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### Wanted—Potato Seed

From the Literary Digest for February  
5, 1916.

Potatoes have been grown so long from cuttings that they are getting out of the habit of producing seed. Seed for breeding-purposes is in demand and is worth six dollars a thimbleful—when the thimbleful can be procured. Edward F. Bigelow, writing in "The Guide to Nature" (Sound Beach, Conn., January), tells an amusing tale of his efforts to obtain the seed of this exceedingly common food-product. He has been told everywhere that it can be had "by the bushel," but he rarely finds it. In Maine he is informed that it is plentiful in Ohio, and in Indiana they refer him to Michigan. Experts tell the truth. Mr. Burbank's explanation is given below. William Stuart, horticulturist of the United States Bureau of Plant Industry, writes that the reason more seed-balls are not developed is that most potato-plants do not produce pollen capable of germination. Such pollen develops best in Northern climates, and the seed balls of potatoes are thus seen most frequently in Maine, northern Michigan, and Wisconsin.

Writes Mr. Bigelow: "Thirteen years ago I originated the annual summer school of nature-study at the Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, Conn., and was the director of the first session. One of the members of the staff at that session was Professor Gulley, the horticulturist of the college. This expert in garden products made one day an astonishing statement that I thought was intended to be oratorical rather than literally financial. When discoursing in regard to the fruiting-berries of the common potato, he exclaimed, 'All these berries have disappeared from the state. I will give twenty-five dollars for one found within Connecticut.'

"No more of that lesson that day for me. I did not expect to receive twenty-five dollars but I wanted the satisfaction of proving that the Professor was in error. Potato-balls? It seemed only yesterday that I saw them lying on the ground by the quart, the peck, the half-bushel! Potato-balls? I remember hurling them from the end of a sharp stick with almost the accuracy of a catapult.

"I slipped out of the class-room and hastened to the nearest patch. Over an acre of ground, up and down between the rows I travelled, but if the prize had been one hundred dollars I should have received it not. No potato-balls were there. Still, I was determined to show Professor Gulley that he was wrong. When I returned home I hunted in my garden and in the gardens of other people. I haunted the potato-fields and searched acres.

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### Fraternity Notes

#### ETA LAMBDA SIGMA BANQUET.

The twenty-third annual banquet of the Eta Lambda Sigma fraternity was held at the Hotel Bond, in Hartford, March 11, 1916. After an excellent menu the usual toasts were given. T. H. Desmond, '06, served as an excellent toastmaster and introduced a number of alumni and undergraduates who responded with well chosen talks. This was followed with several informal toasts and the gathering broke up at a late hour after a very pleasant evening. An unusual number of alumni were present and three of the charter members of the Fraternity had the pleasure of meeting for the first time in many years.

#### C. S. C.

George S. Zucker, '13, is the manager of a farm and real estate agency in East Orange, New Jersey.

#### SIGMA ALPHA PHI.

Ernest Rasmussen is at present located with the Union Iron works of San Francisco. He has been in the employ of an engineering concern in Savannah, Georgia. His engagement to Miss Esther Biesimer, of Modesto, Cal., was recently announced.

Luther, ex. 19, was a recent visitor of the college.

Arnold Rasmussen is located in the real estate business in Seattle, Wash.

Theodore Earley, '13, will get his B. S. Degree this June.

#### ALPHA PHI.

B. P. Davis, '13s, is tax collector in the town of Franklin, Conn.

S. B. Morse, '18, represented the Athenian Fraternity at the funeral of Walter F. Brundage, in Danbury last month.

J. M. Crawford, Birdsall, Johnson, '17s, and C. D. Wills, '19, were initiated on March 11th. Homer, '17s, is pledged.

#### K. B. I. GOES NATIONAL.

The installation dinner of the Upsilon Chapter of Phi Epsilon Pi was held at the Hotel Bond in Hartford, March 11th, when the following men were initiated as charter members; Harry Persky, '16; David Traurig and Nathan Cohen, '17; Lawrence Hoffman, '17; Donald J. Hirsh, '19, and Harold Kaseovitch, '17.

Phi Epsilon Pi is a non-sectarian organization founded in 1902 at the City College of New York for the purpose of bringing the three New York City Colleges closer together. It announced as its purpose to take "men of character regardless of creed."

