

pole was raised on the campus just below the Vice President's house, and the scrap occurred about five o'clock in the morning. All the flags before that of '96 had been either torn to pieces, or no attempt had been made to keep them, so it is that the flag of '96 is the oldest among those in the trophy room.

This started the idea of cutting a pole for the purpose of flying the class flag. All the succeeding classes have followed this example, and as a result, the flag-scrap since that time have been very similar to each other. There have been many instances connected with these later scraps, however, that are very interesting, and serve to distinguish each from the others. '97's flag was put up near where the Beta house now stands, on the side toward the Main Building, and the scrap was stopped, after it had been going on for some time, by "Billy Buck," who came out with the college catalogue and as he called the name of each man commanded him to fall out. '98 put their flag on one of the foot ball goal posts, the one near the Athletic house. No scrap occurred on this occasion, however, as the "Prex" arrived on the scene before affairs were started and put an end to the fun.

On one occasion the scrap happened in the middle of the night and the Sophomores attempted to pull down the pole by the use of a rope. At another time one of the fellows tried to shoot the flag down with a shot-gun. At this latter scrap the Sophomores also brought out the hose from the Main Building, but were unable to make much use of it. These instances serve to distinguish the later scraps, which otherwise are very much alike.

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