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## FINAL GROUPINGS MADE FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC DEBATING

Bates Professors and Debaters Will Judge Contests to be Held at College this Week-end. At this Time the Winners of the Cups Offered Will be Chosen

Tonight will witness the Semi-Finals of the Bates Interscholastic Debating League in which the fourteen teams which survived the preliminary debates will compete for the cups given to the winner of the league and the runner-up. The President will also bestow a cup upon the best individual speaker.

All the officials of the league and the members of the debating teams will gather in Chase Hall in the Music Room at seven o'clock where instructions will be given and the teams assigned to rooms. Then the teams and officials will repair to their respective rooms for the debate. After the debates Friday evening there will be a social gathering in Chase Hall where the announcements of the results of the Semi-Finals will be given and refreshments will be served.

The Finals will occur Saturday morning after which the cups will be formally presented to the winning schools and the individual speaker.

The pairing for the semi-finals and the officials are as follows:

A.—Deering vs. Lawrence. Chairman: Charles H. Guptill, '28. Judges: Mr. Russell M. McGown, Prof. Anders M. Myrman, Frederick Young '27. Music Room, Chase Hall.

B.—Lawrence vs. Kingfield. Chairman: Hector P. Hughes, '28. Judges: Prof. J. Murray Carroll, M. A. H. Wakely, '28. John Manning, '30. Faculty Room, R. W.

C.—Kingfield vs. Deering. Chairman: Fred T. Googins, '27. Judges: Prof. Geo. M. Chase, Mary Geary '27, Walter F. Ulmer '28. Assembly Room, Chase.

D.—Edward Little vs. Good Will. Chairman: John Seamon, '27. Judges: Prof. F. A. Knapp, Mr. Norman Ross, Miss Florence Burke '27. Little Theater.

E.—Good Will vs. Buckfield. Chairman: George Osgood '27. Judges: Harry W. Rowe, John F. Davis, '28, Prof. S. F. Harms. English Room, H.

F.—Buckfield vs. Edward Little. Chairman: Auburn Jewett Carr, '28. Judges: Mrs. R. M. McGowan, Prof. Edwin Miner Wright, A.M., Ph.D., Ruth Chesley, '27. Philosophy, H.

G.—Bangor vs. Rockland. Chairman: Lucy Fairbanks. Judges: Prof. O. F. Cutts, J. M. Carroll, Jr., '29, Prof. R. N. Gould. Math Room, H.

H.—Rockland vs. Rumford. Chairman: Miriam McMichael, '29. Judges: Miss Mabel Eaton, Mrs. C. M. Chase, Dagmar Carlson, '28. German Room, H.

I.—Rumford vs. Bangor. Chairman: Fletcher L. Shea. Judges: Prof. Ward Browning, Mr. Carlton Wiggins, Cythera Coburn, '29. Greek Room, H.

J.—Portland vs. M. C. L. Chairman: Walter Hodgdon, '29. Judges: Mr. (Continued on page 4, column 5)

## BASEBALL STARTS IN WEST PARKER

West Parker is once more out for athletic honors (Rah Rah!). With a "Million Dollar" baseball team, the champions of last year are again stepping out to win the Inter-dorm trophy under the able captainship of Scott Brown. Ericson, the star pitcher of last year's team, is this year incapacitated so he has promptly taken over the management.

This year, under a new regime, they expect to repeat last year's taboo; and this afternoon they will make their debut against the Town team. A large box of chocolates is at stake. Umpire "Hooker" Briant of Lewiston has been accordingly bribed by the management.

The Great God Brown is expected to have a big season, as he has been working out every day with the Varsity. If "Bob" Violette can perform behind the batter as well as he could stop pucks last winter, the team will be perfect in its heretofore weakest position.

Games are scheduled with the other dormitories, but due to the incapacity of the manager they cannot be announced until a later date. Any teams wishing games can secure them by calling 433.

## MIRROR GROUP PICTURES

Monday 1.00: Varsity Club  
Wednesday 1.00: Junior Exhibition 1927  
Thursday 1.00: Mirror Board  
Friday 1.00: Ivy Day 1928

## Masquerade is Scheduled for Next Week-end

One week from Saturday night, on April 23, all fun lovers will be at Chase Hall to attend the Second Annual masquerade. After the masquerade last year, there need be no question as to the good time guaranteed. Unique decorations of the hall will be in vogue. Novelties in the program will add to the sport of the affair. The management is willing to co-operate with any group for stunts.

Everyone must be in costume. A grand prize will be given to the person, irrespective of sex, who has the best all round costume on the floor. There will be a prize for the best costume among the men and the best among the women. Also for the most original costume on the floor a prize will be awarded. Members of the faculty will act as judges. There is to be no advance in admission.

## Vaudeville to be Staged Apr. 22

### A Novel and Interesting Program is Arranged

Plans for the Sophomore Entertainment, which is to be held in the Little Theatre on the evening of April twenty-second, give promise of an evening of enjoyment for those who attend.

