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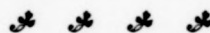
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## EDITORIALS.

THE musical clubs have just completed the most successful concert tour in their history. Nine successive concerts, accompanied by none of the annoying features so common to affairs of this kind and successful from an artistic and financial standpoint, is a record that the university may well be proud of. This organization is unquestionably the best of its kind in the state and compares

most favorably with similar clubs in New England, although the advantages of the latter in location, numbers and facilities for experience are vastly greater. The clubs were received with enthusiasm everywhere and many words of praise have been spoken not only of the concerts given but of the gentlemanly conduct of the men themselves. The concerts by the clubs are practically the only medium of bringing the college before the public during the winter months, so every effort should be directed toward making them a success.

The second trip of this organization will take place in February. During that trip the principal towns in Washington county will be visited. It is hoped that this tour will be even more successful than the one just completed.



APROPOS of the recent lack of drinking water the following editorial taken from an issue of the "Cadet" of ancient date may be of interest:

"Many an ambitious student in his first few experiments in the quantitative chemical laboratory has by a simple ignorance of natural obstacles, attempted to analyze Stillwater. Although that compound is of a liquid nature and, despite its placid name, has a curious tendency to return to its own mud banks, it contains, probably or improbably, more animal, vegetable and mineral matter—from protozoans to pollywogs, from sawdust to pulp wood, from muck to Ktaadin iron ore—than any other known liquid. A subtle, oily fluid,



embracing in its murky depths the germs and seeds of thousands of organisms;—mute violations of the game laws—empty evidences of prohibition's sway—marks of forestry extinction—in short, a microscopic panorama of the plological, biological, geographical, topographical features of half of this grand state of Maine. Now the average college student, and more especially the campus resident, wouldn't mind if Stillwater wended its quiet way past the pumping station, or if perchance it stopped and ascending the water main was only used to quiet noisy freshmen or for fire purposes. He could bear to bathe in it in summer or skate on its icy surface in winter, or watch its flow and ebb in spring freshets. But it is altogether a different matter when it comes to imbibing it as a beverage. Then he has a right to kick—particularly so as there is a drinking water system on the campus, or rather used to be once upon a time. Its chief motive power, a windmill, met a Don Quixote during the late blizzard, which rendered it *hors du combat*, at least as far as pumping water goes, although it yet groans, screeches and whirls in vain endeavor to release the students from the clutches of Stillwater. As for Stillwater's virtues as a drink, eminent authorities have declared it pure, so pure it must be, although running through peaceful villages, by saw mills and pulp mills, besides draining thousands of acres of swampland. It looks as though its virtues would now have a good chance of being thoroughly tried."

Surely we can sympathize with the author of the above.



THE recent action taken by the trustees of the University of Maine to appropriate money to build a gymnasium and drill hall must meet with favor from students, alumni and friends of the institution. This new building will fill a long felt want, although

the last two legislatures failed to see the advisability of passing a bill to appropriate money for it. At that time the bill was voted down, not because the legislators were unaware that a building of this kind was needed, but because a restraining hand had to be put over the treasury which was becoming low from excessive appropriations at the head of the list.

It is intended that the new building will cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000, of which \$5,000 is to be raised by subscription by students, alumni and friends of the institution. The plans which are being drawn under limited competition are not yet ready but will be submitted very soon. There will be a large main building, comprising recitation rooms, offices and possibly an armory. Connected with this building will be a long addition somewhat narrower than the main part. This will comprise the gymnasium and drill hall and will be two stories high. A gallery will encircle the hall in which a running track will be built. The entire building will be sufficiently large to fulfill all requirements for which it is planned, the gymnasium alone being larger than that of any college in the state.

When the time comes for raising that \$5,000 let every student and alumnus show his loyalty. Students, if you can't afford to pay athletic dues, you can and ought to pay a good round sum toward so worthy an end. At least \$1,000 should be subscribed by the student body and this is a small sum in comparison with the number of students in attendance at the university. Remember that our new gymnasium and drill hall will be of use not only to ourselves but to those who will enter in later years. A good gymnasium and appliances will be the means of developing victorious athletic teams here, removing, as it will, the only handicap to our success—lack of proper facilities for training during the winter and in inclement weather. THE CAMPUS wishes the enterprise all possible success.



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S. D. Thompson, '01, is assisting Librarian Jones.

S. P. Davis spent his Christmas vacation visiting friends in Boston.

The waiters at the Commons presented Mrs. Comins with a Morris chair Christmas.

A lecture on the Roman Boy was given by Prof. Karl P. Harrington in the chapel Monday evening.

Instructor Allen Rogers has recently written a book on qualitative analysis to be used by the freshmen in the laboratory.

Wm. Graves, '02, has accepted a position in a drug store in Presque Isle. Last month he received his diploma as registered druggist, the result of a successful examination.

W. F. Goodwin, '03, is recovering from a severe illness at his home in Biddeford. He is expected to return to college in a few days.

R. G. Wormell, '01, is in the employ of Jones & McGuire, steel constructors at Portland.

N. A. Chase, '02, is working in the shoe factory at Paris. He will return to college in about six weeks.

Webb, '02, spent his Christmas vacation in New York.

