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AGAIN we come to the close of another college year, the familiar scenes of another Commencement, the graduating of another class, and the ending of another year in the history of the Connecticut Agricultural College. We hope that the past year has been a year of profit to the students, and that they have learned something new which will better fit them to take up life’s duties when that time shall arrive.

It will be pleasant to the Class of ’99 in future years to look back over their course at this old college, so dear to those who have spent four years within its walls as students, and recall their trials and disappointments—which all students have—and rejoice that they had an opportunity to secure an education; because as they see more of the world, they will realize the advantages that educated persons have over the uneducated; and then will they feel amply repaid for persevering in their college course until they received their diplomas.

SOON the students of this college will be scattered far and wide over the state of Connecticut. Some will go to the city, others to the country; some will be called upon to do one thing, some another. We hope that these students, both young men and young ladies, will remember that it is in their power to help toward the advancement of this college, both by their actions and by their conversation. It will be in
their power to help educate the people of Connecticut in regard to the work of this College. Let them know that this is the Connecticut Agricultural College and not a private institution. Inform them that something else beside farming is being taught here; that here they may learn the rights and duties of citizenship, so that when they become voters, they may intelligently take part in the governing of this state.

You will be judged largely by your actions; and by observing you people will decide whether it is best or not to send their sons or daughters to this college. Remember the responsibilities upon your shoulders, and then decide what your course shall be.

THE Senior Class this year has been fortunate in that they have been required to give extemporaneous chapel addresses. The only way to become a good speaker is to speak; and this form of speaking is one of the best. The student has to think quickly and intelligently; and while the speakers do not at the present time appreciate its worth, its benefits are manifold. It is hoped that next year's Senior Class will have the opportunity of speaking extemporaneously each term.

SOMETHING should be done at the opening of another college year to promote a deeper interest in college affairs. We are decidedly lacking in loyalty and interest in the several organizations which aid the college and its members.

One thing which is not supported is the C. A. C. LOOKOUT, and it is a disgrace and a shame to the students of this College that such a state of affairs has come about. Of the students a little less than one-third are subscribers, and half of these do not pay their subscriptions. The students seem to think that all they are required to do to help support the LOOKOUT is to grumble every time the paper is not issued on time. How can it be out on time if the students do not take enough interest in it to pay their subscriptions so as to raise the money necessary to pay the printer's bills. When we speak of students we mean both young men and young ladies. The editor, also, has to spend half his time trying to get enough material to fill the pages. How long are you going to let this state of affairs continue? If you have any college spirit in you, it will not continue much longer; and we urge you to show that spirit by subscribing for the LOOKOUT at once.

Another way in which you can show your loyalty is by patronizing our advertisers. Many of our advertisers offer a discount to students, and it will therefore be a saving to you. Business men will not advertise in our paper if they get no returns, and it lies with you to give them these returns.

The editor-in-chief and business manager of the LOOKOUT will be at Room No. 1 Main Building, from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M. and from 4 to 5 P. M., Wednesday, June 14, to receive suggestions and subscriptions for the LOOKOUT. They will be pleased to see all their friends, and will endeavor to answer all questions in regard to the work of the paper.
The Alethia Literary Society gave an ice cream, cake, candy, and fancy article sale on the evening of May 13, for the benefit of the Athletic Association. A little over nineteen dollars was realized. Thanks! Another was given by the young men at Grove Cottage on Memorial Day evening. This time nearly ten dollars was received.

The competitive speaking for the Ratcliffe Hicks prizes occurred in the College Chapel, May 12. There were five speakers, as follows:

- Charles Sylvester Fitts, Progressive Farming
- Hermon Deane Edmond, Tuberculosis
- Edward Francis Manchester, The Successful Farmer of the Future
- Willis Mills Nettleton, College Government
- Harry David Emmons, The Value of an Agricultural College to the Farmer

The winners will be announced at Commencement.

The Juniors tendered the Seniors a parting reception on the evening of May 26th. A short musical program was rendered by Rev. and Mrs. Davies and Miss Royce of Willimantic. The banquet was served in the college dining hall. Dr. Mayo acted as toast-master and the following responded:

- Address of Welcome, C. S. Fitts, '00
- Response, R. H. Gardner, '99
- Our Aim, Pres. Flint
- Tender Recollections, W. M. Nettleton
- Proper Amusements for Young People, Mrs. C. A. Wheeler
- Advantages and Disadvantages of Co-education, E. C. Welden
- The Cream of Storrs, Prof. Beach

Program of Class Day Exercises:

- Piano Solo, Elsie S. Leach
- Address of Welcome, Cassius Way
- History, Arthur F. Green
- Dude, Willard W. James
- Absentees of '99, Selma A. Carlson
- Characteristics, Ida L. Hobby
- Poet, Elmer C. Welden
- Address to Undergraduates, Edward F. Manchester
- Prevaricator, George H. Miner
- Music, Class Quartette
- Humors of Camp Life, George M. Greene
- Essay on Faculty, Frank D. Clapp
- Class Oration, Willis Mills Nettleton
- Summer Term, Katherine R. Yale
- Scientist, Williard W. Mason
- Musician, Elsie S. Leach
- Prophets, Bertha M. Patterson-Benjamin H. Walden
- Deacon, Irvin E. Gilbert
- Class Will, Clarence D. Smith
- Farewell Address, Roscoe H. Gardner
- Class Song, Class Quartette

The Junior Rhetoricals were held Wednesday evening, May 12, at eight o'clock. The class recited Prof. Palmer’s “Self-Cultivation in English”, each student having a part. The Freshman A Rhetoricals were given in the Chapel, May 17. Freshman B, May 10, and Sophomore, May 24.

