

The Alumni Association
of The New York State College for Teachers
requests the honor of your presence at the
Laying of the Cornerstone
of the Men's Residence Hall
at One Seventy-nine Partridge Street,
at two-thirty, Saturday afternoon, April
the twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred forty-one.

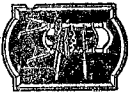
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New York State College For Teachers



THE MILNE SCHOOL INDUSTRIAL ARTS SHOP

At ten-thirty

April the Twenty-sixth

1941

ORDER OF CEREMONY

STATE COLLEGE SONG - N. Y. S. C. T.

Led by T. Frederick H. Candlyn, '17, Head of Music Dept.

INVOCATION

Kenneth E. Wade, '38, Union Theological Seminary '41

PRESENTATION OF HALL FOR THE USE OF THE COLLEGE

Judge Newton B. VanDerzee for the Holding Corporation

ACCEPTANCE FOR THE COLLEGE

Acting President John M. Sayles

LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE

W. Earle Sutherland, '19 President of the Alumni Association

THE ALMA MATER

Led by T. Frederick Candlyn, '17, Head of Music Dept.

Chairman, Arvid J. Burke, '28

N. Y. S. C. T.

(Arm in Arm Thro' Friendly Ways.)

Arm in arm thro' friendly ways,
Press we on these college days,
Common bond we owe to thee,
N. Y. S. C. T.

Stunts and sings and rambly walks,
Frolics, dances, weighty talks,
All of these we owe to thee,
N. Y. S. C. T.

Eager are we in this youth,
Foll'wing wisdom'd minds to truth,
Inspiration comes from thee,
N. Y. S. C. T.

Strong old elms will shield no more,
Open roads will stretch before,
Courage we shall gain from thee,
N. Y. S. C. T.

THE ALMA MATER

College of the Empire State,
Mother of an army great,
Thou the moulder of our Fate,
Thee we sing today.
Thine the hand with clasp so strong,
Holding, tho' the years be long,
Thou the burden of our song,
Thee we sing today.

Ways of pleasantness are thine,
Leading where in wisdom's shrine,
Joy and cheer, and hope divine,
Ever dwell for aye.
Thine the voice whose call we hear,
Thine the hand which holds us near,
Thine the heart, so true, so dear,
Cherished, loved alway.

[1941 Ap 25]

Laying of Cornerstone Sayles Hall
Mr. Sutherland

Mr. Chairman, Dr. Sayles, Judge Van der Zee, Members of the Alumni Association, Friends:

By official action of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association the Women's Residence Hall has been named Pierce Hall in honor of former Dean Anna E. Pierce. In a very large measure, the ideas and efforts of Miss Pierce were responsible for the erection and successful operation of the Women's Residence Hall. The corner stone for that building was laid on June 15, 1935.

Today we have met to lay the corner stone of the Men's Residence Hall.

The Board of Directors thank all, who have contributed to the building fund, for their loyalty and support of the project.

We are also appreciative of the interest and work done by the Holding Corporation. Their efficient handling of legal and financial affairs has caused the construction program to proceed smoothly.

A great deal of credit for the successful management of Alumni affairs, including the erection of Residence Halls, is due to the officers who have worked faithfully and efficiently for a number of years. The Alumni are fortunate in having Agnes N. Underwood for Secretary and Bertha E. Brimmer for Executive Secretary, and we appreciate the fine work they have done for the Association and for the College.

By official action of the Board of Directors, the Men's Residence Hall has been named Sayles Hall in honor of the Acting President of the College, Dr. John M. Sayles.

For many years Dr. Sayles has been a builder--a builder of character in the lives of hundreds of young men who have been influenced by his teaching and the high standards of character exemplified by his life.

Today we pay tribute to Dr. Sayles for his ability and leadership in the building of material things. In a very large measure, his efforts have made possible the construction of the Men's Residence Hall. The Alumni are deeply grateful for his untiring efforts in the erection of this building and feel honored that it is to bear his name.

The following articles now will be placed in the corner stone: Officers of the Holding Corporation 1940-41; Constitution and By-Laws of the Benevolent Association; Alumni Quarterly containing List of Officers, etc.

On this 26th day of April 1941, I have the honor of laying the corner stone of Sayles Hall.

List of Articles included in Cornerstone

1. Officers of the Holding Corporation 1940-41
2. Constitution and By-Laws of the Benevolent Association
3. Alumni Quarterly containing
 - a. List of Officers
 - b. Board of Directors of the Alumni Association
 - c. Officers of the twelve Branches of the Alumni Association
 - d. Names of Class Councillors
4. Catalogue containing Faculty and Administrative Officers of the College
5. List of Subscribers, 1936 - 1941, and Donors of Special Gifts
6. State College News, issues of March 14 and April 25
7. Issue of Quarterly, October, 1940, containing special articles on:
 - a. History of Project
 - b. Drawing of building
 - c. Announcement of special gifts
8. State College Seal
9. Invitation to Cornerstone Laying Ceremony
10. Program of Cornerstone Laying Ceremony

[1941 Apr 26]

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

Dr. John Manville Sayles

Mr. Chairman, friends of the Student Body, members of the Faculty, and other Assembled Friends:

It is with real pleasure that in the capacity now I am filling, I am accepting this building for the use of the College.

