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## JUNIOR ORATORS WIN GOLD PRIZES

### Men's and Women's Contest Held in Bomberger Hall Monday Evening

At the Junior Oratorical Contests held in Bomberger Hall last Monday evening, the coveted First Prize of Twenty Dollars in gold was won by Miss Emily Kathryn Miller in the Contest for Women, and Paul Jerome Lehman in the Men's event. In the latter, a Second Prize of Fifteen Dollars was awarded to J. Seth Grove, and Honorable Mention to Harry Sherman Kehm.

After a musical program lasting one-half hour, by Diemer's orchestra of Pottstown, the Men's Contest was held. President Omwake offered the Invocation. "Martyr Belgium" was the title of Mr. Harry Sherman Kehm's oration, which severely condemned the German violation of Belgium's neutrality, and called to mind the heroism of the Belgians. Mr. Miles Milton Spanuth delivered an oration on "The Mission of America," decrying the commercialism of the time, and advocating a democratic awakening to preparedness. Mr. J. Stanley Richard's oration was entitled: "National Social Preparedness." It was an appeal to fight down the lowering moral and social conditions. Under the subject, "America's Greatest Need," Mr. J. Seth Grove portrayed the danger that arises in connection with our immigrants. Mr. Paul Jerome Lehman gave the last oration, which was entitled "Dreamers"—the story of achievement through imagination.

The Contest for Women was then held, after a musical number. Miss Emily Kathryn Miller presented a strong plea for the awakening of a patriotic, constructive national spirit, in her oration entitled "Our Nation's Responsibility." Miss Amy Edna Butler spoke on "The Girl of the Twentieth Century," and showed the new freedom, ideas, and responsibilities to society of the modern girl. "The Influence of Nature on Man" was the subject of Miss Marion Harley Reifsneider's oration, and it clearly portrayed the beneficent power that nature yields in the affairs of men.

Those who awarded the prizes in the Men's Contest were: Messrs. Arthur

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## SENIOR CLASS DAY EXERCISES HELD

### Large Audience Witness Last Class Function of Graduates

The forty-sixth annual commencement week exercises were auspiciously set in motion last Monday afternoon when the class of 1916 rendered an interesting and entertaining class day program before a large audience in Bomberger Hall.

The exercises opened at two o'clock with two popular and spirited selections by the class orchestra, consisting of Misses Kern and Shaner; Messrs. Johnson, Pritchard, Wiest and Smith, leader. The address of welcome was delivered by Leslie F. Rutledge, president of the class. The class history which recounted the activities and accomplishments of the class during the past four collegiate years was read by Miss Mary H. Seiz. Messrs. Austerberry, Pritchard, Hoover, Yeatts, Kerschmer, Gingrich, Kichline and Derr, then favored the audience with a male octette selection entitled, "Seniors Farewell." The class day oration by D. Sterling Light was presented in a forceful and convincing manner. His theme was "In Omnia Paratus" and he developed the idea that a college training throws open the doors of opportunity and by careful and systematic work we are better able to grapple with life's tasks with a trained and masterful mind.

A feature of the afternoon's program was the class prophecy by Misses Kern and Paul. They foretold in a clever and unique manner the destinies of their classmates. A most pleasing and delightful cornet solo was played by N. Keen Wiest. The presentations, in charge of Hoover, Stugart and Johnson were very humorous and elicited occasional bursts of laughter from the audience. A mixed quartette, consisting of Misses Care and Hyde and Messrs. Pritchard and Friderici rendered a pleasing selection.

Following this Earl R. Yeatts delivered the mantle oration in behalf of the class of 1916 and presented the mantle to John H. A. Bomberger who responded as representative of the class of 1917. The final act of the Seniors as a class was the planting of the class tree on the

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## COMMENCEMENT DAY EXERCISES

### Hon. Nathan C. Schaeffer Gives Excellent Address to Graduating Class

The commencement exercises terminating the forty-sixth year of academic work in the College was held in the College auditorium Wednesday morning. Although the weather conditions were unfavorable a large audience was assembled to witness the exercises. The program began with several musical selections by Diemer's orchestra of Pottstown, Pa. Prayer was offered by the Rev. I. N. Peightel, D. D., of Greencastle, Pa.

