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## Dormitories Made Possible.

**Scheme to Utilize Class Memorials--Trustees Can Afford to Furnish Two Thirds of Total Cost.**

When the University Board of Trustees resolved to duplicate any sum up to \$500,000 donated to Cornell for the erection and maintenance of student dormitories it was felt that perhaps some philanthropist might come forward and give his support to this worthy cause, but the weeks and years have passed and still the dormitory question stands where it stood before this action was taken at the close of the typhoid fever epidemic. A movement looking toward the solution of this perplexing and urgent matter is now on foot and merits attention, in that it offers some tangible and reasonable means of raising the required funds.

It is proposed that the class of 1904, the four classes now in the University and the Board of Trustees give their united support to the project, the classes by devoting their memorials to this purpose and the trustees by adhering to the position as regards duplicating any sum donated to the dormitory cause. The class of 1904, it will be remembered, established a memorial of \$10,000, to come due in ten years from the time of graduation, to be used for the cause which was deemed at that time most worthy of support. Should 1905 establish a similar memorial to come due at the end of the same period and the other three classes now in the University take similar steps it is evident that at the end of thirteen years \$50,000 would be available from class memorials. Should the Board of Trustees duplicate this sum there would then be the necessary \$100,000 available for the construction of the first dormitory.

The ardor of the most enthusiastic supporters of this new scheme was dampened when it was realized that thirteen years must elapse before Cor-

nell should have her first dormitory; and at once a modification of the original plans was suggested and is now being agitated. It is argued: Why should not the University give more than half if it can be conclusively shown that money invested in this manner would bring the same or a better rate of interest than do the funds as now invested? If this should be done it is evident that the interval before beginning construction would be shortened. Let the University give \$60,000 and the classes of 1904, 1905 and 1906 a total of \$30,000 and in eleven years the first dormitory would be a reality.

### THE CORNELL SUN'S SCHEME.

University funds last year earned about 5 per cent and during the present year it is feared a deficit may occur from falling interest rates. In order to ascertain somewhere near the cost of maintaining a dormitory the Cornell Sun has investigated the matter somewhat in detail. The cost of building a dormitory is generally figured at \$1,000 for each person accommodated. The University has calculated upon this basis, which is the usual cost as determined by those colleges which have residential halls, and it has made its estimates upon buildings to cost \$100,000 and to accommodate 100 students.

A fair price for room rent is believed to be \$2.50 per week or \$100 for the entire year. This is probably the average rooming charge in Ithaca, at least does not exceed it greatly. For 100 students the receipts would therefore aggregate \$10,000. The following estimate of expenses is believed to be fairly accurate:

Heating.....	\$2,500
Lighting.....	1,500
Help.....	1,500
Repairs and Miscellaneous items .....	1,100
Total Expenses.....	6,600
Total Receipts.....	10,000
Net Earnings .....	3,400
The profit therefore is seen to be	

slightly more than three and one third per cent. If the income on the money invested by the classes be turned over to the University it is plain that the trustees would be earning five per cent on every hundred dollars invested by them. This reasoning is based on the assumption that the University would give \$60,000 to the \$30,000 contributed by the classes.

President Schurman in his annual report of 1902-1903 said: "Halls, however, cannot be built without money. If the University invested its own endowment funds in these halls it would be necessary in order to maintain the character of the investment as a source of income to charge such prices for lodgings as would make the halls inaccessible for the generality of Cornell students, most of whom have narrow means. If, on the other hand, rents were adapted to the needs of the students, the income of the University would fall off and to that extent the educational work would be weakened and maimed."

So it is that the trustees have not felt at liberty to make such an investment solely from their own endowment funds. In order to ascertain the attitude of the trustees it is now proposed that a committee from the two upper classes be appointed to confer with the authorities and lay the matter before them in all its aspects.

### MAY BE CONTINUED INDEFINITELY.

A pleasing feature of the proposed plan is that should the graduating classes for some years to come follow out the same plan proposed for 1904 and the two present upper classes—that is, contribute \$10,000 each, ten years after graduation—funds would be available every three years for a new dormitory after the first had been constructed. This could be continued indefinitely or until the authorities felt that no more endowment money could be used for this purpose.

The crying need for dormitories at the University is growing year by year and although eleven years seem a long

time to wait before work could actually begin, yet this movement is the first of any consequence which definitely assures a solution of the problem. Said the trustees, "Be it therefore resolved that the University pledge itself to duplicate out of its own funds all residential halls received as unrestricted gifts up to the aggregate limit of \$500,000, it being understood that such halls shall be of a plain, substantial character, fire-proof and as beautiful as is compatible with simplicity and economy." But this offer has not borne fruit and shows no present prospect of doing so, unless some such plan as the present is adopted.

New interest is being awakened just now in the social life of the student and it seems to be quite generally the opinion that if the University community is to thrive with one common interest at heart, that of Alma Mater, either its growth must be checked or dormitories secured.

### Eastern New Yorkers Dine.

Judge Irvine and Coach Courtney Address an Enthusiastic Audience.

Cornell, Courtney, Enthusiasm. These three things in brief summarize the annual banquet of the Cornell University Alumni association of Eastern New York, held at the Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany, on Wednesday evening, March 15. At 8 o'clock the members gathered in the parlors of the hotel where the annual election was held. The following officers were chosen to guide the destinies of the organization for another year: President, Frederick W. Kelley, Albany; vice-presidents, J. W. Upp, Schenectady, John Knickerbocker, Troy, and Noel Sisson Bennett, Albany; secretary-treasurer, Gilbert M. Tucker, jr., Albany; executive committee: Dr. H. L. K. Shaw, C. H. Ramsay, W. C. Pruyn, V. D. Moody and H. G. Sherry.

The banquet was held in the large ball room which was attractively decorated for the occasion. A large flag red and white with the well known "C" occupied a conspicuous position on the east wall, being placed there through the efforts of Dr. H. L. K. Shaw whose enthusiasm in behalf of all things connected with the dinner knew no bounds. A. J. Wing, '80, of the firm of Wing Bros. & Hartt, Albany, acted as toast-

master and discharged the duties of his office with felicity and tact. Former members of the various glee clubs in the University occupied a separate table where they made themselves useful in working up the Cornell spirit by singing the old songs and leading the cheering as the name of some favorite son was mentioned or he arose to speak.

