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The Fraternity And The College

Recent Publications Deals
With Several Big Problems

A book has recently been put on sale at the college store, the contents of which should be familiar to every college man. It is entitled "The Fraternity and the College," written by Thomas Arkle Clark, dean of men at the University of Illinois. The publisher is the George Banto Publishing Company of Menasha, Wisconsin, the publisher of Banto's Greek Exchange.

The book is a series of papers dealing with fraternity problems. Several of the articles have appeared from time to time in fraternity magazines, and in Banto's Greek Exchange, and are familiar to students who read these publications.

The papers take up matters concerning the relation of fraternity men to their fraternity, and of the fraternity to the college. No problem that faces the fraternity today has been omitted, and each is discussed in a frank, straightforward manner.

The writer, Dean Clark, has based his discussions on over twenty years of active service in an official way with college men and fraternities, and previous experience as one of these college men. He is certainly an authority, as he has taken a very active interest in all fraternity matters, and, as he writes, "An almost hourly experience with fraternities and fraternity men."

The chapter concerning fraternity finances is particularly thorough in its analysis, and frank in its statements.

The fraternity and the relationship it should have toward scholarship is another very important chapter. It brings home facts with which every fraternity man is made acquainted at some time, but which the majority, unfortunately fail to grasp with true spirit. The first chapter in the book on "The Fraternity and the College" is one which every man, whether a fraternity man or not may read and profit by so doing. It states the case of the college man, and puts up to him the things that can or can't be done. To the writer's mind it is the most important chapter in the book, for it can be read by the outsider and appreciated for its frank statement of facts.

And so on through the book, as it takes up the various problems, light is shed on each with care and earnestness.

Last Opportunity to Hear Musical Clubs

Final Concert at Bangor City
Hall Next Week

The Musical Clubs will wind up the season with the Bangor concert to be given in the City Hall on Saturday evening, April 29. Coming as it does just after the close of Lent, there should be a good crowd, especially for the dance following the concert.

Although the clubs did not take an extensive trip this year, the season, on the whole, was a successful one, and made very good impressions in the places in which they appeared. The papers of Portland commented very favorably on the concert given in Pythian Temple in that city.

The feature of the clubs is the solo work of H. D. O'Neil, '16, of Bangor. Mr. O'Neil is recognized as a remarkable cornetist and the people of Bangor should turn out well to hear him on the 29th. J. H. Magee, '18, also of Bangor, deserves much credit for the work he does as reader for the clubs. His manner and delivery are very pleasing and his selections are of such a nature as to appeal to everyone.

The Stringed Quartette consisting of C. M. DeWitt, '16, T. S. Whitehouse, '19, Francis Head, '18, and F. B. Haines, '18, have taken much due credit this year and are sure to make a hit in Bangor. The Mandolin Club has some fine music and is one of the best clubs turned out for several years, while people who know say that the Glee Club is the best in the State.

The Theta Chi band gave a short concert at the house Sunday afternoon.

S. M. Wardwell, ex-'17, who recently left to take up assay work in Oxford county, made a short visit to the Beta House the first of the week.

Novel Feature to be Introduced at Cabaret

Trophy Corner Will Contain
Prizes Won By Track Teams

The third annual Track Club cabaret is to be held April 28 in Alumni Hall. The committee in charge has been very busy for the past few weeks and as the time draws near everything seems to indicate the 1916 affair as the best ever. Several new features are to be added and every one wants to come with their goat locked up and plenty of "pep" to help furnish the fun.

Mrs. Mason has eight acts under her charge. These are made up chiefly of well known local talent. The best of the college has been picked and there is bound to be something doing every minute. The cabaret will start at 7.45 o'clock and the dance will start at the close of the acts.

The Track Club has charge of the cabaret. It is the third one this club has had charge of and each year is an improvement on the preceding year. This is one of the most active organizations in college, made up of one man from each fraternity and each honorary society. The purpose is to stimulate track and cross-country interests.