Hon. J. H. McDonald gave an interesting lecture on “Roads” in the Chapel, Thursday evening, May 25.

Memorial Day exercises were held in the Chapel in the morning at nine o'clock. Special exercises were held in memory of First Sergeant Willis N. Hawley, ’98, who enlisted in the 3rd Conn. Vol. Inf., and died at the Red Cross Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., of typhoid fever. Remarks were made by the Rev. Mr. Crabb of Gurleyville, Pres. Flint, Dr. Mayo, and C. S. Francis; also by G. M. Greene representing the Senior Class and H. D. Emmons the Junior Class. The military company fired the salute to the dead and “taps” were played; then the procession preceded to the cemetery and decorated the graves of the veterans there.

Mrs. Homer A. Hawley was at the College on Memorial Day to attend the exercises in memory of her son, Sergeant Hawley.
The following is the program for Commencement Week:

**Sunday, June 11.**
Baccalaureate Address 2:30 p.m.

**Monday, June 12.**
Shakespearean Club, Chapel 7:30 p.m., Banquets
Eclectic Society, Grove Cottage 7:30 p.m., Banquets

**Tuesday, June 13.**
Class Day Exercises in the Chapel at 2:30 p.m.
Senior Reception from 7 to 10 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 14.**
Commencement Exercises at 10 a.m. in the Chapel
Admission by ticket.
Commencement Orator, Rev. Charles M. Lamson, D.D. of Hartford. Subject:—"Put Yourself in His Place."
Conferring Diplomas.
Award of the Ratcliffe Hucks prize.
Alumni Meeting at 4 p.m.
Alumni Reception from 7 to 12 p.m.

**Frank Dexter Clapp.**

It was on December 29, 1881, that there appeared to this world a diminutive being, in the village of East Windsor Hill, afterwards known as Frank Dexter Clapp. He was of a very dyspeptic, sour temperament at first, but this was gradually overcome; and he has one of the mildest, sweetest, and most serene temperaments now of anyone I ever met. The first two years of his life he coughed much, which worried his mother considerably. He was never addicted to the bottle, which perhaps accounts for his temperate habits at college.

He attended district school for four years, and was exceedingly studious, but could not attend in the fall, as he was his father's right hand man on his farm.

Six years ago he moved with his parents to East Windsor, and in '96 entered Storrs. He entered the Freshman Class taking part of the Sophomore studies; and after one term went into the Sophomore year altogether.

He joined the Eclectic Literary Society in his Freshman year, holding various offices, being president in his senior year.

He was also corporal in the military company.

Mr. Clapp is the baby of the '99 class, and consequently this was taken into consideration when his actions displayed his indiscretion.

He was a great favorite with the young ladies, and during the spring, the son being so warm, he became quite Brown, but as soon as he became a Free man, this effect was all dissipated by the soothing zephyrs of Spring Hill.

**George Harry Miner.**

In the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty, on the ninth day of September, Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Miner, of Vernon, Conn., became the proud possessors of a ten and three-quarter pound baby boy of unusually large brain capacity. This individual, after many weary hours of thought on the part of his elders, was christened George Harry Miner.

He was a pretty child, and after he had passed the various stages common to juveniles, he assumed the occupancy of a pair of pants.

At the age of seven he entered the public schools of Rockville. He was naturally very bright, and at fifteen years of age had assimilated all the knowledge that the Rockville High School could give him.

The next fall saw him take leave of the natives to enter Storrs College. He was a prominent member of the Eclectic Literary Society. In the cadet company he held the position of sergeant. He took a deep interest in athletics, being a member of the foot ball, base ball and track teams, besides being prominent in other sports, some of which we will not mention. He was very bashful, but has overcome this to a marked degree, and has taken no small amount of pleasure upon the waxed surface.

His future is not yet decided, but he is thinking seriously of continuing his studies further.
CASSIUS WAY.

1. Eighteen sunny years ago,
When July was near its close,
And the Summer air was sweet,
With the lily and the rose.

2. To a peaceful Gilead home
Come a happy baby boy,
Destined all his life to be
Mother’s pride and father’s joy.

3. Hazel eyes and nut brown curls,
Sunny smiles through all the day—
Much they marveled o’er the boy;
And they named him Cassius Way.

4. Petted from his very birth,
Full of wayward, winsome, ways,
More and more he ruled the home
Through the Fall and Winter days.

5. Once he slept a whole day through,
Storing up for future use,
Or, (foreshadowing future traits),
Played his ma a little ruse.

6. When he reached the age of four
First he spent his days at school,
Teachers petted, scolded, wept,—
But he wouldn’t mind the rule.

7. And he whispered to the girls,
Gave them candy, gave them smiles,
Took them captive every one
With his endless merry wiles.

8. So his school days sped away,
Till he thought in ’96
He’d a little college life
With his school experience mix.

9. Thus our hero came to Storrs;—
Came and saw and conquered there.
Hazel eyes and nut brown curls
Brought him favor with the fair.

