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ALUMNI NOTES

Members of Classes Fail to Communicate with Class Editors

It is the desire of the editor to write up the classes as far back as the present staff extends. Will each editor kindly gather the information desired and send it as soon as the notes of the preceding class has been published?

Prof. Whorthen A. Kline '93, A. M., B. D., Dean of the college, has recently been elected a member of the Botanical Club of the Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia. This comes as a result of Professor Kline's wide knowledge of botanical subjects and is a signal honor to be conferred upon one not making the subject a specialty.

Charles Langner '11, instructor in science in the Collegeville High School, is confined to his home near Limerick, with scarlet fever. His place is being temporarily filled by Gladfelter '12.

Walter F. Kern '02 has resigned his position as chief chemist of the Bath Portland Cement Company, at Bath, Pa., and has accepted a similar position with the Nazareth Portland Cement Company, Nazareth, Pa. He will enter upon his new duties about December 1.

Mary H. Stoner '05, has returned to the Pottstown High School as head of the English Department. At present she is engaged in training members of the Woman's Club of that place for the presentation of Sheridan's Rivals which promises to be the best amateur performance ever given in Pottstown. A number of men who figure prominently in the business and social life of the town are to belong to the cast.

William Martin Rife, A. B., '08, A. M., is now professor of psychology and superintendent of the model school in the First Pennsylvania State Normal School, Millersville, Pa., having entered upon the duties of the position last September.

William Elwood Shunk, A. B., '07, is now connected with Strayer's Business College, Philadelphia, in a pleasant position.

J. W. Menninger '84, D. D., of Lancaster, writes commending the work done along student government lines and expressing satisfaction with the position taken by the Weekly.

LECTURE ON MONEY

Son of Founder of College Addresses Interested Students

Last Monday evening the Historical Political Group presented to its friends a son of the revered founder of our college, Augustus W. Bomberger, '82, A. M., Assistant Cashier of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, who addressed a large and interested group of students in the History Room on the subject of money.

On account of the general lack of knowledge of this every-day subject, Prof. Bomberger made his discourse elementary. He defined money as a medium of exchange, and a measure, a standard and a store of value. Of the five billions of money now in the United States, he stated that about half was hard, composed of coin or bullion, and the remaining half was representative or paper money. The gold now coined is 20, 10, 5 and 2½ dollar pieces, and the silver or subsidiary coins are in 50, 25 and 10 cent pieces. The paper money now in circulation is composed of gold and silver certificates, United States notes or greenbacks, and National Bank notes; ranging in denomination from one dollar to ten thousand dollars. The methods of putting money into circulation were discussed and the history of the monetary system was reviewed from the plan of Alexander Hamilton to that of ex-Senator Aldrich. Such interest was evoked by the discussion that questions came so fast and continued so long that it became necessary to adjourn the meeting so that the speaker could catch the car for his home in Norristown.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the group on Thursday evening, it was decided to hold a discussion meeting on Monday, December 4, at which the probable work of the coming congress will be discussed, Robbins, Lamont and Reinhold were selected to lead, but all members are expected to come prepared to advance and sustain opinions.

Reception to Rev. Clapp.

Trinity church gave a public reception to their newly elected pastor, Rev. Clapp, and his wife on Thursday evening. Vice President Omwake presided at the exercises and also made a brief address. Many of the students attended. Excellent refreshments were served.

FOOTBALL SMOKER

Veteran Members of Football Team Eulogized by Coach

On Wednesday evening the men students and a number of the townspeople met at an informal smoker in the training room, for the purpose of getting subscriptions for a special train to Reading on Thanksgiving Day. It was announced that such a train would cost \$120, or \$1.20 each for 100 passengers. While this is no cheaper than the regular fare, the special train gives the students the advantage of traveling in a body and of leaving Reading at a much later hour than would be otherwise possible. The Athletic Association will take about twenty-five men, and at the meeting twenty-six people pledged themselves to go. Lockart, '13, Isenberg, '12, and Moser, '10, were appointed to get additional pledges and to get the train if a sufficient number could be procured. This will cost the supporters of the team about the same as the Penn game and should be more interesting, in as much as Bucknell is nearer our collegiate class. Every one who can should give their name to a member of the committee at once.

Coach Price gave a stirring speech, in fact one of his best at Ursinus, eulogizing the members of the team who will play their last game on Thanksgiving Day. He recounted the wonderful development in athletics at Ursinus, since these men entered the college, and praised them for the active part they have taken in bringing about this development. Captain Kerr and Bob Thomson, Kiehline and Behney responded when called on for speeches. The speeches of Cristock, Miller '05, and Moser '10, added spirit to the meeting. Dr. Atkinson praised the boys for their good work, and stated that while it would be impossible for him to go to Reading in person he would be there in spirit and pay the transportation on the "special" of his wife, child and himself. Stamy, '08, was in the same class and failed to reach the mark set by Dr. Atkinson only because he has no wife and child.

