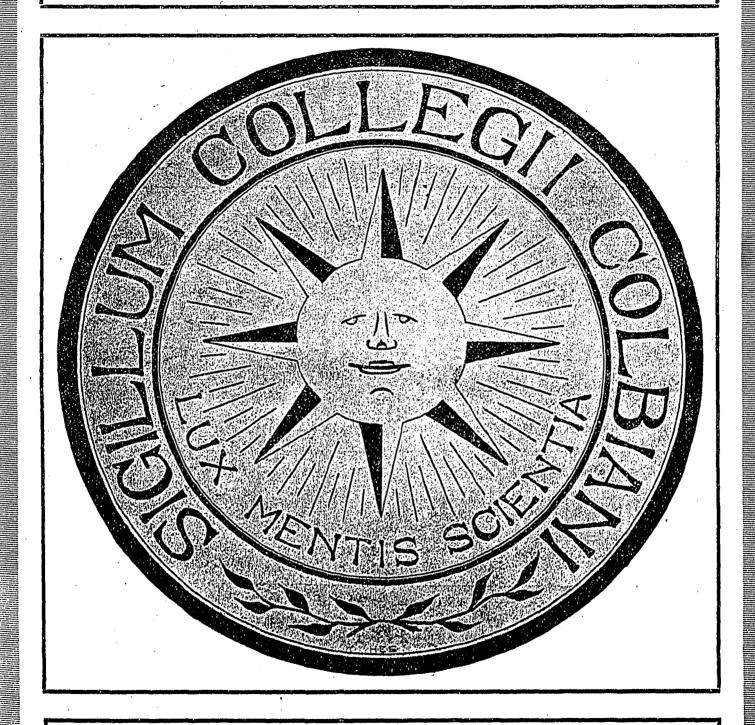
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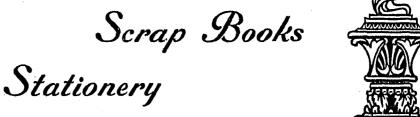
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JACK COOMBS TO RETURN HOME



JACK COOMBS IN THE HOSPITAL.

During the spring baseball practice for the season of 1913, while on a training trip, in the South, with the Philadelphia Americans, Jack Coombs contracted typhoid fever. Refusing to give in, however, he upheld his name, "The Iron Man," by keeping at his work. When he finally had to leave, the disease had reached such an advanced stage that it was necessary to take him to the University of Pennsylvania hospital. There he lay for twelve weeks with high fever, the disease making such inroads on his system that he fell off, in weight, from 184 to 126 pounds. After the fever had abated, Coombs was so weak that the baseball club to which he belonged sent him, with two nurses and

his wife, to Atlantic City, where he remained several weeks, at the expense of the club. Feeling better, he came to Maine, and spent the summer on his farm.

He then wanted to return to his base-ball duties, and, finally, contrary to the advice of the physicians, he joined the club, before he was really in proper condition. On account of his weakness, he strained his back while in practice, and had to be carried off the field. He was again taken to the University of Pennsylvania hospital, where a diagnosis of his case showed that he was suffering from typhoid spine. For a long time his temperature was high, reaching 106 degrees at intervals. For several weeks he was

forced to lie on a stretcher, with a twentyeight pound weight suspended from his
head, and a fourteen pound weight attached to each foot. This kept his spine
straight, but it stretched him so severely
that at times he suffered greatly, necessitating a letting up of the tension for a
period. The accompanying picture shows
Coombs in the hospital with his body being pulled straight by means of weights.
A telephone, with the receiver strapped
to his ear, kept him in touch with the
outside world, and the happenings that
were of interest to him.

October fourth, his temperature was again normal, and has remained so since. November 30, Coombs left the hospital and returned to his boarding house. He wore, and is still wearing, a brace made or three steel bars on each side of his spine. The bars are attached to his crutches and so long as they keep him straight, nature will do the rest. He leaves for his home in Kennebunk, Maine, December 20, and will remain there all winter, instead of going South.

winter, instead of going South.

