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SIGMA KAPPA.

Delegates From the Original Chapter Attend the Convention at Syracuse.

The Sigma Kappa sorority held its annual convention at Syracuse, N. Y., March 19, 20, and 21. The chapters represented were Alpha, Colby College, Delta, Boston Univ., Epsilon, Syracuse Univ., Zeta, George Washington Univ., Eta, Ill. Wesleyan, Theta, Univ. of Ill., Iota, Denver Univ., Waterville, Boston, Portland and New York Alumnae Chapters. A large number of the delegates were entertained at the large, new chapter house on University Ave. The entertaining chapter had its arrangements splendidly made for both the comfort and pleasure of the guests. Between the business sessions and various social functions there were found opportunities to visit the University buildings and the campus of one hundred acres, one of the most interesting features of which is the new stadium.

The convention opened with a business session Thursday, March 19, adjourning at 4 p. m., to attend a reception given to Epsilon chapter and its visiting delegates by the Gamma Phi Beta sorority at its chapter house. This was very much appreciated, for it means a great deal of work for a sorority during the busiest part of the term to open the doors to such a host of guests and to entertain in such a royal manner. Thursday evening was passed informally at the chapter house in dancing and singing and a jolly good time generally such as only college girls know how to enjoy.

All of Friday was taken up by business sessions until 4 p. m., when the Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Kappa and its patronesses gave a reception and tea to the visiting delegates and all the senior girls of the University. This offered an excellent opportunity to meet girls from the many sororities represented in Syracuse. On Friday evening the Convention banquet was held at the Yates Hotel. The toastmistress carried out a very unique plan in her post-prandial, arranged in the style of Longfellow's "Launching of the Ship," and the responses were exceedingly bright and appropriate. At the close all joined in the song "We Sail, we Sigmas Sail," composed by the toastmistress for the occasion.

The convention business was concluded at 6 p. m. Saturday at 6.30 came the convention ball at the Crouse Homestead. It was very gratifying to the Colby girls to hear the University men, some of whom were acquainted with Colby through chapters of their fraternities established here, speak in such high terms of this college.

The Alpha delegates were: Annie Harthorne, Bertha Bangs, Ethel Hayward, Helen Campbell, Mary Abbott, Caroline Noyes, Marion Wadsworth, Inez Stevenson, Dr. M. S. Croswell, Imogene Bennett, Adelaide Holway, Sara Matthews, Ethel Kimball.

The Colby Club meets at the Elmwood this evening.

ALL-MAINE SCHEDULE.

Dates of the Games to be Played by the Colleges This Spring.

Apr. 1	Bowdoin, Brown	Providence
2	Bowdoin, Seton Hall	South Orange
3	Bowdoin, N. Y. U.	New York
4	Bowdoin, Princeton	Princeton
15	Bowdoin, Harvard	Cambridge
	Bates, Exeter	Exeter
	Colby, Kent's Hill	Waterville
20	Maine, Colby	Waterville
25	Colby, Hebron	Hebron
	Bates, Kent's Hill	Lewiston
	Bowdoin, Tufts	Brunswick
27	Maine, U. of Vermont	Burlington
	Bates, Andover	Andover
28	Colby, Wesleyan	Middletown
	Bates, Harvard	Cambridge
	Bowdoin, Dartmouth	Hanover
	Maine, U. of Vermont	Burlington
29	Bowdoin, Dartmouth	Hanover
	Bates, Amherst	Amherst
	Colby, Brown	Providence
	Maine, Tufts	Medford
30	Maine, Harvard	Cambridge
	Bates, Springfield	Springfield
	Colby, R. I. State	Kingston
May 1	Colby, Tufts	Medford
2	Colby, N. H. State	Durham
	Maine, Exeter	Exeter
	Bowdoin, Bates (Ex.)	Portland
6	Colby, Bowdoin	Brunswick
	Bates, Maine	Lewiston
9	Colby, Bates	Waterville
	Maine, Bowdoin	Brunswick
11	Bates, N. H. State	Lewiston
12	Bowdoin, Tufts	Medford
13	Colby, Maine	Orono
	Bowdoin, Williams	Williamstown
14	Bowdoin, Holy Cross	Worcester
15	Bates, Brown	Providence
16	Bates, N. H. State	Durham
16	M. I. A. A.	Brunswick
20	Colby, Bates	Lewiston
	Bowdoin, Maine	Orono
23	Colby, Bowdoin	Waterville
	Maine, Bates	Orono
27	Colby, Maine	Waterville
28	Bates, Tufts	Lewiston
29	Maine, Tufts	Orono
30	Bowdoin, Bates	Lewiston
June 1	Colby, Tufts	Waterville
5	Bowdoin, Bates	Brunswick
8	Maine, Alumni	Orono