10. Nor in study did he fail;
Not a lesson did he shirk;
Full of merriment and life,—
Life alike for fun and work.

11. In the ball room or at drill,
On the ball-field, on the pond,
Never weary, never tired,
Ever ready to respond.

12. Soon he joined the College Shakes
And its honor places filled;
Any word against the club
Was by our hero quickly stilled.

13. In athletic club and class
Also offices he held;
By his spirit of command
Any boisterous actions quelled.

14. Orator and poet he,
Pride of teacher and of friend;
He could move us all to tears
Or again to laughter tend.

15. So three years have passed away,
And his college days are done,—
Joyous, long remembered days—
Half of conquest, half of fun.

16. And we all must say good-bye
Till in after years we meet,—
When the world has taught us much—
Bitter mingled with the sweet.

17. What our hero will be then—
Orator of great renown,—
Man of business, shrewed and wise,—
In some rich New England town.

18. Or in gorgeous gold and blue
Leading troops in grand array,—
Colonel-major—will it be?
Time will tell us. Who can say?

ROSCOE HOSKINS GARDNER.

Roscoe Hoskins Gardner was born in Cromwell, Conn., Sept. 27, 1880, at the pale of the moon at 12.10, high noon.

At an early age he developed an excessive fondness for the bottle; but after repeated efforts his parents restrained him from the "error of his way."
He was a short, stubby, rosy cheeked boy when he first attended the district school, and had a characteristic, stern look on his smiling face. Roscoe developed no especial trait of character or propensity, except his fondness for peaches.

He was a good scholar, and was punished every other day—at least once a term—for his good behavior. He also received a counter punishment at home, which doubtless did him good. He attended Cromwell Academy two years and Wethersfield High School one year; and came to Storrs in the Fall of '96, aged sixteen years. The first night he was kept awake till three o'clock in the morning.

He was a good student, and was appreciated by his classmates.

Gardner entered the College Shakespearean Club the first term, and has always been one of its staunchest members. He has held various offices, and in his Senior Year those of librarian and president.

He was elected President of his class in their Senior Year and was first sergeant of the military company. He was noted for his sternness and self-possession.

The folly of his youth pursued him here, for he still liked peaches, even if they were only for experimental purposes.

His self-possession stood him in good stead in his social relation, because he says he was never “pulled in by a girl.”

His dignified bearing in the social functions of his class will make him remembered by his classmates.

GEORGE MELVILLE GREENE.

In the month of May, in the year of our Lord 1879, there was born in the ancestral home at Westminster, in the town of Canterbury, one George Melville Greene, who promised to be the pride and joy of his parents’ old age.

This youngster grew and thrived in his native village, and when five years of age began to attend the public schools of his town. He soon showed that he had, not only an amiable disposition, but also plenty of perseverance and a studious nature.

Thus we see that he early had an ambition to study, and it is not strange that in the fall of 1896, we find him entering the Sophomore class at the then so called Storrs Agricultural College, where his desire for knowledge could be satisfied.

Greene being a quite and conservative youth, was not known for some time by the student body, but it later become evident that he was just the man for some of the offices open to the students. He was an influential member of the college Shakespearean Club, and was honored in his Junior year with its Vice-Presidency, was Vice-President of the Students’ Organization, was President of his class in the Junior year, editor-in-chief of the S. A. C. Lookout, and held other offices of trust and honor.

He took no part in athletics, except as a promoter of their efficiency in the college. When the war with Spain was declared, Greene was one of the first to make known his intention to enlist, and at the beginning of his Senior year, with fair prospects for the pleasantest year of his course, and with fond friends trying to dissuade him from his seemingly rash act, he enlisted in June in the Third Connecticut Volunteer Infantry, then supposed to be going to Cuba in a few weeks.

On account of the military drill received at the College, he was soon promoted to a sergeantcy in his company, and in this capacity he served with honor the nine months that be wore the blue.

After being mustered out he again joined his class, greatly to the joy of his friends and himself. Mr. Greene is preparing to enter the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the fall, and all hope that the same success that he had at Storrs will attend him there.
WILLARD WHITAKER JAMES.

On the bright, balmy morning of the eighteen of May, 1880, there first put in an appearance in the town of Mansfield an original individual afterwards named Willard Whitaker James.

At the end of his first year his personality was such that he has been spoken of as the homeliest, most independent, yearling ever seen.

One of his early amusements was wearing out his first trousers by sliding down boards laid against a high wall. The dimple in his cheek, so well known to all his friends, is due to a fall he had while engaged in this form of amusement.

Up to the age of five this youngster, who invariably called himself "papa's man," tilled the soil of his father's farm, making greater impression on his clothes than on the ground.

He than attended the little district school at Bedlam for a year or two, gaining the rest of his common school education at North Windham. After a year at Willimantic he entered the Sophomore Class at Storrs in the Fall of '96. Since then he has proved himself to be a well behaved young man, never getting into mischief of any kind (except on the sly); and working industriously, unless planning or executing some scheme for the confusion of others.

He is a member of the Eclectic Literary Society, in which he has held the offices of President and Vice-President. He is also a member of the Storrs Cadet Band, and played football on the '98 team.

