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THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON

The Baccalaureate sermon was delivered by President D. W. Ebbert in Bomberger Hall, on Sunday evening. He spoke in part as follows: We know in part.—1 Cor. 13:9.

Imperfect knowledge is the condition of our life in this present world. Yet no vigorous mind is content with partial knowledge. It appears like a strange misfit that the precise knowledge for which the mind craves cannot be had. Birds are provided with wings to soar in the air, and fishes that are to swim in sunless caverns are born without eyes, whilst man is to see "through a glass darkly" with a longing after perfect knowledge. Were this life the only sphere for man, we might accuse God for placing us where our talents had not proper environment. But we are in training for another life and our limitations are a discipline for higher ends. In the use of the present life to prepare for the future life, partial knowledge is more helpful than perfect knowledge would be. The art of teaching consists in pointing out the direction in which answers may be found in books and laboratory practice, so that the scholar fairly wins knowledge for himself. This is the teaching which yields the fruit of true scholarship. Now God teaches not by telling but by alluring. He sets objects before us, and almost in sight, and fairly invites us to the effort of discovery. "Seek and ye shall find." The sight of mystery leads to other discoveries. Knowledge will influence the student as a mine affects the miner who follows the vein of precious metal until he owns it.

This partial knowledge will terminate in the hopeful knowledge of the Divine will. It is expedient for us now to "know only in part."

"Haste, haste, O laggard, leave thy drowsy dreams!
Cram all thy brain with knowledge;
clutch and cram!
The earth is wide, the universe is vast—
Thou hast infinity to learn—O haste!"
"Haste not, haste not, my soul, Infinity?
Thou hast eternity to learn it in.
Thy boundless lesson through the endless years
Hath boundless leisure. Run not like a slave.
Sit like a king, and see the ranks of worlds
Wheel in their cycles onward to thy feet."

Members of the class of 1905, your course has been concluded. You have recited your last lesson. You have learned to know, and I trust also to think. Be positive in character. Use the Book. It will give positive principles. It will stimulate you to seek the perfect knowledge. We hope for your success. We expect much from you all. The college would appropriate and adapt the words of Hector to his son: "O God, grant that these may do good, and bear noble rule." "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace."

CLASS DAY EXERCISES

The Class Day Exercises were held in Bomberger Hall on Monday afternoon. The program was as follows:

MUSIC: Piano Solo
MISS EVELYN NEFF, '07
CLASS HISTORY
ROBERT F. BUTZ
SHAM ORATION
CHARLES A. TOWNSEND
BASS SOLO: Honor and Arms *Handel*
HARRY H. MCCOLLUM
ATHLETIC REVIEW
RALPH E. MILLER
PROPHECY
DESSA C. EBBERT
VOCAL SOLO: Berceuse *Holmes*
MISS VIRGILIA WALLACE
RECOLLECTIONS OF JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY
HARRY H. MCCOLLUM
PRESENTATIONS
JOHN B. PRICE
VOCAL SOLO: Love the Pedlar *German*
MISS VIRGILIA WALLACE
PRESENTING OF MANTEL TO JUNIOR CLASS
CLARENCE G. PLACE
CAMPUS
MASTER OF CEREMONIES, CLAUDE D. TREXLER
ODE
LINDEN H. RICE
PLANTING OF CLASS TREE
TREE ORATION
RALPH F. WISMER

JUNIOR ORATORICAL CONTEST

The Oratorical Contest of the 1906 class was of unusual interest. The subject matter and the delivery were good and showed excellent preparation. The following program was rendered:

MUSIC:
March, "Lake Front," *H. A. Vandercoop*
Selection, "The Bohemian Girl," *Balfe*
INVOCATION.
MUSIC: March, "Chicken Charley,"
Ashley Ballou
ORATION: An Imperious Opportunity.
CHARLES SPIEGEL DOTTERER, Phila.
ORATION: A Tribute to the Grand Army.
DAVID REINER FARINGER,
Collegeville, Pa.

ORATION: The United States among the Nations.

BEVERLY AUGUSTUS FOLTZ,
Waynesboro, Pa.

MUSIC: Selection, "The Tenderfoot,"
H. L. Hartz

ORATION: The Cultivated Man in an Industrial Era.

