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Soph-Fresh Rush.



BE it from our intention to take upon our own shoulders the high responsibility of saying which side was victorious in last Thursday's memorable conflict between the Sophomores and the Freshmen. Luckily this difficult task has been performed by the Rush Committee of the Student Council and it devolves upon us only to record the fact that this committee has decided that the rush was won by the Class of 1912. But inasmuch as the Sophs are protesting against this decision, and it is the aim of THE CAMPUS to give a faithful and unbiased account of that fierce battle, we are printing the history of the great Flag Rush from two different viewpoints—that of the Sophomore and that of the Freshman.

AS SEEN BY THE SOPHOMORE.

Grouped around the pole bearing the coveted flag stand about a hundred determined and eager Sophomores. Arranged in circles about the pole, with locked arms, and firmly holding their ground, they await the onslaught of the enemy. The whistle blows, the Freshies charge, but the lines never falter. Now a hardy Freshman, climbing up over the shoulders of the struggling mass, tries to seize the flag at the top of the pole. Quick as lightning he is torn down, and the efforts of the attacking party are in vain. But no, after seven minutes of conflict, the combined weight of the attack and the defence is too great for the pole and it breaks down, bearing with it the flag. This results in a truce of five minutes, during which the flagstaff is again planted. This

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done, 1911 returns to the defence and 1912 to the attack. But the pole is again overthrown by the impact of the conflict—the flag remaining in the hands of the Sophs. So, whatever the decision of the committee, this fact remains—the Freshmen did *not* succeed in securing the flag! —1911.

AS SEEN BY THE FRESHMAN.

Four o'clock last Thursday afternoon found the army of the Freshmen, divided into wings, standing four abreast in well-formed columns at the western end of Jasper Oval. As the signal is given, the Class of 1912 rushes headlong, with terrific speed and savage fury, upon the men of 1911 standing around the pole in the center of the field. So strong is the force of the attack, so hardpressed are the defenders that the staff is born down to the ground after seven minutes of fearful struggle. The rush is then called off for a few minutes to allow the Sophs to set their pole up again. But the flag-staff is not to remain standing, for as the Freshmen return to the attack, again it falls before their overwhelming impetus. 1912 has won the rush, for the conditions stipulated that if the flag were not up on the staff after twelve minutes of fighting, the Freshmen would win—and the Freshmen did win. —1912.

Mechanical Society.

The regular fall meeting of the Mechanical Society of the College took place on Saturday evening, the 17th inst. The members were fortunate in having Dr. Charles E. Lucke, '96, one of the foremost authorities on internal combustion motors and professor of Mechanical Engineering at Columbia, talk to them on the subject of carbureters. Dr. Lucke traced the history of the development of the carburetter, pointed out the limitations to efficiency inherent in the design, now in use, and demonstrated the conditions under which the greatest increase in efficiency can be attained.

Mr. Walter Krumwiede journeyed last week to Columbus, Ohio, where he represented the College at the International Students' Conference of the Y. M. C. A.

City College Club.

The feature of the meeting last Saturday in the Club rooms was the very enjoyable recital by Messrs. A. Walter Kramer (violin), Edwin Stodola (piano), Kenton E. Winter (baritone) and James Abraham (accompanist). The selections were as follows:

1. Sonata No. 7 in C Minor, Op. 32, No. 2 *Beethoven*
 - (a) Allegro con brio
 - (b) Adagio Cantabile
 - (c) Scherzo
 - (d) Allegro—Presto

Messrs. KRAMER AND STODOLA
 2. Songs for Baritone
 - (a) "Im Zitternden Mondlicht Wiegen,"
Op. 12, No. 2 *Eugen Haile*
 - (b) "At Last the Daylight Fadeth,"
Op. 31, No. 1 *A. Walter Kramer*

KENTON E. WINTER
 3. Piano Soli
 - (a) Prelude in E Minor *Mendelssohn*
 - (b) "Liebestraum" in A Flat *Liszt*
 - (c) Etude, Op. 25, No. 1, "Harp" *Chopin*

EDWIN STODOLA
 4. Violin Soli
 - (a) Romance *Henry Holden Huss*
 - (b) Mazurka "Kuiawiak" *Wieniawski*

A. WALTER KRAMER
 5. "Prologue" from "I Pagliacci" *Leonavallo*
- KENTON E. WINTER

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STRAW VOTE.

