

THIRD CONCERT NUMBER TO BE GIVEN TOMORROW

FRANCIS MACMILLEN, FAMED VIOLINIST, TO APPEAR HERE TOMORROW NIGHT

Francis Macmillen, who is proclaimed as one of the greatest violinists which America has ever produced, will appear in Ford Memorial Chapel tomorrow evening, as the third number on the College Concert Program.

The noted artist was born at Marietta, Ohio, and at a very early age displayed an interest in music. Mr. Macmillen showed such striking talent when a mere youngster, that, at the tender age of ten, he was taken to Europe to complete his studies so brilliantly begun in America. He went first to Berlin where he received instruction from Carl Halir, the celebrated German violinist.

Later young Macmillen journeyed to Brussels where he entered the Brussels Royal Conservatory of Music under the personal tutelage of that eminent master, Cesar Thomson. He was a pupil of the Conservatory for three years, winning, at the age of sixteen, for his masterful playing and the excellence of his musicianship, the "Premier Prix avec la Grande Distinction" together with the Van Hal prize of \$5,000—the first and only American to be thus honored. This achievement brought him into the limelight in Brussels where he made a highly successful debut which took him afterwards to Paris, Vienna, London, and many other leading cities.

Even after attaining a world-wide name Macmillen continued to perfect his playing under famous teachers. At this period of his career he went to Petrograd where he began to study under Leopold Auer, the most famous master of all time. His work with Professor Auer, covering a period of several years, has identified him with the famous Auer pupils.

Eleven years after leaving this country Macmillen returned to make his American debut with the New York Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Walter Damrosch. The violinist (Continued on Page 5)

CHAPEL SPEAKER URGES BETTER SCHOLARSHIP

DR. F. W. SHEPARDSON, VICE-PRESIDENT OF PHI BETA KAPPA, ADDRESSES STUDENTS

Dr. F. W. Shepardson of Chicago, vice-president of the united chapters of Phi Beta Kappa, was the speaker at the chapel service on Monday, December 6.

Doctor Shepardson began his address by saying that out of 1,760,000 men examined for service in the United States Army at the time of the World War, twenty-two per cent were found defective. Only twelve per cent were found to be superior while sixty-six per cent were of only average intelligence. And that forty-seven and two tenths per cent of all these men might be classed as morons.

These very startling figures led to two important movements: first, to close the doors of the United States to the foreigner; and second attempt to reduce illiteracy among our own people. At the present time, every hundred thousand children who enter grammar school, seventeen thousand enter high school, one thousand graduate, and less than two hundred enter college. The six hundred students who are in Allegheny represent three hundred thousand persons who enter grammar school in one of our large cities.

"Phi Beta Kappa is leading a movement for better scholarship in colleges and universities," declared Doctor Shepardson. "It is appealing to the student from three points of view: first, from the point of view of honor; second, because of patriotism; and finally because it pays. This year we celebrated the sesqui-centennial of the American Union, and we all believe that it will last another one hundred and fifty years. But when it is considered that nearly half of our men who were examined for service could be classed as morons, is it not time that something be done in the educational world? It pays to join in this movement for better scholarship, because although only one in every three thousand becomes a member of Phi Beta Kappa, yet that organization furnishes half of our distinguished leaders."

The speaker concluded his address with an appeal to the students, the leaders of to-morrow, to join in this great movement for better scholarship and for a better nation.

Dramatic Number of Literary Magazine Favorably Reviewed

Distributed to the students last Wednesday for the first time this year, the Literary Magazine seems to have made a very favorable impression upon its readers. The title of this issue is "The Dramatic number," and it is composed chiefly of two plays and one dramatic fantasy.

Three innovations are to be noted in this edition. The Literary Magazine has at no time since its inception resorted to the use of illustrations, and a capable substitute is seen in the conventional drawings or block cuts which have been cleverly made by Henry C. Johnston. Two new departments, The Microscope and Ex Cathedra, also add to the novelty of the first issue. The Microscope deals with certain conditions, events and happenings of the "Allegheny world" in an editorial manner by the use of prose and poetry. The articles treated in this department are the all-college dance, the question of Allegheny dramatics, and gossip. This new section is certain to meet with student favor, and should provide a means for an informal expression of student opinion upon various defects in our college world. Ex Cathedra denotes the page wherein one faculty member will in each issue present something of interest to Allegheny students, and where the faculty member will have an opportunity to express in writing his or her views on some timely topic. In "The Dramatic Number" Doctor Swartley has enlarged upon the question of student play productions both in respect to their presentation and their writing.

The dramatic efforts of Henry Johnston in "Shallow," a one-act play portraying a few touching scenes of collegiate life, have not gone amiss and presents a true to life dissertation for the reader. The dramatic fantasy, "A man of Choice," written by Marion G. Bradford, shows the writer's depth of thinking and the clever portrayal of a difficult subject. One other play, "The Letter," is an adaptation from a story by Chekov, and presents the terrible treatment of two orphans at the hands of their master.

One page containing a poem by Margaret Rudnay entitled "The Ship" is exceptional. The author's choice of words and rhythm could not be surpassed, and the subject is one in which everybody is interested. The block of the ship drawn by H. C. Johnston is also very well done. Three short poems by Dorothy Davids entitled "Impressions of 'Shanghai Gesture,'" "Ben Hur," and "Grains of Sand" are also cleverly written.

As a whole the magazine is a credit to its editor, John J. Henrietta, and shows the expenditure of a great amount of time and talent.

Six To Compete For Wakefield Prizes Tonight In Chapel

Selected from a large field of contestants, the orations of six men have been declared to be of superior quality by the committee in charge of the Wakefield Oratorical Contest, and these men will be given the privilege to participate in the contest to be held in Ford Memorial Chapel this evening.

The orations chosen by the committee are as follows: "The Spirit of Prohibition," Ernest V. Rupert; "Cancellation of the Inter-Allegheny Debts," Bruce L. Middaugh; "Youth's Awakening," Norman C. Laffer; "Delusions," George Buchwalter; "Children of Destiny," Robert J. Corbett; and "Prohibition a Civic Necessity," Cyril B. Hartman.

The Wakefield Oratorical Contest was originated twenty-two years ago when James A. Wakefield '90, of Pittsburgh, Pa., announced that he would award a prize of fifty dollars to the winner of the contest each year in the name of his grandfather, Dr. Samuel Wakefield. The policy of former years in awarding the entire fifty dollars to the winner has been changed this year by the committee on oratory and debate. A first prize of thirty-five dollars is now given, and a second prize of fifteen dollars has been created. The winner, in addition to his reward, is given the opportunity to represent the College in the International Civic League Contest which is held in the Spring of each year.

Miss Rose M. Kauffman '10, of Philadelphia, Pa., was called to her home in Dunkirk, N. Y., last week by the death of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Kauffman.

KAPPA PHI KAPPA HOLDS INITIATION AND BANQUET

PRESIDENT BEEBE INITIATED INTO AN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY LAST WEEK

President James A. Beebe was initiated into Kappa Phi Kappa, national honorary educational fraternity, at a meeting held in the Quill Club room of the Library Thursday, December 2, at 5:30 o'clock. Dr. R. H. Jordan, national president of the fraternity, a member of the faculty of Cornell University, was present at the ceremonies and meeting. The members of the chapter assembled at Cochran Hall, where a formal banquet was held at 6:30 o'clock.

Doctor Jordan was one of the honor guests at the dinner and was the principal speaker of the evening. The subject of his address was: "Teaching as an Instrument For Combating Shallow and Superficial Thinking in Religion and Morals." Dr. F. G. Henke, who presided at the banquet, Doctor Beebe and several other members of the local chapter gave brief talks. Doctor Henke is the national treasurer of Kappa Phi Kappa and one of its most prominent members.

DR. H. E. LUCCOCK BEGINS SERIES OF CHAPEL TALKS

FIRST SPEAKER ON Y. M. C. A. PROGRAM HERE FOR THREE DAYS

The presence of Dr. Harold E. Luccock at the College yesterday, today and tomorrow is creating considerable interest among the faculty and the student body. He is appearing at the Chapel services each day and also delivers a talk each evening, carrying with him a message of thought that is important to all students. His talks are marked by their simplicity and direct appeal, as if the speaker were giving a plain heart to heart talk to his audience, rather than lecturing to them. Besides his daily lectures, Doctor Luccock is holding private discussions with students who are particularly interested in his field of service, and who desire information concerning his viewpoints.

Doctor Luccock is the first speaker to be brought here this year under the auspices of the College Y. M. C. A. His father was at one time a member of the Allegheny College faculty, and Doctor Luccock lived in Meadville when a boy. At present he is a contributing editor of the Christian Advocate, doing practically all the editorial work for that publication. His editorials are marked by brilliant and progressive thought.

Dr. Harold E. Luccock was graduated from Northwestern University and Union Theological Seminary. He was formerly pastor of Windsor and New Haven, Connecticut, M. E. Churches, and he has also been instructor in the Hartford and Drew Theological Seminaries. Besides being a well known speaker, the visitor is the author of several books, three of which are, "Fares—Please," "Christian Crusade for World Democracy," and "The Haunted House."