During his sickness, his bills have been paid by the Philadelphia Athletic Club. His salary has also been kept up, and the club voted to give him his share of the world's series' money. He has signed up for next year, and it is expected by his physicians that he will be in good trim for

next season's work.

It is hoped by his many friends in this city that he will visit Colby some time this winter, and receive the royal welcome

which he so richly deserves.

The ECHO thanks Mr. Rex W. Dodge and Dr. J. F. Hill, for the information contained in this article, and The Telephone Review, of New York City, for the use of the picture reproduced above.

"SCOTLAND, THE LAND OF HEATH AND HEATHER."

MOST INTERESTING LECTURE BY JACK, '14, IN CHAPEL, MONDAY EVENING.

The first of a series of student lectures was given by David Jack, '14, in the chapel, last Monday evening, before an interested audience. The subject was, "Scotland, the Land of Heath and Heather." The speaker was introduced by Prof.

Hedman and he soon proved himself well-qualified to speak on the subject. He led us in imagination through the historic cities of Glasgow, Edinburgh and Stirling and gave us a most vivid description of the country of Scott and Burns. He proved himself especially interesting in his portrayal of Scotland's famous Lochs—Katrine and Lomond. As Prof. Hedman said at the close, "Mr. Jack enveloped us in a most delightful Scottish atmosphere."

ALPHA TAU OMEGA.

Maine Gamma Alpha of Alpha Tau Omega held its annual initiation banquet at the New Augusta House, Augusta, Friday evening. There were many alumni present. Among the visiting delegates was Dean Wren of Tuft's College. The toasts were:

ToastmasterA. H. Knight, '14
ChoragusR. I. Haskell, '14
The ProvinceAlexander Macomber,
Province Chief

"And each is bound to each By friendship's holy law, And naught can ever sever The ties of Alpha Tau."

Twenty-one Years of Gamma Alpha...
.....L. L. Levine, '16
"It is not of an age but for all time."
1915.....Chester R. Mills, '15
"And thereby hangs a tale."

The Neophyte. William M. Harriman, '17

"Delightful task—to rear the tender tho't."
The Socialism of Society
"You do not have to fight—
You do not have to struggle—
You only have to know."
Gamma Alpha in College Activities
I. R. Stanwood, '16
"Then the Deed gives battle to pride and
pelf
As only a conquerer can;
For the Dream is the child of the better
self
But the Deed is the man."
The Fraternity and the College
Stanley B. Miller, '14
"A long pull and a strong pull
With one hope, one thought, one goal."
Initiates:

1916—John Norris Harriman, Bristol, N. H.; Paul Norton Russell Shailer, Chester, Conn.

1917—Elmer Wilmot Campbell, Ashland, Maine; Harold Everett Hall, Oxford, Maine; William Martin Harriman, Bristol, N. H.; Theodore Nathan Levine, Waterville, Maine; Frederick Whitney Marriner, Bridgton, Maine; Fred Albert Pottle, Otisfield, Maine; Norris Frederick Stevens, Rockland, Maine; Donald Webster Tozier, Waterville, Maine; Ivan Neal Waldron, Portland, Maine.

Pledges:

1917—Lorenzo Alec Brunelle, Somersworth, N. H.; Albert Crockett Dunn, Bath, Maine; Clyde Nutter, Lynn, Mass.

D. U. BANQUET.

The annual Initiation banquet of the Colby chapter of Delta Upsilon was held Tuesday evening at the Augusta House. The program follows:

Postprandial.

"All stretched at ease the genial banquet share.

And pleasing slumbers quiet all their care."

