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The Maine Campus

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"YOU MUST CHOOSE BETWEEN LENDING NOW OR BECOMING SLAVES OF THE HUNS"—President Aley

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ATHLETIC RALLY

President Abbott Presides at First Meeting. Large Attendance and Plenty of Pep Shown

An athletic rally was held in the gymnasium last Friday night to stir up enthusiasm for the Bates game. The meeting was called at half past seven and the large crowd there, showed that there was some spirit left in the college. The audience was on its feet and in an uproar when it saw Joe McKusker, last year's cheer leader, come in. "Red" Abbott, as president of the Athletic Association called the meeting to order and gave a short speech, the main idea of which, was, that the association must have backing. He asked that every fellow pay his blanket tax as soon as possible. He then called on Prof. Grover who gave an interesting talk about the old days when he used to play.

Coach McCann was the next speaker. He gave a lively address that was full of pep and made every fellow feel as if he ought to be out there at that game yelling for all he was worth. He explained that there was but one letter man back this fall, but that the others had worked hard and were going to put up a good fight. He impressed it on every man that it was his duty to back up his team by his presence on the field. He said that games had been won or lost by the cheering section.

"Red" Abbott next called on John Davis, captain of this year's team. Davis

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CAN YOU SLEEP TONIGHT

knowing that many Maine men across the water are hurling their living bodies against steel bayonets for YOUR protection; that they must face poison gas and liquid fire to keep the University of Maine campus safe; and *You have not bought a Liberty Bond*. Help the Maine men at the front by saving for war bonds and do your part today! Let it not be said of Maine men that they know honor and they knew freedom but they cast both aside for a pot of gold! Make your subscription thru the M. C. A. office or thru the Old Town Trust Co. *Buy a Bond and Get A Button!*

BATES 6 MAINE 0

A blocked punt of Hale by tackle "Soldier" Adam of Bates in the fourth period of the first state series game for both teams on Alumni Field here paved a way for a Bates touchdown. Adam falling on the ball over the line after Hale had attempted to kick from beneath his own goal posts and Bates won the game, 6-0.

Both teams showed lack of practice probably due to the fact that both institutions have been open less than two weeks.

Maine was in a position to score on several occasions but incomplete forward passes and fumbles proved a downfall to the State institution's team, consistent playing as a rule failing to come forth from either team throughout the 60 minutes of play.

Bates used a shift play with Stillman facing his own goal line, to advantage throughout the battle and the longest run of the first half, for 23 yards around Maine's left end was scored from such a formation. Maine worked hard to score and Hale contributed well toward Maine's work with his punting which was a feature of the game and his long end around skirts for gain after gain.

After an exchange of kicks in the first half Maine had its real opportunity to score when a forward pass good for a 30-yard gain was well executed from Pagannucci to Barron, but Maine fumbled on the next play and a chance was lost.

In the second period Bates was the loser of a scoring opportunity, when forward pass after forward pass grounded and was incomplete, as well as two tries of goals from placement which sailed low under the bar.

In the third period, Maine worked the ball up the field after recovering a fumbled punt and with Hale gaining ground around the other end helped by other Maine backs, was in a position to tally. An incomplete forward pass near the line spoiled all chances for a score and the period ended with the score 0-0.

Near the close of the last period, Adam broke through when Maine was forced to punt from beneath the shadow of her own goal posts, blocked

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LETTER FROM MR. CRANSTON

On Active Service With the American Expeditionary Force; A Port in France

Dear Blank—

I enjoyed your letter more than I can tell you, and I appreciate very much all the news about everybody. We don't get mail very often, and you can just bet it is welcome when it comes. I have thought of you many times, and the other day I had a letter or card all written but it couldn't be sent.

