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## Y. W. C. A. CONVENTION.

The annual convention of the Young Women's Christian Associations of New England, held at Portland, Feb. 17-20, was a decided success. There were in all over three hundred delegates, the majority of whom were students, though several city associations were represented, the Portland association of course being present in good numbers.

It was an enthusiastic company of Colby women that left Waterville Friday morning to enjoy the benefits of this convention and to partake of the hospitality of the Christian people of Portland. Too much cannot be said in praise of the royal manner in which the delegates were entertained and in every way made comfortable and happy. Our Portland friends are certainly kindness and cordiality personified. At the State Street Congregational church where most of the services of the convention were held, a lunch was served to the delegates on their arrival Friday afternoon, after which they were shown to the homes where they were to be entertained. The representatives of Colby were pleased to find Miss Martha Hopkins and Miss Clara Martin, both Colby, '03, actively engaged in association work in their home city. Miss Farwell, '06, since her absence from college has become an earnest worker in the Portland Y. W. C. A., and, being still a member of the cabinet of the Colby association, swelled the numbers of the Colby delegation by her presence.

The exercises of the first afternoon consisted of the opening of the convention with Mrs. F. G. Cook of Boston presiding, and the transaction of routine business, such as the appointment of committees, and it may here be mentioned that Miss Grace E. Berry, Dean of Colby, and her immediate predecessor, Mrs. H. S. Philbrick, both serve as members of the New England committee. The address of welcome was given by the Rev. Raymond Calkins, pastor of the State Street church, and responded to by Mrs. W. C. Pickersgill, of Brookline, Mass. A review of the year's work presented by the different secretaries and a Bible hour conducted by Mrs. S. B. Capron, completed the afternoon's program. A pleasant reception to the delegates was then given in the Free Street Baptist church. Mrs. J. F. Thomson, President of the Portland Y. W. C. A., gracefully filled the position of toastmistress on the latter occasion, and Miss Berry of Colby was one of those who responded to a toast in a very happy manner. One of the most impressive services of the entire convention occurred on the first evening, when the Rev. Alexander McKenzie, D.D., of Cambridge, Mass., addressed the delegates on the topic "For the Sake of the Name." The title of this masterly address at once became the watchword of the convention and the thoughts of all were centered upon service beautified "For the sake of the name." A quartet from Bates college furnished music on both Friday and Saturday evenings.

Saturday's exercises opened with the roll call of delegates, under the direction of Miss Margaret Mathews, who, as successor to Miss Katherine P. Crane, Student Secretary for New England, has endeared herself to the hearts of all college and preparatory school girls throughout New England. The second Bible hour, conducted by Mrs. Capron, served, like the first, as an aid toward more intelligent, reverent, and prayerful use of

the Bible. After the business session, a charming talk was given by Miss Florence Simms, City Secretary of the American Committee, during which an opportunity was given to every association represented and every individual present to pledge money for carrying on the increasing work of the New England committee. The sectional conferences of Saturday afternoon were a most helpful feature. The College Conference was led by Miss Bertha Conde, Student Secretary of the American Committee, and was of deep interest to the Colby delegates. From five to six a delightful "at home" was tendered to the college delegates by Miss Grace Locke, 179 State street, and another to the city and fitting school delegates by Mrs. Herbert Brown, 125 State street. The address of the evening, "The Gospel Message for an Active Life," was given by Dr. L. L. Doggett, Ph.D., President of the Y. M. C. A. Training School at Springfield, Mass. The burden of the remarks made by this able and scholarly gentleman seemed to be that "work may be worship if in that toil we serve."

Sunday morning was left free in order that the visitors might attend the churches of their choice. Many availed themselves of the opportunity to hear the Rev. Smith Baker, pastor of the Williston church, which is famous as the birthplace of Christian Endeavor. At the High Street church on Sunday afternoon Miss Conde conducted a beautiful service for women. In the evening Miss Ruth Rouse, Secretary of the World's Christian Student Federation, spoke on the work of the Y. W. C. A. in foreign countries. Her personal experiences in India, Finland, Norway, Denmark and Holland gave weight to her address, and she brought home to the young women of New England the necessity of meeting their responsibility in the great work of the "evangelization of the world in this generation." At the close of this service the delegates formed in a circle around the church and sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and the convention closed with a farewell meeting for the delegates, conducted by Miss Elizabeth C. Torrey, City Secretary for New England. Miss Torrey had been chosen as leader of the Colby delegation meeting on the evening before, when all the delegations held separate meetings, and in her straightforward remarks about the work among factory girls, she impressed her hearers most favorably.