Classes are being shortened in the morning in order to lengthen the chapel hour at noon, which will allow the speaker more time in which to address the students.

DOCTOR CHURCH GIVES RECITAL AT CHAPEL

Doctor H. W. Church entertained the students and faculty with a very interesting organ recital at the regular chapel services on Monday, November 29.

Doctor Church's first number was "Grand Fantasia" by Lemmens, which has a sub-title, "The Storm." After a soft beginning, this selection emerges into a joyous melody followed by the approach of a storm. After the storm passes there is a quiet ending expressing the attitude of prayer.

The second number was "Marche Russe" by Schminke. This march, which is an elaboration of "The Song of the Volga Boatman," is the Soviet national anthem. A part of the old Czarist National Hymn is also included in this number. Doctor Church was greeted with such applause at the conclusion of these two selections that he was compelled to play "The Cradle Song," by Walter Spinnay, as an encore.

Pennsylvania Omega chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon announces the pledging of Norman Beals of the class of 1929.

PI DELTA EPSILON HOLDS FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

WILLIAM ROSE, CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS EDITOR, IS PRINCIPAL SPEAKER

The Allegheny Chapter of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity, held its annual Founders' Day banquet yesterday evening, at 6:30 o'clock at the Kepler Hotel. Will Rose, editor and publisher of the Enterprise News, Cambridge Springs, was the principal speaker of the evening.

Pi Delta Epsilon is a society organized to foster better journalistic efforts in the various colleges and universities of the country, and the organization celebrates its founding with banquets at the different chapters on or about December 6, each year. It numbers forty-three chapters on its roll with a representation in the most prominent institutions in the United States. The Allegheny chapter has fifteen active members and three honorary members.

Other speakers on the program for the banquet were: Dr. S. S. Swartley, Dr. J. R. Schultz, R. W. Thomas, and Dr. C. F. Ross. Theodore S. Borrell, president of the local chapter, acted as toastmaster.

YOUNG PIANIST DELIGHTS ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE

GEORGE MULFINGER, FORMER MEADVILLE BOY, RENDERS FINE RECITAL

True to the highest expectations of Meadville music-lovers, George Mulfinger scored a brilliant success before an audience of college students, old friends, and enthusiastic admirers on Thursday evening, December 2, at Ford Memorial Chapel.

Leaving Meadville at the end of his high school course, he returned after nine years of absence a professional artist of great promise. He has made a most successful entrance into the musical world, appearing in the important cities of Germany, Austria and America.

His technic is skillful; he has a fine swing and dash to his playing; his tone is full and bell-like and his pianissimo effects beautiful. The variety of his moods make his playing most delightful. His dynamic effects range from the finest pianissimo to the greatest fortissimo of orchestral dimensions.

The audience literally went wild over Mr. Mulfinger's playing, giving him a splendid ovation and forcing him to respond to many encores.

The Mozart Sonata, with its many airy embellishments, was greatly enjoyed. The Spanish group was capricious and fascinating in its dance rhythm and grace.

The tone coloring in Mr. Mulfinger's group of Copin numbers was beautiful. These well known selections, that are loved by all, were played with just the right touch and effect to make them perfect.

As a composer, Mr. Mulfinger is remarkable. These numbers were romantic at times, and again gripping in intensity. Although the modern harmonies appeared in a charming way, the old classic form was still noticeable.

After the concert, members of the College Faculty and members of the Mu Phi Epsilon Fraternity of the Pennsylvania College of Music, sponsors of the concert, met Mr. Mulfinger at the home of Dr. H. W. Church.

The program:

- I. Sonata in A Major.....Mozart
- Themes and Variations
- Menuette
- Alla turca
- II. Polonaise F Minor, op. 44....Chopin
- Etude op. 21. No. 1.....Chopin
- Etude, op. 25. No. 12.....Chopin
- Nocturne, op. 15.....Chopin
- Valse, op. 18.....Chopin
- III. Suite espagnole (Sevillanas) No. 3.....Albeniz
- Danzas Espanolas No. 5.....Granados
- Suite espagnole (Sequedillas) No. 7.....Albeniz
- IV. Prelude.....Mulfinger
- Ballade.....Mulfinger
- Gavotte.....Gluck-Brahms
- Liebestraum No. 2.....Liszt
- Rhapsody No. 15.....Liszt

Rev. Clyde L. Nevins '13, pastor of the Smithfield M. E. Church of Pittsburgh, is delivering a series of Christmas sermons which stress the spiritual aspect of the Christmas season.

Athletic Association Benefit Movie To Be Shown Next Week

Allegheny's need for a practice football field has been made very obvious by the past grid season. Daily practices of the team on Montgomery Field has consistently torn it up and left it in a bad condition for the Saturday game.

Responding to this need, the professional and business men of Meadville are sponsoring a benefit movie to be held at the Park Theatre Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 13, 14 and 15, for the purpose of raising part of a fund to provide a practice field for the Allegheny eleven.

The picture which has been chosen is of exceptional merit, and has been selected from a group of the best film productions of the day.

Towered castles rising hundreds of feet into the air, quaint old inns of the seventeenth century with their picturesque flagons, their mounted boars and other trophies of chase, beautiful estates of medieval noblemen, with stately gardens, pools and fountains. These are only a few of the settings of "Bardley's, the Magnificent," starring John Gilbert, King Vidor's Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production of Sabatini's novel, with Eleanor Boardman as the leading woman.

The production was staged with a most lavish hand and shows with authentic details the surroundings of the life of that period among the aristocrats. One of the most impressive sets is the castle of Roxalanne de Lavedan, the heroine, played by Miss Boardman. It is an exact reproduction of the famous French castle of the time, the seventeenth century.

Cloth of gold and cloth of silver in which the actual metal is worth a tidy sum, brocaded velvet trimmed in gold blue d'Espagne, and ring velvet are among the fabrics used in the costumes.

The names of the cast are as imposing as the settings, including Roy D'Arcy, Karl Dane, George K. Arthur, Arthur Lubin, John T. Murray, Lionel Belmore and others.

The sale of tickets in the city is under the direction of the Lions, Kiwanis, and Rotary Clubs, and the Men's Senate has taken over the sale of tickets among the students of the College. The price of admission is fifty cents, and the co-operation of every member of the student body is earnestly requested to aid in making the undertaking a success.

Dr. Elliott Attends Anniversary Exercises Of Phi Beta Kappa

Dr. W. A. Elliott spent the Thanksgiving recess attending the exercises at the William and Mary College celebration of the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Phi Beta Kappa. Delegates and visitors were present from most of the one hundred and seven chapters of the society, and hundreds of invited guests also attended the ceremonies.

The principal feature of the celebration was the dedication of Memorial Hall, erected to commemorate the fifty founders of the society. One of the rooms in the hall is an accurate reproduction of the Apollo Room in the historic Raleigh Tavern, the room in which the organization of the society took place. The building, a fine example of southern colonial architecture, was paid for by contributions from Phi Beta Kappa men and women in all parts of the country. The dedicatory address was made by Dr. Henry Van Dyke. John Erhking, of Columbia University read a poem composed for the occasion.

The "Virginia Dinner," given by the college to the delegates and invited guests in the Refectory, one of the splendid new buildings of the venerable college, was another notable occasion. Dr. F. W. Shepardson, of Chicago, was toastmaster. Addresses were made by President Apderman, of the University of Virginia, President Woolley of Mount Holyoke College, and John Findley of the New York Times. Other functions filled in the time completely and gave the visitors a new appreciation of what is meant by "southern hospitality."

One of Allegheny's alumni is now on the faculty of William and Mary, Althes Hunt '14, being assistant professor of English.

The account of the celebration by the Allegheny chapter of the quarter-centennial of the society's founding will be found in another column.

WINTER SPORTS PROGRAM TO BEGIN JANUARY 8TH

INTER-CLASS AND INTER-FRATERNITY ATHLETIC EVENTS ARRANGED

Beginning with the first events of the Fourth Annual Inter-fraternity All-Around Championships on Saturday, January 8, Allegheny's winter athletic program will get underway soon after the Christmas holidays. The Inter-class Basketball series begins with the games of Saturday, January 15, and the Inter-fraternity Swimming meet takes place on Friday, January 14. The date for the first matches in the inter-fraternity volleyball series will be announced later.

The schedule of events for the All-Around Championship is as follows: Saturday, January 8—shot put, high jump, fence vault, 85 yard dash. Friday, January 14—mile run. Each fraternity may enter as many men as it desires to compete in any or all of the scheduled events, the fraternity entering the greatest number of men being awarded 15 points, the second largest 12 points, the third 10, and the fourth 8.

Any man in the college is eligible for competition, but no man may enter the final events unless he can successfully accomplish the following in one or any of the events he enters: at least 5 feet in the high jump, 30 feet in the shot put, under six minutes in the mile run, and under 12 seconds in the 85 yard dash. The fraternity winning the championship will gain possession for one year of the oak and bronze plaque which was won last year by the Non-Fraternity team. It has been won once each by Alpha Chi Rho, Beta Upsilon, and Non-Fraternity.

The annual inter-fraternity swimming meet will be held Friday, January 14, in the college pool. This meet is also open to all College men.

