which defeated Yale and Harvard at New London. After practicing law for two years in Buffalo Mr. Colson returned to Cornell to become instructor in procedure in the law school and assistant coach of the crews. His particular work with the crews has been the development of the freshman eights which have been victorious on the Hudson during the last two seasons.

The Binghamton Alumni banquet will be held December 16th.

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five yards to Red and Blue's 45-yard line, where he was tackled by Torrey.

Brewster fumbled, however, and Bennett, Piekarski and Torrey began once more their consistent gains through the Cornell line, until on our 25-yard mark the Quakers were put back twenty yards for holding and after being held for downs, were forced to punt. After a return kick by Brewster, Reynolds punted out of bounds at Cornell's 30-yard line. Rice gained one yard around end. Cornell received five yards for off-side play, but the next two downs netted only three yards and Brewster punted.

Pennsylvania received the ball on the 22-yard line, and began a fierce hammering of the Cornell line at one point after another, advancing at every down. Short but telling gains carried the ball to Cornell's 2-yard mark, where Drake was pushed over for the first touchdown. Bennett kicked the goal, thus beginning his remarkable exhibition of kicking, in which he missed not one goal in seven attempts throughout the game.

From their own 5-yard line the Quakers gradually brought the ball back, punting once but regaining on a fumble, to Cornell's 24-yard line, where another fumble was made and Coffin fell on the ball. Only three yards were won by Rice in two end runs, and Brewster's punt went out of bounds at Cornell's 30-yard line. Reynolds got past Hackstaff for four yards, and Piekarski called forth applause from the Pennsylvania rooters by breaking through center and running twenty yards to our 5-yard line, where Brewster tackled him. Bennett went over for the second score and the half closed a few moments later with the ball in midfield. Score, 12 to 0.

On a blocked punt by Brewster at the opening of the second half, Rice fell on the ball on our 15-yard line and on the next down circled left end for a brilliant run of twenty yards to the 35-yard line. The next moment Brewster fumbled a poor pass by Davitt, and Pennsylvania with the aid of a quarterback kick which Drake picked up for a gain of thirteen yards, carried the ball over the line for the third touchdown. Lynah then replaced Brewster at quarterback.

From this point the game lost interest. From midfield Bennett, Metzger and Reynolds averaged eighteen yards apiece in three runs which placed the ball on our 2-yard line. Bennett walked over for a touchdown, and the score was 20 to 0. On the next kick-off Bennett juggled the ball behind Pennsylvania's goal line until five Cornell players were in front of him on his 5-yard line; but getting under way he tore through the middle of the

group for twenty yards before he was stopped. After two good gains by Piekarski, Mulford made a quarterback run of thirty yards to Cornell's 35-yard line, where Lynah made the fiercest tackle of the day.

Cornell got the ball on a fumble, but Coffin could gain only one yard in two downs. He tried to punt, but the whole Pennsylvania line was upon him before he could drop the ball to the ground. On the next play Bennett went through Halliday for thirty yards to Cornell's 5-yard line in a play made spectacular by the fact that five Cornell men were clinging to Bennett, who nevertheless kept his feet and was dragged along by his teammates. A revolving play directed between Halliday and Forgy gave Pennsylvania her next score.

With the score 30 to 0 Reynolds kicked off to Rice on his 3-yard mark and he came back twenty-five yards. In two downs Cornell lost three yards; the ball would not leave the quarterback's hands before the whole Pennsylvania line was through. Snider failed to gain, but Coffin ran twenty yards on a fake kick to Cornell's 50-yard line. Coffin was forced to punt. From their 10-yard line the Pennsylvanians brought the ball back by big gains, and a punt by Reynolds and a fumble by Lynah due to the weak defense made by the Cornell line, gave them the next score. Coffin kicked off again and Bennett ran back forty-five yards through the whole Cornell team. The same story was repeated and the final touchdown was made by Reynolds a moment before the close of the game.

CORNELL. POSITIONS. PENNSYLVANIA.
 Weede.....left end.....Hackstaff
 Butkiewicz } left tackleCostello
 Ziegler }
 Piekarski.....left guard.....Voriss
 Taylor.....center.....{ Newman
 Hoffman }Davit
 Kase }right guard.....Hunt
 Torrey.....right tackle.....Halliday
 Metzger.....right end.....Forgy
 Mulford }quarterback.....{ Brewster
 Corson }Lynah
 Reynolds.....left half back.....Rice
 Drake.....right half back.....Snider
 Bennett.....fullback.....Coffin
 Score: Pennsylvania 42, Cornell 0.
 Touchdowns—Drake 2, Bennett 2. Reynolds 2, Piekarski. Goals from touchdowns—Bennett 7. Referee—Mr Edgar Wrightington of Harvard. Umpire—Mr. Edwards of Princeton. Linesman—Mr. Kernan of Harvard. Time of halves thirty-five minutes.

The November Sibley Journal.

The November issue of the Sibley Journal is a memorial to the late Dr. Robert Henry Thurston. The frontispiece is a fine photogravure from an autograph portrait. The "Biographical Notice of Dr. Robert H. Thurston" is by William Kent, who was one of Dr. Thurston's pupils at Stevens, and who has been intimately associated with him for the past twenty-eight years.