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For President:

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Newman Club.

With a meeting held on the evening of the 16th inst. the Newman Club inaugurated its third season. A large crowd was on hand to hear that popular lecturer, Dr. Thomas G. Taafe, who spoke on "Governor Dougan of New York." In sketching the career of the old governor, Dr. Taafe declared that he was the first man in the Colony of New York to insist that everyone be accorded entire religious freedom. His "Charter of Liberty" Dr. Taafe characterized as a forerunner of our Declaration of Independence.

At the conclusion of the lecture, there was an informal reception of delegates from Normal College, who intend to form a club on lines similar to the Newman organization.

Democratic Club.

By virtue of a charter received from the National Democratic Committee, the City College Democratic Club is recognized as the official C. C. N. Y. organization. The following officers have been elected: B. Lipset, '10, president; H. Urdang, '09, H. Robinson, '09, I. Lindenbaum, '09, S. Katz, '09, and S. Oppenheim, '10, vice-presidents; F. Seidler, '09, treasurer; L. Jacobs, '09, recording secretary; L. Unger, '09, corresponding secretary; and S. Weinreb, '09, sergeant-at-arms.

Last Thursday a meeting was held in the office of Mr. Charles Putzel—a former trustee of the college—for the purpose of uniting this undergraduate club with the City College Graduates Chanler Club during the present campaign.

It is our sad duty to record the death of Louis Daniels, of the Class of June 1910, who died recently of injuries sustained while diving. Mr. Daniels was an all-round athlete and prominent in baseball, swimming, and track activities. News of his death came as a serious blow to his numerous friends in the College.

Student Council.

At the second regular meeting of the Council, which was held last Wednesday, a motion was passed to the effect that a committee be appointed to revise the Constitution. Several other matters were presented to the Council the most important being the report of the Committee on arrangements for the Freshman Mass Meeting, a detailed account of which appears in this issue under another caption.

Are You a Freshman?

If you bear the title "Freshman" you are most cordially invited to attend a mass meeting of the Class on Saturday evening, the 31st inst., promptly at 8.00 o'clock in the Great Hall. Seniors B. Friedland, R. Thompson and A. Silberstein will address the gathering. President Finley and Dr. Guthrie and the presidents of the two Freshman classes are also scheduled to speak. Following the meeting there will be a reception by Dr. and Mrs. Finley.

Arrangements for the 1911 Class Play are already being made. To obviate the possibility of friction between the "Upper" and "Lower" Soph managers, the Show Committee was appointed by the presidents of the two classes acting jointly. The misunderstanding and antagonism which characterized last year's committee will therefore not operate to mar this year's management. The committee consists of Mr. S. M. Pike, business manager; Mr. B. I. Gordon, advertising manager; Messrs. S. L. Samuels, Henry Stadler, L. A. Lewis, Milton Acker and Benson Storfer.

Don't forget the ceremonies in the Great Hall to-night attending the presentation by the Society of the Sons of the Revolution of the tablet commemorating the encampment of Washington's army on this site in 1776.

Dr. Allan P. Ball, of the Latin Department, is delivering a series of three lectures on "The Times of the Romans" at P. S. 46. Last Monday Dr. Ball spoke on "A Teacher of Nero" and on November 2nd his topic will be "Marcus Aurelius, the Philosopher Emperor."

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ATHLETICS.

Cross Country.

On Wednesday, November 25th, the Inter-Class Cross-Country Championship will be held. Each class team is to consist of five men (seven men may be entered by each class, but only the first five will be counted in the scoring). The method of scoring will be the same as that of the Inter-Collegiate Cross-Country Championship. One point for first place, two for second, three for third, etc., the class making the least number of points to win.

