

CHAMPION QUINTETTE OUTCLASS GENEVANS

Opening Gun of Campaign Friday Night
Signals Successful Season

Maxwell Brilliant—Five Misses Keenly Captain Baker
Firestone Plays Strong Game, Perry, King, Giesey, the Old
Reliables Steady and Efficient. Score—40—15

As usual in basket ball on last Friday evening Allegheny opened the season with a flourish, defeating Geneva by the decisive score of 44 to 15.

The winter evening was inviting and the gymnasium comfortably filled with expectant admirers of the invincible five, admirers who expected before the game that the wearers of the gold and blue would do the trick just as neatly as the final score showed.

Upstairs the railing was lined with exquisite creations of the milliner and the dressmaker.

The basket ball games in Allegheny college have indeed become the society events of the winter and the new gowns seem first to see the light of publicity at these winter athletic events.

The Geneva five came on the floor at 8 o'clock and in their new uniforms presented a fine appearance. Their preliminary practice did not show up strongly. When the Allegheny five appeared on the floor, fresh from the dressing room and a cool plunge in the basin a good cheer went up from the crowd for both teams: "Allegheny's all Right—Geneva's all Right." At this burst of good feeling on the part of the home rooters one of the Geneva five jokingly said: "Well if Allegheny's all right and Geneva's all right it's a tie, so let's play it off." Then the whistle blew and the game was on in dead earnest from the start. For a few moments neither quintette struck home, but as soon as Allegheny got together after the newness of the first game, Center Giesey called a signal for Guard King to cage a basket and nobly did the old war horse respond. This started the ball to rolling and next little Sammy trotted up with two points to his credit. Then for a while it was up and down the floor in a strenuous fight by both sides, but no goals. About this time a Geneva guard caged two in rapid succession. It must have been while Sammy was looking up at the gallery for it is very seldom that a guard shoots on this speedy little forward. However, this spirit by the visitors seemed to awaken the favorites and in about four minutes every man on the team had scored, including Firestone, the new forward. Before the half ended Giesey chalked up four field goals, Maxwell three, King two, Firestone two and Perry one, making the score for the half twenty-four to twelve.

Between halves there was little enthusiasm shown. Ford, the cheer leader, had a hard time getting the rooters stirred up to any high pitch of excitement.

The second half was scarcely under way before every man had again caged a field goal. In this half the playing of both sides was a little more loose than in the first. Geneva seemed to see that a good defeat was their lot and they got a little careless and were slightly inclined to make a funny game out of it, thus nearly losing the whole thing by a 3 to 1 score.

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FACULTY MEMBER CONDUCTS NIGHT SCHOOL

Commendable Down Town Enterprise Under Direction of Professor Lemuel R. Brown.

Following an extended agitation, down town citizens of public spirit, have set in motion a night school enterprise, entrusting its control and direction to Professor Lemuel R. Brown, who visited similar institutions in Jamestown, N. Y. and Erie, during the Christmas vacation to observe the methods employed. The undertaking is most commendable in its operation and ideal.

HATCHET SYMPOSIUM ENTERPRISE LAUNCHED

COMMITTEE APPOINTED FOR THE
GREAT ANNUAL STUNT.

The Event on the Patriotic 22nd Promises to Obliterate All Precedent.

As the natal day of the Father of His Country draws near great preparations are being made for the biggest 22nd of February celebration "Old Allegheny" has ever known. The annual banquet, the prominent feature of the day, is the typical festive occasion of the scholastic year. The whole student body is expected to enter into the spirit of the event with more snap and vigor than ever before and with the pronounced inter-class rivalry there will no doubt be many interesting departures.

The general committee is endeavoring to get all the alumni, whom it will be possible to entertain, to attend the banquet. The following committees have been appointed.

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Generation Reverences Famous Alden

FITTING TRIBUTE TO OLD ALLEGHENY'S FOUNDER AND FIRST PRESIDENT.