It has a total membership of 800 men with chapters at the following institutions: C. C. N. Y., Columbia, Cornell, Dickerson College, Georgia Tech, N. Y. U., Penn. State, Pittsburg University, Rutgers College, University

### Alumni Day

SATURDAY, MARCH 25th, 1916.

The Second Annual Alumni Day will be held at the College, March 25, 1916, and bids fair to surpass last year's initial event, both in the entertainments and accommodations offered and in the number of guests expected to return.

It is advisable for all who intend to come back to arrive on Friday afternoon or evening, for you will then have the time to look the hill over and renew all your old acquaintances.

The real celebration starts with an Inter-Class Track-meet at 10.30, Saturday morning, in the Hawley Armory. Dinner is at 12. In the afternoon at 2.30 the cadet companies will hold the usual competition drill in the Armory. After this event there will be plenty of time to look around and all will be furnished with competent guides as long as the supply lasts.

At 6.00 p. m. the Alumni Supper takes place in the College Dining Hall. Miss Curtin has prepared an excellent menu and the *Campus* will not spoil the pleasure of eating it by reproducing it in printer's ink. The supper will be followed by the usual short, snappy talks from the members of the Faculty, Alumni and Students who are called upon.

At 8.15 the Dramatic Club presents its annual performance, "The College Widow." This play will be given in the Armory, using the new scenery. The cast is very large and the time

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of Georgia, University of Penn., University of Virginia, University of Alabama, Brown, Rhode Island State, Tufts, Maine, and Connecticut. There are also several alumni chapters.

The installation team consisted of National Committeeman Elmer Harris of the Beta Chapter, Milton Acker of the Epsilon Chapter, and Herman Klein of the Zeta Chapter. The dinner was followed by speeches from these men and several undergraduates with Harry Persky as toastmaster.

This is the first movement on the part of any of the local fraternities to affiliate themselves with a national Greek letter organization. The Upsilon Chapter of the Pheps, as they are called, succeeds the K. B. I. which was founded in 1912 as a strictly literary society.

#### COMMONS CLUB.

E. L. Newmarker, '17, represented the Connecticut Chapter at the Tenth Annual Convention of the National Federation of Commons Clubs held at Colby College over Washington's Birthday. In the past year Chapters have been added at the University of West Virginia, University of Washington, Wabash College, St. Lawrence University and the University of Vermont.

### Alumni Attention

It will be the policy of the *Campus*, so far as is practical, to print the Alumni Notes by classes. For this reason all are requested to send notes and notices for publication to Walter T. Clark, Alumni Editor, who will classify them for printing. An Alumni Department is never successful unless all co-operate to make it so. If each and every one of the Alumni will do his best this feature of the *Campus* will be a success.

### Alumni Notes

Through brief mention in a letter received by a former classmate, it has been learned that Kumao Inouye, who was a member of the class of 1911 at the Connecticut Agricultural College and has since entered the Japanese army, has been promoted for bravery from second to first Lieutenant of the Tokio First Regiment of Infantry. In a letter which was recently received by Edwin Choate Eaton, of Auburn-dale, Mass., landscape contractor and member of the Massachusetts Forestry Association, Inouye modestly forgets to describe the bravery which won him his promotion.

Inouye's family is one of the most prominent in Japan, some of his relatives being diplomats, bankers, lawyers and ship-owners. When he left America he took with him a number of American frogs which he hoped to develop into a Japanese breed with edible legs such as he had tasted in this country and he writes of his frog experiments in an interesting fashion.

Inouye is a graduate of Tokyo University, class of 1908, where he specialized in Bacteriology. He came to this country in the fall of 1908 and entered the Sophomore class where he took the Dairy and Horticultural courses. He was a member of the Gold Hall Club, Tennis Association, Dramatic Club, and the Eta Lambda Sigma Fraternity. While in this country he lectured upon Japan in New York, Hartford, and Boston. Inouye was called back to the colors in April of 1911 and, returning to Japan, took with him for experimental purposes "advanced registered" Holstein and Jersey bulls and cows, a Morgan stallion and mare, 100 Rhode Island Red hens and thirty frogs.

