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## Dr. Carrel Honored.



MORE than six thousand people were massed in the Great Hall on Saturday morning to do honor to Dr. Alexis Carrel, of the Rockefeller Institute, who was awarded the Nobel prize in medicine. President Taft arrived at about 10.45 and asked to be permitted to rest somewhat before he spoke. Mr. John Purroy Mitchell, President of the Board of Alderman, greeted Dr. Carrel with a short address, during which he said that Dr. Carrel's distinction lies not so much in his winning of the Nobel prize as in the benefits which humanity will derive from his discoveries. Professor Downer said that he honors us more than we can honor him. Isadore A. Schwartz '13, president of Le Cercle Jusserand, delivered a short address in French. Ambassador Jusserand made a most eloquent tribute to Dr. Carrel. "In the long and difficult search for the Holy Grail of knowledge, Dr. Carrel has led humanity one great step forward." The Ambassador traced the history of medicine and surgery in France, and ranks Dr. Carrel with Lavoisier and Louis Pasteur. Of his work, he said: "That which was dead he made to live again—the heart to beat, the lung to breathe."

Dr. Carrel, rising to speak, was greeted with a tremendous cheer that echoed through the Hall. He spoke modestly, saying: "Every step in scientific progress is the result of the silent work of many other scientists who have labored unceasingly through the years. The realization of the ambitious dreams of the great scientists is being carried on faithfully in the Rockefeller Institute."

President Finley, in introducing President Taft, spoke of his own personal friendship with the late ex-President of

the United States, Grover Cleveland, and he hoped that President Taft and he would become just as good friends. Mr. Theodore F. Miller, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the College then formally presented the President.

President Taft complimented the City College by saying that there is no greatness in the City of New York as great as the College of the City of New York. He reciprocated Dr. Finley's hope that they would become close friends. He spoke jestingly on the fact of his own prominence in being placed in the middle of the program and suggested that his rotundity would make a good center. Congratulating Dr. Carrell, he continued: "He takes his place among the great men of France and of the world, formally by the award of the Nobel prize, actually by the great progress he has made possible in the world."

Arnold W. Brunner, the noted architect who drew up the plans for the stadium, then unveiled the plaster cast model which he has made of the stadium and presented to view the exact replica in miniature as it will look when complete. Mr. McAneny, President of the Borough of Manhattan, said that the model follows closely the lines of the Coliseum and reminds him of the "grandeur that was Rome." He called Mr. Adolph Lewisohn, who has so generously offered to build the stadium, "a good citizen." Mr. Lewisohn spoke on the great benefits which he hoped would accrue to the college from the stadium and said that the open air athletics would help to make the men better fitted for their struggles.

At the end of the assembly, a large part of the audience pressed forward to look at the model, which stood in front of the platform. The High School Committee of the Faculty entertained at luncheon some of the High School principals.

#### Faculty Tribute to Professor Le Gras.

A committee was appointed at the last meeting of the Faculty to draw up a set of engrossed resolutions on the death of Professor Gustave Le Gras. The resolutions will appear in the next issue of THE CAMPUS.

### Council Finances.

Professor Downer, the Faculty treasurer of the Student Council, sent in his report of the Council's finances at the last meeting. The balance at hand on September 1, 1912, was \$224.84, of which \$84.75 was tied up in the Northern Bank. Later \$100 was given to the printer on the account of the 1913 *Microcosm*. At present the balance in the treasury is \$47.99. The debate committee reported that teams have been chosen from the Freshman and Sophomore classes and that the Seniors and Juniors are delaying to allow the lower classmen to meet. The committee on assemblies reported that the entire matter of ushering at the assembly last Saturday morning was entrusted to it and that it had secured over thirty men to assist them in performing that service. The Council's piano is now in safe hands and has been rented out to the 1916 Thespians for the term. The Faculty Employment committee is footing the bill for the printed circulars of questions which were drawn up by the Statistics committee for distribution this week among the students. A banner was ordered for the Freshman class, the winner of the flag rush and the track meet. The tug-of-war will not take place. The Council refused to take any action in the troubled affairs of the lower 1913 class with regard to the Senior Dance committee.

