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# The Maine Campus

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## Talk on "Leadership" Impresses Students

Many at Invitation Meeting Saturday Noon

### LEADER'S MEETING.

Saturday at 1.30 about one hundred of the more prominent students of the University met in the lecture room of the library to listen to a brief talk on "Leadership and the Qualifications of a Leader," by Raymond Robins. The talk was of a quality that only Robins could put into it, and no student left the room without a feeling that no matter what he was at present doing to help in the way of college activity, there was infinitely more for him to do, and that every opportunity for more and better service would be taken advantage of. Vividly Mr. Robins described conditions in some of the countries he has visited, Africa, Australia, Japan, England, France and Canada, with reference to certain acts of leadership. The place of the "Military arm" in solving momentous problems in industrial difficulty, in educational difficulty in lesser civilized countries, and in social conditions was described.

As a first test of leadership Mr. Robins put upon every man who attended the meeting the responsibility of seeing to it that the Saturday evening meeting should be attended by every Maine man. The speaker told of a time when he was walking in a mine, and had just finished his dinner, on a lower level of the mine, when he came in buried seven of his fellow workers under a mass of wreckage and loose rock. The boss, a giant in stature and strength, grappled with a huge timber, a load for three men, and was slowly raising it by brute strength, at the same time yelling to his men, "Dig, men, dig, we've got only five minutes to get those men out before they suffocate!" They went at their task furiously, taking his own part in the rescue as an example. The men were saved. He applied the instance to the men at the meeting telling them that they had until 7 p. m. to get every man in college out for the meeting to hear the speech on "Mastery and Power," the one which to his mind was the most important of all.

### JUNIOR CLASS MEETING.

At a Junior class meeting held Tuesday morning, it was decided to put a charge of ten cents each on the Junior Week invitations. The invitations this year are of unique design, and extra expense has been necessary.

It was further decided to appropriate a sum of money to the Athletic Board to insure a game with Bates for May 6th. A change of date was necessary and a consideration was made to Bates for inconvenience.

### GIRLS' MUSICAL CLUBS.

The University of Maine Girls' Glee Club will close a very successful season with a concert in the Orono Town Hall on Friday evening, April 14.

Every appearance of the Girls' Clubs this winter has been attended by a large audience of music lovers. The talent embraced by this year's organization was widely known after the first concert, and loyal support has been given throughout the season.

A fine program has been arranged for the Orono concert, and a dance will follow it.

Dan Chase, '08, has been back at the house during the Robins campaign. Chase is director of athletics at Connecticut Agricultural College.

Guy R. Westcott, '13, has taken up his new work with the Penobscot Chemical Fibre Co. at Old Town.

### CALENDAR FOR COMING WEEK.

April 11—Tuesday, Alpha Chi Sigma meeting.  
April 12—Wednesday, Band rehearsal, "Aggie" Club meeting.  
April 13—Thursday, M. C. A. meeting in Library, Augusta Club meeting in Alumni Hall.  
April 14—Friday, "M" Club meeting, Girls' Glee Club.  
April 15—Saturday, Band rehearsal.  
April 16—Sunday, M. C. A. meeting in chapel.  
April 18—Tuesday, Civil Club meeting.

## Malcolm Fassett to Play Lelio

At Performance of Masque Commencement Week

Malcolm Fassett, a Broadway actor who is now playing in "The Great Lover," with Mr. Ditchstein, in New York, will be seen in the role of Lelio at the commencement performance of "Lelio and Isabella," the Commedia Del' Arte written by Professor Windsor P. Daggett, assisted by Dr. Winifred Smith of Vassar College. If the present plans of the Maine Masque are carried out and nothing happens to hinder Mr. Fassett's plans the Maine audience at commencement will have an unusual treat. This actor was one of the founders of the Dramatic Club at Maine and his return in one of the features in connection with the tenth anniversary of the club. He graduated from Maine in 1910, and during his four years at college played the leading part in the dramatic productions which were presented. Howard Jenkins, who has created the part of Lelio in this year's play, has very courteously requested Mr. Fassett to play this lover's part in the commencement performance. This kindness of Mr. Jenkins will enable the Maine audience to see a Broadway actor and former member of the Masque play the leading juvenile part of the play. In "The Great Lover," he is now playing an important lover's part with great distinction and success and it would be most interesting to see him in the role of Lelio, the conventional lover's part of "Lelio and Isabella." He has accepted Mr. Jenkins's invitation to appear in this part at the performance which will be given commencement week.

