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## DELTA UPSILON DISTRICT CONVENTION.

A most enjoyable occasion and helpful session is, in short, the delegate's report of the recent District convention of the nine New England chapters of Delta Upsilon. The business sessions and banquet were held in Boston at the Technology chapter house on Newbury St., and at the hotel Brunswick near Copley Square. The peculiar advantage of holding this assembly in "The Hub" was that the members of the nearby chapters could attend almost to a man. After a reception by the "Tech" boys, luncheon was served to about 80 men, who later repaired to the Brunswick parlors where the principal executive session was held, Bro. Merritt, Bowdoin '94, presiding. Very interesting addresses were given by Professor Swain of Technology, and by Bros. Johnson of Harvard, Pope of Brown, Fairbanks, Tufts '87, and Merritt of Bowdoin. At the banquet in the evening the chief address was by Flavel S. Luther, Trinity '70, now president of Trinity College.

After the convention, the writer spent a few hours in "sight seeing" in and around Boston in the company of Frank S. Hamilton, Colby ex-'06, now of "Tech" '07.

Later, a half-day was most enjoyably spent in visiting Brown University. At five o'clock in the afternoon in Sayles' Hall, the college chapel, occurred the weekly Vespers. Surely this was one of the grandest, most inspiring services of a religious nature that one can imagine. This vast hall accommodating more than a thousand, with the exception of 300 seats reserved for Brown men, was packed to the doors with friends of the college from far and near. Here the prospective student, the undergraduate, the alumnus and the friend could together take a serious, reverential look into the deeper, spiritual life of the college. After a half-hour recital on the massive, memorial organ, recently installed, a double quartette of students stepped to the rail of the gallery and opened the service by singing with fine effect an anthem arranged to Handel's "Largo." The able, masterly sermon by Bishop Vincent, deserves higher praise than one can attempt to ascribe. At Harvard on the following day a similar service was enjoyed.

In closing this lengthy report, allow, on the part of the Critic, a plea for the establishing of some sort of such a religious service at Colby in the near future. It is sad but true that the college training and culture here pays absolutely no attention to the development of the social and spiritual sides of life.

Keene, '06.

## RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas: Our Heavenly Father hath seen fit to call to Himself the mother of our beloved sister in Alpha Upsilon, Laura K. Prescott; be it Resolved: That, we, the members of Alpha Upsilon extend our heartfelt sympathy to our sister in her bereavement; and be it further Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Miss Prescott; and that they be printed in THE ECHO.

BERTHA M. ROBINSON,

EVA C. PLUMMER,

Committee on Resolutions.

March 7, 1905.

1908. Allison M. Watts has entered Newton Theological Institution.

## DELTA KAPPA EPSILON RECEPTION.

Friday evening, March 3, the members of the Xi chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon gave a reception at their chapter house on College Ave. This was the first time the house had been opened to friends and people of the town and a hundred guests, including alumni, parents, and professors, came to enjoy a very pleasant evening.

As one approached the house he was aware that something unusual was taking place. A huge D. K. E. pin, the size of a shield, was clasped to the wall between the two bay windows and its electric light brilliants cast a warm red glow over the walk. The guests were met at the door by the ushers, J. C. Hetherington, E. P. Burrill and S. E. Whitten, who directed them upstairs where a diminutive "Shorty" pointed out the dressing rooms. On returning to the first floor they were conducted to the receiving line made up of Professor and Mrs. Hedman, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wyman, Alton Lockhart, '05, and Arthur Robinson, '06, after which they were free to wander through the rooms which were tastily decorated with cut flowers, ferns and potted plants. This was properly a real D. K. E. night. Banners, sofa-pillows, lamp-shades, fraternity songs all gave evidence of it. The ladies were especially pleased with the study rooms. This was the first time some of them had entered a college man's den and they were charmed with that mingled atmosphere of study and good-fellowship so peculiar to chapter houses. All were pleased with the warm welcome and hearty hand-clasp of every D. K. E.

