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Something New Under the Sun.

By J. U. Higinbotham, '86.

There are not many self-made men at present who decry the value of an education. Most of them regret their inability in youth to acquire the advantages they are able to give to their children. The occasional exception to this rule reminds one forcibly of Oliver Wendell Holmes' clever metaphor on the subject. Subscribers of THE JAYHAWKER who have a copy of "The Autocrat" on their shelves are advised to omit the next few lines of this article and to imbibe direct from the fountain head. But to make the point clear to your other readers it is necessary to say that Dr. Holmes cites the case of a laborer near Cambridge who built his own dwelling place. The man was not a builder, nor even a carpenter, but by working after hours he succeeded in evolving a structure which gave him shelter, which kept out the coarsest of the cold, and which would stand up without being propped. The neighbors commended his industry, and the house was pointed out to strangers, and the story of its construction was told to admiring auditors. Dr. Holmes concedes that it was commendable as a "self-made" house, but asks whether it would not have been a better house, a more comfortable habitation, and more sightly if it had been built by a builder upon lines laid down by an architect.

However, as stated at the outset, not many self-made men, who have performed the work thoroughly, join in this outcry against education. Where found, such a one, as a rule,

is not completely finished. The scaffolding is still up and plainly visible, and the mortar box encumbers the front yard.

The main value of an education under a college roof is in the discipline it provides. The mere aggregate of facts acquired may have little market value. What you know about your fellow man, gleaned from your home newspaper, may be of more practical value to you than the ability to recite the pedigrees of the Plantagenets. But the mental discipline that forces you to learn things under pressure is invaluable.

The difficulty with much of the so-called education acquired in business is that it leaves too much liberty of choice to the novice. Lines of least resistance are followed, and the weak character becomes weaker, and is only held in check by the fear of punishment, or forced into activity by the fear of hunger.

Of all means of livelihood in the business world, the one that offers the most fascination to such an individual is that of the traveling salesman. The lack of restraint, change of scene, and the opportunity to make new and admiring acquaintances appeal to the youthful mind, and many persons enter this field of endeavor with motives that make success impossible.

This statement is made in full recognition of the fact that the grand majority of sturdy men who are carrying sample cases would be an honor to any profession, but it is nevertheless true that the temptations of the road make many parents refuse absolutely to permit their sons to become traveling men.

The requirements of modern business demand every ounce of energy in a man and leave no room for dissipation. The successful road salesman is as regular in his habits as the average business man. But the old prejudice remains, and the calling is clouded in the eyes of many people by traditions of the road dating as far back as the days of the bag man of the eighteenth century.

The question, then, with a large corporation which must have salesmen, is how to give the right sort of young man the proper training minus the temptation; how to secure the confidence and coöperation of the parents, thereby insuring high-grade applicants; and how to turn this raw material into a finished product of the greatest efficiency.

This problem has been, in a large degree, solved by the National Biscuit Company, with which I am so fortunate as to be connected. For a great many months they have been selecting the most likely candidates from an army of applicants, and with the year 1907 have started out several corps of "In-er-seal Cadets."

A description of the work done by these young men is not pertinent to this article, which proposes to deal chiefly with the education and disciplinary features thereof.

Each corps has a manager with a previous record with the company which guarantees his fitness for the position. When a corps visits a town arrangements are made for them to stop at the same hotel, and in addition to the rooms required for sleeping purposes a room is reserved as a meeting or resting place. The cadets are impressed with the fact that for the time and place they are the custodian of the reputation of their employer. Their clothing is uniform in color, texture and style, but in no way suggests regalia. It is of modest gray cloth, with double-breasted sack coat and purple neck-

tie. They must keep their apparel neat and are never permitted to walk the street with coat unbuttoned, nor to smoke outside the rest room provided for them. They must finish their duties for the day by a certain time and then report to the hotel for the evening meal. After eating, unless some clean form of entertainment has been provided, they go to the rest room, or to their individual rooms, and talk, read, compare experiences of the day, or write letters. During the six months of 1906 when this experiment was conducted on a smaller scale there was not a case of serious illness, nor was a boy withdrawn from the service by his parents.

The idea of giving a young man a technical education as a salesman with safeguards about him until he is firmly rooted in the soil of good habits is a novel one. Its results are being watched closely by the officers and directors of the company, who express great confidence in the outcome. Its success means a great deal to the employer and infinitely more to the cadet.

It is an endorsement and amplification of the old battle-cry of Pres. George T. Fairchild, "A good education pays."

College Pranks.

By "C. D. y." '95.

Who of us could not sit down and spend hours telling of College pranks? I sometimes think that the day of such nonsense is over, for I have read the *JAYHAWKER* and *Industrialist* for years without seeing any mention of them, but once in a long while I run across one of the graduates of recent years and get him wound up by unwinding myself some, and I soon find that there is "something doing" there yet, though it seems to me to be along more commendable lines.

When I was a College boy, our attention was usually directed toward some member of the Faculty—or his

horse. Now it seems to be one class against another. And was it not our class, the class of '95, that started the class spirit? I never saw or heard of a genuine class scrap until the spring of '95, when we found ourselves up against not only the class of '96 (which was quite a good-sized proposition) but the other two classes as well. It will be hard to convince any member of our class that there ever has been a class scrap to equal the stirring times of the Commencement of that year—the night the spade disappeared (was it to be forever?) and when the flag went up—and when it came down. Ah! that was a "scrap" that will last in our memories forever! When members of the Faculty, who tried to stop the fight, were tossed aside like children! When dignified seniors of mature years, in their graduating suits, threw their coats on the muddy ground and fought like mad men! Some have since fought for their country—aye, and one brave hero has died for it—but no battle ever stirred one's passions more than that skirmish in front of Anderson Hall!

