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## EDITORIALS.

To the new students we extend "greeting."

The words of our first editor will well bear repeating in this our first issue of the college year.

The success of this paper depends on three things. First, on the enthusiasm that the students show in his publication and support. Secondly, on the support of the Alumni of the college and, thirdly on the support of our friends outside of the institution.

The "S. A. C. LOOKOUT" is published wholly by the students of S. A. C., and as a consequence it will be what they make it, be it good or bad, therefore, to the students of the college I say, take an interest in it, write for it, subscribe for it and thus make it a success, and in the end you will be better, the paper will be better and the college be better.

To our friends outside the institution we would say much the same as to the students.

We depend a great deal on your help, therefore, for our benefit and your own. Subscribe for it, take an interest in it and thus help us along.

And lastly support our advertisement columns by patronizing the advertisers.

Miss Lincoln of Chaplin, who has studied at the Conservatory of Music, Boston, has been engaged to give both vocal and instrumental music lessons free here at the college. We now have two pianos and have strong hopes of getting another before long.

One may hear the monotonous, drum, drum or one, two three, four, nearly all day long and imagine the rest—as follows:

One, two, three, four,

Practicing is such a bore;

One, two, three, four,

Please go away and shut the door, etc.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

It was on the bright morning of the fifteenth of September that the students of S. A. C. started the ball a rolling down the road of a new college year. We are all glad to have a vacation, but it seems as if the commencement of school duties is much more prized, especially by those who are acquainted with the place. True, there are some among the new comers who seem rather discontented but as soon as acquaintances are formed they are as happy as the rest.

The Senior class has resumed its work with a total membership of fourteen, all of whom expect to graduate; if so, it will be the largest class ever graduated by the college. We are sorry to say that "but one of its members resides in Oak Grove cottage.

The Juniors, numbering seventeen, have started in on the hardest year of their course. This class resembles the Senior class in the fact that it has but one young lady on its roll.

Examinations for entrance to the Sophomore class were much more difficult this year than heretofore, consequently we have a rather small "Soph." class. The class roll has upon it 18 names 5 of whom are young ladies.

The class of 1900 has a total membership of 22 of whom 8 are young ladies. The greatest problem before the present date is "What will the 1900 class yell be?" Three of that honorable class are busily engaged upon the problem and we hope to hear from them very soon.

The students this year as to morals stand very high. Yes! I believe I will be safe in saying that the standard of morality is higher than ever before in the history of the institution. Of course, there is room for improvement, but we sincerely hope that the present standard will never be allowed to lower.

The old military company numbers 27 and the following are the officers in part as appointed by Captain Waterman: 1st lieutenant, A. C. Gilbert; 2nd, F. N. Buell; 3rd, V. E. Lucchini; 1st sergeant, R. D. Gilbert; 2nd, G. H. Johnson; 3rd, H. B. Luce. The lieutenants are detailed to drill the new students, who are divided up into squads of eight each. Drill takes place on the parade grounds on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at half past four in the afternoon.

Mr. W. B. Chamberlain has erected a new set of hen houses as a result of his success with the incubators during the last spring. Mr. Chamberlain, who is superintendent of the poultry department also has a handsome flock of some fifty turkeys. We hope to determine the quality of these birds very soon.

Several of the boys go out hunting on Saturday afternoons and have pretty good luck. As a result of their success several of the tables support a good game dinner quite often.

The reception given by the Y. M. C. A. to the new students on the opening of the fall term was a decided success. The old and new students became well acquainted with each other. The evening was spent very pleasantly in spite of the dismal rain which prevented a large attendance.

The house being erected by Prof. Patterson, which is to be occupied by Prof. Peebles and family, will be completed by the first of November. At present they reside at the young ladies' cottage.

Dr.: What does a horse do when he has a chill? Mr. B.—

Dr.: What do you do when you have a chill? Mr. B.: Hump up my back.

As to the political question at Storrs, I can say very little. Two male members

of the faculty are for Bryan. We have but three women in the faculty and it comes pretty hard when I have to say that they are unanimously for Bryan. Among the students Major McKinley is the favorite.

