PROF. HIGGENBOTTAM

Speaks on India

"There is no handicap to human progress greater than illiteracy," declared Mr. Sam. Higgenbottom, professor of agriculture at the Allahabad Christian College of India, in his talk here on Friday. His statistics and observations concerning India were most convincing. The speaker, during his senior year at Princetown, was inspired by a twenty-minute interview to become a missionary to India and landed in the country in 1903. There almost against his wishes, because he knew little about the work, he taught economics in the college. According to his estimate over 95 per cent. of the people are illiterate and the remaining five per cent. can barely write.

The poverty of India is debasing. Merely existing in their little mud-thatched huts, cultivating the rich soil, these conservative people have lived year after year as did their ancestors.

The ordinary tenant has three and one-half acres of land consisting of twenty parcels perhaps two or three miles apart, and the average household furniture is worth scarcely five dollars. The average wages are cents per day, and an estimate has been made that one-third of the people are actually existing on one cent.

Since the grain market is higher in America, we are not surprised that people are ill fed, and that the death rate is so great. In addition to these misfortunes [Continued on Page 2, col. 3]

FIELD DAY

On Saturday, May 29th, Field Day will be observed with an interesting all-day program. In the morning the final game in the Tennis Tournament will be played, deciding the championship. Track and the final baseball game between the Freshmen and Juniors, winners over the other classes, will be the sports for the afternoon.

Field Day has always been one of the great days of the year, and this year the weather was perfect.

In the evening the Seniors will present their play, "The Title." [Continued on Page 3, col. 3]

PROCEEDS FROM THE COMEDY $780.02

The musical comedy, "O Aladdin," given by the Service League has proven to be not only a huge social success but also a wonderful financial success. The profits were much more than the committee had expected.

The Norwich performance produced $335.65, which is about $200 more than was made last year. The college performance doubled the profits of last year, the sum being $449.28. The total profits are $780.93. This amount is $275 more than the Service League had planned on.

These figures show that the Service League can count on the comedy each year to swell the ever-needed treasury. With the increasing interests of the Service League, more and more money is needed with which to carry on the work. If the profits of the comedy increase each year in the same proportion there need be no worry about the maintenance of the Service League.

NEW DESIGN FOR SENIOR PIN

The Senior pin adopted by the class of 1919 proved this year unsatisfactory to a majority of students. As a result of class meetings it was found that general opinion favored a reconsideration in search of a college pin which should be entirely satisfactory to the present graduating class and all the classes to come.

The pin chosen last year was thought cheap and of poor workmanship; so it was decided that either a variation of the old pin, that is, the same model with better workmanship or with slight changes in design, or an entirely new model should be considered.

Several designs were presented at the last Student Government meeting and the day following a vote by ballot was taken, the result being a tie between a variation of the old pin and a model designed by Dorothy Gregory.

After a second vote the new design was chosen. This is a diamond shaped pin with a torch in the center and a "C" on either side. The vote is not final. A model of the pin suggested will be made and displayed for further discussion.

STUDENT RECITAL GIVEN BY MUSICAL DEPARTMENT

The first Students' Concert of the year, under the auspices of the Music Department, was held in the Gymnasium, Thursday evening, May 20th, at 8 o'clock.

The well-presented program consisted of vocal numbers and piano and violin selections. The Shakespearean songs were taken from "Verus and Adonis," "As You Like It," "Twelfth Night," and "Othello." The Vocal Students' Club, under the leadership of Mr. Weld, gave several numbers, of which "The Catechist," and "She Was But Seven," were especially amusing, and sung in a spirited manner. Eleanor Whitten, in addition to rendering her own selection, "Bild Me Dance" (from Verus and Adonis) took, at short notice, Helen Brownie's place, in singing the "Willow Song." From Othello. The violin and piano selections were greatly enjoyed by the audience.

The music concert was a great success and all who took part are to be congratulated. Much credit and appreciation is due Dr. Coerne, Mr. Baurer and Mr. Weld whose efforts made the recital so enjoyable.

C. S., '22

DR. WISE SPEAKS

"Americanization True and False"

"Americanism isn't a physical, but rather an inward, spiritual achievement," said Dr. Stephen Wise in his talk at Convocation hour, May 20th, before speaking of the true and the false methods of Americanization movements, defined Americanization as "largely a spiritual progress."

We often confuse the term with immigration, which is the physical process of touching America. When the soul of America touches the immigrant, then we have Americanization.

