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MAINE vs. BOWDOIN AT BOSTON A. A. MEET

Saturday night in the Mechanic's Building, Boston, the annual B. A. A. Games will be run off. Great interest has been manifested in these games in which some of the best athletes in the country compete.

As everyone at Maine knows, we will be represented at this meet by a mighty fast relay team. Coach French conducted time trials Saturday afternoon. "Pat" did not announce the times but made the statement that the work shown in these trials compares favorably with that of previous years. To date, the team has not been selected.

Saturday night, word was received from George V. Brown, Athletic Manager of the B. A. A., that Maine will run against Bowdoin. This is what Maine followers of track have been hoping for. Bowdoin, judging by reports, has a very fast team, but Coach French and his squad are only waiting for Saturday night.

The squad, consisting of seven men, will go to Boston Friday. While in Boston, they will be quartered at the Hotel Oxford.

Owing to the B. A. A. Games it was deemed advisable to postpone the remaining inter-fraternity meets. These will probably be held March 8 and 15.

COLUMBIA CHANGES HISTORY COURSE

War has upset many things. The latest institution to be overturned is the history department of Columbia University. Henceforth the history course there will begin with a study of the 20th century, Bolshevik disorders and other problems of the present day and then students will be led back thru the ages to study situations having a bearing on the origin of affairs today.

Dr. Herbert E. Hawkes, dean of the university, announced the change and said the university might be making a mistake but he was willing to take the chance.

PROVINCE PRESIDENT VISITING BETA PHI

Mrs. Eva Burlingham Pieff, Province President of Alpha Province of Pi Beta Phi is visiting Beta Phi fraternity.

AN INVITATION

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And It Means You!

Everybody. Anybody who can draw come over with the goods and hand in cuts for the 1920 Prism! This contest is open for everyone and only by competition can the Prism "cut" section be made up to the standard of former Maine Prisms. Get a going! Look up cuts in old Prisms—then draw some yourself and send them in to "Jack" Jackson—the Prism artist for 1920—Balentine Hall. This means everybody who can draw irrespective of class or skill! Do your bit to make the 1920 Prism up to the Maine standard.

University Awaits Decision of Augusta Legislature

Future Success of Work Here and Throughout State Depends Upon Appropriation Bill

The University of Maine's word in the great war is one of which the State of Maine may well be proud.

Over 2000 university men exclusive of the Students Army Training Corps were enrolled as soldiers and sailors; 32 of these men have paid the supreme sacrifice.

The institution at Orono is a real university and the war record is not the only accomplishment which is a credit to Maine and its educational system. Prior to the outbreak of the war the student enrollment at the University was 1276 which is as great as the three other colleges combined. The faculty numbered 140.

Today the total registration is approximately 675 and the faculty numbers about 75 including some on leave.

This shows a decrease of 50% in the numbers of the University.

It is a regrettable fact that during the period of the war the University has suffered the loss of many important faculty members, who have been called away from the institution to fill positions of higher salaries and higher responsibilities.

In the department of Agriculture there is a shortage of equipment. The work that is carried on there for the benefit of the state can not be done efficiently without better equipment.

The laboratories in the university have depreciated and could not be raised to the standard because of lack of funds.

The library is short of reference books due to one fact—insufficient appropriations.

It is generally understood that the authorities of the University have asked this year, only for sufficient funds to place the University on a maintenance basis which would compare favorably with other eastern state educational institutions. In addition to this they have asked for sufficient funds to help cover the existing deficit, caused by unusual conditions during the period of the war. New buildings, additional equipment, and permanent repairs are sorely needed.

But these essentials have not been asked for this year, as it seems to be more important to have the present conditions remedied.

Is it fair to the youth of the state to have a handicap of this nature, in planning their future education at the state university?

The students at the University of Maine pride themselves upon their loyalty. Their one great aim after graduation is to work for a better university and a better state. The men who have died in the great war have done their all. We as students believe it our privilege to make this appeal for the men that have gone, that the university may receive proper consideration in its request for the needed appropriation.

The University of Maine is the logical pinnacle to the state educational system. Financial support requested from the legislature is absolutely necessary if the educational structure is to be complete.

PRIZE ESSAY CONTEST IN INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS

National Industrial Conference Board offers Prize of One Thousand Dollars for the Best Monograph on Any One of the Following Subjects:

1. A practical plan for representation of workers in determining conditions of work and for prevention of industrial disputes.
2. The major causes of unemployment and how to minimize them.
3. How can efficiency of workers be so increased as to make high wage rates economically practicable?
4. Should the State interfere in the determination of wage rates?
5. Should rates of wages be definitely based on the cost of living?
6. How can present systems of wage payments be so perfected and supplemented as to be most conducive to individual efficiency and to the contentment of workers?
7. The closed union shop versus the open shop—their social and economic value compared.
8. Should trade unions and employers' associations be made legally responsible?

