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New Assembly Hall Big Improvement Over Chapel

Seating Arrangement Changed During Vacation Meeting Favorably With Students

When the greater part of the student body assembled for the chapel exercises on Thursday morning after the holiday recess, a strange sight, yet a pleasing one, greeted them. The Assembly Hall as it is now called scarcely resembles the former chapel, having been changed in many respects.

The plans for these changes were worked out by President Aley and Prof. Windsor P. Daggett, head of the Department of Public Speaking, the object being to locate the speaker's stand in a place where he might be seen and heard from every part of the room and to make possible a stage on which the productions of the Masque, the musical clubs etc., might be given.

To achieve these things, the former seating arrangement has been done away with, and the speaker's stand has been changed to the south end of the auditorium, where a stage, extending the width of the room, and with a depth of 24 feet, has been built. During chapel exercises the senior class will be seated on this stage, facing the other classes. The sophomores will occupy the section directly in front of the stage, the juniors the next section, and the freshmen the rear, where a sloping floor has been built and new permanent seats put up. The middle door into the chapel has been closed and the entrance is through the two doors at the head of each stairway. A central aisle, and cross aisles from each door give access to the seats.

In addition to giving better acoustics, added seating capacity, and placing the speaker where he may be both seen and heard by all in the room, the new arrangement will be of great value to the Masque in its coming.

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"Tri-Delt" Comes to Maine With Chapter

Alpha Theta, Local, Joins Famous Women's National

On Jan. 4th Alpha Theta, the local sorority founded in 1915, received news that its petition to Delta Delta Delta had been accepted and that installation would take place in the latter part of January.

Tri Delta has the largest chapter roll in the United States and the founding of a chapter at Maine will mean much in the life of the women students.

The members of Alpha Theta are: Hazel Lane, Lewiston; Fern Ross, Dexter; Jessie Pinkham, Farmington; Mary Thanum, Winthrop; Marion Thomas, Newton, Mass.; Helen Stuart, Bangor; Marguerite Merrill, Auburn; Grace Gibbs, East Orland; Thelma Kellogg, Vanceboro; Marie May, Island Falls; Helen Johnson, Brownville; Ruth Hunter, Rockland; Agnes Murray, Boston; Blanche Jenneys, Belfast; Doris Williams, Vinalhaven; Dorothy Hollbrook, Rockland; Eleanor Jackson, Everett, Mass.; Grace Tripp, North New Portland; Marion Harthorne, Old Town; Louise Pratt, North New Portland; Lena Page, Enid Taylor, Sullivan; Marjory Gooch, Taunton, Mass.; Katharine Hitchings, Caribou.

CONVENTIONS ATTENDED

A number of the University of Maine faculty have been absent during the Christmas recess, attending some of the conventions held by the various scientific and educational societies of the country. Among these men are included Dr. Robert J. Aley, president of the university; Dr. Charles Dayton Woods, director of the Experiment Station; Dr. Andrew Paul Raggio, head of the department of Spanish and Italian; Dr. Wallace Craig, head of the department of Philosophy; Dr. G. A. Thompson of the Department of English, and Dr. Norbert Wiener of the department of Mathematics.

Mile of Coppers

Pennsylvania co-eds are after a mile of coppers for a new gym and lunch room. They need \$84,400, which takes exactly one mile of pennies.

Boy's Club Held Annual Meeting Here, Vacation

Three-Day Convention Proves Valuable to Maine's Young Farmers

On December twentieth, twenty-first and twenty-second, the third annual state contest of the boy's and girl's agricultural clubs, who were winners of the local and county contests, was held at the University. There were one hundred and fifty seven club members and local leaders present.

There were forty-two exhibits of sweet corn, ten cans each, twenty seven exhibits of potatoes and five hundred jars of fruits and vegetables.

The program as follows:

Opening session. December 20, Alumni Hall, 7.30 p. m. Invocation, Rev. J. B. Lyman, Orono. Address of welcome, Paul W. Monohon. Address, President Robert J. Aley. Informal Reception, Gymnasium.

December 21, 8.00 a. m. Alumni Hall. Addresses, A. B. Heald, Y. M. C. A. Layman's Secretary, Waterville. C. F. Hosmer, Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Bangor. 9.00 a. m. Judging Demonstrations, Stock Judging pavilion. Canned goods, Pigs, Poultry, Potatoes, Sweet Corn. 10.30 a. m. Judging Contests in all Club Projects. 12.00 m. Lunch. 1.00 p. m. Tour of Campus. 2.00 p. m. Preparation and serving of canned products. Demonstration, Winslow Hall. Catharine N. Platts and Kathryn Gordon, Extension Instructors in Home Economics. 4.00 to 5.30 p. m. Play contests in Gymnasium, in charge of C. F. Hosmer, Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Bangor.

Meeting of local leaders in Chapel. 6.00 p. m. Banquet, Hannibal Hamlin Hall. 8.00 p. m., Chapel.

Addresses: Harold A. Allan, Agent for Rural Education; Florence M. Hale, Agent for Rural Education. Reading of prize stories. Awarding of Prizes, Diplomas, and Scholarships.

The Maine Canners' Association gave three hundred and twenty-five dollars to the College of Agriculture. The one hundred dollars scholarship was won by Clarence Titcomb of Farmington, the seventy-five dollar scholarship by Milford Richardson of Strong, a fifty dollar scholarship by Everett Hunter of Benton, a fifty dollar scholarship by Francis Buzzell of Fryeburg and a fifty dollar scholarship by J. Leslie Millett of Norway.

