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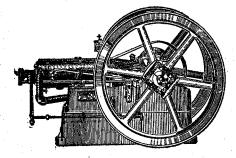
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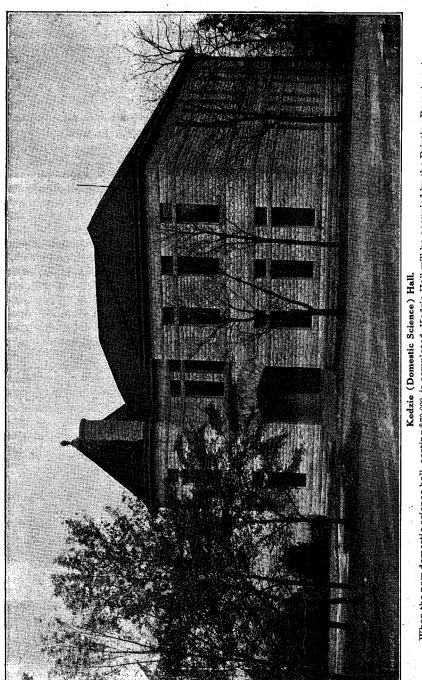
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#### Another Traveler Heard From.

Carl E. Rice, '97.

Having been absent from K. S. A. C. for nearly nine years, I will endeavor to satisfy the curiosity of some by giving a brief account of my wanderings.

A strong aversion for hard work and a desire to see foreign lands prompted me to hold a short interview with the recruiting office at Ft. Riley. As a result of the interview, I found myself, one frosty morning in the spring of '99, a buck private in the rear rank of an awkward squad at Ft. Leavenworth. By the time I had learned the difference between a lance corporal and the captain, and knew which to salute, the 16th Infantry, to which I had been assigned, was ordered to the Philippines.

Filled with corned beef hash, and visions of bloody battle-fields, we sailed from 'Frisco on the 30th of May, 1899. A band on the dock played that sacred old tune, "I don't care if you never come back," and, from the way the people of 'Frisco generally treat the soldiers, they must have meant it.

Honolulu was as glad to see us as 'Frisco was to see us leave, but I have a suspicion that the two months' pay that we put in circulation was the cause of our hearty reception.

On the 26th of June we arrived in Manila, and for the next week were highly entertained by the ranking liars of the volunteer army whose duties had kept them in Manila, far removed from the horrors which their imagination so vividly painted.

I served the remainder of my threeyear enlistment in the Islands, and my

experiences were the same as those of nearly all who went to that land for glory and the almighty peso. For exercise and amusement I pursued Bill Taft's little brown brother to his lair in the tall bamboo, generally to find that he was attending a cock fight in the town we had left the day before. When I had worked up a good. healthy appetite I was allowed to gorge myself on hardtack, desiccated potatoes and delicious corned beef, which had been thoroughly preserved in chemicals by Mr. Armour, of Chicago.

In April, 1902, I was given my reward in the shape of a discharge, which said in effect, "Well done, good and faithful servant, you can reënlist if you want to and will receive an increase of one dollar per month in your salary." After great deliberation I refused the tempting offer and drifted down to Aparri on the coast, intending to try my luck in Manila or the States. I could not get transportation to Manila because of the cholera, so signed with the quartermaster department as a packer, and returned up the river to a district where railroads and wagon roads were unknown, and the only means of transportation was the longeared native of Missouri.

I desire to have it understood right here that it was not love for my brownskined brother that kept me in the Islands. In fact, it was the hope that I might still be able to do him some bodily injury, coupled with that same old aversion to hard work, that kept me there.

For a year and a half I remained in northern Luzon, whiling away the happy hours by throwing the diamond hitch over the back of the gentle, sadeyed government pack-mule. The country was wild and lonely. About the only objects of interest after leaving the valley were wild hogs, deer, and an occasional Igorrote clad in a were going back to "God's country," "G" string and a pleasant smile.

The army still ruled that district in and respected accordingly, for the civil government had not yet come to swell the head of the fish-fed savage with the idea that he was as good or better than the white man.

At last the "powers that were" discovered that they no longer needed us in that region. The result was that in August, 1903, after enjoying a tenday typhoon on the China sea, I landed in Manila and proceeded to take in, or rather be taken in by, the delights of the capital. I was soon ordered to Mindanao, that land of the gentle Moro. Having no desire to pave the way to Heaven for some infidel follower of the Prophet, I resigned and left the conquest of the Moro to others more bloodthirsty than myself.

The first acquaintance I made in Manila was with the police. Becoming enamored with the calling, and believing the best way to keep out of jail was to help put others in, I joined the force. For the last four years I have been engaged in the not difficult task of keeping order in a city where the main difficulty is to keep the people awake long enough to go to church and the cockfight, which are the main attractions.

Last September, having some money that burned my pockets, and becoming convinced that the city would be safe during my absence, I took the leave which was due me, dodged my creditors, and departed for the States. As the "Logan" backed away from the dock, the band played "Auld Lang Syne," and the band of the Cruiser Rainbow answered with "Home, Sweet Home." The departing soldiers cheered, and those on shore sent back a feeble, homesick reply. But we old-

timers, who had made that land our home for over eight years, watched the shore recede with mixed feelings of regret and pleasure. At last we the place we had talked of all those years, but we were leaving behind the those days and the natives obeyed friends of to-day and knew that but few of the old friends of yesterday would greet us at our journey's end.

