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Where should the scholar live? 
In solitude, or in society? 
In the green stillness of the country, where he can hear the heart of Nature beat, or in the dark, gray town, where he can hear and feel the throbbing heart of man? I will make answer for him, and say, in the dark, gray town.  

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President Marsh's Annual Report

On Thursday evening, October 11, at the Hotel Statler, Boston, in the presence of the Trustees and the University Senate, President Marsh read his report for the academic year ending June 30, 1928. Included in the printed report were the reports which the Deans and other officers had made to the President. Included, also, was the annual report of the Treasurer, Mr. E. Ray Speare.

After the banquet the business session was called to order by Mr. Alonzo R. Weed, Chairman of the Trustees of Boston University. Mr. Weed paid a warm tribute to President Marsh for his high faith in Boston University and the indomitable courage which he has shown in meeting the pressing problems of the University. To Mr. E. Ray Speare, Treasurer of the University, special thanks were given and sincere appreciation and gratitude expressed for his skill in so administering the great budget of the University that although the operating expenses of the year were $1,712,898.30, the expenditures were kept within the income, leaving a net balance of $1,648.13. The figures of operating accounts for the last five years show in each case an excess of income over expenses. The net assets of the University as of June 30, 1928, were $5,831,541.55. The gifts received during the year amounted to $374,388.34. During the last five years the net assets have increased $1,439,554.41. This favorable showing is not to be taken as an indication that the University is sufficiently endowed. Far from it. The favorable results are obtained only by a firm determination to conduct the University on a business basis; it forces the institution reluctantly to wait for greatly increased resources before it can cultivate the priceless opportunities which lie before it in its strategically favored urban location.

Mr. William E. Nickerson, donor of the Nickerson Recreational Grounds, was called upon and briefly responded.

Among the salient paragraphs of President Marsh's report are the following:

**Alumni**

The organization of the All-University Alumni Association has been perfected. At the June meeting, the Constitution was unanimously adopted and officers were elected, and have since been duly installed. The Alumni Secretary, Mr. Robert F. Mason, has been diligent in season and out of season in the prosecution of his work, and has met with gratifying success.

The organization of twenty-nine Boston University Clubs in the principal centers of population throughout the United States and two in Asia is a fine showing up to date.
One of the finest pieces of news to come under my observation during the past year was the response of Yale University's graduates to the appeal of their Alma Mater for twenty million dollars. The final report of Yale's Fund makes this amazing showing: 22,123 persons pledged $21,007,275, and of these 22,123 persons, all but 709 were Yale graduates or students. More than that, 61% of all the graduates are on the giving list. We congratulate Yale upon having won this sacrificial loyalty from her alumni. It is a beautiful testimony to any mother's virtues when her children shower her with their love-gifts. Such a showing should be an inspiration to Boston University.

Certain well-meaning friends warn us never to mention money to our graduates and former students lest we scare them away. But the simple truth is that we shall never have their genuine interest in the University until they do something for it. A greater Psychologist than any of us had it right when He said: "Where thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also." The heart will follow the investment of the treasure every time. In order that the alumni may love the University they should put money into it.

What every University President wants is a body of graduates who are conscious children of the University, extending hands of welcome to Alma Mater every time they see her. No President is happy when he sees time metamorphose the University's children into crawfish that go backward whenever Alma Mater approaches them.

The contention that Boston University alumni are without financial ability is not very impressive. A census taken of the members of the out-going class of a single one of our Departments shows that they earned in their first year of employment a total of $728,637.21! Think of it: almost three-quarters of a million dollars earned by the members of one class of one Department in one year,—and that their first year out of school! What it would mean for Boston University if in the next ten years all of our alumni would systematically give to Alma Mater but a tithe of a tithe of all they get!

Boston University was chartered on May 26, 1869. Therefore, on the twenty-sixth of next May, Boston University will celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of her founding. Let me suggest that our alumni all over the world plan for a coming together in their homes or at banquets or wherever and however may be most convenient, and that they remember Boston University in songs and cheers and prayers and gifts. If each graduate would give sixty dollars to Boston University on this sixtieth anniversary, the total would amount to $895,980. And if each former student who did not graduate would give sixty dollars, it would amount to $2,194,740 more—a grand total of $3,090,720! Would it not be fine to add $3,090,720 to the unrestricted endowment of the University on her Sixtieth Birthday.

**Progress**

What I have said up to this point is sufficient to indicate that we have enjoyed a year of progress,—progress in student growth and activity, in faculty size and power, in scholastic requirements and achievements, in library facilities and equipment, in organization of the alumni and in many other respects. Let me now enumerate certain signs of health as seen in the material progress of the University.

1. The Class of 1928 adopted a plan of individual life insurance for the endowment of the University,—a plan which in ten years will yield one hundred dollars for each person insured. This is splendid in itself, and when we remember that it is a repetition of the plan inaugurated by the Class of 1927, it is doubly significant; for it means that this is going to become a habit of the graduating classes,—a habit that will help to make the University's character, a character that will help to determine the University's destiny.