I would like to indulge in just a little history. It seems to me that this dream, which has come true, is almost impossible to realize. About 20 years ago a group of 5 or 6 people assembled in Syddum Hall to talk about the possibility of a housing program. There was raised about \$100 that night and to that sum about \$400 or \$500 more was added. With that fund as a basis, this group of buildings has been developed. In some ways this group of buildings adds not only to the scholastic program of the College but it has, in fact, its value from the point of view of bringing recognition from other institutions. There is no measuring group, who have surveyed this institution, and who are entitled to survey, who have not given it academic recognition in their field. There is only one other State College which is recognized by the American Association of Universities. We are recognized by the Association of the Middle and Atlantic States, and we are certified by the Teachers Colleges of the United States. A part of that recognition has been due to the fact that we have made proper housing programs for our student group.

And so this becomes a real realization of a dream long carried in the minds of a good many people. I think no one could be mindful of this without bringing credit to some of those who have worked faithfully on this. Miss Pierce dreamed it. Mrs. Brimmer and Mrs. Underwood have helped to carry it out. Mr. Mark Graves, Judge Newton B. Van der Zee and Miss Scotland have worked diligently and long in formulating this program and the tremendous group of Alumni who have worked constructively and contributed to it, have helped to achieve it.

Again, perhaps from an angle other than recognition, this building may be another safeguard of our democracy. I have always believed that an understanding of democracy springs from the homes in which people live. And this dwelling will be home for the children on this campus. And coming from homes like these, living in such surroundings as these, and living with each other in such close contact cannot help but bring closer understanding of each one and his problems and will go far toward building an American democracy.

As we give to our hall and provide for it, we gain respect in our neighborhood and our city and our state, and that hall will have an influence in raising the standard of living to the kind of a life which we desire to live.

And so in that way, Judge Van der Zee, I assure you that we will use this building for that purpose and for that function.

HAROLD O. FULLERTON
 ARCHITECT
 152 WASHINGTON AVENUE
 ALBANY, N. Y.

January 6, 1942

Mrs. Bertha E. Brimmer
 Alumni Office
 New York State College for Teachers
 Albany, New York

Re: Men's Residence Hall
 New York State College for
 Teachers Benevolent Assoc.

Dear Mrs. Brimmer:

Below is a statement of costs for Sayles Hall, State College
 for Teachers, Albany, New York.

	<u>Construction</u>	
- Robert P. Vignola	\$202,735.29	
Foundation Co. & Hall	156.65	-
D. A. Lanzetta	23.00	-
- Cameron Hardware Co.	234.50	
- M. Kramer & Sons	18,639.25	
- Jas. Hunter Htg. & Cont. Co.	12,586.00	
- John J. Sheedy	107.25	
- E. G. May	7,584.00	
- Meginnis Electrical Corp.	2,167.00	
- H. Horton & Co.	4,300.00	
Frank G. Ruso	628.66	
Otis Elevator Co.	497.00	
	<u>\$249,656.60</u>	
Architect's Fees	14,979.40	
Total Construction Cost	<u>\$264,636.00</u>	\$264,636.00
	<u>Equipment</u>	
Universal Equipment Co.	\$ 9,743.17	-
C. O. Hasselbarth, Inc.	779.70	-
W. & J. Sloane	2,432.27	-
Raleigh Equipment Co.	1,124.95	-
A. M. Reischmann Associates	657.38	-
Meginnis Electrical Corp.	384.30	-
H. Horton & Co.	1,904.80	
	<u>\$17,026.57</u>	
Architect's Fees	1,021.59	
Total Equipment Cost	<u>\$18,048.16</u>	<u>\$ 18,048.16</u>
Total Cost Building and Equipment		<u>\$282,684.16</u>

Very truly yours,



H. O. Fullerton

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NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE FOR TEACHERS
BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
ALBANY, N. Y.

JOHN M. SAYLES, PRESIDENT
CHESTER J. TERRILL, TREASURER
BERTHA E. BRIMMER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Furnished by
Lydia Antoinette Johnson '11
State College Faculty 1912-1941

Furnished by The Half Century Club
Alumni Association, State College

Furnished in honor of
Bernard S. Bronson
State College Faculty 1908-1939

Furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. TenEyck

Clock Mr. Deys

Chorus - Chi Sigma Iota

At Teachers Room - by K.D.P.

SENATOR'S RESIDENCE HALL

Santiago Hall
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<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1) General Construction	\$201,875.00
2) Heating and Ventilation	10,000.00
3. Plumbing	12,400.00
4) Electric Work	7,400.00
5) Furniture	10,000.00
6) Signs	700.00
7) Curtains & Draperies	1,640.00
8) Elevator	1,000.00
9) Bowling Alley	2,000.00
10) Billiard & Pool Tables	640.00
11) Lighting Fixtures	2,107.00
12) Lamps	200.00
13) Landscaping	500.00
14) Refrigeration	500.00
15) Kitchen Equipment	4,000.00
16) Dishes and Silver	1,700.00
17) Architect Fees	10,100.00
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TOTAL	\$306,775.00