The vaudeville part of the program will consist of a ukelele chorus, led by Ethelyn Hoyt, a clogging act by girls of the Sophomore class, and several other acts of a novel and interesting nature. A Sophomore quartet will be one of the features of the program. Another interesting number will be a miscellaneous act in which various applicants for positions on a vaudeville circuit "do their stuff" before the office manager, "Ike" Colburn. Two short skits will also be presented during the evening.

Two one-act plays are also on the program, "The Very Naked Boy", and "Two Crooks and a Lady". The former play is a very interesting comedy in which the part of the boy is taken by George H. Curtis. "She" will be played by Winifred Sanders and "He" by James N. Solomon Jr. "Two Crooks and a Lady" is a somewhat longer play and of a different character. It depicts the character struggle between Mrs. Simms-Vane, played by Miriam McMichael, and the two crooks who are conspiring to steal from her. Paul Selfridge is cast in the role of Miller, the male crook, and Yvonne Langlois in the role of Lucille, his accomplice. Florence Kyes plays the part of Mrs. Simms-Vane's companion. Howard Goody and Raymond Nilson form the police force.

The committee in charge consists of William H. Bull, Faith Blake, Mary Pendlebury, and James N. Solomon Jr.

## Phi Beta Kappa Admits Fifteen New Members

### Underclassmen Guests at Banquet in Evening

The annual initiation of new members of the Bates chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa society was held yesterday afternoon in Chase Hall with Prof. Knapp, who is the president of the local chapter, presiding.

The newly elected members formed in procession at Roger Williams Hall and thence marched to Chase with Prof. Knapp leading. Professor's Leonard and Sawyer closed the procession at the rear. Prof. Leonard and Prof. Chase addressed the students during the initiation program on the meaning of the honors which were being conferred. Keys were then presented by Prof. Knapp to the following new members: Misses Marion Brawn, Ruth Chesley, Ella Hultgren, Grace Hussey, Dorothy Jordan, Ruth Parsons, Miriam Stover, Evangeline Tubbs, and Messrs. Maurice Dionne, Clayton Fossett, Edwin Goldsworthy, Francis Purinton, John Seamon, Allen Torrey, and Frederick Young.

A banquet followed the initiation program. Prof. Knapp presided as toastmaster during the speaking that followed the banquet. John Seamon spoke first for the Senior men in appreciation of the honors conferred. Miss Grace Hussey, speaking for the Senior girls, expressed their gratitude for

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## GARNET MEETS CRIMSON IN HARVARD STADIUM TOMORROW

Team Starts in Good Condition for First Baseball Game of Season. Bates has High Hopes for Victory. Harvard Won Last Year on Fluke Catch.



CAPT. CHARLES SMALL

Captain "Chuck" Small, leader of the Garnet team, and one time Edward Little star, after three successful seasons with the Bates team, will start the fourth by leading his cohorts into their first fray with the Crimson tomorrow. He is well known all over the state for his ability as a twirler. Besides this he has a reputation for slugging the ball all over the lot. This ability is rather unusual in pitchers, and it has enabled him in former years to be among the leading swatters in the state. He has great ability as a basketball star, but such is a latent quantity, because this sport was discontinued several years ago. He is a member of the Varsity Club and is very popular about the campus.

Coach Wiggins has had his men working out doors all this week and hopes to put a championship team on the field this year. His greatest problem is to find a catcher who will come up to the calibre of the rest of the team.

We have never won a game from Harvard, but hope to this year. Last year the final score was 2-1. Harvard gained the decision due to a ruling by the umpire that; "Balls caught in shirts are legal catches". Otherwise the result would have been different. We hope that such an unfortunate incident will not happen again.

It is certain that this year's team is one of the best in years and there are many possibilities before it. Let us hope that we can break the "Crimson Jinx" and bring home the bacon.

It is rather hard to say who will play in tomorrow's game, for there are many candidates who have been giving last season's veterans a hard rub for their berths.

The first string infield will probably start with Bonnie Peck, a veteran of several seasons, holding down his old position at first base, "Al" Wiseman will be receiving the pegs at second, "Jimmy" Cole, a star well known throughout the state playing his usual whirlwind game in the short field, and "El" Small turning in a classy job at third. All of these men are good hitters and should bring the Garnet through for a win.

The outfield stars in all likelihood will include "Chuck" Ray, the versatile athlete of the college, "Manny" Palmer, one of last year's regulars, "Pooch" Pooler, "Caey" Casadden, and "Howie" White. The batteries will no doubt include "Chuck" Small, Black and Chick, as twirlers, while on the receiving end of the line we may find Wing, Andrade, or Luce. There is also a possibility that Watkins, Turner, and Seor will be on hand when the train pulls out.

Many of the Garnet rooters are backing the team to the limit with high hopes of a season that will eclipse all others for the Bates Pastimers. We are sure that Captain Small and his men will be fighting every minute.

## Will Hold Trials For Annual Greek Drama Very Soon

In accordance with a tradition established by the class of 1912, the annual Greek Play will be presented this year on Monday evening of Commencement week. During the fifteen years that these plays have been given, Bates has been complimented upon the fine production of the works of Sophocles, Eschylus, and Euripides which have been chosen for presentation. The success of these plays is due in no small measure to Professor Robinson, who has achieved remarkably artistic and beautiful effects with a cast often numbering seventy or eighty persons. It also has been the custom to have a Grecian dance at the end of each play, the delight and charm of which is the result of Miss Francis' expert coaching. The music for the songs used in these plays is written by members of the graduating class.

