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State Oration Contest.



THE GREAT HALL will be the scene, on Friday evening, of a peace oration contest in which eight colleges from New York state will be represented. Columbia, Cornell, Fordham, Colgate, Hamilton, Alfred, St. Stephen's and our own college—all these colleges, in the persons of their most able advocates, will contend for the two prizes of two hundred and one hundred dollars and for the honor of representing New York state in the inter-state peace contest which will be held later. The speakers have been chosen from their respective colleges by elimination contests for which, also, prizes were offered. Hyman Schwartz '13 will represent the City College.

It is desired that as many students as possible be accompanied by young ladies since their presence is inspiring to the best effort. Moreover, it has been suggested that the City College men be scattered throughout the hall since it might seem a trifle unbalanced to have our students *en masse* and the other colleges comparatively unrepresented in the audience.

"The Critic" a Success.

An ample audience in the Garden Theatre last Saturday evening proved by their hearty laughter and enthusiastic applause that "The Critic" had hit the bull's eye of success. The play was a continuous round of satire and broad comedy that brought forth gales of laughter. Mr. Puff, a pretentious advocate of modern

self-advertising methods has written a play, "The Spanish Armada," to the dress rehearsal of which he invites Dangle and Sneer, two critics, to get the benefit of their opinion. The second act is occupied with the rehearsal, which is carried on before the audience. Mr. Puff has granted the players *carte blanche* in cutting the play to suit themselves, and forsooth, as Mr. Puff himself remarked, "They have cut it so much that scarcely the trunk is left!" Amusing incidents of the first act, the scene of which is laid in Dangle's home, are those in which Sir Fretful Plagiary's tragedy is criticized by Sneer and in which the foreigners come to pay Mrs. Dangle their respects. Henry Lugand was irresistible as the Interpreter.

Isaac Chapman, as usual, was the star performer of the play, appealing as much by his handsome presence as by his acting. David Bogen, as Don Ferolo Whiskerandos, and Raymond Farrel, as the Beefeater, caused round after round of laughter in the duel scene. Max Meisel played Sir Fretful Plagiary with much art, bringing out clearly the inconsistency of his words and actions. Messrs. Dangle and Sneer, played by Ziegler and Peterson respectively, complemented each other very well. David Grant, Sydney Caulfield, Harry Rotkowitz and Helmuth Moerchen created much amusement. Roy Denslow, as Lady Tilburnia, looked lovely and Harry Falk, as her confidante, assisted her ably in the mad scene.

Parents' Association Meeting.

The Parents' Association of the schools, churches and settlements of Greater New York held a meeting on Friday evening in the Great Hall under the auspices of the City Club, the Public Education Association and the City College. The object of the association is to acquaint parents with school aims and organizations and to suggest ways in which they can cooperate with the educational authorities. Dr. William H. Maxwell made the

principal speech on the "Relation of the Parent to the School." He said all parents could be classified in three main groups, the helpful, the indifferent and the injurious. The indifferent were the most numerous and the helpful more numerous than the injurious. Children respect authority only as they are taught to respect at home. Where there is no such teaching we find no such respect. Dr. Maxwell ended by saying that as it was easier to improve the schools than the parents, the association should devote itself to improving the schools.

President Finley announced that \$5,000 has been appropriated for a psychological laboratory in the college to be at the service of teachers. The other speakers on the program were Mr. Arthur W. Dunn, executive secretary of the Public Education Association, and Mr. Lyman Beecher Stowe, of the City Club. A musical program was delivered by Professor Baldwin and by a chorus of 150 girls from Wadleigh High School under the direction of Mr. Frank R. Rix.

Press Club to be Formed.

At the last meeting of the Student Council it was decided to organize a Press Club, to consist of the correspondents to the various metropolitan papers, the college paper editors and the faculty press representatives, Professor Ball, Dr. Goldfarb and Mr. Groesbeck. The purpose of the new organization is to decide every week what news shall be sent and to make a division of labor. The college dance committee was instructed to arrange to hold the dance on the first Friday in April. The alumni have already been communicated with through Howard C. Green, secretary of the Alumni Association. Several important suggestions have been made for the reorganization of the Student Council, and these will be considered at the next meeting. It was reported that 140 subscriptions have already been received for the 1914 Microcosm. There is a greater mass of material in store than has ever been used before and it is expected that this Microcosm will be larger than any other. A committee is already arranging for a Soph-Fresh peace banquet in which both classes will bury the hatchet forever.