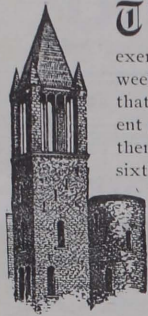
The salutatory oration was given by Miss Carolyn Gladys Rogers. The oration, entitled, "The German Colossus," portrayed clearly the merits of German efficiency in all her machinery of state, including educational, social, economic and political problems. On the other hand, despite all this efficiency she has failed in the development of individual freedom which is all important to the success of a twentieth century nation.

The valedictory oration, entitled, "A Plea for Individuality," by Miss Rachael Faust Shaner, impressed the audience of a great need for men of original thinking and original acting. It portrayed the necessity of men to dare to act unhesitatingly when they think they are in the right. There are many important problems that call for the best thoughts of the time and it is these problems that the men and women of today should strive to think out and solve.

Honorable Nathan C. Schaeffer, Ph. D., D. D., LL. D., State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Harrisburg, Pa., was introduced by Dr. George Leslie Omwake to give the commencement oration. He chose as his subject "The Wonderful Educational Progress of the Last Thirty Years." The gist of his thought briefly stated follows. The main purpose of education is to prepare for a livelihood. Today there are about nine hundred occupations available. Of these, many call for unskilled labor and because of this fact a great need for vocational training has arisen. This need is being satisfied more and more as time goes on. Vocational schools are

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## The Tower Window



THE alumni who were unable to attend the exercises of commencement week will be glad to learn that those who were present gave a good account of themselves. If the forty-sixth commencement differed in any particular from former commencements it was in the increased interest and strength shown by the graduates of the college. They were here in goodly numbers and there were more class reunions than usual. One hundred and fifteen places were provided at the Alumni Banquet and every place was taken. The addresses at the banquet were full of constructive ideas and teemed with the spirit of helpfulness. The enthusiasm was not of the effervescent kind. It was rather of the nature of hearty good will such as can be counted on the whole year round.

In our three alumni organizations, the initiative and enterprise of the graduates took form. The Alumni Association, which should be all-inclusive, will endeavor to increase its membership, it will continue its support of the Library, and it voted to finance the publication of the Obituary Record recently completed by the Rev. William H. Erb, B. D., '93.

The Alumni Athletic Club will continue its efforts in improving and adding to the athletic equipment of the college. During the summer the Club will install new metallic lockers in the Field House, and during the year, will carry forward a movement to place a heating plant between the Field House and the Thompson Cage of sufficient capacity to heat both buildings. It will cost \$1800, and as soon as half this sum is provided, work on the improvement will be begun.

The Women Graduates' Association will continue to provide the prize for the oratorical contest for young women. This organization indicated its disposition to serve the college further by endeavoring to provide the salary for a woman director of physical education and instructor in elocution.

Thus there is aggressive work being planned and prosecuted all around. It is very encouraging to the president to know that these influential and capable bodies of alumni are working in hearty cooperation for the further upbuilding of the College.

G. L. O.

## NUMEROUS ALUMNI VISIT ALMA MATER

Tuesday Set Aside for Alumni. Alumni Association Hold Meetings

The annual meeting of the Alumni Association was held on Tuesday afternoon. The president, Mr. Alvin Hunsicker, could not be present owing to the burial of his aged father that same day. The Association elected Mr. W. R. Douthett president pro tem. The usual routine business of the Association was disposed of and some discussion engaged in which cleared up certain matters which called for solution. The committee on Obituary Records was instructed to proceed in its work and have the first volume of records published. The committee appointed a year ago to inquire into the possibility of compiling the records of the living alumni was continued. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Rev. H. E. Jones, D. D., '91; Vice President, Walter R. Douthett, A. B., '12; Secretary and Treasurer, Calvin D. Yost, A. M., '91; Historian, Rev. Irvin F. Wagner, B. D., '91; Librarian, Prof. W. A. Kline, Litt. D., '93. As Alumni Representative on the Board of Control of THE URSINUS WEEKLY the Association elected Mr. F. L. Moser, '10, and as Alumni Representative on the Athletic Committee, Mr. R. E. Miller, '05. The orator elected for 1917 is Miss Mary E. Markley, A. M., '02., and the alternate, Prof. Philip H. Fogel, Ph. D., '01.