Inouye grew greatly interested in frog culture, largely as the result of frequenting Broadway restaurants. He writes of his experiments as follows:

"The animals are all doing finely and have reproduced themselves and have become acclimated to the Japanese climate, but my frogs which I hoped to cross with the red frogs of my country, have not done so well as three males and one female died coming across, but I have now about fifty of my cross. They are larger than the Japanese

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## "THE COLLEGE"

### Editorials

For the first time in the history of the College, a national Greek-letter fraternity has broken into our locals and formed a chapter. Aside from the benefit derived by the members of a national fraternity, there is a distinct advantage to the institution which is represented. Connecticut is none too well-known in the college world and every movement of this kind serves to advertise our college. Action in this direction, then, appears very laudable and is to be highly commended because of the gain the institution will make.

The *Campus* wishes to congratulate the Kappa Beta Iota Fraternity upon being the first ones to take this step and trust that the example may be followed by others.

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Alumni Day is near at hand and it is up to us to make it successful. We may have to give up our nice soft beds and spend uneasy nights in our frat-rooms; we may lose a few minutes for much needed study or gym work while showing visitors around; our supper may be early and we may not hear the speeches at the Alumni Supper; but, remember "The College."

With various activities attracting our attention and lessening our roll, most of us do not feel able to attend all the entertainments offered at the Armory during the winter, but the night of Alumni Day the Dramatic Club presents its annual play and asks the support of all the students. The proceeds are to be appropriated to a just cause and for that reason let us swell the funds and help get this burden out of the way.

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Some of the underclassmen may feel piqued at being compelled to remain for the Commencement Exercises next June. The Faculty has made this ruling at the request of the Seniors

who recommended it for the following reasons:

When the Seniors made arrangements for the Commencement program it was found that nearly all the class were destitute of ideas as to how it should be arranged because they had never attended a College Commencement. That the exercises may be bettered year by year is, then, the first reason. In the second place, the last week of college is much less attractive and business-like if the undergraduates have flocked homeward like a bunch of wandering chickens. Stay and act as hosts to the score of friends that return in June. The last reason and the most important of all is that the 35th Anniversary of the founding of the College is to be celebrated this June and no person who has ever been connected with the institution in any way whatever can afford to miss this event.

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rather long but not a single minute is missed throughout for the action is quick and spicy.

After this entertainment the frat-rooms will be open to all their alumni. Non-fraternity men are invited to visit the Commons Club rooms in Koons Hall and to make them their headquarters during their visit.

Accommodations in the dormitories will be provided as usual and everything possible will be done to facilitate transportation from Willimantic to the College. Any further inquiries in regard to trains, accommodations or expenses should be addressed to W. H. Allen, Box 2, Storrs, Conn. Mr. Allen is Chairman of the Undergraduate Committee and is assisted by Miller, '16, Case, '16, Kilbride, '17, and Klingman, '17.

## What To See Alumni Day

### ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS AT STORRS.

If it is a year or so since you have visited the College you will notice considerable additions to Faculty Row and an extension of the same at the south side of Storrs Field. The windmill is gone and with it memories of St. Patrick's Day fights and vain attempts to put your initials on the tail of the fan. A fine new Farm Machinery Building has been erected south of the Dairy Building and is remarkably well equipped with modern farm machinery of all makes and kinds. The Farm Department has increased their stock of horses, beef cattle, sheep and swine and have just completed a new sheep barn at the Jacobson place. New houses have sprung up down the turnpike and the College community is taking on an aspect far from rural.

If it is five years since you have seen the College the most prominent object of all is the new standpipe, which some have mistaken for an immense silo, especially when fifteen or more acres of corn were surrounding it. Permanent buildings added since 1906 are the Hort. Building, and the

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green-houses; Koons Hall, another dormitory similar to Storrs Hall; the Hawley Armory and gymnasium which in size of floor and equipment is excelled by few colleges in New England; the Dining Hall; the Poultry Building, unique in that it is the only building at a New England Agricultural Institution devoted strictly to Poultry Husbandry; and the new Dairy and Horse Barns. Other changes can be rapidly set down—electric lights; Gold Hall is gone; the Horse Barn has been moved; the old Experiment Station green-houses have been torn down; Faculty cottages number fifteen; roads and sidewalks are passable most of the time; the grounds are being built up on a definite plan and you will find everything quite different.

