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SEASON OPENS WITH OHIO WESLEYAN TONIGHT

First Basketball Game of the Year
With Strong Ohio Team
This Evening.

The first game of the Allegheny basketball season will be played tonight in the local gymnasium with the strong Ohio Wesleyan University team who, it will be remembered, administered the first home defeat in eight years, in the game last year, the score of which was 18-6. Judging from the makeup of the schedule, the game tonight will perhaps be the hardest that the Allegheny team will have this season; and it is probable that one of the best contests of the season will result.

The Allegheny team will be practically the same as that used in most of the games last year. All the old men are back with the exception of Harry Firestone and his place is being filled by "Chuck" Dotterer. "Louie" Hawk, the captain, has charge of the team since the departure of Coach Stewart and he has been following out the original system successfully used by the coach. The team has been practicing for over a week since Christmas and is in good shape to meet O. W. U. tonight. Just what lineup will be used has not been definitely determined but the forwards will be picked from Mates, Nichols, Croasmun and Graham with Hawk at center and Thomas, Dotterer and Ramsey at guards.

Although Ohio Wesleyan has lost several of her old men by graduation, she appears to have a team at least as strong as that of last year. In a recent game with Buchtel, O. W. U. completely overwhelmed the Akron players by a score of 61-13. The report of the game also showed that Wesleyan had used substitutes in every position at some time during this contest. The Ohioans realize that Allegheny is especially anxious for a victory, consequently, they will come expecting to play their best game. They will have an advantage over the local five since they have already played several games.

DEATH OF YOUNG ALUMNUS.

Rev. Horace McKinney, '95, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Punxsutawney, died on December 31. He entered the Allegheny Preparatory School in 1888, and after finishing his course in college, was a student at the Boston University Theological School, where he received the degree of B. D. in 1899. Among his pastoral charges were Mt. Pleasant, Westfield, Sharon and Punxsutawney.

BAZAAR MADE MONEY.

The annual bazaar given by the Y. W. C. A. on December 16 was very successful. The total receipts after expenses were paid amounted to \$160. The Y. W. C. A. extends its hearty thanks to the following, who by their contributions helped to make the bazaar a success:

Culbertson's dry goods store.
Miss Lord—Tea Rooms.
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John J. Shryock Co.
Pettingill's art store.
Yocum's art store.
F. A. Sutton's dry goods store.
Thompson's book store.

The Calendar

TONIGHT, 8:00 P. M.—Allegheny Wesleyan basketball game.
SUNDAY, 6:15 P. M.—Y. W. C. A., in Hulings Hall. Leader, Miss Margaret Seitz.
WEDNESDAY, 6:45 P. M.—Y. W. C. A., in Hulings Hall. Leader, Miss Mary Brown.
WEDNESDAY, 6:45 P. M.—Y. M. C. A., in Cochran Hall. Leader, H. S. Leitzel.
THURSDAY, 4:6 P. M.—Senior Tea, in parlors of Hulings Hall.
THURSDAY, 7:00 P. M.—Mission Study, in the Chapel.
FRIDAY, 8:00 P. M.—Allegheny—Geneva basketball game.

Ten in Wakefield

Many Entered in Annual Oratorical Contest to be Held on February 8.

Last night each of nine men carried three carefully prepared copies of an oration to an official of the Oratorical Association, as a definite assurance that he was entering the Wakefield oratorical contest which is to be held in the Chapel on February 8. These copies will be sent to three men who will judge them according to thought and composition. The orations are nameless so that the judges will not know the writers. This guarantees fairness to each competitor.

Great importance is connected with the choosing of the winner of the contest not only because of the fifty dollar prize connected with the winning but also due to the fact that the winner represents the college in the annual intercollegiate contest, at which each college in the league has one representative. Those who will compete are, Nevins, '13; Rosenberger, '13; J. G. Lane, '14; Leitzel, '12; Nodine, '12; Hughes, '12; Maxwell, '12; Barrackman, '14; Peterson, '13, and Calvin, '13.

Coach Stewart Leaves

Accepted Offer of the Oregon Agricultural College at First of Year.

Coach E. J. Stewart has left Allegheny to accept the position of Director of Athletics in the Oregon Agricultural College. Theoretically, however, Allegheny still has him, for his resignation has not been accepted. His request to be released from his contract which expires next June, has not been granted. But the fact is that he has gone. He left Meadville on Saturday, December 24, and arrived in Oregon about the first of the year. Coach Stewart has had charge of Allegheny athletics during the past three years in which time some of the best teams that have ever represented the school have been developed. Several offers have been made him at various times from larger schools but he has heretofore refused them all. But, the offer from Oregon was exceptional and the Coach felt that he could not afford to refuse it.