Many of the students attended the oyster supper held in the Fire Hall on Saturday night for the benefit of the Collegeville High School Athletic Association.

FOOTBALL

Varsity Overwhelms Lebanon Valley. Scrub Games Cancelled. Preparations for Bucknell

In a one-sided game, Ursinus defeated Lebanon Valley last Saturday by the score of 40-6. The game was scheduled early last week, to make up for the unfortunate cancellation of two of the regularly scheduled home games and to get the team in better shape for Bucknell. Lebanon Valley played a strong defensive game, considering the size of her men, but was no match for the fast end runs, tackle bucks and forward passes of Ursinus, although all the subs on the first string were played, the Varsity men being saved as much as possible for the Bucknell game Thursday. Ursinus confined herself to straight football and scored almost at will. Lebanon Valley scored near the end of the game on a questionable forward pass. Potteiger, who has made up the "back work" caused by his injuries and has been reinstated by the faculty, played the star game, especially on defense. Captain Thompson, Yoh and West played well. Strickley, Snavely and Morrison put up the best game for the visitors. The line-up:

The Scrub team with Spring City High School was cancelled by the Spring City team and the game for Thanksgiving Day with Bridge-ton, N. J., High School was cancelled by Ursinus because Coach Price wants many of the Scrubs to go to Reading as substitutes.

Great preparations are being made for the Bucknell game. The fellows are in fine fettle and several of the alumni have been asked to help with the coaching. Roth '03, Hobson '03, Butz '05, Trexler '05, Faringer '06 and Slonaker ex '13 are expected to be here.

Ursinus Lebanon Valley
Seaman left end Hayes
Yoh left tackle Plummer
R. Thompson left guard Burns
Erickson centre Charlton
Munch right guard Eyer
K. Thompson right tackle Stattan
Mitterling right end Morrison
Behney quarterback Snavely
West right halfback Loren
Gay left halfback Kreider
Kiehline fullback Strickley
Substitutions—Hayes for Morrison, Morrison for Hayes; for Ursinus, Posey for Gay, Bransome for West, West for Behney, Potteiger for Kiehline, Shell-hamer for R. Thompson, Weidorn for Mitterling, Gay for Bransome, R. Thompson for Shellhamer, Bransome for Posey, Touchdowns—Seaman, Yoh 2, Potteiger, K. Thompson, West 2, Morrison. Goals from touchdowns—Gay 3, Posey 2, Snavely. Referee—Kossiter. Price six-vile. Umpire—Slonaker. Field judge—Isenberg. Time of quarters—12 minutes.

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EDITORIAL

Student's Opinion on Confidential Relations Between Officers and Students

The "open and above-board policy" manifested recently toward the students by the board of directors and faculty through Vice-President Omwake is worthy of comment.

The Monday following the meeting of the board of directors of the college at Philadelphia, Dr. Omwake gave a detailed report of the proceedings to the student body. He spoke of the various projects the board has under way for our welfare, and in a few manly remarks at once enlisted the interest and sympathy of the students in the work that is being done. The students appreciate such action and we cannot help but feel that much can be gained by similar action in the future.

In every college—and ours is no exception—there are some features that are objectionable to some, if not most, of the students. Members of the faculty may be weak or faulty; "the commissary department may be in ill repute"; dormitory facilities may be lacking, or the executive administration may be unpopular. We recognize that no one college is so pre-eminently unique that both students and officers could not desire to improve it. That we are dissatisfied with many of the things about us is a healthy sign, but too often such dissatisfaction is due to ignorance rather than to supposedly willful and unjust criticism.

If the students are taken into

the confidence of the officers of the school and know the exact condition of things and realize exactly what such officers are doing to remove objectionable features, they cannot help but feel interested and aid rather than retard the realization of plans for the school's advancement. On the other hand, if the officers make little or no effort to improve conditions, they will be quite obviously discredited by the students in no enduring terms. No objection can be raised to this, for such officers deserve no praise.

We realize that some matters are very delicate to discuss with students, such as the removal of teachers, etc., but nevertheless a conservative course of confidence might profitably be followed. As students, we fail to see where any member of the faculty who is disliked by the majority of the students is of any advantage to any school. Students discuss these teachers; new students hear such criticisms, and every year students, particularly under-classes, go to other institutions. New students will take their meals out because of student influence and criticisms and many candidates are yearly lost to colleges because of the lack of proper enthusiasm and interest students have in their institution. How grand it would be to have a student body that would be entirely in accord with the officers of the school and realize that they are doing their very best to improve our welfare, so that we could say to our new comers: "It is not the best we could wish for, but we are going to have better conditions very soon."

We believe that Ursinus comes nearer our ideal than any of our colleges. The good feeling between students and the "men higher up" is steadily growing and the confidence placed in the students is justified. For example, this year there has been considerable criticism—engendered by the fact that the department of Philosophy was not fully taken care of. The decision of the board of directors and its report promptly quashed all such discussions.