This inspiring gathering was favored with beautiful weather and everything to make it a joy to all in attendance upon it. Between the meetings many delegates availed themselves of the opportunity for "sight-seeing," and on Saturday afternoon, many enjoyed a sleigh ride which had been arranged for them by the entertainment committee. Through the courtesy of the Portland Y. M. C. A., those who were interested in athletics were given a chance to attend a basket ball game and relay races in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A. building, before the meetings on Saturday evening. This occasion was a reminder of one important side of life at college and was thoroughly appreciated by the students present. Dinners and suppers were served for a small sum at the Free Street church to save the delegates the trouble of going to their places of entertainment for every meal. The delegates who could remained for the Cabinet and Board Members' Councils held Monday morning, but a large number

took the early trains from Portland, carrying with them a more serious purpose for Christian service and a sincere feeling of gratitude for the privilege of attendance upon such a delightful and inspiring convention. The delegates from Colby were: Dean Berry, Misses Blaisdell, Harvey, Howard, Lakin, Lamb, Pinkham, Richardson, '05; Caldwell, Hall, Kennison, Plummer, Weston, Wilson, '06; Bassett, Beverage, Emory, Fosssett, Jones, Robinson, Tyler, Winslow, '07; Bangs, Carver, Josie Clark, Lena Clark, Felker, Green, Hardy, Little, Philbrick, and Weed, '08.

M. L. H., '05.

## PHI DELTA THETA RIDE.

The Annual ride of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity took place on Friday evening, Feb. 17. The storm which had threatened all day did not materialize, the weather man having decided that it would be better to postpone it until some other time.

A more beautiful night is rarely seen than that which greeted the young people who set forth on their way to the Salmon Lake House. Now there has been no little dispute as to the exact location of the said Salmon Lake House, some contending that it is situated in Belgrade, others that it is in North Belgrade.

A committee has been appointed consisting of Dr. Marquardt and J. A. Gilman to investigate the matter. After due investigation on the part of these gentlemen it has finally been decided in favor of the latter locality.

The action of the committee has been highly satisfactory to all concerned except in one particular. It has been suggested that it would have been better if the committee had conducted its investigation prior to the evening of the ride, as some little inconvenience was caused by the late arrival of the members of the committee, one of whom was to have acted as chaperon of the party, and the other as toastmaster.

In due time, which was about twelve o'clock, toastmaster Gilman arrived, after a cross country drive of some twelve or fifteen miles. The party sat down to supper with appetites whetted by the long delay. When all had satisfied the desires of the inner man, toastmaster Gilman arose and announced that Dr. Marquardt had gone on an errand to Belgrade depot, and would return sometime in the course of the evening. He also proposed a toast to "our absent friends."

The toasts of the evening were responded to by Coy and Cotton, '05, and Shepherd, '08. All gathered about the organ, and after singing Phi songs until a late hour, set out for Waterville voting it a most successful evening's entertainment. But not so the Doctor. He rode on and on in the vain hope, as it proved, of reaching his destination. It is said that by a certain globe encircling process he finally reached Waterville in time for his eight o'clock recitation. Those who attended the recitation say that the Doctor spent the hour in the study of geography, endeavoring to prove "that you can reach the north by driving west."

G. D. C., '05.

Norman E. Dole, '05, of Stanford University, has been notified that his pole vault record of 12 feet 1.32 inches made last April is acknowledged to be the world's record.

## ZETA PSI RECEPTION AND HOP.

Thursday night, Feb. 23rd the annual reception of Zeta Psi followed by a hop was given in Thayer hall. It was evident that the fraternity had done their very best to make it rank with previous functions of the same kind, and to say the least in their praise, they had amply succeeded. The alumni, delegates and friends of the fraternity who had the honor of being present found not only the hall but also the stairs and the antechamber tastefully decorated with drapery and the pleasing white and blue. To the right in the main hall, a cozy corner had been prepared for the orchestra; to the extreme right was a large mirror entwined with the colours and upon the same was hung the beaming Zeta Psi escutcheon, in itself a very effective decoration. The posts were all artistically covered with the colours, the walls displayed neat trimmings and the sofas abounded in pillows of every design. The program was, as usual, small in size, neat in design and rich in contents.

At 9.20 the ball opened with the grand march led by Mr. Pugsley and Mrs. Dr. Hill.

The following delegates were present: From the college: (Faculty) Prof. Hedman, Dr. Black and Mrs. Black, Prof. Webster Chester.