Friends in Co-operation With President Crawford to Exhume Remains and Transfer Them to Greendale Cemetery—Splendid Monument to Be Erected.

In fitting tribute to the founder of Old Allegheny, the remains of the Rev. Dr. Timothy Alden, first president of the then little mountain college will be removed from their present desolate environment near Sharpsburg and re-interred in Greendale Cemetery. President Crawford has charge of the proposed exhuming and is being ably seconded by Mr. A. W. Ballard, a friend of the Alden descendants, and Mrs. Harriet Arthurs, a granddaughter of Dr. Alden, both of Pittsburg.

Sharpsburg is a little town near Pittsburg and in an isolated plot of ground lies the remains of Allegheny's founder. Impressive ceremonies have been arranged for the reburial and a splendid monument will be erected over the new resting place with impressive ceremonies to be conducted by the present faculty.

Probably a material impetus was given to this noble movement by Mr. Francis L. Labounty in his oration on last commencement day. Mr. Labounty made an impassioned plea for the fitting remembrance of the great man.

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JUNIORS-FRESHMEN ASLEEP AT SWITCH

SENIOR-SOPH. ALLIANCE BREAK AWAY FOR TRADITIONAL BANQUET.

Juniors Let Beautiful Chance for Sortie Slip Through Their Numb Fingers—Freshmen Busy.

Just before the curfew on Wednesday evening, through the snow that fluttered from a clouded sky stealthily forms hurried through the drifts and congregated in a dark mass at the car barns above the campus. In a few breathless moments the bird had flown and the then aroused Juniors and Freshmen came all too late with their little air guns.

Then it was that the most successful banquet in years was pulled off by the Seniors and Sophomores under the efficient leadership of the two class presidents, Giesey and Croas-

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AMERICAN COLLEGE ATHLETIC CONVENTION

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF INTER-COLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION TRANSACTS SOME IMPORTANT BUSINESS.

Dr. Ling Represents Allegheny—Basket and Base Ball Reforms—Society a Great Factor in Athletic World.

At the second annual convention of the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association held in New York City, December 28, forty-four colleges were represented. Practically all the big universities had delegates in attendance, except Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Cornell. Western Pennsylvania institutions had a good percentage of attendance. Dr. Ling represented Allegheny.

Summer base ball and basket ball, as played by college teams, took up nearly the whole time given by the delegates to business. Football received no attention further than the appointing of a rules committee to confer with the big universities, and the hearing of a report from Harry Williams, of the University of Minnesota, who spoke enthusiastically in favor of the forward pass.

The representative of the University of Wisconsin read an exhaustive report on the summer base ball question. He stated that the term "summer base ball" is applied to the practice of college students who are still candidates for their college teams playing baseball during vacation season, on teams not connected with a college, and this makes it difficult to determine the amateur standing of college players. A resolution was passed that all possible steps to eradicate the "summer base ball evil" are to be taken.

In regard to basket ball, a resolution advising the formation of a collegiate basket ball league was enacted. College teams, under this agreement, shall not be allowed to play outside teams until they are registered under the amateur athletic union rules.

A collegiate rules committee was formed which will have jurisdiction over the game for terms of three years. This committee will not only make rules but will organize an official staff of umpires and referees, who shall serve on the various intercollegiate games.

The good work of the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association is being recognized all over the country. As an evidence of this, Cornell, Yale, and the other "big" schools are contemplating joining the association soon. Pennsylvania is the only member of the "Big Five" which has joined thus far.

The association showed its power two years ago when it virtually forced the old inter-collegiate foot ball rules committee to seek a consolidation. Later it dictated the great reforms in the game. The association is still master of the foot ball rules situation, and if it desired it could force the big universities to join. Yale and Cornell are planning to join already, however, and if they do, Harvard and Princeton will likely fall into line.

TRIANGULAR PLATFORM TOURNEY PENDING

THE VARSITY DEBATING TEAMS WILL ENCOUNTER DENNISON AND W. AND J. ON THE EVENING OF APRIL 24.

