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# THE MAINE CAMPUS

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## MEETING OF THE MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL SOCIETY.

At a regular meeting of the Mechanical and Electrical Society last Wednesday evening, Dec. 1, J. Jacobs spoke on "The construction and operation of harbor mines and torpedoes."

He said that for the electrical engineer there is not much in a torpedo but there is much for the mechanical engineer and also much of general interest. Robert Fulton handled torpedoes in his day but they did not come into general use until the Civil War when spar torpedoes came into use. These spar torpedoes would blow up a ship but would also very frequently blow up the crew operating them. About a decade ago another style of torpedoes was invented, which were controlled by wires from the ship which sent it out. Next Mr. Whitehead invented an automobile torpedo which is called the Whitehead torpedo.

The common Whitehead torpedo is about eleven feet long, two feet in diameter, and is shaped like an enormous cigar. The shell is of steel and is divided into the war head, which holds the gun cotton; the air chamber, containing compressed air at a pressure of twelve hundred pounds to the square inch; and the after body, which contains the engines and governing apparatus.

At the head of the torpedo is a plunger which works into the percussion cap. This cap is surrounded by about two pounds of dry gun cotton and the remainder of the gun cotton, about one hundred and thirty pounds, is kept in the war head damp. The compressed air weighs about fifty pounds. The immersion chamber has a lever working a diaphragm which is called the hydrostatic piston. This governs the depth at which the torpedo may move. There are three engines connected to a double propeller shaft; two propellers give a maxim amount of power and also serve to keep the torpedo from drifting. Over the propellers is a frame work which holds the horizontal and vertical

rudders in position. The horizontal rudder is worked by the hydrostatic piston and the other by a gyroscope, which tends to hold the machine in the direction that it started. Its course is traced by the exhausted air and it runs at a speed of about thirty miles per hour.

All harbors and channels are protected by submarine mines placed about ten feet from the surface of the water. Most of these are contact mines but some of the larger mines are worked by an electric push button.

A mine consists essentially of two flanged hemispheres clamped together so as to be watertight, and containing four cylinders of gun cotton weighing thirty pounds apiece. At the bottom of a contact mine are two cups, one inside the other; the inner cup has a bronze ball placed high up so that a sudden jar will bring it in contact with the outer cup and as these are connected to a battery, it will thus complete a circuit and the mine will explode.



## BASKET BALL.

The basket ball season will open Jan. 3, with a game against Guilford High School. Although the coach will not be here by that time, a good showing should be made against the prep. school men, because of the number and quality of candidates out for practice every night.

"Jack" Phelan, last year's coach, will again have the boys under charge, and should certainly put forth a winning team. He showed last season, that he knew the game right through and he caused a remarkable change in the play of the team after his arrival.

Manager Emery has arranged the following schedule:

- Jan. 3. Guilford High at Orono.
- Jan. 10. Maine Central Institute at Orono.
- Jan. 18. New Hampshire State College at Orono.

- Jan. 25. Colby College at Orono.  
 Feb. 1. Colby College at Waterville.  
 Feb. 8. Open.  
 Feb. 15. Bates College at Orono.  
 Feb. 22. Bates College at Lewiston.  
 Feb. 26. New Hampshire State at Durham,  
 N. H.  
 Feb. 27. Lowell Textile at Lowell, Mass.  
 Feb. 28. Tufts College at Medford, Mass.  
 Feb. 29. Boston Tech at Boston, Mass.



### FITZMAURICE BASEBALL COACH AGAIN.

William P. Fitzmaurice signed a contract Dec. 12, to coach the baseball team of the University of Maine again this season, and will begin his services here early in the spring. Fitzmaurice received his early baseball training in Marlboro, Mass., and had his first experience with a local team.

In 1895 he joined the Fall River team, and helped it win the State championship. He played there two seasons and then played with Newark in the Atlantic League. In 1898 he was a member of the Rome team in the New York State League, and the following year was a member of the Manchester, N. H. team. From 1900 to 1906 he played in New Haven, and the latter year was with the Lowell nine. This year he was with the Lynn team.



### RELAY TEAM.

Candidates for this year's relay team have commenced practice in the gymnasium under the direction of "Steve" Farrell. About a dozen men have been out thus far; among those are: Chase, '08, Higgins, '09, Torrey, '09, Haggett, '09, Harmon, '10, Littlefield, '10, Cook, '10 and Hicks, '10, but only a few new men, which makes the number very small considering the chance that there is to make the team.