At a meeting of the Junior class, held after chapel yesterday, Chandler, Buker, and L. O. Merrill were elected to serve on the Ode committee and E. F. Allen as one member of the Commencement music committee.

THE TRACK MEET.

Date of, and Arrangements for, This Year's Meet at Brunswick.

The fourteenth annual Maine inter-collegiate track meet will be held this spring at Brunswick on Saturday, May 16. A meeting of the managers was called last Saturday at the Dewitt House, Lewiston, to consider the advisability of making certain changes in the rules governing the contest and to perfect the arrangements for the occasion. Several amendments to the by-laws of the association were proposed by Bowdoin and the following changes have been made.

For the 440 yard dash two trial heats will be run, the first three men in each heat to qualify for the final. Thus in the final there will be six competitors instead of eight as formerly.

For the 220 yard dash, there will be four trial heats, the winner of each to qualify for the final, and those winning second place to run another heat and the winner of this to qualify for the final. No semi-finals will be run and five men will compete in the final.

In the field events trials for the broad jump, high jump, and pole vault will hereafter be held in the forenoon, instead of having the entire events in the afternoon.

The by-laws are further amended by inserting the following rules taken from the N. E. I. A. A.:—

Each man in the weights and the broad jump shall have three trials and the best five competitors shall be allowed three tries each in the afternoon, the best mark of all deciding the contest.

The running high jump and the pole vault shall continue until but five contestants remain who have cleared the bar at a height at which all other competitors have failed, and these five competitors shall be allowed to compete in the afternoon.

The pamphlet containing the constitution, by-laws, and rules of the M. I. A. A. is to be reprinted with these amendments and others recently passed appearing in its pages, and it will also include the records of the New England Intercollegiate Association.

The question of excluding professional track men from these contests was discussed at the meeting but no action was taken. The following have been selected to serve as the officials at the meet.

Clerk of Course, H. L. Swett, Skowhegan.

TRACK EVENTS

Referee, Eugene Buckley, Boston.
Judges at Finish, W. W. Bolster, Brunswick; E. A. Parker, Skowhegan; F. W. Halliday, Lewiston.

Timers, A. L. Grover, Orono; F. N. Whittier, Brunswick; E. A. Rice, Fairfield.

Starter, H. C. McGrath, Charlesbank Gymnasium, Boston.

Scorer, Walter Sullivan, Bates.

FIELD EVENTS

Measurers, Wyman, Maine; Kimball, Bath; Purington, Bates; Condon, Colby.

SENIOR RECEPTION.

The Class of 1908 is Entertained at the Home of President and Mrs. White.

The annual reception tendered to the members of the graduating class by the president of the college was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. White last Monday evening. The affair was attended by the seniors of both divisions, and a large number of their friends, all of whom greatly enjoyed the occasion.

The guests were received by President and Mrs. White, Professor and Mrs. Roberts, Dean Berry, Miss Walker, and Mr. Mathews, the last two being the presidents respectively, of the women's and of the men's division of the class.

The rooms were tastily decorated with the colors of the class of 1908. In the dining room all was burnt orange and gray; the electric globes were hidden by yellow tulips, and there was an abundance of yellow flowers and pussy-willows elsewhere so that a very beautiful effect was produced.

