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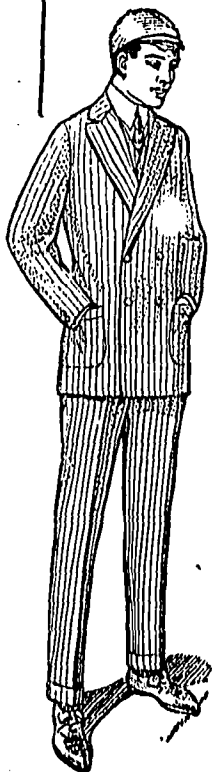


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MY SUMMER IN EUROPE, 1914.

BY PROFESSOR ROBERT W. CROWELL.

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At the consulate I had made the acquaintance of a gentleman from Boston who was traveling with his wife and sister, and we agreed to attempt the trip together. We had our passports viséed by the Dutch consul, to enable us to enter Holland; at police headquarters we obtained permits entitling us to leave the city; and we had the agent of the Holland America Line telegraph to Rotterdam for passage to New York.

Having thus made all possible preparations, we left Frankfort on the forenoon of Thursday, the thirteenth of August. The military time-table; which by the way had been made out long before the declaration of war, provided fewer and slower trains than the regular service, and we were nearly two hours in reaching Biebrich, a distance of only twenty-four miles. This was the end of our railroad ride, for we had decided that the Dutch steamboats on the Rhine would furnish the securest and most comfortable means of transportation.

In ordinary times an electric road carries passengers and baggage from the railroad station to the steamboat landing, but we found that service suspended, and hiring a man with a handcart to bring the baggage we were fain to walk the mile and a half, even if the noonday sun was hot.

The steamboat company agreed to transport us and our baggage to Rotterdam,—300 miles, for about \$3.50 apiece. As the boat did not come along until the next morning, we dined and lodged at a

small hotel near the landing, and spent the afternoon in an excursion to the neighboring watering-place of Wiesbaden.

Wiesbaden is the leading international watering-place of Germany and is visited annually by more than 200,000 persons. As we saw it however, the beautiful parks seemed deserted, and some of the largest hotels were closed.

The next day we began our voyage, passing through the beautiful highlands of the Rhine, the region famous in song and legend. As our boat was not very swift, and furthermore made frequent landings and long stops, we had all the better opportunity to admire the terraced vineyards, and the castle-crowned cliffs. We passed many railroad trains loaded with soldiers, the men generally sitting on benches in box-cars, also on the highway trains of motor-wagons guarded by soldiers.

We hoped to reach Bonn that evening, but toward nightfall we encountered a pontoon bridge which the authorities refused to open until morning. So our captain put about and tied up for the night at a little village called Linz. As the few cabins were already taken before our arrival on board, our party went ashore and found excellent accommodations at a small hotel. We had no sooner registered than an officer appeared and very politely asked to see our passports. He begged pardon for troubling us, but it was his duty to make the inspection.

The next morning an early start was made, and we soon reached Bonn. Some of us went ashore here and strolling a short distance into the city, visited the birthplace of Beethoven.

Below Bonn the Rhine flows through a

comparatively level country, and the towers of Cologne cathedral came in sight long before the city was reached. About noon we touched at Cologne, and a long stop was made, which gave us time to visit the wonderful cathedral and take dinner in the city.

Every time we landed our passports were inspected by an armed guard stationed at the gang plank.

About sunset Saturday evening we arrived at Düsseldorf, an attractive city of over 300,000 inhabitants, the birthplace of the poet Heine and seat of an important school of art.

Early Sunday morning we were again en route. The weather continued fine, and if the scenery was not strikingly picturesque, yet the broad meadows with their windmills and herds of black and white cattle were not without interest.