> Five days' sailing brought us to Nagasaki, Japan, where our dearly beloved friends of Nippon received us and our loose change with that hypocritical smile which some imbecile Americans think is so cute and so polite, ever so much nicer than rude, vulgar, white folks. But the "Jap" is oriental, and his love for our money makes him conceal his hatred for our race behind that over-polite bow and smile.

> We arrived in San Francisco after an uneventful voyage, and, finding that noted or rather notorious city full of fog, dirt, and hoboes, I took the first train out. The farther east I went the better the country looked, and Kansas looked best of all. The effects of hard times and Populism have vanished, and, if it were not for these frosty mornings, I might be tempted to stay. I think, however, that the East will soon be calling, and spring will find me once more on the way to take up a small share of the white man's burden of training the wily native, not to be good—for that is impossible -but to be careful and not get caught!

#### Tolstoi.

By Nathan E. Lewis, '88.

I would like to say a few words of appreciation of this good man. Menhave tried to reform the world, but in vain. They can only reform themselves. When they do, the world will be free. Tolstoi, emancipator, has freed himself. It is a true man who gets off the backs that are bent and goes down underneath their burdens as he has done.

From an officer in the Russian army to the most conspicuous non-resistant on earth, from the large landholder to the bare-footed shoemaker, from the titled nobleman to the humble peasant, are some of the examples that this Christian has set before a pagon civilization. A man of manly mould, suffering agonies untold. Yet how good it is to suffer! As we look back over the time that is gone, there is a satisfaction over our very disappointments and failures, for they have upheld, strengthened and saved us.

Sweeter than any joy is the sorrow that knows no consolation. More precious than any gain is the loss without a recompense, for these are the things that make the soul.

It is a curious fact that the best products of the various periods of time have not been the results that the people of those times have most contended for. Surely our age has not striven for the spirit of Tolstoi. On the contrary, the armies of men in all quarters of the earth have been increased in numbers greater than before. The instruments of death and destruction have been multiplied beyond comprehension. At the same time there have been built more and costlier churches and cathedrals, capitals and courts, while governments misrepresent, misrule and oppress more and more. Religious and educational institutions misguide and misteach the people to uphold a society that robs and distroys them.

Times of distress come to the workers of the world from the over-production of the things for the want of which they suffer. A few years ago a large sum of money was collected for the relief of the starving in India, and no food but a telegram was sent them, unwittingly suggesting that there was no famine for the lack of food stuffs in India. Nor is there in Russia today. These are unnatural conditions of human society which are in confusion with rational thought. The op-

pressor is a weakling because he cannot restore the rights he wronged. The rich man is a pauper and a begger because he feeds from the mouths of the hungry and the poor.

It is well that we are beginning to know these things as Tolstoi knows them. It promises the dawn of a new day. The larva is held and ruled through the long, cold winter by its dead cocoon, but the larva develops and struggles within and comes forth in the springtime the living thing.

Ever the things that have lived have not been the things that have encompassed and ruled. The life born of the Egyptian oppressions was Moses, the deliverer. From the superstition of the middle ages came Columbus, the discoverer. The influence of Hegel, the philosopher, is destined to be a thousand times greater than that of Napoleon, his contemporary.

The product of every age is better than it knows. It springs from its nature and not from its purpose, and is its evolution. The product of this age is represented by Tolstoi. He has lived the life of the race and taught us in the anguish of his soul. Excommunicated from the church, he belongs to humanity. Exiled by his country, he belongs to the world. Misunderstood by the world, he is the heritage of the race. Neither sectarian, partisan nor countryman, no boundries enclose him. Greater than all patriots, he knows no flag. Tolstoi, martyr and hero, poor mortal, will soon be dead. Tolstoi, teacher and prophet, will never die.

#### Prof. Elbridge Gale Passes Away.

Letters from Florida announce the death from old age, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Sanders, near Mangonia, of Rev. Elbridge Gale. To the early students and teachers of the Kansas State Agricultural College he is better known as Professor Gale. He occupied the chair of botany and honticulture at

this College from 1870 to 1878, and was president of the State Horticultural Society for nearly the same period.

From the Palm Beach, published at West Palm, Fla., we excerpt the following biographical notes of the veteran horticulturist:

"Elbridge Gale was born on Christmas, 1824, in Bennington, Vt. In his youth he attended Brown University, and later he was a student at and graduate of the Baptist Theological Seminary at New Hampton, N. H.

"His first pastorate was at Johnson, Vt., where he was married in 1853 to Miss Elizabeth C. Carpenter. From Vermont he went to Pavillion, Ill., and was pastor of the Baptist church in that city for eight years. He went to Kansas from Illinois, and in 1864 accepted a call from the Baptist church in Manhattan, Kan., and remained as its pastor till he was offered the chair of horticulture in the Kansas State Agricultural College, which was also located there at Manhattan, and which position he accepted. While still pastor of the Baptist church he was elected as county school superintendent of Riley county, Kan., and was reëlected for several terms.

