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## CALENDAR

Friday, Feb. 12, Literary Societies, 7.40 p. m.  
 Sunday, Feb. 14, Mission Study, 1.30 p. m.  
 Monday, Feb. 15, Male Glee Club, 4.00 p. m.  
 Female Glee Club, 5.00 p. m.  
 Handel Choral Society, 6.45 p. m.  
 Tuesday, Feb. 16, Y. W. C. A., 6.40 p. m.  
 Wednesday, Feb. 17, Y. M. C. A., 6.40 p. m.  
 Thursday, Feb. 18, Academy Literary Society 2 p. m.  
 Male Glee Club, 4.00 p. m.  
 Female Glee Club, 5.00 p. m.  
 Friday, Feb. 19, Literary Societies 7.40 p. m.

## TWELFTH ANNUAL BANQUET

The Executive Committee of the Philadelphia Alumni Association announces its Twelfth Annual Banquet which will be held at The Majestic, Broad and Girard Avenue Philadelphia, on Friday, February 19th, 1909, at 6.30 p. m. The Majestic has been selected again because of its handsome Banquet Hall, excellent cuisine and the delightful surroundings which made the event so successful last year.

Every graduate and friend of the College is urged to honor our Alma Mater and show his loyalty by arranging to be present if at all possible.

The Menu will be even better than last year, and together with the music, addresses and renewing of old and the forming of new friendships, promises a most enjoyable occasion.

The subscription is \$2.50 per cover. Subscribers should forward this amount as promptly as possible by cash, check or Postal order, to Mayne R. Longstreth, Treasurer, at 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

The Committee kindly asks for a prompt response from all friends and graduates of Ursinus.

Y. M. C. A.

The meeting of the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday was exceptionally interesting in that the address of the evening was delivered by Mr. Koehler, student Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Pennsylvania.

His remarks were based on Phil. 3: 5-15, and dealt chiefly with the life of Paul as it manifested valuable characteristics that might well be incorporated in our own lives.

## FOUNDERS' DAY EXERCISES

Public exercises in observance of Founders' Day and in commemoration of the birth of Abraham Lincoln were held in Bomberger Hall yesterday at 2.30 o'clock. The hall was well filled with alumni, students and friends. President A. E. Keigwin presided. The Handel Choral Society, under the leadership of Professor John M. Jolls, occupied reserved seats and contributed no small part to the exercises of the afternoon.

After Scripture reading and prayer, the College Quartette rendered a pleasing selection and responded to an encore. An address on "The Founding of the College" was then delivered by the Rev. D. Ernest Klopp, D. D., of Lebanon. Dr. Klopp is one of the few survivors who have been identified with our institution since its founding. For one so well advanced in years the vitality and earnestness displayed were remarkable. The sound thoughts he expressed made it evident that his keenness and ability are unimpaired. The steps and revolutions leading up to the founding of the College were told in an interesting manner.

The second address was patriotic in character, having been a tribute by the Rev. James W. Meminger, D. D., of Lancaster, to the memory of Abraham Lincoln. This address was also a strong one.

The Choral Society sang two numbers, the first being "Our Country," the music and a stanza of which were written by Prof. Theodore Henckels, of the College. The second number was "To Thee, O Country." The entire audience rose and sang the "Alma Mater" to the tune of *New America*, forming a fitting close to the first celebration of Founders' Day.

The Program:

HYMN: Come Thou Almighty King, C. Wesley

SCRIPTURE READING.

PRAYER, THE PRESIDENT,  
 QUARTET: Just Beyond, Parks  
 MESSRS. CUSTLER, WISMIR, QUAY  
 AND KEISINGER.

ADDRESS: The Founding of the College,  
 THE REV. D. E. KLOPP, D. D.  
 CHORUS: Our Country, Henckels  
 THE HANDEL CHORAL SOCIETY.

ADDRESS: Abraham Lincoln,  
 THE REV. J. W. MEMINGER, D. D.  
 CHORUS: To Thee, O Country, Eichberg  
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ODE: Alma Mater, Berleman  
 BENEDICTION.