But that need not be told here. Most of you saw or have heard of it. I was asked by the editor to tell of College pranks. In my time there was a sort of craze in that line, and most of those pranks have been told and retold until worn out. Several excellent fellows were expelled or suspended for going too far in their jokes. But there was one prank played upon an innocent professor that has never been told above a whisper. It did not turn out to suit either party.

In the College at that time was a new professor who, for some reason that I never could discover, was considered a fit subject for rough jokes. At that time I had never been in his classes, but in later years he became one of my favorite professors and a friend of mine in time of need—examination day. But I could never muster courage to apologize to him, but I

hope when he reads this that he will forgive us all.

Some of my associates were upper classmen, who were bent on playing some trick on Professor X, and they planned some they did not carry out. At last it was decided to kidnap his bicycle—the first "safety" in Manhattan. His rooming place was shadowed, but his precious wheel was kept in his room. At this stage of the game I was taken in, just why I cannot recall now.

One evening two of us were out and met Professor X on his wheel, going to see his best girl. That was our chance. We hurried to notify the various members of our "gang." It was on Friday evening. In those days there was no school on Saturday, and Friday evening was our evening off—socials, parties, and entertainments. I laugh yet when I think of the various places we found the boys. One, who for short we shall call Smith, was reading a paper at the Methodist church, and, as he was the only one who had ever ridden a bicycle, we had to have him; so we waited until he was through. At last he was ready, and he went to capture the wheel. He found it easily, but then the trouble began. He had ridden the old-fashioned high wheel, but when he tried the safety it refused to keep the road, and he looked as if he had been riding a wild broncho when he delivered the goods.

It was decided to keep the wheel awhile until the excitement blew over.

The plan was to hang the wheel to the top of the flag staff, and preparations were made with that in view.

None of us had ever gone up the pole, and two sophomores were detailed to survey the route. They selected the evening of the "Ag. Party." Though a freshman, I had agriculture that term, and I was endeavoring to get acquainted with some of the second-year girls, but was making little progress, for our new professor of ag-

tempted, I fell, to the extent that I went to Oklahoma and submitted bids on some of the pasture land now being opened for settlement there; so, if Uncle Sam sees fit to grant to me a piece of dirt in that "land of promise," that is where my friends will find me the coming year, striving to make the "desert blossom as the rose," and, I hope, entering into a larger sphere of usefulness.

I have visited the College four times since graduation and have been pleased to note the marks of progress to be seen on every hand, and also to meet and greet those of our classmates whose lots have been cast in Manhattan.—*V. M. Emmert, Blue Rapids, Kan.*

My training and work at K. S. A. C. have not been thrown away. I have been teaching all these six years since I graduated. I went to Topeka, the fall of 1901, as instructor of domestic science and English in a normal (boarding) school. The name of this school is "The Western Tuskegee." It is a school modeled after Tuskegee, Booker T. Washington's famous school. The principal and several teachers are graduates of Mr. Washington's school. The school is classed among the independent charities of this State and therefore depends largely upon public charity for its support. While I am not now with that school, I still have a deep interest in it and would be pleased to have any of the class of '01 visit it when the opportunity affords. For four years I worked there during the school year, and during the summer months of three of those years I acted as financial secretary for it, soliciting funds and students in nearly all parts of our State. During one of my trips through southwestern Kansas I met several "naughty ones."

Last year I taught in the Douglass school of Manhattan. The work there was pleasant, but not very easy—

I mean not even as easy as ordinary teaching. I had four grades of little "home folks." Many of them were children whose parents were in school with me when we were "primaries," and often I would be reminded by these little folks of the days when their parents looked and acted as they.

This year finds me instructor of domestic science in Sumner High School, of Kansas City, Kan. This is the first year domestic science has been taught in the city schools here. My laboratory has been completed and furnished only about six weeks.

My work is pleasant and my hours are not long. The other five teachers in the building are men.

I am one of the associate editors of a little paper published here, "The Telephone." It is a literary and society paper in its first year. It has a column headed "Woman and Home," for which this "naughty one" is responsible.

Since leaving school I have not met many K. S. A. C. people; my work brings me in contact more with graduates and students of southern and eastern colleges.

I will be delighted to hear from my many classmates and to learn what they have been doing since 1901.—*Minnie M. Howell, 1401 N. Tenth Street, Kansas City, Kan*

The summer of 1901 I spent working in the Hort. Department at College, and in late September I went to Indianapolis, Ind., and enrolled in the Central School of Dentistry, with the idea of trying to make a professional man of myself. Incidentally, I "hashed" (waited table) in a restaurant, while there, to defray part expenses.

At the close of College in the spring I tried being a book agent for a while, but couldn't persuade enough people to think as I did about the book, and so I gave it up and helped my brother on the farm till fall.

I took my junior term in dentistry in the Western Dental College, at Kansas City, Mo., at the completion of which I took an examination, before the Oklahoma Dental Board, for a license to practice, and passed all branches with highest grades granted by that body up to that time, so they told me.

On July 1, 1903, I opened an office in Cordell, Okla., for "all kinds of first-class dental work." In the early part of August, that year, I was married, at Manhattan, to Leonora D. Eggen, (domestic science short course, '02), and we returned at once to Cordell and began house-keeping.

In the fall of '04 we spent three weeks visiting relatives and two weeks seeing the sights at the St. Louis Fair. We then went on to Indianapolis, where I took up my senior course in Central Dental College, and at the same time held the position of assistant demonstrator. At the beginning of 1905 the Central College disbanded and united with the Indiana Dental College, so we returned to Kansas City and I completed the term in Western Dental College, receiving my D. D. S. degree on May 6, 1905, since which time we have been living here in Falls City, Neb.