"Rev. E. Gale came to Lake Worth in November, 1884, for his health, and was always interested in the horticulture of this section. He was the first president and an active member of the Lake Worth Horticultural Society as long as it was in existence, and it was largely through his efforts chat H. E. Van Deman, United States horticulturist, was induced to visit and become interested in this section enough to have the government procure from India some Mulgoba manroes, mangosteens and durians, and some figs and olives from Italy for distribution to the planters connected with the society. Of all the Mulgoba mango trees planted, Mr. Gale was the only one who succeeded in keeping his alive, and it still remains as a living monument of his success as a Florida horticulturist. The other trees from India all died, but few if any of the figs lasted very long, and of the olives, it is probable that a few trees Mr. Gale kept alive all these years are the only ones now living, and these have never borne any fruit though nearly twenty years old now. He was also president of the Lake Worth Pioneer Association at the time of his death.

"His wife died at their home in Mangonia in the spring of 1893. He leaves an only son and oldest child, Geo. A. Gale, of Mangonia, a daughter, Mrs. Ella M. Kedzie, of Lansing, Mich., and a youngest child, his daughter, Mrs. Hattie L. Sanders, of Mangonia. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Mary Fay, in Pennsylvania, a brother, Isaac Gale, in Oregon, another brother, Ansel Gale, in Chicago, besides a host of warm personal friends among the pioneers and others to mourn his loss."

We may add also that Professor Gale was one of the founders of the Horticultural Society: Manhattan that he planted the College arboretum east of the Horticultural Hall, and the forest plants on the old College farm. In 1879 he ran for congressman of the first Kansas district, on the greenback platform. In short, his was an active and useful life, and thousands of pioneer Kansans and former students of the College are indebted to the kindly old man, now buried on the beach of his new home state, Florida. —Industrialist.

#### Western Slope Alumni Association, Grand Junction, Colo.

On Friday evening, October 25, the alumni of the Kansas State Agricultural College living in Grand Junction, Colo., were entertained at the home of Mr. John Gresham and Mrs. Carrie (Wagner) Gresham, '01.

Big games, little games, little stories as well as big ones, were the order of the evening's fun, but Mr. Kern easily outdid the rest of us with his accounts of the dormitory and pioneer days of the College. With our recollections returned our College appetites, and the delicious refreshments seemed the best ever and were heartily enjoyed by everyone.

The purpose of the meeting was for the forming of an organization to welcome alumni, former students, and friends making new homes with us, and also those passing through the city.

Mr. E. H. Kern, '84, was chosen president, and Mrs. Carrie (Wagner) Gresham, '01, secretary and treasurer.

All alumni, former students and friends will be gladly welcomed, and a cordial invitation is extended to those coming through, to stop off and let yourselves be known.

Those sharing the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Gresham's home at this first meeting of the Western Slope Alumni Association were: E. H. Kern, '84, and wife, Jessie Wagner, '00, of Enterprize, Kan., Orville B. Whipple, '04, and Kate Zimmerman, '00, Fruita, Colo. KATE ZIMMERMAN.

### Progress on the Y. M. C. A. Building.

Work on the new building for the Young Men's Christian Association has been moving steadily the past few weeks. The death of Mr. L. D. Eversole, the contractor, has made no difference in the carrying out of the The bondsmen met and contract. appointed Mr. H. E. Eversole, a son of the contractor, to carry on the work. The general appearance of the building has attracted favorable comment from all. The main part of the building is now ready for the slate roof, and the work of plastering is to begin immediately on the completion of the roof. The heating and plumbing arrangements have been keeping pace with the rest of the work and will soon be finished. The cement

floors in the basement have been laid. Altogether the work is proceeding satisfactorily.

As the alumni know, a letter was sent out recently announcing the fact that the building committee were ready to consider the question of furnishings and asking for subscriptions for that purpose. The letters were unfortunate in striking the financial flurry, but about \$300 has been so far subscribed. It is a matter for encouragement that, although many were not able to give at this time, nearly all responded with some word of sympathy and interest in the undertaking.

#### Euro.-Web. "Kid" Party.

Saturday evening, November 9, the little Eurodelphians and Websters renewed their youth together, the Euros. acting as hostesses. The chief object of the party was to remind themselves that they are still as young as when they formerly played "Ring Around a Rosy," and "London Bridge." Father and Mother Brink and Big Brother ane Sister Price helped make the youngsters feel at home, and assisted greatly in the games. After a long recess of games, the children finally were sufficiently by the subdued schoolmaster, Professor Price, for a last day of school program, when they spoke their little pieces and sang their little songs, for which they were rewarded with a feast of good things to eat.

Even stately seniors were rollicking boys and shy maidens not more than twelve years old, and all agreed that this thing of getting old is only an unpleasant illusion.

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One K. S. A. C. girl who is teaching domestic science has gotten along pretty well with all sorts of questions in regard to cooking, but recently she was offered a 'possum to use in her laboratory. It developed that the animal had been chloroformed by an instructor in another department, where its skeleton was in demand.

