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SENIORS SLOW TO SUPPORT ANNUAL; SORKIN ASKS AID

Only 25 Subscriptions Received—100 Others Are Pledged

I. F. C. PROMISES TO HELP

Book Will be Ready in May—Printers' Bids Already Received

The drive for subscriptions for the proposed year-book is thus far not as successful as the editors had hoped and a great change is necessary for the realization of the project. Samson Z. Sorkin, editor, declared in an interview: "If one hundred men who will graduate in the '25 class do not come forward with the necessary money it is an indication that the class does not wish a book. If the '25 class is not sufficiently interested in a year book then there is no need for one. However, I am certain that the '25 class which has supported every drive thus far will put this book across."

Price Is \$3.50

The annual will cost three and a half dollars and not three dollars as was previously announced. Twenty-five subscriptions have already been paid and over one hundred seniors have promised their support. Next week a drive will be made to round up those men who have pledged their subscriptions.

All money must be in the hands of the staff one week from today. The book will have to be in the hands of the printers by May 1. This must be accomplished in order to have the annual out before the end of May. The editors are very eager to actually have the book out by that time and in the hands of the seniors before they graduate.

Bids from printers and engravers have been received by the staff and all that is needed to close the contracts is the money. Everybody on the staff is at present working at collecting subscriptions and the literary work will not be started until the quota set by Sorkin has actually been subscribed.

Staff Meeting Thursday

A meeting of the entire staff will be held in the Campus office Room 411, next Thursday at one o'clock in order to submit a report on the progress of the campaign for the week.

The matter of the year book was brought up yesterday by Samson Z. Sorkin to the attention of the Inter-Fraternity Conference and the Conference has promised support from its members. All money from fraternities must be in before the Easter holidays. Fraternities outside the Council will also be included in the annual and must have their money in at the same time.

Morris Bentsman, circulation manager, has made arrangements to accommodate all those who wish to reserve subscriptions for the issue. Anyone wishing to subscribe who cannot locate a member of the staff may leave money at The Campus circulation desk.

HEBREW CIRCLE HOLDS SMOKER SATURDAY EVE

The Hebrew Circle of the Menorah Society will hold its semi-annual smoker Saturday evening at 8:30 p. m. at 417 Wyona Street, Brooklyn. Tickets for the smoker are twenty-five cents each.

Doctors Rieger and Spiegel, both prominent in the social and political life of Palestine, will address the gathering. Mr. R. Bavli, a noted Hebrew litterateur, will also speak.

DEAN FORBIDS CHANGING OF THURSDAY CLASSES

Changes of classes from 2 o'clock to 12 o'clock on Thursday will not be permitted, according to an announcement from the Dean's Office. Classes that have already made changes will have to revert to the old system.

The 12 o'clock hour on Thursday, according to Dr. Gottschall, was originally intended for extra-curricular activities. When the chapel system was instituted, it encroached upon this free hour. Although chapel was suspended, the original purpose of the hour is still in effect, according to the registrar.

APPOINT SIX MEN TO CAMPUS STAFF

Announcement Ends News Staff Competition—Six Promotions Made

Culminating a competition lasting six weeks, six men yesterday received appointments to the News Staff of The Campus. These men, who have been selected from thirty original candidates are: Jules Blumensohn '28, Maurice Bratter '27, Robert Faber '28, Benjamin S. Laitin '28, Albert Leventhal '28, and Morris Reich '28.

Maurice Bratter '27, vice-president of the Camera Club, has also been added to the news board as staff photographer. In the past Bratter has been doing pictorial work for The Campus and will continue in his new capacity.

Promotions to the associate board were also made by the editor. The new associate editors were all on the news board previously, and include C. Irving Freundlich '26, J. Kenneth Ackley '27, Bernard Bayer '27, Walter R. Fleisher '27, Sidney D. Goldberg '27, and Irving Zablodowsky '28.

The new men appointed to the reportorial board have all been schooled under the direction of Harry Heller '27, a member of the editorial board. Heller gathered his candidates at weekly Thursday meetings and there taught them the essential elements of journalism.

The first week an introductory talk on the nature, organization, and function of The Campus was given to the applicants. Besides, the method of reporting, of copy-editing, and "dummying" at the printers was outlined. The next week the instructor discussed the structure and organization of a news article. The value of a good lead was emphasized and several types of leads were read. The technique of a good interview was discussed and the candidates were asked to give suggestions and criticisms. The copy that they had handed in was read to the whole group and all discussed the merits of the articles.

In the following weeks other journalistic topics were developed. The problems of headlines, of proper evaluation of news items, of correct grammatical technique, and of innumerable other factors relating to correct newspaper work were considered. Besides these weekly meetings the candidates had regular assignments and handed their copy to Mr. Heller each week.

Yesterday the candidates were given a final written examination. They were quizzed on the rudiments of journalism and on the work that was discussed at the Thursday classes. They were also required to write several news articles.

The final examination yesterday, the value of the copy handed in by the candidates, and the general impression received by Mr. Heller, served as a basis for the selection of the men.

Adolph Lewisohn, Donor of Stadium, Makes Gift of 1000 Lockers to Gym

Noted Financier Answers Appeal of Hygiene Authorities—Upperclassmen to Benefit

One thousand half-size lockers have been donated to the College by Adolph Lewisohn, donor of the Lewisohn Stadium. This gift was made in response to an appeal from the department of Hygiene facilities to enable men not taking hygiene to use the gym building. Five hundred full-size lockers must be removed to make room for the new compartments.