## DIRECTOR'S MEETING

The winter meeting of the Board of Directors of the College was held at the College yesterday. The following members were present: Hon. Henry W. Kratz, Rev. S. L. Messenger, D. D., J. Truman Ebert, Rev. A. Edwin Keigwin, D. D., Henry T. Spangler, D. D., Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D., Daniel Clinger, John M. Vanderslice, Esq., Rev. Philip Vollmer, D. D., Rev. I. C. Fisher, D. D., James A. Miller, Rev. J. M. S. Isenberg, A. D. Fetterolf and Prof. G. L. Omwake. Rev. D. E. Klopp, D. D., and Rev. F. F. Blessing, Secretary of the College were invited to sit in the meeting.

A large volume of business was attended to and a number of matters were held over until a subsequent meeting because of lack of time to consider them.

The resignation of Prof. W. W. Chandler as Principal of the Academy was reported, and J. W. Riddle, Jr. who has served during the last two years as Assistant Principal was elected to succeed him. Action was also taken giving the Principal the rank of professor in the general faculty.

President Keigwin reported that he would be absent for three months beginning March 1, and on motion, the duties and responsibilities of the president during his absence were entrusted to Dean Omwake. President Keigwin will visit Europe, Egypt and Palestine, returning in time for Commencement.

Pursuant to recommendation of the Athletic Committee and resolution presented by a Committee of students, action was taken authorizing the improvement of the Athletic field and the construction of a track. The field-house fund amounting to several hundred dollars which was raised a few years ago, was placed in charge of the Athletic Committee to be used as a nucleus for a larger fund for building a field-house and improving the field.

The Finance Committee reported several large contributions given for the purpose of purchasing for the College the tracts of land adjoining the college grounds known as the Terrace property, embracing together twenty-two acres. The Board directed the Committee to negotiate for the purchase of the properties. This will be a most valuable addition to the College

grounds. The Board appreciates very much the wisdom and the generosity of the friends who make the purchase of this land possible.

## CONFERENCE AT LEBANON

A conference of the Alumni and friends of the College residing in the Lebanon Valley was held on Tuesday Feb. 4, in the First Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa. The afternoon program was opened with a devotional service conducted by Rev. L. F. Stambaugh, '78, Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, '88, president of the Association, presided over the meeting. The Dean of the College delivered a much-appreciated address on "The Christian College." A number of impromptu addresses were delivered by the different members present and each one had the ring of true loyalty. The general Secretary of the Reformed Evangelical and Educational Union made his annual report to this Branch of the Union. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, '88, Secretary, Prof. H. H. Shenk, '99; Treasurer Rev. H. E. Bodder, '00.

At five o'clock and alumni luncheon was enjoyed in the dining room of the Labor League Home. The ladies of the First Church did themselves great credit by serving a collation that would have put a chef to thinking, and the guests who gathered around the tables did justice to it. Rev. H. E. Bodder, the pastor of the First Church, served in the capacity of toastmaster and announced the following speakers: Rev. D. Ernest Klopp, D. D., the Nestor among the Reformed ministry of the Lebanon Valley, spoke interestingly of "Labor." Prof. H. H. Shenk of Lebanon Valley College spoke on "The Denominational College." Rev. J. L. Fluck responded to the toast "The Ladies" and Rev. F. F. Blessing, who only arrived after the company had enjoyed the luncheon, concluded the post-prandial part of the program with a very interesting address on "The Fortieth Anniversary Fund."

Taken all in all this was a splendid meeting. The feeling of interest and good fellowship beamed from the countenance of every one present, and the men went away with the determination to put forth their best efforts to assist in speedily completing the fortieth anniversary fund.

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**NOTICE**

All students of Ursinus College who are candidates for a degree are requested to enter the contest for places upon the team which will meet Swarthmore in our first Inter-collegiate debate.

