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LAMENT LOSS  
OF "HAZO" BARTON"Grand Old Man of Campus"  
Succumbs

Students and Faculty of the University heard with deep regrets and sorrow the news of William Barton's death on last Thursday after an illness of about a week. His death was caused largely by the shock received on March 4, when his invalid wife, Rachel M. Barton, died.

Mr. Barton, who was aged 89 at the time of his death, had had been employed as janitor of Purnell Hall during the last twenty-six years of his life. He was known and liked by every student who had ever come in contact with him. He was a vigorous and active old man, there being no indication of infirmity in his carriage, despite the fact that he was nearly ninety years of age. In manner he was cheerful and optimistic, and was always ready with a pleasant greeting on all occasions.

His life, previous to his service in the University, had been full of adventure and romance. He was probably the last survivor of General Albert Sidney Johnston's expedition into the Mormon country in 1857. Mr. Barton, familiarly known as "Hazo," was a private in that expedition, and while in Utah he saw Brigham Young, leader of the Mormon faith. Tiring of a soldier's life, "Hazo" left the government service and went to the California gold fields where he sought fortune in the mines. He remained there until 1860, when he returned home to Newark. He later made a trip to Oregon, but returned again to Newark, where he resided until the time of his death.

Mr. Barton was well liked by the students and the Faculty of the University. As a mark of respect, the college authorities had the flags placed at half-mast from the time of Mr. Barton's

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"HAZO" BARTON  
Grand Old Man of the Campus.PRINCETON DEFEATS  
DELAWARE FIVE

Basketball Season Closes

Delaware closed its basketball season last Tuesday night, March 7, with a defeat at the hands of Princeton. The Tiger five was the better team all the way through and pulled in ahead by a score of 27 to 14.

Despite the score, the Blue and Gold made the Princetonians step rather lively at times. The big, rangy New Jersey five had the advantage in weight and height but were forced to the limit to hold their lead in the first half. Delaware played a defensive game from the tap-off, a style made necessary by the height of their opponents. Fast passing ability was displayed but lack of ability to shoot and cut kept the score down. Muncy Keith broke thru several times for goals but the defensive tactics of the Tigers kept Delaware at long range for the most part of the contest.

Footlights Club to  
Give Play in April

The Footlights Club has been making plans during the past few weeks for another play to be given in the near future. The cast of the play will be made entirely of members of the Footlights Club, despite the fact that there are four female characters in the story. This will be a new departure along dramatic lines in the University, as previously whenever actors of the fair sex were required they were taken from the Women's College. However, the Footlights Club is going to make its productions productions by the Footlights Club, and every effort is being put forth by the members of the Club to make "The Magistrate" the best entertainment ever given at the University.

Two Lecturers at  
A. A. E. Meeting

Illustrated lectures on Water-tube Boilers and Vitrified Pipe will be the main attraction at the meeting of the local chapter of the American Association of Engineers to be held in the Lounge of Old College tomorrow night at 7 p. m. William Bradford and Joseph S. Hubbard engineers respectfully of the Edge Moor Iron Company and the Eastern Clay Products Association are the lecturers. Along with several members of the engineering faculty these men will be entertained at dinner by the chapter officers previous to the meeting.

The Women's College of the University of Delaware reopened Monday morning, after a ten day recess due to a case of scarlet fever at the school. Miss Ruth Ann Russel, the student who was stricken with the malady prior to the closing of the institution, is much improved and will be able to resume her studies in a few days.

DEAN EDWARD LAURENCE  
SMITHRetires as President of the  
Athletic CouncilAthletic Council  
Changes Personnel

Dean E. Laurence Smith and Professor George E. Dutton tendered their resignations to the Athletic Council at a recent meeting. Both men feel that the increased activities of the Scholarship and Discipline Committee, in addition to their regular collegiate work, makes it impossible for them to devote the time and attention to the affairs of the Athletic Council necessary for obtaining comparable results.

Dr. W. Owen Sypherd and Professor Howard K. Preston were elected to fill out the terms of service of Dean Smith and Professor Dutton.

