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# The Hallowe'en Flag Rush.

#### After Four Desperate Bouts, Freshmen Win --Stirring Spectacle on Armory Green.

The fifth annual flag rush was held on the Armory green last Wednesday evening and resulted in a victory for the Freshmen after four fiercely contested bouts. The regular series of three bouts that was planned was increased to four because the first struggle resulted in a tie and in the next two the honors were evenly divided. The scores were: first or heavyweight bout, Sophomores, 14 men; Freshmen, 14. Second or middleweight bout, Sophomores, 17 hands; Freshmen, 18. Third or lightweight bout, Sophomores, 18 hands; Freshmen, 16. Fourth bout between the same teams as in the first, Sophomores, 18 hands; Freshmen,

The annual Hallowe'en flag rush has more than passing interest because it is one of the few college customs that have originated at Cornell, and have later been adopted by other institutions, and because it was established four years ago by the students in mass meeting assembled, in order to put an end to the dangers and scandals of indiscriminate class rushing. In this aim it has been almost completely successful. The occasional outbreaks of class rivalry that occurred early this fall were promptly quelled by the firm and sensible stand which President Schurman took on the subject in his annual address to the students. Since that occasion the underclass spirit has been repressed save as it broke out in the proper channels of underclass games and flag rush.

Apart from its value as an outlet for extra enthusiasm and as one factor in deciding the underclass supremacy, the Hallowe'en rush is an important event in a spectacular way. Last week's struggle attracted a crowd of fully twelve hundred spectators. The two lower classes turned out *en masse*, together with hundreds of upperclassmen, professors and townspeople. For over an hour the crowd was well entertained by the exciting contests.

AN IMPRESSIVE SCENE.

The scene on the field of battle on the north side of the old Armory was one to impress even a casual passer-by, devoid of college spirit or class ties. The bouts were held in the center of the green, which was walled in by an immense circle or perhaps ellipse of solid humanity, packed together as densely as flesh could endure. At the opposite ends of the ellipse were the two lower classes, each several hundred strong, while the north and south sides were occupied by the Senior and Junior classes respectively. The darkness of the night was dispelled by dozens of torches stuck in the ground within the enclosed space and by the tiny red lanterns borne by the marshals. In the flickering light the struggling forms of the contestants assumed a weird and ghostly effect.

The rules for the contest were the same as in previous years. Each class had selected three teams, heavyweights, middleweights and lightweights, composed of fifteen men each. The two teams in each set were pitted against each other. Of the fifteen men on a side in each bout, five were placed in the center of the arena, holding the flag, while the other ten were lined up a few paces away on either hand. At the blast of the marshal's trumpet, the two lines rushed to the center and clutched frantically at the coveted banner. At the close of five minutes the trumpet proclaimed the end of the struggle and official count was taken of the number of hands on the flag. This year a new rule was made forbidding the men to carry the flag to the ground until the expiration of the first two minutes, during which time they must keep their feet.

The opening bout between the heavyweights was rather tame, inasmuch as the flag proved to be too large and almost every man succeeded in getting his hand on the canvas and holding on until time was called. To remedy this, the flags were made smaller in the succeeding bouts, and hands were counted instead of men.

#### BOUTS GROW FIERCE.

The middleweight and lightweight bouts were more hotly contested and kept the spectators keenly on the alert every moment. When these were over and the two classes were still tied, the heavyweights were recalled to the arena for the final struggle, and in this they retrieved themselves by fighting desperately for the victory. During this decisive bout the two lower classes were almost carried away by their enthusiasm. Yell after yell rent the air and cries of encouragement and applause spurred on the struggling men.

For two minutes the mass swayed to and fro, now sinking aimost to the ground, now surging fiercely against the wall of spectators. The flag was too small for thirty men to cling to it at once, and those who failed to get hold devoted themselves to wrenching off more fortunate rivals. Now and then a struggling group would detach itself from the mass and shoot to one side, then its members would break apart and rush back to the center of conflict. Some would leap in the air and land fairly on top of the pile, seize hold of the flag, and for several moments remain suspended, their legs waving frantically as the pile swayed this way and that. When the men finally sank to the ground, they were simply a confused mass of human trunks, with sixty legs radiating in all directions from the center, and underneath all the coveted flag. Then at last the trumpet blew, and after a few convulsive spasms the struggles subsided and the men clung stolidly to the canvas until counted and dismissed.

When Chief Marshal Ralph S. Kent, '02, aunounced that the last bout had given the Freshmen the victory in the rush, the joy of 1908 was unbounded and the youngsters formed in line and marched downtown to proclaim to the world their triumph and their prowess.

### **Treasurer's Annual Report.**

# Falling Interest Rates and Increased Expenses Cause Deficit of \$77,000.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on October 29, the annual report of the treasurer was presented.. The period covered is the fiscal year ending on July 31, 1904. The total assets of the University show an increase of nearly \$600,000. Among the largest items were the Loomis Laboratory real estate, valued at \$120,000 together with its endowment of \$118,176: the receipts from the sale of Wisconsin lands, \$22,000; the addition of \$10,000 to the Dean Sage sermon fund; the transfer to the real estate account of Stimson Hall, valued at \$130,000, and of the central addition to Sibley College, costing about \$75,000; also nearly \$50,-000, added to the equipment of the various departments.

FALLING INTEREST RATES.

The effect of the falling rate of interest on approved securities is again evident. The average rate received declined from 5.34 per cent. in 1902-3 to 5.10 per cent., a fall of .24 per cent., which on the eight million dollars of invested funds causes a loss of income of \$19,200. Of the three issues of municipal bonds reported as in litigation a year ago, two are now in good standing, the attempts to avoid payment having been defeated.

#### DEFICIT OF \$77,000.

The total income for the year, including the unexpended balance of 1902-3 was \$1,369,118.43 and the total expenses were \$997,433.39. On August 1st the unexpended balance of income was \$371,685.04, against which stand appropriations amounting to \$448,903.24. This leaves a deficit for the year of \$77,000. The income from invested funds fell from \$428,665, to \$417,008; tuition increased from \$196,960 to \$225,140, and laboratory and Sibley fees from \$47,112 to \$48,067.

