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CALENDAR

Saturday, Sept. 25, Football, Ursinus vs. Williamson, at Collegeville.
Monday, Sept. 27, Handel Choral Society, 7.00 p. m.
Tuesday, Sept. 28, Y. W. C. A., 6.40 p. m.
Wednesday Sept. 29, Football, Ursinus vs. U. of P. at Phila. Y. M. C. A., 6.40 p. m.
Friday, Oct. 1, Societies, 7.40 p. m.

FOOTBALL

This Saturday will be played the game with Williamson—the game which begins, we hope, the most triumphant season Ursinus has known. Conditions for football have been more favorable this fall than in any previous year.

The efforts of students and faculty, last year, and those of Coach Price and several of his faithful supporters this summer, have resulted in the transformation of our former adamantine athletic grounds into a level, grass covered field. New uniforms and equipment including a tackling dummy, have been obtained and put into use. Practice for the members of last year's team began a week before the opening of school, and a training table for the squad was immediately instituted in the dining room, so that the men should be in perfect physical trim by the time the important games on our schedule will be played.

Of the 1909 team, only Miller and Abel have not returned, leaving the successful team of last year intact except for the two end positions. These will in all probability be filled by Bunting and either Slonaker, a speedy man from Phoenixville or Behney, a half-back on last year's scrub team.

The number of men who have reported for practice so far has been quite encouraging, and includes many of our new students. The scrub team has been working hard and furnishes scrimmage for the Varsity each afternoon. Material for both teams is almost all that could be wished,—the practices have been full of life and ginger, and altogether prospects are bright.

The new Field House, for so many years a phantasmagoric imagining of some fanatic mind, is at last a reality, and stands hard by the athletic field to speak for itself. Work on the structure was carried on steadily during the summer, and it has been under roof several weeks. The carpen-

ters are now completing the interior, and the Field House will stand complete within the next week, ready for the use of our athletic teams and of those visiting our college. Considering the difficulties in the way of its accomplishment, the building of the Field House is a remarkable feat, and reflects the greatest honor upon Coach Price and the few men immediately connected with the undertaking, and upon the many who made it possible through their help. Students of both college and Academy should remember to lend their aid in the preparation of the field on Saturday morning, so that the brunt of the work will not fall upon the managers. Everybody who can possibly do so should be on the field Saturday afternoon, with banners and megaphone, prepared to cheer our boys on the first victory of the season of 1909.

OPENING EXERCISES

The opening exercises of the fortieth year of the College were held in Bomberger, Hall Wednesday evening Sept. 15. The address of the evening, by Charles H. Edmunds, Esq., of Philadelphia, was clear and interesting, and set forth the decided advantages of attending a small college.

The program was rendered as follows:

Invocation; Piano Solo, Polonaise, Opus 40, by Chopin, Miss Anna Pearl Riddle; Scripture Reading; Prayer; Vocal Solo, A Song of Thanksgiving, by Frances Attison; Mr. John Myron Jolls; Address, Charles H. Edmunds, Esq.; Announcements; Ode, Alma Mater by Berleman.

1909 MAN GIVEN FAREWELL SURPRISE

F. T. Krusen, of the class of 1909, who will soon leave for Harvard, where he will take graduate work in medicine, was surprised by a number of his friends from Collegeville and the college at his home in Collegeville, Wednesday evening. "Doc" returned from an automobile trip to find the happy company awaiting him. A very pleasant evening was spent in reviving old remembrances and in partaking of the delicate viands that were served.

Among those present was Miss Mabel Knauer, of St. Peters, a former member of the '10 class.

DEATH OF MISS EVELYN MESSINGER

When the students of Ursinus gathered after the summer vacation the joy of meeting old friends and of again seeing familiar faces was immeasurably tinged with sadness when it was learned that Miss Evelyn Hope Messinger, a member of the class of 1910, had passed into eternity. For nearly a year she had suffered with the dreadful disease, sarcoma, which had infected her face. Four operations were performed and from the last she never rallied, death occurring at the Phoenixville Hospital, Sept. 10.

For many months before her death Miss Messinger realized that soon she must succumb, but never did her courage fail and never did she cease to be hopeful and cheerful, though her suffering was intense.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, September 14, at St. Luke's church, Trappe, of which her father, Rev. Dr. S. L. Messinger, is pastor. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. H. T. Spangler, ex-president of Ursinus College. Other neighboring clergymen participated in the services.

Prof. George L. Omwake, vice-president of the college, spoke in behalf of the students and faculty. His words were well chosen and evinced the high regard in which Miss Messinger was held by all who knew her.

The usual expressions of commiseration seem trite when applied to the untimely demise of one of the most lovely, admirable and noble of girls. But though she will be greatly missed by all of the many organizations of which she was a moving spirit and in the general social and intellectual life of the college the memory of the brave and cheery girl who met the inevitable with a calm, sweet smile, will ever be an inspiration and a blessing to all who knew, and knowing admired, Evelyn Hope Messinger.

