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PLANNING THE BIG REUNION.

Program Ratified at a Meeting of the Class Secretaries' Association.

A meeting of the Association of Class Secretaries was held at the Town and Gown Club in Ithaca last Saturday morning, February 15. At this meeting the program arranged by the General Reunion Committee of the Association for the reunion of all classes next June was ratified. Sub-committees were authorized to take charge of various divisions of the work of preparation for that gathering.

The following persons were present: R. G. H. Speed, '71; C. L. Crandall, '72; E. L. Nichols, '75; C. B. Mandeville, '77; R. H. Treman, '78; W. A. Finch, '80; H. H. Wing, '81; Charles H. Hull, '86; V. A. Moore, '87; W. W. Rowlee, '88; W. H. Austen, '91; C. D. Bostwick, '92; E. E. Bogart, '94; R. S. Haynes, '99; George H. Young, '00; John S. Gay, '01; W. J. Norton, '02; H. J. Richardson, '05; Charles H. Tuck, '06; C. H. Blood, '88; C. E. Treman, '89; Registrar Hoy, '91, and W. J. Dugan, '07, graduate manager of athletics.

In the absence of the president, R. J. Eidlitz, '85, Mr. Rowlee acted as chairman. The report of the Reunion Committee was read and accepted. The committee reported the program for alumni days, which is as follows:

TUESDAY, JUNE 16.

3 p. m., Meeting of Football Alumni.

4 p. m., Meeting of Association of Class Secretaries.

5-7 p. m., President's Reception.

9 p. m., Senior Ball.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17.

9:30 a. m., Annual Business Meeting of the Associate Alumni.

11 a. m., Meeting of Alumni to be

addressed by the President of the University and an invited speaker.

2 p. m., March to Field.

2:30 p. m., Alumni-Varsity Baseball.

12 m. and 6 p. m., Hours for Class Dinners.

6 p. m., Alumnae Dinner.

8:30 p. m., Glee Club Concert.

The meeting of the University Board of Trustees is to be held on Thursday afternoon instead of on Wednesday, as heretofore. There will be no general alumni luncheon. The principal sub-committees appointed to act with the chairman of the Reunion Committee, C. E. Treman, are: Hotel and boarding house accommodations, Mr. Tuck; fraternity house accommodations, Mr. Dugan; tents, Messrs. Norton and Young; alumni baseball game, Mr. Dugan; railroad rates, Mr. Hoy. An announcement regarding the speaker at the Wednesday morning meeting will probably be made soon.

It was decided that the baseball game between the alumni and 'varsity nines should be played on the new Playground near the campus instead of on Percy Field. This will involve a change in the route of the parade. It is proposed to pitch class tents on the new athletic field just above the Playground to the eastward. It was voted to be the sense of the meeting that all class headquarters should be on the hill, none of them downtown. If the weather is fair most of the younger classes will probably use tents for this purpose. Members of the older classes expressed a preference for rooms in University buildings as class headquarters, and arrangements will be made to accommodate all classes in this way if the weather should be bad. It was suggested that some classes might choose to obtain quarters for the reunion period in a private dormitory or boarding house,

but in general the Association unanimously expressed the opinion that class headquarters should be on the campus.

Mr. Hoy reported for the committee on the 1908 Ten Year Book. He said that the work of compilation was well advanced. The book will contain an alphabetical list of all matriculates of the University, with dates of entering and leaving the University, degree and date of degree, occupation and present address. There will also be a geographical list. The rest of the volume will consist of a complete list of all former and present officers of administration and instruction and a list of students who have been registered in the Summer Session and the winter courses in agriculture.

Binghamton College Dinner.

The annual dinner of the University men of Binghamton will be held on Friday evening of this week at the Hotel Bennett. The object of the dinner is to promote good fellowship among the college men of Binghamton and southern New York, and to that end the committee urges all college men to be present, whether invited or not. Tickets are to be three dollars each. The attendance last year was ninety-one and an even larger committee consists of Z. B. Phelps, Yale, and R. B. Sears, Cornell, '03. Among the speakers will be Dr. Charles G. Wagner, '80.

Professor S. H. Gage, '77, has received a pension under the Carnegie Foundation and will retire from active work in the Faculty at the beginning of the next academic year and devote his time to research work.

Several hundred visitors are in Ithaca this week for the farmers' convention at the College of Agriculture.

