

ASIDES

By Dudley Michael

CLASSROOM DISCIPLINE

It is reported that the professor of chemistry has received a riposte. Only the highest endowment of audacity would inspire one to cross foils with him, yet a girl dared to question his classroom tactics and many other students rallied to the cause. When the eminent doctor of science presented the problem to his class, he found that many of his "youngsters" were strongly adverse to Prussian discipline. A democratic vote was taken, but, when the ballots were counted, the advocates of freedom seemed to be quite in the minority. Whether those who ratified the technique of the disciplinarian feared that the chemist is also an expert on handwriting, or whether they were sincere, can never be determined. But the fact that a few students were bold is an indication of incipient vitality among the students.

There are, of course, two sides to the controversy. One can hardly expect the average student to endure an hour of the electronic theory without a transient appreciation of the azure sky or a casual glance at the watch. It is doubtful that resolute focussing of attention on the tip of the lecturer's nose helps the student to visualize the electrons in the outermost orbit. Nor is prolix sarcasm an inducement to scholarship.

On the other hand the study of exact sciences is no fete and the collegiate moron, left to his own propensities, has little capacity for intelligent effort. Excluding philosophical divergences, the elementary course in chemistry at Allegheny is based largely upon recent advancements in science and text-book assignments are appraised by lectures. And it must be a supreme test of patience to face two hundred gaping and squirming freshmen. It certainly is an ordeal to witness their stupidity and indifference.

If colleges were really institutions of learning, if the majority of college students possessed a moderate degree of understanding, constraint would be a capital crime. Liberty would be a distinct aid to scholarship. Unfortunately college students are not the most perfect specimens of rational animals and their egotism is not often justified. Through erudition unwillingly acquired is easily forgotten, the technique of a pugnacious pedagogue, by discouraging undue conceit, accomplishes a meritorious result. Wise students will probably learn in spite of teachers, and morons should be made to realize their foibles.

However, even in a crowd of college freshmen there are a number of capable minds. To differentiate between these and the mentally unfit is nearly an impossibility. A truly intelligent student, i. e. one who possesses as much individuality and self-reliance as knowledge, is not in sympathy with pedagogical tyranny. When a college professor indiscriminately employs the tactics of a stern high school teacher, he is destined to commit many errors. No professor, however independent and learned, can afford to provoke the disrespect of even a few intelligent students. Compulsory education ends with the high school and self-reliance should be the fundamental purpose of college training. Every function of the college should encourage the student to use his own and his best judgment. Even classroom discipline is a subtle problem which should be handled with discretion.

ITALICS

The occasional use of foreign words and phrases is one of my whimsies. To me an exotic touch is most pleasing. The reader is perhaps disturbed that I make no use of italics. The critical and orthodox grammarians of the English language department are hereby assured that I have hitherto underlined foreign words in my manuscripts. But the printer, claiming that he has no italics in eight point, interprets both underlining and "ital." as signals for bold faced type. I therefore think it decorous to make no distinction between English and foreign words. The discrepancy, then, is no fault of mine. Even if it were, I should make no apologies. The use of italics is merely a convention and has become a spurious gesture, an emphasis of learning. Some will argue that italicized words are cues for the use of a dictionary of foreign words and phrases. However, persons with moderate education can recognize a foreign word; those who can not are usually ignorant of the purpose of italics. Many, believing that italics are merely instruments of emphasis, italicize rather than cull their words. Emphasis that relies upon typographical mechanics is self-defeated. My indifference to italics is almost intentional.

NOTICE

All clubs that are intending to have their group pictures in the Kaldron should have them taken as soon as possible at the Wetherby Studio. Arrangements can be made for any time with the studio.

AMERICA'S CAPITALISM DISCUSSED BY DR. PAGE

ALLEGHENY STUDENTS HEAR OF DANGERS IN THE PRESENT ECONOMIC SYSTEM

America's system of capitalism formed the basis for the discussion which Kirby Page, well-known traveler, journalist, and evangelist, conducted at the chapel services of the college last Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Page was brought to Allegheny through the joint efforts of the college, the Y. M. C. A., and Stone Church. Besides speaking at the chapel services on Wednesday and Thursday, Mr. Page addressed the forum of the Stone Church on Wednesday evening and spoke to a group of college students in the chapel Thursday evening.

In a clear, logical manner, Mr. Page spent the time Wednesday analyzing the present capitalistic system of the United States. "There are three ways in which a system may be evaluated," Mr. Page said. "We may compare it to the systems of the past, we may compare it with some other existing system, or we may compare it to an ideal." By means of illustration, the practice of slavery was adjudged by these three standards. In the light of the first two, slavery was found to be an advance over previous systems and to be better than some other systems contemporary with it. But in comparison with the ideal—universal brotherhood and equality—it was found to be far from perfect.

Mr. Page then proceeded to evaluate the capitalistic system of the United States by the same standards. Judged by past systems, capitalism is an advance. It was also found to be better than the other economic systems in vogue today. But when capitalism is measured by an ideal—Christ's vision and teachings—it is found to be inconsistent with the hopes and standards of the man of Galilee. The wealth of our country is distributed very unequally under our present system. It is estimated that there are 24,000 millionaires in the country, while, at the same time, there are 10,000,000 people who are living at a very low standard and who would become destitute within six months if their source of income were cut off.

Mr. Page emphasized the fact that a system which permits such a condition to exist is far from ideal. Having shown that our present system is imperfect, Mr. Page devoted his time on Thursday to proposing various reforms. (Continued on Page 2)

Return Performance Of "The Sponge" Is Staged in Bentley

With practically the same cast as before, the Play Production Class repeated their performance of "The Sponge" in the studio of the "Student Play Shop" last Monday and Tuesday. The play was given as a benefit for the Play Production Fund which is under the supervision of Miss Marjorie Cole.