2. Noteworthy additions have been made to the scholarship fund of the School of Theology, the largest sum coming from that loyal benefactress of the University, Mrs. G. Louis Richards. Another generous donation to the scholarship fund of the same School is from Mr. Gifford Simonds, of Fitchburg. The School of Law
likewise received a worthwhile addition to its scholarship fund from the Innes Associates, a group of persons who have been tutored in law by Honorable Charles H. Innes, a distinguished alumnus of Boston University.

3. We have leased the commodious building heretofore occupied by the Young Women's Christian Association at 97 Huntington Avenue as a home for our rapidly growing School of Education. Even the imagination cannot make this an ideal home for the School. It is at best a makeshift, pending a permanent home.

4. A College of Music has been established. Although the Trustees did not formally approve of the establishment of it until August 6, and announcement was not made until August 11, yet throughout the entire past year we were at work on it, studying, analyzing, conferring, doing practically everything except the formal voting. Therefore, I am reporting it as one of the signs of progress during the past year. It is starting off with fine promise.

5. A study of the Treasurer's Report will show that actual additions to our endowment funds during the year aggregated more than a quarter of a million dollars to be exact, $254,951.76. This does not include the large sum which we are yet to receive through the bequest of the late L. B. Alger, of Detroit, nor does it contain some large trust funds established for us during the past year, but which have not yet come into our possession. We have actually added $254,951.76 to our endowment investments this year.

6. Actual additions to Educational Plant aggregated $88,191.39.

7. Actual additions to the current working capital of the University aggregated $15,925.49.

8. Actual additions to the total capital of the University aggregated $359,068.64.

9. The total income for the year was $1,714,546.43, and the total expenditures for the year were $1,713,898.30. As compared with the total income and total expense for the preceding year, there was an increase of $54,732.58 in income and $54,364.82 in expense.

10. A Recreational Field was purchased during the year. For three score years Boston University has wanted such a field. Just one year ago today, the Trustees authorized the purchase of a field. Shortly thereafter a twenty-five acre field was bought from the Boston Athletic Association. It is located on the Charles River at Riverside Station.

11. That field has been paid for. The purchase price was given by our fellow Trustee, Mr. William E. Nickerson. As a token of appreciation, unanimous sentiment among students and faculties and trustees ordained that the field shall be called the William E. Nickerson Recreation Field of Boston University.

12. The William E. Nickerson Recreation Field is being developed. We now have a beautifully sodded football gridiron; a practice football gridiron; a twenty-six foot wide quarter mile cinder track, with a 220 yard straight-away; jumping pits; baseball field, scientifically laid out and generously proportioned; and six tennis courts constructed, with more to be constructed. We have commodious quarters for our own athletic teams and for visiting teams. We also have stands erected with seating capacity for five thousand spectators. The boathouse has been fully remodeled into a recreation house, suitable for picnic parties and other social gatherings. We have a number of canoes and conveniences for canoeing.

13. During the year, also, we bought the last parcel and lot of ground in the fifteen acre tract upon which we plan some day to erect buildings to house all the schools and colleges composing the University. It is not generally known that although the tract was purchased some eight years ago, yet there was one property in the midst of it which was never sold to the Trustees until this year. With the acquisition of this property, we now have title to the whole area extending from Granby Street to a point approximately half way between Chilmark Street and the new Cottage Farm Bridge,
During the year, upon our request, the Zoning Board lifted the height to which buildings may be erected from eighty feet to one hundred and fifty-five feet. By erecting some of the buildings to this height makes it easily possible to house all the Departments of Boston University, with from one and one-half to two times our present student enrollment, upon this one campus.

This future home of the University is admirably located, easy of access by automobile and by subway and surface cars. It is one and one-half miles from Copley Square, so that to all intents and purposes the University will still be in the heart of the City and in the service of the City.

It is beautiful for situation. Stand here at any point on our land, and look across the river and you see Cambridge, with the towers and steeples of Central and Harvard Squares in the background. Look up stream, and you see the artistic new Cottage Farm Bridge. Look down stream over the broad Basin and your view takes in the Harvard Bridge, the sturdy buildings of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Esplanade, the “Longfellow Bridge,” and historic Beacon Hill.

Plant centralization upon a site so beautiful for situation is a consummation devoutly to be desired. It is now our definite plan to assemble our scattered colleges and schools upon this single campus.

Therefore, the trustees this year retained two of the best firms of architects in America—Cram & Ferguson and Coolidge, Shepley, Bullfinch & Abbott, who are known as Associated Architects for the new Boston University. They have prepared for us block plans and perspective drawings which are being exhibited to you today. These plans have not yet been adopted by the Trustees, but they are the Associated Architects’ work up to date, and serve to show the direction in which we are moving.

I have been careful to warn all those with whom I have talked on this subject that they must not expect to see this plan consummated at once. It is a long forward look that we are taking. It will be a long hard pull before we reach the goal. But we shall get there some time if we steadily keep at it—all at it—always at it—all at it in all ways.