JUDGE ALBERT H. SEWELL.

Outline of the Life of One of the Men
Nominated for Alumni Trustee.

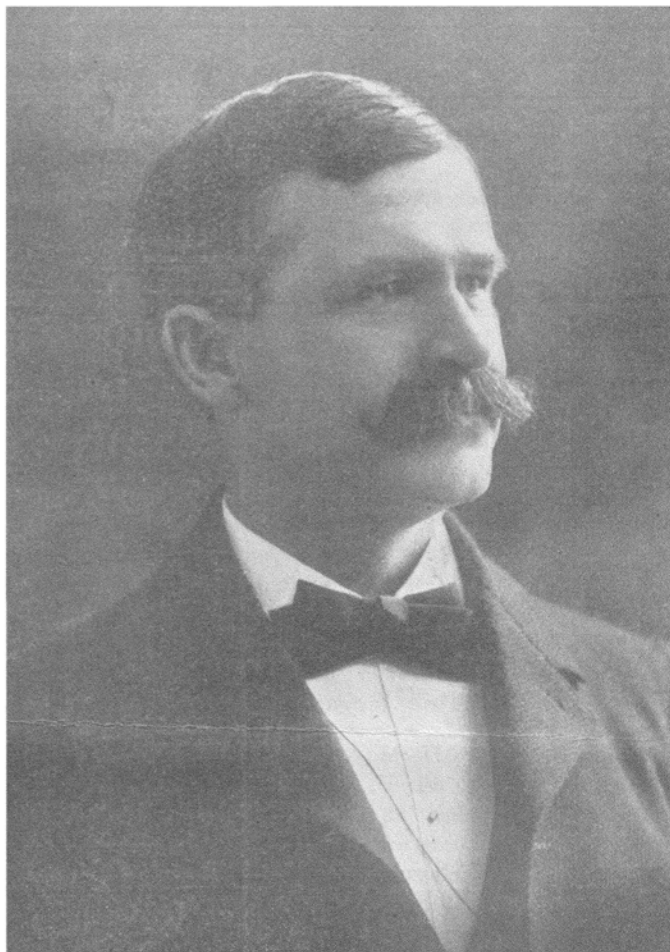
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As already announced in the ALUMNI NEWS, a numerously signed nominating petition has been filed in behalf of Judge Albert H. Sewell, '71, of Walton, N. Y., for one of the two alumni trusteeships to be filled by the votes of the alumni next June. Western and Southern alumni have been especially active in bringing forward Judge Sewell's name, although New York city and state are, as usual, well represented on the nominating committee.

Justice Sewell is now a member of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, in the third department. The third department sits at Albany, the state capital, and is one of the most influential of the four departments into which the state is divided. This most honorable designation came from Governor Charles Evans Hughes, whose judicial appointments have invariably excited most favorable comment, and no judicial designation made by Governor Hughes has elicited warmer approval from bar and laymen than that of Judge Sewell.

Albert Henry Sewell was born in Hamden, Delaware county, N. Y., on October 30, 1847, the son of William H. and Celinda S. Sewell. He was educated at Walton Academy, at Union College, which he attended during 1867, and at Cornell University, which he entered at the opening of the University in 1868 and from which he was graduated in 1871. Thus he has been identified with Cornell from the inception of the University.

From Cornell he went to the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1873. In that year he was admitted to the bar, and began the practice of his profession at Walton in his native county. His career at the bar was one of striking sagacity and success, and both as a



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business lawyer, and as an advocate he was soon recognized as one of the leaders in his judicial district. He was identified with the management of large enterprises and the conduct of business interests, in many of his professional activities. He held no public office, except that of Member of Assembly in 1878, until in 1889 he was elected county judge and surrogate of Delaware county, which he held for ten years and made a fine record for independence, integrity and judicial acumen. This was recognized by Governor Theodore Roosevelt, and when the latter had to name a successor to fill the vacancy in the Supreme Court caused by the death of David L. Follett, one

of the ablest of New York's judges, Mr. Roosevelt unhesitatingly named the upright county judge of Delaware, a choice which was ratified by the voters of the district in November of that year, 1899.