The distance will be about four and one-half to five miles. Each class must pay \$1.00 entry fee for its team. The first and second man to finish will receive a medal; the first novice to finish will also receive a medal.

Meanwhile runs will be held every afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. Don't miss the chance to fill your lungs full of ozone. It's free.

ED. COYLE, '09,
Captain, T. T.

Notice is hereby given by Coach Mackenzie that every man who intends to enter the "Big Meet" of December 19th must train consistently and report for practice at least three times a week. This movement is due to the poor showing made by some of our men in the meet last year.

A movement is on foot to obtain permission to flood, for the purpose of freezing, the pit behind the Mechanical Arts building, in order that a hockey team may be brought out, or at least class hockey teams. The movement is in the form of a petition to President Finley.

Morrell the crack Clinton miler, has left City College to attend Syracuse University. His departure is to be much regretted, as he would have proved a strong addition to our track team.

The Gym Team practices on on Tuesday and Friday afternoons and on Saturday at 10 a. m.

The Sophomore and Freshman baseball teams crossed bats last Wednesday afternoon at Jaspar Oval. The Freshies were trounced by the score of 7 to 1. Draddy did the hurling for the Sophs, and Brown for the Freshmen. Brown received poor fielding support and, but for this, the score might have been considerably lower. Brown may make a strong addition to next year's 'Varsity.

Inter-class football is rapidly progressing and as the four classes have teams in the field we may look forward to many interesting contests. The teams may be seen practicing daily in the pit behind the Mechanical Arts building. These games will do much toward building up a strong 'Varsity in future years. 1909 and 1910 will meet in football contests on October 31st and November 14th.

A Soph-Fresh meet is to be held on October 29th, presumably at McComb's Dam Park. Soph entries may be handed to Merryman, '11; Fresh entries to Wilchinsky, '12. The entries are as follows: 100, 220, 440 and 880-yard runs, one-mile run, two-mile run, running broad jump, running high jump, shot-put and hammer-throw.

An attempt will be made this year to put a cross-country team in the field. Any one having the slightest ability in this line should report to Captain Conger Friday afternoon for a practice run. Everybody out.

Treasurer Kaplan, of the A. A., wishes one representative from each section to meet him in the A. A. office to-morrow at 3.00 p. m. or next Monday at 1.00 p. m., with a view to acting as treasurer for his section.

Until November 1st former members of the A. A. will be enrolled on payment of 40 cents. After that date, however, the regular initiation fee of 25 cents will be added to the dues for the year.

The 1910 Club has rented a new and superior meeting room in Harlem. The Club is in a very flourishing condition and its success should prompt the loyal men of other classes to form similar organizations.

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A. A. Support.



ACTS are stubborn things, and when they relate to an important and representative institution of the College it behooves every student to sit up and take notice. The first fact to which we direct your attention is the alarming falling off in membership in the Athletic Association. To be exact in the matter, we would state that while three hundred students were paid-up members of the A. A. this time last year, the names of but one hundred and forty now appear on the books. This large decrease in membership signifies either that spirit and interest in the work of the Athletic Association is deplorably lacking, or else that failure to join the organization is traceable in the majority of cases to mere procrastination. We are inclined to adopt this latter view. Within a week the sum of \$100.00 must be raised to meet a certain bill of long standing. That is another fact which is causing A. A. officials no little anxiety.

The Association depends largely and primarily upon funds derived from membership dues, and it should have the unanimous support of the entire student body. The various teams which represent our Alma Mater in inter-collegiate meets cannot hope to compete successfully with teams of other institutions unless they are unhampered by pecuniary difficulties. It is, therefore, the duty of each individual student to join the A. A. at once if he is not already a member. The matter has been brought to your attention; there should be no necessity for dwelling further upon it. It might be incidentally remarked, however, that you are not asked to make any tremendous sacrifice in joining the A. A., for the benefits accruing to members in good standing are many; the sum total of reductions on tickets to games exceeds \$3.00, and that is but one item. To the office of the treasurer, then. Do it now!

