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DEBATING CLUB BANQUET HELD AT SCHWENKSVILLE

Excellent Dinner and Orchestra
Features the Evening

DEBATING KEYS PRESENTED

The debating season having closed, the men and women's debating teams enjoyed a most delightful banquet at the Spring Mountain House, Monday evening, May 27. After the bus ride, the group eagerly sought out the dining room where an excellent chicken and waffle dinner awaited the members. William Ferguson '29, acting as toastmaster, called upon Dr. White, Professor Witmer and Mr. Carter, the coaches, and Mr. MacMillan, the speaker of the evening. Mr. MacMillan told of the training derived from debating and its value in the various activities of life.

The surprise of the evening was the "shower of gold." Each member of the teams and the manager were presented with debating keys. The design, consisting of the "U" and the grizzly and bearing a suitable inscription, has been adopted as the standard debating award at Ursinus.

After everyone had enjoyed the delicious dinner, strains of music attracted the folks to a reception room where the college orchestra was all set to furnish the music for the dancing which continued for the remainder of the evening.

Much credit for the success of the evening is due to Miss Ellis '29 and Mr. Ferguson '29, who were in charge of arrangements.

READING ALUMNI ELECT

NEW OFFICERS AT DINNER

With 25 guests present, the annual banquet of the Ursinus College Alumni Association of Reading and Berks county, was held Monday night at the Thomas Jefferson Tea Room, in Reading. The guests were seated at several tables, decorated with low bowls of spring flowers. Tall tapers of hues blending with the flowers furnished light.

Three members of the faculty of the college were present and gave addresses. They were: Dr. George L. Omwake, president of the college; Dr. James Lynn Barnard, professor of political science and director of social studies for teachers, and Prof. Frank I. Sheeder, assistant to the president. They outlined the policies of the College and told of plans for athletic and alumni activities. Dr. Howard U. Miller, '02, of Mt. Penn, was toastmaster.

The annual election of officers was held at which the following were named: President, Mrs. Howard U. Miller '05, 2204 Perkiomen avenue, Mt. Penn; vice president, Horace L. Custer, '09, principal of Southern Junior High School, and secretary-treasurer, Miss Clara May Deck, '12, (Continued on page 4)

RANDOLPH HELFFRICH '29

ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT

Announcement has been made recently of the engagement of Miss Isabel May Johnson '27, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Johnson, of Upper Darby, to Mr. Randolph Geoffrey Helffrich '29, son of Dr. and Mrs. William U. Helffrich, of Bath. Dr. Johnson and both Dr. and Mrs. Helffrich are alumni of the College. Miss Johnson, who was captain of the 1927 Girls' Basketball Team, is a member of the faculty of the Cape May High School. Mr. Helffrich is Captain-elect of the 1929 Football Team, and is prominent in various campus activities.

ATTENTION—ALUMNI

Come to Ursinus Saturday, June 8, and see a natural phenomenon. The Big Bears are going to fight their cubs. And what a chance they have! When the Alumni tackles the varsity baseball team exciting things are going to happen. The Alumni team will be chiefly from the last five classes so there will be plenty of young blood. The batteries will likely be "Shorty" Erb '27 as catcher and Derk '25 or "Herbie" Howells '23 pitchers. Paul Isenberg '21, a former three-letter man, "Gip" Sterner '27 and Joel Francis '28, last year's varsity man are other prospects. Come out Saturday and see the fireworks.



HELEN J. REBER
Valedictorian

Helen has always been so far above the mass of students in her scholastic achievements that most people would consider the report she attained as something which is possible but not probable. Her brilliant work in ancient and modern languages has brought her the honor of the highest scholastic standing in the Class of '29. Besides her work in the classroom Helen distinguished herself in extracurricular activities both by her fine work on the Weekly and her able administration as President of the Women's Student Government Association.



WALTER I. BUCHERT
Salutatorian

Walter is not as well known on the campus as some because he is a day student. But when he is here he can be found without fail in one place, the laboratories. Perhaps this isolation has aided Walter in mastering his work for he is one of the best scientists in College, and a very able student in all other subjects. Beyond his work in the Biology Club he has not figured greatly in extracurricular activities but this is due only to the distance between his home and the campus. Those who know him well are all close friends and admirers of his good qualities.

SCHWENKFIELDIAN EXILES HOLD INTERESTING MEETING

Dr. J. M. Anders, Ursinus College
Director is President

Ursinus College was privileged to be host to the Schwenkfeldian Exiles at their semi-annual meeting which was held in Bomberger, Saturday afternoon, June 1. This society, of which Dr. James M. Anders, a director of Ursinus College, is president, is an ancestral organization of the highest order. About one hundred members were present.

The meeting opened with a few words by Dr. Anders who expressed gratitude to the college for the kindness in receiving them. Then he introduced the speakers of the afternoon who were Dr. Omwake, Herman L. Collins, of Philadelphia, and Dr. Johnson, of Harvard.

Dr. Omwake read a well-prepared paper on "Ancestry and Civilization" in which he showed the rise of civilization "pari passu" with the development of respect for ancestors. He traced it thru the family in savage life, thru the patriarchal and tribal stages to the present Christian civilization. He stressed that worth is more important than wealth but that we should endeavor to hand on something definite to our posterity.

Herman L. Collins, better known as Girard who writes a daily column in the Philadelphia Inquirer, spoke on (Continued on page 4)

ORATORICAL CONTEST

TO BE WELL CONTESTED

The annual Junior Oratorical Contest to be held Friday evening, June 7, promises to be well-contested. Although the number of contestants is smaller than usual they have all been working hard and the usual high standards of the oratorical contests will be upheld.

