Class of 1894

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The Campus bells are ringing,
    And they bid you back once more;
"Come ye back to old Ann Arbor—
    Come—Ye Laws of Ninety-four."

Thirty years—(with speed they're passing)
    Since the bells with lusty throats
Called our classmates out to lectures—
    Since we last wrote down our notes.

Was the Campus then forgotten—
    When we started on the way—
By the curious, devious by-roads,
    To where we find "Our Boys" today?

Some have fallen by the wayside,
    Some have gone to their reward,
Keep their memories green—My Brothers—,
    With kind thoughts of them restored.

Full many a time, day-dreaming,
    I have fallen 'neath the spell
Of throbbing, surging memories,
    Conjured up by distant bell.

Or again an engine whistle
    Of some onward, rushing train,
Tunes my thoughts to old Ann Arbor,
    And to Ninety-four again.

The dreams seem still to linger,
    And I would that once again
We might all be boys together,
    And forget we're grown-up men.

Can't YOU hear the bells a-calling,
    They shall ring for evermore;
Come ye back, my wayward children,
    Let's renew the days of yore.

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THE BULLETIN

This issue of the Bulletin, our reunion number, completes the first cycle, of five years, of its existence. Whether or not it is to be continued will, among other questions, be decided at the forthcoming reunion. We are pleased to state that it has met every expectation of its founder. Sincere thanks is conveyed to those who contributed signed articles, as well as to those who furnished the many news items.

OUR REUNION

'94 Laws, awake! Our reunion is near at hand. Have you notified the President of your coming? Or are you still on the fence? How can any member of the class afford to miss it—Professor Johnston there, all the way from the Philippine Islands, to greet you; the great bulk of your class ready to give you the glad hand of fellowship and never again such an opportunity to meet so many of the old classmates; an unsurpassed class reunion program planned for your special entertainment; Ann Arbor, with its fond memories and new buildings, to welcome and inspire you; a fine line of amusements provided by the university to fill in the time not otherwise occupied; and reunion days coming at the end of the week, instead of in the middle, as formerly.

Pick up your "duds" and break away for a little while from the every-day humdrum existence? Can you not see yourself on the train on your way to Ann Arbor, indulging in the luxury of unrestrained anticipation and meditation—which Carlyle says is the greatest gift the Gods have to bestow—with thoughts of young student days, of the happenings on the campus and in lecture and quiz rooms, of the variant and unique personalities of your professors, of your old room and boarding-house, and of the old town itself, and wondering what changes have been wrought there in these thirty years?

It is an easy thing to let an opportunity like this slip by. Make up your mind now firmly to go. And when the day or hour arrives, do not let indigpostion, business, or any of the other convenient excuses, weaken or side-track your resolution. If you can not make a special journey to Ann Arbor, because of uncontrollable circumstances, combine it with a business trip, or a visit to one of the national conventions, or to the old home, etc. Ann Arbor is centrally located and easily accessible from all the main arteries of travel.

REUNION ATTENDANCE

Our old rivals the '94 Lits are also holding their 30th year reunion. They now threaten to put us in a subordinate position in attendance. Are you going to let them do it? Five years ago, we led every visiting class both in attendance and enthusiasm. And do you recall—those who were at the last reunion—how we serenaded the '94 Lits, the '94 Medics and the '94 Dents, who were all holding their quarter century reunions?

Thus far, we are well keeping pace with the responses received at this period before the last reunion. We do not count the "try to be there's." They generally put us in an embarrassing position. If a man really intends to go to a reunion, he usually comes out and says so, with emphasis; of course, there are exceptions, where serious and special circumstances control. If you really intend to be with us, say so. The reunion managers must incur liabilities in advance to cover a definite number of reunion attendants. So, let us know immediately if you are going to be present. Timely notice of this reunion has been given, as everyone knows, for the last five years, so that a "previous" or other engagement can hardly be made the basis for an acceptable excuse, from one who has the genuine spark of class spirit in his soul.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND EXPENSES

We do not advise putting up at the hotels; they are down-town, a good way from class headquarters and the campus. Our local arrangements committee are negotiating for a number of houses in the vicinity of class headquarters to take care of all of us. There will be no trouble in making everyone comfortable—only let us know in advance how many of you there will be. Comfortable lodgings can be had at as low as $1 a day. Some of the houses furnish meals, but close at hand are tea-rooms, restaurants and cafeterias, where meals can be had at reasonable prices; or, if you prefer, you can get your meals at the Michigan Union, which is also near by. Lodgings at the Union are very limited in number, and can be rented only to members of the Union. Accommodations will be assigned to
you upon arrival at headquarters. As to transportation, it may be possible for you to take advantage of the special railroad rates in force for the national party conventions to be held in Cleveland and New York and for other events.

Yes, bring your wife and family. They will be cordially welcome. A special committee of women will always be at their service, if necessary. In the meantime, if you would like to know how the wife would like it, etc., at a reunion, have her write to Mrs. John H. Hassinger, Abingdon, Virginia, a member of that committee, wife of classmate Hassinger and who was one of the women present at our last reunion.

CALENDAR AND PROGRAM

You must plan to get to Ann Arbor by Thursday evening, June 12th, or not later than 9 or 10 o'clock a.m. on June 13th. Our reunion program begins promptly at 11 o'clock a.m. on June 13th, with our first class meeting, at which every member of the class should be present. There is another reason for being promptly on hand before or early on June 13th. Judge Johnson, whom we are very fortunate to have with us, must leave on the evening of that day for the Philippines, so as to be back in Manila in time for the opening of his court, and we know you will want to enjoy as much of his society as possible.

