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SOPHOMORES SPEND EVENING HUNTING ELUSIVE FROSH

Wily Freshmen Show Skill in Game of Hide and Seek; Hunt Covers Entire Campus

Friday night was a night long to be remembered by men and women of Allegheny College. The very air was charged with mystery and plotting, and long into the wee hours, odd and startling events kept the college, particularly the freshmen, on edge. At about seven-thirty, little groups of sophomores, dressed and armed for anything from a free-for-all to a lynching, were seen collecting on street corners. It was difficult to find freshmen, for some how they suspected that everything was not as it should be, and many of them left for parts unknown. After a preliminary skirmish, about a dozen were rounded up, and locked in the city jail,—a strange place to most of them, (they were only freshmen.) However, justice prevailed on the side of the freshmen, and since they were guilty of no other crime than being freshmen they could not be legally detained.

Being foiled in their first plan, the sophomores then took these freshmen a short distance out in the country, and tied them up in an abandoned stone quarry. Two sophomores were left to guard the prisoners, but the superior number of the freshmen prevailed, and they escaped a second time. Finally another group of about fifteen plebes were captured, and this time were locked up in the cellar of the Delta Tau Delta house. The searching party then left for more prey. Meanwhile, some unworthy members of the sophomores took pity on the captives and released them, and these few Frosh also disappeared. From then on victims were hard to find. An organized search was made of the rooming house, but this for the most part was unsuccessful, as most of the freshmen had taken the precaution of hiding elsewhere. A raid was planned on Cochran Hall, but someone had summoned police protection, and the stalwart guardian of the law refused to allow anyone to enter or leave the building.

During the evening there were many minor, but interesting skirmishes, and the wily freshmen succeeded on more than one occasion in pulling the wool over the eyes of the souhomores. At the Nondescript Club a freshman was attending a five couple party. All through the evening he was fearful and cautious, for there were sophomores all around and even in the house. Towards the latter part of the evening, when the watch had relaxed, he escaped by the way of the back door, and thence to safety. One more freshman was out of danger's reach.

One freshman, with more courage than the rest, dared to walk the downtown streets. He disguised himself by wearing a hat. An observing sophomore noticed him, but the plebe fled into a drug store. When the sophomores entered he nonchalantly walked behind the counter, took off his coat, and began to mix coco colas. A little later he found an excuse to go down to the cellar, and from there he left by a rear window.

To two other freshmen must go the honor of the prize trick of the evening. A sophomore, noted for his extreme diligence in persecuting the plebes, was downtown looking for some unsuspecting innocent. Two girls of his acquaintance approached him and told him to come with them. They knew where several freshmen were hiding. He did this willingly. The girls had an automobile, and with the sophomore sitting in the front seat between them, they headed for the country. After they had gone some distance he looked in the back seat, and there were two freshmen, who had planned this ruse to get rid of one of their enemies. However, the sophomore was equal to the occasion. He shut off the ignition, grabbed the emergency brake, and jumped from the car. Unfortunately he miscalculated his jump, and landed in a bush, tearing his clothes, and cutting himself slightly. He then put on his roller skates, lit a Murad, and walked back to town.

GLEE CLUB PREPARING FOR OLD TIME CONCERT

Professor Luvaas is already rounding the Men's Glee Club into a group that is comparable to last year's club, if not better. At the weekly rehearsal on Wednesday evening, the entire evening was spent in practicing and learning new songs.

The club as present, has an enrollment of approximately seventy-five members. The average attendance for the past month was fifty-four.

Plans are now being completed for the production of a musical farce, entitled "Cleopatra," to be given in the near future by members of last year's club, assisted by two or three of the new men. The total cast will be composed of about twenty-five singers

The Girls' Club is also preparing to present an old-time concert on the same date.

CHEMISTRY HEAD SPEAKS AT GREENVILLE MEETING

Dr. Lee, head of the Carnegie Hall of Chemistry, lectured at the Mercer County Teachers' Institute, held last week at Greenville. About 600 men and women, instructors in the various schools of the county, attended the daily sessions.

Dr. Lee devoted his lectures to two main topics: Education as a Process of Adjustment, and A Survey of Orientation Courses.

There will be a meeting of Pi Delta Epsilon at the chapel hour Thursday, October 18. All members are urged to be present. Plans are being made for a smoker and for the pledging of new members. The meeting will be held in the Oratory of the Chapel.

Hulings Hall Will Be Headquarters for Returning Alumnae

Crepe paper-witches-owls-cats-what food's black?-what's orange?-long tables-pumpkins-fodder-leaves — Sounds like a Hallowe'en party, doesn't it? Well, really, that is what's "in the air." All those things are being talked about in the plans for the all-Allegheny-women's dinner on Home Coming Day, October 27.

For the first time in history, there is to be a Hallowe'en party in Hulings Hall for all Allegheny women. In recent years the residents of Hulings have been treated to elaborate dinner parties on special occasions, such as Hallowe'en, Christmas, St. Patrick's Day, and Easter. But this year, because Home Coming Day comes in the midst of the Hallowe'en season, and because on that Day campus hospitality is extended to all the Allegheny family, alumnae are being invited to share the party.

There will be no formal program of speech making and entertainment. All the daughters of Allegheny will si down in the same dining room to eat to visit, to renew friendships, and to have a happy time together.

Hulings Hall dining room ordinarily takes care of about 150 people, but this gala occasion every effort is being made to provide for all student women and all visiting alumnae wh will "come home." These alumnae are urged to send in at once to the Alumni Office their requests for reservations in order that they may be assured of a place at the party.

WOMAN FROM KOREA WAS GUEST OF COLLEGE

Mrs. Induk Kim, traveling secretary for the Student Volunteer movement, was a visitor at the college last week-end. On Sunday evening she addressed the women of Hulings Hall and later spoke at the Stone Church services.