The contestants will be Freeman H. Swartz, Joseph Pedrick, Joseph Saylor, and Philip Willauer.

Their subjects will be respectively: 1. The Constitution and Personal Liberty. 2. The Meaning of a College Education. 3. The Struggle for Prohibition. 4. Intolerance.

DEBATING CLUB ELECTIONS

The Debating Club held its annual election of officers Tuesday, May 29 in Bomberger. The following officers were elected: President, Philip Willauer '30; Vice-President, Calvin D. Yost '30, and Secretary-Treasurer, Warren Hess '31.

STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS ELECTED TUESDAY, MAY 28

The new Student Council held its election of officers Tuesday noon, May 29, in Bomberger. The results of the election are as follows: Horace Werner '30, President; Harold Sullivan '30, Vice-President; and Edward Krall '31, Secretary-Treasurer. These officers immediately took control of their duties which will extend during the coming year 1929-30.

SUMMARY SHOWS YOUNG '30 AT HEAD OF BATTING LIST

Francis '30 Also Bats Over .300 With
Meckley at .285

With two more games to be played to complete the schedule, a summary of what has been done so far shows the Bears ahead in the number of games won by a margin of one game. Six tilts have been lost, the Grizzlies having bowed to Drexel, Muhlenberg, Lebanon Valley, Bucknell, Susquehanna, and Juniata in the order named, while Haverford, Albright, Swarthmore, Schuylkill, Gettysburg, and St. Joseph's have fallen before Grizzly hitting and pitching. St. Joseph's having dropped two contests to the Bears. The annual fracas with the Alumni remains to be played and will be contested the morning of Alumni Day, June 8. On the afternoon of the same day, the ball club will travel to Haverford to try to repeat their former feat. The game scheduled with Rutgers was cancelled on account of rain.

The first fray was dropped to Drexel by a 7-6 decision. Coming right after Easter vacation, the club was handicapped by lack of practice, and a succession of walks plus a costly error or two enabled the Dragons to nose out the Bears. The team came back strong, however, in the next game, played with Haverford at home. (Continued on page 4)

PHI BETA KAPPA HONORS

PRESIDENT G. L. OMWAKE

Announcement has been made from Lancaster that Theta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Franklin and Marshall College, at a recent meeting, elected President George L. Omwake of this institution to honorary membership. President Omwake holds two honorary degrees from Franklin and Marshall, thus making this the third honor bestowed upon the head of Ursinus by her one-time rival at Lancaster.

ATWATER KENT CONTEST

WON BY WM. SAALMAN '29

Grace Kauffman '27 Takes Part in
Women's Contest

Miss Grace Kauffman '27 and Wm. G. Saalman '29, were the respective winners of the women's and men's contests for the Norristown District in the Atwater Kent National Radio Audition Contest. The contest was held in the Stewart Junior High School Auditorium Wednesday evening, May 29. Five men and four women competed, each singing from behind a screen, in order that the judges' decision might be rendered solely on the quality of the voice.

Mr. Saalman rendered "Nomad" by Hamble and "Gunga Dun" by Spross. A pupil of Miss Hartenstine for the past four years, he has taken a leading part in the musical activities of the campus. As a Glee Club soloist, he met with popular favor wherever a concert was given. His success in this contest is the result of patient and persistent effort on the part of both teacher and pupil.

Miss Kauffman, for the past two years director of music in the Collegeville Schools, is a former pupil of Miss Hartenstine. She possesses a beautiful, clear soprano of lovely quality, and her execution of difficult lyrics shows great promise.

As a result of this contest, Miss Kauffman and Mr. Saalman are entitled to enter the next step in the elimination contest, which culminates in the national Radio Audition, the winner of which receives \$5000, a gold medal, and four years tuition at a chosen conservatory.

PORTRAIT OF PRESIDENT

TO BE GIVEN TO URSINUS

An interesting event not listed on the commencement program as published will be the presentation of a portrait on Sunday, June 9, at 5:00 p. m., daylight saving time. This is the portrait of President Omwake recently painted by one of America's leading artists, John C. Johansen, of New York. It is a gift to the College from Samuel Frantz Newman, of Waynesboro, Pa. Mr. Newman will be represented by the Hon. Watson R. Davison, Judge of the 39th Judicial District of Pennsylvania, Chambersburg, Pa., who will make the address of presentation. The portrait will be received on behalf of the College by Harry E. Paisley, president of the Board of Directors. Dr. James M. S. Isenberg, Vice President, will preside.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF TRACK MEN HELD MONDAY, MAY 27

Pierson Elected Manager For the
Coming Year

KERMIT BLACK '30 CAPTAIN

Kermit S. Black '30, Bordentown, N. J., was elected to captain the 1930 Track Team at the annual banquet of the lettermen held in the private dining-room, Monday evening, May 27. Black, whose events are the shot-put, javelin, discus, and high jump, has been a member of the team for the past two seasons and with 23 5-6 points ranked third in total number of points scored this past season. He has also been a letter-man in football for two years.

J. H. Pierson '30, Lansdowne, Pa., was elected Manager. Assistant managers named were: K. N. Alexander, '31, Chester, Pa.; A. J. Horn '31, Pen Argyl, Pa., and D. O. Trauger, '31, Doylestown, Pa.