A new feature and a treat to the University students is to be introduced. A suitable corner is to be decorated with all the pictures of the track teams of championship fame and an exhibition of all the trophies won by track teams. Since the University has no trophy room this should prove of great interest to students.

Tickets are now out and every one should be early in securing a good table.

Maine Debating Teams Meet Those of Colby

Same Subject to be Discussed
at Both Sides

The date set for the annual Maine-Colby dual debate, scheduled for last semester, is Thursday, April 20. The question to be discussed by the teams on that night is: Resolved, that the United States should abandon the Monroe Doctrine as a part of its foreign policy.

Both Colby and Maine have two teams working on the question, an affirmative team and a negative team. The Maine affirmative team will meet the Colby negative team on the night of April 20, at Alumni Hall, at Orono. The Maine negative team will debate the Colby affirmative team on that same night in Memorial Hall, Waterville.

The men who speak on the teams that night are as follows: Affirmative, Maine—John H. Magee, '18; Earle L. Emery, '17, and Lee Vrooman. Negative Colby—Herman D. Lattin, '18, Herbert L. Newman, '18, and A. Raymond Rogers, '17. These men will speak at Orono. The following men speak at Waterville: Affirmative, Colby—Norman W. Lindsay, '16; Fred A. Pottle, '17, and Carroll B. Flanders, '17. Negative, Maine—John M. O'Connell, '18; Albert W. Wunderlich, '18, and Harry E. Rollins, '16.

After the debate in Alumni Hall there will be a short informal reception that an opportunity may be afforded to meet the visitors, after which the Speakers' Club will hold a reception and supper, at which the visiting speakers will be guests.

New Printing Office Nearly Ready

Equipment to be Moved With-
in Next Few Weeks

The University Press will soon be moved to its new quarters in the building north of Aubert Hall, formerly used as a carpenter shop. The building is being remodelled inside and out, wired for the various pieces of machinery and lights, and also fitted for greater facility in handling the work of the Press than is now available. The CAMPUS staff will have quarters in the new office, and more centralization will be made possible. It is expected that either a monotype or linotype will be added to the equipment before next fall. This will be a great improvement, and will make better and more rapid service possible.

"Bananas" Endorses "Clean-Up" Plans

Campus Reporter Gets Private
Interview With Mascot

Bananas? Yes, he's back, and he's paid his Blanket Tax too. Big? Well about twice the size of the Bananas of last fall, and he told Coach Smith—confidentially by the way—that he's going to bring back twice as much "Pep." Big parades last fall? To be sure, but nothing to what he'll lead this spring when we scoop that track and baseball championship. All out says Bananas and "Clean-Up" year is ours.

Incidentally,—and this, too, is a secret that he hasn't told everybody—he says that things are dead around here. Track squad out, baseball men working, and outside a few other of the college activities, nobody—"Well, just wait till we get going—"

Ever seen the rings on the grass around the campus. Of course, everybody has. Bananas? Sure! Nervous? Oh, no! Just can't keep still. Sort of impatient. Eager and anxious for things to start. And they are going to start—and start pretty quick—with a BANG.

Bananas is talkative enough with his old friends, but has said very little around the campus. "You know," he remarked to a CAMPUS staff man, "I was a bit young when I left, and didn't say much. And now when I come back—well, it hurts a little. I rushed out the first day eager to meet some of the boys, and they shied off and edged away. I went to meet the girls, and instead of a glad welcome and a—er-r-r-r—well a "real hearty" greeting, they just screamed e-e-e-e, and with a flurry they were away. Not very encouraging to say the least.

"Did I hurt myself the other day on the tree? Well, no. It was the mistake of the rope. Of course, going up one side of the branch and down the other with the rope tied down below, was going to cause a strain somewhere, and as it happened the strain came around the neck. No, I wasn't exactly hurt, though hanging to be pleasant ought not to last more than a few seconds.

"Speaking of ropes, they are somewhat undesirable anyway. In fact, I wear this one only as a reminder. You see my purpose here is not primarily for study—hence when the longing to visit the class rooms of some of my particular friends comes, I am quietly, but forcefully reminded that it is not the thing.