After the conclusion of the business of the Association the mass meeting of graduates was called to order by President Omwake. In this meeting addresses were made on behalf of the Women's Graduate Association by Miss Markley; and on behalf of the Graduate Athletic Club by Dr. D. R. Faringer and Rev. Dr. H. E. Jones. After these addresses the meeting adjourned and the alumni at once repaired to the college dining-room, where the annual luncheon took place. The room was filled with alumni and friends, who grouped themselves in such a way that old acquaintances got together and had delightful social converse while enjoying the elaborate menu prepared for the occasion.

President Omwake as toastmaster successively introduced the following persons, who responded with brief addresses: Rev. Calvin D. Yost, '91, who spoke on the alumni association and its work; F. L. Moser, '10, who spoke on some definite things which the younger alumni can do; W. R. Douthett, '12, who spoke on athletics with reference to the newly elected coach; Prof. Ralph L. Johnson,

who spoke on the new education as carried on in the Gary system; Miss Marion G. Spangler, '03, who emphasized the preparation for the proper observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the college; Rev. Clayton H. Rauck, a guest of the Association, who spoke on the newly formed organization of the educational institutions of the Reformed Church for the purpose of advancing the interests of the institutions and of Christian education.

## ALUMNI ORATION

On Tuesday evening at 8.00 p. m. a goodly number of alumni and students assembled in Bomberger Memorial Hall to hear the alumni oration as the closing feature of the Alumni Day exercises. After a piano solo by Miss Lewis and invocation by Rev. E. M. Sando, '04, the speaker, Rev. A. N. Stubblebine of Newark, N. J., was introduced and began the discussion of his subject, "Issues of the War." Mr. Stubblebine is a pleasing and impressive speaker and his oration disclosed a scholarly mind and thoughtful preparation. He said in part:

"The importance of the war is great. The history of nations evolves from the history of war. Most of the great questions of nations have arisen and been settled on the battlefield. War reveals the struggles of men and the principles for which they strive. In seeking causes of war we recognize the fighting spirit of man which evidences itself in every phase of national life. Patriotism in its true sense is also a cause of war. Besides these there are causes of racial antagonism, economic conditions, etc. But a more direct cause is God. It is under his permissive decrees that war occurs.

"An issue in war is, first, that which seeks to persuade men of the rightness of war. Ruskin said there is no noble work of peace but that it is founded on war. It is the foundation of all the higher virtues and conceptions of man. Bernhardt and Roosevelt also say war is an indispensable part of the life of a true nation.

"Another issue of war is the issue of peace. War acquaints us with the pleasures of peace. The present war demands that we take a clear position on the questions of war and peace, which attitude will mark the road for coming generations. Natures and instincts should be turned to the broader and more ideal.

"Then also we have the issue of religion. The Christian mind was brought very low by the outbreak of the present war. The query at once arose: Does

God still have his hand on the destinies of nations? Prayers for peace will only be answered when the belligerents pray that right may triumph regardless of personal desire to win.

"Another issue is the rise of the Greek Catholic Church. We seem to have had enough of Roman Catholicism. There is a latent idealism in the Greek Catholic Church that it will become the dominant religion of the world. This is especially true in Russia, for which reason she has so earnestly sought expansion. Yet without there is an opportunity for Protestantism as never before. World peace is possible when love, service and sacrifice prevail.

"The issue of the curtailment of the power of kings and lodging it in the hands of the people also lies in war. This is especially true of Russia in respect to the present war.