Ice cream and punch were served and music was given by a large section of the Mandolin Club.

A number of alumni were present including Rev. G. D. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Drummond, Rev. H. W. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Johnson and Rev. H. R. Mitchell.

The faculty was well represented. President and Mrs. White, Dr. Black and Mrs. Black, Professor Hatch and Mrs. Hatch, Professors C. H. White, Sorensen, Chester, Kenniston, and Miss Berry were there.

The Delta Upsilon fraternity was represented by H. H. Bryant; Phi Delta Theta by Wm. Hoyt; Zeta Psi by H. N. Jones; Alpha Tau Omega by F. L. Holmes. F. L. H., '06.

## ATHLETIC EXHIBITION.

The gymnasts of the college will give an exhibition in the City Opera House, Tuesday evening, March 14. This exhibition will be the result of a great deal of hard work on the part of the boys under the instruction of Professor Sorensen and will be the best exhibition which has been given by the students. The program will open with a drill by sixteen of the students who have been under the instruction of Lieutenant E. L. Pepper. This will be followed by work on the horizontal and parallel bars, by work on the horse, by tumbling and by the grand finale, the pyramid. Many interesting specialties will also be given between events: a broad sword drill, a sparring match, an exhibition with the striking bag, illuminated and fancy club swinging, each one by an artist in his line. Music will be furnished by a local orchestra and selections will be rendered by the college glee club quartette. This eighth exhibition will undoubtedly be the best ever given by the college men.

## CLASS BASKET BALL.

The interclass championship games, played Saturday evening, resulted in a complete victory for the Sophomores. So for the second time, basket-ball honors go to the class of 1907. In the first game of the evening the Juniors won from the Seniors 19 to 4. The second game was close, the Sophomores winning from the Freshmen 14 to 12. The game for championship honors was played between the Juniors and Sophomores; and resulted in a score of 16 to 8 in favor of the latter. The game ended disastrously about one minute before time was up by the working of Cy Coombs's hoodoo. His injury was so serious that he had to be taken from the room. The two captains decided not to play out the remaining time, and the referee declared the game finished.

The game between the Seniors and the Juniors was one of those games which could be best described as a side-splitting farce. It was every man for himself and all in a bunch. Whenever the ball rolled to one end of the floor, ten men, each with his eye on the ball, tumbled over each other in a vain effort to get their fingers on it. Ten men struggling to get the ball in the basket, arms and legs all mixed up and moving in every direction, until some one would manage to kick the ball out between somebody's legs, and then another mixup in some other place. Of course there were stars that would shine once in a while and a chance basket at such times would show a reflection in the faces of the team's supporters. Kennison and Willey were favored by chance enough to drop seven baskets during the game. Jones and Hall were the only seniors who were favored by Dame Fortune and they were so wrought up over it that they didn't dare to move for fear they would break the spell. During the first half "Tidy" finding himself out at one side alone with the ball tried to tease applause from the audience by balancing himself upon it with one hand, and if "Sorry" had been there without doubt we should have had the pleasure of seeing the performance again at his exhibition. "Ephraim" certainly had a spell cast over him, for he managed to make connections with the basket twice, but both times just after the whistle had blown because the ball was out of bounds. It is certainly hard luck that such promising material should have been kept out of sight until the close of the season. The Juniors won by the score of 19 to 4.

The score:

### JUNIORS.

Willey, rf  
Kennison, lf  
Coombs, c  
Meador, rb  
Lincoln, lb

### SENIORS.

lb, Bryant  
rb, Field  
c, Flood  
lf, Jones  
rf, Hall

Score, Juniors, 19; Seniors, 4. Goals from floor, Kennison 5, Willey 2, Coombs, Lincoln. Goals from fouls, Willey. Referee, Phelan. Time, 15 and 10-min. periods.