We are happy, and trying to get as much pleasure as we can out of life and at the same time be of some good to the community. Mrs. Allison is president of the Presbyterian Y. P. S. C. E., and I am honored with the title of superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday-school.

Our latch string is always out to all College friends, and we hope that any happening in Falls City will avail themselves of our hospitality, such as it is.—*Cyrus N. Allison, Falls City, Nebr.*

After graduating, I spent a very profitable summer at the College working for the Agronomy Department as

acting assistant in field and feeding experiments. In September I took my belongings and began operations on the Rockefeller ranch in Kiowa county, Kansas, which is owned by Frank Rockefeller, brother of J. D. On this great ranch of 15,000 acres I found many things of interest, though the pure-bred herds of Hereford and Shorthorn cattle that were in my charge required most of my time.

My College training was now useful in my every-day work, as the best of care was none too good for the fine cattle which were carefully selected from the best herds in the world and seldom priced below the fourth figure column. I found the work not only interesting but profitable and instructive, yet I knew that I must not tarry too long in the "short-grass" country lest Uncle Sam should change his mind about giving me a farm in the new lands of Oklahoma. I also feared, should I lose this opportunity of obtaining a farm, I might perhaps lose forever the honorable title of "farmer," granted me by my classmates, and of which prefix I am still justly proud.

Therefore, in the season when most migrating birds go north, I made my departure to the "Sunny South," leaving to my successor such articles as fur cap, felt boots, and overcoat, and established residence on a virgin farm. Now it was that I realized that my College agricultural training was yet incomplete. I had heard of domestic science and had eaten fine meals at the Domestic Science Hall, but when it came to the cooking I found myself deficient, and embarrassed, especially when company came. As I had already lived one fourth of my life (providing of course that I live to the age of 100 years, which I at present fully expect to do); I decided to do as little work as possible in this new science and devote my time to the agronomy side—plowing, sowing, and reaping.

In the meantime I became acquainted with the new population, and often had occasion to visit with a young Iowa man, by name of Pool, who is a graduate of the Agricultural College, at Ames, and to discuss with him agricultural possibilities of the new country. He, of course, returned my calls and occasionally enjoyed (?) a meal at my shack. During these visitations it was that I became well acquainted with his good father and mother and also with his younger sister, Hellen, all of whom I loved dearly, though later I discovered that I loved Hellen best of all.

During the summer of 1903 I was given an opportunity to take up work in a broader way at the Fort Hays Branch Experiment station, and later accepted. I made occasional visits to Oklahoma to look after my agricultural and other interests there. This, of course, was inconvenient at best, so Hellen and I were married and decided to make our home in western Kansas, where our work is still connected with the Kansas State Agricultural College.

The Fort Hays Branch Experiment Station comprises nearly 4000 acres of land, to which have been added improvements such as fences, buildings, water system, bridges, and working equipment. The experience of the settlers on the Great Plains area of Western Kansas, covering a period of more than twenty years, had demonstrated conclusively that agriculture could not be pursued with profit under existing, natural conditions, and that artificial means, such as improved methods of cultivation, improved crops, and perhaps irrigation, must be substituted for those that failed. This, then, is our work at present, experimenting with all kinds of field crops, dry-land cultural methods, irrigation, and animal industry, for the purpose of helping the farmer of the Great Plains area to realize more profit and to live better and happier.

I have charge of the work, which I find very interesting and instructive. My ambition for this institution is that it will soon be known by its work as it to-day is by its area, the greatest experiment station in the world.

The problems of domestic science are solved by Mrs. O. H. Elling, who ably manages this part of the work. Another jewel was added to our happy home a few days after Christmas when Margaret Louise came to enjoy sister-ship with Helen Rachel. Both children are bright and healthy, and they grow into our hearts and fill a precious place in our home. Helen Rachel is two years old and enjoys open air and farm scenery, poultry, cattle, horses, and hogs. For our little ones we have high hopes; may God grant that they grow up to be pure-hearted and noble-minded women, who shall bring nothing but good to the world.
—O. H. Elling, *Hays, Kan.*

The year after graduating I spent at the College, teaching freshman girls how to sew and trying to get ideas into a particularly exasperating class of "preps."

The following two years I stayed at home with my parents, where I tried to make practical application of the "general rules" and other rules taught us in domestic science.

The fourth year was spent teaching school in a little schoolhouse standing in the Blue Valley, just about one mile from Randolph. One member of the school board was a lonesome "bachelor" of exactly my own age, who—but more of this later. I spent many pleasant days during my first term of school that will not be forgotten.

My summer vacation was spent partly at home and partly in visiting with friends and relatives in western Kansas, and the following winter I taught in the home district near Keats, which term covers many vexatious happenings as well as a few amusing

ones. School closed the last of March, and on the sixteenth day of the following May, Madge McKeen changed her name to that of the "bachelor" member of the school board, and became Mrs. Irving Axelton.

Needless to say that the past eight months spent as a farmer's wife have been very happy ones, and we expect all that follow to be like them. If, by chance or otherwise, any '01's come to Randolph, remember to call and see us, as we keep open house for all our friends.

With best wishes to all of the "naughty ones."—*Madge (McKeen) Axelton, Randolph, Kan.*

To tell what I have been doing for the last six years will take but few words; in fact, it can well be expressed in one—"farming." Since graduation my life has been spent on the old home farm, nor do I now regret it, though I have in times past wished to try my luck in other lines of work.