That principle which has got to gain foothold before we can reach a standard which excels all others as a nation is gradually making itself more known and felt as we became educated. I think that I am safe in saying that the prohibition party will receive its largest number of votes this year. As W. Jennings Demorest has said, "The contest may wage long, fierce and furious, but in the cause of right and, with God on our side, we shall triumph in the end."

As a result of a petition to the faculty the two upper classes were excused from all college duties on Sept. 13th so that they might attend the fair. A number of the boys "thinking of lost opportunities" remained through the evening so as to attend the theatre. The exhibits at the fair, especially in the fruit line, were very slim. Over half of the fruit exhibited was the property of Walter Warren, a '94 graduate.

If you are interested in our experiment station you will doubtless be glad to hear that Prof. Phelps has been promoted from the position of agriculturist to that of vice director. Mr. Penticost, an Amherst graduate, occupies the position of superintendent of the same.

An appropriation has been made by the board of trustees for the purpose of erecting a blacksmith shop. As yet the location for the structure has not been settled upon but it is thought that the piece of ground to the right of the road just before you come to the wall which separates the experiment station from the school property would be a good location.

On Saturday, October 2nd, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Chapman, Bidwell and Barnes, all of the '98 class, went off to their homes on their wheels. Messrs. Green and Minor also spent the same Sunday at their homes. They had a hard time of it on their return as the rain had put the roads in a poor condition.

Very few of the students attended the football game at Rockville. I think that the team would feel more at home if they only had a few of their college mates to cheer them up once in a while.

The college did no exhibiting at fairs this year on account of the failures of some of Prof. Gulley's choice vegetables.

There has been considerable discussion as to when and where the new creamery building is to be erected. As yet the location has not been definitely settled.

Messrs. Mackenzie and Brimble, while here on a visit, spent a number of their leisure hours down the south road. Of course it is no serious matter.

A reception was given Mr. and Mrs. Lewis by the church at the college chapel



on Friday evening, Sept. 25. The evening was spent very pleasantly amid music and other entertainment. They have gone to housekeeping in the parsonage.

Miss Del E. Gate, who visited Storrs with a desire to take in everything about the college was unexpectedly engulfed when, having passed under a class picture, she was heard to remark "Oh! Oh! What a large class ('95)."

Mr. J. Karp, while removing some large stones had his right hand thumb quite badly shattered.

The chestnut crop seems to be pretty good this season as is shown by what some of the students have done already in the line of putting away a store for future use.

Profs. Gully and Chamberlain attended the Stafford fair on Wednesday, Oct. 7th.

Two of the old sheds about the horse barn have been moved to poultry headquarters, which makes quite an improvement as to looks around the cottage.

Edwin S. Mansfield is the only member of the football team who supports a nose guard. He has had some rough experience with his nose so he thinks that it needs protection.

It seems as if students would learn after a while to not lend their wheels or rent them, as the case may be. I have never known one yet to make anything by such a transaction, as the wheels, six times out of ten, return in a shattered condition. True, if one breaks a wheel he has to pay for its repairing, but a wheel is never as good after being repaired several times as it was primarily.

#### OAK GROVE COTTAGE.

To an old student one of the most prominent and looked for improvements in the history of the college, is the erection of a cottage for the young ladies of Connecticut. The structure, as has been said in a previous issue, is of the old Colonial style and is, without question, the handsomest building upon the campus. Although means has made some limitation, the building is very prettily furnished. When the apparatus for the gymnasium arrives there is no doubt but what this department will prove attractive as well as beneficial. As the result of Prof. Peebles' visit to Boston, a fine upright piano stands in the "gym." from which swells out upon the breeze many a sweet note. Prof. Gully is having a fine lawn made about the cottage which of course adds to its looks very materially. From the veranda can be obtained a splendid view of the mountains and surrounding landscape, which at this season of the year especially, is very grand. The classes in which the young men are not concerned are held here, but of course they attend the common classes in the main building as usual. At present the young ladies take their meals with the young men in the main dining hall. This is simply because all the material for the kitchen, etc., has not arrived as yet. In the course of a week, however, the boarding department at the cottage will be thoroughly equipped. There are about fifteen young ladies who board at the cottage. The cottage and its inmates are under the management of Miss Margaret Kenwell, the lady principal.

