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What Are Our Colleges For?

Tendency to Underemphasize Scholarship and Character-Building Noted by Dr. Odell

Four hours on a hard chair and nothing worth while to carry away—not an inspiration, or a new hope, or an old truth re-emphasized! Four hours listening to selected orators and nothing but a headache, a backache, and a heartache in return! Four hours that promised so much and delivered so little.

It was an alumni banquet of a college which is known and respected all over the world alike for the scholarship of its faculty and the accomplishments of its alumni.

This is what happened: The first speaker gave a quaint, genial, gossipy address about college professors, interspersed with a few anemic and academic jokes. The second speaker represented a noble and ancient university in New England, and his speech was made up of humorous stories—some of which were decidedly off-color—a good deal of bad-taste banter of rival universities, and his peroration was a dull extract from the speech of another man on the subject of college athletics. The third speaker also represented a great Eastern university and he devoted his entire time to elaborating a number of hypocritical axioms on intercollegiate athletics. The fourth was a man who had a football past and he spent forty minutes in flinging out jerky periods of praise of former stars in the collegiate sky.

We came away before the speaking was over, utterly depressed and almost angry. There had not been a word in praise of scholarship; no one present could ever have guessed that a college is an

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Baseball Team to Ring Down Curtain

Rumor has it that the Blue and Gold tossers will soon have a chance to show their mettle in actual combat. According to the schedule, the first game was to have been with Holy Cross College at Newark on Friday, April 1. However, the latest reports have it that the "Chicks" will invade the city of Baltimore next Monday and wrestle for the scalp of the Johns Hopkins University nine. This rumor has not been officially verified by the Athletic Council, but seems to come from reliable sources. With such fine weather as has been here the past week or so, this game should find Shipley's porteges in first-class shape for the opener, and the dopesters are inclined to be optimistic as to the result. With the first game of the season tucked safely under their wing, the "Chicks" should stand an excellent chance of going through a record season.

SENIORS GUESTS OF FACULTY CLUB

Spend Enjoyable Evening in Club's Rooms in Old College

On Monday evening, March 21, the Seniors were the honored guests of the Faculty Club in the Club's rooms in Old College. That the Profs know how to entertain and to entertain in style, every member of the Twenty-one Class will cheerfully admit, for never since the days of the Thanksgiving and Christmas banquets had such a celebration been seen in Old College.

By eight o'clock a large number of the Seniors and the Faculty were on hand and the festivities began. The first part of the evening passed quietly and, in comparison with the later developments, uneventfully with bridge and shuffle-board attracting most of the attention of the guests. Such seeming monotony was not to be for long, however, and in a short time a mysterious-looking tray was whisked into the room. Space was cleared about a large table, and the feature of the evening was announced in the shape of a pie-eating contest between the Seniors and their ancient enemies. At this point, Madden, the Senior president, showed rare generalship and foresight in picking the men to represent the Seniors. His choice of "Phil" Marvel, "Tom" Attix, and "Cantamity" Hastings was greeted by wild cheers from the Senior rosters, while the Faculty were equally confident in the ability of "Slipstick" Hancock, Hoagland, and Upton. "Jimmie" LeCato was official timer and when the smoke of battle had cleared away, declared the Seniors to be victorious. "Tom" Attix made the best individual time of five minutes, twenty and two-fifth seconds.

After the casualties had been removed, refreshments were served and the remainder of the evening was spent in consuming them, and in listening to George Madden at the piano. At a late hour the Seniors departed with the firm conviction in their minds that at least some of the Faculty are human beings and not the ruthless slave-drivers of their imagination. The consensus of opinion among the Seniors seems to be that it was a real party, and one which they shall enjoy to recall in future years.

Calendar

Thursday, March 24

4.00 p. m.—Easter recess begins.

8.00 p. m.—Down Home Dance, at Dover.

Monday, March 28

3.00 p. m.—Baseball, Johns Hopkins vs. Delaware, at Baltimore.

Tuesday, March 29

8.00 a. m.—Easter recess ends.

Friday, April 1

3.30 p. m.—Baseball, Frazer Field, Holy Cross vs. Delaware.

Saturday, April 2

8.00 p. m.—Artist Series, Wolf Hall. John Barnes Wells.