The contest is open without restriction to all persons except those who

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RIFLE TEAM TO START SEASON

At a meeting of all men interested in rifle shooting, the Maine rifle team was organized for the year 1919, no work having been done the past year because of the war conditions. Alek '19 was elected president, Beeaker '21 Secretary, and Lieut. Smith Treasurer.

The Maine team has been a competitor in the National Rifle Association for a number of years, passing under the direction of the Lieut. Frank Clark from class C into class B. It is hoped in the near future with the material here at Maine to reach class A, of which only a few college teams are members. Competition in these shoots is open to all college and university teams in this country.

The team will start its matches next week, ten men competing in each match, and the five highest scores being recorded. Charles L. Stevenson is the judge for the Association at Maine.

"And when I'm old and toothless grown

And wearing Grandma's caps,
Will you love me and me alone?"
Said truthful George, "Perhaps!"

CHAPEL—AS IT IS AND AS IT SHOULD BE

Chapel is a daily get-together time, when we can see each other, hear the news, and keep in touch with college affairs. It is, besides, a real religious service where we can all meet on common ground to sing familiar hymns, to listen to a brief reading from the Bible, and to join in a short prayer.

But chapel is not a mechanical cut-and-dried affair. It is living, changing and it is just what each one of us wants it to be.

If you care to you can aimlessly amble in, just in time for the invocation, exchange the latest bits of gossip through the responsive reading, inspect the new hat of the girl in front of you during the prayer, discuss prelims and "crab" about references while the scripture is read, and, at last, lazily concentrate your mind enough to listen to the announcements. If you do this, you will have gotten out of chapel just what you wanted, and you will have contributed—nothing.

It is actually possible, however, to enjoy chapel. You can join in the singing of the invocation and response even if you aren't famous for the

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RELAY PROSPECTS IN THE MAINE COLLEGES

Track in the Maine colleges is getting on its feet again. Before the war these colleges put on the cinders track teams of no mean ability. The records in Maine are high and in many cases New England Intercollegiate records are held by athletes in the Maine colleges.

But by all indications track teams will be developed that will easily outdo those of a few years back. At the present time the outlook is particularly good in the University of Maine and Bowdoin, who have already scores of track candidates in constant training.

The immediate event in which the Maine colleges will compete will be the B. A. A. Track Meet which is to be run off in Boston on March 1. Bates and Colby have not as yet secured a coach and will not enter this meet but Maine and Bowdoin will each enter a relay team.

The University of Maine will by the present outlook put on the boards one of the fastest relay teams that has ever been produced at that college. There are at present time 45 men working out for the relay team as well as a large number for the other events. The board track and the gymnasium as well as the cage are all scenes of activity and never before has such a large squad turned out for the track events.

In spite of the fact that only one track "M" man is back the new candidates are showing up in good form. Among the most promising men are C. H. Wansker '22, High School of Commerce, interscholastic sprint champion of New England; C. E. Allen, '22, former St. John star a relay runner and dash man as well as an exceptionally good jumper; H. E. Pratt '21, Worcester Academy star, a quarter miler of no mean ability; S. E. Pinkham '21, Kent's Hill runner looks

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EDITORIAL

FINANCES

A word of explanation in regard to the article on financial affairs of the University of Maine might be timely here. The purpose of this article is not to exaggerate conditions, to belittle the efforts of the earnest workers of Maine which we have with us now or to create a feeling which might have a disastrous effect on the institution. It is simply what the "Campus" believes to be the best way to bring before as wide a number of citizens and students, an accurate and impressive idea of real conditions at the University of Maine and a realization of the duty of the State of Maine toward her state university. This issue of the "Campus" is being given a wide circulation and is being sent to the most vitally concerned parties in this matter and their action is awaited with interest.

THE CHAPEL QUESTION

Notice has been given that the chapel exercises have been suspended until further notice. It is a regrettable fact but nevertheless true that it seems to be necessary to put the question up to the student body as to whether chapel should be continued or not. Last year the same question came up and by a vote of the student body chapel was continued.