## Sigma Nu Gives Informal

On Saturday night the Sigma Nu fraternity gave an informal dance in Old College. The main hall was decorated in black, white and gold, the fraternity colors; the lights were covered with colored streamers and crepe paper; flowers and ferns offset the windows in colors suggestive of spring. From one end of the hall was suspended a large Sigma Nu badge, lighted by tiny electric bulbs. The lounge was decorated in the fraternity colors, while Old College Entrance was decked with banners of the University societies and fraternities. Dancing began at 8 o'clock and ended at 11.30, when refreshments were served. Music was by George Madden's orchestra.

Those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. Short, Dean Winifred Robinson, Dean E. L. Smith, patrons; Ralph Wine, James Pettijohn, Louis Schaefer, Paul Leahy, Richard Thatcher, Robert Hayes, Thomas Daly, and John Rife, guests.

## Literary Symposium

Another symposium will be held in the Faculty Club next Sunday evening at 8.30. Dr. F. M. K. Foster will read from the diary of Samuel Pepys.

MASKED BALL  
ON MARCH 24Varsity Men to Break Forth in  
Annual Riot of Fun

Old College will be ablaze on Friday evening, March 24, when the Varsity Clubmen meet for their Second Annual Masked Ball. Kings and beggars, preachers and thieves, honest men and lawyers, and saints and sinners will mix in glorious democracy for five hours. "Cosmopolitanism" will be Queen of the May and "Good Fellowship" will reign supreme.

One corner will see the humble artist hobnobbing with the Duchess of Roseville; another will witness with horror the beggar slapping the king familiarly on the back and calling him by his first name. Curious minglings will indeed occur and a stranger might imagine himself in the courts of Arabian Nights fame were it not for the fact that Aladdin's lamp is controlled by a switch. But it will be a glorious night, an epoch in the history of the institution if you please, and an added responsibility to those in office.

George Madden will be at his old place at the piano. The tickets, which will be on sale shortly, will be thrown open for Varsity Club men first, and then to the classes in order of their rank. From the alumni only letter men may come. Dancing will be from nine until two. A glorious time!

Seniors Hit High  
Spots; Joy Unrefined

The annual Senior Party, held at the Lambros in Wilmington last Monday evening, was characterized by unusual dignity and decorum. "Ted" Dantz and his colleagues put on a show which was just the sort of thing the boys wanted.

Fletcher, Christfield, and Lilley, appearing in costume, vied with the beautiful bevy of Brooklyn beauties fresh from Keith's circuit in providing high class entertainment. "Little Jackie" made a big hit.

Previous to the entertainment, serious speeches were in order. Billy Baumgart started the ball rolling with a toast to the English Department. Al Reed, sometime editor of the B. T. U. Gazabo, ended the orations in true Jeffersonian style.

Early Tuesday morning, when "Jimmie" Lambros began to show signs of extreme nervousness, the festivities ended by drinking the health of the University in grape juice and soda water.

On the bus ride back to Newark students, unknown as nature lovers, insisted on hanging their lovers, insisted on hanging their order that a better view of the moon might be obtained. And, as the Smyrna Times would say, "A good time was had by all!"

Why not, when handed exam questions, write out the alphabet and let the instructor arrange them to suit himself?

SURVEY OF THE  
BASKETBALL SEASONBasketball Barometer Had  
Ups and Downs

Delaware closed its basketball season last week with the tilt with Princeton. The defeat at the hands of the Tigers was expected; indeed it was a big surprise to Delaware people that the score was as low as it was, 27 to 14. This game brings us to a brief review of the season.

From the standpoint of games won and lost, the season was not a success. Delaware displayed that same unsteadiness which seems to have become characteristic of Delaware teams during the past several years. The schedule was undoubtedly a stiff one; probably the stiffest one a Delaware team has tackled in several years. And yet, there were games which Delaware should have won. Swarthmore and Muhlenburg were mediocre teams, teams which should have been snowed under by a club of Delaware's calibre. But then there were bright spots in the season which the score sheets will never reveal. We still look back with pleasure upon the Washington and Jefferson and upon the Navy games.