Letters were awarded to the following: Captain-elect Black; George A. Clark '31, Cape May Courthouse, N. J.; Fred S. Conover '31, Englishtown, N. J.; Van Lennep Davies '30, Matawan, N. J.; Blair W. Egge, '31, Frackville, Pa.; John W. Fertig '31, Lebanon, Pa.; Austin A. Gavin, Jr., '30, Schwenksville, Pa.; Warren K. Hess, '31, Reading, Pa.; John B. Lentz, '31, Collegeville, Pa.; George R. MacBath '31, Watsontown, Pa.; R. S. Newcomer '29, captain, Slatington, Pa., and Stanley Omwake '31, Collegeville, Pa.

PRES. OMWAKE SPEAKS

AT DINNER TO DR. HAAS

A notable event of Muhlenberg's commencement week was the testimonial dinner given to Dr. John A. W. Haas Tuesday evening, May 29, in honor of his twenty-fifth anniversary as president of the institution. It was attended by nearly 600 persons, representing all walks of life, who came to pay tribute to Dr. Haas.

Commencement week also included the dedication of a new 250,000 volume library building and the breaking of ground for the new quarter million dollar Memorial chapel that is to be constructed.

Another important event was the meeting of the Presidents' Association. It was the spring meeting of the association and three topics were discussed. Dr. George L. Omwake, of Ursinus, spoke on "The Colleges of Twenty-five Years Ago," the text of which is found on page two; Dr. Henry A. W. Hanson, of Gettysburg, on "The College Today," and Dr. Wm. W. Comfort, of Haverford, on "The College of the Future."

CALENDAR

Daylight Saving Time

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

- 2.00 p. m. Class Day Exercises in the College Auditorium.
- 4.00 p. m. Business Meeting of the Ursinus Woman's Club, Room 7, Bomberger Hall.
- 5.00 p. m. Woman's Club Dinner, Freeland Hall, Upstairs Dining Room.
- 8.00 p. m. Junior Oratorical Contest. Awarding of the Hunsicker and Meminger Prizes. Music by Diemer's Orchestra. College Auditorium.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

- 10.30 a. m. Annual Meeting of the Directors, Faculty Room, Alumni Memorial Library.
- Baseball Game: Ursinus vs. Alumni, Commons Field, Collegeville.
- 12.30 p. m. Business Luncheon, Alumni Athletic Club, Freeland Hall, Downstairs Dining Room.
- 2.30 p. m. Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association, Bomberger Hall.
- 5.30 p. m. Alumni Banquet. Speakers: Flora Rahn Lentz, '89, Walter E. Garrett, '99, Dr. Francis T. Krusen, '09, Wallace C. Savage, '19, William D. Reimert, '24. Toastmaster, George L. Omwake, '28. Class Reunions: '79, '84, '89, '94, '99, '04, '09, '14, '19, '24. Upstairs Dining Room, Freeland Hall.
- 9.00 p. m. President's Reception, Alumni Memorial Library.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

- 11.00 a. m. Baccalaureate Sermon by the Rev. J. Ross Stevenson, D. D., LL. D., President, The Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J., College Auditorium.
- 8.00 p. m. Oratorio: "Ruth," by Alfred R. Gaul. Ursinus College Chorus, Jeanette Douglass Hartenstine, Director, College Auditorium.
- MONDAY, JUNE 10
- 10.30 a. m. Recital on the Clark Memorial Organ by Minna Just Keller, Reading, Pennsylvania.
- 11.00 a. m. Commencement. Honor Orations by two members of the Graduating Class. Commencement Address by Frederick William Wile, Publicist, Washington, D. C. Conferring of Degrees. Address to the Graduates by the President, College Auditorium.
- 2.00 p. m. Open Air Concert on the Campus by Klingler's Municipal Band of Allentown, Martin Klingler, Director.

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EDITOR OF THIS ISSUE ALBERT S. THOMPSON

Editorial Comment

URSINUS STUDENTS—INDEPENDENT OR SPOON-FED?

The day of instruction using the "spoon-feeding" method—that method in which the professor holds the spoon and pours material into the student—is rapidly passing. It is but an aftermath of an old academy routine under which labored the student much less mature than the present college average. Facilities such as were available at that time demanded that system but surely conditions have changed sufficiently to discredit hanging on to a method rapidly becoming antiquated. For now the rise of the new feeling of independent research is being felt thruout the educational institutions. This feeling seemed to rise in several phrases. First, students of the old university demanding some outward personal expression of individuality and development, expressed themselves in student government and extra-curricular activities. And now this expression is being transferred to intellectual pursuits—a seemingly natural procedure in a college set up as it is for intellectual development and benefit.

Plato, altho he did not attempt to apply it, certainly expressed this new theory well when he said that "a free spirit ought to learn no piece of learning with slavery." On this basis and in accordance with the theory of individual differences is the Honors Course system being developed and applied. President Aydelotte of Swarthmore expressed this very definitely in his inaugural address at Swarthmore College in 1921 in these words: "Perhaps the most fundamentally wasteful feature of our educational institutions is the lack of a higher standard of intellectual attainment. We are educating more students up to a fair average than any country in the world, but we are wastefully allowing the capacity of the average to prevent us from bringing the best up to the standards they could reach." The objectives of Honor Courses are mainly three: First, to have the student get as large a possession as possible of organized knowledge; second, to arouse the spirit of inquiry; and third, to disseminate thruout the entire institution that spirit of thoughtful inquiry. One can easily see the type of students that would result under a system that would accomplish these objectives. President Eliot of Yale once remarked that in the old classicist institution which afforded so much leisure time, students by general reading oftentimes struck some subject to their fancy and in which by personal application and endeavors they acquired a knowledge and experience which resulted in their being foremost in their own peculiar line. The present day system allows no such leisure time and only by definitely organized Honor Courses can these benefits be attained.