As I am naturally very good while asleep, and with plenty of work to keep myself out of mischief the other six hours of the day, I am getting to be quite a model of goodness. The old family name that I inherited from my paternal ancestor is good enough for me, but it doesn't seem to be good enough for anybody else; I haven't been able to persuade anyone to assume it.—*Harry H. Fay, Wisley, Kan.*

The "good roads" question has been my hobby, and last May, to settle the matter satisfactorily, I married "Billy" Rhoades, '97. We are living in Olathe, Kan., and have been fortunate enough to meet quite a number of our classmates and College friends. Mr. Rhoades is cashier of the Patrons' Bank, and I cashier at 343 E. Park street.—*Edith (Huntress) Rhoades, '01, Olathe, Kan.*

(Continued next month.)

Oratorical Contest.

The seventh annual intersociety oratorical contest is an event of the past, and goes into College history as the most satisfactory and in every way the best contest of them all.

For the third time, and that in three successive years, the Hamiltons are victorious, but with Eurodelphians a close second and the other societies not far behind. The successful contestants won by a narrow margin, but the honor of winning was the greater against such strong competition.

On the eventful evening, Saturday, January 26, the Auditorium was filled to the limit of its seating capacity by the societies and their invited guests, and excitement ran high. An attempt at description, for the benefit of the uninitiated, of the enthusiastic demonstrations of the various societies would be in vain, and for those who have "been there" it is unnecessary. It was the same as of old—only more so.

The Ios. made the hit of the evening in their caps and gowns (in yellow and white, the society colors), while Hamps. were gorgeous in red caps and neckties. The Webs. (who, by the way, are somewhat unfortunate in their adoption of a color that makes them look greener than they really are) overstepped their bounds and strung up a banner which was soon pulled down in true Hamiltonion fashion, as was also the A. B. pennant that appeared later in the evening.

Each of the orations was preceded by a musical number from the society represented, and in turn the Webster quartet, Franklin male quartet, Ionian quartet, Hamp. trombone quartet, Eurodelphian trio and a soloist from the Alpha Beta society added their contributions to the evening's entertainment.

L. M. Jorgenson, representing the Webster society, was the first speaker, his subject being "A Problem of the Races." He handled the negro question in an original way, emphasizing

the impossibility of social equality and the vital importance to our nation of immediate attention to the problem, and suggested segregation of the races as the only solution.

"The Iconoclast" was the subject of M. M. Justin's oration, for the Franklin society. While the production was full of excellent thoughts,

Miss Helen Huse, of the Eurodelphian society, presented "The Cry of the Children," dealing with the much agitated child-labor problem. She handled her subject skilfully, pointing out facts and conclusions reached in the recent movement against the evil in an interesting and convincing manner. The judges awarded Miss Huse

THE OFFICIAL SCORE.

CONTESTANTS.	Thought and Composition.						Delivery.						Sum of Grades.....	Sum of Ranks.....	Final Rank.....
	Hamilton.....		Picken.....		Pierson.....		Leach.....		Frazier.....		Ball.....				
	Grade..	Rank..	Grade..	Rank..	Grade..	Rank..	Grade..	Rank..	Grade..	Rank..	Grade..	Rank..			
Jorgenson (Webster)....	90	3	88	4	89	4	86	6	75	6	89	4	517	27	5
Justin (Franklin).....	80	6	87	5	92	2	88	5	80	5	83	6	510	29	6
Brink (Hamilton).....	92	2	90	3	96	1	93	2	90	4	95	2	556	14	1
Morton (Ionian).....	88	4	91	2	88	5	95	1	98	1	86	5	546	18	3
Huse (Eurodelphian)....	95	1	94	1	90	3	91	3	92	3	93	3	555	14	2
Garver (Alpha Beta)....	85	5	85	6	87	6	90	4	97	2	96	1	540	24	4

Mr. Justin's voice and manner were not suitable for its best presentation, and he failed to hold the attention of his hearers.

Miss Charlotte Morton represented the Ionian society, and her oration, "Let There Be Light," a plea for freedom of thought in theology, was of the highest class, well written and delivered in a most pleasing manner. She ranked close to the leaders in the contest, her grade being less than two points below that of the winner of first honors.

"Lucifer, Son of the Morning," the winning oration and the most scholarly of the six excellent productions, was given by Raymond Brink, the Hamilton representative. He spoke on the causes of the downfall of Spain, making striking and practical application of the lessons drawn to the government of our own country. The oration and its masterly delivery were a credit both to Mr. Brink and his society.

second place in the contest, ranking her one-sixth of one per cent only below the winner of first place. This is the first year that the Euros. have been represented in the contest, and the girls are justly proud of their splendid success.

J. R. Garver, the Alpha Beta orator, was the last speaker, and he delivered a spirited oration on "The Supremacy of Moral Courage." Mr. Garver's voice is especially fitted for oratorical work, and he appeared very much at ease on the stage.

After all was over, the Hamps. builded themselves a huge bonfire and celebrated their victory as Hamps. are wont to do.

Here's to the Hamps! and here's to the Euros! and here's hoping that another year some of the other societies will come to the front! It will be remembered that the first contest was won by the Alpha Betas, the next three by the Ionians, and now the Hamps.

have carried off the honors for the third time. Let the good things be passed around!

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**Sixth Annual Reunion of the Washington K. S. A. C. Alumni.**

The K. S. A. C. Alumni Association of Washington, D. C., held its sixth annual reunion and banquet Tuesday evening, January 29, at the Tea Cup Inn, 1623 H street, N. W.

After the usual exchange of greetings, Vice-president Kellogg rang the bell for order. Mrs. Kellogg played a selection upon the piano, which was so acceptable that she was induced to respond to an encore.