A period of college without chapel seems to be the best method of bringing home the realization of the value of chapel to college life. It is a true fact that oftentimes we never know the value of a thing until we have lost it. Chapel is the one meeting place of the students of the various departments of the university. The university with its varied interests is liable to separate into its departments and lose its unity unless some cohering force such as chapel is in force. The problem with a college is different. Here at Maine chapel is often the only time when men and women from the different colleges meet.

Chapel is important from the viewpoint of student activities. It is a time when the whole student body can be reached easily and quickly. What would college sport be without rallies to keep it going? Chapel in its best form should embody this principle of college spirit.

No one doubts the need of certain changes in the present form of chapel exercises. Many things are not as good as they should be and the blame cannot be fixed with justice on any one factor. It seems to be up to Maine men and women to work out some plan for chapel that will meet conditions fully or Maine will lose one of its most valued and cherished customs. What is your suggestion?

APPOINT PERMANENT
R. O. T. C. OFFICERS

The permanent appointments of commissioned officers in the Reserve Officers Training Corps have been made. The following confirmations and reappointments have been made:

To be Major, Willard Wight, Jeremiah Reardon.

To be Captain, 1st Lt. C. C. Swett, 1st Lt. E. N. True, 1st Lt. C. L. Caswell.

To be First Lieutenant, L. H. Reed, R. Jocelyn, E. O. Feeney, L. C. Harris, P. C. McGouldrick.

To be Second Lieutenant, S. C. Rosenthal, R. C. Hopkins, L. W. Butler, S. F. Walker, R. M. Boynton, Charles O. Malley.

INSTRUCTOR BACK
FROM OVERSEAS

Mr. James A. Dibblee, instructor in English at the University of Maine last year, has returned from France after being on foreign soil since August. He entered the service in May last, trained at Camp Dix and was assigned to the Medical Corps, 345th Infantry, 87th Division with which he went overseas.

The French people have a warm admirer in Private Dibblee and he is already planning a return trip to France for the purpose of a course of study at Grenoble. His major subject while in college was the French language.

DINNER PARTY
AT VALENTINE

Sunday, February 16, Mrs. Jeanette A. Harrington entertained several guests at dinner.

Those present included President and Mrs. Aley, Dean and Mrs. Hart, Judge and Mrs. Dunn, Dean and Mrs. Merrill, Professor and Mrs. G. W. Stevens.

After dinner, a musical program was enjoyed by all. Miss Madeline Bird played several piano selections and Miss Achsa Bean sang several solos.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Last Saturday afternoon the Girls' Basket Ball team held their first practice in the gym. There is plenty of good material and the prospects are very promising. Challenges have been received from Higgins Classical Institute and from Eastern State Normal School. Boost basketball, come out and try for a letter and make the other fellow work harder.

Thursday evening, February 27, the Civil Engineering Society will hold their first meeting of the year in Wingate Hall at 7:30. Election of officers will take place and several of the members will give short talks. Steps are being taken to secure interesting speakers for the succeeding meetings. All civil engineering students should attend and take part in the organization. Freshmen should turn out and identify themselves with the society.



Varsity Football Team 1893
The second team to represent the University of Maine in inter-collegiate games.

TO MEL HUNTON

(Member of the Maine Masque 1917)

"I am glad I could stay to the end, boys, and play my part,
Though somehow it hurt tonight.
Good-bye and good-luck—I am leaving at twelve for home
To enlist and get into the fight."

He smiled at the door as he went—to serve his hour,
That field of glory ahead,
He sailed; an ambulance man, but to play his part
Though he take his cue from the dead.

Back to hope, back to life and the joy of the folks at home,
The wounded he bore each trip:
Till a shell!—then that fearless instant of joy when
He died, with a smile on his lip.

—W. P. Daggett.

Columbia, Mo.
Jan. 6, 1919.

"I wrote the verses after receiving a letter from Clive Small, which described how Hunton met his death. I liked Hunton, and the fact that he died 'with a smile on his lip' somehow impressed me so much that I had to put these words into this form."

"Mel" Hunton, 1920, will be remembered as one of the Maine men who enlisted soon after the war was declared. Hunton was a member of the Phi Eta Kappa Fraternity. He was killed in action on October 4th while standing by his car at an advance post—at which time he was engaged in carrying the American wounded soldiers back to safety.

JUNIORS LEAD

Two interclass basketball games were played in the gym on Saturday evening February 22. The games resulted in the Juniors beating the Freshmen 24 to 6 and the Sophomores winning from the Seniors 34 to 18. The Seniors led at the end of the first half but the Sophomores passed them in the second. Graduate Manager Stevenson refereed both games.