Not a member of last year's team, which ran against the University of Vermont is now in college. This means that there is an equal opportunity for everyone this year.

The annual B. A. A. meet comes on Feb. 1,

rather than the 15th, as in former years. In order to be fully prepared for this everyone who intends to try for the team must come out at once; Coach Farrell may be found in the gymnasium every forenoon, from 10 to 12, and every afternoon from 2.30 to 5. It is hoped that everyone will fully realize their opportunity and Coach Farrell's request.



### HOCKEY CLUB NEWS.

The hockey rink this year has been built on the old baseball diamond between Lord Hall and Oak Hall. The sides have been constructed and wet sawdust has been piled around them which, when frozen, will make firm support.

The outlook for a fast team this year is very good. The practice in the gymnasium has put the men in very good form, and from the twenty-four candidates out at present two teams almost equally matched might be picked. Hence it will be difficult to finally select the seven best men. The defence which was composed last year, of Bagg, '10, Chase, '08, and Miner, '08, will be particularly strong, since these men are likely to constitute it again this season.

No definite schedule has yet been announced, although games will probably be played with Dartmouth, Bowdoin, and Eates. The game at Hanover will not be played until after Christmas, but it is expected that the team will play Calais High School at Calais, Dec. 21, and it may play a game with the Augusta City team, during the Christmas recess. There will be three contests with Bowdoin. The team from Bishop's College of Quebec, is going to make a trip into Maine during the winter and desires a game with the U. of M. team. If this game is played, it will probably be the fastest contest of the season.



### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

At the meeting of the athletic committee held in the library, Tuesday evening, Dec. 10, Mr. H. P. Higgins was ratified as captain of the football team for the season of 1908, and Mr. R. C. Harmon was elected manager.



On the recommendation of the sub-committee on basket ball it was voted that the basket ball management be authorized to secure Mr. Phelan as coach for the season of 1907-08.

A petition representing the members of the Hockey Club, requested that the Association sanction the use of the name, University of Maine Hockey Team, by the club in a schedule of games to be arranged. It was understood that the granting of this request would not confer any financial obligations upon the Association, the Hockey team to be entirely self-supporting. This petition was granted.



#### AGRICULTURAL CLUB.

The purpose of the Agricultural Club is to promote the agricultural interests, here at the University. At its meetings in Lord Hall, every Wednesday evening, agricultural topics are discussed that prove very interesting, as well as instructive to its members. Occasionally, members of the faculty from this department address the club, and make some very helpful suggestions.

The club is represented at almost all the large agricultural meetings throughout the State. At a recent meeting of the State Dairyman's Association at Auburn, several members exhibited butter which scored ninety-six points.

Dean Hurd of the Agricultural Department went to Burlington, Vt. last week to be present at the dedication of the new agricultural building of the State University, and the annual meeting of the Vermont State Grange.

On this occasion a suggestion made by the University of Maine that the agricultural clubs of the New England colleges be federated, as is the custom in the west, was carried into effect. Delegates were present at the convention from all the agricultural colleges of the New England states, except Connecticut. A preliminary organization of the federation was easily effected with the following officers: J. S. Irish, the University of Maine, president; A. A. Briggs, of the Massachusetts Agricul-

tural College, vice president; G. T. Harrington of the University of Vermont, secretary and treasurer. A constitution and by-laws will be drawn up at once, embodying the main idea of the federation, which is to foster a closer relationship among New England agricultural clubs and to facilitate the organized representation of them at all the big agricultural fairs and meetings of the country. The next annual meeting of the federation will be held at the University of Maine next fall.



#### THE 1907-08 CATALOG.

Nearly all the material for the 1907-'08 catalogue has been sent in and the pamphlet will probably be published early in January. It will be made up much as the catalogue was last year. There is, however, considerable change in the requirements for graduation in the Liberal Arts department. Hereafter six credits will be given instead of four, for four years' preparatory work in English, making the number of points necessary for entrance next year, twenty-eight. In 1909 this number will be increased to twenty-nine.

Several new courses will be outlined under the Department of Education. By these students may be fitted for teaching Latin, modern languages, physical science, natural science, and agriculture.

The total number of students, published in the catalog is about 770.



