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## Rhodes' Scholars Make Fine Record

**Prof. Burgess, of Brown University, Completes Study of Accomplishments of Oxford Graduates**

In a recent issue of the New York "Times" appears a discussion of the relative merits of the men who have won the Rhodes Scholarships to Oxford University and of the various fields of work to which they have given their lives upon graduation. It is noteworthy that the great majority of these graduates, approximately three-fifths, have given their lives to either educational work or the law. The remaining two-fifths are scattered; chiefly among business, scientific, literary, and medical work. The inclusion of seventeen men in "Who's Who" is taken as a fair indication of success in the choices of men who were sent to Oxford.

"The first serious study of the actual accomplishments of the American scholarships, as distinguished from what was to be hoped, conjectured or feared, has just been completed by Professor R. W. Burgess of Brown University, whose conclusions are published in the current issue of The American Oxonian. He has studied the records of the eight groups of American scholars sent

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## Significant Facts Found In Investigation

A close correspondence between good scholarship in college and eminence in engineering is shown in an investigation made under the auspices of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars by Prof. Raymond Walters of Lehigh University, who presents a report in the current issue of "School and Society."

It was found that, of 392 distinguished engineers graduated at 75 technical schools, colleges and universities, 182 or 46.4 per cent., stood in the highest fifth of their classes scholastically upon graduation, 109 or 27.8 per cent stood in the second highest fifth, 72 or 18.3 per cent in the middle fifth, 14 or 3.6 per cent in the next to lowest fifth, and 15 or 3.8 per cent in the lowest fifth.

Figures for a group of 189 alumni of five Eastern engineering schools were somewhat different in the upper classes, the second highest scholastic fifth having the largest percentage. In all groupings of the eminent engineers there were less than 4 per cent in each of the two lowest scholastic fifths.

Of 730 names on the Registrars' Association list of distinguished engineers, practically 80 per cent were found to be collegiate graduates, 16 per cent men of secondary school education and practical training, and less than 5 per cent men who started in college but did not finish.

The arbitrary basis of eminence in this study of a professional group was taken to be the holding of office, membership in important committees and service as representatives of the four "founder" engineering societies, civil, mechanical, electrical, and mining and metallurgy, for five years, 1915-1919.

## ENGINEERS ANNOUNCE DOUBLE HEADER

**Second National Vice President to Address Local Chapter**

The local chapter of the American Association of Engineers is particularly pleased in being able to announce as the speaker for the meeting to be held tomorrow night, Mr. A. B. McDaniel, Development Specialist in Construction. Mr. McDaniel, who is in government service, is also the second national Vice President of the A. A. E. He has a national reputation as a speaker and his recent address at a national convention of the A. A. E. received widespread publicity. The subject of Mr. McDaniel's talk will be "An Ideal Which Has Become an Institution."

Following Mr. McDaniel's speech, Mr. W. E. Rosengarten will speak on "Asphalt and its Uses in Highway Engineering." This lecture will be illustrated by colored lantern slides.

The meeting tomorrow night will be held in the Lounge of Old College and will commence promptly at 7 p.m.

## Eight Big Matches In Tennis Schedule

Manager of Tennis, Paul K. Monaghan has announced the 1921 tennis schedule. The schedule as outlined contains eight matches; three of these matches are to be played on the home courts; the other five will be played away. Delaware opens with Haverford College on April 23rd, and closes the season with Swarthmore on the twenty-eighth of May.

The only letter men from last year's team are Captain Harty and J. Challenger. B. Challenger will not play this year. "Abe" Gutowitz, who played on the team in 1917 and returned to college this year, will make a strong bid for his old berth. Other likely candidates are Terry Triggs, Stew Lynch, McWhorter, McCaughan, and Granville Robinson. From the looks of things, it would seem that there is plenty of opportunity for men who have not tried out for the team before to make strong bids for regular positions.

The schedule as announced by Manager Monaghan is as follows: April 23—Haverford, at Haverford.

April 30—University of Maryland, Home.

May 7—George Washington University, at Washington.

May 10—Moravian College, at Bethlehem.

May 11—Lafayette College, at Easton.

