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Perhaps many of our readers do not fully comprehend the significance or value of a college paper. It is by this means that student life and interests are expressed. Through its editorials the undergraduates are enabled to make known to the faculty their sentiments on the various situations continually arising. Often such conditions can be relieved to the satisfaction of all concerned by a tactful manner of procedure.

The alumnus welcomes the college paper as the one remaining tie that keeps him in touch with the activities of the college and other alumni; and it is indeed a poor alumnus who does not feel some interest in the welfare of his classmates. Without a doubt maintaining alumni interest is very essential to the college itself.

Furthermore exchanging colleges are wont to judge us by our paper and, naturally, we wish to appear before others in the most favorable light possible.

In pursuance of this idea we desire to make known to our readers, that, so far, this year, there has been a deplorable lack of suitable material submitted to THE LOOKOUT. Our undergraduates are fully capable of some literary efforts and their negligence can be attributed only to lack of interest.

You support the various other student activities well. Why not give THE LOOKOUT a small portion of your enthusiasm?

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Our attention was recently called to the general practice among the professors of retaining the occasional quiz papers. Many students believe that the returned papers would be of material assistance to them in attaining a correct idea of the subject, for by this means they would be able to recognize and rectify their mistakes.
In another part of this issue we print several characteristically enthusiastic letters received from Mr. E. C. Eaton. We sincerely hope that he will prove successful in both his editorial and his agricultural work.

There is, we believe, a field for such a magazine as “Pop” has planned. The page of the Boston Evening Transcript devoted to College news is always interesting, always welcome, and there seems to be no reason to doubt that a well edited magazine of this sort would find solid support. We congratulate the editor, too, upon the name selected for the new publication. In spite of high authority, there is much in a name.

We wish success to “On and Off the Campus.”

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“The Future”

The future of human industry is worthy of the attention of every earnest and thoughtful minded student. The undeveloped facts of nature are truly amazing; there are thousands of acres of mines, forests and fields, awaiting not only development but recognition of their actual existence. The very thought of the possibilities in this country should awaken the ambition of every man, an ambition to take some active and effective part in making available to all human beings the necessities, utilities and wholesome accomplishments of life.

The question naturally occurs, How can a man equip himself for this development which the future is sure to bring? Thousands have asked themselves this question as they realize that the years ahead will require more effort on their part than has been thus far required.

The majority are answering for themselves in their worthy efforts for self improvements by acquiring a practical education, broadening of their sympathies, in the detection and correction of erroneous theories and actions, the perfection of skill and the uplifting of their thoughts, endeavors, and energy. The best is yet to come. Are you able to appreciate this and take part in it or are you merely wasting your time?

The words of the late T. J. Munger are especially pertinent: “The noblest sight this world affords is that of a young man making the most of himself.”

L. M., '15.
Early in January a dance was held in the chapel. The distinctive feature was the fact that the ladies present assumed the masculine role. Choice bunches of vegetables were given the young men, dances were secured for them, and they were seen safely home afterwards.

Mr. Hughes has discovered that Mr. "Biliken" is not Mr. Benj. Storrs' correct name.

On January 19th Donald McMillan, one of Commander Peary's exploiting party, gave an illustrative lecture on "A Dash for the Pole." This lecture was the first of the winter series of entertainments and was well attended.

"The Story of Aviation" was the subject of an illustrative lecture given in the church, February 16, by Mr. W. R. Kimball, a director of the Aeronautical Society of New York City. The lecture was instructive and the lantern slides showed well the rapid progress made in this art within recent years.

The Colonial Orchestral Club gave a concert here on March 1st. The club consisted of Miss Katherine Halliday, cellist; Miss May Parker, flutist; Miss Natalie Rinsman, pianist and contralto; Miss Eichhorn, violinist. The music was exceptional, and the audience an appreciative one. Miss Hazel Dell Chandler gave a series of readings which were exceptionally well rendered.

