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1913 Triumphs.



LAST Friday afternoon, Jasper Oval presented the appearance of a true gladitorial arena. Arrayed in motley uniforms "à la rush" formation, stood the opposing hosts. Hugging the pole, as only Sophs can hug, were massed the men of 1913. One hundred feet away, in three huge, human battering rams were mustered the Freshies, eager and panting for the start. About the field, every point of vantage occupied, were gathered hundreds of intensely interested spectators.

An ominous hush, as always precedes events of great moment, hung oppressive upon the scene. Suddenly, the shrill blast of a whistle is heard. The contending masses tremble for a short moment, and the rush is on. With thundering fury the columns of Freshmen come tearing across the field, raising a blinding cloud of sand, and it seems as if they would mow down anything and everything before them. But the Sophs are firm. The fighting is at close quarters. The spectators gape on in breathless suspense. Now from out the surging, heaving mass of heads and shoulders, a groping hand stretches towards the pole. Now a wriggling form is seen to hurl itself upon the defenders. Slowly, almost cruelly slowly, he struggles towards the mast. Every eye is strained upon him. His every movement is drunk in greedily. He clutches desperately at the pole, clings with claw-like tenacity to his goal, throws his head frantically towards the banner, is about to grasp the coveted prize, when down he drops, the weight of a dozen Sophomores upon him.

Again the whistle blows. The combatants fall back, a

shout of triumph rents the air and the Sophomores march off VICTORS, bearing before them the now uprooted pole and cheering with the little breath and strength remaining to them. And thus ended the best rush the College ever had.

Good Luck To "Mike."

Next year's *Microcosm* will be edited under the direction of Julius Drachsler, '12. He will be assisted by the following: Jacob Schientag, '12, Associate Editor; Assistant Editors, Max Liberman, '13, and Edward Friedman, '14; David Bernstein, '12, Business Manager; Sidney Kranz, '13, Associate Business Manager; Assistant Business Managers, C. Hoskowitz, '13, and Harrie M. Laws, '14.

From now on the 1912 *Microcosm* will be closely watched by us all. But with the momentum of last year's phenomenal success, and with a capable Editorial board supported by the College, the volume to be published next year ought to make no mean addition to the *Microcosm* library.

Do It Now.

Since the Senior Dance and the Junior Prom. will cause many critical eyes to be focused upon the College, it becomes the duty at once of committees and students to make these affairs better than ever they were in the past. The committees may be found at almost any time in their respective alcoves where they will especially welcome a statement of your intention to attend your class affair. Matters should not be allowed to lag until the eleventh hour at which time you may find yourself a bit "short."

Civil War.

The subject of the Tremain Prize Essay for the current year is "The Causes, Conduct and Conclusions of the Great Civil War in the United States." All essays must be handed in to Professor Reynolds by April 15, 1911. The subject is the same as was given two years ago.

Council Activities,

There will be no "College Dance," at least, this year. Senior sentiment ran too high in favor of an exclusively senior function, and this will be held on Thanksgiving Eve. The Juniors were equally firm in their determination to have their "Prom," which, the Council voted, shall take place during the Christmas vacation.

Following the suggestion of THE CAMPUS, investigation will be started immediately to determine what campus rights our students possess, and what privileges they may enjoy, unmolsted by the "Big Stick." A committee was also appointed to examine into the condition of the drinking fountains, and another, to correct the abuses of, and to control, bulletin board privileges.

Appreciating the fact that the Wednesday Assemblies stand for much that is good and wholesome in our college life, and that there is great likelihood of their being discontinued during President Finley's absence in Europe, it was suggested that charge of these weekly gatherings be given into the hands of the Council. A committee was designated to obtain the approval of the Faculty.

The postponed elections of cheer leader and assistant cheer leader, resulted in the choice of Unger, '11 as leader, and Rapp, '11, as his assistant.

But doubtless, the most interesting matter considered by the Council, was the President's report for the 1911 *Microcosm*, of which he was Business Manager. This document revealed the astounding fact that the Board had cleared to date, a net profit of \$241.88, with a sum of \$70 outstanding. Of this latter amount, at least \$40 will be collected within the next few weeks. In all 414 cloth bound copies were disposed of, 76 still remaining on hand. Of the 45 leather bound volumes, but two are left. This is a record the College might well be proud of. It bears repetition to heartily congratulate once more, Edward F. Unger, '11, under whose wise and efficient editorship the work was published; Lorenz Reich, Jr., whose business acumen and ad. getting powers made possible the reaping of so unusually large a profit, and finally their able corps of assistants who worked long and patiently to make of the 1911 *Microcosm*, "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." Singularly enough, this was their ambition from the very start.