Considerable regret was expressed by the entire student body at Coach Stewart's departure, for he was one of the most popular men in that department for years. Before leaving for his new duties he was presented by the student body with several presents: a set of silver mounted hair brushes from the student body, a drinking cup from the Girls' Athletic Association and a set of teaspoons from the Junior class.

President Crawford has arranged for the coaching during the remainder of the college year by various means. The basketball team will work by the same plans that were used while Coach Stewart was in charge, and Captain Louis Hawk will direct the team. About March it is expected that a temporary coach can be secured to fill out the year in baseball and track. By next fall, the permanent coach can be secured who will be able to take full charge.

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON PARTY.

Pennsylvania Omega Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon were hosts at a Christmas dinner party, Thursday evening, December 21. The chapter house was appropriately decorated in Yuletide colors with a blending of fraternity old gold and purple. The dinner was followed by a Christmas tree, at which Saint Nicholas himself was present to distribute the gifts. The ladies were presented with favors of a neat fraternity emblem while the gentlemen received gifts appropriate to themselves. Dr. and Mrs. Ling and Dr. and Mrs. Lee acted as chaperones. Among the other guests were Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Gamble of Meadville, Mrs. Bruce Gamble of Meadville, Miss Mabel Austin of Erie, Miss Helen Kulp of West Middlesex, Miss Olive Larkin of Butler and Miss Dorothy Hall of Bradford.

DUZER DU TO GIVE COMEDY OF ERRORS

Annual Play Chosen for Dramatic Club—First Attempt at Shakespeare.

At a meeting of the Duzer-Du Dramatic Club held on Thursday, December 21, it was decided that the club should give the "Comedy of Errors" this year for their annual play. A mass meeting will be held at some date in the near future at which time all persons who intend to compete will be expected to be present.

The decision of the club on this popular play of Shakespeare was made after considerable discussion. A number of other plays had been suggested, among them some of the later classics. This play offers plenty of opportunity for acting on the part of the actors in school as there is no one part that stands out prominently by itself. The whole plot rests on the similarity of characters, thus causing a general mixup.

An effort will be made to secure Mrs. Eliza Warren, of Cleveland, O., to take charge of the training of the cast. It was due to her talent along the line of coaching amateur dramatists that the "School for Scandal" was such a success last season.

Competition for any characters is open to any student in school and each one has an equal chance to make a part he may desire to play. At a mass meeting the names of the persons who intend to compete together with the part they want is handed to the club and then each person is given an individual tryout. The cast is then chosen with two persons for each part, the one to take the place of the understudy. The play has 15 characters.

COLLEGE BULLETIN.

An issue of the College Bulletin of more than ordinary interest was mailed to all of the alumni just before the Christmas recess. In it formal announcement is made of the adoption of the plan of direct alumni representation on the Board of Trustees, the last necessary step having been taken at the session of the Erie Conference in September. The Bulletin describes the essential features of the new plan as follows:

"Under the plan now adopted the Erie Conference will elect eight Trustees of the college, two each year, to serve four years. The Pittsburgh Conference will similarly elect eight. The alumni will elect eight Trustees, two each year to serve four years. The Trustees have agreed to assign to the Conferences and to the alumni all vacancies now existing in the Board or that may hereafter arise from death or resignation until both the Conferences and the alumni have their full quota of Trustees. For two years no elections have been made by the Board of Trustees and there now exist twelve vacancies. Four of these have been assigned to the Erie Conference, four to the Pittsburgh Conference, and four to the alumni.

The Erie Conference has elected: Rev. C. W. Miner, '81, Sharon, Pa. George Greer, New Castle, Pa. Byron A. Walker, Erie, Pa. D. E. Byles, Oil City, Pa. The Pittsburgh Conference has elected: J. A. Houston, Sewickley, Pa. J. A. Strickler, Wilkinsburg, Pa. W. S. Horner, Pittsburgh, Pa. Rev. J. M. Thoburn, '81, Ben Avon, Pa.

The details of the method to be used in the election of the alumni Trustees were adopted at the meeting of the Alumni Association last June. Four Trustees will be elected in June, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years and one for four years. The election will take place on Monday, June 17, and the persons elected will doubtless be present at the annual meeting of the Trustees the following day.

A call for nominations will be sent to all alumni sometime in January. To be eligible for election one must be a graduate of the college of at least fifteen years' standing. All

Methodist Presidents

Conference of College Presidents Held Here on January 4 and 5.

