BATES SENIOR IS SERIOUSLY BURNED

Lawrence in Hospital After Apparatus in Lab Explodes

Professor Everett L. Lawrence '25 met with an accident in the laboratory Monday night. He was engaged in an experiment recorded in Advanced Chem. Textbooks, in which he had been working during the whole of last week. As he was preparing the necessary apparatus to start the experiment, he was enveloped in a mass of smoke and fire. The laboratory, which Lawrence was warming immediately prior to the explosion, was completely filled with smoke. In the general confusion which followed, he removed his laboratory coat and safety glasses. At the moment of the explosion, he extricated himself to another room where he was making rapid calculations in the laboratory. He shouted for help and two of his assistants were immediately upon the scene. He was taken to the University Infirmary and was thought not to be seriously hurt and was expected to recover.

The play was being conducted under the direction of Prof. Stephen B. Gorges, who died last year. Mr. Gorges is a native of Bates, and was graduated from the college in 1870, and has been associated with the college for many years. He was well known as a teacher and as a student of science and literature.

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AND WE PROVINCIAL
We are just as loyal to Bates as any other undergraduate. But ours is not a blind loyalty that leads us to see our Alma Mater through a sentimental haze and thus fail to observe its failings and bloopered. We deplore the attitude of self-satisfaction that exists on this campus. We deplore the slipshod method we have of handling both curriculum and extra-curriculum matters. We regret the casual, non-critical attitude of our students.

Now more specifically, and gently so. Our numerous clubs and societies have become merely formalities. We belong to them for the sheer pleasure of having one or more pictures in the Mirror or adding one more club pin to our already extensive pin collection. We attend meetings sporadically and even when there show but a vague interest in the proceedings.

We are constantly trampling underfoot our college traditions of long standing, and, boasting about it. At night we are to be seen in the local "amusement palaces" clad in nondescript sweaters or "street shirts," which are, strange to say, definite indications that we are Bates men.

In the province of scholarship we are but little betters. Ours is a shallow scholarship. It does not seem to be very acquisitive, knowledgeable or not, so long as a good grade is written down on the records. We scorn at things literary, and pay but little attention to the progress of the outside world. With a fatal air of self-satisfaction we lock upon ourselves as collegians, than whom there are not superior.

All these are signs of decadence. We hope for a genuine renaissance. We have long since learned that educational centers, mountains nor build bridges, but still we hope for the best. Why can't we take a real interest in our extra-curriculum activities and make them worthwhile? Why can't we realize that our "undress" uniform is not just as much as our "dress" uniform? Why can't we do battle against these everyday matters?

THE MILLION DOLLAR PLAY
So generally excellent was the production of the "Torch-bearers" that we shall regret the completion of the Million Dollar Fund, it will mean the discontinuance of these plays. The players and all others concerned have earned a well deserved praise.

We have long since become mentally fatigued with last year's George Colby play. We have been thoroughly acquainted with the play. We have heard it repeated nearly by adopting-globally the gobs of yellow sticking and gray corduroys! Bates must breathe culture and refinement. We must have scholarship in our own right, and if we aren't worthy for the love of it.

A Line or Two
O'Verse
TO THE GREAT STONE FACE
(Princeton, N. J.)
I dreamed that long ago Time grew jolly when he saw
His sister Life had walked and took herself away from the study
of eternal nothingness whose only law
Was liberty, and whose myrtle boughs
Doubtless change in a name!
But I have followed your critical
Hates and programs, and none more than
The beauty of the slumbering vale and
Your love of her for it.
And there exists an Internationally known and his
assistant, and to you his
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TEAM SELECTED TO DEBATE COLGATE

Canham—Davis—Walker To Represent Bates Women Try Out

Eve Underhill, Harold Walker, and Alice White, the winning team of the current season, will be one of the teams chosen to represent Bates in the Airplane Travel of the Colgate Debate. The debate, which is to be held at Colgate University on February 20th, will consist of four debates, each lasting three hours. The teams will be chosen by a panel of judges, who will be selected from among the faculty members of Colgate University.

PROF. ROB TALKS ON AIRPLANE TRAVEL

Telos of Trip From Paris To London Last Summer

Professor Granville M. Robinson of the Department of History, who spent last summer as a member of the American Club, will discuss his experiences in a lecture on "Telos of Trip From Paris To London Last Summer." The lecture will be held in the Little Hall Auditorium on February 20th at 8:00 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

To the Editor: "The Student!"

Here is a proposition for reform that comes straight from the Parker Central School. We believe that when students are not sure of their antecedents are to meet and work out the problem of getting to New England," he said. These were the words of a member of the Social Service Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention.

PREXY ON CAMPUS

Elected Head of Social Service Commission

Baptist Church

President Gray who has been away from the college for some time must appear again on the campus in to speak of his trip as quickly as possible is expected to find it very necessary to keep busy with the work of the church. His return will be welcomed by the students as far west as Michigan and Illinois as well as by the students of the university in Maine.

January 2, he attended a meeting of the Social Service Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention which was held in Rochester, New York. President Gray will be expected to know at that time the president he will hold the position of Chairman of the Commission, a highly honorable, if not a very responsible position.

The following week he attended a meeting of the Association of American Colleges which was held in Chicago. While in Chicago he also met the College Alumni at the Rector Hotel. The meeting was one of the most interesting of the year and is in which President Gray stopped at the house of President Robbins, to hear some of the interesting things that have been going on in the college.

OBSERVATIONS

Mr. McGowan WELCOMES A LITTLE SON

The Stork visited the house of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. McGowan, 300 Limestone, and left a six and one-half pound baby girl, who was named after the baby's father, Frank D. McGowan. Mr. McGowan is an alumnus of Bates College.

New York University College of Retailing

Grads in Retailing

New York University College of Retailing has announced that it will offer a course in Retailing for the summer session of 1926. The course will consist of lectures and demonstrations, and will be conducted by Professors Robinson and Smith.

BARTLETT PLAYS TO PAY BOBBY CATS

Barlett Announces Games for Ball Players

Manager "Moe" Bartlett has announced that the ball games will be played by the Bobby Cats. The games will be played at the stadium in the fall, and the profits will be used to support the college.

Discuss Outlawing War

At Last Meeting

The Social Service Commission of the Presbytery of Providence met and discussed the question of outlawing war. It was agreed that every member present give his view on the subject. There were many in favor of outlawing war, but the final decision reached was that the question be referred to a committee for further opinion.

CHILD LABOR DEBATES BY FROSH COUNCIL

BOB-CATS TO PLAY WITH BOBBY CATS

The Social Service Commission of the Presbytery of Providence made a formal debate at the next meeting. The position will be "Resolved that the commission be prepared by Congress to be taken as an amendment to the constitution whereby child labor shall be regulated."

Interesting interest is being shown in these debates, and the President promises will be able to turn the most prominent institutions at Bates.
"U. OF FRIENDSHIP"
PREXY'S SUBJECT

Speaks at Y. M. C. A. Meeting Asks for Deeper Thought

The University of Friendship was the subject of a special talk by President Gray at the regular meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association at Chase Hall last Wednesday evening.

Dr. Gray prefaced his address by a rather searching comment on the optimism, stating the belief that many who are thus classed are shirkers and supremely are the proof of their life. They are like those who cheerfully quote from Bouvier's Pupas Priores: "It is in the high, Heaven and all's well with the world!"

But as his experience is a true contrast from which they gladdly snatch this text. The true optimist is a man who can on both sides of life, holding to the bright in the background of the dark. "God is in the high, there will be with the world—amenity." Ours is the task now. "Let us love, mirth, and in

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