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SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR

## The Cur raculum committee

The Student Curriculum Committee can do much or little, as it sees fit

Far more than the passing of a superficial judgment on the curriculum is necessary if the work of the committee is to be remembered as significant. For the Committee to permit itself to be guided in
any sense by popular prejudices, or to slurender any sense by popular prejudices, or to sturrender
itself to purely personal prejudice, to proceed on any but first-hand information, to relax for a moment vigiance against unfounded judgments, would be to condemn itself to certain inconsequences. Long, possibly arduous, study, painstaking analysis of the cur riculum with the curricula of other institutions, should be the basis of whatever
Committee ultimately makes.

In point of fact, few qualms as to the success of the Committec disturbs The Campus. The Commine is an excellent one, inclucing as it does men highest scholastic standing, all imbued, to our certain knowledge, with a very real desire to make the Curriculum Committee an eminently important one in
the life of the College. "The Student Curiculn the life of the College. "The Student Curriculum Committee bas begun active work," announces the chairmati of the Committee, and goes on to say, "it
will not take long for us to convince the college that we, mean business, that this committee is more than an innocuous toy bestowed by an indulgent faculty." Spirit such as this, encouraged by keen student and at least tolerant faculty interes.
should carry the committee far.

This Thursday will play a large part in either justifying or disproving our editorial in last Friday's issure. Under the title, "Abolish Freshman Rules," The Campus argued that, togists at other colleges, there can be no such ine a ciass rivalry as ofe fing on the ciass $n v a l y$ as one finds on the campus of an out otherwise, who believe that City Colleres is not merely a "prep school," to prove their belief well-founded. Last year, the Frosh-Soph Flag Rush brought out,only a handful of sophomores who strove valiant ly to deend the flag from the onslaught of over two hundred Freshmen. Last Friday, only nine men o the entire 26 class appeared to meet the Freshmen in the annual tug-of-war. This showing does not argue well for a continuation of Frosh-Soph activi-

## We are willing to be disappointed. If an appre

 ciable number of men from both the ' 26 and ' 27classes are out in the Stadium this Thursday to fight classes are out in the Stadium this Thursday to fight
in the rush, our opinion may be radically changed.

## Gargoyles

Professional Eulogies
Is Hary Allen Overstreet.
And a wonderut fellow to gat on

## Of is Professor Donald Whiteside.

## No martinet he-most profs are sterner

## Than the gentle philosopher, J. P. Turner

The Mercury staff waits, expectant, thrilled to the heart by the news that the staff of the N. Y. U. "MedTo be suspended, to be removed-this is indeed glory for the editor of a college comic. And when a college
comic can at last boast of having had an editor re moved-then, then at last, can it lay just claim to a
place among the elite, then at last has it come through its baptism of fire. It can call itself "daring," it can
confidently recommend itself to nocturnal visitants o confidently recommend itself to nocturnal visitants
beauteous damsels as a most efficacious aphrodisiac. can command a faithful and attentive public. It can
get Arrow Collar advertisements without limit. Hy get Arrow Collar advertisements without limit. H
Sakolsky knows this. Abel, the dirty dog, knows thi Sam Sugar knows this. All hopefully await a summons from the Dean.

## They'll not get it, of course. Their methods are wrong. "To get into hot water," says Hy Sakolsky

 water, tell the truth

## Gosh, i'm smart. says charlie epstein, with

 first-rate dance this saturday eve $\ldots$. all are invited ratner, l'enfant terrible of the philosophyy dep't, is all het up about freshman rules ..... al baum disagrees with plato .... advertising managers should rule th state says al ..... anyway says al in bitter scorn it's acinch editors shouldn't .... "campus" dance this fri day. day
going ture .... yes, al whyman is yes. that's right. rube's fuing .... yes.
oh, pretty fair.


STUDENT OPINION
 tudent Advisory Committee Upon Initial Recommendations

CHAIRMAN DISCUSSES IMMEDIATE PROJECT

## acuity Members Extend Warm Wel

 come to Committee-Physics May Be First Subject Considered. as begun active work. It will nono take long for us to convince the Col-
lege that we mean business, that this lege that we mean business, that this
committec is more than an innocuous
oy bestowed by an indulgent faculty. No heartier support for our endeavors
could be desired than that being ac-
corded we by the professors them
selves," said chairman Charles Epsein 25 , in outlining the inita! plans
of his committee. of his committee.
"Expressions of student opinion ar
beginning to pour in upon us." Ep beginning to pour in upon us." Ep
stein declared. "And on the whole
the criticism is genuinely constructive indicating real shortcomings in the
various courses. After all, the com
mittec's primary purpose must be to mitte's primary purpose must be to
cicit the students views-to repre-
sent. no themselves, but the whole sent. not themselves, but the whole
student body. We welcome sugges-
tions of every kind.
"As
 is understood that the committee will besin with consideration of this phase
hi the curriculum.
White it may proceed at once to
nake these specific recommendations. make these speciftic recommendations
the committee is for the present pri
marily concerned with blocking marily concerned with blocking out a
general policy. Such questions as the
scope of its will advocate, and methods of elicting
withes will advocate, and methods of elicting
student opinion are listed for early discussion. General plans provisionally
settled, the committee will take up
orded, the committee will take up in
in the present curriculum.

