

Watts Describes Living Conditions in Far East

This is the third of a series of lectures which Dean R. L. Watts, of the School of Agriculture, wrote exclusively for the Collegian from China where he served on a special American educational commission. Herein Dean Watts describes in detail the conditions and phases of the economic conditions in China.

During the three weeks' sojourn at Canton we had many excellent opportunities to form impressions concerning the Chinese people and some of their characteristics. We were fortunate, indeed, in being entertained in several Chinese homes. For example, a gentleman of wealth and culture invited the Commission and some friends of his home for dinner.

We were urged to arrive several hours before the dinner hour in order that he might show the guests his marvelous collection of Chinese paintings and pictures; many of these were several hundred years old. He also had a most remarkable collection of Chinese porcelain and pottery. This gentleman and the members of his family were exceedingly kind, courteous, and hospitable, and their dinner was served in stylish Chinese fashion.

The same delightful cordiality was very much in evidence wherever and whenever we came in contact with the people. Even during the short period of three weeks we found that we had formed very strong attachments with many Chinese friends.

The old proverb, "A prophet is not without honor save in his own country," does not seem to apply to China. For many centuries the young men of the village were honored by their neighbors electing very high degrees of recognition of outstanding scholastic ability as demonstrated in passing severe government examinations. Through the government abolished this ancient type of examination, many degree poles remain standing in honor of the great scholars.

Mr. Lum, an alumnus and director of Lingnan university, is chief engineer of the City of Canton and is responsible for the many street changes. Though there are hundreds of narrow streets in Canton varying from seven to ten feet in width, miles of the most important ones have been made wide enough to accommodate the traffic in a city of 2,000,000 people. In fact, many of them are wider than the leading streets of Philadelphia. All of this great task has been accomplished within a period of only a few years.

China is struggling for the immense quantity of food required for its teeming population, embracing one-fourth the people of the entire world. The farmers work hard and are very skillful, yet they and the dependent millions of consumers must look for relief in more scientific procedure. In this connection, the College of Agriculture at Lingnan university is rendering very important service.

Here is a practical suggestion for Professor Ferguson and the Department of Forestry. Why should you

PILLSBURY TO GIVE ILLUSTRATED TALK

Naturalist Will Appear in Next Number of Entertainment Course Saturday

WILL REVEAL SECRETS OF PLANT, ANIMAL LIFE

The life struggles of plants and animals will be revealed by Arthur C. Pillsbury, naturalist and photographer of wild life, in an illustrated lecture, March twelfth. This will be the sixth number of the Entertainment Course.

Mr. Pillsbury is the official photographer of Yosemite National Park, California. He has devoted years to the study of wild flowers and to the perfection of a method whereby he can photograph them at all stages of development. Finding that flowers have more subtle habits than most human beings he devised a mechanism which attached to his camera enables him to record their life stories.

Rare Views in Collection
The collection of films which Mr. Pillsbury will bring with him includes magnificent scenic views, rare pictures of bird and animal life and revealing scenes in growth and development of plant life. These films are the result of many years' investigation on the part of Mr. Pillsbury.

Mr. Pillsbury has woven his nature reels into a pleasant and interesting entertainment. He has discovered that flowers are much like humans; they have their births, their loves, their deaths, their moments of triumph, their tragedies. The eye of his camera has caught them dancing, flitting, shaking their heads, jostling each other and performing acrobatics never dreamed of before.

Why the little insignificant rattlesnakes of the Centre County mountains when you might introduce a much larger food species from China and then combine forestry with snake culture? At the market in Canton I saw a huge specimen weighing perhaps 20 pounds that sold in U. S. currency at about 70 cents a pound! This new type of farming might yield larger profits than bee-keeping and one would not run much risk of being stung.

We are gliding today, January nineteenth, over a beautiful calm sea enroute to Manila. After a few days at that port, we will sail for Singapore, Colombo and the Mediterranean ports.

