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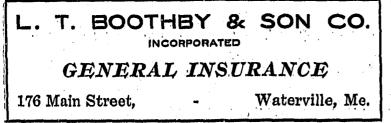
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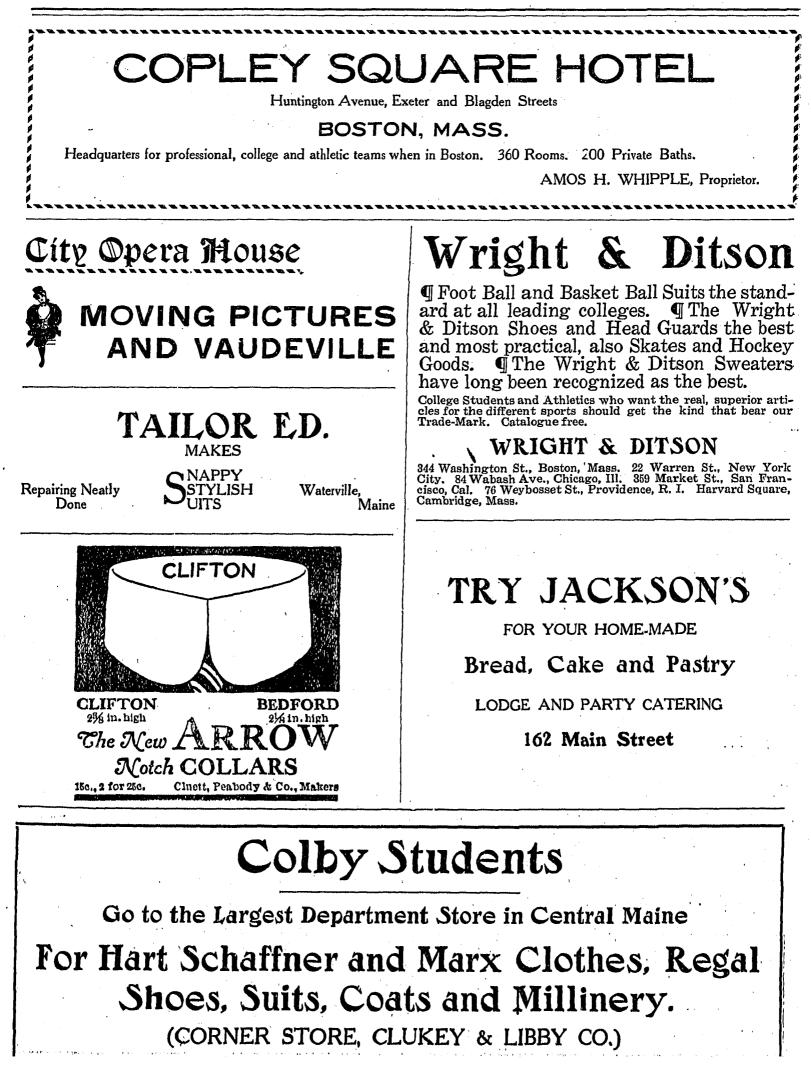
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A SPRINGFIELD REVIEW.

Discussion of the Place of the New England Athletic Association Meet.

That the annual championship contests of the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association will come to Pratt field of the Springfield Training school was practically settled yesterday, says last Saturday's Springfield Union. After a careful inspection of the field and consideration of Springfield's advantages as to location and accommodations, the special committee recently chosen to make recommendations of a field for the big meet voted unanimously in favor of Pratt field. This committee, consisting of F. W. Long of Dartmouth, R. W. Taylor of Williams, and W. A. McCormick of Bowdoin. will now submit its recommendation to the fifteen colleges in the association and the matter will be determined by majority vote.

Though the special committee is without power to make selection, it was appointed practically for the purpose of picking the field, and there is little doubt that its recommendation will be adopted. No opposition is expected except from Massachus-

etts Institute of Technology. The field day has been held on M. I. T. field in Brookline for the past few years and Technology is loth to lose it. However. several colleges are already known to be strong for Springfield, these comprising Amherst, Williams, Dartmouth, Wesleyan, Brown, Bowdoin and Trinity. The other colleges in the association are Holv Cross. Worcester Technology, Colby, University of Maine, Bates, Tufts, University of Vermont and M. I. T. The total vote will probably be known within a week.