# ¶ EDITORIAL ¶

Not long ago some one remarked that the alumni of K. S. A. C. seemed to be an unusually loyal bunch. A recent letter from an alumnus in Washington says: "Taken as a whole, the K. S. A. C. alumni are the deadest aggregation I know of." It all depends upon the point of view. The sentiments of one are true of the few who do the most and are therefore best known and whose works are saving the ruputation of the majority, who belong without question in the "deadest aggregation ever" class.

We would not be guilty of making any comments whatever upon the alumni "as a whole." They have never been nor done anything "as a whole," and that is just where all the trouble lies, and that is why we keep "hammering away" on the subject of reorganization. There is no reason why the business affairs of our association might not be handled as easily and successfully as those of numerous similar organizations. But there must be some system about the work. the same old story of everybody's business being nobody's business. should have a secretary to manage our affairs and infuse life into the organization, and we should expect to pay him for his work. We should make the regular payment of annual dues one of the requirements to membership in the Alumni Association, and any alumnus who refused or neglected to pay these dues should not be allowed the privilege of voting or to participate in any of the Alumni affairs. This would not be unreasonable nor unfair. The cost of our little business each year has been paid long enough by the voluntary contributions of the few members who attend the annual business meetings. It is

about time we were adopting some more systematic means than the passing of the hat to pay the petty expenses of the association. The dues might be only twenty-five cents—not enough to be a tax upon anyone, but a good start toward accomplishing the end we have in view. The main thing is to get everybody interested, for everyone to have a hand in affairs—and it is quite amazing, the large proportions the importance of any undertaking assumes for one who has a quarter of a dollar invested therein!

Does it never occur to you to write anything for the ALUMNUS without a special invitation to do so? And when the invitation comes and you refuse it with the time-worn excuse, "haven't time," "can't write anyway," are you not haunted by a vision of twelve hundred sixty-five other alumni just as busy as yourself and just as prone to say "can't?" It is a wonder that some of you people ever got through College at all, and very evident that a good deal of College failed to get through you. "Can't" is a poor excuse. You can write. You may not know it because you haven't tried. What you need is practise. The cultivation of the ability to give written expression to one's thoughts is an invaluable part of one's education and should not be neglected. If it is a difficult thing for you to do, you should practice it the more.

The hesitancy about writing much of one's self is a natural one, and one we can all understand. Yet you enjoy reading what others are doing, and must remember that they are as much interested in your Unless the paper represents all of us it is not filling its

mission. But it is not necessary to confine yourselves to an account of your personal affairs. You are all seeing and thinking things that touch upon or influence the affairs of the world at large-things within the scope of your understanding and appreciation and yet outside of and bigger than yourselves and your purely selfish interests. They are the sort of thing that make conversation and social intercourse worth while, and if introduced more frequently into your magazine would raise its standard, and by so doing materially increase its worth and influence.

At the last annual banquet of the Kansas City Alumni Association it was suggested that all of the branch associations endeavor to hold their reunions on the same night, and the first Friday night of March was the date chosen to propose to the other associations. The Topeka association has accepted the proposition, and it is hoped that others will do likewise. The plan is a good one and should be adopted. It will add immeasurably to the interest of your reunion to know that on the same night, in seven or eight other cities far and near, loyal followers of the Purple are gathered together, talking over old times, singing College songs, and living over the dear old K. S. A. C. days. An interchange of telegrams of greeting to one another would be possible, and would add much to the evening's merriment.

Only two of the local alumni associations furnish us regularly with the news of their colony. Mary (Waugh) Smith, '99, keeps us posted on events in Seattle as fast as they occur, and W. R. Ballard, '05, sends in regular reports of the doings and goings of the Washington people. Each of the other branch associations should instruct their secretary or appoint a reporter to gather the alumni news of

their section and send it regularly to the Alumnus. The local associations should all be equally represented, and a goodnatured rivalry between them in the matter of the length of their news column would help to keep up the interest.

Remittance for subscription to the ALUMNUS should be made by post-office or express order, or by draft, or, where neither is convenient, a dollar bill enclosed in a letter will reach us safely. We have been caused some annoyance by the receipt of personal cheques, upon which we were compelled to pay the exchange. Where it is necessary for you to remit in this way, kindly make the cheque cover the exchange as well as the subscription price.

#### Y. W. C. A. Calendar.

About the first of December, the Young Women's Christian Association expects to put on sale a twelvesheet College calendar. It is designed by various students of the color and design classes and printed by the College Printing Department on heavy cream deckel-edge paper. Besides the original illustrations, which are typical of College activities, the calendar has twelve College veiws in half-tone. The calendar will make a pretty souvenir, and will be very suitable as a Chistmas gift for anyone interested in the College.

#### Faculty-Senior Reception

Monday evening, November 4, the Faculty gave their first annual reception to the senior class. The gymnasium was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves, vines and evergreens for the occasion. Nearly all the professors and their wives were in the receiving line, and the event afforded an opportunity for Faculty and seniors to become better acquainted with each other than is possible through mere class-room association.



### PERSONAL



E. W. Matherly, '06, is teaching school at Leonardville.

Professor and Mrs. Eyer are happy in the birth of a son, October 27

Jack Ryan, '07, is doing practical farming in the sugar-beet section of Colorado. His address is Fort Collins.