The Maine Central Railroad offered one hundred dollars to boys and girls along their lines.

The Bangor and Aroostook railroad also gave fifty dollars in prizes to boys and girls coming from points along their lines.

The State champions in the different projects were: Clarence Titcomb, Farmington, sweet corn; Milford Blackstone, Perham, potatoes; Elmer Davis, Machias, poultry; Dorothy Schackford, Ellsworth, pigs; Hilda Sullivan, Orono, gardening; Emily Morse, Cherryfield, canning.

Star Gazers May View Heavens Tuesdays, 7-9

Observatory Will Be Open and Visitors May Study Stars

Every Tuesday night from seven until nine o'clock, the University astronomical observatory will be open to visitors. Any student may take advantage of this opportunity to familiarize himself with the various stars and groups of stars. One may learn the use of the instruments in the observatory, and may have the instructor present, point out and explain the most interesting of the constellations now visible.

This particular time of the year is an exceptionally good time for studying the stars, because the various constellations now visible, are much more interesting than those which appear at other times during the year.

The eight inch telescope, in the observatory, which is the largest in the State, will be available for the use of the visitors.

Signs Decorate Rooms

Attractive signs put out to advertise a dance at Iowa State College were all stolen within a few hours. "Who says it pays to advertise?" demanded the irate advertiser.

Phi Sigma Honorary Absorbs Biology Club

Installation of Members Soon To Take Place

The University of Maine Biology Club is soon to be known as Phi Sigma. It has been granted a charter from this society. News of the granting of the charter was made known to the members at the recent meeting of the organization, and was received with enthusiasm by those who have been interested in the petitioning. The granting of the charter speaks well for the standing of the Biology Club, and will add more strength to the organization in the way of increased interest on the part of those who choose biology as their major study.

The Biology Club was formed in the fall of 1915 for the purpose of stimulating biological interest among the students of the University. Its first year of existence, with Earl Merrill as President and Elizabeth Bright as Secretary-Treasurer, was a decided success. Bi-weekly meetings were held, when original scientific papers were presented by the faculty of the department and the members of the club. It was during the last year, that the petition to Phi Sigma was sent, and thru the influence of Mr. Willis K. Lane, a former member of the Biology Faculty, the

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Few Changes in "Profs" For Spring Semester

But Four Shifts To Be Made In Whole University Force

The beginning of the spring semester will bring but few changes in the faculty, including the additional members of the military staff.

But one change will take place in the College of Technology. E. D. Kingman, Yale '07 will occupy the position left vacant by the resignation of former Assistant Professor J. E. Kaulfuss who resigned during last fall. Mr. Kingman will be acting Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering.

In the College of Agriculture Instructor J. F. Thomas of the Animal Industry will leave. His place will be filled by L. M. Dorsey, Maine '16 who will be welcomed by his many friends.

Sergeants J. L. Boswell and G. W. Thornberg have been detailed by the War Department as assistants to Lieutenant H. M. Hickam in the Military Department. Sergeant Boswell has been here since December and Sergeant Thornberg will arrive soon.

In the College of Arts and Sciences Mr. Buttolph, Instructor in Spanish leaves. His successor has not yet been chosen.

Dr. Aley Gets Degree He Earned in 1882

Lack of Funds and "Prince Albert" Keep Him From Receiving B. S. From Valparaiso

President Robert Judson Aley received a long deferred B. S. degree from Valparaiso university as a new year's gift Monday, and in connection with it tells an interesting story.

"The degree is one I should have had back in 1882," said Dr. Aley, "but didn't get because I lacked a new suit and the necessary funds to pay the diploma fee. At that time it was customary for all who took degrees to 'speak pieces'—original or otherwise—and the unwritten requirement was that each fellow appear in all the glory of a new suit, with a long-tailed Prince Albert coat. I was making my own way through school and finances were getting low, so the new suit and the fee for the diploma couldn't be managed. Monday I received the diploma as a New Year's gift, signed by President H. B. Brown, who was president of Valparaiso at the time I was a student there and is still at the head of the university."

President Aley has just returned from New York where he was one of the speakers at the banquet held at the Park Avenue hotel by the association of American mathematicians, whose meeting this year was the largest gathering of mathematicians ever held.

Convention Anti-Booze Workers Huge Success

Seven Hundred Men From Maine To California and Lakes to Gulf At Intercollegiate Meeting

Under the slogan "A Saloonless Nation by 1920" the National Convention of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association at Lexington, Kentucky, December, 28-31, probably the greatest intercollegiate convention ever assembled, has come to a successful close. Seven hundred college men from Maine to California and from the Lakes to the Gulf were present to represent their respective institutions.

The large number of speakers of national and international prominence and important legislation featured the convention. The list of speakers included such men as Hon. Wm. J. Bryan, Dr. W. A. Ganfield, President Center University, Danville, Ky., Dr. E. E. Sparks, President Penn State College, Dr. W. S. Hall, Northwestern Medical School, Charles Stelzle, Consulting Sociologist, New York, Rev. E. L. Williams, the "Fighting Parson" of Chicago, Hon. Eugene N. Foss, Ex-Governor of Massachusetts, Virgil G. Hinshaw, National Chairman of the Prohibition Party, and many others of national prominence.