The toast list was begun with an address by Judge Frank Irvine, '80, of the Cornell Law school. Judge Irvine took as his theme "The University."

He spoke of current events and changes at the University, dwelling especially upon the new impetus that has been given the work of the College of Agriculture since the appropriation of \$250,000 by the Legislature last year for the new buildings. Thousands of inquiries have been received by the college authorities during the past few months from young men and women all over the state who were attracted by the reports they had heard of the opportunities offered by the Cornell College of Agriculture. The speaker also referred to recent athletic affairs and the development of a general athletic policy at the University. Judge Irvine's remarks were so thoroughly appreciated that the impromptu Glee club sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" until the rafters rang.

The second speaker was Charles E. Courtney. In the words of one of the grads. present: "As the stalwart frame of the 'grand old man' slowly arose and his genial eyes beamed upon the alumni through the unfamiliar glasses (Yes, 'Charlie' is older than when we were there), all present stood up and the locomotive cheer was given with a vim. Mr. Courtney showed his discretion by stating simply and honestly one of the principal causes for the defeat of the crew last year and explained that as the objectionable factor responsible in a large measure for the defeat had been removed from Ithaca conditions would be different this year. Mr. Courtney explained that he was leaving no stone unturned in his efforts to turn out a crew this year of which the alumni need not have the least fear that it will fail to give a good account of itself at Poughkeepsie. Mr. Courtney's remarks were of course greeted with great applause."

The other speakers of the evening

were the Hon. Charles E. Ogden, Monroe county, and the Hon. William Young, New York, members of the state Legislature, who made interesting remarks on Cornell topics. The concluding speaker was F. B. Corey of Schenectady who spoke of the twofold advantage to be gained from an alumni association.

### Junior Race With Penn.

Second Varsity Will Meet College Crews on Schuylkill May 27.

It was announced Saturday that Cornell will enter a second Varsity crew in the race at Philadelphia on May 27, the date on which Cornell will meet Harvard on the Charles river at Cambridge. The Schuylkill race will take place on the same day as the races in the American Henley but the conditions governing it will be similar to those which govern Junior Varsity regattas on Cayuga lake. The stipulation made by Cornell barring other than college crews from this contest has been accepted by the Pennsylvania rowing authorities.

A dispatch from Philadelphia Sunday stated that a number of other colleges had been invited to enter crews in this race, among them Yale, Harvard, Syracuse, and Georgetown.

During the past four years Pennsylvania has twice sent a crew to Ithaca to compete in the annual Cayuga lake regatta, while Cornell has gone to the Schuylkill but once and the recent invitation from the Pennsylvania rowing authorities was readily accepted by Cornell. It is likely, considering that next year will be Pennsylvania's turn to come to Ithaca, that a successful regatta will be held on Cayuga lake.

The continued warm weather of the past week has cleared the inlet of ice and Mr. Courtney will be able to begin work with his crews on the water at once. During the first few days of practice, the barges will be used to a large extent as a swift current due to the spring freshet will make it dangerous to use the shells. The crews have been considerably handicapped by the delay in getting on the water but the chance to row during the Easter vacation is important and the time will be quickly made up.

## St. Louis Alumni Gather.

**Dean Crane the Guest of Honor at an Enjoyable Banquet.**

About sixty Cornellians gathered about the festive board at the annual banquet of the Cornell club of St. Louis, held at the Jefferson hotel, Saturday evening, March 11. Dean Thomas Frederick Crane of the University faculty was the guest of honor, having gone all the way from Ithaca to be present at the dinner and tell the St. Louisans something of current happenings at the University.

After the dinner a brief business session was held, at which the old officers were unanimously re-elected as follows: President, William B. Ittner, '89, vice-president, Alden H. Little, '03, secretary-treasurer, Kelton E. White, '01.

President Ittner as toastmaster then introduced Dean Crane who outlined the changes that have taken place at the University from 1869 to 1905, when 4109 students are receiving instruction. He mentioned the changes in the requirements for the A. B. degree, recently announced in these columns. He spoke interestingly of the experience of W. E. Schutt, ex-'05, at Oxford, expressing the hope that American college athletes love sport for sport's sake as do the English. Among the recent events of interest at Ithaca the speaker mentioned the growth of interest in tobogganing, as shown by the introduction of the ice carnival as one of the events of Junior week.

Dean Crane gave statistics to show that the attendance of Western students at the Eastern universities is slowly diminishing. Among the most urgent needs of Cornell University at present he mentioned the need for a University hall with a capacity of about 5,000, where Masque and Glee club concerts could be given at more reasonable prices than now prevail. He said that the University looks to its alumni to give such a hall.

After a vote of thanks had been extended to Dean Crane for his address, George J. Tansey was introduced to speak on "The College Man and a Job." He said that Cornell, like President Roosevelt, offers the college man a "square deal" in any subject. He expressed his conviction that the labor question is the greatest problem before

the American people and that college men with brains are best fitted to solve it. A. S. Langsdorf spoke on the Cornell engineer.

In the absence of Judge Ferriss, Professor John A. Holmes, director of the Mines and Metallurgy building of the St. Louis Exposition, gave an interesting talk on what Cornellians did at the fair. Other speakers were Willi Brown, R. S. Colnon, '87 and Stanley Stoner, '86, recently appointed United States consul to Calcutta. Frank Olin, '86, told of baseball in the early eighties and of the development of the recent teams. A. de Figueiredo of the Brazilian commission, one of the guests of the evening, spoke of the great interest felt in Cornell University by Brazilians, who look upon it as the best engineering school in the world.