WINFIELD SHRODER HARMAN,
Emmitsburg, Md.

ORATION: The Right to Labor.

ROY VINCENT HARTMAN,
Stony Creek Mills, Pa.

MUSIC: "Sliding Jim," *F. H. Losey*

ORATION: A Plea for the Children.

ANNA MABEL HOBSON, Collegeville, Pa.

ORATION: A College Education for Women.

MARY ELLEN LONG, Manheim, Pa.

MUSIC: Medley, "Down The Mississippi,"
A. M. Lauren

AWARDING OF THE MEDALS.

BENEDICTION.

- GOLD MEDAL, offered by F. G. Hobson, Esq., A. M., '76.
- GOLD MEDAL, offered by the Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D., '84.

JUDGES

- PROF. BENJAMIN F. BATTIN, Ph. D., Swarthmore.
- PROF. A. C. ROTHERMEL, A. M., Kutztown.
- THE. HON. IRVING P. WANGER, Norristown.

First Prize, Hobson Medal was awarded to Anna Mabel Hobson. Second Prize, Meminger Medal to David Reiner Faringer. Honorable Mention, to Beverley Augustus Foltz.

COMMENCEMENT

The thirty-fifth Annual Commencement of Ursinus College was held in Bomberger Hall on Wednesday morning. The feature of the exercises was the Commencement Oration, delivered by Prof. E. O. Lovett, Ph. D., of Princeton. It was undoubtedly one of the most intellectual orations ever delivered at Ursinus. The program in full follows:

MUSIC
OVERTURE—"Light Cavalry" *Suppe*
SELECTION—"Prince of Pilsen" *Luders*
MARCH—"Nibelungen" *Wagner*
PRAYER
MUSIC: "Moonlight Sonata" *Moret*
SALUTATORY ORATION: The College Man in Politics.
ELLIOTT FREDERICK
ORATION: The Value of Art to America.
MARY HELFFENSTEIN STONER
VALEDICTORY ORATION: The Mission of the Small College.
BERTHA EVELYN SHIPE
MUSIC: Fifth Nocturne *Leybach*
COMMENCEMENT ORATION, by Professor Edgar Odell Lovett, Ph. D., of Princeton University.
MUSIC: A Love Song (Idyl) *Pabst*
CONFERRING OF DEGREES
MUSIC: National Airs *Moses*
BENEDICTION

The following degrees were conferred:

Honorary Degrees: LL. D.—Freeland G. Hobson, A. M., Collegeville; George H. Meeker, M. D., Professor of Chemistry, Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia D. D.—Rev. Henry Jacob Christman, Professor of Practical Theology, Heidelberg Theological Seminary, Tiffin, Ohio.

Rev. George Albert Snyder, President of Catawba College, Newton, N. C.

Rev. E. S. Bromer, Lebanon, Pa.

Rev. George Stibitz, Ph. D., York, Pa.

DEGREES IN COURSE

A. M. Eleanor Brecht Price, B. S. A. B. *Magna Cum Laude*: Bertha Evelyn Shipe.

A. B. *Cum Laude*: Elliott Frederick; Mary Helffenstein Stoner.

A. B. Robert Fleming Butz, Dessa Cornelia Ebbert, Harry Howard McCollum, Ralph Edgar Miller, Clarence Garfield Place, John Beadle Price, Linden Howell Rice, Charles Augustus Townsend, Claude Deisher Trexler, Ralph Fry Wismer.

HONORS IN SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS.

Chemistry: Ralph Edgar Miller; Education: Bertha Evelyn Shipe, Dessa Cornelia Ebbert. English: Mary Helffenstein Stoner, Bertha Evelyn Shipe. History: Dessa Cornelia Ebbert. Political Science: Elliott Frederick. Philosophy: Mary Helffenstein Stoner. Physics: Clarence Garfield Place.

REUNION

The class of 1900 held a successful reunion and dinner at the Collegeville Hotel on Commencement Day. All the members of the class are still living and all but three were present. Those not in attendance were unavoidably absent. The vocations represented among those present were all the professions—law, medicine, teaching and divinity—the attendants came together from four states and the District of Columbia, the distance travelled by all in the aggregate being 1500 miles. Speeches were made; a picture was taken; officers were elected and it was decided to hold the next reunion in 1910.