TENNIS ASSOCIATION MEETS

The Ursinus College Tennis Association held its first business meeting for the school year on Friday last. The tapes upon the court, the property of R. S. Thomas were purchased by the

Association, and the President was instructed to have the playing rules of the courts printed and placed in conspicuous places, which has been done. Because the tennis season begins in the Spring of the year, it was enacted that new students, by joining the Association now, might for the one year's fee, have the use of the courts for this fall, and both spring and fall of next year.

Miss Amy Fernier, '10, Chas. Langner, '11, Otho Stewart, '13, Walter Yingst, '13 and E. Bruce Jacobs, '13, were elected active members of the Association. Since then the names of Davis, '10, Thomasson, '11, and Callen, '13, have been added.

CHANGE IN THE FACULTY

Since June several important changes have been made in the teaching staff at Ursinus. Rev. George H. Wailes, A. M., has been advanced from an instructorship in Greek to a full professorship in that department. He will also conduct the course in English Bible and Hebrew. Charles Holzwarth, Ph. D., who recently received the Doctor's degree at Leipzig, Germany, has been elected to the position of Professor of the Modern Languages. Messrs. G. C. Myers, of last year's senior class, and Paul S. Howe, of the University of New York, are new instructors in the Academy.

HANDEL CHORAL SOCIETY

The Executive Committee of the Handel Choral Society met on Monday evening for its first business session. It was decided that the organization would render two elaborate programs during the year, one in December, when the cantata, "The Holy City," will be given with the aid of four prominent soloists from Philadelphia; and the May Musical Festival, early in May. The whole year's work will be centered upon these programmes. The first rehearsal will take place in the chapel at 7 p. m., Monday evening.

Fogelman, '10, left this morning for an extended tour of Bethlehem, Hellertown and Allentown.

Miss Lola Butler, '09, is teaching in Columbia, N. J.

Dr. J. M. S. Isenberg of Phila., was a visitor at the College last week.

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EDITORIAL

The death of Evelyn Messenger a little over a week ago, following a long period of patient suffering, is one of the saddest things that has happened within our experience. She was a girl of such exceptional promise, was so bright, so true and lovable, that it is hard to reconcile ourselves to the fact that she has gone from this earth. Her death cast a gloom over the opening of school, a gloom felt more keenly by those who knew her well, and who best recognized her talents and virtues. We join with the whole college in extending our deepest sympathy to our former schoolmate's family and friends.

As has formerly been necessary two or three times a year, it is again in order to suggest that students confine their peregrinations to the gravel walks geometrically designed to connect points of importance about the school. It should not require force to infuse into the student mind regard for a rule so reasonable as that intended to preserve our east campus. There is no one who possesses a divine right to cut the campus, and everybody should try to dissuade those who think they have such a right.

Students should remember that the curve is more beautiful than the straight line, and if they wish to feel the grass grow under their

feet let them seek the football field, or, failing this, the campus west of the main avenue.

SOCIETY NOTES

ZWINGLIAN

Zwinglian opened her doors on Friday evening for the ensuing year, and the program, which was well received by the large audience, was rendered as follows: Cello Solo, Nolette, by Schuman, Wagner, '10; Monologue, A Modern Sermon, Maeder, '10; Reading, The Countess in the Tenement, Miss Latshaw, '11; Vocal Solo, by Quay, '11; My Summer's Experience with the College Quartette, Douthett, '12; German Sextette, Leader Dunsenath, '10; Chorus, Gypsy Life, Leader, Miss Fermier, '10; Recitation, Biddy's Trial among the Yankees, Miss Rapp, '12; Impromptu Speeches, Means Employed by a Successful Aluminum Agent, Godshall, '11; The Peary-Cook Controversy, Moser, '10; Piano Duet, Boston School Regiment March, Misses Bauer, '12 and Thomas, '12; Oration, A Defence of the Simple Life, Mertz, '10; Zwinglian Review, Mathien, '11. The Society was pleased to welcome as active members Walter Yingst, of Lebanon, Pa., and James Whipple of New York City.

SCHAFF SOCIETY

The program last Friday evening was general in character, and was performed as follows: Piano Solo, Miss Freyer, '10; Essay, "College Life," Miss Booser, '10; Vocal Duet, "Dance of the Fays," Misses Saylor, '12 and Dunn, '11; Recitation, A Finished Education, Miss Miller, '11; Vocal Solo, Out on the Deep, Mr. Laucks, '10; Talk, My Experiences During the summer, Mr. Heinly, '11; Vocal Solo, You and Love, Mr. Fogelman, '10; Reading, Mr. Kichline, '12. Piano Duet, Misses Scheuren, '12, and Heebner, '12; Gazette, Miss Freyer, Editor. Under Voluntary Exercises, Miss Knauer, ex-10, Messrs. Krusen, '09 and Thomasson, '12, gave short talks to the society. Messrs. Tyson, '10, Spears, '10, Knauer, '10, Thompson, '10 and Fogelman, '10, were elected Trustees for the coming year.