Our boat the "Prinz Hendrik" was a small epitome of the land to which it belonged: plain, and square built, but comfortable and well stocked with provisions. We counted ourselves happy that we were not cooped up in a railway train with the likelihood of delays and many changes. By mid-afternoon we crossed the frontier of Holland, and well treated though we had been in Germany we were glad to find ourselves under the flag of a neutral country.

That night we slept at Nymwegen, a small city that gives little evidence now of having been in the middle ages an imperial residence. It sheltered us comfortably however and sent us on our way after a good breakfast. Nowhere on the journey in fact did I find prices raised or any disposition to turn our necessities to profit.

About four hours' sail from Nymwegen brought us into the harbor of Rotterdam. Immediately on landing we repaired to the offices of the Holland America Line, where the courteous English-speaking clerks soon found, on reference to their

files, that our telegram from Frankfort had not been sent in vain. With passage tickets for New York in our hands we turned away with light hearts.

The four days and a half that now remained before our ship was to sail gave us leisure to enjoy the unplanned-for visit to Holland. We made excursions to The Hague with its fine picture gallery and the quaint little palace called The House in the Wood; to the fashionable seashore resort Scheveningen; and to Delft with its memorials of William the Silent. We were also able to testify that Rotterdam, though somewhat noisy and dirty as sea-ports are apt to be, has nevertheless excellent shops.

When Friday night came however we were not the last to go on board the "Ryndam," nor were we sorry on awaking the next morning to find ourselves out in the North Sea homeward bound.

The End.

ALLEGED FOUL COSTS COLBY RELAY RACE.

By a decision of the judges, Colby forfeited to Bates by a foul, in the preliminary races at the B. A. A. games February 6, and lost her chance to compete in the finals for the relay championship of Maine. Bates and Bowdoin were the competitors in the final race, the latter winning with a time of 3.13 $\frac{3}{5}$.

In the preliminary races, Royal started for Colby and Butler for Bates. Royal drew the pole and came into the stretch of the first lap in the lead. On the next bank Butler tried to pass Royal. The latter did not knock Butler out of his stride but merely put out his arm. The A. A. U. rule is that a man shall be at least two strides ahead of another before he can take the pole. It was stated by the newspapers that Butler had the pole; but this is untrue, for Royal drew it at the start. Royal, with a time of 48.3, handed over a four-yard lead to Weg who added

three yards more to the lead in his race with Boyd, doing the distance in 48.1. "Reddy" O'Brien increased Colby's lead by four more yards, running against Mansfield in the remarkably fast time of 47.1. In the last relay Golden raced with Small. The Colby runner did not extend himself, but merely held the lead making a time, also, of 47.1. Colby easily won the race, with a time of 3.11 $\frac{1}{5}$ —by far the best time of the Maine relay races.

The disappointment of the Colby supporters on learning the referee's decision was very keen, for Colby's chances for again winning the state title seemed indeed rosy. Bowdoin presented a fast and well balanced quartette which won from Maine even after one of the best men had fallen.

MUSICAL CLUBS TAKE SUCCESSFUL TRIP.

Directly following the mid-year examinations, through the generosity of the faculty, the musical clubs were allowed to take an eight day trip through the eastern section of Maine. Leaving Waterville Friday afternoon, February 5th, the clubs stopped at Winthrop where they made their initial appearance. The following day, they went to Augusta, where they gave two concerts on the same date, one in the afternoon at the State Insane Hospital, and the other in the evening at the City Hall, returning to Waterville to spend Sunday. Starting out again bright and early Monday morning, the clubs made their way towards the coast, giving concerts at Rockland, Vinalhaven, Camden, Brooks, and Pittsfield.

Everywhere they were most favorably received, and many compliments were paid the fellows because of their good work. Scott, as reader, always made a tremendous hit, and was encored many times. His pleasant and condescending manner, his interpretation and understanding, his ease and versatility, gained

for him instant approval, and stamped him as one of the best readers Colby has had in years. The artistic work of Lattin in the violin solo numbers also won universal admiration. The glee club and orchestra well lived up to its reputation of last season, while the mandolin section even bettered its former record. After nearly every concert a dance was held, music being furnished by the college orchestra. The fellows were royally entertained at every stop, and all agree in calling it a most successful and enjoyable trip.

