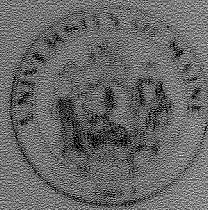


A PROSPECTUS OF
THE PROPOSED
SENIOR SKULL
TOMB



JANUARY 1920

FOREWORD

In this booklet, we have endeavored to place all of the available data and facts before you. Space did not permit our publishing statements from representative men in every class of Skulls. However, these Skulls, who have written statements for publication, are men who are in touch with the situation. They are lending their active support to the project—both with time and money.

If you have not already signed notes, you will receive some to sign. Let us again urge promptness if the corner stone is to be laid in June. The active Skulls will keep you informed as to the progress of the campaign. If each one will comply with the three requests, enumerated in the letter from the active Skulls, you may rest assured that the campaign will be a success.

The committee of active Skulls wishes to thank Brothers Gannett and Towner for valuable assistance rendered in pushing this campaign.

Don't forget, Brothers, a Tomb dedication at Commencement. Every Skull who signs his notes and does his bit, will receive a picture of the dedication of the structure as well as one of the Tomb when completed.

FROM THE ACTIVE SKULLS

Orono, Maine
January, 1920

Dear Brother Skulls,

When the 1920 Senior Skulls were initiated last June, they were given a duty to perform by the retiring Skulls. This was to launch an active campaign among Skulls to obtain enough money to lay the corner stone of the long talked of Senior Skull Tomb, at Commencement in June.

This fall, a committee of active Skulls was appointed to conduct this campaign. This committee met with Brother James A. Gannett, Trustee of the Tomb Fund, and received information on the proposition. Brother Gannett has the blue prints, etc. and his financial report is printed on another page in this booklet.

On November 13, 1919 an informal get-together was held at the Bangor House. The active men were present and about ten alumni brothers. Talks were given by Brothers Gannett, Wright, Hussey, Leacock, Kent, Magee, Ballou, Wood, Preti, Towner, and several of the active brothers. The members present were unanimous in their support of the campaign.

Brothers Charles Anthony Rice '17 and George Edwin Kirk '16 made the supreme sacrifice in the war. At this meeting, it was suggested that our Tomb be dedicated to the memory of these two brothers who were indeed a credit to Maine and our Senior Skull Society.

As you will note in Brother Jim Gannett's report, we now have \$523.74 on hand. Not a cent of the money has been used. All expenses incurred to date have been met by private means. You may rest assured that this policy will be continued. When the original plans of the Tomb were made, the estimated cost was \$2,000. A Bangor firm has just given us two estimates. This concern would furnish a building, granite faced, for \$3,765.30 or a white marble structure for \$5,645.85. We are having more estimates made and hope to receive lower bids.

However, this will give you a good idea of the cost of the Tomb.

Stop and think what it would mean, Brothers, to have our Tomb a reality. You probably remember how you worked for three years in the hope that you might receive the coveted honor of membership in the Senior Skull Society. You remember the joy you felt when the "Blue and Red" pledge ribbon was placed on your coat. Would you not like to return to the old Campus this June and participate in the ceremonies of dedicating the Tomb? Of course you would, for you are a Maine man.

Brothers, this will be put across if you will do the following: **First**—If you have not already signed your set of five notes for five dollars each, please do so at once. **Second**—If you have signed your notes, please pay your notes to date. **Third**—If you can possibly do so, please pay your whole set of notes at once.

All checks should be mailed to James A. Gannett, Alumni Hall, Orono, Maine.

We will be glad to furnish any information desired. Remember, Brothers, the time is short so please give this your immediate attention.

Fraternally yours,

The Committee of 1920 Skulls

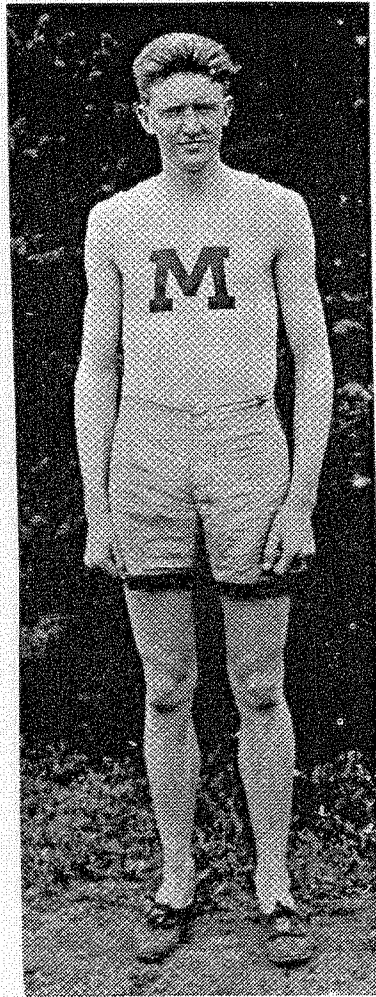
BROTHER CHARLES ANTHONY RICE

Honors: Class Track (1), Captain Class Track (2), N. E. I. A. A. Record, 100 and 220-yard dashes (1), M. I. A. A. Record, 220 yard dash (1), Class Executive Com. (2), Varsity Track (1) (2), Track Club, "M" Club, Captain Varsity Track (4), Sophomore Owls, Junior Masks, Senior Skulls.

Lieutenant Charles A. Rice, son of Stephen Rice of Uxbridge, Mass., prepared for college at Powder Point School, where he made an enviable reputation as a schoolboy runner. He entered Maine in the class of 1917, the best runner that Maine has had. Immediately following Commencement he enlisted in the 31st Co. Depot Brigade at Camp Devens and in Co. C, 9th Brigade Machine Gun Corps of the 5th Division, with which he sailed to France.

