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LEWISTON, MAINE, THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1919

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FRESHMAN RECEPTION HELD IN "Y" HUT

SEC. ROWE RECEIVES LOVING CUP

Last Saturday evening the "Y" Hut was the scene of joyous merry-making when the three upper classes entertained the freshmen. Although somewhat delayed on account of the formation of an S. A. T. C. unit here at the College, the social was brimful of fun as well as excitement, for a small conflagration occurred but this was soon put out by some of the fellows. Later in the evening Sec. Rowe was presented with a beautiful silver loving cup, a token of esteem from the members of the former S. A. T. C.

The usual receptions afforded the freshmen have hitherto been held within the walls of Fiske Hall, but this year, due to the efforts of Mr. Harry Rowe, our genial "Y" man, the lower class was privileged to receive their entertainment without the bounds of Rand Hall.

At an early hour the guests were fast gathering and by eight the social time was in full sway. In years past the freshman reception has been given over to an entertainment of some sort, but this year a novelty in the way of a candy pull was introduced. While the candy was being prepared by some of our feminine experts, a few of our experienced pool sharks introduced the girls to this wonderful game and before long one could tell by the cries of mirth that the co-eds surely enjoyed the game. Those who could not find a place at the tables, enjoyed checkers or played the virola.

About this time is where our excitement comes in. While the "chefs" were cooking some of the candy in one of the chafing dishes, the burner gave off more heat than was good for the table top and consequently the wood soon burst into flame. A few of our heroic upper classmen who were in close proximity to the candy rushed to the rescue and with the aid of Sec. Rowe they stopped what might have been a young conflagration. Nevertheless our Harry had to substitute a new table for the burned one when the hut reopened on Monday.

However the few co-eds that were nervous soon forgot their fears and with some of the less bashful freshmen, they gave their attention to popping corn and toasting marshmallows before the glowing fire which burned in the massive fireplace. When the candy was ready to pull it was passed to several strong individuals and what was once a sticky, stringy, black mass soon became edible, light, tempting molasses candy. Some of the weaker sex were diligently watching the numerous plates of fudge which were hardening in the cool evening air.

Amidst the festivities, Olin Tracy, acting in behalf of the former members of the S. A. T. C., presented Sec. Rowe with a beautiful silver loving cup as a small token of the gratitude which was due him for his painstaking labor in making life happy for our soldiers during the first two months of this year. Mr. Tracy made a splendid presentation and our Harry responded in his usual witty manner.

Dean Buswell and many other members of the faculty, including Mr. D. E. Andrews, Mr. Sydney Brown and Prof. Hertell, joined in the merrymaking and helped the evening to be a pleasant one for all.

As the hour grew late, the entire company joined in the singing of the Alma Mater and the party came to a close, everyone leaving with a pleasant memory of the first freshman reception held outside of Rand Hall. Thanks to Mr. Rowe and the committee in charge, the social proved a brilliant and memorable success.

DEBATING

TRIANGULAR LEAGUE REVIVED

Bates will Meet Clark and Tufts

For the past few years Bates, Clark, and Tufts have been united in their debating interests by the Triangular League. Last season, however, due to a misunderstanding and inability to decide upon a debatable question, Bates did not participate in the league, but contested Massachusetts Agricultural College. This year, however, the Debating Council voted to resume relations with the other two colleges and arrange a Triangular debate. Thus far the council has worked expeditiously, and has succeeded in sending in her two questions to the other two colleges. Tufts and Clark have also done the same. It seems probable that the final question for debate will be selected this week. By this Triangular arrangement, Clark College will meet Bates in Lewiston, and Tufts will meet Bates at Medford. The only thing left now is to choose the men.

Never before in the history of our debating activities has the opportunity for winning a place on the team been so promising. We are, indeed, fortunate in being able to have two of the varsity debaters back, Charles Mayoh, and Arthur Drury. Although Mayoh is absent at present, it is hoped that he may return soon and be able to participate in the Try-outs. Eight debaters must be selected. The process of elimination and selection will be as follows: On the afternoon of January 27, at 4.30 in the Assembly Room of Hathorn Hall, all men interested will make their first speech upon any one of the following six questions:

1. The U. S. should enter a League to Enforce Peace.
2. The proposal of McAdoo to place the railroads of the U. S. under government management for a period of five years should be adopted.
3. The American municipalities should adopt the city manager form of government.
4. The federal government should adopt a permanent policy of price control.
5. The various states should adopt a system of industrial insurance.
6. The U. S. should create a navy equal in size to any other nation.