The Masque has just returned from the most successful trip ever taken in the history of the club's existence. The time taken for the trip extended over the whole Easter recess and took the men as far as Boston. The next trip will be April 24, when the play will be presented at Norridgewock. On the 25th of April it will be given in Pythian Hall, Portland, and April 26th has been set as the date to play in Bangor. In Bangor the play will be given in the Bijou Theatre and will be presented at two performances, matinee and evening. A date is also pending to play at Bowdoin College under the auspices of the Bowdoin Masque and Gown.

## Students Appreciate Lectures By Robins

First Speech Proves An Incentive For More

For several months students at Maine were kept acquainted with the fact that on April 6-9, a certain man, Raymond Robins, would hold a series of meetings. At these meetings certain big subjects were to be discussed, subjects that designate some great problems in the world. It became the popular notion, from what was written and said about the leader of these meetings, that there would be something there, a certain worth while something. And so when the first lecture was given last Thursday evening, nearly five hundred men were gathered to hear it. What they heard was an incentive for more, and on the three following nights Mr. Robins faced audiences of from four to six hundred. On Sunday evening, when the farewell address was delivered, the chapel was filled. Various smaller meetings were arranged at which various Y. M. C. A. secretaries and men prominent in this work, spoke to groups of students. On Saturday afternoon Mr. Robins spoke to a group in the library. From every meeting held between Thursday morning and Sunday evening, men went away with a very sincere feeling that they were better for having attended, and filled with admiration and respect for the speaker and his work. Surely, Mr. Robins made a deep and lasting impression at Maine. Accounts of his several speeches appear in this number.

## Greatest Leaders Will Come From Colleges and Universities

Purpose of Robins to Teach Need of Mastery and Power for Service; His Own Life and Chosen Activity a Great Lesson

### College Men and Civic Leadership

Raymond Robins delivered the second speech of his campaign before 500 students in the gymnasium Thursday evening, on the subject of "College Men and Civic Leadership." After singing the University Hymn the meeting was opened with an introductory speech by Fred Perley Loring, '16, Mr. Robins announced that at the conclusion of his speech those who desired might remain to discuss his talk by the question and answer method.

"Your home, your farm, and your children," began Mr. Robins, "will be influenced by the character of your community and you should determine to be active in helping to improve the community." This applies everywhere, in the country as well as in the city as he showed by two striking examples taken from small Canadian and Kansas towns.

Then followed a long and intensely interesting account of the work of a few reformers, including himself, to clean up one of the worst wards in Chicago and of their hard fight to get rid of the set of crooked politicians headed by a ward boss, "Buck" Vernon, who had given the ward its bad name. He told first of their extensive investigations, of their discovery of

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### Fundamentals in the Industrial Conflict

Raymond Robins increased his popularity with the students of the University in no small measure on Friday evening when he spoke on "Fundamentals in the Industrial Conflict" before the greater part of the male contingent of the student body. The chapel was well filled and at the end of the address, nearly all the men stayed for the "Questions and Answers" part of the program.

Mr. Robins followed his usual custom of presenting facts and personal experiences rather than unproved theory in bringing out his points. In his opening remarks he said: "There have been three great struggles in the advance of Western civilization. First, there was the struggle for religious liberty. This was followed out in the life of the colonies and the Revolution. Second, there was the struggle for civil liberty. The Civil War was the means of settling this problem. Third, there is the economic struggle which is now going on. When the present European War is over and forgotten, the industrial problem will be the main theme. The next thirty years will be devoted to economic and social problems. If we had governing officials in our cities and states who had

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### Mastery to be Had Only Thru Power

After the song service at the Saturday evening address Lieut. Frank Clark of the faculty introduced Raymond Robins. The subject was, "Mastery and Power." The personality of Robins at the previous meetings drew a large number of visitors from Bangor and Orono.

In his address he expressed the conviction that leaders will go forth from the University of Maine. The real need in life is power to do that good we know, realize our best intentions that are adequate in our daily living. We need a sustained and abiding power against temptation. We should play the game like men because life is a struggle either in the high or low way. There is no escape. The man who follows the general current only puts off the struggle. We all have to make our struggle at one end of the line and if we make it while we are in full possession of the virile powers of our youth it will be far easier. Real life is a struggle for mastery in the strong man. We should begin in the morning of our life, as habits are being formed now.