Geo. E. Hopper, '85, has the contract for the erection of the engineering building of the University of Kansas, to cost \$85,000.

Richard F. Bourne, '03, and Mrs. Bourne, of Kansas City, Mo., are rejoicing in the birth of a son, Richard Mason Bourne, November 18.

A. H. Baird, '07, is working for a fruit grower in Etiwanda, Cal. He says he likes the country pretty well, but hasn't gone back on Kansas.

F. W. Wilson, '05, was superintendent of the agricultural department at the Arizona Territorial Fair this year, and was also a judge in the cattle department.

Clara Barnhisel, '04, has been compelled to leave her work in the Indian school at White Earth, Minn., and return to her home in Newton, Kan., on account of her mother's poor health.

Frank E. LaShelle, '99, who has been foreman of the job department of the Clay Center *Dispatch* office, has been employed by the College Printing Department. He has moved his family to Manhattan and began work at K. S. A. C. November 11.

S. R. Tilbury, '07, visited College recently. He came from Williams, Ariz., where he fixed a Santa Fé locomotive, and was on his way to Philadelphia, where he intends to enter the Baldwin Locomotive Works as a special apprentice.—Industrialist.

Helen Monsch, '04, is enjoying her domestic science teaching in Chicago very much. She rooms near Chicago University, so keeps in touch with her friends there.

W. E. Mathewson, '01, has taken up his work in the bureau of chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture. He is employed in the food laboratory, Manhattan Building, 315 Dearborn street, Chicago.

Henrietta Hofer. '02, writes happy letters from Brielle, N. J., where she is spending the winter with her mother. They had a house full of company nearly all summer, and took their own vacation in September and October, spending a month in New York City and several weeks in Newark with Christine (Hofer) Johnson, '02.

Professor Cortelyou has been elected to succeed Prof. George Dean, '95, as general manager of the Athletic Association for the coming year. Mr. Dean has been manager for two years and deserves much credit for the work he has done. During his term of office the association has freed itself from debt and built a bath and dressing house and a roofed grand stand at the Park.

J. R. Coxen, '07, who recently took up work with the Westinghouse Company of Wilkinsburg, Pa., writes that the company went into the hands of receivers some weeks ago, and he was one of one hundred fifty apprentices who were released. Mr. Coxen has secured work in the offices of the Pennsylvania railroad, and began work there November 18. He says he is enjoying the work and his hours are only seven and one-half per day, with Saturday afternoons off. He hopes to be reëmployed with the Westinghouse Company before long.

W. H. Harold, '05, is superintendent of the electric light plant at Clay Center.

Arthie A. Edworthy, '06, is boy's matron in the Rainy Mountain School, Gotebo, Okla.

Crete Spencer, '05, is employed as assistant stenographer in the Agronomy Department.

A. E. Blair, '99, is assisting Henry Spuhler, '06, with his architectural work, in Manhattan.

Kate Hutchinson, '07, of Bellaire, Kan., attended the Skinner-Walter wedding, in Manhattan.

L. W. Lawson, '07, has taken up work with the Bullock Manufacturing Company in Cincinnatti, Ohio.

Fred Wilson, '05, and Clare (Cave) Wilson, of Phoenix, Ariz., are the parents of a son, born November 11.

Mattie Pitman, '06, is teaching in the Chilocco Indian School and also doing some institute work in Oklahoma.

Marian (Jones) Pincomb, '96, has returned to her home in Lenexa, Kan., after a visit with her parents in Manhattan.

May Griffing, '07, has lately assumed the dignity of schoolmistress, and is now teaching nine miles southwest of Manhattan.

Allen G. Philips, '07, visited College November 23. He was on his way to Cornell, where he will take graduate work this winter.

Claudia Lois Kyle was born Wednesday, November 6, to C. H. Kyle and Cerinne (Failyer) Kyle, both of the class of 1903.

Russell Oakley, '03, assistant agrostologist in the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., visited in Manhattan November 14.

A. E. Oman, '00, of the United States Bureau of Forestry, is spending a month's vacation in Kansas, and visited the College the first of the month. Curtis Smith, a former student, has taken up work on the Little Rock Gazette, Little Rock, Ark., which paper has had the services of John Biddison, '04, for some time.

A letter was received recently from Shige Suzuke, a Japanese student here last year, in which he states that he is married now and is attending the Imperial College at Sapporo.

Katharine (Winter) Hawkes, '01, is living now in Chanute, when Mr. Hawkes has been transferred from Coffeyville. Mrs. Hawkes spent two weeks in Manhattan, pending the moving.

F. W. Grabendyke, 07, has been promoted to the position of regulator inspector on the C. & E. I. cars at Chicago, at a salary of \$90 per month, and is very much pleased with his work.

Stella Finlayson, '07, who is teaching at Cheyenne Wells, Colo., writes that she is enjoying her work and Colorado climate very much. She expects to visit in Manhattan during the holidays.

Edmund Secrest, '02, visited College recently. He has just recovered from an attack of typhoid fever, and was taking a short vacation before returning to his work as assistant forester at the Ohio Experiment Station.