A prophet of Israel once heartened his countrymen in a dark hour by promising them, in God’s name, “a future of hope.” So while we practise our policy of workful waiting for somebody or somebodies to give us the money to put up these buildings, we shall at least claim our “future of hope.”

I suppose if we had the faith that David had we would use the present tense instead of the future tense in describing this wonderful site as the home of Boston University. In the old Record we read: “Then David said, This is the house of the Lord God, and this is the altar for the burnt offering for Israel.” And yet not a stone of the building was laid. Nothing was there but the site whereon the temple was to be built—the site and David with his spirit of prophecy. David took the future into his own hands, and dealt with it as if it were the immediate present. He already seemed to see the temple and to be in it. And because those who were associated with him lived on the same intellectual plane, they understood his handling of time and space. And they believed in him and followed him, and in due time we read that his son “Solomon began to build the house of the Lord at Jerusalem in Mount Moriah, which was shown to David his father.”

And so when we talk of the sunny future of Boston University, it is not the poetry of speech; it is the blossom of reality, the culminating beauty of stern fact. That person is not visionary who takes a seed of a flower and says: “Out of this little pellet shall come blossom, an apocalypse in itself, and the bee shall sip nectar from its hidden cell.” He may seem to be without practical sagacity in relation to things of time and sense; but what he says comes true! So I am no mere poet in the sense of creating the new Boston University in words only: I am a reasoner, a logician, a historian by anticipation when I
say that the day will come when men and women will see in this proposed development an unparalleled opportunity to do something distinctively artistic for America's greatest cultural center; to preserve the matchless beauty of the Charles River Basin; to serve the cause of higher education by providing an adequate home for New England's largest University, and thus to serve society through generations yet to be.

Some day we shall realize our ideal. Until then, let us idealize our real.

DANIEL L. MARSH.

TREASURER'S ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE ALUMNI REGARDING FINAL PAYMENTS ON THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

As June 30, 1928, approached, the due date for final payments on the Fiftieth Anniversary Campaign Subscriptions, it became evident that many of the subscribers for various reasons would be unable to meet in full their obligations at that time.

The Alumni body will be pleased to know that by personal conference we have secured from the General Education Board an extension to December 30, 1930, for final payments, which very much relieves the situation.

With this extension of time to our Alumni in which to complete their payments, I sincerely trust we shall have close to 100% return on the present amount outstanding.

With the fulfillment of all the conditions imposed by the General Education Board, which we trust will be completed by the final due date given us as above outlined, the payment coming from the General Education Board of $400,000 will mean great things for Boston University.

It is earnestly hoped that every dollar subscribed to this fund will be in the hands of the Treasurer prior to the final due date.

E. RAY SPEARE, Treasurer.

The Dean of Women of Boston University announces the new housing rule that went into effect at the opening of the first semester. All girls of the University will be required to live in approved houses. The standards for the living conditions of our young women have been approved by the National Housing Committee of the American Association of University Women. The house mothers will meet with the University Dean of Women and her staff once a month to discuss housing problems and methods of maintaining a cultural environment for our women students.

A new housing project has been started this year. The first all-University dormitory opened its doors September eighteen. This dormitory will be run on the co-operative plan. The girls will do all of their own work and divide up the expenses of the house. The chaperone of the house will supervise the buying and the division of work and will act as hostess in social affairs. The young women do their own banking and keep a house budget. The expense for the first month of the school year has been $8.90 per week, per capita. They hope to reduce this amount when the dormitory is well underway. All applications for residence in this dormitory must be approved by the University Dean of Women. The students are then allowed to live in the house for one semester on probation. If they do not prove co-operative in every way they are asked to leave the dormitory. Miss Mary Ballou who is the chaperone and hostess, has spent two years in France where she has studied this method of housing and comes to us well equipped to supervise such a project.
DEDICATION OF THE WILLIAM E. NICKERSON RECREATION FIELD

Under the most brilliant auspices the William E. Nickerson Recreation Grounds at Riverside were dedicated on Saturday, October 6, with a banquet, a foot ball game, and an address by the generous donor of the field.

The banquet was in honor of Mr. Nickerson. The presiding host was President Marsh; among those present were the Trustees of the University, the Deans of the various colleges, and President and Mrs. Edward M. Lewis of the University of New Hampshire. The football game was between the Boston University team and the University of New Hampshire eleven. A brilliant and exciting struggle between the well matched contestants resulted in a scoreless tie.

A notable event of the day was an address by the donor of the field, Mr. William E. Nickerson. We print this address in full as a model of clear thinking, lucid expression, idiomatic English. Notable above all is the fine reticence which stresses the accomplishments and needs of the University rather than the value of the gift or the personality of the giver.