The joy of mastery is greater than the joy of success. Other joys, such as gambling, drinking, and excess are

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## Real Minstrel Show for Junior Week

Wealth of Material From Which to Choose Men

On Saturday evening, May sixth, a minstrel show will be given in the gymnasium under the management and direction of the Junior Masks.

There have been minstrel shows given before as a part of the Junior Week festivities, but when lined up side of the show this year they will pale into insignificance. Never before has so much real material been at hand to choose from, never before such careful planning and attention to detail, never before so much snappy popular music to put into the hands of a quartet of live end men and a chorus such as will handle it this year. The mere mention of "Who's Who" in the show this year would convince the most skeptical, but these names are to be withheld until a later date. That each and every reader of the Campus may know that a show will be staged, and that they may also know that real talent will co-operate to "put over" a show worth seeing and hearing, this little advance item has been written. Watch carefully for further developments in the story.

### TRACK CLUB CABARET DANCE.

The Track Club will hold their annual cabaret dance Friday evening, April 28th, in Alumni Hall. This affair has been so popular in the past it is looked to as one of the big college events of the year.

The committee is busy at work making arrangements. Mrs. Mason has charge of the entertainment and has had the acts under her charge for several weeks. Tickets will be out in less than a week and every one should plan to be sure of a table. There are to be sixty-four tables and the gallery will be arranged for the seating of those unable to secure seats. The committee in charge is W. B. Haskell, '17, Coach A. N. Smith, Roger Bell, '16, M. C. Peabody, '16, I. C. Macdonald, '16, and Howard Jenkins, '17.

## Track Club Meets to Plan Cabaret

More Interest in School-Boy Meet This Year

The Track Club held their regular meeting at the Lambda Chi Alpha House Thursday night, April 6. The meeting was well attended and much enthusiasm was shown. The coming cabaret dance and the Maine Interscholastic track meet were the chief subjects for discussion.

The work for the cabaret was divided among the different members so that every fraternity and organization will have some part to take. The club is to put forth every effort to make this the best ever from every stand point.

The Maine Interscholastic Track Meet has not been of the best in the past years and it is the hope of the club to place the standard of this to a higher plane. It is hoped the athletic board will see fit to allow schools from out of the state to compete. This would attract many more athletes to compete and hence increase the interest taken. The medals given out in the past have been of an inferior grade. The student body as a whole should take an active interest in this affair and start booming it. This meet comes May 20th.

The members of Sigma Delta Chi fraternity met at the Bangor House for a dinner last Saturday evening. The idea was a get-together for the discussion of the coming Newspaper Institute to be held in May. Plans for future activity, and general topics concerning the press were taken up. Those present were: B. O. McAnney, Albion F. Sherman, Weston B. Haskell, William E. Nash, Linwood Pitman, John P. Ramsey, J. Arthur Whittemore and F. Owen Stephens.

The April examinations of the State Pharmacy Board will be held in Aubert Hall on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Robins' talk to engineers was cancelled owing to difficulties in arranging the schedule of regular work.

## May Have Machine Gun Company

Plans in Progress for Extension in Military at U. of M.

For next year Lieutenant Clark intends to have a regiment formed here, consisting of two battalions of four companies each. With this regiment he intends to have a machine gun company, but this depends entirely on the inspection this spring. If the inspection is a good one, our chances for having a machine gun company will be good. Only those of next year's sophomores who have passed in freshman military work will be eligible to belong to this gun company. The work will include the mechanical work with the gun, as well as target practice. Semaphore signalling will also be required.

The regular Saturday problems will begin as soon as the companies have reached a satisfactory degree of perfection in the close order work.

Freshmen who have had previous military training should report to Lieutenant Clark as soon as possible.

From now on no person will be able to be a cadet officer his Junior or Senior year unless he has passed all previous military courses at this institution, which he has taken.

A signal squad and a few cycle scouts would be of great service in carrying out the Saturday problems of this spring semester and volunteers for men to act in this capacity will be called for.