Following its tour of inspection, the special college committee met at the Nayasset club and it was unanimous in the opinion that Pratt field is the proper place for the meet.

It was feared the Maine colleges would line up in opposition, but it is now thought the vote will be almost unanimous in favor of Springfield. There is practically no doubt that Springfield will get a majority vote, for in addition to the seven colleges mentioned as favorable, R. D. Purinton, a Training school graduate, now physical instructor at Bates, is strongly urging the Bates boys to whoop things up for Springfield.

The committee upon which practically rested the selection of a field for the meet was met at the station by Emmett H. Naylor, secretary of the Board of Trade, and H. B. Johnson of the local committee. The visitors were taken to the Board of Trade rooms and shown the correspondence that has passed between Secretary Naylor and various persons interested in seeing the meet held in Springfield.

The principal feature of this correspondence was the nailing of the assertion made by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology representative to the effect that because the Training school grounds are nontaxable, the intercollegiate association could not hope to charge admission to the grounds on the day of the meet. Secretary Naylor characterized the M. I. T. complaint as a bluff and showed by citing seven or eight decisions made by the superior court, that the present case was similar to a church holding fairs.

Another letter was read from Harry L. Hillman, Jr., coach of the Dartmouth track team, following his recent visit to Springfield and inspection of Pratt field. The Dartmouth coach was very enthusiastic in his praise of the field and of the facilities for handling a big meet and hoped that it would come to Springfield.

Following this display of evidence, the party consisting of the three managers, Secretary Naylor, Mr. Johnson, E. S. Goldthwaite, H. P. Chapman and W. P. Hubbard were taken in automobiles to the Training school. Here it was met by Dr. J. H. McCurdy of the faculty. No better argument for facilities for a track meet could have been offered than what was shown in the trip through the old and new gyms of the school.

The fine shower baths, dressing rooms and lockers did not fail to make impression on the three college men. All of them expressed admiration for the fine arrangement that has been made in the gymnasiums for the care of athletes.

This inspection was no sooner over than the party was taken to Pratt field. There was no need of urging the advantages of the field for a track meet. The arrangement of the track itself, the easy curves for the distance runs, the 220-yard straightaway and the solid cement bases for the jumping and pole vault standards were all shown to the managers as well as the easy seating facilities that are offered because of the concrete wall around the field which can be used to back up the stands.

The local committee had little need to

point out the advantages of Springfield as far as hotel accommodations were concerned. The backing of the Board of Trade was promised, as well as the united efforts of the college men in this section in order to make the meet a success.

At the conclusion of the inspection the party was bundled into waiting automobiles and taken to the Nayasset club. Here the three managers went into executive session and took the action that will probably mean the bringing of the meet to this city, May 19 and 20.

"It is going to come rather hard for us," said Manager McCormick of Bowdoin, in talking about the bringing of the meet to this city. "But I can see that it is easily the best place that could be picked, and I favor Springfield."

Manager Taylor of Williams said that Pratt field is without question one of the best athletic arenas he has ever seen, and said that Williams would be eager to come to Springfield for the annual track competitions. Manager Long of Dartmouth reiterated previous statements he had made that if the track proved all right, he could see no reason why the Dartmouth support would not be thrown in favor of Springfield. At the field he was as enthusiastic as the other managers.

Manager Chapman stated to THE ECHO that the Maine colleges, including Colby, are in favor of Springfield as the place for the New England Meet.

MURRAY PRIZE DEBATE

Successful Preliminary Contest Held on Question of Direct Primaries.

The preliminary contest of the Murray Prize Debate was held in the chapel beginning at 1.30 P. M. Saturday, the question being:

"Resolved, That the system of direct nominations as provided for in the petition

submitted to the Seventy-fifth Maine Legislature is superior to the present system of caucus and convention."

Each contestant had the option of supporting either side of the question he chose, talking ten minutes and submitting his article to be ranked by a committee. The judges of the speaking were Mr. Libby and Mr. Carter of the faculty. The following men participated: Willis E. Jones, '12; James K. Romeyn, '12; Ray W. Hogan, '12; Walter J. Rideout, '12; Harvey Knight, '14; James L. Howe, '13; and Frederick A. Shepherd, '11.