The game between the Freshmen and Sophomores was exciting from start to finish. The cheering was a feature of this game. It was snappy, vigorous, and well sustained; and gave encouragement to those hoping to see first-class cheering at our baseball games this spring. The high pitch of class enthusiasm kept up by the cheering sections was equalled only by the fierceness that characterized the play. All ten men were out for blood. They played

like fiends, and kept up a terrific pace from start to finish. During the last two minutes of playing, the game assumed a turn of such intense excitement and whirlwind fierceness as one seldom sees. The result was not sure up to the very last second of play. "Mac" exhibited some pretty good time-killing qualities in those last seconds by keeping the ball whirling about on the floor for a time. The first half ended 8 to 6 in favor of the Freshmen. The second half turned the tables, and put the Sophomores two to the good. Tilton did good work for his class. He was always right there with the goods when the ball came his way. Tribou, too, was always in the right place at the right time. Altogether this game furnished an exhibition of first-class covering.

The score:

### SOPHOMORES.

Morse, rf  
Peterson, lf  
McVane, c  
DeWitt, rb  
Tilton, lb

### FRESHMEN.

lb, Gould  
rb, Tribou  
c, Libby  
lf, Phinney  
rf, Flood

Score, Sophomores, 14; Freshmen, 12. Goals from floor, Peterson 3, DeWitt 2, Morse, Tilton, Flood 2, Libby 2, Phinney, Tribou. Referee, Phelan. Timer, W. L. Dodge, '06. Time, 15-minute periods.

After a wait of a few minutes to give the Sophomores a chance to rest from the stiff exercise the Freshmen had given them, the championship game was called between the winners of the two previous games. Thompson came into this game for 1907, although he was just getting over the measles. This game was not as fierce as the Freshman-Sophomore game, yet it was no child's play. Each man seemed to have lost his ability to land a basket. The ball would climb up and run around the rim, fall back without result, then fly across the room, and repeat the performance on the other goal. A few went in however, and the score stood 6 to 2 in the Sophomore's favor at the end of the half. The second half went about the same till Kennison put in one and Willey two. Then old Bailey DeWitt woke up, and made things hum. He put in four good ones, one after the other, thus constituting himself the particular star of this game. Things were getting lively, when Coombs was caught in the mixup and injured. Time was called, and Cy was taken from the room in great pain from a sprained ankle. It was thought best not to continue the game as there was only one minute more to play, and the Sophomores had a lead of eight points over their opponents.

The score:

### SOPHOMORES.

McVane, rf  
Peterson, lf  
Thompson, c  
Tilton, rb  
DeWitt, lb

### JUNIORS.

lb, Lincoln  
rb, Meador  
c, Coombs  
lf, Kennison  
rf, Willey

Score, Sophomores, 16; Juniors, 8. Goals from floor, DeWitt 5, Peterson 2, McVane, Willey 3, Kennison. Referee, Phelan. Time, 15-minute periods.

## M. I. A. A.

The annual meeting of the Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Association was held at the Zeta Psi House in Brunswick Sat. March 4 at 11.15 a. m. The usual business of the association was attended to and officials selected for the meet to be held in Orono in the spring. The following officers were elected: Pres., B. A. Gooch, Colby; Vice Pres., D. B. Andrews Bowdoin; Treas., E. A. Stanford, U. of M.; Sec., S. G. Paine, Bates.

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## EXAMINATIONS.

The term is drawing to its close and another week will find us in the throes of the regular examination period. No man can say that he looks forward with pleasure to such a time of testing, but some meet it with less trepidation than others. To the student who has done honest and faithful work the examination comes as the cap stone of the term's work; to the fellow who has loafed it is a decided bug-bear, requiring a preliminary time of "cramming." Whether examinations are a real test of knowledge may be questioned; for the man who "crams" may perhaps pass a better examination than his fellow who has "plugged" all the course; yet the next week his knowledge will have vanished completely. It would seem that in a college like this, where class room drill is so thorough, it might be well to adopt the system in vogue in some other institutions, namely, that of excusing from examination all students whose term work is above a certain per cent. Such a rule might be an incentive to a higher grade of class room work.