Prof. Harvey was lately called to Iowa by the death of his mother.

Wednesday evening, Jan. 10, the Y. M. C. A. meeting was conducted by W. A. Weston, '00; topic, Where Christ Takes Us.

As a result of the Glee Club's trip the following letter was received from Newport by Dr. Harris:

"I wish to express to you the pleasure and happiness we received from the meeting here with your Glee Club last evening. A fine body of long-headed and clean-faced boys, an honor to any college, and a future blessing to our state. Gentlemen they were, every one.

"Newport, Maine, Dec. 23, 1899."

McCullough, '02, has recovered sufficiently from his attack of appendicitis to be able to be out. For the present he will live with friends in Bangor.

The Report of the Chicago Trust Conference contains a speech of Prof. A. E. Rogers, Historical Development of the Corporation, with Exclusion of the Principle of Public Benefit, which he delivered before that body last September, 13-16.

A. L. Bird, '00, will attend the annual reunion of Maine members of Beta Theta Pi to be held in Portland the latter part of this month.

At the Debating Society meeting Thursday evening, Jan. 11, the question was, Resolved, That the United States should give her moral support to England in her present controversy with the Boers.

The leading article in the last number of the American Mathematical Monthly was written by Mr. A. R. Crathorne. The subject was "Some Loci and Their Projections."

Bird, '00, Thompson, '01, Ross, '02, Webb, '02, and Hennessy, '02, spent last Friday evening at the Niben Club House at Pushaw lake.

The college orchestra of five pieces furnished the music for "Dad in Harness" at The Norombega in Bangor last week.



W. A. Libby, '01, is teaching in Orrington Center.

During the Christmas recess a number of improvements were made in Oak Hall. A number of new radiators were put in the rooms in place of the old steam coils and a complete hot water system established.

Among those who remained on the campus during the intermission were Peck, Foster, Stickney, Stowell and Perkins at Oak Hall; Hatch at the Beta House, and Horner at the Kappa House.

L. H. Horner, '00, met with a painful accident a few days ago. While polishing some copper plates a bit of verdigris was lodged in his eye, causing much pain.

Whitcomb, Perkins and Stowell of '00 attended the state convention of teachers in Bangor, Dec. 27-30.

The new short catalogs of the university have been received from the printer and are ready for distribution.

The faculty have secured the services of Mr. Albert White of Orono as bookkeeper.

The students of the University of Maine are getting many compliments on their manly stand in regard to hazing; though a few skeptics predict even yet an occasional lapse into the childish practices of the past. Even should there be an occasional relapse it would detract nothing from the glory of the college's recent action.—Lewiston Evening Journal, Dec. 8.

Several students attended the social hop at Stillwater given by the young ladies of that village. A very pleasant time is reported.

There seems to be an unusual demand for teachers this winter. Several good positions have gone begging lately.

Clark, '01, has been very ill at his home in Waterville.

Prof. Huddilston lectured before the October Club at Bucksport Saturday, Jan. 6.

F. H. Bowerman, '00, will represent the Maine chapter of Beta Theta Pi at the annual New England dinner of Betas to be held in Boston during February.

Recently two large wall maps have been received from Germany for the Greek department.

G. O. Small, '03, is working at a lumber camp at Twin Lake.

H. B. Cushman, '00, who was absent from college before the Christmas recess with a severe fever, has returned to his studies.

At the meeting of the Chemical Association, held Dec. 11, the Making of Pulp by the Soda and Sulphite Processes was discussed by G. F. Lull, assistant chemist at the Basin Mills Sulphite Pulp and Paper Mill.

Mgr. A. L. Bird of the baseball team has secured as coach W. H. McGill, who coached the team last year with entire satisfaction.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Athletic Association, held Dec. 13, L. H. Harvey, '01, was elected manager of the 'varsity football team for next year.

On account of the meetings of the Scientific Association, which are held on Wednesday evenings, it was voted to amend the constitution of the Athletic Association by changing the regular meetings from the second Wednesday evening to the second Monday evening of each college month.

At the meeting of the Chemical Society, held Monday, Jan. 8, a paper on "The Chemistry of Photography" was read by O. W. Knight.

During the year 1899 there were added to the library 2865 volumes. This is a decided increase over any other previous year. There have also been placed in the library many periodicals.

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A large number of new magazines dealing with various subjects, not before available, have been placed in the reading room.

Mrs. Thirsa B. Sands of Newtonville, Mass., has accepted the position of assistant librarian. She will begin her duties at once.

The associated musical clubs had their pictures taken last Saturday in Bangor. The work was done by Gerrity.

Prof. Karl P. Harrington delivered a lecture on the Roman Boy at Cherryfield recently. He was assisted by C. W. Crockett with the stereopticon.

Prof. F. L. Harvey, who has been confined to his house by a severe cold, is much improved and is conducting his classes as usual.

P. T. Harris, '03, and Gerald Wilder, '03, Bowdoin college, visited friends on the campus last week.

The Experiment Station Dept. has just received from the manufacturers a fine set of double sleds, which were put into use on the farm for the first time Wednesday.

Prof. W. M. Munson was in New York recently in attendance at the Maine Pomological Society, which convened there.