Mrs. Kim is one of the leaders of the Youth Movement of Korea. She has consented to delay her return to Seoul, Korea, where she has taught for five years, in order to present the challenge of missionary service to American students.

Her early education was secured in Korea in the face of opposition to education for women. For the last two years she has been a student in this country at Georgia University, where she received her B. A. degree in 1928. At present she is at International House, Columbia Uuniversity. Allegheny was the ninth and last college in western Pennsylvania which Mrs. Kim visited.

NOTICE

Allegheny alumni who plan to attend the meeting of the North East Ohio Teachers' Association are most cordially invited to attend the luncheon to be given by the Cleveland-Allegheny Club on Friday noon, October 26, in the Chamber of Commerce Club in the Union Terminals Building.

PROGRAM IS COMPLETED FOR HOME-COMING DAY

The celebration of Home Coming Day, October 27, will begin at 11:30 A. M. with the laying of the cornerstone of Arter Recitation Hall. At 12:00 noon the cornerstone of Caflisch Hall will be laid. Representatives of the Arter and Caflisch families will be present.

Because of the evening dinners the luncheon for visiting alumni will be omitted.

At 2:30 Allegheny meets Grove City on Montgomery Field for their annual battle. All visitors are promised an interesting game at least.

At 6:00 P. M. all the undergraduate women of the College will be hostesses to the visiting alumnae at Hulings Hall. At the same hour the men of the College, graduate and undergraduate, will have a dinner in the Gymnasium.

The all-college dance will be held at 9:00 P. M. in the Gymnasium.

ALLEGHENY PLAYS AT PITTSBURGH SATURDAY

CHANCES OF WINNING ARE GOOD AGAINST THE PANTHER AGGREGATION

Allegheny's football team will make its annual journey to Pittsburgh next Saturday afternoon to do battle with Jock Sutherland's Golden Panthers in the Pitt Stadium. Coach Merritt's Bulldogs will find themselves face to face with a snarling Panther team, one that is still smarting from a 9-6 setback received the previous Saturday at the hands of the Mountaineers from West Virginia. The Blue and Gold will be up against a team that will be "psychologically right" and fighting mad, for a defeat at the hands of Allegheny would ruin the entire season.

It is unfortunate for the Merrittmen that West Virginia took a fall out of the Panthers last Saturday. The two teams had battled evenly for three periods, and late in the fourth quarter Rooney was downed behind his own goal line for a safety which added two points to the Mountaineer score. If Pitt had won the game, they would probably face Allegheny in a more confidential manner than they will this Saturday. As it is now, the Panthers realize that they must fight good and hard to make up for their defeat of the previous week.

The Blue and Gold will face the Panthers with a crippled team. McKay will still be missing from the lineup and it is doubtful if Slaven will be ready to play. Leyden, of course, is through for the season, and now Koeniger's injury of last Saturday may keep him on the bench. If Allegheny could muster its full strength, they would stand a fair chance of defeating Pitt, but as it is now, their chances are quite slim. A victory over Pitt would make the season a success for the Blue and Gold and every effort will be put forth to down the Panther.

Much valuable experience was gained by Allegheny's young outfit last Saturday, when the team had its first taste of fast company. With the experience gained against Dartmouth, Allegheny should acquire more confidence for their game this week. Pitt has shown a weakness against forward passes this year, and if Merritt's boys are throwing them right, an aerial attack may go far on Saturday. Pitt still has a good line this year, but lacks the backfield stars that it had last season. Allegheny must develop a punter before the game, or the Blue and Gold will probably lose quite a few yards on the exchanges. The lack of someone who can kick reliably has been a real handicap to the team so far this year.

Last season's game with Pitt was a real rout for the Blue and Gold. The final count was 52-0, with Gibby Welch and company running wild for three quarters. The year before the real battle occurred, when Coach Merritt's boys opened their season by holding Pitt to 9-7, losing out on a safety in the last quarter. Allegheny has the best chance of downing Pitt this year that they have had for some time, and the boys are determined to take advantage of their opportunity.

ALL-COLLEGE DANCE HELD SATURDAY NIGHT

A very delightful All-College dance was held in Cochran Hall, Saturday evening, October 13th. The dance was a climax to the Freshmen-Sophomore Class Day. "Dutch" Kress' Olympians furnished the music. Refreshments were served at intermission. The affair was well attended.

NON DE SCRIPTS HOLD FIRST BRIDGE PARTY

The Nondescript Club held a five-couple party at the Phi Kappa Psi house on Friday evening, October 12th. George Olson, Red Nichols, and Paul Whiteman played the music—via the Orthophonic. A game of bridge was played, followed by refreshments. Dean Bowie chaperoned.

BASKETBALL PROSPECTS BEST IN YEARS HERE

COACH DICK BAKER EXPECTS MOST ABLE SQUAD IN MANY SEASONS

Fans who rate basketball as their chief sport will have plenty to look forward to this winter. From the present outlook the football team seems to be headed toward a successful season, mainly because of the good work being turned in by the freshmen members on the team. The basketball team is expected to be completely rejuvenated by a dozen outstanding scholastic performers that are members of this year's Freshman Class.

Last year Allegheny's only victory in basketball was at the expense of W. & J. but conditions are expected to be changed somewhat this year. With about a dozen veterans remaining from last year, six of whom are lettermen, Coach Baker will have a dozen or more freshmen, who ranked individually with the best from their sections, from which to build an entirely new team.

Some of the new students in school who came here with records of marked ability in basketball are: Walter Berger, of Homestead High, guard on the All-Sectional team, W. P. I. A. L. last year; Charles Mills, Braddock Hi, named forward on All W. P. I. A. L. 1927-28; Harry Massing of Meadville High School, guard and named on All-N. W. P. team; Harry Dennison, Meadville High, forward, All-Northwestern Pennsylvania star, and Robert Garback, Edgewood High, guard on All-W. P. I. A. L., 1927-28. This group of players performed in the Allegheny gymnasium last March before a large number of fans who were very much impressed by their work.