Where the trouble lay is a matter for personal opinion. To win ball games, a team must be able to score points; to score points, a team must have someone who can shoot. And Delaware did not have a man who was sure of his shot even in under the basket. Team play avails nothing without scoring power. Inability to cut for the basket was another big factor in Delaware's defeats. Only one man on the floor cut consistently and his teammates seemed to have difficulty in finding him even when he was clear under basket. Many points were lost in this way. Why these discrepancies crept into the team play is a matter of mystery. Drilled from the second week out in the art of cutting, drilled from the very first in the intricacies of the passing game, the players

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"FRANKIE" WILLS  
courageously captained basketballers thru season fraught with discouragements.

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"HAZO" BARTON — AN APPRECIATION

"Hazo" Barton, the grand old man of the Campus, is dead. Speaking to him, we addressed him as Mr. Barton; of him, it was always "Hazo." Eighty-nine years old—an old age, "frosty, but kindly." At three score and ten, he was as hale and hearty, as vigorous and happy as a young man in his teens. And even within the last few months, his step was firm, his figure erect, and his manner hopeful and cheery. He had reached with unimpaired faculties a good old age.

And we shall miss him—on the street, in Purnell Hall, on the Campus. He was no mere cog in the wheel, an impersonal part of the machinery of university administration. He was a man—loyal, straightforward, appealing. For nearly thirty years he served the university faithfully. Always at his post, we could depend on him; he knew his duty and he performed it well. He was a fine example of honesty, faithfulness, loyal service. And as we came into contact with him day by day, we grew to like him more and more. We looked daily for his cheery morning greeting. We liked to have him with us; he was a part of our daily life. We shall not see his like again.

—W. O. S.

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A BLOW TO ATHLETICS

Announcement of the resignation of Dean E. Laurence Smith and Professor George E. Dutton from the Athletic Council will be received with genuine regret by those interested in athletics at Delaware.

It is no exaggeration to say that the influence of these two men on athletes and athletics at Delaware has been tremendous. Working with the few facilities available and believing that it is more important that Delaware athletics be clean and sportsman-like than that the team should win at any cost, they have builded character in the athletes and set up an honest tradition in the institution. Their work has been painstaking and strenuous; their reward is merely the satisfaction obtained by work well done. They leave the Council but their policy and influence remain.

The success achieved under Dean Smith's administration seems based on the fact that the Council merited the confidence of the alumni and students and that the Council and Director of Athletics have worked in the closest harmony—team-work has been made possible by a mutual trust. A just appreciation of the services of Dean Smith and Professor Dutton may best be expressed by a continuation of their policy. However, the Student Body will no doubt see fit to express its regret at the withdrawal of these two men, in a suitable and permanent form in the near future.

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Your university must be a place where scholarship, culture, and science will find a home, where men and women of real dignity will find a sympathetic environment.—President Burton, University of Michigan.

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Speak softly and carry a big stick; you will go far—Theodore Roosevelt.

Constructive Criticism

Newark, Del., March 11, 1922.  
Editor-in-Chief of Review,  
Dear Sir:

There is a condition existing at the present time among college organizations which few men realize. In not one organization, with the possible exception of fraternities, do the members or supporters have a definite or clear-cut idea of the

use to which the funds of that organization are put. This situation is one which should not be allowed to exist. It is a challenge to the efficiency and business ability of our student group.

I do not intend to insult anyone who now holds or ever did hold a position of trust in the Student Body by intimating that they have misappropriated funds. But as mature business

men, we would never allow anyone to receive and disburse funds with the knowledge that no strict accounting would be necessary at the end of his stewardship. It is too much of a temptation to place before anyone and one which should not be allowed to continue. I know that if I were the Treasurer of an organization, I should want to know that I must give strict accounting for all funds at the end of my term of office.

As a solution, I would suggest that a Committee of Student Council or a Committee appointed by Student Council devise a simple (preferably Doubly Entry) system of bookkeeping for all organizations. Then, when the officials of the various organizations change, which should be about May 1, this committee would audit all books and "O. K." the accounts of the retiring Treasurer. Then these audits should be condensed as much as necessary and published as a supplement to the Review. The expense of publication could be borne by the various organizations.

Such a method would have many beneficial results. It would stop this speculation which one sometimes hears as to where the money goes. It would give the newly elected Treasurer a clear-cut proposition to start out with. It would give the retiring Treasurer the knowledge that his accounts are absolutely correct and that no one can ever express the wonder if he "knocked down." And lastly, publishing in the Review will allow everyone to know exactly where the organizations to which he belongs stand financially.