The "Tributes from Prominent Engineers," as its name indicates

consists of letters expressing appreciation for Dr. Thurston's character and work. Among the writers are Robert W. Hunt of Chicago; Dr. R. W. Raymond, Secretary of the American Institute of Mining Engineers; Benjamin F. Isherwood, Engineer-in-Chief, U. S. N.; Henry R. Towne; Professor Charles F. Kroeh, of Stevens; William H. Wiley; Charles T. Porter, Inventor of the Porter-Allen engine; and Professor V. Dwelshauvers-Dery, of the University of Liege.

John H. Barr has an article, "Our Friend," which will appeal to all who have been so fortunate as to know Dr. Thurston.

"Dr. Thurston's Work in Sibley College," by H. J. Ryan and R. C. Carpenter, treats of the work done in the up-building of Sibley College since 1885, when Dr. Thurston came to Cornell.

"The Literary work of Dr. Thurston," by H. Diederichs, is a review of the three great groups of books written by Dr. Thurston, and appended is a partial list of the papers presented by him to the various learned societies of which he was a member.

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CORNELL WON CROSS COUNTRY RACE.

Four Red and White Runners Among the First Five to Finish—Schutt Captured Individual Honors.

The Intercollegiate cross country meet held at Traver's Island last Wednesday resulted in a victory for the Cornell team, the most extraordinary victory in the history of cross country running in America. Against the fastest aggregation of distance men that has represented the Eastern colleges in several years, the Cornell team won in a decisive manner that left no doubt of their superiority over the other teams represented. This was the fifth year that the Intercollegiate meet has been held, and the fourth time that Cornell has won the championship, Yale having been the victor in 1901. The position of the University in cross country running is therefore as pre-eminent as in aquatics, and the record made by Captain Woodward's team last week will not soon be equaled. It is undoubtedly the strongest team that has ever represented any college in a cross country meet.

In addition to winning the meet, the team captured the individual honors. W. E. Schutt, '05, was the first man to cross the line, covering the course of six and one-quarter miles in the fast time of 33 min., 15 sec. He was closely followed by Captain K. W. Woodward, '04, whose time was 33 min. 18 sec. W. J. Hail, a Yale freshman, finished third, and was followed by T. M. Foster, '04, C. F. Magoffin, '07, and E. T. Newman, '05, of Cornell, in the order named. A. King, of Harvard, who finished seventh, was the first Crimson runner to cross the tape. D. C. Munson, '06, of Cornell, beat W. C. Colwell, of Harvard, for eighth place. S. Curtis and W. G. Howard followed in the order named, and R. S. Trott, the seventh Cornell runner to finish, came in twelfth. The team scoring the lowest number of points won. The first four Cornell men to finish came in first, second, fourth and fifth which made the total score for the Cornell team twelve points, the lowest team average ever made in an Intercollegiate meet.

The marked superiority of the Cornell team over all other teams in the meet is shown by the fact that five of the team were of the first six to finish; six were of the first eight, and all seven finished among the first twelve, before the first Princeton, Pennsylvania or Columbia, or the second Yale runner had crossed the tape. Cornell would still have won the meet by eight points, if the first three men of the team to finish were left out of consideration and only the last four counted.

This is the first year that the race has been held on Traver's Island course, the meets formerly having taken place at Morris Park. The

Traver's Island course is the better adapted for cross-country running. It includes a quarter of a mile up grade over a macadam road, three-quarters of a mile through rough woodland, with a stone wall and two fences to be cleared, a ten-foot jump over a brook, another bit of road, half a mile more of irregular woodland running, including more fences, and an upgrade stretch of road at the end. The course is covered three times, and at the end of the third lap a turn is made back to Traver's Island, where a twelve-foot water jump has to be cleared, after which a run of 220 yards on a cinder track brings the race to a finish.

On the afternoon of the race, a cold wind was blowing from Long Island Sound, and nearly all the runners found jerseys and mittens comfortable. Thirty-nine men started in the race, thirty-three of whom finished.

The six institutions represented were Harvard, Princeton, Yale, Pennsylvania, Columbia, and Cornell. Thirty-nine men lined up in a row, within the oval track at Traver's Park and facing the macadam road over which the first quarter mile of the course was to be run. At the pistol, the Yale team made a dash across the turf enclosure, taking the lead and bunching closely. When the macadam road was reached, Jacobus of Yale headed the runners, and his Yale colleagues were at his heels, starting out in lively fashion with spirited team work. Chapin of Princeton and Colwell of Harvard, the one mile Intercollegiate champion, followed closely, likely candidates for individual honors. Then came the throng, the Cornell men being content to run closely together and trail during the early part of the race. When the crowd passed the brook on the first lap, Captain Woodward's men began to move up. They had been running a team race similar to that against Pennsylvania in the dual meet, and had abided while the others set the pace for the first mile and a quarter, insisting merely that the pace should be fairly strenuous. The team work of Woodward's men was the feature of the meet, and was responsible for the sweeping victory.

