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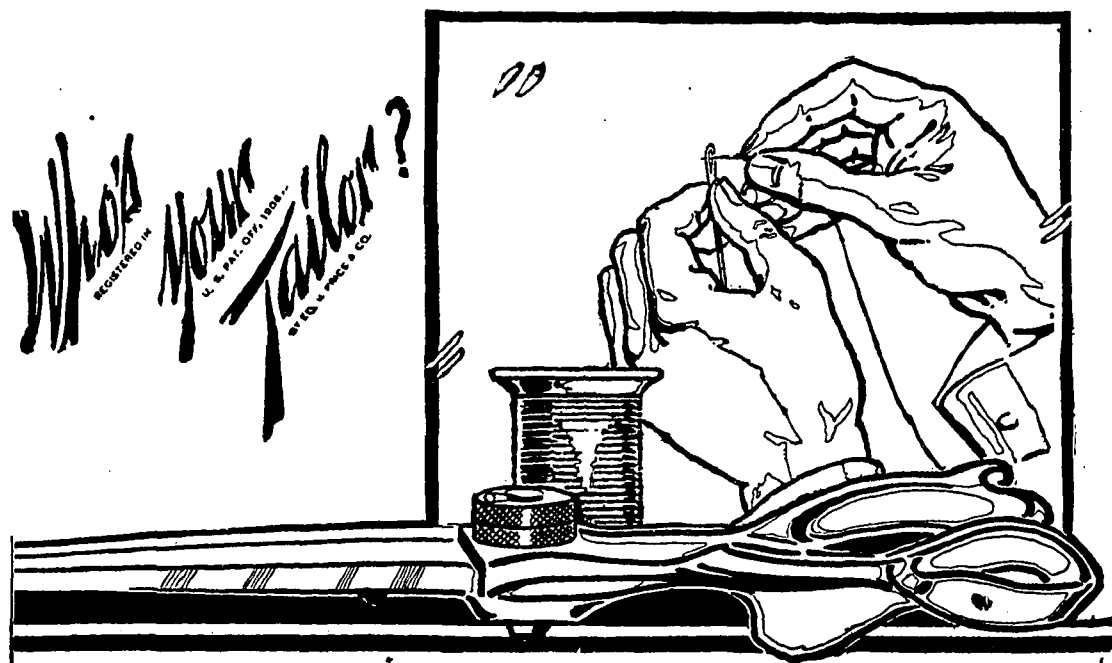
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LECTURE IS SUCCESSFUL.

Those who thought that the romance and adventure of exploration had passed away with the settlement of the West or the systematic search of South America, were surprised when they heard Donald B. MacMillan tell of his experiences in the far north. Dr. MacMillan was with the Peary expedition of 1908. He left New York in 1913 with his own expedition to explore certain of the unknown polar regions, and to search for Crocker Land which Peary reported having seen. He returned in 1917 without having heard a single word of the great war in Europe.

Dr. MacMillan told of hearing from the Eskimos in their primitive language, the legend of a battle between white men and Eskimos in which the former were all killed. During his travels he came upon traces of former explorers, Peary, Greely, and Dr. Kane. He found the hut of the ill-fated Greely expedition with the telescope pointed toward the south where the men had watched in vain for the relief ship. In the pockets of one of the coats he found a school-book, which, according to the inscription, had been given by a boy to his father. Dr. MacMillan said that he returned the book to the boy—now a man. On one trip the party came to Dr. Kane's tramping ground, where they found several K's carved in the rocks. In his record, Dr. Kane had written, "On this rock I carved an arrow and filled it with molten lead. Fifteen feet from the arrow is a crevice, I placed a glass bottle with my records." Dr. MacMillan said that when he came around a promontory into the bay he saw what he thought must be that rock and rushed up and found the arrow—but the records had been taken by an Eskimo. The whole lecture was filled with stories of traces of expeditions that had sought in vain for the north pole. The result of Dr. MacMillan's explorations proved that the Crocker Land described by Dr. Peary was only a mirage.