### THE MUSICAL CLUBS.

The combined university musical clubs left Oldtown Wednesday morning, Dec. 13, on their annual concert trip to Aroostook county. The schedule included nine concerts as follows: Patten, Dec. 13; Houlton, Dec. 14; Presque Isle, Dec. 15; Caribou, Dec. 16; Fort Fairfield, Dec. 18; Island Falls, Dec. 19; Corinna, Dec. 20; Newport, Dec. 21. At the latter place the clubs disbanded, the members leaving for their homes to spend the Christmas recess. Of the above towns, five were visited last season and the members received royal welcome in each of the places.

Twenty-eight men were taken, comprising the glee club, mandolin-guitar club, orchestra, leader and soloist.

The Patten concert was a great success. The clubs have an excellent reputation in that town and a crowded house greeted them. Every selection was encored. After the concert a very pleasant reception was given the members at the Congregational church.

The boys are loud in their praises of the treatment accorded them in Houlton. The concert in this place last year was a highly successful one, but the one given on this year's trip was far superior in every respect. The audience was a large and representative one and all were enthusiastic over the work done by the clubs. Following the concert an order of fifteen dances was carried out. This affair proved by far the most pleasant social event connected with the whole trip.

The concert in Presque Isle was not so largely attended as some of the others, owing to the severe storm but all who attended were highly pleased. A social hop was held after the concert there, which was greatly enjoyed.

Caribou turned out a large audience, and the concert was highly successful in every respect. The clubs remained in this town over Sunday. Sunday evening the glee club sang in the Baptist church.

The concert in Fort Fairfield attracted a large crowd. Here the reception accorded the clubs was very enthusiastic. Encores were frequent, the glee club being recalled four times after its final number.

A crowded house greeted the boys at Island Falls. Every seat was sold and standing room was at a premium. The program moved with characteristic smoothness from beginning to end, every number being repeatedly encored. Mr. Coombs made a great hit. After singing his regular numbers he was repeatedly recalled and was obliged to render his ever-popular "Tapioca."



It was in Corinna that the clubs were privileged to appear in the finest hall of the whole trip, the Stewart Memorial building. The acoustic properties of the hall are excellent and every number of the program was set forth to the best advantage.

The last concert at Newport was the equal of any of the previous ones. Although the night was stormy, the hall was crowded. That the concert equalled the expectations of the audience can be seen from the press notices from that town.

Taken as a whole the trip may be considered a great success. Nine successful concerts is a record not previously gained by any organization of the kind in Maine. There is a good sum in the treasury with which to start out on another trip and an enviable reputation has been gained. The glee club is unquestionably the superior of any of its kind in Maine, while the instrumental club and orchestra are of more than the average ability.

Mr. Coombs needs no introduction to the readers of *THE CAMPUS*. To his efforts, seconded by the leader and manager, the present splendid form of the glee club is due. His solo is always a most popular feature of the program and his selections show great artistic ability. The musical clubs are fortunate in having so able an artist with them.

One of the most popular numbers on the program was the banjo duet of Messrs. Baker and Sawyer. Their work was greatly appreciated by all who heard them.

The solos by Messrs. Robinson and Stowell were well received and invariably drew encores. It was Mr. Porter's first appearance with the clubs as reader and he has been the recipient of some very flattering press notices.

The following clippings from the daily papers will serve to illustrate the work done on the trips:

[Special to Bangor Daily News.]

Newport, Dec. 24.—On Friday evening, the members of the University of Maine Glee,

Mandolin and Guitar Club gave a fine concert in Meridian hall for the benefit of the public library. It was one of the best concerts which has ever been given in this town, and the hall was well filled with the representative people of the place. Each number was splendidly received and loudly applauded by the audience. The club selections all showed that the men had given a good deal of time to the work of rehearsing and that all the members of the club were musicians. The readings by Mr. Porter and the solo parts were all of a very high order and the fault with the program was that it was not as long as the people would have been glad to have listened to.

[Patten corespondence in Bangor News.]

Patten, Dec. 13.—When you speak of the Glee Club concert, success is the word to use. From the overture to the concluding number the concert was full of snap and interest. Every man of the club did himself credit and showed that time and effort had not been spared to make the program and the different selections all that skill and practice could make them. It is never quite fair to call names in a matter like this when all have done their best and tried to entertain their friends.

The hall was crowded and a more appreciative audience it would be hard to find. Patten people are lovers of music and they showed their appreciation of the work of the club by calling the men back time after time. At times a third recall did not seem to satisfy them. Every man had reason to feel that he had an audience that was in full sympathy with his efforts.

If one may call names, and the Bangor Daily News reporter was accorded that kindness, Mr. Porter was a decided hit. Nothing seemed to be too good for him. His renderings were simply perfect. He carried the audience with him at will and tears and laughter told of the hold he had upon his audience as wit and pathos changed his mood. This is a new and unadvertised feature of the club's work.

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Mr. Coombs needs no introduction to an Aroostook audience and his solo was of its usual high character. Both in technique and sentiment his effort was perfect.

Mr. Stowell had the Glee Club at his bidding perfectly as the selections of the club were of their usual high order. It is not easy to single out individual singers in a chorus, yet the solo of Mr. Robinson with the Glee Club chorus was a decided success.