The greatest intercollegiate oratorical contest ever held was fought to a finish with a victory for Joshua B. Lee, University of Oklahoma and with Benard C. Clauson, Colgate University, a close second. The convention has drawn up an extensive and important series of resolutions which will be of tremendous import in the war now being waged against the liquor traffic.

A Political Issue, Says Bryan

"Prohibition will soon be a dominant issue in the politics of the nation", declared Wm. J. Bryan in his address at the opening of the convention Thursday afternoon, December 28. A strong plea for co-operation in the fight to hasten the pledging of the large political parties to national prohibition was a striking point in his address.

"Let me advise you, young men", said Mr. Bryan, "To take up the work in your respective parties. If you are a Democrat make it your business to use your influence within your party on the prohibition side in country, in state, and in nation. If you are a Republican work in the Republican party along the same lines. Young men, forget yourselves and attach yourselves to great causes. Among the great causes of this generation, the greatest of these is the crusade against the saloon—against alcohol the greatest enemy that mankind has today."

Foss For National Unity

Ex-Governor Foss in his address to the I. P. A. strongly emphasized the co-operation of the people of the United States in the Prohibition movement. "What the country needs is national unity," declared Mr. Foss. If it cannot be secured through the two domi-

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First Student Chapel at New Assembly Hall

Maine Sports Discussed and Congratulations Extended to "Pat" French

The first student chapel to be held in the new assembly Hall was given over to the interests of relay, hockey, and basketball Tuesday morning. The occasion was also the first appearance of the cadet band since before the holidays, and the boys were given a royal welcome.

President Dempsey of the Athletic Association opened the chapel with a few of his characteristic remarks, and introduced as the first speaker, Frank Alexander French, who had expressed the desire of ridding himself of a few remarks on the relay prospects. Certain of Pat's admiring friends found occasion to extend congratulations, and did so in a way that nearly took the blond orator off his feet. In a very direct and clear way the speaker covered the ground that relay has gone over since his first try at the sport, and came out strong with the call of more men to show the interest in this branch of Maine athletics.

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Prof. Huddilston is Author, Chinese Text

Translation of Book on "New Testament Greek" Completed in Fourth Language

Proof sheets have just been received by Dr. J. H. Huddilston, professor of Greek and Classical Archeology, in the College of Arts and Sciences which contains the Chinese translation of his book on New Testament Greek. A combination of the Greek and Chinese characters with occasional notes in English gives the book and unusual interest. The preface of the book is written by J. L. Stuart and M. G. Tewksbury, professors in the University of Nanking. They state that after examining a number of standard hand books, both for New Testament and classical Greek, the book by Prof. Huddilston seemed best adapted to their use. They also state that the study of Greek is receiving an increased interest among Chinese students and that it is regarded as essential to a training in the Chinese Theological Seminaries.

It is a matter of considerable satisfaction in the State of Maine to note that the influence of the department of Greek in the University of Maine is making itself felt on the other side of the globe. Besides being translated into the Chinese for the use in these seminaries, the book has been translated into two of the European tongues, making now a total of four languages in which the book has been published. The book was originally published in this country in 1895, and the publishers state that contrary to the usual case in such books, the sales have increased from year to year until at the present time more copies are being sold than ever before in this country. It is usually the case that such books quickly become out of date and are replaced by newer ones.

Class Societies to Entertain This Month

Both Owls and Mask to Give Benefit Dances in Gymnasium.

Two of the most social events of the season at the University of Maine are to be the dances given this month by the class societies of the institution, the first the Junior Mask, and the second the Sophomore society, the Owls. Committees from both societies are making arrangements for the affairs, and as is usually the case when these societies give dances they are usually well attended.

The Owls of last year opened the social season at the University with a most successful dance early in the fall. The affair to come this week is to be the first of the dances given by the 1919 Owls, and promises to be exceptionally well attended.

The Junior Mask, have been very successful in entertaining. It was this society that the Junior Class elected to the positions as committee, and aids, in giving the Juniors' annual reception to the football team.

Conditions Are Serious

Seniors or Juniors Involved Should See Authorities at College Office at Once.

Seniors having conditions cannot be graduated from the University. In applying this rule, conditions in the Department of Physical Education and the Military Department are counted.

To assist any students having conditions in Physical Education in making any possible arrangements to remove their conditions, any men should confer with Dr. Young, at his office in Alumni Hall, at any time during his office hours. The same holds true of the Military Department; students with conditions or deficiencies should see Lieut. Hickam and arrange for their removal.

As one of the Yale freshman crews was rowing up New Haven Harbor, the coxswain misjudged the height of a spring high tide under a bridge, with the result that the heads of all the oarsmen came into forcible contact with a projecting girder. Several of the men were rendered unconscious, but there were no serious injuries.

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EDITORIALS

ALUMNI

In the rush of events that so completely monopolizes the time of the undergraduate during the early part of the fall semester, it is often the case that the alumni are forgotten, or perhaps it would be better to say, overlooked. What information they are able to get of things they are ever interested in, reaches them either thru the papers, often twisted, or too brief to be of real value, or by some chance remark that some friend may make that only gives an inkling of the real state of affairs. Possibly some fortunate member of the alumni gets back to Orono, and while there gets at things by getting into direct touch with them. He returns to his home and becomes the center of attraction for those Maine men who have been less fortunate than he.