Preliminaries Under Way—Forensic Tilt In Full Swing—Unprecedented Enthusiasm Marks Activity.

The winter term is characterized by the most marked activity in college forensic circles, and we find everybody interested in public work strenuously engaged in rounding into form the debate or oration. The present season promises to be one of the most interesting in the history of the art, both in argumentation and in oratory. The Class of '90 contest started the ball rolling most auspiciously last month, and the Wakefield contest, to occur next February 12, promises to eclipse that event. A greater number of contestants for the purse of fifty dollars will be out than in the December battle, and a great deal of speculation as to the final outcome is prevalent among "those who know."

In order to be registered in the contest, the contestant must submit to the secretary of the oratorical association, W. G. Fixel, three typewritten copies of the oration before midnight of February 2, so that one manuscript may be sent to each of the three out-of-town judges on thought and composition.

All negotiations have been closed for the inter-collegiate debates. One is to be held with Dennison college here, the other is to be contested with W. and J. at Washington. Both arguments will occur the same evening, April 24, our negative team journeying to W. and J., and our affirmative team speaking at home. The same evening the affirmative team of Dennison debates W. and J. on the negative at Dennison. By this triangular arrangement each of the three colleges has two teams on the floor the same evening, the home team universally supporting the affirmative side of the question.

The final statement of the question has been decided upon by the three institutions as follows: "Resolved, That all corporations engaged in an interstate commerce shall be required to take out a federal charter on such terms as Congress may by law prescribe. Constitutionality conceded." It is likely that, as a result of this three-sided venture, a permanent organization will be formed between these colleges in the near future.

Our debaters are obtaining an unusually good schooling this season. The Forum has devoted its time to the exclusive discussion of the question above quoted, and the interest shown has been the highest for years. In addition, the class debates, which are to occur January 20, will afford good training for those who wish to enter the final preliminaries of February 6. It is likely that about eighteen will be out on this date to contest for the 'Varsity six. The contestants will be divided as nearly as possible into two squads according to their affirmative or negative leanings, and each squad will then be divided into teams of three. In the preliminary encounter, the judges will decide upon the 'Varsity representatives according to the individual merits of the speakers, and on a percentage basis. In this way each man has an equal chance for the 'Varsity teams.

After the debating season closes, it is planned to hold discussions of live college questions in the Forum, and thus make the society a permanent organization.

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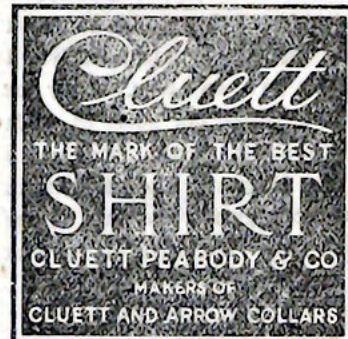
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The Kaldron.

The early suggestions of Kaldron material are beginning to flutter to the editorial desk. Here and there the tide lands high and dry along the sands of progressing time, an observation dynamic in its eligibility. For the people, of the people and by the people, the year book is essentially the student's own, and as in every institution, becomes the pulse of student life and spirit. Every man and woman in Allegheny should contribute illustrations grinds and data throughout the year. Begin now and produce.

College Song Book.

Appreciating the need of a revised and complete song book characteristic of Allegheny life and spirit and meeting its demands, the Campus management is engaged in compiling an official collection of the songs of the college, and the more popular collegiate melodies. The appropriateness of the enterprise will at once appeal to the student body, and extensive original contribution should follow. Several new songs of the ringing patriotic type are especially desired.

The Truth.