Etta (Ridenour) Plowman, '96, visited in Manhattan recently. She and Mr. Plowman are located on a ranch one mile north and one mile east of Heyburn, Idaho, where they will be glad to welcome any K. S. A. C. friends coming their way.

Mr. S H. Stockwell, of Havensville, Kan., visited College the first of the week and purchased a shorthorn bull from the Animal Husbandry Department. Mr. Stockwell was a student here in 1877, and had never been here since then. He was very agreeably surprised at the change in the appearance of the College in general.

Martha Briggs, '02, is clerking in E. A. Wharton's store.

Arthur Cranston, 190, of Parsons, Kan., is visiting in London, England.

Carl E. Rice, '97, who is a civil service employee in Manila, P. I., is home on a visit,

- M. W. Shottler, '07, has taken up work with the Kansas City Construction Company.
- O. G. Palmer, '87, of the Seventh United States Cavalry, has returned from the Philippines and is now stationed at Fort Riley.
- E. D. Richardson, '06, is taking a special apprentice course with the Fairbanks-Morse Manufacturing Company, in Beloit, Wis.

Hartley B. Holroyd, '03, assistant in the Forest Service, Washington, D. C., is visiting his mother and sisters in Manhattan.

W. O. Lyon, '93, died of tuberculosis, October 17, after an illness of about thirteen months. Mr. Lyon was a merchant in Washington, D. C., and leaves a wife, to whom he was married about two years ago.

Friends of Lena Miller, of Topeka, a former student, and daughter of J. K. Miller, who was pastor for several years of the Methodist church in Manhattan, will be interested to learn of her marriage to Mr. Clarence E. Gresser, October 28.

Harvey A. Burt, '05, is rapidly regaining his strength after a severe tussle with typhoid fever. Mr. Burt is employed by the General Electric Company, of Schenectady, but at present is taking an extended vacation at his home in Uniontown, Kan.

Fred Houser and Clarence Nevins, both members of the '07 class, visited College, November 9 and 10, on their way to Seattle, Wash., where they have gone to take up work with the Wells Fargo Company. Mr. Nevins expects to attend Leland Stanford University next year.

Charles Blachly, '05, George Wolf, '05, and Miss Reba Wolf, all of New York City, went down to Brielle and helped Mrs. Hofer and Retta eat their Thanksgiving turkey.

Among the former K. S. A. C.-ites who attended the Washburn game, November 9, were E. V. Hoffman, '98, Herbert Groome, '05, Clarence Kirk, '06, and Gabriella (Venard) Kirk, junior in 1907, F. A. Kiene, '06, George Spohr, '06, Winifred Dalton, '06, and Ethel Berry, Flora Hull, Catherine Ward, C. G. Nevins, and Fred Houser, all of the '07 class.

Mrs. H. A. Perkins and daughter, Elenore Perkins, '00, of Pasadena, Cal., were the guests of friends in Manhattan from November 6 to 22. During her visit here Miss Perkins was guest of honor at a number of social functions, among which were a G. A. L. S. party given by Clara Spilman, '00, and dinner parties at the homes of Helen (Knostman) Pratt, '01, and Elsie (Robinson) Mudge.

Bertha (Bacheller) Foster, '88, is a member of the Hillcrest Farm Company, 3114 Main street, Kansas City, Mo. The company makes a specialty of furnishing pure, clean milk, not pasteurized, treated or preserved, but served in original sealed bottles. The milk is especially designed for the feeding of infants. A Walker-Gordon laboratory for the preparation of modified milk will be established later and be under the direction of Mrs. Foster.—Industrialist.

Martha (Nitcher) Sowers, '01, writes: "I had quite a vacation this summer. I spent two weeks in Kansas; then Mr. Sowers came, and he and my mother and I went to Colorado and spent two weeks. We were at Fort Collins most of the time, where we visited with my sister, Clara (Nitcher) Bainer, and her husband, Harry M. Bainer, '00. We saw Professor and Mrs. Cottrell and the three boys. Professor Cottrell is as enthusiastic

as ever, and the boys have grown beyond recognition. Paul and Frank are both in College there this year. I also saw Prof. W. H. Olin, '89, and Mrs. Olin. Mrs. Olin had just returned from Seattle. On the train I met E. W. Curtis, who used to be butter maker at the College. We spent some time in Denver, Colorado Springs, and Manitou, then back to Kansas, and home, making five delightful weeks in all. Had there been time I should have liked very much to have come to Manhattan to show Mr. Sowers the best spot on earth.'

We learn with much regret of the death of Thomas Bassler, '85, October 14, at Stillwater, Okla. Mr. Bassler was one of the founders of the Hamilton society and its first president. He was also the first to do greenhouse work at the College, a small glass-enclosed room being built against the south side of the old horticulture building and placed in his charge while a student. His many old friends will regret his early death, but as he has been in bad health for many years the event cannot come with great surprise.—Industrialist.