When the weather permits, the class committee with Professor Robinson will hold the trials for the "Trachinian Maidens" of Sophocles, the play selected for this year.

The members of the committee are John Seamon, chairman; Lucy Fairbanks, Marion Brawn, Mary Geary, Florence Hancock, Alton Higgins, Clayton Fossett.

## Physical Directors Attend Conference

Miss Francis and Miss Bass, Co-ed Physical Overseers, attended a conference of College Directors of Physical Education for Women, April 7-9, at Radcliffe College. The well-arranged program included an interesting lecture by Dr. Joseph Lee, well-known educator, on "The Educational Aims of Physical Education". The first session also included a demonstration of Danish gymnastics.

The Gym meet, very much the same as the one held here before Vacation, was given Thursday evening. Friday morning the directors met to discuss college and preparatory school co-operation from the college, preparatory, and high school point of view.

Those attending the conference were the guests of the college Friday night. Saturday morning marked the climax of up-to-date lectures when Prof. Ernest Groves, of the Sociology Department in Boston University gave a remarkable presentation of fact and theory in his discussion of "Physical Education as a Stabilizing Influence in College Life".

## West Parker Hall Association Elects

The officers of the West Parker Hall Association for next year have been elected.

Walter Ulmer, of Bangor, has been elected President. Mr. Ulmer is an outstanding athlete and student leader. At present he is the Junior class president, a member of the Student Council, Varsity Club, Jordan Scientific, and a director of the Outing Club.

The Vice-President is Cecil Pooler of Brewer. Mr. Pooler is active in athletics. He was a member of the hockey team this winter and is a candidate for baseball this spring.

Howard White of Belmont, Mass., is Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. White is a member of the Varsity Club, having obtained letters in both hockey and football. He is out for baseball this spring.

## DEUTSCHER VEREIN

The regular meeting of Deutscher Verein took place last Monday evening in Libbey Forum. The meeting was conducted wholly in German by the president, Audrey Estes. A program of Schumann and Beethoven music followed:

The Life of Schumann (in German)  
Beryl Irish  
Schumann's Traumerei  
Evangeline Tubbs  
The Life of Beethoven (in German)  
Olive Robinson  
Piano Duet—March from the "Ruins of Athens"  
Beethoven  
George Bradford and J. Moulton  
Soprano Solo—Creation's Hymn—  
Beethoven

Celeste Lombard  
Trio—Andante from Sonate Opus 53  
Minuet in G  
Beethoven  
Jacob Arenstam, Violin  
Marion Skillings, Cello  
Evangeline Tubbs, Piano  
The meeting closed with the singing of German songs and the playing of German games by the Verein.



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## THE GREAT SPRING FAMINE

In the Bates College Commons, that glorious campus institution where democracy practices its strangest antics and practical campus politicians are wont to ply their art, there has been recently perpetrated one of the greatest hoaxes that has succeeded hereabouts in many a day. Back in the days of yore,—when the cracked coffee mug was the symbol of the Commons, a certain Bates undergraduate, hence departed from these realms, was wont to rise in the cause of sweet charity. With his voice mellow and his words impassioned, he would tell of the sacrifices of those who labored that students might eat. And he plead that these poor slaves might enjoy the priceless boon of a single night off. Then with a fine democratic gesture he would put the proposal to a vote. "All those opposed, stand up!" he would challenge, the while scowling about at the shrinking diners. So it was that ever and anon students starved that the kitchen staff might play.

Today, such hocus-pocus is practiced on a grander scale. Witness the most recent episode of the Commons. The proposition was made that Sunday night suppers be abolished, not once or twice, but for the rest of the Spring. Ballots were produced, negatively phrased in accordance with the time honored technique. And, *mirabile dictu*, a goodly majority of those who are favored with membership in this notorious democratic men's club, enthusiastically abetted by the waiters and kitchen squad, voted against serving Sunday night suppers for the rest of the semester. Whether Bates men have suddenly turned philanthropists or lunatics, we hesitate to decide. At any rate, the fact remains that a large number have voluntarily conferred on themselves the rare privilege of fasting weekly from two o'clock Sunday until at least seven o'clock Monday. Spring is said to play strange antics with ones energy, with ones ambitions, and with ones emotions, but we had never supposed it responsible for depriving young men of their appetites.

If eating these suppers at the Commons had been compulsory, then one might understand. The things often were not worth going over after. Even so, the prospect of an occasionally savory meal added zest to a Sunday afternoon's study; it was one of life's great gambles. But attendance wasn't required, and not even the Bursar's office cared two figs whether anyone went or not.

But, in spite of the fact that the privilege of absence was undeniably theirs, these hitherto comparatively rational young men, becoming suddenly and unaccountably obsessed with a passion for fasting, have, by their ballots, insisted that the rest of the world starve with them. Such is the usual practice of the reformer. Not content with pursuing the way to bliss and salvation alone, one finds him ever meddling around in other people's affairs, instructing these poor souls in the advantages of his own doctrines, even though those doctrines may, as in the case in question, dictate regular abstinence from nourishment.