Messrs. Romeyn, Hogan, Rideout, Knight, Howe and Shepherd appeared on the affirmative, while Mr. Jones was the only speaker for the negative.

The winners will be divided into two teams of three members each, and the final debate will be held at a date to be announced. The place of the debate will probably be the First Baptist church.

The Murray debating prizes, offered last year for the first time, are the gift of George Edwin Murray of the class of 1879, of Lawrence, Mass., and aggregate one hundred dollars, of which the sum of seventy-five dollars is divided among the members of the winning team, and twentyfive dollars is divided among the members of the losing team. Last year the question was, "Resolved, That the United States should adopt a system of shipping subsidies." The affirmative was advocated by Henry B. Moor, '10; Wilford G. Chapman, Jr., '12; and Frederick A. Shepherd, '11; and the negative was supported by Harold F. Dow, '10; Harry W, Kidder, '11; and Isaac Higginbotham, '11. The decision of the judges was in favor of the negative.

It is a matter of regret that the press of college work prevented Messrs. Chapman, Kidder and Higginbotham from entering the contest, particularly as the number of candidates was so small, but the new men showed much talent in the preliminaries, and it is expected that the final debate will be an event of great interest and worthy of the generous prizes offered.

The winners of the preliminary contest will be announced in chapel sometime this week, probably Saturday morning. /

GOODWIN PRIZE SPEAKING.

Subjects of Original Orations Must Be Passed to Instructor Herbert C. Libby Tomorrow.

The second annual Goodwin Prize Speaking Contest, open to members of the class in Public Speaking, will be held at an early date after the Easter recess, and contestants must pass in their subjects to the instructor on Thursday at 1 P. M.

Like the Hallow ell Contest, held last fall for the second time, the Goodwin Contest is for prizes aggregating one hundred dollars; but unlike that contest, the orations, instead of being excerpts from some well known orator, must be written by the contestant himself.

The prizes are the gift of Hon. Forest Goodwin, of the class of 1887, of Skowhegan, and have been offered to the college in order to foster a greater interest in the art of public speaking.

The following rules govern the awarding of these prizes:

1. A speaking contest shall be held prior to the public exhibition in which all students electing Public Speaking six are required to participate. Of those contesting, twelve shall be chosen to take part in the final exhibition.

2. The selections rendered shall be original orations and shall first be approved by the instructor in charge of the course.

3. The selections shall not be over six minutes in length.

4. The judges shall award the several prizes on the basis of fifty points, of which interpretation shall count twenty-five, appearance, fifteen, and pronounciation, ten.
5. The awards shall be as follows: First prize, fifty dollars; second prize, twenty-five dollars; third prize, fifteen dollars: fourth prize, ten dollars.

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CHANGE IN ECHO BOARD.

It was announced last week that Hill, '12, would be business manager of THE ECHO for the rest of the year to fill the place of Bridges, '11, resigned, and that Herrick, '12, would act as assistant manager. A further change in the board is now announced. Kidder, '11, has resigned as editor-in-chief, and his place will be taken by Shepherd, '11. Fletcher, '13, has resigned as mailing clerk, and Mayo, '14, has been appointed to take his place.

THE ECHO does not believe in fault-finding, but we rise to remark that the college time has been somewhat baffling of late. The fine new clock in the tower of Memorial Hall keeps excellent time, the only trouble being that somebody forgets to wind it semi-occasionally. Then, when it is set, a dollar watch is brought into requisition as a chronometer. The college bell is rung on a schedule of its own, usually a balance struck between the time of the Unitarian church clock and that sounded as a test on the fire alarm system, neither of which is accurate enough to catch a train by. The result is somewhat demoralizing to recitations. The Hollingsworth & Whitney mill whistle blows at exact noon by telegraph time. If the tower clock is kept with the whistle, and the bell sounded by the clock, the situation, now extremely puzzling, would be much simplified.

While the fault-finding fever is on, THE ECHO would call attention to a misuse of the bulletin board which is fast hurting its efficiency. We refer to the alleged humorous notices that have been posted from time to time. As examples of wit, they one and all have been positively execrable. In nearly every instance a fairly intelligent grammar school pupil might have done better.