Rev. A. R. Kepler, '98, began work among the Literati, the scholar class of Elima. This work has heretofore been unattempted by missionaries, and it will be largely in the nature of an experiment.

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EDITORIAL

This is the last issue of the WEEKLY for the college year. It is with a great deal of regret that we lay down our pens, but no doubt the summer vacation will bring with it good results. It will give us new zeal and inspiration to carry on the work during the coming year. We have tried to publish all the available news, but if we have slighted any, we will try to make amends in the future.

Baseball has appeared regularly in our columns from week to week. During the game with Delaware last Saturday, a great deal of "muckerism" was displayed by several members of the latter team. The actions of the catcher and the first baseman, were such as might be expected from a Zulu or some other half-civilized person, but not such as a college man would display. The "kidding" from the grandstand resulted from this, and while the rooting was perfectly legitimate, it would have taken very little to make it illegitimate. It would naturally follow that such teams should be struck from the schedule, for their actions are not worthy of a college team.

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Commencement to a college man is a parting of the ways, and brings with it memories both bitter and sweet. Four years spent in college endear one to the place. The institution is looked upon as a home, with the professors as parents and the students as children. The four years pass away only too quickly.

One of the chief questions that arises is, what will I do after I leave college? This is a serious matter, for upon this decision will depend the success or failure of many a man when he goes out into the world. Each individual must decide for himself what he intends to do or be, and this decision should be carried out to the utmost.

SOCIETY NOTES

ZWINGLIAN

In the last meeting of the year, the members and friends of the Zwinglian Society were delightfully entertained by a miscellaneous program, very successfully performed. Considering that this was examination week, the participants were well prepared and deserve a great deal of credit for their work. The first number was an instrumental duet, "The Three Graces," rendered by Snyder, '08, and Crunkleton, '07. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the music, as was shown by the hearty applause. They responded to an encore with the Y. M. B. March. Roth gave a clear and distinct rendition of "The Chambered Nautilus." Miss Boston, '08, in her natural and pleasing manner, recited a parody on one of Holmes' poems. She recited it in the form of a parting ode to the class of 1905, of which every Zwinglian member was present. The words, together with the spirit in which it was rendered, certainly made the production a touching tribute long to be remembered by the 1905s. A reading, "The Poet at the Breakfast Table," by Leidy, '08, and a recitation by Miss Smith, '07, were also very well rendered. The soloist, Wise, '06, gave the audience a treat in his usual able manner. He sang "Still Wie Die Nacht," and responded to an encore with "All Through the Night." Every word was distinctly enunciated, making the rendition of the highest order. The piano duets by Wise, '06, and Kerschner, A., set the house wild with applause.

The orator of the evening was Alspach, '07, who took for his subject "The College and Its Relation to the Ministry." He spoke of the great need of ministers, and in a very logical and convincing manner pointed out wherein the college can aid in supplying this need, confining his remarks particularly to Ursinus.

Each member of the 1905 Class gave a short farewell address, expressing his indebtedness to the Zwinglian Society as a means of helping round out his college course.

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next year. The first number was a vocal solo by Mr. McCollum, who in his usual pleasing way sang "Hinky Dee." Mr. Wismer read a selection on "The Influence and Power of Woman," while Mr. Frederick spoke on his favorite subject, "Schaff Society." In his talk he gave a great deal of encouragement and some bits of advice. Miss Dessa Ebbert very beautifully sang "The Brook," and responded to an encore. This person will be very much missed for her ability as a vocalist. Mr. Rice gave a Farewell Address and through it in some measures, conveyed to the society his feelings for the place and his regret in leaving it. Mr. McCollum gave his Farewell talk, and as his last number in Schaff he gave. "Shet up an Eat Your Vittals" and as an encore "It's Jest Her Way."

Mr. Trexler read a selection in his favorite dialect—Pennsylvania German. He also read a very good gazette. His parting shot was a general all around roast and a few good knocks. The gazette was greatly appreciated and enjoyed. Under voluntary exercises Mr. Rice was called upon to carry out his point as "knocker." As a response he did justice to the name.