In Honor of Dr. McKelway.

Dr. St. Clair McKelway, newly chosen Chancellor of the Board of Regents, was the main guest at the reception in the Great Hall last Thursday. Mr. McCombs was unable to come since he was detained in Washington by President Wilson. Besides Dr. McKelway, the speakers included Mr. Frederick B. Bellamy, a trustee of the college, and the Rev. Dr. George Alexander, former president of Union College.

In his preliminary remarks, President Finley paid a high tribute to Dr. McKelway's thirty years of service on the State Board of Regents. He said, "The University of the State of New York is an incorporeal body, with no class rooms and no professors. It was founded by Alexander Hamilton 129 years ago and in his elevation to the position of the highest educational official of the state there has been found in Dr. McKelway a man of indubitable honesty, skill in expression and attainments which have made him a commanding figure of this great city."

After an address by Mr. Bellamy, Dr. McKelway modestly turned the compliment from himself to the college, telling of "the swiftness and candor with which the college vindicated its character when its confidence was abused by a fraudulent few who trafficked in its name and fame. That act raised the morals of education in every school of our great city and state to a higher vigilance of virtue than before had been predicated as necessary." Dr. McKelway then prophesied for the college a growth and development which would make it the University of the City of New York.

A week from to-morrow, the German Ambassador will be the guest of honor at the college and a German Day will be celebrated.

The subject of the Senior-Junior debate, which will be held in the Great Hall on Thursday, March 27, is Resolved: That neither the state court nor the Supreme Court of the United States shall have the power to declare unconstitutional any act duly passed by a legislature.

ATHLETICS.

From an Alumnus.

We have received the following communication from an alumnus. The letter is so long that we shall have to print it in sections. We feel that the matters he treats are very pertinent in their application to the Athletic Association. In this section of his letter, it may be interesting to notice, the criticism he makes of the basketball, schedule was anticipated by the CAMPUS when the schedule was first issued. The remainder of the letter will be published in due course.

March 6th, 1913.

To the Editor of the Campus.

As one who, while at City College and ever since leaving it, has kept in very close touch with its athletic affairs, I beg your indulgence for a few remarks that I believe are of timely interest. During the past three months it has been brought more forcibly than ever to the attention of many alumni, that there is an evident lack of proper management and supervision of the college's athletic branches and it is felt that a protest at this time may be productive of much needed reform.

Preeminent among the mistakes of the year was the schedule which the basketball team was called upon to play through in the season just closed. Those who worked for the advancement of the game at the college and developed it from a farcical position to that of the major sport, were pained and chagrined to see City College throw its hard-earned reputation to the wind. What prompted the management to arrange games with Loyola, Potsdam Normal and Juniata? There was absolutely no sense in bringing these teams here or in meeting them on their home courts.

All three institutions are unknown in collegiate basketball, other athletic or even scholastic circles, and none was able to obtain another game in this locality. Why was it necessary to meet Loyola, Juniata and Potsdam when Syracuse, Princeton, Toronto, Wesleyan, Rensse-

laer "Poly," Union and several others made trips to this section, and other old connections such as Swarthmore, Penn State and Lehigh might have been revived.

(To be Continued.)

Two Assistant Coaches.

Assistant coach Harrington, a former major leaguer now engaged at the College, is helping our twirlers round into form. Jack Gillespie, of Jasper University 12, is coaching our infielders. These two volunteers are of great help to Coach Holton.

Last week Delta Kappa Epsilon defeated Phi Sigma Kappa 21—10 in the Inter-Fraternity Basketball contest.

The events in the Annual Indoor Meet to be held on Saturday, March 15, are as follows:

30 yard dash	(Handicap)
1 mile	"
2 mile	"
220 yard	"
880 yard run	(Novice)
Interclass relay	Fraternity relay
Shot-put	(Handicap)
Running high jump	"
Running broad jump	"

Entries should be made with the class athletic managers before March 10. Physical exam cards, either green or yellow, should accompany entries. We are glad to see that a few have awakened to the importance of getting the stiffness out of their limbs in preparation for the big event; but a few are not enough. We have been repeating the call for action for the past month and only these few have heard it as yet. Why not add another medal to your collection?

To-Night.