A recent issue of one of Pittsburgh's leading dailies published a communication very evidently the production of an over zealous under-classman of Westminster college, and among other misleading indiscretions, announced that the basket ball five of our live old rival last season carried off the championship of Western Pennsylvania. The statement we are confident, had no countenance in official circles, and it's amusing assertiveness is only unfortunate in that a great many readers are not in possession of the facts, which need no amplification. Our athletic relations with Old Westminster are characterized by most admirable rivalry, and we trust that the present happy adjustment may continue. Probably if the unadvised patriotism of the press correspondent were investigated, the misstatement would resolve itself into the mere amateur attempt of a loyal son of a

worthy Alma Mater to sound her praises abroad regardless of consequences. At the same time truthfulness and a square deal are at the basis of true sportsmanship, and in the future our good old contemporary, Westminster, would do well to trust her official dispatches to a more prudent representative.

A Problem.

The inauguration of the basket ball season with a creditable victory over Geneva, signals a series of gratifying successes, and with last year's five, every man a specialist, in splendid condition, we are privileged to prophecy even more marked achievement for the 'Varsity. The management has arranged a strong schedule, and will present a succession of interesting games.

Compelled to operate within certain financial limits, the manager has been unable to negotiate satisfactorily among large eastern universities, with whom we are more than competent to compete. Possible engagements with Yale, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Williams were abandoned on account of a lack of funds to equalize insufficient guarantees. The advantages accruing from a successful tour through the East are plainly obvious. In a considerable sense we would secure an athletic position among institutions we now equal in academic standing. Similarly the track team should go to Philadelphia in May and enter the inter-collegiate meet. Both teams are more than representative. The projects both are beyond the means of the Athletic Association.

Student body! It is up to you. The resources for benefit concerts and public entertainments are everywhere latent waiting for some concentrated action to realize from them the necessary funds. Our Glee Club is unexcelled, a Dramatic Society exists, history has demonstrated our ability to present a college circus second to none professional or amateur. As individuals and as a college, we get what we go after. Let us take immediate and energetic measures leading towards the establishing of a sinking fund, that will insure our athletic position, and give our athletes an opportunity to do themselves justice.

COLLEGE DRAMATICS.

Ever since away back there in 1550 when Nicholas Udall, then headmaster at Eton school and one of the most eminent scholars of his time composed the ancient lines of "Ralph Roister Doister" for his pupils to perform at a Christmas celebration, college dramas have continued to exert a more or less great influence on collegiate circles the world over. In the past century this great sphere of literature has not received its due attention in our American colleges and the fact that a revival of interest is now in evidence is heralded with joy by the broad-minded among instructors and students everywhere. Dramatic societies are springing up in all the important institutions of learning throughout the country and the faith seems to be justified that this phase of literary activity will once more enter the limelight of popular acclamation.

Two years after "Ralph Roister Doister" appeared a play at Christ's College, Cambridge, under the name of "Gammer Gurton's Needle." In it we find what is probably the first drinking song in the language: "Back and side go bare, go bare, Both foot and hand go cold; But belly, God send thee good ale enough, Whether it be new or old."

In both France and Germany, two hundred years previously plays had been enacted in public at the colleges on holy days. Down to the time of Cromwell play-acting continued to be a very important factor in the collegiate life of the English universities. At one time both Oxford and Cambridge had on their faculty an instructor whose duty it was to oversee the college dramas. Queen Elizabeth was most zealous in her encouragement of dramatics and on several oc-

casions gave entertainments at which the presentation of dramatic pieces by university students was one of the main features.

The attention paid to student dramatics at this time was in all probability very excessive. In voicing the sentiment of no small number of the people of his time, Ben Jonson, in his "Staple of Newes," makes one of his characters say: "They make all their scholars play-boys. Is't not a fine sight to see all our children made enterluders? Do we pay our money for this? We send them to learn their grammar and their Terence and they learn their play-books."

In the United States the first impulse was given to college theatricals in 1879 when the "Hasty Pudding" society of Harvard, presented "Fair Rosemond" in a New York playhouse. Five years later the same society presented "Dido & Aeneas" and introduced the ballet into college dramatics. The author of this piece was Owen Wister, then an undergraduate at Harvard and now famous as an author and novelist.