The plays, "Either and Eyther" and "Mose," attracted a good audience on the evening of January 21st. These plays were given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the church.
Prof. Smith has discovered the existence of the Storrs Wireless System. Dividends have dropped considerably since.

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Student in Botany—"Prof., Do all nuts grow on trees?"
Prof.—"Yes, sir!"
Student—"Well, then, how about doughnuts?"
Prof. (never fuzzed for an instant)—"Why, young man, these come from what is known as a pantry."

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The College has undertaken a new phase of activity in the form of extension schools. The extension work is an effort to place the advantages of college instruction within the reach of those who cannot reside at this institution. Three courses will be offered: 1—Soils, farm crops and dairying. 2—Fruit growing and poultry husbandry. 3—Home economics. The schools will be held at points designated by the board of trustees on the recommendation of the Faculty. The following have already been scheduled: At Enfield, February 19–24, a course in soils, farm crops and dairying; at South Manchester, February 26–March 2, course in fruit growing and poultry; at Danbury, March 4–9, course in fruit growing, horticulture and poultry. Other lines of extension work will be maintained through correspondence, orchard demonstrations, advanced registry tests, bulletins and occasional lectures. Further information regarding this work may be had by applying at the President's office.

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The following is a chestnut which the squirrels failed to crack last fall: Have you heard it? It is said that Instructor Rolf is afraid to go near the poultry plant these days. Why? Because all the hens are laying for him. (The smelling salts, quick! The poor boy has fainted.)

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On Saturday evening, February 10, the Glee Club gave a concert in the chapel. We are pleased to note the progress made by this organization in the year they have been in existence.

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Student—"I am always going to have my soup in a bowl after this."
Waiter—"You can have it in a trough if you want it."

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Several sleigh-ride parties have been enjoyed this winter by members of the faculty, stenographers and students.
The Misses House, Charlesson, Clinton, Fitts, Long, Lewis and Stanton were recently initiated into the Beta Kamma Kappa club. The new officers recently elected in Beta Kamma Kappa are as follows: Laura V. Clarke, president; Ruth Clinton, vice president; Ruby Ingham, secretary and treasurer.

Miss Rogers was recently called home for several days on account of the illness of her mother.

Miss Hayes recently visited New York and Hartford.

Mr. M. B. Stanton and Miss Florence Stanton were recently guests at the cottage.

One of our fellow students claims that it is so hot in Abington that the corn growing in the field popped over the fence and a cow on the other side of the road thought it was snowing and froze to death.

Mr. Schultz has recently been investigating the various forms of sterilizers.

"Love's Labor Lost," a skit in one act, was recently given by several of the students. Wheelock and Healey, Jr., took the rivaling parts, in attempting to win the fair maiden's hand; this play, as far as is known, was given without rehearsals.

We received the following letters from Mr. Eaton:

"To THE LOOKOUT:—Young, Ex. 13, and myself, Ex. 12, attended the Boston Poultry Show, and while looking the birds over and talking with various breeders, picked up a circular headed 'First National Egg Laying Contest at Storrs Agricultural College.'

This was a fine advertisement but not rightly used. Why in Heaven's name cannot our Alma Mater be advertised as Connecticut Agricultural College and not Storrs Agricultural College?

We spoke to several people that were advertising and using the College as their source of data. They were all referring to us as Storrs Agricultural College. We also met the Admiral, Mr. Upton, and he was advertising the College and his friend Stoneburn's poultry course to 'beat the band.' The Admiral welcomed us with open
arms and wished to be remembered to Professor Stoneburn, the Glee Club and the students of the College. We put the other chaps wise and left hearing them tell about the ‘Egg Laying Contest in Connecticut,’ and not Storrs. To you of the Poultry Plant: in the next exhibitions see that the College is known as the Connecticut Agricultural College. To use a local expression, ‘We do not want a trick pulled off on us,’ as we have a poultry course at C. A. C. that can trim anything this side of the water when it comes to graduating students that become A1 successful poultrymen. Wishing the College, THE LOOKOUT and my former fellow students the best of success, I am, yours sincerely,

E. C. Eaton.”

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Help on Farms

We graduates of agricultural colleges of the country after specializing in dairying, poultry, fruit growing, etc., are willing to take charge of any of the above kinds of places and guarantee to make good.