The "Big Stick" Will Out.

"The Time, the Place, and the—'Cop'" was the name of a farcical tragedy enacted in the shadow of these sombre college walls, at half-past ten, of a Friday evening two weeks ago. Our literary societies had just adjourned for the evening and the members indulged in a cheer as a parting salutation. Suddenly, out of the murky darkness emerged the blue-robed, copper festooned holy-holy of the "Big Stick," whose somnambulistic reveries had been disturbed, "*Beat it,*" he gurgled with significant gesture, "*Beat it.*" One of our Seniors, learned in the ways (and by-ways) of the law, dared to request the officer for his number (he had been influenced by THE CAMPUS defiance), and immediately—we were almost inclined to say, sooner—he was placed under arrest for "assault upon an officer of the law!"

Scene number two (fifteen minutes later) shifted to the 125th Street police station, a sanctuary of the "B. S." priesthood. Here our comrade in agony was put through a grilling, gruelling third degree in which he denied having too vehemently attempted to breathe more than his due and rightful share of evening air! After a stirring mid-night ride in a rattling, clanging police patrol, vigilantly guarded by no less than four burly holies of the law, our hero was disposed of at the Yorkville shrine of justice where the sacrament of reprimand was administered to him with due pomp and ceremony.

Our learned Senior now sadly admonishes all college men to depart from the buildings on tip-toes and to strictly refrain from breathing too deeply until well without the bourns of the campus.

This Afternoon at Four.

Finale from Tschaiikowsky's *Symphonie Pathétique* will be but one number of an interesting program. Professor Baldwin has arranged for to-day's recital. Tschaiikowsky's music, it may be recalled, is perhaps the most eloquent expression of many-sided Russia's spirit. One of the more popular compositions to be played is Bruch's *Kol Nidrei*.

ATHLETICS.

Exit Perlman—Enter Perlman.

Owing to the press of studies, our Athletic Editor, Jesse Perlman, has found himself compelled to resign the post he so ably filled during the past year. Perlman's career with the CAMPUS is of two years' standing; he was Assistant News Editor for the two volumes 1908-1909, and Athletic Editor during the season of 1909-1910. However, we are happy we can perpetuate his name on our athletic sheets by appointing, to succeed him, as Athletic Editor, Solomon E. Perlman.

Basket Ball.

A tentative basket ball schedule has been arranged with Manhattan, Yale, Rensselaer, Tufts, M. I. T. and Brown. None of them are entirely definite as the F. A. C. has not yet given its sanction.

It has been the endeavor of Manager Samuels to arrange games with teams that will put up an interesting and exciting fight, and he has succeeded in making an excellent selection. We shall have the pleasure of seeing Commerce High play the Freshmen this season in one of the preliminaries. Also the Freshmen will have their hands full when they play Newton, the Long Island champions.

On Columbus Day.

Through the negligence of the competitors, the inter-class meet, scheduled for Columbus Day, was not run off. Most of the entrants had failed to get their physical examination cards, with the result that they and the expectant rooters went home disappointed. It was hoped that this would be the first of a series of four track meets, to be held at McCombs' Dam Park. The dates for the others are October 27th, November 4th and 14th.

C. Weg, '14, has been chosen Assistant Property Man for the coming year.

A. A. Finances.

The report of Harry Gell, Treasurer of the A. A., dated June 15th, 1910, shows a cash balance of \$189.54 to have been on hand. This sum was \$45.36 less than than the corresponding amount in the treasury on October 1st, 1909. The only team whose receipts exceeded the expenses of management, and so forth, was the swimming team, with just \$2.95 to its credit. The track team lost \$44.42; the baseball team, only \$1.35; the gym. team, the large sum of \$73.75; the lacrosse team, \$18.75; and the basket ball team, the excessively large amount of \$282.72. Fortunately, however, for the large balance from 1909, and for the fact that the A. A. receipts exceeded its expenses by \$273.68, the respectable sum of \$189.54 was still left in the treasury.