In his earliest years he was never considered brilliant, but has proved his motto,—"Slow but sure".

BENJAMIN HOVEY WALDEN.

On the third day of June, in the year of our Lord 1879, there appeared in a certain home in the village of Scotland, County of Windham, State of Connecticut, a being who was afterward christened Benjamin Hovey Walden.

When five years of age Benjamin sensibly decided that farm life was preferable to that of the village, and moved to a farm about a mile from his former home.

He shortly began to attend district school, but in a few years he knew so much more than his teachers that he decided to enter a higher institution of learning. Accordingly he went to a school in Hanover, where he remained a year.

The following Fall (1896) found our hero with his little roll under his arm, and with a very long face, slowly climbing the steps of the Old Dormitory of Storrs Agricultural College. He was no longer a school boy but a Sophomore in college.

Shortly after entering college he joined the College Shakespeerean Club in which he has held several offices. He has also held other college offices.

Mr. Walden will spend the summer on the home farm; but sooner or later he will take up flower culture for his life work.

EDWARD FRANCIS MANCHESTER.

Edward Francis Manchester was born in Thomaston, Conn., May 16, 1877. He was a remarkable pretty baby of ample proportions. While he was yet quite young he persuaded his father to move to a pleasant farm on the outskirts of Bristol.
At the age of five he commenced to attend the district school. Like all bright boys he was very mischevious, and gave his teachers much trouble. When he was fourteen years old he entered the Bristol High School, where he became very quiet and studious. He graduated from the commercial course April 11, 1894. In the fall of 1895 he entered Mount Hermon but left the following Spring.

The next year and a half Edward spent at home working on his father's farm; but he had higher aspirations; and in the Fall of 1897, he entered the junior class at Storrs.

He soon joined the College Shakespearean Club, of which he was President in the Winter term of his Senior year. He also held many other offices while in college.

After graduating Mr. Manchester expects to return home where he will run his father's farm.

CLARENCE DWIGHT SMITH.

On the 21st of July, 1879, there came to this sphere in the locality of New Jersey a specimen of human masculinity of the masculine genus, who after the general course of events was named Clarence Dwight Smith.

At the age of six months this individual, accompanied by his parents, emigrated to Connecticut, where he has since lived in Westminster.

He was a very pretty child. He lived on his father's farm, and at the age of five began to attend the district school. Here he attended until he had forgotten all his instructors ever knew. Then his father decided that it was time he knew more, so against his wishes, he was sent to Storrs in the Fall of '96. His appearance at once attracted the other students and he became a general favorite. His first year he did much extra work and was nicknamed "Pete", because of his peculiar mode of leaving his tracks behind him; and he was generally seen with a milk can upon his back.

As a student he will be known for his jovial nature and willingness to help those in trouble. He entered to Shakespearean Club in the Fall term of his Senior year and did much for the success of the club.

He had his own ideas about student government; but they were somewhat changed when he became a councilman himself.

He was treasurer of the College Shakespearean Club one term, corporal in the military company, polo manager, and cheerleader of his class and of the College.

Selma Alida Carlson.

Selma Alida Carlson was born in Okome, Sweden, March 20, 1881, in the calm serenity of the northern clime. In 1883, she with her parents, came to America and settled at Vernon, Conn.

She was a very obedient child and was never the cause of sorrow to her parents. She early showed great precocity and soon mastered the contents of the dictionary. At six she began to attend the district school to learn the English language. She acquired great proficiency in this, and soon exceeded the competence of her instructor. She was rather subject to fits, as evinced by her temperament at college later, where she had them irregularly.

She prepared for C. A. C. at Gilead; and entered the Sophomore Year, proving a diligent student. She was prominent in the social circles of Grove Cottage; and her unostentatious dignity and smiling countenance served her in good stead when she acted as assistant lady principal or trusted chaperone.

She joined the Alethia Literary Society and was one of its most earnest supporters. She was Vice-President in her Sophomore year and President her last two Senior terms, besides holding other offices in the society.

Miss Carlson ranks among the highest in her class.
Arthur Franklin Green

Arthur Franklin Green was born in Tolland, Conn., Oct. 22, 1880, close to the town jail. A significant fact of his birth is that the clocks in the neighborhood struck four more times, because they could not keep up with this individual who was destined to be so fast.

He prospered well, and at three years old was turned out to grass. That's why he's green.

He first attended school at North Coventry, but irregularly, being strongly addicted to truant playing. The effects of this after he reached home, somewhat stunted his growth. His happiest day was when he acquired the emblem of masculinity—a pair of pants.

He resided at various places and at five his parents moved to Four Corners, where he has since resided.

Three years before coming to Storrs he made a new resolution and attended school very regularly. He entered the Freshman Class in '95 and was President of his class part of that year. Until the Winter Term of his Junior Year he resided at home, walking every day; then he became tuberculosis assistant to Prof. Phelps at the Experiment Station.

On Mar. 4, '98 he joined the College Shakespearean Club, proving a valuable and earnest member, and holding the office of treasurer two terms.

He studied hard and ranked second in his class. He was third sergeant of the military company and one of its best drillers.

Mr. Green was very bashful in the presence of ladies; and this doubtless accounts for his high ranking in his class.