There were big times about the Campus during the first few days of 1912, for on Jan 4 and 5, President Crawford was exceedingly well occupied in handling the annual conference of presidents of Methodist colleges and universities. The men ate in Cochran Hall and lodged in Cochran and Hulings Halls. About forty presidents were in attendance from as many institutions. The conference was reported to be one of the most successful that has even been held.

Business meetings and discussions were held at 9:30 and 2:30 every day and at 7:45 an address was delivered. The main address of the conference was given by Bishop Berry representing the general conference commission of aggressive evangelism. Officers for the year were elected as follows: president, J. H. Race, of the University of Chattanooga; first vice-president, J. M. Meeker, Centenary College Institute; second vice-president, F. C. Eissen, Garret Biblical Institute; secretary, Herbert Welch, Ohio Wesleyan; treasurer, J. O. Spencer, Morgan University. A meeting was held of the committee of the Executive Senate in preparation for the meeting of that body later. It is the duty of this council to oversee and watch the educational standards of all schools under the supervision of the church. Resolutions were adopted at the closing session commending President Crawford on the work he has done here and on the way in which the presidents were entertained.

Debaters at Work

Men on Debating Teams Preparing for Intercollegiate Contests.

The decision of the judges of the varsity debating tryouts was announced at the Senior-Junior debate on Monday evening, December 18. Out of the twenty-four men who had competed for places on the Tuesday and Wednesday of the previous week, the following men were chosen: Hunt, '12, Hughes, '12, McGowan, '14, Sheffer, '13, Nevins, '13, and Depp, '15, with Koeler, '15 and Bright, '15, as the alternates.

The debaters have been arranged in teams so that Hunt, McGowan and Depp will represent the affirmative here against University of Pittsburgh, while Sheffer, Nevins and Hughes will uphold the negative against Wooster at Wooster. The date for the debates is March 15. Meetings of the teams will be held under the direction of Prof. S. S. Swartley frequently for practice and conference.

graduates who have paid their annual dues are eligible to nominate and elect alumni Trustees after one commencement has elapsed succeeding their graduation. The membership fee has been raised to \$1 a year. Only those who have been nominated by at least ten graduates will be considered as candidates. Some time before the first of May an official ballot will be sent to every enrolled graduate with the name, address and employment of each candidate. Stringent regulations will be taken in order that the election may be absolutely fair. Ballots may be cast in person on the Monday of commencement week or they may be sent by mail in which case they are not to be opened until after the closing of the polls.

The Constitution of the Association with the names of the directors and officers is also included. The officers of the Association are:

W. A. Elliott, '89, president.
Mary T. Heydrick, '03, secretary-treasurer.

Frank F. Baker, '05, Edith Rowley, '05, S. P. Schick, '96, Sion B. Smith, '86, were elected directors and the presidents and secretaries of local alumni associations, if they are graduates, are ex-officio directors.

A reprint of Dr. Coburn's excellent account of the ninety-sixth commencement, which first appeared in the Pittsburgh Christian Advocate, closes the Bulletin.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting in Pittsburgh Last Thursday—New Trustees Elected.

The Board of Trustees of the college met in the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh, on Thursday for their semi-annual meeting to hear the reports of the various committees and of the President. Nearly all the trustees were present so that much important business was transacted. Of particular interest was the report of President Crawford regarding the increased endowment.

President F. A. Arter, '65, presided over the meeting and a number of trustees were elected to fill vacancies in the membership of that body. Those elected were: Four year term, J. A. Huston, Sewickley; J. A. Strickler, Wilkinsburg; George Greer, New Castle, and B. A. Walker, Erie; three year term, W. S. Horner, Pittsburgh; Dr. J. M. Thoburn, Pittsburgh; Dr. C. W. Miner, Sharon, and D. E. Byles, Oil City, all these having been nominated by the Pittsburgh and Erie conferences at their last sessions.

Increased appropriations were asked for the chemical and biological departments on account of the increased attendance in these departments. The request was granted. Reports were made by the President, the Treasurer, the executive committee, the investment committee and the financial trustees which showed the college to be in fine shape in every way. President Crawford's report on the additional endowment showed that to date \$330,000 of the necessary \$400,000 had been raised and that in addition to this there is between \$30,000 and \$40,000 of the remainder already in sight. In order to secure the extra \$100,000 from the Educational Board to make the new sum raised to \$500,000, it is necessary that the remainder be raised before April 24, the date set for celebrating Founders' Day. The original plan was to have the endowment \$1,000,000 by the centennial in 1915 and the present endowment of \$500,000 together with the amount being raised will fulfill that plan.