If you have not been back for ten years you will not recognize the place. It is only those who have grown up with the institution who realize the many changes that have taken place especially in the administration of C. L. Beach as President.

On March 25th the College work will be in full swing. All the profs and others will be at their work and you will have the best chance to see how the College is running. You will be sure of a place to sleep, plenty to eat, lots of entertainment and quantities of stuff to learn or jot down in your note-book.

Remember our motto, "The College."

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frog, but have the American, what you call, full tone of voice. It will be years before their legs become of note like your New York Delimonicos, but I feel confident will eat as good, bye and bye."

Inouye plans to return when his term of duty expires to finish his term at Storrs and he will complete his research and experimental work and study for a doctor's degree at Yale University.

## A Co-op

In earlier issues the *Campus* advocated the opening of a co-operative store at the College. The resulting questions have concerned the success of such an enterprise. Several, and the most important of the needs of a successful co-operative store at C. A. C. may be mentioned here.

First, let us consider the buying. It is an accepted fact that the more business such a store has the more successful it is bound to be. Hence our store would have to buy to its utmost, and yet discriminately. Orders would have to be given as large as possible, in order to take full advantage of discounts. Such orders might be had if the College, faculty and students

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combined faith fully in buying through the store. There seems to be no plausible reason why such a combination should not be, so grant that such be the case.

Our store must have much more room than it has at present for the storage of goods that are awaiting distribution. This should not be much of a barrier. Surely, none such as to hold up such a beneficial enterprise as this. In fact there is all the room necessary in the Administration Building at present. A little remodeling is all that is necessary.

In the remodeling plans that would permit the exhibition of the store's miscellaneous supply, would have to be carried out. College jewelry, pennants, athletic goods, candy, and the many different things that college men buy must be put on exhibition in order to be sold.

In a sort of summary, then, let us say that the success of a co-operative store at C. A. C. depends upon the following first, the undivided patronage of the entire College; second, ample accommodations; third, variety of stock. A. E. ST. G.

## Junior-Senior Banquet

The annual Junior-Senior Banquet was held this year at the Garde, in Hartford, on March 3rd. The members of the two classes assembled late in the afternoon and spent the evening at the different theatres.

At 11.30, the following menu was served in the banquet hall at the hotel:

Sirloin Steak—Panned  
French Fried Potatoes  
Celery

Green Peas Baked Cauliflower  
Home Made Apple Pie  
Coffee

### "SMOKES"

Prof. E. O. Smith was the toast-master of the evening, and after tracing the history of class contests and the Junior-Senior Banquet through the many years he has been connected with the institution, introduced R. S. Harris, '17, who made the speech of welcome to the guests of the Junior Class. R. C. Ackerman, '16, responded for the Seniors in a few well chosen words. It was announced that President Beach had been unable to come to the banquet, but the faculty was represented by Dr. H. D. Newton, who gave a very interesting talk upon "Associations in College Life." J. R. Case, '16, was next introduced and spoke upon the necessity of not going out into the world fresh from college without actual farm experience to back up the knowledge gained at the College. The last, but by far the most interesting speaker of the evening, was D. I. Peizer, '17, who spoke upon "What the State owes to the College." If possible, this talk will appear in a later issue of the *Campus*. The supper was pleasantly interspersed with songs and cheers and all report a very enjoyable time. The gathering broke up at a late hour after singing the "Alma Mater." Many of the men went to their homes over Sunday, while others returned to the Hill the next day.

The committee in charge was L. F. Lawrence, chairman, and A. C. Klingman, N. A. Cohen, J. H. Norton, and W. J. Ungetheum.