### Regular Assemblies Next Term.

The Faculty has approved of the plan for holding regular weekly assemblies during the spring term. All recitations will be suspended between 12 and 1 o'clock on Thursdays and the whole College will assemble in the Great Hall. On alternate weeks the president will preside and the entire body of instructors and students will be present. The other weeks will be given up to student gatherings and activities. There are wonderful opportunities present in the arrangement for the fostering of a live college interest.

During the spring term also there will be prepared a series of evening addresses by members of the Faculty at regular intervals in the Great Hall. The public will be invited to attend.

### More Singing.

All the students are requested to attend the assembly to-day at lunch hour to practice again the singing of College songs. Cheer leader Davis has received some new songs and cheers that will be used at the athletic events. Advantage should be taken of this opportunity to learn what has been written for us. THE CAMPUS will issue in two weeks a supplement containing all the songs and cheers officially accepted by the Athletic Association for the season 1912-13.

### The Chinese Republic.

Mr. Gamewell, who spoke on the "New Republic of China" last week, has spent thirty-one years in China, and the tale that he told was as fascinating as a novel. In 1900 he played an important part in the Boxer uprising. For weeks the Foreign Legations prepared feverishly for the coming trouble. They were besieged the day after they were commanded to leave the country and for fifty-six days were shut up in the British Legation headquarters with little food beside rice and horse meat. Incendiary fires kept them watchful all the time and disease threatened. In spite of the constant bombardment by the Chinese, not one woman or child was injured.

Mr. Gamewell showed that the Chinese, too, are responding to the Western spirit which has invaded the Orient. A trolley line has been built about the walls of Peking and two hundred miles of railroad are in the immediate vicinity.

### Debating Progress.

The first trials of the interclass debating series were held last Wednesday. They resulted in the selection of six Freshmen and three Sophomores. The next trials are scheduled for the near future and Mr. Freeburg is encouraged to believe that there will be splendid teams representing each class.

Extensive preparations are going on to make the Junior Prom the great event of the College this year, some classmen venturing to suggest that it will even eclipse the anticipated brilliancy of the Senior Dance.

## ATHLETICS.

### Varsity Shots.

Out of the men who have come out regularly for practice these past two months, the varsity will be chosen and measured for uniforms on Friday. We venture a safe guess on the following men: Everett Southwick, Palmer Bradner, Hyman Kaplan, Sol Schulbeg, Peter Sappoe, Joseph Saltman, Leo Sorrin and Clarence Weirich. The whole squad is on edge and Coach Palmer thinks that a week's rest will work wonders since they might become stale under the strenuous practice of the past six weeks. Even handball for them will be tabooed.

The basketball trip will be south instead of north as the manager had formerly contemplated. The reason for this turnabout is that the colleges up north have their schedules filled.

The basket ball game with the Washington Heights Y. M. C. A. five last Monday night was one of the fastest that was ever played on our court. Coach Palmer's men had heir hands full when they beat the Heighters by 32 to 30.

In night practice this week we tackled the Knickerbocker A. C. and next week we meet the Church House team. Our men will find them pretty heavy since they average about 180 pounds.

We are glad to see bouncing little "Doc" Cohen, the plucky guard of last year's Freshman team, once more on the floor practicing with the squad. "Doc" dislocated his shoulder a few weeks ago, but he passed it over with his good-natured smile. He's a great player, and we hope and expect to see him with the varsity squad next term.

It would be well for our swimming manager to follow the example of our northern brethren and busy himself with a home schedule. Thus far we have only one home meet and three away from home. Such a good swimming team as our ought to be given more opportunity to show its ability before our rooters.

The Freshman basketball team came back last week and beat the Townsend Harris aggregation who seemed to have things their own way in the previous contest. Manager Thomas's desire for r-r-re-venge is satisfied!

### 1915 Wins.

Oh, what a relief! We won't have that rubber stamp of "1916 Wins" made, after all. We can, without fear of contradiction, announce boldly that 1915 won the interclass swimming meet which was finished last Wednesday. The 100-yard swim was won by Riemer, '15, in the time of 1.05 2-5. Steinhof, '13, captured first place in the 50-yard swim in 32 seconds flat. In the 100-McGrath, '14, followed Riemer, and Nussbaum, '14, was third. But Nussbaum was second in the 50, with Israel, '13, third. The final point score of the meet is 25 for 1915, 13 for 1914, 11 for 1913 and 4 for 1916. Thus the Sophs won over the Juniors by 12 points. If the Sophs keep up their good work they may soon catch up to the frisky Freshies.