Engineers Hear Three Speakers

National Organization, Educational Problems and Road Construction Discussed at Last Meeting

At the meeting of the A. A. E. last Thursday evening, Mr. A. B. McDaniel delivered a scholarly address on "An Ideal Which has Become an Institution." The Second National Vice President of the A. A. E. extended felicitations from the National Association to the local chapter and after telling a little about his present work in the Educational Department of the U. S. Army, he presented the ideals, purpose and organization of the American Association of Engineers in such a minute and attractive manner as to leave all of the local members enthused and encouraged. Following the meeting, Mr. McDaniel was invited, and accepted the invitation, to return to the College at some future time.

The speaker first briefly surveyed the changing conditions in the world and outlined the engineer's part in the reorganization bound to take place. He feels that the engineer is a liaison between Labor and Capital and will bring about some startling developments in the field of Industrial Democracy and allied work.

In order that the student engineer might feel more keenly the dignity of his profession, Mr. (Continued on Page Three.)

Senior "Ags" Get Valuable Experience

Five Senior "Ags" who are specializing in Horticulture, were given a chance to put their theory into practice last week when Dean C. A. McCue arranged a week's trip for them into the wilds of Virginia. The work consisted of pruning and spraying a large peach orchard in Exmor, Virginia, and good opportunity was given the students to get practical experience, and at the same time to learn the methods of farming in a section of country entirely new to them. The students were accompanied on the trip by Prof. L. R. Detjen who, after giving instructions and good advice, left them in charge of the work and returned to College. The crusaders, "Abe" Barnard, Elzey, Philips, Jones, and Handy, reported for classes on Monday morning with sunburned faces and a very good impression of Virginia.

NOTE

There will be no regular issue of the Review next week on account of the Easter vacation. The next issue will appear on Wednesday, April 6th.

LEGISLATURE VOTES TO CHANGE NAME

College Officially Becomes the University of Delaware

The Senate on Monday afternoon passed the House bill authorizing Delaware College to change its name to the University of Delaware. The bill carried a clause which limits to six years the term of the trustees of the institution who shall be elected to fill vacancies in the present board.

Real Dug-Outs For Frazer Field

The strange masses of concrete which have appeared on Frazer Field recently are at last taking shape, and it is plain to be seen that they are in fact nothing less than real dug-outs for the use of the baseball squad this season. These dug-outs have long been needed to be in keeping with the rest of Joe Frazer Field, which can hardly be bettered anywhere in the East, and make the final touch of distinction to our athletic field. This need was foreseen last spring, and the 1920 class, in leaving, made the necessary arrangements whereby a dugout should be erected for the use of the visiting teams at Delaware. According to their plans, the work was started this spring, and it was not until then that the student body began to realize the need for these dug-outs. Seeing this need, the present Senior class stepped forward and offered to erect a dug-out for the home team as a memorial to their life at Delaware. Thus, Delaware College finds itself one of the very few colleges in the country which can boast of such up-to-date improvements. The combined cost of the dug-out will be about three hundred and fifty dollars.

New Sergeant for Military Department

Sergeant Alfred O'Brien reported for duty as an assistant instructor in military tactics on Thursday, March 17, and as such will no doubt prove an aid to Major Row in producing a more efficient organization. Sergeant Davis, another new-comer, with Sergeant Frazer and Sergeant Morgan have done much toward gaining this efficiency and with another man, should be able to show some results. Sergeant O'Brien's military record has been such as to recommend him highly to the authorities here. He enlisted August 21, 1915 and attended the Third Officers' Training Camp at Camp Upton, N. Y. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant and was later discharged from the service in 1919. He re-enlisted in the recruiting service on July 9, 1920.

Guest—"Nice dog."
Host—"Yes, we call him 'Blacksmith.'"
Guest—"Why?"
Host—"Every time you throw something at him he makes a bolt for the door."