Mr. Nickerson's address follows, in full:

President Marsh, Trustees and Faculty of Boston University and invited guests:

During the early fall of 1926, Mr. George H. Maxwell, then a Trustee and a strong supporter of Boston University, now Honorary Trustee, called upon me at my home. He disclosed to me that he was about to resign his Trusteeship as he intended to live permanently in California. He told me that he wished me to fill the position which he was about to relinquish and that he would guarantee that my name would be acceptable to the Board and to the Officials of Boston University.

I could not understand why he had chosen me to be his successor. I told him that it did not seem to me that I would be of any value to the institution and that I was inclined to curtail my activities rather than to increase them. I asked him why he had come to me. He said he had made my acquaintance many years ago when I was actively engaged with inventions of my own and their promotion. I then recalled that I had met Mr. Maxwell. It seems that he had kept me in remembrance during the intervening years, while I, from lack of contact with him, had allowed him to pass out of my mind. He was so insistent that I should accede to his request that I finally gave my consent, but rather reluctantly and with some misgivings.

After the Board of Trustees had honored me, by making me one of their number, I attended one or two functions at the University. Directly after that I became incapacitated for several months, by a severe attack of sciatica with some attendant evils. On recovering my activity I felt somewhat distressed at having rendered no service to the University. Probably my conscience pricked me a little on this account. As I felt that I would not be likely to be of much value as a member of the various committees on which I had been appointed, I wrote a letter to President Marsh, with such apologies as I could frame, and accompanied the letter with a check for $1000 for the purposes of the University in lieu of services which I might have been expected to render. I mention this to show that I really desired to be of service.

A little later I read in the call for a Trustee meeting that it was thought that the field of the Boston Athletic Association in Weston should be purchased, as the Association was willing to sell it to the University at a price somewhat less than its estimated value. The twenty-four acre field was offered on terms that would require the payment of $10,000 down and $4000 a year until the total price should have been paid. These terms were acceptable to the Association. It occurred to me that I might contribute one of these annual payments of $4000 and thus bring the ownership of the field a little nearer and save a large payment in interest.
My ideas about the field purchase began to grow and a little later I sent President Marsh another check for $8000, thus cancelling two more of the payments. My interest continued to increase until it reached the point where I felt that I could make no better use of the money, either in the interest of the University, or for my own pleasure, than to take up the balance of the purchase price and put the field in the hands of the University without any mortgage encumbrance. This I accordingly did and I have had no reason to regret my action.

It is very pleasant for me to think that I have been able, in a humble way, to help the University to a long desired Recreation Field and the way those in charge have developed the ground, has put the student body in general, and myself in particular, under great obligations. I am glad that the athletic interests of the University are likely to be advanced by the possession of the new Field and that the B. U. teams will be able to meet their opponents under much more favorable conditions than before.

At the time the gift of the Field was made, I had little idea how much it would be appreciated and I had no conception of a dedication and celebration like this which is taking place today. I can only say that I feel that President Marsh and the athletic leaders in the University have over emphasized my part in this affair. But for that I cannot be held personally responsible. In any event, I desire to express my sincere thanks to President Marsh for his very courteous consideration and to all those who have contributed to the development of the Field. It is my earnest wish that B. U. students will receive from the new Field all the advantages which they expect and hope for.

While the Field is of great importance in its relation to intercollegiate matches, it will be of still greater importance to the University, if the general body of students will make such use of it, in a moderate way, as will improve their physical condition and render their minds more keen and receptive. This last is the thing to be most desired. Gentlemen, I thank you for your kind attention.

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UNIVERSITY NOTES

President Emeritus William Edwards Huntington celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday on Monday, July 30, at his home in Newton Center. The Alumni Association expressed their affectionate esteem for Dr. Huntington by a gift of flowers; in a characteristically gracious note he acknowledged the tribute.

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The sincere sympathy of the University is extended to Mrs. Daniel L. Marsh, in the loss of her father, Wesley Linderman Truxell, at Greensburg, Pa., Friday, July 27. President and Mrs. Marsh attended the funeral services. Mr. Truxell’s family is of distinguished lineage and for many generations it has been prominent in the civic and religious life of Pennsylvania.

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The second annual report of Mr. Robert F. Mason, Alumni Secretary, recently issued, covers the first full year of his active work as Alumni Secretary. The report reveals the ceaseless labor and the successful results of the year of activity for the Alumni Association. His first annual report announced the organization of 13 Boston University Clubs; during the last year 18 additional clubs were organized, giving a total of 31 active alumni organizations. The work of the last academic year culminated on Saturday, June 16, in an enthusiastic reunion of the alumni of all departments of the University at the new William E. Nickerson Recreation Field. In the evening the Alumni attended the annual alumni dinner at the Copley Plaza Hotel.
The Boston University Summer Session was held from July 2 to August 11, 1928, with an enrolment of 1375 students as compared with 1206 in the previous summer. Of this number 135 were enrolled in the Graduate School for the A.M. or Ph.D. degree. This summer 221 courses were given by 106 instructors as compared with 181 courses by 90 instructors in 1927. In addition to the regular faculty members of the University, the following instructors from other institutions offered courses: Assistant Professor Ralph A. Burns of Carleton College, Assistant Professor Elizabeth M. Collins of Smith College, Assistant Professor William G. Hennessy of the University of New Hampshire, Associate Professor D. Luther Evans of Ohio Wesleyan University, Assistant Professor Mary J. Garber of Smith College, Mr. J. Philip Mason of George Washington University, Assistant Professor O. H. Wedel of the University of Arizona, and Assistant Professor Milton Wittler of Grinnell College. At the end of the Summer Session 55 degrees were granted as compared with 37 degrees given the previous year.