Two years later Justice Sewell was designated to fill a vacancy in the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in the second department, which sits in Brooklyn. He filled this position with such ability that his re-designation was unanimously requested by his associates on the bench, and by a large proportion of the bar of the department. Governor Odell designated Judge Nathan L. Miller, however, and Judge Sewell returned to trial work

in his own judicial district, often being sent to other districts to hold extraordinary terms, however, at the special designation of the Governor. In this way he became known as one of the best trial judges in the state. In 1907 Governor Hughes made the appointment pursuant to which he is now again sitting on the Appellate Division.

In 1887, he married Mary E. Wright, a gifted woman who has shared her husband's broad interests in education and philanthropy. Politically Judge Sewell has always been a progressive Republican, and has several times found himself at odds with the regular organization of his party. He has always taken deep interest in educational and philanthropic activities, and throughout his career at the bar and on the bench he has been a frequent visitor to Ithaca, actively interested in whatever has pertained to his alma mater. He is a familiar figure at alumni reunions and banquets. He was a member of the reception committee for the recent dinner to General Stewart L. Woodford by the Cornell men of New York city. Those who are urging his election to the board of university trustees point out that geographically his selection would be admirable, inasmuch as he is a frequent visitor to Ithaca, and within easy access for meetings of the board, while at the same time his judicial duties bring him in touch with Cornell men throughout a considerable portion of the state, including many of its most important cities. Because of this, and because of his eminence as a jurist and his experience as an administrator, it is urged that he would be an admirable trustee representative of the great body of Cornell alumni.

Only twenty candidates for the college crews had reported last week. They represented Sibley, Civil Engineering, Architecture and Agriculture.

The junior law smoker was held in the Dutch Kitchen last Thursday evening.

ALUMNI DINNERS.

Nomination for Alumni Trustee.

President Schurman was the principal speaker and guest of honor at the annual banquet of the Cornell Alumni Association of the District of Columbia, held at the Raleigh Hotel in Washington on Thursday evening, February 13. He delivered an address which was greatly enjoyed, dwelling principally on matters of educational policy and the more important movements in the various colleges of the University. Dr. L. O. Howard, '77, of the Department of Agriculture, served as toastmaster. The other speakers were Miss Ruth Putnam, '78, of the University Board of Trustees; John F. Hayford, '89, president of the local association, and E. S. Shepherd, '02. Mr. Hayford nominated Dr. Howard for alumni trustee of the University, and the nomination was heartily applauded. An impromptu address was also made by Charles W. Ames, '78, of St. Paul. The dinner committee consisted of Charles B. Mirick, '05, chairman; Mrs. Frederick V. Coville, '89; Mrs. George H. Ashley, '95; John F. Hayford, '89; John C. Hoyt, '97; E. S. Shepherd, '02; A. T. Banning, jr., '04, and Horace Dulin, '05. The members of the association had planned to entertain President Schurman after the banquet, but he was obliged to go away early. Congressman Dwight called for him unexpectedly to attend a conference regarding a bill recently introduced in Congress providing for the establishment of experiment stations in mechanic arts similar to those maintained by the Federal government in agriculture.

College Presidents Exchanged.

The annual banquet of the Cornell Club of Philadelphia was held in the "Red Room" of the Bellevue-Stratford on Saturday evening, February 15. About seventy-five Cornellians assembled. Layton Martin Schoch, '97, president of the Club, acted as

toastmaster. President Schurman was the guest of honor, responding to the toast "The University." He outlined the intellectual growth of the University and discussed plans for the future. Frederic Schoff, '71, the oldest Cornell graduate in the state of Pennsylvania, responded to "The Cornell Club," telling of the growth of the Philadelphia organization. James Mapes Dodge, '72, spoke on "Cornell Influence."

At this point a message was read from the alumni of Haverford College, who were holding their banquet elsewhere in the same hotel, extending hearty felicitations. President Schurman was then escorted to the room where the Haverford men were dining and he addressed them. At the same time President Sharpless spoke to the Cornellians. This was one of the most pleasant features of the dinner.

Fred G. Tallman, '80, of Wilmington, Del., spoke on "Cornell's First Decade." Guy Gundaker, '96, discussed "Cornell's Athletics" and told of the early trials and progress of the track team which culminated in the victory of 1905. E. S. Shepherd, '02, of Washington, D. C., responded to "Alumni Associations," and F. D. Cummings, '85, read his latest poem "On the Trail." Cornell songs were sung throughout the dinner under the leadership of "Al" Warner, '00, and "Bunnie" Ramsburg, '99.

