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the qualities which are gained by association with people of culture. The Students' Club will seek to supply this need for social contact. Dr. Byrnes then emphasized the need of social polish. He deprecated the disposition on the part of some to put these things beyond the pale, as being mere superficialities. The intellectual view, that of the laws of logic, is only one-sided, he maintained.

Mr. Everett P. Wheeler was introduced, in the words of Curtis, as "a man connected with every movement for good that has ever taken place in the community." Mr. Wheeler said that in the Students' Club, the three predominating religious sects of the College would meet on common ground. "Religion," he said, "is essential in the building of character." Therefore, without expressing the tenets of any particular creed, the Club would foster *that* religion which is common to *all* creeds. "When the framers of the Constitution," he continued, "determined on religious freedom, they did not mean that we should be indifferent to all faith. The emotions of the heart and the inspiration of the soul are real things that should be respected and cherished." Wishing the Students' Club all possible success, Mr. Wheeler hoped that it would seek to make "all feel a better, higher and nobler impulse to do their duty as men."

Putting himself on record as in sympathy with the Students' Club, President Finley said that he hoped this organization would imbue the student with that spirit which will make him forget himself in the interest of his neighbor. "I am proud," he said, "of the heroism of the men who are struggling here. But there is a higher sacrificial struggle than this, and that is the giving of time, thought and sacrifice for the good of those about you in the community." He too emphasized the fact that the Club would take advantage of what is common to all faiths, without injuring the faith of any man. President Finley hoped that the City College would not only remain a great center of learning, but that it would be made "a place of high moral influence that would permeate and make over the entire city."

As the last speaker, Professor Duggan added something practical to the idealism of the previous speakers.

He showed how the Students' Club could cultivate the ideas of decency and morality which are common to all. Its support, he said, could result in the wiping out of "cribbing and fibbing and other student foibles." The general enthusiasm which characterized the assembly is a guarantee of the ultimate success of the Club.

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### Two Professors Honored.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, Prof. Carleton L. Brownson was appointed Dean of the Faculty. In establishing the new system Professor Brownson has demonstrated rare executive ability and his elevation to the deanship is a fitting tribute to the ultimate success of his Herculean labors. Professor Brownson is succeeded as Secretary of the Faculty by one of our most popular professors, Frederick G. Reynolds, of the Class of 1890. We extend to Professors Brownson and Reynolds our most cordial felicitations.

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### Senior Society.

The Senior Society has completed its list of officers by electing Julius Goldman, '10, Vice-President; Alvin Wieselthier, '10, Recording Secretary; and Louis Mayers, '10, an Executive Board member. George Dickson '09 was elected Historian. At the social gathering on Wednesday last, held for the purpose of welcoming the Lower Seniors, Everett P. Wheeler was the guest of honor and Professors Werner, Clark, and Baskerville spoke. It is earnestly hoped that all the Lower Seniors will become members.

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The Nine Muses are anxiously waiting for the Concert to be held about May 1, by the Choral and Orchestral Societies. Although both Clubs have a large membership, Professor Baldwin would like to hear from a few more men desiring to join. Organ Recitals are now held every Wednesday afternoon at 4 P. M. instead of at 3 P. M. The chief numbers on this afternoon's program are: Pastorale Sonata—Rheinberger; Doric Toccata and Fugue—Bach; and the Prelude of the Meistersinger.

### A Star Lecture.

Combining in a rare way the instructive and the entertaining, Prof. Frederick Starr's talk on the Congo was perhaps the most heartily appreciated lecture given at the college this term.

Dr. Starr, who is Professor of Anthropology at the University of Chicago, recently made an extended trip in Africa, and it was about his observations there that he spoke last Thursday afternoon in Room 315. He traced his voyage up the Congo River and his travels on a narrow trail through African forests; he spoke about the curious tribes among whom he lived, their dress, ornaments and customs. Seasoned with his rich humor and illustrated with his picturesque lantern slides, Professor Starr's lecture was a popular success.

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### Are You a Socialist?