This theory is by no means untried. Used extensively thruout all graduate work after the regular college instruction has been completed, it has gradually worked its way into the colleges and universities. In Oxford it is used almost entirely altho Oxford in relation to American colleges is really a graduate school. However lately the plan has seeped into American colleges and it has been estimated that nearly one hundred colleges at present either use it or are making provisions for subsequent installment. Swarthmore seems to lead in actual application. There a percentage of the most progressive students—about one-third or nearly seventy-five of the two hundred and fifty in the two upper classes—are allowed to take Honors Courses during their Junior and Senior years. At their option they take the regular class work afforded the other students and their work consists in weekly seminars of seven or eight students and a professor at which time prepared papers are read on some assigned topic and discussed. They are allowed to specialize rather closely and their work is guided by the professor and by a syllabus outlining their two year's work. At the end of the two years comprehensive examinations are given by professors or other institutions to cover the material.

At Ursinus we should take some definite steps in that direction. It will be hard no doubt to institute a system entirely but a start should be made in the near future. Definite preparations are needed which include professors able to direct the student adequately in his research work and personal application. A science building will be practically a necessity so as to provide facilities for work in the natural sciences, psychology, and mathematics. Conference rooms are needed for the social sciences, history, philosophy and religion. It is a challenge to Ursinus to expand in this very necessary and progressive direction. A Greater Ursinus can be accomplished in no greater way than by the innovation of the Honors Course system with its attendant improvements.

Lastly, it is a challenge to the students of Ursinus. Shall we be independent and progressive or spoon-fed and stagnant? It is up to us ourselves and when the time comes for support of the innovation of an Honors Course plan, let us show the administration and the educational world that Ursinus students are not spoon fed but that they are able and willing to undertake a system requiring much greater ability and effort but compromising for it in intellectual development and benefit.

A. S. T., '31

OUR COLLEGES TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

An address delivered by President George L. Omwake at the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of President John A. W. Haas of Muhlenberg College May 28, 1928.

The catalogue of Muhlenberg College for the year 1903-04 carries at its mast-head the name of the Rev. John A. W. Haas, D. D., as President-Elect. We have gathered here in this year, 1929, to tender him our congratulations on having completed twenty-five years of continuous service in the position to which he had then just been elected. But I wish to congratulate Muhlenberg College on the choice which it made early in 1904 for the office of chief-martyr, as President Sparks used to designate the office of college president and to congratulate President Haas, also, upon having come into his martyrdom at the proper age of 41, (I was exactly 41 myself when I was elected president)—an age which saved the college from the errors of youth and yet gave promise of a tenure sufficiently long to permit of a real career. It was Isaac Sharpless who once said that a man should not accept the presidency of a college unless he had reasonable expectation of serving in the position for twenty-five or thirty years. The new president of Muhlenberg enjoyed an advantage on taking charge of the institution in September, 1904, in that the college had just taken possession of the present plant, having moved out from the old down-town location that summer. Here on a new spot with brand new equipment, the era of constant advancement and ever increasing prosperity under the leadership of President Haas began. Here with about a dozen colleagues in the faculty and with the four college classes averaging fewer than twenty-five students each, began the upward march by which Muhlenberg has arrived today with a faculty three times as large as that of a quarter century ago and a student body multiplied more than fourfold. Along with the growth in numbers has come a corresponding increase in resources and equipment with a widely extended field of influence in church and state. Withal the growth of Muhlenberg has been steady, normal, and secure. Under the wise guidance of her now distinguished president we find this college has striven for no doubtful aims and taken no steps from which she shall ever have to recede.

As the new president looked out upon the world in 1904 he observed the slowly healing wounds of the Boer War in South Africa and saw portentous clouds arising on the Russo-Japanese frontier—clouds which broke in a vicious war within a year. But these disturbances seemed far away. They affected America, and especially Eastern Pennsylvania and Lehigh county but little. We were in an age of political complacency. Although it was a campaign year and Roosevelt was appealing for his first "cup of coffee" following three years of service as President of the United States in place of the martyred McKinley, with no sterner opposition to his appeal than was furnished by that non-militant and indeed highly conservative gold-democrat, Judge Alton B. Parker, life in general in the United States was undisturbed. The national election soon over, and the college term well on its way, the new president was free to take account of stock in the educational world. Household names of the times were those of Charles W. Eliot, Andrew T. Draper, William T. Harris and G. Stanley Hall. In our own state, Nathan C. Schaeffer was at his best. The educational journals scattered widely in their presentation of titles but there was considerable concentration about that time on college athletics, attacking problems which, sad to relate, have not been solved to this day. The relative merits of admission by certificate vs. admission by examination were being discussed a good deal, and the problem of accrediting was a live issue. How to reckon the value of secondary school work for freshman standing and how to count college work for transfer from one institution to another and to graduate and professional schools, was occupying the spare time of registrars and deans. Soon, however, the far-famed "Carnegie unit" came into current use and thereafter the work of a registrar was as smooth and easy as that of a bank cashier. The twenty-five years, through which President Haas and others here, have worked, have demonstrated, in the use of measures, that educational values cannot be so satisfactorily coined into units of exchange as can commercial values. There is about as much disposition today to get rid of the Carnegie unit as there

was a quarter century ago to take it up. But the college of to-day is to be discussed by another, so let us get back to 1904.