COACH COHN OFFERS THREE CUPS.

In order to stimulate an interest in field events, Coach Cohn has arranged to hold meets with handicap events in the Gym every Wednesday afternoon for a month, beginning next Wednesday, and for the best performances in the high jump, the pole vault and the shot put he has offered three handsome silver cups. Coach Cohn will be at the gym every afternoon from 4 o'clock on to coach candidates in these events.

The next gym night will be solemnized on the evening of February 26. These occasions will be continued once a month as long as attendance warrants.

Under the rule that the Cross Country captain must be a "C" man and that no other men shall have a vote for that position, Wenz has been reelected to lead the Colby hill and dale squad next year. Being the only "C" man on the team, Wenz called a meeting "all by his lonesome," a while ago, and received a unanimous vote. His past record certainly fits him for the position.

The Y. M. C. A. is planning to send "Ginger" Fraser as a delegate to the annual Inter-Seminary conference of Eastern college men to be held at Hartford Theological Seminary, March 19, 20, and 21.

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The ECHO extends the sympathy of both students and faculty to Professor Brown in the recent death of his mother.

Physical Training, a required course for the lower classes, has been discontinued after having been run for several weeks on a more satisfactory basis than ever before. The classes were well organized and everyone was beginning to take a real interest in the course. A discontinuance for apparently trifling reasons seems to us to be unwise.

Professor Crowell's account of his experiences in Europe is concluded in this issue. So far as we know, this is the first time the ECHO has ever attempted to run a serial story, and we believe this one has been read widely and with keen interest. A narrative of distinct literary and educational value, it has furnished a fascinating account of European travel on the eve of the great war.

MURRAY DEBATERS CHOSEN.

At the close of the debating period Friday, Professor Libby announced the names of the successful contestants for

places on the Murray Prize debating team for the current year. They are: Matthew Golden, '17; Claude A. LaBelle, '17; Lewis L. Levine, '16; Norman Lindsey, '16; Donald Record, '17; and Raymond Rogers, '17. The men will meet at an early date and select the subject for the debate, after which the formation of the two teams will be decided. The debate will be held early in the spring in the college chapel. The debaters of the team that should have spoken last year are now busily engaged in preparing their articles, taking as their subject the same that has been assigned for the Colby-Maine dual debate, namely, the Single Tax question. It is hoped that the debate will take place before the Easter recess.

THREE TEAMS IN CLOSE RACE.

This week's ECHO finds bowling matters much as they stood three weeks ago. Zeta Psi and Delta Kappa Epsilon are tied for first place and Delta Upsilon is but two points behind. The lead has been held by Zeta Psi and Delta Kappa Epsilon alternately. Three records have been broken. The game between Delta Upsilon and Zeta Psi on Friday furnished the most excitement of any. Two records were smashed and all the scores were exceptionally high. Alpha Tau Omega created a sensation by taking four points from Delta Upsilon, but immediately lost four to Phi Delta Theta.

The standing Tuesday night:

	Won	Lost	Pc.
D. K. E.....	33	15	.688
Z. P.....	33	15	.688
D. U.....	31	17	.646
P. D. T.....	17	27	.386
A. T. O.....	17	31	.354
C. C.	13	39	.250

The records now stand:

Single string, Simpson, 131; three string total, Allen, 330; team single, Zeta Psi, 526; team total, Delta Upsilon, 1431.

Next games:

February 19. Delta Kappa Epsilon vs. Alpha Tau Omega.

February 20. Phi Delta Theta vs. Delta Upsilon.

February 21. Commons Club vs. P. D. T.

February 22. A. T. O. vs. Zeta Psi.

February 23. P. D. T. vs. D. K. E.

February 25. D. U. vs. A. T. O.