Willis Mills Nettleton

Willis Mills Nettleton was born in Washington, Conn., on August 25, 1878. At an early age he began to attend the district school, where he continued until 1894. The following year he attended the Gunnery two terms. In the Fall of 1895 he entered Vermont Academy in the Sophomore year. He attended this institution two years. In the Fall of 1897, Mr. Nettleton entered Storrs Agricultural College in the Junior Year.

He is a member of the Eclectic Literary Society, and has held several important positions in the Society. During his course Mr. Nettleton has been a member of the Students' Council, and during his Senior year was President of the Students' Organization. He was Editor in-Chief of the S. A. C. Lookout in 1898-'99. First Lieutenant of the Cadet Company, and Captain of the Base Ball Team in 1899.

After graduating Mr. Nettleton intends to apply the agricultural theories learned at this institution upon his father's farm.

Ida Louise Hobby

'Twas November third in '78
When the leaves were turning brown,
A small stranger came to gladden
One home in Stafford town.

The child grew fast and prospered,
As all young children should;
And everybody seemed to think
That she was very good.
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3.
But alas for their fond dream,
This girl was very bad;
And often it did seem
'Twould drive the whole house mad,

4.
She broke the dishes, plagued the cats,
And was busy all the day
Devising schemes to scare the rats,
If they should come her way.

5.
She ruled the house with iron hand
By day as well as night,—
And soon they came to understand
They must give up the fight.

6.
When this young maiden when to school
Their troubles had only begun,
For her mind was well made up
Never to obey any one.

7.
The years passed on with noises tread—
The child was five years old;
The mischief she did, the damage begun.
Can be better imagined than told.

8.
One day when grandma came,
Her bonnet was put on a chair,
Not thinking that the child was bent
On making it worse for wear.

9.
Soon the bonnet was forgotten,
Until grandma was ready to go,—
Then they couldn't find her bonnet,
Where it was they did not know.

10.
They said it was so strange,
But grandma said, "It is very plain,
That child has taken out my hat
And put it into the rain."

11.
And sure enough 'twas found,
All gone were strings and flower's;
For the child and her pet puppy
Had enjoyed the last two hours.

12.
The years passed on, the child still grew
In knowledge and in power.
Of good, and bad alike she learned
During every passing hour.

13.
Later years were passed in study,
And sober honest work.
And this queer little maiden
Was ne'er after known to shirk.

14.
The happy years of girlhood sped,
In work and play and fun;
Until she realized one sad day
That her home life was done.

15.
The father said 'twould never do
For her to have no knowledge
Of science, books, and art,
And so she came to college.

16.
The Sophomore, Junior, Senior year
Were passed with greatest ease;
And now Commencement's come again
She wanders neath the trees.

17.
In after years she must succeed
In what she tries to be;
For what she is, has oft' been seen
While she lived at C. A. C.

IRVIN EDSON GILBERT.

One June 3, 1878,
at Horse Hill, in the town of Westbrook,
Conn., a very important event occurred.
In a certain home there appeared to the light of this world, a "curly" headed urchin, weighing 734 pounds, accompanied by a little sister. The little boy, after many hours of elaborate thought by his parents, was christened Irvin Edson Gilbert.

At a very early age he began to study dairying. Irvin staid on his father's farm where he weeded onions and carrots, until he was four years of age, when he began to attend the district school. When he was nine years old, his father moved to Deep River, Conn., where Irvin entered the graded school. He attended steadily for six years, being tardy but once and missing two weeks, when he had the measles. He graduated from here in 1896, and went to work in a piano key shop.

Wishing to obtain a better education he decided to go to Storrs Agricultural College. He entered the Junior Class.

From the first he took an active part in the College Shakesperean Club, where he held many offices.

Mr. Gilbert held a number of important offices while in college, having been a member of the Council most of his course and being President one term. He has also been Editor of Alumni Notes, S. A. C. Lookout, Vice-President of the Y. M. C.
A., President of the Y. P. S. C. E., and tail end Corporal in the Cadet Company. His future is not fully decided.

ELMER CLINTON WELDEN.

On the twenty-seventh day of July, 1879 there was born in the city of Willimantic, Connecticut, an atom of humanity, who was later known as Elmer Clinton Welden. When he was young his parents moved to the picturesque village of Scotland, Ct., where he has since resided. This boy was watched over with all the tender solicitude that is usually bestowed upon the first and only child, and as a matter of course, was somewhat spoiled. Elmer attended the proverbial district school, when five years of age, and was an apt scholar, until he reached that age when he thought the pretty (?) country teacher more interesting than his studies.

Being acquainted with the work of the State College, in the Summer of 1896 he determined to enter Storrs College, and having passed a phenomenally high examination, he entered the Sophomore class. He had now come to new fields of conquest, but was undaunted, and speedily became a general favorite with the young ladies, which characteristic he judiciously and wisely fostered.

Although always working for the advancement of athletics, he did not participate in college games. Mr. Welden has been a power in the advancement of his class and of the student body; though unobtrusive in his college life, many honors have come to him.