#### ALETHIA SOCIETY.

The young ladies of Oak Grove Cottage have organized a literary society which shall be known as "The Alethia Literary Society of Oak Grove Cottage." Its officers are as follows: Pres., Miss Erma Fuller; Vice Pres., Miss Georgia Barnes; Sec. and Treas., Miss Roberts; Marshal, Miss K. R. Yale. The colors of the society are old gold and white. Meetings are held every Saturday evening in the "gym."

Two of the girls got into a fuss over one of the boy's curly crop wondering when he was going to reap. Please let them know.

Formal calls can be made at Oak Grove Cottage on Friday evenings between 7 and 10 o'clock. Don't come before as the girls will be at supper. Don't come after because they will be "up yonder."

Youngsters, keep off of the grass in front of the cottage as walks are made for use. So said Prof. Gully.

There will be improvement in the gymnasium when the curtains are put up. They are ready but are waiting for the polls.

Among our last arrivals at the cottage is Miss Erma Fuller. She arrived on the 29th with bag and baggage in the heavy rain.

Clarence Hawley is to be made a voter this fall and he says that he will vote for "Gold."

Mr. J. B. Lyman, a new student from East Hampton, has been confined to his room with cystitis for three weeks. He is rapidly improving.

Messrs. Evans and Mansfield, while returning from Willimantic one evening last week, had quite an exciting experience. When in the vicinity of Mansfield Centre, one of the wheels happened to run over a black and white "cat." They would not have known it, but for the peculiar odor which was caused by the accident.

F. N. Buell, '97, attended the fair for the purpose of obtaining a collection of fruit to be used by Prof. Gully in making wax samples. Prof. Gully has already a very fine collection of wax fruits although the collection is not yet complete.

"Sammy" Loomis, a former member of the '97 class, spent a few days with us while the Willimantic fair was in session.

Mr. Beebe of Mansfield depot is occupying the store formerly managed Bingham Brothers, who have moved across the road into the building formerly used as a wagon shop. We expect to see a great deal of competition as to prices, as surely one of the firms has got to gain firm foothold. There is surely not enough trade in the village of Storrs for the support of two stores.

Miss Smith, professor of domestic science, now occupies the rooms which were made vacant by Miss Kenwell's moving to Oak Grove Cottage.

The meetings of the Y. M. C. A. this year are uncommonly interesting and have been well attended so far. The moral standing of this college is higher today than it has been at any time in the memory of the present students.

#### ATHLETICS.

G. E. SMITH.

#### STORRS, 16. ROCKVILLE, 6

The S. A. C. football team played their first game with the Rockville High School at Hyde Park, Oct. 3, which resulted in a victory for Storrs.

The Storrs team arrived at Rockville about noon, where they received their dinner. After dinner they drove to the fair grounds and practised a short time.

At 3:30 p. m. the game was called. Storrs won the toss and chose the south goal, Rockville taking kick-off. The ball after being kicked into Storrs territory was caught by Comber who carried it forward a few yards.

The two teams lined up for a scrimmage. Storrs having the ball, Beardsley with good interference was able to break through the Rockville line and with a clear field, scored a touchdown within one minute from the time the ball was kicked. Webb kicked the goal making the score, Storrs 6, Rockville 0. Rockville again "kicked off." Storrs obtaining the ball and by a series of end and tackle plays soon had the ball within a few yards of Rockville's goal, where they lost it on the fourth down, Rockville punted but was unable to check Storrs progress, Bliven being pushed over the line for another touchdown. Webb again kicked the goal making the score, Storrs 12, Rockville 0.

The ball was again "kicked off" and time was soon after called with the ball near the center of the field, Time 20 minutes.

#### Second Half.

Webb after kicking out of bounds kicked to Skinner, who made a return kick by which Storrs obtained the ball. After several small gains Storrs lost the ball on a fumble which with a foul tackle by Outhrup advanced the ball into Storrs territory. After several downs Rockville pushed the pig skin over the line scoring a touchdown.