The Y. M. C. A. is trying to do an all-round piece of service, and it seems to be filling a big place in the lives of the men. Our program covers their athletic, social, religious, educational, and alimentary activities. Just now I am taking charge of one of the tents and directing athletics in addition to editing and publishing a daily one-page Y. M. C. A. news sheet. Some

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THINK IT OVER

Lieutenant Colonel P. J. L. Azan who is directing the instruction of the Harvard R. O. T. C. said at a recent dinner:

"An army is as good as its officers. The value of the future American Army depends entirely on the measures that are to be taken in the immediate future for the instruction of its officers. Doubtless with time this army will learn; doubtless on French soil its contingents will become perfect and hardened to war. But time is a factor which must not be wasted.....Every day represents the loss of many human lives and many fortunes, and consequently tears and misery. A comrade of the American Army asked me recently how much time, in my opinion, would be necessary to prepare an American soldier for warfare. From three months to a year, according to his teacher, was my answer. Moreover, if the instructor is bad, the soldier will know nothing at the end of the year, and will be killed.....This, gentlemen, is the fatal result of faulty military instruction; it is capital punishment. Not only does the officer who has been badly taught get himself killed for nothing, but he also causes the death of the soldiers whose lives are entrusted to him."

PRESIDENT ALEY URGES STUDENTS TO BUY BONDS

At Wednesday's Assembly President Aley told of his attendance last Friday and Saturday, in Philadelphia, of the Federal committee representing all the colleges and universities of the country. He declared that the reports of all those present showed that from all parts of the United States come messages of the same intensity of feeling about the greatest crisis in the country's history, and the same willingness to do all in the students' power to aid in this war against "the savage Huns."

President Aley told how Frank Vanderlip, the great financial genius of the United States and who is now working for the government without salary, came into the meeting and stated that the business of America today is to win the world war. President Aley declared that we are fighting against an enemy who will stop at no crime; an enemy who, if he wins, will make each and every one of us the slaves of the greatest autocracy that the world has ever known; and that as for himself he would rather help win the war by buying a "Liberty Loan Bond" than to pay tribute to "the Huns" in the future. It was suggested that each fraternity and society decrease their expenses in order that they might obtain the money to purchase at least one Liberty Bond. In closing President Aley urged all Maine men to attend the Liberty Bond rally at 8 o'clock Wednesday night in the Orono town hall where Governor Carl Milliken will speak.

COLBY PLANS INVASION

A telegram was received by H. Jones, Mgr. of Football, from the Colby Athletic Association asking that two hundred seats be reserved for her supporters. This would seem to indicate that Colby plans to come to Orono with the hope of defeating Maine on her own field. It is rumored around the campus that Colby also plans to bring her famous band.

The \$3,000,000,000 Liberty Bond issue has been over-subscribed.

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EDITORIALS

There is a universal feeling among the students of this university that the recent increase of 5 cents in the car fare from Bangor to the university campus or from the campus to Bangor is unjust. The Public Utilities Commission has granted to the citizens of Orono a lapping of fare limits between Mill Street and Basin Avenue and it appeals to University of Maine men that a similar lapping of limits so as to cover the Maine campus would thus be equally logical. As the rates are today the Maine student pays for a ride to Old Town the same fare that one pays for a ride from Orono to Old Town, a distance greater by a mile. In going to Bangor from the campus the situation is the same—a charge of 15 cents, the same fare charged for the mile longer ride from Stillwater to Bangor, is made. If a lapping of limits for the fares can be given to Orono why can't the University of Maine students get a similar lapping of fare limits to include the Maine campus? The increased fare means a lot to the individual student who usually pays about \$20. a year for car fares and at present fares this amount will have to be doubled. As many students are working their way thru this university the hardship this increase works upon them is apparent to all. If the electric line itself was not a paying proposition to its stockholders the increase in the fares could be better tolerated but as the B. R. & E. Co. pays 7% dividends the Maine students think that the company is getting at least a fair return on their investment.

As the above is a matter which effects the pocketbook of each and every Maine student there is no doubt that a committee should be elected by the student

body to formally take up this matter with the proper authorities.

PROMINENCE AND OBSCURITY

College opinion condemns indifference by obscurity; the student who does not enter into extra curricular activities remains unknown. Studies come first, and rightly so, but the student who does nothing else but get A's is as unknown and as unsung as the Freshman who obtains two F's and three E's at mid-years and departs from college forthwith at considerable speed. That this should be so, is perhaps indefensible, but it is nevertheless true and what is, is to be made the most of by the wise, or to be collided with head-on by the faultfinding foolish.