At Christmas time the members of the alumni who are living in or near centers where alumni associations exist are able to get in touch with what is going on in rather definite ways. At the gatherings that are held in nearly all of the larger cities, at which time Maine men both new and old meet to renew old acquaintances and to form new friendships, much of what is uppermost in the minds of the undergraduates is brought out, and is eagerly absorbed by the men who can count the number of times they have been back on the fingers of one hand. Even the little details are sought after, and no happening is too trivial to hold their interest for as long a time as the younger men will talk. It was at one of these little get-together meetings that we found the inspiration for these remarks.

Ways of getting in touch with those men who have done their mite toward putting the University of Maine on the map have always been uppermost in our mind, but have lacked expression thus far. It has occurred to the *Campus* that there are men in Maine who would be glad to help in any matter that concerned the alumni, were they only acquainted with the way to go about it. A few ways suggest themselves at this time, and the *Campus* is sincere in the hope that more will be done in the future toward keeping the Maine men who are out of our immediate reach in touch with those things that are still near and dear to them.

There are few men in the university today, if any, who do not know some former Maine man. How about a letter now and then? It would take only a few minutes to tell him of the relay prospects, of the hopes you are entertaining for a student union. He may be out of reach of the papers that run news of Maine events. If he is, your letter will be a real event in his life, and as soon as it is possible for a letter to reach you, he will have one there, asking for more. Try it, it is well worth all the effort it takes, and the

results are of greater value than we in college now are able to grasp.

Supposing you take a moment off some day from the rush of work, preferably some Tuesday, and mail some friend of yours, a Maine man you know, a copy of that week's *Campus*. He will read it from cover to cover, and then instead of throwing it away, as we in college do, he will show it to another Maine man in the same town or will even mail it to a classmate in another town. These things have both been done, so we know what we are talking about. And after all, it was only a matter of a minute, and a one cent stamp. But it did a real service to the fellow who got it. And you made a friend for life. Not because it was the *Campus*, but because it had the news in it that was just what he wanted to know.

It is not a very big jump till the Easter vacation. Get in touch with the fellow who keeps the local alumni together in YOUR town. If there are enough of you here from the same town get one of the bunch here to do it. Do the getting together yourself, it isn't much work, and it will get you acquainted with the older men. Plan up a little get-together supper. It need not be an expensive affair. The idea is going to be for a different kind of feast—an exchange of ideas, and an account of what has been happening this year. They will all fall in line, all you have got to plan to do is to be there yourself, and guarantee the intentions of the rest of the fellows who belong in the section of doing the same. Yours is not going to be the only gathering at Easter. Already plans are in order for several of them. And they are just what the doctor ordered for those boys who are hard at work the greater part of the year, striving to make a name for themselves and for the university that is still a big thing in their minds.

No college or university ever had more loyal alumni than we who now frequent college halls at Orono have. What we do now in the way of bringing the older men together is to determine in large measure how loyal we are to be in one, two or three years from now. In a few years it is to be our turn to bewail the fact that nobody cares for us, and that we can not keep in touch with the old college. Let us do now for those who are out in the rush of business and professional life, just what we are going to hope will be done for us all one of these days. By so doing will be the only claim that we as alumni can expect to hold up and fling in the faces of those who are neglecting us. Here is a very definite way of showing MAINE SPIRIT! Have you any concealed about your person that you would like to give vent to? If so, let's flood the old "young" fellows with a little extra mail, then see how they will appreciate it.

There will be more on this subject later.

ASSEMBLY HALL

The *Campus* notes with a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure the new arrangement for chapel exercises and university gatherings. To our mind it marks a new beginning in a great many things. Without doubt, though it is a little early for foretelling events, the daily chapel will take a new lease on life that will carry it through a long period without cause for further discussion or action. We can not appreciate the efforts on the part of the faculty toward bringing about this evident solution of the difficulty. We hope that the next step will come only when the time for a new chapel arrives. Until then the *Campus* is confident the matter will take care of itself.

There can be little doubt of the value the new plan will have for university gatherings of all sorts. It will give the Masque greater opportunity for staging its productions, and will furnish a fine place for the musical organizations at Maine. The different effect on such exercises as are held during Junior Week and at Commencement can be readily seen and appreciated. The elimination of the necessity for moving the chairs to and from the gymnasium is a point that will be of great value. In short the whole thing is a decided improvement, and is justified from every standpoint.

Scarcity of Tenors at Wisconsin

Because of the strict enforcement of scholarship rules, the strongest and most finished glee club that Wisconsin has ever produced will be forced to give up its annual trip through the Middle West. The enforcement has wrecked the tenor section and now they can find no one to fill the positions on schedule time.

Dissatisfaction Shown to 1917 Football Schedule

Students Argue Stronger Teams Should Be Played—Why Not?

Now that Maine has announced her football schedule for the fall of 1917, and it has been found that about the same teams are included as have been during the past few years, there has been some discussion regarding the fact that more big teams are not included. Maine has been offered games by some of the teams that have made names for themselves on the gridiron during the past few years, and the fact that they are desirous of putting the University on their schedules appeals to many as an honor that should not be set aside too readily. Outside the fact that Maine ought at this time to be ready to meet some of the bigger teams, there is the idea of adding interest to the sport by bringing new teams here, teams that Maine men do not have the chance to see in action very often. The fact that the university ranks twenty-sixth in number of students among the institutions of the country is in itself a point worth considering when such an activity as athletics is to be considered.