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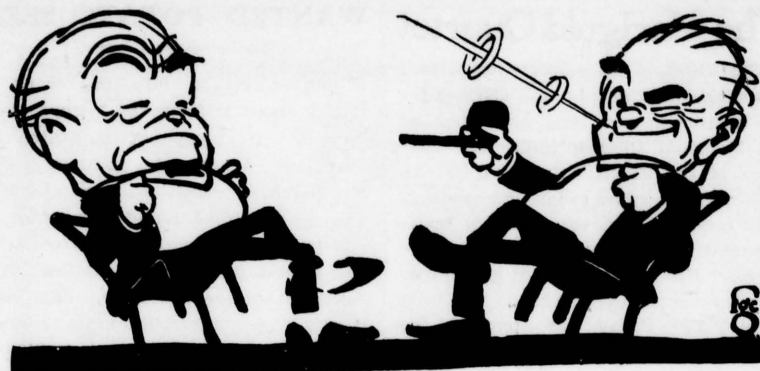
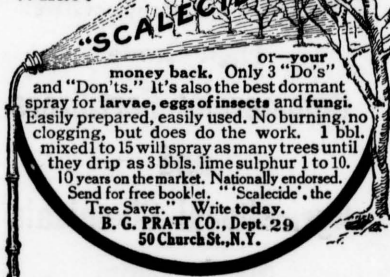
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### PART I

1. Introductory—"The Marigolds" P. S. Gilman
2. "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia" Bland
3. "The Little Gray Dove" Saar  
Miss Brenner
4. "Pussy Cat Song" Arr. by Frank J. Smith  
Quartet
5. "Morals" Davidson  
Miss Crosby
6. "The Serenade" Herbert  
Quartet
7. "Someone I Used to Know" Kerker  
Miss Crosby and Miss Sherin
8. "Oh, No, John" Miss La Scheck
9. "I Cannot Sing the Old Songs" Quartet
10. Sketches—(a) "What Happened" Mrs. Rosina Draycourt  
Miss Gertrude Crosby  
Mrs. Clara Mellich Miss La Scheck  
(b) "Contradictions" Mrs. Rattle Miss La Scheck  
Mrs. Flareup Miss Crosby
11. Irish Song—"Norah" Pigott  
Miss Sherin
12. "How Girls Walk" Miss Crosby
13. Scotch Songs—(a) "My Laddie" Thayer  
(b) "Oh, Whistle and I'll Come to You" Burns  
Miss La Scheck
14. "Goblins" Robyn  
Miss Crosby, Miss Sherin  
Miss La Scheck
15. Duet—Piano and Banjo Mandolin  
Miss Sherin and Miss Brenner
16. "War and Peace" Walter Eccles  
(a) "Tenting Tonight"  
(b) "Watch on the Rhine"  
(c) "Marsellaise"
17. "Auf Wiedersehen"

### PART II

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## WANTED—POTATO SEED

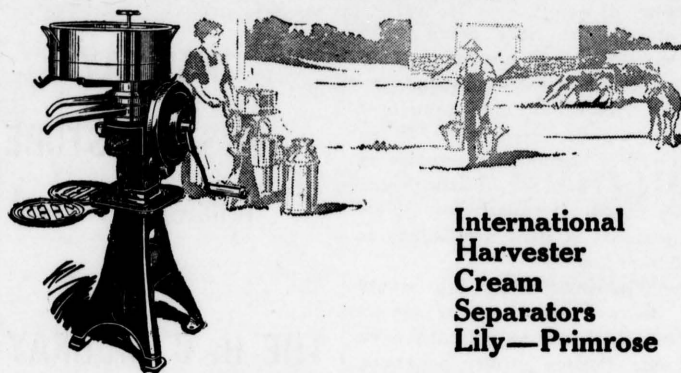
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I invited others into the work. I talked about it from the lecture platform in various parts of the State. At last came a letter and a package, 'Here, Mr. Bigelow,' said the letter, 'are fifty dollars' worth. I found these two in hunting over an acre of potato-patch, and I send them to you. Collect fifty dollars from the professor. You keep twenty-five. That will be fair to both.' With high anticipations I unwound the fastenings and removed the cover of that box; but how dissimilar to those great, round, smooth, tomato-like forms so familiar to me, just a few days ago, as it seemed, in boyhood's familiarity with the potato-patch! These were vestigial berries no larger than peas! So for thirteen years I have searched in vain to prove that Professor Gulley is wrong, but he must still limit that claim to Connecticut, although it would not cost him a fortune should he extend to the United States in general.

