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## MEN'S WEEK MEETINGS PROVE A DECIDED SUCCESS

### Faculty Speakers Bring Vital Messages on the "Fundamentals"

The fifth annual Men's Week program, which took place last week, was an unqualified success, and all unite in affirming that it was the best ever held. Certain it is that never within the present college generation has the entire student body seemed so imbued with a spirit of Christian thought, and in many ways the influence of the soul-stirring addresses was manifested. When it was first announced that it had been found impossible to secure a leader from outside of Meadville, some little disappointment was evidenced, but the concensus of opinion now is that the messages of the faculty members, approaching the same objective point from different angles, made the meetings far more convincing than they would have been had they consisted of the thoughts of a single man. An air of expectation was lent to the occasion by the fact that the names of the speakers for the respective meetings were not announced in advance, and there was always considerable speculation as to which of the professors would conduct the services. The attendance from start to finish was good, unusually good, and the Y. M. C. A. room in Cochran Hall was packed to the doors on every evening. It is believed that practically every man in college was present at at least two of the meetings, and the overwhelming majority were attendants at the entire series.

The general subject for the week was "Fundamentals," and the plan was to attempt to gain a deeper insight into the great fundamentals of Christian life and religion. Three services were held each day, an address being given at each chapel hour by a faculty member, a five-minute prayer meeting being hel din the Oratory each day at 12:30 with a member of the Y. M. C. A. as leader, and another address by a faculty member in the Y. M. C. A. room at 6:45 p. m. At the same time regular meetings were held in the Y. W. C. A. rooms of Hulings Hall with Miss Burner as leader. All of the professors gave up several hours of each day to conferences with the students on various matters of religion and problems of life-work. It is noteworthy that nearly every student in school had one of these interviews during the week.

The first meeting, on Monday evening, was led by Dr. Cobern who spoke about "God," the first of the "fundamental topics" of the week. The talk dwelt on the infiniteness and power of God and His omnipotence in human lives. As in all of Dr. Cobern's talks, it was not the text but the talk itself that remained in his hearers' minds.

President Crawford conducted the chapel service on Tuesday morning, and told in a general way "The Purpose of Men's Week." He stated that there was no desire to change anyone's religious faith, but that the purpose was to bring to each student the fundamentals of faith. This college has always been largely orthodox, and there have been many great speeches delivered here against liberalism. This week there should be a re-examination of our faith in the Unseen, and we should find out how strong it is and what tests it will stand. How much does Christ mean to us in personal relationship? There must be a deeper insight into the things that are worth while. We must have an intelligent faith. We should get out of our littleness and narrowness, and find out what is going on around us. There is a social opportunity presented to everyone.

The five-minute prayer meeting, held in the Oratory on Tuesday, was led by E. W. Hickman, '16.

The Tuesday evening meeting was led by Dr. Darling. Special music was rendered by a quartet composed of F. H. Sanner, '16, A. M. Shenefelt, '17, L. J. Dundon, '16, and E. V. Askey, '17. Dr. Darling's subject was "Sin," and he first gave the dictionary definition of "sin": a transgression of God's laws. The tissues of plants will dry and wither if placed in alcohol, and the same thing is true of the tissues of man. This especially affects the nerve tissues and germ cells, and so the effect is passed down to posterity. The penalty for the transgression of nature's laws must be paid. There is a certain regenerative power of the body if the laws are not transgressed too much. Thus a drunkard may reform and regain his powers. Provisions are made in the body for the cure of various diseases, as the furnishing of an antitoxin at the time of a disease, thus curing the transgression of laws. God's laws apply to the mental or spiritual as well as the physical. There will be a forgiveness for true reform.

In closing the meeting, President Crawford said that while individual theories and beliefs might influence us, there was no escape from the hard, cold facts as presented by a scientist.

Dr. Cobern used the text: "Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee," in his talk in chapel Wednesday morning. It is thought that is the important part of the Bible, not the words. The Hebrews cared little for exactness. It is not necessary that things be done by miracles to be divine. The writers of the Bible had gotten in touch with God.