Swimming.

Due to the resignation of Manager Rapp and to the illness of Assistant Manager Caulfield, the Swimming Team is left without a guardian. Applicants for the vacant positions are wanted.

To-day at 1 o'clock there will be an inter-class swimming meet in the pool. There will be three events, a fifty yard dash, plunge for distance and fancy diving.

Inter-Class Baseball.

The remaining games are to be played on the following dates:

Thursday, Oct. 20th	1911 vs. 1913
Monday, Oct. 24th	1912 vs. 1914
Wednesday, Oct. 26th	1911 vs. 1914
Monday, Oct. 31st	1912 vs. 1913

Cross country runs under Mac's leadership, are in full swing. Mr. Bartlett, a graduate of Colgate University, at present the secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has kindly volunteered his services and will frequently be seen out with the squad this fall.

Every afternoon at half-past two, half-past three and half-past four, cross-country squads will leave the gym.

The "Dollar Scheme" Again.

Now that the much advertised dollar ticket is at last here, it behooves every mothers' son of us to hand over one "buck," one "bone," eight "bits" or anything you please to call it. The point is that you are expected to make good on the copious supply of talk that has come from you during the past four or five weeks.

It is unnecessary to repeat what the Athletic Association agrees to give you in return for one, lonely, insignificant dollar. You may be interested, however, to know that if you will use to full advantage the dollar membership card, you will receive not less than \$5.00 worth of tickets for games, meets, etc.

If you do not already know, learn now that only a limited number of these cards will be sold; and late comers will be seen slowly raising their eyebrows in surprise as they listen to the words, "Sorry, but there are no more left"

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What This Rush Teaches.



NOT IN years was there a more orderly, a better conducted and withal a more spirited Flag Rush than that held last Friday afternoon. The pole, though it quivered at times under the pressure of hundreds of students, was not found wanting. Violence was in no instance resorted to, and not a single, even half-serious, injury was reported. After the fray, the usual parading and cheering were indulged in, but rowdyism was at no time in evidence. We congratulate the Student Council for its successful management of the rush, and we heartily compliment the men of 1913 and 1914 for the manly self-control they exercised at a most trying moment.

The theory of "inherent Freshman-Sophomore barbarity" must now fall flat. If this year's rush could be in every way successful, the participants still retaining their characters as gentlemen, future rushes, it seems, can also be held in accordance with accepted standards of healthy decency. The problem seems to be solved, and we trust, for good.

About the most ridiculous sight around the College is an apparently grown-up Senior nursing a milk bottle through a straw.

Godsends.

YOU poor toilers at the educational grind! You humble devotees of the God of Curriculum! What a balm is relaxation! How your blood must have warmed at the prospects of "nothing doing" at College two successive days each week during the just past fortnight! You can now understand the spirit of your friends at other colleges where the hours of recitation in five days are perhaps no more numerous than yours in three. You have tasted the elixir of college life. May the Faculty soon allow us more of it.

We always thought that holidays from school were godsends, not so much because of their deep religious or patriotic significance, but rather for the relaxation they afforded from the worries of preparation for "the next day."

Press Club Again.

All ardent "pencil-pushers" who bombard the editors with "stories" of the College and its activities, and especially those confirmed scribblers who were members of last term's Press Club, are requested to attend a short opening meeting of this Society at one o'clock today, in THE CAMPUS office, Room 216. If you cannot be present, drop us a line indicating your interest in the organization and stating a time that would prove more convenient to you.

A French Library.

At its twenty-fifth anniversary banquet the class of '85, of which Professor Downer was a member, donated a sum of money with which to purchase books to establish a library for the French Department. Professor Downer and Professor Delamarre, who has been appointed librarian, are at present collecting the books, and hope to have the library completed in time for a "French Day" which will probably be held soon after the return of President Finley from France.

This Saturday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, the Associate Alumni will hold their annual meeting in the Physics Lecture Hall.

Three-Three.

Just because a man is a serious-minded scholar of Greek, or an exacting instructor in mathematics, is no good reason for believing that he cannot play at least as good a game of baseball as his students! This seems to have been clearly borne out by the Senior-Faculty game of last week, in which the Seniors had all they could do in seven innings to keep the score to a tie.