Prof. David E. Lantz, formerly of this College, and for the past ten years connected with the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., has lately published a bulletin (U. S. Biological Survey, Bul. No. 31) entitled "An Economic Study of Field-Mice." The pamphlet contains 64 pages and is richly illustrated with pen drawings and halftones of the different species of fieldmice, their burrows, nests, stores, and habits. A main part of the pamphlet is devoted to the different methods of destroying them used in this and other countries. There is also a chapter on birds and animals who feed on field-mice, a chapter containing recommendations to the farmer with regard to inexpensive means of fighting the pest, and a chapter

treating the extensive literature of classification. The research work of Professor Lantz is evident on every page, and the booklet is one of the most interesting and useful of the whole series published to date by the department.—Industrialist.

Josephine Edwards, '05, and Mamie Hassebroek, '04, report that they are enjoying their work at Teachers' College, New York, very much. Miss Edwards writes: "Miss Hassebroek and another girl and myself had a most glorious trip up the Hudson, by boat, to Newburg, where we went to Washington's Headquarters. We then came down to West Point and took in the Army-Yale football game (score 0 to 0), which you may be sure was interesting. The fall coloring up the Palisades and on the mountains bevond was beautiful beyond description. Best wishes to the ALUMNUS. I can't live without it."

Following are the titles of papers to be presented by Warren Knaus, '82 at the Kansas Academy of Science meeting at Emporia, Kan., beginning Tuesday evening, November 28: (1) Additions to the List of Kansas Coleoptera; (2) Notes on Coleoptera; (3) List of Coleoptera Collected in New Mexico in 1907; (4) Some Photographs of Balsom Mounts of Phengodes Fusciceps Lec., from McPherson, Kan.; (5) List of Noctuidæ Geometridæ and Micro-Lepidoptera, Taken at Lights, at McPherson, Kan., July and August, (6) The Staphylinidæ, 1907; and Seaplidiidæ, Phalacridæ, Corylophidæ, Coccinellidæ, Endomychidæ and Erotylidæ, of Kansas.

H. A. Spuhler, '06, a graduate of the architectural course, is superintending the construction of the new veterinary science building at K. S. A. C. His story might prove of interest to those pessimists who claim that a man has to have a "pull" in order to get anything nowadays. Spuhler started here in the fall of 1900, and in the next

six years worked at most anything he could to pay expenses, missing several terms because of lack of funds. Those who know him say that he is just starting on a career of usefulness and expect great things of him in the near future. His progress so far is not only a splendid tribute to his own ability and industry, but also speaks well for the advantages K. S. A. C. offers to a boy who is not afraid of hard work and plenty of it.—Students' Herald.

J. A. Johnson, '04, writes from Colville, Wash.: "This is a fine fruit country, and I have a ranch about eighteen miles east of Colville. I am putting the ranch into fruit, but have come to town for the winter and am directing athletics for the Colville high school, to pass away the time. Though I have gone far to make a new home in a new country, I am a loyal Jayhawker and am often homesick for Kansas, "Fair Kansas, proud queen of the plains!" There are a number of Kansas people here, and everyone has friends nearly relatives who either graduated or attended K. S. A. C. It is as pleasant here as in Kansas at this time of year, but we can see snow on the mountains from our windows to-day.

Remember me to old K. S. A. C. friends, especially those of '04."

The following letter is from May Secrest, '92, professor of domestic science in the California Polytechnic School, San Luis Obispo, Cal.:

"Enclosed find the wherewithal for the renewal of my subscription to the ALUMNUS. I do miss the "Jayhawker," but shall grow accustomed to the ALUMNUS in time, I know, for between its covers I find the same kind of interesting news about old College friends, history of past and present events, and letters from alumni scattered all over this land. I doubt if you people who live in and around Manhattan realize how much the alumni paper means to those of us who have wandered far from home.

Since coming to California a little over two years ago I have met only three College people—A. A. Mills, '89, L. S. Strickler, junior in '90-'91, and Charles Eastman, '02, who has been a resident here, off and on, longer than I have. Miss Harriet Howell, whom you will remember well, is taking a year's leave of absence, and leaves soon for her old home in Illinois.

There are a number of College people in the South. I hope to attend the next meeting of the Southern California Alumni Association and to meet them all. Effie (Gilstrap) Frazier wrote from Seattle that there was a possibility of her coming south soon, but I noticed in the last *Industrialist* that she has veered off toward Denver, and I have lost hope now of seeing her here in the near future.

I visited K. S. A. C. last summer. The College has grown wonderfully, even in the short time since I saw it last. I am glad to see it grow, but there is a feeling of sadness to an oldtimer to see many of the old familiar landmarks changed or removed. I sat for a while alone in the old chapel, and memory called up the ghosts of former days-President Fairchild reading the morning scripture lesson; the Friday P. M. lecture by some member of the Faculty; "speaking in chapel," and the thumps of my heart the first time I, with the rest of my division, marched out from the anteroom and seated myself upon the stage, amid the cheers and confused hum from the crowd below.

Since Professor Popenoe's resignation, there are now only three people left who were members of the Faculty when I was a student—Professor Walters, with whom the passing years have dealt kindly, President Nichols, who was then professor of physics, and Professor Willard, who kindly took several hours of his busy day to show Kate (Oldham) Sisson. '92. her

husband, Doctor Sisson, and myself through the numerous new buildings.