Next on the winter sports program is the annual Inter-class Basketball series which begins Saturday, January 15. Each team will play every other team twice. The schedule of the first day is as follows: 2:00 P. M. Seniors vs. Freshmen; 4:00 P. M. Juniors vs. Sophomores.

The bronze plaque which is offered the winners this season should stimulate the interest in the games. The Freshmen have won the championship for the past three years, and last year the plebes topped off their regular schedule with a victory over an All-Star team of the other classes.

The above listed events, together with the inter-fraternity volleyball schedule which will be announced later, fills every week from January 8 until April 6, and this means that there can be no postponements as there will be no time for the playing of postponed contests.

FIRST ALLIGATOR ISSUE SHOWS AN IMPROVEMENT

NEW SECTIONS AND BETTER DRAWINGS ADD TO APPEARANCE OF PUBLICATION

The Allegheny Alligator may now enter the humorous hall without hanging its head in shame. The first issue, which was received Wednesday before the Thanksgiving vacation, was truly a surprise to the students, and many words of commendation have been heard concerning the real humor and cartoons displayed in the publication.

The first issue, the "Rushin' Number," had a clever cover page in many colors, drawn by Jean McCrum, portraying two gay Russians. Many illustrations appear throughout the magazine in connection with jokes or amusing incidents. An interesting and amusing full-page cartoon by Paul Firden shows the many accidents and incidents in which a freshman may find himself during the first few weeks of his collegiate life. Drawings that would be capable of finding a place in any humorous publication appear under the name "Sally-Ann."

"Rushing As She Is Did" comprises a bit of true-to-life reading matter upon the subject as the various fraternity men see it. However, to make the story more realistic, the freshmen should have been sand-bagged on their first visit to the house.

The editorial page as it is written contains some interesting side lights upon school life in general. The article in which a plea is made for more support in the way of contributions to the magazine should not go unheeded.

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JUSTIFICATION

Once again this football edition makes its appearance, and once again it will be received with grunts of disapproval or it will be read with keen interest, according to whether or not the reader has a sports complex. Some readers whose sporting complex is submerged, almost to the point of oblivion, will stoutly maintain that a football edition of any college paper is a lot of nonsense and that too much importance is attached to the athletic phase of college life, but we are of the opinion that a game that can draw a hundred thousand people must have its merits in a general way.

In this particular, we believe that Allegheny's football team deserves special consideration, for today a college is recognized, to some degree, by the football team it keeps, and Allegheny is fairly well known throughout the East. This has not come about entirely because of the fact that the College was founded in 1815 or that it still places emphasis on scholarship, but it is also a result of a strong athletic program. As an advertising medium, a strong football team is hard to beat.

Our team has certainly advertised the College and the players have labored under extremely adverse playing and practicing conditions to do this. A new coach has introduced a new playing system and fashioned a green machine, and we believe in "tribute to whom tribute

we present this football edition, believing that it is up to the year's grid history and in conceding to it occupies in college life, but that it will also serve, itself, as an advertising medium and will be the means of drawing the best type of students to our campus. Large doses of athletics will do much toward getting prospective Alleghenians enrolled here, and this football issue is a contribution to that end.

A WORTHY CAUSE

At this season of "giving" to deserving societies and causes, Alleghenians and town-people are, shortly, to have the privilege of adding another worthy cause to their list. To be specific, we refer to the benefit movie that is to be given at the Park Theatre next week. The proceeds of this affair will represent the first definite move toward establishing a fund that will permit of improvements to Montgomery Field on a rather extensive scale. Next year it is hoped that funds will be available that will enable the athletic officials of the College to make arrangements so that the regular gridiron can be put in excellent condition and also to provide for an additional practice field. The proceeds from this movie will start the ball rolling in this direction.

Certainly, a team that has practiced in the mud and water for months, as this year's team has done, and then gone out and acquitted itself in a commendable manner, deserves all the help that we can give them when another season rolls around. At best, football is far from being a pink tea, and practice sessions are strenuous enough, but when we add to this the deplorable conditions under which the games were played and the daily practice staged, we wonder that the players stuck to it as they did. A great amount of this hardship would have been unnecessary if the field had had the proper draining system and playing turf that is proposed for next year. In addition to the hardship for the players and the squad of managerial competitors who also worked in the mud and rain all season, the adverse conditions of the gridiron presented serious and unnecessary handicaps in the way of the new coach who was endeavoring to present a new style of wide-open play, executed by a light team and which, therefore, necessitated a firm footing underneath the rapidly moving plays. Coach Merritt succeeded admirably in spite of this handicap, but that is no reason why he should have to put up with it again next season. Instead, we are bound to give him all the help that we can. Better grid conditions represent our contribution. Money is needed to make this possible. Next week you will have the opportunity to do your bit! Do it!

ACHIEVEMENT—A BUBBLE?

College is something more than a mere preparation for life; it is life itself, and its four year course is but a part of one's climb to success. Campus pessimists, in an attempt to propagate their doctrine, often refer to this fact as an argument in their favor. They state that success, even in the limited manner in which a college student can experience it, always bears its disillusion. It is but a desire to be recognized—a bubble which, when one has grasped it, bursts immediately in his hands. The senior positions that we coveted as freshmen have lost their attraction now that we have become seniors. This, says the pessimist, is an example of the futility of endeavor.

But, however disconcerting this experience may be, it is the very thing which presses us on to a greater success wherein we may find satisfaction and happiness. Success, after all, is but the measure of our service to society, and, as such, it cannot really disillusion the one who has attained it. Perhaps in college life the bubble that we have touched has broken, but in real life success will prove to be, not a frail bubble that bursts as soon as it is caught, but rather something of lasting and worthwhile value. Do not heed the croakings of a pessimist and become disillusioned when a bubble bursts, for eventually you will find that true success is not a bubble.

MUTUAL BENEFITS

We are glad to see that the business men and the various service clubs of the city are getting behind the drive for a better football field. Such an improvement will aid in turning out a strong team, and the team will do much to advertise the college and the city, for a winning football team is, of far more value as an advertising medium than are miles of signboards along the highways. Organizations such as the Kiwanis, Rotary, and Lions Club can give much valuable help in any drive to aid the team, and in the long run those men will be helping themselves by helping us. Cooperation now, will bring immeasurable benefits to both the college and the city in the future.

Kampus Komments

Now that the football season is over and the old, much-worn grid togs are being stored away for the winter, we are wondering whether or not the boys will have to go through another season in ragged suits which have been used for scrimmage and games for the past few years. It seems that there should be some way to obtain proper equipment for our team. It is done in other colleges of Allegheny's class and we can see no reason for Allegheny's laxness in this matter. It would be quite desirable, both to the men participating in games and students who attend games to see our team looking trim and clean in equipment set aside for games only and the old equipment used for practice alone. In due respect to the Athletic Association there ought to be something done. This, it seems, will have to be done by the students and alumni themselves for we are conscious of the limited financial backing of the Association, but regardless of who does it or how it is done, we would like to see some changes by next year.

We wonder how many Alleghenians are cognizant of the fact that Coach Merritt brought with him several new ideas as well as a new playing system for the team. The football camp at the Delt house, the idea of burning the "scrub" dummy after the last practice session of the year, and the plan of trying to arrange a short schedule of games for the second-string men next year are some of his ideas. Besides these, it was Merritt who started the idea of securing a practice field for next season, and although quite busy over the week-ends he always found time to give valuable help and suggestions to the athletic department of this paper. These ideas added to Merritt's popularity as grid mentor. Next year we hope he will be able to continue these innovations and bring us additional ones.

Now that the joyous fall party season is again with us, we see the usual rites being observed. The male element of the school employs most of its time in dashing madly in and out of the fraternity houses, assembling the various articles that go to make up a social uniform, while the fair co-eds through the beauty parlors from dawn 'til dark—and cause the S. R. O. signs to be hung out in the various barber shops, much to the disgust of the regular patrons. The latter part of the week happy caravans sally forth in the evening to some nearby tavern where the students can wrap themselves about some delectable nourishment and then trip the light fantastic to the strain of titling terpsichorean tunes. Foolishness? No! Only wholesome diversion from the claims of the class-room.

NEW CHAPTERS INSTALLED
BY PHI SIGMA IOTA SOCIETY

Phi Sigma Iota, national honorary romance language fraternity, has increased its roll by five chapters during the past week. Dr. H. W. Church, the official representative and national president of the fraternity, installed the new chapters.

Phi Sigma Iota is a purely honorary society and was established at Allegheny in 1922 with the purpose of stimulating an interest and study in Romance languages. This fraternity, with one exception, is the only organization of its kind in America, limiting its membership to advanced students who rank high scholastically. In addition to the five new chapters, the fraternity consists of Alpha chapter at Allegheny College, Beta chapter at Pennsylvania State College and Gamma chapter at Wooster College. Last spring these three chapters held the first national convention of the fraternity at Allegheny.

The five new chapters are all located in the middle West and are at the following institutions: State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa; Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa; Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Illinois; and Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin.

FORUM MEETING FRIDAY
FEATURED BY TIE DEBATE

"Resolved That Vane Should be Allowed His Seat in the Senate" was the subject of the debate which featured the regular meeting of the Philo-Franklin Forum held last Friday, December 3, in Bentley Hall. The affirmative side was upheld by Messrs. Altman and Mook, and Messrs. Jones and Smucker defended the negative side of the question. The result of the debate was a tie vote, both teams presenting excellent arguments to uphold their respective sides.

