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Commencement, 1906

IN a number of ways the Commencement of nineteen hundred and six was by far the most interesting of any Rhode Island College has ever had. The fine weather throughout the whole time, together with the new features introduced, contributed much to the interest of the occasion. This year, for the first time in the history of the college, the Senior class wore caps and gowns at chapel only, during the spring term, but beginning with Sunday, June tenth, at all exercises of the Commencement season.

On Saturday, June ninth, the first inter-class track meet ever held by the Athletic Association of the college took place at the fair grounds at West Kingston.

The baccalaureate address given by President Butterfield Sunday afternoon was, like all of his public addresses, both scholarly and stimulating. In the evening, a very interesting cantata, "The Soul Triumphant," was rendered in the village church.

Monday morning the graduating exercises of the preparatory school occurred in Lippitt Hall. The essays read showed much care in preparation and the delivery was good. Five students received diplomas from the preparatory school and three from the industrial high school. At two-thirty, Monday afternoon, the Seniors did their last stunts in public speaking as students of R. I. C. This feature was a new one at the college and proved highly entertaining. After the exercises, Miss C. E. Sisson, assisted by B. H. Arnold, presented the medals won in the track meet on Saturday. Immediately after these exercises came the "Prep" vs. Interstates baseball game—stake, a bushel of peanuts. The Interstates were not game, however; for, when beaten by a score of 17 to 8, they declined to furnish the peanuts.

The usual military drill and salute to the governor took place the next morning, followed by a competitive drill between members of the battalion, for a silver medal offered by General Tanner of the governor's staff. After an exciting struggle, this medal was won by Private Leon A. Dexter. At eleven a. m. the Seniors appeared before the public for the last time as students of the college. After listening to an interesting and instructive address on "The Essentials of Good Administration," by President Henry S. Pritchett of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and to an address by Governor Utter, they received their sheepskins from the latter's hands and were immediately numbered among the alumni of the institution. As soon as convenient after lunch, the annual alumni baseball game of six or seven innings was played, in which the alumni were of course beaten. It may truthfully be said that this game consisted more of pure fun than of scientific baseball.

The final event of the week was the Commencement ball, which was held in Lippitt Hall, Tuesday evening. This social function was attended by about two hundred and fifty couples, who enjoyed to the utmost the programme of twenty-two dances.

A Year's Review

ANOTHER year of college life has passed and, in looking back upon it, we feel that it has been a prosperous and happy one. It has often been said that history repeats itself, but we can assert that our college history shows no repetition. The institution is growing and expanding each year, and we witness many changes. Many familiar faces are no more among us. Our respected and honored president, Kenyon L. Butterfield, left us to become the president of Massachusetts Agricultural College. Dr. Howard Edwards of Michigan now fills the presidency. Our instructor in history, Elizabeth W. Kenyon, is away on a year's leave of absence, and is spending it at the University of Wisconsin. Bessie Dean Cooper, a graduate of Cornell, is now acting as substitute. We are sorry to miss the face of Miss Josephine Bostwick, our former teacher of English. Her successor, Miss Senton, a graduate of Oberlin, entered upon her duties last September. We count also among the missing, Miss Harriet Adams, bookkeeper; Robert Lee, professor of mathematics; and Hugh Barnes, instructor in horticulture. The persons now taking their places are respectively, Miss J. E. Francis, Professor Fingal Black, and John E. Schaeffer. As our little institution increases in the number of students, its faculty must include additional members. Professor Bolte, assistant in animal husbandry; Dr. Cole, biologist; and George Bidwell, instructor in chemistry, are among the newcomers.

The poultry class this year is the largest it has ever been. Twenty-one students were registered for the twelve weeks' course. An additional course for young women is to be given in the spring term of this year. Two new buildings, the greenhouse and horticultural laboratory, have been erected during the past year. They have long been needed, and we wish to thank those who, through their efforts, made the erection possible. The north wing of the horticultural building is to be used for college work and the south wing by the experiment station.

Our evening lecture course this winter has been an unusually good one. Among the speakers have been Mr. Henry Oldys, who lectured on "Birds and their Songs"; Dr. Charles Eastman, on "The Real Indian"; and Mr. F. W. Bancroft, on "English Songs and Song Writers." Mr. Bancroft we have had with us twice before and we appreciate his lectures very much. Our Thursday lectures during the past months have been

most interesting as well as instructive. The one on "R. L. Stevenson," given by President Faunce of Brown University was excellent.

The Y. M. C. A., under the leadership of Mr. Coggins as president, and the Y. W. C. U., with Miss Ethel Tucker as president, have been doing good work. Delegates have been sent to several conferences, the Y. W. C. U. sending one to the Summer Conference at Silver Bay. On February tenth, the Day of Prayer for Colleges, a union meeting of the Y. W. C. U. and Y. M. C. A. was held, Reverend H. W. Lambert of East Providence preaching.

The social side of our college life has not been neglected by any means. With receptions and entertainments, the free hours have been well filled. The military ball was well attended, and it was considered the greatest social function of the year. The receptions of the Y. W. C. U. and Y. M. C. A. to the new students and to the poultry class were enjoyable affairs. The supper given during the fall term at which our former president made an address should be mentioned. It is said that Mr. Weeden, one of our former students, was the originator of the supper. Mr. Kellogg acted as toastmaster. The speakers during the evening were President Butterfield; President Edwards; John Lamond, who represented the Senior class; Herbert A. Fiske, the Junior class; Harry Lewis, who spoke for football; and C. H. Field, for basketball. The Junior reception and our valentine supper should not be passed by without mention. People who were present enjoyed themselves thoroughly at both.

We were sorry to learn of the death of ex-Governor Davis of Rhode Island. He had been a true friend to our college, and to him in large measure our college owes its existence.

As we come to the close of this year's work, we feel that we have not striven wholly in vain; but we recall many tasks that might have been accomplished, had we possessed the strength and means for them. During the next year may we ever be mindful of the motto,—

"Look upward, not downward;
Look forward, not backward;
Look inward, not outward;
And lend a hand."



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