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Well Known Alumnus Dies Unexpectedly At Home Last Week

Allegheny College lost one of its most faithful alumni last Friday morning when death summoned Cornelius Callendar Laffer '89, B. S., M. D. Through his life Dr. Laffer has been deeply interested in the affairs of the school, having taken an active part in school activities while in college and then never losing his interest in Old Alleghe.

Doctor Laffer is one of a long family of Alleghenians, having had four uncles, a father, graduate from this institution. His mother served as Dean of Women at Allegheny from 1901-1907. He himself served as College Treasurer. All of Doctor Laffer's five children have attended Allegheny and all but one have been graduated. These children will be remembered by many Allegheny Alumni. They are: Fred S. and Cornelius C., Jr., 1920; Elizabeth, 1924; Marietta, 1927; and Norman, 1929.

Doctor Laffer was in the best of health until the time of his death, which came suddenly as a great shock to everyone. His death was due to a stroke. Doctor Laffer has practiced in Meadville for 34 years, during which time he served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Crawford County Medical Society. He was a member of the Meadville City Board of Health and during his membership served both as President and Health Commissioner. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club of Meadville and a member of the official Board of Stone M. E. Church.

Doctor Laffer was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and was for 25 years a member of the local Alumni Corporation of that body. He was the Editor-in-Chief of the first Kaldron ever published and Commander of the College Cadet Corps during the early '80's. Doctor Laffer represented his college on the varsity baseball team while he was a student here.

The deceased is survived by P. E. Laffer, Tulsa, Okla.; Mrs. H. B. Hogg, Parkersburg, West Va.; Mrs. J. A. Reed, Pittsburgh; and his wife and five children.

BIG GREEN DEFEATS ALLEGHENY IN THRILLING GAME, 37 - 12

Allegheny Gridders Make Good Showing Against Hanover Team—Forwards Work Well

Although the breaks of the game were all against them, the "Big Gold" football eleven of Allegheny College battled almost evenly with one of the most powerful elevens of the East, Dartmouth, throughout four periods of thrilling football last Saturday afternoon, and the final score, 37-12, cannot be taken as any criterion of the Big Green's margin of superiority over the Merrittmen. Three fluke touchdowns in the last period changed what should have been a close score into what appears to be a decisive victory, but those who saw the game appreciate the fact that Allegheny was by no means outclassed or walloped.

Six times in the course of the afternoon the Big Green carried the ball across the Allegheny goal line, and on four of these occasions the scoring was due to a break of one type or another. On the other hand, the Blue and Gold scored but twice, but both times the boys were favored with no breaks and relied only upon their ability to forward pass and penetrate the Dartmouth defense. A summary of the first downs and total yards gained throughout the game shows that Allegheny's playing was not far behind that of their opponents, and in one respect, forward passing, the Merrittmen excelled Coach Hawley's outfit.

Ten times "first and tens" were registered by the Blue and Gold, as compared to eighteen for the Big Green. To do this, Allegheny gained a total of 250 yards, while their opponents traveled 45 yards farther, due mainly to the brilliant work of the Dartmouth halfbacks, Marsters and Breithut. The forward pass has always been one of the strongest threats of the Hanover boys, but last Saturday they saw themselves excelled at their own game. Both teams attempted seventeen passes, with Dartmouth completing seven, for a total gain of 134 yards, and Allegheny completing nine, to gain 157 yards. These cold facts may best be taken as indicative of the battle that was staged against Coach Merritt's Alma Mater last Saturday.

If Lady Luck had not favored the New Hampshire team, the score for the first half would probably have been Allegheny 6, Dartmouth 0. But a blocked punt and a fumble proved costly for the Merrittmen, as touchdowns resulted from both. Of course, it was Allegheny's misplays that created the breaks, and Dartmouth was always on the job to take advantage of them. Dartmouth elected to kick off to their visitors and then held them for downs. But the Big Green found it impossible to penetrate the Allegheny line, and punted on the third down. Once again the Blue and Gold failed to make the yardage and on the punt, Booma, the Dartmouth left end, broke through and blocked the kick. Rowlingson and Lyle staged a race for the ball as it rolled towards the Allegheny goal line, and the Lyle was victorious, pouncing on the ball on the Blue and Gold 18-yard mark. Black and Breithut advanced the ball to the ten yard line, and then Marsters gave his first brilliant exhibition of the afternoon when he went around right end for the remaining ten yards. He failed to add the extra point.

Two minutes later Allegheny had tied the score! Dartmouth kicked off, and Rowlingson made a nice run to the 30-yard line, where he was downed. On the first play Berger threw a pass to Hughes, who shook off all the Dartmouth attempts to tackle him, and outsprinted the team to the goal line. "Coonie" missed his try for the extra point, and the battle was deadlocked. Later in the period, Rowlingson fumbled the ball after having run back a punt, and Dartmouth recovered on the

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Topics of Debate Are Chosen and Meets Arranged

"Resolved, That the principle of complete freedom of speech and press on political and economic questions is unsound" is the question which the Allegheny debaters will use this winter. A triangular debate has been arranged with Wooster College and Oberlin College for March 14, and probably a debate will be held with Western Reserve University. These will be no-decision debates.

Negotiations are under way for debates sometime in April with Dickinson College and Gettysburg College. Censorship of plays and books will be the subject of these debates.

Only one of the debaters of last year, Alan Christner, graduated in June, and the rest of the men are in school this year. Tryouts will probably be held in December as usual.

The Delta Sigma Rho extemporaneous speaking contest will be held on October 30. Next month the Sophomores and the Freshmen will probably stage their annual forensic battle, and in December the Wakefield Oratorical Contest will be held.

Nineteen Twenty-nine Kaldron Will Be Greatly Improved

Improvement of the Kaldron by means of variety, beauty, and accuracy is the aim of the Kaldron staff this year. For the purpose of having variety, no general theme will be used for the year-book. Photos of the campus are now being taken. These views will be placed on the section pages instead of in the front of the annual. Thus the beauty of the college campus will be scattered throughout the book instead of being bunched in one section where the pictures would not be noticed so much.