Because a person is a foreigner and often the foreigner does not speak English, or because he speaks it but imperfectly, is no reason to think that he is inferior. Dr. Wise cited as examples Cardinal Mercier and the Prince of Wales; we do not think of them as our inferiors, yet they are foreigners. Then, too, foreigners are often classed altogether as a menace to America. They are not a menace to America, but maybe they are to Americans. Indeed they are more apt to be fresh in their Americanism, while we are stale in ours. In fact there are many born in America who are not Americans.

The spirit of condescension and patronage with which this movement has been taken up is absolutely wrong. "Americanization is a matter of education, and education is a matter of contacts," said Dr. Wise; you must first overthrow in yourself all social, racial and religious prejudices before you attempt the work. You can't Americanize anyone you wish to. [Continued on Page 3, col. 3]

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BANQUET

On Monday night, May 31st, the Athletic Association will hold its annual banquet in the college dining-hall. According to tradition the faculty will serve as waiters and waitresses. At the banquet those who have excelled in athletics will receive their rewards of letters, pennants or skins among which are the Old English "C's," awarded to Juniors. The banquet is for all members of the Athletic Association.
A CUT SYSTEM

The question of cutting classes cannot be too much discussed in spite of the generous attention it has previously received. For instead of decreasing, this practice is increasing to an alarming degree. Not even the minuteness of examinations seems able to serve as a check. Because we are on the honor system and are not limited to a definite number of cuts per class, too many of us cut classes with perfect abandon and a conscience apparently at rest. It is not normal for such a condition to exist unremedied, and since such remedies as limiting week-ends off, campus and exacting fines have been frowned on by the student body it is natural to suppose that some more drastic measures will result.

To those of us who have given the matter a serious thought it seems perfectly clear that a definite cut system will soon be the rule. Doubtless such a compulsory measure will cause much grumbling and disagreeable comment. Students are apt to consider a thing of this nature as just a spiteful way of limiting their freedom. Those who have become habitual or "chronic cutters" refuse to assume any responsibility for having brought such a harsh measure into operation.

But there remains the insurmountable fact that without just cause such a measure would not be instituted. It is humiliating to think that we as a student body value our honor so little as to forfeit it for a compulsory cut system. This new method of limiting absences from classes would involve more red tape and would be more difficult to keep track of; therefore it is logical to think that it would not be resorted to unless necessary.

If, therefore, such a system seems imminent, it must be necessary. But as it is not yet an actuality there must be some way to avoid it. True, it is inevitable; it must make much of an impression after the year's bad record; but it might be possible for classes to be so well attended as to qualify the impression that those in authority may have of our need of a definite cut system. For it is not so going to be pleasant and to remain so. It is probable that if we as a student body were held to a definite number of cuts per semester in each class after the unlimited freedom some of us particularly have enjoyed.

Compulsory attendance at chapel and worship, while it would apparently swell the numbers, might not prove popular. But necessity and not popularity governs such matters. Therefore if the necessity proves great enough we may possess a definite cut system by another year.

FREE SPEECH

The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions expressed in this column.

To the Editor:

There has been a great deal of comment in the last few weeks about the noise and general confusion in the dining hall. Especially has this been noted since the off-campus freshmen have come up on campus. It has added to the tumult. But while we have all noticed and commented upon it, there has not been much effort to avoid the noise or even lessen it. Yet it seems that raised voices, boisterous laughter, flipping of spoons and water, and lack of common table manners can in some way be avoided.

It seems to me that this is one instance in which the Seniors can help. There is no need for Faculty to be called in, as has been suggested. The girls are capable of handling the situation by themselves. The plan of having the Seniors in the alcove has put them out of touch with the rest of the dining hall and has removed whatever influence they might have had. A good plan would be to have a Senior, as hostess, sit at each table. The rotation system could be used so that each Senior would have an opportunity to be hostess. She would exert her influence to keep her table as quiet and as mannerly as possible, and could in this way, I think, remove much of the causes of the noisy meal.

[Signatures]

B. F., '22

A BIT ABOUT BRANFORD

At last the goal toward which many workmen have been striving has been reached. Branford House was opened for a few days last week, and although its touches are not yet finished, is ready to receive the students who have so patiently awaited its completion.

Branford House was started more than a year ago. The building of this new dormitory was made possible by the gift of 250,000 dollars bequeathed to the college by the late Morton P. Plant. The house bears his name from the small town of Branford, Connecticut, where Mr. Plant was born.

In architecture, Branford follows the Tudor lines, showing the peaked roof and arched doorways of that period. But, owing to difficulties in importation the leaded windows, characteristic of the Tudor reign, are lacking.

The house is finished in a grey rough plastering and is larger and somewhat different inside from its fellow dormitories. A feature of the reception room is the Tudor fireplace, which, together with a heavy Old English table and straight-back, elaborately carved chairs of the Restoration period give the room a distinctly English atmosphere. The color note carried out in deep, upholstered chairs, and old Oriental rugs, as well as in the printed linen hung behind the table and at the windows is old blue.