A successful innovation was the giving of two courses in London: "Literary London, 1750-1880" by Professor Everett L. Getcheii, and "Recent and Contemporary History of England" by Professor Warren O. Ault. The 10 students who were enrolled in these two courses took the trip to London under the guidance of Professors Ault and Getcheii and made a six weeks' study in classes conducted over the same schedule as those given under the University Summer Session and they took the examinations at the end for credit. The instructors and pupils are enthusiastic over the success of this innovation. The joy of studying English literature and English history in connection with daily visits to sites and shrines in and around London may easily be imagined.

The Departments

GRADUATE SCHOOL

The registration in the Graduate School has shown a continual increase from year to year. For some time it has seemed that we may have reached the maximum enrolment for this Department and that we should not be surprised at a decrease. More and more students are taking advantage of the Summer Session in which to carry on work for the graduate degrees; many of these are teachers who are engaged in their profession during the regular college year. During the summer of 1928 there was an increase of approximately twenty-five per cent in the enrolment of graduate students over the preceding summer, and the number of new students enrolled in the Summer Session for graduate work was approximately thirty per cent over that of the previous year.

The registration just closed for the first semester in the Graduate School shows an increase of approximately twelve per cent over that of a year ago, and in the number of new students registered, an increase of about fifteen per cent. The present total enrolment in the Graduate School is approximately 450 resident students and 105 non-resident, making in all 555 students up to the close of registration for the first semester, October 1st, 1928. A considerable number of new students always enter at the beginning of the second semester, so that there is no doubt that the registration for the year will exceed 600.

The students come not only from all over the United States, but from many foreign lands. The enrolment for the present semester shows twenty-one of foreign birth, representing countries as distant as Russia, Palestine, China, New Zealand, Australia, and South Africa.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

After long consideration the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts has revised the requirements for graduation. In making the revision the Faculty carefully considered the suggestions which were submitted by the graduates, and the undergraduates through a student committee appointed at the request of the Faculty by the Student Council.
The new requirements may be said to represent the composite judgment of the Faculty, the Graduates and the Undergraduates. They take effect at once for candidates entering this year. Students who entered under the old requirements may substitute the new by giving formal notice to the Recorder.

The new regulations have been published in a pamphlet numbered 32, Volume 17, of the Boston University Bulletin. Among the important changes are the requirement of at least thirty semester hours in a field of concentration. Certain departments of instruction now offer to selected students, concentrating in those departments, a program of study leading to a degree with distinction. The entire pamphlet will amply repay a careful reading by our graduates.

Promotions in the Faculty include: Thomas R. Mather, from Assistant Professor of English to Professor of English; Alcide T. M. deAndria, to Assistant Professor of French; Edward O. Holmes, Jr., to Assistant Professor of Chemistry; Winslow H. Loveland, to Assistant Professor of English; James R. Martin, to Assistant Professor of Geology; Otto E. Plath, to Assistant Professor of Biology; Wayland F. Vaughan, to Assistant Professor of Philosophy.

New Appointments to the Faculty include: John Philip Mason, Instructor in Chemistry, and Roger Thomas, Instructor in English. Mr. Mason comes to the College from an instructorship in the department of Chemistry in George Washington University. Mr. Thomas, previously an instructor in the University of Michigan and then an Adjunct Professor in the University of Texas, has been studying for two years at Harvard University.

Henry Holt & Co. have on the press Calderon's noted tragedy: El mágico prodigioso (The Wonderful Magician), edited with an elaborate introduction to the Cyprian-Justinian legend and commentary regarding Goethe's Faust, bibliography, notes and vocabulary. The edition will be ready for use during the second semester by students of the Golden Age of Spanish literature; it has been prepared by Professor James Geddes of the Department of Romance languages.

Professor Lyman C. Newell took an active part in the seventy-sixth meeting of the American Chemical Society at Swampscott, Massachusetts, September 10th to 15th. As a member of the General Committee, he was Chairman of the Committee on Registration. He was also Chairman of the Division of Historical Chemistry, presided at its sessions and read a paper on "Chemistry in Old Boston." He was co-author of a paper on "Notable New England Chemists" issued as a part of the souvenir program. This paper was illustrated with fourteen engravings made from original portraits selected from Professor Newell's collection. Through his efforts an interesting collection of personal mementoes of the chemist Wöhler was obtained from Germany and made a part of the historical exhibit. Professor Newell introduced the speaker at the session which was held to commemorate one of Wöhler's discoveries.