"The great economic issue of the present war is of vast importance. Most important of all factors in this connection is Russia. Here the greatest economic development has been witnessed. She holds one-third of the land area of the world, sufficient to feed all peoples. From this we hope men to be raised to higher and loftier conceptions. But the greatest issue of all is the United States both through and after the war. Let us trust in God to bring out of the present strife the highest ideals of humanity."

After the oration Prof. J. M. Jolls sang several selections and Rev. Mr. Sando pronounced the benediction.

**Alumni Notes**

Maurice A. Hess, '14, has been nominated to a scholarship in Latin in the University of Pennsylvania and will spend the next year in residence at the University.

Mrs. Lillie Preston Spare, Miss May Kratz and Miss Harriet Vanderslice, all of the class of 1891, attended the twenty-fifth reunion of their class.

Miss Carrie Kerschner, a former Ursinus student, was a commencement visitor, having just returned from San Francisco where she was a teacher in a Japanese mission.

Mrs. Lillie Beck Thoms '08, 28 South Dover Ave., Chelsea, N. J., is to be complimented on the birth of a son, Walter R. Thoms, Jr.

Miss Mary Markley '02, professor of English at Agnes Scott College, has been elected alumni orator for 1917.

Wm. H. Schellhamer, '12, recently received his M. D. degree from Medico-Chi. After July 1 he will be located in the Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa.



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### Editorial

The accomplishments of Ursinus College during the past year have been most gratifying. Our athletic teams have been very successful, the scholastic standing of the students has been comparatively high, the Christian organizations have made noticeable progress for good, the literary societies have done their work in fostering an interest in platform work, the Student Council has run very smoothly and has accomplished much, the spirit existing between the student body of the institution is now more harmonious than it has been for years, in short, the college has been steadily advancing. All this has been accomplished by a hearty cooperative willingness on the part of all to work for the good of Ursinus.

Looking back over this successful year we must feel that we have had many things for which we should feel truly grateful. This successful year should serve to create in us a desire for still greater success during the coming year. Therefore, let us return to college in September filled with determination to do all in our power to advance still further toward our goal, "A Greater Ursinus." J. S. G., '17.

### THE LIBRARY

A very interesting book bearing the title "Hither and Thither," followed by the sub-title, "A Collection of Comments on Books and Bookish Matters," by John Thomson, late Librarian of the Free Library of Philadelphia, was recently sent to the Library by Mrs. Thomson. Mr. Thomson was a great librarian to whom the city of Philadelphia owes a debt of gratitude that can never be paid. From an insignificant beginning the library system of Philadelphia has developed and expanded until now there is not a single part of the great city which is not comprehended by it, and all this was worked out through the genius of Mr. Thomson. But Mr. Thomson was not only a great librarian, but he was also a genial man and an interesting writer. The chapters of this book set forth many things on "books and bookish matters" in an attractive and interesting manner.

The class of 1914 which has each year since its graduation made a contribution to the Library, has this year again sent to the Librarian forty-five dollars for the purchase of books. The Library Committee appreciates very genuinely this interest and substantial help on the part of this class. Already there are on the shelves a goodly number of books marked "Gift of the Class of 1914," and this number is continually increasing. What might not be accomplished for the Library if a number of the classes would unite in similar efforts! C. D. Y.

The class of '91 observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of its graduation from college by holding a reunion on commencement day. Some of the members had not seen each other since graduation and it is needless to say that the greetings were hearty and profuse. Around the banquet table in Stine Hall dining-room the members present, with their wives, and the "girls" of the class spent three delightful hours in talking over the experiences of college days, and before separating resolved to meet again in reunion on commencement day in 1921.

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My commission expires First Monday in January, 1918.

### Women Graduates' Association Meeting

The second annual meeting and luncheon of the Women Graduates' Association of Ursinus College was held Tuesday noon, June 6, in Stine Hall. Enthusiastic plans were outlined for the coming year, and these officers were elected: President, Mrs. Flora Rahn Lentz, '89; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Hendricks Ebert, '93; Secretary, Mrs. Helen Neff Tyson, '09; Treasurer, Mrs. Trinna Freyer Moser, '10; Governing Board, Mrs. Jessie Royer Greaves, '92, Mrs. Vinnie Mensch Waage, '99, Mrs. Alma Clamer Miller, '04, Miss Rhea E. Duryea, '08, and Mrs. Henry Mathieu.