Due to the increased size of freshman classes, juniors and seniors have been denied the use of the hygiene building because there was not a sufficient number of lockers. This term even the "D" lockers, which were formerly for transients and visiting teams, were assigned to students in enrolled courses.

The work of substituting the new half-lockers for the full length ones will be done during the spring vacation. All students will be required to vacate their assigned places on the Friday (April 3) preceding the beginning of the recess. There will be no regular classes on the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday as examinations will be held. The only full-sized compartments to be retained are those used by College athletes, numbering about fifty. They will, however, be required to vacate them at the same time. Material left in the lockers during the transfer will be lost.

as the compartments are being sent to the Providence, Rhode Island, factory of the Providence Steel Locker Company.

Adolph Lewisohn, who presented the lockers, is well-known as a benefactor of educational institutions, his gift of the Lewisohn Stadium to the College and of \$300,000 to the Columbia School of Mines, being the best known of his donations. In addition to these he has contributed to the German library of the College and has swelled the Alumni Library Building Fund.

Mr. Lewisohn is a banker by profession, with a strong leaning toward mining enterprises. This leaning is evident in the fact that he is president of the United States Metals Selling Corporation, and of the General Development Company. He is vice-president of the Utah Consolidated Mining Company. Directorships on the Crocker, Wheeler Company, Importers and Traders National Bank, Lawyers Title, Insurance and Trust Company, United States Mortgage and Trust Company, International Smelting and Refining Company are also held by him. President Taft appointed him a member of the Committee on Industrial Relations.

Among his philanthropic activities, Mr. Lewisohn numbers the presidency of the Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society and vice-presidency of the City Welfare League of New York City.

SUBPOENA PREVENTS SPEECH BY SUMNER

Speaker Compelled to Appear at Ohio Court as Witness For U. S.

Subpoenaed at the last moment to appear as a witness at Columbus, Ohio, John Sumner of the Society for the Prevention of Vice, was unable to appear before the Politics Club yesterday.

Mr. Sumner will take the stand as a witness for the United States. He was scheduled to speak here on "Need for Censorship." Poliusuk '27, who, as representative of the Politics Club, had procured the services of the noted secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Vice, received word of the delay yesterday morning.

It is not known exactly when Mr. Sumner will be able to speak at the College. The Politics Club will endeavor to secure his services for April 3, but there is some doubt as to the possibility of this arrangement. However, the club is reasonably certain that Mr. Sumner will appear some time during the latter part of the term.

CAMPUS ASSOCIATION DINES TWO STAFFS

The members of The Campus Association, the alumni body which supervises the College paper, tendered a dinner to the executive and editorial boards of The Campus Wednesday night at the City College Club, 46 East 50th Street.

The after-dinner around-the-table talk dealt chiefly with the affairs of the Campus and with the "U" problem at the College. The members of the association who were present included Mr. Charles Brisk, pres., Mr. Rosenstein, vice-pres., Mr. Albert Aronson, secretary, Mr. Sidney Pepper, treasurer, Mr. Toepfritz and Mr. Frederick Zorn.

FINAL "U" CAMPAIGN STARTS NEXT WEEK

23 Subscriptions With 64 Part Payments Bring Mark Nearer 1000 Goal

The Union campaign has begun its final spurt in a last minute attempt to reach the thousand mark before the drive ends with the finish of this month. Nine hundred and twenty-three subscriptions have been sold while sixty-four men have bought tickets on the partial payment plan.

"About thirty men," said Chairman Grossman of the "U" committee, "must wake up to their duty to the College to boost our mark to 1000. This is necessary because we expect some of the part payment men to forfeit their money. I am firmly convinced that there are at least that many men who are willing, for the good of the College as well as their own advantage, to subscribe to the "U" and help support the extra-curricular activities."

The present standing of the classes gives the 1928 class the lead with two hundred and fifty-seven subscriptions. 1927 follows with 208, 1929 with 190, 1926 with 174, 1925 with 83 and special students with six.

The "U" ticket this term costs three dollars, for which there still remain the benefits of twenty issues of The Campus, two issues of Mercury, the College Comic, two issues of Lavender, the literary publication, and half price on all home baseball games, which comprise fourteen of the seventeen games on the schedule.

At the present time the Union committee is engaged in checking up the subscriptions of the men engaged in athletics and other extra-curricular activities. Lists of men on teams and members of publications or clubs are obtained by the committee, who then ascertain whether the former are "U" members. Men who have not subscribed to the Union will be asked to do so or resign from their activities.

ELECTION OF QUINTET CAPTAIN POSTPONED

Election for captain of the 1925-1926 varsity basketball team was postponed yesterday afternoon. This action was necessary as several of this year's letter men were not present.

The candidates for the position in all probability will be Hodesblatt and Goldberg. Of the other men who won their varsity letters, Captain Pinkie Match and Leo Palitz are graduating in June, while the rest are still eligible for two years of varsity play.

No definite date has as yet been selected for the election, but it will probably be held some time next week.

DISCUSSION GROUP TO MEET BOWDOIN

Proposed Child Labor Amendment to be Topic Tuesday Night

Arrangements for a varsity discussion with Bowdoin College have just been completed by Herman Tannenbaum '25, manager of debate. It will take place on Tuesday evening, March 24, in Room 126, at 8:15, on the proposed Child Labor Amendment.

The College will be represented by Barney B. Fensterstock '25, Paul Weiss '25, and Charles Shapiro '27. Shapiro is taking the place of Howard W. Hintz '25, who is unable to participate. Bowdoin's team consists of Athern P. Daggett, Thomas N. Fasso and Lawrence M. Read.

The discussion was made possible by the donation of \$25 to the Debating Council by The Campus Association. It was feared at first that the discussion would have to be cancelled for lack of funds, but the Association's gift remedied that.