February 26. Z. P. vs. D. K. E.

February 27. Commons Club vs. D. U.

CAMPUS CHAT.

They say that some one "pulled a bone" in the final in Psychology.

Wilmer A. Mooers, '14, passed a few days at the Deke house, last week.

The reports for the first semester were issued, yesterday, from the registrar's office.

David Campbell, '76, visited his son, John Campbell, at the Deke house, yesterday.

Professor Brown led the Y. M. C. A. meeting last evening. There was a large attendance.

The Phi Delta Theta fraternity has decided not to return to the Oracle association this year.

Edwin A. Russell, '15, was called to his home in Springvale, last week, by the illness of his mother.

The Taconnet Club House was the scene of a delightful dancing party, given by the Commons Club, last Friday night. Dr. and Mrs. Little acted as chaperones.

Professor H. W. Brown was called suddenly to New Hampshire, on account of the sickness and death of his mother.

Merle Wood, who has recently transferred from Clark college, is staying for a few days at the Delta Upsilon house.

Frank Beal, of Andover Theological Seminary, and James Perry, Colby, '11, of Hartford Theological Seminary, addressed the students of the men's division at chapel, Saturday morning.

Henry G. Pratt, '14, who is now study-

ing law at the Boston University Law school, spent several days last week with friends at the D. U. house.

President Roberts made a trip to Worcester and Lawrence, Mass., last week, returning Friday afternoon.

Among the men from the college who attended the Governor's Ball in Augusta Tuesday night were: Royal, Claude A. LaBelle, Frederick F. Sully, Arthur D. Craig and Raymond Whitney.

Zeta Psi gave an informal dancing party at their chapter house on the campus, Monday evening, February 8.

Walter Rideout, '12, was a recent visitor at the "Zete" house.

Albert J. O'Neill, '16, is recovering very encouragingly from the operation which he underwent for appendicitis, last week, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Nashua, N. H.

At a recent meeting of the Junior Prom committee, it was decided to hold the annual prom on Monday evening, April 19. To meet the expense of the affair, each man of the class of 1916 has been assessed five dollars.

The students in the course in first-year public speaking celebrated Lincoln's Birthday by delivering the martyred president's famous Gettysburg Address.

The five highest ranking men in their class, in Rhetoric I, have been chosen to take part in the sophomore declamation. They are: LaBelle, Flanders, Pottle, Young, and Watson.

The Ricker Club met at Foss Hall, Monday evening, and elected officers as follows: President, Harold S. Campbell; vice-president, Effie Hannan, '16; secretary-treasurer, Ethel Duff, '17.

The Chi and Lambda chapters of Zeta Psi of Colby and Bowdoin respectively, held their fifth annual joint banquet Friday evening at the Augusta House. About sixty alumni and students of the active chapters were present. H. L. Bagley, Bowdoin, '94, was toastmaster.

WOMEN'S DIVISION.

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1915—Dorothy Newman Webb.

1916—Vesta May McCurda.

1917—Marion Daggett.

1918—Isabelle Hervey Wing.

Manager—Hazel Dell Ross.

Marion Greene, ex-'16, now in Wellesley, was a recent visitor at Foss Hall.

Mr. Prescott Cann, of Sharon, Mass., was the guest of Berle Cram, '16, during midyears.

Violet French and Hazel Durgin, '17, attended the Musical Clubs concert in Winthrop, Friday evening.

Isabel Snodgrass, '18, and Marion Miller, '16, were guests at U. of M., during the midyear recess.

The Chop House was a merry place on the evening of February 15, when the girls of the sophomore class entertained their basket-ball team in honor of their winning the inter-class championship of the women's division of the college.

"My Cousin Timmy" a farce in two acts will be presented Saturday evening, February 20, at 8 o'clock, in Foss Hall dining-room. Reader, Kathryne Sturtevant; pianist, Hazel Robinson.