Those present at this meeting were: Mrs. Flora Rahn Lentz, '89, Miss Harriet Vanderslice, '91, Mrs. Havilah Curdy Bennett, '92, Mrs. Sarah Hendricks Ebert, '93, Miss Mary E. Markley, '02, Miss Marion G. Spangler, '03, Mrs. Alma Clamer Miller, '04, Mrs. Caroline Paiste Butz, '06, Miss Mabel Hobson, '06, Mrs. Evelyn Neff Faringer, '07, Miss Rhea Duryea, '08, Mrs. Elizabeth Long Kerschner, '09, Mrs. Helen Neff Tyson, '09, Mrs. Trinna Freyer Moser, '10, Miss Sadie Fegley, '12, Miss Ada Fisher, '13, Miss Miriam Barnett, '14, Miss Esther Peters, '14, Miss Sarah Mayberry, '15, Miss Laura Nyce, '15, Miss Gladys Rogers, '16, Miss Eva Sandt, '16, Mrs. F. G. Hobson, Mrs. J. G. Kerschner, Mrs. Henry Mathieu, Miss Nell Messinger, Mrs. George Leslie Omwake, and Mrs. Claude Trexler.

### Athletic Club Reception a Success

The reception which was given by the Athletic Club of Ursinus College, and where the members of the Women Graduates' Association and also the members of the graduating class were appropriately entertained, was a great success. A large number of persons who are interested in the success of athletics at Ursinus were present, and several persons became members of this club which has been doing so much for Ursinus in past years. This reception, so capably carried out, has done much to foster an active interest in the college.

At a meeting of the Athletic Committee the following baseball men were awarded the Varsity U: Diemer, Johnson, Adams, Stugart, Kerr, Rutledge, Ziegler, Peterson, Bowman, Lape and Barkley.

At a recent meeting of the Varsity baseball squad Ziegler, '17, was elected captain of the team for the coming year. Mr. Ziegler is a product of Red Lion High School and has just finished his third season at Ursinus.

President's Reception

President and Mrs. Omwake, following their annual custom, gave a formal reception to the students, alumni, and friends of Ursinus. This pleasing and successful function was held from nine to eleven o'clock on the evening of Alumni Day, Tuesday, in the reception rooms of Freeland Hall. The rooms were tastily decorated with great bunches of flowers, while the court to the rear was strung with Japanese lanterns.

Of course the first persons one met as one entered the brightly lighted and beautiful reception rooms were our hospitable President and his wife. Their hearty greeting and radiant smiles made one feel welcome at once. The receiving line, which extended through both rooms and even into and beyond the hall, was composed of faculty members and their wives and prominent alumni and townspeople. These folks seemed filled with a desire to make the evening a pleasant one. And such it was, as was testified by the hearty greetings heard on all sides and the smiling and happy faces of every one. An excellent orchestra provided music which added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

During the reception the guests were served with refreshments. The ever popular punch bowl occupied a prominent place on the court. Good will, friendship, fellowship, and the good old Ursinus spirit were everywhere present, and all who had the good fortune to be present spent a genuinely delightful evening and went away with pleasant memories.

1911 Class Reunion

A successful reunion of the class of 1911 was held at the Fountain Inn at Trappe on Tuesday evening. The following members were present: Misses Miller, Latshaw, Austerberry, Mrs. Heinely, Mrs. Roberts, and Messrs. Mathieu, Langner, Godshall, Roberts Heinely and Gerges.

Senior Class Day Exercises Held.

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West Campus. Harold B. Kerschner officiated and spoke clearly and impressively. According to custom the spade used to plant the tree was presented to the class of 1918.

The class-day committee comprised the following: LeRoy F. Derr chairman, Simon S. Shearer, Leighton K. Smith, Marion S. Kern and Mabel D. Hyde.