"But never mind, I'm going to chapel some of these bright mornings. I was on my way up the stairs yesterday, when some self-important freshman detained me. I really thought he had some important message to deliver as he put his hand on my collar and led me to one side. As I might have expected from a freshman, it amounted to nothing. But then I was late for chapel. I will have to wait now, till some other time.

"Yes, I often go visiting Holsey Wing, Vic, or at the post office. No, as a rule I don't stay long. I guess it's because we are not very well acquainted. Yes I have been inclined to fear that absence makes the heart grow fonder—for some one nearer. Perhaps I am wrong. I hope so. However, there are some things that I cannot understand.

"Fed well? Yes, very. Apples, cake with a good thick frosting, candy—particularly chocolate peppermints, peanuts, eggs. Penobscot river salmon and doughnuts.

"That will be all, will it? Yes, I was very glad to spend this quiet hour chatting with a CAMPUS man. In fact, I should like to see any of the fellows—and co-eds, too, for that matter—at any time. But you tell the "bunch" that if they have nothing to do but stand around with their mouths open, when there is so much to be done for Maine, and say 'O-o-o' or scream 'E-e-e' every time I come within speaking distance, they cannot expect me to be anything else but sulen. Who wouldn't be a crab?

Yes, good day, and every one into it for "Clean-Up" year."

Dean Merrill and Mrs. Merrill were dinner guests at the Beta House Sunday.

Track Men Begin Week- ly Coaching Talks

More Effective Training Pos-
sible by this Method

The track squad reported for practice Monday on Alumni field, after nearly three weeks on the track at Webster. Although the track here is not yet in good condition, the facilities for training are much better. The runways for the broad jump, pole vault and high jump are dry enough for use, and the men can get on to the field for the hammer and discus work. Unless severe rain makes the field too wet for use the men will continue to work on the campus.

The weekly meetings which come at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoons are an important part of the training season. Every man is expected to attend them, and each individual is shown pictures of athletes in action in his particular event, the form is explained, and the individual is expected to use the demonstration toward getting a form which will enable him to do his best work. Each Sunday a different feature is taken up and Coach Smith explains and discusses it. Next Sunday, each man will be made acquainted with his part in the State meet, his competitors will be made known, and various points carefully explained.

After the dual meet with Colby, the points of strength and weakness of each contestant will be criticised, and means of improvement suggested. By this method, Coach Smith keeps the men all working together, and it enables him to give better coaching than is possible at practice.

Ball Team Back From First Trip

Showing Made Not Wholly
Satisfactory to Men

The baseball squad returned to Orono Sunday after a week in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. While away the team played Brown, Harvard and Trinity. Rain prevented the New Hampshire State and Rhode Island State games.

The showing made by the team is not made evident by the scores, as the men were at a decided disadvantage for several reasons. No opportunity for practice on a diamond proved a handicap, lack of previous competition of any sort, and a new coaching system also added to the loose playing of the team. In reality, the trip was not a failure; rather, the showing made in several instances shows that a very good team should be ready for the State series games. As yet, an estimation of the various plays is impossible. Changes will be made as the season advances, and more can be said then.

The team will play Colby at Waterville Wednesday.

What Will Make Education Effective?

Chas. Spofford of M. I. T.
Names Six Qualifications

Professor Charles Spofford of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, spoke at the Friday morning chapel exercises on "The Qualities Necessary to Make a College Education Effective."

To make a college education effective the qualities of character, judgment, will-power, industry, imagination and force must be developed. The college usually helps to do this. Dependence on the teacher for help is disastrous, for one will not be able to solve his own problems in later life, when he has no one to depend on. Get independence in thought and action. Indolence, and waiting for vacation time to come, is detrimental. There is a danger in college training for the shirker.

There is a danger of placing too much emphasis on outside activities, to get the benefit out of them that one should. Good may be obtained from them, but not the same good as that from diligent application to college work, for the same business-like methods and application are not required.