To-night is your last chance to see this season's swimming team in action, and the first chance to see an Alumni-Varsity swimming meet. All our old stars will be there, dating as far back as Frank Muller, 1907, the N. Y. A. C. diver. There will be the usual events, and, in addition, an interfraternity relay.

A. A. Smoker.

That well known A. A. smoker will be held on Friday, April 11, at the College Inn (you know—the one on 125th Street). The admission charge is fifty cents, gentlemen, and Mitchell Cahn informs us that twelve (count them!) cabaret performers have been engaged for the especial delectation of those fortunate enough to be present.

At the A. A. board meeting on Friday the baseball team was voted quite a large sum for new equipment, etc. The tennis team will soon be practising indoors over a net stretched on the gym floor.

The voluntary gymn period from 4.30 to 5 on Mondays is occupied by interclass basketball practice; the hour from five to six on the other days is taken up as follows: Tuesday, interfraternity basketball practice and games; Wednesday, interclass practice and varsity baseball; Thursday, interclass practice; Friday, Varsity post-season basketball practice and baseball practice.

Four Games More.

Our hustling baseball manager has arranged four new games for our nine. Put these down in your date-book:

Sat.	April 26	Central Y. M. C. A.	at	C. C. N. Y.
Thurs.	May 1	Cathedral College	at	Cathedral
Sat.	" 10	N. Y. A. C.	at	Travers Island
Sat.	" 17	Rutgers	at	New Brunswick

Congratulations, Manager Soons, on your fifteen-game schedule!

Wrestling.

The new wrestling team will appear at the indoor meet. There will be three or four bouts between our men and outsiders. The star feature will be a bout between Captain Zetkin and Hutchnecker of N. Y. U. There is as yet no good material over 200 pounds but results show that by the beginning of next term they will be in shape to meet teams from other colleges.

Nominations are in order for the office of assistant basketball manager.

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A Word by the Dean.



THE EDITOR of THE CAMPUS has been so courteous as to allow me, at my request, the opportunity of addressing a few words to those students who are carrying outside work, in the afternoons or evenings or both, in order to contribute to their own support, — students who are “working their way through.”

The college is glad and proud to have such students. Without them it would be a very much poorer, as well as a very much smaller institution. It is ready at all times to help them in every reasonable and practicable way. But the college cannot, in justice to itself and its standards, frame a course of study which shall be easy, or even possible in many cases, to the man who gives from three to six hours a day to outside work. It must prescribe, and it aims to prescribe, for a given term or year the amount of college work which may fairly be asked of a man who gives his whole time to the college.

This amounts to stating the very evident proposition that the man who undertakes to carry at the same time his outside work and his college work is undertaking a difficult task. We are glad that so many have the character and ambition to make the attempt. But we find from experience that some men are led by their ambition to undertake more than they can possibly accomplish, and that the result is disaster. They attempt to put into each day a normal day's work in the college and half a day's work outside the college. It is no wonder that failure in the college work is frequently the result. When this result does come, the college cannot accept the plea of outside work as an excuse for it. The student has "taken a chance," and he must abide by the issue.

I come at length to the word of counsel which I wish to offer. I wish to urge those students who are compelled to give considerable time every day to outside work, to frame their college schedules to suit those conditions, i. e. not to take what we call a "full" schedule. The Dean's Office is always ready, under such circumstances, to approve a "short" schedule. No doubt the result will be to lengthen one's course by a term or a year. But it is inevitable that some price must be paid by the man who is trying to cover the studies of a four years' course and to earn his own support while covering them. The logical thing is that he should devote to this more than normal task more than the normal four years. And the lengthening of his college course is a far smaller price to pay than such failure in his college studies as may defeat his whole purpose.

Carleton L. Brownson.

Prize Speaking Trials.

Furman, Hood and Karowsky are the sophomores who have been chosen to compete in the Drummond Prize Speaking Contest, which will be held in the Great Hall on Friday, May 9th. The Upper Seniors and Upper Juniors (in Public Speaking) will contest for places with original orations. The trials will be held in Room 221 on the afternoon of Friday, April 4th.

Society Jottings.

Professor Overstreet spoke on "Borderland Problems in Philosophy" before the members of the Philosophy Club last Thursday afternoon.

The Honorable Edward Lauterbach has consented to deliver an address shortly under the auspices of the Menorah Society.