Hazel Whitney, '18, led the Y. W. C. A. meeting last evening. She spoke in a pleasing manner of what the freshmen girls think of Colby.

Saturday evening the newly organized Women's League of Colby College held an informal dance.

The following went to Augusta, Tuesday evening, to attend the Governor's reception and ball: Misses French, Roberts, Katherine and Jeanne Moulton, and Winifred Shaw.

Miss Lois Peacock, visited at Foss Hall, recently.

Helen Hanson, '15, spent Sunday in Wilton.

Marion Steward and Dorothy Webb, '15, will speak this evening at Gould's Academy, Bethel.

Miss Gertrude Trafton of Augusta was the guest of Dorothy Roberts, '18, over the week-end.

Mrs. Bunker of New Hampshire is visiting her sister, Ernestine Porter.

Kathryne Sturtevant, '18, spent Sunday at Hebron Academy.

Edith Pratt, '16, and Flora Norton, '17, spoke in the Augusta Y. M. C. A. building to a group of Y. W. C. A. girls, last evening.

May Sargent, '15, went, yesterday, to her home in Buxton.

Mrs. Parmenter and Mrs. Wolfe entertained the Y. W. C. A. cabinet Saturday afternoon at Mrs. Parmenter's, and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

Cornelia Kelley, '18, gave a delightful tea to a group of Foss Hall girls, Monday afternoon, at her home on Silver street.

Marion Steward, '15, spent the week-end in Skowhegan.

Iris Crosby, '16, and Hazel Ross, '15, visited Mary Washburn, '15, over the mid-year recess.

Vivienne Wright, '16, spent the week-end at Riverside.

The prize winners of the Hamlin Prize speaking contest were: Kathryne Sturtevant, first, and Hazel Whitney, second.

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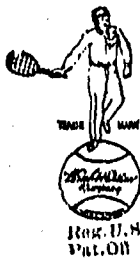
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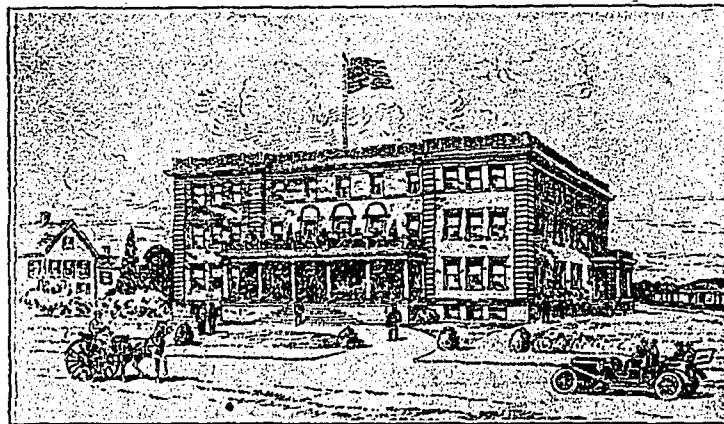
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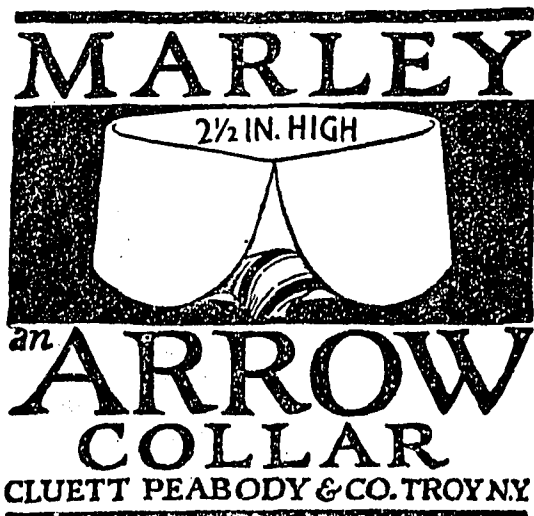
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