

DON'T BOIL YOUR COFFEE, ADVISES PROF. PRESCOTT

The old tin coffee pot must go. Like-wise the aluminum, the nickel, the copper, the zinc and the tinned iron. Prof. S. C. Prescott, acting head of the department of biology and public health, who has been conducting experiments in various phases of the coffee industry, has come to the conclusion that glass is the only container suitable for good coffee. Furthermore, he says that coffee must never be boiled. Boil the water but not the coffee. Apparatus in use at the Institute is of glass and with it what Professor Prescott considers the best possible cup of coffee is often made, purely, of course, in the interests of science.

Process Preserves Flavor

"Let the water come to the boiling point," he instructs, "and then let it cool just a trifle before putting in the ground coffee. The proper temperature is under 200 degrees, preferably from 185 to 195 degrees Fahrenheit. There are certain chemical changes which take place at a high temperature which make it impossible for many persons to drink coffee. The time of contact between the coffee and the water should be brief, two minutes is ample. This preserves the fine coffee flavor, keeps all the caffeine, which furnishes the stimulus, and avoids the woody, bitter products which spoil the fine coffee taste. In the apparatus we use here the beverage is drawn off by a vacuum into the container below and we get as good a cup of coffee as can be made."

POSTPONE AERO SOCIETY CONFERENCE TO FRIDAY

The first conference of the Aeronautical Engineering Society will be held Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock, a postponement of one night having been necessitated to suit the convenience of the speakers.

This conference, which is a new departure in professional societies' meetings, has as its primary object the encouragement of free discussion of aeronautical subjects by the members.

The affair will be held in room 1-080, which has been fitted with airplane motors, machine guns, bombs, and the like, and is now known as the "Aero Unit's dugout."

Major J. C. McDonnell and Captain W. B. Wright, Jr., both of the Air Service Division of the Military Science Department, will address the conference on the subject of airplane motors.

Various makes of American, British, French, and German motors will be discussed with regard to construction and performance. Special emphasis will be laid upon those in use in France during the war.

The meeting will be open only to members of the society, but a large attendance is hoped for by its officers. Society pins will be available for those who wish to purchase them.

CRUDENESS OF COLLEGE HUMOR

(From the Detroit Free Press) The following appeared in the Boston Transcript:

A professor in New York University has informed the students, in a burst of fatherly candor, that he does not think their quarterly magazine of humor is much good. In fact he has pronounced it undesirable, and has ventured the further remark that it takes brains to be witty.

The students, with due humility, have agreed to try to do better but they have not consented to drop the magazine. It is unlikely that the next number will be good, even though it should prove to be better, for college humor as it runs is not touched with genius. It is immature, imitative, boisterous and banal. It is even melancholy at times, and the jokes of college days become skeletons in the closets of the mature.

But the, taking a look at the brighter side, college boys themselves are in the process of making. If freshman humor cannot be considered a finished and perfect product, neither can a freshman. But the freshman has a right to try himself out against every task that falls to the hand of man, and if a young man has "type fever," letting him see his own work in print is the one thing that will cure all but hopeless cases. The hopeless case may be a genius.

LOWELL INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES SERIES OF PUBLIC LECTURES

The first of a series of public lectures entitled "The 1921-1922 Andean Expedition," under the auspices of the Lowell Institute is to be given in Huntington Hall on Thursday, February 2, by Joseph Bancroft, C. B. E., F. R. S., Fellow of Kings College, Cambridge, England. The subject of the first lecture will be "The Problem of Life at High Altitudes." The lectures will be held in Huntington Hall, 491 Boylston Street, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Tickets may be secured, free of charge, by applying by mail to the curator of the Lowell Institute, Boston, and enclosing one stamped, addressed envelope for each ticket desired.

ATAHUALPA SCORES IN "MAXIXA"

A South American dance by Guimaraes Atahualpa '23, and Miss J. F. Simmons proved very popular at the Latin-American dance last Saturday. They danced the "Maxixa," and were recalled for several encores by the applause of the spectators.

According to C. A. Ponce '22, president of the club, the dance, which filled the north hall of Walker to capacity, was a real success. Mrs. L. M. Passano, Mrs. R. P. Bigelow, and Mrs. E. F. Langley, acted as matrons for the affair. The music was furnished by Bert Lowe's eight-piece orchestra.

At the next meeting of the club, A. L. Guerrero '23, will speak on the most interesting aspects of the "Chibchas," the Indian race inhabiting the northern part of South America. This meeting will take place during the first week of February.

SECTION RESERVED AT B. A. A. GAMES FOR TECHNOLOGY MEN

Through the courtesy of Albert Geiger, Jr., '95, chairman of the Athletic Council of the Boston Athletic Association, a section of the Arena for the B. A. A. games, has been reserved for Technology men. The sale of tickets has been placed in the hands of Major F. H. Briggs. The price will be \$4 a ticket in the boxes in each of which there are six seats, \$3 for the first five rows, \$2.50 for the next three rows and \$2 for the last two rows. All applications for seats should be sent to Major F. H. Briggs, 10 High Street, Boston, with a check not later than Wednesday, February 1. A preference will be given to T Varsity Club members and Corporation and Faculty members.