The Instrumental Club proved to be all that had been expected and its selections were greeted with more than usual enthusiasm. Mr. Johnson showed that he had been putting the men through some trying and successful practice and the result was very gratifying.

The orchestra appeared on the program but once but their work was of such a quality that the audience could not be satisfied with that.

It would be impossible to say all that one would say. Let it rest at this, the Bangor Daily News reporter has not heard a superior concert in a long time, a concert that showed both skill and painstaking training. If the club ever comes Patten way again it may rest assured of a most enthusiastic welcome and a crowded house.

Island Falls, Me., Dec. 22.—The concert given here Tuesday evening by the U. of M. Glee and Mandolin clubs was an exceptionally fine treat to lovers of good music.

[Houlton correspondence Whig & Courier.]

A crowded house greeted the University of Maine Glee, Banjo-Mandolin club in the town hall Thursday evening. The boys made an excellent impression and carried the house by storm. Each number on the program received deserved applause. In their Glee numbers there was a closeness of harmony and clearness of intonation seldom found among a group of male singers. They showed the perfection of their training. The instrumental work was well executed. J. Parker Coombs was the favorite soloist of the evening and was forced to respond to encores. After the concert the

young ladies of the town entertained the boys by giving a social hop and reception in their honor.

[Presque Isle correspondence Whig & Courier.]

The University of Maine Glee, Mandolin and Guitar Clubs gave a very fine entertainment at Perry's Opera House Friday night. Owing to the inclemency of the weather there was a very small house but those that did come enjoyed an evening of fine music and readings. The university orchestra opened the program with a fine rendering of the selection of "Osmodeus." Then followed selections by the Glee Club, solos by J. Parker Coombs, Mr. Stowell, readings by C. Omer Porter and a banjo duet. Each number received round after round of hearty applause which was responded to with encores.

Mr. Stowell's solo "Because" was something very fine and he was obliged to respond with two encores.

The readings of Mr. Porter were rendered in fine style, showing him to be an elocutionist of rare ability.

J. Parker Coombs' bass solos took the house by storm. Mr. Coombs is a pupil of Dudley Buck, Jr., of New York, and is an artist in his line.

Manager Gray has arranged for a second trip to Washington county in February. Concerts will be given in Ellsworth, Cherryfield, Eastport, Machias and Calais. There is also some prospect of a concert at Lubec. Previous to this a concert will be given in Bangor.



#### PHI KAPPA SIGMA CONVENTION.

The 38th annual convention of the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity was held in the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, Dec. 29 and 30. About forty delegates were present representing fourteen chapters. The local chapter—Alpha Delta—was represented by C. H. Lombard, '00, and F. L. Martin, '01.

The convention opened on the evening of



Dec. 28 with a smoker at the rooms of the Alpha Epsilon Chapter at Armour Institute. A very pleasant evening was spent by the delegates in becoming acquainted, renewing old friendship and singing the "frat" songs.

Friday morning the formal convention opened at ten with a business meeting which lasted throughout the entire day. In the evening a very pleasant theater party was given to the delegates by Alpha Epsilon and Upsilon chapters, at the Chicago Opera House.

Saturday morning at ten o'clock another business session was held lasting until late in the afternoon. In the evening a banquet was given by the Chicago Alumni Association to the visiting delegates.

This banquet was a very elaborate affair and was greatly enjoyed by all present. In addition to the regular delegates from Alpha Delta chapter, R. H. Manson, '98, attended the convention.



#### SUCCESS OF A BREWER ARTIST.

Walter M. Hardy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manly Hardy of Brewer, and a graduate of Bangor High school, is achieving uncommon success in art circles in New York where he is one of the leading members of the Students' Art league, the foremost organization of its kind in America. For some time he has been receiving unusual recognition for his excellent work and recently he was honored by being elected a member of the board of control which consists of four members who have the entire management of the affairs of the league. Having been chosen from a large number of artists from all parts of the country, Mr. Hardy's friends are particularly pleased with his latest honor and are looking for his further advancement. Mr. Hardy is well known to University of Maine students, having been a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity while at that institution.



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Samuel Lane is a prosperous dry goods merchant in Houlton, Me.

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Winfield Ernest Tripp, LL. B., University of Wisconsin, '89, is a prosperous lawyer in Bayfield Co., Wisconsin.

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Clarence S. Lunt is general manager and treasurer of the Metallic Basket Co., Rochester, N. Y.

Ex-'87.

A. S. Ruth has a position as assistant engineer on the Port Angeles & Eastern R. R. Address, Olympia, Washington.

'90.

Fred T. Dow is assistant foreman in the drafting room of The General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Capt. John Bird of Rockland, commanding Co. H of the First Maine regiment, is one of the leading candidates for the position of major of the first battalion of the regiment, to succeed the late Maj. R. R. Ulmer of Rockland, who contracted fever at Chickamauga and died after his arrival at his home. The election is likely to occur at the officers' school, to be held about the 24th of January. Capt. Bird commanded his company at Chickamauga and won praise from headquarters for the way he looked after his men. He also served as major during the absence of Maj. Ulmer and showed his efficiency in that position.

