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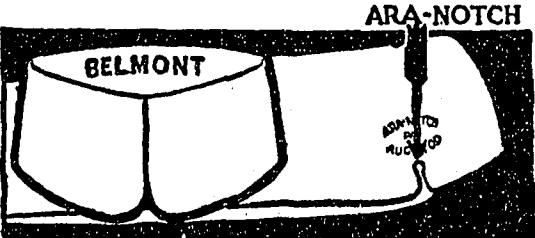
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Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE.

The 2nd Maine Intercollegiate Y. M. C. A. Conference came to an end with a special meeting for delegates last Sunday evening. The conference was favored in many ways, the more noticeable of which were fine weather, good speakers, and a spirit of genuine devotion.

Considered either as a whole or in part the conference was a success, so far as one is permitted to judge from present appearance. The delegates have returned to their associations with plans for renewed and strengthened efforts. The Colby men have already formed a number of classes for Mission study.

The Conference opened, as planned, on Friday evening with a reception to the visiting delegates, and with words of welcome from the head of the city, college and Colby Y. M. C. A.

The Mayor said in part: The college educated man ought to be better circumstanced than one not so fortunate. Yet much depends on the man himself, his individuality, his personality, what a man has within himself, and these traits must be developed. The world is large, yet not too large, for the future holds much for us all. Be courageous, honest, strive for success, but stick to truth. After welcoming the visitors to Waterville Mayor Redington concluded with Polonius' advice to his son Laertes.

President Roberts in welcoming the young men of the colleges of Maine, said: The most important college problems are moral rather than educational. The amount and kind of education which a young man receives are not so important as what he is going to do with it. What we need most is not money and what money can buy, but more of the spirit of Christ.

Vail of Colby welcomed the delegates in behalf of the association, and Jones of Maine, and Prof. Clark of Bangor Theological Seminary responded. Prof. Clark appealed to young men to enter the ministry.

James L. McConaughy, General Secretary, Bowdoin, stated "The Purpose of the Conference." This, he said, was two fold, "to give something," and "to get something."

Prof. A. W. Anthony, Bates, gave an address "Saving the Deficit," in which he pointed out that it is the duty of the Christian organizations to find any person who has a deficit, and to help him make that right.

SATURDAY.

The sessions Saturday morning were on "Bible Study, with H. A. Slocum, Bowdoin, presiding. C. M. Daggett '03 conducted a quiet hour service after which Ross A. Hadley, International Y. M. C. A. Secretary for Bible Study, gave an address on "The Development of Bible Study."

Beginning at 10.15 with E. C. Worman, State Student Secretary, Massachusetts and R. I., presiding, practical suggestions were given on "Daily Bible Study" by Adelbert Andrews, Bates; on "Fraternity Classes" by A. S. Atwood, Maine; on "Normal Classes" by A. W. Stone, Bowdoin, and on "Inter-fraternity Classes," by J. M. Maxwell, Colby. An "Open Forum" was held at this point where old ideas were discussed and new ones produced. This was followed by a business session and conference photograph.

Saturday afternoon, E. L. Farnsworth, Bates, presiding, a devotional service was conducted by Mr. McConaughy. This was followed by an address by Prof. R. J. Sprague, University of Maine, in which he advocated curriculum Bible study, Christianity in common, everyday tasks, and a Y. M. C. A. loud voiced when necessary for democracy in college life. This address was full of practical suggestions, such as, "Advocate honorable action in all college activities. Students search for some outlet for their Christian services, but are unable to see and help college activities that are dying, and visit hospitals, homes and the like."

Evening Session, I. M. Stover, Maine, presiding. The meeting opened with a song service, in which A. W. Stone, Bowdoin, sang a solo. A devotional period followed. The theme of the evening was "Bible Study as a World Program." This was divided into "The Home Field," by E. C. Worman, and "The Foreign Field," by R. A. Hadley.

SUNDAY.

In the morning the conference speakers gave talks or addresses in the city churches.