The committee in charge consisted of Clarence Beebe, '73, chairman; Layton M. Schoch, '97, ex officio; R. B. Lewis, '95, secretary; Frederic Schoff, '71; H. J. Edsall, '96; L. V. Grantier, '01; E. C. Batchelar, '02; T. Y. Olsen, '03; F. C. Robinson, '04; D. S. Woods, '04; R. T. Mickle, '92; A. D. Warner, jr., '00; H. A. Rogers, '02; G. B. Tourison, '03; C. B. Kugler, '03; C. W. Everson, '04; Lee H. Heist, '04, and T. D. Bowes, '05.

Mr. G. R. Parkin, secretary of the Rhodes scholarship trust, visited the University last week.

Fifty students have reported for the English Club's play.

NEW BASEBALL REGULATION.**Faculty's Action to Maintain a High Standard of Eligibility.**

Action designed for the prevention at Cornell of what is known as the "summer baseball evil" has been taken by the University Faculty. Under an amendment adopted in the "rules governing student organizations" a student will hereafter be ineligible to represent the University on the 'varsity nine if he plays under a name other than his own or plays, except as a representative of a school or college team, in a contest at which an admission fee is charged. Following is the Dean's statement:

"At the meeting of the University Faculty held February 14 an important amendment in the Rules Governing Student Organizations was adopted. For a long time the need has been felt of some way of enforcing the rule of the Brown Conference rendering ineligible those who have received remuneration for participation in any branch of sport. The principal difficulty occurs in summer baseball where the players receive remuneration, directly or indirectly, from the proceeds of the game.

"Owing to the circumstances under which these games are played it is in most cases impossible to establish the violation of the rule. Even where a student plays in such games without remuneration he is suspected of receiving it and discredit is thrown upon the college team on which he afterwards plays.

"The Faculty, on the recommendation of the Committee on Student Affairs (the former Committee on Student Organizations), has therefore adopted a rule creating a presumption arising from ascertainable facts which usually accompany a violation of the rule. There can be no justification for playing under an assumed name, and while a student may play without remuneration in games for which admission is charged it is felt that for the sake of the reputation of the college all suspicion of the violation of the rule should be

avoided."

The rule to which the amendment applies is II c. of the Rules Governing Student Organizations and reads as follows

"II. Intercollegiate Athletic Contests in General.—No person shall represent the University in any intercollegiate athletic contest either at home or abroad;

"c. If he receives or has ever received any remuneration or consideration of any sort for his services in any branch, as performer, player, coach, or otherwise, apart from such necessary expenses as are actually incurred by him as a member of a college team, or of a permanent amateur organization in connection with occasional amateur contests."

The amendment is:

"In applying Rule II c. to baseball, any person who, after April 1, 1908, plays under a name other than his own, or who plays in a contest at which an admission fee is charged, except as a member or representative of a school or college team, shall be conclusively presumed to have violated this rule."

The Baseball Schedule.

The baseball schedule for the season of 1908 was ratified by the Athletic Council at a meeting held last Thursday evening. The schedule follows:

March 28, Annapolis at Annapolis; 30 and 31, Trinity at Durham.

April 1, North Carolina at Chapel Hill; 2 and 3, Virginia at Charlottesville; 4 and 6, Georgetown at Georgetown.

April 11, Colgate at Ithaca; 15, Rochester at Ithaca; 18, New York University at Ithaca; 22, Franklin and Marshall at Ithaca; 25, Niagara at Ithaca; 29, Pennsylvania State at Ithaca.

May 2, Princeton at Ithaca; 9, Harvard at Ithaca; 13, Princeton at Princeton; 16, Indians at Ithaca; 20, Michigan at Ithaca; 22, Lawrenceville at Lawrenceville; 23, Pennsylvania at Philadelphia; 27, Williams at Ithaca; 30, Pennsylvania at Ithaca.

June 10, Harvard at Cambridge; 11, Williams at Williamstown; 13, Yale at New Haven; 17, Alumni game at Ithaca.

This schedule is generally considered a very good one. There was some difficulty in arranging it, because the season begins so late this year and also because Memorial Day falls on a Saturday. It was not possible to arrange satisfactory dates with every team which the 'varsity would have been glad to meet, and it was for this reason that the management did not succeed in getting games with Columbia. Michigan and Carlisle are on the list for the first time in several years. Another new feature is the placing of several games near the middle of June, after examinations are over. This made possible the arranging of a satisfactory schedule with Yale and Harvard. An unusual number of "big" games is to be played in Ithaca. The southern trip is about the same as last year.