May 5 and 6 will be big days in the Colby calendar, and it is not too early to make preparations for them. On the afternoon of May 5 will be held the Lyford Interscholastic Prize Speaking Contest, at which it is expected over forty preparatory school men will be present. In the forenoon of May 6 will be held the Colby Interschelastic Track Meet, to be followed in the afternoon by the Maine-Colby Dual Track Meet and the Colby-Bates Championship Baseball Game. Colby alumni should make a note of the events, and plan if possible to be present. This is particularly true of those who may not be able to come to Waterville for Commencement.

FITTING SCHOOL FRATERNITIES.

The problem of the high school secret society, which has proved a poser to many teachers, has been coped with successfully by Roscoe C. Emery, '07, principal of the Waterville High School.

He says in his report to the school board:

"Prior to last fall there had existed at the High School two secret societies for

boys, one of quite recent origin, the other of much older standing. Nothing could be said in favor of either one. There was no need behind their development, as there is in the Colby secret societies, of which they were imitations; and not only did they tend to develop a spirit of exclusiveness among the members toward the students outside, but they probably fostered a spirit of insubordination toward the school authorities. Each tried to outdo the other in securing control of, and membership in, the various school organizations and from this rivalry animosities arose which were unnecessary, unwholesome, and destructive to the best interest of the school. Advantage was accordingly taken of a period of inactivity on their part to ask the boys to formally disband, it being made plain to them that this request was made out of regard for the welfare of the school. They made no difficulty in consenting to do this, and by the end of the term the action desired had been taken.

"It is fortunate that what might have been a difficult problem has been solved with so little friction and disturbance; and in order to prevent the possible recurrence of this problem, I recommend that it be made by the school board an offense punishable by expulsion to organize any secret society of the kind referred to.

THE DRUIDS.

Eight Candidates Are Initiated by the Junior Society Organized Last Year.

The first annual initiation of the Druids, the Junior men's society organized last year, was held Friday evening, February 24.

The following men of 1912 were initiated: Ernest Hamilton Cole, of Waterville; Thomas Scott Grindle, of South Penobscot; John Bailey DeWitt, of Bradford; Samuel Alton Herrick, of Brooklin; Willis Elwood Jones, of South China; Russel Hinkley Lord, of North Brooksville; Ernest Delmore Jackman, of Mt. Vernon; Rowland Mansfield Hussey, of North Berwick.

THE EASTER CONCERT.

Several Colby Students Will Participate in Event Under Auspices of Cecilia Choral Society.

Work has begun on the music for the Easter concert to be given in this city under the auspices of the Cecilia Choral Society, of which a number of Colby students are members. The work which will be given is along the same lines as that sung last Easter, when the idea of such a concert was first tried.

Director Cecil M. Daggett of the society has selected the cantata, "Olivet to Calvary," by Maunder, as the piece to be rendered, and as soon as the music arrives, rehearsals will be started. It is likely that the first rehearsal will be held next week.

The orchestra this year will be more of a local one than ever. Last evening Mr. Daggett gathered a few local players in the Coburn building and held a rehearsal. It is the intention to have as many local players as possible and others will be added from away later on.

Mr. Daggett thinks well of the selection to be given. It resembles "The Seven Last Words of Christ," sung last year.

The directors of the society have not selected the day upon which the concert will be given, but a meeting will be held soon.

The singers registered with the society number one hundred and thirty and most of them will be in the big chorus.

JAMES W. MERRILL.

Notice has been received of the death of James W. Merrill of the class of 1843 at 1210 Drolo street, Los Angeles, Calif., but the card received by Acting Librarian Dean does not state the date of Mr. Merrill's death.

He was born at Harmony, Me., April 24, 1818. After graduating from Colby he was a teacher at Jackson, Miss., 1845-46; lawyer, Athens, Me., 1850-66; deputy United States marshal, 1850; representative to the Maine Legislature of 1857; clerk of

courts, 1859-63; quartermaster Twentyeighth Maine Volunteers, 1863; at Charles City, Iowa, 1866-74; county superintendent of schools, 1870-73; lawyer, real estate and insurance agent at Rockford, Iowa, 1874-96; later he made his home at Inglewood, Calif.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and power has seen fit to take from this life the mother of Cecil Gray Fletcher, be it

Resolved, That we, the class of 1913, extend our deepest sympathy to our classmate, and to the bereaved family in their great sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to our classmate, and be published in THE COLBY ECHO.