Some of the larger items of expense are: Medical College in New York city, \$162,167; salaries, \$352,000; salaries of retired professors, \$20,250; making an increase in the total salaries of about \$22,000; libraries, \$37,900; fuel, \$26,000; scholarships and fellowships, \$23,700. The sum of \$5,038 was expended for the University exhibit at St. Louis.

The Infirmary received from patients \$3,449.27. The expenses, including \$4,-

632 for changes and new furniture, amounted to \$11,194, the balance being paid from the accumulated interest on the endowment fund. The net income received from the only dormitories, Sage College and Cottage, was \$1,908, being close to one per cent on the cost of the buildings after deducting the value of the portion used by the botanical department. The foregoing figures do not include the Veterinary College, supported by a \$25,000 appropriation of the state nor the appropriation of \$35,000 for the promotion of agricultural knowledge, a fund which is administered by the University.

# Lively Underclass Games.

#### Freshmen Win Baseball Series, Tie Football Game and Lose Track Meet.

A lively underclass spirit has been manifest during the past two weeks owing to the series of athletic contests which reached a climax at the annual flag rush Wednesday night. The major portion of the honors has gone to the Freshman class because of their victories in the series of baseball contests and the flag rush. The Sophomores won the track meet, while the underclass football game resulted in a tie score of 5-5.

The first of the contests to determine the class supremacy was the track meet, in which the Sophomores secured 57 points to the Freshmen's 34. Then began a series of baseball games. The first was won by the Sophomore team by a score of 6-2 and the second was declared off on account of foul weather. The next game resulted in a clean victory for 1908 by a score of 11-1. In this game Lovejoy, the pitcher who played during a portion of last season on the Varsity, was hammered badly and it was decided to place Cornell in the box in the last of the series. But this move did not change the Freshman luck and the deciding game went to the youngsters by a score of 8-6. The pitchers of both teams were about evenly matched and the feature of the game was the excellent hitting and fielding on both sides.

Glenn Warner, who has been chosen coach for the baseball team, was a spectator at all of the games. There is but little material as yet for him to begin his spring work with and prospects are not bright.

Each team scored one touchdown in

the underclass football game. The Sophomore team seem possessed of more strength and probably would have secured, a victory but for costly fumbles and poor generalship displayed by its quarterback. Their playing was hard at times but it was not consistent and only occasionally had that aggressiveness which marked the play of the lighter but plucky Freshman eleven.

The first touchdown was made by Earle of the 1908 team in the middle of the first half. It resulted from a fumble by the Sophomores on their 15 yard line. Polka scored for 1907 towards the close of the second half by a cross buck through the left side of the Freshman line.

#### Chess Champion Visits Cornell.

Dr. Emanuel Lasker, chess champion of the world, gave an exhibition of simultaneous chess playing on Thursday afternoon in Barnes Hall. He was engaged in twenty games and won all save three which were drawn. Those who played draw games with him were J. R. Mitchell, '06, M. J. Clurman, '06, and V. Guenther, '07. The champion's playing was very brilliant.

It was with the utmost difficulty that the services of this noted player were secured by the club. Only in view of the fact that Cornell at present holds the Intercollegiate chess championship was the champion induced to come here. Lovers of the game were greatly interested in the marvellous analytical power displayed by Dr. Lasker. At simultaneous chess he showed that he is extremely rapid and successful, beating down his opponents with relentless accuracy after gaining a winning position in the very opening of the game.

In the evening he delivered a popular lecture on the subject "Chess." He described it as the most intricate and intellectual of games. Its origin, he said, is lost in antiquity, and by some is supposed to have been invented by Nazi about 2,000 years ago and to have been played by the Greeks in Troy.

Dr. Lasker expressed himself as pleased with the fact that during the last ten years so much interest in chess has been manifested among college students not only in America but in England, Germany and France. He also spoke of the point that the most noted chess players of the world are college graduates.

### Many Runners Lost.

#### Track Team Suffers from Graduation--Cornell-Pennsy Cross Country Meet Friday.

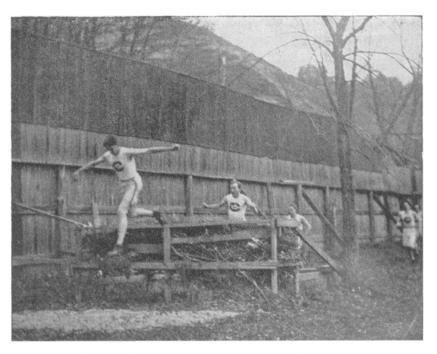
Both cross country and track have lost a number of valuable men this year by graduation and failure to return to college. The loss has been most severe in distance running, both in track and cross country. The greatest individual loss, as already noted in these columns, is that of Warren Ellis Schutt, ex-'05, captain-elect of both teams, who is now at Oxford University.

In addition to Schutt, the cross country team loses Captain Woodward and T. M. Foster, who finished second and third at the Intercollegiate, R. S. Trott, who finished twelfth and won third place in the two mile Intercollegiate event in the spring, and Barrett Smith, of the Varsity cross country squad, all by graduation; also H. F. Plumer, ex-'05, who did not return to the University. Both Foster and Smith will be missed for the indoor track work, and Trott and Plumer for the outdoor work.

With the loss of three of the first four men to finish in last year's championship cross country team, the outlook for a strong team was very gloomy at the opening of college. The only veterans left for a nucleus were E. T. Newman, '05, who was elected captain, D. C. Munson, '06, and C. F. Magoffin, '07. But in the training of distance men Mr. Moakley is equal to almost any emergency, and around these three men a Varsity squad of ten or twelve men has been developed from practically raw material, which shows excellent promise.

#### CORNELL-PENNSY MEET FRIDAY.

The first meet of the season will be held on Friday of this week with the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, and until then no real estimate can be made of the strength of the team. The training table started Monday with the following men: E. T. Newman, '05; D. C. Munson, 'o6; M. Sleeth, 'o6; L. Arnold, 'o6; J. C. Hemingway, 'o6; C. F. Magoffin, 'o7; H. L. Trube, 'o8; D. W. Warren, 'o8. Several others of the Varsity squad are running as well as those at the training table, and will be considered in the selection of the team to compete against Pennsylvania on Friday. Among these men are A. Starr, 'o6; A. J. Adams, 'o6;



CORNELL-PENNSYLVANIA CROSS COUNTRY MEET, 1903.