"Chicks" Prepare for Opening Game

Team in Fine Condition; Stage All Set for Battle with Holy Cross

The baseball squad is in fine condition now, and practice has not been so intense the past week on account of the cooler weather. Coach Shipley, however, has been taking good care of his men, and is making them take it easy to prevent any soreness from developing and hindering the team's efficiency later on. The size of the squad is still the same, and all the men are showing constant improvement; so that they are in condition now to play a game of ball. The two squads had a regular nine-inning game Saturday afternoon in spite of the chilly winds that were blowing across Frazer Field. Rothrock and Collins showed up on the mound in mid-season form, and certainly look good to Delaware rooters. George Madden is in the game again and looks as reliable as ever. McDonald and Marvel were clouting the ball hard Saturday, both getting long circuit drives. This is the last hard week of practice, that is, in addition to the two or three days after Easter before the Holy Cross game, and "Ship" intends to work his charges hard. The diamond is in excellent condition and rivals any big league diamond for fastness. The scene is all set for our opening game and rumor has it that the northern ball-tossers are due for a surprise on April first.

Coach still has a big crowd to pick from. For outfielders he has Captain Donoho, Madden, Dantz, Deppe and Murray. In the infield, there are: McDonald, Walsh, Wilson, Underwood, Taggart, Robbins, Challenger, Ivory, and Leamy. The pitching staff shows up well with Rothrock, Collins, Ramsey and Carl as most promising. Marvel, Nutter and Spaid are the backstop aspirants. Who said a coach has an easy job, when he has to choose nine men from such a wealth of material?

Winners of Contest Still Undecided

The Review Board had hoped to be able to announce the winners in the recent editorial contest in this week's issue but on account of the pressure of the approaching mid-term reports, the judges were compelled to allow the decision to be put off a few days. In all there were about thirty contestants, and it can well be imagined that the judges will have no easy time of it. One very noticeable feature of the contest was that not one upper-classman took the opportunity of airing his views and at the same time of striving for a prize. From the Sophomore class, there were about twenty contributions with a few scattered one from the Freshmen. However, the Review is greatly pleased by the spirit shown in the contest and hopes to be able to announce the winners in a very few days.

EASTER HOLIDAYS AND "ADS" FOR THE BLUE HEN

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Engineers Wake Up!

Are the engineering students interested in engineering?

To judge by the attendance at the last meeting of the A. A. E. it would seem that a great number of them are more interested in other things. A man in college should acquire a sense of relative values. A man with this sense of relative values could not attend a movie show on the night his professional society meets any more than a Cabinet Officer would attend a card party while the Cabinet was in session.

Engineers, wake up! Get a sensible perspective. Support the organization which is working in YOUR interests.

One Step Forward

At last we are waking up and helping the college. The latest addition to the campus are the two concrete dugouts which are located on Joe Frazer Field. Recently it was stated that the Naval Academy was the first collegiate institution to build dugouts. We wish to contradict this statement and say that Delaware arranged for dugouts last spring. One was presented to the college by the illustrious class of 1920 as a memorial to the institution. Nothing of any more intrinsic value could have been thought of or could be more appropriate. What an additional attraction the BLUE HEN will boast of when it displays a picture of these dugouts! Friends of the college will say, "Here is a small college full and rich in spirit and sentiment and yet up to date, that is where I will donate my money when I die." Who knows that some alumnus will read this and offer to build an amphitheatre or a concrete grandstand? There is a moral to these dugouts, namely, that nothing is impossible if we strive for it, bigger things are coming if the student body will urge them and fight for them.

Lack of student interest and failure to fight for the powers behind the throne has often been the cause of discarded propositions. All the world loves a scrapper, even the faculty, so let's keep barking away, but still grin and smile and we will soon have all the up-to-date convenience and activities that we desire.

Ursinus. Recently Founders' Day Exercises were held at Ursinus College. Many good speakers were on hand and the type of speeches was especially beneficial to the students in attendance. Lincoln, his life and principles, were also spoken of.

Commuters and the Proposed Compulsory Physical Training

How the proposed plan of compulsory physical training will affect the commuters is a subject that is much discussed among those who commute. Although very little has been definitely said about the new plan of activity yet the student body has received sufficient general information to form an opinion of the new idea. The opinion of the commuters is in favor of the plan, but with so little specific information they cannot say definitely whether they will heartily support the program or not.

In order to conform to the present schedule of classes the average commuter has to get up in time to catch the train which leaves Wilmington at seven o'clock. This means that each commuter is forced to get up sometime between five-thirty and six o'clock. After the day's classes are over the majority of the commuters go home on the 5.07 train. The problem among the commuters is: Will this new system of physical training hinder me from getting the 5.07 train? Although the system may not prevent them from catching this train, it will mean an hour less of their own time for study. An hour of study means more to a commuter than it does to a resident student because an hour less of sleep for the commuter.