Skinner kicked the goal making the score, Storrs 12, Rockville 6. Storrs kicked out of bounds twice giving the ball to Rockville. The Storrs with the return of the quick playing seen in the first part of the game rushed the ball down the field. When the ball reached the middle of the field, Mansfield by circling the end was able to score the third touchdown for Storrs.

Webb missed the goal making the score Storrs 16, Rockville 6. After this Rockville was unable to hold Storrs, who advanced rapidly down the field.

At this point Skinner, captain of the Rockville's, was knocked senseless, and as several of Rockville players were slightly injured the captains decided to stop the game at this point, two minutes before time was up.

The Rockville played a good game but were forced to play on the defensive on account of extra weight of S. A. C. team. Captain Skinner was the life of the Rockville team and played the best game for Rockville.

The Storrs team all played very well, no one much excelling the other excepting Mansfield and Beardsley each mak-

ing a long run and touchdown. Bliven did some excellent work in center and tackle plays.

#### Line up of the Teams,

Storrs A. C.		R. H. S.
Parker	center	Ellis
Clark	right guard left	Durfee
Webb	left guard right	Jones
Savage	right tackle left	McPherson
Hawley	left tackle right	McLean
Comber	right end left	Dickerson
Buell	left end right	Byrnes
Outhrup	quarter	Rhell
Capt. Beardsley	rt. hf. lf.	Allen
Mansfield	left half right	Keeney
Bliven	full back	Skinner Capt.

#### The Team, Individually.

Parker at center is an improvement over last year. In snapping of the ball and breaking through will probably equal any center he will play against this year. Age 23, height 5ft. 7 inch, weight 160, residence South Coventy, post graduate course in agriculture.

Webb at left guard is lighter than an average man for the position, but he makes up in quickness, what he lacks in weight. He had experience at that position last year. Age 19, height 6ft, weight 166, class of '98, residence Plymouth.

Clark at right guard is a new man but is strong and willing to learn and will improve before the season is over. Age 15, height 6ft 1 inch, weight 180, class of 1900, residence, Middlebury.

Minor at right tackle has played on the Rockville High school last year, but has not had a chance to show what he can do so far. Age 17, height 5ft, 9 1/2 inch, weight 155, residence, Vernon, class of '99

Hawley at left tackle has played several years and is good at breaking through and tackling. Age 21, height 5ft. 8 in., weight 145, class of '97, residence, Newtown.

Comber at right end is the best end seen here in several years, and he is almost always sure in making a tackle. Age 17, height 5ft 8 in., weight 163 lbs., class of '97, residence, Waterbury.

Buell at left end is very quick is breaking through interference and plays better at this position than at center. Age 17, height 5ft. 8 in., weight 160, class of '97 residence, Plymouth.

Outhrup at quarterback is a new man and has had very little practice for the position, but gets into most of the plays and tackles hard. Age 16, height, 5ft. 6 in., weight 130, class '98, residence, Middleton.

Beardsley at right half back plays better than any half back at Storrs for years. His running, tucking the line and tackling have given him the position of captain. Age 19, height 5ft 11 inches, weight 160, class of '97, residence Plymouth.

Mansfield at left half back is a good runner, but is new at this position. Age 16, height 5ft 9 1/2 inch, weight 155, class of '98, residence, North Haven.

Bliven at full back is the best line buckler ever seen at Storrs. He is also a good punter; he is an old player and has played in this position for several years. Age 20, height 6ft. 1 1/2 in., weight 194, residence, Baltic.



There are several promising substitutes all of which are light in weight. Those in the line are:

Rosebrooks, age 17, height 5ft. 7½, weight 135.

A Green, age 18, height 5ft. 8, weight 136.

The one behind the line is Bushnell. Age 18, height 5ft. 10 in., weight 130.

Storrs 6, Norwich 22.

The second game that the football team played this year resulted in a defeat for Storrs. The team rode down to Eagleville in the large wagon and after waiting some time for the train were at last gladdened by seeing it approach.

The boys clambered aboard and took their seats in the last car. After a ride of about 40 minutes we arrived at our destination. At the depot we were met by one of the academy boys and we were escorted to a restaurant where dinner was served at 12 o'clock after which the team started to give their muscles a little exercise by walking to the Academy grounds a distance of about a mile and a quarter.

