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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7.15 P.M. Spofford Club.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

1.30 P.M. Freshman Public Speaking.
4.30 P.M. Press Club.
8.00 P.M. Sophomore Champion Debate,
Hathorn Hall.

MONDAY, MARCH 2

1.00 P.M. Junior Current Events Club.
1.30 P.M. Freshman Public Speaking.
4.40 P.M. Student Volunteer Band.
6.45 P.M. Senior and Freshman Current
Event Club.
6.45 P.M. Social Service Courses.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

6.45 P.M. Cheney and Milliken Current
Events Clubs.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

1.30 P.M. Freshman Public Speaking.
6.45 P.M. Y. M. C. A.
6.45 P.M. Y. W. C. A.

BEN GREET PLAYERS

The third entertainment in the Women's Christian Association Course was given Feb. 17, at City Hall. The Ben Greet Players presented Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice." City Hall was practically filled with people from the two cities.

The production proved beyond a doubt that the power of Shakespeare does not depend upon setting or accessories and needs no embellishment beyond its own beauty and wit. The play showed well against the simple background and the skill of the actors more than made up for any lack of stage effects of the common sort.

The music and songs were by Mr. Sanford and Miss Conrey. The executive staff was made up as follows: Director, Percival

Vivian; assistant manager, Charles Hanna; stage manager, H. Royer Smith.

Announcement was made of the postponement of the Montville Flowers reading from March 2 to April 2. The next in the course will be March 19 a lecture by Gabriel Maguire.

THE MIRROR

(From the Spanish of Becquer)

Your eye is blue, and when you smile
Its gentle light recalls to me
The tremulous glow of morning
Which reflects itself in the sea.

Your eye is blue, and when you weep,
Transparent tears in it
Are pictured to me as drops of dew
Upon a violet.

Your eye is blue, and when in its depths
Like a point of light, a fancy gleams
In the sky the dark'ning, dying day
How like a star, it seems!

LAWRENE C. WOODMAN, 1914.

THE TRACK MEET

The "track meet" given by the Girls' Athletic Association, Saturday evening, in the girls' gymnasium proved very successful. Music was furnished by the college orchestra. The events of the evening and the winners were as follows:

Hammer Throw	Miss Downs, '14
Broad Jump	Mr. Mullen, '15
Hurdles	The Boys
Target Shooting	Miss Foster, '15
Shot Put	Miss Foster, '15
Mile Run	Mr. Parker, '14
Basketball	The Girls

The young men secured the highest number of points. A grand march was led by Professor and Mrs. Harms, completing the evening's entertainment.

DEBATING

The members of the 'varsity debating teams were chosen after the preliminary debates of last week. The team that will meet Colgate in Lewiston on April 24 is composed of Gustin, '15, Harding, '15, Packard, '14, and Saxton, '15. These men have the affirmative side of the question, "*Resolved*, That the Monroe Doctrine should no longer form a part of the permanent policy of the United States." The men chosen to debate with Tufts at Medford are Carey, '15, Dow, '14, Kennedy, '16, and Marsden, '14. In this debate Bates has the negative of the question, "*Resolved*, That judicial decisions upon constitutional questions should be subject to recall by popular vote.

It is a little out of the ordinary for the two Bates teams to have different questions for their debates, but it so happened that the question submitted and agreed to for the Bates-Tufts debate was a question that Colgate had already debated on so that it was necessary to select a second question that would be fair for both sides

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The Sophomore Champion Debate on the Monroe question will be held next Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Old Chapel in Hathorn Hall.

BATES ROUND TABLE

Friday evening, February 20, the Bates Round Table observed guest night. About 150 were in attendance. The speaker was Dr. H. H. Britan, and his subject was "Poems on Evolution." During the evening violin solos were rendered by Miss Marguerite Girouard, '16. Refreshments of sherbet, hot chocolate and cake were served.

