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Harrier Stars End Season at National Meet

Place Impressive Third In Field of Large College Entries

RECORD SHOWS FOUR VICTORIES IN FIVE STARTS

The Bates Cross Country team has seemed unwilling to allow rabid Garnet fans to bestow all of their long suppressed enthusiasm upon a gallant and triumphant football aggregation, so it has constantly kept itself in the limelight the past season. When the squad returned from its trip to the Nationals last week in time to hang up seven pairs of well-worn spikes, pack as many grips, and depart for home to enjoy the Thanksgiving recess, the curtain fell upon a dramatic bit of cross country history.

Coach Thompson began to lay his plans for the season about October 1st, equipped with nothing but his optimistic smile and a group of about ten men, which later dwindled to seven tried and true veterans. To the team itself it is doubtful if its success occasioned any surprise, but as soon as it had won rather handy victories from Springfield and Northeastern, outsiders began to perk up their ears in an effort to learn just how far "little Bates" could be expected to go. The wise ones wagged their heads knowingly, and predicted the clash with Maine, invincible, indomitable Maine, would be its Waterloo. But when the hardy Bobcat harriers took Coach Jenkins, Lindsay, Richardson et al. into camp, the experts were obliged to recant. One week later, after the Garnet warriors had swept the front in the New England with a new record low score of 30 points, they were ready to admit that Bates had been a sady under-estimated team; and the following week, everyone was pulling for this plucky little group to come through when it competed in the Nationals at Van Cortlandt Park. That it finished third in a field comprising the cream

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New Garnet to Appear in Week

The first edition of the new "Garnet" will appear on campus within the week. It resembles the old "Garnet" in size only. The cover is changed and the material within is the product of present Bates writers. The first edition will be a number well balanced as to poetry and prose and will be of the usual number of pages, approximately twenty-five.

The second edition will be under the supervision of the Spofford Club which has co-operated already to make the present issue a success.

Y. M. SPONSORS DEPUTATIONS TO MANY TOWNS

The Bates' Y. M. C. A. completes its fall schedule of depositions at Dixfield December 13, 14, 15. The number of towns visited, during the season, has been unusually large. Requests for dates are still coming in.

A three-man team will comprise the deputation to Dixfield. They will bring to the small community church, a real live wire social program and some of the ideas of college young people on religion and life.

During October and November, "Y" men visited churches in Presumscot, Raymond, East Raymond, South Windham, North Windham, North Gorham, New Gloucester, Randolph, and Standish. The last deputation was featured by a large young peoples rally, Sunday afternoon at Lexington. This event was advertised by Rev. L. C. Hanish with the distribution of cards which, besides announcing the deputation program, featured the Bates Yell and the names of the members of the "Y" team. These were Harold Richardson, '30; "Livvy" Lomas, '30; Fred Dingley, '30; Charles Horton, '33; and George Austin, '33.

Many requests have already been received for deputations after the Xmas holidays. Camden, Wisasset, Boothbay Harbor, South Paris, and West Bowdoin have written for dates. The work seems to be expanding each year and offers a real service to the rural communities and opportunities for leadership among the men of the student body.

COMING EVENTS	
Dec. 6	Lambda Alpha "Campus Night" in Little Theatre, 7:30 P.M.
Dec. 7	Debate: Bates vs. Amherst at Amherst.
Dec. 7	"Y" Dance, 7:30 P.M.
Dec. 9	International Debate, Bates vs. Victoria College at New Zealand, at Bangor.
Dec. 13	"Importance of Being Earnest", presented by 4-A Players in Little Theatre.

Promising Hockey Outlook for Morey

Capt. Cogan to Lead Team Of Vets in Title Chase

The icy blasts and frigid temperatures of the last few days indicate that it won't be long now before the Garnet ice birds will go into training for their 1930 drive for the State Hockey Championship. Last year's honors were won by the Bowdoin sextette, but only after gruelling battles with the Bobcat skaters. Bates started slow last year, being handicapped by injuries, and did not attain its full power until late in the season. This late rush almost upset the Bowdoin crew and revealed the real power of the 1929 aggregation.

The team lost some of its outstanding players by graduation. "Pooch" Pooler and Pete Maher, who did yeomen work on the defense last year, will be missed. The team also lost two fast and clever skaters in "Pat" Malia and Daigle. Despite these losses Coach Morey will have a veteran nucleus around which to build a winning combination. "Zeke" Seor, McClusky, Johnny Cogan, Jerry Johnson and Earl Garcelon are available for the wing positions. The combination of Seor, Cogan and McClusky put the team into its winning stride last year and a team will have to go some to outskate these ice birds. Johnson and Garcelon are both fast and experienced and are fully capable of handling the wing positions. On the defense a new combination must be worked out. White, Anderson, Peabody, and Kenison had some experience last year and should develop into a capable defense unit. A team is as good as its goal tender. One of the major factors in the brilliant play of the Bates team at the close of the 1929 season was the sensational goal

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Fisher Addresses Jordan Scientific

Consider Geology as a Career. Society Election

Doctor Lloyd K. Fisher, new head of the Department of Geology, was the speaker at the last meeting of the Jordan Scientific Society.