He received his commission in France and died in a British Expeditionary Hospital in France December 22, 1918, the result of a severe wound in the thigh, received in action in Flanders while his regiment was brigaded with the 5th British Army.

He was a member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.



BROTHER GEORGE EDWIN KIRK

Honors: Class football (1) (2), Captain Class basketball (2), Class Executive Com. (1), Military Hop Com. (1) Poster Com. (2), Class President (2), Class basketball (2), Sophomore Hop Com. (2), Chairman Junior Assembly Com. (3), Varsity football (2), (3), "M" Club, Sophomore Owls, Junior Masks, Senior Skulls, Chairman Junior Week Com.



Captain George E. Kirk, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kirk, was born in Bar Harbor, coming to Maine from Bar Harbor High School. At the end of a very successful three years he entered the University of Susquehanna, playing half back on one of the most successful teams ever turned out by that institution.

He attended the Officers' Training School at Fort Niagara and was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the 23d U. S. Infantry, receiving further training at Gettysburgh, Penn., sailing for France about two years ago. He took part in the battles of Chateau Thierry, St. Mihiel and other desperate fighting. He was promoted for gallantry to First Lieutenant and later to Captain of Co. A, 4th Machine Gun Battalion.

Brother Kirk died in a hospital on the edge of the Argonne Forest, November 11, 1918 of pneumonia. He had been ill and only partially convalescent, had insisted upon leaving the hospital to march into Germany at the head of his company, which however, proved too much for him, his death occurring soon after.

He was a member of the Sigma Nu Fraternity.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SENIOR SKULL
SOCIETY TOMB FUND**

Nov. 1, 1919

Total number of living Skulls solicited for pledges of \$25 each 130
(3 Skulls deceased)
Number who have signed pledges 57
Number who have failed to sign 73

Number in each class and number who signed notes:

Class	Total	Signed	Not signed
'07	11	2	9
'08	11	1	10
'09	11	4	7
'10	11	1	10
'11	11	4	7
'12	11	5	6
'13	10	6	4
'14	11	4	7
'15	11	8	3
'16	10	9	1
'17	10	9	1
'18	4	2	2
'19	8	2	6
Totals	130	57	73

Financial Statement

Amount paid in on pledges to date.....\$485.00
 Amount rec'd. from interest on bank account to date..... 24.10
 Amount received from gifts..... 14.64

Total receipts to date.....\$523.74
 Total amount paid on pledges.....\$485.00
 Total amount due on pledges but unpaid to date..... 415.00
 Maturity value of pledges due in
 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924..... 515.00

\$1415.00

Maturity value of 57 pledges as above
 (Less \$10 as one member agreed to pay \$15
 instead of \$25).....\$1415.00
 These accounts are in the savings department of the Old Town
 Trust Co., and \$200 is invested in Liberty Loan Bonds.

1908

January 7, 1920

Dear Brother Skulls:

We are, as you know, conducting a campaign for a Skull Tomb and I have felt for sometime that the '08 Skulls should take an active interest in this plan as they were the first class to be elected to membership in the Skull Society.

The Tomb will provide a suitable meeting place for the Society and offer an additional attraction for members of the Society when returning to Orono at Commencement time. Only Skulls are to be admitted to the Tomb. The laying of the corner stone will mark a distinct era in the history of class societies at the University.

Will you not look the plans over carefully, write us concerning any point which may not be entirely clear, and lend your financial support to the Society.

Fraternally yours,

James A. Gannett '08

1910 MEN, MAKE IT 100%

Bangor, Me., Nov. 17, 1919.

To the Senior Skulls of the Class of 1910.—

The proposed Senior Skull Tomb which is to be erected at a suitable place on the University of Maine campus has undoubtedly been brought to your attention before the present time.

Over three years ago, the active Skulls decided to start a campaign which had as its object the erection of a suitable building for Senior Skulls. In connection with this campaign, a letter was sent out to each Skull alumnus, telling of the project and requesting a certain financial aid. Because of the general

unsettled conditions caused by the war, it was necessary to drop the idea temporarily. It has now been revived and is going to be pushed through to a successful conclusion.

At an informal meeting held at the Bangor House last week, when twenty active and graduate Skulls were present, it was voted to start the ball rolling again.

So far, one Skull of the Class of 1910 has signed the series of five notes, sent to him about three years ago. For the honor of our class, if for no other reason this state of affairs should not be allowed to continue, and I ask all brothers of this class to sign the notes and send them in and then 1910 will be 100 % represented in the tomb when it is built.

Yours fraternally,

H. W. Wright.

Bangor, Me., Nov. 17, 1919.

1912 SKULLS ATTENTION!!

Brother 1912 Skulls:

At a meeting of the active chapter, attended by several Alumni Skulls, November 13, 1919, the financing of the proposed Tomb was discussed, and it is with keen pleasure that we learn that the undergraduate membership of the society is making a real effort to complete the financing so that visiting Skulls next Commencement may take part in laying the corner stone of the Tomb.

There are many Skulls who have not signed notes, and others who have signed but have neglected to pay. This is no doubt largely due to the fact that no definite plan of financing or estimate of cost has ever been placed before our graduate membership, but these things are now being done, and we, who attended this meeting are confident that if every Alumnus will do his share the Tomb can be built. This means that every one must make a definite statement of the financial aid he will give—those who can do so, should pay his notes in full at once—if this is impossible, advise "Jim" Gannett the date you can pay, and then do it.