Welden joined the College Shakespearean Club while at College, and has been a prominent man in the work of the Club. He was honored with its Presidency during his Senior Year, and has held minor offices in former years. Welden’s literary talent was brought into notice by his work on the college paper. He was successively Exchange and Alumni Editor, Editor-in-Chief and Business Manager of the S. A. C. Lookout He put unbounded thought energy and unselfishness into the work of the paper, and he should feel fully repaid by the success of it, while he has been connected with it. Mr. Welden was also Treasurer of the Class during his Senior Year. Mr. Welden has a finely developed physique and a jovial unselfish nature. He possesses great tact and business ability, and succeeds in whatever he begins. He has a very pronounced predilection for the society of the gentler sex, which has made him a success in Storrs Society.

Mr. Welden has not decided upon his vocation as yet, but he has the best wishes of a host of friends in his future life work.

BERTHA MAY PATTERSON.

At two o’clock in the morning of September 4, 1881, there was born in the town of Torrington, Litchfield County, Connecticut, a baby girl, who after much consideration and debate received the name of Bertha May Patterson.

At the early age of four and a half, Bertha entered a private kindergarten in Torrington. From this she graduated to enter graded school. She continued here until at the age of nine, she went with her parents into the wide and wooly West, where she remained a year. At the end of that time she returned to Torrington where she continued until the ninth grade was reached, when she accompanied her parents to Storrs where she entered the Sophomore Class of Connecticut Agricultural College.

Her career while there is familiar to all who know her. She did not join the Literary Society for the young ladies for unknown reasons, but passed most of her time very studiously (?) at home.
Willard Ernest Mason was born in the town of Willington, Tolland County, Ct., on June 20, 1879. Soon afterwards his father moved to the town of Mansfield where he has resided ever since.

At the age of four years the young hopeful began to attend the district school; and at the age of five he had read with great interest a story of travel in the northern part of Africa by that celebrated English traveler, Sir Samuel Baker. He continued to read and to attend the district school till the age of seventeen years when he entered the Sophomore Year at what was then Storrs Agricultural College. His years of college life are at an end. They passed quickly, and though he is sorry that he must leave this old place, yet he is glad that his studies here are over, for he looks forward with pleasure to a life of usefulness in this busy world.

Elsie Sophia Leach

Elsie Sophia Leach was born in Plymouth Conn., Aug 10, 1881. The first important day of her life was that on which she was given charge of a family heirloom—the name of Sophia. This heirloom, being a lasting possession has been the joy and pride of her life and has also been a source of pleasure to her friends.

Notwithstanding the burden which this name must have been in early years, she was said to have been an exceedingly handsome baby. As a proof of her beauty she once received a prize at a country fair.

Her early years were spent in Plymouth, getting into mischief and going to school. Having had the very superior discipline of a short kindergarten education, she had many promotions in the district schools.

After mastering the alphabet, long division and five multiplication tables, her parents removed her from the Plymouth schools. She was sent to New London, where she attended for one year, Williams Memorial Institute.

In the Fall of '96 she entered Storrs Agricultural College, as a Sophomore. Since entering her life has been uneventful with very few exceptions. She has not yet decided what to do after graduating.

Katherine Rosetta Yale

Katherine Rosetta Yale was born in the town of Meriden, April 26, 1881. She was the youngest of four children, having a sister and two brothers who were all considerable older than their baby sister. Her infant days were rather uneventful ones, there being no playmates in the neighborhood; but she found many ways of occupying the time playing around the farm which was to be her home for many years.

At the age of seven she was sent to school at the German-American School, but as the walk was long she soon was set to pursuing her studies in the Old Road School, near her home. Here she remained for seven years and was a good student, although by no means a prodigy. In April of the year 1895, she was graduated from this grammar school, and after a short vacation began attending the Meriden High School. Here she remained for a year and one term, but as her mind had always been set on attending Storrs, she was examined in September to enter this college. The examinations were easily passed and her life began at Storrs on September 13, 1896. She entered the Sophomore Class and has endeavored to be a good student for three years. Since coming to Storrs many changes have taken place in the College as well as in her life. She hopes to graduate honorably from the Connecticut Agricultural College on June 14, 1899.
CLASS HISTORY.

There are times in the lives of every individual, when he likes to look back far into the past and ponder over what he has accomplished, either good, bad, or indifferent. It is with this object in view, that this, the history of the class of '99 is written. Let us look over the years which intervene between the time that we entered Storrs Agricultural College until the time when we now go forth as graduates from the Connecticut Agricultural College.

One bright sunny evening in September, there might have been seen plodding along the road from Eagleville a group of home-sick looking young men. They had come to begin their career as college students. The next morning when for the first time the '99 class were assembled together in the class room, our numbers were alarmingly small, the smallest class that had ever entered Storrs, for there were but twenty. The future for this class looked unpromising in the minds of many; but you see as you look at this row of good looking young ladies and gentlemen what determination they must have had, for like the porous plaster that was on the back of a worthy person, they have stuck to the last; for a larger per cent. of our numbers have remained to graduate than of any preceding class.

Almost every member of our class entered in the second year, there being but one among us who has taken the first year studies, while three entered the Junior Year. Those who entered the Second Year had the privilege of resting their eyes on six of the gentler sex. All we had to do, when we became tired over our books, was to get a smile, if we could, and our brain was ready to resume its work, at least, this was the case with some.