Each speech will be limited to five minutes, and may include or omit the analysis of the proposition, and may develop one or more arguments, on either side of the question. From this first group of ambitious contestants there will be selected twelve men for the semi-final debaters on an assigned subject about one week later. From these twelve men, eight men will be chosen for the final debating team.

Any man that has had experience in debating or is at least interested in the art of this intellectual contest, should show his ability at the first Try-outs. Debating must be continued this year. The proud record of Bates in debating must be maintained. To do this it is imperative that every man who is interested step forward and show what he can do in this direction. Those that are fortunate in making the team are candidates for membership in the Delta Sigma Rho, the national debating fraternity. Membership in such a fraternity is surely an honor to be proud of, for it means association with the best college debaters of the country. To those who are still more fortunate and bring home the bacon, a Drew medal is awarded.

To repeat, it is the desire of the Debating Council and the Coach of the team that every man who can think and speak, or thinks he can speak, should be on hand Monday, Jan. 27, 1919, 4.30 P.M., Assembly Room, Hathorn Hall. Consult Prof. Baird for any further information desired, and then record your name in the Blue Book at the Librarian's desk.

ATTENTION MEN!

PRIVILEGE OF WEARING UNIFORM TO BE EXPLAINED TO SOLDIERS UPON DISCHARGE

Circular No. 157 War Department
Washington December 23, 1919

Incident to the demobilization of the army, before men are finally given their discharge, the commanding officer will require each group to be assembled.... to invite their attention to the privilege thus granted them by Congress to wear it with honor as they did as soldiers and to be particular about their conduct, appearance, associations, and habits. The steady men are always in the majority and the non commissioned officers should be advised that they are responsible as good citizens to see that the uniform is not disgraced and that their example will restrain those who are disposed to abuse their liberty and their uniforms.

In order that proper supervision may be given to this matter the officer designated will obtain.... the commanding officer's approval before making the address to the men.

By order of the Secretary of War:
421, A. G. O.) PEYTON C. MARCH
General, chief of staff.

OFFICIAL:

P. C. Harris, Adjutant General.
WAR DEPARTMENT
Washington Dec. 10, 1918

CHEVRONS FOR DISCHARGED SOLDIERS

1. As a recognition of duties performed in the service of the country, each soldier upon being honorably discharged will be furnished with two scarlet chevrons to be worn on the left sleeve point up, midway between the elbow and the shoulder, one on the coat and one on the overcoat. This will serve to indicate to the country while the uniform is being worn that the wearer responded to the demands of the country, performed creditable service in the army, and finally received an honorable discharge therefrom.

2. Where practicable, these chevrons should be sewn on the garments before discharge. If this cannot be done, they will be presented with his discharge papers.

PEYTON C. MARCH
General, Chief of Staff.

The commanding officer of the S. A. T. C. lately demobilized at the college has written to the depot quartermaster at Boston requesting that sufficient chevrons be supplied to the men formerly in the unit. He also desired the STUDENT to call attention to the prescribed place for the chevrons to be worn. There is no other place, and one chevron per garment is all that is authorized.

DEATH OF CLIFFORD R. COBB

SUDDEN PASSING OF POPULAR STUDENT

Clifford Roland Cobb, a senior at Bates, died at his home in Poland on the afternoon of January 8, 1919. He contracted influenza from his brother. The disease developed into pneumonia and proved fatal after an illness of scarcely a week.

He was born in Pownal January 12, 1898. During his infancy his parents moved to Poland where he received his grammar school education. He entered Bates in the fall of 1915 after graduating from Mechanic Falls High. His kind personality won many friends. He was well known among the students by the familiar name, "Ty Cobb." Clifford was a corporal in the S. A. T. C. and his discharge papers, given him December 12, showed that he did excellent work as a soldier. He was a member of the Poland Center Congregational Church. His interest in church work as superintendent of the Sunday School and leader of the boy's club seldom permitted him to spend week-ends in Lewiston. He was a member

BATES LEADS IN S. A. T. C.

MOST EFFICIENT UNIT IN N. E.