We appreciate such action and, gentlemen of the Board of Directors, give us more of it.

Y. M. C. A.

Men Hold Song Service

Instead of the usual discussion meeting, a song service was held on Wednesday evening. Detwiler was leader. This proved to be without exception the best special song service the association has held this year. The Monday evening Bible class will meet at 6.30 tonight.

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This drama has long been recognized as a classic and has been played with great success both in Europe and America. The plot is strong and the theme inspiring.

The cast is composed of the following persons: Messrs. Gladfelder '12, Billman '12, Lauer '13, Eisinger '14, Small '14, Misses Brooks '12, Scheuren '12, Stout '12, Moser '13, Slichter '13, Detweiler '14. These persons are rehearsing every day and are working hard to bring the play to perfection. This is one of the chief literary events of the year at Ursinus and if similar occasions of former years can be taken as a criterion, a packed house may be expected. Beside the play, other numbers on the program will include an oration by M. Jacobs '12 and several instrumental and vocal music numbers. The usual reception will be given the guests after the program.

Y. W. C. A.

Girls Discuss Lost Chances

Miss Susan Talmage on Tuesday evening, as leader of the Y. W. C. A., discussed the topic, "The Chances We Miss."

We should not fail to do a kind act. Generally the small deeds which we leave undone would cost us little effort if we would only think to do them. Also the neglect of saying the sweet word is one of our lost opportunities in this Christian life.

Geo. Spangler, ex-'04, and family are living in the Spangler residence in Collegeville while Mr. Spangler is employed in Pottstown as a civil engineer.

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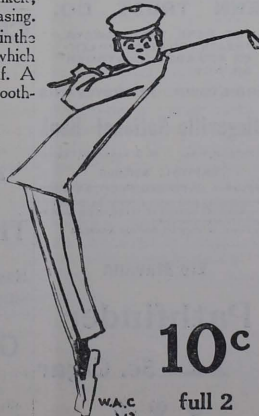
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SOCIETY NOTES

Schaff

All the numbers of Friday evening's miscellaneous program were very well prepared and entertaining. The following numbers were included: Piano Solo, Miss Heebner; Original Story, Ellicker; Recitation, Vogel; Talk on the Turkey-Italy War, B. Jacobs; Essay, Miss Bartman; Piano Solo, Miss Scheuren; Recitation, Gebhard; Parliamentary Drill, Robbins and Come, leaders; Gazette, Billman; Oration, M. Jacobs.

Under voluntary exercises, the Society was favored with a piano solo by Mr. Krause and a recitation by Miss Austerberry.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, Miss Brooks; Vice President, Robbins; Recording Secretary, Miss S. Talmage; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Sabold; Financial Secretary, Reinhold; Treasurer, Ellicker; Chaplain, Brumbaugh; First Editor, B. Jacobs; Second Editor, Miss Heebner; Third Editor, Ensminger; Critic, Billman; Pianist, Miss Detwiler; Janitor, Fegley. Small was elected as a representative to the Intercollegiate Oratorical Union.

Zwinglian

The program on Friday evening lacked in some respects the general character of Zwinglian programs of the present year, although several features were presented in a very creditable manner. The numbers are as follows: Piano Duet, Kershner and Robinson; Reading, Lindaman; Recitation, Deininger; Trio, Miss Snyder, leader; Essay, Herson; Parody, Kantner; Quartette, Bransome, leader; Sketch, Miss Fisher and Wetzel, leaders; Declamation, Boyer; Piano Solo, Fegley; Oration, Behney; Review, Miss Wagner.

At this meeting the Society installed the officers chosen a week ago, and elected Mrs. Von Riethdorf into honorary membership. Mr. Marinelli, of Philadelphia, sang two very pleasing and difficult vocal solos.

MIDWINTER CONCERT

On Tuesday evening, December 5, the Handel Choral Society will give its midwinter concert in Bomberger Hall. The program will consist of solos, duets, quartettes, and the cantata, Fair Ellen, by Bruch. Miss Viola Brodbeck, of Philadelphia, will sing the soprano solo parts. Miss Brodbeck is a daughter of A. R. Brodbeck of our Board of Directors, and is a pupil of Prof. Aldrich. Ammon G. Kershner, '12, a product of our own music school, will sing the baritone solo parts.

Reserved seats are offered at fifty cents. The chart opens Monday, December 4, at 9 a. m. Reservations can be made in person, by mail or telephone, by addressing the Secretary of the College, Collegeville. Keystone 'phone 15; Bell 44-D.

Fresh-Soph Football Game

During the last week the Freshman class met and issued a challenge to the Sophomores to play a game of football. The Sophomores accepted the challenge and elected Ensminger manager to arrange for the game. Rumbaugh was elected cheer leader. In all probability the game will be played on the Monday following Thanksgiving.

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