W. H. Munson, '07; J. M. Prophet, '08; W. S. Nobis, '08.

The team, accompanied by Mr. Moakley, and Manager Vawter, will leave. Ithaca Thursday noon on the Black Diamond express and will arrive at Philadelphia the same evening. The race will be about five miles in length and mainly over macadam roads, and will include numerous jumps.

#### INTERCOLLEGIATE MEET.

The Intercollegiate cross country meet will be held this year at Travers Island, near New York city, on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Cornell has won this meet four years of the five that it has been held, and in spite of the number of new men on the team should make a respectable showing this year.

#### TRACK PROSPECTS.

In addition to the distance men the track team has lost four other men by graduation: Captain L. T. Ketchum, who took third place in the Intercollegiate high hurdles during the past year, F. M. Sears in the sprints, W. F. Moxley in the hammer and R. W. Rogers in the shot-put.

The old men back to form a nucleus for the team are Captain Vonnegut, '05; E. Cairns, '06 and L. Ashburner, '06, in the hurdles; D. C. Munson, who won the mile Intercollegiate last year, in the

mile and half-mile; C. F. Magoffin, who took fourth in the two mile; J. B. Phillips, 'o6, in the pole vault, A. Camp, 'o5, in the mile and two-mile; Max Overman, 'o4, in the half-mile and quarter; H. M. Rogers, '07, and J. C. Carpenter, '07, in the quarter-mile; F. G. Wallis, 'o6, and C. A. Gould, '07, in the sprints; G. W. Mosher, '07, and R. C. Turner, 'o6, in the broad jump; H. F. Porter, '05, in the shot-put, and L. A. Wilder, 'o6, in the hammer throw. In addition to these members of last year's team' the squad has received two valuable additions in the return of F. M. Poate, '05, former holder of the Cornell mile record, who was not in college last year; and G. A. Serviss, '05, in the high jump, who did not compete last year.

#### TWO PROMISING POLE VAULTERS.

Although the underclass track meet held on Percy Field October 24th brought forth some good new material in several of the events, Mr. Moakley has not as yet had time to work much with the new men and find just how valuable.the additions are. Two of the most valuable acquisitions to the squad will undoubtedly be J. T. Moore of Mercersburg and T. M. Jackson of Worcester Academy, both Freshmen, in the pole vault. The former has a record of 11 feet 4 inches, and the latter of 10 feet 8 inches in preparatory school, and both are capable of further development.

Several good track performers are at present with the football squad, among whom are G. F. Cook, '08, of the Cleveland preparatory school, who is strong in the weights and sprints; E. T. Gibson, '08, of Brooklyn, in the hurdles and C. V. Cox, '08, of Washington, D. C., in the quarter-mile. Other new men who seem to possess possibilities are L. M. MacPherson, '07, from Australia, in the sprints, hurdles and broad jump; D. S. Kelsey, '08, of North Tonawanda, in the sprints; W. P. Baumgarten, '08, T. W. Baker, '08, and W. G. Henry, '08, in the weight events; H. L. Trube, '08, and D. W. Warren, '08, in the distance events.

#### Cornell Smoker at Philadelphia.

The announcement that the Cornell Alumni Association of Philadelphia is planning a delightful reception and entertainment for undergraduates who go to Philadelphia to witness the Cornell-Pennsylvania football game on Thanksgiving day has been warmly received in the University and many students have altered their plans so as to arrive in Philadelphia on the evening before the contest.

News comes from Philadelphia that the entertainment will be in the form of a smoker to be held either in the red room of the new Bellevue-Stratford hotel or at the University club. A special invitation has been extended to members of the Cornell faculty, alumni and undergraduates who expect to be in Philadelphia on that evening.

The committee in charge of the smoker consists of R. T. Mickel, '92, Drexel building; Alfred M. Roedelheim, '96, Roxford Knitting company, Jefferson and Randolph streets; E. J. Hedden, '92, 14 South Broad street, and E. B. Carter, '99, 5025 Pulaski street, Germantown, Pa.

For the first time since the Ohio State College and the University of Michigan have met on the gridiron, Ohio scored against her opponent on October 22, and crossed her goal line for the first time this year. E. R. Sweetland, 'oo, wellknown as an oarsman and football player while in the University and formerly coach at Syracuse University, coached the Ohio State team.

### Shake-up in Cornell Eleven.

#### Coach Warner Beating Squad into Shape for Columbia and Pennsy Games.

Two more hard struggles on the gridiron and the Cornell football season for 1904 will be closed. The first of these will take place Saturday, in New York city with Columbia, and the other with the University of Pennsylvania on Thanksgiving day in Philadelphia.

Immediately after the Princeton game Birmingham left college. Furman, who was injured in the first minute of play in the game, was obliged to retire from practice, probably for the rest of the season. Costello again injured the bad knee with which he has been suffering for a month and Mr. Warner was confronted with new and perplexing problems close to the end of the season.

Because of the loss of these men an entire rearrangement of the eleven has been necessary. Hackstaff has been placed at left end in the position formerly occupied by Forgy. Goodspeed, a Freshman, is also being tried out in that position. Van Orman seems to be a fixture on right end. Captain Lynah was tried in that position in the Lehigh game on Saturday but he is needed back of the line. Bird's creditable work in open field running makes him too valuable a man to be left off the team and it is possible he may be tried out at this same end.

Cook and Smith are fighting for the position of left tackle. Smith has been showing up better this past week perhaps owing to Cook's bad condition. The latter has been losing weight and may be obliged to withdraw from practice. Costello will be around in shape for the Pennsylvania game and possibly for the Columbia contest, though this is doubtful. Martin, a Freshman, who has lately come out for practice, is doing well at this position.