The play was originally given by the class before Christmas, but it was repeated because the small seating capacity of the "Studio" enables only forty-four people to see the play at one time, and sufficient requests were received to warrant this return engagement. The cast has had only one change in it since the first production. Miss Erma Kuhnert took the place of Miss Florence Smythe, who had been called home because of the death of her father.

The play, given under the supervision of Miss Alice Spalding, was ably produced by Mr. Robert Wilson, Miss Louise Brock, Miss Alice Stephens, and Miss Phyllis Connell. Those who took part in the play were: Miss Eleanor Arbutnot, Mr. Lucius Bugbee, Miss Erma Kuhnert, Miss Frances Antico, and Mr. Theodore Spero.

EPIDEMICS DISCUSSED BY DR. C. A. DARLING

Addressing the Lions Club of Meadville at their luncheon at the Kepler Hotel last Thursday, Dr. Chester A. Darling, head of the Biology department of Allegheny, gave an interesting discussion on the subject of "Epidemics."

Until recent years epidemics have spread unchecked, but through the efforts of doctors and scientists, the causes of a large number of diseases have been discovered and means have been advanced for combating them. Diphtheria, cholera, and Bubonic plague are now well under control and few deaths result from these diseases. Influenza still remains the cause of much illness and death. As yet the organism responsible for the disease has not definitely been discovered and little progress has been made in the last ten years in checking the malady. The disease is being closely studied at the present time in hopes that additional information about it may be discovered.

BLUE AND GOLD PASSERS PLAY POORLY AGAINST WASH-JEFF

Bakermen Show Effects of Trip Taken Earlier in Week; Score 33-28

Allegheny's floor team defeated Washington and Jefferson by the close score of 33-28 in the college gym last Friday night. The game was marked by the poor work of both teams, as well as by some very poor officiating. The officials made numerous decisions which displeased the spectators, who gave vent to their feelings in such a chorus of hoots and jeers that the gymnasium sounded like a den of wolves disputing over their prey. Both teams played a loose, ragged type of basketball. W. & J.'s passes often went into the crowd when the intended receiver failed to keep cutting. Allegheny played as if it were stale after its recent campaign on the road. Denison, leading scorer in the district, after making 16 points against West Virginia found the basket but once and during the second half of the game did not attempt a single shot from the field.

Allegheny rooters expected the game to be a walkaway and were surprised when the Presidents jumped away to an early lead. W. & J. got the ball on the first tipoff and after they had maneuvered around a bit, Hoskins, tiny forward, arched in a long shot from the side. Robinson then tossed a foul and Hoskins followed it with another field goal. Bair broke the ice for Allegheny with a foul and Garbark followed with a perfect shot from the center of the floor. W. & J. again spurred and was enjoying a 10-5 lead when Bair sunk a foul. Denny scored on a long pass from Bair, and Conn

dropped one in on a pretty hang shot. Just before the half ended, Bair put Allegheny in the lead with a bucket scored after a fast cut and dribble.

During the second half Allegheny was never headed, although the game was close all the way. Featuring the play during the second quarter was the work of Walter Berger. Berger rolled in eight points during the second half while holding Robinson, W. & J. forward, well in check. Garbark's departure from the game on personals gave little Harry Massing a chance to show his coolness and ability under fire. Besides doing a good job of guarding, Massing shot two field goals and a foul. Conn also contributed his bit to the scoring in this half by adding two field goals to his total.

With the score 29-20, and with seven minutes to play, Allegheny resorted to its customary freezing tactics. Perhaps their intent was only to slow the game up, but at any rate, the Presidents refused to be stalled and kept (Continued on page 4)

1929-30 Catalogue To Be Distributed To Students Soon

On March 1, 1929 the catalogue of Allegheny College for the school year 1929-1930 will be ready for distribution among the students. With the publishing of the new catalogue it will be noted that there are changes in ten courses. Otherwise the announcement of courses will be the same as last year. In the new bulletin of the college it will be found that there is to be one new course taught in Chemistry, and considerable reorganization will be noted in the departments of Biology, Economics, English Literature, French, Geology, German, History, and Public Speaking. The same cover that was used last year will again be used and the arrangement of material will be the same as it was last year.

Student Loan Fund Increased by Gift Of A. A. Culbertson

With the forwarding to the College of securities whose cash value was \$13,287.50, A. A. Culbertson, distinguished alumnus and trustee, has increased the student loan fund which he established last year to a total value of \$46,037.50. The new fund, which is now a little over a year old, has already become indispensable in the work of the College. Mr. Culbertson hopes ultimately to build the fund up to \$100,000.00. The income from the fund is to be loaned to needy upper classmen—that is, not freshmen.

BOWLING SCHEDULE FOR THE SECOND ROUND

February 28—Faculty vs. S. A. E.
March 1—B. K. vs. D. T. D.
March 2—Phi Psi vs. Phi Deltas.
Phi Gams vs. Chi Rho.
March 4—Faculty vs. B. U.
March 5—D. T. D. vs. Non Frats.
March 6—B. K. vs. Phi Gams.
March 7—S. A. E. vs. Phi Psi.
March 8—Phi Deltas vs. B. U.
March 9—Chi Rho vs. Non Frats.
S. A. E. vs. Phi Deltas.
D. T. D. vs. Phi Gams.
March 11—B. K. vs. Chi Rho.
Phi Psi vs. B. U.
March 12—Phi Gams vs. Non Frats.
March 13—Faculty vs. Phi Deltas.
March 14—D. T. D. vs. Chi Rho.
March 15—S. A. E. vs. B. U.
B. K. vs. Non Frats.
March 17—Faculty vs. Phi Psi.

SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO BIBLE ADVOCATED

In the December issue of "Christian Education," Dr. I. R. Beiler has an article entitled "What Is In The Bible." "Christian Education" is a magazine published throughout the year, except in the summer, by a council representing nineteen different Protestant church denominations.

Dr. Beiler argues in his article that people should pursue a scientific study of the Bible. He believes that more harm is done by trying to dodge the questions arising from the Bible than by accepting some of its inaccuracies as such.

PENN STATE SINGERS WIN COLLEGE CONTEST

ALLEGHENY SINGS WELL BUT FAILS TO PLACE IN CONTEST

Allegheny's representatives in the third annual Inter-Collegiate Glee Club contest which was held in Carnegie Music Hall, Pittsburgh, last Friday evening, brought honor to themselves and distinction to the college by the splendid manner in which they rendered their selections. The performance of the Allegheny singers, however, failed to match the work of Penn State's and Carnegie Tech's clubs, these two schools being awarded the prize positions.

The rivalry and keen competition among the participants served to make the contest this year a better one than either of two preceding contests. The songfest pleased a large audience, and the enthusiasm and friendly rivalry which the clubs displayed provided their hearers with a surprisingly spirited contest. The contest was divided into three sections, each club singing a piece of its own selection, the prize song, and one of their college songs. The prize song for this year was "Songs My Mother Taught Me," Dvorak-Smith. Allegheny's rendition of this piece was adjudged by many to be superior to the work of any of the other clubs.

In the first part of the program each club led off with its own selection. These consisted of Dudley Buck's "On the Sea," sung by Juniata; Harvey Gaul's "Our Good Cause," Carnegie Tech; Brahms' "Lullaby," Pitt; Bullard's "Winter Song," Bucknell; M. J. Luvass' arrangement of "Gladstone's Radiance," Allegheny; Maunders' "To Arms," Penn State, and the traditional Welsh air: "March of the Men of Harlech," sung by W. & J.

Speaking of the Allegheny club in the Pittsburgh-Post Gazette, Harvey Gaul, composer and critic, says, "Allegheny presented a Russian anthem that was a joy to hear, and in the prize work there was decent legato. The tone of this club is slightly overyellowed but in interpretation the men more than atoned for this." For the second year in succession the Allegheny singers have finished among the "also rans," but on both occasions they have finished near the top and have given performances that drew many commendations from their hearers.

The judges of the contest were Albert Pickernell, president of the Associated Glee Clubs; Dr. Russell Kirk and Dr. Charles N. Boyd. Those taking part in the contest for Allegheny were: First tenors, Cammarata, Joslin, Moss, Noonan, Schutte, Springer, and Tucker; Second tenors, Aikens, Blair, Brown, H. Crandall, Jones, Marcy, Marker, Principle, and Stirling; Baritone, Blake, Burn, Butters, J. Hartmann, Jaffer, P. Meadowcroft, Walker, and Wendan; Bass, Behrhorst, First tenor, Mansell, H. Reuter, Thompson, Wolfe, and Younker. M. J. Luvass, director, C. N. Hartung, accompanist, and J. E. Meadowcroft, student director, accompanied the singers on their trip.

Trip to Pittsburgh Planned by Students In Art Appreciation

The class in art appreciation will go to Pittsburgh during the Easter recess and view the collections of paintings, casts of sculpture, and architectural details in the Carnegie Institute. Professor Elliott will lecture to the class on objects found in these collections on Monday afternoon, the 25th, Tuesday, the 26th, forenoon and afternoon, and on Wednesday forenoon. Some of the notable buildings of the city will also be visited.

The trip has come to be a fixed feature of the work in art appreciation and the informal lectures are appreciated, not only by members of the class but also by visitors, particularly Allegheny alumni of other years.

VOLLEY BALL CLASHES ON TAP THIS EVENING

In the volley ball games played last Wednesday, the B. K.'s, B. U.'s, and Phi Gams defeated the Non Frats, Phi Psi, and Faculty, respectively, in straight sets. The Phi Deltas won on a forfeit from the Chi Rho when the Chi Rho failed to appear for the contest.

The scores:
B. K. 21 21
N. F. 18 18
B. U. 21 21
Phi Psi 5 16
Phi Gam 21 21
Faculty 2 10

Following is the schedule for February 27:

7:15—Phi Psi vs. Beta Kappa.
8:00—Deltas vs. Phi Deltas.
8:45—S. A. E. vs. Non Frats.
9:15—Alpha Chi Rho vs. Faculty.
Phi Gam and B. U. each furnish two officials.

ALLEGHENY DEBATERS TO MEET WESTMINSTER

OPEN FORUM OF STONE CHURCH TO HEAR DISCUSSION THIS EVENING

Another forensic season will be inaugurated this evening when the affirmative debating team of Allegheny meets Westminster's representatives in a debate before the Open Forum of Stone Church. The question for discussion will be: Resolved, That the principle of freedom of speech and the press on all political and economic matters is sound. The suppression of speech and the press during the recent war has given rise to the question and many arguments are to be found on both sides of the question. The Allegheny debating team is composed of Robert Rutherford, George Munnell, and Tom Gill. Later in the month the Allegheny team will meet Hillsdale and then participate in the annual triangular debate with Oberlin and Wooster.

Allegheny's debating teams this year are veteran combinations. Rutherford, Gill, Billings, and Wilson have all served on the debating teams of the college in previous years, and their experience will undoubtedly be of much value in the coming contests. The negative team, composed of Billings, McGill, and Wilson, will remain idle until the Hillsdale debate in the college chapel on March 12. Two nights later both teams will be in action. Allegheny's negative speakers engaging Oberlin here, while the affirmative debaters travel to Wooster. These contests comprise the first half of the schedule for this year.