DAY OF PRAYER.

The January college sermon, which was to have been preached tomorrow has been postponed because of the fact the speaker, Bishop Joseph Berry of Buffalo, was called away. The place of the sermon will be taken by the exercises on the annual Day of Prayer for Methodist Colleges, which has been set for Thursday, January 25. On this day—which appropriately immediately precedes examinations—there will be no college classes. At ten o'clock in the morning an address will be delivered by the Rev. John Willey, of the Christ M. E. Church of Pittsburgh.

FRESHMAN MARRIED.

T. Dallas Morrow, '15, made good use of his Christmas vacation when he married Miss Irene Heasley of Cleveland, Ohio, on December 27. The marriage was not a surprise to his college friends as the bride was his high school sweetheart to whom he has been engaged for some time. It is quite probable that Morrow will finish his college course either at Case or Western Reserve since both of these institutions are located in Cleveland where he will make his home.

SCHOLASTIC STANDING.

President Crawford has announced the following scholastic standing for the second semester of the last college year, 1910-11:

Men—First honor, fraternity; second honor, non-fraternity.

Of the fraternity men—First honor, Sigma Alpha Epsilon; second honor, Delta Tau Delta.

Women—First honor, non-fraternity; second honor, fraternity.

Of the fraternity women—First honor, Kappa Kappa Gamma; second honor, Theta Sigma.

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Probably the most flagrant cause for criticism of the undergraduate life at Allegheny at present is the apparent lack of democratic college spirit.

The spirit which harmonizes and unifies the entire student body and sets them working for the betterment of Allegheny. Whatever has brought this condition about, the fact is that very many of the student body think of their fraternity or club or class before their college. This condition certainly ought not to be. The remedy for it has been suggested in several radical measures, such as forbidding men to eat in their fraternity houses, and compelling all Freshmen to live in Cochran Hall. But less than these radical measures would bring about the required result. One thing which would better conditions in this respect is the "Sophomore spike," which means not bidding men to fraternities until the beginning of their Sophomore year. Or even if the bidding day were set at the end of the first semester, there would doubtless be a betterment in college spirit. The period in which the Freshmen live together with no other bond of union than the college, would bring them together in close fellowship, such as is now unheard of outside their own fraternities. Further, upper-classmen in getting near to the new men, would naturally and unconsciously get closer together themselves.

Another plan with more prospect of immediate adoption is to have all men of the college dine one evening each week at Cochran Hall, there to congregate not according to fraternities but in any way or no way, just as the case may be. This plan will, if adopted, unquestionably do much to improve the condition of college spirit. It is to be hoped that both of these plans will be adopted.

ALLEGHENY NOT THE CHAMPION

A mistake was made in The Campus of December 16, in which it was stated that the forfeiture of the Allegheny-Grove City game (played on Nov. 11) gave the championship of the Western Pennsylvania-West Virginia League to the Allegheny team. The fact of the matter is that there is no championship in this league. Nor was the Grove City game officially forfeited to Allegheny. The representative from Grove City admitted that they had used ineligible players, which is plainly contrary to the rules of the league. Had there been any championship the way would have been clear for Allegheny to claim it. The following letter from President Crawford elucidates the matter:

"There was a mistake in the write-up of the Intercollegiate athletic meeting held in Pittsburgh. No game was forfeited to any college nor was a forfeit asked. Besides there is no such thing as a championship in the League. A committee has been appointed to consider the matter of championships, but so far the committee has done nothing but make a brief report of its progress. I regret you were led astray in the write-up.

"Very sincerely,
"W. H. Crawford."

See us for your slip-on coats.—VEITH'S.

The Adventurer

It is a fact beyond dispute, the Adventurer believes, that originality is a highly commendable and desirable virtue. Present it in whatever form you will, it has an ever-present, inherent charm which adds much to that form of art or science in which it is brought into play. If for no other reason than the very unexpectedness of it, the surprise of finding the business done in a new way, this thing called originality is something to be sought. So much cannot be denied. It is further true that originality is not of such high virtue, however, that it should be sacrificed to other good features, such as truth for instance. This very thing of seeking for the new instead of for the true is a common fault of modern writers; yes, and of other kinds of writers as well, and even of men devoted to more prosaic forms of making a living. In seeking to be original they forget that their predominant quest should be for Truth, that whether their message be old or new, it should first of all be true, and that if it not true it would better be left unsaid. There are many writers, such as Carlyle and Browning, who have fortunately combined the original and the truthful, presenting the Truth in a new way. Certainly a message of Truth to which the world is entitled, is better when said in a unique way than when not. But too often in the attempt to be original, a class of writers who seem to be springing up, make the fatal mistake of being false.