The subject submitted by Swarthmore is as follows:

Resolved that the attitude of the Federal Courts toward the use of the Writ of Injunction as indicated by the Buck Stove and Range Company decision, is conducive to the best interest of the people of the United States, all questions of constitutionality eliminated.

Ursinus has the *Negative* side of the question and Swarthmore the Affirmative.

Prof. Haines has consented to act as Librarian for the material upon the subject and the members of the committee stand ready to aid and encourage all who would like to try for the team.

The rules for the contest and selection of the team follow.

**FIRST PRELIMINARY TRIAL.**

1. A general call for contestants shall be posted at once by the Chairman of the Committee, announcing the subject for debate in the Inter-Collegiate contest, and fixing the first preliminary trial for February 24th.

2. All students of Ursinus College who are candidates for a degree shall be eligible to enter the first preliminary. Candidates must file their names with the

committee not later than 7 p. m. on the night set for the first preliminary trial.

3. On the night of the preliminary trial all the contestants shall draw numbered ballots which shall determine the side each shall uphold and the order in which each contestant shall speak. The contestants drawing odd numbers shall speak on the Affirmative, and those drawing even numbers on the Negative.

4. Each contestant shall be permitted to hear the preceding speaker before making his address, and may remain to hear the contestant who immediately follows him.

5. Speeches shall not exceed five minutes in length and each speaker will be expected to deal with the arguments of his predecessor as in rebuttal.

**SECOND PRELIMINARY TRIAL.**

1. At the end of the first preliminary trial the Committee shall select fourteen (14) of the contestants, who shall then and there draw lots for sides and order of speaking in the second preliminary trial, which shall be held on March 3d.

2. The speakers in the second preliminary contest shall be allowed five minutes each for first speeches and two minutes each for rebuttal.

**FINAL CONTEST**

1. At the close of the second preliminary trial the Committee shall select eight (8) of the contestants from the fourteen competing as the contestants in the Final contest, which shall be held March 11th.

2. Immediately after their selection these contestants shall, as before, draw lots for sides and order in speaking at the final contest.

3. Each contestant on the final contest shall file with the Chairman of the Committee not later than March 10th, a brief of both sides of the question, which shall be held by the Committee for use in aiding in the preparation of the team when chosen.

4. Each contestant in the final contest shall be allowed eight minutes for his first speech and three minutes for rebuttal.

5. At this contest two prizes will be awarded; one of \$10, and one of \$5 to the best individual debaters, irrespective of side. This contest shall be open to the public and the judges for the award of the prizes shall be appointed by the Governing Board.

6. The Committee shall, at the close of the final contest, select four (4) from the eight contestants, who shall compose the team for the Inter-Collegiate debate, and may, if in their opinion it is

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**THE TEAM**

1. After their selection by the Committee the four candidates for the Inter-Collegiate contest shall be handed over to the coaches who shall select the principals and the alternates not later than ten days prior to the date of the Inter-Collegiate contest.

2. In the selection of candidates throughout the contests the Committee shall take into consideration, (a), manner of presenting the argument, (b), skill in rebuttal, and (c), ease in delivery.

In the final contest the excellence of the brief filed may be taken into account by the Committee, where the choice is close, in deciding the four team members.

The committee of contestants is Prof. Smith, Prof. Caldwell, E. C. Emery, Esq., Messrs. J. T. Ebert and F. C. Gristock.

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**SOCIETIES**

**ZWINGLIAN**

The miscellaneous program on Friday evening was a creditable one. The order of the various numbers was as follows:

Instrumental Duet, "Il Trovatore," Messrs. Long and Kerschner; Declaration, "The Funeral," Miss Butler; Essay, "The Scotch-Irish of Pennsylvania," Mr. Godshall; Instrumental Solo, "Northern Song," by Schuman, Mr. Wagner; Reading, "Milabran and the Poor Musician," Mr. Palsgrove; Mock Oration, "Nick-Nacks," Mr. Maeder; Violin Solo, "The Rosary" Mr. Horten; Recitation, "The Day of Judgment," Miss Place; Talk, "The Choice of a Life Profession," Mr. Mertz; Quartet, "A Dream of Paradise," Mr. R. S. Thomas, (Leader); Oration, "Reforms as Promoters of National Prosperity," Miss Fryling.