When the undergraduate becomes a Senior or Junior he knows by association most of the members of his class, but of the classes below he knows only a select few. On the other hand, the Sophomore or Freshman knows few of his own class but quite a number of upper classmen. The explanation is that the Senior and Junior knows only those Sophomores and Freshmen who stand out from the mass, who stand out and are prominent because they are active in extra curricular activities. The same in like manner is true of the more recently admitted students—they come to know quickly the upper classmen engaged in the various activities on the campus and that typify college life. Unless the student desires to remain a nonentity to others if not to himself, he must enter into some line or lines of college endeavor wholly outside his regular scholastic work.

Few of us spend every waking hour at our books. It is a question of the sacrifice of time taken not from studies but from personal pleasure. The hours spent at the movies or with a magazine may be pleasant, but the yield of those hours is not to be compared with close associations, the lasting friendships, and the real satisfaction that grow out of enthusiastic, conscientious participation in some extra-curricular activities.

LETTER FROM
EVENS NORCROSS

August 19, 1917.

On Active Service in France

September 17, 1917.

Dear Blank—

Little did you think when you asked me to write to you from the wilds of France that such writing would be done on a recent model American typewriter, now did you? Luckily I am attached to Battalion Headquarters as combination stenographer and clerk.... But to get down to business here we are in the midst of things just as no one on the other side can realize them. Truthfully I can say that I don't believe one person in 100,000 has the imaginative ability to draw any kind of a mental picture that can equal the destruction and ruin the "Terrible Hun" has left behind. Our nearest position to the front lines has been three miles behind.

But, say it softly, three miles isn't much when you remember that the large guns have a range of 12 or 15. I've heard guns roaring for days at a time and seen aeroplanes by the score; foreign soldiers are as the sands of the desert; and shell holes, as the stars on a winter night.

There is an awful sameness about the war region that makes it hard to describe effectively. Of course I cannot tell you where we are nor where we have been. We are, thank Providence, near a small town, that has not been totally destroyed by the Germans, as were the first towns we struck upon our arrival. Last night "Count" (Ferdinand Norcross, U. of M. '14) and I went to the town and had a real banquet. 'Twas the first real layout I have had the pleasure of attending since leaving home, and there's no use talking I sure did wade in. Today we are back to war bread and bully beef.

There are a thousand things to tell you about, from the trip across dodging the submarines, then the big parade in London which I learn was reported in the newspapers, to the move to France and the weird places we have touched so far, and the anxious uncertainty of the future.

So far I have learned a lot of things that I never had sense enough to realize in civil life. First place: we retire at 9.30 every night and arise at 5.30, quite some change for your friend, the midnight oil expert, eh? wot? Secondly: I have learned to appreciate what that old phrase "Home and mother" really stands for. (And you can believe me that is worth the whole trip). Thirdly: my appetite is gradually diminishing (through no fault of mine, I assure you), and I am getting harder all over, even mentally. And fourthly: I have had a taste of real discipline. There are lots of other benefits that don't show themselves yet. If this business comes out safely for us, it will be the finest thing that could have happened to yours truly.

Gee! It brings back a lot of things that I have been doing my best to keep in the background—the good old days. I suppose most college men don't realize what a great time they are having until they have been out of the place sometime. But if I ever do get back again, you can bet your last cent that I'll get every bit out of college there is to get.

Of course there are a lot of the old boys gone from college this year, altho it is hard to imagine it when my last impressions were so filled with the faces of those I know. But still there must be a few of the old crowd back, so give them a hand for me.

There is a British "Tommie" in camp about three miles from here who has played with Cyril Maude in "Grumpy" in the U. S. He's rather an oldish "topper" and to see him standing on top of a car spouting Shakespeare reminds me of the old days and the "Shades of Marcus Brutus Snap."