Professor Warren O. Ault, Professor of History in the College of Liberal Arts, has just completed his book on the "Court Rolls of Ramsey Abbey" in Huntingtonshire, England. The book is the 12th in a series published under the direction of the history department of Yale University, and is made possible by a fund established by the Scroll and Key Society of that institution. Only 200 copies are to be made. The volume contains some of the earliest records of the great barony of Ramsey Abbey, which owned fifty-five manors in seven English counties. This barony was a little kingdom and the records here printed in the original Latin describe its institutions of government.

After a two years' leave of absence Assistant Professor Lewis A. Brigham of the Faculty has returned to the Astronomy Department. As a Lick Observatory Fellow he studied in the astronomy and physics departments at the University of California in Berkeley during two semesters and spent a total of sixteen months in residence at the
Lick Observatory on Mt. Hamilton, California, engaged in research in stellar spectroscopy, using the great thirty-six inch refractor.

Wilbert Lindquist, Instructor in Chemistry in the College of Liberal Arts, was married to Ruth Fraser Tobey on Tuesday, August 14, in Needham, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Lindquist will be at home after the first of November, at 548 High Street, West Medford, Mass.

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

New appointments to the Faculty at the College of Business Administration for the college year, 1928-29, include six full-time instructors and several part-time instructors. The full-time appointments are:

- Charles T. Andrews, A.B., 1923, University of Michigan; A.M., 1928, Harvard University; Assistant Professor of Economics.
- Vergil D. Reed, B.S., 1922, Indiana University; M.S., 1928, Columbia University; Assistant Professor of Economics.
- Donald Coray, United States Military Academy; First Lieutenant, U. S. Army; Instructor in Military Science and Tactics.
- Horace O. Cushman, DePauw University; Captain, Infantry, U. S. Army; Assistant Professor in Military Science and Tactics.
- Edwin C. Lickman, A. B., 1913, Yale University; First Lieutenant, U. S. Army; Instructor in Military Science and Tactics.
- Delphine G. McFarland, Boston University; Instructor in Spanish.

At the close of the year 1927-28, the Trustees approved a change in the degrees granted by the College, by which the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S. in B.A.) is regularly granted to graduates of the Day Division, and the Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.) is granted to graduates of the Evening Division. In accordance with the differentiation in degrees, changes have been made in the Day Division program, by which students are enabled to specialize in certain fields of business, such as Finance, Economics, Accounting, etc.

Freshmen registered in the Day Division of the College of Business Administration number 400. As usual, by far the greater number of registrants, about 78%, come from Massachusetts. About fifteen other states and several countries are represented by the registrants.

Dean Lord was present at the first Faculty meeting of the year, held at the City Club, on Saturday, September 22. He was also present to welcome the students at the first College Assembly, held at the Exeter Theatre, on Monday, September 24. While Dean Lord has not entirely recovered from his recent illness, his condition is improving and he hopes to be able to spend a few hours each week at the College. In Dean Lord’s absence, all matters regularly coming before Dean Lord are being referred to Assistant Dean Roy Davis.

The Graduate Division of the College reports a large increase in the number of students registered from other colleges both for the Day and Evening graduate course.

The Journalism Division shows a slight increase in the number of students registered this year for the Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism. Latest figures report a total of ninety-four registered in the Day Division.

**COLLEGE OF PRACTICAL ARTS AND LETTERS**

Several changes have been made in the Faculty. Mr. Karl E. Shedd, formerly an instructor at Yale, has been made Assistant Professor of Spanish. Professor Shedd did his undergraduate work at Dartmouth and his graduate work at Yale.
Mr. William C. Holbrook, graduate of Harvard and Oxford, has joined the Department of Modern Foreign Languages as instructor in French.

Mr. Frank H. McCloskey, a graduate of Syracuse University and New York University, has become an instructor in the Department of English. Formerly he was an instructor at the Washington Square College of New York University. Mr. C. M. Ramsey, of Duke University, has taken charge of the classes in Economics.

Miss Dorothea V. Kellar and Miss Lydia Thiel, both graduates of the College have become members of the Department of Secretarial Studies.

Mr. Clayton B. Shaw, of the University of Washington, is now instructor in Philosophy; Mr. Ancel B. Briggs of Harvard has become instructor in Sociology;^[1]

We are particularly fortunate in securing the services of Mr. J. Stevens Kadesch as instructor in Secondary Education. Mr. Kadesch is principal of the Medford High School and President of the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

Professor J. D. Ofiate has been promoted to the rank of Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Modern Foreign Languages; Miss Anne McClintock, Miss Hazel Purmort, Doctor Austin Warren and Mr. Irving White have been raised to the rank of Assistant Professor in their respective departments.

The Department of Student Personnel has been placed in charge of Miss Hazel Paine, one of the prominent graduates of this College.