Oderkirk and Downs at left guard seem to be of equal ability. Both have their faults, however, Oderkirk being too light and Downs slow in starting. Oderkirk is fast and had he the weight of Downs would be a fixture in the position. Furman is practically assured of right guard. Since Birmingham left Coach Warner has been endeavoring to develop Furman into a punter. He has the making of a strong kicker if he can be trained into getting the ball off more quickly. Wilder, the big centre, is thoroughly reliable. He has two substitutes who have done creditable work, Lies and Chapman, but barring injury Wilder will probably retain the position during the remainder of the season.

From present indications Captain Lynah will play at quarter in the two remaining games. Fumbling now is extremely rare and the men seem to place more confidence in Lynah than Bird. Lynah too is always in the interference and displays superior generalship to Bird. The latter's poor judgment was responsible for the touchdown secured by Lehigh on Saturday and it seemed as if the situation, calling for nothing but an elementary knowledge of the game, should have been solved intuitively by the little quarter-back. Lehigh endeavored to drop kick. The ball went low of the bars to Bird who started to run. He was only a foot across the line when he fumbled the slippery ball and Lehigh ran it across for a touchdown. At the most he could have made but about five vards under the conditions. Had he resorted to a touchback the ball would have been taken out of proximity to Cornell's goal.

Rice was injured Saturday in the same way that Costello was early in the season and the exact nature of the trouble has not as yet been learned. If he is obliged to leave the game Gibson will play at left half and either Dewey or Martinez at right. Halliday, a tower of strength for Cornell, will continue at full-back with Cox as an able substitute.

The game on Saturday with Lehigh resulted in a victory for Cornell by a score of 50-5. Lehigh was utterly smothered, being unable to hold the Ithacans at any period of the game. The play was characterized by long runs on the part of the Cornell backs. Gibson made two sensational runs for touchdowns, one being 78 yards. Costello was not in the line-up but Martin showed up well in the tackle position. Towards the end of the game, when Cornell's goal was in danger, Halliday went in at tackle and assisted in holding Lehigh for downs when Bird's unfortunate error occurred.

Work on the new power plant is progressing favorably. The laying of the concrete pipe is being accomplished at the rate of 35 feet a day and the mamachinery for the completion of the rest of the work has already been shipped and will soon be on the grounds.

### Fine Trip Arranged.

#### Musical Clubs Management Perfecting Details for Southern Tour---Itinerary and Social Program.

Arrangements for the longest tour ever planned by the Cornell Musical clubs are now practically complete. During the holidays the clubs will cover a distance of more than three thousand miles, giving concerts at ten different cities on the Atlantic coast. Manager George C. Boldt, jr., and George H. Vant, special representative of the clubs, returned a few days ago from a fortnight's trip as advance agents for the concert tour. The completed itinerary of the Southern trip and the detailed arrangements for the entertainment of the men in the various cities are now announced for the first time.

The clubs' representatives brought back the most encouraging reports regarding the prospects for the trip. They were everywhere cordially received, not only by Cornell alumni, but by other college men and by the Southern people generally. This reception augurs well both for the financial success of the Christmas trip and for the social enjoyment of the students who take part.

#### THE SCHEDULE OF CONCERTS.

The clubs will give their first concert at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, Dec. 26. They will next appear in the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford hotel at Philadelphia, Dec. 27; in the new Willard hotel at Washington, Dec. 28; Richmond, Va., Academy of Music, Dec. 29; Charlotte, N. C., Academy of Music, Dec. 30; Asheville, N. C., Auditorium, Dec. 31; Augusta, Ga., Jan. 2; Savannah, Ga., theatre, Jan. 3; Commercial Club ballroom at Charleston, S. C., Jan. 4; Academy of Music at Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.

The modes of entertaining the clubs at the different cities visited will be of the most varied nature, ranging from dances, dinners and smokers to drag rides and boat rides. The New York alumni will set the ball rolling by holding a smoker and informal dance after the concert on December 26. At Philadelphia the precise form of entertainment is not yet decided, but will be either a smoker or dance.

Following the concert in Washington there will be a subscription dance, the arrangements for which are in charge of Alfred Alvarez Calderon, ex-'oı, second secretary to the Peruvian legation. E. R. Alexander, 'or, Warren G. Ogden, or, and R. E. Muedon, 'o3, will assist in arranging for the entertainment of the clubs in the Capitol City.

In Richmond the clubs will be assisted in the concert by Douglas Gordon, University of Virginia, '98, and brother of T. C. Gordon, Cornell, 'o6, a singer of some note. Mr. Gordon will appear in the concert for two vocal solos. Through the courtesy of Mr. Gordon and other prominent citizens. the Cornell men will receive cards to the Commonwealth club. The interest manifested in the concert by the people of Richmond is shown by the fact that a Cornell flag will be raised on the staff of the Commonwealth club in honor of the visitors during their stay in the city. Arrangements for a dance are in charge of Isaac Davenport, '04.

As there are few Cornell alumni resident in Richmond, the clubs must depend for the success of the concert on the support of the press and the general public. The kindness with which the representatives of the clubs were received by other college men there, particularly graduates of Princeton and of the University of Virginia, and by the members of the staffs of the various Richmond papers, was most gratifying, and the success of the concert seems assured.

At Charlotte the clubs will appear at the Academy of Music, and arrangements for the entertainment are in charge of David L. Probert.. The clubs will appear at Asheville on Saturday evening, December 31, and will spend Sunday at the Battery Park hotel. Cornell has no alumni representation at Asheville, but a former Pennsylvania man who resides there expressed himself as desirous of giving the visitors some sort of entertainment after the concert. One feature of the program there will probably be a drag ride through the mountains and to "Biltmore." At Augusta the entertainment of the clubs is in charge of H. Walker Wallace, '95.

In Savannah one of the pleasantest visits of the trip is assured. This is the home of Captain James Lynah of the Varsity football team, and for this reason it is an enthusiastic Cornell town. Captain Lynah's popularity assures the clubs of a warm reception. Gordon Saussy, '96, is working hard to make every provision for the entertainment of the visiting musicians.