It is an established fact that athletics are the best if not the only medium of giving a college publicity and it is argued that Maine should take advantage of the opportunities offered her. The advocates of a greater Maine as regards athletics do not condemn the state series. These games, they say, are of traditional interest and should not be discontinued, but even with them there is room for a few games which would put Maine in the limelight. It is also claimed that Maine has had bigger schedules heretofore than the one which has been approved for next fall. Boston College and Vermont, both strong teams, have disappeared from the list, as have Yale and Dartmouth.

Athletic officials, however, claim that difficulties arise which the looker-on does not consider. Among them is the fact that anything bigger than an eight game schedule is a nut too hard to crack, and a few games with big elevens would smash up the team too

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Outing Club Extends "Invite" to Maine Men

Dartmouth Organization to be Host For Outdoor Contest, Feb. 8, 9, 10

The Dartmouth Outing Club through the *Campus* has extended the University of Maine the following invitation which is self-explanatory:—

"The Dartmouth Outing Club hereby announces that its seventh annual Winter Carnival will be held at Hanover next February 8, 9 and 10. The program now in preparation will include a number of indoor social attractions in addition to the main feature—the winter sports.

"Men from your institution are particularly invited to participate in the intercollegiate ski and snowshoe meet, which will be open to contestants from all colleges and universities in the United States and Canada. The events of the meet will include ski and snowshoe dashes and cross-country races, ski-jumping, and a contest for good form in ski-running. Prizes will be awarded in each event.

"All visiting competitors will be entertained by the club absolutely without expense to themselves during their stay in Hanover. Entry blanks for the intercollegiate events, and more detailed information concerning the Carnival will be gladly furnished upon application to the Secretary of the Dartmouth Outing Club, P. O. Box 291, Hanover, N. H.

"In an effort to emphasize the intercollegiate phase of the Carnival and to encourage a larger participation of men from different colleges than heretofore, this letter has been addressed to you. The club would consider it a great favor if you will give this matter publicity sufficient for it to reach all the undergraduates of your institution who may be interested in winter sports, and thus give them an opportunity to compete at the Carnival. The enclosed program of last year's Winter Carnival gives a fair idea of the plan of events, and may be of aid to you."

Very sincerely yours,

R. E. Adams, Secretary.

John Mott to Conduct Campaign at Dartmouth

Is Noted Y. M. C. A. Leader and Has Won Fame As a Diplomat

Dr. John R. Mott, one of the world leaders of the Y. M. C. A. work and the head of the student work among war prisoners, has been obtained, after four years of effort, to conduct the evangelistic campaign of the Christian association which will be held February 18, 19, and 20 at Dartmouth. Dr. Mott consented to conduct the campaign as the result of an invitation sent to him, last year by former President Ernest Fox Nichols.

Chairman of the committee on Student Volunteer Movement for 26 years, and general secretary of the World's Student Christian association for 21 years, Dr. Mott is probably the most experienced Christian association leader in the country. He was the organizer of the student work in the war prison of Europe and visited the governments of the different countries engaged in warfare and obtained permission to start his work. Last year he raised two million dollars in this country for promoting the work and started a campaign which is being carried on in all the colleges of North America.

Dr. Mott conducted successful campaigns at Yale and Cornell last year and the year previous at Penn State. Dartmouth is the only college that has to date been able to obtain a place on Dr. Mott's schedule for trips this year.

The evangelistic campaign conducted last year by Raymond Robins who conducted the campaign at the University of Maine February 24-27, proved the most successful of any such undertaking held at Dartmouth for some time and resulted in the signing of 413 decision cards and an increased membership of 27 in the College Church. With the greatest leader who has ever conducted an association campaign there in person, a record both in signed decision cards and church membership can be expected.

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BIOLOGY CLUB

matter was laid before the Grand Chapter. The Biology Club was indeed fortunate this year in having a grand officer of the fraternity as a faculty member, and due credit must be given Mr. Wiltberger for his untiring efforts to have the local organization receive a charter.

The growth of the Biology Club and the admission to $\Phi \Sigma$ speaks well for the growth of the Biology Department. The first record of the Department shows it to have occupied one room in Coburn, while now, its well-equipped laboratories and lecture-rooms occupy all but two rooms of Coburn Hall. The faculty has grown from a single instructor to one full professor, one associate professor, one assistant professor and three instructors.

From two major students in 1904 graduating class the number of majors has advanced to nine in the present Senior class.

The present organization of the Biology Club is: Pres., Henry Peterson, Secretary, Elizabeth Bright. Associate members: Prof. M. A. Chrysler, Prof. Alice M. Boring, Prof. H. N. Conser, Mr. P. B. Wiltberger, Mr. A. Strauss, Mr. G. B. Ramsey. Active members: D. V. Atwater, '16; R. K. Fletcher, '17; W. T. Petter, '16; D. S. Welch, '17; P. A. Collins, '17; J. A. McCusker, '17; E. M. Bright, '17; H. A. Peterson, '17; Maurice Jacobs, '17; Grace Gibbs, '18; Doris Russell, '18; T. E. Fairchild, '16; P. N. Moulton, '17.

A committee consisting of Petter, '16; and Fletcher, '17; is making arrangements for the installation.