This is the third discussion in which the College has participated since the introduction of the system here. The first was held last term with Temple University on the Supreme Court. St. Joseph's College was the second group, having discussed the "Enforcement of Prohibition" a few weeks ago.

A meeting has also been arranged with Hunter College. It will be held on April 24 at Hunter on the "Censorship of Books, Movies, and Plays." The College will be represented by Fensterstock, Hintz, and Weiss.

LINCOLN SCHOOL HEAD TO ADDRESS ED CLUB

Dr. Tippet, principal of the Lincoln Elementary School, the most progressive experimental school in New York City, will address the Education Club today at one o'clock in Room 125.

Under the leadership of Henry Kantrowitz '25, president, and Mac R. Frankowitz '25, secretary, the Ed Club is pursuing a new policy this term. Dr. Tippet is but the first of a series of prominent speakers in the educational field whom the club expects to have at its meetings in the future. At each meeting Professor Egbert Turner of the Ed Department will be present to answer any questions that prospective candidates for school positions may ask.

At all the meetings special emphasis will be placed on preparations for the elementary school license exams.

LAVENDER OPPOSES SAVAGE TOMORROW IN PRACTICE GAME

Contest in Stadium to Give College Nine First Real Test

OLD INFIELD IS INTACT

Raskin, Plaut, Slotkin, and Morasco to Start as Inner Defense

The Lavender diamond squad will receive its first taste of real baseball tomorrow afternoon when the Savage Institute nine comes to the Stadium for a practice match. Manager Abe Jaffe concluded arrangements last Friday for the game, which is to begin at 2:30 p. m.

Tuesday's inclement weather not only interrupted the practice session, but also hindered the groundkeepers from bringing the field into good shape. The team had to contend with insecure footing in Wednesday's practice, but that did not prevent the men from holding a long batting drill. Halsey Josephson was in the box for a while trying out his crossfire delivery. He exhibited midsummer speed and had the batters popping into the air most of the time. Charley Wigderson relieved him and also showed up well.

Match Still Hurt
"Pinkie" Match, captain of the team, is still away from practices because of his injured leg. He will not be able to play in the Savage game, but he will probably report on the field Monday. While head coach Nat Holman is on the road with the original Celtics, Tubby Raskin, Sr., brother of the present first baseman, has volunteered to assist Doc Parker. Tubby Raskin is one of the best baseball and basketball players produced at City College, and has gained wide renown in semi-pro and professional circles.

Play Practice Game

After the batting practice, Coach Parker picked two teams for a short game. Wigderson, pitching for the team with the most regulars, was opposed on the mound by Schettino, former freshman pitcher. The match was featured by lusty and frequent hitting on the part of the regulars. Lou Slotkin, shortstop, knocked one of Schettino's slants over the right field fence for the longest hit of the day.

Coach Parker is undecided as to whom he will start in the Savage tussle tomorrow. He is sure of his inner defense, with Raskin at first, Plaut and Slotkin forming the keystone combination, and Morasco guarding the hot corner. In these men Hal Parker has a hard hitting, fast infield which should be able to stand up against strong opposition. Behind the bat, Hodesblatt will start the game, with Lee Ginsberg and Pop Langsam breaking into the game later.

Halpern Only Vet Outfielder

In the outfield, only one regular, "Red" Halpern, in right field, is available. The other gardeners will be chosen from among Reiser, Abrahamson, and MacAdam. The last named is awkward afield but he is a sure catch of a fly ball. At bat, too, he takes an accurate and hard cut at the ball.

Josephson, Wigderson and Schettino will probably divide the mound work among themselves. All three still are shy on control, but they should recover this important asset as the practices progress.

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Issue Editor: Bernard Bayer '27

The Campus takes much pleasure in announcing the appointment to its reportorial staff of Jules Blumensohn '28, Maurice Bratter '27, Robert Faber '28, Benjamin S. Laitin '28, Albert Leventhal '28, and Morris Reich '28. It offers for the congratulation of the student body the names of J. Kenneth Ackley '27, Bernard Bayer '27, Walter R. Fleisher '27, C. Irving Freundlich '26, Sidney D. Goldberg '27, and Irving Zablodowsky '28. These with this issue become members of its Associate Board.

SENSIBLE RULES

Freshman rules are to be given one more chance to prove their real worth at this college. For a year the situation in regard to these regulations has been decidedly unsettled. Announcements of rule enforcement have sporadically appeared only to be as suddenly repealed. Now the Fresh-Soph committee has definitely authorized the enforcement of three frosh rules upon '29 men. Black ties must be worn, a Frosh Sing is provided for, and the old taboo upon the wearing of high school insignia is reasserted.

Opponents of freshman rules—and The Campus has always opposed the over-elaborate and non-enforced rules of the past—will find little to criticize in the new program. The few rules upon whose re-assertion the committee has determined, constitute a code simple enough to be enforced easily,—to be enforced, moreover, without the infliction of any hardship or humiliation upon the class directly concerned. Certainly no freshman can reasonably object to learning the songs of his College, or to entering this institution as a City College man,—not as an alumnus of this or that high school or prep school. The one rule to which we suspect some objection may be made is that regarding the wearing of black ties. But we hope sincerely that every '29 man will have enough pride in his class to agree to a restriction which constitutes a very slight annoyance, perhaps, but, on the other hand, a real aid to class spirit, to College spirit, and, if one refuses to understand these vague and elastic terms, to the formation among classmates of real and valuable friendships.

