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S Professor Palmer mounted the red carpeted steps of the platform to give to the chairman of the debate the written decision of the judges, a hush fell over the audience. "The judges decide unanimously in favor of the affirmative side," read Dr. Gould pointing to the College team, and the audience

applauded long and heartily. The judges were Dr. William H. Allen, Mr. William B. Parker, Esq., and Mr. Mr. George W. Perkins Esq. Schwartz, Sabbatino, and Schiff, alternate, debated for the College and Price, Rogers and Brown, alternate, represented Johns Hopkins.

The men on the College team deserve praise for their excellent work. In language, pronunciation, rhetoric, grammatical construction, in logical reasoning they completely surpassed their opponents. Schwartz proved conclusively that the control of industrial corporations engaged in interstate business by a Federal Commission would correct the general uncertainty of the law and would prevent overcapitalization, factors agreements and local price discrimination. Sabbatino showed how effectively the commission could do its work without interfering with other organs of government. Price maintained that the commission of business men not versed in the technicalities of the law could not meet the problems which are essentially legal in character. Rogers stated that it is impossible for any one commission to keep strict supervision over all the two hundred thousand corporations doing interstate business. Schwartz closed the debate with a powerful refutation, quoting Supreme Court decisions to prove the constitutionality of creating such a commission.

In Baltimore, the College team—Curoe, Grant and

Roth, alternate—debating the negative side of the same question lost the decision by a vote of two to one. The effective, extemporaneous speaking of the College representatives brought forth the praise of Johns Hopkins Professor of Public Speaking. Roth aided his team-mates materially to refute the arguments of their opponents. The decision was against them; but we know that they gave the best that they had.

The work of the six men was so excellent and the interest which they have re-awakened in debating is so great, that we believe an assembly should be held in the great Hall during a lunch period to congratulate them.

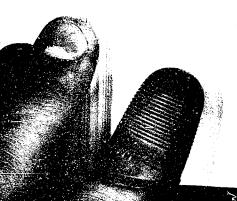
"Public Health and a Career."

The collection of voluntary subscriptions for the erection of a tablet to the memory of the late Edward M. Shepard was begun last week by the Student Council and thus far \$36.15 have been collected. More than one half of the College has yet to be heard from and it is expected that the fund will be swelled by at least fifty dollars more. The Council will issue charters to all societies which have been organized for at least three years at the College. The executive committee has been empowered to investigate the advisability of placing the production of the annual play by the Dramatic Society under the jurisdiction of the Council. Telegrams were sent by the Council to the debating in Baltimore offering them the best wishes of the student body.

To-day, at 1:20, Dr. W. H. Park '83, Director of the Research Laboratories of the New York Health Department will speak on "Public Health Work and a Career," in the History Lecture Theatre.

The President's Gift.

When Mayor Gaynor was convalescing after the attack made upon him on the steamship which was to carry him to Europe, the first book he read was a handsome edition of "Marcus Aurelius" which President Finley brought to him. In returning the book last week the Mayor wrote: "The beautiful type and mechanical work added to the joy of again reading the philosophical reflections of this great ruler." The president has presented the book to the Historical Museum, where it makes no mean addition to the hosts of rare and beautiful objects with which it is filled.



The French Play.

On Friday evening, April 26th, the French departments of this College and of Normal College will combine for the first time in the giving of a dramatic performance in French. If we may judge by the rehearsals this will surpass anything the French department has as yet achieved in this direction and will compare favorably with any plays the College has produced. In addition to "Les Fourberies de Scapin," there will be a one act play, "The Little Father of the Wilderness," by Messrs. Austin Strong and Lloyd Osbourne, the subject of which deals with the pioneer work of the French in America in the eighteenth century and the scene of which is laid at Versailles at the court of Louis XV. Subject and scene connect themselves naturally in the mind with President Finley's lectures in Paris last year. This delightful little comedy has been done into French by Mr. Laffargue, and he has managed the entire production. In addition to the two plays the young ladies of Normal College will give dances in costume, a menuet and the "Danse de la Neige." The scenery and the costumes will be of the finest. Twenty-one of our students have parts in the plays, and five of the young ladies from Normal College will lend charm and reality to the impersonation of the female parts. The Presidents of the two colleges will attend the performance and Ambassador Jusserand is expected to be present.

On Friday afternoon a dress rehearsal will be given at the Lyceum before the students of Normal College.

For Heaven's Sake.