In regards O. R. H. article, “Need Help on Farms,” will say that until you give a city wage, $12 a week, for help, you will have to continue working yourself. The days of “chore” men of little or no education have gone by. Men of that class are all working in the cities as teamsters, in factories, and are of the dinner-pail class.

To-day is the day of the farm. Prices for products are high. In the future the successful farmer will hire the agricultural college graduate who has made the study of agriculture in all its forms his lifework. The trouble is people who wish to hire men, want to pay them less than they can get in the city or in the mill. The farmer will give the graduate $25 a week and found. The latter as superintendent will hire his own men, get them $30 a month and found.

The superintendent understands farm crops, soils and fertilizers, entomology, dairying, horticulture, chemistry and everything pertaining to his work. Farming on successful farms is run as a business enterprise, inventories are kept, debiting one part of the farm and crediting the other, or double entry. Everything when not in use is oiled and put away and not left in the fields.

The average farmer today has apple trees that one can shoot a
golf ball through, unsanitary dairy barns, does not use the Babcock test in his dairy, and in general tries to get something for nothing.

My advice to all who "Need Help on Farms," cut out the word "help," it is dead, and get a graduate from an agricultural college and pay him a salary of $25 a week and found, and he'll change your old farm, make your barns sanitary, kill for fertilizer half or all your cows and put in advanced registry cattle, use sanitary rules in barns and about cows, change poultry houses over, make sanitary, have good air drainage, work over crops in fields and orchard, and use more brain and less hand.

Then you farmers could own your lands, educate your children in the best schools and colleges, attend the theater or church festivals once in a while, have hot and cold water in your house, and, in other words, get out of the rut.

—EDWIN CHOATE EATON.

Auburndale, Mass, Jan. 23.

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Alumni Notes

The following Alumni attended the State Grange at Bridgeport, Conn., in January: C. A. Wheeler, '88; C. B. Pomeroy, '91; Stancliffe Hale, '96; H. L. Garrigus, '98; A. T. Greene, '99; Miss Annie E. Clark, '05; H. G. Hallock, '07.

Dairymen's Meeting—R. J. Averill and H. L. Garrigus were re-elected directors for two years in their respective counties, Litchfield and Tolland.

The annual alumni banquet held in Hartford, February 6th, was attended by about 100 alumni friends and guests. R. H. Bar-
nard, '08, acted as toastmaster. The speakers were President Beach; O. F. King, '98, President of the Alumni Association; Mr. I. K. Butterfield, Manager of the Connecticut State Fair Association; Professor Gulley, E. H. Forbush, '10; and Senator J. W. Alsop.

At the annual meeting of the Farm Superintendent's Club held in Hartford, January 17th, the following Alumni were present: A. J. Pierpont, '95; H. L. Garrigus, '98; A. F. Greene, '99; R. E. Buell, '01; R. L. Birdsall, '10. H. L. Garrigus was elected vice-president.

The awards of the milk, butter and cream test held in conjunction with the Dairyman's convention were as follows:

Hawkins, short course, '11, first in class one for creamery butter. First in class there for granulated butter; and first in class four for unsalted butter. R. L. Birdsall, Ex. '10, Superintendent of the Connecticut Epileptic Farm, won first prize for the best milk; Greenbacker, N. F. Ladd, and Loverin, short course, '08, won second, third and fourth places, respectively.


For the lowest bacteria count in the above mentioned cream W. F. Ladd won first place. J. R. Foster received first prize for the best milk and cream exhibit.

Rudolph Susman is teaching Agriculture at Freiburg High school, Freiburg, Maine.

E. R. Parsons is assisting the Lenox, Mass., Forestry department, and has charge of the climbing gang.

R. L. Birdsall has announced his engagement to Miss Nellie Storrs, of Mansfield, Conn.

Mr. Piper has taken a demit from the Mansfield Grange and is a member of the Farmers' Union in Alabama.