The Adventurer believes that one who has specially laid himself open to this charge is Mr. Gilbert K. Chesterton, the unquestionably brilliant English journalist and critic who has made himself prominent during the past decade chiefly through the means of writing essays advancing new and peculiar ideas, and novels bringing the ridiculous to the point of absurdity. To criticize a man's writings as a whole, one ought, of course, to read copiously and unservedly of what he has written. But the Adventurer has read little of Mr. Chesterton's work. He has not had the hardihood to read much. He began a novel, "The Napoleon of Notting Hill," and displayed the most courageous endurance for about the first half of the book, at which point his valour fled; and the book was dropped. The essays which the Adventurer has read have seemed better, but to speak contrary to Mr. Chesterton on this score, it is not at all necessary to read his stuff; if it were, none but the most self-sacrificing, courageous readers would be qualified to speak. However it would not be necessary to read a word, for in an authentic interview Mr. Chesterton said, when asked why he did not write something that might hope to find a permanent place in literature, that he cared only for the fame which he could get to-day. In that he admits that it is mere attraction write something that might hope to so fortunate as to have an education it is probable that he would put on a pair of yellow trousers, paint himself up like a wild Indian and dance through the London streets at the noon hour, merely for the sake of being looked at and talked about. He seems quite indifferent to what the nature of the comment is; whether favorable or unfavorable, it is meat and drink to him, the very thing he lives on.

A representative example of his absurdity for the sake of originality is afforded in the essay on "William Morris and His School" (in "Varied Types") in which these entertaining sentences are found: "But herein, indeed, lay Morris's deepest claim to the name of a great reformer: that he left his work incomplete. There is, perhaps, no better proof that a man is a mere meteor, merely barren and brilliant, than that his work is done perfectly." If this is to be taken as an expression of Mr. Chesterton's personal opinion and ambition, it is natural to argue—from his own standpoint, that he wishes temporary fame only, to be merely barren and brilliant—that he is trying to make his work perfect, and it is logical to deduce further that in at least this respect he is failing. But to judge the quotation for itself, what sort of philosophy or logic is it which declares that one's greatest claim to being a reformer is that his work is incomplete? In the strict

sense, every man's work is incomplete and yet not every man has a claim to being a reformer. Then as to the idea that work done perfectly is proof that a man is a "mere meteor, merely barren and brilliant," is it to be inferred that the idea of permanence is beyond him who works perfectly? It is probable that the words "barren and brilliant" were used for their cheerful alliteration. This sort of wild statements is frequently found in the writings of Mr. Chesterton; and the Adventurer has little patience with him.

But if one has an abundance of time and a paucity of things worth while doing, there is probably no better way to trifle in the guise of education than by reading Chesterton. And some may even find amusement.

Alumni

Mr. Frank A. Arter, '64, President of the Board of Trustees of Allegheny College, was presented with a loving cup by the classes of the First Methodist Sunday school in Cleveland recently. This followed the announcement of his retirement from the superintendency after forty-six years as teacher and superintendent. At the Laymen's conference held in connection with the East Ohio Conference, Mr. Arter was elected as a delegate to the general conference which is to be held in Minneapolis next May.

James R. Gahan, '10, is at present taking a course in the Pittsburg law school.

Miss Anna Tarr, '09, who is the librarian at Clinton, Ia., was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Akers during the holidays.

George E. Akerson, ex-'12, has recently been awarded one of the undergraduate honor scholarships at Harvard. J. R. Kiester, '09, was among the few in the law school to be given a faculty scholarship for high grade work.

Charles P. Woodring, '76, a well-known physician in Meadville, died December 19, 1911. He was born in Meadville in 1853, and after graduating at Allegheny, studied medicine at the University of New York, from which he graduated in 1879. He practiced until 1908, when failing health induced him to travel. He was the president of the City Board of Health for some time, and for several years was a physician on the National Guard.

The autobiography of Bishop J. M. Thoburn, '57, which has been appearing in the Western Christian Advocate, has closed. The last chapter was a hopeful missionary survey, in which questions were raised and answered concerning the work in India.

ADDITIONS TO LIBRARY.