After the program Mr. Kerschner, read a well edited and witty Review. Under Voluntary Exercises Miss Natalie Beach favored the society with a recitation, "The Drunkard's Mother," in a very capable manner.

**SCHAFF**

Vocal Duet, "Reconciliation" Misses Saylor, '12, and Dunn, '11. Piano Duet, "The Graces," Misses Freyer, '10, and Saylor, '12. Debate Question, Resolved, That Congress levy an income tax, constitutionality waived.

The affirmative speakers were Messrs. Laucks, '10, Krusen, '09, and Glatfelter, '12, while the Negative side was upheld by Messrs. Lauer, '10, Knauer, '10, and Heimly, '11.

The judge, Saylor, '10, decided in favor of the affirmative, as did also the solo.

Cornet Solo, "Largo," Stamm, '12. Under Voluntary exercises, the orchestra rendered a selection. Mr. Lary B. Small, A., Marion, Pa., was elected an active member of the society.

Election of officers resulted in the election of the following:

President, Umstead, '09; Vice-President, Peters, '09; Recording Secretary, Miss Scheuren, '12; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Heebner, '12; Financial Secretary, Herber, '11; Chaplain, Billman, '12; 1st Editor, Kichline, '12; 2nd Editor, Miss Spangler, '09; Critic, Wismer, '09; Treasurer, Saylor, '10; Pianist, Miss Saylor, '12; Janitor, Koons, '09.

**PERSONALS**

Prof. Kline is one of the instructors at the Teacher's Local Institute held at Roversford today and tomorrow.

Prof. J. W. Riddle delivered the oration of the evening at the Lincoln Celebration held last Thursday evening at Egg Harbor, N. J.

Barisello has made a few very interesting trips to Norristown during the past week.

Through a local organization, the National American Woman Suffrage Association has presented the Library with a copy of "The Life and Works of Susan B. Anthony."

Koons, '09, spent Sunday with Prof. Steward, '07, at Lansdale.

Rev. G. H. Wailes, professor of Greek and English Bible in the College, occupied the pulpit of the local church last Sunday morning.

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The House of Representatives represents the nation on the basis of population. Every member of the House represents a large constituency in its relation to national affairs. The original House which met in 1789 contained only sixty-five members, the idea being that there should be a member for every 30,000 persons. At present the House numbers 391; of this number 223 are Republicans and the remaining 168 are Democrats.

Members are elected for two years, the election always taking place in the even years. Among the members of the House there are few young men and fewer old, the majority of them being lawyers between the ages of forty and sixty.

The members of the House choose their own speakers; this election is influenced by various circumstances, but usually the strongest man is elected. The most important business of the speaker is the appointing of the various committees in which always the entire power of the House is vested. The powers of the House are very limited; they can originate revenue bills, impeach the President and elect a President in default of a choice by the electors. The framers of the constitution feared that the House would engross power at the expense of the other branches of Government. But this has not been the case and the House is not so strong now as it was when Congress first met.

Prof. Haines, the Group Advisor, then gave a history of the injunction, and told how it is used in legal operations. Lively discussion and questioning followed both reports. At the next meeting of the Union the Modern Language Group will be heard from.

SEMINARY NOTES

Dr. Vollmer left on Tuesday for Collegeville where he will attend the meeting of the Board of Directors of Ursinus College.

Dr. Van Horne represented the Seminary at the reception of Rev. N. B. Mathes, pastor of Grace Reformed church.

Huckerieide, '09, and Swope, '10, delivered sermons in English homiletical exercises on Monday evening. Zechiel, '11, conducted the preliminary exercises.

On Wednesday morning the Seminary had the pleasure of enjoying an illustrated lecture by Mr. M. F. Richings in the interests of the negro race. Mr. Richings represents the Curry School at Urbana, O.

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