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I am hopeful that these lines will fall under the eyes of persons who will be disposed to help a number of college boys out of a tight place. "Been in mischief," you will say, and "let them take their medicine." Ah, no! This column would never be used to make an appeal in behalf of such unfortunates. The case I wish to present is quite different.

This College always has an exceptionally large number of self-supporting students—boys who had saved up money toward a college education while yet in the grades, who work hard early and late through the summer vacations and who have jobs under the Bureau of Self-help while pursuing the college term. In prosperous times they succeed in making ends meet with far greater success than one not acquainted with the facts would imagine. But last summer was a poor season for the college boy seeking to earn money.

Forseeing the situation, our Board of Directors, a year ago, established a Loan Fund from which students above the Freshman year who cannot borrow elsewhere, might secure loans to cover balances due at the office of the Treasurer. I cannot state here the plan and conditions under which the Fund operates, but a number of other colleges have sent for our papers on the subject with a view to its adoption by them. Haverford College has had a somewhat similar plan in successful operation for several years. Confidence in the Ursinus Loan Fund will be assured when I tell you that one of the most successful business men in Pennsylvania has made two contributions of \$500 each toward getting it started, and that the Lehigh Valley Alumni Association, a year ago, organized a special movement among its members for subscriptions and has made substantial contributions to the Fund.

The point is that right now we have applications from deserving boys whom we cannot help without further funds. These boys do not ask for scholarships. What they want are loans which they will pay back with interest.

Not relief for the unemployed, but for some of the hardest working young fellows in the country is what we are calling for here.

G. L. O.

VESPERS SUNDAY IN CHARGE OF MAPLES

The vesper service Sunday evening was in charge of Maples under the leadership of Grace Williams '31. The theme was "The Love of God" and the hymns, scripture and prayer were in keeping with it.

FRESHMEN GIRLS' DEBATE

A debate was held in the Collegeville High School on Monday evening between the Freshmen Girls' team and the Royersford High School on the question, "Resolved: That the present advertising system is detrimental to best interests of society." The negative side was upheld by Ursinus and consisted of Esther Lightner, Ruth Haines and Nadine Jones. Royersford High School took the affirmative which was supported by John E. Kaltenbach, captain; Olive E. Harley, and A. Leonard Kline. The chairman for the evening was Alberta Jacobs '31, while Mr. Arter, coach of debating at the Collegeville High School, Maxwell Keubler '31, and Benjamin Scirica '32 acted as judges. Despite the fine work of the Ursinus team, they lost the decision 2-1.

On Tuesday evening the Freshmen Girls' Debating team won the decision at the Collegeville High School on the same question. Ursinus very capably upheld the affirmative side which consisted of Sarah Brown, Ruth Haines and Nadine Jones. The negative side was maintained by Verna Fenstermacher, Ruth Saylor and Grace Jury. Rebecca Price '31 was chairman while the judges were Miss English, head of the English department in the Collegeville High School, Aram Parunak '33, and Melvin Dillin '31. The Ursinus team handled the question in a very efficient manner and won the vote of 3-0.

Charles R. Will ex-'18 is a senior lieutenant of the U. S. Navy, now attached to the "Pennsylvania," which has just been modernized at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

ERNEST ACKLEY SPEAKS ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Ernest L. Ackley, of New York, spoke for a short time in chapel, Tuesday morning, March 10, on "Foreign Missions." He spoke of the hundreds of people suffering in some foreign countries because of the great dearth of hospitals which were often at least three hundred miles apart. Even after the advent of many missionaries, whole communities have not yet been reached—communities that can neither read nor write. Mr. Ackley answered a question which is always prominent when foreign missions are discussed: Is not the need also great in this country? The answer he brought out was that the people of America have had the opportunity while people in foreign lands have not had such an opportunity. He went on to speak of the Evangelistic Agencies prevailing. In China, 46% of the people live at least 10 miles from such an agency. In Japan, there are 8000 Christian workers; if one was given to each city, there would still be 3800 cities without a worker. Mr. Ackley made a plea for workers concluding with the thought that it is our duty to do the work or it won't get done.

MUSIC CLUB MEETING

The Music Club presented an interesting program in the monthly meeting in the West Studio, March 10. Violet Guydish '31, chairman of the program committee, offered the following numbers: vocal solo, "Her Blanket" (Lieurance) Dolores Quay '34; piano solo, "Sonata Pathetique" (Beethoven), Dorothy Funk '31; humorous Italian poems, Evelyn Grandner '31; cornet solo, Jerome Wenner '33, accompanied by Paul Wagner '32; vocal solo "La Morte Toujours", Floyd E. Heller '33; reading "The Family of Bears" (O'Neill), Helen Gohs '33; violin solo, Muriel Ingram '33; vocal duet "End of a Perfect Day" (Bond), Iris Lutz '33 and Helen Van Sciver '33; piano selections by Ralph Sumpman '33.

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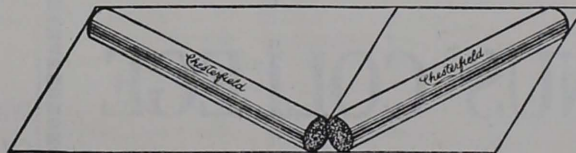
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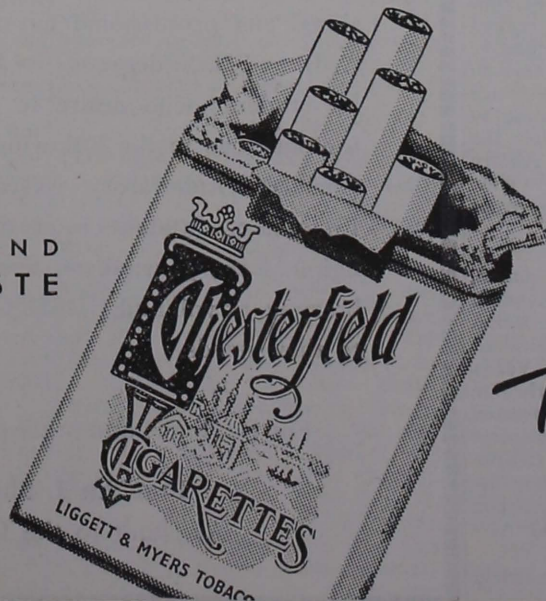
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