Professor Failyer then introduced "Recreations" in the form of a guessing contest, which provoked considerable mirth. Many found it difficult to answer some of the questions without the aid of a dictionary. The relation between the question "What is the most uncertain age?" and the answer "sausage" was rather obscure before the answer was known. Professor Lantz thought the age most to be avoided was "cabbage," and suggested that "marriage" would satisfactorily answer most of the twenty questions.

Professor Norton, under the head of "Artistic Diversions," played the role of a crayon artist and successfully portrayed various phases of College life. The illustrations ranged from the main building with its belfry where "sometimes the bell used to ring when it wasn't rung, and sometimes didn't ring when it was rung," to the days when the students milked the cows, represented by the Jersey cow with her hoof in the milk pail and "Doane" and the stool in characteristic poses. Then followed "Coeducation at K. S. A. C. as contrasted with that at the Maryland college." The last scene was that of the setting sun, with the Kansas sunflower above "symbolical of love for our Alma Mater, in the 'sun that never sets.'"

Mrs. W. L. Hall sang "A Winter Lullaby," after which the guests repaired to the dining-hall, which had been decorated with narcissus for the occasion.

Near the close of the luncheon, W. R. Spilman as toastmaster introduced W. L. Hall, who spoke on the subject, "How to Tell a K. S. A. C. Man."

Other toasts were: "The Faculty, Present Company not Excepted," C. F. Doane; "Faculty Secrets," Professors Failyer, Lantz, and Mason; "Coeducation," N. Schmitz; "Balanced Rations," Mrs. J. M. Westgate; "What the Alumni are Doing," L. W. Call; "Legal Advise," E. P. Hanna; "The Short-Grass Country," A. H. Leidigh; "Ins and Outs of College Life," L. A. Fitz; and "P. M. Days," E. H. Webster.

After all had joined in singing the College song, Mrs. Hall and W. R. Ballard sang a duet. At a late hour the guests departed, and one of the most successful reunions in the history of the association came to an end.

Those present were: G. H. Failyer, '77, L. W. Call, '83, and Mrs. Call, J. E. Payne, '87, Julia R. Pearce, '90, S. C. Mason, '90, W. R. Spilman and Bertha (Winchip) Spilman, '91, C. P. Hartley, '92, and Mrs. Hartley, C. F. Doane, '96, and Margaret (Carlton) Doane, '96, J. B. S. Norton, '96, E. H. Webster, '96, R. S. Kellogg, '96, and Mrs. Kellogg and mother, J. M. Westgate, '97, Inez (Wheeler) Westgate, '05, W. L. Hall, '98, Gertrude (Lyman) Hall, '97, E. C. Butterfield, '98, Roland McKee, '00, L. A. Fitz, '02, and Mrs. Fitz, A. H. Leidigh, '02, A. B. Gahan, '03, H. N. Vinall, '03, V. L. Cory, '04, H. Umberger, '05, W. R. Ballard, '05, Earl Wheeler, '05, C. W. Fryhofer, '05, W. B. Thurston, '06, L. E. Hazen, '06, Milo Hastings, '06, Prof. V. M. Shoesmith, Prof. C. W. Melick, Prof. and Mrs. D. E. Lantz, Miss Nellie Thompson, E. P. Hanna and daughter, and John F. Straus.—*W. R. B.*, '05.

# EDITORIAL

Here's greetings to the local alumni associations of K. S. A. C.—all of them, from Seattle to the New England States—and may this time of reunions and banquets be a most enjoyable season for you all. Since one year ago, two new organizations have been added to the list, and there might be a number more. A surprisingly small number of K. S. A. C.-ites can make such an organization worth while, and you will never know until you have tried it how much real enjoyment half a dozen alumni can get out of occasional meetings to talk over old times.

Naturally, the social side of such meetings is the thing which appeals most to the alumni far from the College; but in addition to this they can give aid by expressing their opinions on matters of interest to them as alumni of the College. It frequently happens that the alumni far from home have a better perspective of such things than those who are on the ground, and an expression of their ideas is often influential in furthering the interests of the College. We have in mind the recent action taken by the Washington Alumni Association, and the resolutions published on another page of this magazine. This is not only an indication of the interest of the Washington people in the question in hand, but shows that they are keeping track of the College and its affairs.

Watch the doings of K. S. A. C. and let us have your opinions.

The question of proper salaries for college professors and instructors is a problem claiming serious attention in the college world, and one which demands an early solution. During

the past ten years of universal prosperity and progress, salaries in every other line have been advanced to a point somewhat commensurate with the increased cost of living, while the average salary paid to men holding the rank of professor, assistant professor and instructor is thirteen per cent less than ten years ago, so that the purchasing power of the same is only about two-thirds of what it was then, taking into account the increased cost of living.

In considering this matter, it must not be forgotten that a man occupying a professor's chair is obliged, if he fill his position acceptably, to incur expenses from which the average man is free. He must travel somewhat, at least enough to keep in touch with other men working in the same field, and attend meetings of his fellow workers so as to get the inspiration which can only be had by such personal contact.

The average business man, who has given the same amount of time and gone to the same expense in preparing himself for his work, receives an income nearly double that of the professor.

To be sure, the rule of "plain living and high thinking" is a commendable one, but compulsory plain living and too much of it may in time incapacitate a man for high thinking.

The profession of teaching is one that has other compensation than cash; the work is its own reward; and surely there is no more noble occupation than that of training the minds of the young men and women who are to rule the world to-morrow. And yet the professor cannot give to the student more than he has, and he cannot have more than he is able to get. He real-

izes his own limitations more fully than does any one else, and the ultimate result of such a state of affairs, if continued, will be to discourage conscientious teachers, or those who might otherwise become teachers, and lead them away into other lines of work.