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George F. Rowe is draftsman with the International Paper Co. Address, Bangor, Me.

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O. L. Grover, after a short visit in Orono, has returned to his home in Redlands, Cal.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chester C. Bucklin announce the marriage of their daughter, Bertha Lilian, to Mr. Perley B. Palmer, on Monday, Dec. 25, 1899, at Franklin Falls, N. H.

H. C. Farrell is manager of the Electric Power Co., Manchester, N. H.

Frank E. Weymouth is assistant engineer with the Isthmian Canal Commission on surveys for the most feasible canal route across the isthmus. Address Isthmian Canal Commission, San Juan del Norte, Nicaragua, C. A.

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H. E. Stevens is bridge draftsman with Ralph Modjeska, C. E. Address, 1742 Monadnock Blk., Chicago, Ill.

S. S. Bunker is track engineer with the J. P. McDonald Construction Co., New York. Address, Petersburg, Va.

Ex-'97.

C. S. Bartlett has a position as drug clerk, corner Mill and Broad Sts., New Auburn, Me.

'98.

Gracia Q. Fernandez is instructor in English in the Benefencia. Address, San Juan, Porto Rico.

H. A. Higgins has a position as draftsman in Boston, Mass.

Mr. Chas. G. Littlefield announces the marriage of his daughter, Marion Wadsworth, to Mr. Bertrand R. Johnson, on Monday, Jan. 1, 1900, at Caribou.

Warner Welsh was in Orono recently to attend the funeral of his father.

D. T. Merrill has been promoted to first lieutenant as a reward for personal bravery.

Parker Crowell has been visiting in Orono recently.

Ex-'98.

Chas. Eldridge spent a few days on the campus recently.

E. J. Emery is assistant manager of the Penobscot Central R. R.

Homer Marks is in the real estate business in Brookline, Mass.

R. H. Manson attended the convention of the Phi Kappa Sigma recently held in Chicago, Ill.

'99.

H. I. Drew visited friends on the campus recently.

Hall F. Hoxie has severed his connection with the New York Telephone Co. and accepted a position in the testing department of The General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Machias, Dec. 13.—The success of a U. of M. student, Frank L. Batchelder, of this place, ought to be encouraging to others who are contemplating a course in a business college. Mr. Batchelder graduated June 13, 1899, with highest honors as civil engineer. Engaged with Engineer P. D. Sargent to work on the W. C. R. R. where for three months he proved his ability as a workman in this profession to the satisfaction of his employers. After filling this engagement he went to work in the employ of City Engineer E. I. Lord of Bar Harbor, where he has been since Oct. 12. This office was secured through a personal recommendation from Engineer Sargent. Saturday Mr. Batchelder made a trip to Machias to bid his parents goodbye, for he has accepted a position with the Keystone Bridge Co. of Pittsburg, Pa., who are connected with the Carnegie Steel Works Limited at a good salary to start with, and a chance to advance. Mr. Batchelder is to report for duty at Pittsburg, Dec. 26. He goes highly recommended by both his former employers. He has many friends at Machias who wish him every success.



## Ex-1900.

R. E. Leslie visited on the campus recently. Mr. Leslie has been employed on the B. & A. extension.

W. E. MacDougal is shipping clerk in a shirt factory, Main St., Lewiston, Me.

C. A. Erskine is in the employ of Graham & Co., Produce Exchange Merchants. Address, 27 Richmond St., Boston, Mass.

W. X. Macurda is drug clerk at 566 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.

John Henry Sharrott died at his home in Bondsville, Mass., on Dec. 21, after a lingering illness. Mr. Sharrott spent but a year at the university, being obliged to leave school at the end of that time on account of his failing health. The funeral was held Dec. 24, in the Congregational church. Among the bearers were L. E. Byther, '98, and E. E. Hobson, Law School, 1900.

## Ex-1901.

Richard Merriam has a fine position as fireman in the alms house, Howard, R. I.



## THE NEW HONORARY FRATERNITY.

At a meeting of the presidents of the different state universities throughout the United States which was held last fall, President Harris suggested the idea that there should be an honorary society in these different universities, which should have for its general character an equality of learning in contrast to other honorary societies which now exist in other colleges of the United States. These other fraternities confine their membership to one branch of learning. Phi Beta Kappa to the classics and Sigma Xi to engineering.

This plan met with the approval of the members of Lambda Sigma Eta at a meeting held at the home of the president on last Monday

evening. The name of the fraternity will be Phi Kappa Phi. There are already several chapters in existence and an effort will be made to extend the number.

The following members of the faculty were admitted to membership at the meeting:

J. M. Bartlett, L. H. Merrill, F. L. Harvey, F. L. Russell, W. M. Munson, H. M. Estabrook, G. E. Gardner, N. C. Grover, H. S. Webb, K. P. Harrington, R. K. Jones, J. H. Huddilston, G. Ryland, W. F. Jackman, E. B. Nichols, R. R. Goodell, H. G. Dorsey and A. R. Crathorne.



## OLD TIME SKETCHES No. 5.

By One of the "Gang."