### Again the Freshmen!

This time it's soccer. But this time it was not the sophs who were beaten. Stuyvesant was the one that went home with its tail between its legs. 1916 emerged on the happy side of the score 3--0. Donovan scored two goals and Shanholt one, while Drake played a good game at center half. According to our sporting writer, "Stuyvesant has some ball-booter in Witmars, credite nobis." Duke Farrell has been elected captain of the 1916 team. Commerce will be the team's opponent tomorrow afternoon.

When the Stuyvesant aggregation arrived, no place was available for dressing quarters. A consultation was held by the captains of the two teams as to whether it would be more advisable to pitch a tent on the campus for a dressing room or to call a carpenter to build a log cabin on the gym roof. Since the consultation was carried on in whispers, the CAMPUS sleuth could not hear the outcome of the causerie but the players finally used the vestibule of the gym building for their dressing quarters.

### Cheering Practice.

Besides the singing and cheering which will be practiced in the Great Hall during the lunch hour, Cheer Leader Davis calls for practice on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the gymnasium. Remember! Saturday, December 7, is the first game! We must all be Johnny-on-the-spot.

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### Chess Club Awakening.

In order to arouse a keener interest in chess among the students, the Chess Club has decided to install a chess table and chess bulletin in Alcove No. 6 in addition to their establishment on the fourth floor, where they share quarters with the Y. M. C. A. At a regular meeting which they held on Thursday last Lazarus D. Rosowsky, '14, was elected president; S. Muldofsky, '16, vice-president; S. Hertan, '16, secretary, and M. Grossman, '16, treasurer. Even here the Freshmen lead the procession.

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Doc Kennedy is now at Dartmouth. Doc tells us he received the highest mark in English last month. Brain and brawn is ever our motto!

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### Motion Pictures of Rush.

It may be of interest to the Freshmen and Sophomores to know that motion pictures of their flag rush were exhibited lately by the Pathé Frères Company in their weekly events. It was numbered 44-1912. Perhaps the Freshmen would care to buy part of the reel.

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### City College Club.

A regular meeting of the City College Club will be held at its rooms on the evening of Saturday, November 23. On that evening it will listen to a travelogue on "Paris and Its Environs," by Mr. Walter S. Schneider, who spent many years in France as a student under Professor Duquesne at the Academie des Beaux Arts. For eight years Mr. Schneider travelled extensively through the country, covering a distance of over 4,000 miles on a bicycle. His knowledge of historic places, theatres, galleries, celebrations and café-life is authoritative, illuminating and interesting.

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## Fraternities.



MERSON, writing on "Compensation," said: "The ingenuity of man has been dedicated to the solution of one problem, — how to detach the sensual sweet, the sensual strong, the sensual bright, etc., from the moral sweet, the moral deep, the moral fair; that is, again, to contrive to cut clean off this upper surface so thin as to leave it bottomless; to get a *one end*, without an *other end* . . . But because of the dual constitution of things, in labor as in life, there can be no cheating . . . The law of nature is, Do the thing, and you shall have the power; but they who do not the thing have not the power."

Such is the manner of compensation and how does it apply to fraternities? Several men come together and swear to stand firmly by each other through the years of college life and to be "brothers" even after it. Each man immerses himself thoroughly in his little group life and receives from it what development he can. The



returns, on the whole, are beneficial, if we discount the petty evils which are present in everything. He learns, very likely, the joy of fraternizing, has a satisfying social life and enjoys the material benefits of college.

The other end of the log, however, tells against him. The shaping of his ideals, their sound building and broadening, suffer. For his life is hemmed in by the narrow life of his group. He has no sense of the vital, cosmopolitan life of the larger social body. What signifies to him the struggles of the great masses of the college, what share has he in the universal feeling, if he be shut off from the pulsing crowd with its joys and sorrows. He lacks the feel of self-confidence and the larger fellowship which comes from contact with the spirit of the college, Whitman, the poet of comradeship, the preacher of the greater fraternity, asks: "Stranger! if you, passing, meet me, and desire to speak to me, why should you not speak to me? And why should I not speak to you?" The fraternity man stifles his desire to speak to the stranger because his artificial bond warns him, "You must not! You belong to me!"