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FIRST STUDENT CHAPEL

F. O. Stephens was next called upon to tell something of the basketball situation. His remarks were directed toward getting a better demonstration of spirit in the class games that are to begin soon. Dempsey had some very interesting remarks on the hockey situation, and what he had to say should go far toward starting some definite action in favor of putting hockey on a firm foundation in Maine. The time is ripe for intercollegiate hockey, but it will come only when the student body shows the brand of enthusiasm for it that will insure its support.

Mechanical Department Advances Rapidly, 1916

Foundry Course Proves Attractive To Many Students

Considerable advancement has been made in the Mechanical Engineering Department this year. With the addition of several new machines there has also been a number of changes in the courses. The course in Foundry which has for some years been only a short course of little interest and aid to the students has now become one of the most beneficial courses. For the past ten years there has been no means for the making of castings but by the addition of a new blower, a motor and some repairing of the former apparatus it is now possible for the students in this course to get very successful results for their work. During this term they have made many small castings together with the cylinder castings which have just been completed for two marine gasoline engines. Already the other departments have recognized the importance of such an equipment and it will probably be a matter of only a few months before proper means will be had for the making of the most of the necessary castings here at the University.



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Scoop's Column

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Friend Scoop:—

I have been told that there is a lot of large game in the woods out back of the college. Now I am quite a hunter, in fact, I may say that Nimrod is my middle name. Will you tell me if you think I could get a nice bear-skin for my room by going out some day with my trusty 38-55?

A Game Boy

Yes, indeed, Nimrod. I should say that you could get a bare—no, I mean a bear-skin out back of the college. Why man alive, didn't you ever hear of my hair-breadth escape from a large and bloodthirsty grizzly a year ago? You see, Nim, I am like yourself in being a hunter of great ability. I was out here about two miles from Lord Hall one day last winter in search of any big game which might cross my path, and had been carelessly wandering along for more than two hours without seeing or smelling a sign of any animals. Finally I stopped to light a 7-20-4, resting my rifle against a large mahogany tree meanwhile. I decided to rest here for a time, so I sat down at the base of the tree and commenced to read my copy of Snappy Stories just as if I were at home in my big Russian leather arm chair. I had not been reading long before I heard a shrill growl close by, but as I was in the middle of the paragraph where the hero takes the villain by the heels and throws him down the elevator shaft, I did not pay any attention to the noise. It was not long, however, before the shrill growl was repeated, this time right at my elbow. I laid down my magazine thoughtfully, and there by my side was the most perfect specimen of a Hungarian grizzly that I had ever seen. I blew a heavy cloud of smoke into his face just to show my contempt, and started to get up. Now this blinded the bear for a moment, but he quickly recovered and made a peculiar hissing sound. Any man who has ever heard a grizzly hiss knows that he means business. Accordingly I grabbed my rusty rifle—, doggonit, I mean my trusty rifle,—and took careful aim at the bear's forehead. I smiled confidently as I pulled the trigger, but alas! All I heard was a sharp "click". My gun had been resting in the snow so long that the powder had frozen in the cartridges! Now I am not a coward and was not afraid of the bear, but I decided that a hand to paw battle with a grizzly would be monotonous, so I started to walk away. Evidently this was not what the animal expected, so he commenced to lick his chops in a self-satisfied manner, thinking to himself that he would pursue me until I should become exhausted, and then would make a meal from my carcass.

I had not gone far when I somehow sensed that the brute was about to spring upon my back, and accordingly I whirled around to dodge him. I did so successfully, blowing his eyes full of my 7,20-4 smoke again as I dodged. Close at hand was a large hogshhead. While the bear was still blinded by the smoke, I crawled into the hogshhead. As his sight cleared he commenced to look around for me. At last he smelled me and started toward the hogshhead. A number of times he walked around it without being able to get at me, as I kept rolling it over and over. Finally I saw a good opportunity and reached out through the hole in the side of the hogshhead, grabbed the grizzly by the tail, and pulled the tail in through the hole. I then tied a big knot in the tail, crawled out of the hogshhead, and left him hitched. I next built a fire and thawed out my frozen cartridges after which I shot the bear, skinned him, and took the hide home. I'm sorry that I haven't the skin here so that you could see it, but I took it home for an art square for our dining room. Yes, Nimrod, I am sure that you can find plenty of game if you just wait for it as I did.

Now since they've changed the Chapel 'round
You surely must have seen
How many pretty girls there are
In the class of '17.

As my dog used to say when he caught his own tail, "This is the end."

BIJOU THEATRE

Manager Boggett is presenting as a notable feature of the Bijou vaudeville this week the famous Kitamura Japs, a quintet of athletes whose skill is said to surpass that of any of the many troupes of little brown men who ever come from the land of the Mikado to astonish Americans and gather dollars. Another fine feature, and a real novelty, will be the mysterious comedy creation Spooks, in which Bayone Whipple and Walter Johnson have been making a sensation in the big towns. Bernard and Janis, musicians and comedians; Manning and Moore, expert dancers; the seven diminutive dogs known as Lillian's Comedy Pets, and—a big ray of sunshine, Maude Ryan, the famous eccentric comedienne, whose clothes are the wonder of the vaudeville world and the delight of all women.

Smith College now has an enrollment of 1903 students. 34 of them are graduate students, and the remainder are distributed as follows: seniors, 327; juniors, 438; sophomores, 437; and freshmen, 667.