In the afternoon there was a mass meeting for men in the Baptist church. J. Lovell Murray, Educational Secretary, Student's Volunteer Movement, was the speaker, and he gave an address on "Missionary Interests Among Men."

Mr. Murray again gave an address on Missions in the evening, in City Hall. He handled both addresses ably, and aroused a considerable interest in the work of which he spoke.

The college quartette sang two selections at this evening service.

A closing farewell meeting was held, after which separate delegation conferences were called, and in these, steps were taken to immediately put into effect the ideas gained from the addresses and mutual fellowship.

BUSINESS.

J. C. Smith, State Secretary, Chairman.

J. M. Maxwell, Colby, Secretary.

The report of the business committee was given and adopted.

It was voted

1. That delegates from the preparatory schools of Maine be invited to participate in the College conference of next year, instead of in the Boys' conference as in the past. Further: that the delegation be limited to one delegate for each ten men in the school.

2. That the dates of the third Maine Intercollegiate Conference be February 17, 18, and 19th, 1911.

3. That the invitation from Bates College Y. M. C. A. for next year's conference be heartily accepted.

4. That the delegates be assessed fifty cents each for the expenses of this conference and that there be a fifty cent registration fee to meet the expenses of future conferences. Further: that the assessments for this year and the registration fees of future conferences be paid by the college Y. M. C. A.s themselves.

5. That this committee proceed in the engagement of speakers for next year's conference.

6. That the State Y. M. C. A. Secretary be an ex-officio member of the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee on Resolutions for the Second Maine Intercollegiate Y. M. C. A. Conference presents the following report. Be it resolved:

First, that we express our thanks to the members of the Colby Association for their kind entertainment of the delegates; to the people of Waterville for their hospitality; to the College Orchestra for their share in the reception; to the churches of Waterville which welcomed the conference speakers to their pulpits on Sunday, and to the First Baptist Church for the use of the building for the sessions of the Conference.

Second: that we express our appreciation to the various speakers for the inspiration they have given us, and especially to Prof. Sprague for coming to us in this time of his sorrow.

Third: that we thank the Maine Central Railroad for granting a reduced rate, and

Be it further resolved: that these resolutions be published in the Waterville Sentinel and spread

upon the minutes of the Conference.

Signed, Committee on Resolutions,

CHESTER A. WESCOTT,
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F. R. WEYMOUTH.

The committee of credentials reported as follows: Delegates from Bowdoin, 20; Bates, 5; Maine, 10; Colby, 17; Bangor Theological Seminary, 8; Oak Grove Seminary, 1; Foxcroft Academy, 1; Higgins Classical Institute, 1. Total, 64.

COMMITTEES.

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Credentials: C. I. Chatts, A. Bell, L. McFarland, D. Sawtelle, and Ralph Nash.

Sec. of Conference, J. M. Maxwell.

SOCIAL TEA.

On Wednesday of last week, the ladies of the faculty gave a Social Tea. This proved to be an altogether agreeable event. It was held in Chemical Hall, several of the rooms being used for the purpose.

The somewhat bare recitation rooms were transformed with rugs, plants and pictures. The effect, however, was heightened by a tasteful arrangement of tables, and even more so by the constantly varying color scheme as the guests moved about.

The students showed their appreciation by being present in a body. Very few were absent, and the concensus of opinion appears to be that if the last tea was a success this one was much more so.

The gueses were introduced by Mr. Kennison to Mrs. A. J. Roberts, Mrs. A. Marquardt, Miss Carrie Small, and Mrs. G. Tolman, who received, and as they entered the main room, Mrs. E. Hall, Mrs. J. W. Black, Mrs. G. F. Parmenter, Mrs. J. Hedman, and Mrs. F. L. Thompson introduced them to each other and to the ladies who served. These were Mrs. White, Mrs. Chester, Mrs. Dunn, Miss Bass, Mrs. Holder, Mrs. Stimson, Mrs. Green, Miss Sewell, Miss Drake, Mrs. Daggett, Miss Purington, Miss Dunn, Mrs. Merrill and Miss Caswell.