Nature's law of compensation takes away from the fraternity man the living of the mob life while he reaps the benefits of the exclusive life. The day of real democracy has not yet come. Perhaps it is not time! Perhaps it cannot! And then, perhaps we do not want it to come!

Much of the indefinite haze which surrounds the fraternity question would be cleared away by the sun of public discussion. The pages of *THE CAMPUS* are open to advocates of either side.

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### Next Week.

One week from to-night the gymnasium will be lighted up by the presence of our dignified Seniors in resplendent evening dress and accompanied by their hearts' delights. Here's to you, ladies!

The proximity of the date should act as a prod in the ribs of those dallying Seniors who have not yet handed in their deposits. The Faculty will be represented in full force to monopolize the dances of your fairest one. Here's the senior opportunity to get on the soft side of the profs.

### The Four Hundred.

Friday, November 22, and Saturday, November 30, are two important dates on the Newman Club Calender. Mr. Meader, editor of the *Common Cause*, will speak on "Marxian Socialism" on the former evening and on the 30th, all the members of the club will gather in Murray's festive balls for their annual dinner.

Phrenocosmia had a fruitful discussion, pro and con, on the value of fraternities in the life of the college. The subject is a too important one to let rest in the hands of a small group. A public discussion would be beneficial.

The three scientific societies, Biological, Chemical and Engineering, will hold their joint-meeting next Monday afternoon.

The Reverend Dr. Schulman, an alumnus of the college, has invited the members of the Menorah Society, in the name of the Temple Beth-El, to attend a special service on the morning of Sunday, December 8. This is offered in lieu of a lecture that Dr. Schulman was scheduled to deliver at the college.

The Civic Club migrated from their regular meeting room to the senior alcove. Professor Guthrie lifted the cobwebs from the dust-laden alcoves by his stirring talk on the necessity for independent economic thought by everyone and the critical need for clear judgment in these days of political scheming. Hyman Schwartz '13, the other speaker, is emulating the eloquence of the professor.

December 20 is the date set for the semi-annual Clionia debate. Clionia proposes the subject this term and Phrenocosmia chooses the side. According to the latest indications the subject will be: "Resolved, That the economic independence of women will insure greater stability of the home."

The Freshmen are planning a stock company! Under the management of the 1916 Thespians, a series of light comedies are projected for presentation before the students and the proceeds (?) will go toward a reserve fund for future production. One must admire the assiduity of these enterprising youngsters. They are busy late into the afternoon of every Friday and they have hired the Student Council piano for the season.

### Subjects for Prizes.

"The Causes, Conduct and Conclusions of the Great Civil War in the United States" is the subject announced for the General Tremain prize of one hundred and fifty dollars. There is a second prize of fifty dollars offered. The essays must be between five and eight thousand words in length and must be handed in by April 15, 1913. The competition is open to all registered Juniors and Seniors.

"The Recent Development of Municipal Home Rule in the United States" was approved as the subject for the James Gordon Bennett prize in political science for the fall term.

Mr. James W. Steers, who has given much already toward the work and libraries of the scientific departments in College, has donated one thousand dollars for the endowment of a prize in Art. Details are now under consideration.

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### The "Twelve Pounder."

The third volley of the *Twelve Pounder* has been fired by the class of February 1912. Sol Perlman has resigned as one of the gunners and Will M. Finger has taken his place. Herb Apfelbaum is still directing the aim of the *Twelve Pounder*. All these gentlemen when in College devoted their energies to THE CAMPUS.

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### Chemical Society.

On Friday evening the following program will be presented before the Chemical Society: Kaplan, '13, "Corn Products;" Kubn, '13, "Theory of Electrolytic Dissociation;" Gergofsky, '13, "New Method for Determination of Vapor Density" and "The Analysis of a Mixture of CN and HCN."

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Prof. Alfred G. Compton, secretary of the Students' Aid Fund since its establishment in 1858, has resigned after fifty-four years of faithful and efficient service. Mr. Alfred D. Compton of the English Department, at a meeting held on November 11th, was elected in his place on the Board of Trustees of the Fund. Professor Sim was re-elected president and Professor Burke treasurer for the coming year.