Robert Rutherford was elected into membership in the organization following a reading of the "Perfect Tribute."

PHI BETA KAPPA HOLDS
ANNUAL BANQUET MONDAY

MEMBERS CELEBRATE QUARTER-CENTENNIAL OF LOCAL CHAPTER

Approximately forty members of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society, attended the celebration of the sesqui-centennial of the local chapter at a banquet held at Cochran Hall on Monday evening, December 6, at 6:30.

The principal speaker of the evening was Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, of Chicago, who is a senator and vice-president of the united chapters of the society. He was formerly a professor on the Chicago University faculty and is now director of the Rosenwald foundation. His address was based on the topic, "The Love of Learning," and proved to be very instructive, voicing the ideal of the fraternity.

Other speakers who were included in the evening's program were Mr. Edward C. Morey of Pittsburgh, and Dr. William A. Elliott, secretary of the local chapter since June 1902. Mr. Morey, who is one of the charter members of the local chapter, spoke on "The Beginning of the Chapter." Dr. Elliott gave an interesting talk on the "Twenty-five Years of the Chapter."

MANY BOOKS PURCHASED
FOR COLLEGE LIBRARYNEW LIST INCLUDES SEVERAL
IMPORTANT HISTORY
VOLUMES

During the past three weeks eighty new books have been added to the College Library. The books deal with various subjects, and the greater number have been placed on the "New Books" tables at the left of the Librarian's desk.

In two volumes, R. L. Rusk, associate professor of English in Columbia University, has analyzed the literature of the middle western frontier. The work has to do with the literary expression of the pioneer epoch which he regards as coming to an end in 1840. He admits that those authors who wrote almost a century ago, James Hall, Timothy Flint and William D. Gallagher, have failed to create a literature of the West which should be marked both by an excellence of artistic achievement and by a distinctly western quality. However, he maintains that they did succeed in creating a body of literature invaluable for the record it contains of the growth of civilization during a unique period.

The library has also received two companion books, "The Ordeal of Civilization," by J. H. Robinson, and "The Conquest of Civilization," by James Henry Breasted. Fundamentally, both sketch the development and world-wide diffusion of our present day institutions and ideas. One of the factors that goes to make them such interesting volumes is that they are profusely illustrated, "The Ordeal of Civilization" containing over two hundred illustrations.

One of the most interesting set of books is the complete works of Eugene O'Neill, edited by himself. Mr. O'Neill is the greatest of all living playwrights in America. Several of the dramas which he has printed in these books have won the Pulitzer prizes. The set is comprised of four volumes, and in connection with these books there is a separate volume also written by Mr. O'Neill composed of his greatest dramas. His latest great work is "The Great God Brown."

Another extremely good set of books is "The American Nation," edited by A. B. Hart. The series is comprised of twenty-eight volumes, including an analytical index; each one of the volumes is written by a different author. They are essentially a history and cover every important event, every noted person, and every historical fact, that has anything to do with the making and governing of America.

COLLEGE "Y" PRESIDENT
ATTENDS CONFERENCE

Donald W. Leeper '27, president of the College Y. M. C. A., attended the state executive conference of that organization at Harrisburg on November 29 and 30, representing the colleges of Western Pennsylvania.

The conference was made up of the executives of all the city Y. M. C. A. organizations in the state, with a college student representative from eastern Pennsylvania and one from the western section. The purpose of the student representative at this conference was to attempt to secure additional training for college students in "Y" work. College Y. M. C. A. organizations have heretofore been led by men inexperienced in "Y" leadership, and yet the college Y. M. C. A. has perhaps the greatest problem to deal with. The need of trained leaders is evident, and the state organization is beginning to realize the fault and to propose methods of correction.

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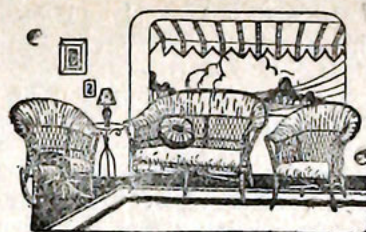
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PERSONNEL OF THE FOOTBALL SQUAD



COACH MERRITT

This season a new hand has guided the destinies of Allegheny's football team. Upon the resignation of Coach Davies last year a number of applications for the coaching position were received by the athletic authorities, but the man selected for the job was Mel Merritt. Merritt came to Allegheny from Dartmouth where he starred on the gridiron during his undergraduate days and later returned to his Alma Mater to act as assistant coach to Jesse Hawley. During his last year in that position he aided in giving the Big Green its national championship team.

Merritt made his first appearance on our campus last winter, at which time he met with the grid candidates and outlined the plan of campaign in which he was to substitute the wide-open Dartmouth playing style for the Pitt system that has been in vogue here for a period of five years. At his suggestion, a spring training camp was instituted for two weeks late last spring. Diagrams and plays were mapped out by the coach and sent here during that period, and thus by means of blackboard drills Assistant Coach Hammett was enabled to acquaint the players with the new system and at the same time indulge in conditioning practice on the field.

When regular training camp opened early this fall Merritt was on hand to take personal charge of the work. At this time he was faced with the task of fashioning a team from green material, installing a new system of play and filling the gaps left by the graduation of five regulars. To top this off, the schedule was far from easy as three class A teams were to be met. Undismayed with these odds, Merritt set about the work in a quiet and efficient manner.

All that Allegheny fans could hope for during this experimental year was an outfit that would make a fair showing until such a time as a powerful team could be built up. Under Merritt's tutelage the year's results proved to be far more pleasing than had been expected. Hampered by wet practice and playing fields, which lasted throughout the season and worked incredible hardship on the light team playing an open style of game, Merritt nevertheless succeeded in placing a team on the field for the opening game with Pitt that surprised the football world of the East by nearly defeating the mighty Panther eleven. Following this auspicious beginning, a splendid showing was made against the powerful team of New York University. In this game Merritt's men sustained injuries that accounted for their defeat at the hands of Rodger's West Virginia U. team on the following Saturday, and also served to weaken the team to the degree that Merritt was not able to place his strongest combination on the field during the remainder of the games on the schedule. Nevertheless St. Francis, Thiel, Bethany and Canisius fell before the Blue and Gold. The mighty Grove City team that defeated the strong Geneva eleven could win only by the margin of one touchdown. In the final game the Geneva team, stung by their defeat of the previous week, was held to a margin of fifteen points. Such a season's showing was highly pleasing to all Allegheny adherents and to Mel Merritt goes the credit.

As a coach, Merritt goes about his work in an efficient business-like way, striving to get the best out of the material available for each game, taking victory or defeat without any semblance of agitation, making no explanatory comments to the public, but analyzing the mistakes of each game for the benefit of the players and then setting about to prepare for the next game on the schedule. No favoritism was shown, and the man that did the best work was the man that got the chance to play. As a result of his policies Merritt enjoyed a very close touch with the men of his squad, each of whom is inspired to give his best for the coach.

BEHRHORST

Captain-elect Dave Behrhorst has been the mainstay of the line this year and his brilliant defense work stands out in every game. Dave plays a roving center and is able to get in on nearly all plays. He has a peculiar knack of intercepting forward passes, many times giving Allegheny an advantage in this way. Unlike most centers, Dave has no trouble making accurate passes. This virtue gives the backfield confidence and helps the whole team to work in a smooth manner. Dave is, without doubt, one of the most valuable men on Coach Merritt's squad, and he will be an able leader in the strenuous campaign next year.

SLAVEN

Although Charley is just completing his second year on the team, he has already gained the reputation of being one of the best ends ever to wear the Blue and Gold. Even last year, his freshman year, he was chosen on many mythical Tri-State Championship teams. His defensive, as well as his offensive work, is always superb and it is a rare occasion when an opposing back gains around his end. Charley is fast and aggressive and is particularly adept in getting down the field under punts. His deadly tackles are features of many games. The Blue and Gold is fortunate in having him back for next year.

HUGHES

"Coonie" was a fixture at the left end position all year, making way for Hudson only in the Canisius game when a good punter was needed. Hughes always has to give weight to his opponent, but what he lacks in this respect he makes up in aggressiveness. Last year "Coonie" was one of the three linemen to score touchdowns; this season he came through again, picked up a blocked kick and running for the only score against Grove City. Hughes is not quite as speedy as some of his team-mates but he plays a heady game and can usually be counted upon to slow down the enemy offense.

WALESKI

"Wally" is a little fellow, but he is a true triple-threat man, being a fast, shifty runner, an excellent passer, and a punter of no mean ability. Spectators often wonder where the mite quarterback gets his kicking power, for he usually averages about fifty yards on his punts. Even in the West Virginia game, when the team was taking a bad beating Wally's kicking stood out. West Virginia critics stated that he was one of the snappiest little quarterbacks they had ever seen.

BILLINGS

An injury to Buck Wolz last year gave Aubrey a chance to show his wares. He performed quite well then, and this year clinched a regular guard position. His work was not of the spectacular sort, but he was in the game fighting all the time. It was he who broke through in the Grove City game and blocked the punt that Hughes turned into a touchdown. He is just a sophomore and should prove himself a great lineman in the next two years.