## NOT THE FACULTY ORGAN.

It has been suggested that it is the duty of THE ECHO to support the Faculty in every case where there is difference of opinion as to the fairness of their action. In reply to this suggestion attention may be called to this fact: THE ECHO is not the organ of the Faculty, but of the student body. It must of necessity reflect to a certain degree the feelings and beliefs of that body. If there are differences of opinion between students and faculty, the place of THE ECHO is on the side of the students, so long as there is justice there. It can hardly be charged against the paper that it has ever backed the boys where they were manifestly in the wrong. Such a course would well merit reproof. But it would be equally open to criticism were it to side with the Faculty when they are wrong. And all men are liable to err.

## HIAZING.

The students of Williams college at a recent mass meeting voted to do away with hazing for the remainder of the college year. This does not apply to any of the inter-class contests. Nor does it touch the question of fall hazing. Yet it would seem to be a forward step and

in commenting upon it the *Williams Record* says: "In our opinion no action has been taken recently by the college body which is a finer mark of distinction." Hazing is surely not the great evil which is described in the recent *Munsey's*, as is remarked elsewhere in this issue, but on the other hand there are certain phases of the custom which can well be dropped,—which should be dropped. Any student body which is ready to abolish the practice for one third of the year is making progress in the right direction. All honor to the Williams men.

It would be a great kindness on the part of the ladies if they would allow the men the use of one alcove in the library during the fifteen minutes just before chapel exercises. Otherwise it will be necessary to petition the Faculty for a special reservation, protected by a fence.

The clock face on the western side of the chapel tower has slipped from its place, thereby endangering the delicate mechanism within. This is an important matter and should be attended to at once, before a storm comes to damage our valuable time-piece.

The walking about the campus would undoubtedly be improved if the slush and ice were removed from the walks. What's the use in having board walks if they are continually covered with melting snow or ice?

## FRESHMAN READING.

The first Freshman Reading under the new arrangement was held on Wednesday afternoon in Chemical Hall, and the members of the Women's Division contested for the prizes. Professor Roberts, Professor Sorenson and Mr. Kennison were the committee of award. The first prize was given to Miss Susan Angelina Corbett; the second prize to Miss Caroline Dole Noyes.

## AT HOME.

Miss Keen, '05, gave a pretty "at home" to the members of her sorority, Beta Phi, Wednesday afternoon, March 1st, from four to five, at her home on Myrtle street, the occasion being her birthday. Jonquils were much in evidence, Miss Keen wearing a cluster of seven at her belt, and the dining table being prettily decorated with these flowers and asparagus fern. Miss Alona Nicholson, ex-'05, presided at the table, from which the guests were served with punch and wafers. In the center of the table stood the birthday cake, decorated with green and gold tapers and the symbols "B.Φ." After the singing of society songs around the piano came the interesting process of cutting and serving the cake, and with congratulations to their hostess, the guests departed feeling that so pleasant an hour had passed all too quickly.

"Bothsides" is the title of the new monthly devoted to intercollegiate debating which is issued by the Harvard University Debating Council. The February number contains articles on "Debating at an English University," "The Triangular Scheme of Cornell, Columbia and Pennsylvania," reviews of two recent intercollegiate debates, briefs and bibliographies. The price is \$1.00 per year, with special rates to debating societies.

Twelve students from Maine recently formed a "Maine Club" at Tech.



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**CAMPUS CHAT.**

I. A. Bowdoin, '06, preached at Dover Sunday.

E. H. Cotton, '05, preached at Hartland Sunday.

S. G. Bean, '05, spent Sunday at his home in Saco.

Matthews, '03, and Hunt, '07, are victims of the German measles.