ALUMNI NOTES.

'07. Lewis W. Dunn visited at the Deke House last Friday and Saturday. He attended the opening session of the Second Maine Intercollegiate Conference, and on Saturday morning visited Good Will Farm.

"ONE OF THE EIGHT."**Opening Presentation at Fairfield a Success.**

Thursday evening, March 3, the Colby Dramatic Club presented the play "One of the Eight" at the Fairfield Opera House, Fairfield. The play went remarkably well despite the fact that it was the club's opening night. "One of the Eight" is a strong play of college life, the chief interest centering in the rowing contest of two rival colleges.

Parts especially well taken were those of Dow as Henry "Brooks;" Moor as "Carter;" Fogwell as Lord Chillingworth; Walsh as Marks; and Gilpatrick in the female part of Amy.

COMING EVENTS.

- Mar. 12—4.30 P. M., Twilight Musicales.
 Mar. 15-16—Musical Clubs at Milo, and Bangor.
 Mar. 18—Lecture by Prof. Paul Nixon, Bowdoin.
 Subject, "Modern Jokes of An Ancient Wit."
 Mar. 19—Dramatic Club, National Soldier's Home
 Togus.
 Mar. 21—Dramatic Clubs at Hartland.
 Mar. 28—D. K. E. Reception.
 Mar. 31—Zeta Psi Dance.
 April 1-12—Spring Vacation.
 April 4-11—Dramatic Club, Millinocket, Houlton,
 Presque Isle, Caribou, Dexter, Bangor and Charles-
 ton.
 April 4—Musical Clubs at Ntl. Soldiers' Home.
 April 5—Musical Clubs at Kennebunk.
 April 6-9—Musical Clubs in Framingham, Malden,
 Hingham, Marshfield, and Boston.
 April 15—Lyford Interscholastic Prize Speaking
 Contest.
 April 22—Goodwin Prize Speaking Contest.
 April 25—Dramatic Club in Waterville.
 April 29—Junior Prom.

EVERY KNOCK A BOOST.

College men know how to act? Why, of course they know, but frequently they do not act according to their knowledge.

A few days ago one of the Colby professors was walking along the board walk on the campus; he met a number of students and was obliged to step off the walk into the snow.

When visiting clergymen conduct the chapel exercises, the students—some of them—do not show proper respect. Certainly they know how to act, thoughtless that's all.

THE AMERICAN GAME AND RUGBY.

President David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford, thinks that no football reform is possible as long as interference is allowed. As results of the legalization of "offside play" or interference, forbidden in Rugby, we have the four most objectionable features of the American game: (a) Mass play and downs; (b) Low tackling in the open field; (c) the domination of professional coaches, whose interests are wholly at variance with those of the University.

He says of Rugby as played in California: "It has been tested for five seasons and it is wholly satisfactory to all concerned. The game demands much higher grade of skill and alertness. It is far more interesting to watch. It is interesting to the players. It is a sport and not a battle. As with baseball, so with Rugby, each player must know the game. In five years there have been no injuries of any consequence. It attracts larger number of spectators than the old game ever did and is now played in most of the leading high schools of California." Despite these arguments for Rugby it would require little short of a revolution to turn this part of the country against the American game even though criticism of it is so rife.—Ex.

The number of foreigners studying in American institutions of higher learning is rapidly increasing from year to year, and the day is not far distant when there will be more German students in America than American students in Germany. In six universities alone there were 794 students from foreign countries last year. Almost 30 per cent of these studied at the University of Pennsylvania. As for the representation from individual countries that send at least ten students to any one institution, Pennsylvania leads in Central American countries, in Brazil, Germany, Australia and New Zealand; while Harvard leads in Canada and England; Columbia in Russia and Japan, and Cornell, in Cuba, Mexico and Argentine.—American College.