The June 1912 class will offer a musical comedy in four acts entitled "For Heaven's Sake," on June 15th and 19th in the auditorium of Townsend Harris Hall. Impersonations of the Faculty, ridiculously funny situations, the humor of "Virginius Snicker" and the singing of a chorus of fifty, will make the play one of the most enjoyable presented in recent years. Tickets are on sale in the senior alcove.

Professor I. Davidson '95, of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will address the Menorah Society, to-day, on "Mediaeval Hebrew Poetry. On Friday, at 2:45, Professor O. Friedlander will discuss the Prophet Amos.

Serving the City.

The opportunity to serve the city in a slight way and incidentally to learn, perhaps, what will be of considerable service, is offered to students of the College by the Bureau of Municipal Research. Volunteers are wanted to translate German, French and Italian reports into English. The Bureau has not in mind translating entire reports, but rather translating the tops and sides of tables; that is to say, the subjects reported upon in the statistical tables of various foreign reports. Already several students have volunteered to do this work for the city, and others who desire to do so are requested to confer with President Finley. This is an exceptional opportunity for the students of the College to return in small measure the benefits and advantages which a great and generous city is showering upon us.

Patents.

Mr. Carleton Ellis, head of the New Jersey Testing Laboratories, and the holder of more than two hundred patents in the United States and other countries addressed an interested audience last Friday, in the Doremus Lecture Theatre, on the "Methods Pursued in Developing Inventions." The patent system is founded on the principle that patents should be issued only for the best interest of the public. The patentee is given a seventeen year monopoly as a reward for his ingenuity.

A delegation of distinguished Frenchmen is coming to this country to present a bust by Rodin to be placed in the Champlain Memorial Lighthouse on Lake Champlain. Several of them will attend the French play on Friday evening.

With the Engineers.

The Engineering Society held one of the most successful meetings of this term last Monday afternoon. Peter L. Tea, '08, E. E., spoke on "The Time Required to Heat Large Buildings to Normal Temperature." Charles Wineburgh, '02, M. E., delivered a talk on the heating and ventilating plant of a typical school building, illustrating the solution of the problem involved A general discussion by the members then followed. Tomorrow several of the members will visit the Woolworth building to study the structural problems of skyscrapers in New York city.



ATHLETICS.

A Seton Hall Victory.

In the third game of the season, held Saturday, April 13th, our ball team was defeated at the hands of Seton Hall to the tune of 11 to 2. Perhaps they were unnerved by the enthusiastic buzz of giant mosquitoes rooting for the home nine; but, at any rate, "our boys" were downed, and downed hard. This is how it happened:

We started poorly—being unable to score in the first but in their half the Jerseyites connected with Pitcher Magnier's delivery and batted out four runs before "three out" was called on them. The second session furnished a little excitement in the form of a neat double play between Geogehan, O'Connell and Greenberg. The infield then rested on its laurels and for the rest of the game played an unheard-of brand of ball. Bunts, flies and grounders eluded their fingers with monotonous regularity. At the end of the fourth inning Seton Hall had amassed ten runs and we were still struggling for breath under the whitewash coating. In the fifth, sixth and seventh our ball tossers were more fortunate and succeeded in sending two men across the home plate. By this time "the shades of night were falling fast," and the umpire halted the proceedings. It is worthy of note that the College registered five hits and six errors, whereas the Setonites scored six hits and made two errors. Evidently something is wrong with the team's fielding powers. Kelly played an excellent game in the field, and Captain Hecht was in his usual good form. The score:

Batteries—C. C. N. Y., Magnier-Sappoe; Seton Hall, Otte, Carter and Peploski.

Nessler, Handball Champion.

Daniel Nessler, who supplies the 1913 Class with milk daily, won the handball championship last Tuesday. By defeating Issler three games in succession he earned the right to the title and to the silver medal offered by the Athletic Association. Walter Lockwood, the runner-up, will receive a stick-pin for his good work with the small rubber ball. The credit for the success of the tournament is due Track Manager Davis.

Picked Up on the Plaza,

Stephen C. Carr, June 1914, has been elected Assistant Swimming Manager. Congratulations, Steve!

Captain Siebern is not engaged. He won that fine diamond ring he is wearing at the Paulist A. C. meet. He was second in the mile run.

Our basketball team is practising weekly, not weakly, in the gym. The first home game will take place this Friday with Cathedral College. C. C. N. Y. ought to have a walk-away.

Baseball Manager Isaacson is working on next year's schedule. It is rumored that one home game will be played in an armory and will be followed by dancing.

McGrath and Riemer are practising daily in the tank.

Columbia Triumphs.