When the second lap began, the Cornell runners were leading, the whole seven being bunched in the first row and running well together, Captain Woodward encouraging the men and using good generalship in directing their progress. As they started up the macadam road for the second time, Schutt forged ahead. When the runners came to the irregular woods on the last half mile, Schutt and Woodward were leading the procession, but the course through the woods was so narrow and irregular, that two of the Princeton team managed to work in ahead of Foster, Ma-

goffin and Newman, the path being too narrow most of the way to permit of anything but single file running. After the bunch jumped the brook, Chapin got a stitch in his side, and Foster, Magoffin and Munson passed him, and the others as well, and moved up near Schutt and Woodward. It looked for a time as though they might close up on Schutt, Woodward and Hale, but the leading trio were too far ahead and in too good form to permit the distance to be reduced to less than 60 yards.

As the runners dashed into the last stretch of woods, Trott, who had been making a splendid exhibition despite his short period of training, turned his ankle, and thereby deprived himself of a certain place among the leaders. Munson left him and sprinted after the leaders, but got a stitch and was unable to overtake his colleagues. The pace was too fast for Colwell of Harvard as the brook was passed the last time, and he dropped it. The final sprint up the hill and around the track was a display of the fine team work and superb physical condition of the Cornell team, against a strong and experienced aggregation of distance men. Schutt's work in the race was as brilliant a bit of cross country running as has ever been seen in an Intercollegiate meet. At the finish he ran on to the club-house in good wind.

The time of the first lap was 11 min. 23 sec. At the end of the second lap the positions of the men were as follows: Schutt, Woodward, Hail, King, Foster, Newman, Magoffin, Munson, Colwell, Trott, Curtis, Howard, Parkhurst. This lap was run in the fast time of 9 min. 59 sec. During the third lap, the relative positions did not change materially, except that Magoffin passed Newman, and Foster, Magoffin and Newman all passed King, while Curtis and Howard drew ahead of Trott.

About a hundred fifty Cornell men saw the race and most of them were scattered out over the course in small groups which cheered on the Cornell runners as they passed.

Following is the order of finish and the time of each man:

	Time
	M. S.
1. W. E. Schutt, Cornell	33 15
2. K. W. Woodward, Cornell	33 18
3. W. J. Hail, Yale	33 26
4. T. M. Foster, Cornell	33 42
5. C. T. Magoffin, Cornell	33 48
6. E. T. Newman, Cornell	33 56
7. A. King, Harvard	34 00
8. D. C. Munson, Cornell	34 05
9. W. E. Colwell, Harvard	34 08
10. S. Curtis, Harvard	34 22
11. W. G. Howard, Harvard	34 28
12. R. S. Trott, Cornell	34 40
13. G. G. Parkhurst Yale	34 56
14. C. B. Alcott, Yale	34 58
15. S. W. Root, Princeton	35 00
16. W. G. Woodward, Yale	35 05
17. S. L. Crawford, Princeton	35 17
18. W. Gunn, Pennsylvania	35 22
19. C. S. Jacobus, Yale	35 24
20. S. Whitaker, Harvard	35 26

21. H. H. Howland, Harvard	35 35
22. Lee Chandler, Princeton	35 51
23. E. Russell, Pennsylvania	35 58
24. R. A. Williams, Princeton	36 10
25. W. L. Douglas, Yale	36 12
26. C. D. McDonald, Columbia	36 15
27. H. C. Drodge, Columbia	36 41
28. R. DeC. Greene, Columbia	36 44
29. A. W. Duke, Pennsylvania	36 55
30. C. A. McCarey, Pennsylvania	36 55
31. A. W. Evans, Columbia	36 56
32. N. Hirshberg, Columbia	37 32
33. L. P. Hosford, Columbia	38 11

Team score:
 Cornell—Schutt, 1; Woodward, 2; Foster, 4; Magoffin, 5; Total, 12; points.
 Harvard—King, 7; Colwell, 9; Curtis, 10; Howard, 11; Total, 37 points.
 Yale—Hail, 3; Parkhurst, 13; Alcott, 14; Woodward, 16; Total, 46 points.
 Princeton—Root, 15; Crawford, 17; Chandler, 22; Williams, 24; Total, 78 points.
 Pennsylvania—Gunn, 18; Russell, 23; Duke, 29; McCarey, 30; Total, 100.
 Columbia—McDonald, 26; Drodge, 27; Greene, 28; Evans, 31; Total, 112 points.

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On Thursday last the football season of 1903, the most disastrous in the whole history of Cornell football, came to a close when the University of Pennsylvania team which had been decisively defeated by Harvard, Columbia and Carlisle defeated the Cornell eleven by a score of 42 to 0. The game was a fitting conclusion for a season unmarked by a single important victory or by a single creditable defeat. From beginning to end the season was one of disaster and failure.

We can quite imagine the mingled feelings of regret and disgust of Cornell men in every corner of the States when they read in their papers on Friday morning the melancholy figures 42 to 0; and we presume that each speculated in his own mind upon the probable cause of the disaster. To these men, far away from the scene of action, we say that the Cornell team met its ignominious defeat simply because it did not know how to play football; it did not know even the rudiments of the game; had it known more it would have played better.

The remedy for the situation, as set forth in these columns immediately after the Princeton game, but at a time when the season was already whirling on to the inevitable, catastrophic conclusion reached on Thursday, is the employment of a permanent football coach who shall be as absolute a dictator in football as Coach Courtney is in rowing or Trainer Moakley is in track athletics.