Doctor Fisher analyzed the field of geology from the professional point of view in regards to the study as a career. Speaking of the requirements, he showed a person in this field must love the outdoors and have that good old Victorian inspiration to collect things. A person must be well informed in chemistry both qualitative and quantitative, as it is necessary to determine acidic and basic rocks. An understanding of engineering is important in making maps. Physics is important in the understanding of apparatus and the determining of stresses and strains in structural geology. Zoology helps, as by knowing the evolution of various animals and plants, the geologist can, through fossils found in rock, name fairly accurately the age in which the rock was formed. Economics will enter industrially.

Two practical and natural requirements are that a man must have common sense and be good company for himself. These are fundamental when it comes to accurate, and constructive work.

Doctor Fisher next went on to tell about the branches of geology to-day. The first is general geology in which one must know the rudiments of the field. Then there is the Palentologist, who determines the age of land thru the fossil specimens found in it. The Physiographer who deals with the types of rock, their age, and various processes they pass thru in their formation. The Economic geologist identifies ore constituents and notes the se-

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Leading Biologist Gives Lecture on Tropical Botany

Prof. Weston of Harvard Describes Research Work in Panama

UNIQUE LABORATORY ON RED CLAY ISLAND, GATUN LAKE

Last Monday evening in Chase Hall, Professor Wm. Weston, famous biologist from Harvard, presented the first George Colby Chase lecture of the season. With the aid of lantern slides he vividly portrayed the laboratory island in Gatun Lake, Panama. His lecture covered such bright spots in tropical wild life as the germs of the Mosaic disease which "are so small that they make a professor's salary look like the national debt", the strangling fig, and edible lizards that taste like frog's legs and chicken.

The lecture opened with a brief introduction by President Gray. The lights were switched off and soon the lecture was under way. Slide after slide was flashed on the screen as Professor Weston explained their significance. His manner was one of hospitality; his words flowed freely in a delightful order.

In the earlier part of his lecture he made the startling statement that the rainfall in Panama at one season of the year equals 130 inches while from November to April it is scarcely 12.

He described several pernicious diseases that attack the coconut palm, sugar cane, and corn. When investigating the effects of a corn-fungus that was transmitted only on damp nights, he remarked that in the Philippines he frequently saw boys from the age of three smoking like men, and that some even preferred chewing their cigarettes to smoking them.

The difficulties confronting the natural scientist in the tropics, he said, were almost incredible. Among other inhibitions met with in the field he told of the curiosity of the natives, leading them to gather in swarms to watch the scientist eat, shave, and perform the various duties of making camp. These and natural obstacles, he said, have led the most progressive men in botany, zoology, and allied sciences to establish a laboratory permanently in the tropics out of harm's way.

The result of years of search has produced a tropical laboratory on the Red Clay Island in Gatun Lake, Panama. Here the scientist may study wild

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Round Table Meets With Prof. Ramsdell

Professor and Mrs. Ramsdell entertained the Round Table at their home on Mountain Avenue last Friday evening, November 22. Professor Robinson gave an interesting account of his trip to Europe with the Drama League last summer. After the talk, the hostess served refreshments.

The Round Table will hold its next meeting on campus. Professor Chase will speak.

Debaters will Meet Amherst Saturday

Saturday evening marks the opening for Bates of a series of debates in the Eastern Intercollegiate Debating League. A team composed of Robert Hislop, '30, and Howard Thomas, '31, will travel to Amherst to meet Amherst on the question: Resolved that the present alignment of political parties in America has outlived its usefulness. Bates will present the case for the negative.

Vassar was originally scheduled to meet Bates at Lewiston on that same evening, debating the same question, but this debate has been postponed until the following Saturday, due to conflicts. All the colleges in the League open their season on December 7th.

Robert Hislop, '30, and Howard Thomas, '31, have both tasted of intercollegiate debating to the count of four times to date. Hislop has debated against Yale and the University of the Philippines during his sophomore year, while during his third year he represented Bates against University of Vermont and Bowdoin. He is a member of Delta Sigma Rho. Thomas took part in the Bates-Porto Rico debate his freshman year, and his sophomore year saw him in action in the International debate with Oxford, as well as in the debates against Yale and Bowdoin.

TO MEET VICTORIA COLLEGE IN INTERNATIONAL DEBATE

Have Return Engagement with New Zealand Institution To Discuss the Emergence of Women from the Home Manning, Weatherbee and Gould compose Team

Lawrance Chem. Affiliates with National Society

The Lawrance Chemical Society recently became affiliated with the American Chemical Society by arrangement with W. L. Gilliland, professor of Organic Chemistry at the University of Maine and secretary of the Maine Section of the American Chemical Society. Arrangements were made by Carl Barnes, '30, president of the Lawrance Chemical Society, at a meeting of the Maine Section of the A. C. S. held at Bowdoin College Saturday, November 23.

The affiliation requires that the local society's records, including membership and minutes of its meetings, be reported to the national society through the secretary of the Maine Section. Each member of the L. C. S. is urged to join the national society as a student member, the fee being \$10.00, by which two of the society's journals will be received. The affiliation will result in the obtaining of many interesting speakers which would otherwise be quite difficult. It will also result in one joint meeting of the L. C. S. and the Maine Section of the A. C. S. Such an affiliation shows the high standing of the Bates Chemical Society.