The fraternities were represented as follows: Delta Kappa Epsilon, Mr. L. L. Ross; Delta Upsilon, Mr. Walter Hammond; Phi Delta Theta, Mr. A. J. Uppwall; Alpha Tau Omega, Mr. Sherburne.

From Bowdoin: Mr. Glen Lawrence, Mr. Henry Abbott. From the city: Mr. F. Holmes.

The reception committee, to whom much praise is due for arranging things to such satisfaction, consisted of the following gentlemen: H. N. Jones, J. B. Pugsley and R. L. Hall.

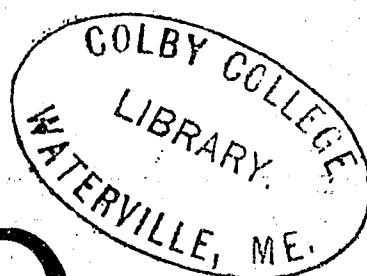
About midnight there was an intermission during which refreshments were served. Then the dancing was resumed and continued until the program was finished. Among pleasant memories of the season the Zeta Psi reception holds the foremost place, and we can heartily congratulate the fraternity upon their success.

A. J. U., '05.

## INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

A bill has been introduced in the South Dakota Legislature providing for the instant suspension of a player who injures another in football; making punishable as fraudulent the registration of a student in a school for the purpose of playing the game, and holding the student who so registers and the president of the school equally responsible. The bill further provides that a person injured may sue and recover damages from the party causing the injuries, and if the latter is a minor, his parents are liable. In case of fatalities the bill provides that the proper officials shall proceed against the offender for manslaughter.—*Worcester Academy Weekly*.

Pennsylvania's new gymnasium is to be so arranged that a small gymnasium class may not take up the whole of the large floor space. Two nets will be suspended from the ceiling which will divide the room into three equal parts. By letting these nets down, it will be possible for a basket-ball game, baseball practice and gymnasium work to go on at the same time without interfering with each other.—*The Tech*.



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## THE VALUE OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION.

In this day, when there is such an increasing rush for wealth, and when the tendency is away from the broader college education to the mere technical training which prepares only for one special trade or profession, many a man stops when partly through his college course to ask himself the question: "Why am I spending these four years in college? Will not the other fellow with his technical training outstrip me in the race for position and wealth?" Perhaps so—at the beginning. But not in the end. For it is being recognized more and more that the man with a college education will advance more rapidly in the business world, all things else being equal, than the one without such an education.

But this is only one way of looking at the question. There is another and higher standard of measurement, which we are prone to forget, even though it is constantly held before us. Measured by this standard of culture, no man can count the time spent in college as lost. If the student does not leave college better prepared for the enjoyment of life's truest pleasures; if he is not capable of being a better citizen because of his years of study; then he may count his time as lost. But no man of earnest purpose will fail to be broadened in his vision of life by his contact with equally earnest instructors; and his hasty sips from the great stream of knowledge will only arouse a thirst which will last all through life, a source of untold pleasure. Such a man, however humble his station in life, will be a center of influence for bettering and uplifting the community in which he lives; which is, after all, the highest good possible to any one of us.

## THE COLLEGE IDEAL.

There are some to whom the news of the innovations determined upon by the Trustees will come as a distinct and disagreeable shock. They will see in them not a forward step, but a departure from the truer ideals of the old college. They will consider it a "letting down of the bars," if we may so call it, before the lower and more utilitarian aims of the present commercial spirit, and will secretly sorrow at the move.

Doubtless the trend to-day in educa-

tion is toward the technical and scientific training, and those institutions which desire to hold or gain a large number of young men must cater to this tendency. But numbers are not all. A college does not—or should not—exist to turn out the largest possible number of graduates. It has a higher mission: to inspire the minds and hearts of those who enter its gates with a desire for the noble, the pure, the true in life; to send forth men who shall not merely succeed financially, but who shall by breadth of view and nobility of purpose serve in the uplift of humanity. Such has been the duty of our New England colleges in the past; such is their mission to-day, all the more important because of the strong trend in the direction of a narrower, technical education. And there are those who feel that such was Colby's true work—that to other institutions should be left the purely scientific and technical training. And these few will see with sorrow the old college laying aside this nobler ideal for the sake of a mere increase in numbers.

## BOWDOIN-COLBY DELTA Upsilon LON BANQUET.

The New DeWitt in Lewiston last Friday evening was the scene of great festivity. On that evening took place the annual joint banquet of the sister chapters in Delta Upsilon at Bowdoin and Colby. The event was a success in every way. All who were present came away invigorated with the spirit which pervades a gathering of men from separate colleges who are bound by a common fraternal tie.