Under the system now in operation we have no permanent coach and no one in absolute control. Authority is divided between captain and coach. Nominally, the captain of the team is head-coach; in fact, he is not. The very fact that the football knowledge of the employed coach should be to the football knowledge of the captain of the team as the rowing knowledge of Coach Courtney is to the rowing knowledge of the captain of the Varsity crew, renders impracticable any system which delegates to the captain of the team the powers which should be exercised by a head coach. The placing of authority in the hands of the pupil and responsibility for success or failure on the shoulders of the teacher is a scheme which we think could be fruitful of anything but good results. The imperative need of the football situation then is a man who occupies in football the same position which Coach Courtney does in rowing and who shall be unhampered by pupils clothed with authority but free from responsibility.

The single coach in absolute control should at the same time be a permanent coach who would remain with the team for three or, better still, for five years. He should be in Ithaca from the beginning of the college year to its close, and from year to year, to establish a continuity of system. And being responsible for the team of a succeeding year, he would have a care for the development of all available material. Freshmen would be coached in a system of football in their first year in college which would not be completely changed with the advent of each succeeding season. To appreciate thoroughly the disadvantage of changing coaches each season imagine for a moment what success we might expect on the water were we each year to have as head coach for rowing an oarsman who graduated in the preceding year.

But while we advocate the employment of a permanent coach for football we do not advocate a policy of dispensing with the services of our football alumni. Their services are needed, especially at the opening of the season when a hundred or more men are on the field, just as the services of a dozen Varsity oarsmen are needed in the crew during the months of January and February. And their suggestions should be received willingly and in the best spirit by the head coach. But whether or not their suggestions should be accepted and acted upon should rest entirely in the discretion of the head coach, the tribunal of last resort upon whom the responsibility for success or failure rests. And graduate assistants should accept the final decision of the head coach in the same spirit in which their suggestions should be received by him. They should

remember that not one iota of responsibility rests upon them and hence no authority should be exercised by them.

But the one-man system, like any other system, will fail unless the right man be placed in charge. That man requires certain personal qualifications. In the first place, he should be a man of temperate habits; not one whose conduct would be such as to demoralize a team. Second, he should be a good disciplinarian; a man who would command respect and who would summarily dismiss from the squad anyone who violated a rule of training; third, he should know football thoroughly. He should be a specialist devoting all his time and energy to the study and teaching of his profession. But above all he should be a man of temperate habits; then a disciplinarian; and finally a specialist in football. These we believe are the qualifications which the Athletic Council will demand of the man or men who will coach next year's eleven.

For the information of the many Cornell men who have no idea of the manner in which coaches are selected it might be well to say that the football committee, composed of the captain and manager of the team and the faculty member of the Council for football, selects the coach, subject to ratification by the Athletic Council. In the past the selection of coaches has always been ratified by the Council. This year, however, in view of the failures of the season and the anxiety of every alumnus and undergraduate of the University we know that the Council, appreciating the grave responsibility that rests upon it, will not ratify *pro forma* the nominee of the football committee, but will thoroughly investigate the qualifications of every man available for the place. That body realizes thoroughly the bitter disappointment scores of 44 to 0 and 42 to 0 bring to every alumnus of the University and will exercise its gravest judgment to relieve the crisis in which Cornell football finds itself.

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CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

'82, B.S.—Herbert D. Schenck is practicing medicine at 241 McDonough street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'84, A.B.—Lieutenant Oscar D. Weed has resigned his commission in the 46th Company, Coast Artillery. He has returned to New York City and will at once resume the practice of law associated with the Lawyers Title Insurance Company of 37 Liberty street. His residence is 254 West 104th Street, New York City. When the Spanish War began in 1898 Mr. Weed entered the United States service as the captain of Co. G, 9th N. Y. Voluntary Infantry. He remained with his command first at the preparatory camp at Peekskill, N. Y., and later at Chickamauga Park, Georgia, and was finally mustered out of the service November 17th, 1898. On July 17th, 1899 he was commissioned first lieutenant in the 27th United States Volunteer Infantry. For a time his regiment was stationed at Camp Meade, Pa., and was then sent first to San Francisco and after a brief time at that station was ordered to the Philippines. In February, 1901, they were ordered home and on April 1, 1901, were mustered out of service. On the 26th of October, 1901, Mr. Weed was commissioned first lieutenant in the 46th Company, Coast Artillery, stationed at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, and he has been with that command until the present time.

'88, B.S. in Agr.—Leonard Pearson is a member of the faculty of the department of veterinary medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. His address is 3608 Pine street, Philadelphia.

'89, Ph.B.—Frank S. Fielder is practicing medicine at 2 West 82nd street, New York City.

'89, M.E.—Lee H. Parker returned from Buenos Ayres in July and is now agent for Indiana of the Fort Wayne Electric Works.

'89, M.E.—Herbert H. Morehouse is senior partner in the firm of Morehouse & Morrill, electrical engineers and contractors, 231 Crossley Building, San Francisco, California.

'89, M.E.—Albert Register is a member of the firm of Pepper & Register, engineers and general contractors, located at 112 North Broad street, Philadelphia, Pa. He was formerly with the Thompson-Houston Electric company.