A bill has passed the House and will probably pass the Senate, which provides that cadets at institutions of this kind be organized to a training corps. The work will be the same the first two years, and elective the last two. Those who elect the course after the first two years, agree in writing that they will serve the remaining two years in their school battalion, attend two summer camps at Plattsburg while still undergraduates. They also swear to serve as reserve officers for ten years after graduation. Five hours' instruction a week will be given to these men, and an "allowance of

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## EDITORIALS

Raymond Robins has come and gone. His message to the men of Maine has been delivered. The Robins Campaign has gone down into history. No words from the pen of the editor of the CAMPUS can begin to express the appreciation for the splendid work of this great leader which lies deep in the heart of every man who has heard him.

Surely no bigger man than Mr. Robins has ever visited our campus. Surely no man has brought a message of greater force and of greater truth. Surely no single event in the history of the University of Maine has ever been of greater consequence than this campaign. With nothing of the sensational and nothing of the emotional and with nothing that could be unfavorably criticized from any point of view the campaign has been an unqualified success. The student body has been brought into a state of mind where it can do wonders. Mr. Robins and his co-workers have done all that it is possible for them to do. If the benefits of this campaign are to be permanent we must all get busy today.

What are to be the benefits of this campaign? No man knows just what they are to be in the lives of individual men. But the CAMPUS predicts that as one result of this campaign the Christian Association will be placed where it belongs. For the next ten years this association is going to be one of the biggest and most powerful factors in the life of the institution. The M. C. A. has not amounted to a lot in the past for two reasons primarily. In the first place it did not have many well known men on its roll and in the second place before Mr. Cranston came it never had done much or at least had not done much that the rest of us knew much about. These things are all changed now.

This Robins campaign is a turning point in the history of the Maine Christian Association and all that such an association stands for at the University of Maine. It has started men thinking and what is more has started them thinking along the right lines. We know of no startling conversions, no sudden professions of new faith, no public declarations of a dramatic nature. We are glad of this because we have little faith in the permanency of that sort of thing. We do know that the leaders among the student body are seeing Christianity in a better light than ever before, that in the future the principles of Christian living are to count for more in the life of the University. We know that from now on the men of greatest influence among the students are to be heart and soul behind the Maine Christian Association. We know that this is going to have a great influence for good upon all undergraduate life. ABOVE ALL WE KNOW THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE IS GOING TO BE A BETTER

## PLACE TO LIVE IN BECAUSE RAYMOND ROBINS HAS BEEN HERE.

The Athletic Board on Monday evening voted to call off the proposed triangular meet with M. I. T. and Colby. This was done because M. I. T. refused to participate in a triangular meet. A dual meet had previously been arranged with Colby and in order to get the Boston team up here it would have been necessary to have cancelled an agreement with the Waterville school. This in itself is unfortunate as it will deprive our track team of some keen competition which in the opinion of those best qualified to judge is sorely needed. Perhaps this was unavoidable owing to the previous arrangement with Colby.

At the same meeting Manager Haskell read a letter from Holy Cross offering Maine a dual meet to be held at Worcester on May 6. A guarantee of \$150 was offered. This in the opinion of the management is a good guarantee. Everyone admits that this meet would furnish the sort of competition which is essential to our making a good showing in the New England and Intercollegiate meets. The State meet promises to give competition in the number of points scored only. There will be little competition of any value in the individual events. The only reason for the cancelling of this most desirable meet seems to be that a few dollars can be saved in this way. If there is another reason it is being kept pretty much in the dark.

In other words, the Athletic Board has, in the opinion of the majority of the student body, been guilty of at least false economy. They have for the sake of a comparatively small saving deprived our team of what they will need worse than all else, REAL COMPETITION. The student members of that board represent the three upper classes. Are the men of those classes going to stand for this sort of thing?

The members of that board are there not to represent any particular interest but are there to represent the best interests of the student body which placed them where they are. The CAMPUS believes that the vote of Monday evening was at the best a gross mistake. If the majority of the thinking men, the men of influence, the men who have the courage of their convictions, believe as we do, we will have that Holy Cross meet yet. Men of Maine, if you honestly believe, as we do, that the best interests of our track team demand that we have this meet at Worcester—come out fearlessly and say so. Go to your representative on the Athletic Board and demand a reconsideration of the matter. Dig deep and find the reason for the vote of Monday night. Wake up, show some real signs of life. Let it be known that the student body is not content to put men in places of trust but demands that they be worthy of those places by serving the best interests of the whole University rather than any special interest.

## UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA IN CHAPEL.

The musical treat at the Wednesday morning chapel, April 5th, was the second appearance of the string and woodwind section of the University Orchestra which played the selection, "Scenes of Italy." The selection is a collection of the best known and most tuneful Italian melodies, and the orchestra shows a great improvement in ensemble playing since the first appearance last winter. As time did not permit the encores were omitted, but the string section will play again at an early date.

The following men took part in the second appearance: H. W. Mayers, '16, leader and piano; A. H. Harmon, '18, R. P. Whitehouse, '19, first violins; F. J. Penley, '18, second violin; N. S. True, '19, viola; K. M. Currier, '16, cello; E. I. Clapp, '17, string bass; H. N. Currier, '17, and H. N. Dole, '19, clarinets; E. L. Coolbroth, '18, flute, assisted by H. D. O'Neil, cornet soloist, and L. H. Blood, '16, second cornet.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT FOR GIRLS.

General interest will be felt in the announcement of Alpha Omicron Pi fraternity that it proposes to inaugurate a spring tennis tournament for girls. This tournament will be open to all girls irrespective of class.

To the winner of singles the fraternity offers a cup as prize. This feature of the contest should prove attractive and will doubtless stimulate interest in the enterprise. The tournament will be conducted through the medium of the Athletic Association.

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And it is high time that such a step should be taken. Between 1860 and 1910, the area of improved farm lands under cultivation in New England decreased 42 per cent. Partly as a result of this decrease in farm lands, food costs have so increased that the working man in New England must pay 35 per cent to 40 per cent more than the wage earner in the middle Western and Southern districts. The industries of New England are handicapped because they must import their raw material and export their manufactured goods, and 75 per cent of the food we consume must be imported from other sections, thus causing a leak of millions of dollars which should be going

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## "M" Club Notice

Here is a chance for all Maine Men who realize the amount of good the "M" Club is doing for Maine to aid them. Owing to arrangements with Mr. O. B. Fernandez, manager of the New Central and Bijou Theatres of Oldtown, the "M" Club will furnish tickets for the above mentioned theatres at the regular price of 10c. On all tickets sold on the Campus Mr. Fernandez is giving the "M" Club a percentage. Tickets may be secured from the following men

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## Fraternity Notes

## SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON.

Mr. J. F. Thomas of the faculty led a discussion of the Robins movement at the chapter directly after the meeting Saturday evening.

## SIGMA CHI INITIATION.

The Rho Rho Chapter of Sigma Chi initiated the following men at the chapter house Saturday, April 8: Harold Allen Durkee, '19, Swampscott, Mass.; Jasper Alden Worcester Davis, '19, Beverly, Mass.; Paul Cate Curtis, '19, Swampscott, Mass.; Paul Edward Hodgdon, '19, Cliftondale, Mass.; Charles Albert Haynes, '19, Ellsworth; Kenneth Thorndike Wooster, '19, Rockport. The initiation banquet was held at the chapter house at 6.30 o'clock, Saturday evening, April 8. The alumni present were: Prof. A. G. Durgin, '08; Prof. R. M. Holmes, '10; Prof. C. H. Lekberg, '07; C. H. Goldsmith, '15; Dr. L. H. Merrill, '83; R. O. Sukeforth, '13; D. C. Jewett, '12, and D. O. Rodick, ex-'17.

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Like the Library?  
Do you realize that its privacy is put to uses queer,

Like society?  
Conversation not allowed,  
And you wonder why the crowd  
Couple up and keep on coming  
To the Library.

## Geo. H. Garrison Jr.

The many friends and classmates of George H. Garrison, Jr., were recently saddened to hear of his death which occurred Saturday, April 8, 1916. The news came as a shock to many who did not know of his illness. Garrison had been in ill health for some months and was at Hebron Sanatorium where he hoped to regain his health.

Garrison while in college was ever a hard and willing worker, both in athletics and along other lines. No task was too difficult for him to undertake and in his fraternity he was ever ready with his smile to help smooth the rough places and make the burdens of his brothers lighter.

Early in the fall of his Junior year he felt that he must leave college and so accepted a position with the Lackawanna R. R., where he was rapidly advancing. Here he continued to give his best services until his health was undermined by overwork.

In Garrison his associates and fraternity brothers feel that they have lost a sincere friend and sympathetic companion.