The pages will be of a soft blue-gray tint, and the cover will be of a similar shade. The Classes section will be more artistic than in previous years, and drawings will occupy the sub-section pages.

Each editor will have complete charge of his own section as if he were editing a separate book. The preparation of the material for the book will be done earlier in the year than heretofore so that errors may be corrected.

Individual photos of the members of Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Kappa Kappa Gamma were taken last week, and the members of Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Chi Omega, and Alpha Gamma Delta are having their pictures taken this week. Next week is the scheduled time for Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Chi Rho, Theta Upsilon, and Alpha Xi Delta, and the following week for Beta Kappa, Beta Cpsilon, and Tallagewe.

President F. E. Baker Addresses Students At Chapel Monday

President Frank E. Baker, '05, of the Milwaukee State Teachers' College at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and a trustee of Allegheny College, was a guest of the College on Monday, October 14th.

He spoke at the chapel exercises on "The Background of Youth." Speaking of the great advancement in the last hundred years in the materialistic and the scientific worlds, President Baker said that he believed that this was possible only because of the objective attitude that was taken by men hundreds of years ago. He claimed that the social, economic, and political fields were still open for verified truths, and that these fields would be advanced by the young people of today because of their open-mindedness, and that these fields would advance rapidly after a system of truthful laws had been established. He believes that the youth of today is opening a new era caused by the parents "pulling the lid off of the world" and letting youth do its own thinking as to right and wrong. The speaker said that this would necessarily result in the development of a few deep thinkers, who will undoubtedly produce worthwhile achievements in these three very little known subjects.

ALLEGHENY YOUTH NOW ON WAY TO ANTARCTIC

From south of the equator, Paul A. Siple ex-'31, America's best known Boy Scout, who was selected as the representative of that organization to accompany Commander Richard A. Byrd on his two-year expedition to the antarctic, last week sent a cablegram of greeting and best wishes to his friends at Allegheny.

All visitors at the College on Home Coming Day, October 27, are invited to record the fact of their presence by signing the Allegheny Guest Book at Alumni Headquarters in Bentley Hall.

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DOES THIS SHOE PINCH?

The radio is a much more wonderful invention than we had thought. WE CAN TURN IT OFF!

That happens to be the one thing that the Hulings Hall occupants cannot do when they are honored with some of the latest serenades. We are speaking of the affair of last Friday night. A few of our bad, bold, Sophomores, after they had spent the early hours of the evening in entertaining the freshmen by their desperate efforts to accomplish something (nobody seems to know what), boisterously made their way to 'neath the windows of their fair maidens, where they proceeded to "entertain" the ladies. They should have been "crowned" by all means.

Bobby Burns put it mildly when he told us "to see ourselves as others see us." What if some of you (we are referring to our new Don Juans) were cursed with **hearing** yourselves? The Hulings Hall girls know, for they found themselves unable to move to California in the middle of the night. All points east proved so clear that they couldn't even complain of static.

The queer part about all this is—some of you have broken your arms patting yourselves on the back, just because you thought you were incognito. The girls want you to know that this isn't Hollywood, and some of your voices **are** familiar. What ideals—what aspirations—what depth of character!

An honored and official visitor happened to be in the Hall during the serenade. She needed no explanations and of course she took away impressions of Allegheny that were not of the best. Prior to this, she was being told of our new Allegheny spirit.

We are optomistic, though, with it all. The girls still hope that each time they hear tunings up under their windows that the time has come for a real, old-fashioned serenade, and that they will no longer sigh for the blessing of the radio—to be able to turn it off.

L. M. G.

A LESSON

A wise man is one who can learn and profit from the experiences of others. In this world each person should be the pupil of every other man, taking the best that he finds in others and then trying to assimilate it into his own life. The same can be applied to our college. It would be well to observe other schools, to see in what manner they excel us, and then try to improve Allegheny in that particular matter. Those students who made the trip to Dartmouth last week undoubtedly observed that the college nestled in the New Hampshire Hills is superior to Allegheny in several respects.

Perhaps the outstanding matter in which Dartmouth excels our school is in respect to its school pride. At Dartmouth, the college is first and all. Fraternity spirit is subject to school spirit. Things there are done for the college as a whole, and not for any one group. No one is known by his fraternity, the Greek-letter identification of a man counting for little. This fall at Allegheny we have started thinking more in terms of Allegheny and less in terms of our fraternities. After having visited a school where students have been thinking college first all the time, and having seen the splendid results of such action, we cannot help but think how fine it would be for Allegheny if the spirit that has started here this fall could become firmly rooted and continue throughout the whole year. When the football season is over, let us continue to think primarily of the school. Thinking first of the college has made Dartmouth a fine institution. It can do the same for Allegheny.

In one matter particularly do our New England friends excel us. This is in the treatment of the visiting teams. The attention paid to a visiting team does much to create an impression of a school. The Green Key organization at Dartmouth looks after all visiting teams and sees that they are well taken care of. A movement is already on foot to form such an organization at Allegheny. If such a club were to become active, it could perform a real service to the College. Many of the teams that come here never get to see the College buildings and campus. We hope that the new organization will see to it that all of our opponents are well taken care of while at Allegheny.

W. C. W.

THETAS HAVE GUEST

Mu chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta had as their guest from Friday until Sunday their district president, Miss Gladys Lynch, of Detroit. A dinner was held in the Kepler Hotel Saturday evening in honor of Miss Lynch and the pledges. Dorothy Riddell '28 and Laurene Wyatt '28 were also present. Representatives of the other fraternities were invited to meet Miss Lynch at a breakfast given Sunday morning in the Theta rooms. The guests included Dorothy Allen, Alice McQuiston, Elizabeth Pollock, Mary Butler, Margaret Squires, Alice Stephens, Phyllis Connell, Alice Humphrey and Thelma Karlen.