The arrangements for the Charleston concert are in charge of J. H. Dingle, '92, a member of the Commercial club, where the concert will be given. The Commercial club is arranging a reception and dance for the Cornellians after the concert. Prominent in the planning of the entertainment is G. Walter Mc-Iver, whose son, G. W. McIver, jr., is a Junior in Sibley College. If the Cornell delegation can reach Charleston early in the morning from Savannah, they will doubtless enjoy a trip on one of the Government boats to Fort Sumter and other points of historical interest in the vicinity of the city.

Raleigh, N. C., is the last place to be visited. There the entertainment of the clubs is in the hands of William J. Andrews, '94, president of the Raleigh Street Railway company, and of Ce-The jump from bern Dodd Harris. Charleston to Raleigh is one of three hundred miles, and it is doubtful if the clubs can reach the latter place in time for the afternoon reception which is now being planned. If the train schedule can be adjusted, however, this reception will be an enjoyable feature of the program at Raleigh. In any event, the visit there will be fully as enjoyable as any on the schedule, for Cornell has fifteen alumni in that city who are co-operating loyally to make the concert a splendid success.

#### Election Day Not a Holiday.

During the two or three weeks preceding election day, an carnest effort was made on the part of the undergraduates to secure the suspension of University work on that day. The Cornell Sun published a series of nearly a dozen editorials on the subject, and the Cornell Republican and Democratic clubs each passed resolutions petitioning the faculty to declare the day a University holiday.

A special meeting of the University faculty was called for last Friday to consider the petitions. The question was thoroughly discussed at some length and the request was refused. The attitude of the faculty was embodied in the following resolution: "Resolved, That while it is the established policy of the University to grant freely leaves of absence to all students desiring to leave town to vote, it is not considered expedient to suspend University exercises on election day, November 8."

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#### THE MUSICAL CLUBS' SOUTHERN TRIP.

This year the Cornell Musical clubs are to take the longest Holiday trip in their history, and in an entirely new field. The result of the experiment will be awaited with interest, for it is one that certainly deserves support and success

So far as Cornell University is concerned, the South is practically an undeveloped field. Last year less than a hundred students out of three thousand came from the states south of Maryland and east of the Mississippi. The Musical clubs, in invading this territory, can rely no longer upon the strong support of Cornell alumni at every stage of the trip, but must depend upon the support of the general public. That they may expect a cordial reception and a pleasant taste of Southern hospitality is indicated by the report of the two representatives who visited the ground as advance agents.

If the trip does prove successful as expected, it will undoubtedly be well worth while. In the first place, the members of the clubs will have a most enjoyable outing, and the possibility of its being repeated in a year or two will be an incentive to future members of the clubs to work hard to "make the trip." More important, however, is the

advertising that the University will receive. A college glee club concert attracts a more representative audience, perhaps, than almost any other form of entertainment, and if such an audience sees that the visitors are a fit looking lot of fellows who are not only good singers but thorough gentlemen, the favorable impression will extend to the University that sent them. The effect will not be confined to the audience merely, but the whole town will be interested in Cornell University and its Musical clubs. The value of such advertising can not be overestimated.

The ALUMNI NEWS recognizes the good work that is already being done by a number of alumni in the different cities to be visited, and bespeaks for the clubs the hearty support of all Cornellians in that section of the country.

#### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Last spring the ALUMNI NEWS made the suggestion editorially that the trustees of the University should be scattered more widely over the country, instead of being bunched almost entirely within the confines of New York state. The alumni were urged to take the point into consideration in electing their representatives on the board in June. The editorial drew forth two communications from present members of the board, one favoring the suggestion, the other opposing it on the ground that Cornell is essentially a State university. The NEWS argued, in response to the latter, that Cornell is not and never will be a state university in the sense in which that term is used of the institutions of the Middle West, which are supported entirely by state appropriations and are administered by trustees appointed or elected by the state, as state hospitals and charitable institutions are in New York.

The News still believes it is right in its attitude on this question and is prepared to keep up the campaign vigorously until favorable action is taken, either by alumni or by the Board of Trustees, which annually elects four of its own number.

The board consists at present of eight ex-officio members, all of New York state, and twenty-nine elective members, there being one vacancy by death. Of the twenty-nine, ten are residents of Ithaca; twenty-six are registered as residents of New York state,

and a twenty-seventh is so in reality, though his nominal residence is in Pittsburg. In other words, thirty-five out of thirty-seven members of Cornell's governing body, or ninety-five per cent. of the whole, are located either in Ithaca or within a radius of two hundred and fifty miles of Ithaca.

Now consider the University attendance from the same geographical standpoint. Of the 3,013 students registered in the University last year, only 1,691 students, or 54 per cent. of the whole, were from New York state. Of the remainder, 87 came from the South, and 165 from the states west of the Mississippi.

Forty-six per cent. of our attendance, then, is from outside this state, and as representatives of this great body of students, as our sole tribute to Cornell's remarkable cosmopolitanism, we elect two non-resident trustees out of a total of thirty-seven!

President Schurman evidently had this condition of affairs in mind when he wrote the paragraph in his annual report, quoted in this paper last week. After alluding to the serious charges, widely circulated during the typhoid epidemic of 1903, that the executive committee of the trustees had been influenced in conducting University business by their connection with certain local enterprises, the president said:

"Against the recurrence of such an injury to the University, its alumni, trustees and friends should, if possible, devise some protection. Cornell University has a national and cosmopolitan membership, patronage and reputation, and it would be blighted at a vital point if the public were to imagine-even though without any foundation-that in its investments, in its provisions for material things, in its appointments to the instructing staff, or in the shaping of any of its policies, it were influenced by considerations of personal interest, local advantage, or anything but the welfare of the University itself. Now that the effects of the attack of last year have largely passed away, the time seems opportune for considering the best method of protection for the future."

It seems to us that "the best method of protection for the future" is to make the Board of Trustees more representative of the country at large and of the personnel of the undergraduate body. The executive committee must of course, from its very nature, be composed of local citizens who can meet at frequent intervals to carry on the details of administration; but for this very reason, by way of compensation, the remainder of the board should seemingly be scattered as much as possible. Not only should they be elected from outside this state, but they should be chosen from different sections of the country.