The latest code reduces objections to specific rules to a minimum. The issue is clear. Shall we have any Fresh-Soph rules, or shall this means of insuring distinctions between classes and of forming friendships between classmates be abolished forever?

OUR DEDICATION

You conscientious readers of our columns have doubtless noticed some inches above these lines, these: "The accumulation of a fund from the profits... which fund shall be used to aid, foster, maintain, promote, realize or encourage any aim which shall go towards the betterment of College and student activities." This corporation is not organized for profit. In the spirit of this dedication The Campus Association, our alumni governing body, comes to the assistance of a worthy and, as it too often happens, a needy student activity.

On the eve of the discussion with Bowdoin the Student Council, sponsor of debating and discussion, finds itself without the necessary funds. Anxious to ward off any danger that may beset the discussion project while it is yet in the womb, The Campus Association has offered to pay the expenses of the evening. It is not fitting that we should be lavish in our praise of this act. However, the student body will feel with us, we know, when we express the general gratitude towards the Association and hope that it will ever be the patron of undergraduate endeavor.

Gargoyles

"U and I"

Bunthorne (knickers, dark eyes, wan face, etc.): Love I her as none has ever. Loved a lady. Love I her as I have never. Lily loved, and May and Annie, Desdemone, Fay and Fannie, Also Sadie.

(Rhapsodizes): Ay, I love her, her, her... her... her, love her, love her, love her, love her, love her.

(Pauses) Will My Patience sweet demur When I ask to marry her, Marry her, marry her? On the quite contrary, her....

(Voices off stage): Where he is, There is sweetness, love and laughter. One of us shall land him after A little while. Let us smile, Happy at the thought our loving Needs no proving, needs no proving.

Enter Maidens: Ah, there he is, There he is, there he is. How sweet and young and fair he is.

Bunthorne: I cannot bear them! All I do is flash my teeth. If I could only gnash my teeth, I'd scare them.

Maidens: Twenty sales-sick maidens we, Selling stubs against our will. Twenty years hence we shall be Selling Union booklets still.

Bunthorne: Ladies, I am sorry to distress you, but you have been chasing after me since the campaign opened way back in February, and this is March the twentieth. I should like to take my first cut this afternoon.

Maidens: The reason why he will deny Our love is more than we can see. What a very singularly vain young man This singularly vain young man must be.

Soldiers: How silly and unheard of, this. We never heard a word of this. So they love him, not us.

Duke: The thing is all too farcial, Men, Were we not civil martial men, Our lovers we would cuss.

Soldiers: Excuse us while we groan awhile. We must be left alone awhile.

(They walk to a corner of the stage, extract their kerchiefs, and at a given signal, commence to weep. The maidens continue to chant softly. Patience enters and makes for Bunthorne.)

She: O, Bunny He: I want your face I want your eyes Your love, your grace In any size In any guise.

I want you and the soul of you Oh, I desire the whole of you. In short, I want your hand. (He runs forward, gets down on his knee, holds her hand, looks into her eyes and sings): My love is like a red, red rose, Red, red rose, red, red rose My love is like a red, red rose That titillates the nose.

Maidens: We are twenty lovesick skirts. We clamor To be heard. Just one word. Who is this bird, Who is this lady who diverts Your amor?

He: She wants a ticket.

Maidens: Hurrah, aha, She wants a ticket.

All together: She wants a ticket, she wants a ticket. He: Give her one, quick.

They: It Shall be done. We'll let her pick it.

Soldiers: Ladies, will you return for us? We need you. You must yearn for us. Don't you?

Maidens: Your love has met defeat. It now Is spurned for e'er. So beat it now, Won't you?

Soldiers: Cease this fuss, or we shall die. Maidens (to B.): Will you buy a stub from us? He (grabs his hair): I'm a very perturbed young man, A very disturbed young man. The ladies pursue me. In efforts to woo me. I'm a very molested young man.

All together: O, Lord, what a queer and singular man. He: I'm an innocent college man, An ingenuous college man. All life is an x. I Know nothing of sex. I Am an ignorant college man.

(All continue in chorus. It being an amateur performance, the curtain squeaks. There being no audience, nobody files out.)

SCARLET

CASH PRIZES OFFERED TO STUDENT WORKERS

The Nation Announces Three Prizes For Best Essays on Vacation Work

Three cash prizes have been announced by The Nation for the best accounts of the experiences of University and College students who spend the summer of 1925 at work in some industrial occupation. The first award will be \$125, the second \$75, and the third \$25.

The purpose of this announcement is to encourage American College men and women to see capital and labor as they meet in mills and mines and not as they are superficially described in text-books. The Nation has advanced the first two prizes while the third has been given by Jerome Davis.

Graduate and undergraduate students, men and women, who will continue their studies in the fall of 1925, are eligible to compete in the contest. The manuscripts, which must be typewritten and not over 4,000 words in length, should be a record of the experiences of the contestant together with the personal interpretation of the industrial situation as conceived after two months of industrial or agricultural pursuit as a regular laborer.

Manuscripts must be submitted not later than October 15, 1925 to The Nation, 20 Vesey Street, New York. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded in December 1925. The winning manuscripts will be published in the periodical.

The Board of Judges will consist of Mr. Jerome Davis of Yale University, Mr. William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, Mrs. Florence Kelley, general secretary of the National Consumers' League, Mr. Pierrepoint B. Noyes, president of the Oneida Community, and Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of The Nation.

Complete Enclosing of Newman Alcove

The enclosing of the Newman alcove has been completed and the latter is now ready for use and decoration. Members of the Newman Club are being asked to contribute toward making the alcove more home-like and better adapted to leisure.