And so it is that lured by the phantom prospect of meals of gluttonous proportions on other occasions, Bates men have instituted under the aegis of democracy the great spring famine. Last Sunday came and went. The two meals served at the Commons were excellent, what there was of them. But one looked vain for the great mounds of viands with which he was to gorge himself in compensation for relinquishing his right to dine at night. In fact quite the opposite. The administration, entering into the spirit of famine with remarkable enthusiasm, found itself unable to wait the coming of night before initiating the era of short rations. Accordingly, one found himself indeed lucky to capture a piece of toast at breakfast or a stray morsel of fowl at dinner.

And now to a summary. We think the proposal was clever. The laugh seems to be on those who voted themselves out of a meal. Those who voted for their full Sunday ration but were left ought to have hysterics. The waiters and kitchen staff take first prize in the great contest. To them congratulations. The Bursar's office came in a close second. A deep courtesy to the Bursar's office. Over sixty per cent of the students who eat at the Commons should get booby prizes. Bring on the crate of lemons. And to the minority who hunger in their defeat, we propose the distribution of bullion cubes!

## The Garnet Sport Pan

"Red" Oviatt, Editor

Tomorrow the baseball men open the spring athletic competition with a game with Harvard at Cambridge. The prospects for a successful spring record in both track and baseball are as bright as they have been for many years. Seldom has the garnet boasted of a smoother infield than Peck, Wiseman, Cole, and El. Small; and seldom has it possessed a more likely outfield than Palmer, Ray, and Chuck Small. The Harvard men are due for a nasty surprise when the Bates sluggers get to work. It is expected that Blacky will take the mound.

The Right Honorable Harry Watkins proved to everyone that it was no empty boast of his when he proudly exhibited a photograph of his manly physique upon the bulletin board of Hathorn Hall, accompanying his action with the confident assertion that he was going to have a great season. Last Tuesday his scintillating performance both in the field and at the bat proved him to be of incalculable value to the squad. It was his mighty clout that was directly responsible for the defeat of the Regulars by the Yannis.

The Journal is running a most interesting history of Bates Track fortunes since Jenk, the Miracle Man, took the reins. Coach Jenkins rightly deserves much recognition for his single-handed efforts to produce a track team. This year the team is weak in field men and hurdlers, but the running events should be taken care of better than ever before. Jenk has a quiet, unassuming way but he produces trackmen and has the love and respect of the fellows. He doesn't say much but when he does talk he talks straight from the shoulder. Both on the field and in Chapel his evident sincerity is a wholesome relief.

A question that has been in the minds of trackmen for some time is—When will the corners of the cinder track in the athletic building be corrected? When the building was constructed there was an error made in the height of the corners. Would it not be advisable to have such an error remedied immediately instead of procrastinating till next fall when the men will need the track? Of course someone will howl, "Where is the money coming from when there isn't enough to complete the gym?" If it was an error on the part of the Construction Company they should remedy it, but if it is due to some slip upon the part of the college, the administration should make it a special point to see that the error is corrected at once. Procrastination seems to be a distinctive quality of certain departments of the Bates administration. We suppose that the correction of the track corners like the promise of new doors in certain dormitories will materialize when the Millennium dawns upon this sinful old world!

Jimmy Baker is on the warpath again and all those who know the boy from Halifax realize what a tough grind it must be for him with a crippled knee. Max Wakely, Allie Wills, and Royal Adams are making sensational time in the 440 at this stage of the game and should make the world sit up and take notice when they tote off another Penn Relay victory. Jimmy Baker is undoubtedly slated for the fourth berth in the relay team and if we know him at all he will be doing as well as the rest when it comes to the big test.

Wee Willie Coutts is making the cinders fly in the dashes. He is strong and looks like the best bet Bates has had in the dashes for some time. He has been leading the dash men in all the trials with Archie Cole '29 right on his shoulder. There are many who would like to see Coutts take a shot at the 440 as his power plus his speed should give him a decided advantage over the distance man who has trained down to the shorter distance.

The wealth of baseball material that Wig has to work with this year is decidedly encouraging. The second team is always prepared to give a good account of itself and sometimes has the audacity to take the favored ones into camp. It is just such competition that will bring another championship to Bates and the boys surely look as though they were rarin' to go.