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WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and power has seen fit to take from this life, the sister of our classmate, Frederick Joy, be it

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CAMPUS CHAT.

Royden K. Greeley, '12, has left college. Ray C. Carter, '11, preached at Hebron, Sunday.

Augustus L. Welch, '13, passed Sunday at Augusta. and a second second

Ray Wood Hogan, '12, preached at Oak Grove Seminary, Sunday.

Francis D. Nardini, '13, has returned from a short trip to Portland.

The members of the Dramatic Club had their pictures taken Tuesday.

L. A. Wilson, '14, was among those reported ill the first of the week.

Henry S. Cusham, '13, attended the Boston Automobile Show this week.

The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity has announced a house party for March 17.

Ira Mikelsky, '13, was in Portland, Thursday, to attend the wedding of a friend.

The father of Cecil G. Fletcher, '13, was a visitor at the Zeta Psi house this week.

F. M. Thompson of Machias visited his son, James B. Thompson, '12, last week.

Charles R. Choate, ex-'10, who was in town recently, has returned to New York.

Ernest D. Jackman, '13, has been confined to his room the past week by illness.

Leo G. Shesong, '13, went to Augusta, Wednesday, to attend the debate on Reciprocity.

Rev. Edwin Carey Whittemore, D. D., led the meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening.

Professor Julian D. Taylor gave an informal talk at the Delta Upsilon house last Wednesday evening.

Rev. Canon George Bruce Nicholson, of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, led chapel exercises Saturday morning.

Vinal H. Tibbetts, '14, was called to his home at New Harbor last week by the serious illness of a relative.

Allan Wilson of Concord, N. H., recently paid a visit to his son, Louis A. Wilson, '14, at the Phi Delta Theta house.

THE ECHO inadvertently stated last week that the Colby-Bates Dual Track Meet would be held May 6. Of course the Colby-Maine Dual Meet was meant, as there is no Colby-Bates Meet this year.

Raymond C. Bridges, '11, was at his home in Brooklin, Monday, for the purpose of casting his ballot at townmeeting.

Many of the students attended the social at the Coburn Gymnasium, Saturday evening, given by the College Men's Sunday School Class of the Baptist church.

One of the most pleasant events of the past week was the "smoker" tendered the Zeta Psi fraternity by the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at the Alpha Tau Omega house last Friday evening. The affair was delightfully informal and all who were privileged to be present enjoyed the occasion thoroughly.

The Upsilon Beta initiation has commenced this week. The initiates are the following named members of the Freshman class: Raymond Philip Luce, of Caribou; Wilmer Allen Mooers, of Ashland; H. Augustus Weir, of Spring Valley, N. Y.; Harold Russell Green, of Somerville, Mass.; Guy E. Higgins, of Presque Isle,; Myron Adams Griswold, of Wethersfield, Conn.; Arthur S. Hawes, of Dorchester, Mass.; Kenneth Bartlett Dresser, of Millbridge; Earle Hurd Davis, of East Wakefield, N. H.; and Louis Allen Wilson, of Concord, N. H.

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Mary Hall, '12, returned to college Saturday, after a week's absence.

Helen March, '13, and Lynnette Philbrick, '14, attended a Phi Gamma Delta house party at the University of Maine, Saturday.

Rev. Canon George Bruce Nicholson spoke in chapel Monday on "Lent and Its Significance."

Louise Peacock, '14, spent Sunday in Belgrade.

Lena Blanchard, '14, went to her home in Augusta, Thursday, to substitute for a few days in the Cony High School. Lucile Noyes' mother has been visiting her the past week.

Dora Libby spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Winthrop.

Mr. R. J. Peacock of Lubec, visited his daughter, Lois, Thursday.

Grace Vose, '12, spent Sunday at her home in Madison.

Florence Carll, '12, returned to college Monday, after a week's absence.

Harriet Lawler, '12, left for her home in Eastport, Monday.

Emily Hanson's father called to see her at Foss Hall last week.