Whereas, It has been the will of the Almighty God to remove from this life our beloved brother George Harrison Garrison, Jr., and

Whereas, We the members of Omega Mu Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta desire to express our deepest sorrow in the loss of a brother and friend, be it therefore

## Athletic Notes

The place for the New England Inter-Collegiate Track Meet has been changed from Boston to Springfield, Mass. This is due to the fine offers of the Springfield Board of Trade and the hotels. The meet comes May 19th and 20th.

By changing to Springfield the meet will be held on what is undoubtedly the best field in New England. This should add a great deal to the interest taken. It is a well known fact through out inter-collegiate circles that Maine is to be a big factor in this meet.

Plans for a triangular meet with Colby and M. I. T. were shattered Monday when Manager Haskell received word from Tech that they could not participate. They wish, however, to keep athletic relations with Maine, and to enter future contests. On April 29th Maine and Colby will contest in a dual meet at Orono. This will be the only meet held here this spring. Some good competition is expected in the Colby meet, and this will prepare both teams for the big meets.

The dual meet scheduled with Holy Cross at Worcester on May 6th has been called off by action of the Athletic Board, last night. Due to the fact that expenses must be curtailed as much as possible, it was not deemed advisable to send a team to Holy Cross this year. It was hoped that the Holy Cross team would be able to compete this year at Maine as part of the Junior Week celebration, but this is out of the question from the standpoint of the Holy Cross manager.

Resolved, That we extend to his family in their bereavement our heartfelt sympathy; and be it also

Resolved, That our chapter and our pins be draped for a period of thirty days; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be incorporated and made a part of our chapter records, printed in the University and Fraternity publications, and sent to his family.

Omar K. Edes,  
C. Neal Merrill,  
Everett H. Brasier.

First of Robin's  
Speeches in Chapel

Outlines of Need for Greater Social Control

WHAT THE NEXT THIRTY YEARS WILL MEAN TO US

Thursday morning Mr. Raymond Robins spoke to the student body at chapel hour. In his discourse he chose only the real things of life. If he had chosen a text, he said it would have been, "Where there is no vision the people shall perish."

In the next thirty years, Mr. Robins said, the most strain for many years would come, and that these years shall condition one hundred years of human history.

In the last thirty years social conditions have changed. The day of individual control has passed, and that of social control not quite yet come.

Within thirty years, according to Mr. Robins, women will be enfranchised. He also stated that the four leading nations of Europe shall not lead in the next thirty years, as they have in the past. Educated men and women of America will be called upon in the world advance in that period of time.

The speaker said that today we are confronted by a social living problem, for whereas in the country home the parents used to control all influences which worked in the home, now in the crowded slums of the city they control absolutely nothing. This is due to the unawakened public conscience. Besides this, people seldom realize what a drain the product of the slums is on the general producing public.

Mr. Robins acquainted the student body with the fact that, "The government touches us at more points now than it ever has before." By way of explanation he said that at present there are laws for the whole life of the people brought under social control.

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## Saturday Meeting

false. Creative power, the kind that cuts highways, lives in restraint of the joys of excess and the flames of genius break forth. We should fashion our character at the present time. The man who despises little things will perish in later life little by little. He will make a slow decline, a step at a time.

In the drinking question alcohol causes absolute stupidity, as the German scientists have proven there is no food in liquor. In the physical and mental tests made it was found that the man who does the roughest work is affected the least, in proportion. The effect is proportional to the intellectual power of man.

Gambling breaks the integrity of the human brain because it creates the desire of getting something for nothing. It soon gets to be a law of habit, and we find ourselves trying to get office, honor, fame, and watering stock—for nothing. There is a day of judgment for every man when living, because he will be disclosed as a real fraud. Unable to face disclosure, men resort to the easiest way by killing themselves.

Every uncorrupted man can look forward down the trail to a home, wife and children in the future. He should restrain himself from excesses, not because of laws only, but because of the home which every man hopes to have and which he wants happy.

Every thing worth while is here because men do not "have to live." Many men are dead by their moral lack of courage, but they are not yet buried by a custom of society. The man with "dirt in his trail" is unable to stay in the fight in the face of the spotlight of public life. Many men cannot stand up for right because their sins will get them. Have an affirmative intellect.

In the battle for character never say die, but work to win in the end. What you are speaks so loud one cannot hear what you say. In the hour of temptation do not toss up a coin, but pray, and think of Christ, as His example has stood the spotlight of nineteen hundred years. What man has done, man can do. To them who received Him, they received power and mastery. The cunning crook cannot get by, because he will get caught sooner or later.