Letters from Ray Buker show Glimpses Rural Life in China

Bates College is represented in almost every field of work today by her graduates, with whom she tries to keep in constant contact. Among her graduates are two missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Buker who are located in the Lahu and Wa Mission in Mong Mong, Burma. Mong Mong is an eight day's journey on foot to Bana where the nearest white man lives, so, as is to be expected, Rev. Buker's letters are very few in number and are also much delayed in reaching the United States. Two letters from him have just recently been received here in Lewiston and the following extracts have been taken from them:

Lahu and Wa Mission
July 3, 1929.

Dear Folks in the Land of Independence, This month I made a short tour in Lahu land. I started June 14th and returned June 21st. At no time was I more than a day's journey from the Mong Mong compound. In those seven days I visited 10 villages (sleeping in only 7, stranged to relate), preached nine times, held six councils, treated about 100 sick cases, and added one innovation to the usual custom of missionary tours in this country, namely I taught the children in one village two games which they can play together.

This tour represented the minimum of equipment as a white traveler that I have used since coming to China. I have nearly reached the ideal of the travelling missionary. Namely a Bible and toothbrush. I have with me this rainy season four older school boys who have done preaching in the villages. They had one roll of bedding between them. I had a roll of bedding for myself. Then there was a basket of drugs and one basket for papers, dishes, etc. These things plus a lantern completed our equipment. Each village sent two men to meet us who would carry my things. Our food was provided wherever we went. The combined expense of the four boys, an item that would be regular whether I toured or not, was less than two dollars, American money.

My three square meals a day during the tour deserve mention. We took spoons with us but I remember only once or twice that I used them. Invariably when my diet is only rice and curry, I prefer chopsticks. I have become quite adept and can almost eat liquid with them. It was amusing to see our host take our discarded spoons to eat with—this being one of the novelties of the coming of the missionary. But the food—it was real good and I have learned to eat more democratically than ever before. When one is eating

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Next Monday evening marks the occurrence of what is the most important debate of the year for Bates. Leading debaters from Victoria College of the University of New Zealand meet representatives of Bates in Bangor. This is the only International Debate to be held in the state this year, and it is the first time a debate of such importance has been held at Bangor. The New Zealanders will uphold the affirmative, Bates taking the negative, of the following question: Resolved, that the emergence of women from the home is a regrettable feature of modern life.

Not so long ago, Bates sent a history-making team around the world to engage in debates in several foreign lands. One of their principal centres was New Zealand. As a direct result of the debates which the Round-the-World debaters held with the New Zealanders there comes the visit of this team from halfway 'round the earth.

Mervin Ames, Charles Guptill and John Davis were the members of the Bates team which met the debaters of Victoria College at Wellington on June 22nd, 1928. The vote was overwhelmingly "pro-Bates", 698-136. The Bates men upheld the affirmative of the question: Resolved, that this house favors the American policy of prohibition. While in New Zealand, everything possible was done to entertain "the strangers", and the team brought back nothing but favorable reports of a good time at the hands of good hosts.

Just as Bates men were the first to
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Athletic Teams Are Banqueted

Football and X-Country Squads are Honored

Bates College paid tribute to her warriors on the football field and cross-country course at a banquet held Tuesday evening at Chase Hall. About one hundred twenty-five of the men of the student body, coaches, players, faculty and friends gathered for a good meal and some spirited toasts.

John Cogan, who was in charge of the affair, spoke first to introduce Prof. Brooks Quimby as Toastmaster. With a few appropriate remarks he introduced President Gray who paid tribute to both coaches and men who have done so much to carry Bates to new heights in athletics. Prof. Quimby then announced an innovation in chapel exercises which he and President Gray have worked out. The football chapel is to be a regular weekly feature. Football men are to replace the choir and after the leader has intoned, "The Lord be with you", the squad chants, "We're going to beat Bowdoin tomorrow." Mr. Quimby's demonstration of the new scheme was most interesting and entertaining.

Howard Thomas spoke in behalf of the students and gave special mention of the cross-country team, which though it does not perform so spectacularly does deserve a great deal of commendation. Hon. Scott Wilson represented the alumni and interestingly reminisced of the old days when there were but five buildings on campus.

After administration, students, and alumni had been heard, the captains and coaches of both teams gave short responses. Capt. Cushing thanked everyone for the support that he and his harriers had received, calling it the best in years. Coach Thompson then continued in a rather serious vein, and cautioned against resting on our laurels. "Even now we should start building and planning for an even more successful future", he said. Capt. Long also acknowledged the fine spirit which has been manifest on campus and gave away some of the inside dope on the various games. And lastly Coach Morey spoke shortly and told of how he had come to enjoy the work and associations at Bates, which to him were some of the best and most worth while things in life. Both he and "Buck" Spinks feel that the same spirit will continue through their stay here. The banquet concluded with the singing of the Alma Mater under the direction of Mr. Crafts.

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FLOOD-TIDE?