Upon arriving at the building, we were escorted to the dressing room where the boys prepared for the coming struggle.

The game was called at 1:30. Norwich winning the toss, chose the south goal, giving Storrs the kick-off. Norwich rushed the ball a short distance but were soon stopped and lost the ball on the 2nd down on a fumble. Comber breaking through and falling on it. Upon the 3rd down Comber took the ball and by center play succeeded in making a touchdown. Webb kicked the goal in a way that should have taught the Norwich boys how; but they did not do it. This made the score Storrs 6, Norwich 0.

Norwich kicked off. Mansfield taking the ball which he rushed it a short distance and by a series of tackle and end plays Storrs carried the ball into Norwich's territory and lost it on the 4th down.

Then the Academy boys seemed to wake up a little and by a series of plays worked the ball over the line and scored a touchdown just as time was called. The full back, Gilbert failed to kick the goal, leaving the score at the end of the first half, Storrs 6, Norwich 4.

Second Half.

Norwich woke up and hustled things in this half inspired by their score in the first half, but Storrs seemed to break all up and although several changes were made on both sides Storrs continued to lose.

Norwich kicked off and the ball was rushed to near the center of the field where it changed hands several times, then Gardner by a run around right end he succeeded in making a touchdown, the kicking of the goal failed as usual, making the score.

Storrs 6, Norwich 8.

Storrs kicked off but could not prevent Norwich from gaining who quickly pushed the ball over the line for their third touchdown. Gilbert again missed the goal. Score:

Storrs 6, Norwich 12.

The ball was again kicked off by Storrs who bravely held their opponents near

the center of the field for a time but at last Kelly took the ball on a fumble and broke through tackle, making a long run and scored a touchdown. Gilbert with his usual promptness sent the ball into a tree about 10 yards east of goal post. Score:

Storrs 6, Norwich 16.

After another kick off by Storrs the ball was steadily pushed to Storrs' goal and was pushed over just as time was called. To the astonishment of all Gilbert succeeded in placing the pig skin between the goal posts, making the score

Storrs 6, Norwich 22.

The features of the game for Norwich were Kelley and Gardner's long runs and Gilbert's inability to kick but one goal. The principal features for Storrs was Comber's playing although all on the line and back of it played well in the first half. The team showed much need of practice together and will be stonger hereafter for this defeat.

Line up of the team.

Ferguson,	left end right	Hawley
J. Smith,	right end left	Buell
Kelly, (Capt)	left tackle right	Rosebrooks
Russ,	right tackle left	Minor
Gilbert	left guard right	Clark
A. Mitchell,	right guard left	Webb
Kelley,	Center	Parker
Gl'nd'e'g,	right half back left	Mansfield
Gardiner,	left half back right	B'r's'l'y, (c)
Lucas,	full back	Comber
Keene,	quarterback,	Onthrup

## ALUMNI NOTES.

This being the first number after returning, but little has been going on to attract the mind of the Alumnis, however we have been privileged by some visits.

Messrs. S. H. Buell, '84, A. J. Pierpont, '95, were with us in August giving us much advice pertaining to the coming year and if carried out will benefit the students' body materially.

Mr. C. H. Brimble, '94, and F. A. McKenzie, '89, paid us a flying visit. They stimulated athletics, commented on the football team and expressing their desire to make the team's condition known to the graduates. Now all that has kept us back from making dates with some of the more prominent high schools is the financial question. As regards playing they are not more than our equal.

It must be said as it has oftentimes been admitted that the Alumni give us but little encouragement financially. I do earnestly wish to express the vast importance that the aid of the Alumni would present and this is nothing more than students of other colleges ask of their Alumni. Also we only retain twenty subscribers at the outside among the Alumni which is a sad state of affairs and the paper will never flourish with this number and what is more it cannot continue to run. I might repeat what has oftentimes been said the paper is printed by the students, no support outside of subscriptions is obtained from either faculty or trustees.

Messrs. W. F. Schults, '94, W. A. Stocking, '95, E. H. Waite, '96, have entered upon college duties in Cornell. Letters have been received which contain

facts, stating they were fully satisfied with their college.