Since those times numerous dramatic societies have sprung up throughout the country, the best known being the "Hasty Pudding" of Harvard, the "Mask and Wig" of the University of Pennsylvania and the "Strollers" of Columbia, while Yale, Princeton and Cornell follow closely with their organizations. Harvard, indeed is the only college which does not encourage college theatricals, and in this case opposition is entirely due to the antagonistic attitude of President Eliot, who some dozen years ago issued an edict forbidding any performances that required absence over night from Cambridge. However, the "Hasty Pudding" has not abated its activity one whit and continues to present plays at Boston each year.

CURRENT EVENTS.

In Raleigh, N. C., by a popular vote, the liquor system run by the city, which brought in a revenue of \$45,000, was voted down and prohibition has been inaugurated.

The presidential candidate contest becomes more interesting daily. The most prominent Republican chief executive material consists of Taft, Foraker, Hughes, Shaw, Knox and La Follette. On the Democratic list are Bryan, Gov. Johnson, Judge Harman and Judge Gray.

A great Prohibition wave is sweeping over the country. With the new year Georgia and Oklahoma are entirely dry and Alabama largely so. The churches were filled on watch night with enthusiastic crowds of men and women in the larger cities celebrating the new laws. Over 4,000 people filled the Baptist Tabernacle in Atlanta. Speakers showed the evils of the saloon, one speaker declaring that in Chicago \$100,000,000 is spent annually for whiskey, \$19,000,000 for gambling and \$20,000,000 for prostitution.

Referring to the recent disturbances between the American and Japanese laborers in the west, Viscount Aoki said recently: "I am perfectly convinced that the immigration of Japanese laborers to this country is undesirable. I admit that if it is impossible for American and Japanese labor to live and work together in this country without fighting, under the competitive conditions which the Japanese laborer imposes on the American laborer, I cannot see how strife can be avoided between them, and for this reason I am in favor of the restriction of immigration."

The danger by which England is said to be threatened at this moment is neither war, bankruptcy, nor disintegration. According to a writer who signs himself "Zarathustra" in "The Westminster Review" (London) it is Socialism, possibly revolutionary Socialism. The spread of Socialism, in England during the last decade has indeed been phenomenal, and, as this writer observes, whereas ten years ago it was rare to meet a man of the middle class who was a Socialist, today they are to be numbered by tens of thousands. The present condition of the masses in England is characterized by profound discontent. England has come to a critical turning-point. "Yonder rising storm-cloud is big with mischief, big with change. He would indeed be a hasty man who would commit himself to the opinion that it is merely a passing shadow."

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About the middle of the half Maxwell had some trouble with his shoes which delayed the game several minutes during which time the rooters had a chance to "kid" the Geneva men a little. They took it good naturedly all through and on the whole were good, clean players.

During the entire game the team of old players keenly felt the absence of Captain Baker. It was not so evident to the onlookers, but in the team work the men could feel keenly "Bake's" absence, notwithstanding the fact that Firestone played a strong game for a new man, fitting into the Allegheny style of playing admirably. He has the making of a good Allegheny "Varsity" man. It will please the rooters to know Captain Baker's little smile will be in the game next Friday against Westminster when the team needs him so much.

Benedict's name was placed at forward on the score card by mistake. According to Captain Baker's directions it should have been Firestone, forward, with Benedict first substitute. The old gridiron hero was given a try out during the last ten minutes of the game and made one basket. Baker watched the game from the side lines and thinks that the Geneva team work was much better than that of Allegheny, but that Allegheny had them far outclassed in shooting. In fouling Allegheny was the worst offender and nine fouls were called by the official while Geneva was penalized only six times. Of these chances Giesey accepted two and Hawk of Geneva one.

The final score was 40 to 15, with the larger number on the black board for Allegheny.

So Allegheny inaugurated what promises to be another successful season with a good victory over a college which in former years was accustomed to defeat her.