#### ATHLETIC FIELD.

The second call for volunteers to work on the athletic field and get it in good shape for spring was made last Wednesday morning in chapel. In response, a large number of students was on hand in the afternoon. The porous tile was to have been placed in all the trenches this week, but because of the extreme wet ground it was found impossible to do this. Further work on the field has been postponed indefinitely.

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## EDITORIAL.

THE basket-ball season at Maine opens the Friday after the Christmas recess, when Maine plays Guilford High at Orono. Manager Emery has arranged a heavy schedule for the season and Maine will meet some very fast teams. The schedule is comprised of two preparatory schools and nine college games, including games with New Hampshire State College, Colby, Bates, Tufts and Boston Tech. Five of these games will be played at Orono. This means that five chances will be given for every student to turn out and support the Maine

colors at winter athletics. The team needs this support and has a right to expect it.

If you are a football enthusiast, turn it into basket-ball enthusiasm. If you are not a basket-ball enthusiast, get a rule book and plug it, and become a basket-ball enthusiast.

AS the year wears on the importance of keeping a wary eye on the rules of eligibility, this year applying to musical and editorial as well as athletic organizations, is impressed more forcibly on the members of the different student organizations. The question of scholarship standing is coming to be of the utmost importance to him who wishes to engage in *any* branch of student activity today. More and more frequently are members requested to take a vacation from this, that, and the other organization because they have not been able to keep up in college work. This is one great danger of outside student activities.

The college athlete is liable, in an incredibly short time of unwatchfulness, to find himself solely an athlete, and not a college man.

The rigid enforcement of the rules of eligibility is prone to cause much criticism at first sight, but a little thought will show that the most rigid and strict enforcement of these rules is for the best interests of the University. Maine wants as representatives in her student organizations, not men who are registered, as a formality, and devote the bulk of their time to pushing student enterprises, while those who desire to make the most of college work and still broaden out into student enterprises are thus shut out. But she wants in her organizations men who are college men in *every* sense of the word; men who can efficiently represent her in the student activities, and still when put to the test of scholarship, are not found wanting; men who are not "pseudo college men," but are up with



their class in every respect; men who have the collegiate education, as well as the enterprise, and executive ability, consistent with their class numerals. In brief, the rigid enforcement of these rules will insure all-round, not one-sided men in student organizations. Maine wants her reputation at large to be that "it's a hard place to get through," and present indications point to a rapid achievement of this reputation.

And this gives rise to another question which, with the rapidly increasing and rigidly enforced standards of the University, will soon force itself upon the attention of the student body. This is the propriety of placing a multiplicity of important and responsible student offices upon a few of the more enterprising and prominent members of the student body, as has been the rule in the past. The policy of "one office for one man" is bound to appear in the near future, with much more raising of standards. Extracts from a recent editorial in the *Tech* state admirably the advantages of this policy, which is commendable in every respect, especially in an institution of the size which Maine promises to be shortly.

"A common fault and one which should be criticised conservatively, since a great many students are only free from it to their shame, is that the men who are interested in student affairs at all, are usually too ambitious.

"Time and again one man holds an important position in each of a number of organizations deserving constant work.

"A man's studies are of some account. Unless a man is wonderfully capable he cannot fill more than one important position, and carry a regular amount of school work, and do both well. The great majority who try this overestimate their capacity.

"Even if a man could accomplish three men's work, the wisdom of this could be questioned.

"If offices and honors were not concentrated in the hands of a few, more men would be drawn into activities. Fellows who otherwise would have no opportunity would be elected to office. If each man held only one office, a larger number of men would become officers. The more men hold offices the more men are vitally interested. To be important in something always makes a fellow enthusiastic. It also makes him work hard. Then men in prominent positions ought to refuse minor places and leave them for less well-known men.

"A larger number of men than now would then be given a chance of practical training. Responsibility develops a man. Though some fellows might not be very capable at first they would grow with their duties and the effect would be beneficial.

"In student activities, as in study, a man should be thorough. In order to do his work well he must devote himself to it. A man can do good work in his studies and still have time enough to perform one outside duty in good shape. More than one important position should not be held by any one man. Presidents of classes and clubs, captains of teams, and committees, all capable men, have often, due to excessive overload, failed to efficiently carry on their work. They have not had time to put care and thought on their duties sufficient to ensure their greater possible improvement."



