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An Important Change Proposed.



PROPOSED amendment to the constitution of the Student Council was submitted at last Friday's meeting. It provides that all class officers be elected a few weeks before the close of the term, instead of a few weeks after the opening of the following term, as at present. If this change is effected it is hoped that it will result in increased activity on the part of the students. Whereas at present much

time is wasted every term before the administration of each class is elected, under the proposed system officers and student council delegates would be ready to act promptly. The plan may be objected to because of the changed conditions which are bound to arise, especially after the long summer vacation. A special meeting of the Student Council has been called for this Friday to act on the matter. Before the amendment becomes effective, it must be ratified by the various class delegate bodies. The question merits the consideration of all; and immediate action is necessary if next term's officers are to be chosen in the new way.

To-Day Without Fail.

The general mass meeting of the Student's Union, announced to take place last Wednesday, was postponed one week because some of the speakers were unable to be present. This afternoon at 1 P. M. the meeting will be surely held. The Hon. James Byrne, trustee of the College, our president, Dr. Finley and Bernard Naumburg, a prominent alumnus will address the students. Professor Duggan and Dr. Robinson will also speak. The election of officers will follow. Everyone should be sure to attend.

About Explosions and Schools.

Two very interesting and instructive lectures were given last week, one under the auspices of the Department of Chemistry, by Dr. Holmes of the United States Geological Survey, upon "Explosions in Coal Mines" and the other under the auspices of the Senior Mechanical Society by Mr. Loewy on the profession of school teaching. Large audiences were characteristic of both occasions. Dr. Holmes, with splendid stereopticon views, gave a vivid picture of mining life and its many features. What he emphasized most was the subject of appliances to ensure the greater safety of miners. He made the startling statement that the loss of lives in the mines of our country was three in a thousand, a proportion far in excess of that in other countries.

Mr. Loewy's lecture on "The Outlook for Men Teachers in the Public Schools" was replete with just such information and statistics as concern a large number of students here. He said that the chances for appointment in 1910 were slim indeed. Mr. Loewy noted the tendency towards the establishment of intermediate schools for youths above the sixth year, and he said that the present elementary schools up to the sixth year would soon be entirely in the hands of women.

A Quarter of a Century.

This Saturday evening the Mechanical Society of the College will tender an anniversary dinner to Prof. William Fox, '84, its founder and former president. The occasion will be in honor of Prof. Fox's twenty-fifth year of graduate life. Mouquin's will be the scene of

German Day.

Arrangements for a successful German Day are well under way. The German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff will be received with due honor on the evening of December 20. Professor Hoane of Columbia, Herman Ridder, editor of the Staats-Zeitung and Gustav H. Schwab of the Hamburg-American Line have already accepted the President's invitation to make speeches. Students will also take part in the exercises. The full program will be announced later.

Organ Music and Song.

This afternoon at four, Professor Baldwin will give the usual organ recital. Among the numbers that will be played are Noctume in E flat by Chopin, Chromatic Fantasie by Thiele, and Air from Suite D and Fugue in G major a la Gigue by Bach.

Although the Choral Society has not received much attention lately, it is working diligently to make the December concert an unrivaled success. For the convenience of the members, Professor Baldwin has organized a number of small practice groups who may be heard on certain afternoons sweetly warbling the selected part-songs.

Society Notes.

The work of Clio and Phreno has shown considerable improvement since the beginning of this term. The attendance at the meetings is quite large and the programs are interesting and well prepared. Clionia has elected the following officers for the coming term:—Julius Goldstein, president; S. B. Applebaum, vice-president; P. Bookstaber, secretary: C. Friedman, treasurer; L. Blumenfeld, librarian; J. J. Alexander, editor.

Phrenocosmia has elected the following:—S. Fried, president; B. P. Pinchook, vice-president; L. Britwitz, secretary; M. Solomon, treasurer; I. Katz, editor; and J. Goldman, librarian.

Last Friday evening the Adelphians held a most successful open meeting. It was largely attended and more occasions of the kind are contemplated.

At the regular meeting of the Biological Society held on Tuesday, November 30, Ira Kaplan '10 spoke on "The Pituitary Body." Dr. Scott discussed the newly discovered disease due to the Hookworm and showed interesting specimens of the parasite.

In the final round of the elimination tournament of the Chess Club, Jurka defeated Frankel by the score of $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$. This gives him the championship of the College.

ATHLETICS.

C. C. N. Y., 38; Seton Hall, 18.

Freshmen 31; Brooklyn Teachers' Training 5.