SPOFFORD CLUB

At the regular meeting of the Spofford Club last week, Mr. Hussey presented an essay. Miss Sanborn read a short sketch, and Mr. Woodman gave translations from the Spanish poet, Becquer.

VESPER SERVICE

The first of a series of Vesper Services was held Sunday at four o'clock in the chapel. Rev. W. R. Leslie, pastor of the High street Methodist church, Auburn, gave the address. There was special music by Miss Mildred Litchfield, soloist, and Mr. Hubert Davis, Bates, '12, violinist, and an anthem by the choir.

Mr. Leslie's text was Numbers XIII:30: "Let us go up at once and possess it for we are well able to overcome it." He said, in part: Discipline and inspiration are united. You are touring the promised land of school life. The end of college is the beginning of life. We attain our best not by what is done for us, but by what we do for ourselves. Caleb meant to make the Promised Land his dwelling place. He had a keen desire for opposition, a staunch faith in God, and was prompted by a true sense of altruism, which is the greatest motive in the world.

BASEBALL

A cut in the freshmen squad has been made and the following men have been retained: Winslow, Segal, Riley, Mills, McCormack, McDonald, Murray, Davis, Collins, Butler, Boober, and Boisneau. The other candidates from the upper classes, who are now trying out for the team, are: Rawson, '14, Talbot, '15, Witham, '15, Drake, '14, Stinson, '14, Cobb, '14, Lindquist, '14, Fuller, '15, Moore, '15, Moulton, '15, Thurston, '15, Marston, '16, O'Connell, '16, Hutchinson, '16 and Lord, '16.

Winslow, '17, has been persuaded by Capt. Coady and Coach Purinton to go out for pitcher instead of first base. This will strengthen very materially our pitching squad which is composed of Stinson, '14, Lindquist, '14, Fuller, '15, Moore, '15, Moulton, '15, and Mills, '17.

Talbot, '15, will be kept in form for catching this spring. This was deemed best by those in authority in order to have a catcher to fall back upon if anything should

happen to Lord, '16, the regular catcher. Talbot caught in Gardiner High School and proved himself to be a competent man in this position. Besides Lord and Talbot, Hutchinson, '16, and Segal, '16, are also applicants for the catcher's position.

It is the plan of Captain Coady in the spring to reduce the 'varsity squad to about fifteen of the best men and to let Coach Purinton give his undivided time to these men. He proposes that another coach be procured for the second team, and that the two squads practice separately. Of course if a man proved himself to be worthy he would be transferred from the second team squad to the 'varsity squad. Although Coach Purinton is not wholly in favor of this plan he will probably consent to it, as it is undoubtedly the best way to obtain the most desirable results.

An unusual characteristic of this year's team is that every man is a right-handed batter. Whether or not this will be a weakness in the team remains to be seen.

JORDAN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

The Jordan Scientific Society held its regular meeting Monday evening in the Chemical Laboratory. Prof. Jordan gave a formal talk, taking for his subject, "Salvo's Theory of Solutions." Harding, '15, gave an explanation of the Transit.

PRESS CLUB

At the weekly meeting of the Press Club, Friday, several new members were admitted.

SOCIETIES

Polymnia and Piæria united with Eurosofia and enjoyed the following program:

Reading	Mr. Bacon, '17
Piano Solo	Mr. Martin, '17
Vocal Solo	Miss Humiston, '14
Dialog	Miss Bradbury, '16, Miss Kane, '16
Quartet	Miss Mower, '16, Miss Thompson, '16, Miss Everett, '16, Miss Kane, '16.

Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE

Over three hundred delegates met at Colby College last Friday in attendance of the Y. M. C. A. Conference. The conference opened Friday afternoon with an informal reception at Memorial Hall. The speakers were Dr. Frederick C. Thayer, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Prof. H. C. Libby of the department of public speaking, Arthur G. Dillingham, '14, President of the Colby Y. M. C. A.

At 6.30 the delegates gathered at the city armory where a banquet awaited them. Dr. John F. Hill presided, and Dr. W. H. Hartsorn served as toastmaster.