Many beautifully colored slides and moving pictures were shown illustrating the difficulties and methods of polar travel, and the dwellings and habits of the people of that cold country. The lecture was surely instructive and interesting, clearing up many popular misconceptions of the Arctic regions.

The military company made about \$180 from the lecture, which will form the nucleus of their uniform fund.

The man who hits the booze generally misses everything else.

MARY BOYLE O'REILLY.

At the Unitarian church, December 12th, Miss Mary Boyle O'Reilly delivered a lecture based upon her experiences near the fighting front in Europe. Giving a very vivid description of some of the fiercest and most bloody battles of the war which she witnessed as a Red Cross nurse, she showed clearly how every man and woman must enter this struggle in order to restore justice on earth.

After the lecture Rev. Mr. Phalen in a stirring address urged those present to aid the Colby Military Company by attending the MacMillan lecture. "Every citizen of Waterville should be proud of Colby's honor roll," he said, "and every one should back the company." Captain Miranda and Private McNally sold tickets after the lecture. Miss O'Reilly met the Colby delegation and congratulated them on their excellent work.

POTTLE SPEAKS BEFORE PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASS.

Fred A. Pottle, '17, gave a short talk before the public speaking class last Monday afternoon. Mr. Pottle, who is now instructor in English at Hebron Academy, spoke on the value to the college man of public speaking, stating how he had found the course of benefit in his own experience. It will be remembered that while here, Pottle was one of the best speakers in college. He was graduated last spring with Phi Beta Kappa honors.

ZETA PSI DANCE.

The Zeta Psi fraternity held an informal dance at their Chapter House, Monday evening, December 17.

The rooms were decorated with Christmas wreaths and banners. Punch and ice cream were served. The chaperones were, Mrs. Edward Welch and Mrs. Edward Heath. Those present included: President and Mrs. A. J. Roberts, Professor C. R. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Chester A. Soule, Bradbury, Little, Sprague, Mills, Sussman, Ferrill, Bresette, Nourse, Prince, Kallock, Wyman, Gates, Tracy, and Misses Bradbury, Getchell, Libby, Soper, Meservey, Donnelly, Mary Titcomb, Matilda Titcomb, Fisher, Drummond, Reynolds, Megquier, Baxter, Kelliher, Harvey, Robinson, K. Drummond, Blackwell, Butler, Willey, Fleming and Jackson.

COMMONS CLUB LEADS BOWLING LEAGUE.

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	Won	Lost	P. C.
Commons Club	8	4	.666
Zeta Psi	7	5	.583
Alpha Tau Omega	3	5	.375
Delta Upsilon	2	6	.250

Records: Single string, Cronin, 108; three strings, Greene, 300; team single, Alpha Tau Omega, 444; team total, Commons Club, 1308.

December 12—Commons Club, 3.

Cronin	75	84	83—	242
Seekins	73	74	91—	238
Greene	106	95	99—	300
Bradbury	67	82	83—	232
Little	81	96	73—	250
	402	431	429—	1262

Delta Upsilon, 1.

Logie	84	76	85—	245
Sprague	69	81	76—	226
Hanson	93	79	84—	256
Sweet	86	75	68—	209
Bigelow	84	84	80—	248
	416	375	393—	1184

December 14—Zeta Psi, 3.

Perry	76	88	94—	258
Claffie	80	71	84—	235
Taylor	83	97	81—	261
Stone	70	83	89—	242
Marshall	95	96	78—	251
	404	425	421—	1260

Delta Upsilon, 1.

Sprague	60	79	105—	264
Logie	93	88	77—	258
Hatch	75	96	88—	254
Bigelow	83	82	77—	342
Hanson	82	72	76—	230
	413	417	413—	1248

December 15—Commons Club, 4.

Seekins	88	79	86—	248
Cronin	108	102	74—	284
Bradbury	76	85	107—	268
Greene	88	93	94—	275
Little	85	77	71—	238
	440	436	437—	1308

Alpha Tau Omega 0.