## THE BAPTISM OF TUG WILSON.

Tug Wilson was the instructor in military tactics; short and bulky, with closely cut hair and bristling moustache, he reminded one of a tenacious bull dog. I do not write disparagingly, only in point of fact. He possessed many good qualities, no doubt, but these were pushed into the background by idiosyncracies that are so easily discovered in instructors by the average undergrad.

And alas! how many of us, teacher or pupil, professor or student, have ever escaped whole-skinned from this irreverent trespassing upon the soil of private oddities by the average student body, individually and collectively?

To them we owe our nicknames, or our first humiliation in class room or campus, which afterwards change by that subtle atmosphere of college life to epithets of endearment and characteristics of good comradeship.

Tug Wilson was not his true name, of course not, nor can I tell the exact process by which the name was evolved. He had it before my day and to the old men he has it still. But he was a stickler for the forms and ceremonies of West Point style, and many pet schemes for the submission of the boys into "good military form" was met with stout resistance by the

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student body until open rebellion, and the sensible advice of Prexie would cause him to desist.

He was death on hazing, and woe betide that man who dared to launch so much as a dipperful of water upon a freshman while the battalion was in process of formation or drill. Now whatever may be the condition of affairs at the present time, I must say that a little (?) water judiciously applied was necessary in those old days, when the entering class was almost as large as the rest of the college; then, in numbers there was strength, and in strength audacity, and audacity gave birth to disregard of all customs and rights of upper class men that were then in vogue.

The freshman class of 18— was an obstreperous one, large, stinky and numerous physically; of a doubtful composition mentally, and with a tendency to loquacity and "sass" that was at times unbearable. One of its members, particularly, a fellow by the name of Drayson, from somewhere, and an aspirant for leadership of his fellows, was especially numerous, and it was finally decided to give him a wash down, and one that would cure him completely, at the first available opportunity. But as the chap boarded outside Brick Hall these available opportunities were rare. It was at length decided to refer the matter to two or three members of the Gang with instructions "to wash down Drayson at the next drill time if it killed every cow in the barn." Cyclops and old Bill Jack Groton were chosen as the instruments of death, with instruction to do the job thoroughly, keep their own counsel, and bear whatever penalty therefor that came to them, stoically. "For," said Simmons, "it is evident that a martyr or two to the cause of freedom is necessary. This institution is fast becoming hoodooed by freshmen."

This happened one dull, cheerless Saturday afternoon about the middle of October, after the boys had returned from a long tramp to Old Town via Veazie railroad, and had growled

themselves hoarse about freshmen in general and this Drayson in particular.

"You c-come to m-my room after supper, s-say at s-six," said Cyclops, winking his good eye at Bill Jack, stuttering as was his wont when a little excited,—which really meant any time but six,—for it was evident the boys would have no eavesdroppers to their plans.

About half-past nine that night Bill Jack sauntered along to Cyclops' room, slowly pulling at his long pipe, with that ever present big dirk knife in his hand, with which he was won't to "pick a rib" out of the boys when in playful mood. Dear old Bill Jack! Not very, much loved by the faculty, I fear, but greatly admired and feared by the freshmen, beloved and trusted by the few friends who knew him—especially by the author, who ate, drank and slept with him in college and camp for many months.

When Bill Jack reached No. 39 he stopped a minute to warm up his long pipe—you remember, the one with green tassels—then gave two or three pounds on the door. The latch was sprung and to a loud "come in, whoever you are," the door swung slowly and Bill Jack discovered Blathers and Pussy Milliken busy at draw poker,—for matches. "Hello Jack," said Blathers, "come in and take a seat on the floor."

"Evening," responded Bill Jack, then, after a pause, "cool—cool breeze this evening."

"Oh shut up," said Pussy; "shut the door and sit down."

"Where's Cyclops?" asked Bill Jack, after a puff.

"Out," said Pussy, dealing the cards. "Be back in a minute."

"All right, I want to see him a minute," and reaching out a long, lank arm with a match to relight an equally long pipe which had an asthmatic wheeze and took a draft on the Bank of England to keep it going, Bill Jack sat down.



I'd like to describe that pipe if there were time and space—it was as much of a character in its way as its owner, and the two were said to be much alike, especially in smell.

In a minute or two Cyclops came in and seeing Bill Jack sitting by the window and the poker pair industriously at work at the table, after general salutations beckoned to the former and they withdrew, leaving the poker duet still in progress.

"It's n-no use to t-try to get those f-fellows out tonight. Let's p-put on our coats and t-tramp around the triangle and t-talk." So the two fellows donned their overcoats and walked slowly arm in arm around the triangle, discussing in what way they might entrap this cheeky freshman.

On the following Tuesday afternoon about quarter of four, while the boys were hurriedly donning their uniforms, blacking their boots and rumaging in the various bureau drawers for clean gloves and collars preparatory to inspection drill, two students were busy in No. 39 filling a small foot bath with cold water, and glancing anxiously at the little clock that stood on the mantel. One was heavy jawed, a homely individual with one bad eye, nearly closed, and with a slight stutter in his voice when he said anything. The other was a tall, slovenly dressed lad with a long meerschaum pipe which he smoked incessantly and calmly. It was Cyclops and Bill Jack. The rattle of the Springfield rifle and accoutrements was audible throughout the building as the boys passed from their rooms down the stairs to the lower floor to be ready for the bugle call. The lower landing and the reading room were favorite lounging places at such times, especially for freshmen who preferred the shelter of the reading room and lower hall to waiting out of doors which, experience had taught them, was an unnecessary exposure to the windows above.