Saturday the morning session opened with a song service led by Herbert E. Hinton, Bates '17. This was followed by departmental conferences comprising two sections: One for the college men and one for the preparatory school men. The delegates from Bates College were: Paul R. Smith, Kenneth Witham, Sumner M. Davis, Robert A. Greene, Webster McCann, Percy C. Cobb, Morton H. Wiggin, Lawrence B. Sylvester, T. Charles Marsden, H. W. Hamilton, Kempton J. Coady, H. R. Nevers, Leon E. Davis, Allan W. Mansfield, N. F. Snow, E. F. Saxton, Lawrence W. Cartland, Eugene F. E. Smith.

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With the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" the ninth annual Students' Conference came to a close Sunday night.

Mr. Colton spoke at the final meeting, Sunday night, on "The Association as a World Power," and the farewell word was spoken by Dr. D. G. Latshaw of New York, international secretary for extension work.

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One of the most dominant forces which bears directly upon the moral and educational development of the college man of to-day, is athletics. Prominent educators realize that it is thru the many branches of this active exercise that the real strength of the college man is brought to the greatest degree of efficiency, not only physically, but mentally and morally as well.

For the last decade it has been the aim of the athletic world to improve its environment, and to raise the standard of public opinion. The brutalized form of football of the past has been modified. Rules and regulations have been laid down for the improvement of the game. Coaches and trainers are beginning to realize that public opinion is against them if they continue to instill into the mind of the athlete that he must win, no matter how. Furthermore, the name of playing the game with a clean, steady hand is so essential to the reputation of the College, that the un-

fair advantage which one man takes toward a fellow competitor is no longer tolerable. Let a man be caught tripping on the grid-iron, cutting bases on the diamond, crowding on the cinder-path, and he is at once disqualified. The reason for this is that the best public sentiment among our colleges is on the side of fair play and honesty. These are the two fundamental principles of true sportsmanship which we demand in competitive athletics. In fact, the time has now come when we no longer regard as our rivals the college or university which will not uphold these principles.

Records show that athletics are undergoing vast improvements, but it is still for us to continue with determination in this same direction, in order that they shall be lifted to even a higher plane of decency and honesty. Athletics are with us to stay, and they must be purified.

NEMESIS LAUGHS

I fully intended to kill him. The groom had left Neigh, as I ordered, in a clump of bushes near the road. I was a little late in getting started. I had been going over father's papers all day; father's letters to the press, clipping from "The Times," letters from such party leaders as Haswell, Longman, and Perle. The letters that would have cleared father a thousand times, he had burned with his own hands—not a line left to show who the guilty man was, and no one will ever know. That man paid—if misery can pay. But Brandon knew. More than that, he had watched my father go mad. And the hellish cartoons were allowed to stand. Oh, I was heated to it even if I could forget mother's cold, white face and father's vacant one.

I planned how I should do it. Brandon would be in his studio at the end of the house. I would creep up, and shoot him from behind the shrubbery. The artist lamp

would make it an easy shot. The studio windows were large, unshaded and uncurtained.

I planned it all out as I put Neigh over the road; where I should leave the road, where hitch Neigh, how I should make my way thru the shrubbery almost to the window ledge. If all went well I should be back by half-after-nine, early enough for the banquet.

Suddenly, I heard a siren call, far away, in the road behind me. It was Brandon; I recognized the dull green body and long, low lines of his French racer. At once, it came to me; I would shoot him while he was in the car. I reined Neigh to the roadside, turned in the saddle. He was crouched in the driver's seat, sending the car for all it was worth. It swayed from one side of the road to the other. The mark was a difficult one. I calculated my aim, confident—but I had waited too long. Just as the car pitched into range, Neigh shied. In a whirring skid he had rounded a bend of the road and was out of sight. The failure made me furious. I was more determined than before.