#### ABUSE OF GYMNASIUM.

Tuesday morning at Chapel President Fellows spoke in answer to the questions of a number of students; "Why is the gymnasium kept locked at times?" President Fellows said that the gymnasium is like other laboratories in that it contains much valuable apparatus which would easily be abused. Such is the case; and a very striking example is found in the case of students

throwing heavy medicine balls at basket-ball baskets, thus loosening their supports and very frequently tearing them down. This practice together with other similar practices of the students, when no instructor has been present, has led to the closing of the gymnasium. The gymnasium will be opened," President Fellows went on to say, "to the use of the students at any time if they apply to Dr. Reynolds or Coach Farrell, and are suitably clad for work in the gymnasium."

Dr. Reynolds and Coach Farrell are hired to take care of the gymnasium and are always ready to help the students in that line at any time."



#### SOPHOMORE-FRESHMAN DEBATE

The Sophomore-Freshman debate will be at the Chapel January 8, 1908. The speakers representing the Sophomore class are Redman, Stover, and Johnson; and the Freshman speakers are Southard, Richardson, and Woods. The subject is: "Resolved, That the American Tariff Should be Removed from Lumber." The Sophomores have the negative and the Freshmen the affirmative. The Sophomore team will be coached by Mr. Prince and the Freshmen team by Mr. Pearson. Both teams are working hard on the subject and it is expected that the debate this year will be somewhat better than the average.



#### DRAMATIC CLUB NOTES

The first trials for parts in this year's college play were held in Coburn Hall Saturday morning Dec. 7 before Mrs. Fellows and Mr. Daggett as judges. Owing to the large number of candidates the trials lasted three hours and at the end the following tentative cast was chosen:

##### WHEN WE WERE TWENTY-ONE.

Richard Carewe.....O. Wakefield, Wood, Fassett.  
Sir Horace Plumely.....Gilbert, Wright  
Colonel Miles Grahame.....Fassett  
Terrence McGrath.....Petty  
Richard Terrence Miles Audaine...Lamb, Carle, Gilbert

David Hirsch.....Parsons, Wright  
Hughie Belmont.....Cummings  
Wallace Brundall.....Kimball  
Mrs. Ericson.....Shatney, Gifford  
Phyllis.....Waite, Dinsmore, Peckham  
Kara Glynesk.....Dinsmore

The men whose names are placed first seemed to show up best at the trials and the others are those who will be considered at rehearsals. No man is to feel that he can claim a part until he has made good in rehearsals and many men whose names do not appear in this list are likely to be called upon for further trials in these parts, or some of the minor parts that are not listed. Mrs. Fellows was very much pleased with the play and the promise with which the men took the characters in the trials.

During the past week so much more material has come out that the rehearsal of the fourteenth amounted in many ways to a continuation of the trials. It is intended that these three rehearsals before recess will sift over all the material, and will probably result in the parts being assigned in order that the men can take their manuscripts home for study.

Mr. Daggett wishes to announce that any new men who wish to be considered candidates for the club should give their name and the part they wish to try for to Dexter Smith, '09.

Immediately after the Christmas recess hard work will begin for everybody in the cast. Rehearsals will probably be held every Saturday morning in the old Art Building if it is possible without conflicting with regular college work.



#### Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

B. A. Chandler, '09, lead the Y. M. C. A. meeting last Wednesday evening, and followed up the talk given by Dr. Calkins upon "practical methods of getting a vital conception of Christ and his life as they act upon the lives of men today."

The committee on Bible study are holding a series of lectures on interesting points in connection with the Bible which, because of their nature cannot be taken up in the regular group classes. The first of these lectures was given last Sunday afternoon by



Prof. Huddliston upon the "Development of our present American revision of the oldest known texts of the Bible." Later he will lecture showing how this revision compares with the original texts.

Other lectures will follow these, upon similar subjects, by men best fitted to handle them. All of these should be of vital interest to the regular group classes and to the student body in general.

The meeting of Sunday Dec. 8, was held in the library and was a combination of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. An exceedingly interesting lecture on the English Bible was given by Prof. Huddilstone.

The Book Exchange in Coburn Hall is now well established, though it is not of course doing as much work as it will in February when everyone is buying books for the next term. This exchange should be a very good thing both for those who wish to sell or buy books. Anyone having an old book which he desires to sell can leave it at the exchange, stating the price he expects to get for it and for a nominal charge the exchange will undertake to dispose of it for him.