The new president of Muhlenberg did not go to the meeting of the Association of College Presidents of Pennsylvania that year nor the next, because there were no meetings. The Association was at low ebb. Although it had been organized eight years before it had not yet found itself. There were at that time no bonds holding the colleges and universities of the state together. They got their chief joy out of life from competition rather than cooperation. As compared with the present only a few young persons went to college. The total enrollment in Pennsylvania institutions in 1903-04 was only 16,720. The aggregate of college students in the state in 1927-28 was 49,941. In 1904 there were really not enough students to go round. Practically all institutions had emissaries in the field exercising their persuasive powers in behalf of their own institutions, and unhappily they sometimes used these powers to persuade against their neighbors as well as for themselves. Judging from the early minutes of the Association, what actually did bring them together was certain injustices imposed upon independent colleges by the State Medical Association. The few meetings held prior to 1904 were called to consider legislation affecting preparation for medical colleges. A meeting held February 16, 1903 devoted itself wholly to a matter of this nature and adjourned "to meet at the call of the president." Two more meetings were held, one in 1906 and another in 1907. Then the minutes appear in the hand of President Haas himself who in 1910 became secretary.

The leaders in college work in Pennsylvania, when President Haas assumed office in 1904, were Wm. H. Crawford of Allegheny, John Howard Harris of Bucknell, George Edward Reed of Dickinson, John S. Stahr of Franklin and Marshall, Isaac Sharpless of Haverford, Ethelbert D. Warfield of Lafayette and James D. Moffatt of Washington and Jefferson. Within the decade, however, came such new personalities as Samuel B. McCormick of Pittsburgh, Edwin Earle Sparks of Penn State, Edgar Fahs Smith of the University of Pennsylvania, Henry S. Drinker of Lehigh, Joseph Swain of Swarthmore and Henry H. Apple of Franklin and Marshall. It was with this latter group together with a few veterans of the earlier days who continued in service, that President Haas found most helpful association as he proceeded into the busy years of his quarter century. He has lived now to see most of these drop out either by death or retirement, so that at present he finds himself fraternizing with a third generation in the activities of the College Presidents' Association. Only three members of our Association antedate him in tenure. These are Father Hehir of Duquesne who has been for 30 years president of that institution, Hon M. G. Brumbaugh who 34 years ago first became president of Juniata, but who departed for a time, from 1906 until 1924, to serve in other and larger fields, and Dr. Ethelbert D. Warfield, the veteran of all who has been a college president ever since he was a boy, and whose administrations at Lafayette and at Wilson together cover a span of 38 years. Dr. Warfield is the one active member of this Association today who was present at the time of organization in 1896. He was a member of the committee that prepared the original constitution.

We have referred to the steady and continuous growth of Muhlenberg under Dr. Haas. A survey of the institutions of the state reveals similar growth everywhere. Running back over the past quarter century we find the colleges and universities as a whole in a far less comfortable position than they are today. In 1904 all the institutions in Pennsylvania had no more students in all departments than do two institutions in Philadelphia alone in 1929. The small numbers of students and the prevailingly moderate fees for tuition made the income from this source pitifully low. The average of tuition fees was only \$96 per year. The aggregate of endowment funds reported to the State Department of Public Instruction in 1904 was only \$13,165,425. The aggregate reported in 1927-28 was \$77,518,698. Two institutions within the state each have more endowment today than all of the institutions within the state together had twenty-five years ago.

These comparative figures show that twenty-five years ago we were in another and different era in the field of higher education. We carried on our work on a smaller scale, yet Dr. Nath-

an C. Schaeffer in his report to the Legislature in 1904 states that "whilst the colleges in many sections report a decrease in attendance it is gratifying to note the steady increase in the attendance at Pennsylvania colleges and universities." A wise policy on the part of the Commonwealth is referred to in the passage wherein Superintendent Schaeffer pointed out that, "By preventing the indefinite multiplication of small colleges the opportunity has been given to the strong colleges to grow in strength until they can offer facilities for study unsurpassed by their rivals outside the State." It is interesting to note that while this has been the policy the number of institutions conferring degrees whose certificates are approved by the State Department of Education has increased from 33 in 1904 to 56 in 1929.

Perhaps no quarter century in the history of higher education in America in America has witnessed such great political and social changes as have taken place in the last twenty-five years. These changes have profoundly affected education in many of its phases, yet there is probably no type of educational institution that has fluctuated less in essential character than has the liberal arts college. As civilization progresses, effecting profound changes in modes of living, and making new and different demands on technical and professional schools, the broad central field of culture continues to exist with its limits widened rather than narrowed, and no other type of school can so well meet the needs of this field as can the independent liberal arts college which is free to determine its own standards and to work out its own methods.

We congratulate Muhlenberg and all her sister colleges on the magnificent prospect which lies ahead for liberal education. As American life matures, culture becomes more and more essential, the refinements of religion and art more and more a necessity. In this ever growing popular need we have the assurance of continued usefulness.

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EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 4

9 a. m.

Biology 2A

Biology 2B

Econ. 2A

Educ. 2A

Physics 4

Pol. Sci. 10

Math. 16A

1 p. m.

German 2A

History 2A

History 6A

Math. 2a A

Wednesday, June 5

9 a. m.

French 4B

Math. 4

1 p. m.

Chemistry 2A

Chemistry 2B

Spanish 2

Rev. George P. Kehl '21, pastor of the Second Reformed Church in Indianapolis, Indiana, was chairman of the Committee on Entertainment of Delegates during the meeting of the Synod, May 22-29.