From the lecture platform in Teacher's Institutes in Ohio, Indiana, and Pennsylvania I have told the story of that startling announcement, and in most places I have offered a year's subscription to this magazine for a box of well-developed specimens. Last August I made the offer before more than two thousand teachers of Allegheny County at Pittsburg, Pa., and again in one of the country districts of southern Indiana. The announcement was received with general surprise and the remark, 'We can send them to you by the bushel. We will bankrupt you on subscriptions.' But of the thousands of teachers that promised to search the fields only about a dozen have responded, and no package contained more than eight or ten balls. Nearly all have been vestigial. In the thirteen years not more than thirty large, smooth, round, perfect specimens have reached me. As a result of my efforts during the past summer, I have obtained at a cost of six dollars less than a thimbleful of the seed.

"Now the question is, 'What is going to happen to the potato-crop when no more seed is obtainable?' Most readers know that what we call the plant-

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ing of seed-potatoes is the planting of pieces of potato to raise a new crop; it is really but a sort of cutting as one might cut twigs of willow and set them in the ground to produce new trees. Like grafting, it produces its own kind.

"But when we plant potato-seed it is like planting apple-seeds, for we do not know what will happen. The seeds seem to be insane and try to produce a little of everything. Fortunate is the experimenter that finds in the varied potato-seedlings some particular form that may be better than the original. I long ago gave up all attempts to attain fame and fortune by originating an early rose or something equally epoch-making, but I find it interesting to experiment with the seeds and I get kaleidoscope effects that most conspicuously manifest themselves about the second or third year.

"These investigations have led to efforts to ascertain where in the United States the seed may yet be obtained. A number of correspondents have told me that Luther Burbank, of Santa Rosa, Cal., 'has plenty.' Mr. Burbank throws the will-o'-the-wisp clear across the continent to Maine, and writes:

"The reason for the scarcity of potato-seed is that the potatoes have been grown from cuttings so long that it has given up its habits of going to seed.

"It is somewhat difficult to obtain potato-seed, but you can probably obtain it from some of the nurseries or seed houses in Maine."

"Here is what the Department of Agriculture of the State of Maine says:

"I do not know of any one at present who is experimenting in growing potatoes from seed. The season has been so bad here in southern Maine that I have not seen any mature seed-balls. I have some at home in a little vial, probably several hundred. These are several years old, and I do not know whether they would germinate or not."

"The more extensive the correspondence the one more is inclined to agree with the great Dreer seed-house of Philadelphia when it writes:

"We regret to say that we are unable to furnish you with the potato-balls, and do not know any source of supply for seeds."

"Readers, this is an alarm-cry! Potato-seed is going from this country. All that can be obtained should be put at once into the hands of competent experimenters."

"What are we going to do when the present varieties of potatoes have 'run out,' and no more seed can be obtained?"

## Commencement Week Plans

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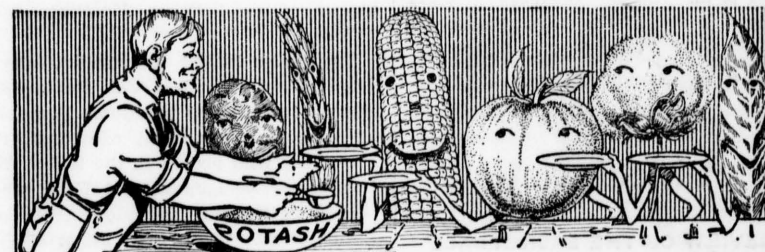
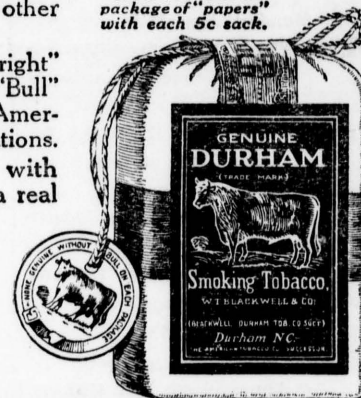
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President Beach and will probably go through with little or no change.

This year the attendance of the entire College body up to June 13th will be required and it is expected that many visitors aside from the friends of the graduates will attend. Of unusual interest is the commemoration of the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the College. This will be the first of its kind and it seems fitting that it should come while President Beach is at the head of the institution, for he has done work in the last few years that has doubled the attendance, raised the scholarship standards and increased the value of the College property to nearly \$800,000.