Since writing the first part of this letter a number of days have passed

during which time Count and myself obtained leave to visit a fairly large city near here. We had a large time on a small amount of money.... We had the finest dinner you can imagine for 8 francs (\$1.40); there's no use talking, the French do know how to cook.

My address in this end-of-the-earth place is Co. B, 14th Engineers (Railway), American Expeditionary Forces in France. % Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

This reads like a poor letter, but you try writing to some one when all the things you are interested in are prohibited, and then you'll see what a stunt it is.

Answer this letter soon as you can. The only things we have to look forward to are the letters from home (and from the girl) and a good feed about once in two or three weeks.

Faternally,

E. B. Norcross

SOPHOMORE CLASS
ELECTION

President—R. Paganucci, 50; D. Laughlin, 30; R. Stearns, 10; Vice President—M. Stevens, 36; E. Christianson, 42; A. Lingley, 13; Secretary—Miss K. Snow, 59; Miss D. Williams, 21; Miss B. Whitney, 13; Treasurer—Harry Butter, 27; W. Averill, 39; E. Hacker, 26; Executive Committee—F. Willard, 78; D. Couri, 73; G. Potter, 48; H. Courtney, 603; H. Bagley, 51; G. Davidson, 28; A. Harriman, 35; V. Beverley, 74; Track Manager—R. Barber, 42; G. Adams, 39; W. Avery, 13; Basket Ball Manager—R. Russell, 27; F. Stone, 37; R. Woodcock, 27; Base Ball Manager—K. Farnsworth, 34; A. Hersom, 26; L. Libby, 30; Foot Ball Manager—G. McCabe, 48; M. Ham, 28; C. Wilder, 17.

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ATHLETIC RALLY (Continued from Page One)

gave a fine speech in which he told in what condition the team was, and how they intended to play the next day. After hearing him everybody knew that Maine would do its best in the game.

Abbott then called for Fitzgerald and "Shorty" Hale, two law school men who are playing with the team. Each gave a snappy little talk and "Shorty" Hale's form in speaking brought a laugh from the audience. But as he said "all great speakers take that pose."

The cheering during the meeting was lead by McCusker and he was just as good as ever, not losing any of his "pep" during the summer.

The band played a few selections in between, which were very creditable considering the short time they have had for practice. If the good work continues we shall have as good if not better a band than last year.

The meeting was broken up by singing the Stein song and all left with a feeling that if their presence at the game would help the boys win, that they would be there strong.

JUNIOR MASKS CHOSEN

Between the halves of the Bates-Maine game the Junior Masks for the coming college year were announced. The Masks is an honorary fraternal society, organized in 1913 as a Junior society for the prime purpose of instilling and promoting university spirit and forming closer interfraternity relations. The following men are this year's Masks:—E. C. Lawry, A. C. Sturgis, O. L. Whalen, C. B. Clark, M. A. Mitchell, W. A. Cosgrove, H. N. Robbins, and L. E. Merrow. If C. A. Ohnemus, F. E. Baldwin, W. B. Cobb, N. E. Torrey, R. R. Owen, and J. C. Greene had returned to college they also would have been elected Masks.

JUNIORS NOMINATE

At a recent meeting of the Junior class nominating committee the following men were submitted to the members of the class:

For President; L. E. Merrow, R. G. Cornforth, J. E. Goodwin. For Vice President; A. C. Sturgis, C. A. Duncan, E. O. Judkins. For Treasurer; L. C. Swicker, P. E. Lurvey, O. L. Whalen. For Secretary; Faye Smith, Ettele Sawyer, Kathryn Hitchings. For Executive Committee; C. B. Clark, R. V. Williams, C. M. Ziegler, R. L. Googins, R. M. Whitehouse, S. N. Holt, M. A. Mitchell. For Student Council; H. N. Robbins, C. W. Steward, A. J. Tierney. For Basketball Manager; G. A. Faulkner, P. T. Farnum, S. W. Collins. For Hockey Manager; L. W. Wellington, C. M. Winter, N. D. Plummer.