'90, M.E.—Eugene R. Rumsey is a member of the firm of the Rumsey Electrical Manufacturers company, 1211 Filbert street, Philadelphia, Pa.

'91, M.E.—H. M. Willson is a member of the firm of J. M. Willson & Sons, Sharon, Pa.

'91, B.L.—Irving B. Easton is a member of the firm of C. P. Easton & Company, manufacturers of pine

and spruce lumber, Albany, N. Y. His present address is, care of C. P. Easton & Company, Hochelaga Bank Building, Quebec, P. Q.

'93, B.L.—The Independent for November contains a poem entitled What is God? Its author is Professor H. C. Howe of the University of Oregon.

'93, M.E., '99, M.M.E.—Oliver S. Shantz is at present employed as chief engineer for the Rand Drill company of 128 Broadway, New York. Since graduation he has been employed by Schaeffer & Budenberg, T. A. Edison, and Westinghouse, Church, Kerr and company. Mr. Shantz is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Engineers Club of New York.

'94, C.E.—John W. Towle is a civil engineer and bridge contractor of Omaha Nebraska, with offices in the Bee Building.

'95, LL.B.—Frank K. Nebeker is practicing law at Logan, Utah, with offices in the Commercial Building.

'95 M.E.—George T. Ladd is with the Bass Foundry & Machine Company of Pittsburg.

'96, M.E.—A. M. Roedelheim is with the Roxford Knitting Company of Philadelphia.

'96, Ph.B.—William Story, Jr., is junior partner in the law firm of Story & Story, 31-35 Story Block, Ouray, Colorado.

'96, M.E.—F. H. Thatcher is attached to the Pittsburg offices of the Snow Steam Pump Works, at 509 House Building.

'96, M.E.—Stevens D. Streeter is an associate electrical engineer for Westinghouse, Church, Kerr and Company of 10 Bridge street, New York City.

'96, M.E.—Mark W. Roe is assistant superintendent and mechanical engineer for the Stirling company, manufacturers of boilers, Barberton, Ohio. He was assistant instructor in Sibley from September, '96, to February, '98, when he became draughtsman and designer for the Merrick Thread company of Holyoke.

'96, M.E.—Fred P. Stevens, who was employed by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition as head operator for the official photographers, is at present engaged in manufacturing the Stevens Photograph Printing Machine, on which he has been allowed a patent. His address is 3016 A, Bell avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

'97, M.E.—John L. Harper is the father of a daughter born at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on November 26th.

'97, M.E.—Andrew M. Screuder is manager of the New York office of the George M. Newhall Engineering company, located at 43 Cedar street, New York. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Mr. Schreuder has patented a ventilating fan for a water cooling tower.

'97, M.E.—John J. Swann is assistant to the president of the Longmead Iron company of Conshohocken, Pa. At different times he has been employed as associate editor of Engineering News and assistant manager of the sales department of the Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill company. He is a member of the A. S. M. E., before which society he has read several papers.

'98, LL.B.—A. E. Whiting is with the Whiting Paper Company of Philadelphia, Pa.

'98, LL.B.—Nicholas D. Yost is junior partner of the law firm of Macomber & Yost, Watertown, N. Y.

'99, M.E.—N. K. Moody is with the Carter Oil Company at Sisterville, W. Va.

'99, B.S.—Walter M. Zink is with the Buffalo Steel & Shafting Company, Buffalo, N. Y.

'99, M.E.—W. R. Miller is in the employ of the Buckeye Aluminum Company of Doylestown, Pa.

'99, C.E.—C. H. Belden is a member of the firm of E. S. Belden & Sons, builders of breakwaters and bridge piers, Hartford, Conn.

'99, M.E.—H. Worthington Talbot, former superintendent of the electric light and water works at Rockville, and later engaged in telephone work, is now inspector for the Underwriter Agency of Louisiana and Missouri. His address is Room 12, Masonic Temple, New Orleans, Louisiana.

'00, M.D.—Ludwig Woelfert is practicing medicine at 6 Sumner avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'00, B.S.—J. B. Weed, Jr., is in the employ of the Munson Steamship Line, 27 Williams street, New York City.

'00, B.S.—Charles H. Briggs is chemist to Howard's Wheat and Flour Testing Laboratory, Minneapolis, Minn.

'00, M.E.—Philip Will's present address is Apartado 89, San Luis Potosi, Mexico. Mr. Will has just gone to Mexico to become assistant to the manager of some large mining properties.

'01, A.B.—Edwin F. Thayer is with The Attleboro Sun, Attleboro, Mass.

'01, C.E.—Elmer D. Harshbarger has moved his offices from Penfield, Ill., to Ogden, Ill.

Ex-'01.—F. M. Nellis is with the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, 26 Cortlandt street, New York City.

Ex-'01.—Irving F. Westheimer is in charge of the Cincinnati office of the firm of Ferdinand Westheimer & Sons of St. Joseph, Mo.

'01, M.S.A.—Henry C. McLallen married Miss Helen M. Macgregor at Mesilla Park, New Mexico, on Wednesday, November

twenty-fifth.

'01, C.E.—R. B. Williams and E. B. Whitman, civil and sanitary engineers, have this week moved their offices from 702 Fuller Building to 902 Whitehall Building, Battery Park Place, New York City.