The writer has heard the commuters discuss this question among themselves and their suggestion is that the time that each commuter spends in walking to and from the train should be counted in as well as part of the noon hour which is spent by playing baseball. Of course, it is understood by the commuters that they would fulfill the requirements in a conscientious manner and according to the honor system.

The present trend of opinion around the college is against the commuters. The commuters are a factor in the student body and as such they have the right to a proportionate amount of consideration.

University of Florida. A number of students of the University of Florida were recently suspended indefinitely for clipping freshmen's hair and hazing in general. These students are remaining in town and studying outside with the expectation that they will be allowed to return shortly, as they have petitioned.

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institution intended to train the mind. Nothing was said about leadership in the nation; apparently colleges are related to other colleges only in muscular rivalry and have nothing to do with the development of a sane democracy. Character was not mentioned; anyone would have been justified in inferring that modern colleges are the full fruition of the caveman period long before Plato defined education.

Of course, I know that this slant to the speeches was an accident hardly likely to happen again. Perhaps next year scholarship will be overemphasized by the speakers selected. But the experience shows that there are some men connected with the life of our institutions of learning who have a very narrow and low view of their functions.

Practically everyone who is concerned with modern life, and especially life in America today, is trying to define democracy. Personally, I think that no one really knows what democracy is, and very few actually care. I am certain of this: That whatever democracy may be it will surely go to pieces unless it is guided by a moral aristocracy. America can conceivably go on very well for an indefinite period with no further increase of physical strength, with no further increase of material wealth, with no further increase of intellectual training; but America cannot go very far in any direction unless we can produce men of superior ethical vision. In fact, all the other things become positively dangerous if there is not a constant clarifying and enlargement of the sense of moral obligation.

If our colleges fail that is the point at which their failure must be recorded. They must make real men; men who have the capacity and the courage of moral leadership; men who will respond to the one clear call of the age. They must send back into the cities and towns and villages of America both men and women who are willing to place their superior advantages at the disposal of all the people, who will resist any lowering of the standards of our national life and who will make sacrifices to lift that standard even higher. I think that all of our colleges and universities are trying to do that very thing and occasional misdirections and failures ought not to dishearten us.

JOSEPH H. ODELL.

Alumni Notes

Terry Mitchell, '19, who is now specializing in automobile construction at M. I. T., spent a large part of his spring vacation in Newark recently.

C. F. ("Buz") Meyers, '18, and Stanley Loomis, '20, have both been recent visitors at the College. "Buz" was one of Coach McAvoy's stellar ends in the old days and has since been keeping in trim by playing this position on the Buffalo independent football team which walloped "Jim" Thorpe's aggregation of all-stars at the Polo Grounds last fall. "Stan" was also a member of the old guard before being clipped by a German Schrapnel.

Allen S. Wise, 15, is the proud father of a fine baby boy. This little prospective Delaware College student has been named William Allen Wise, II.

Intercollegiates

Williams—Williams has engaged Jack Coombs as baseball coach this season. Jack Coombs was pitcher for the Athletics for ten years. The veteran player will take the place of Ira Thomas.

University of Vermont—The University of Vermont recently held a unique performance. The affair was a contest between the fraternities of the college in which there was a genuine old "Kake Walk" stunt enacted. Prizes were given and competition was keen.

Whittier College—Whittier College is soon to have a new athletic field. Plans do not call for a mammoth stadium nor for an athletic field containing several football rectangles and twice as many baseball diamonds, but rather for one lone outdoor-indoor baseball diamond for the exclusive use of the young ladies of the institution.

Stanford—Eleven thousand volumes will soon be added to the Stanford Library. George T. Clark, librarian of the university, purchased the books on his recent tour of the world.

University of Pennsylvania—Recent registration figures show that the University is the most cosmopolitan in this country. In addition to drawing students from every state in the Union, forty-five foreign countries are represented on the roster of students.

California—Plans are now un-

der way to send the baseball team of the University of California on tour of the Orient this summer. If the scheme goes through a Stanford-California schedule will be staged in Japan, as expenses for thirty-four men, seventeen from each school, have been guaranteed.

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Prof.—Did you ask me how many pounds there were in a kilovolt?