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It has been the rule at the University of Denver that any senior who appears in chapel on Wednesday morning without his cap and gown is subjected to a fine by the school authorities.

During the past year thirty-five per cent. of the students at the University of Chicago have earned all or part of their college expenses by side work.

Out of the 230 members of the senior class in Princeton University, nineteen have earned their way entirely through college and thirty-eight others have defrayed part of their expenses by side work.

The Student Senate of Leland Stanford University has passed a rule prohibiting the students from jeering visiting athletic teams.

The regatta of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association which has, for the last twenty years, been held on the Hudson at Poughkeepsie, will be held this year on Lake Cayuga at Cornell.

Students at Delaware College who signed a strict pledge of honor were allowed the privileges of the Honor System in taking their final examinations this term.

Shields of Mercersburg Academy lately clipped two and four-fifths seconds off the World's Intercollegiate record for the mile run by running the distance in four minutes, twenty-three and four-fifths seconds.

The University of Chicago has realized \$1800 profits from their May Day Fete this year. The sum will go towards the erection of a building for a new woman's league in the school.

The Metropolitan Insurance Company has offered ten scholarships of \$250 each to Southern colleges which will introduce a course in Public Health Nursing. The object is to supply a demand for qualified nurses which the company feels throughout the South.

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Friday, July 28—Summer Session ends.  
Tuesday, September 12—Examination for Admission.

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Wednesday, September 13—Registration and Matriculation of Students.

Thursday, September 14—8.45 a. m., Instruction begins.

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Editors of the various college publications of the University of Texas will be awarded medals, corresponding to the 'Varsity athletic insignia.

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**Rev. John Edward Stone**

Mention has already been made in the WEEKLY of the death of Mr. Stone which took place, after a comparatively brief illness, on May 20. For some time Mr. Stone had been suffering from heart disease and his friends had noticed that he was not his usual self. He preached his last sermon to the graduating class of the Roaring Spring High School on Palm Sunday evening. He conducted the preparatory service in his own church on Good Friday. This was his last service, and from that time onward he was confined to his house.

Mr. Stone was born in 1875 near Marklesburg, Huntingdon county, Pa. His elementary education was received in the public schools. He was for some time a student in the Normal department of Juniata College and later taught for two years in the public schools of his native county. He attended Ursinus Academy in 1895-96 and in September of 1896 entered Ursinus College. He was graduated from the college in 1900 with the degree of A. B. During his college course he did some teaching in the academy. After graduation he at once entered the Ursinus School of Theology, then located in Philadelphia, where he pursued his theological studies for three years. He was licensed to preach the gospel in 1903 by Juniata Classis and was at once dismissed to Lancaster Classis, Ohio Synod. He accepted a call to the Thornville charge and was ordained to the gospel ministry on August 11, 1903. He continued his ministry in the Thornville charge for a period of ten years with a marked degree of success. In 1913 he accepted a call to the church at Roaring Spring, Pa., where he continued his ministry to the time of his death.

John Edward Stone was a man of excellent parts. One of his ministerial brethren speaks of him as "an excellent pastor, a fine preacher, a genial friend and companion. He was of sterling character, and whatever he did was well done." He possessed literary taste above that of the average preacher, and he was much interested in history, particularly the historical development of his own church. For eleven years he served the Alumni Association of the College as historian, and the work which he did during those years shows painstaking care and accuracy. His college friends, as well as the large circle of friends and acquaintances throughout the church, have lost in his death a genuine friend, and the church has lost from her ministry a faithful pastor and preacher and a choice spirit. C. D. Y.

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### Commencement Day Exercises.

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Again, there are many vocations which call for skilled workmen. Our high schools are indispensable to the preparation for these positions. Forty to one hundred vocations demand this high school training. High schools are increasing rapidly in numbers. Twenty years ago, there were only one hundred thirty high schools in the state of Pennsylvania, while today, there are about one thousand. Dr. Schaeffer said: "In this respect, I would like to compare the schools of the United States with the schools of the other nations of the world."