Ex. '87. Mr. E. F. Wood is making an extended pleasure trip to Porto Rico, Trinidad, and the Panama Canal.

'88. Hurbert Gillette was on the hill, January 22nd.

'91, Arthur G. Hall has lived in various parts of the United States, including the Pacific coast, and is now at Haddam, Connecticut. He is interested in White Wyandotte poultry.
'99. Mr. Cassius Way of the class of 1899, visited his parents recently in Gilead, Conn. Mr. Way is connected with the Borden Co. of Chicago and lives at Harvard, Ill., a suburb. The Borden Co. brings 24 carloads of bottled milk a day to Chicago and distributes with its 500 wagons about a million quarts daily. Mr. Way is connected with the sanitary part of the work of milk production.

'02. The marriage of A. B. Clarke, Storer Farm, Norwich, Conn., to Miss Isabel Schell Ballentine, of Lower Providence, Penn., will take place at Miss Ballentine's home April 8, 1912.

'02. Prof. G. H. Lamson gave a lecture before a gathering of people in Redding, Connecticut, on February 2nd. The topic of his lecture was "Apple Insects and How to Control Them."

'09. George B. Treadwell has returned from his trip across the continent and is at present on the home farm in New Fairfield, Conn.

'09. P. F. Killam Jr., is at Alberta College, Alberta, Canada, where he expects to receive his B. S. degree in June.

'10. A. J. Brundage has resigned his position in the horticultural department at the College and has accepted a place as caretaker of an estate in Danbury, Conn. He expects to take charge of his new place March 1st.

Ex. 10. E. A. Hall who conducted an athletic goods store in New Britain, Conn., was burned out a short time ago. He expects to go into the automobile business. Mr. Hall recently spent several days at the College.

Ex. '12. Mr. Archie Piper is located in Healing Springs, Alabama, and doing demonstrating work in that State and in Mississippi for the Southern Railroad.

Ex. '12. Jack Zellar and Ralph Mason are in the poultry business at South Acton, Mass., and have gone into partnership with the owner. Judging from Mason's recent engagement they must be making money.

Ex. '12. C. T. Senay, who is at Trinity College, is engaged to some fair lady in New London, but will not give the name.

Boy, gun;
Joy, fun.
Gun, bust;
Boy, dust.

—Ex.
ATHLETICS

At last victories are ours, the lost laurels are restored and athletics are again being brought to the front. The basketball and hockey varsities have victories to their credit and we are awaiting for the results of the baseball season. We are in hopes that they will keep up the good work and show a clean string of victories in the Spring.

The Bull Dogs are the undefeated champions of the class of miscellaneous basket-ball teams. They have defeated the freshmen, the school of Ag., and are now making arrangements to get a chance at the varsity. This aggregation is made up of noble and honored members of the student body. Gechan, Keating, Aubrey, Chipman and Kendall, are the collegians who are responsible for its notorious career.

Mr. E. L. Deming, class of 1912, Captain of Tennis Team, and Manager of Basket-ball team, has left College. He leaves a vacancy which is greatly felt by the members of the respective teams. The tennis team loses a good man in their Captain and the results of the season may be materially changed by the loss of Mr. Deming.

Capt. Aubrey is out with his men in the temporary cage in Storrs Hall. Ex-Capt. Keating is expected to fill the box for our team in the spring.