If I were to speak of the officers of the Cadet Company I would include every man in our class. Let us glance at each individual and perhaps get at their nature. The first one of whom I shall speak will be Mr. James B. Stocking, the first president of our class. He was so fond of work and liked the free air of his father's farm so much, that he left us at the beginning of our Junior Year. The vice-president elected this year was Miss Elsie S. Leach; for it was thought that she would be more apt to stay with the class if she held some office, for she once had the idea of joining Coxy's Army. But owing to the Spanish War she was prevented and thus we need not mourn the loss of another class belle.

Miss Katherine R. Yale was elected secretary and treasurer; because it was believed that she would not have enough to tempt her then to run off with the money bags. Miss Yale is deeply interested in making Entomology collections by the way she keeps her net.

During the year the class met and selected our motto which you now see before you “To be rather than to seem.” We also selected our class colors consisting of straw color, signifying strength, dark red, meaning union, and light blue, which would go to show that we were true to each other. A class yell was also originated which has filled many a Junior's heart with fear, when yelled from the strong lungs of the '99 class.

When the class returned at the beginning of the Junior Year we were gladdened by the sight of three new faces; but were saddened to think that one of our young ladies did not return.

The class president this year was Mr. George M. Green. But when the late war began he left his class and enlisted; but at the end of the war he returned to his old place, and was welcomed by everybody, especially the young ladies. I fear that he has changed; for the motto, he had before he left was, “keep away from the girls,” but since he came back; judging from the number he has had, he has changed.

Mr. Benjamin H. Walden was elected vice-president. This was not due to the fact that he could do justice to the office, but to make him think that he was somebody.

"But there is a Spring Hill far away,
Where Bennie went to see his May.
But when his sweetheart had the measles,
It proved for him a sorry day."
The secretary elected this year was Miss Ida L. Hobby, whose faithfulness to her class, and somebody else, has won respect from her classmates.

Seeing that the duties of Treasurer were to be such an undertaking it was decided to give it to another person; and as Miss Leach longed for an office, it was given to her. Perhaps this was because she had such an influence over some of the young men, and it was thought that she would have no trouble in collecting the money.

During the year the class, seeing that three colors were too many, and wanting something to bring them closer together, met and selected the beautiful colors you now see before you.

The class had a foot ball game with the freshmen and almost knocked them out of existence. Perhaps credit should be given to Mr. George H. Miner, one of our best athletes, and to Mr. Edward F. Manchester, who played tackle. Mr. Manchester once started to study the Leach; but while pursuing his studies one vacation near the Plymouth Rock, his horse became tired of waiting and started for home, and Mr. Manchester had to chase him a mile or more. He soon gave up his studies. I wonder why?

During the winter of this year many polo games were played, and like the football game, the '99 class came out victorious.

Our summer term was passed with many thrilling times. Mr. Clapp must have had a warm spot somewhere, judging from the amount of ice he cut. Perhaps he was assisted by Mr. Williard W. James, who worked in the creamery, and knew where to lay his hands on a good lot of the "Cream of Storrs."

The class also surprised the Professor of Agriculture by the elegant collection of grasses they passed in; but what was his surprise when these grasses took to their heels one night, and aided by the help of janitor sought the comforts of a quiet smoke. Somebody was mad, and he paid his tribute to the class by making them get new collections. Perhaps Mr. Gardner and Mr. Smith, the tall man, might have been seen applying a match to their pipes and a spark or two dropping on the dry fuel, if anybody had happened around at the right time.

When the class returned in the senior year our numbers were reduced to eighteen but the returning of Sergeant Greene after the mustering out of the Third Connecticut, in which he had served with distinction, they were raised to nineteen.

The class elected Mr. Roscoe H. Gardner as president. People were surprised that he should be elected as such; but the class knew what they were doing, and you who know him, have seen how well we choose. But ask Kirk who stole his ice and salt the last day of May.

The vice-president elected this year was another one of the gentler sex, Miss Bertha M. Patterson, who came very near making a home happy in a little village in New York, but owing to circumstances she was delayed, and we yet have her as our classmate. The secretary elected this year, could be no other than Mr. Cas-sius Way, the orator of the class. Mr. Way can also play base ball, for according to his stories he has played on the Hebron ball team for many years and expects to do so again when he goes home, but owing to something, nobody knows what, he has never been allowed to play on the team at Storrs.

The other office, that of treasurer, was given to Mr. Elmer C. Welden who we knew could not be induced to leave his friends, especially those of Grove Cottage, with the money bags. Mr. Welden is noted for his delight to plague humanity.

We have with us Mr. Willard E. Mason the great inventor, who with his tales of his wonderful flying machine and self-regulating rifle has soared over our heads like a bird in the time of peace; but in the time of war seemed a demon to his foes.

We are lucky to have with us Mr. Willis M. Nettleton who entered the Junior Year. Before he came here he had never thought of taking a course at Yale, but to judge by appearances his mind has changed.

There is another of whom I must say a few words. Miss Selma A. Carlson, who cannot drink moxie without having her thoughts travel back far into the past and
recall scenes that are too dear to forget. And now the last but by no means least, Mr. Irvin E. Gilbert, nick-named Curly, who like all bachelors once had a Hobby, but since the war ceased he has given it up. Who can tell me why?

There is an end to everything, although sometimes long but the end must come, and so this, the history of the class of '99 is ended.

- ARTHUR FRANKLIN GREEN, Historian.

CLASS POEM.