The Reverend Clarence A. Miller has been transferred from Medford, Mass., to Massillon, Ohio.

THE SCRUBBING BRUSH

SIMON LEGREE AND HIS POODLE

If it had been icy the other night I sure would have felt as if I were impersonating Liza crossing the proverbial ice. I was coming through the Campus with a typewriter bundled in my arms when good old Watchy's pep poodle picked up my trail and started after me. That dog surely has possibilities. I think I had about a thirty yard start on it when the chase began and when I reached the chapel steps, which was the edge of the river as far as the dog was concerned, the pup had cut down the distance to about one-half an inch and a couple of pieces of white twill, formerly sailor trou. Then again, maybe the dog isn't so good because I don't run fast but I surely do run hard.

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ENGLISH AS IT IS SPOKEN

After a talk given by a very charming Korean to the girls at Hulings last Sunday, one of the girls was heard saying this: "Gosh, didn't she do GOOD? She DON'T act as if she WASN'T an American a tall. She used as good GRAMMAR as you and ME."

Perhaps she did and she certainly used better English.

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AESOP

It surely is queer how slowly the NICE things you say about people get around.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness but the person who does not possess the latter is not talked about half as much as the person who is lacking in the former.

Speaking about people is alright but talking about them should be avoided.

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IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT

One often hears of a little child, who, when its mother tells it not to do or say something which happens to be a little off color, immediately sets out to say that 'naughty word.' One does not censure a CHILD for showing off in that manner, for they certainly do not know any better. However, when a child grows to be a man in college one should expect that he knows better than to play the child trick of showing off the little 'off color' knowledge that he possesses.

One might even think that it would be a waste of time to tell college men that it is very poor taste and shows poor training to openly make a show of rotten songs and seemingly cute risque remarks but it should be done nevertheless.

It is to be doubted very much that the girls in Hulings are so eager to hear smutty songs. Even if they were it would not be up to a few men of the college to present the material in the manner in which they did one day last week.

That little performance was one of the most disgusting ever heard from the men of this school, and the men who took part in it are not looked upon as having been cute and daring but rather as having made themselves look very 'kiddish.' The only true tone that could be applied to that very smart serenade would be one of unexcelled asininity—thus it is catalogued.

STUDENT WRITES OPEN LETTER TO EDITOR

SOPHOMORE TREATMENT AT THE WATER TOWER AROUSES IRE OF FRESHMEN

DEAR EDITOR:

We wonder what a disinterested observer would have thought of the spectacle presented at the water tower last Wednesday noon? Surely he would have experienced some conflicting emotions: pity for the victims, perhaps a bit of admiration for the sportsmanlike manner in which they took "theirs", but most of all, perplexed wonderment that such a childish act could be planned and carried out by young men, supposedly well on their way to being educated. Would he have seen any daring feats of strength, courage, or skill? No, just a "gang" of young humans, taking advantage of the inexperienc and bewilderment of a group of younger men. This stranger must surely have raised the question, "have these men done anything to deserve such treatment?" We think they had not. Did they need it, will it make them better men, better students, and more loyal Alleghenians? We can't see where it will. Then where is the reason for all this "razzing", and for the hoots of derision which greet the freshman whenever his luckless way happens to cross that of a bunch of sophomores? The only reason which we have heard advanced is that "the sophs got it last year, as do all freshman classes." So that's it! The old dodge of "passing the buck!" Well, well! Unless we are greatly mistaken, that practice is directly contrary to all of the commonly-accepted ideals of civilization and organized society. So it does not sound like a good and sufficient reason.

It must be rather thrilling to make sport of some one who has no comeback, who is bound by tradition to submit docilely to treatment which is, after all, nothing less than bullying. Frankly, what in the world is the use of it, and how can any rational person maintain that there is any good reason or need for it?

As a member of that very lowly

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SEE WHAT YOU GET

Alumni Secretary Writes Merely to Fill Space—Alumni Must Contribute to Save Aumni News Department in The Campus

It's really going to be essential that the Alumni take advantage of the open space that is offered them in this department. Mr. Mills did a neat and tidy bit in the first issue. Don Larrabee gave us a capital letter, which has led to student action, two weeks ago. Otherwise the Sons and Daughters of Timothy have refrained from all comment.

To be sure, several alumni came down hard on the news story of Miss Tarbell's "seeing the light" as commented on by the New York Tribune, but they addressed their letters or remarks to the President of the College instead of the Alumni Department, which prevented us from using them with the free and kindly hand we would have liked. Certainly they are not afraid of the Alumni Secretary, for many of them were undergraduates indifferent with us. Surely they're not trying to get the Alumni Secretary to "take a walk" out of his present job, for that's too easy a task for anybody to waste paper and ink over.

The point is, when something about the Alumni News or the College or the Faculty or about the New Plan stirs your risibilities, why for mercy's sake don't think you've done your duty by a fine blast of highly moral scorn. You haven't. It's not the way to do. You'll never make the world nicer that way. You must, with a sweet reasonableness, with humor, and a touch of charity, state your views. You may be misunderstood, for it's a rather Christian way to do things; but never mind that, a little dash of Christianty won't absolutely destroy us.

All of which reminds us of the clergyman, not an Alleghenian, who fell heir to a subscription to The Campus last year because his predecessor had not advised the subscription department that he had moved to a parsonage in a neighboring town.

Well, the newcomer asked that the paper be stopped. He said he had children and he didn't want their intelligence insulted by such a periodical any longer. The boys stopped the paper; who wouldn't? It is hoped the children's intelligence, if not their kindness and forbearance, was improved by the supension. Yet, it was a pretty tough way to write to a bunch of college boys who in the midst of Mathematics and Latin and Laboratory, and courtship of one or more co-eds, were trying to put together a college newspaper as best they could. The case is cited as an example of how not to write your mind and heart.