"The Inter-High School Socialist League," was formed several months ago with the purpose of uniting all students in the city high-schools and colleges who are interested in Socialism in an organization for the better study and discussion of the question. Membership in the League does not necessitate or carry with it any adherence to the tenets of Socialism. The work of the League takes the form mainly of lectures (for and against) and open discussions. Meetings are held in the Rand School, 112 East Nineteenth Street, every Saturday at 3 P. M.

A cordial invitation is extended to all C. C. N. Y. men to join the League, or to visit its meetings.

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Dr. Harvey M. Wiley, Chief of the Division of Chemistry, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture will speak on "Food Adulteration" on Friday afternoon in the Doremus Lecture Theatre.

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Dr. Guthrie will debate on "Social Issues" with Representative Carey of Massachusetts in the Berkely Theatre, March 21, at 2 P. M.

To the Organizer of the Exhibit.

March 12, 1909.

Prof. Henry Johnston,

Dear Sir:—

In behalf of the student Council, and of the Student body of the College of the City of New York, I take this opportunity of expressing our sincere gratitude for, and earnest appreciation of the indefatigable energy and valuable time which must necessarily have been expended for the public presentation of the very complete and excellent exhibit of our martyr-President, Abraham Lincoln.

Very respectfully,

*Abraham Feldman,*

Secretary of the Student Council.

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Prof. Samuel Baldwin gave two organ recitals on Monday, March 15; in the afternoon at the Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., and in the evening at the Crescent Avenue Church, Plainfield, N. J.

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Our Victory Over N. Y. U.

The C. C. N. Y. Chess Club defeated N. Y. U. on March 6th by the score of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$ . This victory is particularly encouraging in view of the fact that N. Y. U. has a very strong team. They are the winners of the Stevens, Rutgers, N. Y. U. Chess League. A return match at the College is now being arranged.

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Mr Laffargue, whose skill in the management of theatrical performances has become known to us through his highly successful efforts in bringing out our own French plays, recently gave further proof of his ability by running off an excellent performance of "Le Papillon" by the Dramatic Club of the French Alliance. The play was given at Carnegie Lyceum on the 5th inst. for the benefit of the Pension Fund of the National Society of French Teachers. Due largely to the efforts of Mr. Laffargue, who as Vice-President of the Society took charge of the production, about \$800.00 was added to the treasury as a result of the performance.

## ATHLETICS.

C. C. N. Y., 12 ; Princeton, 41.

For the first time this season our swimmers managed to capture an event. It happened at our dual meet with Princeton last Saturday in our own natatorium, when Bischoff after leading all the way and beating out Captain Stern in the final sprint, landed first place in the 220-yard swim.

The evening started very hopefully with the relay race, which gave promise of being a very close affair when Lyman and Wilson, the first swimmers, raced neck and neck for the entire two lengths ; but Edman lost so much for the home team in the second relay that the others could not possibly cut the lead Princeton had secured.

Captain Chambers of Princeton showed good form and took first place in the 50- and 100-yard swims, although Stern gave him a good battle in the latter.

The audience was greatly surprised to hear that Fielding, who did some particularly fine work, had been awarded only third place in the fancy diving. The plunge, as was the water-polo contest, was rather easily won by the visitors.

The summaries :

800-Foot Relay—Won by Princeton (with Wilson, Kimble, Chambers and Bammon). C. C. N. Y. team consisted of Lyman, Edman, Becker and Stern. Time, 3 m. 6 s.

Fancy Diving—Taylor, Princeton (162 pts.); Stern, Princeton (161 pts.); Fielding, C. C. N. Y. (152 pts.).

50-Yard Swim—Chambers, Princeton ; Wilson, Princeton ; Lyman, C. C. N. Y. Time, 29 $\frac{3}{4}$  s.

Plunge for Distance—Woehr, Princeton (57 ft.) Rheinstein, Princeton (45 ft.) ; Lyman, C. C. N. Y. (39 ft.).

100-Yard Swim—Chambers, Princeton ; Bammon, Princeton ; Stern, C. C. N. Y. Time, 1 m. 10 $\frac{3}{4}$  s.