Masque Holds Assembly Saturday Evening

Full Rehearsal of Four Plays Heard—Prof. Daggett Visits Dietrichstein's Stage Manager

Saturday night the Masque met in Wingate Hall and held a full rehearsal of the four plays which are to be given this season. The cast has not been picked yet as there are several men of exceptional talent trying for the same positions. The men have made great progress in the last few weeks and it is expected that this year the plays will surpass by far those of the past.

Before rehearsal the electricians held a short meeting and went over in detail the lighting system which is to be employed. The general idea is to be similar to that used in most of Belasco's productions.

During the holidays Mr. Daggett visited Mr. Millar, stage manager for Dietrichstein. He has had experience in setting scenes in many of the Belasco productions. Mr. Millar showed great interest in the Masque and took time to go over in detail the action of the plays and the lighting which is to be used. He suggested many new ideas which the electricians found interesting. Mr. Daggett has decided that at every rehearsal from now on he will permit no one in the cast to use a book.

Lou Martin of Penn., an all-collegiate forward and a member of last year's intercollegiate championship basketball team, has been declared ineligible on account of studies by the faculty committee on athletics at Penn.

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much. From the outside, however it would seem that there are enough students at Maine from whom a squad could be picked large enough to withstand the hardships of a ten or eleven game schedule.

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Hockey Activities to Start at U. of M. Soon

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Now that the dead season in University activities has arrived, the exponents of hockey will come to the rescue and this sport will start under the direction and coaching of Dr. William J. Young, physical director of the university.

Maine will have an independent team, comprising many former school stars and this team will get onto the rink in the near future.

Following the action of the athletic board some few weeks ago, in whose power the sanctioning and support of the various athletic activities of the university life, and whose verdict on the hockey question was that it couldn't see fit to sanction the sport as a university affair and give it the support of other major activities, the team will organize and be known as the University of Maine Hockey Club. The club will have definite officers, a constitution and will have direct control of the team which will be captained and managed by two of its players. These are the plans which have been drawn up to date.

Dr. Young, who during his collegiate days at the University of Pennsylvania, had much experience at the hockey game, will give his spare time and what he can afford to the hockey outfit on the rink which has already been constructed in rear of Winslow hall. The team will include many stars from out of the State, mostly Massachusetts and Connecticut lads who have skimmed the puck on prep school rinks in those states. Prominently among these is Hamlyn Robbins, better known as "Hammy", who has played coverpoint for the B. A. A. team of Boston, and who while a member of Arlington (Mass.) High school, was one of the best players of that famous seven on the rink. Edmund J. Dempsey, '17 of Mattapan, Mass., the 880 yard track man, is another player from the Bay State that will be one of the promising members of the team. Spin Wunderlich, another track star, and Arlington boy with quite a reputation for hockey, will try out for the team as will Edwin H. May, '18, of Hartford, Conn., a member of the Hartford Public High school team of 1913 and 1914. Johnny Lucas, '19 of Portland, George McCabe, '17, of Kennebunkport, Charles Stevenson, '17 of Orono and several others will be prominent candidates. Practice will commence soon after Thursday as possible and with the rink in condition, only the players on their return from vacations are needed to start the 1917 season of the club.

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NEW ASSEMBLY HALL

university productions. Heretofore it has been necessary to build a temporary stage in the University gymnasium, while now it will be possible to put up the stage settings, curtains, etc., on the new chapel stage. This new stage is both larger and better arranged in every way, and will make possible doing much more with the annual Masque productions. Prof. Daggett, having been in charge of the plans for the stage, has had it built with the Masque in mind, and for the first time since the Masque's organization, hopes to see it with an adequate place on the campus for the staging of its annual production.

TO CAN "MAINE" SONGS?

An attempt is being made to induce the Victor Talking Machine Company to produce a record containing a medley of the songs of the four colleges in Maine. That company has recently issued a record of the songs of Amherst, Williams, Cornell, and other institutions and has found the recording of college songs profitable. The combined student bodies of Maine, Bowdoin, Bates, and Colby number about Twenty five hundred and the four colleges have alumnus of several thousands so that there is ample field for a big sale.

Such a record would be of interest throughout the whole state of Maine as the National Guardsmen became familiar with the Stein Song while on the border this summer. There are hundreds of others outside the state who are interested in the colleges of Maine and who would appreciate the record.

The Harvard football team in its present make-up averages 177 pounds; the Yale team 183 pounds.

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CONVENTION ANTI-BOOZE

nant parties then we ought to have a national liberal party which will educate the people to think and act in terms of the nation; a party which will stand for the coming national issues which are pressing upon the minds of the people—national prohibition, national equal suffrage, national divorce laws, a national code of justice, national co-operation of railroads, uniform laws controlling the working hours of men, women and children, national conservation of womanhood, manhood and childhood and a national policy of preparedness for both peace and war."

Fighting Parson

The Rev. Elmer R. Williams, known as the "fighting parson" challenged the young men of the convention to return to their homes and "to die, if need be, to save the youth of the country from drunkenness and death." His appeal was strengthened by a dramatic narrative of his own fight in the slums of Chicago.