### AN AMERICAN TRAGEDY (Fairy Tale)

Once upon a time in the dim dark ages of the past when men were men and college administrators bore a faint resemblance to that specie, there was an institution in southern New England that was known as Yale College. The faculty of this good institution was universally declared "queer" because of its unique tendency toward broad-mindedness (now an obsolete word in professorial circles) and toward a genuine interest in the student body. Yale had athletic teams—(as was the custom in those days), and when one day it was found that the victuals then being tossed around in the College Commons was deleterious to the physical condition of the athletes it was promptly decided that it would only be right and

## Vesper Service Well Presented

### Mr. Ernest Hill Assists Choir and Glee Club in Fine Program

To the music lovers of Bates College and to the many outside of the College, the Vesper Service presented in the chapel last Sunday afternoon by the College choir, assisted by members of the Glee club, proved a rare treat indeed. Mr. Ernest J. Hill of Portland, who will be remembered as having an especially pleasing tenor voice, with Mrs. Gladys White as organist, added to the brilliancy of the program which follows:

Organ: "Prelude"	H. T. Tschirch
Chorus: "Fling Wide the Gates" (The Crucifixion)	Stainer
Solo	Mr. Ernest J. Hill
Scripture Reading and Prayer	
President Clifton D. Gray	
Response: "Heavenly Father, Hear Our Prayer," arranged from Beethoven	Stainer
Chorus: "God So Loved the World,"	
Hymn: No. 153	
Violin Solo: "Cavatina"	Raff
Miss Ruth Flanders	
Chorus: "Seek Ye the Lord"	Roberts
Mr. Hill and Choir	
Offertory: "Adoration,"	Callaerts
Tenor Solo: "King Ever Glorious"	Stainer
Hymn: No. 422	
Motet: "Gallia"	Gounod
Miss Isabelle Jones and Choir	
Prayer and Benediction	
President Clifton D. Gray	
Choral Response	Choir
Postlude	Gounod

Credit for the fine degree of excellence of the affair should be given to Prof. Seldon T. Crafts who was the director.

### Y. M. C. A.

The regular Y. M. C. A. meeting Wednesday evening at Chase Hall was opened with remarks by Russel McGown, General Secretary of the "Y", who outlined the program for the coming year. He said that it would be more religious and less superficial than the regular program and that it is based upon ideas gained from the Milwaukee Conference. The meeting was led by the new president, John Alexander, who read the Easter story from the Bible, and offered prayer. Livingston Lomas sang a solo, "O May My Walk Be Close with God". Several hymns were sung with George Bradford playing the piano and Samuel Kilbourne and Loring Blanchard, violins.

fitting to install a new piece of furniture in the Commons—namely a training table.

The Athletic Association paid the board of every regular on every team while that team was in training. Furthermore special meals were given to the athletes—meals that were placed on the table, not thrown there—meals that even college professors and presidents might dare to partake of. Many colleges heard of this unique innovation in due time and hastened to adopt it in various forms. Some Athletic Associations could not pay for the meals, but almost everywhere the athlete was favored and not given the second-rate vegetables, oranges, and meat that had died before it could be killed.

Ah, my children! Gather close and hear the rest of the tale. Far away in the backwoods of Maine where Bobcats leaped from tree to tree and bears and mules roamed the countryside there was a—well, we will call it an institution that had been "Baptized" Academia Batesina. It was a noble seat of learning—untainted and unadulterated by the vicious wave of athleticism. However the athletic germ gradually penetrated the Maine wilderness and reached the Bates campus. After many violent struggles that cost the lives of countless good professors and true, Bates had athletic teams. They were given lovely places to play in (after the other places were burned down); they were acclaimed by the administration; they were loaned uniforms, they were allowed to rent lockers in the athletic building, and then the faculty in the midst of a tremendous brainstorm decided to show its broadmindedness by instituting the idea of a training table for the athletes. Great rejoicing was prevalent among the students until the financiers of the institution so submerged the faculty beneath a torrent of figures that indicated the absolute ruin of the College, that that worthy aggregation of pedagogues was forced to retract its generous proposal for "Bigger, Better Meals for Bates Athletes".

Now, little dears, this story is true except that the Bates administration never had the above mentioned brainstorm. Never for a moment must you doubt the zeal with which our financiers clutch the filthy lucre, but is just barely possible that their religious education has been so neglected that they have never heard the saying, "Cast thy bread upon the waters for thou shalt find it after many days." A little money spent for a little good food for the athletes would bring returns that would compensate for the loss in material capital but the gross realists are unable to see which of the athletes will pay the interest and when they will pay it. Yes, my dears, what a wonderful virtue Faith really is!

## The Purple Decade

A beautiful Russian woman who knew mathematics so well that she taught the science at the University in Stockholm and was the first woman mathematician to receive the Prix Bordin at Paris—so there have been women who could add and subtract, geometrize. Not only this but there have been pretty women who have understood mathematics, a science which would make an angel swear. It also happened that in the middle and later nineteenth century there prevailed a fashion of writing ones biography or recollections of childhood so we have a fascinating memoir of this great mathematician, Madame Sonya Kovalevsky—a memoir which has little to do with mathematics but much with the youth of the time. You know, in the eighteen-fifties or thereabouts it seems that Russia had a "younger generation". It was a queer and obstreperous out-crop in the placidity of the older generation. Young men and young women suddenly expressed disbelief in Santy Claus and Sundry School. Parents shook their heads dismayingly over the things their sons and daughters said when home from college or university. At that time a woman could not attend a higher school unless she were married or accompanied by a married woman. Sonya Kovalevsky and a girl friend yearned to attend the University so the former proceeded to propose to a professor (imagine having to do this in order to study at Bates!) The professor refused! Perhaps he was repelled by two such coldly intellectual, hard-hearted creatures. With a second attempt on the student Kovalevsky they were successful and became students.