The interclass league standing is as follows:

	Won	Lost	Percent
Juniors	2	0	1000
Sophomores	1	1	500
Freshmen	1	1	500
Seniors	0	2	000

BETA PHI GIVES
VALENTINE PARTY

Friday night, a very enjoyable Valentine party at Clarke's bungalow was given by the members of Beta Phi fraternity. The guests included: Steve Beeaker, Paul Webber, Earle Ferrin, Bruce Davenport, Morris Cunningham, Howard Sewall, Lester Swicker, George Newhall, Donald Daniels, Edgar Stoddard, Ray Boynton, Henry Butler, Phillip Longley, Trecarton, Ray Foyle, Perley Sturgis, Carl Lewis, Hescok, Mulholland, Sutherland, Armand Joy.

The chaperons were Professor and Mrs. Peterson.

TRI-SIGMA MEETS

A double meeting of Sigma Sigma Sigma fraternity was held on Wednesday, February 19, a business meeting at 7:00 o'clock, followed by a lecture by Mr. Bowen of Amherst college.

Mr. Bowen talked in an interesting and comprehensive manner of the wild birds of Orono and vicinity dwelling especially upon their habits. He had with him many mounted specimens with which to emphasize his points.

Tri-Sigma fraternity was organized at Maine two years ago in the department of biology, replacing the national biological society formerly at Maine. Members are chosen from those students majoring in biology and pre-medical students, of high standing.

MANY HOUSE PARTIES
PAST WEEK-END

Washington's Birthday eve was observed by house parties in a number of the fraternities on the campus. Sigma Nu gave its annual reception and party. Phi Gamma Delta held its annual reception at the chapter house, followed Saturday by dancing at Clark's Bungalow.

Informal parties were held by Phi Kappa Sigma, Kappa Sigma, Beta Theta Pi and Theta Chi on Friday evening.

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RELAY PROSPECTS IN**THE MAINE COLLEGES**good for a berth on the relay team;
H. E. Dickerson '22, middle distance
star from Phillips Exeter; J. P. Waite
'20, low hurdler and dash man from
Portland High; L. Purington '22, He-
bron dash star. Beside these stars are
other good men who are fast devel-
oping form; R. H. Castle '21, low
hurdler from Hebron; F. H. Pome-
roy '21, high hurdler transferred from
M. I. T.; H. H. Sewall '20, jumper;
A. E. Strout '22, J. L. Butler '22, and
E. O. Feeney '22, weight men who are
getting into shape under the coaching
of W. H. Allen '19, champion of the
National Intercollegiate shot put who
will himself step into the circle this
coming spring.Bowdoin put in a call for track men
the first of the year and about 30 men
reported. Although most of the ma-
terial was green Coach J. J. Magee
has developed some of these men in-
to promising track stars and with this
squad behind him looks forward to a
successful track season.With a nucleus of three old men
from last year's relay team to start
on, Coach Magee will easily accomplish
the desired result. L. B. McCarthy
'19, A. N. Young '21, and Capt. R. E.
Cleaves '20, of Track, are veterans in
this line as well as M. A. Dostie '20,
who has recently returned to college
from the service. Cleaves ran Satur-
day in the Maine Naval Relay Team
that beat the fast Camp Devens team
at the Boston Armory last Saturday
night. Beside these old stars there is
looming up some excellent material
that is fast developing form. G. R.
Carey '19, low hurdler and dash man
from Portland High; R. H. Cousins
'20, Brewer High star in the dashes;
G. E. Allen '21, short distance man
from Bangor High, brother of C. E.
Allen who ran with Cleaves on the
Maine Naval Relay Team; F. C. Aver-
ill '22, Oldtown High middle distance
star who is captain of the Freshman
track team; E. A. Hunt '22, is show-
ing up exceptionally well and will no
doubt get a position on the varsity;
G. A. Partridge '22, Cony High relay
man; R. G. Woodbury '22, relay star
from Thornton Academy. The last
four named comprise the present
Freshman relay team that will run
against the Bates Freshmen Saturday,
February 22. As yet only relay mater-
ial has worked out to any great ex-
tent, but men out for other track
events will report in a few weeks and
start training for the spring meets.Whom the University of Maine and
Bowdoin will oppose in the relay con-test has not been definitely determined
but it is entirely probable that they
will either oppose each other or one
of the following colleges, Amherst,
Brown, Williams, or Dartmouth. As
nothing is known of the time trials of
the relay teams of these colleges it is
very evident that there will be some
surprises pulled off in Boston. Both
Bowdoin and Maine are looking for-
ward to this event and if their teams
make a good showing it is almost cer-
tain that they will make entries for
the University of Pennsylvania Relay
Carnival which is to be held in Phila-
delphia on April 25.