Coach Smith Talks of Holy Cross Meet

Advises Against Too Great
Confidence in State Meet

Coach Arthur N. Smith does not want anybody to think for a minute that the State Meet this year is going to be a one-sided contest in our favor. He fears that an editorial which appeared in last week's CAMPUS gave that impression and hastens to correct any such notion. In the same interview which follows, he throws some light on the recent rejection of the offer from Holy Cross for a dual meet. Smith says:

In an editorial appearing in last week's issue of the CAMPUS the matter of our failure to accept the offer of Holy Cross College for a dual track meet is discussed in a way that to my mind was not exactly correct. The writer of this editorial states that this dual meet seems necessary because it would serve to give us competition for the New England Meet. No mention is made of the fact that the State Meet coming one week before the New England Meet will provide "considerable" competition. In fact this little point is seemingly brushed aside by the writer when he says: "The State Meet promises to give competition in the number of points scored only," and, "There will be little competition of any value in the individual events."

There is considerable imagination attached to these statements about the State Meet, for I think that in this meet we will get all the competition that we want, and as for competition in the individual events—whatever they are—we will get all that is necessary to say the least.

It is wrong to create the impression that the State Meet this year will be a one-sided contest in our favor. Bowdoin has some very good track athletes and will be right out in front putting up a stiff fight all the time. The meet will be much closer than last year and Bowdoin's chances for doing the unexpected are not entirely remote. Also, while we have for the past several weeks made little or no progress in our training because of the weather and our inability to get on the Athletic Field, Bowdoin has by reason of her splendid athletic building been stealing many a march on us in the matter of development and improvement. The one point we should bear in mind is that this year's State Meet will be no easy task and anybody who is carried away with this foolish idea may unfortunately be obliged to come back to earth with an awful thump! Bowdoin, by reason of her strength, demands our serious attention and respect and all remarks to the contrary are misleading and entirely out of order.

Now as to the Holy Cross Meet being refused—all there is to this matter is the fact that I advised against spending about \$200, as it would have been necessary for us to do, in order to take a full team to Worcester. I did so because I was informed by Mr. Wingard that if we did this the A. A. would practically be broke at the end of the season. As I am particularly interested in avoiding this condition I declared against this meet. We need some sort of a meet a week before the State Meet but we need the money also. The student members of the Board were in no way to blame. But above all things this idea of underestimating Bowdoin in the State Meet should be forgotten. Such an attitude is apt to interfere with Success!

The Junior class met for short sessions after chapel on Monday and Tuesday. Several innovations concerning Junior Week are being discussed. The matter of charging an additional amount for refreshments at intermission at the Prom, is as yet unsettled. Invitations are in the hands of the committee, and some have been given out at the houses. They are unusually attractive this year, having the U. of M. seal embossed at the top in gold.

Lloyd Pinkham, '15, was visiting friends on the campus this week. Mr. Pinkham is traveling for a large book concern.

O. L. Totman will coach the Fairfield baseball team this season.

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EDITORIALS

Our editorial of last week relative to the Holy Cross Meet being refused has stirred up the wrath of certain gentlemen to an extent beyond our fondest hopes. We have been accused of almost everything from destructive criticism to disloyalty to Maine. One rather interested gentleman went so far as to threaten the editor of the CAMPUS that he would "get him" for it. The above and a lot more which we have omitted does not worry us in the least because we have confidence that the student body realizes that its paper is at least honest in its editorial policy and is working only for the best interests of Maine as the present administration sees those interests.

We are afraid, however, that certain persons have honestly misinterpreted our intentions in writing the article in question. We did not intend to criticize the actions of the Athletic Board as a whole. Our sole object in taking the attitude which we did was to avoid a repetition of a condition where a man not a member of the Athletic Board is able to instruct student members of that board to vote against their own convictions. We believe that this object has been achieved and for our part are willing to let the matter rest here. We have no idea of "getting anybody."

