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To-Day at 1.25 P. M.

President W. W. Finley, of the Southern Railway, will speak on some phase of the railroad problem at 1.25 P. M. to-day in Room 126. The address will be of especial importance to those who are interested in our coming debate with Bates College which is also concerned with railroads. The lecture will close at 2.15 P. M. sharp, giving students time to pass to their next classes.

Student Council Activity.

The Student Council met for the first time this term, last Friday afternoon, and transacted some important business even though hampered by the fact that the new membership was not complete. By 3.15 P. M., this Friday, all representatives will have been elected, and all are urged to be present at the meeting of the council which will take place at that time. New officers will then be elected.

At last week's meeting Vice-President Brisk presided. The library and lunch room committees reported progress. The committee in charge of securing ushers for the organ recitals reported that a programme had been arranged according to which the different societies and fraternities of the College would each take their turn in supplying ushers. The programme will be ratified by the council this week. Each organization will then be formally requested by the council to do its assigned part.

A motion was introduced calling for a committee to draw up resolutions requesting the faculty to exempt from examinations those students who receive an average of over eighty per cent on the term. Consideration of the matter was postponed.

Election Returns.

Frederick Zorn was elected president of the upper senior class last Friday. The other officers of the class of June 1910 are:—Secretary, Meyer Zinman; Treasurer, Jacob Greenberg; Class Prophet, A. G. Lutzky; Athletic Manager, Louis Zion; Marshal, Jacob S. Kaplan; Student Council Representatives, B. Antin, S. B. Applebaum, Charles Brisk and William Rosenblum.

The following are the officers elected by the class of February 1911:

President, Victor Mayer; Vice-President, Philip Bookstaber; Secretary, John McBride; Treasurer, Julius Kuschner; Marshal, William Fernschild; Historian, Charles Becker; Athletic Manager, Benjamin Storfer; Student Council Representatives, Edward F. Unger, Abraham Feldman, Samuel Karpowitz, and Lorenz Reich.

Class of June 1911: President, Jacob Schapiro; Vice-President, Isaac Pearlstein; Treasurer, George Edwards; Secretary, Harold Schapiro; Athletic Manager, S. H. Bischoff; Marshal, R. M. Stern; Student Council, Isador Eisenberg, S. K. Rapp and S. L. Samuels.

The class of February 1912 will have its affairs administered this term by the following officers:—

President, Albert Becker; Vice-President, David Bernstein; Secretary, Philip Davis; Treasurer, E. Hayman; Athletic Manager, Solomon Perlman; Student Council Representatives, Adolph I. Fabis, Jesse Perlman, Louis M. Ruderman.

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Organ, Orchestra and Choral.

Now that the graduation ceremonies are past and things are becoming more settled, Professor Baldwin has recommenced his work with the College Orchestra and Choral Society. The first rehearsal was held last Friday. The thinning of the ranks of both organizations, due to the graduation of a considerable number of members, makes the need for new men imperative. But the excellent showing that was made last term by our singers and musicians should not fail to attract new candidates, and Professor Baldwin, who may be found at almost any time in the Great Hall, will welcome applicants. If you can sing or play, and if you can spare a little time each week for rehearsal, you should make it your business to join at least one of these organizations.

This afternoon at 4 o'clock Professor Baldwin will play, among other compositions, Bach's *Passacaglia*, Wagner's *Siegfried Idyl*, Hollins' *Benediction Nuptiale*, and Guilman's *Marche Religieuse*.

The College has been invited to send an exhibit to the General Exhibition of Civic Construction to be held in Berlin, beginning next May. It is expected that a large view of the buildings and grounds will be forwarded.

Stevenson Night at Clion.

Dr. Coleman spoke last Friday evening before one of the largest audiences that ever gathered at Clionia. Robert Louis Stevenson, the man and the poet, was the subject of his address. The literary program of the evening was well prepared. A talk on the income tax, delivered by S. B. Applebaum, was very instructive. All juniors and seniors are invited to attend meetings of the club which are held every Friday evening.

Chemistry Lectures.

With his customary charm Dr. Wiley, who is by this time well known to most of us, interested large audiences in the Doremus Lecture Theatre both last Thursday and Friday afternoons. And next week Dr. Virgil Coblantz, Professor of Chemistry in the Columbia University of Pharmacy, will devote three lectures to the important question of "Drugs and Their Adulteration." He will concern himself also with the methods for detecting adulterated drugs and with the nature of habit inducing drugs. This Friday, Mr. Bayard C. Fuller, Chief Food Inspector of New York City, will deliver a lecture upon "Food Inspection."

Students desiring to attend the lectures in *Municipal Chemistry* will not in the future be required to present tickets of admission. The seats will be reserved until 4.15 for those regularly enrolled in the course. From 4.15 to 4.20 the unoccupied seats will be thrown open to the students.

In the World's Eyes.

Last night, Professor Guthrie was the guest of the Educational Alliance where he addressed a large audience in commemoration of Washington's Birthday.

