

ALUMNI DINNERS.

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C. Frank Bohan's subject was Yale Bachelors, and he handled it in an able and entertaining manner. He talked happily and historically on the status of the bachelor and closed with a tribute to Yale.

NOT YALE LUCK.

George W. Woodruff, '89, the famous football coach, responded to the toast Yale Luck. Mr. Woodruff stoutly maintained that there was no such thing as Yale luck. When the same phenomenon repeats itself for a long number of years, it is evident that it has some cause besides chance. He said that he believed that there were just as good men at Yale now in athletics as there were in his day and that there would be just as good men in twenty years from now as there are now; that the prodigious success of Yale in athletics was owing primarily to the natural character of Yale students, to their courage, zeal, earnestness and determination to win. In the second place, it was owing to their magnificent system of training, which subordinated individual preferences to harmony; that this system was largely responsible for the great team play which characterizes all of Yale's nines and crews and elevens. Mr. Woodruff spoke eloquently of the inspiration that animated every Yale man in athletics, and he prophesied continuous success in the future.

Impromptu speeches were made by Judge Stanley Woodward, Frank W. Wheaton, Felix Ansart, A. C. Campbell, Thomas Darling, Frank E. Donnelly, John D. Farnham and Frank G. Darte.

The affair was the most successful and enthusiastic which has been held by the alumni of this section for many years.

The following Yale men were present: Judge Stanley Woodward, '55; Felix Ansart, '59; J. N. Conyngham, '88; Lord Butler Hillard, '83; William Lyon Phelps, '87; F. W. Wheaton, '77; G. W. Woodruff, '89; Andre A. Beaumont, '94; Tuffhill R. Hillard, '83; Major John S. Harding, '80; C. Frank Bohan, '83; Charles P. Bohan, '91; Thad B. Ryman, '97; L. Denison Stearns, '96; Frank G. Darte, '96; Lawrence B. Jones, '94; Charles B. Lenahan, '96; Frank E. Donnelly, '93; Charles N. Loveland, '94; Dr. Levi I. Shoemaker, '82; William R. Ricketts, '92; John H. Vought, '92, of Buffalo; Herbert Conyngham, '95 S.; John C. Bridgman, '85; Dr. E. R. Troxell, '72; J. D. Farnham, '90; William H. Conyngham, '89; Thomas Darling, '86; J. B. Woodward, '83; N. G. Pringle, '84.

INDIANA ALUMNI DINE.

The annual dinner of the Yale Alumni Association of Indiana was held at the Bates House in Indianapolis on the night of Tuesday, Dec. 28. Covers were laid for forty on a table which ran the full length of the room. Professor Gustav F. Gruener, '84, was the guest of honor and occupied a place to the right of the toastmaster, Rev. Dr. N. A. Hyde, '47.

The dinner was served between eight and ten o'clock. Between the courses college songs were sung. Wallace D. Simmons, '90, of St. Louis, sang several solos which were received with great enthusiasm.

The toasts and speakers follow: The Faculty....Prof. Gustav Gruener. Our Country.....Merrill Moores Our College.....Dwight H. Day, '99. Our Friends.....F. H. Winters, 1900. Our Association...L. A. Whitcomb, '94. Poem.....Louis Howland, '79.

Among those present were: Rev. Dr. N. A. Hyde, '47; Professor Gustav Gruener, '84; Fred M. Ayres, '92; Augustus Coburn, '89; Henry P. Coburn, '95 S.; Robert H. Carnahan, '91 S., of Fort Wayne, Ind.; Dwight Huntington Day, '99; Harold W. Griffith; Edward E. Gates, '91 S.; Clinton L. Hare, '87; Louis Howland, '79; Charles S. King, '89, of Wabash; Augustus F. Kountze, '91 S., of Omaha, Neb.; George Martin, '93; Joseph R. Morgan, '91 L.S.; George F. Mull, '94 L.S.; Wallace D. Simmons, '90, of St. Louis, Mo.; William A. Van Buren, '78; J. D. Thomson, '96; Clarence Winter, '97; Larz A. Whitcomb, '94; George W. Wood, '77; C. E. Coffin, '99; Judge Winters; Keyes Winters, and Fred. Wiley.

ST. LOUIS DINNER.

The Yale Alumni Association of St. Louis held its annual dinner Wednesday evening, December 29th, at the St. Louis Club. Fully seventy-five alumni and undergraduates were present. Previous to the dinner the Association held its annual election of officers. It resulted in the selection of Gen. John W. Noble, '51, for President; Edward Hidden, '85, for Vice-President, and W. S. Pope, Jr., '94 S., Secretary.

The banquet hall was profusely decorated with Yale colors. It was a jolly assemblage that gathered around the well-spread table, and notwithstanding the difference in age and experiences, everyone enjoyed himself; joined in the singing and told stories of his college career. After dinner and all had sung "Here's to Good Old Yale," Judge Elmer B. Adams, '65, former President of the Alumni Association, delivered an address of welcome. The following toasts were responded to: "Yale."

"Be it a weakness, it deserves some praise; we love the play-place of our early days."

Prof. Gustav Gruener, '84.

"The Alumni."

"They are never alone who are accompanied by noble thoughts."

Hon. John W. Noble, '51.

"Campus Life."

"Dreams of that which cannot die."

Mr. Thomas Hedge, '67.

"Yale Life in its Different Phases."

Gen. Lewis B. Parsons, '40; Hon. Charles F. Joy, '74, and many others.

Later in the evening the affair became more informal. Mr. Fred W. Paramore, '79 S., took Judge Adams' place as toastmaster, and many speeches were made and stories told informally. It was a late hour before the company finally adjourned.

R. C. Lehmann's Book.

Mr. R. C. Lehmann's new book on "Rowing" appeared recently and is on sale at the Co-op and Judd's. The book is published by a New York firm and contains about three hundred and twenty pages. It is profusely illustrated with half-tone cuts, part of which are pictures of crews and famous oarsmen, and part are pictures illustrating good and bad positions in the various points of the stroke. Mr. Lehmann's object in writing the book is not only to give instructions and hints about rowing, but also to commend rowing as a sport. The first chapter is devoted entirely to a history of boats and boating and to setting forth the many advantages of rowing. Following this are chapters on first lessons with fixed seats and with sliding seats. Several chapters are devoted to "combined oarsmanship in eights," setting forth the necessary qualities for each position in the boat, etc. Another chapter treats of training and diet, together with the ailments liable to training. A very interesting chapter is devoted to the race day and the race. There is a very interesting chapter on "Sculling," by Guy Nickalls, who has won the Diamond Sculls several times. Mr. C. M. Pitman has a chapter on "Steering." The last part of the book is given up to chapters on "College Rowing at Oxford, Cambridge and Eton," "Australian Rowing," and "Rowing in America." Mr. Sandow, the strong man, gives his views on the training of an oarsman, and the question, "Are Athletes Healthy?" is discussed at full length. In the appendix there is a complete list of rules governing English boating contests, including the Henley Regatta. The book is a valuable acquisition to the library of sport, and is to rowing much the same as Mr. Camp's and Mr. Deland's book is to football.

Professor Parker's Oratorio.

An oratorio entitled "St. Christopher" has lately been composed by Professor Horatio W. Parker. This is his second work of the kind. The first, which won fame for him as one of the most gifted of America's composers, was named "Hora Novissima" and was performed in Springfield four or five years ago. His latest work will be given in New York in April, and in Springfield in May.

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