Basketball Results.

The 'varsity basketball team lost two games last week, being defeated by Columbia at New York on Friday evening, and by Yale at New Haven on Saturday evening. The final score of the Columbia game was 38 to 18, and its victory enabled Columbia to regain second place in the intercollegiate league. Crosby, left forward, was the only man to score for Cornell. In the Yale game Cornell had everything her own way in the first half, which ended with a score of 14 to 7 in her favor, but in the second period Yale played so fast that the Cornell team seemed to go to pieces.

Director Albert W. Smith of Sibley College and Guido H. Marx, assistant professor of mechanical engineering in Stanford University, have recently published a second revised and enlarged edition of their work on machine design.

In a dual wrestling meet held in the Armory on Friday evening Cornell defeated Columbia by 5 bouts to 2.

NINETY-SEVEN "BUSTS."

**More than Last Year but Fewer Than
Two Years Ago.**

As a result of the recent midyear examinations, ninety-seven students were dropped from the University. The following table shows the number dropped from the various colleges of the University this year and also in 1906 and 1907:

College.	1906.	1907.	1908.
Arts	21	14	31
Law	13	6	13
Medicine . . .	3	5	2
Agriculture .	24	5	6
Veterinary ..	—	—	3
Architecture.	1	1	2
Civil Eng... 22	3	25	
Mech. Eng.. 37	17	15	
Totals . . .	121	51	97

The total for this year appears to be much in excess of that for 1907. Last year, however, the list included only the "busts" acted upon by the faculties of the several colleges. Many students who were dropped but who did not petition for reinstatement and whose cases consequently did not come up for action by the faculty were not included in last year's list. The number dropped from the rolls of the College of Civil Engineering last winter was unusually small because the faculty was newly reorganized and was, it is understood, inclined to be less strict for that reason. This year the number is more nearly normal. The large number of failures in the College of Agriculture in 1906 was abnormal. Disregarding the figures for 1907, the most significant features of this winter's list are the increase in the number of students dropped by the College of Arts and Sciences and the decrease in the Sibley list.

Professors Sampson and Sill were the principal speakers at the second annual "feed" of the Association of the Men of the College of Arts and Sciences, held in the Dutch Kitchen last Friday evening.

OBITUARY.

WALTER MALINS ROSE, '96.

Walter Malins Rose, one of the ablest and most successful of the graduates of the College of Law, died at Los Angeles, Cal., on February 12, of appendicitis. He was an alumnus of Stanford University of the class of 1895 and graduated from the Cornell Law School in 1896, winning the Boardman Thesis Prize. Immediately after leaving Cornell, he practiced law in San Francisco with Judge Robert Hayne, one of the leaders of the California bar, but owing to ill health was compelled to relinquish practice and go to Arizona, where he made a prolonged stay. Later he became able to resume professional work in Los Angeles, where at the time of his death he was the legal representative of large corporate interests. In the field of legal writing he had attained wide repute as the editor of the thirteen volumes of Rose's "Notes on the United States Reports." For some years he had in preparation Rose's "Code of Federal Procedure," a three-volume work which was published last autumn, and from the eulogistic reviews it has received in the leading law periodicals this Code seems destined to be for a long time the standard authority on practice in the Federal courts.

He united with keenness of intellect and unusual maturity of judgment a cheerfulness of temper and a lively interest in university affairs, both at Stanford and Cornell, which won for him the warm regard not only of his fellow students but also of those members of the Faculty whose work brought him into relation with them. Mr. Rose was a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity and of the Cornell Club of Southern California. He married Miss Mary Holt, of Holt, Ky., who, with one son, survives him. E. H. W.

JOHN C. BALLARD, '07.

John Carlos Ballard, who was graduated from Sibley College with the class of 1907, died on February

9 at a hospital in Plainfield, N. J., of typhoid fever complicated by acute Bright's disease. After his graduation he had entered the employment of the Niles-Bement-Pond Company at Philadelphia, and he had been transferred to their shop in Plainfield only two weeks before his death. He was in his twenty-second year. His home was in West Falls Church, Va., and he was prepared for college at the McKinley Manual Training School in the city of Washington.

A Celebrated Controversy.