Ex-'02—David R. Levi is with Schoellkopf & Company, Buffalo, N. Y.

'02, M.D.—Frank M. Dyer is on the surgical staff of St. Luke's Hospital, New York City.

'02, M.E.—Albert Walton is electrician to the Comstock-Haigh-Walker company of Canandaigua, N. Y.

'02, A.B.—John H. Neville is with the Walworth & Neville manufacturing company and resides at Bay City, Mich.

'02, M.E., '03, M.M.E.—Edward Schaefer is with the Rand Drill company. His address is 56 West 123 street, New York City.

'02, A.B.—Gertrude W. Hastings is studying medicine at Trefts College Medical school, and resides at 6 River Road, Boston, Mass.

'02, M.E.—Joseph P. Kittredge is assistant to the superintendent at the Sharon, Pa., plant of the National Malleable Castings company.

'02, M.E.—Frank D. Clark is special apprentice with the New York Central and Hudson river railroad and resides at 166 W. Utica street, Oswego, N. Y.

'02, C.E.—M. A. Beltaire, Jr., is an engineer with the Scoll Works of the Railway Steel Spring company and resides at 1804 Green street, Philadelphia, Pa.

'02, A.B.—Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Leonora Thurston, daughter of the late Dr. Thurston, to John Rea Patterson, '02, of Pittsburg, Pa.

'02, M.E.—Frederick Schribur is now inspector for the Michigan Contracting company of 933 Boulevard West, Detroit, Michigan. He was at one time machinist for the Morgan Engineering Works.

'02, '03, '04.—At a re-union held in Ithaca on Thanksgiving night the following alumni were present: J. H. Bosshart, '02, of Shortsville, W. T. Peck, '02, of Auburn, W. H. Fries, '03, of Syracuse, E. C. Wixom, '03, and W. E. Stockwell, '03, of Amsterdam, R. W. Palmer, '03, of Seneca Falls, and T. E. Faxon, '03, R. F. Weber, '03, F. C. Wight, '04, and F. C. Robinson, '04, of Ithaca.

'03, LL.B.—Charles G. Fryer is practicing law in the offices of Senator Edgar T. Brackett, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

'03, M.D.—J. K. Quigley is on the resident staff of the New York Laying-In Hospital, 2nd avenue and 17th street.

Ex-'03.—T. W. Taylor is engaged in the coal business with his father at 588 to 594 Kent avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'03, LL.B.—Arthur H. Smith is attached to the law division of the New York State Excise Department, Albany, N. Y.

'03, LL.B.—Frank C. Allis and James J. Clark are practicing law at Holley, N. Y., under the firm name of Allis & Clark.

On Some Defects of our Social Scheme.

[November Era.]

In his powerful though somewhat eccentric book, *The Religion of Democracy*, the Rev. Charles Ferguson gives expression to a great truth: that no state can afford to neglect or overlook the needs of even the humblest of its citizens. Fairly analogous and equally important is this truth, which we have not all yet recognized: that no institution of learning is doing its full duty toward—or, to put it perhaps more fairly—is entirely fulfilling its mission to those who seek its halls until adequate provision has been made for the well rounded development of every student, for the *mens sana in corpore sano*. Most of our universities and colleges, great and small, have striven nobly to realize this ideal. They have employed professors and instructors without stint and have required of them the most careful and rigorous training in preparation for the work of instruction; they have built large and costly lecture halls, laboratories, and museums; they have provided, or generously co-operated in providing gymnasiums, athletic fields and playgrounds, and instructors in physical training and hygiene. Those institutions most favored by fortune have naturally been able to do most in these various directions. Yet even in these larger institutions, in the universities which are in many ways the acknowledged leaders, something is felt to be lacking.

Why is it that we hear so much even today about the superiority of the smaller colleges? Why do the alumni of these small colleges, which do not grow rapidly in numbers, send their sons to their own alma mater? Ask them and you will get pretty much the same reply from them all; that in these institutions the boy comes into close contact with his professors, and gets to know everybody in college and to regard almost every other man as his personal friend. This intimacy of relations with teacher and fellow student is oftentimes rated as actually more to be desired than the privilege of studying under far more noted experts, and swinging dumbbells in a far more costly gymnasium in a larger and wealthier institution. And this is possibly not so great a mistake after all. For because of this intimacy the young man may carry with him memories, impressions, influences which will do more to mould his whole future life than any number of courses in Greek inscriptions or advanced chemistry which only the wealthy college could provide for him.

I am not here pleading, however, the cause of the small college. I am merely calling attention to what is alleged to be one of its chief good points; the superiority in the social relations of its

students with one another and with the faculty. If this superiority be conceded, it follows that the small colleges offer us an important object lesson.

This lesson educators and college philanthropists are already beginning to heed. They are coming to see that the social life of a great university—of an overgrown college, if you will—is a matter of the gravest importance; that it needs to be fostered and to have able guidance; that it must have a center and an ideal. And this ideal must in our day and age be that of the purest democracy.