The high tidal-wave of young people that has swept with such vigor into the American colleges and universities roughly since the opening of the century—more markedly just before and soon after the war—begins to show evident signs of subsiding. Although statistics show the total enrollment in American colleges and universities to be roughly 800,000 in 1926 as compared to 400,000 in the immediate pre-war period, Dr. Adam L. Jones, director of admissions of Columbia University, now finds an "almost starting" slowing up in the rate of increase of college registrations.

After studying 216 colleges which are on the approved list of the American University Association, Dr. Jones found that the post-war rush to enter college is over. "There are good reasons for believing", he writes, "that the drop in registrations may be more than temporary. In twenty-two states last year there were fewer college and university students than in the previous year, and those twenty-two states were scattered through every section of the country."

Of course there is always an inevitable saturation point in any field. This particular decline may be owing to a number of factors. The wane in the population-increase, because of immigration-restrictions and the like, is not a negligible item. Also, tightening the requirement screws more and more on each succeeding batch of prospective matriculators brings the obvious result. Perhaps too, this decline is the logical reaction of a pragmatic people upon discovering that a college diploma is no "open sesame" to the earthly Eden of personal wealth.

We can see little cause for alarm in this alleged decrease, but rather are of the mind that it has come at an opportune time. In a process of growth as rapid as that of our higher educational system, a breathing space is greatly needed. Now that we seem to be getting it there should be opportunity for stabilization, for a sifting of policies—a chance to boil down everything and skim off the slag—particularly in the state universities.

And then there might appear the secret, selfish idea that competition also will be stabilized. The numbers of college-bred people with which we must compete in the world, will not be much thicker than they are now. Ignoble thought.

If it were good form to do so, or if there were fewer persons exploding in gushy superlatives of late, we would be tempted to proclaim that the banquet held Tuesday evening in honor of the two teams and the coaches who have made this the most successful athletic season Bates has ever known, was one of the most satisfying, in all aspects, (the singing excluded) that we have known in a long time. The material demands of some odd 150 palates were commendably well satisfied, personal quips and quiddities were wafted indiscriminately about as faculty, coaches, captains and alumni all vied right merrily for the jousting honors, and yet always was felt, beneath it all, the sense of a tribute being paid and gracefully acknowledged—the sort of tribute that can find best expression "over the cups" where is sensed the atmosphere of sincere comradeship. Praises had been sounded innumerable times before in a similar manner, yet at this occasion they possessed a simplicity of expression that more effectively carried the silver ring of sincerity.

Such occasions make up a considerable portion of the priceless heritage of memories that will be ours to dream over when college life is past.

"Think of it! Twenty persons—all young and all male!" This, it is said, was President Eliot's expression of his confidence in the value of voluntary daily chapel, even if the removal of compulsion proved to reduce greatly the number of those in attendance.

OPEN FORUM

November 20, 1929

To the Editor of the Student:
Sir:

"Constrained love hath no value", says Marie Correlli somewhere, and by the same sober philosophy neither has compulsory chapel. A letter by one of your contributors some weeks ago sounded the opinion of a large part of the student body with regard to the efficacy of enforced attendance, but we disagree with him upon the exact cause of the dissatisfaction and irritation to which we must be submissive, and to his implication that the principle of compulsory attendance is right.

Mr. Hayes has said that the failure of the morning service is its lack of ritualistic beauty. Its failure is all too apparent, but it does not arise from a want of rite. Any tendency toward the ostentation and showy gaudiness of static religions that have flourished behind the movement toward simplicity, and the clear, lucid stream of beauty in art and literature, is to be deplored. It would be regression rather than progression; a worship of phantasm rather than of idea or ideal.

It is not the form, but the essential substance of our chapel service that we hereby indict. Why evade the matter? Nothing can be gained from circling around the point. First it must be understood that this letter pertains to religion only as it is exercised in our chapel services at Bates, for college students, and excludes those unique instances when the monotony is pleasantly relieved. Neither are we arguing upon the ideals of Christianity.

Any criticism placed upon the student body for its attitude at the morning service is censure misplaced. It is the duty of the exercises to command the attention of the student, but it is not the duty of the student to attend a stereotyped program which gives no stimulation. We protest that we are old enough to decide whether or not benefits are being derived or will be derived from the ceremonial. There are six hundred different personalities in our chapel each morning. There should be six hundred personal opinions and six hundred varying religions. A service more in line with modern thought might coordinate those numerous conceptions, but the present one does not do so.

The centuries old idea of our morning chapel ritual is incompatible with the changing concepts of things around us, and with the things taught us in the classroom. We are tired of the cringing attitude of the suppliant; the eternal begging for mercy and compassion. We do not feel especially favored by some supernatural being; we do not feel unworthy to be alive; we do not feel thankful to the big, blind force that man calls God. We are not in harmony with the fiction of the morning prayer. "We thank thee that we can be gathered here at the beginning of a new college day." "Our father who art in heaven." "The lord be with you". The expression of the abstract in terms of the concrete. The talking aloud to empty air.