Illiad XXIV

Toastmaster.......Merle F. Hunt, '15 "Sir, your wit ambles well; it goes easily." -Much Ado V., I. "Arma virumque cano." -Aeneid~I.The Active Chapter. William A. Tracy, '13 "Some little talk awhile of me and thee there was and then no more of me and thee." -Omar. Principia.....Rev. George Merriam, '79 "Wait till you hear me from the pulpit, then you cannot answer me." Bishop Gilbert Haven Good FellowshipRussell H. Lord, '12 "For its always fair weather, when good fellows get together." The Eternal Question..... "To be, or not to be, that is the question." Hamlet IV., I. Our Bowdoin Brother..... .. Austin H. MacCormick, Bowdoin, '15 "Right joyous are we to behold your face, most worthy brother." -Henry V., V., IIAthleticsFrank A. James, '15 "What seas they measured, and what fields they sought: All passed before him in remembrance dear." —Iliad, XXIV Our Ideals Rev. Fred A. Snow, '85 "Upon the platform, 'twixt eleven and —Hamlet I., II Choragus Frank A. James, '15 Impromptu "Gude nicht, and joy be wi' you a'." Lady Nuane

Initiates:

1916—Donald Stearns Bartlett, Arthur Dugdale Craig, Roy Clifford Hurd, Everett Phoenix Smith, Frederick Smith, Frederick Sully.

1917—Harold Spencer Brown, George Fred Lull Bryant, William Helms Erbb, Donald Gleason Jacobs, Thomas Francis Joyce, Claude Archer LaBelle, Ernest Raymond Scribner, Ralph Lee Webster.

Committee on arrangements:

Lester F. Weeks, '15; Robert H. Bowen, '14; Merle F. Hunt, '15.

Trials for reader of the Glee Club have been postponed until one week from today, when they will be held in the Chapel, at 3 P. M.

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FOOTBALL AND CROSS-COUNTRY MEN—ATTENTION!

A number of business and professional men of Waterville have made arrangements for a complimentary banquet to be tendered to the Colby football squad and the freshman cross-country team at the Elmwood hotel, next Monday evening. The banquet is to be given in recognition of the excellent work done by both these teams in the past season, and it is the intention to make this occasion a demonstration of the close association and interest of the business and professional men of the city in the affairs of the college. It is earnestly desired that all men included in these teams be present next Monday night. Let each one so make his plans that nothing shall interfere with his being there.

BOWLING LEAGUE.

Three matches in the inter-fraternity bowling league have been rolled off since the last issue of the Echo. On Thursday, the D. U.'s defeated the Phi Delts by 103 pins; on Saturday, the Zetes were victori-

ous over the Dekes by 73 pins; and on Tuesday, the A. T. O.'s walked away with their match with the Phi Delts to the tune of 107 pins.

The summary:

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DR. BARKER LECTURES.

HEARD IN CHAPEL, MONDAY MORNING.

Last Monday morning chapel was specially arranged to permit Dr. Charles E. Barker, of Washington, to speak from 9.30 to 10.30 o'clock. Dr. Barker was medical adviser to William H. Taft during the latter's presidency, and he chose for the subject of his address, "The Great Conqueror." Nearly every member of faculty and student body was present and at the close the lecturer was given long and hearty applause.

Taking as his text the words of Solomon, "He that ruleth his spirit is greater than he that taketh a city," Dr. Barker pointed out as the successful man and the great conqueror the one who has good control of his own mind and body,—the one who has built up for himself a worthy character through conquered temptations. He made clear that the habits we have. in reality have us, and consequently we need carefulness toward forming good Knowing that the college days habits. are not in some way cut off from the rest of our lives, it is now time for us, as college men, to mold well the plastic character which is gradually hardening into fixed grooves of living. After emphasing the value of systematic exercise and other things which give the higher efficiency Dr. Barker closed his remarks with a neat, though biting, poem on fast living—"When you pay the bill."

COLLEGE CALENDAR.

The college calendar for 1914 is out this week. The cover, of blue colored leather, boasts a most excellently colored picture of Roberts Hall. The first page is a large picture of Memorial Hall, and numerous engravings concerning several phases of college life are printed on the following pages. Even the Messalonskee is not forgotten, and the calendar as a whole is one of the best yet printed.

Copies of the calendar may be obtained at the College Supply Store, for the price of one dollar.

CHRISTMAS VACATION.

President Roberts announced in Chapel, Tuesday, that the Christmas vacation will be increased four days, and will begin at 6 P. M., Friday, December 19, unless contrary notice shall be given.

LUCE ELECTED MANAGER.