Refreshments of orangeade and ice cream were served and the novel way in which the ice cream had been prepared caused much appreciative comment. It was served in orange baskets and in each was a staff bearing a gray banner with the numerals 1908 thereon. Mrs. Parmenter and Mrs. True presided at the table and they were assisted in serving by the Misses Achorn, Warren, Coombs, Nelson, and White.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the college orchestra which rendered several very pleasing selections and added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

Judges, Albert Johnson, Bates; W. D. Hurd, Orono.

Scorers, Stanford, Maine; Wing, Bowdoin; Atchley, Waterville; Hull, Bates.

Announcer, Sturtevant, Maine.

A Colby Man.

The report has recently been received that Principal L. Herbert Owen, of the Woburn, Mass., high school and an alumnus of this college was stricken with apoplexy at the high school building last Thursday afternoon. The right side of the face and the left arm were paralyzed and he was removed to his home at 2 Fairmount Street, in an unconscious condition.

Mr. Owen is a native of Maine and has a summer home at Monmouth. He has been principal of the Woburn high school since September 1893, and has had personal supervision of the departments of Greek and Chemistry. He is well known as a painstaking and thorough instructor and is thought to have overtaxed his strength by too close application to his work.

Dean Roberts was absent from the college several days last week and visited at Wilton and elsewhere. At Wilton Academy he delivered a lecture on the subject, "The Habit of Reading."

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The band is tuning up for the spring victories.

There are still places for several good men in the track events.

We would advise all the fellows to go bare-footed the rest of the week. At Foss Hall they are looking for a man whose shoe measures eleven and a half inches.

The cheering of the Colby supporters in the football games last fall far excelled anything in that line put up by the college in recent years, and the approaching baseball games will give an opportunity for its continuation. Baseball is our specialty; let there be special music.

The conducting of a presidential campaign along party lines and with all the political ways and by ways has added practical knowledge to a novel scheme for amusement in many colleges of the country as the interest in the presidential nomination and election increases.

Y. M. C. A.

The Eastern President's Conference of student Young Men's Christian Associations, held at Yale University, April 9-12, was attended by the newly elected presidents of New England, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, and Delaware. The conference met at Dwight Hall and continued through Sunday evening. Numerous speeches were made by leaders in the work of this organization and great inspiration was gained by all the delegates. The subjects of the most important addresses follow:

"Why Some Associations Fail," H. P. Anderson, Secretary of Executive Department of International Y. M. C. A.

"Spiritual Conditions of Effective Service," Prof. Jenkins of Cornell.

"The President: His Preparation, His Work and His Personal Influence," Duff of Princeton, Baker of Columbia, Kelsie of Cornell, Campbell of Yale.

"The Place of Bible Study in Personal Life and in the Life of the

Association," Clayton S. Cooper of International Bible Study Department.

"The Leading of College Men into Christian Service," W. B. Smith of University of Penn.

"Northfield Student Conference," Frank V. Slack, Eastern Secretary. Sermon on Sunday to the Conference by Rev. H. Roswell Bates, University preacher.

The Colby Y. M. C. A. has been re-organized for the ensuing year with the selection of the following officers and committees:

President, Otis B. Read, '09; vice-president, John A. Tidd, '10; secretary, Horace M. Pullen, '11; treasurer, Arthur Merriam, '11.

COMMITTEES

Religious Meetings—Davis, '09, Tidd, '10, Perry, '11.

Bible Study—Foye, '09, Richardson, '10, Kidder, '11.

Missionary Meetings—Rose, '09, Garrick, '10, Nash, '11.

Northfield—Chandler, '09, H. Stacy, '11, Higginbotham, '11.

Membership—Young, '09, Good, '10, Bridges, '11, Rideout, '11.

Finance—Allen, '09, Wheeler, '09, Maxwell, '10, Vail, '11.

President Otis B. Read, '09, has announced the schedule of subjects and leaders for the meetings of the association during the spring term as follows:

Apr. 7—Missionary Meeting

14—Bountiful Sowing of our gifts for Christ

Luke 6:38 II Cor. 9:1-15

KEYES, '08

21—The Wise use of time

Eph. 5:15-21

KIDDER, '11

28—The wise use of influence

Ecc. 4:9, 10 Prov. 27:6, 9, 10, 17, 19

PULLEN, '11

May 5—Missionary Meeting

12—How to choose a life work

I Kings 3:5-15

DWYER, '08

19—Platform Meeting

REV. CYRUS F. STIMSON

26—The true centre of life

John 15:1-10

McCOMBE, '08

June 2—Missionary Meeting

9—Platform Meeting

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16—Vacation Religion

Mark 6:30-44

FOYE, '09

Resolutions.