Destructive criticism is a useful thing once in a great while, not often. What we need is positive, not negative stuff. We perish for enthusiasm of the pro rather than the anti kind. And it will be an excellent thing for all of us to sit down once in a blue moon at least and examine how many of our really earnest passions are "agin" rather than for something.

Football, For Instance.

We love to say that football is the sport of the English speaking race. In America we have a flair for baseball. In England, cricket is a formidable rival to the pigskin. In Canada, they do lacrosse. In Australia, they shoot jackrabbits. In Ireland, they lay John Barleycorn. Yet common to the whole English speaking family is an inborn liking for and practice in the game of football. It's the only game common to all the branches of the family. It varies, to be sure, in the different commonwealths, but the basic idea of making the goal is there.

Now we have it here at Allegheny. It's not here because an "Athletic Gang" insists on it, as we've heard. Not at all. It's here largely because undergraduates (and they are the real cause for colleges existing after all) demand it, and because a Board of fifty wise, able, experienced, successful and business-like trustees from many walks of life say we must have it and vote generously of funds for coaches' salaries and equipment.

The writer must admit a very academic interest in this game of games for many years. He is not sure even yet that he can tell one end of a football from another. Yet with a fairly open mind he has attempted to study it, weigh it, and measure it as an intellectual factor in Allegheny life. He is prepared at this moment to make some observations for the sake of possibly arousing comment, or at least adding to the merriment of life.

First off, it is desired that a certain rumor be spiked. It is a kind of whispering campaign to the effect that Allegheny has adopted a dual scholastic standard, one for athletes and another for the rest of the student body. Of course that's nervous rubbish on the part of those who think our souls are lost if we win a game. There's not a man on the squad who hasn't met to the very letter the scholastic requirements of entrance, and there's not a man on the squad who won't have to meet the same requirements as the non-athlete in courses, in examinations, and in grades. That is just as it should be. That, you may always be confident, is as it will be. No one that matters wants anything else.

Beyond that, we are prepared to say that the squad have a distinct intellectual advantage over the rest of the school. We maintain that on the field they have a mental challenge that is not surpassed by any other department in the College. We say that a boy, who in the midst of a game requiring every physical effort, while he pants for breath, while he drips with a flood of perspiration, listens for a certain key number in a jumble of figures from his quarterback and instantly interprets that number as a guide to a very complicated system of attack or defense wherein he works with and for ten teammates—why, that boy is getting education in a way that makes the ordinary classroom exercise a poor and trifling thing beside it. If you don't believe it in the ease of your chair or in the quiet of your study, go stand on the sideline of the athletic field day after day and get a ttle learning on your own part.

The writer was terribly flattered the other evening when one of the boys of the squad, a three-year letter man, a varsity debater, a high marker throughout college, attempted by graphic charts and diagrams to show just how complicated, and how easy, good football plays are. We didn't get it at all, though we pretended to, but we were mightily impressed. We wondered if his imagination was being gripped as much and his heart stirred as deeply by the rest of his teaching he was getting on the Hill. We didn't suggest that unsavory thought to him, and Heaven knows we shouldn't be writing it here.

Now the beautiful part of this is that it isn't a plea for financial support for football. There's no coupon with a 'sign-here' line at the bottom of the page. We know a lot of you will sniff at the idea advanced. We know if you wrote in about it you would give way to high scorn. We've answered you already in the beginning of the sermon.

The ex-Collegio Chapter of Eta chapter of Theta Epsilon is again reminded of the annual meeting dinner on Home-Coming Day, October 27th. Reservations should be made by writing to Miss Ethel M. Wood, Central Y. W. C. A., Cleveland, Ohio.

Glenn R. Bushyager '22, has recently been appointed to the staff of the Johnstown Junior College of the University of Pittsburgh. He will teach mathematics and be associated with Professor A. G. Montgomery, head of the department. Mr. Bushyager was graduated from Allegheny with the Bachelor of Science degree, and he later received his master's degree from Pennsylvania State College. He has been an instructor in mathematics at Pennsylvania State College for the past six years and goes very highly recommended into his new position with the University of Pittsburgh.

Gertrude Gibbons '26, who has been in Bellaire, Ohio, at the City Hospital, for the past year, is now in Columbus, Ohio, 70 West Frambes Avenue.

Theodore Poister '27, is feature organist at the Palace Theatre in Canton, Ohio. His residence address is 1130 Piedmont Avenue, N. E.

Hugh Long '28, is attending Ohio State University Medical School.

Alberta Kuder '28, is doing graduate work in biology at Mt. Holyoke. She is living with Professor Grace Bacon in South Hadley, Massachusetts. Miss Bacon, it will be remembered, returned to Mt. Holyoke in September after spending an absence of three years at Allegheny as head of the German department.

Miss Erika Meyer spent the weekend with Miss Varene Collins at the latter's home in Centerville.

Betty Hammett '27, is doing graduate work in the Columbia University this year. Among others who are in New York City to pursue graduate studies also are Katharine Fowler '15; Mildred Reed '12; and Lynn C. Dundon '22.

The Reverend A. W. Deutsch has been transferred from Rimersburg, Pa., to Powhatan, Ohio.

STUDENT WRITES LETTER

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order of society, the frosh, I raise the question "is it not, at the best, a foolish waste of the time of both Sophomore and Freshmen, and doesn't it take a place which might better be occupied by a friendly, kindly spirit of helpfulness and "big-brotherliness?"

I do not utter this as a protest against the present razzing, or as a criticism of the time-honored customs of wearing dinks, black sox, and other freshmen restrictions, but I do sincerely question the need of such bullying practices as lining the freshmen up and smearing shoe blacking on their faces. I ask every member of the class of 1932 to consider carefully, in the light of his or her recent experiences, what shall be the attitude of the class toward the freshmen who will present themselves at Allegheny next year. Shall we "pass the buck" and use them as an outlet for the bullying instincts of a few of us, or shall we treat them as fellow human beings, who have had the misfortune to arrive here a year later than we did? Let's think it over, folks.