In this issue we are publishing an interview with Coach Smith in which he states his position. Contrary to his interpretation we did not intend to give the impression that the State Meet was going to be any walk-over for Maine. We realize that Bowdoin has a strong team and that it will be no easy thing to score more points than our old rival. We still believe that some of the strongest men on our team will not get any real competition until they strike the New England Meet. The Holy Cross Meet would have furnished such competition and it is to be regretted that our men could not have had its benefits.

The Athletic Board as a whole was honest in its attitude. Coach Smith, for reasons which he more or less definitely states in his interview, advised against the meet. The members of the board having no advice to the contrary and rightly desiring to spend only such moneys as necessary, voted according to Smith's advice. Certain student members who should have spoken in favor of the meet and who honestly believed that we needed it, voted against it. For Hosea Buck and the majority of the members of our "board of directors" we have only the highest praise. The work of such men as Mr. Buck is not half appreciated by the student body. Our only criticism is of those student members who voted one way and who later said that they believed the opposite from what they voted.

ONE LECTURE 5250 TIMES.

America's only penniless millionaire amassed an enormous fortune through delivering one lecture on will power over 5000 times, says the American Magazine. This man is Dr. Russell H. Conwell, pastor of a Philadelphia church, who balances his books at the end of every month, pays his bills and scatters the residue to the last cent over his charity list. If the money he has amassed through lecturing were put at 5 per cent he would be worth over \$5,000,000 today.

Men often travel 100 miles to hear Dr. Conwell's lecture for the fifteenth or twentieth time, and they always get a fresh inspiration, they tell him. It has harnessed rivers, built banks, irrigated deserts and supplied weary hearts with brand new dynamos. Audiences in every State in the Union, in Europe, Asia and Africa, have heard it, and the lecturer turned down an offer of \$50,000 for a six months' antipodal tour in Australia and New Zealand.

Thirty Thousand
In Student's Camps

Great Number of College Men
for Summer Service

Thousands of college men from all parts of the United States are enrolling for the military training camps this summer. Ninety per cent of the two thousand men enrolled in the training camps at Plattsburg, N. Y., last year were college men. There will be at least seven camps this year, with an estimated attendance of 30,000 men.

The students' camp idea originated with the camp at Gettysburg in 1913. This year, the student camp movement has become merged with the larger "Plattsburg idea," represented by the Military Training Camps Association of the United States, with headquarters at 31 Nassau Street, New York City.

CAMP IN CENTRAL WEST, TOO.

The original Plattsburg camps will continue on Lake Champlain, where the first one will open June 5, and continue until July 2. Four other camps will follow there in succession lasting until October 5. The first camp under the Plattsburg idea this year will be the one at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Other camps will be held in the Central West, at San Antonio, Tex.; Monterey, Cal.; Salt Lake City, Utah, and American Lake, Wash.

The camps are divided into junior and senior divisions. The junior division camps are for college undergraduates (including graduates of 1916) and high school students of the senior class. The junior division camps at both Plattsburg and Fort Oglethorpe will begin July 5 and run for five weeks. Where there is no local enrollment committee, application for information and enrollment blanks should be made to D. K. Jay, 31 Nassau Street, New York City.

HARVARD HAS 1070 DRILLING.

Harvard has a regiment of 1070 undergraduates now drilling preparatory to going to the summer training camps. Yale will send several hundred students. Princeton is expecting to send 400 men to these camps. Dartmouth has a battalion of four to five hundred men drilling under a regular army officer.

The instruction, drill, cavalry exercises, field manoeuvres, field surveying and field work generally in the continuous five weeks' training afford a clear insight into military matters. In addition to this regular work, ample time is provided for recreation and rest.

Students Conduct
M. C. A. Meeting

Officers Installed After Regular Sunday Service

The meeting Sunday was conducted by Roger L. Gowell. The speakers were: Donald B. Perry, What Christianity Means to the School; Albert W. Wunderlich, What Christianity Means to Me; Edwin H. May, Fidelity and Christianity, and Leland J. Redin, Christianity in College Activities. After the usual exercises the installation of officers was held.