WHEREAS: It has pleased our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom to remove from this earthly life, our beloved classmate, Anne Trafton Roberts, be it

RESOLVED: We, the members of the Class of 1908, hereby express our deep grief at the loss, and be it

RESOLVED: That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in their sorrow, and be it further

RESOLVED: That copies of these resolutions be sent to the family and be published in the COLBY ECHO.

AGNES EUNICE WALKER,
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INEZ HAZEN CARD,
ISAAC ROSS McCOMBE,
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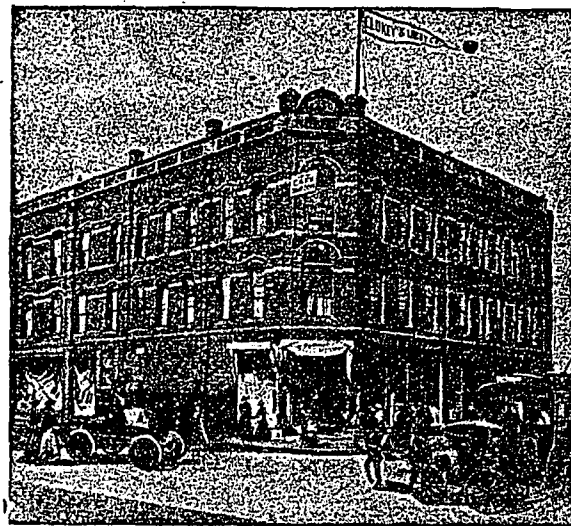
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Campus Chat.

Arthur Wright, Colby '97, of Read-
field, passed Sunday with friends in the
city.

Harold Small of Freedom Academy
and Lynne Rand of Unity visited at the
Phi Delta Theta house Sunday.

Isaac R. McCombe, '08, and W. G.
Foye, '09, were delegates from the
Colby chapter of Delta Upsilon to the
New England district convention of the
fraternity, held at Brown University on
April 9 and 10.

The snow storm of last week delayed
baseball practice to some extent, but
the men were out in the gym each
afternoon and have now resumed prac-
tice on the diamond. The prospects for
a winning team continue bright and a
strong second team has been organized
with A. D. Blake, '10, as captain.

Plans are being made to have the
musical clubs go to Hebron when the
baseball team plays there, so that a con-
cert may be given at the academy. If
the arrangements can be made the club
will repeat the excellent program which
has been presented this year.

The baseball team plays Kent's Hill
this afternoon and on next Monday,
which is Patriot's Day, Colby and Maine
will play an exhibition game on the
Colby diamond.

"Hod" Newenham has gone to Houl-
ton where he is coaching the Ricker
Classical Institute team this spring.

At a meeting of the student body held
after chapel last Saturday, George
Gould, '08, and Clifford Libby, '08, were
elected to lead the cheering at the
games this term.

Invitations have been sent out for the
Junior prom which will occur at Elk's
Hall on the evening of Thursday, April
23.

The Rev. Mr. Boggs, missionary to
India, delivered an address before the
Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., in the
chapel on the evening of April 7. His
subject was "The Revival in India." On
the following morning he addressed the
men at chapel and spoke of the
qualities of Hindooism and Moham-
medanism, the great rivals of Chris-
tianity.

Guy W. Chipman, '02, who has been
the professor of sciences at Coburn for
the past few years has resigned his
position at that institution and will be-
come the head of the scientific depart-
ment at the Friends School, Philadelphia,
after the close of the present school
year.

E. F. Allen, '09, has received word
that the house occupied by his parents
in Chelsea was entirely destroyed by
Sunday's fire.

The date for the Maine Intercollegiate
tennis tournament has been set for May
20 and the matches will be played off at
Orono.