When I reached his place, I turned in at the drive and tied Neigh in the hedge. The house stood out glare white from the rim of trees and shrubbery, which caught the light from the windows and threw it back against the walls. The outside world seemed darker in contrast.

I kept on the turf and made no noise. Near the hosue I turned off from the drive and made straight for the studio window. The room was lighted—yes, he was there—bent over his dastardly cartoons, perhaps driving some other man's father mad. A few sneering lines, drawn with such devilish cunning that God's truth was caricatured into lie and slander. They killed my mother, those cartoons.

I took my revolver out of my coat pocket and moved up nearer to a clump of bushes right in front of the window. Yes, it was Brandon, altho I could not well see into the

room for the branches, I was sure of his hunched figure, and the short, straight nose and rounded cheek of his profile. I lifted my revolver. In a minute he would turn his head. The leaves moved on each other softly; but their rustle seemed to make the silence even more still, and the time longer.

The he turned his face. I can see him now. His eyes were afire with fever. At first I thought it was fear of me. No. Altho he was looking straight in my direction, he did not see me. His face was white—the white of a dead man; he stood rigid and cold; but the eyes burned like white-hot needle points. I had leveled my revolver at him, but I could not fire. He was being paid.

A long time I stood looking at him; the revolver still leveled at his temple. Then I slunk back into the bushes and left him looking out, sightlessly, into the night.

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I was late for the banquet. The waiter found me a place near the foot of the table among people whom I did not know. My dinner partner bowed graciously, and, turning to the man at her left, resumed an interrupted conversation. "Yes," I heard her say, "George Brandon was to have been here, but he was called home, suddenly, to-night. His mother died."

FRANK HILL, '14.

Y. M. C. A.

Prof. Harms will have charge of the meeting, Wednesday evening, March 4.

It has been voted by the faculty to grant the petition of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet to place the collection of Y. M. C. A. dues on the same basis as those of the athletic association. This means that when you get your term bill for this semester your Y. M. C. A. bill will be in the items of the main bill instead of being listed on a separate bill as heretofore. Moreover, the rule is that all seniors must pay their bill before graduating. This is simply the placing of the Y. M. C. A. on a little firmer business basis.

SPIRITS

Darkness was falling upon a little southern town, as an ancient negro trudged towards his home. Over a quiet lake was wafted a sweet lullaby, and the crickets were chirping merrily. Uncle Joe at last came to a row of rude log cabins. He climbed the steps of one of the roughest of them, and entered a low door.

He groped about in the darkness, blindly searching for some matches. Finally he found them and lighted a small wax candle. "Mercy me," he said, "I don't see where that Lizzy o' mine is. I never see the beat o' how she's been gaddin' around lately sence she jined that wimmen's club. She's been talkin' highfalutin' enough to give a poor, respecttable nigger a stomach ache. Why, jes' last night, she asked me what my opinions was consarnin' the currency reforms an' the Panyma Canal, an' I jes' up an tol' her that she better reform mighty sudden to get sumthing ready fer my alimenterary canal. Well, we couldn't know how good men folks was, if it warn't for wimmen."

The old man grumbled in this strain as he impatiently trudged about the room, waiting for his wife to return home and cook the supper. The wind howled down the chimney-place. The floor-boards creaked and groaned under the burden of his pacing feet. At last, he happened to look up at a calendar which hung over the mantel of the fireplace. "Mercy on us," he said, "It am the day."

By the day, Uncle Joe referred to the twenty-first day of September, on which date, years ago, his old master had summoned him to his death-bed. As his master bade Uncle Joe good-by, he had given him his briar pipe, and had told him that he would visit him at that date on every year, and that his spirit would then smoke the much treasured pipe.

The old negro's knees were trembling, and his face grew pale with fear. He groped towards the fireplace. He reached to the mantel, and grasped the pipe. He gave a

frightened cry, and fell, fainting, to the floor. The ashes in the pipe were hot.