Among the alumni present were:  
 '73—Judge Franklin Ferriss; Willi Brown.  
 '78—M. F. Watts.  
 '81—Dr. Joseph A. Holmes.  
 '82—Dr. Spencer Graves.  
 '83—Charles H. Anderson.  
 '86—Frank Olin; Stanley Stoner; H. H. Humphrey.  
 '87—R. S. Colnon.  
 '88—George J. Tansey; A. B. Groves.  
 '89—Wm. B. Ittner; J. H. Drown; P. P. Taylor.  
 '90—E. F. Brown.  
 '92—A. H. Timmerman.  
 '93—J. William Taylor; W. A. Wheeler.  
 '94—A. T. Terry; C. B. Curtis.  
 '95—G. F. A. Brueggeman; Howard Holmes.  
 '96—F. E. Bausch; H. C. Irish.  
 '97—M. A. Seward; Walter M. Provine; Robert Holmes; Edgar Rozier.  
 '00—E. C. Zeller; William Bright.  
 '01—Kelton E. White; Benoist Canton; F. W. Meysenburg.  
 '02—H. T. Ferriss; Welton Rozier; A. H. Huntington.  
 '03—John O'F. Clark, jr.; Alden H. Little; Eugene Drey; R. F. Weber.  
 '04—Dr. A. R. Middleton; R. W. Fullerton; D. S. Hunkins.

Charles Francis Osborne, formerly associate professor of architecture at Cornell, has accepted an appointment as editor of "House and Garden," a magazine devoted to architecture and artistic gardening. Mr. Osborne is now connected with the school of architecture in the University of Pennsylvania.

## Tells of Life at Oxford.

**W. E. Schutt, ex-'05, Describes His Impressions in the Educational Review.**

Warren Ellis Schutt, ex-'05, makes some very pertinent remarks on Oxford life in an interesting article in this month's Educational Review. Of his early impressions as Rhodes' scholar Mr. Schutt says in part:

"Upon our arrival, almost without exception we had received rooms in the college. This impresses us as being exactly the opposite of conditions at home. At home, if there was not room in the dormitory or fraternity houses for all, the Freshman had to room outside, while the Seniors remained. Here, the Freshman are given the advantage. If the rooming capacity is not sufficient, the Seniors have to find rooms elsewhere.

"Our first morning we were awakened at 7.30 o'clock by the scout, or servant of the staircase. He poured the water for our cold bath, and asked what we wished for breakfast. With morning chapel at 8, we had no time to lose.

"Chapel over, we returned to our rooms to find a smoking hot breakfast ready. As time went on we found it unusual for a man to breakfast alone. Giving and accepting breakfast is one of the necessary social duties.

"We have agreed not to have any settled American organization or club. We were unanimous that to be mutually intimate would defeat our purpose. It is our purpose to become intimate, as far as possible, with Englishmen.

"After lunch the next day, we donned our football clothes, which were our rowing costumes as well, and betook ourselves to the athletic ground. Here we were initiated into the secret of English Rugby. We found it easy to understand, although it is very different from American football. After ten or fifteen minutes of fast playing we were allowed to go to the river. Here we were taken out two at a time with a college eightsman as coxswain and coach. Again we were taught a new game, for the English stroke is quite different from what we knew at home. We floundered about in the river, obeying the coach as much as possible, and got back to the barge. After lunch everybody starts for the field or river. The college is absolutely deserted. Athletics

appear to be as essential a part of life here as study itself.

"On being assigned to lectures, we got another impression, likewise proven false, that the Oxford undergraduate did not do much work. At home, we had been used to a minimum of twelve hours a week. Here we found twelve hours almost a maximum, and the average seemed to be ten.

"We soon learned, however, that, although it was not required, nor ever evident, there was work done, and lots of it; that if we took hours as we were expected to do, idleness on our part at the beginning of the course must bring hopeless entanglement at the end; and that we must work during vacations as well as in term time.

"Intimacy is not confined to the undergraduates, but it extends to the dons. After a lecture he has three or four pupils in to lunch. This familiarity between professors and students is much more common than in America, and it works well.

"In athletics the Americans have not yet particularly distinguished themselves. There are still a few on the rowing list, and some have played on their college football team. But, for the most part, that athletic reputation which preceded us as Rhodes scholars has not yet been upheld. It is true that we have done as well as the average Freshman, but it must be remembered that we have the advantage of them in point of experience and age."

#### Entrance Changes in Engineering.

At the meeting of the University faculty held last week the proposed changes in the entrance requirements for the engineering courses, mentioned several weeks ago in this paper, were adopted. They will take effect in and after 1906, and the ruling is of considerable moment. It applies to the courses of civil, electrical, machanical, marine and railway engineering.

In and after 1906 all applying for admission to the above courses will be required to meet the usual requirements as regards English, history and mathematics, with the exception that the mathematics as far as spheric trigonometry must be passed up and no substitutes can be made at entrance. Four groups instead of three will be available for the selection of the remaining en-

trance subjects.

Groups A, B and C are as in previous years, but group D has been added. This group includes advanced German and any two of the following entrance subjects: Latin grammar and Cæsar, Latin composition and Cicero, and Virgil. This practically means that advanced Latin and Greek may be substituted for one modern language. These changes in the requirements for admission were proposed to pave the way for the reorganization of the course of instruction in Sibley College.

#### Enthusiastic Dinner at Syracuse.

The largest and most successful Cornell dinner ever held in Syracuse took place at the Century club Saturday evening. The attendance exceeded the capacity of the club and many would-be diners were turned away. A new Cornell Alumni Song was presented and sung and is regarded as a distinct addition to the collection of Cornell verse. A more complete account of the dinner will be published in these columns next week.

#### Argentine Students at Cornell.

The Argentine government recently awarded fifteen scholarships of \$80 a month to young men ranging from eighteen to twenty-two years of age and nine of this number have signified their intention of entering Cornell. The remainder will attend Harvard.

The policy of this republic of sending students to the United States dates back to 1900, when twenty-five young men were sent to this country after having been subjected to rigorous examinations in practically the same subjects as are required for admission to the academic courses at Cornell. These young men were distributed among several different colleges, where they took up engineering, agriculture and veterinary medicine. Fifteen of the number have already returned home and of these Vicente Ocampo, '04, D. V. S., and Albert F. Fernandez, '04, D. V. S., fill positions of considerable responsibility in the department of agriculture of the Argentine Government and the municipality of Buenos Ayres.