A hard game comes next Friday, that with Westminster, and it is safe to promise that it will be the most bitterly fought contest of the year.

Two years ago this game was probably the most thrilling ever played on the gym. floor. The rivalry between the institutions is such that it can't be other than an intensely exciting contest. Let's get even for that foot ball game. Everybody root while the team plays with its best effort. With Capt. Baker at the helm victory is sure.

JUNIORS-FRESHMEN ASLEEP AT SWITCH

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man.

The shadowy forms from dormitory and club in a few seconds were sailing off toward Saegertown, with flags flying, banners streaming and the jolliest crowd that ever raised a mutiny of fun on board a pleasure craft. When Saegertown was reached the crowd piled into four sleds. They were then driven to a Grange hall about three miles out in the country. This short ride in the sparkling cold was most delightful and frequently merry songs and peals of happy laughter mingled with the sleigh bells, the creaking of the snow and the joyful barking of the dogs, the latter assuming that the stunt was arranged for their especial amusement.

The hall was reached and as the crowd tumbled out of the sleds, the aroma of country cooking greeted them. From the doors and windows streamed a flood of light. The social session up stairs before the banquet was extremely enjoyable, especially about the time some practical joker put a handful of pepper in the big stove. In a few seconds the whole throng joined in one mighty chorus of—But just then supper was announced and the merry-makers went down stairs to the banquet tables. After an old fashioned chicken supper had been demolished the program was enjoyed. To start the fun the committee had the program printed up side down. Callahan, '08, presided very cleverly.

Miss Helen White, '01, was the first speaker and responded to the toast: "Seers Seen Somewhere." The faculty were appropriately reviewed. Then Pixel, '01, said some very complimentary things about "Senior-Soph. Sweets." After that Miss Josette Beebe, '08, got back at Pixel and some other married men in the toast: "Senior-Sophomore Sours." Lick, of '08, closed the toast list with a most interesting and well prepared toast on "Senior-Soph. Spirit."

On the way home it was found that fences had been built across the road by some busy Freshmen so the entire party gladly took the farthest way round as the shortest way home.

The enemy failed to appear and the car was boarded at the second bridge above Saegertown without an accident save the upsetting of one vehicle and the resultant evacuation of the entire load into the snow. No person was badly injured however.

A crowd of Freshmen and Juniors had spent the evening at The Saegertown Inn and decided to derail the car as it came through or do something somehow, but perhaps they got "cold feet" standing so long in the snow, who knows.

As the car headed home the men

of the two classes took off their overcoats and left them in the car, fully expecting the usual fight at Hulings hall, but the massacre was averted. So was carried off the most enjoyable Senior-Sophomore banquet in years.

THE LIBRARY.

The very generous provision made by the college for the reading room in the Library is increased by the addition of Charities and the Commons, The Astronomical Journal and The Athenaeum. The large number of periodicals received as gifts are to be continued so that the students are assured of an abundance of reading matter for 1908.

The large number of books added during the fall are to be further increased by a gift to Dr. Cobern's department. Several interesting gifts have been received during the past week including the Report of the Memorial of the Celebration at Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh in 1907. The nine volumes of Lincoln's Life and Works are a valuable addition to the historical resources.

Below is a list of the books added during the last few weeks:

Allen—Life of Phillips Brooks 3 vol.
Bridge—Inside History of Carnegie Steel Company.
Browning—Guelphs & Ghibellines.
Cooper—History of Caricature.
Channing—Jeffersonian System.
Echols—Differential and Integral Calculus.
Edwards—Differential Calculus.
Fradenburgh—History of Erie Conference vol I. Gift.
Glazebrook & Shaw—Text book of Science.
Godfrey—Social Life under the Stuarts.
Gummere—Germanic Origins. Copy 2.
Gummere—The Popular Ballad.
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Hunter—Poverty.
Jefferson—Life and Morals of Jesus.
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