The Colby men left on the afternoon train for Lewiston and were on hand to receive the Bowdoin chapter when they arrived.

The afternoon and evening until eight was spent in renewing old acquaintances and in forming the acquaintance of new brothers and those coming for the first time from other chapters to attend the gathering.

At 8.00 P. M. the annual business meeting of the association was held in the hotel parlors. In the temporary absence of the president, Bro. Webber, Bowdoin, '05, presided. The officers for the ensuing year were elected and other business transacted.

At 9.00 P. M. the line was formed in the corridors in front of the dining room doors and all marched into the banquet-room. A most excellent menu was served. It was interspersed with songs and yells, all heartily given.

After the final course had been disposed of and cigars lighted, Bro. Merritt, Bowdoin '04, toastmaster of the occasion, arose and gracefully introduced the speakers of the evening. The speeches which followed were bright and flowing with wit. Everywhere was manifested the loyal spirit which always typifies these banquets.

The Bowdoin chapter was present in full force while a few of the Colby boys were unable to be present. Of the guests, the most distinguished alumni were Colby men. The guests of honor were Major Holman F. Day, Colby '87; Rev. F. M. Preble, Colby '81; Judge A. K. P. Knowlton, Colby '54; G. C. Webber, Esq., Bowdoin '05; W. H. Renwick, M. D., Union '03.

D. U.

A University Travel and Study Club has been recently organized at Syracuse for the purpose of making up a party of students to take an extensive trip through Europe this coming summer. The excursion will be under the supervision of two of the professors.



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## CAMPUS CHAT.

Dr. Kilgore of Belfast was visiting at the "Bricks" Monday.

Miss Walker, '08, was ill with the grip several days last week.

Elbridge G. Davis, '07, preached at Benton Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Fred M. Preble, '81, attended the chapel exercises Tuesday morning.

Miss Grant, '08, spent Sunday and Monday at her home in Yarmouth.

Miss Trafton, '06, who was ill with a bilious attack last week, is out again.

Harry Morgan, Ricker, '06, was visiting his friend Orrin Higgins, Tuesday.

Miss Weeks, '08, spent the time from Saturday till Wednesday at her home in Wiscasset.

Burr F. Jones has returned to college after an enforced absence on account of sickness.

Miss Campbell, '07, attended the Delta Kappa Epsilon house party at Bowdoin Friday evening.

Miss Colby, '08, returned from Topsham, Monday, where she had made a short visit at her home.

Miss Bangs, '08, remained in Portland after the Y. W. C. A. convention for a few days' visit at her home.

William S. Stevens, '08, attended the military ball which was held at the University of Maine last week.

Harry S. Ryder, '02, pastor of the Methodist church of North Anson was visiting friends on the campus Friday.

Miss Kennison, '08, was ill with the grip the first few days of last week, but recovered in time to go to Portland Friday.

Herman B. Betts, '07 gave an address on Abraham Lincoln at the Methodist church in North Vassalboro last Sunday evening.

Several men of the college took part in the farcical opera, "King Pepper" which was produced by St. Mark's Guild in this city Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of this week.

Students should not fail to attend the two lectures on Forestry to be given Friday afternoon at 4 and Saturday morning at 10.30, by Prof. S. N. Spring in the lecture room of Chemical Hall.

Miss Runnals, '08, was taken ill with grip, the latter part of last week. Her mother, who came Saturday to take care of her, also fell a victim to the grip, and both returned to their home in Foxcroft Monday.

L. Eugene Thaver, ex-'08, who for the past three years has been clerking at W. B. Arnold's hardware store, has resigned his position to become head mailing clerk at the office of the Waterville Morning Sentinel.

W. E. Gould, ex-'08, who was obliged to leave college during the fall term on account of appendicitis, was at the "Bricks" Friday. He is slowly regaining his strength and hopes to return another year to take up his work.

The following men sat for a picture of the basket ball team Wednesday afternoon: Thompson, '07, MacVane, '07, DeWitt, '07, Tribou, '08, Phinney, '08, Peterson, '07, Willey, '07, Flood, '08, Tilton, '07, Libby, '08, Morse, '07.

President White has received notice from Reuben Wesley Dunn, '08, vice president of the Somerset railroad, that all students of the college may purchase 500 mile mileages for \$10 and that several members of the same family may use one mileage. He has also very kindly offered to redeem all the unused mileages when the student graduates or leaves college for any other reason.