Beginning in April, the teams will abandon the question previously used and prepare for several discussions of the question: Resolved, That representative arts, literature and drama should be exempt from censorship. No meets have been definitely arranged yet on this question, but it is expected that Gettysburg and Franklin and Marshall will find places on the pending schedule.

Allegheny Delegates Charles Lunn, '31, to College Conference

Charles Lunn, '31, was Allegheny College's delegate to the annual Mid-Winter Conference of all the Colleges in the Middle Atlantic States, held last Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at "The Inn," Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania. The conference was one of the most successful ever held, every college in the eastern part of the United States having at least one representative. "The Christian Technique of Living" was the theme discussed throughout the conference.

The conference was fortunate in having a large array of noted speakers who had charge of the sessions. Each speaker by his personality and forensic ability created a favorable impression upon the audience. Among the noted orators present were Henry P. Van Dusen, a noted writer on religious affairs, Stanley High, who spoke at the Allegheny College Chapel last year, Norman Thomas, the Socialist candidate for President of the United States during the recent election; Dr. Allan K. Chambers and Dr. Albert P. Fitch, foremost among the ministers of Buffalo and New York City respectively; and Paul Meng, one of the leading Chinese graduates of Columbia University. Each speaker based his speech on "The Christian Technique of Living" and endeavored to show how the true Christian of today directs his life.

Various nationalities of the world were represented at the conference. This was one of the most striking features of the entire conference. At the communion held on Sunday morning, four nationalities served during the service.

The picturesque country surrounding the historic falls provided many forms of recreation. Tobogganing, sledding, skiing, hiking, and skating provided ample opportunity for sport lovers. In addition, several feature sport attractions greatly enhanced the conference. The conference is an annual affair among the Middle Atlantic Colleges. The purpose of it is to encourage college students in true Christian endeavor and, at the same time, to bring out ideas which will aid all young people in their march toward success.

PHI SIGMA IOTA HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

Phi Sigma Iota, honorary Romance Language fraternity, held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Dr. Swartley Thursday evening, February 21, 1929. The discussion during the evening centered upon papers read by Miss Mildred Gilmore and Miss Thompson on "Bederot and his Dramatic Theory" and "Montesquieu."

William Challener, '18, of Wilkesburg was a guest at the Phi Gamma Delta house on Saturday.

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MIRACULOUS TRANSFORMATIONS

Miraculous transformations are recorded as having taken place only a few times in the course of history and these transformations were usually the work of the supernatural. Men do not usually change over night from one type of person into another. Every year, however, fraternities expect to see a miraculous change take place in their freshmen as a result of a period known as "Hell Week." Without the aid of any supernatural powers whatsoever, but simply by means of well-directed blows of the paddle, fraternity men expect to suddenly convert their pledges into brothers who will be willing to stick by their former torturers through thick and thin. Doesn't it seem just a little absurd to believe that we can make good fraternity men out of our neophytes by exhibiting to them our proficiency with a barrel stave?

The list of schools that have already removed rough stuff from the initiation procedures of the fraternities is a large one, and the list is steadily growing. During the past month several well-known institutions have decided to relegate "Hell Week" to the scrap pile. By action of a faculty committee, rough house fraternity hazing was barred at Ohio State University on February 14. Before the faculty took its action, three fraternities had abolished the practice of their own volition, and there was little complaint registered by the students in general over the action of the faculty. Dartmouth has no fraternity rough stuff, and at the University of Oklahoma, the president abolished it recently. At Indiana University it is now being limited to a two-day period. From these examples, one conclusion must be deduced: Rough house initiations are rapidly becoming a thing of the past.

With some people the idea persists that the rough house initiations are a traditional part of the fraternity system. In the early days of the fraternities the practice was unknown. Many revered founders of Greek letter organizations would undoubtedly be very uncomfortable if they but knew the treatment that is accorded a pledge before he is inducted into the mysteries of the fraternity. In Banta's Greek Exchange we find rough house initiations termed as a "monstrous excrement grafted into the system." Tradition cannot be offered in support of the practice. The desire for revenge is all that preserves it from year to year. Once the practice is broken, it will never be renewed. Those fraternities on the hill that do not use the paddle have found that they can get along quite satisfactorily without it. The time will come when no fraternity in Allegheny will cling to the idea that you can beat a man and still have him retain the respect and admiration for you that a freshman should have for an upperclassman. The day will come when "Hell Week" will be no more. Hasten the time!

EINSTEIN'S NEW THEORY

A small pamphlet of five pages recently arrived in New York from Berlin. Small though the pamphlet was, the theory contained therein may "revolutionize human understanding of existence." The author is a Jew, his body weakened by an internal malady but his mind the greatest that the world has ever known. His name is Alfred Einstein and it is he who now supplements his general theory of relativity with his new Coherence Field Theory, which shows that everything—Gravity, Electricity, and Magnetism—are logical, not chance creations, and that they may all be reduced to the new unit of measurement which he has devised.

Doctor Einstein's belief is that everything in the world can be explained in mathematical terms. The terms with which he explained the world in his general theory of Relativity ten years ago were not adequate to explain electro-magnetism and, as a consequence, this subject was left out of the theory. But Doctor Einstein strongly suspected that gravity and electro-magnetism were not two distinct world activities, but rather, the children of an electro-magnetic mother. With his new unit of measurement, which he has devised from Euclid's and Riemannian's metrics, he has been able to bridge the gap which has hitherto existed, in scientific knowledge, between the mathematical laws of gravitation and those of electro-dynamics.

The effect which the new theory will have on mankind is still a matter of conjecture. It is felt that it may have an important

bearing on the future development of aviation. Some say that it may lead to ways of overcoming the force of gravity. Of one thing we may be sure. The respect inspired by a genius such as Professor Einstein's enlarges one's sense of the dignity of the human spirit. The longest flights of imagination cannot conceive of the ultimate consequences of the theory. But civilization has taken another step forward.