Lieutenant Ira W. Black recently received a very gratifying report to the effect that Bates leads all New England Colleges in efficient conduct of the S. A. T. C. Units. There are thirty-seven colleges in this group, and Bates headed the list with New Hampshire State University second. It is especially gratifying to the men of the unit to learn that our attempt at being an actual military camp was a great success, compared to the failures only too evident at other posts.

Great credit is due to the commander of the unit for the splendid energy displayed that his men might have the best start possible in the new life. When the reports of insufficient food and lodging come from other schools, we may be proud of the abundance we enjoyed at Bates.

The Lieutenant expressed his admiration for the unflinching loyalty of the Bates men which alone made this success possible. The corps of officers was especially well adapted to the needs of the college. They went away with the best possible impression, as is attested by the letters written, after leaving the institution, to the commanding officer, emphasizing the co-operation of their men.

Some of the officers have declared their intention of returning to visit and get acquainted a little with the men who could not know them as intimately as they desired on account of military exigencies. We can assure them of a hearty welcome if they should carry out their intention.

of the Excelsior Grange. Farming and outdoor life had a peculiar charm for him. No doubt these attractions accounted for his stalwart and robust countenance. He leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Cobb, and one brother, Arthur, who is a student at Leavitt Institute. He was engaged to Miss Marjorie Parlin of Poland.

The funeral was held January 11 at the Poland Congregational Church. Professor Purinton, who conducted the service, gave a biographical sketch of Clifford which was not only comforting to the bereaved parents and friends, but also beautiful in its attitude toward death. Edwin Purinton, Albert Adam, William Arata and Cecil Holmes acted as pall-bearers. Other men from Bates who were present, are Fujimoto, Lieutenant Black, Oscar Voigtlander, and William Sawyer.

PROBABLE INCREASE IN DUES

Secretary Rowe of the Y. M. C. A. called the attention of the STUDENT to the impending change in "Y" dues. As we all know and appreciate the work of the organization, the increased expenses are quite obvious. These costs must be met. Bates is willing to show her gratitude for the far greater scope of the Y. M. C. A. by increase in dues we feel sure. When the subject is brought up, let us aid to the limit of our ability.

GENEROUS BEQUEST FOR BATES

WILL OF LATE FRANK GUTMANN LEAVES \$25,000 TO COLLEGE

A respected citizen of Lewiston passed away last week. Although a German born, he was as good an American in the world crisis as any one of us. Thoughtful of the needs of his fellow citizens at all times, he was admired for his generosity and kindly interest. As many know, he left his beautiful home to be remodelled into a Y. M. C. A. for the city.

Bates had hardly expected the most generous gift that was presented her. President Chase expressed the feeling of the college in an address in chapel. The fund will be a lasting memorial to the friend that has just passed on.

Abstract from Codicil No. 1 to Will of Frank Gutmann, late of Lewiston, deceased.

I hereby give, and direct my Executor named in my said Will, to pay over to the President and Trustees of Bates College, an educational and charitable institution located in said Lewiston, the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, the same to be held in trust by said President and Trustees of Bates College, the income thereof to be expended for the development of said institution for educational purposes in accordance with its incorporation.

BATES COLLEGE LEWISTON, MAINE

January 21, 1919
Members of Bates College:

Our College is about to mobilize for debates with Clark and with Tufts. Clark and Bates have split even since the beginning of their rivalry in 1907. The Clark Magazine has it that "A Clark debater would rather beat a Bates team than be elected mayor of Worcester." To be sure, we have won our four contests with Tufts. But the latter college trounced Clark twice last year. This season both schools are apparently going into things with a rush, and expect to deprive the Garnet of a single vote from the judges. We have scored thirty-one victories out of forty-two intercollegiate contests, a record probably not surpassed by that of any higher institution in this country. We have defeated such opponents as Boston University, Harvard Seniors, Trinity, Vermont, University of Maine, Colby, Queen's (Canada), Colgate, and the City of New York. Last year in our only contest of the season, we received a unanimous decision over a strong team from M. A. C. Since 1896 we have had an unbroken series of debates. THE BEST BATES TRADITIONS CHALLENGE US TO GET BEHIND THIS HONORABLE AND REPRESENTATIVE SPORT IN THE PRESENT YEAR.