GILLIS

In his first year of football at Allegheny, Gillis established himself as one of Merritt's most valuable backfield stars. He played a stellar brand of football in the Pitt game, but was injured in the New York University game receiving several injuries. Back in play again in the Grove City game he showed that as a broken field runner he excels. He was the high point scorer of the team—scoring four touchdowns during the course of the season. Being only a sophomore, much is expected from him in the next two campaigns.

BRENDDEL

"Bobo" was a first string fullback this season, in his second year of competition. Filling the shoes of Art Dahl was almost an impossibility, but Brenddel made a very creditable showing at his position. He hits the line hard and is very fast on his feet. After the New York game, Chick Meehan, the New Yorker's coach, stated that Brenddel was the best defensive fullback he had seen for years. "Bobo" was injured in the New York University game and was out of the next three games for that reason.

COBER

Jim is an earnest, hardworking young man who deserves much credit for what he has accomplished since joining the squad. Lacking experience at the time of his arrival, Jim nevertheless plugged away for his first two seasons and finally won his letter during this season. His work at either of the terminal positions has improved to the point that he will probably be a regular starter next season.

BEACH

Alvin was the biggest man on the team, but his weight was no handicap to him. He played in fine shape this season and proved himself a very capable lineman.

ANNA

Big Bill certainly had some tough luck this fall. He was unfortunate enough to injure his ankle in training camp, and it never was completely healed at any time during the season. Even with this handicap, he was at his position on the line in nearly every game and deserves a great deal of credit for his pluckiness.

E. DAVIS

Gene is a clever halfback. He is very fast and his speed and shiftness in running were noticeable in every game. Although his work is not spectacular, he plays a strong, consistent game and is almost assured of his place on the team next year.

MOON

Al subbed on the line last year, but under the Merritt regime he was shifted to fullback and on several occasions has played a heady game at quarterback. As Moon came to Allegheny without previous football experience, what he has already accomplished leads those who know to predict big things for him in the next two years. Al had an early season fault of fumbling, but since that fault has been remedied his work has shown much improvement. Al Moon is big and aggressive and he will be very much in evidence next year.

MALONEY

Maloney filled in well on Coach Merritt's heavy backfield and showed up to an advantage in every game in which he played. He is a good ball-toter, but his best work is on the defense.

D. WHITE

Dothard White, the 220-pound freshman, stepped right out and won a varsity berth his first year. White fitted very nicely into Merritt's combination, doing the kicking-off as well as playing a tackle position. His work, though somewhat ragged early in the season, was vastly improved in the last few games. Although White is heavy, he is much faster than most men of his weight. Such a combination of speed and weight is hard to beat, and there is every indication that he will be at one of the tackle positions next year.

HUDSON

"Huddle" came to Allegheny from California Normal along with Gillis, and showed that he has a great deal of football ability. He made himself known as a good punter in the first day at camp and as such he is hard to beat. He played for most of the season on the heavy backfield, but in the last few games was changed to the end position, showing up fine in both positions. He is to be back next fall and has to be considered when the varsity is picked.

HEPLER

Hardy is another frosh who showed up exceptionally well this fall. Not much was heard of him at the first of the season, but as game after game was played he became better known. Deserved are his honors, for as an open field runner he is one of the best on the squad and he is also dependable as a safety man. Hepler had hard luck this year, breaking his collar bone in the Canisius game, but next year Hardy will be back fighting for a regular berth.

GIBSON

"Gibby" was on the squad last year, but wasn't quite able to make the grade for a varsity berth. This year he showed up well in early practice and began the season as varsity guard. His work was quite satisfactory, both on offensive and defensive plays. He worked quite efficiently in Merritt's system of guards dropping back and forming interference, and it will take a clever player to dislodge him from a guard position next season.

BLACKBURN

"Blackie" seems to be the original hard-luck man. He was kept out of most of last year's games by a serious knee injury. This season he came back and made a strong bid for a regular backfield position, starting the Pitt game as a member of the heavy backfield. In the New York game, however, he sustained a badly sprained ankle which kept him out of the game the rest of the season. "Blackie" is a big boy, weighing 185, and it will be hard to keep him on the bench next year.

C. DAVIS

After roaming about at tackle, center and end for one campaign, this husky boy from Norwin High got a chance to clinch a varsity berth at tackle. He made the best of the opportunity, showing up quite well while Capt. Kinnunen was injured. His play is not of the sensational type, but he makes his presence known to the opposing team. He will make a strong bid for the team again next season.

MCKAY

"Mac" is another of Merritt's proteges who is developing nicely and next season his weight and improved playing will enable him to make a strong bid for a terminal position.

WHISTNER

"Pete" was one of the most promising freshmen on the squad, starting several of the most important games at left end. Unfortunately, he was forced to leave school before the season was over, but it is hoped that he will return next year. He is fast and alert and with a little experience should develop into a fine player.

LUSK

Lusk is another freshman who showed up well. He is a very good end, but during the past season he was not able to break into many games due to the stellar playing of Hughes and Slaven. Lusk is one of the fastest men on the squad and will bear watching next year.

C. BEHRHORST

"Kip," the younger of the Behrhorst brothers, showed good possibilities in the quarterback position. He is not as big as his brother, Dave, but he has the same fighting qualities. "Kip" was third-string quarterback this season, but he will give the regulars a run for the berth next year. He is a freshman, and he has three more years with the team.

MILLER

Lloyd proved himself a capable center, although he had little chance to break into the game with Dave Behrhorst playing so splendidly.

N. KINNUNEN

Niles, in his first year here, deserves a great deal of credit for his splendid work at end. Subbing for either Slaven or Hughes he kept his end well defended, and he fitted in well with the rest of the line.

ALLEGHENY GRIDDEES

(Continued from page 3)

West Virginia on October 9, no less than nine regulars were out of the lineup. The team, thus weakened and worn out by the extended period of traveling that it had experienced, fell victims by a 54-0 score. Costly fumbles played an important part in the game, several being turned into touchdowns. The Mountaineers followed the ball closely and took advantage of all the breaks.

Allegheny opened her home season on October 16, by meeting Bethany at Erie. The team, having recovered from their defeat of the previous Saturday, came back and staged a fine game, defeating the Green and White by a 14-7 count. Slaven turned a Bethany miscue into a touchdown in the opening minutes of the game when he gathered up a bad pass which was too high for the Bethany backfield and ran 25 yards for the first score of the game. On a pretty forward pass, Fiers of Bethany escaped all Blue and Gold tacklers and ran over fifty yards for the touchdown which tied the score. Allegheny was not disheartened, however, and in the final period Hepler wormed his way for over 20 yards to the goal line to bring the victory to the Merritt-men.

By the time of the St. Francis game on Montgomery field the next Saturday, Allegheny had recovered all their old time form, and consequently they romped through the Catholics at will, and were victors by a 34-0 count. The Allegheny goal line was never threatened throughout the game, and the victory showed the real power which lay in the Blue and Gold team. Allegheny relied mainly on straight football in this game, the heavy condition of the field making forward passing impossible.

October 30, marked the date of the biggest game on the Allegheny schedule—the Grove City contest. The Crimson was undoubtedly the stronger team of the two, but the wonderful fighting spirit which the Blue and Gold displayed enabled them to keep the score down to 14-7. This Home-Coming Day contest was played on a field ankle deep in mud which was a great handicap to both teams. In the first half Grove City shoved over one touchdown after they had marched down the field on straight football, and were completely outplaying the Blue and Gold. However, it was a different Allegheny team which appeared for the second half. Grove City received the ball on the kick-off, but could do nothing and their attempt to punt was blocked and turned into a touchdown when an Allegheny man recovered the ball. Waleski was good for the extra point and the score was tied. However, the combined driving power of Rosenberg and Cribbs of the Crimson could not be denied, and before the game ended Grove City had again crossed the goal line, although every foot of the way was bitterly contested.

Thiel, at Greenville, was Allegheny's next victim. The Blue and Gold upheld tradition in not allowing Thiel to score, while they pushed across only one touchdown and were 6-0 victors. At times, Thiel threatened to score, taking the ball to the six yard line on one occasion, but the Allegheny defense was too strong and the ball was lost on downs. It was in this game that Coach Merritt commenced his ex-

C. WHITE

Charlie is a fullback of no mean ability and excels in finding holes in the line and plunging through for nice gains. His work in all the games in which he played was consistent and much is expected from him next year.

BEALS

Beals, a sophomore, is one of the hardest tacklers on the squad and the team felt his absence when he was laid off with a broken ankle, sustained in the St. Francis game. Next year he should prove to be one of the mainstays in the team's defensive play.

JACKSON

This former Meadville High product broke into several games this season and is capable of playing either at tackle or at center. He is a very hard worker and next year he will have a good chance for a regular position on the line.

ROWLINGSON

Don is a quiet, hard working chap who was handicapped by being injured in the latter part of the season. He played in several games at quarter.