It is hoped by all who look forward to the June festivities that many class reunions will take place. Following the custom of meeting every five years after graduation will bring '86, '91, '96, '01, '06, and '11 back on the hill and several of these classes are already making their plans.

The program follows:

**May 31st—June 2nd.**

Senior Class Examinations.

**Saturday, June 10th.**

10.00 a. m. Tennis Matches.

3.00 p. m. Baseball Game.

**Sunday, June 11th.**

2.00 p. m. Baccalaureate Sermon in the Hawley Armory. The Seniors escorted by the Battalion.

7.00 p. m. College Sing.

**Monday, June 12th.**

10.00 a. m. Class Day Exercises for the School of Agriculture.

2.00 p. m. Class Day Exercises for the Class of 1916.

4.00 p. m. Baseball Game. Alumni vs. 1916 or Faculty vs. 'Varsity.

9.00 p. m. Fraternity Dinners and Banquets.

**Tuesday, June 13th.**

9.00-10.00 a. m. Exhibition Drill. Announcement of Military Appointments.

10.45-12.00 m. Commencement Exercises.

12.30-2.30 p. m. Alumni Dinner

4.00 p. m. Annual Business Meeting of the Alumni Association.

8.00 p. m. Alumni Dance.

## Athletic Notes

### REVIEW OF THE BASKETBALL SEASON.

The basketball season recently closed with a very successful series against Rhode Island State in which our five scored two clean-cut victories by the scores of 39-11 and 26-18.

Out of the eight games played we lost but three, one to Springfield Y. M. C. A. College, one to Wesleyan, and the other to New Hampshire State by the narrow margin of two points.

The season opened with a victory over the Emeralds of Willimantic by

the score of 32-11, which was the first time the team had been defeated in three years. The next game with Wesleyan was lost on their floor, 42-23. Our team then travelled to Springfield and was completely outclassed.

Our victories then began with the defeat of the Trinity Independents, 26-14. In a heart-breaking game we lost to New Hampshire State, 25-23. We took on the Bristol A. C. team as a practice game and piled up 76 to their 20. Then came our four weeks of compulsory vacation after which the boys came back with their two victories over Rhode Island State. Coach Donahue and the men worked hard and their efforts were rewarded in the first game for they pulled out a victory with a score of 39-11. The five journeyed down the next week to Kingston, where the Little Rhody team expected to turn the tables but the team came through with the final victory of 26-18. It was the first time that Rhode Island had been beaten on her own floor in fifteen years.

Too much credit cannot be given to Coach Donahue for his efforts in putting out a winning team. His ability to handle men is remarkable and all are looking forward to a successful season next year when he returns to coach football and basketball. Thanks should be given to those men on the second team who came out daily to lend their efforts in whipping the 'varsity five into shape. And last but not least much credit is due Manager Ackerman for the good schedule he was able to secure.

	Games	Goals	Fouls	Points
Dickerson (Capt.), f. . . . .	8	17	34	68
Shea, f. . . . .	8	27	4	58
Davis, c. f. . . . .	6	20	..	40
Norton, c. g. . . . .	8	35	..	70
Barlow, g. . . . .	8	16	..	32
Moore, g. . . . .	2	2	..	4

### BASEBALL PROSPECTS.

Indoor baseball practice is now in full swing under the supervision of Physical Director Chase and with the new material on hand all look forward to a snappy and winning team. Of last year's nine there is left Captain Crowley, and Anderson, pitchers; Salisbury, who played left field; Lee, catcher, and Brown, infielder. Other old men are Fellows, Kuelling, and Trinder.

Our team lacked a real first-class pitcher last year but Ball looks like the man to fill this position. For first base we have two likely candidates in McCarthy who played in the Industrial League of Bridgeport and King who played with the Chicquot Club of Millis, Mass. Other good material for the infield are McMahon who was on the Fordham squad last year, and Hopwood, of Naugatuck High School. Among the other men already out are Reeves, pitcher, Kimball, and Nolan.

### AN EDITOR'S TROUBLES.

The editor is rather run down. The other day a correspondent wrote to him for advice on journalism. He was told, among other things, that he must write only on one side of the paper. And now he has written to ask which side.—Linotype Bulletin.



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