But the pride of the room is a hand-carved chair of which a freshman Branford-he remarked: "Oh, isn't it wonderful!" Branford has scored two points on Plant and Blackstone in the possession of a writing-room, done in wicker and mission-wood furniture and the sunniest kind of a sun-parlor or lounge with a bay window and window-seat, and cheery cretonnes.

The dormitory accommodates 80 students. The rooms are mostly single, furnished with a rather high bureau and table-desks.

SUCH IS LIFE!

As he walked up and down his side-porch on a glorious June morning, he displayed more animation than he had since he returned from college. To the ende-"
the grace with which she stoops."

"She's not going in " His eyes were pitiful, but she closed the glass door upon herself and her basket, unmindful of his presence.

He was miserable; he wanted to see her again; to pick her up, she seemed so small, so lovable.

He was so engrossed in his misery he forgot to swear when the dog jumped on his white flannel; he heard her voice, so sweet, so low, so caressing, "May I please your telephone to call my husband and tell him about the trains from New York."

—E. K. '23,

CURRENT EVENTS

The Sugar Boycott
The members of the National Preservers of Fruit Products Association have voted to refuse to buy sugar until the present high prices are cut in half. They mean to close their factories and suspend the preserving industry if necessary. The preservers represented in the Association number two hundred and fifty million pounds of sugar for the coming season which is just beginning. Upon investigation of the sugar market by the Association, it was learned that there were 500,000 tons more of sugar this year than was consumed last year. Owing to the condition of foreign countries the demand for export is smaller. The net result is that there is plenty of sugar but the public has been heard into paying the exorbitant and outrageous prices by the speculators who have shouted "shortage" and hold their stocks for higher prices. It was after hearing the report of the investigation committee that the Association voted to stop buying. Among the members of the Association are Armour & Co., Libby, Welch Grape Juice Co., Austin, Nichols & Co., and the Red Wing Co. Since this Association represents 85 per cent of the jam, jelly and preserve production of the country, it seems probable that the prices of sugar will drop because of their refusal to buy.

The ratification of the amendment granting suffrage to women still remains uncertain in Delaware. The leaders of the National Woman's Party are redoubling their efforts to obtain the consent of Vermont.

FOR YOUR GRADUATION GOWNS
IMPORTED ORGANDIES
FRENCH LAWN
BATISTE
CREEP DE CHINE
PURPLE WILLOW TAFFETA
SATIN DE LUXE
LINGERIE CORSETS, HOSIERY
THE S. A. GOLDSMITH CO.
151 to 155 State Street New London, Conn.

The Quality Drug House of Eastern Connecticut
THE NICHOLS & HARRIS CO.
Established 1850
New London, Conn.
FRESHMEN DEFEAT SOPHOMORES AT BASEBALL

The first baseball game of the season was played Wednesday evening between the Freshmen and Sophomores. A five inning game had originally been planned but owing to a tie of 5-5 it was necessary to play a sixth inning. The final score was 7-6, in favor of the Freshman team, which made two runs against the Sophomore's one run in the last inning.

The loss of the championship by 1922 was partly due to the fact that McCarthy, one of their best players, was knocked out in the first inning.

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JUNIORS DEFEAT SENIORS AT BASEBALL

On Saturday afternoon, May 22, the second baseball game of the season was played between the Juniors and Seniors. The Juniors were the first at bats with McGowan as pitcher. At the close of the first inning each side had scored one point. Allen made some good field catches and there were several good hits during the game, but many of the bases were made on strikes. When the last inning closed the Juniors had scored five points to the Seniors three.

Now the Juniors will play the Freshmen, winners over the Sophomores, to decide which class has the best baseball team.

The squads were placed on the field in the following positions:

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FAITH

Sometimes when I lose faith in people, and the whole world in general, I have only to look into the face of my aged grandfather, and my faith is restored. As I gaze into his bearded, heavily lined face, and his faded blue eyes, and realize that those eyes have looked into this world for nearly ninety-three ears; it sets me to thinking.

Here is a man who has been trained as a hard worker in the school of life. Here is a man who has experienced more than the usual individual’s share of hardship and sorrow. Many are the long, hard sea voyages he has taken; many the storms and shipwrecks.

And yet through this long life of his, through the toil and turmoil of daily battle, he has fought the good fight and kept the faith. I feel sure that after his long voyage is over the sun will shine calmly and serenely, even as it did after his earthly storms and shipwrecks. — E. J. M., ’22.