"The liquor traffic is now on the defensive," said Rev. Williams, "You may have heard of a little animal belonging to the cat family. A harmless, lovely looking creature, dainty in appearance, soft fur, and a beautiful brush of a tail. Amiable and well behaved it is until driven into the corner. Appearances count for nothing then. He who insists upon a hand to hand conflict is rendered unfit to go home to his family. So the liquor traffic; unmolested it seems almost benevolent, paving streets, furnishing light, police, revenue for city needs, calling itself the poor man's club. Furnishing the club house with plate glass, brass rails, mahogany bars, enticing music, and cordial welcome.

"Once it posed," said the speaker, "As a medicine, a food; but routed from this position it has assumed this new stand. Booze is now driven back to the last trench, greed."

Rev. Williams is a minister and also wears a badge of the police department. He told many of his interesting experiences in his fight for justice in the poor section of Chicago against the saloon. He showed clearly that the saloon is the home of vice and corruption. In closing, he said, "Young men, Europe is sending her best young men to the trenches to kill the best young in other trenches. Let us go forth to labor, suffer, sacrifice and, if need be, to die to save the youth of the state, the nation from drunkenness and death."

Oratorical Contest

Eight orators, two each representing the East, West, South and Central United States, which were picked from 1,400 original contestants on the Prohibition question, competed for the highest national honor for student oratory ever awarded. The winner received \$100 and the second best \$50. Joshua B. Lee of Oklahoma was given a unanimous decision for first place. Bernard C. Clauson of Colgate University was awarded second place. Mr. Lee's oration, "Lay the Axe at the Root of the Evil" was an argument calling for the annihilation of alcohol. Mr. Clauson was rated very highly on his delivery of "A New Indictment." Several of the other orators were given special mention by the judges.

Mr. George Irving, Editor of the North American Student and Daniel A. Poling National Vice President of the I. P. A. were the principal speakers for the last day of the convention. Mr. Irving told of some things Americans have done for the suffering nations in Europe and also of the great need of men today to sacrifice for the right. Mr. Poling made a powerful response to America's challenge brought to light by the saloon.

Several other important speakers such as: Prof. Charles Scanlon, General Secretary of the Temperance Committee of the Federated Council of Churches, Ernest H. Cherrington, Editor Anti-Saloon League publications; Miss Christine I. Tinling, National College Secretary, W. C. T. U., Miss Anna A. Gordon, President, W. C. T. U. and Dr. Ira Landrith of Nashville, Tenn., delivered interesting addresses. Music was furnished at each afternoon and evening meeting by the famous Chataqua Quartette composed of four ministers. This quartette rendered several original songs which made a big hit with the convention.

Each morning of the convention was given over to a business meeting and to conferences relating to such topics as: deputation work, I. P. A. publicity, study of the liquor problem in college, alcohol and athletics, relation of I. P. A. to other organizations, student work in liquor activity in large universities.

According to a recent report, the average student at the University of Minnesota spends \$487 a year.

Many Lower Classmen Awarded Numerals

It has been announced that at the last meeting of the athletic board of the university that cross country "M" was awarded to Herrick, Preti, (Captain), Dempsey, and Wunderlich. In addition to those letters, which with the exception of the football letters, have been the only ones awarded this year, the following numerals have been awarded as a result of the work done in the interclass football, and baseball games, and in the interclass track and field meet in the fall. Of the class of 1919 the following have received their numerals in baseball: C. F. Giles, H. S. Cross, E. C. Melcher, H. N. Robbins, H. L. Richards, K. G. McQuarrie, A. J. Tierney, E. S. Peckham, C. M. Ziegler, P. F. Harmon, C. H. Champion, S. W. Collins, L. C. Harris, Mgr.

In Track: MacBride, W. L. Donovan, F. E. Lawry, E. C. Rowe, A. B. Cooper, L. A. Weeks, D. R. Davis, J. A. W., Faulkingham, B. M., Merrow, L. E., Smallidge, O. S., Corey, C. T., Files, C. H., Mgr.

In football: Cross, H. S., Merrow, S. F., Faulkingham, B. M., Hudson, M. F., Ryan, S. J., Astle, R. M., Cobb, W., Blethen, M., Gaskill, D. M., King, R. A., Duncan, C. A., Jones, S., Smith, R., Mitchell, M., Smiley, S. R., Cosgrove, W. A., Greene, J. C., Perry, B., Giles, C. F., Mgr.

While there has been little or nothing of a sensational nature from the present freshman class, there has been some good fast ball playing, particularly in baseball, and the track team has a few men that gives promise of being varsity material. From the following men, who have been awarded numerals by the athletic council, may be expected the men who are to be the future athletes of the University of Maine.

In baseball: C. J. Thompson, S. P. Willard, C. A. Sargent, B. R. Waterman, W. C. Shoemaker, E. C. Hall, J. S. Eldridge, J. S. Barron, P. A. Libby, C. E. MacGee, Mgr.

Track: S. E. Rossiter, J. P. Waite, P. D. Dempsey, L. V. Kneeland, P. H. M. Friend, F. S. Bishop.

Football: H. D. Tinker, J. Davis, G. S. Bishop, A. D. Mulvaney, T. T. Ranney, G. E. Edgerly, P. A. Flavell, W. C. Shoemaker, R. S. Stearns, R. J. Pagannucci, G. S. Ginsberg, B. P. Waterman, J. S. Barron, A. B. Johnson, P. D. Sullivan, A. S. Taylor, H. L. Courtney, A. C. MacGee, D. W. Hodgkins, Manager.

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