As the hands of the clock swung around to five minutes of four, Cyclops who was tying a stout cord to one of the handles of the tub said:

"Y-you go out Jack and s-see how the land lays and if the victim is ready for the f-first degree." Bill Jack stepped out into the hall and peered cautiously over the balustrade to the hall below. He returned immediately and reported: "All clear, old man, and the victim is there in full view and glory—and sassy as ever."

"N-now," said Cyclops, taking hold of one handle of the tub, while Jack took the other one, "we'll set the tub on the window sill, and you watch him as he passes out the d-door, and give me the word at the right time, and we'll let her go. B-be sure to time h-him just right, say when he g-gets on the second step, and then shut your eyes, s-so you won't s-see anything. W-what you don't s-see won't hurt you. All ready now."

The two boys cautiously emerged from the room, moved slowly to the window, where they placed the tub securing the cord to a staple that had been driven into the woodwork. Bill Jack then placed himself at the balustrade where below in full view stood four freshmen chatting gaily in fancied security, and prominent among them, with full compliment of cheek and insolence stood Drayson looking admiringly from time to time at his new uniform, brass buttons, white gloves and all. But what Bill Jack did not see was Tug, the lieutenant and the captain of Co. A, engaged in conversation at the door of the reading room back of the group of freshmen. Suddenly the bugle sounded sharp and clear to fall in, and the group below hurried out, Drayson last. Either Bill Jack did not see or was too excited to realize that the lieutenant and captain came immediately behind Drayson walking with liesurely dignity. "Let her go," said Jack and instantly turned his back and shut his eyes. Cyclops gave the tub a gentle tip and push, the volume of water described a circle in the air and descended in a concentrated mass upon—the lieutenant and captain and a sergeant who stood outside the steps; the freshmen escaped with a foot or two to spare. There must have been four pailfuls of

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water in that tub. It soaked Tug Wilson way to the neck; it filled the gun barrel of the sergeant brim full. The captain hadn't a dry rag on him. Oh! it was a delicious soak, the battalion actually wept, and certainly the lieutenant stood with wet eyes. He was white with rage while the battalion shrieked with laughter, and the captain and sergeant stood there looking sheepish enough and as if they had been dipped in the river.

Just what happened then—whether the battalion was formed or dismissed I do not know. I skipped drill myself that day. The two boys, however, realized instantly the failure of their original scheme and the awfulness of their mistake. They had ducked Tug Wilson, horror of horrors! ! ! They immediately took to their heels, leaving the tub dangling outside; never stopping until they lay under the bed in one of the rooms on the fourth floor, with the door bolted and barred. Here they spent a bad hour and a half reeking in cold sweat and dust, cursing their stupidity and each blowing the other.

"You big chump," growled Bill Jack, "you couldn't hit the big barn with the Stillwater river."

"C-couldn't you tell a st-st-student from a lieutenant," retorted Cyclops. "D-d-don't you know a freshman from an officer? I d-d-don't believe there was a freshman in the corridor at all." And so they growled back and forth with their arms about each other for meagre comfort.

When the supper bell rang through the hall the boys crept out of their hiding place, dusty and begrimed, and slunk away to their rooms, where they stayed supperless and alone in darkness until bed time. The supper hall was Bedlam let loose that night and the cry of "who hit Billy Patterson—who ducked Tug Wilson"—was heard more than once.

In the Gang it was the chief topic of the evening. Who was it, for they never suspected that such was the work of their delegate, and

although the absence of Bill Jack and Cyclops was noticed they were not suspected.

"Where's Bill Jack and Cyclops tonight?" asked Parson.

"I don't know," said Straddles, "I haven't seen either of them all day; probably plugging Zoo for C. H."

"He is laying for Bill Jack," said Tommy Worth. "I saw blood in his eye yesterday when Bill Jack flunked on his Zoo. What that boy don't know on Zoo would fill a big book."

"Humph," snorted Pussy Milliken, "I see Bill Jack plugging. He wouldn't plug if he was to die the next minute on account of his ignorance. He couldn't tell a *Blastoderm* from the bark of one of C. H.'s old spruce trees."

Chapel was well attended next morning, and there was almost breathless attention throughout the service. Clearly there was something in the air. After Prexie had given the usual notices and called for the "excuses of a valid nature," he cleared his throat and endeavored to introduce the subject with calmness. The faculty were out in full force, Tug sitting as stiff as his hair, Prof. R. pulling his whiskers a little more viciously, Prof. C. H. with his usual smile; there certainly was something in the air. Prexie introduced the affair in most solemn and tremendous tones.

"It was a disgrace to the institution," and he hit the Bible three times running. Finally a call for the council was read and it was ordered to sit on the case at once, and chapel was dismissed.