INSTITUTE CHESS TEAM FACES BAY STATE CLUB

The varsity Chess Team plays its sixth match of the year against the Bay State team. The games will be sixth match of the year against the played in Walker Memorial next Friday evening. The tournament should be hotly contested, as a match between the two teams last term resulted in a 3-3 draw. The contest last Friday night, between the Institute team and the Boston Chess Club resulted in a draw.

BEAVER SEXTET PLAYS CRIMSON FRIDAY NIGHT

(Continued from Page 3.) tically impenetrable and he's been totalling 25 stops in each game. Hugh is always wideawake and his skill frequently covers up slips on the part of the other Beaver skaters.

Freshmen hockey candidates have been practicing regularly on the tennis court ice in back of Walker. Several of the men are showing well and the game against Malden Saturday should prove to be a real contest.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NEWS

Makes Ski-Jump of 103 Feet
J. P. Carleton of Dartmouth recently made a ski-jump of 103 feet, at Bristol, N. H., setting a mark that the residents of the district may look forward to equaling in the distant future. The slide at Bristol is a new one, being recently completed. In addition to his straight jumping, Carleton made a somersault, which won the applause of the audience.

Students to Visit Mexico
Dr. A. J. Armstrong of Baylor University is now organizing a party which will spend the summer traveling and studying in Mexico. The party will be conducted by a member of the Spanish faculty of Baylor, who has lived there several years. They will study during the summer session of the University of Mexico in Mexico City. Week-end trips will be made with the co-operation of native lecturers. The party leaves June 15 and returns two months later.

Intercollegiate Magazine Issued
The efforts of students from various colleges to combine the best work from their literary magazines into one number each month has finally resulted in the Intercollegiate Magazine, the first number of which has been issued by the Princeton University Press. This magazine is the result of the efforts of Miss Ruth Metzger, editor of the Wellesley College Magazine in 1920-21, who proposed its formation last year at the Intercollegiate Conference of Magazine Editors.

The magazine, however, is not as yet an official organ of the colleges and has been issued as an independent venture. Its purpose is to put on the news stands a college magazine which will contain the best examples of undergraduate thought. Princeton, Radcliffe, Oberlin, Harvard, and Wellesley are associated in the first number, which is made up of one-act plays, verse, and essays.

BARLOW APPOINTED CITY MANAGER OF NEW LONDON

James F. Barlow '05, has been appointed city manager of New London, Connecticut, by a unanimous vote of the city council. Mr. Barlow has for the past three years occupied the position of city manager for Dayton, Ohio, under the council manager type of government in that city.

Mr. Barlow prepared for Technology at the Phillips-Andover Academy and while at the Institute he was prominent in undergraduate life in the old Union on Boylston street. Upon graduation, he was added to the engineering staff of the water and sewer department of Boston. Afterward he transferred to New York, where he was assigned to similar work. In 1914 he received an offer to become director of all public works in Dayton, Ohio, which he accepted and held for four years. When the city manager of Dayton retired, Mr. Barlow was chosen to fill the position.

THEATRES (Continued from Page 1.)

heard on the vaudeville stage. Victor Moore and Emma Littlefield present a very funny act in a style that is unique.

Then there is Lew Dockstader, "Boss Politician," with a wireless telephone and a monologue; the Courtney Sisters, pleasing singers, accompanied by a very good string quartet; Harry Breen, a "nut" comedian; Broderick and Bryan in a dancing performance out of the ordinary; Great Koban and company, Japanese athletes; Greenlee and Dayton, dancers; and a clever juggling act by the Cromwells.

"COMMON CLAY" POINTS LESSON

In "Common Clay," now running at the St. James Theater, a moral lesson is pointed out very strikingly in a play which is not too moralizing to be enjoyable. There is an element of tragedy running through all three acts, but the comedy relief is good, and the ending is happy. Judge Filson, the old lawyer of the Fullertons puts it, "There seem to be only two things worth while here: Sex and Respectability." The play shows the conflict between these in the Fullerton family, and then rather unexpectedly, takes it into the affairs of the judge, himself.

TWO MILE RELAY TRIALS DESPITE COLD

(Continued from Page 3.) In the preliminaries last week Captain Yard Chittick, Bill Gurney, Bill Smith, and Johnny Poole were the fast four and so are in line for positions if they can repeat today. Frankie Howlett and Johnny Gill, a half-mile possibility also, were next in order and Howlett, who is rapidly improving after his injury, is looked to to make things interesting for the leaders. Art Smith was not up to his usual performance last Thursday but is counted on to put up a good race today.

The half-milers will have until either Friday or Saturday to rest before they are put through their final tests and will do fairly light work in the meantime. Syracuse and Dartmouth, their rivals in the B. A. A. games, are credited with snappy aggregations and the coach desires to get his men in the best possible shape to win. Last year they humbled the Green but fell before Syracuse.

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