GRADUATE TO ADDRESS
MEETING OF BIG CLUB
An intereting program will feature
Thursday afternoon, November 22, at
4.30 P. M. in Room 319 .
4.30 P. M. in Room 319 . The main
topic will be a talk by Mr. Bernard

Benjamin, 23. on the "The effect of
the Reproductive Organs on the
Body." Discussion will follow the
In addition to Mr. Benjamin's talk,
Henry Eisenstain Henry Eisenstein, '26 will discuss the
recent issues of the "Ank" recent issues of the "Ank," a magazine
devoted to the study of birds. Bernar Freud, '25 will review a phase of the annual exhibition of the New York
Microscopic Society.
Following these talks the new Bio Song book will be distributed to mem-
bers of the club, and a number bers of the club, and a number of selec-
tions will be rendered. Refreshments will be served at the end of the meet-
ing. A cordial invitation is ing. A cordial invitation is extended
to all students interested in Bioogy to all students interested in Bioogy
to attend this meeting. FRENCH CLUE TO HEAR SENSATIONAL MARINER
M. Gerbaut, the daring French this Thursday after chapel Jusserand this. Thursday after chapel in Room
306. M. Gerbaut recently startled the
American public with his unique
o the Editor of the Campus: At a psychological moment during pplause, Professor Downer directed he following shaft of sarcasm against And I read an, article in a certain paper,
dull."
Does Doos one exception invalidate a
fule? Professor Downer himself adrite? Professor Downer himself ad-
mitted, in thanking the speaker and was singer for their entertainment, that hat our assemblyies are dull still the students themselves if it is proven

Howard D. Grossman

O the Editor of the Campus: Universality of opinion does not, of
oursc. justify or validate any laims a group may make in reference ocially, protests or sugzestions conlong the curriculum have no value of a gencral discontent. It is more than likely that the Curriculum Com-
mittee will be deluged with such mamittce
erial.
A caution, then, to our zealous re formers, against basing their pro-
posals on social valuations alone. is in der: so that the study of mathe ure that that study will be the butt of most protest) will not be con-
demmed for its inutility. either in preparing for a carcer, or in acquiring a intural and a liberal education
need that or any other study either need that or any other study inns of formal discipline.
In order that this letter be some解男 mere than a negative counsel cruing Mathematics as tudy for more than two-thirds of the worents of the Freshman and Sopho-
orses. To assert that mathematical study is essential to an en
ightened life, would carry little ightened life, would carry little
weight with most students for, unfor cight with most students for, unfor
unately, very few have any real inerest in abstractons! Our fir
rraining in mathematics has never sulted in a spontaneous interest; $n$ it to be expected that elementary
or high school pupils will regard the science of Number as highly impor-
tant; but even the play. and curiosity lant; but even the play. and curiosity
astincts so active in all thinkin have not been aroused. It is $n$
wonder. then, that the college instruc
tor human nature, is confronted with a dislike ingrained in his students fo
anything even suggestive of mathe matics.
However, most students. possess
some judgment and it is that must trust for deliverance. It is my contention that the study of mathe-
matics has been a failure among most students, not because they are incal able of mathematical reasoning, bu because their scale of values has ne
been libegalized enought in their ques
it ger a liberal education. I would sug-
gest that instructors in Mathematics gest that instructors in Mathematics
include from the beginning the collateral reading of such books as Thinking and De Morgan On Mathe matics, and continue to intersperse
the course with broad butt relevant discussions, even sacrificing quantity
if necessary. It may seem strange to many students that I course in Mathematics
should include supplementary readshould include supplementary read
ing, but I have chosen Mathematics ing, but I have chosen Mathematics
only as a particular case of the need of introduction of values into all our

## Philip L. Wiener, ${ }^{2}$ TS.

EVY RESIGNS FROM CAMPUS The resignation of Irving J. Levs, 24, from the Associate Board of The ampus is announced. Levy, in ten-
dering his resignation, expressed ree