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The current number of the "Bates Student" informs us that Prof. J. W. Black of Colby gave an address at Bates, on Feb. 22nd.

The editors of the COLBY ECHO would consider it a favor if Professors and others connected with the college informed them of events similar to the above.

Have you noticed it? Everybody is talking up Colby. On the campus, in the city, over the State, there is the same growing conviction that we are booming, and that is one of the best proofs that we are. Once we had to say it ourselves; now our generous rivals are saying it to us. It sounds well, too, when we hear the song sung by somebody else; and the singers, once hardly more than a feeble quartette, have increased to a grand and sublime chorus.

The action of the Debating Society in voting, last week, to hold regular meetings of members alone, and thereby to develop an interest which shall at length culminate in a public meeting, was a wise one. The proposition to interest both divisions of the College in debating at the very outset with a big public meeting that should tax the capacity of the chapel, looked well in print but proved illusive.

As a matter of fact, however, there is more interest in debating in the college than the failure to hold a public meeting of the Debating Society would indicate.

Thanks are due Mr. Rowland T. Patten of Skowhegan, for his well considered and scholarly address on "The Direct Primary Law" before the Public Speaking and Debating classes last Friday. The fact that all the members of the classes were not in favor of the proposed legislation added zest to the inquiry that followed the address, and Mr. Patten won admiration for the cheerful and painstaking manner in which he replied to the objections that were raised. Debating Instructor Herbert C. Libby is likewise deserving of a kind word for securing Mr. Patten's services.

The second annual Conference of the Maine Intercollegiate Y. M. C. A., which was held in Waterville last week was notable for the deep enthusiasm and lofty purpose displayed. Every delegate to the conference received lasting benefit, but the session was of great devotional uplift to the students of Colby, and particularly to the members of the Colby Association. Not only was it a pleasure and an inspiration to meet and greet workers of national and international reputation, but it was also a great incentive to continued endeavor to clasp by the hand the men of other Maine institutions who are working along the same lines and for the same purposes. While future conferences will doubtless be even larger than the one just closed, the good accomplished by the second annual conference will not be soon forgotten.

FIRST REPORT OF CLASS OF 1898.

A very interesting booklet has just recently been issued by the members of the class of ninety eight. It is a report of the doings of the class since it graduated and contains about fifty or sixty pages of very interesting history and statistics. The work was in charge of a committee from the class and they are certainly to be congratulated for their excellent work. This committee consisted of Frederick G. Gechell, Frank W. Alden and Mary C. Evans.

The first section of the book contains the biographies of the members of the class in connection with life since graduation. It shows that the class has been living up to its college reputation.

Next comes a department with the title, "By Way of Statistics." Here are a few of them. The roster shows a total of 82.51 of them being graduates. Of the 82 there are 51 who plead guilty of marriage with a total of 59 children. This makes a family circle of about 200.

Of the men, 22 are in business; 14 are in educational work; nine are lawyers; six are clergymen; three are in literary work; one is unknown, and two deceased. With the exception of one, a doctor, the women are all engaged in teaching, seven in schools, and the rest in tiny little kindergartens of their own.

The class is widely scattered. Thirty-two are in Maine; 21 in Massachusetts; three in New Hampshire; 2 in Maryland, one each in California, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Washington; one is in England and one in China.

The next section deals with "The Vacant Chairs." The class has been very fortunate in this respect, having lost only two members, one of whom attended college for but a short while. A beautiful tribute was paid to the memory of Ralph Hoyt House, the only deceased graduate member of the class.

Then comes an account of the Celebration of the Tenth Anniversary of the Commencement of the Class as held in June 1908. This gives a full account of the banquet and the picnic.

An account is also given of several "Boston Round Ups." Many more of these are being planned for the coming year.

One of the most interesting sections is that which pertains to "The Second Generation." "The list of babies is certainly an imposing one, and one-twelfth of the total belongs to J. E. Nelson (Our own John of Waterville.) Honorable mention should be given to Cleaves (The famous Baptist divine of Newburyport, Mass.) In this connection your committee finds itself wholly unable to decide who the class baby is.