The society was glad to welcome as honorary members, Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Clawson, Mrs. Wailes, Prof. Hough, Prof. Holzworth and Prof. Myers.

NEW STUDENTS ENTERED

Quite a number of new students have entered our ranks, which were thinned by last year's graduating class and students who have gone to pursue their studies elsewhere. Below is appended the list of new college students and

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PERSONALS
 Wm. S. Long, '09, spent several days last week at the college with friends before beginning his year's

work in the Medical School, U. of P. Philadelphia.

Wagner, '10, Saylor, '10, Kichline, '11, Moser, '10, attended the Detroit-Athletic baseball game last Saturday.

Miss Mabel Knauer 'ex-'10 was at the college Friday last.

Dr. Wailes occupied the pulpit at Trinity Church on Sunday.

Mertz, '10, and tribe perambulated to Norristown Sunday afternoon. Stewart, '13, turned back at Eagleville.

The girls of Schreiner Hall will draw up rules for self-government for the school year, subject to the disposition of the faculty. The rules committee includes Misses Fryer, Latshaw, Deck and Whitworth.

Rev. J. O. Lindaman, '86, of Perkasie spent last Thursday at the college.

Y. M. C. A.

The initial meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association for the year was held Wednesday evening. There was an encouraging attendance of new students and several new names were added to the roll.

The meeting was addressed by Dunseath, '10, and Herber, '11, who represented Ursinus at the Students' Conference held at Northfield, Mass., June 28 to July 7. They gave exhaustive reports of the work of the conference and reviewed the various meetings they attended while there.

A business meeting followed, at which plans for the present year were discussed. Prospects for a successful year for the Y. M. C. A. are rosy.

TWO PROFS. BECOME BENEDICTS.

During the summer vacation two Ursinus professors embarked on the sea of matrimony—as the rural editor puts it. Dr. J. W. Clawson and Dr. M. A. Caldwell are the benedicts and now, remembering the German aphorism, "alle guten Dinge sind drei," we're all wondering who the third will be.

On August 8th, Miss Mary Armstrong, of Frankfort, Indiana, became the bride of Dr. Caldwell. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Caldwell was formerly a school teacher. Dr. and Mrs. Caldwell will occupy one of the new houses that are being erected down town.

Dr. Clawson was married to Miss Isabella Chipman Robertson, of St. John, New Brunswick, on August 18th. The marriage occurred in Trinity church, St. John. Dr. and Mrs. Clawson reside in the house recently vacated by Prof. Chandler, ex-principal of the Academy. Felicitations!

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Last Monday the light of day discovered the scenery about college decorated with large green posters for Freshman perusal. These were the cause of several skirmishes, resulting in some broken property and dented physiques. The Sophs were, on the whole, successful in defending their rules, though it is yet to be seen whether or not they can enforce the kindly laws printed thereon.

'87. The address of Rev. Jas. I. Good, D. D., is now Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio.

Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. meeting was led by Miss Sponser, whose topic was, "For the Year,—What?" 1 Cor. 13, John 10: 10. The leader brought out the following thoughts:

I. Let us use our influence for the best among the students.

II. Make the year one of practice instead of one of preaching.

III. Admit Christ into all our plans and submit ourselves to His will.

IV. Pursue the activities of the Christian life and thus fulfill the purpose of the Association..

V. Live closer to Christ.

In closing, Miss Sponser expressed the wish that the meetings this year might mean much to each girl, and that the year be a great success.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MEETING

A meeting of the Athletic Association was held in Bomberger Hall on Monday afternoon. An election was held which resulted as follows: Secretary, Ernest Quay, '11; Second Assistant Football Manager, Karl Horten, '13; cheer leaders, Maeder, '10, Fogleman, '10, and McNeil, '13.

ALUMNI NOTES

'77. Rev. S. M. Hench, of Frederick, Md., has received a call to the Cavetown Charge, Maryland Classis.

'09. After a seven years' successful pastorate at Emanuel Reformed Church, Minersville, Rev. W. T. Buchanan has accepted a unanimous call to the First Presbyterian Church, Shenandoah, Pa.

D. L. Crunkleton, '07, has accepted the principalship of the Littlestown High School, and entered upon his new duties early in September.

C. E. Toole, '07, is principal of the High School at Milheim, Centre Co., Pa.

Edgar N. Rhodes, '07, is teaching in the High School at Sunbury, Pa.

Kerschner, '09, Lau, '09, Peters, '09, and Koons, '09, are studying theology at the Central Theological Seminary, at Dayton, O.

It is reported that Paist, '08, will in the near future study for the ministry.

RECEPTION

The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. held a reception in honor of the new students in Bomberger Hall, last Saturday evening. Previous to the reception a short program was rendered. A piano duet by Misses Scheuren and Heebner, a vocal solo by Miss Saylor and a number by the Girls' Quartet, comprised the very pleasing musical



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