What, then, will become of our colleges? The best is not too good for them, and in this, as in everything else, if we would have the best we must expect to pay for it.

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"The glory of our life below  
Comes not from what we do or what we  
know.  
But dwells forevermore in what we are."

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We often hear people talking about getting "what's coming to them," as though this old world owes them something and they have only to wait for things to come their way. What's coming to us is just what we get out in the world and rustle for, no more, no less. The world gives us our opportunity, but success is not made for us while we wait. Nor is success measured so much by what we get out of the world as by what we put into it. "Success in life is a matter not so much of talent or opportunity as of concentration and perseverance," and is achieved most surely by those who risk much for it and who stake the most on their determination to win.

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We all make mistakes sometimes, and the best we can do is to rectify them at the earliest opportunity. We beg the pardon of G. F. Wagner, '99, for an incorrect report about him in the December number of this magazine. Mr. Wagner pleads "not guilty" to the matrimonial claim made against him by Mary (Waugh) Smith, and informs us that had the report read, "G. F. Wagner *will not be married* for several years," it would have been more nearly correct. Cheer up, Mr. Wagner, "it may not be true!"

### **Be Strong.**

Be strong!  
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift.  
We have hard work to do and loads to lift.  
Shun not the struggle; face it. 'Tis God's gift.

Be strong!  
Say not the days are evil—Who's to blame?  
And fold the hands and acquiesce—O shame!  
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's  
name.

Be strong!  
It matters not how deep entrenched the  
wrong,  
How hard the battle goes, the day how long.  
Faint not, fight on!  
To-morrow comes the song.

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### **Resolutions.**

At the annual reunion of the Washington alumni, January 29, the following resolutions were read and unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, It is the opinion of the K. S. A. C. Alumni Association of Washington, D. C., that the letter "K" adopted as the official monogram of the Athletic Association of our College fails to distinguish our athletes from those of the other State colleges, and that the omission of "A" from such an emblem is a failure to recognize the distinctive feature of our College, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we hereby disapprove of this action of the association, and that we favor the annulment of such action by the association, and the adoption of an official monogram combining the letters "K. A. C." Be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the College papers, and one to the president of the Athletic Association."—*W. R. Ballard, '05, Secretary of the Washington Alumni Association.*

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"Begin, live, aspire, realize the best ideal of the moment; and this earnest effort shall lead the way to greater achievement."—*H. W. Dresser.*

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"The world gives its admiration, not to those who do what nobody else attempts, but to those who do best what multitudes do well."



# ALUMNI



J. Lloyd Pancake, '00, has moved from Tully, Kan., to Mt. Airy, Ga.

J. C. Cunningham, '05, came, February 16, for a few days' visit in Manhattan.

A little daughter was born, January 30, to Floyd Champlin, '02 and Grace (Hill) Champlin, '99, of Phillipsburg, Kan.

Clara Barnhisel, '04, has accepted the position of head matron at the Indian school in White Earth, Minn., and went, the latter part of January, to take up her duties there.

J. M. Kessler, '99, and wife are the parents of a daughter, born January 28. Mrs. Kessler was Miss Emma Scheideman, student in 1901-'02. Mr. Kessler is a florist in Topeka.

We notice the name of C. A. Groves, '04, as one of the associate editors of "The Telephone," a little paper published weekly in Kansas City, Kan., and devoted to race interests.

Henry Sidorfsky, '03, who has been employed by the General Electric Company, with headquarters in Los Angeles, has gone to South America, and when last heard from was headed for Rio de Janeiro.

O. H. Halstead, '95, has resigned his position as assistant in physics, at K. S. A. C., to take charge of the office work of the E. L. Knostman Clothing Company, Manhattan, Kan. Mr. Halstead is secretary of the newly incorporated company.

Carl Lane, '05, who has been with the Bullock Electric Manufacturing Company since his graduation two years ago, has been elected assistant in the Physics Department of K. S. A. C., and took charge of the junior engineer classes January 22.

The funeral of Jay Worswick, '05, who was killed July 22 in an engagement with Pulajanes, near Burean, Island of Leyte, Philippines, was held at the Worswick home in Oskaloosa, Kan., January 23.

Geo. E. Hopper, '85, has purchased three lots of Prof. Albert Dickens, '93, just north of the city park, on the corner of Manhattan Avenue and Fremont street, and will commence the erection of a residence about June 1.

Edmund R. Secrest, '02, assistant in forestry at the Ohio Experiment Station, delivered an address on "Methods of Estimating Future Yields in Woodlots," before the Ohio State Forestry Society, January 17.

F. W. Haselwood, '01, of Altamont, Cal., resident engineer in charge of construction for the Western Pacific Railway, made a short visit to his mother and school-day friends in Manhattan, the first of the month.

J. C. Cunningham, '05, and G. W. Gasser, '05, assisted with the display of the Crete Nursery Company, at the Nebraska State Horticultural Society meeting, January 15-17, and gave instruction in the best methods of culture, spraying and packing fruit.

Henry Thomas, '04, who has been employed with the Bullock Electric Manufacturing Company, of Cincinnati, has accepted a position with the Consumers' Electric Company, of New Orleans, and took charge of the electrical end of their main power station there early in January. Mr. Thomas writes that this is his first experience in the "Sunny South," and he is enjoying it very much, especially when he reads reports of the blizzards up north. His address is 1726 Bordeaux street, New Orleans.

Ella Criss, '04, writes to have the JAYHAWKER sent to her at Anaheim, Orange county, Calif.

Edith Goodwin, '03, came down from Chapman, February 9, and visited over Sunday with friends.