Miss E. Maisie Staples, of Augusta, visited Miss Caldwell, '06, Friday afternoon.

Betts, '07, had charge of the singing at the Oakland Baptist church Sunday evening.

Miss J. Belle Hall, of Norridgewock, visited college friends from Friday till Monday.

Miss Grace Redman, of Corinna, was the guest of Miss Ross, '08, from Friday till Monday.

Lewis W. Dunn, '07, was confined to his home the first of the week with an attack of bronchitis.

O. A. Thompson, '06, was confined to his room for a few days last week by an attack of German measles.

Miss Trafton, '06, left college last week, for the remainder of the present term at least, on account of ill health.

The Senior Exhibition with Junior parts will take place at the Baptist church this, Friday evening. The Leahy orchestra will furnish music.

Rev. L. Alfreda Brewster, of Portland, State Evangelist of the Christian Endeavor, was the guest of Miss Runnals, '08, a short time last Saturday.

Ralph W. Richards, '01, instructor in Geology at Tufts, and Carroll N. Perkins, '04, now at the Harvard Law School, were in town over Sunday.

Among the recent victims of the German measles are John Hetherington, and James Nickels, both of '08. Nickels has gone home to recuperate.

Percival W. Keene, '06, returned Friday morning from Boston, where he attended the New England District Convention of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

Mr. C. C. Harvey, of Fort Fairfield, who was in town to attend the first anniversary banquet of the *Waterville Morning Sentinel*, Friday evening, visited his sister, Miss Harvey, '05, Saturday forenoon.

Miss Louise Richards, of Belfast, was the guest of Miss Hall, '07, from Friday till Monday. They spent Sunday with Miss Mattie Clark, of this city, who was their classmate at Farmington Normal School.

Miss Plummer, '06, had the misfortune to lose her gold watch Monday afternoon. She left Chemical Hall at four o'clock, and did not miss the watch till returning from a walk down town at supper time.

Mrs. Mercy Warren, of Sebago, visited Colby friends on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Mrs. Warren was matron of Palmer House during the senior year of her daughter, Miss Grace Warren, '03.

At the annual business meeting of the Y. W. C. A. held at Ladies' Hall Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Edith L. Kennison, '00; Vice-President, Alice R. Tyler, '07; Secretary, Olive A. Green, '08; Treasurer, O. Beatrice Caldwell, '00.

Miss Campbell, '07, who has been ill more than a week with bronchial pneumonia, is improving. She is under the care of a trained nurse, and her mother, Mrs. D. W. Campbell, of Cherryfield, has been with her since Thursday of last week.

Last Wednesday evening, March 1, occurred the mid year initiation of Alpha Upsilon at which time this sorority revealed her mysteries to Miss Nettie

Runnals, '08. Music was enjoyed for some time and later light refreshments were served.

Misses Bassett, Cummings, Cook, Fosssett, C. Beverage, R. Beverage, Nead, Bowler, and Stetson enjoyed a delightful supper at Palmer House Wednesday. There was much music, and toasts of humorous nature were responded to temporarily.

The Y. W. C. A. had the privilege of listening to a very interesting missionary address, Tuesday evening, by Mrs. Rand, who was for twenty years a missionary in the Caroline Islands. Mrs. Rand is at present the guest of her daughter, the wife of Rev. Arthur Varley, of Winslow.

Accidents seem to be the rule rather than the exception lately, and Coombs seems to be having more than his share. This time it is a sprained ankle. While playing basket-ball last Friday evening John sprained his ankle so seriously that he has been obliged to remain in his room ever since.

The viceroy of the Chinese province of Chili has established five scholarships for Chinese students at the University of California. This is the first instance that any Chinese official has given scholarships to the students of an American or European university.