PLAYS OF THE WEEK

"PIERROT THE PRODIGAL" (L'Enfant Prodigue): a pantomime by Michael Carre, fils. Music by Andre Wormser. Interpretation by George Copeland. Staged by Otokar Bartik. Presented in series of special Tuesday and Friday matinees, at the 48th Street Theatre, with Laurette Taylor.

Pierrot the Prodigal is one of the flimsiest of the late nineteenth century pantomimes, yet it is robust and remarkable. The tale itself is as simple as it is unimportant. Young Pierrot makes off with his father's money and lives as he shouldn't have with his tapeworm love. He returns home crushed at the jilting he has suffered at the hands of his mistress. His ubiquitous parents there to remind him of the horrible past, and of his inevitable atonement, he wraps himself in the national banner and marches off to war, that efficacious solvent for bitter memories and sorrow.

The pantomime is found in a charming folio of music that is pleasing and effective through its placid and plaintive emotionalism. So unassuming and unasserting is the score (destined to be sempiternally delicious), it appears as though the action of the pantomime accompanies it. The cooperation between the two is even and precise.

George Copeland, to whose able fingers the piano is entrusted, plays with a gentle variety. I am more ignorant of matters of music than of the drama, but I believe his piano is expressive, succinct and delicately vigorous. There is rhyme and reason to his every touch. His performance is the most singular of the afternoon,

excepting Miss Taylor's.

That able lady's Pierrot is an elegant and unforgettable gesture of beauty. Her first quarter-hour was disappointing: her movements were choppy and loquacious. But when the final curtain fell, the impression persisted of a wistful, lovable Pierrot, fabricated skillfully with tender threads of silk that clung like a dream until the wind of the street was met. A self-conscious audience, composed for the greater part of distinguished persons, paid ample tribute with hand and murmur. More pleased audiences my faithful spies and I have seldom heard.

Clarence Derwent's Baron is aristocratic and attired in proper stiffness. Galina Koperack as Phynette is too forceful. Her dancing, however, tones down her extreme pantomimic energies to the correct degree. Ivan Lazareff,

awkward at moments, suffices as Pierrot, pere. Michelelette Burani possesses more expressive power; her madame is truer than Mons.

The production itself is an opus of grace. It hurtles on wings of music and imagination, and never reaches earth. What with George Copeland in the foreground with his piano, Otokar Bartik in the background with his harmonious direction, appropriate settings by Livingston Pratt, and a splendid cast occupying the center of the stage, not even the dust of years will obscure the rare beauty of the portrait of Pierrot the Prodigal hanging on my wall of memory.

Professor Brewster or not, don't be afraid to cut next Tuesday or Friday afternoon to see Pierrot the Prodigal. I did.

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BOUND IN MOROCCO

"ARROWSMITH": By Sinclair Lewis. 448 pp. Harcourt Brace & Co. \$2.00.

The futile struggle of man to read what is beyond him has been a favorite subject with artists in all ages. Our sympathies are with the man who has once dreamt of lovely maidens and star-lit evenings in May and who succeeds only in marrying a sentimental widow with five kids. We are stirred almost to weeping at the story of the poor fellow who in his youth wanted to write poetry and "great" novels and who past middle age finds himself a real-estate agent and a promising Rotarian orator. George F. Babbitt is really a pathetic figure. He grew up with the hope of conquering the world some day, but discovered, too late, that life is not a pleasant, shady lane through which we wonderfully clever humans may perambulate at leisure and in peace. It was not Babbitt's fault that he became what no genuinely poetic and dreamy soul wants to be. The tragedy of his life was due to circumstances, to his environment, to the common-sense world about him. In another age and another society he might have been an architect, a builder of pyramids or perhaps one of the framers of the Constitution. Unfortunately, in this age and in this society, he turned out to be a member of the Zenith Chamber of Commerce.

Now it is this tragedy—the tragedy of a dreamer who yearns for spiritual and ideal expression and finds himself struggling against the almost insurmountable shams and superficialities of our American life—that Sinclair Lewis bewails in his latest book "Arrowsmith". Martin Arrowsmith "regarded himself as a seeker after truth yet who stumbled and slid back all his life and bogged himself in every obvious manner." He is a poor medical student who is in search of the fundamental laws of science, who loves to play with chemicals and test-tubes in order that he might get a glimpse of the greish shadow that the Infinite throws upon the feeble comprehension of man; he is after discovering the physical, mathematical, basic theories that underlie all matter. As a young wretched doctor he is constrained to attend to the "bellyaches" of the careless inhabitants of Wheatsylvania, North Dakota. But he is always "homesick for the laboratory." As Assistant-Director of Public Health in the city of Nautilus, Iowa, Arrowsmith refuses to be the golf-playing, noise-making, grabbing, lying doctor. He is still the honest scientist, hoping, seeking the beauty of science for its own sake. At the McGush Institute in New York he throws up a ten thousand dollar position because to be Director and General Banker of one of the largest research institutions in the world, he prefers to run away to the mountains of Vermont to mix chemicals, break beakers, make bacteriological experiments and after a few years of work to come to failure. Arrowsmith is a dreamer and he never gets old and never becomes a "practical" man. He is a poet, one of those rare spirits in the realm of Science, one of those peculiar bacteria-chasing creatures who vision life as a whole, as a great indivisible, indestructible sum of beautiful and ugly things—the result of the never-failing workings of power-

ful forces gradually to be controlled by mankind.