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CHAPEL—AS IT IS AND**AS IT SHOULD BE**beauty of your voice. You can take
part in the responsive reading and lis-
ten respectfully to the reading of the
scriptures; it is barely possible that
you will hear something worth while.
It is not much effort either to bow
your head during the prayer if you
once acquire the habit.If you do this you will not only
enjoy chapel, but you will help to
make it what it should be, and will
show what true college spirit is.**WAR SHOWS VALUE****OF R. O. T. C.**The experience of the United States
during the last year and nine months
as a participant in World War has
demonstrated the invaluable asset of
the educated man to the Government
in time of national emergency, whether
it be the Army, Navy, or other depart-
ments, and in either civil or military
positions. The selection of officers for
a large army of over 3,000,000 men
has given preference to men of edu-
cation, good health, and strong bodies.
The manner in which such men of all
ages sought service in some capacity
with the Government further demon-
strated the eagerness and desire of our
best manhood to be active workers in
a national cause which affected the
welfare of mankind. There is no
other work so satisfying to the man
of character and worth as unselfish
service in a cause which has for its
purpose the protection of his fellow
man. "Public service" is the form of
duty which all men respect most and
which they reward with the highest
marks of public respect and esteem.It is the purpose of the R. O. T. C.
to enable boys and men passing thru
schools and colleges to so fit them-
selves that they will not only be better
equipped for their life's work, but so
that they will also be prepared to
serve their country in some useful way
in time of national emergency. The
necessity for such preparation should
now be more evident to all thinking
men and women than ever before.The Secretary of War has recently
stated that the R. O. T. C. should be
developed, adding "Whatever be the
future military policy of the United
States, it is highly desirable that there
be a continuous supply of young men
having the fundamentals of a military
education and of technically trained
men who are informed as to the mili-
tary applications of the several sci-
ences."**INTERESTING Y. W. C. A.****MEETING HELD**At the Y. W. C. A. meeting this
week, Prof. G. W. Stevens spoke very
interestingly on Economic Conditions
Resulting from the War. Dorothy
Hanington acted as leader for this
meeting.

IMPORTANT

The Inter-Fraternity Council has arranged for a last car to leave Bangor at 12:00 Saturday nights. This will enable everyone to stay at Bangor until 12:00 and still be able to return to college that night. Without doubt it is a great improvement and one desired by all. It, however, is to be placed on trial and if it proves a success the first two or three weeks, it will continue for the remainder of the college year.

BE SURE and take that last car if you go to Bangor Saturday night.

UNIVERSITY GIRLS
PRESENT OPERETTA

The girls of the university will present an operetta on March 14. It is to be presented under the auspices of the Y.W.C.A. and the proceeds will go towards defraying the expenses of delegates to the big Y. W. C. A. convention at Silver Bay next summer.

Following is the cast of characters and those who will take the parts:

Miss Jones (Principal of Grove Academy), Minerva French; Made-moiselle Espenard, French Governess, Mabel Thompson; Amy Fibles, Afterwards Cinderella, Edith Scott; Clara Wilkins, Afterwards the Prince, Florence Morrill; Sarah Ann, the Greedy Girl, Kathleen Snow; Sophonista Spivine, the Romantic Girl, Helen Furbush; Martha Higgins and Carry Jackson, afterwards spiteful sisters, Etelle Sawyer, Eleanor Jackson; Mrs. Jawey, Elocution mistress, Achsa Beane; Miss Prudence Pinchback, A Visitor, Sarah Crehore; Rosa Jennings, afterwards Fairy good mother, Minnie Norell; Servant, Nerita Willey.

Chorus parts are chosen as follows: Ethel Scott, Lilla Hersey, Florence Salley, Lila Chamberlain, Eveline Snow, Francois Barrett, Adessa Spaulding, Katherine Stuart, Edith Twitchell, Ella McFarland, Rachael Bowen, Margaret Blethen.

Madeline Bird, class of 1920, will coach the operetta, and the University Orchestra will furnish the music.

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Polly Miller '21 has returned to college.

Priscilla Elliott '20, Faye Smith '19 and Ella Wheeler '19 were the guests of Mrs. David Beach Jr. at dinner Thursday night.

Mrs. Estabrooke, Mrs. Aley and Mrs. Harrington were guests of Madame Parcher at S. A. E. Wednesday night.

Helen Furbish '22 has been spending a few days at her home in Brunswick.

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