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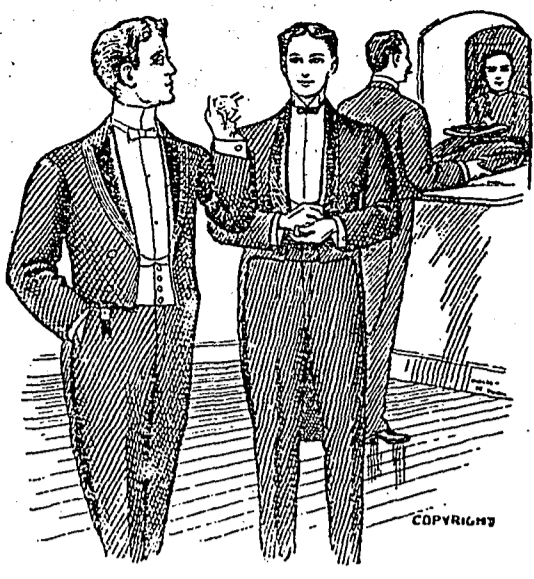
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**A TIRADE ON HAZING.**

The article referred to below may well be criticised for its want of accuracy and tendency to misrepresent. The reference to hazing at Colby which it contains is grossly perverted and gives an entirely false idea of the affair. We can heartily approve the comment of the *Lafayette* when it says:

"College hazing was never before so prevalent as now, and it was never so disgusting and inhuman in its character."

"Thus writes Mr. Julian Hawthorne in the current number of *Munsey's Magazine*. The article consists of harsh invectives against college faculties; accusations of perjury, brutality and cowardice against students in general; and hyperbolic instances of hazing, to supply the details of which the author has drawn upon a most productive imagination.

"Fortunately, the majority of those into whose hands this article has fallen, are intelligent readers. Were it not so, there must needs spring up a wofully unjust conception of American college life. Fond parents and thoughtful guardians would not think of sending to college their pets, thereby exposing them to the mercies of "hoodlum gangs" of brutal and inhuman Sophomores.

"The author's wide investigation and thorough knowledge of the subject is amusingly illustrated by his confounding Lafayette with a girls' college. He tells a story of "Lafayette, where a bevy of laughing girls hunt upon the shining trails of the higher life!"

"As a matter of fact, there have been unfortunate and deplorable instances of hazing carried to extremes. But such cases have been few and far between.

"Hazing does exist at the present day, but only in a mild form. Consisting, as it does, of harmless pranks, where the verdant Freshman is made to do ridiculous "stunts," such as speech-making, singing or dancing, nothing more results than the teaching of one to know his place. In many of our colleges, there is practically no hazing at all, and the statement that "brutal and obscene violence" is prevalent, is absurd and without foundation.

"The article is closed by a ridiculous appeal to public opinion and an ironical "knock" at the weakness of college faculties: "The college faculties could stop hazing if they were not afraid to do so. They could expel an entire Sophomore class, if the culprits refused to declare themselves. But the hazers are generally rich and influential; as young De Rome said, they 'come pretty close to running the college.' Besides, as I have said, there are traitors among the faculties themselves. Can public opinion be aroused to do anything? Let those answer whose sons and daughters are involved in the disgrace."

**ALUMNI NOTES.**

1887. Rev. Adam Green, lately pastor at Truro, Nova Scotia, has resigned and removed to New Orleans, La.

1808. David Palmer is teaching at Harvey, No. Dakota.

'88. Rev. M. S. Howe of Boston, formerly a pastor in Newport, R. I., has recently accepted a call to the Baptist church at Mechanic Falls.

'82. Rev. George Dana Sanders, pastor of the Unitarian church in this city, and Miss Alice Wanson of Gloucester, Mass., were united in marriage at the bride's home Wednesday. After a marriage reception from 4.30 to 6 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Sanders left for a short wedding trip. They will be at home to their friends in this city from April 27 May 4.

William Jennings Bryan is to deliver the Commencement Oration before the graduating class at the University of Nebraska.

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