This was the night for the election of officers for the next term. The officers are as follows:

President, Miss Paiste, '06; Vice-President, Cook, '07; Recording Secretary, Lida Ebbert, '08; Financial Secretary, Foltz, '06; Corresponding Secretary, Paiste, '08; Treasurer, Ebbert, '07; Chaplain, Heller, '07; Janitor, Steward, '07; Editor, No. 1, Miss Hobson, '06; Editor No. 2, Ellis, '07; Critic, Smith, '06. Dotterer, '06, was elected the representative to the Intercollegiate Union next year. Miss Neff, '07, was elected a member of the Library Committee, and Cook, '07, of the Museum Committee.

This was the last meeting of the year, and it certainly was a grand "wind up." Undoubtedly all felt sorry to leave and especially those who realized that this was their last time as regular, active members of Schaff.

FAREWELL RECEPTION

On Monday evening after the prizes had been awarded to the contestants, and after the suspense and strain of the day had been removed, the 1907s provided for a social hour or two with their friends. A farewell reception was given to the Seniors and a lovely send off it was, showing the esteem and respect for this dignified body. The event was an informal one. The

campus in front of Olevian was lit up with Japanese lanterns reminding one of a Japanese Garden. Olevian was beautifully and cosily arranged with flowers, pennants, cosy corners etc. The refreshments were served in the Hall in rooms with individual tables. After having been refreshed the guests strolled around the gardens, enjoying the music of the band engaged for the evening, singing songs, conversing or otherwise, until a very early hour saw the last lingering guests depart. The Sophomores too have made an innovation, an informal affair which the Seniors greatly appreciated. The event proved a great success, and from experience we can truly say "The more, the merrier."

COLLEGE NOTES

Miss Hobson, '06, gave a card party on Saturday evening to meet Miss Rose Shuford, Hickory, N. C., and Miss Rachel Hayes, Newville, Pa.

Miss Myra Gump, Everett, Pa., spent commencement week with Dr. and family.

Miss Grace N. Dotterer was the guest of Miss Paiste, '06.

Miss Anna Howell is visiting Miss Mary Behney, '06.

Miss Mary Shade, '04, spent a few days with her classmate Miss Alma Clamer, '04.

Misses Shipe, Fryling, Haus and Wetzel were the guests of Miss Bertha Shipe, '05.

Mrs. Schellhamer, and her son William were the guests of Miss Neff, '07.

Miss Kell spent commencement week with her friend Mr. Rice.

Miss Dessa Ebbert, gave a farewell treat to a number of her friends on Wednesday evening. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Miss Markley, '02, was the guest of Miss Spangler '03, and Miss Kaisinger was the guest of Sara Spangler, A.



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One of the most noticeable features of the game was the spirit shown by the home team. Everyone played hard and showed a certain determination to win.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

The annual reception of the President of the college to the students, alumni and college friends was given on Tuesday evening after the Alumni Oration. The porch was beautifully decorated with Japanese lanterns. Several alluring punch bowls adorned the piazza. The parlors were decorated abundantly with daisies. Dainty refreshments were served in the dining hall late in the evening. The table was very beautifully decorated with variously colored roses. All enjoyed a pleasant evening, and Dr. and Mrs. Ebbert deserve many thanks for their entertaining hospitality.

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**ALUMNI DAY**

At the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, held in Bomberger Hall, last Tuesday, the following officers were elected for the collegiate year 1905-1906:

President, Rev. O. P. Schellhammer, A. M.; Vice-President, Marion G. Spangler, A. B.; Secretary and Treasurer, I. M. Rapp; Historian, Rev. J. E. Stone, A. B.; Athletic Representative, F. H. Hobson, A. B. The Association voted a donation of \$75 to the Library Fund.

Rev. I. C. Fisher was elected one of the Alumni Delegates to the Board.

The Alumni orator for next year is A. H. Hendricks, Pottstown and the alternate is Prof. Joseph Saylor of Juniata College.

ALUMNI ORATION

The alumni oration was delivered on Tuesday evening by Alvin Hunsicker, B. S., of New York City. The music by Mrs. Helen Boyce Hunsicker, Soprano Soloist, was excellent and was heartily enjoyed by all present.

Paiste, '08, having won the tennis tournament, is the champion at the college.

Mabry, '06, was elected captain of the 'Varsity nine for the 1906 season.

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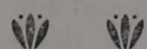
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