LETTER MEN

In the football campaign recently terminated fourteen players and the Student Manager won the varsity letter for this sport. These men were: Captain Martin Kinnunen, Charles Slaven, Braden Hughes, Dothard White, Aubrey Billings, James Cober, David Behrhorst, Alvin Beach, Edward Waleski, Mancell Gillis, Allen Moon, Ray Hudson, Lloyd Brendel and Student-Manager Richard Helmstadter.

permenting, and several changes in the lineup were noted.

Canisius was Allegheny's last opponent on Montgomery field for the season. Although Canisius showed considerable strength, they could not match the Allegheny play and were defeated 12-0. Forward passes played an important part in the game—being responsible for both of Allegheny's scores.

Geneva, on November 20, furnished Allegheny's opposition in the last game of the year, and the Covenanters were victorious 15-0. The Beaver Falls machine has been exceptionally strong all season, defeating Harvard and suffering only two defeats this year. Geneva scored a touchdown and a safety in the first half, and although they managed to score another touchdown in the opening minutes of the second half, Allegheny outplayed them towards the close of the game.

Student Delegation
May Study Conditions
In Russia Next Year

Recent reports brought back from Russia by the Student Delegation and the delegation led by Sherwood Eddy have so stimulated further interest in conditions there that a large student delegation to Russia next summer is being planned. The commission which was in Russia this past summer was composed of eight students from Columbia, Barnard, University of Indiana, University of Michigan, University of Pittsburgh, Brockwood, Labor College and the New York School of Social Work. These students reported that the Soviet Government is anxious to have American students visit their country and bring back an unbiased account of existing conditions there.

The Student Council of New York has appointed a committee to initiate the formation of such a delegation. The delegation will be limited to a carefully selected representative group of undergraduates, graduate students, and recent graduates who are vitally interested in the Soviet social and political experiment. Student organizations are urged to send delegates. The delegation, on its return from Russia, will endeavor to enlighten both student and public opinion by an unbiased, impartial report of what has been observed.

All college organizations are invited to send representatives to an Organization Conference to be held Friday, December 26, in New York City at Columbia University. At this conference a tentative national committee will be formed and all interested students who come to New York for the Thanksgiving vacation will be asked to co-operate with the committee in making plans and in the work of the various sub-committees which will also be formed. These students will also be asked to report the results of the conference to their prospective college organizations and so stimulate national wide interest in the delegation to Russia.

The entire student body at the University of Washington threatens to strike in protest to a recent effort to depose the president who has acted in that capacity for the last fourteen years.



CAPTAIN KINNUNEN

The graduation of Capt. Marty Kinnunen will leave a hole in the line that will not easily be filled. Marty has spent four years on the Allegheny varsity, alternating between tackle and guard. At the conclusion of the 1925 season Kinnunen was elected captain of this year's team. Many realized even then that the team was to be under capable leadership and everything turned out as expected, for the Blue and Gold has not had a more popular or more competent leader than Kinnunen in recent years. Marty took Fred Parnell's place at tackle last year, but this season he began at guard. In the second game of the year Kinnunen suffered a severe knee injury. His leg was in a cast for three weeks, but immediately upon recovering he again took up his place in the line, this time at tackle. His work during the remainder of the season was outstanding. He is undoubtedly one of the most aggressive tacklers Allegheny has ever had. On the offense, in particular, his play is superb. His fine charging often opens great holes in the opposing line and enables the Blue and Gold backs to reel off gains. Not only has Marty been successful in football, but he has also maintained a good scholastic average and because of his fine character, he has become one of the most popular men on the campus. Marty has aptly been termed "The Fighting Gentleman".

GRADUATE MANAGER S. S.
TOWNSEND

Allegheny's rapid rise in athletics began when "Towny" took up the reins as Graduate Manager of Athletics. Attached to his position are many thankless jobs and much criticism, but it is a fact that Allegheny has never enjoyed as powerful athletic teams as it has since Mr. Townsend took up his work here. "Towny" is kept busy all year long with the innumerable particulars which he must attend to in connection with Allegheny's athletic teams. He was a star on the Blue and Gold team during the years of '13, '14, and '15. After he was graduated he went to the Monessen, Pa., High School as head coach where he turned out two championship teams. Mr. Townsend has been at Allegheny the past five years.

Director of Athletics Hammett

With many years of experience and a thorough knowledge of football, the services of Coach Hammett are indispensable. As a scout he ranks with the best and was an invaluable aid to Coach Merritt in molding together a fighting team. His pep and enthusiasm both on and off the field make him well liked by the players. Coach Hammett's most important work is with the line while Coach Merritt handles the backfield. Coach Hammett has been at Allegheny since 1913, and much credit goes to him for the success of athletics on "the hill".

Student Manager Helmstadter

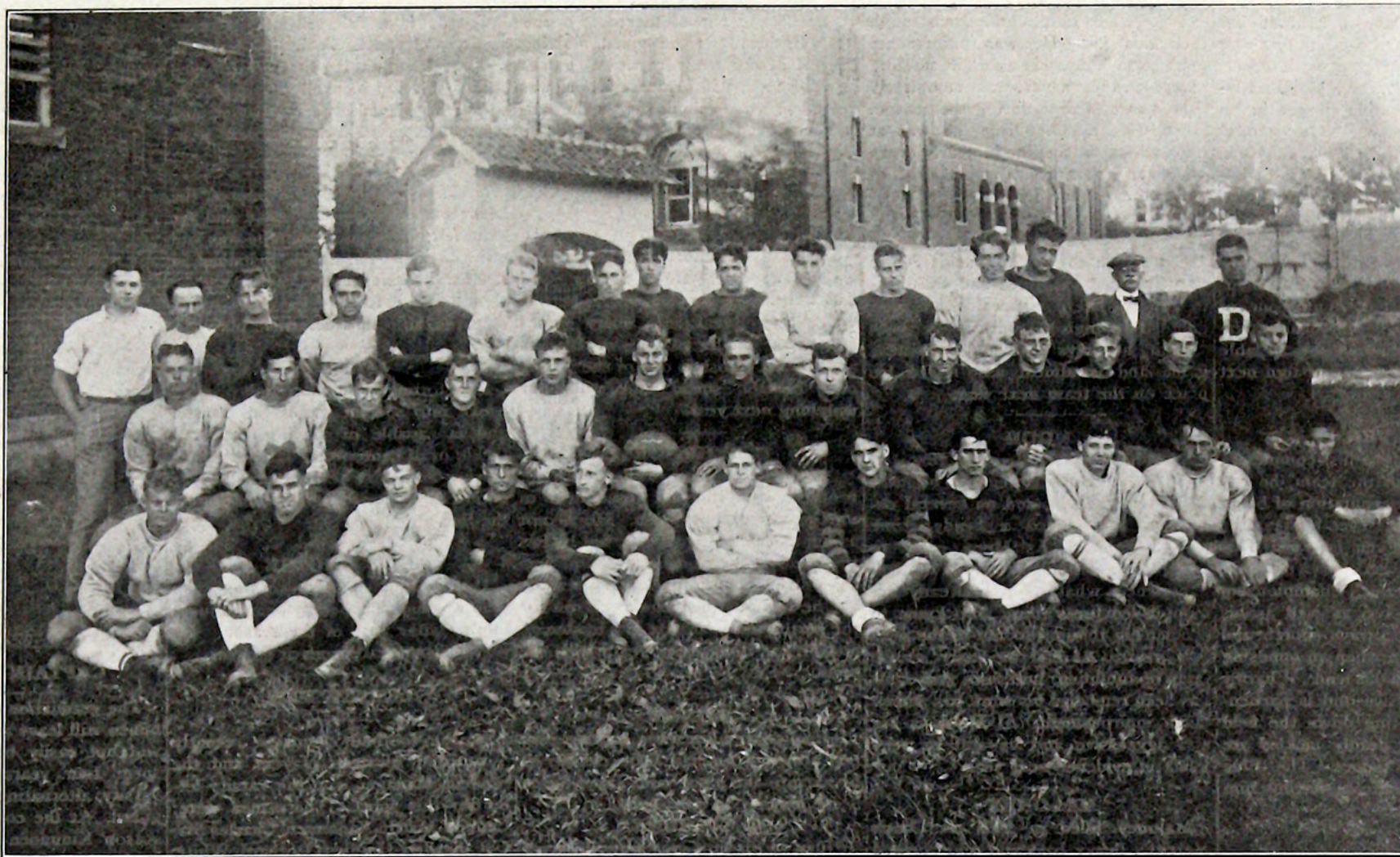
"Dick" deserves a great deal of credit for the way in which he managed the team this fall. All the many duties which were in his hands were fulfilled to the best of his ability. His work for three years has been commendable and he is worthy of his share of credit for the success of the team.

ASSISTANT MANAGER

Assistant Manager Leffingwell and the sophomore competitors did their respective work in fine shape this fall, and a great deal of credit is due to those men who worked most of the time in the rain and mud.

The University of Kansas has a Bureau of Recommendations to help its graduates obtain positions. During the past year this board has helped one hundred-sixteen former students, sixty-nine of whom were graduated in 1926.