One of the most notable attempts to foster better social conditions has been made at Harvard, where Colonel Henry Lee Higginson's "Home of Friendship" forms the magnificent home of the Harvard Union. Many of my readers have doubtless visited this building and know something of the organization there housed. Membership in the Union is open to any instructor, graduate student, or undergraduate, and the dues are but nominal—for the undergraduate, ten dollars a year. The member thus has access to what may now be fairly considered the centre of university activity—the vast living-room of the Union, 120 feet long and 50 feet wide, where, seated in an easy chair, he can gaze upon the portraits of many famous worthies of the past, and "smoke and read and talk and grow." To quote further from an interesting description by Mr. Frederick L. Collins in *The Evening Post*:

"It is indeed the house of friendship. At five in the afternoon, the winter hour of relaxation, and at seven in the summer time, a look through the smoke into this great room would be a revelation to those who believe that fellowship and small colleges are synonymous. In the evening there is some sort of entertainment, a lecture by some famous visitor, a class smoker, glee club concert, or an athletic enthusiasm meeting. The room was built to hold cheers. It was well. For a week or more before a Yale game, every evening sees the living room crowded with enthusiastic undergraduates who listen and applaud the words of their great leaders. . . . Then come the songs and the cheers—the effervescence of the spirit, the bubbling over, which is all the public ever sees. In this house of friendship, so typical in its size and completeness, Harvard stores the spirit of its manhood, the crimson flow of the great heart of the University.

Something of this sort we need here at Cornell; and we need it badly. It is true that conditions here are somewhat peculiar. The Greek letter fraternities have had here a free and unchecked growth since the very year of the opening of the University. They have

thriven perhaps much better here than at many of the more Eastern institutions. Yet even if it be conceded that the fraternities do quite enough for the social welfare of their members, it must be borne in mind that the proportion of fraternity members to the whole body of undergraduates is not large, as is shown by the following figures taken from Dean Huffcut's admirable *History of the Beta Charge of Theta Delta Chi*:

"The number of undergraduate men annually registered in the University from 1890 to 1900 was 1151, 1232, 1334, 1372, 1293, 1354, 1404, 1466, 1357 and 1506, respectively. For the corresponding years the number of fraternity men in college was 410, 462, 497, 511, 452, 473, 464, 481, 483 and 542 respectively."

That is, the 23 fraternities represented here in 1900 included but little more than one-third of the total number of undergraduates. Since then four or five more fraternities have entered Cornell; but

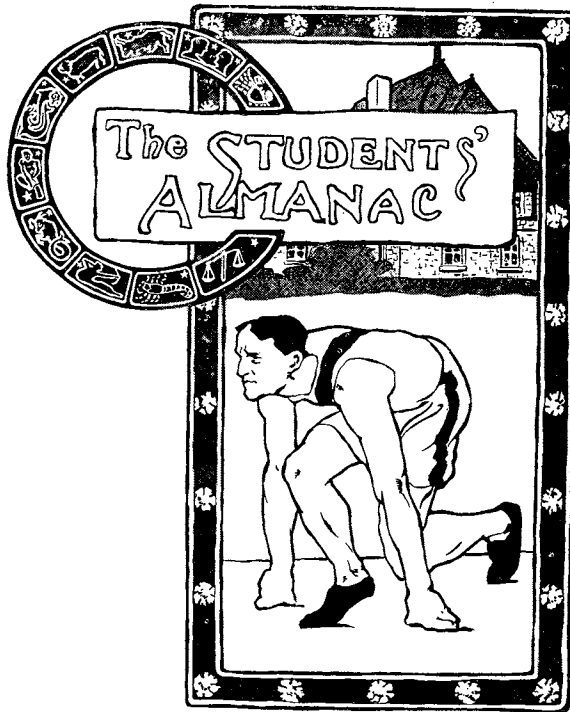
the ratio has probably not changed much.

It must be clearly understood that I am not advocating any movement which need in any way change the conditions affecting the prosperity of the fraternities. They are here to stay. They represent the attempts of students to solve for themselves in the most natural way the problem of social intercourse; and far from meeting with any sort of opposition they should be encouraged and wisely guided. But as we have seen, the fraternities provide for less than half the whole number of students; and inasmuch as all the best fraternities, with only one or two notable exceptions, are already represented here, it is unlikely that the fraternity system will ever be extended much beyond what it is now. What we need is a scheme which will afford social opportunities (I use the word social obviously in its larger sense) not only to the fraternity man but also

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Meanwhile, is there nothing which can be done, however inadequate, to meet the need which has been described? It seems to me that the formation of a University Club, even though it must take up its residence at first in very limited quarters, would be a step in the right direction. If such an organization could prove conclusively that it was needed here and was meeting the need as well as it could, the longed-for patron would doubtless appear much sooner. At any rate I commend the suggestion to those who may read these columns, and I should be glad to see it further discussed.

C. S. NORTHUP, '93.

Undergraduate Dramatics.

In the December number of the Bookman is an article on "American Undergraduate Dramatics" which will interest all college men who have ever witnessed the plays and burlesques given by undergraduates. The author, Mr. L. G. Price, '02, will be remembered by recent graduates as a former editor of the Cornell Daily Sun and of the Cornellian. While in college he took an active share in the literary and journalistic affairs of the University. Since graduation he has been in the city department of the New York Tribune.