ALL MAINE OUT

On Thursday night a student rally will be held in Assembly Hall for the purpose of practising cheering and creating enthusiasm for the Colby-Maine football game the coming Saturday. The recently organized college band will be on hand to furnish music and Coach McCann, Capt. Tom Davis, and Manager Jones will speak about the team.

SOPHOMORE OWLS

ELECTED

The following Sophomores were elected to the Sophomore Owls, an honorary society for the purpose of promoting harmony between the two lower classes and composed of members chosen for popularity and ability:—R. S. Stearns, J. F. McCabe, J. C. Adams, M. H. Stevens, A. B. Lingley, J. S. Barron, J. P. Waite, R. J. Paganucci, P. I. Flaveell, and S. T. Walker.

BLANKET TAX RETURNS

Chairman Vrooman of the Blanket Tax Committee reports that only 575 students or about 68% of the student body, have purchased their blanket taxes. This is a very poor showing as the tax is the lowest in years; last fall with a tax of \$5.50 over 92% of the students supported their Alma Mater in real Maine spirit by paying the tax. It was hoped that so many students would pay this fall's blanket tax that the spring tax could be made less than \$2.50. At present the Blanket Tax Committee allows a rebate of one dollar to all students who paid a single admission to the Bates-Maine game. Buy your tax today!

CHOCOLATE WANTED

BY RED CROSS

A number of Orono ladies interested in Red Cross war work plan to send an Xmas box to Vigor Cranston, the Y. M. C. A. Secretary at this university for the past two years and who now is with the American troops in France. This box will be filled with a number of "comfort bags" containing soap, toothpaste, and sweet chocolate. All friends of Mr. Cranston may leave at the M. C. A. office any of the above articles together with a card of the sender. This should be done at once as Postmaster General Burleson has announced that all Xmas packages for sailors or soldiers must be mailed not later than Nov. 15. It is interesting to note that Major F. S. Clark, known to all Maine men because of his work here on the campus, requests especially that sweet chocolate be sent in these "comfort bags."

PRISM BOARD AT WORK

Work on this year's "Prism" is now under way and it promises to be one of the most novel issues ever attempted at Maine. A new arrangement of materials is promised with the feature section depicting the life and experiences of Maine men in their country's service.

The "Prism" Board for the coming year is as follows:—S. Wilson Collins, Editor-in-chief; R. D. Chellis, C. H. Files, L. E. Merrow, and Estelle P. Spear, Associate Editors; R. J. Cook, Art Editor; O. L. Whalen, Business Manager; and J. E. Goodwin, Assistant Business Manager.

More members of the Sophomore Class are urged to report and try out for their class "Prism".

PUMPKIN MEET OFF

The annual Pumpkin Meet between the freshmen and sophomore track teams has been called off on account of the lateness of the season and the lack of a suitable date on which it could be held. In the past this meet has given an opportunity, to the track coach, to size up the track material in the entering class.



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BOARD FAVORS CROSS COUNTRY

The Athletic Association, at a meeting held Tuesday evening voted favorably on forming a cross country team this year to compete against Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin in a state meet. Bowdoin has notified the association that she plans to have a team and like messages are being awaited from Colby and Bates. The meet will most probably take place in Brunswick on November 3, the day of the Maine-Bowdoin game.

At the same meeting the board also approved of the game with New Hampshire State College on November 10 at Durham, New Hampshire.

BAND ORGANIZES

Leader H. N. Dole '19 reports that the newly organized band consists of two flutes, two piccolos, seven clarinets, seven cornets, five horns, three trombones, three basses, three snare-drums, and a bass drum. At their first appearance before the student body at the football rally last Friday night the band made a decided hit. With only three days to practice they played a number of pieces in a manner that showed that each member will strive hard to live up to the reputation of the now 103d Infantry Band, last year's university organization.

FRESHMEN AGAIN DEFEAT SOPHOMORES

The first of a series of four-inning games between the sophomore and freshman classes was played Monday on Alumni Field and resulted in a 4 to 1 victory for the men of 1921. The game made it possible to get a line on available 'varsity material from the freshman class, many of whom showed up well.