May 12—Drexel College, at Philadelphia.

May 21—Johns Hopkins University, Home.

May 28—Swarthmore College, Home.

**A. E. Marconetti, '21, who completed his course in February, is now engaged in the paper manufacturing business at Ponkononia, L. I.**

## Diamond Artists Show Real Form

**Wealth of Material Indicates Good Season; All Eyes Turned Toward First Game**

Having put the extraordinary fine weather to good usage, Coach Shipley's squad of balltossers is in comparatively wonderful shape. The weather has been just what is most desired for the breaking in of throwing arms and unused muscles; and as a result, no sore arms are listed as yet among the players. All during last week, stiff practice was held every afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30. The whole squad is split into two teams, which play one another for a certain period every day. Thus we find the players after one week with their eye on the ball and batting in mid-season form.

Captain "Dors" Donoho in left field is eclipsing himself in his stellar fielding. Few flies within a radius of Frazer Field seem to escape "Dors'" infallible glove. That may sound like exaggeration, but it gives the reader an idea of what we think of our captain's fielding. George Madden, who reported late for practice on account of illness, has been taking it easy out in the field, but we know that when George is entirely recuperated he will again field and bat with his old-time excellence.

Ex-captain "Phil" Marvel is working behind the bat this year and it is evident that it is not the first time he has been on the receiving end of a battery. Phil's experience in all-around playing will undoubtedly stand the team in good stead this year. Ted Dantz is again swatting the horsehide and working out in right field. "Ted" will undoubtedly be a "reg'lar guy" this year and come thru with the "old stuff."

Diminutive "Jimmy" Robbins is again robbin' the would-be "Babe Ruths" of hits around the hot corner and will make anyone step who is trying to take away his job.

"Mike" Underwood, our pocket-edition of Dave Bancroft, is causing much comment with his wonderful ability at shortstop. "Mike" is "sum feeder" and has an arm with a snappy throw like a cata-pault. "Skeets" Wilson is showing up in great form around the second sack and is hitting the ball steadily. Deppe is working out in center field and is a strong (Continued on Page Four.)

## Official Photographer Arrives Monday

Out with the comb and brush, and call the shine boy in, for beginning Monday, March the 21st, college life will be one click after another. Individual, group and class pictures will be taken. Make a point to see Bulletin Board for schedule and be on time. Another important step necessary is the handing in of all schedules for appointment for individual sitting. Juniors are urged to be prompt in doing this, also any other student who desires an order of photographs. The photographer will be here March 21, 22 and 23, so be alert and do not miss any of the group appointments. WATCH FOR NOTICE.

## PROF. E. S. SAVAGE ADDRESSES AGS

**Interesting Talk Delivered at Wolf Hall**

On March 9, Prof. E. S. Savage, Director of the Department of Animal Nutrition at Cornell University, addressed a joint meeting of the New Castle County Holstein-Friesian Breeders Association and the Agricultural students of Delaware College. Professor Savage is one of the most prominent experts in the subject of animal nutrition; his experiments and conclusions have done much to influence improvement in animal feeding on every farm in the United States.

Prof. Baker of the Animal Husbandry Department at Delaware, introduced the speaker whom he knows personally, having been his co-worker for several years at Cornell.

Prof. Savage's discussion was centered upon the history and development of the remarkable "Glista Family" of Holsteins at Cornell. To the local breeders and to the students assembled this achievement presented an absorbing interest. Prof. Savage, by the use of a slide projector, illustrated his lecture in a very graphic manner, and he had no trouble in impressing his hearers with the significance of careful breeding methods in the building-up of a profitable herd. The story was almost like a fairy-tale. The Glista family started with the cow Glista, a grade cow worth sixty dollars. By careful selection and breeding with good sires, the herd was improved to such an extent that in the fourth generation a thousand dollar cow had been produced.