What are the prospects? Our members, trooping back from the camps, from the high seas, and from battle lines in France, are trying to readjust themselves to the classroom. Some of
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HOCKEY PROSPECTS

Shall hockey be revived or shall it pass out of existence as a college sport? The students alone can answer this question and it must be in the affirmative. The faculty Athletic Council approves. Mr. Smith of Washington is favoring us with real hockey weather, and all red-blooded students are anxiously awaiting to hear the clash of stick and puck now that the time is ripe for the debut of a successful season.

For the benefit of the new students and those who have not closely followed our hockey record for the past few years, a brief summary of last year's work and this year's prospects will be necessary.

Owing to the extraordinary extremes of the weather of last year, a good schedule was utterly impossible. Nevertheless an exceptionally fast team was developed under the able direction of Captain Duncan.

Four men from that team are back this year. They are Talbot, '19, at cover point, Mosher '19, at point, Burns, '20, and Bernard, '21, on the forward line. But there are also many other men of exceptional promise who have had much interclass and second team experience. Rice, '20, and Baker, '20, stand out prominently among these men and should make strong bids for regular positions.

To develop a winning team we must have the keenest competition and real competition means that there must be two teams at least on the ice every day. Every man who has had any hockey experience or anyone who desires any should put forth an effort to make a place on this team.

Raymond Kendall, '19, who was selected to captain this year's team is now serving with the army of occupation in France. A new election was and Burns, '20, was named as Captain for this season. The promises for a fast team are exceedingly good, and Manager Freedman will not be lacking when it comes to signing up some of the fastest state teams on his schedule.

BASKET BALL

Of evenings, certain individuals have been seen going towards our venerable gymnasium. We have found out their secret. They intend to organize a most formidable basket ball team. Mosher '19 is said to be seven varieties of a star, and with Maxim, to be a whole team. Nevertheless, they would accept volunteers for a playing position.

Such noisy activities have aroused much interest among the students. Maxim has canvassed the halls and finds an interested audience to listen to his flow of argument. There is a good chance to play other colleges, and High School teams are always ready to play if financial arrangements are O.K.

Adam '19 is a veritable tower of strength for the opponents of this sport. He argues that athletic heart is greatly aided by the all too vigorous application to the game. Let us hear more about this controversy. Both sides have a good argument.

BATES COLLEGE LEWISTON, MAINE

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them feel that they have little time for extra-curriculum affairs. They may not try for the teams. Only two veterans, Mayoh and Drury, survive from former intercollegiate teams. Drury appeared Saturday from Camp Taylor. Mayoh is at Pawtucket, recovering from an attack of pneumonia. Men, in addition to these two, are evidently needed to fill the gaps. If Bates is to prove worthy of her past, and if she is to take her proper collegiate position in these post-bellum days, she must rightly expect us to line up in the preliminary trials to be held on next Monday at four-thirty o'clock in Hathorn Hall.

Does debating pay? The grads, whether they have gone in for poetry, biology, preaching, or high finance, tell us that the game is from every point of view profitable. Have we time? Probably we have not, but varsity men, aside from their debating hours, have invariably been the busiest men in college. Purinton, Chayer, Quimby, Tarbell, Ames, Lane, Dyer, Mayoh, and Drury were swamped with work before debating added to their program.

The conclusion is: Consult the bulletin board for details; and prepare a five minute speech for next Monday's exercise. A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE WILL TRY TO SEE YOU ON WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY AND PLACE YOUR NAME ON THE SCHEDULE. IF HE FAILS TO DO SO, YOU WILL PLEASE SIGN THE BLUE BOOK AT THE DESK IN CORAM LIBRARY.

BATES DEBATING COUNCIL.

ALUMNI NOTES

EXTRACTS FROM LETTER OF RUTH M. CHAPMAN, '18

Our general plan of work here in the Frances Willard Settlement is to visit the homes of the children in the morning, and to have them in clubs in the afternoon and evening. Two mornings a week I am doing special medical follow-up work, under the Social Service Department of the District Nurse Association. This means visiting the discharged influenza patients and reporting on the presence of any symptoms of those diseases which are likely to follow influenza. In children we look for eye, ear, nose, or throat troubles, and in adults for such mental and nervous troubles as psychosis and psychoneurosis. We also give a report of living conditions, housing, environment, and house-keeping.