R. T. Kersey, '04, of Chicago, made a short call at the College, February 8, on his way to Wamego to visit his parents.

R. A. Oakley, '03, is the author of Part VI of Bulletin No. 100 of the Bureau of Plant Industry on "Orchard-grass."

Mrs. Henrietta (Willard) Calvin, '86, was called away from College for a few days the last of January by the death of her mother, in Wichita.

Mattie Pittman, '06, has resigned her position in the Horton schools and accepted a government position in an Indian school in Oklahoma.

Lyman H. Dixon, '88, writes to have his business address changed from 36 E. Twentieth street to 11 E. Twenty-fourth street, New York, N. Y.

P. MacDonald Biddison, '04, is now located at Joplin, Mo., where he has a position as consulting engineer with the Hope Engineering and Supply Company.

F. V. Dial, '97, who has been the assistant in the museum at K. U., has accepted a position here, and will be employed in preparing specimens for the museum.

C. J. Burson, '01, has come back to sunny Kansas. He informs us that he sold his farm in Herrick, S. Dak., in September, and is now located in Hewins, Kan., where he is cashier of the Hewins State Bank.

Prof. A. S. Hitchcock, of Washington, sailed for Europe, January 29, where he expects to visit all the principal herbaria, in order to study the types of the American species of *Panicum*. Mr. Hitchcock has, in course of preparation, a monograph of the genus *Panicum*.

L. P. Keeler, '99, and wife, of 819 E. Seventh, North, Portland, Oreg., are the proud parents of a boy, born January 19. L. P. is already making arrangements to have L. P. Keeler, Jr., enter K. S. A. C. as soon as he is old enough to pass the age limit.

D. G. Fairchild, '88, president of the Washington Alumni Association, had planned to have the reunion at his home, but at a late date was taken sick and ordered by his physician to leave the city. He regretted very much that he could not carry out his plan.

The name of Prof. F. A. Waugh, '91, appears in the announcement of "Practical Talks," a series of addresses on trades, industries and professions given by business and professional men at the North Adams Young Men's Christian Association, Amherst, Mass. Mr. Waugh's subject is "Agriculture as a Profession."

Albert Deitz, '85, has purchased four hundred fifty acres of land in Houston county, Texas, where he expects to establish a nursery for growing horticultural stock. He is finding difficulty in getting the right kind of a man to take charge of it, although offering liberal terms. Mr. Deitz's address now is 2747 Holly street, Kansas City, Mo.

Geo. O. Greene, '00, made a hasty call on friends at the College, February 7. That reminds us that we saw his picture, not long ago, in the *Plainville Times*, with a half column "write-up." Mr. Greene left the professional field and entered the mercantile business in the fall of 1905, assuming an interest in the Russell Coöperative store at Lucas. Last July he entered into partnership with D. R. Worley and purchased the Coöperative stock at Plainville, and has added to it until it is now one of the largest and most prosperous concerns in the county.

Frank Bates, '04, is vice-president of the Kansas Club at the University of Michigan.

Inga Dahl, '98, is taking work in domestic science and domestic art at the College this term.

W. E. Watkins, '06, has resigned his position in a creamery at Butte, Mont., and returned to Kansas.

After a short time spent attending the Inland Technical School in Chicago, A. N. H. Beeman, '05, has accepted a position on the Leavenworth *Times*, where he is employed as linotype operator and ad. man.

H. V. Harlan, '04, and Augusta (Griffing) Harlan, '04, Iloilo, P. I., are enjoying the satisfaction that accompanies success in teaching agriculture and domestic science. In the somewhat unorganized condition of things when he began work it was Mr. Harlan's lot to teach nearly everything in the catalogue, and he was surprised to find that he could do this as successfully as graduates of prominent eastern universities. As Mr. Harlan grows older he will find that success always depends more upon the man than upon the place he comes from, and any who are familiar with his excellent record here will not be surprised at his success in teaching, even if it includes subjects not listed among his specialties.—*Industrialist*.

Silas C. Mason, '90, formerly professor of horticulture here and for nearly ten years professor of horticulture and forestry in Berea College, Berea, Ky., has been appointed dryland aboriculturist in the Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, beginning his services January 1. This engagement is the outcome of some special work which Professor Mason did for the Bureau last summer while on his vacation in California. All who know him know that his work will be well done. Berea College has lost a

valuable member of its faculty. . .

. Mrs. Mason will continue to reside at Berea for the present.—*Industrialist*.

Following is the report of a reception given for Professor Mason on the eve of his departure from Berea:

#### FAREWELL TO PROFESSOR MASON.

"Last Monday night, January 7, about 7:15, a multitude, including most of the 'Convocation,' marched mysteriously from Mrs. Todd's house to Professor Mason's residence. In order that the prey might not escape, the librarian entered the back door while the rest of the attacking party boldly entered in front, depositing a useful collection of lanterns on the porch, and took possession of the parlor and sitting room. With their usual hospitality, Professor and Mrs. Mason welcomed their unexpected guests and awaited an explanation. After some minutes of social conversation, Mr. Osborne said: 'Professor Mason I believe Professor Rain has something to say to you.'

"Then Professor Rain, with some humorous circumlocutions, explained that the assembly had met to show their regard for Professor Mason on the eve of his departure from Berea, by the presentation of a leather toilet case, containing brushes, mirrors, etc. The present had not arrived yet, but was to be forwarded to Professor Mason in Washington in time for him to prepare suitably for his call at the White House. Professor Mason replied with a couple of good stories and deeply felt words of appreciation and love for Berea, and the party broke up, giving farewell greetings to Professor Mason. He left for his work for the government in the Department of Agriculture, on Tuesday, January 8, '07."