### The Mental Hygiene Exhibit.

Perhaps you noticed in the Hall alcove a child trying to put some irregularly shaped blocks into holes made for the purpose; perhaps you heard the questions put and answered. Yes, we have in our midst a Mental Hygiene Exhibit, the result of a nation-wide movement for the cure and prevention of insanity and mental diseases. The National Committee for Mental Hygiene, has for its object the protection of the mental health of the public at large, the promotion of the study of mental disorders and the amelioration of conditions among those suffering from mental disorders. A worthy and noble purpose and one which every citizen should strive for. And it is a significant fact that our College has been chosen to house this wonderful exhibit. Another case where C. C. N. Y. is serving the city, even the whole country.

### Socialism vs. Capitalism.

Professor Guthrie upheld the capitalistic system in debate against Prof. George R. Kirkpatrick, formerly of the University of Chicago, who championed the cause of Socialism. It was a case of Greek meeting Greek, for both have no mean renown in debate. Moreover, this question seems to be a perpetual bone of contention between them, for it is by no means the first time that they have matched their wits against each other. The debaters were both on fire. How the sparks did fly!

### The Poor Trusts.

Professor Clark spoke ably on "The Truth About the Trust" at the Young Men's Hebrew Association last Saturday evening.



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### The Prominence of "The Campus."

Business and poetry are combined in the person of Moses P. Epstein, business manager of THE CAMPUS, who was last week elected poet-historian of the June 1914. Jerome M. Ziegler, news editor on THE CAMPUS, modestly (?) makes us aware of the fact that he has been elected marshal of the same class. Quite a family party!

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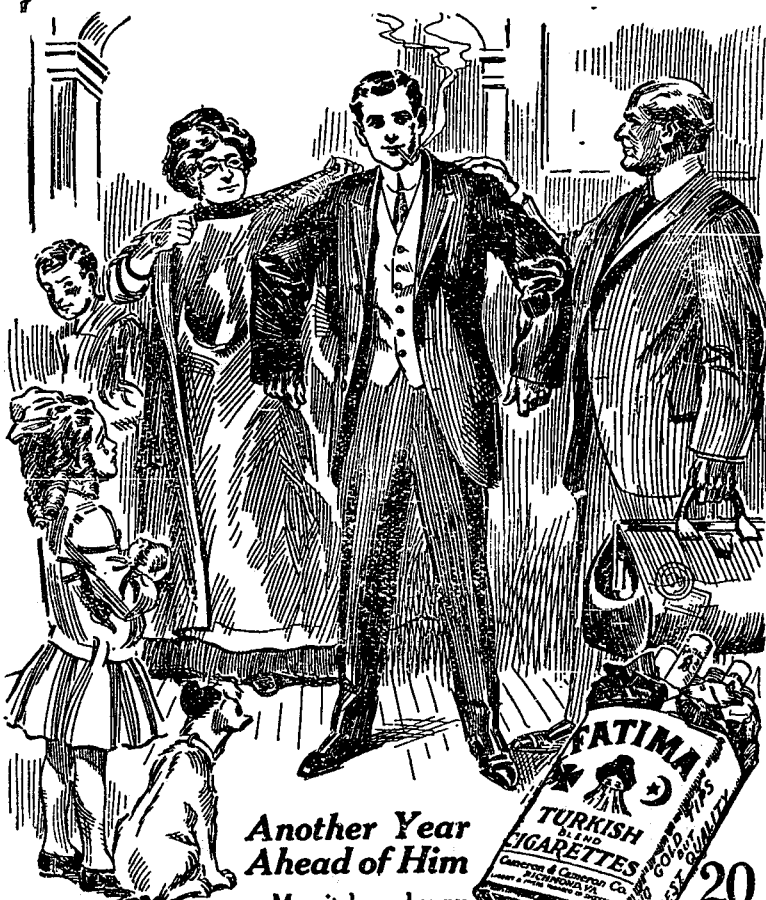
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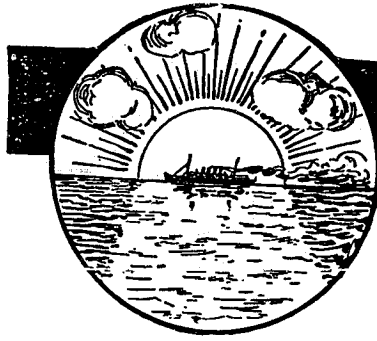
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