Beside this eccentric, irascible man, Leora, his wife, the careless, jolly, cigarette-smoking, lovely Leora is an ever-freshly blooming flower. She forgets about her own self, about her own being. She loses herself in her husband, lives in him and for him alone. She is a sweet and most lovable character. Only at times she is less a woman than an angel, a beautiful guardian angel. It seems but natural that she should die in an epidemic which her husband is fighting and it seems natural that after her death Martin should sit down, "tousled, drinking steadily, living on whisky and hate, freeing his soul and dissolving his body by hatred as once hermits dissolved theirs by ecstasy." And it seems but natural that he should then marry Joyce Lanyon, "cool, trim, sure," her money and her Fifth Avenue apartment. It seems natural because Arrowsmith is a feeble human being.

"Arrowsmith" is an intensely interesting book. It is not really an attack upon our medicine-men. Upton Sinclair could have assailed the medical profession more successfully, could have made a sensational reeking job of it. But Mr. Lewis is interested primarily in life and in the tragedy encountered by a poet who struggles against a stupid world. It merely so happens that Arrowsmith is an M. D. and that he works in the medical profession. Doctors are really only human beings graduated from a medical school. They too are subject to the weaknesses of other humans. And why is there so little idealism in the work of most physicians and surgeons? Because—it is obvious—our economic and social society does not permit them to be "impractical." It is in pointing out this fact clearly and unmistakably that Lewis fails us. He understands that his hero stumbles because of the cruelty and stupidity of the economic system under which he lives. But there is in the book no strong emphasis on that point. Instead, Mr. Lewis attempts to hurl furious weapons at the medical profession and as I have said, should that be necessary—and it evidently is not—Upton Sinclair could do it more effectively.

There is, I find, too much scientific theorizing in the book. At times it fairly promises to become a text-book on biology, immunology, bacteriology, microbiology and a good many otherologies. It may, of course, not be at all harmful for some of us to be politely reminded about the physics, chemistry and mathematics that we have long ago forgotten. But it is sometimes annoying to have to encounter such terms as: streptococci, bacteriophage, staphylococcus, agoraphobia, claustrophobia, pyrophobia, anthropophobia and siderodromophobia. We become just a little tired of continually "monkey-skipping and flap-doodling" with colon bacilli and the X Principle.

On the whole, "Arrowsmith" is a brilliant novel—a better novel than Babbitt. Mr. Lewis draws his characters exceedingly well. This book is more artistically wrought and the purpose of the story is more visible and salient than the author's former work. But we may still expect Sinclair Lewis to write his great novel.

S. B. O.



This puzzles me: why managers receive the same insignia as players. The practice is an old one; but that doesn't necessarily make it a wise one. I, for one, never could see into the thing.

Letters represent a college's reward to those who have striven for it on the field of sport. There's the cue. Those who have striven on the field of sport. It means that letters are a thing which are won in active competition—and only in active competition. They are gained in battle just as medals of valor are won in battles in actual warfare.

Can you conceive of a Secretary of War sitting in an office and winning a D. S. C., an award signifying bravery in action. Well, that's how ridiculous it always strikes me when I see a manager or a cheer leader or an A.-A. officer sporting the varsity letter on his sweater. It seems to me these men ought to feel sensitive themselves about wearing the thing—like a person acting under false pretenses.

Not that those connected with athletics, but not playing, should be disregarded. No. Their efforts—and many of them do work hard—are fully as worthy of reward as are those of the athletes. BUT, the award should not be the same.

Some colleges have seen the evident failings of the ancient practice and have had the good sense to alter their codes of award. Most of these have adopted the idea of college insignia followed by "A. A.", for managers, and others who don't actually play.

Isn't it about time City College gave this matter some attention? Surely here is a worthy field on which our very energetic A. A. president and his cohorts can center their reform-hungry eyes.

Well, well, it's here again. What? Why the inter-class basketball tournament of course. The occasion for which the "little fellows" wait for a whole year. The little satellites which have been unmercifully eclipsed by the big varsity meteors get their chance now to push their faces out and shine away for all they're worth.

And it really is a good thing. Not everybody can make the varsity basketball team; but many fellows play a good brand of ball and are eager to utilize their talent in competitive play. The inter-class tournament offers every man his chance. Too bad that there are not more occasions for intra-mural athletics at the College.

Regarding the tourney which starts on Monday, the good old '25 class looks very pretty to this column. With Sammy Naiman, Nat Cohen, and your humble servant, three of the luminaries who helped '25 capture the title last year, on hand again, it is very probable that the dignified seniors will repeat. Anyhow, the entire sport staff of this sheet is pulling for '25 (they'd better if they know what's good for them).

Talking about the basketball tournament—it is interesting and significant to note that Pinkie Match, the great Pinkie himself, was uncovered in the tourney of four years ago. There's hope for you, freshman.

Colonel Joe Moses, the popular athlete, scholar and soldier, will address his P. S. 8 class today on "The Abolition of Intercollegiate Athletics." Leo Palitz, of b. b. fame, is slated as a secondary speaker.

"Chesty Joe" would have liked to have spoken on abolishing Mili Sci but that would be bad policy, considering he contemplates graduating this term and can't take any chances on incurring the wrath of the Colonel (the other one).

The Fat Man's Club has adopted the significant Greek appellation, Phi Alpha (figure it out). The organization has been swamped with applications for membership but it is maintaining the exclusive standards it adopted at its inception.

Sam Sorkin, rotund president, announces that "the boys" will invade the Stadium for the intensive Spring campaign early next week.

CLASS QUINTETS BEGIN TOURNAMENT MONDAY

Intra-mural Contests to be Played Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday

The annual Interclass Basketball Tournament, which has always been a popular feature in the past, will get under way Monday when the '25 quintet clashes with the '28 team and '26 lines up against '27. The contests will take the form of a round-robin tourney, which will wind up on Thursday of next week.