Columbia gives the leader of the University band the regular varsity letter.

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How many persons can name the counties in their State or even the townships in their county. And what about the congressional and senatorial districts? Do you even know how many there are? Can you recite the capitals of the State as you once did—"Maine, Augusta on the Kennebec; New Hampshire, Concord on the Merrimac," and so on? Try it, and find out how woefully forgetful you have been, and how misinformed you are now. Or take a pencil and try to draw a picture of the United States, getting the States where they belong.

Percy Haughton has been re-engaged for another term of years to coach the Harvard football team. Leo Leary has been re-engaged as field coach.

"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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Former Maine College Pitchers Compared

Frost of Maine and Coombs of Colby Divide Honors

During 1903-6, when "Jack" Coombs was pitching for Colby, Maine had in "Jack" Frost, a pitcher whose record was at least equal to that of Coombs. The two men pitched against each other in six games during the four years. One of these games was forfeited by Maine in the sixth inning, with the score two to nothing in Colby's favor, on account of alleged rough work by Coombs while running bases which was a factor in the scoring. Of the remaining five games, Maine won three and Colby two. The scores were: Maine 5, Colby 3, (10 innings); Maine 3, Colby 2, (16 innings); Maine 6, Colby 3; Colby 4, Maine 2; Colby 1, Maine 0.

In the first game Coombs was replaced by Vail in the ninth inning. The 16 inning game was one of the greatest college games ever played in the State. The protested game was referred to the Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Board, and as a result no Maine college team has since that time failed to complete a game. The 1-0 game was won by Coombs on his own home run, in which a lucky bounce of the ball was an important factor.

The closeness of the work of the two men is shown by the following figures: Runs off Frost, 13; off Coombs, 14; hits off Frost, 43; off Coombs, 38; struck out by Frost, 64; by Coombs, 57; bases on balls by Frost, 12; by Coombs, 6; wild pitches by Frost, 0; by Coombs 2; hit by pitcher by Frost, 0; by Coombs 5. The hits and runs made off Vail after he had replaced Coombs are not included, and in counting the runs off Frost he is charged with the two made at the time Maine forfeited.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB.

Friday evening the Girls' Glee Club gave its last concert at Orono Town Hall before a large gathering. Many students who had not had previous opportunity of hearing the concert took advantage of this last one, and every seat was sold. This fact in itself speaks volumes for the popularity of the Glee Club.

The concert was of high order, and every number was encored, several more than once. The duet by Miss Brown and Miss Gould was called back several times, and each time they responded with popular medleys. Miss Joyce Cheney delighted the audience with her readings, and responded to repeated encores.

Placing credit where credit is due, it must be said that each member of the club has worked hard for the success of each concert, and so to each individual goes the credit. To Professor G. W. Thompson must go a large share of the honors.

The dance which followed the concert was a very pleasing part of the evening's entertainment, and was well attended.

CO-EDS ENTERTAIN.

The girls at Balantine Hall, Mount Vernon House and North Hall entertained at their respective houses on Saturday evening, April 15. At Balantine Hall supper was served at 6, after which dancing was in order until 11 p. m. About twenty guests were present. The gymnasium was prettily decorated in green and white and the use of many banners.

The parties at North Hall and Mount Vernon House were equally pleasing affairs.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

Plans have been drawn up for the construction of an armory for the Yale battalion at New Haven, Conn. The armory will be constructed this summer on Yale Field, near the Bowl. The land will be furnished by the University, and the cost will be borne by the graduates of Yale University.

For the first time in a thousand years the University of Cambridge, England, is on the verge of closing. The medical school is the only department having enough students to warrant its running.

At a recent meeting of the football men at Yale University, Captain Black urged all the men to keep up in

their studies, calling attention to the proximity of the June examinations. The question of the numbering of players is being reconsidered because of the pressure that has been brought to bear upon the Athletic Association by the alumni and the public.

Of the eleven Harvard men who started the game against Yale last fall, only two will be eligible next year.