Friday morning a quartet composed of S. G. Bean, '05, T. A. Smart, '07, J. T. Mathews, '08, and R. W. Dodge, '00, left for Boston where they will furnish music

at the twenty-fourth annual reunion of of the Boston Colby alumni to be held at the American House Friday evening. This reunion of alumni is the most largely attended of all that are held and promises to be an unusually interesting one. Next week's ECHO will contain a full report.

Dr. Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress, made an investigation of the new Hubbard Library at Bowdoin last summer at the request of the college authorities. In his recent report he highly praises the library facilities and and methods of service. As a result of this visit of Dr. Putnam the Bowdoin Library has made a depository, without charge, of the printed catalogue cards of the Congressional Library. This will constitute Bowdoin the only such depository in New England outside of Boston and reflects great honor upon the college and librarian.

—The members of the faculty of Leland Stanford, Jr., University at Palo Alto, Cal., have started a movement to colonize a tract of land three miles from the campus and form a new town. Sub-division and building are to begin at once and "it is assumed that only college people will be encouraged to become residents."

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## THE CRITIC.

Some time ago there appeared in the columns of THE ECHO a suggestion in regard to vesper services in the chapel on Sunday afternoons. The Critic would like to renew the plea, and would respectfully call the attention of the faculty to the matter. At the present time the only distinctively religious service on the campus is the Y. M. C. A. meeting on Tuesday evenings. For one can hardly consider the chapel exercises as having any great devotional value; and the various Bible Classes are gatherings of groups, not of the student body as a whole. In other colleges the custom of holding a brief service just before tea time on Sunday afternoon has become quite widespread, and is proving beneficial. Attendance on such a service should be compulsory, and every effort should be put forth to make it attractive and stimulating. Special music by the members of the Glee Club, speakers of ability and reputation from outside the city, all these things might well be employed in providing a service different from any now open to the students.

This consideration also suggests that by a few slight changes the chapel services could be made less mechanical and secular. Why could not the leader of the Glee Club be given charge of the singing, and a choir composed of the members of the club placed under his direction? If the Woman's College is to have separate chapel exercises next year, some attention must of necessity be given to this matter if singing is to be a part of the service in the men's college.

And the Critic will venture to so far outstep his own province, and into that of the Preacher, as to suggest that the weekly Y. M. C. A. meeting is intended for all the college, not merely for the members of the association. No man, whether he be a professed Christian or not, can afford to neglect entirely the religious side of his nature. If the men who are not members of the association would attend the services and help in the singing they would be aiding a good cause, while in return they might receive an impulse to a higher and more manly way of living.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

'00. W. A. V. Wren is the only white resident in the town of Badoc, Luzon Island, Philippines.

'02. M. C. Mitchell, proprietor of Mitchell's Military School, Billerica, Mass., visited the college last week.

'07. Seven members of the Women's Division of '07, were entertained recently by Mrs. Alice Nye Fite, who is residing this year in Cambridge.

During a recent teacher's convention of the teachers of Montana, held in Helena, about twenty-five of them, natives of Maine, were entertained by Superintendent and Mrs. Randall J. Condon of Helena. Three of the teachers present were graduates of Colby, three of Bates, and one of Bowdoin. Superintendent Condon, who is at the head of the schools in the capital city Helena, graduated from Colby in '80. Miss Evangeline Taylor, '03 is teacher in Glasgow and John Davies, '81, is now engaged in state library work. He was formerly librarian of the Butte Public Library.

A basket ball team representing Colby Second played the Fairfield High school team at Fairfield Saturday evening as a preliminary game to the Fairfield-U. of M. game. The team was defeated 35-8. The following were the players and their positions: Libby rf, Weedon lf, Thompson c, DeWitt rg, Morse lg.

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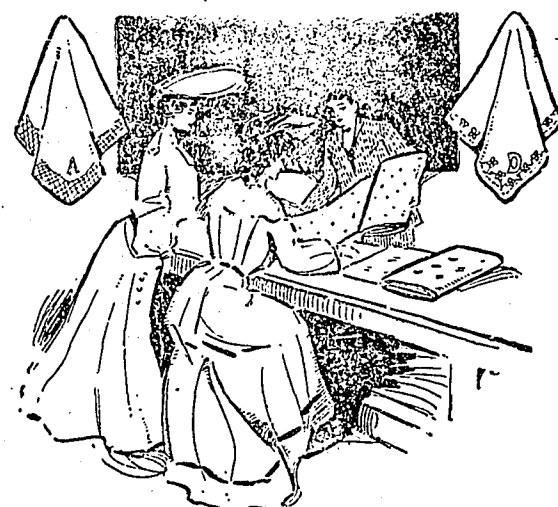
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