Robert Betts Austin, Jr., was born May 1, 1899, and Gertrude Brooks was born April 21, 1901. Priority of birth is certainly with Robert Betts, but the issue is somewhat clouded by the fact that Bobby, Sr., stole a march on Brooksy by leaving college before the end of the course. It might be well to let Nelson and Cleaves arbitrate the question for the class. At any rate, even if it is tardily done, our class baby should be presented with some token of recognition."

The last department is called "The Mail Box," and contains a most interesting collection of letters from the members of the class. These letters are full of college spirit and love for Alma Mater that seems wonderful for men and women who have been out in the world for so many years, for to us in college ten years does seem a long time. We congratulate the class of '98 for their good work as shown by the various statistics. We also congratulate the committee on their splendid achievement. Let other classes go and do likewise.

GREEK.

President Hadley of Yale says that the study of Greek is an intellectual game where the umpires know the rules better than they know the rules in the game of French, for instance, or History or Botany." He continues: "A man's rating in Greek means something. Unfortunately a large number of men both in England and the United States have decided that the game takes more time than it is worth. Personally, I believe that this change of mind was in many respects a misfortune; that in trying to get more practical results in the way of knowledge or culture, a great many American college boys have lost the training which the Greek would have given them, and gained nothing of equal value in the place." A recent editorial in the Cleveland Plain Dealer criticised the present methods of teaching Greek and attribut-

ed to them the growing unpopularity of the study of the language. A Reserve professor of Greek answered that the enrollment in his department was greater than in many previous years, and that methods are being improved. As an example, he cited the offering of a course in Greek literature, whose study, by showing the importance of things Greek in the world, will lead more men to seek a knowledge of the language itself.

The intercollegiate football rules committee met in New York on February 18 and 19 to discuss and form new rules by which football may be played with less danger of injury to the players.

CAMPUS CHAT.

At the Pink Tea? Wouldn't have missed that affair last Wednesday afternoon for anything. It was certainly the best yet. Hope the ladies will give another before the end of the year. The coffee was great.

The Junior Class recently elected an Executive Committee, consisting of Higginbotham, Vail, Nash, Ervin and N. R. Patterson. The Committee met on Friday afternoon to make arrangements for the Junior Prom. A committee from the women's division of the class will co-operate with this committee. The class is planning to have the best Junior Prom yet. A date has been set, April 29th, which will hold unless something interferes.

Higginbotham, '11, preached in the Baptist Church at North Berwick on Sunday, March 6th.

John Dyer, '98, stopped several days at the A. T. O. House last week.

There is to be a track meet on the board track towards the end of March. Every man in college who can do anything should go out and try.

The members of Phi Delta Theta fraternity were entertained last Monday evening by those of Zeta Psi.

DE FEMINIS.

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Grace Vose, '12, and Ethel Ward, '13, attended a meeting of the Kent's Hill alumni at Augusta last Friday.

Susie Wentworth, '12, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Westbrook.

Marion Tebbetts' '12, spent Sunday at her home in Belgrade.

Miss Ethel Furbish of Waterville took dinner with Rose Pillsbury, '11, at Foss Hall, Sunday.

Gail Taggart, '12, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Skowhegan.

Marion Goodwin, '09, of Saco, has been the recent guest of her sister, Ruth, '13.

A "Twilight Musicale" will be given by the Y. W. C. A. in the Baptist Church on next Saturday afternoon at 4.30. The best local talent has been secured and a pleasant hour is promised.

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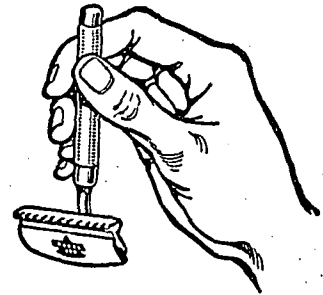
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