Syracuse University is to have the largest athletic arena in America; its stadium will cover six and one-third acres.

A Dartmouth student recently broke the record for the slide down Mt. Washington on skis. He made the descent of four and one-half miles in twelve minutes.

The impartial posting of grades has received the full approval of the students at the University of Texas. The contention is that this is a stimulus to the students in striving for higher grades.

The Hobo Club, at the University of Montana, offers free board and lodging to all students of rival schools who "beat" their way to Missoula to see the teams compete with Montana.

There will be no chapel services at Wesleyan after May 1. This is necessitated because of the time demanded by the contractors for remodeling the chapel interior.

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Method of Lumber Estimation Explained**Forestry Club Hears An Interesting Talk By Alumnus**

The meeting of the Forestry Club in the club room of the library last Thursday evening was one of the busiest meetings of its kind during the year. About thirty were present. The matters of electing, during the present year, officers for next year and also a new forestry fraternity, were discussed.

Mr. Philip R. Hussey, '12, of the Great Northern Paper Company, gave a very interesting talk on the methods of estimating the amount of lumber in townships. Mr. Hussey spoke as one who was familiarly acquainted with the methods used and proved of much value to the members of the club. Professor Briscoe told of the plans of the forestry department for the coming year. The department plans to make the course more interesting to Freshmen and Sophomores by including more practical work in the first two years. It will probably be required that, in order to graduate a student must have ten weeks of practical work with some lumber company.

Thousands of young people are asking: "Can I get into college?" It would be well for them to ask: "Will I be able to stay in college after I get there?"

About 25 per cent of those who enter each year drop out before they are graduated. In some small, compact colleges only 10 per cent drop out.

In large, loosely knit institutions sometimes 50 per cent disappear before the coveted diploma is reached. They enter college full of life and hope, and they fall out baffled and dejected. Why is this?

It may be for excellent or unavoidable causes. It may be because of ill-health or financial disaster or the pressure of home obligations. It may also be because of pernicious friendships or false ideals formed in the freshman year. It may be because the college itself neglects the individual student and leaves him to sink or swim alone.

UNPREPAREDNESS A CAUSE.

But the chief trouble is that the average boy is not "prepared" for college. He does not stay in college because he has no staying power, no capacity for attention, no ability to concentrate.

I met in the college library a student from one of our best New England families, bending over a book, weary and bored.

"How are you getting on?" I asked. He answered: "How in the world does a man spend a whole hour looking at one book? After ten minutes I find myself looking out of the window!"

"How old are you?"

"Nineteen."

"Nineteen, and cannot concentrate for one hour? You ought to have learned that," I said, "when you were twelve years of age."

Soon after he "dropped out" and is now wandering over New England looking for a job where success can be won without attention—and there is no such job.

A COMMON TROUBLE.

The trouble with many boys when they enter college is not that they have bad habits, but that they have no habits at all; not that they are going wrong, but that they are not going anywhere.

They are versatile, attractive and aimless. They cannot focus their minds for an hour on any object or subject.

They are distracted minds, bundles of scattered energies.

They know a hundred things on the surface, nothing down to the roots.

They have ten times as much information as their father had at the same age, and yet do not know the meaning of work.

They are dazzled by a constantly changing world.

They can tell the name of every automobile that whizzes by the front door, but can not solve any problem that demands twenty minutes of honest thinking.

They are charming young fellows to know, but nearly useless to any college or in any business office.

They are not "self-starters;" they must be cranked constantly by some employer or teacher, or they can not move.

It would be an immense gain to American college if about one-quarter of the students now in them could be immediately excluded, and their places filled with the eager out-siders who were longing for a chance to study—but who is wise enough to select the men that are not worth while? We shall have to depend on the clumsy examination system for a long time to come.

But two things we can do. We can remind every one who wants to enter college that "preparedness" is vastly more than cramming down the languages and mathematics.

To be prepared means to have acquired a real ambition. It means the power to say "no" to foolish things and "yes" to the big things of life.