L. H. McKay, '16, conducted the noon meeting.

Dr. Elliot was the evening speaker Everyone has to admit three facts, Self, God and Sin. Man without God equals degeneracy. Man in the wrong relation to God equals Sin. The question is, How to come into the right relation? We all have a desire to be conventional. There is a temptation to state our experiences in the terms of someone else. We should lay aside our personal feelings for the moment and come back to the words of the Gospels. Language has become trite, and so, less definite. "Repent ye, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand," said Christ. Repent may mean "be sorry" or "think differently." The change of mind may come gradually or suddenly. It may be accomplished by feeling, or may be a cold, scientific process. Another word linked with "repent" is "be converted." Since the verb is passive we stop to wait for something to be done to us. We are expecting something to come to us, when all we need to do is to change our mind in certain respects. Jesus preached a new attitude of men. He offered to put new life into men, not to give more education. He preached a selfless life, instead of a selfish life. Until we have accepted the new viewpoint we are not ready for the new life. A person is not to fight his way back to God alone. Location is not as important as attitude.

Miss Burner, who conducted the meetings for the young ladies, spoke in chapel on Thursday, using as her theme The Lord's Prayer. We say the Lord's Prayer every day without giving thought to the meaning of the

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### CALENDAR.

**Today—**
**6:45 p. m.**
**Y. M. C. A. in Cochran.**
**Y. W. C. A. in Hulings.**
**8:00 p. m.**
**Senior-Junior debate in Chapel.**
**Thursday—**
**4:00 p. m.**
**Forum in Philo-Franklin Hall in Bentley.**
**Friday—**
**5:00 p. m.**
**Beginning of Christmas recess.**

## Debating Work in Full Swing

### SOPHOMORES WIN FROM FRESHMEN—'VARSITY TEAMS ANNOUNCED.

The Sophomores broke what has almost come to be considered a college tradition when they defeated the Freshmen in debate on Wednesday evening. The subject was the 'varsity question: "Resolved, That the United States should not materially increase her army and navy."

The Freshmen had the affirmative side, and they supported their proposition with three points: first, that war is improbable; second, that if war should come we are adequately prepared to meet it; and third, that the policy of the negative would lead to excessive armament, which would be contrary to the ideals and interests of the United States. J. G. Megirt took up the first point, J. N. Peiros the second, and R. P. Howell the third.

On the Sophomore side J. E. Isherwood spoke first and advanced two points: That there is a possibility and probability of war, and that adequate armament tends to promote peace. Then J. G. Castle took up the inadequacy of the Navy; and H. L. Castle, the inadequacy of the Army.

The decision was unanimously in favor of the Sophomores.

The judges were Dr. Snavely, Dr. Smith and Professor Ward.

The try-outs for the 'varsity debating teams resulted in the selection of the following men: W. J. Armstrong, '16, H. L. Castle, '18, W. A. Ellis, '16, R. F. Kahle, '17, G. G. Witter, '17, D. D. Zuver, '17, and R. P. Howell, '19, and L. D. Kepner, '16, alternates. The men will be divided into two teams.

For two years past, three teams have been chosen, but it was devided this year to pick only two, and let each team debate several times. The smaller number of men chosen will have the effect also of strengthening the teams.

The men who have been selected to represent Allgheny have with two exceptions had 'varsity experience. Ellis has been on the team for two years, having spoken against Rochester both times. Kahle has also had two years on the team, having appeared against Rochester and Wooster. Last year Witter was a speaker on the team which defeated Pitt. Armstrong has ben two years as a 'varsity man and one year as alternate. Zuver was an alternate in his Freshman year. Kepner was a regular speaker against Rochester last year. Castle has been on his class team for two years, and Howell spoke on his class team this year. The team appears to be the best balanced one that has been chosen for at least three or four years. The judges who made the selection were Dr. Darling, Professor Ross, and Dr. Swartley.

Pitt has dropped out of the Triangular League, but the debate with Wooster will be held as usual. Arrangements for a debate against Rochester have been nearly completed, and it is possible that W. and J. will be on the schedule. The effort is being made to give each team an opportunity to appear several times, as it is recognized as a poor policy and an injustice to the men on the teams, to ask them to work for two or three months in order to appear in one debate.