"The First Annual Track and Field Meet for the Championship of the Colleges of Greater New York" was a triangular meet between Columbia, N. Y. U. and C. C. N. Y. Fordham did not appear and no Brooklyn colleges were represented. The boys from Morningside Heights took every first place, and every "second" but three. In five events neither N. Y. U. nor the College scored a place; it was Columbia first, second and third. The point score shows how hopelessly the teams from University and St. Nicholas Heights were out-classed. Columbia rolled up 102½ points, New York University 11, while the most the College could get was 3½. The meet was merely practice for Columbia. We would like to see a meet arranged in which all the Colleges in Greater New York, with the exception of Columbia, should take part. With Fordham, N. Y. U., Pratt, Brooklyn College, St. Francis Xavier, Manhattan, Brooklyn "Poly" and C. C. N. Y., all contesting, the spectators would see a "meet as is a meet."

Our team took four places, one of which was a tie. B. Roth, '14. was a good third to S. E. Graham and H. S. Babcock of Columbia in the high hurdles. Roth is a new-comer in athletics and with practice should become a star. In the mile run Captain Siebern was third at the tape. Fred. Schang, '15, who did so well in the Fresh-Soph meet, was third in the low hurdles. Sullivan, '14, tied for third in the high jump. He and Weis-

kotton of Columbia were an inch behind the two men who tied for first—Simon and Babcock of Columbia. Babcock, the big, blonde, curly-haired Columbia captain, did great work. This intercollegiate champion scored three firsts and a second for his team.

The usual question, "Where were the College rooters?" must be asked, together with an unusual one, "Where were some of the members of the track team?" More than one man upon whom the College relied to take a place was not at the meet. We hope the indifference of the student body will not affect the track team.

A. A. Elections.

Within a short while the athletic association elections will take place. The close fight for offices last year promises to be repeated. President Sommer has set the day for Friday, May 10th. All nominations should be in by May 3. Candidates must be registered members of the class they represent. The President will come from February or June 1913; the vice-president from June 1913; the secretary and treasurer must be members of 1914, and 1915 men are eligible to file nominations for property man and assistant treasurer. Off with your coats candidates, and get to work!

Faculty vs. Seniors.

Before the final tilt takes place between the graduating class and the Faculty in June, a preliminary struggle in the form of a baseball game will be held on May 10th at Olympic Field, 135th Street and Fifth Avenue. The Faculty will strive hard to maintain their reputation as whitewashers. The Seniors will try to acquire such a reputation. It is rumored that Professor Fuentes, the versatile manager and pitcher of "the powers that be" will permit his latest acquisition from the Pacific Coast League of Zero Dispensers to play in the game. Hats off to Professor Overstreet. Professor Tisdall is already preparing for the fray, and promises to live up to his reputation as a fair arbiter in all cases. Tickets are only ten cents and may be secured from any senior.

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A deep significance attaches itself to the assembly. Not only was it a gathering to discuss an undertaking of the student body, but it was the first concrete manifestation of student self-government at the College. The Council must not rest satisfied with this initial step. It must go ahead; it must call mass meetings frequently. Student opinion upon matters which are of vital concern to them must be given an opportunity to express itself.

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The Republican Convention.

An event unique in the history of the College will take place next Monday evening, April 29th, when an exact reprodction of the Republican National Convention at Chicago, will be given by the students of the Evening Sessions at Townsend Harris Hall under the direction of Dr. Schapiro, at nine o'clock all class room recitations will cease and the entire student body will adjourn to the auditorium to take part in the convention. Each State will be represented by a delegation which will number only one fourth of the actual delegation sent to Chicago, owing to the limited size of the student body. A temporary and permanent chairman will be elected; Roosevelt, Taft, La Follette and Hughes will be nominated from the floor, and the entire proceedings of the Chicago Convention will be faithfully portrayed. The students and the public are cordially invited to

The annual elections of the Dramatic Society will be held to-day during the lunch period. The entire cast of the "Wedding March" is earnestly urged to be present.

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High School Teacher.

A symposium on "The Training of the High School Teacher" will be held in the History Lecture Room this evening. The symposium is the result of Professor Duggan's efforts to fix the status of the teacher in the High Schools with regard to the relation between efficiency and advance in salary. Not only are the speakers of the evening the foremost authorities on the subject of secondary education, but they are also the men who are in a position to state officially what the Board of Education expects of its High School teachers. Mr. Edward L. Stevens, Associate Superintendent of the New York City Schools will tell "What the Board of Superintendents Wants;" Dr. Walter L. Hervey, of the Board of Examiners will give "The Viewpoint of the Board of Examiners"; Mr. John H. Denbigh, Principal of the Morris High School, will state "The Viewpoint of a High School Principal"; Professor Frank W. Ballow, member of the Hanus Committe on School Inquiry, will talk from "The Viewpoint of an Investigator," and John Franklin Brown, author of "Training of Teachers for Secondary Schools" and head of the Education Department of the Macmillan Publishing Company, will point out "What Germany Can Teach Us." Every T. H. H. instructor and all students who expect to teach in the High Schools of New York will attend.