It is interesting to note the world wide discussion that has been provoked by the recent article on the "Rise of Prices" written by Professor Guthrie in the Philadelphia North American. The liberals in England have quoted our Professor in their struggle on the land question, and, he has also been cited as authoritative in Oregon, in connection with the irrigation of land.

We are also pleased to note that as an authority on Latin grammar and syntax our own dear Dr. Emory B. Lease is achieving an international reputation. The *Lateinische Grammatik*, which is the standard Latin dictionary and grammar of Europe, contains no less than thirty-five references to the work of Dr. Lease. Lease's "Guide to Livy" it characterizes as indispensable in the library of every scholar.

Dr. Stevenson is conducting an extension course in Physical Chemistry. The course is much the same as that given regularly as Chemistry 7.

ATHLETICS.

The Last Straws.

There's no sense in jollyng ourselves into believing that our basket-ball season has been a success. It hasn't. And the reason is obvious to any fair-minded and interested observer. The student body was indifferent and failed to support the team. If you want to see proofs of this fact, just examine the manager's reports of the various games.

Basing their hopes on the great success of last year's team, the Athletic Association equipped our basket-ball men with the best outfits that money could purchase; a small fortune was expended for that purpose. What have been the returns? Where last year's team reaped a profit of nine hundred dollars, this year we doubt if a hundred has been cleared. Immediately you say "Poor management!" If you find yourself saying that, ask yourself how many games you have attended; how *you* have helped to manage the team. And your answer must be "*Vile management!*" It was never dreamt that our student body could be so devoid of any semblance of college pride as to be interested in a team only so long as it is always the victor. That, indeed, falls without the pale of *fairness*. Just think! A C. C. N. Y. basket-ball team that makes a profit of barely twenty-five dollars on its opening game: who would ever imagine such a thing. Worse than that! When a championship team like the Rochester quintet comes to New York, and the game played is, in the opinion of many, the best game seen on our court in the last three years, a loss of *eighty dollars* is incurred. Poor management? Decidedly! *The student body has failed miserably in its management of its basket-ball team.*

Now, what has been the result of *your* indifference? Let us go back a little.

Again, with last year's basket-ball success as our star of hope, the A. A. decided to equip a Gymnastic Team. This was done. Furthermore, our team was admitted into the Intercollegiate Association; and our work in the line of gymnastics has been admirable. However, owing to the deplorable absence of *you students* at the

exhibition held here, and owing especially to the failure of the basket-ball team, half the schedule has been of necessity cancelled.

One other thing! The very foundations of the college were recently shaken by the terrible indignation of the student body at the heinous offence committed by the A. A. Executive Board in refusing to sanction a 'varsity base-ball team. The result of the public expression of this indignation was the final submission of the A. A. Executive Board. Now, it may be asked, what in thunder have we done to deserve a base-ball team? No, not to deserve; to make possible. And let's not throw sand into our own eyes; ten chances to one, if affairs stay as they now stand, the F. A. C. will veto the sanction of the team. And more than that! There are as many chances as not that all athletics will be abandoned after this year.

Now, please let's not show our indignation again. Let's be sensible this time. We have two chances in which to regain our lost ground. The last game of the regular basket-ball season is to be played this Saturday night at our Gym. against the far-famed Wesleyan five. This game, by the decision of the F. A. C., will determine the *yea* or the *nay* of the U. of P. Gym. Meet and *all subsequent athletics*. Then don't let anything hinder you. Show your spirit, your sense of fairness, your opinion in favor of the continuation of athletics in the College. Buy your tickets *at once*. You'll see two good games: C. C. N. Y. *vs.* Wesleyan, and our Freshmen *vs.* Newtown H. S., the second team in the High School League and champions of the Borough of Queens.

Then, if we are allowed this greatest event of the season, don't think of missing the gym. meet between the U. of P. and C. C. N. Y. at our gym. Its preliminary will be full of fun—basketball, C. C. N. Y. 'Varsity *vs.* C. C. N. Y. Alumni. *These are your last chances!*

Inter-Class Basketball.

The status of the temporarily neglected inter-class basketball series is as follows: 1910 has won from 1912, and lost to 1913; percentage 500; 1911 has lost to 1912, and tied with 1913; percentage .000; 1912 has thus a percentage of .500; and 1913 a percentage of 1.000.

The following games are to be played:

Feb. 26 — 1910 vs. 1911

Mar. 5 — 1912 vs. 1913

Mar. 12 — 1911 vs. 1913

Track Records.

Joe Dolan is at it again! On Friday he ran the 440 on our Gym track in the fast time of 56 2-5 seconds. Another record smashed!

Fourteen years ago, the College mile relay team ran off with the banner at the U. of P. Intercollegiate Relay Races in Philadelphia.

Friday, our relay, *on an indoor track*, equalled the time made outdoors by the ancient conquerors, viz., 3 minutes, 57 2-5 seconds. That's going some, eh?

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Individuals Wanted.