The Junior-Senior debate is scheduled for tomorrow evening in the Chapel. The question will be the one selected for the 'varsity teams. L. H. McKay, R. N. Kendall and C. H. Stevenson, with R. A. Blasdell as alternate, have been elected to represent the Seniors, while L. C. Drake, D. D. Zuver, R. L. Yost and D. C. Longanecker (alternate) will uphold the honor of the Class of 1917. The judges will be Professors Henke, Ling and Lockwood.

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Frederick Palmer, '93, gave a short address to all of the French students of the college in the French room last Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

## FREDERICK PALMER, '93, THE GUEST OF THE COLLEGE

### BACHELOR'S DEGREE CONFERRED ON GREAT CORRESPONDENT

On Friday morning, Mr. Palmer was presented with his Bachelor of Arts diploma by President Crawford. The degree was conferred upon him last June, but Mr. Palmer was unable to be present at the exercises, as he was then in the trenches in Europe. The President was eloquent in his praise of the great correspondent's services, and in expressing the pride of the college in his success. Assisted by Prof. Ross, he conferred upon him the diploma, using the prescribed form of presentation. Mr. Palmer gracefully thanked the President, Faculty, and Trustees for the honor which they had conferred upon him. He then spoke to the entire assembly, telling about his experiences since leaving Allegheny. Although the address was humorous and in a light vein, there was some very deep meaning and valuable advice hidden beneath the cheery raillery. His remarks were in brief as follows:

"I have never in my life shot at or killed any human being, although I have been in ten wars. I have shared the hardships of the soldiers and have been under fire many times, but always as an observer. Many a time when in the trenches, the soldiers have offered to lend me a rifle to try a shot, or the gunners have invited me to pull the lanyard of a big gun, but I have never fired at a human being.

"My first war was the Graeco-Turkish war. I rushed to Athens as the representative of a New York paper. That was in the old smoke powder days, and the scenes I saw were much like those of our own Civil War. There was a great difference between the war of those days and the war of today. I remember some of us went to a Greek general one day and said: 'Do you know that the Turks are working their way around your flank?' And he replied: 'Is that right? I must look into that matter.' A book which I wrote on the war attracted the attention of the newspaper editors.

"From Greece I went to Alaska, and from Alaska to the Philippines, where I saw our own soldiers at work in the early campaigns. Then came the great cruise of our navy around the world, and I went with Admiral Evans. Admiral Evans is a man who was never appreciated as he should have been, when in active service. He is a great man of commanding personality.

"Then I went with the Allied Armies to Pekin. Here I saw for the first time how the different nations fought. Then after that I went through Siberia to St. Petersburg on a trip around the world. I saw the great war between Russia and Japan, the first great war I had ever seen. It was here that the Germans learned the importance of the artillery, which has been such a powerful factor in the present war. From the Russo-Japanese war, I went to Central America, and then to the Balkans. And then I went with the American fleet from Hampton Roads to San Francisco. And all of this time I was writing. I had been writing ever since I was in Allegheny.

"Finally I took a long trip through Mexico and Central America. I wrote a novel, calling it 'The Last Shot'—a rather serious novel, some people thought, in which I pictured conditions much as they are in the present war. Then I went to Europe as the representative of the Associated Press, and was allowed to go to the front as the accredited representative of the press of the United States.

"There is no particular merit about what I have done except for three things: I have always tried to help others when I was able to do so. I have always tried to write well and clearly, so that people might know the truth. And I have kept on working, and working. I think the last is the best of all.

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### COURT HOUSE FILLED TO HEAR LECTURE ON THE WAR

Before an audience which filled the large courtroom of the county building last Friday night, under the auspices of the Modern Problems Club, Mr. Frederick Palmer, '93, lectured for two and one-half hours on his experiences in the Great War. So vital was the subject upon which Mr. Palmer spoke, so interesting the stories and description he gave, so real and vivid the pictures which were thrown upon the screen, that not one of the large audience left before the conclusion of the address.