"Doc" Fuentes, whose curves but few of the students could "get on to" (you can construe this without a "pony"), pitched for the "profs," while Mr. Holton caught. Professor Tisdall umpired, but really, we must observe, with the best of good nature, looseness in translations seems to be terribly contagious when it comes to deciding on what is, or what is not, a "strike" or a "ball!"

The feature of the contest was the exhibition of a huge bat, seven feet long, seven inches across the tip, and weighing 95 pounds, which the mechanic-arts students made expressly for the game. Even Professor Guthrie, one of the "big Bills" of our community, considered it less pretentious to use a smaller bat. It is too bad that the Faculty cannot possess a regular team. They might then teach the 'varsity "nine" a few things other than the laws of gas action or the principles of good government.

Professor Storey has been appointed to make up the program for the next meeting of the American Hygiene Association, which will be held during February in New York City.

1911.

The chairmen of the committees appointed for the Class of June 1911 are as follows: Numeral Lights, M. Hirsch; Class Play, S. K. Rapp; Gown, G. Edwards; E. F. Unger, Chairman, N. Pashman, C. Rosenberg, H. Gell and I. Perlstein constitute the Senior Dance Committee. A. Feldman, chairman; J. Kuschner, S. Karpowitz, J. J. Alexander and M. Strauss will make arrangements for the February 1911 banquet.

Cranks.

This evening at eight-fifteen, in Room 102, the Senior Mechanical Society will welcome all Juniors and Seniors of Science III, who think in cogs, and find good company in cranks and eccentrics. There will be interesting talks on "Switch-Board Wiring" and "Pile Drivers," and discussions of scientific matters practically applied.

"Traction—the Issue of the Hour," was the subject of a talk by Mr. Luther P. Bedford, a well-known traction expert, delivered last Saturday night at the City College Club.

Close to Fact.

As time passes we learn that not all education is derived from books, and that a vacation now and then might be profitably employed. Last Tuesday afternoon Professor Winslow and his students took a trip to Mount Vernon, where the new sewage disposal plant was examined with great interest. On the following day Professor Woolston and his students visited the City Poor Farm on Staten Island and incidentally grasped the opportunity to view the new hospital for tubercular patients.

At the first regular meeting of the Chess Club, the following officers were elected: President, E. T. Frankel; vice-president, F. A. Meuser; Secretary, M. Hacker; treasurer, Al. Eolis.

On Oct. 21st Mr. Julius Finn, a very well known Metropolitan expert, will favor the club with a simultaneous exhibition.

The officers for the current year of the Y. M. C. A. are: President, Howard O. Wood, '11; vice-president, Edward E. Bloodgood, '13; secretary, Paul H. Crandall, '13; treasurer, William H. Fernschild, '11.

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T. H. H. NEWS.

A. A. Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting was recently held in T. H. H. at which the various members of the A. A. gave their views on the condition of athletics in our institution. These officers of the A. A. tried to inspire the students, too, and told them in full what was necessary for them to do—that the students should help the A. A. and do their best to raise athletics to a higher plane in T. H. H.; that the students should not only aid the A. A. financially, but that they should come out for the teams. Edwards, the president of the Association, delivered a speech that would have brought honors to Burke or Sheridan. Hyman, the new president, and the rest of the officers dwelt upon the needs of the A. A. We trust that the speeches of these men will bring good results.

Annex Notes.

Great Pie Eating Contest.

On October 6th, under the supervision of Mrs. Jalien, a novel pie eating contest took place. Kaiserman, Upper B, won by the merest crust.

An Example for Uppers.

Over 400 A. A. tickets were sold last term—one to almost every Annex student. This is an excellent record and worth keeping up. Tickets may be had of Mr. Fitzpatrick in Room 22.

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Managers.

The time of the year has arrived when the managers of teams are elected by their associates.

In T. H. H., Eisele, a veteran of the crack quartet which finned its way to championship last year, was elected manager of the swimming team.

Tabor, a cross country man who showed his mettle in last year's three-mile runs, was elected manager of the cross-country aggregation

Francis, a man who has long—how long these men will stay in T. H. H.—been prominent in the athletics of the school, has been elected manager of the tracksters.

Now that we have the managers, let us see a healthy squad out for these teams.

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