All the games of the tournament will take place at 5 p. m. on the gymnasium floor in the Hygiene Building. Members of the championship varsity five will probably be recruited to referee on the various days of play.

The class of 1929 is the only class which will be kept from the competition. Murray Pepper '26, manager of basketball, announces that no student who has previously played on any of

the College varsity or freshman basketball teams will be allowed to participate. The time of halves of each game will be fifteen minutes.

Keen competition is expected in the tourney due to the relative strength of the rival teams and the prizes to be awarded at the completion of the series of games. The members of the victorious quintet will receive their class numerals, and a banner will be presented to the winning class.

The '25 outfit, which carried off first honors in last year's tournament, is favored to repeat its triumph. Sam Naiman, Milt Katz, and Nat Cohen, all of whom played on the '25 team which defeated the '24 representatives by a single point in the closing and deciding struggle of the tourney in 1924, will appear again for their class. '27 will also have a strong team on the floor, a victory over the experienced C. D. A. five being the latest accomplishment of that aggregation.

The complete schedule of games follows:

Monday, '25 vs. '28, '26 vs. '27; Tuesday, '25 vs. '26, '27 vs. '28; Thursday, '25 vs. '27, '26 vs. '28.

R.O.T.C. RIFLEMEN LOSE TO MARYLAND

Score Is 3660-3655 — Solomon Wins Medal in National Championship

The R. O. T. C. rifle team met its second defeat in six starts when the Western Maryland sharpshooters nosed out the Lavender by the close score of 3660-3655.

Solomon was again the College's highest individual shot, scoring 379 out of 400. Captain Noyes, with 378, was barely beaten for first place. Lichtenfels had 371, Saltz 368, Feinberg 367, Valentine 364, Margolies 363, Brause 356, Brotherton 355, and Shapiro 354.

The fifth rank score achieved by Feinberg is his highest of the year. He has been practicing constantly all season, and, with a little improvement should be able to break into the first ten varsity marksmen.

A match with Oklahoma is also under way, but the score of the opposing team has not yet been received.

During the last fortnight three of the men on the team entered the National Tyro Championships, in which they made an excellent showing. Competing in a field of 112 men, Solomon placed ninth, winning a medal for his meritorious effort. His score was 584 out of 600. Noyes and Valentine, the other two City College entrants, were 14th and 50th respectively, scoring 582 and 556. First honors were carried off by Wilzeriski of the California Coast Artillery, who rang up the remarkable score of 598.

All men who had never before won a position among the first ten in a national competition are eligible for this championship contest. This will debar Solomon from entering this shoot next year.

POLITICS CLUB TO GET INTRODUCTION LETTERS

Robinson and Guthrie Prepare Letters For Entrance Into Political World

At a special business meeting to be held this afternoon at one o'clock in Room 126, the Politics Club will take initial steps to accomplish the original aim of the club,—to introduce its members to such local political organizations as the students would like to be affiliated with.

Professors Robinson and Guthrie, faculty advisors of the Politics Club, have prepared letters of introduction for all of the older members of the club. These letters are addressed to the political leaders of the districts. By means of this letter of introduction, the student who aspires to politics is enabled to secure a footing in the political world, be he a Republican, Democrat, Socialist, or Prohibitionist.

All College students who desire to be connected with some political organization in their neighborhood will find that through the services of the Politics Club they can more easily be placed.

At this meeting the students will have their final opportunity to file applications as census-takers for the Politics Club. Applicants for this job, which is of a remunerative nature, should see Louis Nidel '25, chairman of the Politics Club census committee. Every student applying for the position should hand in his name, address, phone number, and any experience or qualifications which he possesses.

Freshmen are especially reminded that if they desire to make an entrance into the political world they will find the Politics Club a medium of great advantage to them.

'28 CHESS MATCH TIED, 2-2

The freshman chess team fought to a 2-2 tie in its match with Richmond Hill H. S. last week. Bronstein and Fajans won their encounters at the first and second boards, while A. Levine and I. Horwitz at the last two tables lost.

A match with the N. Y. U. frosh is being arranged by the team.

Weill Publishes Book on French Pronunciation

Professor Felix Weill of the Romance Languages Department, who is on leave of absence since March 7, has just published a book entitled the "Practical Key to French Pronunciation."

The book has been brought out by Rural Educators of Lakewood, New Jersey. It is supplemented by phonograph records for oral practice.

SHWARTZ '26 NAMED WRESTLING MANAGER

Donner Elected Assistant Manager — Bischoff Receives Major Insignia

At a meeting of the A. A. board, Louis Schwartz '26 and Sidney Donner '27 were elected manager and assistant manager respectively of the wrestling team for 1925-1926 season.

Schwartz was assistant-manager this year and has been prominent in class affairs. Donner has been junior assistant in the sport.

George Bischoff was awarded major insignia and J. Magid '26 was awarded minor insignia in wrestling. These are the only changes in insignia awards which the board allowed.

The announcement to the effect that there would be elected a graduate representative to the Intercollegiate Swimming Association was erroneous. This was due to the fact that Ben DeYoung, recently elected vice-president of the League, retains his position as the City College representative.

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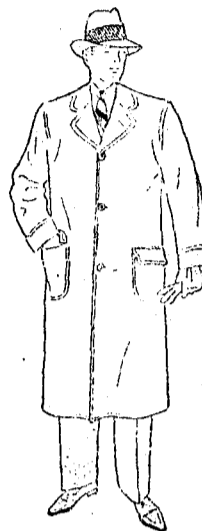
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INTER-CLUB COUNCIL SETS CONCERT DATE

Brooklyn Orchestral Society to Play in Great Hall on March 30

A concert by the Brooklyn Orchestral Society will be given under the auspices of the Inter-Club Council in the Great Hall, Monday evening, March 30, at 8:30 p.m. The orchestra, containing one hundred musicians, is under the leadership of Herbert J. Braham.