Although our glee club carried off no prizes in Pittsburgh, we understand that they performed very commendably and we're proud of them for it.

The freshmen were conspicuous in chapel Thursday by their absence. It is our belief professors should dismiss their classes on time so that their students may get to chapel. Why bring special speakers here if all the students are not to be permitted to hear them?

Kirby Page certainly taught us one thing. By his clear and logical manner of presentation, he brought forcibly to our attention the value of being able to express one's thoughts clearly.

SCRUBBING BRUSH

Last week there was a very interesting editorial on the "passing" of the paddle. Certainly it has passed—from one upper class-man to another. And we know any number of freshmen who will testify that it has not passed them,—far from it. Almost every day, according to their evidence, it comes up, hesitates a moment, seems about to pass on, but changes its mind and hands out a most effusive greeting.

Continuing the eternal conflict between male and female, and more particularly our own private war between the Hulingites and the stronger sex, has come the announcement that the Intersorority hop will be formal, contrary to all past precedent. Moreover, it appears that the men will have no way out of the demand, for this time the women control the purse-strings, and you know what an advantage that gives. And to rebel would be disastrous. Remember that hell hath no fury like a woman scorned, and to scorn the dictates of the co-eds would be twice as bad as—well, I can think of no appropriate metaphor. Thus my friends and readers, the score at present is: women-1; others-1. (Note: Episode to be continued.)

Gosh, we made a terrible mistake. After insisting that the new light on the campus was an airplane beacon and broadcasting our opinion about it for several weeks, we found that it was all wrong to blame the thing on aviators. The Meadville paper carried an article last week stating that the beacon was to be on the roof of the Park Theatre. Imagine our embarrassment! But now we have another big problem on our hands. What is the thing, and who can we blame it on?

Our Glee Club did a little broadcasting the other night over WCAE in Pittsburgh, and from it we conceived a fantastic pipe dream about some alumnus presenting the College with a broadcasting station of its own. What an inspiration it would be to local talent! But first of all someone should present me with a receiving set.

Winter is here without a doubt. The other morning a number of thermometers registered 12 degrees below, and one even claimed to read minus 16. Personally we don't know, as we stayed in the house all day. If Paul Siple was only looking for cold weather, he needn't have gone south with Commander Byrd. But perhaps it's much warmer down there.

The continued snowfall brought out many skiers, mostly amateur. We never learned until yesterday that it was possible to go in two directions at the same time, and if you don't believe us, borrow someone's skis.

C. C. III.

PHILO-FRANKLIN FORUM

George Washington and Abraham Lincoln were the subjects of the talks given at the regular weekly meeting of the Philo-Franklin Forum last Friday. Joseph Borison, George Moultrie, and James Hamilton each gave brief talks, after which Drs. Ross and Swartley presented their views.

A course for the present semester was mapped out in the study of parliamentary procedure. Robert's "Rules of Order" will be used as a text and part of the time of each meeting will be devoted to the study and practice of the proper manner in which to conduct a meeting. Students desiring to order a text are requested to see Dr. Swartley before next Friday.

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ous means by which we may correct the defects of capitalism. A more equitable distribution of money, which in this day and age represents power, could be accomplished by means of taxation and social insurance. The government could lawfully set a limit of \$100,000 on incomes per year and collect a tax of 99% on all earned above that amount. It could also place a heavy inheritance tax on fortunes as they were handed down from generation to generation. Land which has risen rapidly in value could also stand a substantial taxation. Social insurance would go a long way towards eliminating poverty, for it would provide for an income for the family in case some misfortune should overtake the wage-earner.

In conclusion Mr. Page exhorted his hearers to take cognizance of the danger that is inherent in the present system. "Men have frequently built their houses on the side of a volcano, apparently unaware of the danger. Our economic system is built on the side of a volcano and we must take steps to remove the possibility of destruction."

STANDING OF THE BOWLING TEAMS

Section 1			
Won	Lost	Pct.	
Phi Delt	10	2	.833
S. A. E.	7	5	.583
Phi Psi	4	5	.444
Faculty	2	4	.333
B. U.	1	8	.111
Section 2			
Non Frats	9	3	.750
D. T. D.	4	2	.666
Beta Kappa	7	5	.583
Chi Rho	1	5	.166
Phi Gamma	0	6	.000

RESULTS OF THE WEEK

B. K.	518	602	606
A. X. P.	559	552	596
Non Frats	548	550	581
A. X. P.	492	529	561
Non Frats	603	617	512
B. K.	625	525	615
Phi Psi	491	618	615
B. U.	449	527	518
Phi Delt	559	534	531
Faculty	500	443	470
S. A. E.	591	564	543
B. U.	491	430	476

Visitors over the week-end at the Phi Delta Theta house were: Raymond Evans, President of Upsilon Province of Phi Delta Theta; Robert Piper of Pittsburgh; and Robert and Richard Ellsworth of Erie.

Visitors over the week-end at the Beta Kappa house were: Leland Anderson, '26, and wife; and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lent, all of Salamanca, New York.

Walter Davis, '26, visited the Delta Tau Delta house on Saturday.

F. G. Weithman, '28, has gone to Troy, New York, where he has an instructorship in Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

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ALLEGHENY ALUMNI NEWS

MISS IDA TARBELL

Miss Ida Tarbell was the guest of the Cleveland-Allegheny Club on Sunday afternoon, February 10, at a tea given in her honor at the University Club. Officers of the Cleveland-Allegheny Club, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin P. Kennerly, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Thoburn, and Miss Ida Preston, and Mr. James R. Mills, trustee, extended the invitation, and about seventy Allegheny alumni and their guests were present. Miss Preston was unable to be present, as she is spending a vacation of two months in California. Mrs. John W. Barkley, Mrs. Theodore and Miss Irene Beatty assisted at the tea table.