The article sketches the development of dramatic effort at the various colleges, beginning with the performance of Gustavus Vasa at Harvard as early as 1690. Among the many notable men who have taken part in college plays he mentions Phillips Brooks, Senators George F. Hoar and Henry Cabot Lodge, J. Cheever Goodwin, James K. Hackett, Burr McIntosh, Clyde Fitch, Joseph H. Choate, and Olive Wendell Holmes. The two well-known Harvard clubs, Hasty Pudding and Pi Eta, are mentioned as good examples of organizations

which give original comedies and musical burlesques. These clubs are famous on account of the excellence of their productions and on account of the many men of genius and fame who have been connected with the clubs during their undergraduate years. Of the part which Owen Wister, the author of The Virginian, took in the Pudding plays, Mr. Price says:—

"Owen Wister, another well-known Pudding man, wrote both the libretto and the music for a burlesque on the story of Dido and Aeneas. Mr. Wister, himself taking the part of Pius Aeneas and being dressed below the waist as a Greek and above the waist as Professor Charles Eliot Norton, whom Harvard men, then as at present, liked gently to satirize."

Besides the farces and the burlesques, the more serious and pretentious productions are described, as the "Birds" of Aristophanes, given in Greek by the students of the University of California in the open-air theatre presented by William R. Hearst. At Yale the Dramatic Association gives faithful reproductions of old English plays, such as Thomas Heywood's The Fary Maid of the West, or Oliver Goldsmith's The Good Natured Man. The French plays given at Harvard under the auspices of the Cercle Francais and at Cornell under the direction of the French department also fall within this group.

The article is very complete and covers practically every field of dramatic production and makes mention of the organizations in nearly all of the well-known colleges. The Savage Club of Cornell is mentioned. The Masque is named as the chief Cornell dramatic club. Among the illustrations are pictures of R. L. Dempster, '04, the president of the Masque, of Miss Elizabeth Valentine, '02, who is now playing in "Everyman," of the two French plays given last year, and of plays and players from many other colleges.

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Undergraduate Comment on Football.

[Cornell Daily Sun Editorial.]

Thursday's game against Pennsylvania was a most discouraging end to a season full of reverses. It was all the more discouraging because the team has had the most enthusiastic and united support from the undergraduates that it has ever received. Many students have gone to the Princeton and Pennsylvania games to cheer the eleven and have also done their best to encourage the men in the games on Percy Field. This interest on the part of the students has been healthy interest, arising out of a steadfast desire to help the team, and was no unreal fairweather enthusiasm aroused, as such enthusiasm sometimes is, solely on account of victories won. The undergraduates were with the team at the opening of the season and backed it in spite of discouragement to the last game.

But the achievement of the season has by no means justified such interest, and the feeling now is that something in Cornell football is radically wrong and must be remedied before next year. Of course, lack of material has been a handicap against which the coaches have had to work all the year, yet we believe that the trouble is primarily with our coaching system. One or two men have not been responsible for the ill success and to get a new man or two, will not, as many undergraduates seem to think, at once solve the difficulty.

In the three years that the present graduate coaching system has been in operation, there has been a steady decline in football at Cornell. When adopted, the scheme looked well in theory and had the additional advantage of satisfying the sentimental desire of having alumni to coach. It has not worked at all well in practice. The reasons are that there has not been enough centralization of authority in the form of a head coach whose decision in all things is to be final, and that Cornell football is still too young to have settled methods which will insure strong teams in spite of a completely yearly change in the personnel and ideas of the resident coaches.

The question is whether the present system of having two comparatively recent graduates as resident coaches but with no real head to direct affairs, or a system which consists of an older coach in authority as well as in name, is the better.

The football advisory committee inaugurated the first plan, and may still be assumed to favor it from sentimental as well as practical reasons. The undergraduates seem to desire one man as absolute head who shall stay here for a term of years and be given a chance to establish a permanent system. For many reasons this seems to be the best system. But so far it has been advocated principally in the desire to get one man, Glenn S. Warner, as head coach. In experience, in reputation, and in the results he has accomplished, Mr. Warner today is one of the greatest of football coaches. But to get him back here next year would mean a complete change of system, and whether this system should be changed, is after all, the first thing to be decided. The Sun believes that such a change should be made and that it will be made if a united undergraduate feeling demands it. Undergraduate support of football this year has been so steady and consistent, that what the students demand in regard to next year can hardly fail to be granted.

Cornell Wins Chess Match.

The adjudication of the unfinished games in the recent Cornell-Columbia chess match has been received by President Rand of the chess club. The games were submitted to Mr. S. Lipschutz, of the Manhattan Chess club, the former American chess champion, who has awarded a win to C. L. Rand, '04, and a draw to W. Neff, '05, making the score 4½ to 1½ in favor of Cornell.

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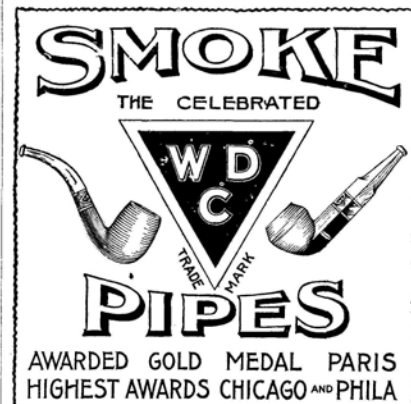
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