"Old Goriot" by Honore de Balzac is one of these stories that leaves one in wordless amazement. If anyone asks what you think of it you stutter forth—Why, why its marvelous! Its description, its psychology, the woes of the old man Goriot and his almost abnormal, almost divine love for his two beautiful daughters, those horrible characters at that horrible boarding-house with its "odeur de pension". A bit of description follows—notice the remarkable last comparison in the last sentence.

"The color of the men's coats was problematical; such shoes, in more fashionable quarters, are only to be seen lying in the gutter; the cuffs and collars were worn and frayed at the edges; every limp article of clothing looked like the ghost of its former self. The women's dresses were faded, old-fashioned, dyed and redyed; they wore gloves that were glazed with hard wear, mummified lace, dingy ruffles, crumpled muslin fichus. So much for their clothing; but, for the most part, their frames were solid enough; their constitutions had weathered the storms of life; their cold, hard faces were worn like coins that have been withdrawn from circulation, but there were greedy teeth behind the withered lips."

The Journal of a Disappointed Man—W. N. P. Barbellion. He was not disappointed in affairs of the heart for he loved and married that rare creature, a woman who was intellectual, lovely, and unaffected; he was not disappointed in achievements for he was a talented official in the British museum, he wrote scientific essays which were accepted by the best magazines, he wrote his extraordinary journal. He wasn't a crabbed sour pessimistic individual; he wasn't a goggle-eyed anaemic student; he wasn't one of these queer zanys or freaks of nature who divide us between pity and ridicule. Yet he called himself a disappointed man. I suppose it was because all during his short life Death played with him as the cat with the mouse. But even in this he was exultant. What an amazing span of moods he felt—from the nadir of despair to glorious hope, humorous moods, philosophical moods, human moods, divine moods.

There is a rather lovely novel "The Green Parrot" written perhaps about five years ago by the Princess Bibesco. It is the story of a woman's life. At the beginning of the book, Marthe the woman, is a child who is passionately yearning for a green parrot. She gets the parrot only to have it taken away from her. Somehow at this moment, tho only a child, she dimly realizes how futile human wishes and desires are. This idea of futility is developed thru the book by picturing Marthe's whole life, her loveless marriage, widowhood, and finally her entrance into a religious order.

Elsie Mowry '26 is a student at Bryant-Stratton, Providence, Rhode Island.

The engagement has been announced of Elizabeth Upton of Roxbury, Mass., to Herbert Knight '25, who has recently completed his studies at Union Seminary and accepted a call to the Congregational Church in Claremont, N. H. This is one of the largest churches in the state. Miss Upton is a graduate of Smith College.

Bernice M. Jordan '25 is teaching in the High School in Rochester, N. H.





### GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

The Girls' Glee Club is coming to the fore this year in an unprecedented way. Beside the Bates-Bowdoin Concert, which is an annual affair given during the winter, the Club evolved the idea of introducing Pop Concerts which should be based on the Pop Concerts which are presented by the Boston Symphony Orchestra throughout the summer months. This idea was carried out and the first concert was given in Chase Hall the Saturday night after

the return from the Christmas holidays. This was such a success that there is to be another one the last of the month. The original plan was to institute them as a regular part of the social program of the college but Chase Hall did not provide adequate room. It is hoped that after the Alumni Auditorium in the new gym is completed that the initial idea may be carried out.

The next event under the leadership of the Glee Club was the Lenten Ser-

vice held Sunday afternoon in the chapel.

During the spring the Club expects to fulfill several engagements in surrounding towns.

The Glee Club has improved immensely both in ensemble work and in quality in the two years that Director Seldon T. Crafts has been here. It owes much to his able leadership and to his initiative in introducing and promoting new ideas.

### Interesting Data on Elusive Ph.D.

In a recent copy of the magazine "What the Colleges are Doing" some rather interesting excerpts from magazines were printed bearing on the Ph.D. By those students who aspire to that degree, these ideas can be taken as suggestions; and by those who do not aspire to such distinction, these ideas are presented in order that their truth or falsity be proved by observation.

While recognizing the service that the Ph.D. has rendered American education in placing it on a more solid groundwork of fact and accuracy, it is still consistent to maintain that this standard is altogether one-sided and too often productive of pedants rather than scholars. It needs, therefore, to be supplemented by another standard so that the two together will do justice to that completeness which right teaching requires.

Of course, such a statement does injustice to those who enter upon their graduate work prepared for it by having acquired well-rounded development in their college days. Such men are less likely to dry up in the intensive specialization which a Ph.D. requires; and when they come through the ordeal unscathed, they are unquestionably better prepared to teach than they were before. But so far as undergraduates can judge of candidates for the doctorate, far too large a number of them appear to be pedants in the making.—The Harvard Crimson.