Scores of the month’s games:

C. A. C. vs. Hopkins Prep. ...................... 40-11
C. A. C. vs. New Haven ......................... 12-22
C. A. C. vs. N. L. Manual Training ............ 51-27
C. A. C. vs. Dean Academy ...................... 29-42
C. A. C. vs. Grex Club ......................... 23-36
C. A. C. vs. N. L. Manual Training ............ 26-15
C. A. C. vs. Monson ............................ 15-9
Freshmen vs. School of Ag. ..................... 32-16
Hockey—C. A. C. vs. Springfield Training ...... 0-9
The New Club

The real need and consequent advisability of another club among the college men has been keenly felt since the beginning of the school year. A great number of students so severely overtaxed the capacity of the existing clubs that many exceptionally good fellows were shut out, perforce, from the benefits of the college fraternities. This hardly seemed right or in accordance with college progress. Therefore, the present charter members came together on several occasions and drew up a constitution. Their purpose in forming the new club was incidentally to relieve the burden devolving on the already crowded clubs, but primarily to bring together in a bond of fellowship and good will these men deprived of the social pleasure and intellectual advantages enjoyed by fraternity men. The object is a worthy one and the results should be gratifying.

The new society which is called the Athenean Fraternity, brings to our minds all that is highest in art, literature, science, and culture.

DEPARTMENT NOTES

HORTICULTURAL NOTES

Mr. Castner, of Hood River Valley, Oregon, was here three days, February 8th, 9th and 10th, teaching the students how to pack and grade apples. He left to go to the Massachusetts Agricultural College where he spent two weeks in the same work.

This department exhibited 40 different varieties of apples at the meeting of the Pomological Society at the meeting of the 6th and 7th.

The buds that would have made next year’s peach crop have been pretty generally destroyed throughout the State by the severe winter weather throughout the last few months, although a few varieties have some live buds they are a small percentage of those present in the fall, the majority of the varieties have no life buds at all.

For some time lime sulphur on grapes has been thought to hinder
the ripening of the fruit. Mr. Stevens and A. J. Brundage by means of several experiments have conclusively proved that lime sulphur applied in any strength does not cause late maturity. Moreover, the foliage was not attacked by disease to a greater extent than when Bordeaux mixture was applied.

**GREEN HOUSE NOTES**

Mr. C. Hamre, the assistant in the greenhouse, has left Storrs, and is looking for a location where he may start in business for himself. The tomato and cucumber crops have been harvested and the benches all replanted for the Spring crop.

An amaryllis is now in bloom which, in place of the customary there was four exceptionally large flowers over eight inches across. Several fresias are now in the height of bloom. So are some anthurariums and mignonette.

Several of the carnation crosses made by last year’s class are beginning to show buds, and their value will soon be known.

The sweet peas are in flower, also the native and cultivated ladies slippers.

Mr. A. J. Brundage has ten young seedlings that are the result of a cross between a white Killarney rose and a Belle Seibrecht. Something of value may result from this cross which was difficult to make.

**DAIRY DEPARTMENT**

Dekol Hubbard Pieterje finished another year’s test January 25. During this time she produced 14,325 lbs milk, containing 520 lbs. butter fat equal to 606 lbs. butter period. This is the record of the Holsteins of the college herd, being 40 lbs. more than the record already made by Pieterje Dekol Burke here half, her record for milk, however, is less than that of Pieterje Dekol Burke.

The records being made in the College herd compare very favorably with those being made by other Holstein breeders throughout the State. Although no yearly testing is being done by men outside of the College,—a number of others are making very creditable short tests.

J. E. Watson of Marbledale has a five-year-old that has just given 352 lbs. of milk and 14 lbs. of butter fat in seven days.

A. J. Pierpont, a College trustee and alumnus, has two young cows that have made three hundred and thirty and two hundred and
ninety five pounds of milk and 11.476 lbs. and 12.015 lbs. in seven days.

R. E. Buell, manager for R. Wallace and Son, Wallingford, has tested a three year old that averaged 30 lbs of milk per day for seven days with her first calf.

**FARM DEPARTMENT NOTES**

An Aberdeen Angus bull calf has been purchased from Mr. James Blair, Hartstown, Penn., which is attracting considerable attention.

The ice house has been filled with a very good quality of twelve-inch ice. In addition to this, a large quantity has been stacked outside, also a small pile for the Dairy Department.

The farm hands not required in the regular routine of team work, etc., are employed since the ice harvest in cutting timber and wood and clearing fields.