Yours sincerely,

"Just a Freshman."

THIS FRATERNITY PLAN

The alumni deserve a word or two about **The Plan**, as it is called. It is really a very simple thing. It is based on the idea that after all, the boys at Alegheny are very much alike. They come largely from similar kinds of homes. They have been through like training. They have kindred objectives. They will shortly go out into a world that is, or ought to be, pretty much of a democracy.

Our fraternity system, in common with all other institutions, has tended to set up highly artificial barriers. It has made for baseless rivalries, animosities, and touched us all with an unpalatably snobbery that is a mighty poor asset in coping with our fellowmen of the work-a-day world outside.

Some of us alumni never get over it, and bewail that the world is so stupidly slow in evaluating us on the basis of our own falsely conceived estimation of ourselves.

These remarkable undergraduates of 1928 have been perfectly aware of the futility and artificiality of wasting time on such whimsies. It has not been uncommon for them to slip out of the banquet hall when some good brother of the ancient days coughed up his unfelt emotion about the superiority complex he received from the grand old order in the days when he was probably mighty careless about his own board bills.

In short, baloney is still baloney no matter who slices it! That doesn't mean that the fraternity ideal isn't a pretty fine thing. There is a kind of community interest that does mean and always has meant something substantial and worthy. There is always an honest rivalry to be fostered as to who can do the most good for each other and for the parent college in whose life is the cource of the fraternity being.

When, however, such ideals get set aside, when most of our energy is expended in thinking how inferior the rest of the sons of men are, when the day comes when the offspring frankly declares its interest to be superior to that of its parents—why, it's time to stop dead in one's tracks and take stock.

That's exactly what the undergraduate fraternity men have done. They have said, "You come to my house, and I'll go to yours. You have my bread, and I'll try yours. My bed may be a better one, but what's a night's sleep more or less in the face of the Great Slumber when we can't be particular at all." And so, they've mixed themselves up in the interest of the common fraternity of Alleghenians who want to be big rather than petty.

It was a pretty risky thing. No one likes a move. No one likes a stranger as well as a tried friend. Every one seems obsessed with a notion that material things are sometimes more important than human beings. But a little downright faith in the human race is a magic thing. **The Plan** has worked. Dignified acquiescence has given way to cordial cooperation. Every one seems to be happy, and somehow the air is electric with a spirit of real fraternity that has not been too obvious of late, even in the sacred precincts of the individual chapters.

Uuless the men go back to their respective chapters with a better vision and appreciation of brotherhood, the plan has failed. It won't fail in that. The alumni who come back after it is all over are going to find their chapter awaiting them with a new zest for the real things of fraternity life. And above all, we are going to find a new illusion, a new passion for the Mother of all of us—Allegheny College.

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Allegheny in Athletics

Allegheny Harriers Will Meet Strong Pittsburgh Team

Allegheny's harriers will endeavor to uphold their reputation that they gained in Pittsburgh last fall when they meet Pitt's runners next Saturday morning on the long course through Schenley Park. Last year the Blue and Gold runners handed Pitt quite a surprise when they nosed out the Panther runners by one point, winning 27-28. Because of this victory Allegheny was able to claim the Tri-state championship.

Last Saturday was open on the harrier's schedule, but on Friday trials were run to determine the team that will represent the Blue and Gold this week. The following men will make the trip, having qualified in the order named: Minnis, Dreibelbis, Gill, Ellis, Needham, and Dean. The times made in the second trials show a distinct improvement over those made two weeks ago, and the team seems to be progressing nicely.

Little is known of Pitt's strength in this sport this fall. They are expected to have a good team, however, as they had several good distance men on their track team last spring. The Pitt course is one of the hardest in the district, having several long hills on it. These are obstacles to a team that is not used to the course, and gives Pitt an advantage in the meet. The Allegheny runners are hopeful that they may again defeat the Panthers, for if they do, they stand a fair chance of copping the championship again this year.

BASKETBBALL PROSPECTS

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In addition there is Harold Cox, Sharon High guard, an All-Pennsylvania player in 1927; Paul Storrie, former All-Eastern Ohio center while at Massillon High and later a star at Kiski and Bellefonte Academy; Lyndall Holly, Paxton, Ill., All-Illinois State guard last year and captain of a district championship team for two years; Murial Fassett, Jefferson, O., forward, named on All-County team; Willard Conn, Point Marion, Ohio, center, a brother of Kemp and Cecil Conn of W. & J. fame, All-Tri-County center last year; Paul Smith, Brookville center and forward, named on an All-County team; Clark Heffrin, Cleveland, Ohio, All-City forward; Harold Smith, Grove City High, All-Mercer County forward; Joyners, Brockway High, Tri-County forward, and several others, including Walter Wescott of Meadville High, and John Fallon.

These men will be added to the last year's squad that has six lettermen: Charles Bair, James Gillies, and Henry Lane, forwards; and Herb Eighmy, Harold Allison, and Don Rowlingson, guards. In addition there are a half dozen others from last year's squad who will again try to secure a position on the varsity, among whom is Al Moon, center, who became eneligible after the mid-term examinations.

Born, on September 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caldwell (Valeda Clough '17), a daughter, Jean McNett. The Caldwells live in Matoska, West Virginia.

This and That

LOYAL ROOTERS

A small group of about twenty Allegheny Alumni and students huddled together in the wooden stands at Dartmouth last Saturday. Although few in number, they soon made themselves heard in the big stadium. Allegheny yells were given with the same precision as if it were a pep meeting in chapel. And as the first cheer from the little group melted away across the New Hampshire hills, the Dartmouth rooters responded with a hearty applause. The boys that made the trip to support their team deserve a lot of praise, and those who drove all night to get back to their classes on Monday deserve additional credit

PRE-GAME COMMENTS

The comments of the Boston and New York newspapers previous to the game were interesting to read. "Dartmouth expects little trouble from Allegheny." "Coach Hawley expects to use many substitutes in Saturday's battle." "Dartmouth drills on making the point after touchdown." All we can say is: "Dartmouth had trouble with Allegheny, no substitutes were used until the fourth quarter, and the Big Green failed to make any drop kicks or placements, their only extra point coming as the result of a forward pass."