Such great strides are typical of the recent developments of the coal-tar industry, and the future, while it is not so brilliantly rapid, is of paramount importance. The phenols are as yet an unsolved peace-time puzzle, but they are not without great promise. The oils are now utilized as motor fuels, solvents, garbage extractor agents, and in the flotation of ores. Ninety per cent Benzol, which is actually eighty per cent, will increase motor car mileage fifteen percent, eliminate "knocking" and increase the power. As a dry cleaner it is as efficient as gasoline and leaves no odor. The heavy oils are used mainly in flotation. One pound of oil is sufficient to float a ton of sulfide ore, while alpha naphthalene will do ten times that quantity per pound. The dye industry demands the production of naphthalene and anthracene derivatives. The problem of producing these chemicals is dependent upon the engineer now, and, he also must reduce the cost from eight to two cents per pound, which is the German pre-war figure. Asphalt from coal-tar is gaining over its earlier popularity and use. Para cumarine is now used in varnish making and as an insulator and rubber filler. The use of synthetic tanning reagents is increasing, due to the recent research.

The club was extremely fortunate to have such a practical and up-to-the-minute chemist as Dr. Hill to come and speak at its meeting and it is to be hoped that he will favor us again in the future.

## DR. HILL SPEAKS ON COAL TAR PRODUCTS

**Barrett Chemical Co.'s Frankford Chief Causes Interesting Discussion**

A summary of the activities in the coal-tar industry and the prospect of its future development formed the basis of an address given by Dr. J. B. Hill on last Thursday night.

Previous to the war, coal-tar was either wasted in "bee hive" coke ovens or used in road or roof dressings. The fact that the production of toluene was increased from one and one half millions to eighteen millions of gallons and that phenol raised from one to one hundred and seven millions of pounds annually, indicates the stupendous advance in this great industry. Such great productions were made possible by processes which were evolved under the strain of war, and firmly and economically established. The Dennis-Bull process of manufacturing synthetic phenol strikingly illustrates that point. This Barrett improvement made it possible to produce the equivalent of the output of a building of one hundred and fifty feet by one hundred and seventy-five feet capacity, employing one hundred and fifty men, in a building twenty-by fifty feet, employing three men and one pump.

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## Concert Postponed

Owing to the illness of John Barnes Wells, the final concert in the Artist Series which was to have been held last Saturday evening has been postponed until Saturday evening, April 2nd.

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### "Step-Singing"

Now that spring is really upon us, and the old campus in front of Old College is beginning to take on new beauty in its fresh coat of green, we are reminded of the words of one of our friends of the Faculty, in a talk in chapel, delivered some time ago. In this talk, which we will admit was a good one, the speaker brought out and emphasized the fact that a certain amount of what he called "college life" was necessary if we were to get all we should from our college career. He went on to explain his interpretation of "college life" was that the students should get the habit of gathering in groups at least once a day for nothing more than a good talk fest. He even advocated the idea of dropping in to see a friend in his room and to interrupt his studious labors long enough to "bum" a pipe full of tobacco and to fill his room full of smoke and radical ideas.

Personally, we are in hearty accord with this plan, and have tried it out to such an extent that we are still trembling from our narrow escape at midyears. Still, the secret of success in all things is moderation, and we cannot fail to realize the true value of such a plan if carried out properly. There are very few occasions on which the student body comes together as a unit, but it seems to us that the few minutes after meals, especially the evening meal, might very well be spent in mixing around and really becoming acquainted with our neighbors. A half an hour spent each night after supper or a few minutes at noon would certainly not cause anyone to flunk out, but, on the contrary, should prove a real benefit.

In several colleges, the custom is in vogue to spend a short time each night in what they call "step-singing." This is nothing more or less than a general gathering and song fest of the whole college, usually held in some central place, and, in every case, it has proven to be a big success. Why would not this custom be a success here? We have the steps and we have the songs. Why not get together some evening and give it a trial. Spring is the logical time for sentimental ballads and soft music, and, it seems only right that some of our aspiring tenors should be given a chance. Such an experiment as this can not be a success unless the whole student body wants it. Two or three fellows might get out and sing their heads off, and nobody the better off, but, we feel that if everyone would enter into the spirit of the proposition, we should have the foundation of a

custom which could not fail to be a benefit to the college, and to ourselves.