As soon as you arrive in Ann Arbor, go to class headquarters, in the Michigan Union, or, if convenient, to Alumni Memorial Hall, on the campus, to register, and then to class headquarters when and where we will help you to be comfortably lodged; if you go to class headquarters first, be sure to register afterwards at Alumni Memorial Hall, as the university authorities wish every visiting alumnus to be registered also there.

After the first class meeting, we meet for luncheon at the Michigan Union, at 12:30 o'clock p.m. After luncheon, we will have a motor ride, which is being arranged for by former Quizmaster Dwyer.

We shall take part in the alumni parade the following day, on the 14th, which is always a special feature of a reunion. There will be thirty-four reunion classes in line. The earlier classes, for this event, wear picturesque uniforms. We, of course, will not; but, in order to make an attractive appearance as a body, urge each member to bring a pair of white flannel trousers, a dark coat—blue or black preferred—straw hat, and, if convenient, low white shoes. We shall, as usual, wear class badges, and, perhaps, some slight additional inconspicuous paraphernalia.

The principal event of our reunion will be our great class banquet, on Saturday evening, June 14th, at the Michigan Union; on this occasion dress clothes will not be worn. We shall also have our final class meeting on that day, probably in the morning, and the taking of the class picture. Of this, definite notice will be given later.

With the exception of the above definite class events, there will be no formal, set program to hamper the freedom of members of the class at the reunion. There will be, besides the above, among the members of the class, informal events, visits, outings, etc., and attendance upon university events, such as the alumni mass meeting, the alumni luncheon, baseball games, plays given by the students at the theatre, the illuminated evening parade on the campus, etc., but these are optional with the members of the class. It is urged, however, that they be not allowed to interfere with the definite class events set out above and also that members of the class keep together as much as possible at all functions that they may participate in or attend.

At the class banquet, a handsome souvenir will be given to each member of the class, as a momento of the occasion.

Notify immediately H. W. Webber, 52 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York City, that you will be at the reunion.

THIRTEEN

The 13th of June—one Friday, too—is the first day of our reunion. "What luck," would the superstitious and the anti-superstitious say,—one with a wail of disappointment, the other in high glee.

The origin of the sinister association of things and events with the number 13 is still in doubt, although it is traceable as far back as the 8th century B.C., in the folk-lore precept of the Greek poet Hesiod. But, however uncanny a significance it may have had in the minds of the credulous, in foreign lands, the number 13 certainly has ever been a lucky one in the annals and life of our own
country: on the 13th day of a month, respectively, Columbus saw the first sunrise upon this continent (although land was discovered on the 12th), the English first settled Jamestown, the author of the Declaration of Independence was born, and our flag was first made; 13 was the number of our colonies, the number of our original states and the number of the original stars in our flag; and other innumerable happy American events and instances might be cited as having had affiliation with the number 13.

"That 13 brings ill-luck is mere tradition, Yea, even more, 'tis foolish superstition—
For 13, lucky number, runs—
Through all our country's ripening suns---
'Tis for our land an omen good—
For Peace—Liberty—Brotherhood!"

So, of course, it is with Law '94. Thirteen is our lucky number! However, should friend wife, by any possibility, have the least misgivings, for instance, as to riding on railroad trains on "unlucky days," make known to her at once the fact that you, or you and she, will not have to travel on Friday the 13th. The 13th and 14th are our reunion days, and you are then expected to be in Ann Arbor, the lucky city, where on and through all the 13th days of the month and Fridays the demons and witches let one alone, unharmed and unmolested, as they did throughout our entire college course.

A JUDICIARY CONVENTION

The following judges and court officials have thus far expressed an intention to be at our reunion:

E. Finley Johnson, Justice, Supreme Court of Philippine Islands.
Harland B. Howe, Judge, U. S. District Court, Vermont.
Augustus A. Partlow, Justice, Illinois Appellate Court, 2nd Dist.
Robert F. Thompson, Justice, New York Supreme Court.
A. G. Burr, Judge, District Court, N. D.
Richard L. Cameron, Judge, Court of Common Pleas, O.
George W. Fuller, Referee in Bankruptcy, New York.

Samuel P. Irwin, Illinois Supreme Court Reporter.
Robert S. Parks, Prosecuting Attorney, Geauga Co., O.

OBITUARY

Clarence Abram Plank, member of our class, died on February 8th, 1924, in Hawarden, Iowa, after an illness of a year or more, at the age of 51 years. While at law school, he was a member of the Webster Society, Benton Debating Club and Nebraska-Iowa Club Court. Upon graduation, he engaged in practice in Hawarden, and served for fifteen years as City Attorney.

CLASS ITEMS

Judge J. C. Travis is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Alumni Association of Indianapolis.
Bertram Shane, of Warsaw, Ind., with Mrs. Shane, will motor to the reunion.
John T. Wagner, formerly with the Interborough Press, Spring City, Pa., as associate editor, is now advertising manager of the Pottstown Daily News, of Pottstown, Pa.; he still resides in Royersford, Pa.; he writes: "I have no kick against the world; have a good position, and a set of most congenial fellows to work with—in fact, just about as congenial as those of L'94 with whom I came in contact while at Ann Arbor."

William J. Landman and his wife will attend the graduation of their son from the literary department this Commencement, who enters the law school next fall.

Fred W. Ashton has left Grand Island, Neb., and is now associated with the Janus Investment Co., 414 Metropolitan Building, Los Angeles, Calif.

Arthur F. Sheldon, former Quizmaster, is Director of the Buffalo Business Science Normal School, whose office is 409 Chamber of Commerce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Emma Eaton White is chairman of the legislative department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs; she drafted the Federal Uniform Marriage and Divorce bill introduced in Congress, is a candidate for Vice-President of the above organization, and has been asked by the Republican Party of Indiana to run as a candidate for Reporter of Decisions of the Supreme Court of that state.