The education of Argentine students in America is an indication that the

government of this flourishing South American republic realizes the importance of training its young men in the moral, industrial and intellectual atmosphere of the United States and that the more advanced of the Latin-American states prefer our institutions to those of Europe.

#### More Criticism of the Yell.

EDITOR CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS,  
SIR:

In his letter to the NEWS on the "Cornell Yell," Mr. C. H. Wells, '90, calls attention to a matter which has been noticed and discussed by many alumni. It is a great mistake and a wrong that the old Cornell yell should be allowed to be changed by the undergraduates of recent years. They did not start the Cornell yell, and why should they have the "nerve" to change it?

What is the matter with the old Cornell yell? "It is all right!" Certainly the new Cornell yell is no improvement; on the contrary, as Mr. Wells points out and explains, the Cornell yell as now given "in one breath" lacks force and effectiveness.

Many of the Cornell alumni up to the classes of ten years ago—that is up to 1895—resent the effort to change the old Cornell yell. When two or three Cornell men of early and later classes are now gathered together, and they attempt to give the Cornell yell, there is not the right kind of unison. The old "Cornell! I yell! yell! yell! Cornell!" used to be given with a strong, measured force and feeling, which made the yell unlike any other college yell, and known throughout the college world. The new Cornell yell given in quick, snappy fashion is a poor substitute for the "real thing." And so I say, back to the old Cornell yell!

Sincerely yours,  
LEE J. VANCE, '80.

EDITOR CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS,  
SIR:

I desire to go on record as saying "Amen" to Mr. Wells's sentiments regarding the Cornell yell as expressed in the NEWS of March 8.

Very truly yours,  
HAROLD A. RANDS, '01.  
Oregon City, Ore.

## Plans For New College.

Drawings for Agricultural Buildings Now  
Being Finally Revised by State  
Architect.

The plans for the new State College of Agriculture, to be built with an appropriation of \$250,000, which was made last year, have been submitted by the architect and are undergoing a final revision at the office of the state architect at Albany.

In addition to this appropriation of \$250,000 by the state, the department has \$40,000, which was the price paid for the former Dairy building by the University, making a total of nearly \$300,000 available for use on the new college.

The plans for the new college make provision for a group of four buildings, which will include one of the finest edifices on the Campus. This building will consist of a main structure connected by corridors to the smaller buildings on each end. The total length of these three buildings and the corridors will be more than five hundred feet.

The basement of the main building will be given over to the mailing department and the workrooms. On the first floor will be the executive and business offices of the College of Agriculture, the library, several seminary rooms and a large assembly hall.

The second floor will be devoted to the Agricultural College. On the third floor will be the laboratory and lecture rooms of the department of entomology.

The entire fourth floor of the main building will be given over to the work of the weather bureau and the extension work of the College of Agriculture, which has done so much toward enlarging it and making it probably the finest college of its kind in the world.

One of the end buildings will be occupied by the department of agronomy. The building on the opposite end will be devoted entirely to the dairy industry, and will undoubtedly be the best building of its kind in this country.

The fourth building, which will be separate from the others, will be a new stock judging pavilion, the present pavilion being given over to the poultry department.

All four buildings will be built of brick with stone foundations, and their architecture is of such a nature as to

contribute largely to the beauty of the Campus.

The buildings will be south of the present large agricultural barns and directly east of Rockefeller hall. They will be a short distance north of the new Alumni Field. According to the present plans, Garden avenue will be enlarged and made one of the widest and most beautiful avenues on the Campus.

### French Play Scores Success.

Les Cabotins, the French Dramatic society, gave a creditable presentation of Molière's famous comedy "Le Malade Imaginaire," at the Lyceum on the evening of March 17. Especial mention is due to the fine characterizations of A. S. Tenney, '06, as Le Malade Imaginaire, Miss C. H. Crawford, '06, as Toinette and Miss N. M. Henderson, '08, as Louison.

Professors Guerlac and Olmsted conducted the rehearsals and deserve praise for the accurate pronunciation and clear enunciation of all the players. The production was well-staged and appropriately costumed as a result of hard work by E. Stehli, '07, property-man. The music was that of the original Parisian production by Charpentier.

The comedy was preceded by a lyric prologue, the music for which was composed by C. E. Tourison, '05. After the last act there was a burlesque ceremony presided over by Romeyn Berry, '04.

The audience was large and enthusiastic and keenly appreciated the lively satire upon the pedantic doctors and surgeons of the seventeenth century. "Le Malade Imaginaire" scored even a greater success than last year's production of Les Cabotins, "Le Monde où l'on s'ennuie."

### Many Cornellians at Stanford.

An item of considerable interest to Cornellians is gleaned from the Stanford "Alumnus," the interesting alumni organ of Leland Stanford, Jr., University. This year the faculty and university officers of that university number 186, 29 of whom are women. There are 29 full professors, 25 associate professors, 21 assistant professors, 25 instructors and 25 assistants, with 20 other persons in the teaching force proper.

Stanford's present higher faculty members include graduates of 43 American and four foreign universities and colleges. Of these Stanford furnishes 24, Cornell 13, including the president, Cornell 2, De Pauw 2 and Kansas 2. Seven full professors in the institution either spent their undergraduate years or else were engaged actively on the teaching force at Cornell, as compared with two as the highest number from any other institution. Cornell leads with four associate professors on the faculty, as compared with Michigan, next highest, which furnished three.

### Literary Club Formed.

The Cornell English club was organized permanently Thursday, March 9, with the following officers: President, G. C. Davis, '05; vice-president, Miss F. R. Parsons, '05; and secretary-treasurer, L. W. Fehr, '07.

The object of the club is to foster fellowship and coöperation among members of the University who have literary tastes and ambitions. While the club was in an experimental stage, several pleasing symposiums were presented by committees of faculty and members, dealing with Stephen Phillips, W. B. Yeats, the Nature Poets and other writers of present day interest. The club has a membership of forty and includes students prominent in all branches of undergraduate activity.

