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#### Customs Changes.



F the Student Council continues to gain momentum as the term advances, one meeting in a fortnight will scarcely suffice to finish "old business". Last Friday's meeting was a three-and-a-half-hour session of solid business, and it was only because of the late hour that adjournment was moved. An interesting report was presented upon the conditions that obtain in the Library. Action will soon be taken to bring

about the much needed reforms. A committee was appointed to investigate the practice of locker-tampering in the symnasium.

At the next meeting of the Council the members will be asked to consider proposed changes in the Customs Book relative to the arrangement of seats on the campus, the Freshman-Sophomore activities, Charter Day and High School Day. The advisability of doing away with the Junior Promenade and the Senior Dance in favor of a College Dance, will also be brought up for consideration. It may be suggested that Councilors meet one another before the next meeting to exchange points of view on these important matters.

#### Senior Hop.

The date of the Senior Hop has been set for the evening of April 22d. The dance will be held in the "gym" and promises to set a precedent for all succeeding classes. Tickets will be sold to Upper Seniors only and may be secured from the Committee of which B. Storfer is Chairman.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT.

Just three more days remain for the annual 'Varsity Show which will be presented at Carnegie Lyceum. The cast under the able and expert direction of Dr. Taaffe, has been rehearsing "The Rivals" daily, and the best performance in years is predicted. It will be the most brilliant production that the College has as yet attempted. Whether this will be the great social function that the committee has planned to make it, depends entirely upon the students. The show committee, the coach and the cast have sacrificed many hours of their time to entertain you on Saturday evening. up to you to show your spirit. The affair is an all-College one and upon its financial success or failure depends all future shows. Tickets to suit your individual purse may be had from the Committee at any time of A word to the wise—the good tickets are being sold rapidly, therefore do not delay getting yours.

#### Explosives.

Mr. J. J. Parker, expert for the General Chemical Company will deliver his long postponed lecture on, "Chemical Economics in Manufactures," Friday afternoon, March 31st.

This Friday afternoon, Dr. Arthur M. Comey, Chief chemist of the research laboratories of the Du Pont de Nemours Powder Company, will speak upon the subject, "Testing of Explosives." The lecture will be illustrated.

#### German Library Now.

The Department of German is to be congratulated upon having received a gift of \$1,000 from Mr. Lewison, an alumnus, for the purpose of building up thedepartment library. A large number of books have already been purchased while the work of shelving and cataloguing has been begun. It is hoped that in the very near future the library will be accessible to the students.

#### The Last Lecture.

At the old University of Rennes on Friday, President Finley will deliver the last of his lectures on "The Regions where the French Were Pioneers in America." His return to the College, therefore, will be but a matter of Of the Hyde Foundation lectures in English delivered at the Sorbonne, none was more successful than the course about to be completed by our President French scholars and the French reviews have been unanimous in their appreciation of Dr. Finley's work. At every lecture, the Amphitheâtre Richelieu, which is one of the largest at the Sorbonne, was thronged, a large proportion of those present being teachers of various grades, from the primary school to the University Faculty itself, and most of the others were advanced students in history and language. The College may well rejoice in the great success and honor achieved by its President.

#### "Phases of Education."

Dr. Richter wishes to call the attention of the Students in Education to a course of lectures on "Phases of Education" given Saturday evenings at Cooper Union, where he is supervisor. Next Saturday, Professor Thomas A. Balliet, Dean of the School of Pedagogy, New York University, will speak on "The Function of Education in a Democracy". Among those who will lecture after Professor Balliet are Dr. Marion L. Burton, Dr. David S. Snedden, Professor Rudolph Tombo, Jr., and Dr. Rush Rhees.

Conforming to a pre-arranged plan, the editors of the Microcosm are framing an elaborate literary section which will be of intense interest to the College as a whole because in a measure, all classes are helping edit it. There will also be a live athletic section containing pictures of the teams in action. This cannot but give added charm to a book already replete with many new and interesting features.

#### Vibrations.

Those who were in the great Hall last Thursday, had the pleasure of watching the erection of a great wooden scaffold as high as the Hall itself. Its purpose is to give the workers access to the large hanging chandeliers, some of which are in need of repairs. Some of our amateur physicists advance the theory that the vibrations set up by the low organ notes are the cause of the derangement of the chandelier chains. It would be interesting if the famous earth-weighers, color-photographers and wireless telegraphy experts would turn the light of their genius upon the question.