McCracken	71	59	75—	295
Umphrey	88	96	87—	271

Bucknam	88	84	83—	255
Pottle	74	86	88—	248
Bressett	87	87	85—	259
	408	412	418—	1238

December 18—Zeta Psi, 3.

Perry	86	73	76—	235
Stone	73	88	85—	246
Taylor	98	74	86—	258
Castelli	93	76	93—	262
Marshall	75	82	80—	237
	425	393	420—	1238

Commons Club, 1.

Little	84	78	86—	248
Seekins	81	103	83—	267
Bradbury	67	82	82—	231
Cronin	72	74	77—	223
Greene	82	96	71—	249
	386	433	409—	1218

INCREASE IN POSTAL RATES.

In a bill rejected by the Senate after careful hearings, and enacted by the House without hearings, postal rates on periodicals have been raised from fifty to nine hundred per cent.

You can realize what this means to thousands of college students who make money during summer vacations for their college careers. It is a postal rate prohibitive to many periodicals; it is such an increase in subscription price that the difficulties in securing subscriptions will lose thousands of dollars to college students next summer. Is this not highly important to your college?

This postal legislation throttles—and in many cases will utterly extinguish—all periodicals, educational, literary, review, religious, scientific, medical, agricultural, sociological, and including the very important papers known as "trade" publications. Every writer and reader is affected, together with those who are in any way related to the field of publishing—or who hope to be.

This huge increase in postal rates is so plainly destructive that comment is superfluous—an increase of from fifty to nine hundred per cent—and when a railroad freight rate increase of fifteen per cent is viewed with the gravest apprehension.

C. J. POST,

Director Publishers' Advisory Board.

Man passing fraternity house and seeing service flag: "By gosh! How many sons did this man have?"

HUNKA TIN.

(From the American Field Service Bulletin, Paris.)

You may talk about your voitures
When you're sitting round the quarters,
But when it comes to getting blesses in,
Take a little tip from me,
Let those heavy motors be,
Pin your faith to Henry F.'s old Hunka Tin.
Give her essence and l'eau,
Crank her up and let her go.
You back firin', spark plug foul'in' Hunka Tin.

The paint is not so good,
And no doubt you'll find the hood
Will rattle like a boiler shop en route;
The cooler's sure to boil,
And perhaps she's leakin' oil,
Then oftentimes the horn declines to toot,
But when the night is black,
And there's blesses to take back,
And they hardly give you time to take a smoke,
It's mighty good to feel,
When you're sitting at the wheel,
She'll be running when the bigger cars are broke.

After all the wars are past,
And we're taken home at last,
To our reward of which the preacher sings,
When these ukelele sharps
Will be strumming golden harps,
And the aviators all have reglar wings,
When the Kaiser is in hell,
With the furnace drawing well,
Paying for his million different kinds of sin,
If they're running short of coal,
Show me how to reach the hole,
And I'll cast a few loads down with Hunka Tin.

Yes, Tin, Tin, Tin,
You exasperating puzzle, Hunka Tin.
I've abused you and I've flayed you,
But, by Henry Ford who made you,
You are better than a Packard, Hunka Tin.

CHRISTMAS.

It is well to remember that X-m-a-s does not spell Christmas. The shorter form may be excusable in some places but it shows a thoughtlessness near to disrespect when used in some connections. It is certainly a very little matter. Your esteem of Christmas should require that the name be spelt correctly even if you do not show any regard for the day further than that,

PHI DELTA THETA BANQUET.

The Colby chapter of Phi Delta Theta held its 33rd annual initiation banquet last Thursday evening, December 13. Contrary to the usual custom the festivities took place this year in the chapter house, and in many ways it was the most successful banquet ever held. Many prominent alumni attended.