### Cornellians Get Certificates.

The current issue of "American Education" contains a list of college certificates recently issued by the New York state Department of Education. These include the following Cornellians: Harold A. Holly, '99, Warsaw; Daniel C. Knowlton, '98, Montclair, N. J.; William R. Price, '98, Rochester, N. Y.; Elizabeth L. Russell, '01, Plattsburg, N. Y.

The management of the lacrosse team has secured the services of Mr. Shea of Toronto, Canada, the Canadian player who last year assisted in turning out a winning team at Harvard. This is the first year that the lacrosse team has been able to afford a regular coach and is encouraging evidence of the increasing interest in the minor branches of college sport.

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## RACE ARRANGED WITH PENN.

The announcement that the annual Junior Varsity race with Pennsylvania, omitted last year, will be resumed this season on the Schuylkill is pleasant news. It should give the final quietus to the newspaper talk of a break between the two colleges and remove any possibility of a misunderstanding over their rowing relations. Then too it assures the continuance of the series of Junior regattas which have formed so pleasant a feature of Cornell's rowing season for the past few years.

Cornell's acceptance of this invitation to row on the Schuylkill was entirely consistent with her previous attitude. Although the race is to be held on the same day as the American Henley, it is restricted to college crews under the same rules as the Junior regattas on Cayuga lake, which removes Cornell's chief objection to the Schuylkill race. The invitations have been sent out by the Pennsylvania rowing authorities and the details of the contest are to be arranged by the managements of the universities participating. The race thus becomes a purely collegiate contest with

no other connection with the American Henley save a coincidence in date.

Not the least pleasant feature of the announcement is the prospect of a return visit from Penn at Ithaca next season, which will lend interest to the Memorial day regatta on Cayuga lake. As the Harvard crew is also expected to enter this contest, a triangular race at least is assured.

## THE DORMITORY QUESTION.

The plan suggested by the Cornell Sun for united action on the part of trustees and graduating classes in order to secure dormitories at Cornell deserves serious consideration. As public attention is being centered more and more on the conditions of student life at the University, the opinion is becoming more general that the need for dormitories is dire and pressing and that the sooner they can be secured the better for Cornell University.

The proposed scheme seems to meet in a satisfactory way the objections made by the trustees to building dormitories wholly with University funds. The trustees say that the income at moderate rental rates would not be enough to warrant such action as a business investment; therefore they offer to give one-half of the sum needed up to \$500,000.

But if it appears that they can afford to contribute two-thirds of the cost of construction and equipment and still realize a net income equal to that obtained from present investments, does not the welfare of the University demand that such an offer be made at once?

For years President Schurman has been asking for dormitories in his annual reports and his public addresses. Former President White, in his New York speech, voiced the same sentiment; and this too despite the fact that he was once strongly opposed to the idea of dormitories at Cornell. Every grad. who is at all familiar with dormitory life at other universities returns to Ithaca with the feeling that something is lacking on the Cornell Campus—something which means more to the students than any other one factor in college life.

The proposed scheme will not bring dormitories this year or next—but it will mean progress in the right direction, with a reasonable prospect of suc-

cess in a few years. By all means let it be thoroughly investigated and if it proves feasible, adopted.

## JOHN H. BARR NOMINATED.

One more name has been added recently to the list of candidates for the alumni trusteeships, by the nomination of John H. Barr, '89, M. M. E., formerly professor of machine design in Sibley College, now with the Smith Premier Typewriter works at Syracuse.

This is the third nomination for the two positions and assures a contest for one of them at least. For that reason alone we are glad to learn of the nomination, for we should regret exceedingly to have these two important places go by default, as they did last year, however worthy the two candidates. We want a contest for the places because a contest means a larger number of votes, a greater degree of interest in the election and hence a greater interest in University affairs generally.

We take pleasure in giving our unreserved endorsement to this third nominee for the trusteeships, as we did to the other two. Mr. Barr is known personally to several generations of Cornellians, for he served the University faithfully and well during the twelve years that he taught in Sibley College. When in 1903 he was called to a responsible position in the industrial world his departure left a keen sense of loss in the hearts of the whole University community.

We publish below a communication in regard to Mr. Barr's candidacy from F. A. Halsey, '78, who is himself a loyal Cornellian and a prominent figure in the engineering world. After graduation Mr. Halsey held for many years a position of responsibility with the Rand Drill company, designing some of its most important and successful apparatus. For the past few years he has been associate editor of the American Machinist, which he has helped to make one of the most influential periodicals in its great field.

Mr. Halsey writes as follows:

EDITOR CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS:

SIR: The desirability of a working connection between the Board of Trustees and the faculty is manifest to every university man, and a fortunate combination of circumstances makes it possible for the alumni to bring about such

a connection at the coming election of alumni trustees, by the election of John H. Barr, formerly professor of machine design in Sibley College, and now factory manager and director of the Smith Premier Typewriter company of Syracuse.

Mr. Barr took his first degree of B. M. E. at the University of Minnesota in 1883, his second of M. S. at the same university in 1888, and his third of M. M. E. at Cornell in 1889. He was successively instructor, assistant professor and full professor of mechanical engineering at the University of Minnesota, his connection with the Cornell faculty beginning with his appointment in 1891 as assistant professor of mechanical engineering. In 1895 Professor Barr became associate and in 1898 full professor of machine design, which position he held until 1903, when he resigned to take his present position.

His experience has also included railroad, drainage and mining engineering (the latter as one of the engineering staff of the great Calumet & Hecla company), and mining machinery manufacture. He prepared the report on "Machine Tools" of the U. S. commissioner general to the Paris Exposition in 1889, and during his later years at Cornell was twice tendered

the appointment of dean of colleges of engineering by two universities, both of which he declined.

He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, member of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education and of the Society of the Sigma Xi. He is also a member of the New York State Voting Machine Commission and has done much engineering work aside from teaching. He is the author of a textbook on "Kinematics of Machinery" which is used in several engineering colleges, and has contributed liberally to the current engineering literature on various topics.