Another redeeming feature of the schools is the fact that they do not foster class discrimination, but on the other hand, they offer a *free* education to all. In this connection, Dr. Schaeffer said: "I would never exchange the school system of the United States with the school system of any European country, with all their merits, for the United States' schools offer an opportunity to every boy and every girl."

Dr. Schaeffer concluded with an appeal for the prevention of military training in our schools. What we need in the schools are teachers, who will teach the truth. "Truth," says, Dr. Schaeffer, "is the supreme purpose of our schools."

Immediately after the commencement oration the conferring of degrees was performed, and the diplomas were presented to the members of the graduating class. Those who received the degree of Bachelor of Arts are: John Arthur Adams, Jacob Elmer Bahner, Franklin Ray Bemisderfer, Margaret Roberts Care, LeRoy Fritsch Derr, William Sorber Diemer, A. Wendell Friderici, Walter Roth Gobrecht, Allan Grater, Herbert C. Hoover, Mabel Davis Hyde, Marion Schaeffer Kern, Dwight Othniel Kerr, Harold Benner Kerschner, Helen Bergey Keyser, Ronald Chester Kichline, Elizabeth Mae Kohler, Daniel Sterling Light Mildred Elizabeth Paul, Hayden B. N. Pritchard, Carolyn Gladys Rogers, Leslie Franklin Rutledge, Eva Mae Sandt, Mary Hannah Seiz, Calvin Preston Sellers, Rachael Faust Shaner, Simon Shank Shearer, Leighton Kremer Smith, Ralph Stugart, Nevin Keen Wiest, Earl Raymond Yeatts. Those receiving the degree of Bachelor of Science are: Miles Howeth Austerberry, Herman Franklin Gingrich and Russel Conwell Johnson.

Matthew Beardwood, A. M., M. D., of Ursinus College was granted the hon-



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orary degree of Doctor of Science. Matthew J. Hindman, B. D., of Philadelphia, was granted the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

The commencement program concluded with a brief but inspiring talk by President Omwake to the members of the graduating class. Dr. Omwake showed great confidence in these young people for success in the world. He wished them God-speed in whatever they attempt and assured them that their Alma Mater will always be deeply interested in their success and share their sorrows as well as their joys.

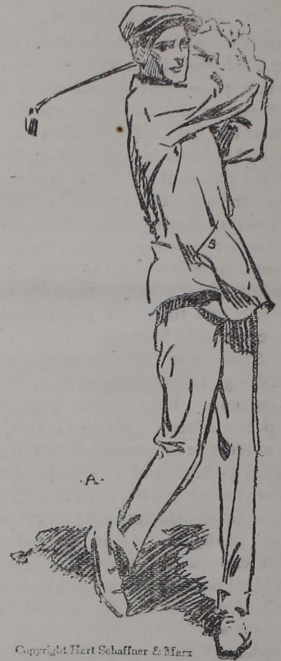
### Junior Orators Win Gold Prizes

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H. Quinn, Ph D., Philadelphia, Dean of the College Faculty and Professor of English, University of Pennsylvania; Charles C. Heyl, Philadelphia, Principal of the West Philadelphia High School for Boys; and Aaron S. Swartz, Jr., Norristown, Pa., Attorney at Law. The judges in the Women's Contest were: Mrs. John B. Roberts, Philadelphia; President of the Browning Society of Philadelphia 1913-16, author and writer; Mrs. Wilfred Lewis, Haverford, Pa., President Board of Corporators Woman's Medical College, Philadelphia; Mrs. Blanche J. Shaw, Philadelphia, Department of English, William Penn High School for Girls, Philadelphia.

The First Prize of Twenty Dollars in gold was contributed by Alvin Hunsicker, B. S., '84, New York City, for the men, and by the Women Graduates' Association for the women. The Second Prize in the Men's Contest was given by Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D., '84, Lancaster, Pa.

As a whole, the Junior Oratorical Contests, for the first time including women, proved to be unqualified successes. The standard of quality left nothing to be desired, and the spirit shown by all the contestants was admirable. Uniform excellence characterized the work of the evening.



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