220-Yard Swim—Bischoff, C. C. N. Y. ; Stern, C. C. N. Y. ; Wilson, Princeton. Time 3 m. 20 $\frac{2}{3}$  s.

Water-Polo—Won by Princeton, 6-0. C. C. N. Y. team consisted of Voss, De Martino, Beck, Bischoff, Mossesson, Thomas and Lyman.



### Fresh-Soph. Meet.

The rivalry between the Freshman and Sophomore classes will find another expression in an indoor meet to be held next Friday evening in the gym. The feature event will be a basketball contest between the two classes, in which each will enter its regular team. It will be remembered that four of the 'varsity are 1911 men, and, having the definite assurance that some of these will be in the game, it will be worth coming for this contest alone. But besides there will be dual competition in a medley relay, which, when one recalls the neck and neck finish between the rival classes in this same event at the recent Inter-Class Meet, should prove a splendid race; in 30-, 220-, 440- and 880-yard runs; in 30-yard hurdle and three-legged races; in a 2-mile run; and in the shot put and the standing broad and running high jumps. A banner will be presented to the winning class. Admission will be ten cents, five cents to A. A. members.



The basket ball five has been officially disbanded. The captain for next season will be elected after a banquet, which will be tendered the team this month.



Captain Streusand has been kept away from college for the last few weeks by the same stomach trouble which bothered him so much in the last of the recent basket ball series. His friends will be glad to hear that his condition has greatly improved and that he will be with us again shortly.

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### An Error.

The judges at the finish in the recent Inter-class Meet, were of the opinion that Rosenzweig, who finished second in the mile and a half run, was of the class of 1912. It was later discovered that this was an error and that his class was 1913. As a result the point trophy, which had been awarded to 1912, became the property of 1911. Rather costly for the Freshmen.

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### Work of the Council.

A number of important questions were brought up before the Student Council at its meeting on March 9. A committee was appointed to initiate new Soph-Fresh activities, such as a cane rush or a tug-of-war. This is a preliminary step in the direction of a policy as a result of which the Council intends to foster old traditions and establish new institutions. A committee was also appointed to arrange for the details of a great student gathering, to be known as City College Night. Other matters, such as the permanent re-apportionment of the alcoves in the concourse, the question of advocating the exemption of certain proficient students from examinations, and the question of permitting students to be affiliated with the organizations of a class with which they are not officially registered, were all referred to committees.

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### Biological Society.

The Biological Society held a business meeting last Wednesday and elected Louis Ogust, '10, President and David Natanson, '10, Secretary and Treasurer. The Society has outlined plans for a most interesting course of lectures and meetings. All Juniors, Seniors and members of the Upper Soph Class of the Chemical-Biological Course are eligible for membership. Those interested should join at once, for the Society offers many attractive features, social and otherwise. Are you interested? Send your name to either of the above mentioned officers and get more details.

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Our new friends, the members of the Lower Freshman Class, have elected the following officers: President, H. Shapiro; Vice-President, G. Hirsch; Secretary, E. Reichman; Treasurer, J. J. Blumenthal; Historian, Henry Newman; Marshal, L. Mohrman; Athletic Manager, B. Rottenberg; Member of the Student Council, L. Prashker.

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Students who have not as yet handed their schedule cards to Mr. Anderson should do so at once.

More Books.

The Lower Seniors, following in the wake of the Upper Juniors have contributed these volumes to the Political Science Library: "Anti-Trust Federal Decisions"—Finch; "Expansion of England"—Seeley; "American Economic Supremacy"—Adams. E. Isaacs, '10, contributed J. L. Laughlin's "Industrial America." Wm. Rosenblum '10, has been instrumental in securing several books for the Library. As a result of his efforts Mr. Jacob H. Schiff of Kuhn, Loeb and Co., was induced to contribute two copies of "Mühlmanns Monetary Systems of the World," and some pamphlets on the subject of banking by Paul M. Warburg.

Lectures by the Faculty.