This matter should receive some serious consideration at the hands of the Student Body. It is not the purpose of my suggestion that this matter be made obligatory on all organizations but if Student Council offered such a system of Centralized Auditing of Accounts, individual members of organizations would see to it that their organization benefitted by it.

—H. Wallace Cook, '23.

Lectures On

Powerful Subject

The Wolf Chemical Club was extremely fortunate in having Mr. E. R. Symmes of the Hercules Powder Company as a speaker last Thursday evening in Wolf Hall. In spite of the lack of inspiration and encouragement that a large crowd would have furnished, Mr. Symmes gave a very interesting talk on the manufacture of high explosives. The lecture was a very instructive one—more so because it was accompanied with one hundred and thirty slides and a reel of motion pictures. The slides were a complete graphical illustration of the making of trinitrotoluol and dynamite from the time that saltpeter is taken from the Chili mines to the time it is packed into Hercules boxes as stick dynamite ready for its disruptive work. The reel of pictures showed the various plants owned by the Hercules Company.

At a recent meeting of the Freshman class W. M. Donaldson was elected captain of the rifle team, and Charles E. Green manager of baseball. Paul Rinear and Courtland Houghton were appointed to represent the class on the Blue Hen Board.

MIRRORS OF OLD COLLEGE

By

An Old Gentleman With a Whisk Broom  
An Old Gentleman With a Fine-tooth Comb  
and Others

"Oh wad some power the giftie gie us  
To see oursel's as others see us!  
It wad from monie a blunder free us  
And foolish notion."

A BUSY BUSINESS MAN

Who is the busiest man on the Campus? Two guesses! Right the first time! Bill Lilly, he admits it himself. He never has a minute to spare. For Bill, life is just one grand rush after another. It is well his shoulders are broad else we fear they might give way under the many burdens they carry. Do you wonder about that wild, distracted look Bill sometimes carries about with him? That is from racking his brains for means of collecting the Book Store bills. That cigar he always smokes? Oh, that it where the profits go. But Bill says there "ain't" no profits.

Although the continued popularity of the Book Store might seem to belie it, whatever Bill does he does thoroughly. Just take the matter of education. Bill has attended two Grammar Schools, Central Manual Train-

ing High School, West Philadelphia High School, and Perkiomen before coming to Delaware. If he wore a medal for each school he has attended Bill would look like a general of the P. O. S. of A. on Memorial Day. Other of Bill's accomplishments attest his thoroughness, among them his consistent work in football and on the track, and his fine editing of last year's Blue Hen.

In spite of the fact that he is so busy there is almost nothing, even love, for which Bill cannot find time. When dramatic activities were on the ebb, he helped reorganize the Footlights Club. When social activities, also spirits, were low, along with several other scholars and gentlemen, he organized the Wormwood Social Club. Bill was also the moving spirit of several never-to-be-forgotten minstrel shows—may we have more of them.

Championship Again  
Won By Carter

F. Bayard Carter, '20, is again heavyweight boxing champion of Oxford University. Recently, word was received that he had beaten the runner-up, Bearing, in two rounds and would therefore represent Oxford in the bouts with Cambridge University.

University of Ohio—Jiu Jitsu became one of the regular gym courses at the University of Ohio with the beginning of this semester.

Lehigh—Charles Russ Richards, dean of engineering at Illinois, has been elected president of Lehigh University.

Wesleyan— Freshmen, gaining an average of B or higher at this institution, have their names placed on the Honor Roll and are entitled to twice their previous allowance of cuts.

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THE DEATH OF BOOKS

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This promise of a "When the Sleeper Wakes" condition of living offers no attraction for the true book lover. What has a strip of aluminium, microscopic type, and a lens to offer in exchange for our beloved Presentation First Editions, our Elzevirs, our royal Folios, or our Black Letter, old calf, Aldus of 1497? Are we to lose the old, fascinating friends of our book shelves for an upstart, glittering new-comer, for a thing of cold metal and glass?

Who does not know the joy of standing before one's own book shelves, looking at the volumes, and deferring a selection until the last possible moment?