In appreciation of Dr. Robinson's unselfish efforts to make the recent Senior Class, play the great success that it was, the class of February 1911 presented him with a beautiful pair of opera glasses.

Faculty Items.

Last Friday night, Professor Baskerville presided at the formal opening of the new Chemists' Club. The great honor conferred upon our Professor becomes evident when it is remembered that the Club is to be the headquarters of all the chemistry societies in this country.

Prof. Winslow has been elected Vice-Chairman of the section on Hygiene of the Eighth International Congress of Applied Chemistry which will convene in New York and Washington next year. Professor Baskerville, it will be recalled, is Vice-Chairman of the section of Inorganic Chemistry.

In the Catholic Encyclopedia which has just appeared from the press, there is an extensive article from the pen of Prof. Guthrie on "Migration."

On April 4th, Professor Schuyler of the History Department, will lecture at Normal College, on the subject "Social and Economic Conditions in Spain."

#### ATHLETICS.

#### A Reminder.

On the night of April 1st the most important event of our track season takes place. On that evening our gymnasium will probably be crowded to its limits, as we are quite sure that you will bring at least two "sisters" Surely the girls will want to see the 30-vard handicap and mile run, not to mention the other events Manager Judelsohn and Coach Mcon the program. Kenzie have worked zealously to make this meet a suc-They have even added a high jump handicap. All they need is the students' support. All the entries for the various events must be in by March 27, after which none will be received. The inter-fraternity relay race has been changed from handicap to novice. This will make the event all the closer and more exciting. The Athletic Association is giving a banner to the victorious quartet. The winners of the inter-class relay will receive handsome individual prizes, while the class which they represent will become the proud possessors of a cup. The class winning the highest point score will be presented with a beautiful victory trophy by THE CAMPUS.

The entry fee is extremely small,—one for 15 cents and two for a quarter. So dig in and enter some event. Probably the most interesting part of the evening's fun will be the Alumni-Varsity basketball game. What, we ask, can be more exciting than to see our boys against the old-timers (we hate to call them has-beens). To see Kaplan and Zinovoy line up against Heskowitz and Dave Perlman, to watch Frank Friedman battling against Katz, '10, and to witness the efforts of Propper and Captain "Rouge" to prevent Gorschen, Barbanell, Spivack, Brandt or Gemson from scoring, is in itself a treat. So, all you've got to do is to take a little trip to the gymnasium building, turn to your left, enter the A. A. room, and tickets will be sold to you cheerfully.

#### At Last.

After a long winter's rest, we are glad to greet you with an "All out for the ball-game!" To-day is the beginning of our season. Come out and help the team make a good showing, by your cheering and rooting. The game takes place on St. John's Field, in the heart of the "Bronicks." All our men will get a chance to show their ability. Sporen, Mullen and Storfer will speed them over the plate, to be received by Polley, or Propper. Roberts, Michaels, Kieran and Berrigan, the Morris H. S. star, will probably make up our infield, while Raggie, Hecht and Kelly will guard the outer works. Fordham has a strong team, but our men will put up a good fight. Come and see!

After we win (?) to-day's game, we will go after Columbia's scalp. Saturday afternoon is the day on which we shall try to avenge last year's disastrous defeat by the Light Blue and White. Come out and root!

#### Two Credits.

It may be interesting to note that our former captain and our present leader have both been honored. Heskowitz, '11, has been chosen All-American guard and "Rouge" has been selected guard on the second team. This choice was made by the New York American. Some class to our boys, eh?

Hacker and Lindholm are at the present time leading in the chess handicap tourney now in progress. Both have won all of the games in which they participated. Rosowsky is third, having won five and lost one game.

Tuesday, March 14th, Captain "Tom" Dolan, with a handicap of twenty-two yards finished third in the half mile handicap at the Pastime A. C. games.

Last Saturday evening, at the N. Y. A. C. swimming meet, our Captain-elect Coughlin, '12, competed in the 100-yard handicap.