*Thursday, March 18.*

Professor Duggan—"The Executive," Carrol Park Library, Brooklyn.

*Friday, March 19.*

Dr. Taaffe—"Oliver Goldsmith," P. S. 6, Queens.

Dr. Mead—"How France is Governed," P. S. 79, Queens.

*Sunday, March 21.*

Dr. Neuman—"Emerson," P. S. 83, Manhattan.

*Monday, March 22.*

Dr. Eastabrooke—"The Atmosphere and Combination," P. S. 126, Brooklyn.

*Tuesday, March 23.*

Dr. Guthrie—"Remedial Forces in a Great City," West Side Y. M. C. A.

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# T. H. H. NEWS.

FRED S. BAILEY, Correspondent.

T. H. H. 36; Boys' High, 8.

It was Boys' High Schools' turn last Saturday evening in the College tank and our swimming team certainly did them to a turn. The T. H. H. swimmers won every event with the greatest ease and took second place in three. The slow time in each event as given below shows how little our representatives exerted themselves. As usual Davis just romped off with the 50-, Kohn with the 100- and Rogers with the 220-yard swims. Davis won the plunge rather easily but in Frank Mayer, who took second place in that event, we see a "comer." Only his tendency to float crookedly prevented his winning the event. The meet was held in conjunction with the C. C. N. Y. Princeton contest.

The summaries:

800-Foot Relay—Won by T. H. H. (with Rogers, McGrath, Kohn and Davis). Time, 3 m. 19 $\frac{2}{3}$  s.

50-Yard Swim—Davis, T. H. H.; D. Bellows, Boys' High; Coons, T. H. H. Time, 31 $\frac{2}{3}$  s.

100-Yard Swim—Kohn, T. H. H.; McGrath, T. H. H.; R. Bellows, Boys' High. Time, 1 m. 10 $\frac{2}{3}$  s.

220-Yard Swim—Rogers, T. H. H.; Sutliff, Boys' High; Miller, T. H. H. Time, 3 m. 25 $\frac{2}{3}$  s.

Plunge for Distance—Davis, T. H. H. (46 ft.); Mayer, T. H. H. (45 ft.); Field, Boys' High (37 $\frac{1}{2}$  ft.).



Our sharpshooters have been practicing daily in the subway on the sub-target machine. As an evidence of skill, we would assure our readers that it is now entirely safe to use that underground route. Captain Kaplan reports the men are doing fine work, Jauss, McBride, Stark, McCauley and Brewer shooting especially well. The team to compete in the Interscholastic Champs will be chosen next week.



The A. A. Council brought joy to the hearts of the managers when, on Wednesday last they distributed the long looked for appropriations. Of the \$200 apportioned, the baseball team received the largest slice, \$155 being their share. The tennis team was forced to be content with \$20, while \$15 was allotted to lacrosse and only \$10 to the track team. However, their joy was somewhat dimmed by the decision that all managers would in the future be obliged to file all correspondence, in addition to complete reports of the season's work.



The awarding of letters, as a result of the Council meeting on March 10, is now in the hands of a new committee, consisting of Mr. McClelland, Nason (chairman) and H. Rogers.



The immense number of 300 fellows at present constitutes the A. A. membership. Considering the fact that there are 2,000 students in T. H. H., this is indeed remarkable. Get busy!



J. Osserman, Lower A 4, is working hard to win a place in the *N. Y. American's* trip around the world. It certainly would be splendid thing to have Townsend Harris Hall represented; so clip all the coupons you can get from the *American* and leave them with Janitor Long or at the City College Book Store. Clinton and Commerce have each selected three candidates whom they are consistently supporting, so we'll have to do some hustling to beat them. If we can lick them in athletics, why not in this?



F. S. Bailey has been appointed track manager to take the place of A. Hauser, whose resignation took effect last week.



It is indeed moving to hear that our Chess team's match with Columbia Freshman resulted in a tie, the score being 2-2. T. H. H. students in general will be interested to hear that the tie will be played off on March 24. Cheering squad please be on hand.

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