If you do not decide one way or the other in temptation, you weaken your will. Drive a stake and stand by it, as it is laying a foundation equal to American enterprise. At the close of the meeting cards were passed, which were to be signed if the listener thought he had received any real impulse from the meeting. They contained a resolution to seek a daily life of victory and fellowship in the service of Jesus Christ. These cards were to act as stakes to stand by in hours of temptation.

After the meeting the group leaders conducted discussions in the various fraternity houses and dormitories.

In a very interesting manner the speaker told of personal experiences in the frozen valley of the Yukon, ancient illustrations of the following: That "the things on the inside of a human being are bigger than those on the outside," that "physical excellence does not settle the question of life," that "the last mile counts more than the first," that "a team is as slow as its slowest man."

"Our capacity for social co-operation," he said, "determines the amount of influence we will have in life."

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to New England farms.

The Eastern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition is a direct outgrowth of the recent efforts to put agriculture on a scientific and business basis. The corporation is capitalized at \$75,000 and has secured 170 acres of land in Springfield where demonstration plots, play grounds, race track and extensive buildings are being perfected in view of making this a permanent institution.

Because of their adequate plant and broad organization, the Exposition has been able to secure the National Dairy Show for October 12 to 21, 1916, this being the first time that the Dairy Show has been held outside of Chicago. Among the many departments of the Exposition will be one devoted to home-making, another to boys' and girls' clubs, another to the industries and several to the different agricultural activities.

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## MILITARY NOTES.

commutation" of eight dollars a month will be given them for the last two years. After graduation these men will serve as temporary second lieutenants in the regular army for at least six months and perhaps a year. While doing this work they will get all allowances of a second lieutenant and one hundred dollars a month.

A number of the present Sophomores have already applied to be cadet officers next year. When the choice is made, priority of application will be considered favorably, so all bids should be in as soon as possible.

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## Thursday Meeting

the source of disease in the bad milk, spoiled meat and vegetables, and rotting garbage in the tenement districts of the ward. He told how the reformers ran down the grafters in the street cleaning department and how he organized a street cleaning brigade of all the women, children and men one Sunday to clean up the rubbish in the streets. How he started a pure milk station and made the sick babies quiet and healthy again. In this connection he said that if you ever want to bring a whole neighborhood into some concerted action for their good the proper way to go about it is not to hire a hall and make speeches, but to get out and help and lead them in the actual work. Not only did the "brigade" clean the streets that Sunday but their action forced the politicians to do better work in that department to keep their power over the people."

The next move of the reformers was to clean up the politics of the ward. From among their number they chose a poor tanner who had been a martyr to the cause of honesty. They ran him for an office against one of Buck's men. The poor people of the ward were all eager to elect the reform candidate but when election day came around he was badly beaten. Then the reformers began to ask themselves, "Do the people really want good government?" If so, why did they return Buck's man to office? "Did we give up?" asked Mr. Robins; "no we set out to find out why we had been beaten." The answer was graft money handed out by Buck to buy votes. Proof was obtained that a traction company and a gas company had provided this money. It needed only a campaign among the saloons and dives to convince poor people collected there that the dirty money they had received on election day reverted against the health of their children, because Buck's men allowed the traction company to provide poor car service on cold nights when their daughters returning from work would get pneumonia and allowed the gas companies to run poor gas through high rate meters which spoiled the eyes of their little children.

"If ever you have to deal with politics in a city, county, or state where the man in power is a REAL boss who has been in the business a long time, holds his power more for the good that don't make the common error of thinking that he is wholly bad. He is in him than because of the bad that is in him. If you try to make the people believe that he is wholly bad they will know better and go against you." Robins did not misjudge Buck. He knew that Buck had some good qualities, he was loyal to his friends, he kept his word, and he was sympathetic and generous. So he fought Buck without underrating his opponent.

"Don't play the big game in this world unless you are willing to go the limit in it." The reformers were not afraid to go the limit to beat Buck in that election. They even went as far as to threaten an officer and start a fight with Buck's men to clear the polls so that the workmen could vote on their way to work. They won that election, got control of the ward and have won every election in the ward for eleven years since. It is now as clean as any ward in Chicago.