The University Library has recently received a book entitled "The Colorado Springs Lighting Controversy," by Henry Floy, '91. This book is a compilation of the records with an introduction and epitome by Mr. Floy of the now celebrated controversy between the city of Colorado Springs and the local lighting company, which was settled by arbitration under the statutes of Colorado last spring. Mr. Floy was a member of the board of arbitration.

The book is especially valuable because it contains the verbatim testimony of many of the most prominent lighting experts in the country, such as Louis B. Marks, Cornell '90, inventor of the inclosed arc lamp; the late Professor Charles P. Matthews, Cornell '92, of Purdue University; Dr. Louis Bell, president of the Illuminating Engineering Society; W. D'Arcy Ryan, illumination expert for the General Electric Company; F. Schuchardt, engineer for the Commonwealth Edison Company, and others. The opinions of these experts are not obtainable elsewhere and, as the case was decided by arbitration, no record of the decision appears in the regular law journals.

The book is published by the Illuminating Engineering Publishing Company, 12 West Fortieth street, New York. The price is \$4, postage 25 cents.

Four hundred persons attended the annual banquet of the College of Agriculture in the Armory on Saturday evening.

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THE COMING REUNION.

An outline of what is planned for the general reunion next June is printed elsewhere in this paper in the account of the meeting of the Association of Class Secretaries. Within a short time the reunion committee will have ready for publication a complete statement of all that has been arranged. The committee will make no effort to plan individual class reunions outside of the common program.

So far as possible all the events of the week will be held on the campus, including the alumni baseball game, and it is the unanimous opinion of the secretaries that class headquarters should also be there. Downtown headquarters have never been satisfactory to more than a small number of any class. It has been suggested that some of the smaller classes combine in groups for holding their alumni dinners, '78, for instance, meeting with '76, '77, '79 and '80. This plan would partly solve the diffi-

culty of finding suitable places in Ithaca for the holding of a large number of dinners at one time. It is thought that such a grouping would be especially appropriate this year because the plan of the reunion affords everybody an opportunity to meet many friends who would not be found at one of the usual five-year gatherings.

The flood of 1905 has not been forgotten, nor has the deluge which almost drowned the centennial celebration last April. So, for this reunion, the chances of the weather will be taken into account and an alternative program will be prepared. If Wednesday is a fine day the center of interest will be the new Playground on the top of the hill and the adjacent athletic field, where class tents will be pitched. If it rains place will be found in campus buildings for class assemblies. There are more rooms on the campus suitable for such a purpose than there were a few years ago.

The Buffalo Scholarship.

EDITOR CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS
—Sir: I wish you would be kind enough to make announcement through your columns that the scholarship committee of the Buffalo Alumni Association would be pleased to receive applications for the association scholarship for the coming year. The scholarship amounts to \$200 and is awarded as a loan to some New York State student from Erie or Niagara county, who is wholly or partly dependent upon himself for support, and it is payable without interest in three equal annual installments beginning three years after the student leaves the University. The applications should be addressed to myself as chairman.

Thanking you for your attention to the matter, which may likewise prove to be a favor to some deserving student, I am.

Very truly yours,

FRANK H. CALLAN.

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Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 12, 1908.

SENIOR SOCIETIES.**A Field of Operation for These Organizations Suggested.**

(The accompanying article was prepared jointly by two alumni members of the two senior societies, who requested that it be published in the ALUMNI NEWS.—Editor.)

To older graduates who are unacquainted with the nature of the Cornell senior societies, we may describe them as senior organizations composed of from fifteen to twenty-five students elected in May of each year from among the outgoing Juniors. Once a week they meet in separate places, to all intents and purposes secretly, in an honest endeavor to devise ways and means of doing undergraduate life some real good. It is, indeed, their avowed purpose to work for the best interest of Cornell and in this they have succeeded.

There is a great need here for two efficient senior societies professing such principles and accomplishing good. For here real power is needed to mitigate the social prominence of class clubs and fraternities; to encourage all undergraduates alike to participate in student affairs and as nearly as possible to harmonize social differences. We are in need of a strong type of undergraduate that will lead in a systematic movement toward a better condition of affairs—men of capacity to mingle among their fellow students and mingling, draw from their classmates the best there is in them, to the betterment of undergraduate life.