I have all sorts of clubs,—tiny little Jewish babies just old enough to hold little scissors and cut pictures for scrap-books, play dolls, and, of course, have story-telling; Jewish girls about nine and ten, who have their Kitchen Garden Clubs; clubs of real Italian street urchins who come into the gym with deafening yells and whoops for an hour of basket-ball and athletic games, but who sit quiet as mice when being told thrilling Indian stories; clubs of older Jewish boys who really play basket-ball and write and read papers on temperance, etc.; and clubs for working girls who are busy all day at the shops and come for two hours' military drill and calisthenics, as well as a good social evening together. I have two clubs a day on every day except Saturday, when I have three. My pet club is my Girl Scout Troop, the first to be organized in the Settlement.

LIEUT. CLARENCE A. MACOMBER

This community was shocked and deeply grieved Saturday morning upon receiving word of the death by accident of Dr. Clarence Alden Macomber of New Sharon, a former Pittsfield boy, the son of Willard A. Macomber of this town, which occurred Friday at Mincola, N. Y., where he was stationed. Dr. Macomber was instantly killed when a pair of mules attached to a contractor's wagon ran away and collided with an ambulance in which he was riding, throwing him so that he struck the pole of the wagon, breaking his neck.

About three months ago he entered the service, volunteering in the medical corps and receiving his commission as first lieutenant. He closed his home in New Sharon, where he had a very large practice, and his wife, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Healey of this town and who is a registered nurse, went to the Massachusetts General hospital where she accepted a position.

Dr. Macomber was educated in the town schools, graduating from Maine Central Institute in the class of 1907. He attended Bates College and later graduated from the Tufts Medical college and served for some time as interne in different hospitals in Massachusetts. He had been located at New Sharon for about three years and had worked up a large practice. Dr. Macomber was a self-made man and a man of much ability, and his sudden death just as he was in a position to enjoy the results of his labor and study seems very hard. Much sympathy is extended to Mrs. Macomber in her bereavement. Besides his wife, his father, Willard A. Macomber, and a sister, Mrs. Harvey Cochran, both of this town, survive.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Macomber's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Healey on Main street Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Rev. O. H. Tracey of Skowhegan, a former pastor of the Baptist church, officiated. A Masonic service was conducted under the direction of Meridian Lodge, F. and A. M. The casket was draped with the American flag. A large number of beautiful floral offerings testified to the esteem in which the young man was held by his friends. The bearers were Dr. C. S. Coffin, L. G. Milliken, S. R. Oldham and H. L. Cornforth.

Several of the young men who have recently returned from military camps were in attendance, including Lieut. Oran of the U. S. Medical Corps of Mincola, who escorted the remains of Lieut. Macomber.

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EDITORIALS

TO THE FRESHMEN

Bates College has reopened under very trying conditions. The abandonment of the very successful S.A.T.C. has changed the aspect of the college in the eyes of the new class. Where before the men were treated, recorded and in all ways considered as twenty year olds, nineteen year olds, and so on, they now revert to the time honored class basis. As freshmen, you are beginners, beginners in more senses than one. You have yet to learn the traditions of the college. You have but begun to appreciate the treatment which Bates has always accorded each and every student. You have found that Bates comes as near being the embodiment of Democracy as is possible. You will learn the pleasure and pride of calling Bates your Alma Mater. You will realize that you have entered an institution where everybody puts his shoulder to the wheel. No shirkers get far. Cooperation has been the tie between the faculty and the students.

You will be helped, as doubtless you have been helped, by the upper classes. Accord to them the respect due. Ideas must be changed; that is inevitable. You are perplexed; ask those who have been thru the same difficulties. Be proud of your class. Get the spirit that makes a man wish to see his fellows win, and who helps them do it. Be loyal. You lose nothing by it, and gain everything.

OUR COMMONS

The history of the college eating house is well understood. Nobody knows the despair that the Commons has caused numerous individuals. Losses have occurred when success was almost in sight. Time and again the question of abandoning the place has been discussed pro and con. As we all know, the students thru a committee are attempting to make a success possible. Mrs. Downs has been retained, for which the Commons committee should be congratulated. We are getting good food without the rise in price which had been feared. There has been some slight criticism about the service. That is a small detail in itself, and must not be allowed to obscure the real problem. The student support is good, but can be better. There are many things to praise; little to condemn. It is simply up to us to put the project over. The men in charge are working, and are doing their level best to serve us. Of that we are sure. Success seems to attend their labors; they will win out. Our hopes, and what is more, our active support is to be the deciding factor. Cooperate!