A number of books have been contributed to the College Library by Le Petit Salon. The following were placed in the French seminar room during vacation:

Diane de Turgis—Prosper Merimee.
Romans et Nouvelles—Madame de la Fayette.
Oeuvres de Beaumarchais.
Le Seizieme Siecle en France—Darmeceler and Hatzfeld.
Atata—Chateaubriand.
Rene—Chateaubriand.
Le Dervier Abenurage—Chateaubriand.
Les Natchez—Chateaubriand.
Marion de Lorme—Victor Hugo.
Les Travailleurs de la Mer—Victor Hugo.
Quatre vingt-Freize—Victor Hugo.
Lucrese Borgia—Victor Hugo.
Notre-Dame de Paris—Victor Hugo.
Les Teuilles d'Automne—Victor Hugo.
Oeuvres Complètes—De Maistre.
La Cousine Bette—Honore de Balzac.
Le Cousin Pons—Honore de Balzac.
Le Pere Goriot—Honore de Balzac.
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Le Coupable—Francois Coppee.
Elle et Lui—George Sand.
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Les Rois—Jules Le Maitre.
Histoire de Gil Blas—Le Sage.
De L'Allemagne—Mme de Stael.
Corinne—Mme de Stael.
L'Esprit des Lois—Montesquieu.
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News Items

The Y. M. C. A. meeting on Dec. 20 was led by Harry J. Weiler, '13.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Lee spent the holidays with relatives at Youngstown.

A. R. Fowler, father of Miss Katherine Fowler, '15, died at his home on Park Avenue on January 1.

H. S. Leitzel, '12, and J. G. Lane, '13, held special services at Lyona Church beginning December 22.

The German Club held a meeting on December 18 in the Library. The chief feature was the reading of Isben's "The Pillars of Society."

Invitations have been issued by Gamma Rho chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma for dinner at Saegertown Inn on Monday evening, January 22.

The Glee Club will give a concert under the auspices of the High School at Erie on Friday, January 19, and in the Stone Church, Meadville, on Saturday, January 20.

The Freshman debating team composed of Depp, Hartman and Koeler defeated the Sophomore team of Beisel, Beck and Johnston in the Chapel on Friday evening, Dec. 13.

Dr. Ammi B. Hyde, a professor in Allegheny from 1864 to 1884, has written a poem, which appeared recently in the Christian Advocate. Its title is "Then and Now—Sumpter 1861-1911."

W. L. Stidger, ex-'10, has published a small book of poems on the life and character of Lincoln. The January number of The Literary Monthly will contain a critical review of the volume.

The Misses Josette and Margaret Beebe spent the holidays in New York City with their father, Dr. Robert Beebe of Nanking, China, who is spending a few months in this country on a furlough.

Mrs. Grace Foster Herben, who was dean of women at Allegheny from 1889 to 1891, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at the last commencement of Northwestern University, where she graduated in 1889.

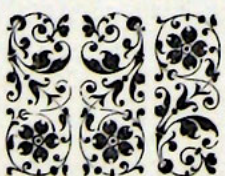
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Claus, made an elaborate speech in French and distributed Christmas souvenirs to the members of the club. Miss Dorothy Sansom told of Christmas customs in France, and Miss Marguerite Swanson told of the customs in Canada at that season. There will be no meeting of Le Petit Salon in January, since Mr. Delamar, secretary of the Alliance Francaise, will be here sometime during the month to speak to the members of the local association of the Alliance.

Hulings Hall

Mrs. A. B. Comstock, of the Department of Nature Study of Cornell University, and Miss Emma Edson, '01, were the guests of Miss Dorothy Sansom, '13, at dinner Thursday, Dec. 21.

Miss May Girsham, '14, spent the Christmas vacation in Sheffield, Pa., with her aunt, Miss Kate Illingworth, '09.

Miss Ruth Thomas, '13, was the guest of Miss Wilhelmina Anderson, '12, for dinner last Tuesday evening.

Miss Margaret Yingling, '15, who was called to her home in Kittanning shortly before the Christmas vacation on account of the death of her brother, has not yet returned to college.

Miss Mary Sansom, '07, was the guest of her sister, Miss Dorothy Sansom, '13, a short time before vacation.

Intercollegiate

Here's the spirit! The rooters at Western Reserve who did not have the price rode "side-door Pulmans" to the Ohio State game.

Whenever you hear a man talking about himself you may believe that he has not much to talk about. Men who do things have little time to talk about them.

Philips Brooks says, "There is yet no culture, no method of progress known to men that is so rich and complete as that which is ministered by a truly great friendship."

Action taken by the Eastern Intercollegiate Basketball Association at New York recently makes it possible to determine a national championship five. The Eastern champions will meet the winners of the series for the Western title, and the matches for the first time will have the American college championship as an incentive.