Miss Tarbell had spoken in Toledo and Akron on the Saturday preceding the tea, had addressed the City Club of Cleveland, and was expecting to speak on Monday before the Principal's Club. Her subject in each case was Abraham Lincoln. She devotes the week of Lincoln's birthday each year to speaking before interested groups concerning the Great Commoner. Miss Tarbell expressed pleasant surprise at the number and apparent youth of the majority of the Cleveland Allegheny Club members at the tea.

HART-BENDER ENGAGEMENT

The engagement of Miss Evelyn Hart, ex-'26, to Mr. Albert J. Bender, '22, has been announced. Miss Eleanor Hart, entertaining in Greenville on Wednesday evening, February 20, at the home of Miss Frances Pich, carried out a lovely color scheme in green and white in all the party appointments. At each place was a chocolate Cinderella slipper which contained nuts, and at the bottom of the slipper were tiny green and white hearts on which the announcement was printed in green ink. After the lunch on the ribbons leading to the centerpieces were pulled, and all the guests received favors, while Miss Hart drew from the slipper her engagement ring.

The wedding will be an event of early June. Mr. Bender is a well-known young business man in Meadville.

Leroy Peterson, of New York City, was a business visitor in Meadville the second week in February. He was en route to Indiana where he was representing the Rockefeller interests in the contests over the election for directors of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. Mr. Peterson is a member of the class of 1913.

Dave Behrhorst, '28, was visiting in Meadville the week-end of February 9-11. On Saturday he attended the wedding of Miss Frances Bond and Mr. William J. Horner.

Born, February 2, 1929, to Marjory Girard and Homer R. Jacobs, '15, Emlenton, Pa., a daughter, Martha Elmore.

ALLEGHENY POET

The following poem is reprinted from *The Country Gentleman* of February, 1929. It is from the pen of R. Jere Black, Jr., ex-'16, the husband of Elizabeth Best Black, '16. Mrs. Black is the daughter of Wesley Best, '83, Allegheny trustee.

IT IS TO LAUGH.

At present the rage is
To sneer at the sages
Of primitive ages and days that are
Dead;
We chaff and we roar at,
We laugh till we're sore at
The tricks of the Hicks and the
Jays that are fled!

We grin at the girlsies,
In innocent curlsies,
Saluted by suitors hirsute-ishly
Grand;
We snort at the mossback
Who courted on horseback
And thought he was naughty when
holding her hand!

When beauties fell swooning
At mere hint of spooning,
In days when a Knecker was
known as a Knave;
When eyebrow-arched Aunties,
In highly starched panties,
Were polices to nieces to make
'em behave!

No call to deny it,
They all were a riot,
With knittin' and mitten and kit-
tenish glance;
They dwelt in benighted
And ne'er felt excitement—
A thrill would have wilted those
sensitive plants!

L'ENVOI
So laugh at 'em loudly,
But laugh not too proudly—
The Past and the Present, it ever
was thus—
Just gaze in the mirror,
(Oh, what could be queerer?)
How Freaks of the Future will
cackle at US!

R. JERE BLACK, JR.

BOND-HORNER WEDDING

On Saturday evening, February 9, Miss Frances Bond, of the class of 1928, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Bond of Erie, became the bride of Mr. William J. Horner of Berkeley Hills, California. The services were read at 6:30 o'clock in the St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral at Erie with The Very Reverend Francis B. Blodgett, dean of the cathedral, officiating.

A large number of Alleghenians attended the wedding. Miss Marian Taylor, '29, was one of the bridesmaids. Mr. and Mrs. Horner left the following day for a motor trip to Florida, where they will remain about six weeks, before going to Berkeley Hills to make their home.

MORTIMER GRAHAM

"Johnny's Jottings" in the Meadville Tribune-Republican of February 6, gives us the following interesting news about Mortimer Graham, class of 1922. "Mortimer ('Mort') Graham, who ten years ago gained the distinction of being one of Allegheny College's outstanding basketball guards, an honor he also shared with his brother 'Ocean,' is returning to the floor game, this time as a coach. He has just taken over the job of coaching basketball at Erie Business College.

'Mort,' the son of L. L. Graham, well known Meadville resident, made his last attempt at playing basketball three years ago when he appeared with the alumni in a game against Allegheny's varsity. The Erie Business five is being strengthened greatly by the addition of players just finishing Erie high schools, such as Rocco Cutri, Academy forward; "Brownie" Speer and "Red" Welsh, of Central, along with "Dutch" Leingang, formerly of East, and Leo Drozskid, ex-Central ace."

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

Gamma Rho chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma announces the initiation of the following girls: Ellen Jane Cutter, Pauline Eller, Eleanor Hughes and Betty Smith of Meadville; Anne Dufferender and Betty Mitchell, Bellevue; Marion Flint, Wilkinsburg; Dorothy Myers, Vandergrift; Autumn Smith, Union City; Rosella Norton, Aspinwall; Marion Sleeman, Warren; all of the class of 1932. Guests of the chapter were: Mrs. Evans, Mrs. L. Culbertson, Mrs. Warren P. Norton, Mrs. Hostettler, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. S. S. Swartley, Helen Easterwood, Priscilla Gill, Dorothy Winter, Florence Carpenter, Gail Richmond, Marion Morrison, Dorothy Hughes, Ruth Hannon, Charlotte Straw, Mary McClintock, Dorthea Kerr, and Elizabeth Doolan. Mrs. Hostettler is a national officer and was the guest of the alumnae of the chapter at a luncheon Saturday noon.