A recent letter from Isabelle (Frisbie) Criswell, '94, tells of some of the things she and Judson H. Criswell, '89, have been interesting themselves in, since going to Ames, Iowa, eigh-

teen months ago. "Judd's" work, as a graduate student in the Iowa State College, has kept him busy studying. His major work has been in agricultural engineering, with research work—comparing the relative value of gasoline and alcohol as fuels for gas engines. January 1, he accepted the position of superintendent of field work in the farm crops department, and he is now busily engaged in that work.

During December, Mrs. Criswell made several trips to farmers' institutes, giving talks on domestic science topics. She mentions one such occasion when Martha (Nitcher) Sowers, '01, showed her loyalty to old K. S. A. C. by riding eleven miles "over roads so rough that the old-time corduroy road of our grandfathers would have seemed smooth in comparison."

We quote from Mrs. Criswell's letter: "We had a rare treat last month in the nature of a little visit with our dear friend, Mrs. Kedzie Jones. She was here a couple of days during the short course, lecturing in the domestic science department. To those who knew Mrs. Kedzie at Manhattan, it is not necessary to tell how much we enjoyed this little visit; to those of the younger alumni, who knew her not, words prove inadequate to express our pleasure."

DAVIS-MORLEY.

C. E. Davis, '06, was married, January 1, 1907, to Miss Rose Morley, of Parsons, Kan.

SCOTT-JEWETT.

Chas. A. Scott, '01, was married Wednesday, January 30, to Miss Perley Burnham Jewett, of Broken Bow, Neb. They will be at home, after May 15, at Halsey, Neb.

CONNER-WATERS.

On January 31, in Manhattan, occurred the marriage of Elsie Waters and Charles Conner. Miss Waters graduated from K. S. A. C. in 1898, and

has been a teacher in the State since then. During the past year she has been employed as a teacher at the College. Mr. Conner is a successful farmer near Albert Lee, Minn., where they will make their home.

VANDORP-READ.

The *Student's Herald* announces the marriage, in Topeka, January 16, of Fred VanDorp, '05, and Miss Leona Read, of that city. Mr. and Mrs. VanDorp are at home on their farm near Topeka.

WHIPPLE-MCGREGOR.

On December 31, 1906, at the home of the bride's mother, Olivet, Kan., occurred the marriage of Miss Inez M. McGregor and Jas. H. Whipple. Mrs. Whipple was a student at K. S. N. for four years, and graduated from the Dillenbeck School of Oratory in 1906. She taught three years in the State School for the Blind, in Kansas City, Kan., and is known over Kansas and adjoining states as a reader and teacher of elocution and physical culture. Mr. Whipple graduated from K. S. A. C. in 1904, and has been located for two years with the Santa Fe in Topeka. Mr. and Mrs. Whipple are at home to their friends at 816 Jefferson street, Topeka.

HALLSTED-HELDER.

A valentine wedding of unusual originality and simplicity was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Helder, of Manhattan, Tuesday evening, February 12, when their daughter Mamie Eva was united in marriage to A. L. Hallsted. The affair was a delightfully informal and original one, the bride receiving her own guests in her characteristic spirit of hospitality.

Southern smilax, innumerable cut flowers, principally red carnations, and scores of red hearts made especially beautiful decorations for the occasion.

A pretty piano solo, rendered by Artie Helder, was followed by a selection, "Melody of Love," by Mrs. Mamie Merchant, of Kansas City, cousin of the bride. The bridal couple were unattended. The ring service was used, Reverend Bright, of the Methodist church, officiating.

After the ceremony an elegant two-course dinner was served in the dining-room, where lilies-of-the-valley, large bows of red and white ribbon, and numerous red candles, prettily shaded, were the attractive features of the table decorations.

Mr. Hallsted graduated from K. S. A. C. in 1903 and Mrs. Hallsted is a member of the class of 1904. They will be at home after March 8 on their farm in Havana, Kan.

#### **Basket-Ball.**

The basket-ball games have proved a very pleasant mid-winter diversion. Our College is coming to the front in basket-ball as in other things, and while this is only the second year for K. S. A. C. in the game, she has a winning team that stands second only to Baker, which is considered the best in this part of the country.

The schedule of games played so far follows:

At home:

- K. S. A. C. 37, Washburn 28.
- K. S. A. C. 47, Fort Riley 15.
- K. S. A. C. 27, Haskell Indians 28.
- K. S. A. C. 46, Lindsborg 28.
- K. S. A. C. 39, Missouri Univ. 19.
- K. S. A. C. 29, Kansas Univ. 25.
- K. S. A. C. 52, Ottawa Univ. 25.

Away from home:

- K. S. A. C. 24, Baker Univ. 70.
- K. S. A. C. 39, Haskell Indians 54.
- K. S. A. C. 24, Ottawa Univ. 45.

#### **Eastern Alumni Will Meet.**

The Eastern alumni of K. S. A. C. are planning to hold a reunion some time in March or April. Prof. Frank A. Waugh, '91, Amherst, Mass., president of the association, requests that any alumni or former students anywhere in the northeastern states who

have any intention of being present at the meeting write to him at once.

The alumni of the northeastern states had their first reunion in Boston, on April sixth, last year, at which time the Eastern Alumni Association was organized. Sixteen former K. S. A. C. people were present at this first meeting, and it is hoped that the second reunion will be attended by all within reach.

#### **Lecture Course Entertainments.**

The society lecture course has afforded us three more good numbers during the last month. The complimentary number was given January 24—a concert by the Cleveland Ladies' Orchestra. On February 12, Ernest Wray Oneal lectured on "Popular Fallacies." John B. DeMotte was to have lectured on January 29, but was unable to fill his date with us, so there was substituted for this number a lecture-recital by Emil Liebling, Saturday, February 16.

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