1926 FOOTBALL SQUAD



TOP ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: Student Manager Helmstadter, Trainer Earl Krotzer, Riddell, K. Behrhorst, Beibel, Cober, Maloney, Hughes, Miller, Herrick, Lusk, Barco, Beach, Director of Athletics Hammett, Coach Mel Merritt.
SECOND ROW: Rowlingson, Slaven, Brendel, Blackburn, C. Davis, M. Kinnunen, D. Behrhorst, Anna, Gibson, Billings, Hudson, E. Davis, Gillis.
THIRD ROW: N. Kinnunen, D. White, Jackson, Moon, Waleski, Hepler, Whistner, McGill, McKay, C. White, Ifft.

ALLEGHENY GRIDDEES COMPLETE PLEASING FOOTBALL SEASON

Only Four Games Won But Squad Shows Promise Under New Coach

With the Geneva game came the close of one of the most strenuous football seasons that an Allegheny team has ever experienced. The season may properly be termed a success, although five of the nine games are on the wrong side of the ledger. During this fall Allegheny has met some of the strongest teams in this section of the country, and has made a very commendable showing against them all.

When the football camp opened, the first of September, at Montgomery Field, the squad was composed for the most part of green players with very few of last year's men registered. Behrhorst and Captain Kinnunen being the only two regulars to return. Also, the squad was confronted with a new coach and a new system. Melvin Merritt, former Dartmouth star, took charge of the coaching department and quickly won the respect of the team because of its ability and his sportsmanship.

The new Dartmouth system that Merritt innovated has been very successful and was a source of worry to Allegheny's opponents all season. This system calls for speed and accuracy, and was entirely new to all the players. By the time that the season opened, however, it had been mastered and was being beautifully executed, considering the inexperience of the players. Coach Merritt succeeded in instilling a wonderful fighting spirit and a great deal of confidence into the team, which was responsible, at least in part, for the splendid showing that they made against far stronger and greatly superior teams.

The season produced no outstanding stars in the Allegheny lineup. Every man played his position well, and all functioned together to produce a smooth working team. The regular backfield was exceptionally light and fast. Waleski, Gillis, Davis and Brendel composed the pony quartet, while Hepler, C. White, Moon, Hudson, Maloney, Blackburn and Rowlingson were also used at times in the backfield. On the line, Behrhorst, Slaven, Beals, Hughes, Gibson, D. White and Captain Kinnunen were outstanding. Injuries and several scholastic deficiencies kept the team in a weakened condition throughout most of the season, but Coach Merritt made the best possible use of his material, experimenting considerably with an eye toward future teams.

In the first game of the season which took place in the Pitt stadium on September 25, Allegheny made a wonderful showing, only to lose to the Panthers by a 9-7 score. The Merritt men were somewhat stage-struck during the first half, but came back and outplayed their opponents during the closing periods, and only an unfortunate safety robbed them of a tie. Pitt pushed across one touchdown in the first half, but before the third quarter was very old Allegheny had tied the score, and it was a nip and tuck

battle from there on except for the break which gave Pitt the victory. This game awakened the sporting world to the possibilities which lay in the Allegheny team, and it brought the Blue and Gold to the front.

The following Saturday the team traveled to New York to meet one of the strongest teams in the East, the griddees of New York University. There Allegheny played the best game of the season, holding Chick Meehan's powerful eleven to two touchdowns. In the first part of the game, the Blue and Gold completely outplayed the Gothamites, taking the ball to the 7 yard line where inexperience cost them a touchdown. The 13-0 score is indicative of the splendid showing that the Merritt-men made against a team that was only defeated once all season.

The New York game left the team badly crippled by injuries. When the Blue and Gold took the field against

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CROSS COUNTRY TEAM HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

TWO OF THREE MEETS WON—ALL MEN TO RETURN NEXT YEAR

Allegheny's cross-country team enjoyed a successful season this year, although only three meets were run. Sixteen men responded to the call for candidates and most of them remained out for the team all season. With Captain Bentley and Ellis as a nucleus, a strong combination was quickly formed with Wycoff, Dreibelis, Isenberg, Needham, and Riddle completing the team.

Grove City's harriers were defeated in the first meet of the season which was held prior to the football game on October 30. The count was 21-34, Evans, a Grove City runner winning the race, but Allegheny captured second, third, fourth and fifth places, decisively winning the meet. The following week the team traveled to Greenville and defeated the Thiel team by a 19-36 score. In this meet, Bentley and Wycoff tied for first place, leading the field by a quarter of a mile.

In the final meet of the year the team was the victim of Geneva's championship outfit, losing 21-34. The Geneva team went through the entire season without a defeat, but admitted that they were hardest pressed to defeat the Blue and Gold runners. Lockley and Irons of Geneva led Wycoff to the tape, and were closely followed by Kenst and Bentley, the latter another Allegheny man. With the entire team back next season, Allegheny's cross country prospects are indeed bright. Two of the men on the team this year were juniors, while the remainder were freshmen.

PRETENTIOUS GRID CARD ARRANGED FOR NEXT YEAR

THREE MAJOR TEAMS BOOKED ON WELL BALANCED SCHEDULE

Allegheny's football schedule for next season is a heavy one, but it is a well arranged and well balanced card of nine games, five of which are to be played at home. Two new opponents, Alfred and St. Bonaventure, will be met in the first two games of the season which opens September 24. Also, after an absence of a year, Westminster again appears on the Allegheny schedule.

Games with three major college eleven have been booked for next season. Dartmouth is to be met at Hanover on October 8. The fact that Allegheny was given this game shows the respect that is held at Dartmouth for Coach Merritt, a graduate of that institution. This game will undoubtedly provide a severe test for Allegheny, but the Blue and Gold will, without a doubt, offer plenty of opposition to the Green.

The University of Pittsburgh has been scheduled for a game in the Pitt Stadium on October 29. As a result of the splendid showing made in New York this year the Blue and Gold will return there again next season for another game with Chick Meehan's New York U. eleven. This game is scheduled for November 19, and will close the season for Allegheny.

Along with these strong opponents, Allegheny will be called upon to meet her regular opponents from the Tri-state district. Westminster, Geneva and Thiel will be met at home, and the Grove City game will take place in Grove City. In addition to the regular schedule, Coach Merritt hopes to arrange a number of games for his second string men.

It is felt that Allegheny will have a team next year that will fulfill the schedule in a very commendable manner. With the exception of Marty Kinnunen, all of this year's team will be back. This will give Allegheny an experienced outfit, and a team that has learned to work harmoniously together. Merritt will again coach the team, and his knowledge of the ability of his players which he acquired this year should greatly aid him in moulding together a powerful combination. Allegheny's prospects for a successful season next year are indeed quite bright, and a winning team is anticipated.

The complete card for next year is as follows:
Sept. 24—Alfred at Meadville.
Oct. 1—St. Bonaventure at Meadville.
Oct. 8—Dartmouth at Hanover.
Oct. 15—Westminster at Meadville.
Oct. 22—Grove City at Grove City.
Oct. 29—Pitt at Pittsburgh.
Nov. 5—Thiel at Meadville.
Nov. 12—Geneva at Meadville.
Nov. 19—New York U. at New York.

Individual and Team Scoring			
	Touchdowns	Goals	Total
Gillis	4	0	24
Davis	3	0	18
Waleski	1	7	13
Slaven	1	1	7
Hughes	1	0	6
Hepler	1	0	6
Maloney	1	0	6
Allegheny	80		
Opponents	112		

COACH BAKER TAKES CHARGE OF LARGE BASKETBALL SQUAD

With Many Veterans Back Outlook Is Bright—Hard Schedule To Be Faced

Preparation for Allegheny's strenuous basketball campaign began in earnest with the arrival of Coach Baker on December 1. He was greeted by a squad of more than forty players which included many men from last year's team. Coach Baker's task this season should not be an extremely hard one, for veteran material is plentiful and many members of the freshman class are showing much promise. After two days of strenuous practice, the squad was split into two divisions of about twenty players each, the first division reporting at 3 o'clock for practice and the second group at 4 o'clock. Coach C. E. Hammett is also continuing his basketball class which meets three times a week and is assisting Coach Baker in handling the main squads. Practice will continue each afternoon until the Christmas vacation and at that time it is

likely that a squad of about 15 men will be invited to return to school before the expiration of the holiday recess in order to prepare for the opening game of the season on January 3.

Not in recent years has the outlook for a successful team been so bright as it is this season, and followers of the Blue and Gold's court activities are anticipating a most profitable season. With the exception of Charles Yengst and Clair Cossman, all the lettermen from last season are again available. Among the veterans are to be found Captain Rhodes, Bill McClurg, Cy Hartman, Charlie Slaven, Al Cibula and Joe Thompson, while there are a number of others who performed proficiently with the squad last season and are again ready for duty.

Among the other men left from last year's squad are to be found Al Moon, a center, Leon Wescott and Wendell Blackburn, guards, and Coonie Hughes and Ed Waleski, both forwards. All of these men are experienced and capable performers in the cage sport. Don Rowlingson, a guard, will not be able to report for several weeks because of an injury he received during the football season. Among the new men, Bair and Myers come here with the most prestige. Bair was an all-scholastic guard at Turtle Creek High, and Myers starred at Bellefont Academy.