ALPHA XI DELTA

Alpha Rho chapter of Alpha Xi Delta announces the initiation of the following girls on Saturday, February 16: Dorthea Klingensmith, Meadville, of the class of '30; Mildred Brooks, Meadville; Minnie White, Meadville; Alma Oakleaf, Titusville, all of the class of 1932. Alumnae of the chapter who returned for initiation were: Katherine Crumrine, Mary and Belle Bollinger, Katherine Froese, Agnes Willard, Ruth Cramblett, Dorothy Eddy, Alice Cornett, Mina French, Beth Smiley, Hazel Gleason, Lucille Baker Anderson, Luella Davis Lent, Hazel Dickson, Charlotte Smith, Helen Fry Pounds, Eleanor Hay, Clare Weller, Helen Rose, Ruth Wood, Kathryn Robbins, Mrs. Henke, and Virginia Crawford.

ALLEGHENY ARTIST

In the February 10 issue of the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph there appeared a highly colored reproduction of a painting entitled "Farnsworth's Charge and Death." The original painting is by Attorney A. G. Richmond, of Meadville, and hangs in the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Hall at Pittsburgh. Four days after General Farnsworth was promoted to Brigadier General of the Union forces, he led two small battalions in an impetuous advance at the battle of Gettysburg. Most of his men were killed and he fell mortally wounded. In the painting, General Farnsworth is seen on a white horse in the center of the picture. Mr. Richmond, who painted the picture many years ago, is now in his 81st year, and is still confined to his home by reason of a broken hip sustained nearly nine months ago. He is an Alleghenian of the class of 1870.

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Allegheny in Athletics

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Geneva Defeated For Second Time But West Virginia Proves Too Strong

GENEVA

Demonstrating very conclusively that their first victory over the Covenantors was not an upset, Coach Baker's hustling midgets defeated the Geneva outfit on their own floor last Tuesday evening by a score of 31-23. The game was hard and fast and the Blue and Gold players found it necessary to overcome an early lead that their opponents had established before they could claim a victory.

The game was the first of two to be played on a trip that carried the team through the southern end of the state and into West Virginia to meet the Mountaineers the following night. Geneva was confident that they would be able to atone for the defeat that they had suffered earlier in the season on the Allegheny floor, but they found that they had anticipated more than they could accomplish. Throughout the first half it did appear as though Ken Loeffler's quint was going to be able to retaliate for their previous defeat, and when the period ended the Covenantors were leading, 13-10.

The second half, however, was quite a different story and any hopes that the Beaver Falls team cherished were quickly dissipated. By that time the Bakermen had become thoroughly oriented on the small court and they soon let loose with a barrage of points. Bair, Garbark, and Dennison all contributed substantially to the rapidly mounting Allegheny total and it was not long before the lead of the Covenantors had been reduced and Allegheny had assumed the lead. The speedy passing and accurate shooting of the Blue and Gold was too much for the tall, but slow moving Geneva team. The Allegheny boys thoroughly convinced their opponents of the fact that the first Blue and Gold victory was no freak, but due to a superior court combination.

Bair, Dennison, and Garbark were the leading point-getters, while Conn and Moon alternated at center and both gave good accounts of themselves. Friedman was Geneva's best performer of the evening.

WEST VIRGINIA

The combination of a giant team and a big floor proved too much for the Allegheny team, forcing them to go down to a 38-29 defeat before the crack West Virginia quint last Wednesday on the Mountaineer floor.

The West Virginia team was forced to play good ball to emerge with a victory. They presented an almost perfect defense over the big playing space, and forced Allegheny to rely upon long shots, instead of the close, fast play that is the regular Blue and Gold style. Allegheny turned loose its regular devastating floor game, the same play that defeated Geneva twice and thoroughly frightened Westminister, but was unable to work the ball to within scoring distance. Similarly, on the defense the work was spread out over such a large territory that the team's regular compact defensive system could be worked to very little advantage. These points, coupled with the fact that West Virginia was playing on a floor best suited to its players and game, proved too high a barrier for the Allegheny players to surmount.

The Mountaineers took the offensive with the opening gun and ran up an advantage of 11 to 1 in the first few minutes of play. Allegheny took time out, and when play was resumed, ran the score up to 14-9, with the half of the first period gone. Two more points were rung up on the Allegheny register at the sixteen-minute mark, but the Mountaineers recovered and pulled away to a 19-11 advantage at the end of the half.

Throughout the first half Bair had been the main threat for Allegheny, accounting for eight points by three field goals and two out of three fouls. West Virginia retained possession of the ball most of the time during this period, except during Allegheny's one rush of points. At no time were the Mountaineers in any great danger.

Shortly before the end of the first half, Taylor, star West Virginia forward, had been put into the game, and with this help the Mountaineer forward ranks ran the score to 29-17 in

WASH-JEFF DEFEATED

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plunging through and rolling up the count. The fans began to fear a repetition of the game at little Washington, in which W. & J. counted six sixteen points during the last six minutes of the game. However, with the score 31-28 and the ball in Allegheny's possession, Harry Massing, unnoticed, slipped up the floor, yelled for a pass, and with no one near him, dropped the ball through the net almost simultaneously with the final whistle, making the score 33-28.