The Tower Window



BY the time this issue of the Weekly reaches many of the alumni it will be time to "pack up the old kit bag" and begin the trek back to the old campus for the commencement festivities. If you had thought that you would not go to commencement this year let me ask you to take another thought.

Two alumni who chanced to meet here one day discussed this matter of attending commencement. One had not been here for years while the other was a regular attendant. The latter took the former somewhat to task and urged him henceforth to make it a rule of his life to come back to every commencement and to let nothing interfere with his doing so. He bore testimony to the value of such a policy from his own experience. I believe the one time absentee has been pretty regular since and doubtless will eventually acquire the habit of complete regularity.

Now why should an alumnus come back to college at commencement? For the same reason that he should visit his old home. There is a natural attachment to the College which the alumnus should cultivate. A graduate or former student of a college has within him a whole group of quite personal feelings that take rise from memories of college days. It heightens the joy of one's life just to let them play as one thinks back to the good old days. But if it is good to be merely reminiscent, how much better to go back to the old scenes especially at a time when one is sure to meet classmates and friends, and actually live over again in physical contact the happy days of yore.

But if one is not impressed with the good he may get out of a visit to college for himself, let him be reminded that it will do the College good if he will go. Those whose life work is in the institution, especially those under whom graduates far back along the line pursued their studies, find one of their chief compensations to be the meeting of former students. It is a pleasure that is looked forward to all through the year. So please be assured that there are those who are anxiously awaiting your coming and whose happiness will be lessened a bit if you do not appear.

There is another reason why you should come. "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also." You have doubtless been contributing to the upbuilding of Ursinus either by gifts made directly or by payments into the big B. & L. fund that is accumulating. You should come and see how those who are stewards of your benefactions are making use of your money.

I have not said anything about the many meetings that will command your interest or the excellent programs that have been prepared for your edification. These alone will make it well worth while for you to come to commencement.

This whole article is written for the person who had not intended to come. When you appear on the campus please tell me about it so I may know how much good my "argufying" has done.

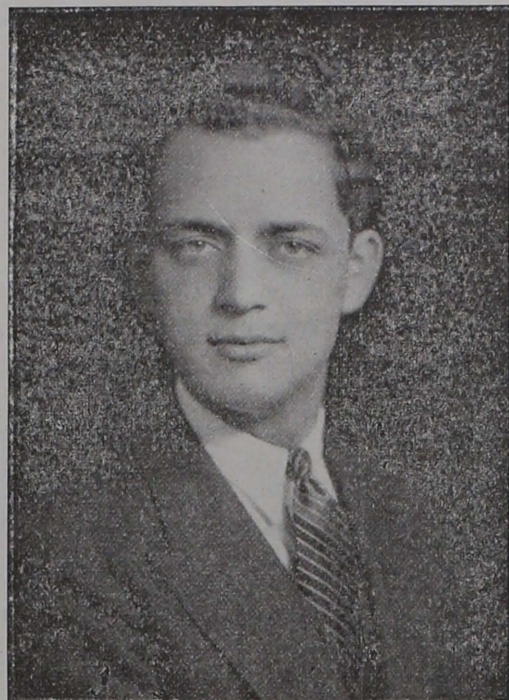
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THE GROWTH OF THE MEMORIAL TREES

With the attaching of the labels the movement originated last fall to plant the new campus with memorial trees has been consummated. In all seventy hard-wood trees, mostly American elms, of good size, having one and one-half to two-inch trunks, were planted last November. A few replacements were made this spring and there are yet a few oaks that will have to be replaced. Otherwise, the entire planting has made a good start on the first season's growth.

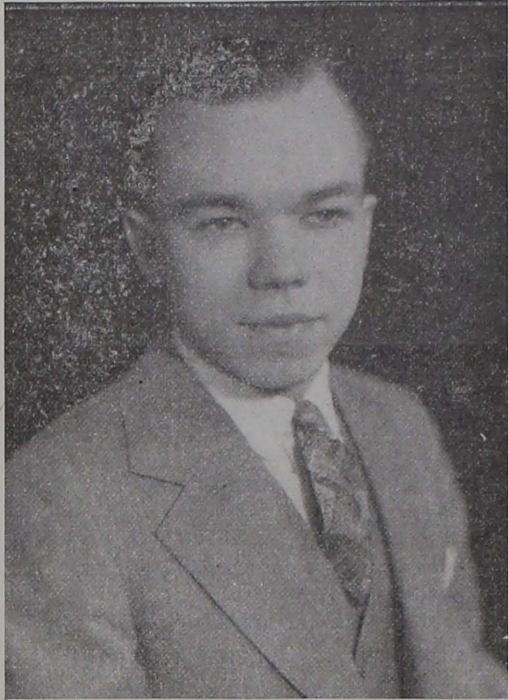
Fifty-six elms and four White Birches have been designated as class-trees and ten of various species have been dedicated to deceased professors. Each has been marked by a brass label attached to a four-inch chain which in turn is securely fastened to the tree with a copper nail driven into the trunk.

The College makes acknowledgment to the following alumni and friends who have contributed to the fund: Mrs. F. S. Lindaman, Littlestown, Pa. Rev. H. J. Welker, Myerstown, Pa. E. F. Slough, Norristown, Pa. Alvin Hunsicker, Greentown, Pa.