COMPLETE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

FIRST GAME OF SEASON TO BE PLAYED HERE ON JANUARY THIRD

One of the finest schedules and one of the hardest ever attempted by a Blue and Gold basketball team has been arranged for this season. Fifteen games have been carded, eight of which are to be played at home. The season will be opened by a home game with Adrian College of Adrian, Michigan, on January 3. This team is to be remembered for the fine demonstration it gave here two years ago, when it was nosed out by the Alleghenians after a thrilling contest. In addition to the traditional sectional rivals—Grove City, Geneva, Thiel, and Westminster, the Allegheny passers will be called upon to play two games each with Pitt, West Virginia, and W. and J. These schools will undoubtedly have strong quintets, and Allegheny must extend itself to the utmost if a good showing is to be made. Last year Pitt defeated the Blue and Gold 34-16, while they split even with West Virginia and W. and J. The season will be closed on March 5, when Pitt is to be met on the Allegheny court.

The Schedule:
Jan. 3—Adrian, here.
Jan. 6—At Pitt.
Jan. 11—At W. & J.
Jan. 12—At West Virginia.
Jan. 14—Geneva, here.
Jan. 19—At Westminster.
Jan. 21—Grove City, here.
Feb. 5—At Thiel.
Feb. 8—Westminster, here.
Feb. 10—Thiel, here.
Feb. 12—W. & J., here.
Feb. 19—West Virginia, here.
Feb. 25—At Geneva.
Mar. 4—At Grove City.
Mar. 5—Pitt, here.

VARSITY DEBATERS MEET WITH FACULTY COMMITTEE

The two varsity debate teams met yesterday afternoon with the faculty committee on oratory and debate and submitted their respective cases for approval. They will meet with the committee again just before the Christmas recess and immediately after the vacation will begin to write their constructive speeches.

Although the triangular meet with Wooster and Oberlin to be held on March 3, is the only one thus far scheduled, negotiations are under way to schedule other debates with Ohio and Pennsylvania colleges and it is expected that a dual debate will be arranged previous to the Wooster-Oberlin debate. The question which will be argued in the inter-collegiate debates is: Resolved, That the United States Should Cancel Its Inter-Allied Debts. The affirmative team consists of Messrs. Bruce L. Middaugh, Alan Christner, Robert Kirkpatrick and William Wycoff, alternate, while Messrs. J. Hicks Baldwin, Edgar Deissler, Robert Corbett and John Lindsey, alternate, compose the negative.

The faculty committee in charge of oratory and debate this year is composed of Dr. S. S. Swartley, chairman, and Professors Hovde, McClean, Smith, Schruers and Lalley.

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THIS AND THAT IN ALLEGHENY ATHLETICS

IT'S CATCHING

Well, folks, This and That has succumbed at last to the All-Star fever which sweeps over the country at the close of each football season, and at the suggestion of the Athletic Editor your columnist has agreed to add our mythical team to the columns. Since the Author is unknown, the Athletic Editor is freed from the complaints and razzing that always falls upon the author of a mythical team. You can howl as long as you wish and yet you won't know who you are condemning.

MAY WE PRESENT THEN—

This and That's selection of an Opponents (Allegheny opponents, of course) All-Star team. You will notice that we are not including any Blue and Gold players on the line-up, because it is strictly an All-Opponents team. Here it is—it will appear in pieces, but if you wish to use up some of your odd moments you can assemble the names and write them down in regular box score style. Then you can frame it, deposit it in the waste basket or submit it to Grantland Rice, Chet Smith, "Johnny," or who have you?

THE ENDS

One of these was easy enough to pick—Cal Hubbard of Geneva, but finding another to pair with the big fellow from Beaver Falls was quite a job. However, after considerable deliberation, Guarino, of Pitt, was chosen. Hubbard was practically the whole Geneva team. In our humble opinion, defensively and offensively he was one of the country's best ends this season—put him down for left end. Guarino is a smooth terminal man on the offensive and far from slow when Pitt's opponents have the ball, and he will take care of the right end job in good style.

AT THE TACKLES ARE—

Lassman, of N. Y. U., and Pflug, of Grove City. Try and improve on those selections. The big Meehan-coached lineman is the pick of practically every man on the Allegheny team for the position, as well as the choice of most sports writers on All-American and All-Eastern elevens. And this fellow Pflug is the main offensive and defensive cog (if you permit our humble opinion, again) in a great Crimson line this year. Add to that his value as a kicker, and we fail to see how you can keep him off any mythical Tri-State outfit. Put these two players beside Hubbard and Guarino and you'll have little trouble at either end of your line.

OUR GUARDS

You'll have to choose another Grove City man here, also. But why not? The Crimson eleven this fall was good enough to give any in the country a good battle, and as a matter of fact, we were almost tempted to make our job easy by placing the entire Grove City team on this mythical eleven. Gibson is nearly a perfect guard in all departments of line play, even better than Skudin, our other selection, a N. Y. U. player who has been chosen on several All-Eastern teams.

LIBRARY RECEIVED A LARGE
SELECTION OF MODERN
BOOKS RECENTLY

Several new books, which have been received by the College Library during the past two weeks, have been labeled and are now at the command of the students. Placards, calling attention to these books, have been placed on the doors and above the cases in the main reading room where the books have been placed temporarily. This lot of books, the largest that has been received for some time, covers a diversified field of subjects.

At Kansas City Junior College, the Collegian, was suppressed and the staff dissolved because it protested the action of the faculty to control student activities.

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FOR SNAPPER-BACK

We nominate Price, Bethany center, a comparatively unnoticed, but a finished player whose work against Allegheny was about the only redeeming feature of the Bethany team, excepting Neal's long run after an intercepted pass. Price fit in very well on this powerful line, as well or better than Cutler, Latham, McConnell, or any of a number of good centers who played against the Blue and Gold this season.

WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE—

The following backfield playing together against any team in the country—if they wouldn't run, kick, pass, and plunge with the best backs in the country, we miss our guess a mile. Take a look at them! At quarterback there is a big Ed Morrison from the West Virginia team, unequalled on the defence and a steady, reliable offensive player; Strong, of N. Y. U., and Fleinikin of Geneva, at the halves, a pair of backs who would worry any opposing defense continually, both being genuine triple-threat men, and the fullback is none other than Bill Cribbs, captain of Charley Bowser's team and one of the best all-round backfield men ever to appear on Montgomery Field. Not a single team could stop him this year, Hubbard and Company not excepted.

WE PICK ONLY ONE TEAM,
BUT—

Here are the substitutes. They comprise about the best outfit of scrubs any coach could want and they would beat the varsity eleven about half the time.

Ends—Vassia (Thiel) and Weidman (Grove City); Tackles—Sweet (Grove City) and Maglesleau (Geneva); guards—Linn (Pitt) and McHenry (West Virginia); center—Cutler (Pitt); quarterback—Schackren (Geneva); halves—Hagan (Pitt) and Rosenberg (Grove City); fullback—Patterson (Thiel).

CAPTAIN CRIBBS

As tribute to one of the finest football players in the game this season, Bill Cribbs of Grove City, is unanimously elected to the captaincy of our team. Besides being a fighting, hard hitting player, he is a captain who can always get the best out of his team.

MORE HUMOR

Once more you will note how much pleasure fans get from selecting All-Star and All-American teams. Even the humorous magazines have now taken up this popular diversion from the regular routine, and we submit the following two of the five teams from College Humor's All-American Football Honor Roll for 1926, selected by Joseph C. Godfrey, Jr.

All-American All-Automobile Eleven; Nash, L. E., Georgia; Packard, L. T., Williams; Miller, L. G., Amherst; Holmes, C., Alabama; Nash, R. G., Occidental; Ford, R. T., Northwestern; Studebaker, R. E., Missouri; Royce, Q. B., Butler; Paige, L. H. B., St. Lawrence; Ford, R. H. B., Lehigh; Star, F. B., Kansas.

All-American 1927 Movie Football Team. Walker, L. E., Amherst; Stewart, L. T., Harvard; Nilson, L. G., Bates; Taylor, C., DePauw; Joyce, R. G., Loyola; Lee, R. T., N. Dakota; Young, R. E., Iowa; Rogers, L. H. B., Pennsylvania; O'Brien, Q. B., Boston U.; Griffith, R. H. B., Northwestern; Chavlin, F. B., Florida.

SEVERAL CONCERTS TO
BE ARRANGED FOR BAND

With a concert trip and several appearances in nearby towns in view, the College Band is holding regular rehearsals twice a week on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Arrangements are now being made to hold concerts at Linesville, Cochranton and Guys Mills immediately following the Christmas holidays. The programs for these concerts will not be composed entirely of band numbers, but will also contain entertainment by various members of the band.

A concert trip is contemplated early in the second semester which, it is hoped, will include three of the following cities: Warren, Dunkirk, North East, Westfield, Fredonia, Buffalo and Corry. New music is being obtained for these concerts, and a new and varied program is anticipated.

Something new in punishment for insubordination of freshmen is introduced at the University of Southern California. If a frosh is caught breaking any of the numerous traditions of the campus, the "Trojan Knights" paint his nose with indigo ink. When an upperclassman sees this, he or she is privileged to yell "button." The freshman at this, lets fall anything he is holding and puts his left hand on his head and his right upon the small of his back and makes a profound bow.

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