### Y. W. C. A. SALE

The young ladies of the Y. W. C. A. held an attractive sale in the Library Wednesday afternoon from two to five o'clock. One table in charge of the Misses Watson and Day, exhibited Maine and class banners, pillows, and stringers. These were all sold out in the afternoon and a long list of orders was also taken. The 1911 banners were especially noticeable and were readily bought by their admirers. Tinted views of the University buildings and scenes about the Campus were on sale at another table in charge of Miss Knight. These views were tinted by a Mrs. Haines of Criedhaven, Maine and were arranged in several unique forms; third table, loaded with chocolates, fudge etc., was in charge of the Misses Huntington and Prentiss. Despite the fact that there was an extra large supply at hand the supply of sweets was nearly

exhausted. A large number of students and friends attended the sale and the Association was much pleased with its success.



### ARREARAGE EXAMINATIONS.

#### SPRING SEMESTER STUDIES.

TUESDAY, DEC. 31, 1.30 P. M.

- Ce 1. Plane Surveying.
- Ce 9a. Higher Surveying.
- Ce 10. Hydraulics.
- Ce 23. Hydraulics.
- Ch 31. Chemical Equations.
- Eh 4. English Composition and Rhetoric.
- Eh 14. American Poets.
- Eh 23. Public Speaking.
- Me 4. Kinematics.

TUESDAY DEC. 31, 7 P. M.

- Bl 27. Plant Physiology.
- Ce 3. Railroad Curves and Earthworks.
- Ch 2. General Chemistry.
- Me 8a. Machine Design.
- Ms 1. Solid Geometry.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1, 9 A. M.

- Ec 2. Public Finance.
- Ec 4. Social Reform.
- Ec 8. American Government.
- Md 6. Mechanics.
- Ps 2. General Physics.
- Rm 2. French.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1, 1.30 P. M.

- Bl 40. Forest Botany.
- Ch 6. Adv. Inorganic Chemistry.
- Ec 6. Business Law.
- Ee 10b. A. C. Development and Application.
- Ee 12b. Electrical Transmission and Distribution of Power.
- Fy 1. General Forestry.
- Gm 2. German.
- Gm 3b. German.
- Md 4. Descriptive Geometry.
- Me 9. Materials of Engineering.
- Ms 4. Plane Trigonometry.
- Rm 3b. French.
- Rm 4b. French.
- Rm 9b. Spanish.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1, 7 P. M.

- Ce 21. Structures.
- Hy 8. Modern History.
- Me 10. Fuels.
- Ms 6a. Analytic Geometry.
- Ms 8. Calculus.



- Ms 10. Practical Astronomy.  
 Ms 15. Differential Equations.  
 Pm 6. Organic Pharmacognosy.



### MUSICAL CLUB CONCERT.

Friday evening, Dec. 13th, the musical clubs made their first appearance this season in Orono, under the auspices of the senior class of the Orono High School. The hard practice which the clubs have put in during the last two weeks told, and an excellent concert was the result. After the concert a very pleasant dance was given.

The program for the concert was as follows:

- 1 Red Mill, (medley) ..... *Victor Herbert*  
GLEE CLUB
- 2 Prince of India ..... *Farrand*  
MANDOLIN CLUB
- 3 Reading ..... *Selected*  
MR. FASSETT
- 4 Caviliera Rusticana .....  
STRING QUARTETTE
- 5 Cello Solo ..... *Selected*  
MR. MAXWELL
- 6 Straight Tip ..... *Stearns*  
BANJO ORCHESTRA

#### PART II

- 1 Cadet's Dream ..... *Lansing*  
MANDOLIN CLUB
- 2 Reading ..... *Selected*  
MR. FELLOWS
- 3 O Hush Thee, My Baby ..... *Sullivan*  
GLEE CLUB
- 4 Cello Solo ..... *Selected*  
MR. MAXWELL
- 5 Imperial Two Step ..... *Bloomly*  
BANJO ORCHESTRA
- 6 Maine Stein Song ..... *Colcord, '07*  
GLEE CLUB



### LOCALS.

The heating plant steamed up for the first time Dec. 6. At present heat is being furnished to nearly all the buildings connected.

Prof. Stevens was away last week visiting schools in York County.

The librarian has received from the Congressional Library at Washington, catalog cards for all the government publications since 1900.

The butter from the agricultural department displayed at the meeting of the Maine Dairy Association at Auburn scored 96 points, being the best lot ever exhibited by this college.

The Maine chapter of the Delta Sigma Sorority gave a dance at Mt. Vernon House, Saturday evening, Dec. 7. About 30 were present.