There are dozens of cities in New England, the Middle States and the West which are brimful of Cornell spirit. Chicago and St. Louis and Pittsburg and Philadelphia are only a few of the places that might be mentioned. In these centers are large and enthusiastic bodies of Cornell alumni who are keenly interested in the progress of the University and who deserve to be represented in its governing board. In any of these cities three or four men could be named, any one of whom is fitted by character and by experience to serve on the Board of Trustees.

Objection has been made that it is not advisable to elect men living at a distance from Ithaca because they will not be able or willing to make the journey to this city three times each year to attend the meetings of the full board.

This argument may be tested by ex-

perience. The annual fall meeting of the board was held in Ithaca ten days ago. That meeting was attended by both of the members from outside New York state—one coming from Minnesota and the other from Washington, D. C.—and by only eleven out of the seventeen elective members residing in New York state outside of Ithaca. At the corresponding meeting a year ago the number in each case was exactly the same.

Experience then shows us that men can be found who are sufficiently interested in Cornell's welfare to leave their business and make long journeys to attend the meetings of its governing board, and further that these men are just as regular in their attendance as those who live within the confines of this state.

The problem of "protection for the future" seems a simple one.

Miss Spaulding of the Oxford Training College, Oxford University, England, who is visiting this country in the interests of the higher education of women and was a guest at Cornell last week, attended her first American football game on the occasion of the Cornell-Princeton contest. She seemed highly impressed and was particularly interested in the cheering.

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### **Brief University News.**

The horticultural department has received in connection with the co-operative peony test, several important specimens from France and England. Up to the present time over six hundred varieties have been planted at the University experiment station.

Circulars have been sent to the students notifying them that it is the intention of persons issuing the bulletin to erect a large dormitory and restaurant near the corner of Stewart and University avenues. The circulars request a reply to the question, "Will you patronize the dormitory if it is built?"

A special meeting of the executive and advisory committee of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America was held on Saturday in the Fifth avenue hotel, New York City. S. H. Ehrich, '05, manager of the Varsity track team was the Cornell representative at this meeting.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke, Murray professor of English at Princeton University, who was scheduled to deliver the University sermons October 30 and November 6 was unable to appear on the first Sunday owing to illness. Sage chapel was crowded on the occasion of his addresses last Sunday. President J. G. Schurman and Dean William Polk of the New York branchof the Cornell Medical College, attended the exercises in commemoration of Columbia's 150th anniversary which were concluded Monday, October 31 in New York. Dean Polk received the honorary degree of LL. D. from Columbia on that occasion.

The annual competition for roles in the French play was held recently at the home of Professor Olmsted of the department of Romance languages and the cast chosen. The play this year will be "Le Malade Imaginaire." The roles in the interludes have not as yet been selected and the date for the performance will be announced later.

A number of minor changes are now in progress on the Campus, the most important of which perhaps is the work on Garden avenue. The central portion of the new thoroughfare runs parallel to East avenue back of the State Veterinary College and the northern portion is being adjusted to the needs of the new College of Agriculture.

A series of locomotive railway tests are being carried on by the department of railway mechanical engineering of the University, through the courtesy of the Lackawanna railroad, between Ithaca and Owego in both the passenger and

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Professor Shozo Aso, dean of the Women's University of Tokio, Japan, who is making a tour of America for the purpose of studying co-educational conditions, was at Cornell last week. Mr. Aso is recognized as one of the foremost educators of the Mikado's realm. He is now touring in the east studying all the larger women's colleges and co-educational institutions.

"Hughie" Jennings, for three years coach of the Varsity baseball team. was one of the Baltimore delegates to the convention of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues in New York recently. He says he will remain with the Orioles as player-manager next season, notwithstanding the fact that he has been drafted by Brooklyn. He will take the bar examinations this winter.

In his address before the International Congress of Arts and Sciences at St. Louis, printed in a recent issue of "Science," President Hall of Clark University made the following complimentary reference to Professor Titchener of Cornell University: "Titchener with his thorough English training, whose ceaseless productivity makes him already, in the widening field he cultivates, our American Wundt in a thoroughly and sometimes radically reconstructed and improved edition."

Steps are now being taken by the University physical culture department and by the sparring club towards a reorganization of last year's club into a sparring and wrestling organization. Correspondence is being carried on with several out of town athletes with the view of obtaining the services of an expert boxer and wrestler as club instructor. The object of this move is said to be primarily to instruct the novice although the membership of those proficient in the sport is also desired.

Professors R. C. Carpenter and Harris J. Ryan of Sibley College have adopted a rather novel method of dictating letters. A phonograph with a recording device is placed beside the desk and the letters are taken on the wax records. These records are then used by the stenographer in another phonograph and she receives the letters as slowly as she will by controlling its speed. The annoyance resulting from repetition while dictating is done away with as well as the tedious translation of shorthand notes.

The botanical department has been awarded a diploma by the jury of awards at the St. Louis exposition for an exhibit of apparatus designed for photographic plate cuultures of bacteria and fungi by transmitted light. The apparatus was designed by Professor Atkinson, '85, of the department several years ago and photographs illustrating the work carried on by him at that time on bacteria formed a part of the exhibit. It was sent by request of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to be placed with the exhibit of the colleges of agriculture and mechanic arts and experiment stations.

The quarter-mile single scull race for the Francis medal was won by E. T. Foote, 'o6. on October 29, in 1 minute, 32 seconds. The race was held during a pouring rain and the contestants raced against time, as only one shell was available. The other contestants were R. C. Barton, 'o6, and W. H. Forbes, 'o6. Forbes had the race practically won up to within six feet of the finish line when his shell tipped over. The boat continued on its course and crossed the line in 1:31 I-2 but as Forbes was not in the boat at the finish the race could not be awarded to him. Barton's time was 1:36.

The winner, E. T. Foote, was a member of the Varsity eight and four at Poughkeepsie last June.

#### Haskell Nominated for Congress.

Robert H. Haskell, B. L., '97, is the Brooklyn nominee for member of congress in the seventh district, Brooklyn. He is a young lawyer and though practising for less than seven years has been most successful in his profession, according to the Brooklyn Standard Union.