THE NEW STUDENT

As the reader has probably noticed, the new management has assumed control of the paper. Some slight changes have been made as seemed best. The columns are at all times open to criticism if constructive. The space reserved for the "Comments of the Day" will contain any letters that students see fit to submit. Of course the STUDENT can assume no responsibility for the in-

dividual views expressed. The upperclassmen know that the common college sport of crabbing is quite prevalent about the campus. Sometimes it is justified, but other times it is not. But at any rate, a thing worth talking about is worth writing about.

A democratic college endeavors to give the best possible facilities for individual freedom. The opinion of each student is worth as much as that of another. The faculty and board of government cannot be expected to know the ideas of the students unless these same ideas are expressed plainly and pointedly. Our faculty has always given the widest latitude to student freedom, and we trust it will continue to do so.

We hope that the SPORT REVIEW will prove satisfactory to the subscribers as a whole. Bates is a strong supporter of all athletics. We hope to show other colleges what Bates does in that department, and also to inform the preparatory schools of the activities at the college.

This change is in the nature of an experiment. It is hoped that the new issues will meet with the approval of all Bates men and women. At any rate let us know about it.

THE LIBRARY

With all due respect to the college officials, the students of the college wish to know why the library is not opened nights. Many complaints have arisen about the closing order; no explanations have been offered except, possibly, expense. When the S.A.T.C. was in existence, the library was opened. With the demobilization of the mit, the library is closed. Why?

The chemistry laboratory remains open evenings for those who must do extra work. What about the students who must carry a History course, entailing some little extra library work? Those who have classes in the afternoon find it hard to gain access to the book shelves. Consequently, they cannot do such high grade work as they would wish. It is worth thinking about.

OUR ADVERTISERS

The business manager has had no little trouble in renewing advertisements for the STUDENT. We appreciate the interest of the several firms who have contracts with us. Let us show the advertisers that it pays to insert a notice in our paper. One of the former advertisers refused a renewal on the grounds that he would get the College trade anyway. He is in error we feel sure. Stand by your paper and its supporters.

TO OUR SOLDIER STUDENTS

The last chance to keep your Government Insurance is close at hand. Many men honestly feel that it is impossible to maintain the necessary living expenses together with the added burden of the insurance premium. It is the desire of the government to be liberal with its former soldiers. The price is ridiculously low for such a high policy. If the men can possibly maintain their insurance, the government assures them that they will make the wisest choice. In a circular sent to each college student publication, ex-secretary McAdoo says: "Urge upon the men to strive their uttermost to maintain the liberal insurance policy granted them by a grateful government." Remember to address all communications to the Deputy Disbursing Clerk, Bureau War Risk Insurance, Washington, D.C.

NEW PLAN SUCCESSFUL.

In Student Management Of Commons

In spite of the lugubrious circumstances which have constantly afflicted themselves with the College Commons, a bright ray of determined hope has finally penetrated the obliqueness of despair, and out of a debris of disappointments has sprung a novel, efficient plan which can and will materialize in a delightful period of culinary reconstruction for Bates College.

Contrary to their most sincere wish, the trustees of the college deemed it advisable to sever all relations with the College Commons and, as a result of their negative action, the institution was confronted with an impending peril which has finally been eliminated by the introduction of student management. A committee consisting of the following men has been arranged: Talbot '19 (chairman), Sawyer '19, Mayo '19, Burns '20 and Belmore '21. With the aid of Prof. Gould, whose assistance has already been recognized as indispensable, the management has formulated plans, which, if carefully adhered to by the student body, should result in a complete and successful renovation. The services of Mrs. Downs have fortunately been secured. Her professional ability has been an established fact in the minds of many Bates students for years past. Consequently the announcement of her managership was accepted with ardent enthusiasm by the entire student body. The savory, delectable dishes produced under her personal direction have already heralded her as a strict essential in the gratification of keen appetites.