Miss Lillian Guard, graduate of the College, who has been Assistant to the Registrar at Wheaton College and Secretary to the President of the University of Maine, has been made College Recorder.

Miss Elizabeth Baker, of the Class of 1928, has been appointed Secretary to the Dean and Miss Lillian Wiley (Certificate, 1928) has joined the administrative staff as Assistant to the Registrar.

Rather drastic changes have been made in the requirements for entrance to the College and for promotion to the degree. It is expected that the new requirements will result in a larger proportion of the undergraduates finishing the courses for the degree, although it is probable that a smaller freshman class will be admitted annually. While the degree of Bachelor of Secretarial Science may be granted to students who entered the College prior to 1928, it will not be given to those entering the College after September, 1927. We grant one degree only—Bachelor of Science in P.A.L. Students who desire to earn a Master's or Doctor's degree are referred to the Graduate School.

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**COLLEGE OF MUSIC**

Boston University's newest department, the College of Music, opened its doors this September with a very satisfactory enrolment. There are twenty-five full-time students working for the degree of Bachelor of Music. Of these twenty-five, sixteen are majoring in school music, five in piano, and one each in composition, organ, voice, and violoncello. The figures for registration in the courses for certificate and part-time students are not yet complete, but so far the individual registrations have totalled over four hundred. Sixty-four students are working for the certificate in public school music, which the College of Music grants upon the completion of a group of fifteen courses, covering a period of two years.

The new college is offering seventeen courses in music, and, in addition, instruction in piano, voice, violin, organ, and violoncello. The degree students have been granted the privilege of attending classes in the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Education.
With the exception of one advertisement in one paper and announcements of the registration day in the principal Boston papers, the new college has not advertised its courses, for from previous indications the problem seemed not to be the securing of students, but the limiting of students to the facilities available. As the decision to establish the College of Music came late in the year, shortly before the opening of the University, it was impossible to undertake any program of expansion, and efforts were confined to the reorganization of what was already established in the way of courses of study and administration. Next year additional accommodations will be secured and new courses will be added, and there is every indication that the College will be double its present size in 1929-30.

The only additions to the faculty have been in the applied music department, as follows: Mr. Raymond Havens, Mr. Stuart Mason, and Miss Margaret Starr McLain, instructors in piano; Mr. Raymond Robinson and Mr. Francis Snow, instructors in organ; Mr. Jacques Hoffman, instructor in violin, and Miss Virginia Stickney, instructor in cello.

Elementary instruction in applied music is not given, as this course is on a collegiate basis, and students must have completed preparatory work up to a defined standard.

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

The School of Theology opened the year on Wednesday, September 19, with the largest number of students enrolled in recent years. Some 85 new men were admitted as regular Juniors, with about 25 more admitted to upper classes. The Opening Day Address was delivered by Professor C. M. McConnell, whose subject was "The Minister's Use of Himself."

The Chair of Homiletics and Pastoral Science made vacant by the resignation of Doctor Oxnam to become President of DePauw University, has been filled by the election of Doctor William L. Stidger, one of the best known preachers in America. Doctor Stidger is the author of over 20 volumes on Preaching and related topics which have been widely read. Together with his duties in the School of Theology, he will serve as morning preacher at Copley Church and will thus stand in close relation to the University as a whole.

In the Department of Practical Theology, Doctor Stidger will be assisted by four of the leading ministers of Greater Boston: Doctor Raymond Calkins of Cambridge, representing the Congregational Church; Doctor Henry Knox Sherrill of Trinity Church, representing the Episcopal Church; Doctor Samuel Macaulay Lindsay of Brookline, representing the Baptist Church, and Doctor Crane of Malden, representing the Methodist Church. These men will each lecture twice a week during one quarter of the School year on "The Minister and His Task." Their lectures come at 8.30 a.m. on Wednesday and Friday.

Dr. Henry Clay Sheldon, Professor Emeritus of Systematic Theology in the School of Theology, died Saturday, August 4, at his residence in West Newton. Dr. Sheldon was born in Martinsburg, N. Y., in 1845. He graduated from Yale in 1867. In 1871 he graduated from the School of Theology of Boston University. In 1875 he was appointed to the chair of historical theology in Boston University; in 1894 he was appointed Professor of Systematic Theology. He retired from active service in 1921. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and three grandchildren. The funeral services were held at his residence in West Newton on Monday, August 6. Assisting his pastor, Rev. M. L. Bullock of Auburndale, were President Daniel L. Marsh, President Emeritus William E. Huntington and Dean Albert C. Knudson of the School of Theology. The interment was in Newton Cemetery.
The old Chapel in Warren Hall, which has in recent years been called the "Reading Room," has been entirely transformed during the past summer through the generosity of Mrs. G. Louis Richards. The walls have been painted white, the floor has been covered with a rubber tiling suggesting a marble floor, and the room has been furnished with beautiful chairs and tables.