The 61 students sent this year to this country by the government of China have not followed the custom of years previous, when by far the great majority went to Harvard and Technology. This year the distribution is as follows: University of Michigan 16, University of Wisconsin 13, University of Illinois 8, Colorado School of Mines 5, Cornell University 5, Purdue University 3, Massachusetts Institute of Technology 3, University of California 2, Harvard University 2, Michigan College of Mines, University of Virginia, Columbia University and Johns Hopkins University, one each.

At the University of Wisconsin the interfraternity conference awards a cup each year to the fraternity having the highest rank of the year.

Plans for the construction of a summer School of Civil Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have been completed, and work will be started on the buildings next spring.

The Aeronautical Society of Williams is considering the purchase of an aeroplane. The sport is rapidly coming to the front at different colleges. Recently a junior, under the auspices of the Aero Club of Cornell University, successfully attempted a flight of over 500 feet in an "own-make" aeroplane.

An indication of the importance ascribed to farming to-day may be found in the fact that Columbia University is giving a course of sixteen lectures on economic agriculture.

The United States Bureau of Education will within the next year, conduct an investigation of American Colleges and Universities for the purpose of their classification according to the work they do, the type of students they produce; and the value of their bachelors' certificate as a qualification for graduate work.

At Williams by Faculty order the removal of admission conditions is a prerequisite to promotion to sophomore rank. Furthermore, any student failing to remove his admission conditions in two years forfeits the privilege of continuance in college.

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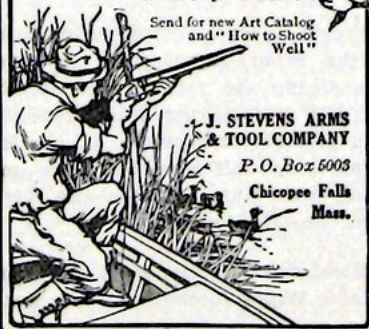
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LETTERS

"BARON" FORD WRITES.

December 12, 1911.

To the Editor.—

I have read the many interesting letters in The Campus, but have found no one that describes a country like Oklahoma. We do not have the beautiful lakes which Sayre describes. This is a "dry" state in every sense of the word. The State Prohibition Law is trying to be enforced: last week there were 2.05 inches of rainfall, the greatest in 19 months. Neither is there winter here eight months of the year, as Robinson has experienced. But we have had the finest days all winter, with some exceptions. The exceptions, however, are to be considered. There are strong winds all the time and when it is cold they just about freeze a person. The weather changes very quickly. My greatest experience was seeing a real sandstorm. From the eleventh story window you could not discern buildings a block away. Sand covered everything. The streets glistened as though a light snow had fallen.

Just a word about Oklahoma City. It is only twenty-two years old, has 125 miles of paved streets, fine large buildings, excellent street car service and the promise of being the metropolis of the Southwest. At present, business in all lines is very dull.

With best wishes to all, I am,
Yours sincerely,
"Baron" Ford.

A SUGGESTION.

A suggestion has come from C. A. Richmire, '00, who is general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Battle Creek, Mich., that a column in The Campus be left open for suggestions from alumni. This is one of the purposes of the "Letters" department and any suggestions alumni may have will gladly be published here. Mr. Richmire's letter follows:

"Why would it not be a good plan to open a column for suggestions from the alumni. If the interest of the alumni could be aroused in a larger way by the weekly visits of The Campus, it would help both college and paper, in my estimation.

"Very sincerely,
"C. A. Richmire."

THE DECEMBER LIT.

The December number of The Literary Monthly was placed on sale shortly before the Christmas vacation. It contains the names of several new contributors. The following articles appeared in this issue: "A Berkshire Christmas," W. F. Maxwell; "The Christmas Ghost," C. S. Burwell; "The Most Beautiful Hour," Thomas Hughes; "To —," W. F. Maxwell; "That Beta Pin," Edna A. Yost; "All's Well that Ends—," O. C. McLean; "An Evening at St. Ann's," Florence Griswold; "An Incident of the Road," J. R. McGowan, and "Dreams," E. May Girsham; "Alleghenians in Literature," Katherine E. Wheeling. The editorials were especially commendable. The one on Christmas is a little masterpiece.

INTERCOLLEGIATE.

A professor at Missouri has missed but one football game in seventeen years.

A branch of the Intercollegiate Socialistic Society has been formed at Amherst.

The co-eds' latest is the establishing of two riding clubs at the University of Minnesota.

The first interscholastic baseball tournament ever held will be introduced next spring by Purdue University. On the six diamonds available, over two hundred teams will enter into contests for the championship.

Gifts of sample ores come in frequently to the mining department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the latest being several tons of gold ore from a South African company.