President Roberts, '90, acted as toastmaster; and, after brief opening remarks, he introduced the first speaker, Ellsworth Prince, '18, who delivered the address of welcome. Reginald Hersum, '21, responded for the initiates. C. W. Atchley, '03, spoke next on "Colby and the War," and Nelson I Mixer upon "Memories." After a very forceful talk by F. A. Sheppard, '11, impromptu speeches were made by members of the active chapter.

The initiates were: Clyde M. Flint, '18, and Stephen Ayer, Harold Baldwin, Ralph Burleigh, Bernard Esters, Reginald Hersum, Frank Hois, Byron Marden, Hiram Moody, all of the class of 1921.

DEKES HOLD DANCE.

Delta Kappa Epsilon held an evening of dancing at the fraternity house, Tuesday evening. About 20 members of the chapter, with partners, assembled together with representatives from each of the other college societies. The parlors were cleared and waxed for the dancing, while music was provided by Hois, '21, and Barnum, '21, with violin and piano. Patronesses were Mrs. A. M. Drummond, Mrs. A. F. Drummond and Mrs. Hillman. During the evening refreshments of ices and fancy wafers were served.

Among the guests present were Misses Wilkins, Dunham, Terry, Tooker, Sweetser, Merrill, Kimball, Davis, Power, Fletcher, White, Clair, Day, Libby, Means, Allen, Hillman; Messrs. Heyes, Craig, Logie, Driscoll, Urie, Minister, Bell.

OH YOU IONA BOND!

We like the beautiful brunette,
We don't despise the winsome blonde,
But best of all the girls we've met
Is little Miss Iona Bond.

—Springfield (O.) News.

"Mother, did the minister really mean that those black people don't wear any clothes?"

"Yes, it's quite true."

"Then why did dad put a button on the collection plate?"—Ex.

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College will close at 6 P. M. on December 21st and will not reopen until Tuesday, January 15th. It was deemed best by the faculty to take an increased vacation now during the cold weather and to shorten the vacation at Easter to only a few days, thus helping to conserve the coal supply. Commencement can thus be held on the same date as originally planned while mid-year examinations will begin on February 28rd.

Not content with aiding the Uniform Fund Campaign by making possible the sale at Miss O'Reilly's lecture, Rev. Frank L. Phalen, pastor of the Unitarian church, has sent to the captain of the company a donation of five dollars towards the Uniform Fund Campaign.

Rev. Mr. Phalen has always shown himself a

staunch friend of Colby and a loyal supporter of her activities, and this is one example of the many things that he has done.

A RED CROSS MESSAGE TO THE COLLEGES OF AMERICA

From the Patriotic News Service, National Committee of Patriotic Societies.

Any appeal to the men of our colleges and universities to throw their energies into the winning of this war—which we are pledged to wage till “justice and mercy” prevail among the nations of the earth—would savor of the gratuitous. From our colleges and universities have gone forth thousands—thousands of our best physically and mentally. Our student ranks throughout the country are riddled.

But many—no less eager to go over there than those who have been accepted—have been compelled to stay at home. To these I offer this suggestion: There are forms of service other than that on the battlefield, on the sea or under it or in the air. At this time the most important form of auxiliary service I believe to be cooperation with the American Red Cross. Such cooperation can be effected best through membership; and all those who by reason of sex, age, or physical disability are prevented from going to the front are being urged to join during the Christmas membership campaign starting December 16 and ending Christmas Eve. In that week the Red Cross hopes—and confidently expects—to get ten million new members—at least.

Here is service that some of those who have been compelled to stay behind may have looked upon as of only incidental importance or as solely woman's work. It is neither. The Red Cross is the “army behind the army and the navy behind the navy.” It watches over and ministers to our fighting men at all times and in all places. At every point it is the necessary supplement of our government in the care of our men in active service. Not only this, but it performs a service unattempted by the government—the relief of the suffering of the civilian population.

Vital as these functions are, however, the Christmas membership is being conducted for the purpose of showing the man who is fighting that the men,

women and children he is fighting for are solidly, aggressively back of him; that the morale of the folks at home is as high as the morale of the fighter in the field; and that their purpose is as patriotic and their determination as deep as his. Ten million new members added to the five million present members of the American Red Cross will not leave a doubting United States fighting man—nor a doubting enemy.