In the first inning Brown and Ricker were on bases with two men out. Wood stepped up to the plate and drove the ball to the outfield and the clout sent Brown and Ricker home. Reed and Cornwall made the other two runs for the freshmen and Woodman scored the lone tally for the sophomores. The lineup was as follows:

Freshmen—Brown, c; Ricker, Crandall, 1b; Littlefield, ss; De Rocher, Page, p; Wood, 1f; Read, 2b; Courtney, Preble, rf; Cornwall, cf; Wells, Oaks, 3b.

Sophomores—Torsleff, p; Walker, 1f; Shoemaker, ss; Stone, rf; Woodman, 1b; McGouldric, 3b; Barron, catcher; Wadlin, 2b; Crosby, cf.

Umpires, Ziegler and Waterman.

Until further notice the university library will be open to the students only on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday night. The hours during the day will remain the same as in the past.

Miss Joyce Cheney ex-'19 is studying at Leland-Powers school of elocution, in Boston.

ATHLETIC BOARD

At a meeting of the Athletic Board last Wednesday night, presided over by Hosea Buck '93, Charlie Clark '19 was elected manager of track, "Art" Tierney '19 was elected head rubber and C. L. Stevenson '19 was elected treasurer of the board, succeeding Allan F. Sawyer, last year's treasurer.

It has been decided to allow our varsity football team to make the New Hampshire State trip to Durham on Nov. 10.

Cony A. Duncan '19 was appointed manager of the varsity baseball team by the Athletic Board. Myron T. Mitchell '19, Kenneth T. Young '19, and Lawrence Merron '19 have been chosen to assist Manager Jones of the football team the present season.

This year finds many of the important offices of the athletic association vacant and with the Colby game scheduled for Saturday it was found necessary to fill the offices of one junior and two senior members by a showing of hands in chapel. Steve Dunham and Pop Wentworth were chosen to represent the senior class and Si Stewart was elected junior member. The faculty and alumni are also represented in the association, the faculty by A. L. Grover, chairman; A. C. Lyon, (treasurer of the association), and James Gannett. H. B. Buck, C. P. Crowell, H. M. Smith and Clifford Patch, all of Bangor, are the alumni members.

These men will meet this week to make arrangements for the game Saturday. Voyle Abbott '18, who was chosen president of the association will preside.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT 847

The enrollment figures for the present college year, as issued by Registrar J. A. Gannett, show a total enrollment of 847 students, a decrease of 303 from the enrollment of last year. The decrease in enrollment this year among the upper classes is undoubtedly due to the many Maine men who are now in the service of the country. The enrollment at the College of Law is 39.

BATES—MAINE (Continued from Page One)

Hale's kick and fell on the ball for the only touchdown of the game.

Captain Nevelle, Adam and Barlow played the best games for Bates, while Hale and Fitzgerald excelled for the home eleven.

Bates: Wiggin, 1e., Nevelle, 1t., Knight, 1g., Stillman, c., Clifford, rg., Adam, rt., Sampson, re., Talbot, qb., Barlow, 1hb., Keaney, rhb., Bean, fb.

Maine: Hale, re., T. Davis, rt., Hall, Morse, rg., Fitzgerald, c., Vancore, Jones, Howard, 1g., J. Davis, 1t., Barron, 1e., Ginsberg, qb., Stearns, rhb., Paganucci, 1hb., Courteney, Young, fb.

Score, Bates, 6; Maine, 0. Touchdown, Adam. Referee, Hapgood of Brown. Umpire, Beebe of Yale. Head linesman, Hooper of Auburn. Time, 15 minute quarters.

LETTER FROM MR. CRANSTON (Continued from Page One)

days we have as many as three or four baseball games and a track meet.

There are about a dozen secretaries at the same place where I am located, and four of us are living in a Villa by the seaside. We get very little time to loaf, but when we do it is a delightful spot. At night we can sit on our porch and listen to the waves and watch the stars.

My permanent address is 31 Ave. Montague, Paris.

Please remember me kindly to my friends at Orono. I shall miss them.

Faithfully,

Vigor

FRESHMEN HATS AND POSTERS OUT

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