To suppose that a freshly baked doctor of philosophy is ipso facto equipped to teach freshmen is a tragic fallacy from which much suffering has resulted. But the contrary fallacy is, in the long run, often more fatal. To imagine that a man who has the trick of enthusiasm, who is amusing and possibly, in a way, thought-provoking to a class of callow freshmen, will continue to display even these qualities, if he has not the ambition and resolution to be a scholar, is to turn one's back on oft-repeated experience, to enter into a peculiarly superfluous fool's paradise. Such men quickly run down, their jokes become stale with familiarity, the limitation of their learning presently undermines their prestige, and even their enthusiasm gradually oozes away, leaving disillusioned hacks, whose names are likely to appear for a long time on the salary rolls, but whose real value as teachers has long since passed.—President Angell, Yale University.

As once it was common to blame money as the root of all evil, so now it is the fashion to blame the Ph.D. degree. If this continues, a reaction within the universities will force upon the graduate student a certainly arid scholarship. Of course the scholarly side of the graduate work is now stressed. But such must be the case. Unless a man has gone through this mill or is a genius, he cannot know his subject. And there are not many geniuses in this country. Writers like these attackers of the Ph.D. want personality stressed. The Crimson in a recent editorial wanted the same thing. Yet it never suggested that scholarship should be forsworn for personality.

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The great question which faces the American university is how it can develop both in its graduate students.—The Editor of The Harvard Crimson.

Too many Ph.D.'s have no interest in people or things at large.

Research work is in itself confining and isolating. To preserve one's point of contact with people, therefore, one must make a definite and conscious effort to remain a social being. But most graduate students do not make this effort. I do not blame the student. The system expects him to dedicate several of his most energetic years to research. It often happens that he and his personality become lost in the work. He is often misled into believing that in completing his limited piece of research he is fulfilling an educational mission. His research over, his degree won, he suddenly must associate with people, and he then finds that he has lost a great part of any personal magnetism he may have had. To be a great teacher one cannot afford to lose even a trifle of this inspiring force.—School and Society.

### FRESHMEN HAVE "BIG TIME" AT ANNUAL SOCIAL (Continued from Page One)

the Prince is making his get-away, the villain ("Fat" Louder), brutally wounds the hero and returns to the tower with the Princess. We forget how the story came out but it was an awful tragedy, anyway.

The last act of the evening was the best. It was a representation by a group of Co-Eds of Instructor Mendum's English class during recitation. The Instructor's looks, voice, and even hesitating habits, were imitated with astonishing perfection by Topsy Milliken House, a budding actress of remarkable talent and ability. It certainly must have required months of diligent practice to even fall far short of the instructor's insipid absent-mindedness.

The committee in charge of the party consisted of: Livingston Lomas, chairman, Muriel Beckman, George Anderson, and Jeanette Cutts. The faculty chaperons were: Miss MacKinnon, Mr. and Mrs. McGown, and Professor Myhrman.

Through the kindness of the Representative of the French government, in New York, some very interesting moving picture films were loaned to the French department and were shown in Chase Hall last night. Everyone was invited. The names of the films were as follows: The Basque Country, Chantilly, The Chateau Region, The Gobelins Tapestries and The Manufacture of Champagne.

Miss Abbie Small, a graduate of Bates, was the week-end guest of Beulah Page '30, at Whittier House.

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The most noteworthy events and undertakings are often overlooked due to their apparent insignificance. Such was the situation during the past week when the newspapers of the country heralded the "Television invention" as "a great discovery"; for no less wonderful and far reaching in its effects was the physiological experiment undertaken by the men of the college.

As is often the case, it is unknown just exactly who is responsible for the inception of the idea, but, nevertheless, we have the product of some great intellect or intellects. By a vote carried on under the Australian system as it functions in Chicago, the men determined to give the theory a trial.

One of the greatest experiments of the age is about to be attempted at our Commons. The presumption is that human beings can eventually get along with no material sustenance as long as they have mental stimulation. It is the belief that by beginning with the elimination of one meal out of 21, and continuing the elimination one at a time, eventually all meals can be done away with.

Last Sunday marked the introduction of the system—supper was not served. To hasten matters slightly the usual amount for dinner was cut slightly so that the men would not over eat.

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## Intercollegiate News

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Holy Cross and Boston College will hold a debate in French on the cancellation of the Allied War Debts. The debate is being conducted by the French clubs of these institutions; "Le Cercle Francais" of Holy Cross, and "L'Academie Francais" of Boston College.

Claude Shotts, a graduate student at Harvard, in a speech before an assembly of Boston University students hit on the weighty problems of college life. He said in part: "There is no end to the courses we take and the activities we engage in at college; a little literature, some poetry, a bit of mathematics, some science, to say nothing of athletics and the social life which make up so much of a student's life. Many of us have very poorly defined purposes in life. We are weak or strong in our education. We as students are so satisfied with things at hand. When we think about the marvelous progress of science during the past years we see that our width and breadth of knowledge is great but what about depth: regardless of the number of facts we may learn, what do they mean? Have we a conception of values? Are we making progress? What are the values of life?"

"In our search for fuller meanings in life, first we need a background for equipment, second we should accept nothing short of the truth; and third, we must have more earnest willingness to remould our lives according to what we know."

### DESIRE FOR TRUTH

"The younger generation wants the truth, and wants to do away with sham and hypocrisy," declared John Clair Minot, literary editor of the *Boston Herald* before an assembly at Boston University. "One of the outstanding things in this topsy-turvy age of ours is the desire for truth. In the past few years the passion for the truth has taken a new form. It accounts for many things outside the world of books. We see it in the social and political world. The rising generation wants truth and not sham."