From time to time during recent years we have made attempts to create Cornell traditions and institutions. In a natural desire not to be thought lacking in *savoir faire* we appropriated, from older universities than our own, doubtful customs. This desire is manifest in the display of odd symbols on the caps of the two class clubs, Mummy and Nalanda. It is apparent in club or fraternity hat bands. In our zeal to take our place fully matured among universities we naturally absorbed customs and institutions which had had their de-

velopment elsewhere. Chief of these institutions so adopted are the everlastingly exclusive class clubs and the senior societies.

An exact history of Sphinx Head and Quill and Dagger is quite outside our purpose to discuss. Our point is this: that hitherto they have confined their rivalry to an effort to secure to either society men who would work for the good of the University and thus to earn the laudable reputation of being the more active in the University's welfare. Almost from the beginning, however, each has cherished the idea of erecting a lodge which should imitate the windowless halls peculiar to Yale. Recently one of these societies has purchased a lot contiguous to the Campus on the west, preparatory to building. The other society, not to be outdone, and pursuant to its original purpose, is following this lead. The logical result of this state of affairs has begun to show itself among the undergraduates interested in the movement, a vital question with them being which society will build the more elaborate and correctly appointed hall.

The following result seems almost inevitable: The alumni of these two societies will load themselves with the erection of costly buildings. Undergraduate members will be obliged to maintain them at an expense which only the few can afford. Funds so urgently needed for a common meeting place for all clubs and societies or for the new athletic field will be spent in ostentation. The rivalry now legitimately directed in working for Cornell interests is almost certain to narrow within the confines of these secret windowless lodges. From within it will tend to show itself in more elaborate initiation banquets and alumni dinners; in more secrecy and elaborate equipment and, *a fortiori*, less in its true sphere.

Assume these halls built. Suppose you shut yourselves securely away from other students and deliberate upon the best work which you can accomplish for Cornell. This much advertised unselfish labor for Cornell will suffer ridicule, as it justly

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Masque Play Repeated.

The Masque's junior week comic opera was repeated before a large audience at the Lyceum theater on Saturday evening and the play was generally declared to have been much improved since its first performance. It will be given in Rochester on Wednesday evening of this week and in Auburn on Thursday evening. The part of *Hans* is now played by Norman C. Mason, '07, and that of *Gretchen* by W. S. Rowland, '07.

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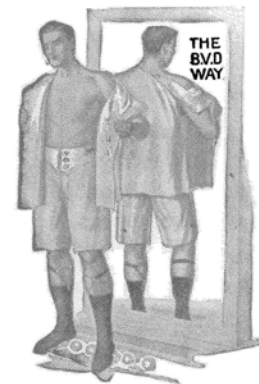
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The annual banquet of the Northeastern Ohio Cornell Association will be held at the University Club in Cleveland on Friday evening, February 28. Dean Crane and Trustee French are expected to be present and C. W. Wason, '76, president of the Association, will preside.

Alumnae Luncheon.

The annual luncheon of the Cornell Alumnae Club of New York was held at the Manhattan Hotel in New York city on February 15. In spite of a heavy rain 115 alumnae were present. President Schurman spoke briefly on the Association of American Universities and on several other topics of general interest to Cornell graduates. Dr. Walter Benschel, of New York, gave an interesting talk on the street cleaning department in New York city. Colonel Henry W. Sackett and Miss Ruth Putnam were also among the speakers.

To Speak in Buffalo.

In addition to addressing the alumni in St. Paul, Chicago and Milwaukee on his trip west next week, President Schurman will be one of the speakers at the annual dinner of the Cornell Alumni Association of Buffalo, which will be held at the Ellicott Club on Saturday evening, February 29. At the same banquet Judge Frank H. Hiscock, '75, will also make an address.

Two Mile Relay Won.

In the two-mile intercollegiate relay race at the indoor meet of Columbia University in Madison Square Garden last Saturday evening Cornell defeated Dartmouth. Pennsylvania and Columbia had entered teams for this race, but both were withdrawn at the last moment. Cornell's team was composed of C. M. French, '09; J. P. Halstead, '08; R. W. Hitchcock, '10, and J. C. Carpenter, '08. Its victory was rather easy.

CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

'73, B. S.—Professor Clinton DeWitt Smith, director of the experiment station at the Michigan State Agricultural College, was called to Washington a few days ago to confer with the Brazilian Ambassador, Mr. Nabuco, who formally tendered him the presidency of Brazil's first agricultural college. The *M. A. C. Record* says: "Though no contract has been signed it is quite probable that he will accept and will sail from New York on May 5. This action on the part of the South American nation has been made after a thorough canvass of the United States in search of the man best able to build up a system of agricultural education in that country and carries with it a correspondingly attractive salary. The responsibilities of the position are broad and far-reaching. Not only will he be intrusted with the duties of administration but also the working out of the details of a course suitable to the needs of the agricultural interests of that region. Coffee is now the principal crop but

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'79, A. B.—Ellis Morris is president and treasurer of the Hastings Express Company, 84 Washington street, Chicago.

'88.—William Cooper is an electrical engineer with the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company at East Pittsburg, Pa.

'93, M. E.—I. C. G. Wilkins is with the Thompson-Starrett Company, 51 Wall street, New York.

'95.—Julio M. Steinacher is a member of the firm of Culver & Steinacher, civil engineers and city surveyors, 150 Nassau street, New York.

'96, LL. B.—L. N. French has changed his address to Fallon, Churchill county, Nevada.

'98, M. E.—S. S. Barrett is state agent at Louisville, Ky., for the United States branch of the Scottish Union & National Insurance Company.

'99, C. E.—Mrs. Julia E. Freeman of Kansas City, Mo., announces the engagement of her daughter, Julia Rawson Freeman, to Clifford H. Belden, of Hartford, Conn.

'99, M. E.—Walter F. Kelley's address is now 477 Columbia road, Dorchester, Boston, Mass.

'00, M. E.—R. A. Millar is on leave of absence from his work with the Westinghouse Machine Company and has been spending two months in the Philippines, mostly among the southern islands. He expects to return home by way of China, India, the Mediterranean and Western Europe. His forwarding address is 131 State street, Boston, Mass.

'01, M. E.—A. B. Tappen has changed his address from Utica, N. Y., to 263 West Seventy-third street, New York.

'01, A. B.—J. C. Otis is practicing law in St. Paul, Minn., with office in the Globe building.

'02, B. S. A.—A. Gilbert Lauder is a member of the firm of Nelson &

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'03, M. E.—C. F. Rhodes is superintendent of the bureau of tests of the International Paper Company at Glens Falls, N. Y. His address is 26 Fulton street.

'04, M. E.—Robert W. Rogers is in the engineering department of the American Locomotive Company and is now librarian for that company at Schenectady, N. Y.

'04, A. B.—R. S. Woglum is a special agent for the United States Bureau of Entomology and his address is 121 Temple street, Los Angeles, Cal.

'05, M. E.—D. L. Bellinger is mechanical engineer with the Finch, Pruyn & Company paper mills at Glens Falls, N. Y. His address is 41 Washington street.

'05, M. E.—Charles I. Day is living at Palm Beach, Fla. He is consulting engineer for the Florida East Coast Hotel Company.

'05, Ph. D.—O. P. Akers is professor of mathematics in Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.

'05, M. E.—W. H. Titus has left New York city and is now with the Dayton Hydraulic Machine Company at Dayton, O.

'05, M. E.—E. J. Trimbe is first mechanical engineer in the bureau of tests of the International Paper Company at Glens Falls, N. Y. He lives at 101 Ridge street.

'06, M. E.—Karl B. Britton is now in the office of the shop engineer of the Brooks Works of the American Locomotive Company at Dunkirk, N. Y.

'06, M. D.—E. M. Poate is on the medical staff of the Craig Colony for Epileptics at Sonyea, N. Y.

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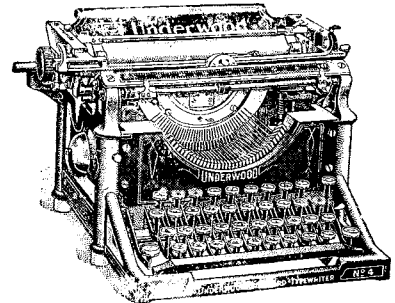
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'06, L. L. B.—Lawrence Arnold's address is 1712 Harvard avenue, Seattle, Wash.

'06, A. B.—F. E. Gallagher, who has been employed in Gorham, N. H., is ill with typhoid fever.

'06, L. L. B.—A son was born on February 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roger Jones, jr., of New Hartford, Conn.

'07, M. E.—Webster B. Holmes is with the Cleveland Frog & Crossing Company, Cleveland, O.

'07, M. E.—John E. Friedrich is mechanical engineer with the Keystone Engineering Company, Philadelphia.

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