### The Grand Finish

The great event is over. The Review contest is now a thing of the past and the judges are now deep in the process of weeding out and eliminating. This process is far more difficult than even we of the Review had suspected and the awarding of a prize is going to be a problem indeed. It seemed as though everyone had waited until the last minute before turning in his contribution, and, as a result, the Review office was literally swamped with manuscripts just before the close of the contest. From all indications, it would seem that the fears expressed in last week's issue in regard to the small number of responses were groundless and we have lost all hopes of being able to pocket the prizes ourselves.

It is interesting to note the topics which were chosen by the various contestants. The most popular subject seems to be that of traditions with the "University idea" a close second. As was expected, the Honor System came in for quite a little discussion, and many more subjects of varied nature were treated in detail.

At any rate, the Review appreciates the spirit of every man which impelled him to write one of these articles. If we had our way—and the money to do it with—we should be inclined to give every man a prize, but, as we have neither, we can only offer our thanks to those men for their part in making the contest a success.

### Technical Talks

*Read before the Wolf Chemical Club, Feb. 16, 1921, by E. L. Potter.*

Aniline oil is the most important dye intermediate of all the coal-tar products. It is from this compound that nearly nine-tenths of all manufactured dyes in the world are made. It is derived from benzol by the devious processes of nitration and reduction. It is made from four materials, viz: benzol, mixed acid, iron filings, and hydrochloric acid. All of these materials must be of the best quality as anything less than the best would make poor aniline. Aniline, in order to be of any use in the manufacture of dyes, must be of the highest quality.

The benzol is first nitrated in great iron tanks containing large agitators. These are kept in constant motion so that the benzol and the acid will be mixed thoroughly. The product of this action is known as Acid Benzol. This material is then washed to

rid it of any excess of acid which might be present. The Nitro Benzol is then pumped into reducers, large apparatus of the same general type as the nitrators, that is to say, they likewise contain agitators to keep the oil in constant motion. At this point the iron filings and the hydrochloric acid are slowly added.

The aniline is now in its crude state and has to be rectified or distilled. This is done in two different methods, one a slow and tedious method and the other, much quicker. In the first method the iron oxide which has been formed in the reaction is allowed to settle and the oil is drawn off for distillation. By this method, each reducer takes from twenty-four to thirty-six hours for a run. The method lately adopted is that of steam distillation directly from the reducer. By this method, a run can be finished in from eight to twelve hours. After the distillation, the oil is drummed and is ready for distribution, either to the consumer or to the other processes of the plant.

Aniline oil, when it is first rectified, is as colorless as water, but upon standing, it turns to a deep red or brown. Its specific gravity is very slightly greater than that of water. It has a very pungent odor and its fumes, if taken in great enough quantities, are fatal. It is used, as was previously stated, in all manner of dyes. When you sit down to breakfast tomorrow morning, look at your corn flakes, your shredded wheat, even your butter. Realize, then if you can, that the beautiful brown

school government code. This movement has been agitated for years past, and now that the initial step has finally been taken, the outlook is very promising for the ready acceptance of the system by the students and faculty in general.

**University of Chicago:** At a recent census taken among 2,000 students at the University of Chicago by the board of Christian Union, it was revealed that among the 2,000 there was only one atheist, only two agnostics, and that more men go to church than women.

**Mount Union College:** Mount Union College claims to be the originator of collegiate basketball. A tablet in the gymnasium of this Ohio school has an inscription to the effect that the first game was played there in March, 1892. "The Dynamo," the student publication, says: "We know of no college in the United States which can establish the claim that basketball was played previous to this date."