Prof.—What is a standard thermometer?

McDonnell—One which has a boiling point of 32 degrees, Fahrenheit.

—and on the other hand, She had warts.

Soph—They tell me Bluegill was pinched last night.

Phomere—Zatso! How come?

Soph—He had a whine in his voice.

Some Pan-Hellenic—and some don't.

Zwizzy Cue—Are you a pie eater?

Fresh Fish—No, I'm not connected with any of those frats.

Frosh—"I gotta know—"

Frosher—"You did, huh? I thought 'E' was the lowest."

Weekly Events

Attract Attention

Last week saw the "running off" of four more of the weekly events. These events were: high jump; discus throw, broad jump, and half-mile run.

Following are the results in each event:

High Jump—First, Middleton, '24, 5 ft. 3 in.; second, Harmer, '22, 5 ft. 2 in.; third, Booth, '23, 5 ft.

Discus Throw—First, Betzmer, '24, 108 ft. 8 in.; second, Harmer, '22, 98 ft.; third, Humphries, '23, 95 ft. 7 in.

Broad Jump—First, McDonnell, '22, 19 ft. 8 in.; second, Betzmer, '24, 19 ft. 7 1/2 in.; third, Harmer, '22, and Pitman, '23, 19 ft. 7 in.

Half-Mile Run—First, Booth, '23; second, Harmer, '22; third, Pitman, '23. Time: 2 min. 10 sec.

A glance at the present standing shows that almost a complete revolution has taken place since last week. Harmer has retained his grip on first place; but Haines who held second place, is now perched on the sixth rung. Booth and Pitman were the stars of last week's events, Booth rising from the ninth rank to the third magnitude, while Pitman has climbed up from obscurity and is now resting on the fourth rung in the ladder of physical attainment. But alas! Mighty Repp has fallen from fourth to eighth place.

- 1. Harmer, '2278.85
- 2. Betzmer, '2446
- 3. Booth, '2337.85
- 4. Pitman, '2329.25
- 5. Humphries, '2329
- 6. Haines, '2323.85
- 7. Middleton, '2423
- 8. Repp, '2222.75
- 9. Christfield, '2220.75
- 10. Harper, '2216.50
- Cooch, '2316.50

Kansas leads in the number of students in their own state university in proportion to the population of the state. For every 10,000 inhabitants in the state, there are the following number of students in the respective state universities: Kansas, 27; Michigan, 24; Minnesota, 22; Iowa, 21; Nebraska, 21; Wisconsin, 19; Indiana, 15; Oklahoma, 10; Illinois, 8; and Missouri, 8.

ENGINEERS HEAR THREE SPEAKERS

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McDaniel urged his auditors to read George S. Morrison's book of essays called "The New Epoch." This book might be termed an Outline of the History of Engineering.

Engineering is a work of service, very often of public service. The speaker pointed out the fact that the idea behind the organization of the A. A. E. had been to make engineering as a profession more useful and respected and that the ideal of the organization as expressed by the motto, "Advance - Cooperate" was one of the highest.

The departments of Employment Service, Publicity, Education, and Ethics were briefly outlined and explained. The department of Publicity is filling a long felt need in engineering. Credit for engineering work is being placed where it belongs, on the engineer instead of on the party boss or other figurehead who haunts the work. Through this continual association of the engineer's visible work with the engineer as a man, the public is being gradually educated to an appreciation of his responsibility.

The Educational Department is attempting to provide for the graduate engineer those studies, such as business economics, law, and public speaking, which he failed to get in his student days and now feels handicapped by their absence. This department is also working out a program to assist the engineering schools and colleges in arranging their curriculum.

The work that the A. A. E. is doing in the line of ethics is of prime importance. In this connection the volume, "Ethics for Engineers" by I. Randolph, a consulting engineer of Chicago, was recommended as being a complete statement of the code. The A. A. E. aims to cut out dishonesty and graft connected with some engineering work and has already expelled three of its members who were found guilty of improper conduct. The Board of Directors will take up this week the case of a State Engineer accused of misconduct. That engineers as a class are men of integrity is attested by the late Joseph Choate, former Ambassador at the Court of St. James, who once told Mr. McDaniel that his dealings with engineers had led him to believe that the engineering profession of all professions, and not excluding law, was one of the highest in essential square dealing and integrity.