There is a soft murmur of rain outside. The lamps are lit, and there is a mood for reading. We take down a volume of our old friend Pepys, glancing over a page or two, here and there. But the old gossip is a little too talkative for our present mood. The little squat volume is carefully pushed back into place, and the first edition of "Robinson Crusoe" comes out. But we find that we are in no mood for adventure. There is Keats, in a binding fit for a king, and with Tennyson's signature across the title page. Our mood is still unsatisfied. Here is the first edition of "Vanity Fair," with Browning's autograph and some pencilled note of his, in volume one. We handle many books, lingering with one because of the memories it invokes, with another because of its binding, and with one because of the past. Here is a shabby copy of "A Journey to the Centre of the Earth." We see a little boy, with a birthday shilling in his fist, running out to the second-hand book store eager to buy the long coveted book. Other volumes have gone, in many paths, but "A Journey to the Centre of the Earth" has stayed because of the little boy who bought it, years ago, in London. The years have fled, and the dear dead past has returned for a moment, because we have looked on an old book. The rain is still softly whispering at the window. We replace the worn volume and shut away old memories.

We have decided. We turn to a lower shelf, deaf now to the appeal of all the other volumes, and choose for a quiet, restful

hour, the quaint old "Vicar of Wakefield."

Let them make their books of microscopic size. Let them print their hundred thousand words on a postage stamp, and let them read it all with a lens. We care not. Our heavy, large typed bulky books, old and new, shall be our friends as long as we may live.

Bright Prospects For Ball Club

Delaware's baseballers are working hard to get into shape for the southern trip which begins on March 31. A practice game was played on Frazer Field last Monday to enable Coach Shipley and Captain Rothrock better to see what the men could do under fire. From the showing of the men on that day, Delaware should put out a crack ball club.

The infield is overflowing with good ball-players. Wilson and MacDonald of last year's squad are working to hold their positions against strong opposition. Yap looks good both at third and at first, and Challenger and McCormick are having a merry battle for the shortstopping job in the absence of Mike Underwood. Shipley will probably shift the infield around for several weeks before he finds the right combination. Hoch, a Freshman, was worked behind the bat, and Jackson, the other candidate for the backstopping job, cavorted in the left garden. Ted Dantz played center field cleverly and Arnel Nutter looks to be the best bet so far for the other

meadow. Captain Joe Rothrock will lead a good pitching staff this year with Collins, Carl, Ramsey, Baynum, Lund, and Hoeffcker to back him up.

The schedule is by far the most ambitious one ever attempted by a Blue and Gold team. From indications they should wade through it very successfully.

There will be an interfraternity rifle match this week under the supervision of the Rifle Club. The match will be shot off at the university shooting gallery in the Newark Armory. The captains of the teams will be chosen from the fraternity groups by the members themselves. Further particulars may be obtained from the Military Department.

Quebec Aids Young Authors

The Provincial Government of Quebec is to encourage production of literature, a bill just having been passed by the Legislature providing three annual cash prizes for budding authors. The highest is \$2,500.

The bill was sponsored by Athanase David, Provincial Secretary, himself a writer, and the son of L. O. David of Montreal, a French-Canadian historian of note.

Literary efforts will be judged by a jury of nine, comprising professors of literature in the Universities of Montreal, McGill and Laval; one member of the French section of the Royal Society of Canada; one member of a Quebec literary society, and the Provincial Secretary or his representative.

For some years the Government of Quebec has given encouragement to young writers of the Province by buying large numbers of copies of their works.

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### Vitamines

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The subject of vitamins has been causing so much comment in the chemical and medical world recently that it was thought not inappropos to print this very brief, yet very thorough, summary of the address on that topic given before the Faculty Club by Mr. L. V. Tarr, Head of the Experiment Station.

In 1911, Casimir Funk obtained a substance which he believed to be curative of the oriental disease of beri beri. This substance he named "vitamine," a compound of the words vita and amine; vita meaning life, because without it life does not exist; and the amine referring to a class of compounds known by that name to chemists. Our knowledge of them has increased remarkably, and we now recognize three types as being necessary for normal growth and health, their names being Fat Soluble A, Water Soluble B, and Water Soluble C. Without them life ceases entirely and their presence in insufficient quantities results in malnutrition and physical unfitness.