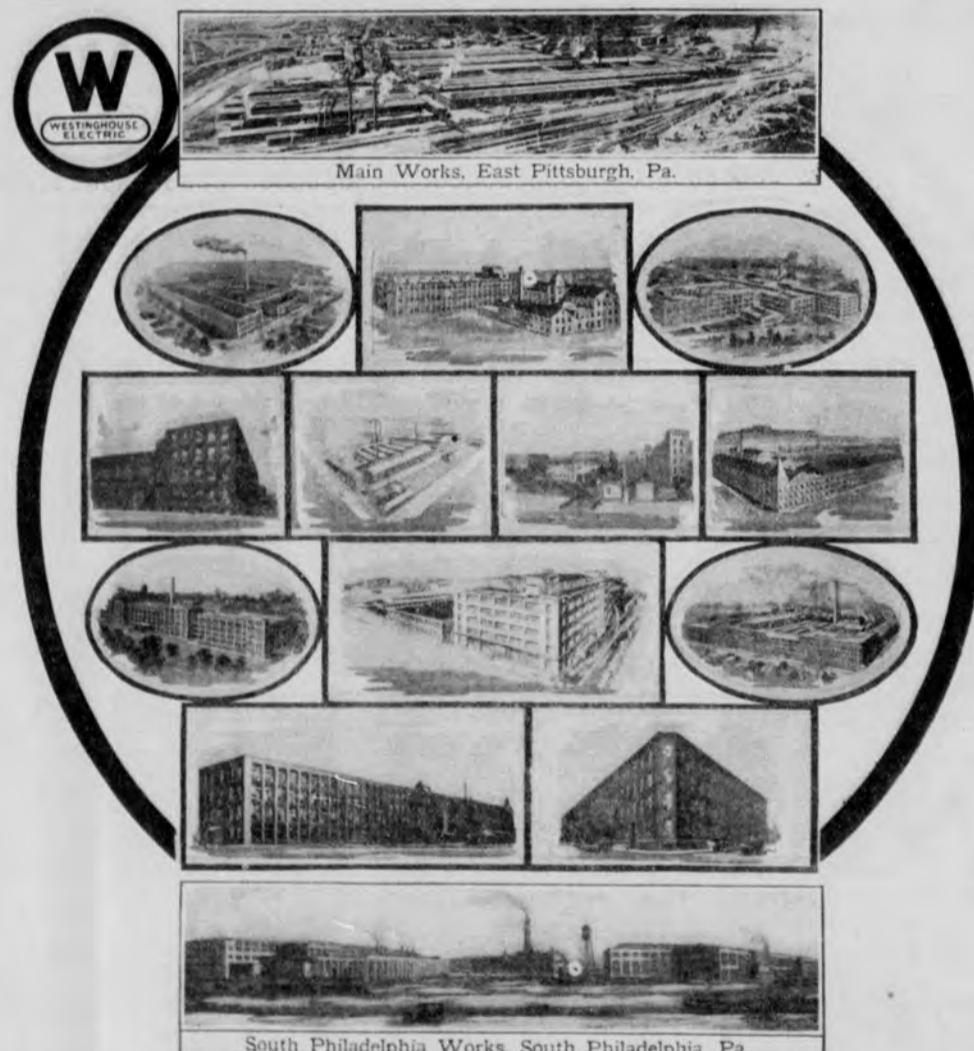
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Prof.—"What's the matter with you that you're always late?"  
Mere Stude—"Class always begins before I get there."—Sage Brush.

They sat in the park, out there in the dark,  
And the chaperon thought it quite shocking;  
She found them all right, for she saw in the night  
The radium clock on each stocking.  
—Sun Dodger.

**Correction**

The Review wishes to correct the statement it made last week to the effect that "Bess" Carter, '20, had won his Varsity "Blue" in football at Oxford. It has since been learned that Bess's aspirations have changed from football to boxing, and that his Varsity "Blue" was won in this sport. He has been picked for the Varsity boxing team against Cambridge and is making a record for himself in this sport. The Review congratulates Bess upon his most recent achievement.

**Alumni Notes**

Robert M. Carswell, '09, Major U. S. A., has been admitted to the bar in Washington. Major Carswell was also graduated from Hamilton College with the degree of LL. B., and was one of the few successful aspirants who took the bar examination. He is also studying fencing under an Italian instructor, and hopes to be the first American to be selected for the Royal Academy of Fencing of Italy.

**Cornell**—A demand has been made on the Faculty of Cornell by nine men representing the students and two senior honorary societies that women students at Cornell be segregated in their own colleges of instruction and that their enrollment be limited.

**RHODES SCHOLARS MAKE FINE RECORD**

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to Oxford from 1904 to 1914, inclusive—somewhat more than 300 men in all—coming on the whole to rather encouraging conclusions.