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 yenand for such competition ant annual indoor intercollegiate champ
no ship meet has been provided. Fo meet has attracted the best colleges
and universitics in the country It is the general sentiment of the
coaches and managers that during the coming seasoir C. C. N. Y. should be represented by an indoor track team. Professor Williamsoln. College Direc-
tor of Athletics, is especially strong il tor of Athleties, is especially strong in
urging this step. Coach MacKenzie urging this step. Coach Mackenzie
and Manager Rube Berson have
agreed to give their time aud eforts Towards moulding this team.
"Mac" will met aal candidates for
the track team and give his preliminary instructions. the latter part or this
werk. Notice of the meeting will be posted on the A. A bulletin board in
the Concourse. If a sufficient number of men turn out, an armory will be Contrary to the gencral idea preval-
ent in the college today, there is sufficient material ior a cracker-jack
 men, plus several ireshmen, should
give a good account of thenselves.
Prospects for a mile rectuy compete in open A. A. U. and special
conter ally bright.
Among the men to try for this team
are Frank Yarisi. varsity track capare Frank Parisi. varsity track cap-
tain, "Red" Dickson, and last year's
freshman captain "Pinkie" Sober.
Colling Collier. a star of the frosh team last
year, ias announced his intention of
returning to collece year, has amnounced his intention of
returning to college next term. RICHTER CRITICIZES SUDERMAN'S WORKS Deutache Verein Hears Lecture o Great Novelist and Playwright "Suderman, his life and works", was
the subject of the talk given to the the subject of the talk given to the
Deulsche Vercin last Thursday by Dr
Richter of Townsend Hario Richter of Townsend Harris Hall. In his criticism of the works
Suderman, who is conceded to be on playwrightits of modern times, Dr Richter pointed out many defects. H again and $2 g a i n$ in his writings. The
ager speaker praised Suderman, however, for
his success in giving a thorough psychological analysis of poverty and social caste.
The Verein has secured Herr H.
Luff, German critic and philosopher Luff, German critic and philosopher
as a lecturer this coming Thursday, 2 1 o'clock in Room 308.
At the present moment the club is
reheasing ${ }^{2}$ one act play by Hans Sachs, called "The Traveling Scholar and the Devil." This is a crude
century folktale of superstition. unique presentation with artistic set-
tings is planved tings is planner. The cast is composed
of L. Ossipoff, 24, L. Michaet '24. of L. Ossipoff, '24, L. Micha
Worf, '25 and L. Fisher, 26. Wolf, '25 and L. Fisher, ' 26.
The place of the present yet been definitely decided upon but probably will be the auditorium of the Liederkranz Society on Fifty-seventh street. The proceeds will be donated
to a fund for needr German students

STUDENT SPEAKS TO ENGINEERING SOCIETY At the meeting of the City College chapter of the A. S. C. E. held last
Wednesday in Compton Hall, Mr. H. Milgram delivered an address, on "The
Hudson River Railroads." Refresh Hudson River Railroads." Refres:
ments were served at the meeting. ments werf served at the meeting.
The society is planning a smoter fo
Wer Wednesday evening, November 28th in
the Webb Room. Further details will .

PROF. J. DRACHSLER
ADROFRESSES MENORAH PRAGER TALKS
ON HISTORY OF DRUGS D Discusses the "Jewish Center Move
ment" in This Cois ON HISTORY OF DRUGS
portion of the student body,
sitencer prosilence charges that student affairs are
controlled by a small group of who monopolize the higher positions. has the warm support of Dean Carle-
 Dessned to limit the number of ex-
ra-curricular activities in which any under-graduate may simultaneously Council by-laws was suggested'at the stein, '25. The matter by Chartes Epmore detailed consideration a repre-
sentative committee of delegates from College teams, organizations and pub-

new plan will bear marked resem-
blance to the Point System now in op-


 beheve: hut they are civilizing agen-
cies working for the survival and con-
ti, wity of the Jewish people in a nem envoirment-America."


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| Ancient and Modern Medical |
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| Methods |
| Professor William L. Prager of the |

Speaking before the Menorah Socie-
ty last Thursday in Room 126 , Prof.
Julius. Drachster of the Government
Department, characterized the "Jewish Genter Movement" as "a supplemen-
taty influence to humanize and civilize tary influence to huma
the Jew for the world."
There are, according to Prof. Drach-
sler. at least eight distinct types of sier. at least eight distinct types of
these centers throughout the con Whese centers throughout the country.
Eich of these institutions has devel oped around a particular phase or special interest in Jewish life. The
Y. M. H. A. and the Y. W. H. A. are
yroups of the younger element banded groups of the younger element banded
together for recreational and cultural
 Chemistry Department addressed large gathering of the Bakerville
Chemical Society on "Selective Drugs" Chemical Society on Selective Drugs
last Thursday. Professor Prager is an
authority on organic chemistry and authority on organic chemistry and
especially on synthetic drugs. "In ancient times," stated the pro-
fessor."people regarded various ills as spirits or demons. It was the custom for the doctor of antiquity to give the
patient certain drugs to sooth or frighten away these sirits. Today our
methods are practically the sam; ondy methods are practically the same; only
our attitude has changed. It is probable that doctors several years
hence will regard our plysio-therapy with the same ridicule."
An interesting sidelight on the origin
 Europe by the wife of Cinchon, the Spanish viceroy to Peru. Now it is
known as cinchon bark, from which we
get quinine.
The professor continued with the tale

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& \text { PATENT ATTORNEY TO } \\
& \text { ADDRESS ENGINEERS } \\
& \text { Clayton L. Jenks, patent attorney, } \\
& \text { and brother of Professor Jenks of the } \\
& \text { Chemistry Department, will address a } \\
& \text { combined gathering of the A. S. C. E. } \\
& \text { and A. S. M. E. this Thursday on } \\
& \text { patent law. The lecture will take place } \\
& \text { at } 10 \text { o, oclock in Room 126. } \\
& \text { Students that intend studying civil } \\
& \text { or mechanical engineering are invited } \\
& \text { to participate in the activities of the } \\
& \text { respective engineering societies. }
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