An Ideal No. 4, grinding mill, has been installed at the north barn and is being used to grind ear corn and other grains for the beef herd, which is being maintained on a ration in which corn stover and swamp hay constitute the entire roughage.

Three "A" style colony hog houses are being built and will be made ready for occupancy in the early spring. In connection with these it is planned to get some information as to the adaptability of this house to our climate, also the real value of forage crops for swine in Connecticut.

**EXPERIMENT STATION NOTES**

Mr. H. J. Bower, of Columbus, Ohio, has been appointed as assistant in Agronomy, one half of his time to be devoted to college work and one half to the experiment station. Mr. Bower, who is a graduate of the State College of Kansas, has done post-graduate work in Agronomy at the University of Illinois, and will receive his master’s degree at the Ohio State University next June. He is especially well trained in laboratory work connected with soil fertility and will make a valuable addition to the college and station staff.

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A newly-captured horse thief
Dangled from a tree;
In whispers hoarse he muttered,
"This suspense is killing me."

—Ex.
In the Current Magazines

A short article on 'City Milk Supplies and Pasteurization,' in the American Review of Reviews should be of interest to dairy students.

"How We Found Our Farm," by Jacob A. Riis appears in the February World's Work. Anyone who has read "The Making of An American," or other works by Mr. Riis, will undoubtedly find this article to be of considerable interest.

"A Few Acres and Independence," by E. P. Powell, appears in the Outing Magazine for February. In this article are presented the views of many on how they have found comfort, health and happiness while living on a small farm.

There is also an article by R. B. Sando on "Poultry Keeping and Keepers," in this issue of the Outing Magazine. Mr. Sando in this article gives his ideas on the qualities and resources necessary for success and the rewards that may reasonably be expected in the poultry business.

In his article in the February Garden Magazine on "Choosing Fruits for the Home Garden," Mr. W. C. McCollon has made an effort to aid the unexperienced to choose the varieties of fruit for his garden that will fill his peculiar needs. He enumerates those varieties that are of proven merit and safe to plant.

Students interested in the recent Pomological meeting at Hartford will find very interesting accounts of the meeting in The Connecticut Farmer and in the New England Homestead of February 17.

Several interesting articles on grafting and on the control of the wolly aphis are to be found in the Rural New Yorker of February 17.

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An industrious person seldom has a busy tongue.

"Do you obey the Bible injunction to love your neighbor?"
"I've tried to, but she won't let me."—Ex.

"Say, got any thumb tacks?"
"No, but will some finger nails do?"—Ex.
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The college men are very slow,
They seem to take their ease;
For even when they graduate,
They do it by degrees.

—Ex.

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Mother—"Bobby, why are you feeding the baby yeast?"
Bobby—"Boo-hoo! she swallowed my fifty cents and I'm trying
to raise the dough."—Ex.
One Sunday morning a certain young pastor in his first charge announced nervously:

“I will take for my text the words, ‘And they fed five men with five thousand loaves of bread and two thousand fishes.’”

At this misquotation an old parishioner from his seat in the amen corner said audibly:

“That’s no miracle—I could do it myself.”

The young preacher said nothing at the time, but the next Sunday he announced the same text again. This time he got it right:

“And they fed five thousand men on five loaves of bread and two fishes.”

He waited a moment, and then, leaning over the pulpit and looking at the amen corner he said:

“And could you do that, too, Mr. Smith?”

“Of course I could,” Mr. Smith replied.

“And how would you do it?” said the preacher.

“With what was left over from last Sunday,” said Mr. Smith.—Ex.

Penalized.—He—“Dearest, you’re the goal of my affections!”

She (removing his arm)—“Five yards for holding.”—Ex.

How do you usually open Senior Week?

The Old Grad—with a cork-screw.—Ex.

She—It must be fine to sing on the Glee Club?

He—It ought to be fine or imprisonment.—Ex.

“Came in last night and fell against the piano.”

“No, I struck the soft pedal.”—Ex.

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