We are tired of the bowed head, the closed eyes, and the wrinkled brow; the painful concentration upon an unreal spiritualism. We have learned to stand in defiance of material and non-material forces. We are followers of Ezra Pound's manly and healthy philosophy: "For God, our God, is a gallant foe that playeth behind the veil. Whom God deigns not to overthrow hath need of triple mail."

The gist of the argument is this: the idea of our chapel service as expressed in its form is so reactionary as to be disgusting; so monotonous as to be irritating; so contrary to the principle of freedom of individual thought as to be despotic. Social Science teaches that religion arises from a sense of human need. When the need is unmet by the existing methods for fulfillment, a change is required. Many of us are no longer satisfied with our chapel service. We can see nothing in it but an insincere devotion. A change is required. Until the change is made we are justified in asking permission to be absent.

Respectfully,
Valery S. Burati, '32

Club Activities

Cosmos Club

The Cosmos Club held its first big meeting of the year Thursday, Nov. 21.—the fall initiation, at Thornerg A supper was served followed by the initiation of the six new members Lillian Hill '30, Lauris Whitman '30, Maurice Rholand '31, George Kent '31, Howard Paige '32, and Earl Holmes '33, and a short business meeting at which Fred Dingley presented several suggestions for improving the club. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games.

L'Academie Francaise

At the last meeting of L'Academie Francaise, Mary Roche, Helen Geary, and Ida Baker gave a resume of the history of the French Comedy and the One Act Play dating from the Middle Ages down thru the present century. Mr. Ayer read an amusing article on a Frenchman's impression of a football game. All the members participated in a game called La Fable Decoupee and then sang popular French folk songs. Plans for a Christmas Program were discussed.

Intercollegiate News

Dorothy M. Haskell, Editor

Recent reports from the University of Tokio state that Japanese women attending colleges are not regarded as students and receive no credit for their academic work.

A group of American college students recently left for China where they will study the conditions and problems of the Orient. Later on, a group of Chinese students will come to America for a similar purpose.

Oberlin College has an endowment of over \$14,000,000 and is the most heavily endowed college in the United States or Canada.

The enrollment at Boston University shows an increase of 1,293 students over last year. At present there are 13,527 students attending in the twelve departments of the University.

Yale University, aided by a half-million dollar endowment from the Rockefeller Foundation, plans to establish an "ape farm" in Florida. Professor Yukes, anthropologist, will begin his work soon at Orange Park, where two hundred acres of land have been purchased.

Students of Ohio Wesleyan are using airplanes for dates when the University denied them the privilege of using automobiles.

The University of Indiana plans to erect a new chemistry building of Gothic architecture, three stories in height, and will expend \$400,000.

The school of Criminal Investigation at the University of Chicago offers a series of talks by former safe-crackers and pick-pockets so the students may understand modern methods of crime.

The co-eds at Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois, openly declared that men did not dress neatly or with good taste. The men replied, "We pay for shows—that's why we wear these clothes", and dressed in overalls.

Professor Davis, head of the English Department of Kansas State Agriculture College, believes that gridiron training is the best type of training in America. He would "invite the faculty out to football practice three times a week. For thoroughness, effectiveness in results, and concentration in pursuit of objectives, the training on the gridiron surpasses that of any classroom in which I have ever been incarcerated."

The Movie Club at the University of Oregon recently completed "Ed's Co-ed", a campus picture which was featured in theatres throughout the city.

CHAPEL HIGHLIGHTS

William Penn said, "silence is to the spirit what sleep is to the body—rest". Taking our cue from the old saying "silence is golden", we had supposed the rest was enjoyed by others. But if we adopt Penn's connotation it is only a step further to the conclusion that there is something divine in silence which makes it a most valuable part of a religious service.

"No one can be happy while the Irish are dissatisfied"—A student of Irish history inquires if anyone was ever happy then and we all cry out that universal satisfaction is humanly impossible. It is the old problem of co-operation. One of Professor Harm's quotations fits right in here, "Bear ye one another's burdens,"—the first law of the social order".

Professor Harm's sentences from Paul's letters speak for themselves. Others of them were—

- "A doubleminded man is unstable".
 - "Be not overcome by evil but overcome evil with good".
 - "Let all things be done decently and in order".
 - "Let every man prove his own work".
 - "Let us not judge one another".
 - "We know all things work together for good toward those who love God".
- To this list should be added Professor MacDonald's reminder, "Big movements start very simply".

We may not all be privileged to visit that Augusta institution of humorous memory or Rocky Mountain scenery but we all join Mr. Mayo and President Gray in being thankful for the achievements of this world of ours and thankful that we can interpret this universe as a world of order in which there is a guiding personality—God—revealed as a father and friend.

Last Tuesday a Student Assembly was held which proved to be pretty much a '31 affair. Louise Allman entertained a loudly cheering student body with violin solos until Johnny Cogan couldn't give her another minute. Then the Juniors' latest orator, Stanley Perham, president of the Outing Club revealed the mystery of obtaining membership in the club. For the further

LETTERS FROM

RAY BUKER

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in the dimly lighted Lahu houses and he cannot distinguish the kinds of meat hunks in the curry pot he just cannot choose if he does not wish to be a laughing stock or to offend his host. In this way previously tabooed parts found their way into my mouth and they were found to be gastronomically edible (though never intellectually). I have now eaten every part of chicken except the feathers, the claws and the bill. Yes, I have eaten the bones. Some bones I cannot masticate but some of the softer ones go crunching by the palate. You understand that all curry meat no matter what the nationality goes into the pot in small inch cubes, bones and flesh being hacked up together. All parts are exceptionally well cleaned at first, for the Lahu really like their food very clean.