R. L. WATTS,

"Daddy" Groff's Home in China



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Orators Win Two of Four Week-end Tilts

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Meeting the other Dickinson group at the Central State Normal school, Lock Haven, on Friday night the Nittany affirmative team was declared loser by a two to one decision of the judges. Returning to State College the affirmative team faced the Western Maryland negative team in the Auditorium Saturday night.

Here the Penn State orators outlined present conditions resulting from the Volstead Act and declared them intolerable. Advocating a modification of the Act, it was claimed that an amendment would better political, social and moral conditions. Finally the Nittany team declared that a modification to permit light wines and beers would be attended by popular approval.

The Western Maryland two resolved its argument into four issues: first that light wines and beers are inherently injurious, second that the advocated amendment to the Volstead Act would be unconstitutional, third that the Act as it now stands is effective

and fourth that the advocated modification would not improve conditions. After a heated rebuttal, the Western Maryland team was unanimously declared winner.

Speaking for the affirmative team were M. R. Davis '30, E. J. Blatt '30, M. D. Berryhill '27 and as alternate, H. K. Dodge '29. The personnel of the Nittany negative team was as follows: N. R. Adams '28, J. W. Brandt '29 and Gilbert Nulick '28.

An open forum debate will take place on Friday night upon the same question, the Rutgers university affirmative team meeting the Blue and White negative group.

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ENROLLMENT INCREASES IN JOURNALISM COURSES

Gibbons and Banner Teach One Hundred and Fifty Pupils in Newspaper Work

An increase over last year of about fifty students in the course in newspaper reporting and correspondence offered by the English department has necessitated the forming of additional sections and an expansion of the work of the department.

More than 150 students have elected the course this year, the largest number of any year since its introduction here. It is now being taught both semesters.

This semester, through the co-operation of the Collegian staff, an "A" section, consisting of those taking the course who have received a grade of 2 or better in English, is covering assignments for the College semi-weekly. Their work on the paper is under the direction of R. M. Atkinson '28.

Although the department of journalism here is not as extensive or as well-equipped as those of the Mid-West colleges and universities, it is growing steadily under the direction of Professors Gibbons and Banner and it is hoped will soon attain the ranking of a major department in the College. At present six courses in journalism are offered and several others are planned.

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Engineer Says Office Experience Essential

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tion upon graduation for the purpose of applying the knowledge gained in college. Mr. Harrington closed his remarks by stating that engineers should do only that work in which they are contented.

Friday night in Room 200 Engineering D. Mr. Harrington spoke to members of the student branches of the Civil, Electric and Mechanical Engineering societies on the structural, electrical and mechanical construction of movable bridges. His lecture was illustrated with lantern slides.

Mr. Harrington at present has forty bridge enterprises under construction involving twelve million dollars. Showing a keen interest in the promotion of engineering education he has delivered addresses at the leading schools in the country. He is scheduled to speak at Washington, D. C. next Monday and at Vancouver, Newfoundland, the latter part of the week.

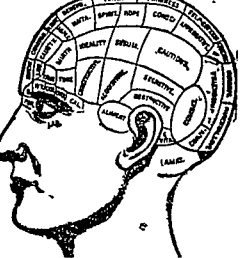
Band Presents Sunday Concert in Auditorium

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played by W. E. Biery '28 and a flute and saxophone duet by E. E. Howard '27 and P. V. Rice '29. The program opened with the overture "Undine" of Lortzing, played by the entire section. Throughout the concert the musical selections were enthusiastically received by the audience.

As the final number the Band played a descriptive fantasia "The Battle for Democracy" by Fuhrer. This piece is a musical panorama depicting incidents prior to the World War, the conflict and the ultimate victory of the allied powers. It ended with a rendition of the anthem "America."

Wednesday evening at eight-thirty o'clock, thirty-three members of the band will broadcast a varied concert of military band music from the College radio station WPSC.

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