#### Point Winners.

An interesting fact of the past swimming season, brought out by statistics, is that Warren Eisele, '15, who entered the College when the season was almost over, scored the greatest number of points, his amount being 20. Coughlin, '12, and Berman, '14, were tied for second with 15 points each. Mayer, '14, our plunger, scored 14, while Fielding, '11, our fancy-diver, 10 points.

#### A Chance.

All those desiring to try for a position as assistant athletic editor of THE CAMPUS will please place their applications in THE CAMPUS box in the Registrar's office.

"Dutch" Bogin, '13, for some reason or other known only to himself and to Manager Judelsohn, failed to shine in the recent games at New Haven.

#### Basketball Assistant.

The long-postponed meeting of the Executive Board of the Athletic Association took place last Friday afternoon. The most important question decided was the assistant basketball managership. Perlman's aide this year will be Isaacson, '13.

Dr. Woll acted as one of the judges in the Intercollegiate Gym Champs held at Yale last Monday.

#### Closed on Saturdays.

In the future the Gymnasium building will be closed on Saturdays. Professor Storey was forced to take this measure because of the great number of outsiders who found their way to the tank and showers. On a recent Saturday the Professor found in the building no less than 28 men who had no business there. The action is to be regretted but under the circumstances, it would have been folly to delay it.

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HE indoor meet which has been arranged for the evening of April 1st is the result of hard and persevering work on the part of the track manager and the coaches. Such efforts as these men have expended to bring track athletics into prominence, both at the College and outside, should not go un-

rewarded. Time after time unfavorable criticism has been directed against the utter lack of spirit the College has shown in the support of track athletics. The opportunity now presents itself to prove these assertions untrue. In order to stimulate a more healthy interest in this branch of athletics. THE CAMPUS will present a victory trophy to the class winning the most points. We hope that this will act as an incentive for a larger indoor meet to be held next year, a meet, such as was held three years ago when the College was prominent in the eyes of the athletic world.

We have received the gratifying information that there has been hung in the library of the late General Webb, the "In Memoriam" issued with THE CAMPUS of February 15th.

#### What Others Say.

Prof. Krotzky, German Exchange Professor to Columbia University, visited the German Department last Friday. He is one of ten "exchange teachers" whose special purpose in this country is to observe the work of German Departments in the high schools, colleges and universities and to report their findings to the Department of Education in Germany. Prof. Krotzky expressed himself as "pleased with the enthusiasm of the students and surprised at the amount of work done."

#### City College Club.

At the annual elections of the City College Club, held last Saturday night, Mr. Everett P. Wheeler, '56, was chosen president. His associates in office will be Messrs. Bernard Naumberg, '94, and Frederic Hobart, '60, first and second vice-presidents, respectively; Dr. Alfred Michaelis, '94, secretary; Mr. Robert C. Birkhahn, '01, treasurer; Mr. John Hardy, '53, historian. After the official business of the meeting the Club adjourned to a patriotic Irish Dinner. Irish music, an Irish recitation, Irish songs, an Irish address and Irish country dances made up the very interesting program of the evening.

#### Undergraduate Researches.

Three of the seven papers read at the last meeting of the New York section of the American Chemical Society represented the College. Professor Baskerville and Dr. Stevenson presented a paper on the "Examination of Commercial Oxygen." The other two were unique in that they furnished the very first instances in the history of the College that undergraduates appeared before the American Chemical Society with the results of their own researches.

The students referred to are E. Frankel, '12 and P. Rothberg, '13. They are to be congratulated upon the the warm reception that was accorded their theses. Dr. Curtman, too, under whose able direction they

worked, is to be congratulated.

#### A Letter from Professor Guthrie.

The importance of the Civic Club has been steadily growing. Its affiliation with the I. C. L. has called forth favorable comment from other institutions, and plans are being made to send a delegate to the second session of the league to be held in Washington next month. The following letter from one who has been most concerned in the club's welfare speaks for itself:

#### To the Editor of THE CAMPUS:

The Civic Club of the College is a branch of a national movement to bring colleges into organized activity in lines of civic interest. The Intercollegiate League is composed of the leading institutions of learning in this country, and its success has been marked and its interest on the increase. The general aim of this league is to do real civic work, take part in movements which have civic value to the community and give the student valuable practical points of view in the field of government. The club has a high purpose and holds to this noble aim. Students, the club depends on you to carry out this purpose. Its success and usefullness will be measered by your devotion and sacrifice. you now the Civic Club offers a chance to prepare for civic duty later. It will bring you in contact with college men everywhere interested in the growing movement toward civic betterment.