Dr. Hullihen, who was present at the meeting, was called upon by President Boggs and responded in a manner which showed that he has been giving thought and study to the problems of engineering education. He corroborated Mr. McDaniel's statements as to the need of business knowledge and ability to speak effectively in all engineering work of greater importance. Dr. Hullihen said: "I do not hesitate to prophesy that in the future the great engineering associations will force the en-

gineering colleges to provide business training and practice in public speaking to their engineering students."

After Dr. Hullihen's remarks, Mr. W. E. Rosengarten delivered an illustrated lecture on "Asphalt and its Uses in Highway Engineering." Mr. Rosengarten traced the history of this oldest waterproofing material from the time it was used in Biblical days up unto its present great use in constructing highways. According to the speaker, Moses' crib was made of asphalt and history records that asphalt was likewise used in the construction of Noah's ark. Some excellent views of the natural asphalt lake, Trinidad, Venezuela, were shown. This lake deposit is reported to be 150 feet deep and the asphalt is mined like coal. This crude asphalt must be refined before it is commercially valuable.

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At the regular weekly assembly meeting of the Rehabilitation Division, on March 16, Mr. Wells A. Sherman, Bureau of Markets, U. S. Department of Agriculture, gave the men a very clear talk on Marketing, in language that could be understood by anyone although not an expert in these matters. The whole talk revealed some of the salient features of the marketing of fruit and vegetables, which in the past has been entirely misunderstood by the public and the college student in Agricultural Economics. He brought out very forcibly that middlemen are not robbers nor the useless people

that we supposed, because of performing some service for which the producer is ready to pay him. No reforms can be made at once to sweep away all ills. If the farmers wish to receive themselves the money which now is received by the middleman, he must find a way to provide the middleman service himself. The best work along this line is done by cooperative societies, which is being done in California and the Ozark regions. Such organizations can only gradually work their way into the middleman's place. Some are successful and some are not. Cooperation will lead to the standardization of produce. In that way farm organizations can more easily sell directly

to the consumer without the aid of another middleman than itself.

Mr. Sherman brought out the point that there is no great destruction of goods while in transit. The freight is responsible for the safe delivery of goods, and the middleman is not going to let food spoil for the sake of raising the price, as by that procedure he is hurting his own property and giving the advantage of the rise in price to his competitor.

In the short time allotted, Mr. Sherman gave the most important points of market gardening. The Rehabilitation Division was glad to welcome the two classes of college men who visited them at the meeting.

A wave of morality in regard to extreme dances and unconventional dress among women seems to be traveling over the various colleges of the country. At Brown, the university daily came out recently with a direct challenge against "extreme immorality" and announced that a "morality squad" had been appointed to wipe out the custom at Brown. At Kansas Agricultural College, the student council has put a ban on check dancing and jazz in general. The annual "Junior Hop" at the University of Michigan was abandoned by the order of the University Senate, who charged the students with excessive cigar-

ette smoking, drinking, and cad-dishness in discontinuing the hop. "Folly talks" are given regularly to the co-eds of the University of Minnesota to prevent a moral let-down. Even at the W. C. D., the fair students are taught religiously the grave danger of the "shimmy" and "toddle," which fact no doubt is responsible for this morality wave leaving Delaware College unscathed.

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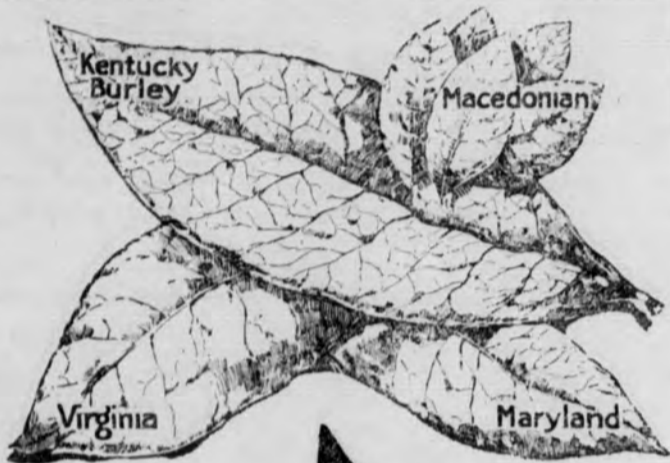
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