The college student can be a big aid to us in enrolling these new members. He is going home for his Christmas holidays—holidays that in thousands of families mean sadness because of the absence of loved ones in camp or at the front. If he will enter into the spirit of the Red Cross Christmas, if he will give part of his vacation to active service in the Red Cross membership drive, he will find that he has served his country—and himself—profitably and patriotically.

HENRY P. DAVIDSON,

Chairman of the War Council of the American Red Cross.

PHI DELT HOUSE PARTY.

A house party was held at the Phi Delta Theta chapter house Saturday afternoon by the members of the fraternity and ladies. Cards and dancing were enjoyed from 2 to 6 o'clock. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Nelson I. Mixer, Dean Cooper of the women's division, and Dr. P. W. Harry.

Among those present were: Misses Fleming, Wing, Getchell, Norton, Mathews, Titcomb, Titcomb, Gushee and Adams.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The Private and Official Correspondence of General Benjamin F. Butler, '38, extending over the period from 1860 to 1868, has recently been presented by Mrs. Jessie Ames Marshall. The work is in five volumes and was privately published.

Other new books are: A Poet's Cabinet, by George L. Raymond; A Social Theory of Religious Education, by George Albert Coe; Treasury of War Poetry, by George H. Clarke; Hugo Crotius, by Hamilton Vreeland.

STONE AGE STUFF.

Bill to his room mate: "When do you change your socks?"

His room mate: "I change them twice a year, they're guaranteed for six months."

CAMPUS CHAT

Doctor Caswell of the chemistry department addressed the college men's class at the Baptist church, Sunday morning, on the subject, "The Scientist in Religion."

The man who didn't have the time or who neglected to elect Military French is missing the most interesting course in the curriculum and also the one of greatest practical use at the present time. At the last meeting, Driscoll and Pottle reviewed the situation in Europe, Professor Johnson gave instruction in everyday French, and at the close of the hour four Colby alumni, Vernelle Dyer, '16; Lieut. Walker, '12, Soule, '13, and Pottle, '17, gave short addresses.

"Ginger" Fraser, '15, of the First Maine Heavy Artillery has been named as one of the students at the Officers' Training Camp, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Y. M. C. A.

On account of the scarcity of coal it is thought best to postpone the freshman banquet indefinitely.

Fred Pottle, '17, and Cecil Rollins, '17, gave spirited addresses at the Y. M. C. A. meeting, last Tuesday evening.

A big membership campaign has been started. The aim of this drive is to get one hundred per cent membership to make this organization here a powerful one. All those interested in the work and willing to work are urged to become members. Tracy, Newman, and President Roberts gave some pointed remarks in chapel concerning this campaign.

Dudley, '20, spoke in the Christian Endeavor meeting of the Second Baptist Church, Sunday evening.

D. K. E.

Lauriston A. Craig, '19, is visiting at the house.

Nine new stars were added to the Deke service flag last week.

John I. Liscomb, '20, was called to his home in Portland, Sunday, by the sudden death of his father.

A. B. Blake, '15, was a visitor at the house this past week. He and Donald W. Ellis, '13, are going to attend the Dartmouth Ordnance School.

Rafael J. Miranda, '19, has been pledged.

Z. P.

Chester C. Soule, '13, visited the house, Monday.

Richardson, '20, who has been sick with the smallpox, expects to be out by Christmas.

E. R. Craig, '18, of the Naval Reserves, has been sick at Annapolis, Maryland.

P. D. T.

Smith Dunnack, '19, who entered the Naval Academy at Annapolis, last spring, has succeeded in making the varsity basketball team.

Ralph H. Drew, '19, is substituting as science

teacher at M. C. I., this week.

Frederick A. Gibson, '19, of the Naval Hospital Corps, visited at the house Sunday.