"Where does religion enter into this sort of work?" asked Mr. Robins. This is where it entered in; the reformers were willing to pay the price of right in their day as Christ did in His day. They got, as Mr. Robins explained, no benefit from their work outside of the satisfaction of doing good and freeing the people from the control of sinful men. The difficulty of this work is, as an old retired ward boss once explained to Mr. Robins, that the forces of the grafters are organized while those of the honest men are usually scattered and unorganized.

After a few of the students had left the hall a series of questions and answers was started. After explaining that all this community work is based on three things—thorough INVESTIGATION, PUBLICITY for the movement, and CO-OPERATION with the honest men of all trades and classes, Mr. Robins called for questions under these three heads. Some very good questions were put forward by the faculty and students present, the discussion lasting until nine o'clock. Announcement was made of the various meetings scheduled for Friday.

Russell A. Carr, '18, spent Saturday and Sunday at his home in Sangerville.

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## Friday Meeting

plenty of backbone, we would have much less labor trouble, strikes, etc., to face, but it is not the case."

"Why is the industrial struggle so big today?" asked Mr. Robins. His own answer was, "There is a reason for more things than Grape-Nuts." After proceeding to state some reasons, he said, "Some people suggest that women have invaded industry. They have invaded nothing. Women have always worked." After enumerating the many tasks performed by the women of the days before the Industrial Age came to this country, he resumed: "When the women left their homes to follow their lines of work in the factories they began to follow the economic day. They left the problems of the home behind them. They began to affect the part that they were meant to play in the future of the race."

Mr. Robins went on to explain how the generations had spread civilization westward, arriving on the eastern shores of this continent, from there moving across the Alleghenies, thence across the Mississippi, and finally to the Pacific. The last western frontier was crossed by the generation to which Mr. Robins belongs when twenty thousand men started into the Valley of the Yukon. The fifteen hundred men who succeeded in crossing passed the last western frontier that will ever be passed. When he himself stood looking at the Bering Sea, he realized that the western movement of the race was at an end.

With the statement that "a free state and a free church create a conflict against a feudal workshop," Mr. Robins launched into a series of personal experiences with labor problems and strikes which he was instrumental in bringing to an end. He first gave a detailed account of the strike of the employees of the Traction Company of Philadelphia which he brought to an end with the aid of Mr. Charles Vogler of that city. Mr. Robins was sent for when danger of trouble was first seen. He attempted to bring representatives of the capitalists and those of the laborers together to confer with each other, but the capitalists refused to see the laborers. Failing in this attempt, and on the advice of Mr. Volger, Mr. Robins agreed to have a third man brought to the city to arbitrate the matter. Judge Gray, a Federal official was selected, but was reported to be unable to attend to the

matter. Woodrow Wilson, then president of Princeton University, was the next selection, but was also unable to take charge of the affair. Mr. Volger and Mr. Robins then attempted to settle the matter alone, but were powerless on account of the attitude of the representatives of the capitalists. The strike broke out and nearly four million of dollars worth of property was destroyed, while over twenty lives were lost. At length, Mr. Robins contrived to get three capitalists to meet three labor leaders in a room in the Continental Hotel where a session of two and one-half hours resulted in a satisfactory agreement between the employers and employees.

The strike of the car-shop laborers in the shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Altoona, Pa., was next discussed thoroughly by Mr. Robins. There he was able to arbitrate a serious strike successfully by a Sunday meeting in the public park in spite of the opposition of the railroad police. It was a meeting which took the form of being at the same time both a social problem and a religious gathering.

During the "Question and Answer" part of the address, Mr. Robins answered very completely questions on wage scales, Socialism, the part of the church in bettering the social and economic problems of today, the attitude of labor toward capital and vice versa, and the part of the profits to which the laborer is entitled. The entire talk was one of the best that Mr. Robins has given and well illustrated his thorough knowledge of his subjects and his unusual personal experiences.

W. S. Jardine, '18, has resigned as assistant manager of baseball. He is leaving the University in June to go into business with his father in Boston. Jardine's letter to the Athletic Board in which he recommends J. P. Ramsay as his successor follows:

Orono, April 10, 1916.

The Athletic Board,  
University of Maine.

Gentlemen:—

Owing to the fact that I am leaving the University in June to enter business and will not return in the fall, I wish at this time to submit my resignation as assistant manager of baseball. I wish to express my thanks to those who elected me and at this time to recommend Mr. J. P. Ramsay as the logical man to be my successor.

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