After taking his degree from Cornell, Mr. Haskell entered apon journalistic work in Brooklyn. During his service as a newspaper man he completed his study of the law by attending the New York Law school, from which he was graduated in '98. At the outbreak of the Spanish War he was engaged by the



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New York Herald as a war correspondent, serving first at Camp Alger and afterwards in Porto Rico. Since his return he has been actively practising law and is a prominent member of the Brooklyn bar.

#### **Distinguished Viennese Women Visit** the University.

Two distinguished visitors, the Baroness von Sutter and the Countess von Potting, both of Vienna, were the guests of Ambassador and Mrs. Andrew D. White at their home in East avenue last week. The Baroness von Sutter is one of the leading exponents of the peace movement in Europe. Belonging to the Austrian aristocracy, she is the daughter of the late Count Kishny, field marshal and chamberlain of the emperor of Austria. She was one of the prominent speakers at the Boston Peace Conference. She also spoke recently in New York and Philadelphia, and at Bryn Mawr.

The Baroness is the author of the work, "Lay Down the Arms," which created such a stir in Europe at the time of its publication a number of years ago. Her visit in Ithaca had no particular significance, her purpose being only to call upon the former ambassador, with whom she was intimately acquainted while he was serving at foreign courts.

#### Senior Society Elections.

The elections to the two Senior societies of Sphinx Head and Quill and Dagger are announced as follows:

Sphinx Head--Cuyler Culver Adams, Carl George Allen, William Paul Allen, Erwin Scott Armstrong, William Wright Baldwin, Neil Dow Becker, Edward Johnson Blair, Clarence Edwin Boesch, Stone Howard Ehrich, Jabez William Fisher, Joseph Edwards Goodrich, Frederick William Hackstaff, Hugh Price Henry, Edward Holmes, Elias Heathman Kelley, Henry New Morse, Andrew Newberry, Harold Jay Richardson, Orange James Salisbury, jr., Richard Morton Tolin, William Arthur Vawter, Anton Vonnegut, Harold Saleno Warner and Erskine Phelps Wilder.

Quill and Dagger-George Charles Boldt, jr., Isaac Victor Buchanan, Arthur Dutton Camp, Donald Reed Cotton, Charles Henry Curry, George Steele Dewey, Robert A. Gardner, Walter Henry Gerwig, Henry Edward Green, James Lynah, Alan McDonald, Joseph Gleason Murphy, Garland Hubbard Mourning, jr., Edmund Taylor Newman, Joseph Henry Ramsey, Warren Ellis Schutt, Charles Edward Tourison, William Slade Voris and Benjamin Oliver Williams.

#### Freshman and Sophomore Elections.

The results of the recent elections in the Sophomore and Freshman classes is given below:

Sophomores: President, C. J. Goodier; first vice-president, J. A. Pollak; second vice-president, Miss E. M. Bolger; secretary, S. W. Treat; recording secretary, Miss M. A. Fitzpatrick; treasurer, G. W. Nasmyth; sergeant-at-arms, L. W. Fehr.

Freshman: President, R. Van Orman; first vice-president, C, V, Cox; second vice-president, Miss Sadie Bowman; third vice-president. Miss Eleanor Read; recording secretary, D. Stewart; corresponding secretary, Miss Gertrude Rand; treasurer, W. Huber; general athletic director, W. L. Lytton; sergeant-at-arms, L. A. Newman; vice-sergeant-at-arms, V. A. Sharp.

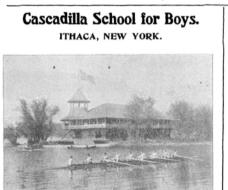
# **Cornell Obituaries.**

CHARLES E TAFT

Charles E. Taft, ex-'72, died in New York city on November 1st, 1904. After graduating from Cornell he assisted General Meigs in some difficult railroad constructions in South America, and performed various kinds of work under the national government. Part of the time he was in charge of river and harbor improvements in the Southwest and later he was special agent for the United States census in 1800. He had also been connected with the state geographical survey of Arkansas and for

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the past few years had been with the New York Tribune. He was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity.

#### EDWARD R. DE GRAIN.

The death of Edward Reinhold de Grain, M. E., '03, occurred October 25 at Garret, Indiana. Mr. de Grain was employed as a mechanical engineer in the service of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad and was on a tour of inspection when stricken with the fatal illness. His body was taken to Washington, his former home, where burial was made October 28

While in the University Mr. de Grain was an unusually proficient student. At the end of his Junior year he was granted a leave of absence and spent twelve months in the service of the Baltimore and Ohio between Philadelphia and Washington. In the fall of 1902 he returned to the University to be graduated with his class. He was a member of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.



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#### **Cornell Alumni Notes.**

Ex-'75.-Dr. C. F. Millspaugh is one of the special lecturers on science and travel in the Field Columbian Museum free lecture course. He spoke October 8 upon 'Japan, the Land of Lecquer and Bamboo."

'90, B. L.; '92, LL. B .--- Howard Hasbrouck is located at 5 Nassau street in the Hanover National Bank building.

Ex-'91, (M. E. '02) .--- L. A. Osborne fourth vice-president of the Westinghouse Electric Manufacturing Company at Pittsburg, Pa.

'92, G .-- Dr. Otto Koenig is identified with the Julius Sachs Collegiate Insti-tute for Boys and Girls at 38 West Fifty-Ninth street, New York city.

'92, M. E.-Charles Philo Matthews is now connected with the school of electrical engineering of Purdue University at Lafayette, Ind.

'93, M. E.; '94, M. M. E.-F. G. Snyder is connected with the United States revenue cutter service and his present address is U. S. Steamer Gresham, New London, Conn.

'94, B. L .-- Lawrence Abraham, who a prominent member of the Long Island Automobile club, was one of the officials of the Vanderbilt Cup Automobile race on Long Island, October 8. He was in charge of the press stand at the finish line at Westbury. The scores of correspondents who reported the race were enthusiastic in their praise of the arrangements made for the press under the direction of Mr. Abraham.

'95, Ph. B.-W. L. Atkinson was elected vice-president of the University club of Brooklyn at the annual meeting last month.

'95, Ph. B .--- A daughter, Margaret, was born to Mrs. Margaret Boynton Windsor, '95, and P. H. Windsor, Northwestern '95, on June 13 at their home in Austin, Texas. Mr. Windsor is librarian of the University of Texas.