Next Monday, the campaign for the sale of tickets, which has already begun, will assume a more vigorous aspect. During next week, there will be a booth located in the Concourse. Tickets are also being sold at fifty cents by members of the council, who are designated by white lapel buttons.

Mr. Braham, the leader of the orchestra, received his musical education in this country and in Europe. On the continent, he studied under Phaff, Klugshied and Shriglia, all well known masters in their art. Later, he became a member of the H. W. Savage English Grand Opera Company. In 1917, he organized the Brooklyn Orchestral Society, and has been its conductor ever since.

The proceeds which are netted from the concert will be devoted to the financing of the work of the Inter-Club Council. Since Chapel has been abolished, the council will be one of the most important agencies through which outside speakers may be brought before the student body. At the present time it is planning a symposium on the race question.

Since its inception, the Inter-Club Council has sponsored the Scott Nearing-Robinson debate on Socialism, the cataloging of the freshman class for the purpose of making easier their assimilation into college life, and the formulation of a plan whereby conflicts between clubs having speakers on the same day were avoided. It also brought Linville, Morganthau, Page, and Overstreet together in the symposium on war.

The Inter-Club Council consists of representatives from the Menorah Society, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Circulo Dante Alighieri, the Newman Club, the Politics Club, the Social Problems Club, the Douglas Society, the Deutsche Verein, and the Baskerville Chemical Society. It is the plan of Council to interest and incorporate the other clubs and societies of the College into its organization.

Paul E. Drost, a member of the Y. M. C. A., is the president of this organization.

In the past it has been impossible to bring a large number of speakers before the student body because of the lack of funds to support the various projects. The Council plans to use the proceeds from such entertainments as the coming concert for the furtherance of its program at the College.

Drachsler, Ill, Thanks Students For Present

In answer to the gift of a basket of fruit sent to him by his classes because of his illness, Professor Julius Drachsler, of the Government department, sent a letter of thanks to the men in his courses. The letter reads in part:

"You know, I am sure, what a keen disappointment it is for me not to be able to be with you this term. I had planned our work with unusual care, with the sole aim of making it interesting and valuable to you, and I had begun to see the fine reaction of interest you were showing.

"But I hope we shall meet again in the fall, not merely as teacher and students, but rather as friends who genuinely respect and are ever ready to learn from one another."

STUDENT OPINION

To the Editor of the Campus:
I quote from "Plaint" a contribution by A. M. in the last issue of the College Mercury.

"Somewheres
In the Bible
Or in the American Mercury
I forget which
Some poor boob
Said that
The meek inherit the earth."

These words were spoken by Jesus in his "Sermon on the Mount." It may be said that, when rightly understood, they strike the keynote of the Christian philosophy. Jesus is recognized, not only by Christians but by cultured people throughout the world, as a great leader and one who brought truth and enlightenment. It is, therefore, very unbecoming of college men to speak of him in derision and I think that the College Mercury showed very poor judgment in allowing such an article to be published in its pages. Men like A. M. would profit greatly if they learned to show respect for one whose great example has guided the destinies of mankind for nineteen centuries.

GEORGE P. BISCHOP '25

When a publication which is distributed among a heterogeneous group representing a variety of shades of religious faith, indulges in the practice of printing an inane piece which by virtue of its essential nature must inevitably prove exceedingly offensive to the followers of a certain religious belief, it is treading on extremely dangerous ground. The Mercury would do well to recognize this fact—and be guided accordingly. Nothing could have been in poorer taste than the publication of the article referred to by our correspondent.

If the Editors of Mercury are not moved to indignation by allusions such as those made in A. M.'s contribution they should at least have the common courtesy to respect the feelings of those of their readers who hold beliefs different from their own and who take these beliefs seriously.
—EDITOR.

WISE TO ADDRESS COLLEGE THURSDAY

Noted Rabbi to Speak in Aid of Menorah Drive For U. of J.

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, one of the most prominent preachers and orators in the United States, will speak in the Great Hall Thursday, March 26 at one o'clock, in connection with the Menorah Society campaign to raise \$1000 for the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Dr. Wise has appeared at the College several times and has always met with an enthusiastic reception. He has visited Palestine several times and is conversant with affairs in that country. In his address Dr. Wise will talk of the new Hebrew University and explain its position in the world as an intellectual force.

The Menorah Society has arranged for other speakers to address the students the following week, in an effort to get the support of the students in the campaign for funds.

The campaign committee has approached several members of the faculty and has received very gratifying responses. The members of the College staff have promised to lend their support and aid to the drive.

Professor Israel Goldfarb of the Biology department, who is the faculty advisor of the Menorah Society, will be treasurer of the campaign funds.

HISTORY CLUB STUDIES OLD WORLD PROBLEMS

Society to Discuss "Oriental World of Hegel" as First of Series

Starting with next week, the History Club of the College will have a series of weekly discussions in an effort to bring before its members a continuous and comprehensive study of all the difficult problems of a very old world. The first topic to be discussed will be "The Oriental World of Hegel" and later discussions will continue down to present day affairs.

The History Club consists of twenty-five charter members who organized it the latter part of last term. The organization is unique in that it is divided into several circles which meet separately at other times than at the regular meetings. These circles each discuss several books which they have chosen. In this way as many as twenty-five books are regularly discussed at the Thursday meetings of the History Club.

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