Fat Soluble A is necessary in normal growth and its absence is evidenced by the development of an eye disease. Among ordinary foods the best sources of "A" are butter, whole milk, egg yolk, and green leafy vegetables. Animal fats contain varying amounts of it, whereas vegetable fats contain practically none. Dried spinach leaves and dried tomato are about as rich in "A" as is butter fat. Among the roots and tubers, those having a yellow color, such as carrots and sweet potatoes, appear to be the richest.

(To Be Continued Next Week.)

The dashing boys are not always the speed kings.

Alumni and active members of Sigma Phi Epsilon joined in a business meeting at the Hotel du Pont last Thursday evening. Business connected with the construction of the Fraternity's new home on the university campus was transacted. Following the business session a buffet luncheon was served.



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### Thrilling Encounter

#### In Central America

A thrilling encounter with an eight-foot alligator was the experience of two former students of the University of Delaware, while they were on a hunting trip in Costa Rica, Central America, a few weeks ago. The students are Thomas MacDonough Cloward, ex '24, and John Arnold Barnard, '21. The former is a superintendent for the United Fruit Company on its big banana plantation in Costa Rica.

Barnard had shot the alligator, but had only injured it and when he attempted to put his foot on it the brute attacked him.

Barnard's only weapon at that time was his machete (a small sword); he had left his gun behind when he started to recover the alligator.

When Cloward noticed Barnard struggling with the alligator he went to Barnard's assistance and the two of them finally killed it, Cloward using a stout club in his attack on the brute.

*New York University*—Tom Thorp, the well known football coach, has been obtained at this institution, and can not but help to bring credit to the university through its future gridiron teams.

Adam: Let's turn over a new leaf.

Eve: Why, dear, its only Saturday.

### SURVEY OF THE BASKETBALL SEASON

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seemed to forget their instructions at times when on the play-

ing floor. Probably "lack of experience" will cover a multitude of sins.

The whole truth of the matter is that the Delaware followers were spoiled by the "Big Five" in their clever campaign of several years ago—so spoiled that they can hardly reconcile the name Delaware with that of a losing ball club. Every school must have its ups and downs, however, and we must not be too prone to criticize harshly. The boys worked, they played the game as best they could. At times their best was good enough; at other times it was not. After all, isn't that just the difference between success and failure?

The work of Frankie Wills was probably the outstanding feature of the season. His consistent game at the back guard position might have gone unnoticed to the uninitiated. But he was back there all the time, facing defeat, and working hard to avert it. Muncy Keith played several bang-up games, and lovers of the sport will always remember his heroic work in the W. and J. game.

### LAMENT LOSS OF "HAZO" BARTON

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death until his burial, which took place on Monday. As a token of their respect and appreciation of his long and faithful service, the Faculty sent to his funeral a large wreath of flowers. Loved for his cheery manner, respected for his service, honored for his integrity, "Hazo" Barton shall long be remembered and mourned for by all who knew him.

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### "Who Was John Hancock?"

JOHN HANCOCK was an American statesman and patriot. His signature is found on the oldest and most important documents of Massachusetts, and of the United States. He was the first signer of the Declaration of Independence and was the first Governor of Massachusetts.

John Hancock was born at Quincy, Massachusetts, in 1737. He graduated from Harvard College, and entering upon his uncle's business became a successful merchant in Boston. He gained much in social power and in wealth, being meanwhile justly popular for his integrity and ability.

He was in 1765-1770 a selectman of Boston and a member of the general court. With Samuel Adams he led the Massachusetts Whigs, and only escaped capture at Lexington and Concord by virtue of the valiant fight by the Minute Men on the "Nineteenth of April in '75."

John Hancock was subsequently known in various positions: as President of the Continental Congress, as Major-General of the Massachusetts military forces, as President of the Constitutional Convention. He died at Quincy, Massachusetts, October eighth, 1793.

The historical position of John Hancock is unique in State and Nation. He wielded great political influence but was always liberal and public-spirited. His name is most prominent as a Whig leader during the American Revolution in such events as the Boston Massacre, the Boston Tea Party and the battles of Lexington and Concord.

John Hancock signed his name first to the Declaration of Independence. He thus risked his own "life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness" that these privileges might be obtained for others to enjoy. To this end he "pledged his life, his fortune, and his sacred honor."

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