It was near the wearied hour of midnight,
When the sun his face had hid from sight;
When the moonbeams flitted o’er the earth,
Like a band of dancing elves in joyous mirth,
And the birds had sought secluded nooks.
It was then upon the shelves I placed my books,
And laid my exhausted form in bed,
With a weary sigh and an aching head.
As many of you have done likewise,
But no sweet Morpheus came my way.
At length after many a weary toss and turn,
For my dreams reminded me that time is short.
My eyelid closed like a drooping fern;
But my sleep was not of a peaceful sort,
And gruesom things did haunt me;
The thoughts that were pictured upon my brain,
Were of joy and sorrow and pain.
I saw in a vision the things of the past,
They floated by me like a bird so fast,
I saw the future that was to come,
And the sorrows and joys in store for some.
And when I beheld this vision so great,
I counted them over with pain
The knowledge which many think cheap.
I saw, all piled in a goodly heap,
I saw life’s future untrodden way;
As plain as by the light of an Autumn day;
I saw many a weird and sickening sight.
While, by the genii’s flickering light,
I saw time’s fleeting trail;
When, as in a dream, I stood
Waiting for other visions to see,
At last my brain was in a whirl
We know that soon we must leave this old place,
And into the world to battle with life, face to face.
You may think we’re joyous from here to depart,
But I tell you we go with pain in our heart;
And, as through this world of strife we pass,
May ever at the front be the ’99 class
And when our work on this earth is o’er,
May we join the loved ones gone before;
We shall strive hard our cherished goal to win,
And may the great Master to His fold bring us in.

Again we take our pens in hand to record the victories and defeats of the baseball team. Our task is not as pleasant this time as it was last month, owing to the defeat of the team in two games. This department will necessarily be cut short this month in order to accommodate the extra material in this issue.

C. A. C. vs. WILLIMANTIC.

The game was played May 6 on the home field, in place of the game that was arranged with M. A. C. for that date and cancelled by them. Captain Nettleton was unable to play, owing to an injury which he received while at work. McLean is not in good condition, and played the game while suffering from a slight attack of malaria. For this and other reasons the team seemed to fall to pieces and the game was lost. We played a substitute team.

**Score by Innings.**

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Two base hits, Blakeslee (3), Dimock, McLean, and Lyman; bases stolen, 9; struck out by McLean, 7; A. Nichols, 7; base on balls by McLean, 4; Nichols, 5. Umpire, P. Vinton.

C. A. C. vs. MORSE BUSINESS COLLEGE.

This game resulted in another defeat for Storrs. It was played May 13 on the home field. For the first seven innings Storrs held the visitors down and gained one more run for Morse. Then Morse ran the score up to sixteen in the next two innings, while Storrs, for some reason, was unable to make more than ten runs. One special feature of the game was the fine batting of Lyman.

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C. A. C. vs. WILBRAHAM.

For the first time this season the team left the State to play a game. The game was played May 27 in Wilbraham with Wesleyan Academy. At the beginning of Storrs half of the fourth inning the score was 12 to 0 in favor of Wesleyan. Storrs then woke up and began to play ball, and in the next inning made eight runs. After this Storrs gradually reduced the score until at the end of the game the score was 20 to 19 in favor of Storrs. There was one fine double play in this game by McLean and Pratt. McLean caught a batted liner in his right hand and then threw it to second base, in this way putting two men out. Another peculiar feature of the game was the good batting by the poor batters and the poor batting by the good batters.

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The game was lost by errors and poor coaching by the home team. But this resulted in another defeat for the Connecticut Aggies.

C. A. C. vs. R.I. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

The last game of the season was played in Kingston, R. I., June 3. It resulted in another defeat for the Connecticut Aggies. The game was lost by errors and poor coaching by the home team. Storrs batted fairly well. McLean pitched a good game but this did not make up for poor playing on third base, due partly to wild throws from second. There is no reason why Storrs, with the advantage of a good pitcher, could not have won the game except for the poor playing already mentioned.

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Three base hit, McLean; base on balls by McLean, 1, Dennico, 2; struck out by McLean, 10, Dennico, 4. Umpire, Tyler.

On the eighth of June, Norman James Webb, '98, and Eurma I. Fuller, '97, are to be united in the bonds of marriage. The ceremony will take place at 9 a.m. in the Congregational church at Storrs. Anna C. Jacobson, '00, is to be the maid of honor and F. F. Bushnell, '97, best man. Elsie S. Leach, '99, and Florence S. Swift, '00, are to be the bridesmaids, and two of Mr. Webb's classmates C. S. Chapman and C. S. Francis, are to be groomsmen. The young couple expect to take a short wedding trip, but will return to Storrs in time for the commencement exercises.

'97. R. D. Gilbert is preparing to enter the senior class at Amherst Agricultural College this coming autumn.

'98. G. E. Smith is employed by the Ousatonic Water Co., of Derby, Conn., as assistant civil engineer. The knowledge of surveying and other mathematics which he obtained at Storrs enabled him to get the position.

'98. H. Kirkpatrick is now employed at the experiment station as general office assistant.

'98. In memory of Willis Nichols Hawley, a memorial tablet has been procured by his classmates and placed in the college chapel.

'98. J. W. Pincus has complete charge of the Farm and Dairy department of the Baron de Hirsch Agricultural and Industrial School in Woodbine, N. J.
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