It means to possess a backbone that is more than a "chocolate eclaire." It means getting done with "kiddishness" and resolving to play the man. He who is still a child—in fickle purpose and flabby will—should stay out of the college which will treat him as a man.

THE CARE OF FRESHMEN.

The other thing we can do is to insist that the college itself shall take better care of the freshmen. All the colleges are now waking up to the waste and wreckage of the freshman year. In different ways we are all attacking the same problem.

At Harvard the remedy is offered through freshman dormitories, practically segregating the freshman class. At Princeton the remedy is found in a system of preceptors, each one having a squad of five or six students under his personal guidance.

At Amherst it is proposed to open to the freshmen a course in economics, which will lead them out of "prep. school studies" into the discussion of the fundamental problems of modern society.

At Brown we shall require all new students this year to take a course of one hour a week in what we call the "Orientation of Freshmen"—instruction in the origin and purpose of the American college, the meaning and value of the different departments and studies, student standards of honor, the use and abuse of fraternities, student activities, etc.

Thus we are all trying in different ways to save students from blind groping, stumbling and dropping out.

But we can not save them unless they want to be saved.

Perhaps thirty thousand young people entered our colleges in September, to write after their names the magic figures "19". Some of them will be

out of college again in January. "Can I get in?" That is not the real question. The question to be asked now is: "Can I stay?" Can I survive the sifting process and prove that I was worth educating?"

By William H. Faunce,
President Brown University.

The often repeated statement that insanity is more common among rural residents than among city people is not borne out by the census reports. Many scientific magazines and sociological lecturers have made the statement that farm women, because of the lonesomeness of farm life, the daily drudgery and other "terrible" conditions in the country, go insane more commonly than their city sisters.

The United States Census Reports show that in 1910 there were 36,654 insane persons admitted to hospitals from urban communities, and per one hundred thousand population this is 86 persons. From rural communities the number admitted to insane asylums was 20,442, and per one hundred thousand population this is 41.4 persons. Patients whose prior residence is not reported numbered 3673. Practically the same number of men and women were admitted to asylums, from both city and country.

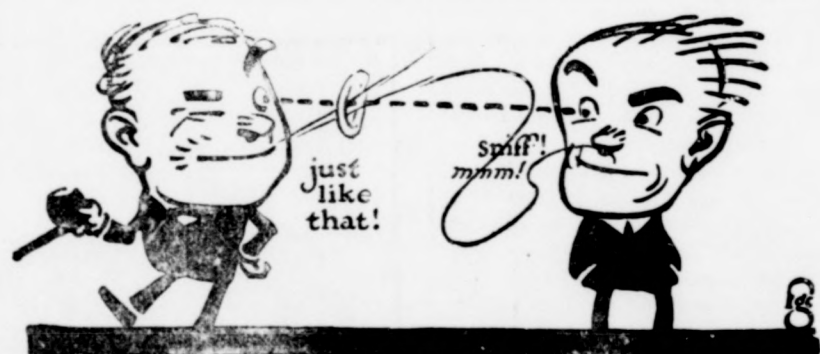
Not only is there more than twice as many insane per one hundred thousand population admitted from urban communities, but the larger the city, the larger the percentage of insane.

The rate per 100,000 population, for cities of 500,000 or more, is 102.8; for cities of 100,000 to 500,000 the rate is 89.9; for cities of 50,000 to 100,000 the rate of 77.2; for cities of 25,000 to 50,000 the rate is 86.5; for cities of 10,000 to 25,000 the rate is 75.6; for cities of 2500 to 10,000 the rate is 70.2.

These figures are in accord with reason. Man's natural condition is life in the open, and life among the cliff dwellers of the crowded city is artificial and unnatural. Men in the cities travel "on their nerve" more than in the country, where life is generally unhurried and unworried.

The often repeated assertion that city life is less productive of insanity has been parroted by many sociologists and socialists, "authorities" of various kinds, but this statement, like many others accepted without question, lacks the essential of truth, and the census reports do not bear it out.

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