The generous spirit of democracy, which pervades the college environments, has been taxed to its utmost with astonishing and gratifying results. Each student has been allotted a period of two days during which time he will generously assume the res-

THE BLAZED TRAIL

Did any one ever come around to you at 5 P.M. and inform you in a pleasant and persuasive tone that you are to be called upon that evening at the Stag feast to talk upon the wonderful and unexcelled opportunities for developing one of the best hockey teams in the State? Did you, in turn, stay away from supper and walk the floor in all known directions hatching up a fancy speech? Did you then go to the affair, hang around like a lost puppy, praying that you could find some way out of the situation, and then after waiting nervously for a full hour, discover that the chairman has forgotten to call upon you? Well, Ralph, that must be a grand and glorious feeling!

It may be of interest to those interested in the art of philosophy, to learn that a new organization has been formed among the men of Parker for the purpose of studying and discussing the great and perplexing problems of the day and if possible to find a remedy for the existing evils. The title of the organization is "The Intellectuals" and is at present composed of the select philosophizers of the hall. Of course, the organization was inevitable. Wherever great men hold the same view and have community of interests, organization is bound to result. The regular meetings are held in the "Coffee-House" suite and are usually well attended. The most interesting subject entitled metempsychosis, was fully thrashed out at the last meeting. Although the "Intellectuals" freely admit that the subject is trite, nevertheless they discussed it from an entirely new view point. Any fellow interested in the great problems of life and their relations to man, or who desires to intellectualize, should consult either Art. Burns or Cal Smith for the methods of securing admission to membership.

While Garrett keeps singing "O, How I Wish I Could Sleep Until The Dinner Bell Rings", our friend "Soc" keeps humming "Don't Try To Steal The Sweetheart of a Soldier".

Geel! but it must be great to eat with Juniors and Seniors! Why can't the other Sophomores see it in that light?

Thanks to Bill Sawyers for his efforts to provide the diners at the Commons with a side-dish of music. But why doesn't it continue? Probably the mandolinists can help out now with a few impromptu selections.

Bates '20:—What is a good Definition of evolution?

Prof. Britan:—Well, according to Herbert Spencer, evolution is an integration of matter and a concomitant dissipation of motion, during which the matter passes from a relatively indefinite homogeneity to a relatively definite heterogeneity and during which the retained motion undergoes a parallel transformation!

What's foggy about that, Art?

Say, did you ever stop to think or notice that the fellow who escapes paddling or gets a slight impression of the stove in his childhood days of college life, is usually the most strenuous and most assiduous wielder of the paddler in his Sophomore days?

Our Intellectuals argue that the Library is their laboratory and inasmuch as other laboratories are open evenings, the Book Lab. should be open.

Tufts and Bowdoin have already started their Glee Clubs and concluding from all reports, they are optimistic regarding trips for the vacation period. Why linger we? With most of our old musicians back, and with the hidden treasures which the Freshmen claim, we should be able to maintain the usual program.

Those who cannot sing hymns in Chapel can at least read the words out aloud.

The Good Book tells us that the Meek shall inherit the earth. If that be so, where were the Freshmen last Wednesday night?

Do you know that Burns '20 was the first man student on the campus to purchase a 1919 Worlds Almanac?

"I have many regrets but no apologies to offer."

All out for Hockey! Two good months left to enjoy one of the best winter sports.

Rice is still rehearsing in rapid fire style the sentence "She sells sea shells". Stick to it Benny!

There are fearful and wonderful combinations to be made with the red, discharge chevrons. Have you yours on right?

None of the accusations against the Y.M.C.A. are applicable to our organization; we're sure of that!

possibility of waiting on tables. The repetition of his services will be required at regular intervals of time until Commencement.

To this earnest request, the fellows have responded with whole-hearted zeal and they justly deserve praise for their incredible spirit of loyalty and their rational acquiescence to cooperate in such a magnanimous undertaking. It is the earnest wish of the committee that the students perpetuate an individual system of efficiency which shall be regulated by the student, himself, and which shall consist of lending extra service in minor details such as regularity of attendance at meals, neatness in the dining-hall, suppression of needless, eccentric confusion, reporting anticipated absences, etc. Upon the unselfish indulgence of the students in every request of the management, depends the success or ultimate failure of the College Commons.

Meal tickets can now be purchased at the modest price of \$5.25. It is for the sole benefit of the student that the College Commons has been continued this term. The congenial cooperation of the students during the past week has assured the possibility of complete success. Aid the management. Convince them of your loyalty in the future as you have in the immediate past, and any absurd rumor of unavoidable failure will be branded as preposterous. Keep up your spirit and the board bill will be kept down.