The basketball season was opened in our Gym on Saturday evening with a pair of victories and some star playing that set a fair-sized crowd shouting itself hoarse. Seton Hall College doesn't sound much like Yale or Columbia, but it certainly did look and play very much like the big teams. And they started the scoring too. But "Shorty" got back at them and made a pretty field throw for our first goal. After ten minutes of play the score was 10–10. Then Sedransky and Heskowitz got on the job. Not that you could see them; no—you looked in vain for "Barney" when suddenly something tiny shot a ball into a basket. That was "Mr. Barney Cassidy." Moreover, Heskowitz, as guard, surpassed even Sedransky in shooting. The half ended in our favor 17–11.

The second half began with a basket for us—"Shorty" Goldman again. Gorshen, playing for Kaufman, did some exellent work here, playing rings around three Setonites at a time, and then politely introducing the net to the sphere—just like that! In this half Perlman showed up to fine advantage; he had the whole Seton team swearing at him—and worse, too! The game ended in our favor, of course; score: 38—18.

C. C. N. Y.—Goldman, Kaufman, Gorshen, r. f.; Sedransky, Kaplan, l. f.; Heskowitz, r. g.; Perlman, l. g.; Mueller, Goldman, c.

Seton Hall—Bruggy, r. f.; G. McDonough, l. f.; Neal, r. g.; Flanagan, l. g.; R. McDonough, l. f.; Neal, r. g.; Burchill, c.

Goals from field—Heskowitz (7,) Goldman (5,) Sedransky (4,) Bruggy (4,) Gorshen (2,) Neal, G. McDonough.

Goals from fouls—Bruggy (6.) Perlman, Sedransky. Referee, Wendleken, Dr. Savage's Normal School; umpire, Burchell, St. John's College.

In the preliminary game, we saw some varsity material in the embryo. Little Pepis did some marvellous work, attempting at one time to crawl through Hagendorn's legs, occasioning much applause, especially from the adies. The game was a walkaway for the fast Freshmen.

Dec. 18—C. C. N. Y. vs. Franklin and Marshall College; 1913 vs. Mt. Vernon H. S.

1913—Mester, r. f.; Elner, Pepis, l. f.; Mackler, Harris, Isaacson, c.; Friedman, r. g.; Mayer, l. g.

Teachers' Training-Jones, r. f.; Ritter, l. f.; Hagendorn, c.; Bernstein, r. g.; Greenberg, l. g.

Goals from field—Elner (5,) Mester (4,) Mayer (3,) Mackler (2,) Iones, Hagendorn.

Goals from fouls—Peppis (3,) Ritter. Referee, Deering, Manhattan College.

1911 Closed Meet.

The Juniors held their closed meet on Friday, Dec. 3, in the Gym; unmarred by any differences, the affair was a huge success. Medals were given to the winners of the events. The summaries follow:

100 yard dash (handicap): Won by M. Passloff (scratch;) second, M. Levy (5 yards;) third, I. Perlstein (3 yards.) Time, 10:3/5 seconds.

300 yard dash (novice): Won by S. Messinger; second, I. Perlstein: third, J. Rosenberg. Time, 36:1/5 seconds.

880 yard run (handicap): Won by H. Goldstein (30 yards;) second, G. Donaldson (25 yards;) third, C. A. Kanin (40 yards.) Time, 2 minutes, 14:4/5 seconds.

2500 yard run (handicap): Won by E. Ward (scratch;) second, J. Goldberg (125 yards;) third, H. Shapiro (60 yards.) Time, 7 minutes, 4 1/5 seconds.

12lb. shot put (handicap): Won by H. Gell, 42 feet, 2 inches (2 feet;) second, F. Mueser, 40 feet, 3 inches (scratch;) third, V. Chankin, 38 feet, 6,1/2 inches (2 feet.)

The success of the meet is in a great measure due to the efforts of Bischoff, athletic manager of the lower '11 class.

1910-23: 1912-12.

The open game of the inter-class basketball series resulted in a victory for the Seniors over the Sophomores. The next game is scheduled for Saturday afternoon in the Gym, the contestants being the 1911 and 1913 teams. Saturday afternoon's game:

1910-Ehrenfeld, Weinstein, r. f.; Rasner, l. f., Trupin, c.; Katz, r. g.; Pasternok, l. g.

1912—Gottlieb, r. f.; Notarius, l. f.; Zinovoi, c.; Ettinger (who seemed to be playing right half back,) Levy, r. g.; Noschkes, l. g.