The polls of the Athletic Association were open Saturday from 7 to 8.30 P. M., for the election of manager and assistant manager of football. Raymond P. Luce, '15, received the office of manager and Robert A. Hussey, '16, was chosen over Donald Putnam, '16, for assistant manager.

Y. M. C A.

Through the enterprise of the Y. M. C. A., a real treat is to be given to the college, next Tuesday evening. It is to be an address on "African Life and Customs," by a full-blooded negro, Madikane Q. Cele. Captain Cele is a Zula chieftain, who has just graduated from Hampton Institute, Virginia, and who is soon to return to Africa to establish a school along the lines laid down by Booker T. Washington. He has made addresses at Harvard, Brown University, Trinity, Amherst, Boston University, and other colleges; and behind him are such men as President Lowell of Harvard, President Faunce of Brown, Mr. Clarence Kelsey of the Yale corporation, and other influential men.

The lecture will be given in the Chapel, at 6.45 P. M., early enough to permit those desiring to do so to attend the Chapman concert. There will be no charge for admission.

CAMPUS CHAT.

Dr. J. F. Hill, of this city, was in Philadelphia, Saturday, November 29, to attend a dinner at the home of Dr. L. Webster Fox, given in honor of Col. R. H. Elliot, of India. Colonel Elliot is the originator of the Elliot operation for

glaucoma and is one of the world's foremost occulists. Thirty-four of the leading eye specialists of the country were present.

The board track has been moved out on to the athletic field. It will be set up

sometime this week.

Football Captain "Ginger" Fraser spoke at a banquet tendered to the championship team of Taunton High school, at Taunton, Mass., last Friday evening. Fred A. Hunt, '13, coach of the Taunton team, also gave a toast.

President Roberts left for Chicago today. While there he will attend a banquet of the Chicago Alumni Association.

The Musical Clubs will make a trip through Aroostook during the Christmas vacation. The schedule of concerts has not yet been announced.

Dr. T. B. Ashcraft led the Y. M. C. A. meeting, last evening.

WOMEN'S DIVISION.

IDELLA KATHRINE FARNUM, Editor. MARION EDITH DODGE, Business Manager.

Reports of the Occupational Conference, at Simmons College, November eighth, were given at the Y. W. C. A.

meeting, last week.

The Bible classes have begun their courses for the vear. Mrs. Maxfield has charge of the seniors,—subject: "Jesus and the Efficient Life;" Mrs. Crowell the juniors,—subject: "The Social Teachings of Jesus;" Prof. Brown the sophomores, in a lecture course,, as last year, on "Science and the Bible:" while Idella Farnum, '14, and Marion Wyman, '14, are the leaders of the freshman divisions in the study of: "Jesus, the Man of Galilee."

The Chi Omega sorority held its annual reception last Friday evening, at the home of Florence Stobie, in Winslow.

Claire McIntire, ex-'16, Eva Pratt, ex-14, and Mattie Widnell, '13, were some of the old girls present.

The French Club, recently organized, has the following officers: President, Cole, '14; vice-president, Dorothy Webb, '15; secretary and treasurer, Lois Osgood, '16; executive committee, Louise McCurdy, '16, and Mildred Greene, '17. Two tables in the dining room have been set apart to members of the club, and nothing but French is to be spoken there, except under penalty.

A very successful masquerade party was held at the Taconnet Club House, last Saturday evening; and about thirty-five dollars was obtained toward the expenses of the delegate to the International Student Volunteer Convention, at Kansas City. The entire expense will be seventy-five dollars. The remainder is to be raised by gifts from students and friends outside.

The Y. W. C. A. meeting this week was led by Marion Wyman. It was a foreign missionary meeting, the subject being, "The Middle Kingdom."

Ethel Merriam, '14, entertained her father, Rev. George Merriam of Skowhegan, this week, Tuesday.

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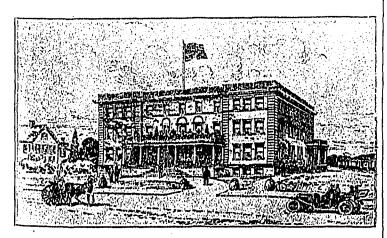
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