Now the college council was the biggest farce ever foisted on a lot of college students, or ever tolerated by a gentle and trusting president. It was composed of one member from the senior class who presided at all the meetings, a member of the junior class who acted as secretary and recorded all votes and decisions, a member from the sophomore class whose duties were supposed to be a general aid to ferretting out the culprits, but whose duties



were in reality to defend the culprits, generally members of his own class. The freshman member was simply a messenger for the council and served to summon all witnesses before the assembly.

The council was subject to the call of the president of the college and whenever a verdict was reached, it submitted the same in writing to the faculty and adjourned *sine die*.

Its power was unlimited; and its members were excused from all brain labor during the session. It had the power to summons persons before it, at any time, day or night, from bed or board, chapel or recitation. The council *per se* was omnipotent, though its members might be the biggest scapegoats in college.

Now it happened that Cyclops was the sophomore council at this time; which fact Bill Jack noted with secret satisfaction when it was announced that morning that the affair would be referred to the council for investigation.

It is perhaps needless for me to give the details of that protracted meeting of three days, during which time innumerable pipes were smoked, large quantities of apples, peanuts, tobacco and sweet cider were consumed, and copious notes made of the various testimony of the men who knew nothing of the case whatever. What the council did was to secure a

list of men from the Roster, who were absent from drill on that fatal afternoon, and summons each one to give an account of himself before the council, as to what he was doing that hour that the water was thrown; or, in other words, prove an alibi. Of course this was an easy matter for most of the men to do. No one had seen the deed, therefore no one knew anything about it. As for Bill Jack, he gave apparently a clear account of himself, saying unblushingly that he hated drill because it reminded him of work, and he skipped to get rid of it that afternoon, which was true. Did he see any water thrown? No indeed, not he, which was also true, and so with the skilful aid of the sophomore council he was dismissed without a suspicion. As for Cyclops, the council never once thought of questioning one of its own numbers so he too got off scott free. But there was one man summoned, a quiet (?) red headed fellow—one of those still hogs—by the name of Fisher, who could not or would not tell where he was and what he was doing at that fatal hour; and the more he was questioned the more he became confused, and the more he became entangled in the meshes of suspicion and circumstantial evidence. He was apparently trying to hide something. In all probability he was up to some deviltry at that

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time and was intent on keeping it secret. Finally he flatly refused to answer any more questions and his doom from that minute was sealed, at least in the minds of three members of that council.

"Evidently," mused Cyclops to himself, "this devilry that he is trying to hide is far greater than throwing water at the lieutenant, and of two evils he is choosing the less."

The council met for its final session on the afternoon of the third day between closed doors and proceeded to ballot at once for the conviction of the red headed Fisher. The result of the first ballot showed three for conviction and one for acquittal.

"He isn't guilty, I tell you," stoutly asserted Cyclops.

"But man alive," said the president of the council, "look at the evidence."

"Th-that is purely circumstantial," said Cyclops, "he simply can't prove an alibi; that's all."

"Ain't that enough?" said the president.

"N-not to my l-legal mind," said Cyclops with a grin.

"Oh, hang your legal mind," said the junior member, "you're simply trying to shield one of your own class mates. I move you," continued the junior member to the president, "that this council by a majority vote refer Cadet Fisher as the guilty party, to the faculty for punishment."

"Is the motion seconded?" asked the president, looking hard at the freshman member. But the freshman dared not budge while Cyclops looked at him with his good eye in a way that boded evil. After a long pause Cyclops slowly laid his pipe on the table and rose with compressed lips and very sober face.

"Gentlemen," he said, "Fisher did not throw that water."

"Perhaps your legal mind will tell us who did," said the president sarcastically.

"Yes, I did," responded Cyclops calmly.



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The council jumped to its feet as if a shot had been fired in its midst. "You," gasped the president.

"Why in Hampden didn't you say so before?" howled the junior member.

"You didn't ask me," replied Cyclops with a sickly smile, "and I am not cad enough to s-sit by and s-see another man punished for something I know he d-didn't do."

Then he told the whole story from start to finish, leaving Bill Jack out, of course.

"Well, here's a pretty mess," groaned the junior member.

"We ought to do something, I suppose," said the president, helplessly. He was thinking of the laughing stock he would be when the matter got out.

"I am willing to have the matter referred to the faculty," said Cyclops, who saw there was no help for it.

"Will you vote so?" asked the president.

"Yes."

The vote was taken and stood unanimous in naming Cadet Walton—(Cyclops)—to the faculty as the party who threw water upon the lieutenant and two officers on Tuesday P. M. of Oct. 17, in the year 18—. The paper was duly signed by the four members, then Cyclops rose and went slowly to his room and bolted the door from within.

The next afternoon Cyclops received a summons about half past three to appear before the faculty. He found the entire corps of in-

structors, including Tug Wilson in full uniform, awaiting him. He told his story in a simple manner, leaving Bill Jack out as before, and incidentally apologizing to the lieutenant for the mistake. Two or three of the faculty coughed perceptibly and the lieutenant seemed somewhat mollified when Cyclops finished. He was bowed out ceremoniously by Prof. "Johnnie," who, when the door closed, turned with a twinkle in his eye and said, "Mr. President, in view of the extenuating circumstances I move you that we give the young man five zewoes," and it was done.

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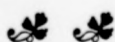
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