Goals from field—Katz (4,) Zinovoi (3,) Rasner (2), Trupin (2,) Notarius (2,) Pasternak.

Goals from fouls—Katz (3,) Pasternak (2,) Zinovoi (2.) Referee, Mr. Meyers, C. C. N. Y.

Important.

There will be an open meeting of the A. A., to discuss the question of varsity baseball, this afternoon at 3, in room 126. Come and have your say.

On Tuesday, the fourteenth, there will be a Soccer game (they say) between 1911 and 1912.

Gymnastic Exhibition. (Special to the CAMPUS.)

BEDFORD, N. Y., Dec. 3.—To-night a goodly crowd of cheering C. C. N. Y. men accompanied the Gym Team to the home town of its manager. There it opened its season with a joint exhibition at the Bedford Y. M. C. A. Bhudkumkar, as usual, gained great applause by his work on the parallel bars, as did also Captain Borookov, who even surprised himself. Gleich rode the horse to the tune of Bedford's hand-clapping. The club-swinging of Schnyder and Kranz surpassed all expectations, and they were greeted with cheer after cheer when they completed their graceful performance. On the horizontal bar, there was a real treat; besides the excellent work of our Indian contortionist, our captain Gleich, and Greenberg, Coach Palmer showed some hair-raising stunts that got the whole audience on its feet. Altogether, not overlooking the good work of the Y. M. C. A. men, the exhibition rather livened up the dead city on the wrong side of the bridge. One thing is certain: "well begun is half done," and this splendid opening presages a mighty good season for our Gym. Team.

Swimming Meets.

The interclass swimming meets, which were held in the Gym. last week, showed clearly the fine material available for our coming intercollegiate contests.

Class rivalry among the competitors was very intense, and that no one class can decisively defeat the others is evident by the "see-sawing" results of Wednesday and Friday. Edman and Turk did especially good work and the distance made by Gottlieb on Wednesday is not to be overlooked. Following are the results of Wednesday's and Friday's meets:

Wednesday—2 lengths, scratch, 1st heat won by Rouse, '13; 2d heat, Coughlin '12; 3d heat, Shipley '12; 4th heat, Edman '13; 5th heat, Kranz '12 with Stern disqualified. Final heat won by Edman '13, Coughlin '12 second and Shipley '12 third. Time 43 seconds.

Fancy Diving Contest—Rogow '12 first, (27 points); Fielding '11 second (23 points); Merryman '11 and Kieran '12 tied for third (21 points.)

Plunge for Distance—Gottlieb '12 first (52 ft. 6 in.); Rouse '13 second (50 feet); A. Cohen '11 third (47 ft. 6 in.)

Friday's results: 2 lengths, handicap—1st heat—Edman '13 (scratch) first; Shipley '12 (5 sec.) second.

2d heat-Turk '12 (scratch) first; Stern '11 (scratch) second.

3d heat—Grant '13 (8 seconds) first; Rouse '13 (7 seconds) second.

Final—Turk, first: Stern, second: Rouse third. Time 45 seconds.

Fancy Diving Contest—Fielding '11 (48 points) first; Rogow '13 (43½ points) second; Kranz '12 (28 points) third.

Plunge for Distance—Schoenfield '11 (43 feet) first; Gottlieb '12 (41 feet) second; Rogow '13 (39 feet) third.

HOW?

We don't know how it happened. But whether it was due to esterification' or clealysis, or atomic dissociation or anything else, the fact remains that Dr. Breithut, on a wager with Dr. Stevenson, reproduced the entire opera "Carmen" by indicating the changes of keys, tempos, themes, etc., from memory.

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Lunch Room and Library Improvements.

The wrongs that the student stomach is made to suffer in the lunch room were the subject of heated discussion at last Friday's meeting of the Student Council. The agitation against existing food conditions, as started in last week's CAMPUS, is receiving quite general support. The council voted to have a committee appointed whose duty it will be to make a thorough investigation and to secure needed reform.

The Student Council also passed a motion requesting that the library reading room be open between the hours of four and five. The Committee appointed to investigate library conditions reported that there are many students anxious to read in the library at that time. This contradicts the statement made by the authorities when they announced their decision at the beginning of this term, to close at the earlier hour.

A Generous Gift.

Mr. S. William Bristow, the civil service expert who lectured at the College recently, has presented to the Political Science Library a complete set of civil service rules from 1883 until the present time.

Our President on Electives.