#### WILLIAM B. GUTHRIE.

Dr. Grendon of the English Department is busily occupied translating a play by August Steindberg, one of Sweden's greatest playwrights. His translation will appear in the May number of the International Magazine.

#### 1912 "Springfest."

The Class of 1912 will hold a Springfest about the end of April. This will be in the nature of a dinner. The Committee in charge of the arrangements for the gathering consists of Englander, Bungard, Kost, Miller, Siegel and Shientag.

#### Chemical Society.

At Saturday's meeting of the Chemical Society, Professor Winslow of the Department of Natural History will read a paper on "The Rôle of Bacteria in Chemical Reactions." Papers will also be read on the following subjects: "Nitrogen Fixation and Nitrification" by I. J. Kligler, '11; "Purification" by I. W. Katz, '11; and Enzyme Action" by B. Halpern, '11.

The meeting will begin promptly at 10:30 A. M.

#### The South Seas.

Dr. Crampton, '93, of the Museum of Natural History, will deliver his lecture before the Biological Society on his "Travels in the South Seas" to-morrow evening and not as otherwise reported last week.

#### Library Open to Evening Session.

The tendency of the Evening Session is more and more to take to itself the characteristics of the regular sessions. The most recent manifestation of this comes with the extension for one month of the use of the library, four nights during the week to the Session students. If the authorities find that there is a real need for the use of the library the privilege will be extended.

Phreno, Clio and Adelphian.

Last Friday evening witnessed the increasingly successful meetings of our three literary societies. program contained a talk on the aesthetic appreciation of the Pennsylvania Station and readings from the society's journal. Phreno's members entered into a general discussion on the Mexico situation. ians listened to a reading on Egypt and a talk on The Adelph. Scientific Hypnotism.

Dr. Weill will deliver an illustrated lecture to-morrow evening at Columbia University on "Le Château de Fontainebleu, Son Histoire."

Students who are taking courses in Aesthetics under Prof. Dielman may secure their art pictures at very advantageous rates from I. Zucker, Upper Senior.

## T. H. H. NOTES

GEORGE D. HIRSCH, Correspondent.

Dramatic Club.

Under the able supervision of Mr. Tynan, a Townsend Harris Hall Democratic Club has been founded. Interest can hardly be lacking from a society devoted to the histrionic art. It is exceedingly important for those who wish to participate in the school play, which will be produced toward the end of the present term, to communicate with Mr. Tynan immediately.

From some unknown source there has drifted into the Athletic Association Treasury, as a contribution to the Townsend Harris Hall Baseball team, the sum of,-

The results of the Upper A elections were: Edwards. President; Schlau, Vice President; Huessler, Recording Secretary; Raskin, Financial Secretary; Gerstenfeld,

#### Section Leagues.

A pleasing athletic innovation has been instituted this season. Baseball, swimming and tennis leagues, composed of teams representing the various sections, have been formed for "emulous contestation". Sections wishing to enter teams in either of the leagues should notify Mr. Linehan.

#### "La Lingo Esperanto."

The Esperanto Literary Club held its first meeting on March 13. Forty-five members were present at the meeting. The officers are: A. Kadison, President; M. Gross, Vice-President; T. Clendenin, Secretary; M. Kohn, Treasurer; H. Fried, Sergeant-at-Arms. Those of the "B", "A' or Freshman Classes desirous of becoming members may report in room 013 on Monday afternoons between 2:15 and 3:30 P. M.

#### Track News.

Margolis, of the track team, is hard at work trying to equal the High School 100-yard record of 10 2/5. He has already made it in 10 4/5, and is now running in fast form.

The "Four Hurricanes", Margolis, McClaire, Hertz and Von Bonin, who broke the 880-yard relay record at the High School championship games last January, will run at the Princeton games on March 25.

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