The desirability of placing the inside faculty view of University matters where it can be of the greatest value to the Board of Trustees is quite as obvious as is the desirability of placing on the board one who, through former connection, is fitted to listen sympathetically to the views of the faculty. Mr. Barr, it will also be observed, has had business experience such as to temper scholastic enthusiasm with a knowledge of the business world.

F. A. HALSEY, '78.

## Cornell Notices.

### Annual Chicago Dinner.

The officers of the Cornell club of Chicago have issued flaming posters announcing a great double bill for the week of March 27. On Tuesday evening, March 28, the Cornell athletic team will make its initial bow in Chicago, and the alumni of the Windy City are urged to be at the Coliseum to help cheer the lads along.

On April 1 the annual Cornell banquet will transpire at the University club at 8 p. m. The committee announces that the only April Fool will be the Cornellian who isn't among those present.

A number of postprandial attractions are held out as allurements. Maurice Connolly, '97, of Dubuque, Iowa, formerly known as Cornell's Boy Orator, will cease making baby carriages and drive in to act as toastmaster. Judge Frank Irvine, '80, president of the Cornell Athletic Council and (incidentally) professor in the Cornell College of Law, will be present and tell all he knows about his double headed job. Walter C. Kerr, '79, will leave New York, Pittsburg and the Westinghouse

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Air Brake long enough to connect with the University club dining car and make a few well chosen remarks. Thomas Cornell McNeil, '95, who held down the initial bag for the Varsity baseball team for a number of years and is now one of the candidates for the alumni trusteeship, will come from Pittsburg to attend the dinner. Other noted speakers will also perform.

The price of a meal ticket, accompanied by a banquet insurance policy, is five dollars. Those who expect to attend are asked to send notice at once to John R. Bensley, '96, secretary, 1409 Michigan avenue, Chicago. Telephone, South 100.

#### C. A. Stevens Secretary of 1900.

Owing to the illness of J. H. Gould, formerly secretary of the class of 1900, President C. C. West has appointed Charles A. Stevens of the Buffalo Express to the office. George H. Young of 814 Hepburn street, Williamsport, Pa., has been appointed chairman of the 1900 reunion committee. Mr. Gould has been suffering for some time from a severe attack of the grip and owing to his continued weakness has been obliged to give up his work as secretary. He is now confined to his home at 36 Delaware street, Flushing, N. Y.

#### Board of Recommendations.

The office of the Board of Recommendations has been moved from Morrill to Room 3 A, White hall. The chairman of the board, Professor G. P. Bristol, will be at this office on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 2 to 4 p. m., to meet all persons interested in matters which the board has in charge. He desires particularly to become acquainted with students who are registered with the board. The office itself will be open until further notice from 2 until 5 p. m. on week days except Saturday.

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#### Brief University News.

The second of the series of military hops was held in the Armory last week and was a pleasant affair. The music was furnished by Coleman's orchestra and Mrs. Schurman, Mrs. Olmstead, Mrs. Young and Miss Harvey acted as patronesses. The Armory was decorated with flags and the two field guns were effectively used for ornamentation.

In the last dual contest before the annual intercollegiate fencing tourney the Annapolis fencing team defeated Cornell by the close score of 5-4. Nine bouts were scheduled. The two teams were tied in the seventh bout when the Navy secured its winning point. Cornell's team was somewhat handicapped by the absence of Captain Pino.

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The annual banquet of the Cornell Association of Civil Engineers was held Friday night in the Ithaca hotel. Dean Gardner S. Williams of the civil engineering department of the University of Michigan, formerly of Cornell, was the principal speaker of the evening. He addressed the gathering on the present outlook in civil engineering. Professor C. L. Crandall, in charge of the college, also responded to a toast.

Yale defeated Cornell March 13 in New York city at the New York Athletic club games in Madison Square Garden in a two mile relay race. The result of the contest is due largely to the work of Hill of Yale who ran the second relay with a remarkable exhibition of endurance, the time being 1:57 4-5. T. M. Jackson of Cornell lowered the indoor record for the pole vault. H. M. Rogers, Overman, Poate and Munson represented Cornell in the relay race.

The Deutscher Verein has been enjoying an especially prosperous year. To celebrate this the Verein has offered two prizes, one for the best German essay on Schiller and his works, the other for a short farce suitable for presentation by the club. The annual play of the Verein will be given in the middle of April. The play is Freytag's comedy, "Die Journalisten," which deals with the social conflict between military and aristocracy and the rising journalists. The play is lively with electioneering, thwarted love and contests of wits, in which the journalists win.

At the annual meeting of the New York State Grange at Ogdensburg, recently, \$300 was voted for the awarding of six scholarships in Cornell of \$50 each, payable in cash for members of the subordinate granges in the state who pass the best examinations in competitions. These scholarships were first given last year and the New York State Grange is the first to inaugurate this movement in agricultural education. It has already attracted widespread attention in other states, many of which are contemplating the adoption of the same plan to increase the attendance at agricultural colleges and to stimulate interest in granges.

Professor H. Wade Hibbard of the department of railway engineering in Sibley College has completed arrange-

ments for the annual Easter vacation trip for students in Sibley. This year Philadelphia will be made the base and trips will be taken to the various tool making plants in that vicinity. The Bethlehem Steel plant, the Baldwin Locomotive works, the Bement-Niles Tool company, the Link Belt Engineering company, the Pennycoyd Steel works, the Luckens Steel works and the New York Shipbuilding company will be among the more important places visited.

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## Cornell Obituaries.

CHARLES PHILIP MILLER, '90.

The death of Charles Philip Miller, M. E., '90, occurred on Friday, March 17, at his home in Newark, N. J. He was thirty-seven years of age.

For some time Mr. Miller had been suffering from an attack of pneumonia and during the last week of his illness his life was despaired of. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Miller of 728 Clinton avenue, Newark, and resided in that city until his marriage to Miss Carrie Cavat at Easton, Pa., eleven years ago. At the time of his death he was the proprietor of the Champion Machine company of Philadelphia.