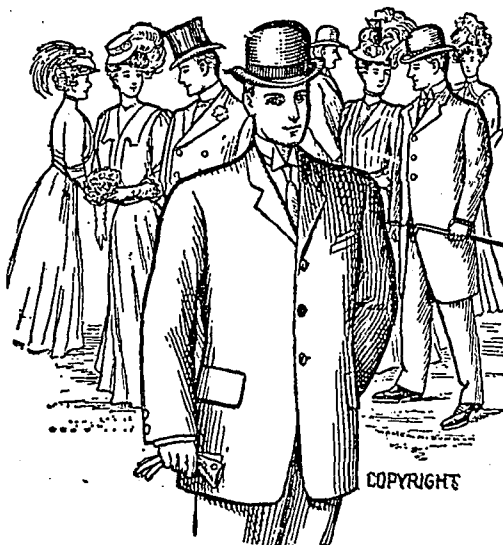


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DE FEMINIS.

Florence E. King, '08, Editor.

Miss Susan Weston, '06, visited Ethel Hayward a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard A. Bradley of Winchester, Mass., recently spent a few days at Foss Hall as guests of their aunt, Miss Butman.

On the twenty-sixth of March, Miss Rena M. Archer, ex-'07, announced her engagement to Mr. John Taylor, ex-'09.

Mrs. Philbrick of Bangor, is the guest of her daughter, June Philbrick.

Miss Ellen Peterson, '07, recently took dinner at Foss Hall, as the guest of Bertha Bangs.

Miss Clara Foss, of Westbrook Seminary, has been visiting Marjorie Buckman during the past week.

Mrs. Vogler of Skowhegan, was the guest of Ethel Knowlton and Olive Green last week.

Miss Gertrude Sawyer of Foxcroft, recently visited Laura Day, '11.

Angie Corbett, Clara Eastman, Marie Chase and Louise Buzzell have returned from Providence, R. I.

A very pretty informal reception was given at Foss Hall last Saturday evening in honor of Deaconess Henrietta R. Goodwin, of New York City, who is a friend of Dr. Croswell. After all had been introduced to Miss Goodwin the girls gathered around in college girl fashion, while she told in a few words of the work to which she is so earnestly devoting her life. For the past ten years Miss Goodwin has been working in connection with the Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Boston, having for her special charge girls who were studying in Boston. She has recently accepted a position in New York City in the Church Students' Missionary Association, and her work will be very much like that of the Student Secretaries of the Y. M. C. A. Last Sunday afternoon Miss Goodwin spoke in the college chapel on the subject "A Life of Service." She emphasized the fact that whatever profession or work one chooses for a life-work, it should be considered as a call from God and should be carried on with faithfulness and enthusiasm. Miss Goodwin meets many girls in connection with her work and what she said was exceptionally bright and helpful.

College Libraries.

The progress made by the university and college libraries of the United States during the last fifty years is so striking as to surprise even those generally familiar with recent library history. The subject is treated in the Library Journal by W. N. Carleton, librarian of Trinity College. The following are some of the more interesting items brought out:

At the middle of the last century there were but two colleges in the United States, Harvard and Yale, which had libraries of 50,000 volumes. Such typical New England colleges as Amherst, Dartmouth, Colby, Middlebury, University of Vermont, Wesleyan and Williams, had less than 7,500 volumes each in their libraries. The Columbia College library, the largest in New York, had a total of 12,240 volumes; Hamilton, Colgate, and the New York University, had less than 5,000 volumes each. Princeton had 9,000 volumes; the University of Pennsylvania had 5,000 volumes, while seven other Pennsylvania colleges had an average of 2,839 volumes each. Altogether, the 126 college libraries at that time in the United States possessed 587,917 volumes, 155,000 less than are now collected in the Harvard Library alone.

Even more significant as showing the small esteem in which the library was held, are the rules for opening and the regulations for use by students. The following are typical: At Amherst the library was open to students but once a week, and no student was at liberty to take a book from the shelves without special permission. At Yale, freshmen and sophomores were entirely excluded from the use of the library the Yale catalogue of 1854 stating that "the library is designed for the use of the several faculties of the college, and students connected with the Theological, Medical, and Philosophical departments."

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