At the dedication of the young ladies' cottage Miss Clark, '96, Miss Blakeman, '96, were present. The latter giving a very creditable report in behalf of the students.

Mr. L. M. Tucker, '96, will in time to come be in Titler's class as a cyclist for long distances and it is then he will remember he obtained his earliest training in the summer of '96, on the good roads between Storrs and Preston city.

## EXTENSION DEPARTMENT.

The cordial reception given to this effort of the college to supply a systematic course of reading to people interested in agriculture, is very encouraging. There are enrolled to date—Oct. 6—eighty-one members. This represents a large field geographically, by Counties as follows: First, Winbham Co., twenty-seven; second, New Haven Co., sixteen; Fairfield Co., twelve; Hartford Co., 12; Middlesex Co., ten; and Litchfield Co., four. Up to date there are no applications from Tolland or New London counties. The first Grange to reach a membership of ten was Meriden, through the energy of Mr. Julius H. Hale. Brooklyn Grange came a close second followed by Hampton and Greenfield Hill. Middletown and Suffield have very nearly reached the mark.

It will be interesting to note some facts in regard to the ages of this first class. There are eight members over fifty and nineteen above forty. The average for all is thirty-one. While the greater part of the membership is made up of farmers and farmer's wives and daughters, there are quite a variety of other occupations represented; druggists, railroad postal clerk, iceman, heating engineer, etc. There are enrolled forty-four gentlemen and thirty-seven ladies. Full particulars in regard to the course of study, text books used, expenses and how to become a member are answered in two folders issued by the department, which may be had by directing a card to the Secretary Extension Department, Storrs, Conn.

The first book in course A for ladies is Vick's "Home Floriculture" and in course B for gentlemen is "First Principles of Agriculture" by Voorhees. These books will occupy the attention of the class during the first period, October and November.

Prof. Phelps will have special oversight of the reading in Agriculture and Prof. Gulley of the Horticulture. Members are urged to ask questions. Keep a few postal cards at hand, directed to the Ext. Dept. and forward your inquiries as they arise in your reading. Beside the text book, there will be sent to each member a Government Bulletin, treating of some topic intimately associated with the subject being pursued in the regular course. There are other matters of interest will in due course be brought to the attention of the class.

It will be possible for anyone to join this class during October or even as late as November, but the earlier the better. The Department is glad to answer any question, and offer any in-

formation in regard to this work. That the opportunity is appreciated by many is shown by the large number who have already enrolled themselves in the Department. There is still room for more.

A. B. PEEBLES, Sec.

## DEDICATION OF THE LADIES COTTAGE.—GRANGE PICNIC.

Tuesday, Sept. 5th, was a "red letter day" in the history of Storrs Agricultural College. Arrangements had been completed some weeks before whereby a double programme of exercises was to be presented.

The new home for the young ladies was to be formally dedicated, and the State Grange was to hold one of its grand field-day meetings on the college grounds. The announcement of the presence of the National Grange Master, was, in itself, enough to draw together a large concourse of enthusiastic patrons, and at the request of the President, nearly every subordinate grange in the state had appointed one or more lady delegates to attend the dedicatory exercises and report to their respective granges.

Active preparations for the event had been in operation for many weeks prior to the appointed day, and it early became evident that at all of the exercises would need to be held "out of doors" in order to accommodate the crowd. Fortunately the newly purchased farm of the Storrs Estate offered excellent opportunities for an outdoor gathering. A stage, and seats for about 500 people were erected in the grove in rear of the new cottage, and here both the dedicatory and grange exercises were held.

In order to facilitate the inspection of the buildings, each building was placarded with the name of the various departments located therein, and a guide was stationed in each to show the people about. Tables were also placed under the trees about the grounds, where hot coffee was served, and where the people could lunch in genuine picnic style.

Several committees, such as on guides, on decorations, on refreshments, and on reception, had been appointed by the Mansfield Grange, so that the matter of providing suitable accommodations and entertainment was well and systematically carried out.

A pleasant, hastily-prepared musicale, was arranged by Prof. Peebles for Monday evening, for the entertainment of the delegates and grange officials who arrived that afternoon. The success of this was largely due to the music and recitations provided by the Misses Valentine.