Ex-'95, M. E.-A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Lauman at their home in Columbus, October 9.

'96, C. E.-G. S. Tompkins is with the Middle States Inspection Bureau as one of the senior inspectors.

'96, B. S. in Arch .-- Nathan Myers is now a prictising architect in Newark, N. J., and is located in the Metropolitan building with offices at the corner of Washington and Market streets.

'96, Ph. B.; '04, Ph. D.-Charles R. Gaston has been appointed teacher in English at the Richmond Hill high school in Brooklyn. His address is 1167 Dean street, Brooklyn.

'96, C. E.—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. George S. Tompkins at their home in Brooklyn, July 31.

'oo. Ph. B .-- The marriage of Miss Helen Marie Haynes, of Geneseo, N. Y., to James A. Bailey, '96, was celebrated September 21 at the Presbyterian church in Geneseo. Among the Cornell men present were Carl D. Stephan, '95, John B. Richards, '96, and J. D. Bailey, '00. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey will reside in Dansville.

'97, A. B.; '03, Ph. D.-George M. Dutcher is associate professor of his-tory at Wesleyan University, Middle-ton, Conn.

'97, M. E .--- Julius I. Wile, who has been manager of the engineering sales department of the Fraser-Chalmers company of London, England, for the past four years, has resigned his posi-tion and established in Rochester the Wile Power Gas company to manufacture gas producers for gas and fuel. An article by Mr. Wile on "Gas Producers" apepared in the September is-sue of "Power."

'97, A. B .- The marriage of Miss '97, A. B.—The marriage of Miss Anna Louise Mellin, daughter of Mrs. Ellen T. Mellin of Evanston, Ill., to Charles Wesley Darwin Parsons was celebrated at the home of the bride, June 22. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons are re-siding at 809 Foster street, Chicago, Ill.

'98, M. E .- The marriage of Miss Cora Benke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Benke, to J. E. O'Keefe, '98, was celebrated in Grace church, Carthage, Mo., October 19.

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'98, M. E.-The marriage of Albert Hamilton Emery, jr., '98, to Miss Julia E. McChune, '04, was celebrated in Ithaca, Wednesday, October 26, at the home of the bride's uncle, J. Otis Mchome of the bride's uncle, J. Otis Mc-Clune. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. A. George of the Congre-gational church. Mr. and Mrs. Emery will reside at 798 Main street, Stamford, Conn. Mr. Emery is a member of Sigma Xi and of the A. A. A. S., and was awarded one of the Sibley prizes in his Senior year. He is now assist-out to his father A. H. Emery investor ant to his father, A. H. Emery, inventor of the Emery testing machines, one of which is installed at Sibley College.

'98, B. S. Ag .- D. A. Willetson is a practising horticulturist and landscape and forest engineer at Tuskegee, Ala.

'99, M. E.; '03, M. M. E.-H. F. Morse is an instructor in the testing laboratory of the University of Wiscon-He is working on tests of iron and sin. steel as well as cement. His present

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'99, A. B.-W. C. Richardson has begun his work as instructor in Latin and Greek in the Brooklyn Manual Training high school. He was formerly at the Horace Mann school in Manhattan.

'99, B. S.-W. D. Gerken has been appointed professor of mathematics at the Lawrenceville school.

'99, A. B.—C. A. Perry is engaged as teacher for the year '04-05 at Rio Pedras, Porto Rico.

'00, M. E.-The marriage of Miss Sarah L. Hawkes to Leon H. Schenck, 'co, was celebrated at the home of the bride in Bayonne, N. J., October 12. Herbert L. Cowing, 'oo, was best man and Miss Florence Schenck, 'oo, maid of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Schenck will make their home in Schenectady, where Mr. Schenck has a position in the locomotive works.

Ex-'00.—The marriage of Miss Rob-erta Fairford Cowan to James Bertram Newton, ex-'00, was celebrated at the First Congregational church at South Hadley, Mass., October 12. Mr. Bert-ram is a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity.

'oo, C. E.-James H. Miner is work-ing with the United States Geological Survey in the reclamation service at Olathe, Colorado.

'00, A. B.; '03, Ph. B.--N. E. Truman is now connected with the department of Greek in the University of South Da-kota at Vermillion.

'01, A. M.-Louis C. Karpinski is now instructor in mathematics at Ann Arbor, Mich.

'or, A. B.-LeRoy Burns Smith is now connected with the educational department of the Young Men's Christian Association of San Francisco.

'02, LL.B.—Alden I. Hasbrouck has been admitted to both the Circuit and District Courts of the state. He is prac-tising law at No. 79 Utica City National Bank building in Utica.

'02, A. B.-H. L. Chase is located at Bayo Vista avenue, Oakland, Cal., 77 and is now in business with a San Francisco book firm.

'02, A. B .--- Albert H. Huntington has resigned his position in the Lower Merion high school at Ardmore, Pa., and has accepted a position in the Central high school in St. Louis. He was offered a scholarship in the University of Pennsylvania but declined.

'03, A. B.-Miss Mary Allen is now teacher of English in the Wellsville high school, Wellsville, Ohio. Her ad-dress is 938 Main street.

'03, A. B.-Miss Camilla E. Boles, who was last year engaged as teacher at Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., is now teacher of French in the New Rochelle high school. Her former posi-tion at Lindenwood College is filled by Miss Flora Hartwick, '03.

'04, A. B.-Miss Flora K. Allen of Ithaca left recently to assume a position in the Oneonta High School.

'04, A. B .--- Evangeline D. Rose is located at 130 Holmes street, Belleville, New Jersey.

#### Football Schedule.

Sept. 28—Cornell, 17; Colgate, o. Oct. 1—Cornell, 29; Rochester, 6. Oct. 5—Cornell, 24; Hobart, o. Oct. 8—Cornell, 34; Hamilton, o. Oct. 15—Cornell, 24; Bucknell, 12. Oct. 22—Cornell, 36; Franklin and

Marshall, 5.

- Nov. 5—Cornell, 50; Lehigh, 5. Nov. 12—Columbia at New York.

Nov. 24-Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.



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