### TRADITION

Among the large number of traditions at Williams, especially for the seniors is the spinning of tops. In the spring the seniors take this special privilege by spinning tops on the streets of Williamstown. Incidentally this is called one of the signs of spring.

### THE TRAVELLING COLLEGE

The recent novel adventure in education by the Ryndam "University Afloat" has proved a great success. In fact one member of its faculty, Governor Henry J. Allen of Kansas, Dean of the Department of Journalism on the Ryndam, believes that the institution will become necessary and permanent. He emphasizes its cure for the general complaint of provincialism. Its greatest value he said was "the broadening effect upon the youthful mind of intelligent travel". Other advantages that he included were its stimulus of interest in world affairs, the making of new friendships and the development of an international viewpoint among students.

Mr. Allen praised the conduct in the new University. Out of 460 students on the tour only twelve were expelled on account of disregard for rules. Japan caused nine of these by being liberal with liquor. Mr. Allen also believes that co-educational cruises are impractical.

### "ORIENTATION"

The Connecticut Agricultural College has adopted the idea of "freshman week", now carried out in many New England colleges. Next fall the freshmen will arrive a few days sooner than upperclassmen to become acquainted with the traditions and routine of college before study begins.

There was a dinner party at Rand, Sunday noon. Those present were Miriam McMichael, Helen Hudson, Dorothy Nutter, Doris David, Robert Todd and Wellington Southerland of Bowdoin, Gilbert Rhoades and Bill Brookes.

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## PHI BETA KAPPA ADMITS MEMBERS

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membership in the Phi Beta Kappa society. Prof. Carl G. Webber of Colby spoke on "What Phi Beta Kappa Should Mean". Prof. Knapp then introduced Rev. Ashman C. Salley who was for nine years a professor in McKenzie College in Brazil and is now a missionary to that South American country. He gave a most interesting address on "Scholarship in Brazil". Rev. Mr. Salley is a graduate of Bates, in the class of 1906. Prof. Wright of the faculty then gave a brief talk on "The Meaning of Phi Beta Kappa".

Representatives were present from chapters of the Phi Beta Kappa society at Colgate, Johns Hopkins, and Colby.

High-ranking students from the Junior and Sophomore classes were also guests of the society at the banquet. This innovation made the student element more evident in the gathering and gave more undergraduates an opportunity to glimpse the real meaning of membership in this honorary society. There were present from the Junior class: Misses Marion Carl, Ardis Chase, Cythera Colburn, Katherine Tubbs and Messrs. Briggs Whitehouse, John Alexander, and Koshimi Yamagiwa. The following Sophomores were present: Misses Yvonne Langlois, Eugenia Southard, Edna York and Messrs. Lawrence LeBeau and Theodore Fields.

Mrs. S. C. Ordway of South Paris visited her daughter, Hester Ordway, from Friday until Monday of this week.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. William Jones of Portland was the guest of her daughter, Isabelle Jones, at Cheney House, this week.

Billie Weeks '27 will spend the week-end in Lisbon Falls as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Karkos.

Miss Francis and Miss Bass attended a gym meet at Radcliffe College, while in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson of Portland visited their daughter, Frances Johnson '30, Sunday of this week.

Evelyn Butler, '26 will be on campus this week-end.

William Bailey '22 is again at the High School in Jonesport, taking the place of the principal who resigned early in the year.

The engagement of Elsie Greene '26 to J. L. Charron '24 has been announced recently.

Dorothy Priest '26 is connected with the New England Home for Little Wanderers in Boston.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Harriet French '17 of North Bridgton to Clarence Buck, in Norway.

Gladys J. Leahey '25 is teaching English, dancing, and athletics, at Ursuline Academy, Middleton, N. Y.

Mary McLaughlin '26 is teaching in Newfield, Maine.

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K—M. C. I. vs. Hallowell. Chairman: Margaret Morris. Judges: Prof. George E. Ramsdell, Prof. A. N. Leonard, Eugenia Southard '29. Economic Room, C. S.

L—Hallowell vs. Portland. Chairman: Yvonne Langlois, '29. Judges: Prof. Chester A. Jenkins, Clara F. Parnell, '28, Dana Ingle, '28. Arg. Room, L. F.

M—Gould vs. Brownville. Chairman: Paul Chesley, '29. Judges: Prof. F. D. Tubbs, Prof. W. H. Sawyer, Briggs T. Whitehouse, '28. French Room, L. F. N—Brownville vs. Gould. Chairman Arland Jenkins, '28. Judges: Prof. G. M. Robinson, Prof. A. A. Hovey, Ralph M. Blagden, '28. Music Room, L. F.

The committee in charge of the details and arrangements for the League is composed of Prof. Ward Browning, Professor of Argumentation and Coach of Debating, Fred T. Googins, '27, President of the Bates Debating Council, and Charles Hunter Guptill, '28, Secretary of the Bates Debating Council. Mary Geary '27, is in charge of the entertaining and the social functions.

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