Basketball teams are being organized at Chattanooga, in the hope of bringing out suitable material for a team to represent the college.

The students of George Washington University are carrying on a vigorous campaign to pay off the athletic indebtedness. The collection of the fund is in the hands of the class presidents who are organized into an association of class presidents with President English at their head. Thermometers posted on the bulletin boards have shown a rise in the pictured mercury, but the rise has been fitful. Law and medicine head the list of contributors.

The University of Missouri is to publish an athletic book containing the pictures of all the football teams which ever represented Missouri, all the scores for 22 years back, and known athletes.

The Pennsylvania State School of Mines has recently completed a tunnel for experimental purposes. Its length is 300 feet and it is lighted by electricity. In addition to ventilation experiments the tunnel will be used as a training place for mine work.—The Ohio Lantern.

Nearly 55,000 students matriculated at the twenty-one German Universities during the 1911 summer semester. Of this number, 2,000 were women and 452 foreigners. Of the foreigners, one-half were Russians, one-third from United States and thirty from Austria-Hungary.

Michigan and Minnesota are going to give Rugby football a tryout next year.

The inauguration of Dr. Elmer Ellsworth Brown as chancellor of New York University took place on November 9, and was the occasion for the usual gathering of American college presidents and educators. Dr. Brown was formerly in charge of the United States Bureau of Education.

Of 76 members of Dartmouth's 1900 class who reported their present salaries only two fell below \$1,000 per annum, and one draws \$12,000. Does a college education pay financially?

Examinations

January 26—February 2.

The following is the examination schedule for the second term. Changes may be made in this schedule, which will be duly noted, but no changes will be made after Friday, Jan. 19. The official copy of the schedule with all changes noted will be posted Jan. 20. No changes either in place or time of examination will be made thereafter.

There are unavoidably a few conflicts. They should be reported to the Registrar not later than Friday, Jan. 19.

Examinations in two-hour subjects will be limited to two hours, in three hour subjects to two and a half hours, and in four-hour subjects to three hours.

When a student has been absent from class for any cause one-seventh the total number of recitations, or more, a supplementary examination must be taken in the subject. Members of the athletic clubs and the Glee Club are allowed four absences above such fraction each term to fill club engagements.

Any student having supplementary examinations in more than three subjects should apply to the Registrar before Friday, January 19, that another time may be arranged for some of the supplementaries.

Examinations in subjects not scheduled will be arranged by the instructors.

Friday, January 26.

9:00 A. M.

Mathematics I. Gymnasium.
Mathematics II. Gymnasium.
Mathematics III. Gymnasium.
Philosophy, III. B 8.

2:00 P. M.

English II. Gymnasium.
Geology II. R 6.
History II. B 9.

Saturday, January 27.

9:00 A. M.

Biology II. R 6.
Biology IV. R 6.
English I. Gymnasium.
French III. B 13.
French V. B 13.
French VII. B 13.
Greek II. B 11.

2:00 P. M.

German I. Gymnasium.
German II. Gymnasium.
German VIII. Gymnasium.

Monday, January 29.

9:00 A. M.

Bible II. Gymnasium.
Supplementary examinations in all subjects. B 8.

2:00 P. M.

Latin I. Gymnasium.
Latin II. Gymnasium.
Latin V. Gymnasium.
Secondary Latin. Gymnasium.

Tuesday, January 30.

9:00 A. M.

French I. Gymnasium.
French II. Gymnasium.
Physics IV. W 1.
Engineering I. R 1.
Engineering IV. R 1.
English VIII. Gymnasium.
Political Science I. B 9.
Public Speaking I. Gymnasium.
Public Speaking II. B 14.
Public Speaking III. B 14.

Wednesday, January 31.

9:00 A. M.

Bible I. Gymnasium.
Greek VII. B 11.
Italian I. B 7.
Physics I. W 1.
Physics III. W 1.

2:00 P. M.

Astronomy I. W 1.
Biology I. Gymnasium.
English IV. Gymnasium.
Engineering VI. R 1.
Greek A. B 11.

Thursday, February 1.

9:00 A. M.

English X. B 14.
Greek I. B 11.
Greek IV. B 11.
History I. Gymnasium.
History V. Gymnasium.
Latin III. B 14.

2:00 P. M.

Chemistry I. Gymnasium.
Economics I. Trophy Room.

Friday, February 2.

9:00 A. M.

Biology VII. R 6.
Biology IX. R 6.
Philosophy I. Gymnasium.

2:00 P. M.

German IV. B 8.
German V. B 8.
Public Speaking IV. B 9.

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