It is said that Philbrook has lost his frat pin.

D. U.

John Johnson, '19, and William P. Hancock, '20, have gone home to recover from sickness. They will not return until after the Christmas vacation.

A. T. O.

William W. Chute, ex-'19, is on the campus for a few days.

Fred A. Pottle, '17, is spending a few days at the house.

Earle S. Tyler, '19, has gone home on account of sickness.

The 25th annual initiation banquet will be held in the Chapter House parlors on Wednesday evening, December 19.

C. C.

Edward M. Cook, '19, of the Naval Reserves, has been visiting here and at his home in Vassalboro.

Myron C. Hamer, '20, has gone to his home in Guilford on account of illness.

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Edited by the News Editor of the Colbiana,
Doris Andrews, '18.

Assistants: Gladys Twitchell, '18,
Josephine Rice, '19,
Esther Power, '20,
Dorothy Rounds, '21,

An Appreciation.

The officers and men of the Colby Military Company extend their thanks to the members of the Women's Division for the excellent way in which they aided the Uniform Fund by selling tickets for the MacMillan lecture. The men feel proud of having had this support which can be cited as a good example of Colby spirit.

For the Company,

R. J. M.

The sorority pledge parties were held Monday evening and the following pledges were received:

Sigma Kappa.

Laura Baker, Geraldine Baker, Frances Bradbury, Bernice Butler, Grace Foster, Kathleen Goodhue, Elva Jeffs, Margaret Hanson, Catherine Larrabee, Ruth Means, Dorothy Mitchell, Elizabeth Smith, Elizabeth Whipple, Elfrieda Whitney.

Chi Omega.

Clara Carter, Merle Davis, Gladys Dow, Isabel Genthner, Helen Hodgkins, Leota Jacobson, Grace

Johnson, Dorothy Knapp, Hazel Peck, Margaret Rice, Dorothy Rounds, Elva Tooker, Clara Wightman.

Delta Delta Delta.

Esther Blanchard, Lou Carville, Bessie Dyer, Claire Fish, Doris Gower, Thelma French, Alice LaRocque.

Alpha Delta Pi.

Elizabeth Cary, Olive Edgerly, Helen Gray, Miriam Hardy, Ruth Harlow, Melvina Masse, Ruth Mosher, Alice Page, Catherine Tuttle, Grace Wilder.

Phi Mu.

Pauline Abbott, Louise Jacobs, Elva Sawyer, Lena Weidlich.

Marion Harmon, '16, who is teaching in Rockport was a week-end guest of Mollie Turtillotte, '18.

A number of the girls have gone home because of illness caused by vaccination.



Esther French, '16, who is teaching in Solon, was a guest of Violet French, '18, last week.

Clare McIntyre, ex-'16, was a guest of Isabel Snodgrass, last week.

Edith Pratt, '16, was a caller at Foss Hall, Saturday.

The meeting of the Literary Society was postponed last week on account of the MacMillan lecture.

Lucy Taylor, '17, who is teaching at Boothbay was a caller at Foss Hall, Monday.


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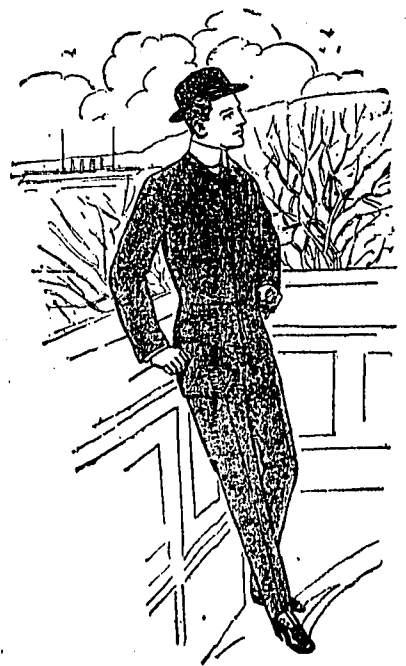
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