The musicale was followed by dancing and the evening proved a most enjoyable one to all who were able to attend.

The Ladies' cottage had been tastily draped with bunting under the directions of Mrs. Phelps, and this, together with the potted plants from the greenhouse, gave the building quite a festive appearance. Music for the day was furnished by the Eastford band, a feature which added much to the pleasure of the exercises.

By nine o'clock teams of all kinds and descriptions began to pour in from the surrounding country, and, although



liberal accommodations had been provided by Dr. Waterman, it soon became evident that the trees and fences must be "called in play" as hitching places; more than one hundred teams could be counted before the time of the afternoon exercises.

Most of the morning and the time between and after the exercises, was spent in inspecting the buildings.

The dedicatory exercises were called for eleven o'clock, and shortly after this hour more than 500 people had gathered at the grove. After a cordial welcome and a few introductory remarks by President Koons, the regular order of exercises was begun. Mr. J. M. Hubbard spoke in behalf of the Trustees, and, after giving a history of the institution, dwelt upon the new era in its history, represented in the home now provided for the young ladies of the college. He dwelt upon the fact that co-education was the natural system of education, as is so well illustrated in the family. At the close of his address, in behalf of the Trustees, he turned the keys of the building over to the lady Principal, Miss Kenwill. The Faculty were represented by Miss Kenwill, whose theme was "Opportunity and Self-Mastery." She clearly demonstrated that education was based almost wholly on these two problems. The address gave expression to much depth of thought and was delivered with force and clearness.

Mrs. E. H. Barnes, as lecturer of the State Grange, represented that body. Her address pointed out the value of an education to the active grange worker, and also pledged the support of that body to all that would advance the highest interests of the college.

Miss Blakeman of the class of '96, represented the graduates, and presented and original poem, prepared for the occasion.

By the time the grange exercises were called to order in the afternoon, fully 800 people were in attendance.

Worthy Master Bowen acted as presiding officer, and the State Grange was represented by the Worthy Master, L. J. Wells of East Woodstock and Mrs. E. H. Barnes of Southington. The principal address of the afternoon was by National Master J. H. Brigham of Ohio, whose subject was the "New Farmer." He said that the "New Farmer" was an outgrowth of the times; the new conditions in agriculture required new methods to meet them. Competition lead the farmer to investigate new crops and new methods of tillage. Special branches of farming required special training, and the progressive farmer of today is the one who applies the teaching of science and the application of business principle with the greatest skill. He also showed that every farmer had a higher calling than that of mere farming. He must be a true citizen, and study the great problems which affect the welfare and development of his country, state and town.

The officers of the college were much pleased with the deep interest manifested in the institution by all who were in attendance, and feel that these gatherings will do much towards bringing our work

in touch with the very element the college is primarily designed to aid.

C. S. P.

### THE POSSIBILITIES OF A GRADUATE OF STORRS BECOMING A SUCCESSFUL STATESMAN

WRITTEN BY L. F. BANCROFT FOR THE C. S. C.

It has been predicted that the future Nabob of the country will be a farmer. The reason this belief is so widely spread is, that the farmers are learning more and more the value of co-operation, so that in the future they will send to represent them in Congress, men who will be thoroughly in sympathy with them, and understand the farmer's needs.

No person is better fitted to fill that position, than a graduate of our institution whose object is to thoroughly instruct its students along these lines. We do not mean to say there is any institution which can make a statesman of a man who does not possess the qualities of a statesman. But we believe that if a young man has in him the material which will develop itself by the right cultivation, Storrs Agricultural College can furnish just the cultivation he needs. For he is there taught not only the science and principles of government, but he sees them brought into daily practice.

It has been said that a young man's surroundings have much to do with the forming of his character, and no one can say the surroundings of this place are not such as would tend to up-lift and to stimulate a young man to higher and nobler aims in life.

Participation in the discussion of present problems creates in him the habit of more thoughtfully and carefully looking into things. Once formed, the habit will follow him through life. He gets not only the opinion of his fellow students and instructors, on current topics, his own opinion is also called for whereby he learns how to better express his thoughts in words, which, as in the past, so in the future is one of the vital requisites of statesmanship.

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