ALLEGHENY	FG	FP	FT	TP
Bair, rf	2	5	5	9
Dennison, lf	1	0	1	2
Conn, c	3	0	0	6
Garbark, rg	1	1	2	3
Berger, lg	3	2	2	8
Mills, lf	0	0	0	0
Moon, c	0	0	0	0
Massing, rg	2	1	1	5
Totals	12	9	11	33

W. & J.	FG	FP	FT	TP
Robinson, rf	1	2	6	4
Hoskins, lf	3	0	1	6
Sanders, c	1	7	8	9
McMunn, rg	2	1	2	5
Gilchrist, lg	1	0	1	2
Lewis, lf	1	0	1	2
McKissock, lg	0	0	0	0
Totals	9	10	18	28

ten minutes of play. Dennison alone was the big danger to the West Virginia team in the second half. Although the team was unable to advance the ball to position for short shots, Denny kept the team in the running by consistently ringing in long shots, shooting with remarkable accuracy, and at the same time playing a great floor game. Although fighting hard every minute, the Blue and Gold was not able to overtake the Mountaineer quint, and the game ended with Allegheny trailing 38-29.

Although on the small end of the score, Allegheny did not come out without laurels. Compliments on the team's exceptionally clean handling of the ball and remarkable fast floor game came in abundance from the opposition's camp. Dennison especially was honored, lauded as "one of the best basketball players to appear here this season." The fact that neither Garbark nor Berger was able to sink a single field goal tells its own story of a hard fought defensive game. Dennison was high point man with a score of sixteen points, including a perfect four out of four foul shots. The whole game was well played by both teams, and the Mountaineers were forced to be alert every minute to maintain the lead captured in the first five minutes of the game.

This and That

A SIDELIGHT

People are always ready and eager to criticize, but when the time comes to give credit, they all seem to be somewhat reserved. Let us consider for an instant our basketball team. We have been with them this season, win, lose, or draw. They have shown plenty of fight, punch, and real basketball. Furthermore, they have brought Allegheny from its mediocre position of last year to a place in the first division of the Tri-state ranks. The team has received and will continue to receive its well-deserved credit. Now, let us ponder on the success of the team and see if we can discover who has been responsible for the showing that the team has made. The squad, of course, deserves plenty of credit, but they alone cannot fully explain Allegheny's showing. Last year we heard criticism of a man whom we now know did not deserve all the criticisms that were hurled his way. That man is Dick Baker, coach of the team. In 1927, when he had good material, he produced a championship team. Last year, with mediocre material he gave us a mediocre team, and this year he has produced an exceptionally fine team, considering that there are four freshmen on it. We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of his work.

CAPTAINS

Two new captains were recently chosen for Allegheny's running teams. At a meeting of the lettermen of the track and cross country teams, Paul Dreibelbis was elected track captain for the coming season, and Gilmore Minnis was selected as cross country captain for next fall. Dreibelbis is one of the most reliable distance runners in school, his specialty being the two mile. He is also a cross country man. Minnis is not only the best cross country man in school, but also is recognized as being one of the best distance men in the district. We congratulate the new captains.

WAYNESBURG NEXT

Friday evening will see the Allegheny passers in their last district competition of the year. One more game remains, the Alumni contest a week from Saturday night. Allegheny will undoubtedly find Waynesburg's passers worthy opponents, for they have been compiling quite a record this season. Some of the Allegheny students saw them wallop Thiel last week and they bring back the report that Waynesburg has a fast team, with their attack centered around their captain, White. He is one of the most proficient dribblers in the district and will bear watching.

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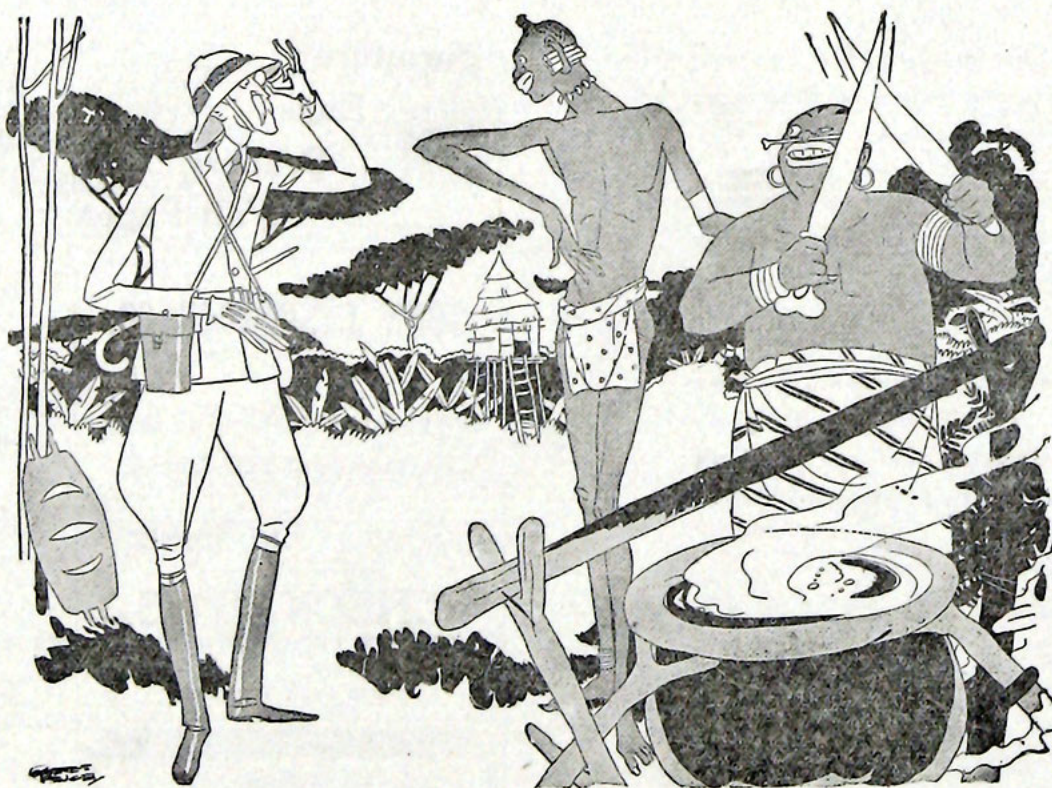
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