C. RICHARD SNYDER
Editor in Chief of the Weekly

Dick came to Ursinus as a Sophomore, but he has made up for lost time in every way. In studies, he is one of the A-men under Brownback, no mean achievement. Dick has been the accompanist of the Glee Club and a member of the Choir during his three years. In dramatics he very skillfully played the leading roles in "The Fatsy" and "The Rise of Silas Lapham." Dick was also a member of the tennis team till forced out by illness. But he will be chiefly remembered for his very able and efficient administration as Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Weekly, which office he won after two years as reporter and associate editor.



MALCOLM E. BARR
Editor in Chief of the Weekly

Malcolm is one of the band who intend to enter the Christian Ministry, and with this end in view he has spent much of his time in the work of the Christian organization, being Vice President of the Y. M. C. A. in his junior year and President of the Brotherhood of St. Paul during his last two years in College. At the same time Malcolm engaged in the work of the Weekly, first as a reporter then associate editor, and in his senior year because of his faithful work and ability he was elected as a Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Weekly, in which office he has served very ably together with Richard Snyder. He was also one of the charter members of the new Literary Club.

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Mrs. Clamer's contribution was for a memorial to Prof. J. Shelly Weinberger. The tree dedicated to Dr. Weinberger is a white oak which stands directly in the course he used to take on coming to the college to teach from Glen Farm which was then his residence and which subsequently became the home of the Clamer family.

Miss Alice Miller, '26 is teaching Mathematics and coaching debating in the High School at Hollidaysburg, Penna.

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[See if you can find the Ursinus girls in this group picture taken at Eagles Mere last summer. One hint to their position may be offered and that is that the banner is dark.]

URSINUS STUDENTS TO ATTEND EAGLES MERE SUMMER CONFERENCE, JUNE 12-22

The Eagles Mere Intercollegiate Conference held every summer has for the past few years been a source of much interest to the girls. But this year the men will also have a representation. Quoted from "The Middle Atlantic Intercollegian"—a "Y" newspaper—Ursinus College will have its first delegation—in many years—at Eagles Mere. John Sando, new Association president, will be there. He will be accompanied by

John Witmer, council representative, and Harry Maurer. Calvin Yost, editor of the college paper, Tom Kochenderfer, Al. Thompson, Blair Egge, and Oscar Trauger are trying to manoeuvre into the Eagles Mere harbor. It is to be hoped that as many possible of that group will go and as many others as can possibly arrange it. The girls promise Alice Cassel '30 and Katherine Sanderson '30 as representatives. However, that number

should be much increased. The value of Eagles Mere may be inferred from a statement lately made by Arthur Moore, "Y" secretary who visited us last year. He said "If I could have but one experience, that of receiving and taking advantage of the Rhodes Scholarship or the chance of attending the three summer conferences to which I went as a college student, I should choose the conference experience, without hesitation."

READING ALUMNI ELECT

NEW OFFICERS AT DINNER

(Continued from page 1)

West Leesport. Mrs. Miller, who was formerly the secretary, succeeds Prof. Harry A. Altenderfer, '22, of Albright College.

Following the dinner the guests danced to music furnished by a three-piece orchestra and were entertained with songs and readings by Miss Verna Kurtz, '23.

The following were present: Dr. Omwake Dr. Barnard, Prof. Sheeder, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Seitz, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Horace L. Custer, Dr. and Mrs. Ira J. Hain, Dr. and Mrs. Howard U. Miller, Miss Margaret Frutchey, Miss Verna Kurtz, Miss Janice Weigley, Miss Clara Deck, Miss Rosa Snavely, Miss Claire Lawrence, Miss Ruth E. Eppeheimer, Miss Esther Shirey, Prof. H. A. Altenderfer and Dr. Karl Houck.

SCHWENKFELDIAN EXILES

HOLD INTERESTING MEETING

(Continued from page 1)

"The Early German Newspapers of Pennsylvania." It was very interesting and included many references to the surrounding country and especially Montgomery county.

Doctor Johnson, professor in Harvard Theological Seminary, and editor of the Schwenkfeldian "Orator" gave some very interesting reasons why the Exiles should have personal interest in Ursinus College. He made reference to the Pauling family, Glenwood woman's college and the old Lutheran church in Trappe.

After resolutions had been made at the suggestion of the Society historian, Dr. Samuel Brecht, concerning expressions of thanks to Ursinus College, President Omwake, and Mr. Collins, the meeting was adjourned to the library where refreshments were served.

JUNIOR GIRLS ENTERTAIN

SENIORS AT BREAKFAST

On Saturday, the members of the Senior Class who were willing to arise at the ungodly hour of seven, were given a campfire breakfast by the Juniors, down South Hall lane.

There were quite a number of cooks, but contrary to the old epigram, the result was very good—the result being scrambled eggs with plenty of bacon, oranges and coffee.

Only one reckless individual cared to risk losing his sandwich by toasting it over the roaring fires built by those experts, Calvin Yost and John Witmer.

Perhaps it was because of Miss Gladys Barnes' chairmanship, with her strong armed committee of cooks—or the aid of the "kollege kitchen"—or Jerry Ohl's Ford—but, anyway the party was a huge success.

ALUMNI NOTES

The following Ursinus men were in attendance at the 23rd Triennial Sessions of the General Synod, First Reformed Church, Indianapolis, Ind., May 22-29: Wm. U. Helfrich '93, J. M. S. Isenberg, '93, Morgan A. Peters '95, H. B. Kerschner '16, C. B. Als-pach '90, C. P. Wehr '95, Robert Thana, O. R. Franz '95, Ralph J. Har-rity '15, J. P. Alden '99, W. W. Rowe '02, G. F. Fisher '87, A. M. Billman '12, J. Edward Klingaman, W. Sher-man Kerschner '09, W. R. Gobrecht '16, S. L. Flickinger, Jacob C. Leonard '93, Marsby J. Roth '93, Roy E. Leinbach '05, Samuel W. Beck '02, L. Harrison Ludwig '21, Joseph Yost '10.