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It is true that with a few exceptions the very best men in American colleges have not been attracted by the Rhodes Scholarships—the best scholars, at any rate, have usually held aloof because Oxford until last year did not know the Ph. D. But the average of the men sent was good. Three-fourths of them, says Professor Burgess, were members of Phi Beta Kappa or of equivalent standing.

"The records in the Oxford examinations, which have caused a good deal of soreness to some American educators, look a good deal better when Professor Burgess analyzes them. Without going into technical detail, it may be said that practically all Americans take the "honors" courses, which are studied by not much more than half of the British students.

"In competition, then, with the better half of the students at one of the chief universities of the empire, the American Rhodes scholars have in the final examinations done on the whole considerably better than the average. By comparison with the "scholars" of the Oxford colleges the American record is by no means so good, but these scholars are picked men, who begin far down in their school days to keep always in view the single goal of success at the Oxford examinations—a success which in England, before the war, generally insured a living and a good chance at some degree of eminence. The American had no such concentrated objective.

"As for the accomplishments of Rhodes scholars in the world outside the university, Professor Bur-

gess remarks that the oldest of them are barely 40, an age at which great fame or fortune has not often been attained. The distribution of occupations, however, is interesting. Of the 303 men who reported, 114 were teachers, 91 of them in colleges or universities. There were 72 lawyers. Three-fifths of the returned Rhodes scholars are concentrated in these two occupations. Cecil Rhodes, as is known, expected that most of his scholars would go out into politics or diplomacy, as most of the German scholars did; but one circumstance which he overlooked has kept the Americans out of those fields. The British politician or diplomat, in the past at least, has not had to make his living; his ancestors had attended to that. There are plenty of rich men's sons, of course, in American universities, but hitherto they have generally felt that a scholarship of considerable money value ought to be left to the more or less meritorious poor—who, after they leave the university, have to think about making a living before going into public life. Professor Burgess observes, however, that the connection between education and government is considerably closer in America than in any other country, and the influence of the Rhodes scholars may be felt in this way later on.

"Certainly the study of the record shows that the accomplishment has been more creditable than is generally supposed, if not so good as could be desired. Lately the committees of selection have been reorganized and composed al-

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contender for any spot out in the garden. "Dep" is a consistent hitter and should be of use this year to "Ship."

"Dizzy" Rothrock, our blond and handsome twirler, looks as though he were due for one of his greatest years in baseball. His control is great and his speed is a terror to opposing batters. The Coach undoubtedly has a gold brick in "Dorry" Collins, who has all the ear-marks of a real port-side pitcher. His "hooks" are great and his speed and control good. Collins looks like a coming

mainstay on the pitching staff. "Buck" Ramsey, former Newark and Wilmington High star twirler, is upholding his enviable reputation as a pitcher. "Buck" is more than likely slated for a varsity uniform before long. "Lefty" Carll, Eve Magaw and Brandt are good men and are showing up in praiseworthy style on the pitcher's peak. Shipley has a real bunch of twirlers this year.

Armel Nutter is again found working behind the bat with all his might, and should push someone hard for this position. "Art" Spaid, a letter man of a couple of years past, is a good addition to Ship's backstops and is showing real form. Ivory is playing at

second, and incidentally hitting the ball hard. "Soap" is a strong contender for an infield job and is a dependable man.

Grubb, a newcomer, is working hard for a job and looks good. In McDonald, Coach Shipley surely has a newly-found prodigy. Mac just naturally loses the ball when he lands on it, which by the way, happens about every time he comes to bat. He is at present a very logical choice for first base.

Terrill, Mendenhall, "Slim" Baynum, Wagner, and Gutowitz, with a few others finish the squad and are all promising.

We can look forward to a "rip-snorter" season with this load of material. Saturday, team A played

team B in a seven-inning, closely contested game. Everybody was given a chance and all performed in admirable and encouraging style. Things look exceedingly interesting for the Holy Cross game, and the Delaware boys are surely going to pull a big surprise on this team, which will have played five games before visiting here.

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