The girls' choir, which has been leading the singing in chapel for some time, added much to the services Monday and Thursday by anthems. Miss Davidson has been drilling them.

Don't forget the party at Foss Hall next Saturday, which the Seniors are giving for the Y. M. C. A. Girls of many nations will entertain you.

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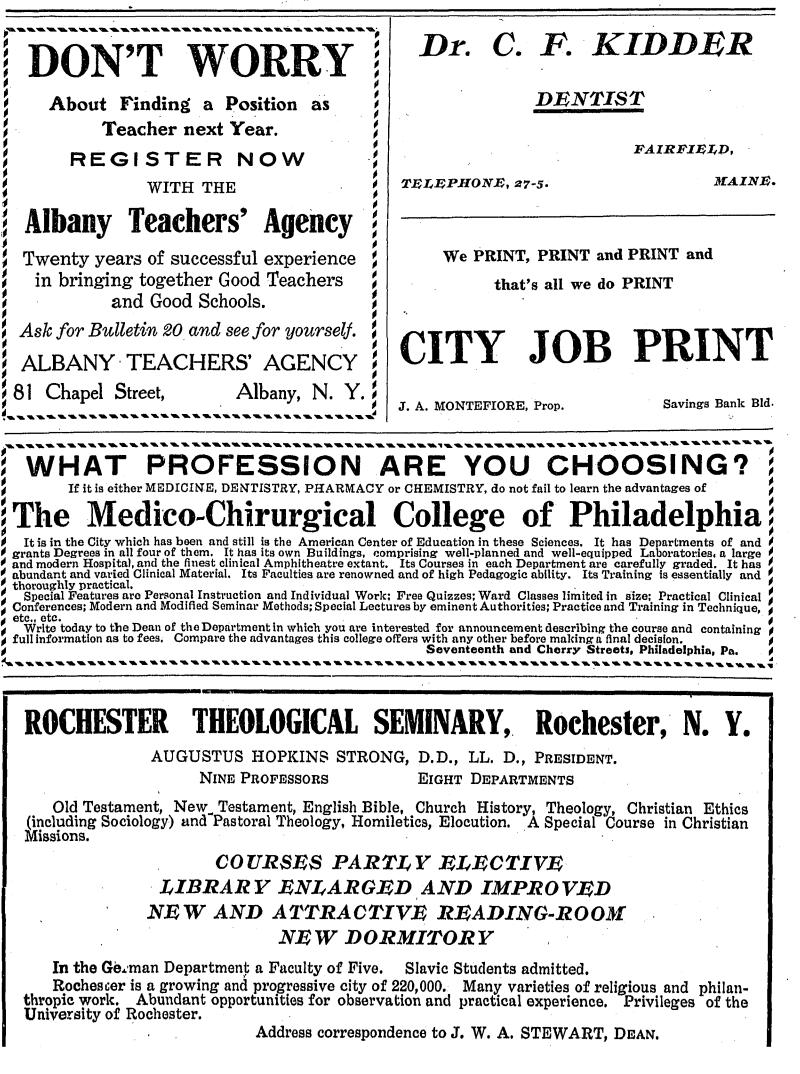
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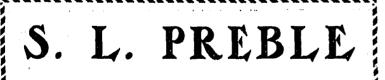
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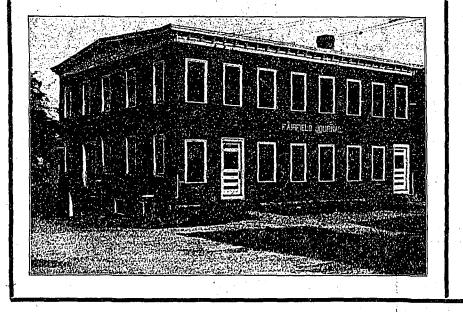
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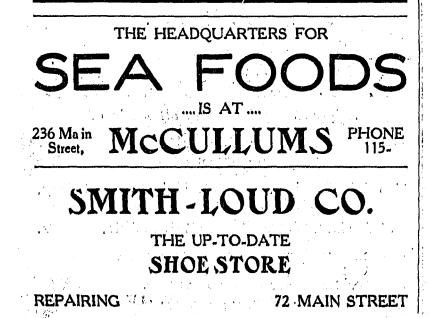
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