Sept. 2, 1929.

Dear Folks in the Homeland,

August 9th to 13th I took another of my semi-habitual weekend tours into Lahu-land. I visited 3 villages, preaching 6 times and holding 4 councils. It will suffice to tell in detail the experiences of the village of Pa-Lu. Two months previous I had eaten my moon meal in this village. The most progressive deacon met us, at his door. He urged me to "bide a wee" and as my boys went on to the chapel I took up a proffered pihtaw and sat beside the fire.

Deacon Law Eu is the name of my host, for he made a bed for me and insisted I sleep in his home. It was noon and I was hungry. Rice is scarce this time of the year, and as Law Eu is a typical Lahu he had little rice to spare, but they were making buckwheat cakes a la Lahu and when I assured them that these were edible they hastily cooked up a couple for me. The fine white buckwheat flour, laboriously ground, mixed into water to form a paste is poured on a hot flat stone over the fire, turned and behold buckwheat cakes a la Lahu. No salt, no eggs, no soda—just white buckwheat flour and clear water fried on a hot stone without grease produces a mighty wholesome yellow cake about 1/4 of an inch thick and 8 inches in diameter. Two to 5 make a meal for the Lahu when rice is scarce.

Saturday evening and Sunday the four services were all well attended. Some of the problems which came up for discussion and fixing were as follows:

A man was reported to me as being addicted to liquor since his baptism a year ago. I asked him about it. He denied it. I pressed him, "Yes he had been sick in the back twice since and had taken it for medicine". He confessed, and promised to do better in the future.

Deacon Law Eu had a daughter 13 years old whom he had sold for marriage to a deacon for his son in the next village. This boy was 17 and they plan to be married in about 6 months. I taught them about this custom, girls 16 years and boys 18 years old the requisite for marriage among Lahu Christians. The pastor in the next village is to tell the deacon's son to wait. The \$8 will be repaid if he will not wait. The transaction must not go through. They are Christian deacons. Pray for these willing ignorant folks. God give us wisdom to teach and lead them.

Raymond B. Buker.

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quence of deposition. He is a structural geologist.

Dr. Fisher next spoke of the opportunities the field of geology offers. Most schools have courses in geology with a chance for assistant work. There is a large opening in field of teaching geology now. Better jobs are to be found with the national and state surveys. However national surveys offer better chances for the college man as the state allows an appropriation to carry on its work.

Government men in this field are of high ability and well trained. The best offer in the government is with the Bureau of Mines, as it tends to specialization in one field. Companies pay large sums to trained officials who analyze their difficulties. Industrial enterprises rely on the training of the Bureau of Mines.

Doctor Fisher closed by showing that the field of geology offers a good living today. Big business calls upon geologists to examine the value of deposits for oil, ore, cement, etc. It offers travel and steady job with good pay.

There was election of new members at this meeting. Ten Juniors and one Senior were elected. They are: Martin, Viles, McAllister, Kent, Small, Peabody, Coulter, Garcelon, Perham, Dore, and Lizotte.

benefit of freshmen and others he reviewed the club's history since its inception in the school year 1919-1920, explaining how the club which now possesses three cabins at Thornerg, Sabbattus, and Albany and loans snowshoes and toboggans also is the parent of our present hockey and winter sport activities. Might these seeds of the Outing Club be saved, and sown like those of the old farmer's prize squash and thus produce new achievements.

LEADING BIOLOGIST GIVES LECTURE

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life while safe from the ravages of yellow fever and the molestations of curious natives. The island is some three miles in diameter and forty miles in circumference. Professor Chapman of American Museum of Natural History in New York became the leader in the movement to establish on the island a laboratory.

The island possesses all the wild life the tropical jungles can support. The lecturer spoke of a mile and a half walk through the undergrowth there which actually took his riding breeches to ribbons. Vividly, he described the process by which the strangling fig kills its host. Professor Weston spoke well of eating lizards and crocodile steak. Briefly, as the slides flashed off and on the screen, he told of the peculiar habit of the tropical racoon, opossum, and armadillo. The three-toed sloth he said nurtured green freshwater algae on its scales and moths in its fur. The two-toed sloth on a tree resembled a hanging door-mat. And to test this animal's ability to swim, he took one, in spite of its protests, out into the Gatun Lake. There he lowered it in. "The next slide", he concluded, "shows our two-toed sloth on the last lap expecting to be hailed as the Gertrude Ederle of the Panama." Numerous other tropical animals followed such as the anteater which cuffed his antagonists in a motion like a boxer's hay-maker. The puma and ocellot he showed in night photographs. Parts of French machinery he said were frequently discovered on the island once active but now overgrown with a riot of hot-house flowers, ferns, and tangled vines.