Dean Hurd attended a meeting of the Maine Poultry Association in Portland last week.

On account of illness Prof. Chase was absent from his classes from the 5th to the 11th of Dec.

The ladies of the Round Table held their second monthly reception in the club-room of the library last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Aubert poured coffee. The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Bartlett and Mrs. Tower.

The report of the 1908 *Prism* manager at a senior class meeting Dec. 11, stated that the receipts from the sale of the annual nearly covered the expenses of its publication.

Last Thursday evening in the lecture room of the library, President Fellows gave a lecture on the French Revolution. The talk, which was illustrated by lantern slides, was for the benefit of students of the history and language classes of French.

Saturday evening, December fourteenth, the following fraternities gave informal house parties; Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Phi Gamma Delta.

P. H. Glover, '06, is at present visiting friends in Bangor and at the University.

Last Friday morning, in the presence of the players of the Sophomore class football team, Coach Farrell was presented a watch fob and Daniel Chase, '08, a stick pin. It was voted by the class to give each some token of the gratitude which the class felt was due to them, for the coaching the class football team that defeated the Freshmen, 12 to 0. The tokens were

presented by Manager Johnson and by Capt. Cook.

At a meeting of the Kennebec County Club, held Thursday noon, the following officers were elected: W. D. Trask, Pres., H. N. Danforth, Vice-Pres., H. L. Perkins, Secretary and Treasurer. The advisability of holding an informal smoker was discussed and a committee appointed to look after the matter.



### ALUMNI

'95.

Ora W. Knight, of 84 Forest Ave., Bangor, is the author of a very exhaustive volume on the Birds of Maine. The book contains 700 pages and twenty five half-tone illustrations and will appear about April 15. Mr. Knight is a member of the Maine, and American Ornithologists' Societies, and of the American Chemical Society.

'06.

Thursday, Nov. 28, Henry W. Bearce, instructor in physics at the University, and Katherine E. Merrill of Hebron, were married at the latter place by the Rev. Dr. A. R. Crane of Hebron.

'07

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Crocker of Oldtown have announced the engagement of their daughter Hattie M. to Earle W. Philbrook, '07.

S. Frank Pierce is now employed as draftsman in the Frog & Switch Department of the Penn. Steel Co., at Steelton, Pa.

C. E. Davis and H. P. Purington are employed by the same firm.



During the fall the equipment of Bates for work in track athletics has had an important addition in the recently completed outdoor track in a protected location beside the gymnasium. This will enable Bates athletes to do track work during the winter, and will be of great advantage in getting into shape for the spring meets.

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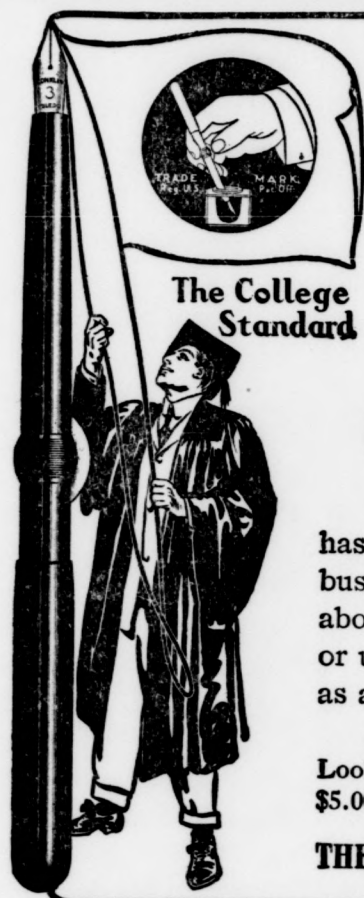
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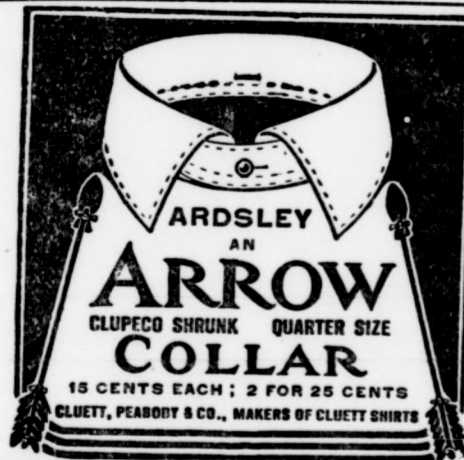
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