## Cornell Alumni Notes.

'79, B. C. E.—Frank W. Skinner, consulting engineer and associate editor of the *Engineering Record*, is giving a series of lectures before the students in Civil Engineering dealing with structural work. The subjects of his lectures are: "Movable Erected and Suspension Bridges," "Equipment of Tall Buildings," "Underpinning and Reconstructing Buildings," "Ordinary Shaft Sinking and Lining," "Metropolitan Subway Construction," "Framing and Details of Steel Buildings," "Foundations of Buildings," "Moving and Raising Buildings and Other Structures." Mr. Skinner is also making arrangements for the entrance of his son into the University.

'80, B. S.—F. G. Tiffany is manager of the Abner Gile estate at La Crosse, Wisconsin. He hopes to be able to attend the reunion of his class at Ithaca next June.

'86, Ph. B.—Harry M. Beardsley has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Elmira Water Light and Railway company of Elmira, N. Y.

'89, M. E.—H. H. Morehouse is superintendent of the electrical department of the Compania Industrial Mexicana at Chilhuahua, Mexico.

'90, C. E.—The marriage of Frederick K. Wing to Miss Ethel M. Hequembourg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hequembourg of Dunkirk, N. Y., took place on October 18, 1904. Mr. and Mrs. Wing are now at home at No. 31 Irving place, Buffalo.

'93, E. E.—A. D. Morehouse is manager of the Melbourne Brick and Tile company of Melbourne, Iowa.

'94, M. M. E.—Henry S. Barraclough, B. E., Sydney, is an assistant professor in Sydney University, Sydney, Australia. He lectures on mechanics and applied thermodynamics.

'95, M. E., (E. E.)—E. W. Roberts,

author of the "Gas Engine Handbook," a valued manual among engineers, will shortly publish a second work entitled "The Automobile Pocket Book." Mr. Roberts is a well known gas engine expert and is practising his profession in Clyde, Ohio, where he has an experimental laboratory. He is a member of the American society of Mechanical Engineers.

'96, B. S.—Carter R. Kingsley is now in the law office of Charles F. Kingsley in Bath, N. Y.

Ex-'96—The New York Times of March 8th contains an interesting account of extensive tuberculosis tests being carried on under the direction of Dr. Oscar M. Leiser. The work deals with the treatment of the disease in the first and second stages. Tests have been made with about fifty charity patients selected from certain localities and from some of Dr. Leiser's private patients. The experiments are being conducted with the use of a new spray mixture. Dr. Leiser, backed by a number of prominent men, became interested in the new treatment three or four months ago. Twenty-five patients from the lower East Side and about the same number from the middle West Side, all surrounded by the most unsanitary conditions, were selected to experiment upon. Upon the completion of the tests the results will be announced to the medical profession.

'97, M. E.—The marriage of Miss Ellen Hewson of Philadelphia to Alfred Hurlburt, '97, was celebrated recently in Philadelphia.

'97, LL. B.—The announcement is made by U. C. Lyons, '97 and Harry C. Goldsmith, LL. B., '03, of Binghamton that they have formed a co-partnership and opened offices for the general practice of law. The offices are at 410-411 Kilmer building, Binghamton.

'97, A. B.—Miss Mabel A. Clark is at present secretary of the firm of W. N. Clark & Co. of Rochester, one of the large canned goods factories of that city. Miss Clark is active in the literary life of Rochester and is president of the Political Equality club. She is also an earnest worker for the improvement of the conditions of the laboring classes.

'97, LL. B.—Harry Newell Avery, formerly with Bowers & Sands, announces that he has opened an office for the practice of law at 27 Williams street, New York city.

'97, LL. B.—E. H. Fitch who has been the Akron manager of the Standard Oil company's plant has recently taken a position with the Diamond Rubber company of Akron and will be manager of the Philadelphia branch office.

'98, LL. B.—C. E. Kobey, who is a practising attorney in Binghamton, visited friends on the Campus recently.

'98, M. E.—H. D. Campbell is superintendent of the Wheeler Condenser company, Carteret, N. J.

'99, M. E.—Norman J. Gould is secretary of the Gould Manufacturing company, makers of pumps and other hydraulic machinery at Seneca Falls, N. Y.

'99, M. E.—George S. Goodwin announces a change of address from Care of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad at Milwaukee, Wis., to the motive power department of the Great Northern railroad at St. Paul, Minn. He is addressed at 1794 Carroll street, St. Paul, Minn.

'99, M. E.—W. R. Miller is a manufacturer at Doylestown, Ohio.

'99, M. E.—J. N. Mowery is chief draftsman of the West Albany shops of the New York Central at West Albany, N. Y.

'00, M. E.—E. Percy Smith took charge on March 4th of the mines of the Chichicapa company, Ocotlan Oaxaca, Mexico.

'00, A. B.—George W. Bauder, M. D., formerly of the Harrisburg hospital is now practising medicine in Harrisburg, Pa. His address is 229 North Second street.

'00, M. E.—J. V. McAdam has been transferred from the position of travelling mechanical engineer in New York for the American Steel Foundries and is now district mechanical engineer in charge of the Chicago district. A. M. Gilbert, C. E., '02, will be located in the engineering department of this company.

'01, A. B.; '04, C. E.—C. M. King announces a change of address from Bend, Oregon, to 187 West Park street, Portland, Oregon, where he is in business with the Deschutes Irrigation and Power company.

'01, M. E.—C. R. Branson is in the car shops of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburg. His address is 1120 Allegheny avenue, Allegheny, Pa.

'01, D. V. M.—A. R. Ward who is assistant professor in bacteriology and veterinary science at the University of California is doing the board of health laboratory work for Berkeley, which consists in the examination of cultures for diphtheria, tuberculosis and typhoid.

'02, A. B.—L. Guernsey Price has an article on "American Musical Critics" in the *Bookman* for March.

'02, LL. B.—The marriage of W. Arthur Kline, '02, to Miss Mildred M. Fea was celebrated October 25, 1904 at Amsterdam.