The Evening Sun of December 3rd contains a page concerning the views of leading college presidents with regard to the elective system. Its object evidently is to show that there is a tendency to do away with the elective in favor of the group system as evidenced by the change of policy at Harvard. Among the interviews printed was that with President Finley, who describes the system in vogue at our institution as a mean between the two extremes of no electives and too many electives.

The Tug of War-To-morrow.

A resolution passed by the Student Council last Friday fixes this Thursday afternoon as the date of the tug of war, the second of the Sophomore-Freshman interclass contests. To obviate the possibility of a draw, such as occurred last year on account of the tearing of the rope, the struggle will be divided into several smaller events. The pull that the rope is able to withstand will be calculated with mathematical precision and only a fixed number of men will be permitted to apply their force on each side. To give everyone in both classes an opportunity to fight for the victory pennant, different students will be obliged to participate in the successive events. The class winning a majority of the tugs of war will be accorded the victory.

This Saturday morning the New York Conference of the Association of History Teachers of the Middle States and Maryland, of which Professor Schuyler is Secretary will hold its meeting in the College Building on 23d street. Professor McGuckin will welcome the guests in behalf of the President of the College.

A Nominal Change.

By a recent order of the City Court, Dr. Louis J. Cohen, of the Department of Chemistry, is henceforth to be known as Dr. Louis J. Curtman.

The Senior Dance will take place a week from this Friday.

EVENING SESSION.

NORMAN O. JACK, Editor.

Our Smoker.

The smoker, which is to be held in the tower rooms this Saturday evening, bids fair to be a "rip roaring" success. It is hoped that the event will do a great deal in promoting friendship among the students of the evening session. To accomplish this, each man will be supplied with a card bearing his name. These will be worn in the coat lapels for the remainder of the evening.

No Decision Thus Far.

Regarding the use of the library and the gymnasium by students of the evening courses, no final decision has yet been reached by the authorities. Professor Duggan is doing his best to secure both, however, and we may hope to hear in a few days, that our requests have been granted.

NOTES

Evening students will participate in the exercises to be held in honor of the German Ambassador on December 20th.

A debating club is being organized. Political and economic topics of present day importance will form the subject of discussion. If the Society is founded on a firm basis, a debate may be arranged with a literary society of the day students.

Several of the social and literary organizations of the day students have thrown membership open to the students of the evening session. Any movement aiming to bring the students of the day and night sessions together should be encouraged.

The Evening Session Editor requests the co-operation of the students in the gathering of news for this page. Items of interest should be left in the office of the Director addressed to the Evening Editor.

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A Correction.

In our last issue we failed to note the participation of Dr. Schoen in the President's reception to the evening students. It was he who entertained with music, and not Mr. Stodola, as announced. The latter found it impossible to be present.

A Recent Publication.

Dr. J. S. Shapiro of the History Department is the author of an important work which has appeared as the thirty-fourth volume of the Columbia Studies in History, Economics and Public Law. It is entitled "Social Reform and the Reformation," and is dedicated to Prof. William G. McGuckin. The aim of Dr. Shapiro's book is "to present some of the neglected economic aspects of the Lutheran Revolt."

Practical Sociology.

About two score students gathered in Alcove 7 last Thursday and organized a Society to study social and industrial conditions. Dr. Woolston has been kind enough to give his services to the club and he will direct the research work of the members. All are welcome to attend this week's meeting, which will be held to-morrow afternoon. The question of immigration will be discussed.

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Swimming.

Manager Webster is experiencing great difficulty in arranging a schedule. It appears that the white-washing scores of our last year's team are still ringing in the ears of our brother high schools. We hope to secure the championship again for all the swimmers are in excellent shape. It is quite probable, moreover, that Capt. Davis and Oppenheim will be with us again in February.

Items of Interest.

The upper A delegates have appointed a committee to make preparations for the academic graduation exercises this February. It consists of Warburton, Sarasohn and Liebowitz.

A few score seniors of Clinton High School visited the college buildings last Wednesday. They appeared to be very much impressed by what they saw.

A party of T. H. H. students have formed a society with the aim of advancing journalistic work. It is known as the Courier Club. Paul Feinsod has been elected president and Theodore Goodman, vice-president.

Our football players returned their togs last Tuesday. A new captain will soon be chosen.

The chess team of T. H. H. played that of Commercial High with the result 2—2. The checker team was less fortunate and was humbled by Stuyvesant last week.

Crandell will succeed Mendes as exchange editor of the Academic Herald.



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