The President.

To-morrow the President will speak at the joint banquet of the American Newspapers Publishers' Association and the Associated Press. The speakers will include Dr. Talcott Williams, head of the Pulitzer School of Journalism and Augustus Thomas, the playwright.

The President has extended an invitation to Guglielmo Marconi to be present at a public reception in his honor, to be held at the college, some day this week. Mr. Marconi, deeply appreciative of the honor, has promised to attend the reception if his affairs will allow him to do so. Mayor Gaynor will be asked to be present, and Andrew Carnegie has expressed a desire to attend.

Biological Discoveries.

At the Students' Biological Seminar, held Monday April 15th, Crozier '12 gave the results of extended original investigation on the the "Autolysis of Proteins." M. Cohen '12, reviewed a number of recent papers on the "Inheritance of Epilepsy as a Mendalian Characteristic."

Dr. Heckman will speak on "Defective Children" and Pels '14 will read a paper entitled "Pearl Fisheries," at the meeting to-morrow afternoon.

Last Sunday the members of the society adjourned to the shores of Long Island Sound to study brackish water life in the early spring and will bring back for the vivarium specimens of star fish, sea anemone and shrimp.

The class in Advanced Botany journeyed to the American Sugar Refining Company, last Tuesday.

The scientific journals which the Department of Natural History is receiving through the generosity of Mr. Felix Warburg of Kuhn, Loeb and Company, will be bound in book form for purposes of ready reference.

The 1913 class will hold a reunion and smoker on the evening of May 6th in the general Webb room. Refreshments will be served and a good program is being arranged. Subscriptions may be given to J. Raphael.

Professor Overstreet has been asked to represent the University of California at the inauguration of President Hibben of Princeton, May 11th.

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Recall of Judges.

A symposium on the Recall of Judges will be held at the meeting of the City College Club this Friday evening. The speakers of the evening will be Hon. John Hardy '53, Hon. Edward Lauterbach '64, Hon. J. Hampton Doughtery '71, Hon. Samuel Greenbaum '72. Dr. Henry M. Leipziger '73 and Professor Overstreet. Some of the best lawyers in New York City will take part in the open discussion which will close the program.

1914 Smoker.

The 1914 class held a smoker in the lunch room, last Saturday night. Abundant refreshments were served, entertainment was afforded by members of the class and their friends. The wonderful feats performed by a 'magician' were especially pleasing. The smokers departed at midnight singing class and college songs and wishing each other success at the fast oncoming lune 'exams.'

The class of '92 will hold its twentieth anniversary dinner on Thursday evening, April 26th, at Rollino's. A large attendance is assured.

The New York "Sun" has recently been investigating the matter of incomes earned by college men during the first few years after their graduation. After making its investigation, the "Sun" published an article dealing with Yale men in particular, showing that the graduates who entered the Life Insurance business earned more money than those who embarked in any other business or profession, the average income for the first year being \$1,665., increasing in five years to \$2,708.

I should be very greatly pleased if any student who is at all interested in the above statement and who is about to graduate or who desires to earn some money during his summer vacation will favor me with a call at my office. It certainly cannot harm us to become acquainted, and I shall be very glad to put my time against yours.

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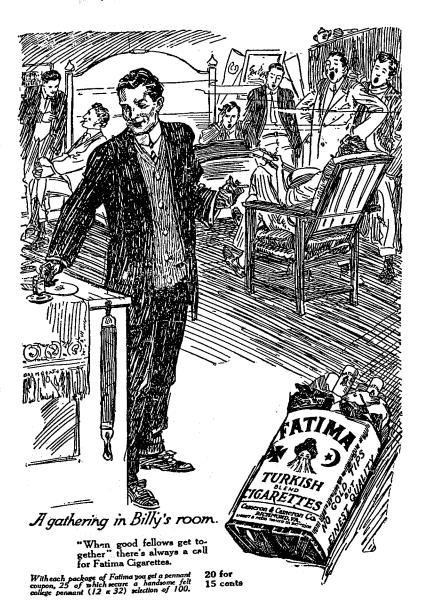
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