'02, M. E.—C. G. Rally is in the department of invention and development of the General Electric company at Schenectady.

'02, M. E.—Charles D. Young, captain of the 1902 track team, who was formerly assistant master mechanic of the Pennsylvania railroad shops at Columbus, Ohio, is now motive power inspector and chairman of the tool committee of the southwest system of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburg. His address is at Columbus, Ohio.

'02, A. B.—C. R. Payne is a member of the Junior class in the Cornell Medical College in New York city. His engagement to Miss Marion L. Bowman of Philadelphia is announced.

'02, A. B.; '04, M. E.—George Parsons is with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company and is addressed at 439 South avenue, Wilkesburg, Pa.

'02, M. E., (E. E.)—Henry W. Eells has left the employ of the General Electric company of Schenectady and is now in business at 24 Broad street, New York city. He announces a change of address from 1508 Union street, Schenectady to New Brighton, N. Y.

'03, LL. B.—Sydney H. Kelleran is practising law in the offices of Love & Keating at 464 Ellicott square, Buffalo.

'03, M. E.—H. H. Heller is assistant superintendent of the Wheeler Condenser company at Carteret, N. J.

'03, Ph. D.—The first annual report of the chief of the division of currency of the Philippine Islands has been made public. E. W. Kemmerer is chief of the division.

'03, LL. B.—Miss A. K. McNamara is a lawyer with Hinman, Howard & Kattel of Binghamton. Her address is 167 Court street.

'03, A. B.—William J. Warner, former guard and captain of the Varsity football team and guard on the '03 All-American, has closed a contract to coach the North Carolina football eleven during the coming fall. He will begin his work on September 12. During the past season Mr. Warner coached the Haskell Indian team of California, and his team lost but one game. Mr. Warner is now completing his Senior year in the Cornell Law School.

'03, M. E.—Sanford S. Holden has accepted a position in the Chicago offices of the Forbes Lithograph Manufacturing company.

'03, M. E.—Thorsten Y. Olsen who is superintendent of Tinnius Olsen & Co., manufacturers of testing machines, is addressed at 500 North 12th street, Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Olsen has been elected an active member of the Engineers' club of Philadelphia. He recently read a paper entitled "The Fremont Method of Determining the Fragility of Iron and Steel" and also reread the same before the Philadelphia Foundrymen's association March 1. His engagement to Miss Margarita McKinley of West Philadelphia is announced.

'03, A. B.—William H. Fries is a teacher of French in the Detroit University school.

Ex-'03—E. T. Reece is engaged in business at Christ Church, New Zealand.

Ex-'03—Edward E. Walker is assistant superintendent of the Malleable Iron works at Erie, Pa.

'03, M. E.—John Scott Fowler has been elected a junior member of the Engineers' club of Philadelphia.

'03, B. Arch.—Harry I. Schenck and H. J. Williams, '03, special in Architecture, have formed a partnership for the general practice of architecture at 432-434 Arcade building, Dayton, Ohio.

'04, D. V. M.—J. A. Madden is a federal meat inspector at St. Louis, Mo. His address is 3677 Cook avenue.

'04, B. Arch.—P. H. Mallory is private secretary to G. G. Heins, state architect of New York, and is addressed at 13 Chestnut street, Albany, N. Y.

'04, B. S. A.—A. R. Mann is with Thompson's Island Farm school at Boston, Mass., and is addressed at Box 1486, Boston, Mass.

'04, A. B.—C. M. Mann is attending the Cornell Medical College in New York city as a member of the class of '07.

'04, A. B.—Miss Louise F. Merritt is an assistant in the Mead library at Malone, N. Y. Her address is 39 Duane street.

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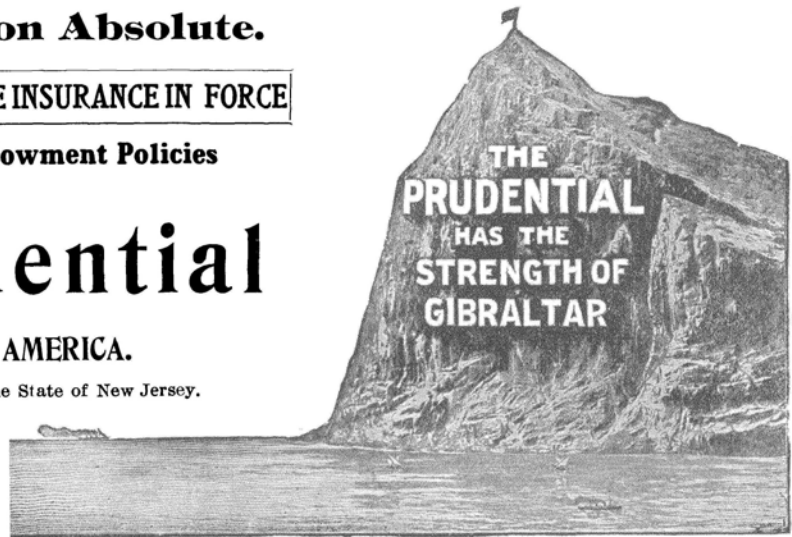
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'04, E. E.—Louis Margolin is connected with the U. S. Bureau of Forestry at Washington, D. C.

'04, A. B.—A. H. Martin is taking work in the Cornell Medical College.

'04, A. B.—L. Martin is an instructor in geology in the University. He is located at 220 Eddy street.

'04, M. E.—A. Mason is an assayer at Spokane, Wash., and is addressed in care of C. M. Fassett.

'04, D. V. M.—H. J. Milks is an assistant in the Cornell Veterinary College. His address is 53 Cascadilla place, Ithaca, N. Y.

'04, A. B.—F. A. Mills is assistant pastor of the First M. E. church at Ithaca, N. Y.

'04, A. B.—F. D. Mitchell is pursuing graduate work in philosophy in the University. His address is 240 Hazen street.

Ex-'05—Warren Ellis Schutt, the Rhodes scholar for New York state at Oxford, was victorious in the three mile run from a large and fast field at the field sports of Oxford, held recently. His time was 15 min. 4 1-5 sec.

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