"I STAND for variety," said Mr. Shepard at our recent graduation exercises. He could hardly have emphasized anything more appropriate. It is indeed sad to contemplate the machine-like uniformity and monotonous regularity of the aims and endeavors of so many of our students. Ground through school, high school and college, they are educated by a uniform process of taking what is thrust before them. Finally the machine ends, and if the student is not ground through the Maxwell gate, he suddenly finds himself called upon to decide and act for himself. For the first time in his life he must be an individual. How many find themselves incapable of summoning to their aid their undeveloped powers of self-reliance and initiative, we hate to imagine.

We must cultivate variety—the quality that makes individuals out of mere studying automata. In solving the problem of developing men, our societies should do what no amount of study can do. The self-confidence and poise that comes from speaking and debating, the

opportunity afforded to take a stand on matters of importance and to form convictions is what the literary society offers. Have you anything to say? Have you any pet theory to advocate? If you have, the club will give you a chance to speak; if you haven't, then you are more in need of the club than ever, for it will help make you a man with ideas—a man that does have something to say.

All registration cards must be returned to the Dean's office not later than to-morrow. By complying with this order, students will avoid inconveniences for themselves and for the authorities.

A Chance to Earn Money.

On full-page "ads" secured for the 1911 *Microcosm* a commission of 20 per cent. will be paid. On all other advertisements 15 per cent. will be the reward for diligence. So keep your eyes open and communicate with Lorenz Reich, '11, business manager, in Alcove VIII. It must not be thought that this year's "*Mike*" has no advertisements. On the contrary, the editors report that all previous records have been broken.

It is expected that the book will appear by May. The entire staff are busy and are looking for clever personals and sketches.

Appointments.

Mr. Joseph Blume and Mr. Paul Radin have been appointed tutors in German. The former is a graduate of the Gymnasium of Pheine, Germany, and has attended the University of Münster. He was for some time a university fellow at John Hopkins, teaching at the Baltimore University School and at the Polytechnic Institute of London. Mr. Radin, '02, City College, has for several years done graduate work at Columbia University. In 1905-07 he studied history, Anthropology, and German literature at the Universities of Berlin and Munich.

Mr. Clarence F. Merrell, a graduate of Wabash College, Indiana, has been appointed assistant tutor in physical instruction and training. Mr. Hansen has been promoted to a full tutorship.

"Know Thyself."

The attainment of this end is conditioned by your joining the Biological Society—that is, if you are a Senior or Junior or upper Sophomore in Course Science II., for only such students are eligible to membership. The next meeting of the society will be held next Tuesday afternoon in Room 315 at 3.15 P. M.

There is a movement on foot to establish at Buffalo, a municipal college on the model of our own institution. Yesterday morning, the President of our College spoke at the University of Buffalo, at the occasion of its sixty-fourth anniversary, on "The College and the City."

A bill has been introduced into the Legislature by Senator Agnew, providing that the name of the Normal College be changed to "New York College for Women".

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EVENING SESSION.

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The New Term.

All doubts that may have been entertained as to the ability of the Evening Session Students and their sincerity of purpose must be dispelled by the excellent showing made during the last term. Of the 200 students originally enrolled in the courses, 160 completed the work of the semester. The falling off in attendance was thus only 20 per cent., which is a very small proportion when compared to evening classes elsewhere. Instructors report that the examination papers of the students were as a whole very satisfactory. There were very few failures. About 50 additional students have entered for the second term. The work done now is a continuation of the first term courses, with addition of a course in shop work by Mr. Bruckner of the Physics Department.

Lecture Courses—The Only Weak Point.

The experience of the Evening Session seems to corroborate the contention of *THE CAMPUS*, as set forth in our editorial last week, that the lecture method of instruction is not satisfactory. While the examinations were on the whole very gratifying to both instructors and students, the point of greatest weakness appeared to be the lecture courses, and it is evident that greater attention must be given by the students to the study of the text-books in those courses, than has been done hitherto.

The Dinner.

The Student Council determined to hold a dinner during the Easter holidays. Several prominent speakers will be present, college songs will be sung, and a good time generally will be had. Every member of the Evening Session ought to attend and should give notice immediately of his intention to any member of the Student Council.

T. H. H. NEWS.

Athletics.

With the beginning of the new term, athletics has taken a decided jump. The baseball manager reports forty-eight candidates out for the team. Under the efficient management of Mr. Arnold, a former C. C. N. Y. man and of Mr. De Luca of last year's College team, the nine of T. H. H. expect to carry off chief honors for the next season. The first game takes place April 2, with Fordham Prep.

On February 2, the swimming team of T. H. H. will meet the Yale Freshmen in the natatorium of the College. With the excellent material at hand and the new arrivals in the school victory seems very probable.

The 120 lb. relay of T. H. H. is doing good work. In the P. S. A. L. championship the quartet finished in third place in spite of the fact that the first man slipped and fell. Again, in the Intersettlement games, they took second place.

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