I was deeply interested in the history of our class spade as told in the September number of the ALUMNUS, and it grieves my heart to know that that beautiful spade found a watery grave in the bottom of the Blue. We have been hoping all these years that it was hidden away in some safe place and in due time would come to light. Long life to the ALUMNUS!"

#### SWEET-BETTS.

Lucy Sweet, '01, of Santa Cruz, Cal., was married, October 2, to Lynn J. Betts. Mr. and Mrs. Betts are at home in Eureka, Cal.

#### VOILES-JEWELL.

Olive Voiles, '97, who is a trained nurse and has been employed in a hospital at Council Bluffs, Iowa, was married in October to Doctor Jewell, an Iowa physician.

#### WALTER-SKINNER.

Josephine Walter and Perle Skinner, of Manhattan, both members of the 1907 class, were married Wednesday evening, November 27, at 6:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents.

#### PITMAN-STANFIELD.

W. W. Stanfield, '05, and Beulah Pitman, a former student, were married Sunday morning, October 20, at the home of the bride's parents in Manhattan. Mr. and Mrs. Stanfield are at home on their farm, "The Highlands," near Chanute.

#### GRINDEL-JONES.

T. L. Jones, '96, and Miss Elizabeth C. Grindel, of Kansas City, Kan., were married, October 9, at the home of the bride's mother at 725 Wabash Avenue. Miss Grindel was for several years a teacher at the Blind School in Kansas City, Kan., and has a great many friends in the city. Mr. Jones was a teacher of tuning for two years at the same institution and is now one of the head tuners for Jen-

kins Music Company. They went to housekeeping at once in their home at 731 Barnett street.

#### JUDSON-COTTRELL.

Amos Cottrell, '03, and Miss Florence Judson were married. October 22, in Elgin, Ill. Miss Judson was a graduate of the Elgin high school, of the class of '02. She studied at the Art Institute, Chicago, and later at a private school of arts and crafts. Since then she has conducted a studie at her home and has had charge of the arts and crafts class at the Y. W. C. A. Mr. Cottrell is employed by the American Cereal Company. Heretofore he has traveled for that company, but now will be connected with the main office in Chicago or at Albany, N. Y.

#### WASHINGTON ALUMNI NEWS.

Mrs. W. R. Spilman (Bertha Winchip, '91) entertained Friday, November 8, in honor of Mrs. Robert B. Spilman, of Manhattan, who has been visiting in Washington.

Mrs. Laura (Livings) Harford, of Alameda, Cal., is spending a few months in Washington. Her three children are attending the public schools. Miss Edna Flatter is with her now and together they are "seeing Washington" at their leisure.

Prof. J. B. S. Norton, '96, is making a collection of the native fruits of Maryland for exhibition at the winter meeting of the state Horticultural Society at the Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, Md., December 3 and 4. Some very marked variations have been found in the native persimmons and the black walnuts. A. B. Gahan, '03, recently spent a week traveling through western Maryland, interesting the farmers in the Horticultural Society and inducing them to make an exhibit of their fruit and vegetables at the December meeting. During the latter part of September, Mr. Gahan had charge of the Maryland horticultural exhibit at the Jamestown Exhibition.

J. S. Houser, '04, who with his wife, Elizabeth (Mudge) Houser, '03, recently transferred the scene of his operations from Wooster, Ohio, to Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba, writes his Washington friends that he is delighted with the climate of Cuba and that the particular section where he is located is a "veritable paradise!" He says he is materially assisted in enjoying the scenery by the services of an old, grey, riding mule, from which we gather that he is doing the country like a real hidalgo. W. R. B. '05.

#### Hamp. - Io. Reception.

Saturday evening, November 2, Domestic Science Hall was the scene of a lively party, at which Hamiltons, in characteristic Hamp. fashion, entertained their sister Ios. "The Royal Gallery of Fine Arts" and "Electric Theatre" on the second floor, and moonlit autumn woods and camp-fire

down-stairs made fitting surroundings for the merrymaking, and pumpkin pie, doughnuts and coffee disappeared in astonishing quantities. Ios. pay tribute to their brother Hamps. in the following revised version of the Hamp. vell:

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November 4, K. S. A. C. 16; Ottawa University 6.

November 9, K. S. A. C. 0; Washburn 5,

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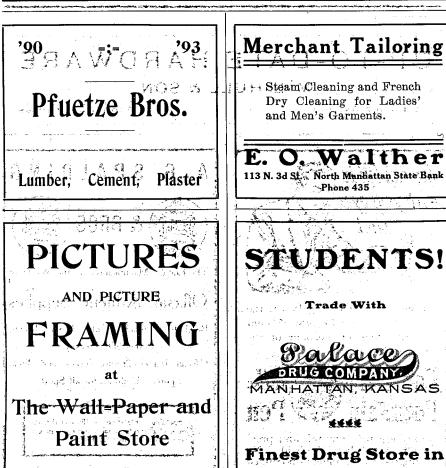
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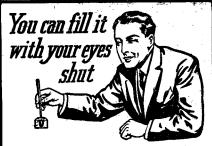
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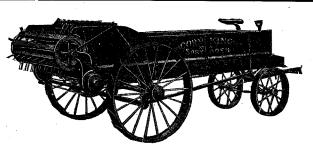
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