POST-GAME COMMENTS

The comments of the newspapers after the game were all favorable to Allegheny. The Blue and Gold was given credit for having a fighting team, one that did not reserve to be beaten quite so badly. The students at Dartmouth were also heard to say some nice things regarding the team. But the finest comment of all came from President Hopkins of Dartmouth, when he told Coach Merritt after the game that Allegheny had played one of the cleanest games that he had seen in a long while, and that Allegheny would always be welcome at Dartmouth. He said that he hoped our teams would return frequently to Hanover.

BLACK HATS

The majority of the players appeared for the trip wearing black hats of the dollar variety. At Hanover these chapeaux caused quite a little comment on the campus, and everyone was inquiring as to the meaning of distinctive headgear. Many thought that the hats were symbolic of some honorary society. They are—being a member of the Varsity Club is a real honor at Allegheny this year.

ATTENTION, GLEE CLUB

In case the glee club needs any bolstering this year, Manager Laffer will not have to look far for material. The boys who made the trip to Hanover demonstrated that they can do more than play football. The football team's repertoire includes everything from barroom ballads to church hymns. Seriously, though, there are several boys on the squad who have fine voices and incidentally, they are not the boys that do the most singing.

COVERAGE

We hope, gentle readers, that you appreciate the fact that you are reading news of our football games as The Campus reporters see them. The Athletic Editor journeyed all the way to Hanover to cover the Dartmouth game, and the Editor-in-chief went along to see that he saw everything correctly.

At the game in Pittsburgh this Saturday, as far as we can figure out, the entire staff will be there. Be prepared to read a lot of "feature" stories next week—or else maybe the boys won't be back in time to write a paper.

Alleghe's Opponents Show Strength in Games Last Saturday

GROVE CITY 21—JOHN CARROLL 0

A strong defense, eleven first downs to Carroll's nine, and a terrific punch when in scoring distance, combined to give a revamped Crimson team a 21-0 victory. The line, noted for its fast charge, could not fathom Carroll's off-tackle plays and end runs, but held well when danger threatened.

THIEL 13—CARNEGIE TECH 45

Fighting gamely against overwhelming odds the Greenville lads not only held Tech's powerful contender for Eastern honors to a low score, but also ran up two touchdowns themselves. Good passing by Thiel was responsible for ground gained, as they could do nothing against Tech's 190 pound line. Berkman and Mitchell showed nice form at the aerial game to score the first touchdown, while Thompson interrupted a pass to score the second tally. Nothing need be said about Tech!

GENEVA 13—WAYNESBURG 0

Geneva College combined a flashy aerial attack with a nice variation of open formation to win its first Tri-State game. In three plays during the second period, Geneva advanced three-fourths of the length of the field. Richards, Breece, Pinkerton, and Knappik fitted nicely into the wide system of play, a feature of Geneva's running attack. Good Coventanter interference on line plays and end runs were main causes for their success.

ALFRED 12—JUNIATA 13

Failure to kick the point after touchdown cost Alfred a victory over Juniata. Playing better football than at any time previously, Alfred pierced the Juniata line twice. Both teams played aggressive football and were evenly matched throughout.

Eta chapter of Theta Upsilon announces the initiation of Dorothy Irene Schade '30, of Irwin, on Saturday, October 13.

Anna Rightmire '25, who taught in Pitcairn last year, is now in Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

BIG GREEN DEFEATS

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Blue and Gold's 33-yard line. There the quarter ended, but it took only a few minutes of the second quarter for the Big Green to score again. A forward pass and then another end run by Marster brought about the scoring. Throughout the rest of the period the two teams battled about evenly, and on one occasion the Allegheny team showed its strength by stopping a Dartmouth advance on the five-yard line, and then throwing Breithut and Marsters for losses on two successive plays.

A bad punt by Harry Smith, who was then calling the signals for Allegheny, aided Dartmouth to register its next touchdown. A steady march of 34 yards brought about the scoring. But this was the extent of the point-making for the third period, and up until this time, it was still anybody's game. The fourth quarter was the big disappointment. Bill Forbes got off a bad kick soon after the period opened, and Breithut and Marsters again alternated in carrying the ball down the field. A second touchdown came soon afterwards when Breithut threw a long pass to Marsters and the Allegheny safety man collided with the Umpire in his chase for the man with the ball. Although the score then stood at 30 to 0, Allegheny's warriors continued to fight and started a march of their own down the field, relying mainly on forward passes. Martin and Storrie were on the receiving end of several nice heaves from Berger, but the offense suddenly stopped on the ten-yard line when Berger fumbled and O'Connor, Dartmouth tackle, picked up the ball and raced the length of the field to score.

Allegheny's second touchdown resulted when they stopped all of Dartmouth's attempts to forward pass and took advantage of four penalties, totaling forty yards, which placed the ball on the Dartmouth 10-yard line. A poor punt carried only to the 23-yard line, and the march was on for the touchdown. Two passes caught by Martin and Dennison respectively on two pretty plays, took the ball to the ten-yard mark, and then Eighmy went through tackle to score.

Garback was Allegheny's most consistent player for the day, although all of the ends gave good accounts of themselves. Berger's passing was also good, and McManus showed some improvement on the line, although his tendency to "drift" made several Dartmouth plays work a little better than they ordinarily would have. The line as a whole functioned well, although it was none too aggressive at times. Koeniger was the only casualty of the day, suffering a badly bruised hip, with several muscles torn. He will probably be out of the game next Saturday.

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