In conclusion, Professor Weston pointed out the scientific value of the island from the stand point of accessibility, as it could be reached from either end of the canal in an hour and was so situated as to be within three-quarters of a mile from the Panama Canal in full view of the passing steamers.

CLUB NOTES

Phil Hellenic

The Phil Hellenic listened to Greek myths last Monday night. Vic Aronoff sketched the wanderings of Ulysses and Sam Gould told of the founding of Thebes. Dates were chosen for an open meeting, a reception to the Greeks of the two cities and a symposium.

Women's Politics

The Women's Politics Club met in Libbey Forum, December 2, to continue their discussion of Russia. At the two preceding meetings Muriel Beckman had given a general survey of Russia and Louise Day discussed the political situation. At this last meeting Eleanor Dow gave a talk on the economic situation.

Macfarlane

At the open meeting of Macfarlane Club Bobbie Berkeman spoke on the songs of Shakespeare. Ona Leadbetter rendered a piano solo, *Hark, Hark the Lark*.

Alethea

Alethea held its last meeting in Miliken House. Rozzie Nichols read a Thanksgiving poem. Then a word game was played under the direction of Mina Tower. The prize, a chocolate turkey, was awarded to Rozzie Nichols.

Dean of Women (6:30 a.m.): Young man, what do you mean by bringing this girl in at this time in the morning?

Freshman (returning the lady friend from the Junior Prom): Well, I got a lecture at 8:30. —Cornell Daily Sun.

College Men in the Movies

By Virgil M. Pinkley

With every click of the camera in Hollywood there comes a growing realization that college men are numbered among the most successful actors in the business. A review of the Paramount studio alone discloses the fact that twelve of the leading men—a prevailing majority, are college or university men.

From where do the prominent actors come?

Adolphe Menjou is a graduate of Cornell; Richard Arlen hails from the University of Pennsylvania, while Charles "Buddy" Rogers gives the University of Kansas as his Alma Mater.

Jack Luden is from Johns Hopkins and Tomes; Gary Cooper was graduated from Grinnell. Lane Chandler is from Montana Wesleyan, William Austin and Clive Brook are graduates of Dulwick College in England. Chandler played opposite Clara Bow as her leading man in "Red Hair." Austin is that pleasing English comedian who appears in so many pictures.

Fred Thomson is a graduate of Occidental College and Princeton University. Even the Naval Academy has a representative in none other than George Bancroft of "Rough Riders," "Underworld," and "The Docks of New York" fame.

Richard Dix, a popular favorite with the younger set of movie goers, attended the University of Minnesota. He says that his college experiences have been of great assistance in playing the roles he has in "Man Power," "The Quarterback," "The Gay Defender," "Sporting Goods," "Warming Up," and "Easy Come, Easy Go."

How do men get into motion pictures?

It is an interesting question, but the answer is far more interesting. Most of them get in by hard work. Menjou did extra work for a number of months. Luden and Rogers got their break through the Paramount Pictures School.

Dick Arlen tried for five long years to fight his way to fame by the extra route. He had no one to inspire him and even stuck with his odd parts when friends and relatives advised against it.

William Austin was a well-known actor on the stage, as was George Bancroft before he came under the Paramount banner. Lane Chandler drove a bus in Yellowstone and was discovered when a motion picture company was making a picture there.

Fred Thomson, the riding actor who played the part of "Jesse James", worked his way into motion pictures through his all-round athletic ability, and especially his riding. In 1916 and '17 he was awarded the A. A. U. title of the best all-round athlete in the country.

The case of Buddy Rogers and his ruddy rise to motion picture fame is a splendid example of men who can become motion picture actors without the oft asserted "pull". We like to write about Buddy since he is one of the most charming chaps we have ever met. He is regarded as one of the most promising young actors today and his work in "Wings", "Get Your Man," and "Anne Nichols" "Abie's Irish Rose" have stamped him as one of the few really great young actors. His work opposite Mary Pickford in "My Best Girl" has won him the praise of critics because he can act and has a personality that is pleasing both on and off stage.

Few actors have enjoyed the sudden rise that has accompanied the entry of Buddy Rogers, a member of the Alpha

chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity at Kansas University. He says luck gave him his chance, but all the good fortune that ever came to a man is useless unless he takes the next step—hard work.

It was during Buddy's third year at Kansas that Paramount established its school in New York to train promising actors and actresses. Theatre managers who booked Paramount pictures were told to report the names of any individuals that might screen well.

The manager of the little theatre in Olathe, Kansas, where Buddy attended grammar, grades and high school, thought of Buddy, since he had played the lead in the high school play and was extremely good-looking. Buddy was requested to come to Kansas City and have screen tests made.

For three days he made those tests. Buddy says when talking of them: "They smeared my face all up with greasy stuff which I didn't like. They made me jump, run, show anger, and everything you could think of. My orchestra was playing for farewell fraternity and sorority dances, finals were on and I was trying to take screen tests at the same time. It's a wonder I ever made it. They must have been hard up for actors when they took me."

Just after Buddy Rogers had taken the screen tests, Cornell selected eleven musicians from various schools to play in their orchestra during a summer tour of Europe. Buddy was selected as the trombone player. While in high school, he played the French horn, drums and trombone. He worked all his way through three years of university life by playing for dances.