In the succeeding year, Uncle Joe became so feeble that he was unable even to walk slowly. At the gathering of the first harvests, he took to his bed, and his wife, Aunt Lizzie, proved to be a faithful nurse in spite of her partiality for suffrage and political discussions. When the twenty-first day of September arrived, it was utterly impossible for Uncle Joe to rise from his bed. "Lizzie," he called, "come in here a minute. I want to tell yer sumthing." Aunt Lizzie entered the bedroom and sat down by her husband's side. "Thirty years ago," the old man continued, "when Marse Henry was dyin', he give me that briar pipe that sets on the mantel ober the fireplace. An' Marse he done said that he would come back this day every year, an' smoke that pipe. Now, Lizzie, you jes' go an' see whether the ashes in the pipe is hot er not."

A broad smile spread over Aunt Lizzie's face. "You've been so pertikuler," she said, "about that old pipe, I never darst to tech it when you was around. But p'raps it warn't that way when you've been out working or in the other room. I shouldn't wonder if the ashes was hot. I've been smokin' that 'ere pipe for thirty years."

WILBERT S. WARREN, '14.

Y. W. C. A.

The annual business meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will be held March 4, at 6.45 P.M. The regular committee will report on the work of the past year and officers for the ensuing year will be elected. Girls please bring their sewing. Refreshments will be served.

The following are the nominations for officers:

President

Esther Wadsworth, '15
Gladys Tilton, '15

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Florence Nelson, '16
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 Grace Berry, '17

The Y. W. C. A. Meeting was omitted this week because of the George Colby Chase Lecture on Wednesday evening.

Sunday morning, at nine o'clock, the Y. W. C. A. held a meeting in Fiske Hall in observance of the Universal Day of Prayer for the Students. A brief resume of what has already been done and of future plans to be carried out, was given by the leader, Miss Ryder. Then followed a solo by Miss George.

The Current Events Clubs held their regular meetings this week.

ALUMNI NOTES

Bates College alumni held their 30th annual meeting and banquet last Friday night in Boston. Among the speakers were President George C. Chase of Bates, and William F. Garcelon, '90, former graduate manager of athletics at Harvard. Frank W. Chase, '87, was elected president of the association.

In the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce there are at least three Bates graduates. W. B. Skelton, '92, is president, D. J. Callahan, '76, is first vice-president, and John L. Reade, '83, is clerk.

1887—Ezra K. Sprague is surgeon in charge of the line inspection of immigrants at Ellis Island. In a recent article in the *New York World* about the work at Ellis Island, the following statement was made concerning Dr. Sprague: "He is the man upon whose shoulders rests what is perhaps the heaviest responsibility of all. No immigrant can be certified for deportation or as suffering from any physical or mental disease or defect unless he concurs in the diagnosis of the

examining physician and signs the certificate."

1906—Mervin S. Giles is instructor of Mathematics at Lyndon Institute, Lyndon, Center, Vt.

Frank H. Thurston is principal of the High School of Portsmouth, N. H.

1911—Miss Hazel P. Leard has just accepted a position in Portland High School. Until very recently she has been teaching German and History in the South Portland High School where she has been very successful.

The marriage of Mary Emma McLean, of Augusta, a student at Bates College for two years, and Frederick Walter Hillman, 1911, of Island Falls, recently took place at Augusta. Mr. Hillman is engaged in highway engineering.

1912—Supt. Charles H. Abbott of Turner is attending the National Convention of School Superintendents in Richmond, Va.

Miss Belle Twombly is teaching history at Townsend, Mass.

Miss Annabel Jones of South China, Me., was a recent visitor at Cheney House.

Florence A. Rideout has been elected to teach English in the High School at Norway, Maine.

Margaret T. Tubbs is assistant in the Academy at McIndoes, Vt. Miss Tubbs is a very popular teacher.

1912—Harry W. Rowe, field secretary of the Maine Christian Endeavor Union, is to be field secretary for Northern New England. His territory embraces the states of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. His headquarters will be at Waterville.

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