SCHOOL OF LAW

Dean Homer Albers' annual report of the School of Law is included in the reports of the President, the Treasurer and other officers of the University presented to the Trustees on October 11th, for the academic year ending June 30, 1928.

Among the important events of the year embodied in Dean Albers' report are the following:

The total enrolment for the school year was 573.

Honorable Caspar G. Bacon delivered during the year six lectures on the Constitution of the United States.

Frederick L. Emery, Esq., '93, one of the leading patent lawyers of the United States, delivered his regular course on Patents, and returned for the benefit of the Loan Library of the Law School, the honorarium sent him for his lectures.

Harold A. J. Oppenheim, '22, gave a course of lectures on "Parliamentary Law."

John A. Brett, Esq., who had lectured on Agency for twelve years, retired, and Hugh D. McLellan, Esq., was appointed lecturer on that subject for the ensuing year.

P. Dennison Smith, Jr., '27, for the last year Associate Professor at the University of South Dakota Law School, was appointed instructor in Bills and Notes for the coming year.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Faculty changes consist of a newly appointed Instructor and nineteen Assistants. Faculty promotions show one Professor, one Associate Professor, one Assistant Professor and six Instructors. Three of our Assistants had changes in title.

The Boston University Health Service, recently instituted, is being conducted by Dr. Nathan H. Garrick as Physician in Chief, with the aid of six other members, graduates of the Boston University School of Medicine.

Dr. Dwight O'Hara, Lecturer on Therapeutics, is spending his sabbatical leave working in one of the large hospitals in Hamburg, Germany.

The School was represented by Dean Begg on the Committee on Arrangements of the American College of Surgeons, at their annual meeting in Boston, October 8-12, inclusive.

Dean Begg has been appointed a Director of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, which organization he had served in the capacity of Chairman of the Committee on Public Health for three years. He has also recently been appointed a member of the Auxiliary Committee on Legislation of the Massachusetts Medical Society.

Dr. W. H. Watters, Professor of Preventive Medicine in the Medical School, will leave for Miami, Florida, for the winter about the middle of November.

After several years of residence there he has become quite familiar with conditions in that vicinity. He writes that he will be glad to extend to any Boston University members who may desire it, such information as might be of service to those who plan to be in that part of the country next season.

His winter address is Boston-Miami Clinic, Coconut Grove Section, Miami, Florida.
The School of Education occupies new quarters this year,—in the east end of Mechanics Building formerly occupied by the Boston Y. W. C. A. There they will have offices, classrooms, library and auditorium. Men and women will have their separate study rooms. The women of the School faculty are having a special interest in the equipment of the women’s study and rest room. The School retains the three rooms in the Stone Building at 711 Boylston Street on which it had a three year lease. Two of these three rooms may be and usually are thrown together into one large classroom. With these rooms the School has now five or six classrooms varying in capacity from 35 to 150 students. The auditorium will seat more than 400. The new home of the School now permits an enlargement of the daily program which had become limited by the lack of classrooms.

Members of the faculty have been or will be busy in September and October in attending as delegates or speakers a number of teachers’ association meetings; three of these are on the program at the Bangor meeting of the Maine teachers.

The full time attendance at the School has increased more than 25 per cent over last year. The gain is noteworthy since New England normal schools which have been a prime source of students for our School are now increasing their courses and keeping their students for third or fourth years. A growing characteristic of our School is the number of candidates for the master’s degree. Much interest has been manifested in the new degree of Doctor of Education. The program of the School makes its own problem of continuing and increasing attendance. The School offers regularly only work of the junior and senior years and graduate work. Its senior class is always larger than the junior. As a result the new students each year are one-half to two-thirds of the total enrolment. No other School of the University has so constant a problem of attendance, and of maintaining traditions and cultivating university spirit.

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICE

Dean Walter S. Athearn, who has been granted a leave of absence for research and travel in the interest of the Commission of Character, Moral and Religious Education of the World Federation of Education Associations, of which he is Chairman, is spending a few months in research work at the Library of Congress and various educational foundations in America before sailing for Geneva, Switzerland, where he will make his headquarters for the remainder of the year.

Professor Frank W. Clelland, Assistant Dean and Registrar of Boston University School of Religious Education and Social Service, is Acting Dean of the school for the current academic year in the absence of Dean Athearn. Professor Clelland was honored by his alma mater, Missouri Wesleyan College, at its last convocation by the conferring upon him of the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

The following members of the faculty of this school spent the summer in European study and travel:

Albert E. Bailey, Professor of the Interpretation of Religious Education; Earl Marlatt, Professor of Philosophy; Neilson C. Hannay, Head of the English Department; Edith Lovell Thomas, Professor of Ritual and Hymnology; H. Augustine Smith, Head of the Department of Fine Arts in Religion.

Mr. William D. Simmons, Instructor in the Department of Fine Arts, has been granted a leave of absence for the current year for European study. Miss Hulda Niebuhr, Assistant Professor of Elementary Education, has been granted a leave of absence for the current year for graduate work in Columbia University.