GAFF FROM THE GRIZZLY

Grizzly thought himself rather well-informed about the conditions in the Ursinus tenements, but he realized his abysmal ignorance upon receiving the letter which follows here:

Dear Grizzly,

The tenement district is very grateful to you for your kind intercession regarding our crowded conditions. Since you are not so well acquainted with our life as with that of other parts of the city, you may not be aware that a distressing situation confronts us. The question is this: What should one do with a young man who wishes to wait while one is effecting an improvement in appearance? Since he is not permitted to sit on the porch, and the ditch is too damp, we would like to petition the Council to put in curbstones on Sixth avenue, unless you have a better suggestion.

Another problem which is wreaking havoc in those of us who have minds is the custom of giving the students an opportunity to review, each May, the semester's work for the professors. If the Education, History, and Latin departments must have us tell them everything in the book, including the footnotes and museum pieces, it is our honest and well considered opinion that they should give us more than two hours in which to write it, since it really doesn't do anyone justice to attempt to duplicate in one hundred and twenty minutes that particular brain child to which some man has struggled for a couple of years to give proper nurture, and, we may add, application and understanding mind.

Since the golf season has opened the co-ed has to stay well within bounds. It is dangerous to be near the North Campus when the men are in action, and it is risky to be around Sixth Avenue when some of the women are seeking diversion.

Since conditions are becoming crucial your penetrating mind may be able to help us.

Hopefully, VACUUM.

PIANO STUDENTS GIVE ANNUAL RECITAL, MONDAY, MAY 27

The annual piano recital by pupils of Jacques F. Stock was held Monday evening, May 27, in the piano studio. It was well-attended and showed the prospects of a growing piano department.

The pupils were assisted in their recital by Grace I. Kauffman '27, present director of Music in the Collegeville High School. She sang three numbers of which the "Norwegian Echo Song" was most excellent. This song was a favorite recital piece of Jenny Lind and the cadenza at the end was arranged by her. The beauty and technique of the song and the singer is well attended by the fact that with it she won the Atwater Kent Contest during the past week.

A beautiful arrangement of "Sonata in C Major" by Mozart was played by Margaret Demarest '32 with Mr. Stock accompanying on a second piano. The three movements played required excellent technique and interpretation. Helen Green '31, played "Moonlight Sonata" by Beethoven and Doris Wagner '32 played "Prelude in G sharp minor" by Rachmaninoff. As an encore she played "Kammenoi-Ostrow" by Rubenstein.

Other pupils who played were Edward Fretz—French Song, Dorothy Witmer—Ballet Music from Rosamunde, and Katherine Tower—Dancing Doll by Poldini.

SUMMARY SHOWS YOUNG '30

AT HEAD OF BATTING LIST

(Continued from page 1)

St. Joseph's which came next was a slug-fest for Ursinus, the final score being 12-4. The visitors used up three pitchers trying to stop the determined swatting of the localities. Two tough ones were then lost to Muhlenberg and Lebanon Valley, the scores being 3-1 and 4-2 respectively. The second game with St. Joseph's which followed, was a walk-over, the Bears winning 9-2.

The next three games, which made up the Grizzlies' swing around the circle in central Pennsylvania, resulted in one victory and two defeats, all games being decided by one-run differences. Albright was conquered to the tune of eight runs to seven, but the Bucknell and Susquehanna battles were lost, 7-6 and 4-3. The gang came back strong in the next two, wallopping Schuylkill 6-3 and Swarthmore 5-3, but dropped a bitter ten-inning battle to Juniata by a 3-2 score. The last game, with Gettysburg, resulted in a slaughter for the highly-touted battlefield aggregation, the final score being 8-2.

The total number of runs scored by the Bears thus far is 73 to a total of 53 for the various opponents. A check-up on the batting records to date shows Pep Young in the lead with a total of .444. Bud Francis is the only other Grizzly batsman to top the .300 mark, having clouted safely for an average of .333. Third honors go to Bob Meckley, who socked .285, and fourth to Bateman, whose record stands .282. The averages are:

Player	AB.	H.	Ave.
Young	45	20	.444
Francis	51	17	.333
Meckley	49	14	.285
Bateman	46	13	.282
Stern	55	15	.282
Coble	50	11	.222
Karpinnen	18	4	.222
Schink	55	11	.200
Peters	5	1	.200
Hunter	37	7	.189
Strine	17	3	.176
Place	7	1	.143

GIRLS' TENNIS TEAM HAS

VERY SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Brief but very successful is the best way to express the summary of the girls' tennis season. Due to bad weather one of the matches had to be canceled, but of the other three matches which were played, none were lost. The score was tied with the Beaver ceeds both away and at home, and the Swarthmore girls were easily defeated.

If plans work out as is hoped girls' tennis at Ursinus will go even farther than heretofore. An attempt will be made to organize, in addition to the usual tournament, inter-class tennis which should be met with great interest by the girls. With very good prospects and material for the future, "Lakie" and her team are to be congratulated for their successful season.

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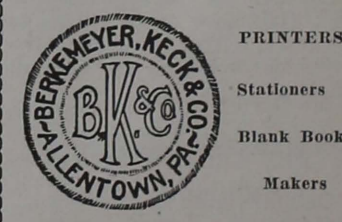
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