When it was learned that Rogers had made good and was one of the fortunate ones to attend the Paramount school, which was to start immediately, Buddy told Jesse L. Lasky, first vice-president, of his chance to go to Europe. Mr. Lasky advised Buddy to enter the school, and forget the trip. Buddy had been to Spain the summer before anyway, working his way on a mule ship.

The mayor, minister, school master and prominent citizens of Olathe wrote letters to Jesse Lasky when it was announced that Charles Rogers had been selected for the Paramount school. Buddy feels it helped him make good. He says that his success has been through the backing of friends and kindness of studio officials. But he's wrong. You would like Buddy, just as we do, if you knew him.

Buddy feels that his fraternity life has made it easy for him to meet people. It has broadened and refined his likable personality. He advises every young fellow to attend college and work his way if possible.

In the last year and a half he has appeared as the leading man in "Wings," "Get Your Man," playing opposite Clara Bow, and the part of Abie in "Abie's Irish Rose." The latter is one of the biggest films made in Hollywood, this year.

Charles "Buddy" Rogers is modest. He carries the mark and breeding of a college man. His sense of frankness and modesty are as engrained as are his acting and good looks—outstanding.

Here and There

London—(IP)—Workmen engaged in drainage excavations at the Tower Bridge Road in the heart of London, have uncovered human skulls and bones of animals, several hundred years old.

It is believed that the relics, found about 15 feet below the surface, are what is left of a common burial ground that was used during the height of the plague in London in 1665-66.

Los Angeles—(IP)—The Old Rancho La Brea, on the outskirts of this city, which was once the largest known fossil bed in the world, has been given to the people of Los Angeles as a public park.

Agès ago several huge pre-historic beasts made the mistake of stepping into some asphalt pits at the spot, and were thus preserved for future scientific information. The site has now been practically exhausted of bones, and has been transformed into a recreational park.

Pullman, Wash.—(IP)—Gravity is the greatest unused power yet to be thoroughly harnessed by industry according to Dr. A. B. Crane, extension specialist of Washington State College here.

"Every stone", he says, "falling down a hill-side, every vehicle rolling down a grade, every pound of water finding its way from the mountain top back to the sea exerts its power and never stops until it reaches its final resting place. Catch this power of gravity, harness it, control it and direct it, and it will turn all the wheels of industry in the world."

Cape Town, S. A.—(IP)—Speaking before the recent meeting here of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, Dr. Lillian J. Clarke declared that the study of living things should form a part of the education of every child.

The Kemal government of Turkey has again faced westward in ordering that Latin, Greek and English replace Arabic and Persian in Turkish schools.

Prague—(IP)—If Al Smith lived in Czechoslovakia his name would be Al Novak. So would it be with several hundred thousand other Smiths, for in this country the name Novak is as common if not more so than the name Smith in America.

It is estimated that there are 80,000 persons by that name in the infant nation, and already 11,630 of them have joined a recently organized Novak society. The president of the new organization is Professor Carel Novak, of the Czech Technical University. The present Czechoslovak Consul General in New York is Dr. J. Novak, and the Minister of Commerce also in

He's just on the edge of a scintillating career in the cinema world, and he is the least conscious individual in Hollywood of this fact.

bears the name. The famous Prague composer, Novak, is noted in musical circles throughout the world.

The Novak society is planning to publish a journal, and also will seek to aid its members in a social and cultural way.

Chicago—(IP)—There's little money in professional sports, according to promoters who appeared before city council here recently in opposition to a proposal to levy a 3 per cent tax on all professional sport gate receipts.

In fact, the promoters stated, they have been losing money.

William Veek, president of the Chicago National League Baseball Club said that in 15 years the club has not paid a 6 per cent return on the investment. George Halas of the Chicago basketball team reported that the team has lost \$10,000 during the past three seasons. W. J. Tobin, of the Chicago Black Hawks' Hockey Team said his organization was \$90,000 in debt, and promoters of bike racing, boxing, and other sports verified the consistent deficits.

Syracuse, N. Y.—(IP)—Kendall B. Hassard, Syracuse university junior and assistant manager of the Syracuse football team, was found at Columbus, Ohio more than a week after he disappeared from the campus here.

The youth was recognized from descriptions by a policeman to whom he appealed for aid.

Hassard told reporters that his mind went blank as he was climbing "Piety Hill" on which Syracuse University is located, about 9:30 the night of Dec. 4. He had gone for a walk, he said, eating medicine tablets for a headache which bothered him. The next thing he knew he was on a railroad coach approaching Pittsburgh. He arrived in Columbus the next day. He had forgotten his identity, and appealed to a detective for aid.

He first remembered who he was when his mother came to him, police said.

Round Table to Meet Friday Eve.

The Bates Round Table will meet Friday evening at the Y. M. C. A. room in Chase Hall, at which time Prof. George M. Chase will give a talk on "Greek Humor". Host and hostesses will be Prof. and Mrs. Fred A. Knapp, Prof. and Mrs. Chase, Prof. G. M. Robinson and Miss Kate Anthony.

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