The Deutscher Verein has been invited to participate in the formation of an Intercollegiate Bund of Deutsche Vereins. Mr. Koeppler of the German Department will deliver a lecture before the Verein, and will illustrate it by stereoptican views.

The Camera Club had an enjoyable time at its outing in Central Park last week. Mr. Jeffrey was on hand with pointers and suggestions on photography. At tomorrow evening's meeting Mr. Jeffrey will lecture.

This week's program of the Adelpian Literary Society will include an essay by Zagat on the "Great White Plague," a "Vision of the Future" by Frank and a talk—"The Search for the Poles," by Samuelson. The subject for general discussion is the question of the advisability of a lethal chamber for the hopelessly incurable.

Constitutions of the Cercle Jusserand were distributed to the various branches during the past week. Many new applications were received. This term's enrollment promises to exceed that of any former semester.

Illustration Exhibit.

One may spend a hearty and enjoyable hour in the Webb room where there are on exhibition about eighty recent book and magazine illustrations by Joseph Cummings Chase of the Art department. The pictures are irresistible in their amusing capacity. Caricatures of familiar members of the instructing staff are cheek by jowl with charming child pictures; paintings of President Finley and Professor Sim are set off by splendid magazine story illustrations. The exhibition has made an instantaneous success and everybody is catching on.

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The Drawing Exhibit.

Evidences of what semi-vocational training can do for
the boys and girls of the city high schools may be found
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drawings, which range in theme from simple objects,
through advertising posters, to professional looking fash-
ion drawings, has attracted many visitors to the building.
Manual Training, Washington Irving, Boys' High, De
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schools represented here. Original ideas in advertising
are well carried out in charcoal and water color. Ma-
chine designing in all its intricacies, fashion drawings that
are convincing, border designs and artistic lettering—
all are shown in the well-arranged exhibit. Last week,
the students were attracted to the place by the sight of
many fair visions of delight. The exhibit was secured
through the efforts of James P. Haney, Commissioner of
Education, Professor Duggan and Mr. Levussove, of the
Art department.

Here and There.

Professor Guthrie spoke two Sundays ago in the
Methodist Church at Irvington on "The Relation of Law
to Social Welfare." Last Sunday, he spoke in the same
place on "The Modern World Peace Movement," and
on this coming Sunday, he will speak before the Com-
munity Forum at the the Beth El Sisterhood on "The
Supreme Court and the Constitution of the United States."

By Dr. Cosenza

The University of Chicago Press announces the publication of a book by Dr. Mario E. Cosenza, of the Latin department, entitled, "Francesco Petrarca and the Revolution of Cola di Rienzo." The volume is the outcome of studies made in the preparation of Dr. Cosenza's previous work, "Petrarch's Letters to Classical Authors," which was also published by the University of Chicago Press.

There seems to be a feeling among instructors and students that the many clocks in the college are not reliable time-keepers, and that they do not all read alike at any given moment. All our clocks are controlled by the master-clock which is in Room 106, Main Building. Unless repairs are being made, they all indicate the same hour. The large clock on the T. H. H. building is subject to climatic changes, and is therefore not a defensible time-keeper.

The team for next year will be practically the same as last year's if everybody comes back to college. Weirich has left the centre position open. There will be an interesting fight for the centre of the stage between Schaffer and Healy.

James Donoghue and Frank Schiffman, of the class of June 1914, have been elected class marshal and poet historian respectively.

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Gym Team Organization.

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Candidates for the gym team will kindly give their names and schedules to Mr. Palmer who will have charge of the team's organization. We have, in some members of the gymnasium instructing staff, excellent coaches in all branches of gymnastics. Here is the situation. Mr. Palmer, specialist on the horizontal bar, will give his time to candidates on any afternoon after class. Mr. Hansen, parallel bar expert—Monday, 4.30—5; Wednesday, 4.30—6. Mr. Daly, champion on the horse—Monday and Wednesday, 2—3. Mr. Lang, a former college tumbler star—daily from 2 to 5.

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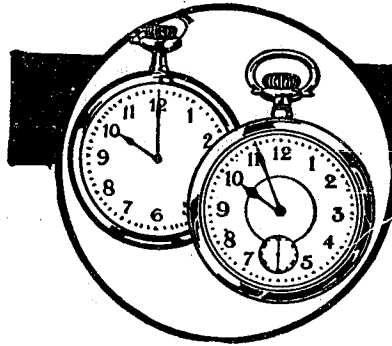
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