The Reason Why.

Some of our friends of Socialistic sympathies were considerably and, we consider, unduly agitated over the omission of their candidate's name from our ballot. It is hardly necessary to state that we intended no slight to Mr. Debs or the party he represents. Limitation of space necessitated drawing the line somewhere, and we could hardly have added Mr. Debs' name alone without directly slighting candidates of the four other parties in the field. It will be very generally admitted that in the ordinary course of events either Taft or Bryan will be the successful candidate for presidential honors; this circumstance proved a convenient basis on which to make a distinction. Loyal supporters of other candidates than those mentioned might easily have indicated their choice, as indeed some did. To facilitate matters we have left vacant an extra line on this week's ballot. The poll so far has proved encouraging, and we anticipate an even heavier vote this week.

We are pleased to announce that our athletic editor, Mr. Richard Toeplitz, is rapidly recovering from injuries sustained in an accident of recent date.

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(OTTO A. BERANEK, *Correspondent.*)

Swimming.

The prospects of having the best swimming team in the history of the sport are now extremely bright. About thirty new men reported to Coach Mackenzie and ten of them were chosen to represent the school in addition to Captain Davis, Klein, Kohn, Campbell and Rogers, of last year's team, which carried off the P. S. A. L. High School Championships. The squad is hard at work preparing to prove to the other schools that last year's victory was not accidental. Captain Davis, already holder of the 100-yard championship, has succeeded in reducing his time for the distance by seven seconds. As there were only five members on last year's team, the school did not hold a meet, but on account of the increased interest in the sport and the great size of the present squad the management hopes to hold several meets in addition to defending the title. If earnestness is a factor of success, we are already assured of the championship, as some of the men have been training all summer. The regular hours of practice are from 4 to 5 o'clock on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and from 3 to 5 o'clock on Thursday and Friday.

The football management has been very unfortunate in the schedule of games. Up to date four games have been cancelled and only one game played. Mt. Vernon, Riverview, and Mt. Pleasant refused to play at the last minute. Westerleigh decided to substitute for the latter on October 24th, but later on cancelled. The fault, if there is one, does not lie with the present manager, Mr. Stellings, as the schedule was arranged before he took charge.

"Bob" Cloughen, a former Morris High School and Fordham University football player, has offered to play with the team for the rest of the season. It is useless to say that all loyal T. H. H. men are overjoyed to hear of it.

Captain Levy, of the basketball team, reports favorably on this year's prospects. About twenty-five men are trying for positions on the team. In addition to Captain Levy, Ampolsk and Spanier, of last year's championship team, the most promising candidates are Hollander and Sanger, of Clark House; Kostuck, of the 130-pound team of University Settlement; Schulman and Haber, of P. S. 62, and Mackler, of the Educational Alliance. The school is very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Baum, the former Columbia player and coach of all the University Settlement teams. Brill, of last year's Freshman team, is assisting him, and Dr. Mead is acting as faculty coach.

The recently elected A. A. officers met for the first time on Tuesday, October 20th, and effected a good working organization. The petition of last year's tennis team for letters was denied because of their withdrawal from the Interscholastic League, and plans for holding a grand mass meeting were discussed.

English Readings.

In order that students may hear the stories and works of standard authors, whom they would not otherwise read, the English department has established a new custom. On several afternoons every week all those desiring to do so meet in some room and one of the instructors reads a selected text. Up to the present Dr. Neuman has read stories of Bret Harte and Mr. Stairs has read Silas Marner.

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Chess Moves.

To-morrow afternoon at 3.00 p. m. the Chess Club will hold a meeting in the organization's headquarters (Room 415, Main Building), and prospective members will be most cordially welcomed. It has been suggested that members in arrears be present at that hour and liquidate the amounts owing.

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