Mr. Palmer spoke in an easy, conversational manner, and yet could be clearly heard in all parts of the room. His familiarity with the methods employed in modern warfare, and with the conditions on the battle front was so evident that every word was followed with the closest interest.

Both still and moving pictures were shown. The stereopticon pictures were mostly taken from photographs secured by officers at the front. A great many of these were displayed on the screen, giving pictures of all parts of the war zone. One photo, which was probably the best of all, was a snapshot of British soldiers resisting a German charge. In the foreground were a number of Britons, lying in shallow trenches and firing with their rifles. At one side of the picture, coming over a little rise of ground not fifty feet away, was a charging, German infantryman. The photograph was awarded a gold medal abroad, as being the best picture of actual fighting ever taken. Excellent photographs were shown of the prominent figures in the allied armies, of trenches, barbed-wire entanglements before and after bombardments, ruined villages, the great British fleet, scenes in Galliopoli and Egypt. The moving pictures were the famous French General Staff Pictures, taken under the supervision of the French war leaders. The visit of King George of England to the troops in the field, accompanied by the Prince of Wales; the great review of thousands of French troops of all branches of the service, under the eye of the King and the President of France; the military leaders, Joffre, Kitchener, French and Foche; the flight of the aeroplanes and the firing of the great guns, were shown. Before the eyes of the audience the huge "Jack Johnson" shells exploded with terrible force, throwing up great clouds of smoke, earth and debris; the splendid Algerian cavalry swept across the sands, and exhibited their horsemanship; and best of all, a number of soldiers, so far in advance as to appear as mere dots, charged into a great wall of smoke, made by exploding shells, to capture a trench. Every phase of war was displayed from the cooking of the food, and the care of the wounded, to the decoration of gallant soldiers for deeds of valor, and the fighting in the trenches.

Mr. Palmer began his lecture by gracefully acknowledging the kind words and commendation of President Crawford, who introduced him. He spoke of his college life and of the twenty years of writing which he has

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### THE MANAGER EXPLAINS.

**The issuing of a six-page paper during the Christmas rush at the printer's has necessitated the one-day delay in distributing The Campus.**

**The manager desires to call subscribers' attention to the fact that this edition is the last for the year 1915.**

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**The Baseball Decision.**

After nearly two years of discussion, the question of discontinuing base ball as an intercollegiate sport at Allegheny, has at last come to a head, and the voice of the student body, as registered in the vote of Friday morning, has clearly indicated that the wisdom of the movement has been realized. From the first "The Campus" has been the foremost organ in agitating the change, not from a spirit of criticism of one of the institutions of the college, but rather from a desire to abandon an organization which instead of gaining glory for the Gold and Blue, was detracting honor from the records made by the foot ball and basket ball teams. Although the inefficiency of the base ball team was previously a subject of much conversation, the first direct expression of a remedy for the condition was made by Paul W. Johnston, '14, in a "Campus" editorial in May, 1914. Since that time several manifestations of the sentiment have been made in this column, until now the student body has realized the only means of egress from the situation, and has, at its own initiative, paved the way for a new era in spring athletics.

The benefits accruing to track from the abolition of base ball have been too often enumerated to require repetition, but it is certain that from now on this branch of sport should be on a plane with foot ball and basket ball, not alone in the minds of the students, but in the opinion held of Allegheny in the outside world.

But by discontinuing intercollegiate base ball does not imply that the national game will no longer be played at Allegheny, for the series of interclass and interfraternity contests planned should be productive of far more enthusiasm than the one-sided 'varsity games of former years, and at the same time will permit every man in school to play, rather than the favored few of the past.

Time alone will tell how the recently adopted change will work out, but it is the widespread belief that it will not only place the track team in an enviable position in the intercollegiate world, but will make base ball at Allegheny, interclass and interfraternity, a source of enjoyment rather than humiliation. R. E. H.

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The regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. was held on Wednesday evening in Cochran Hall. The Reverend Mr. Lauderbaugh, of the First Baptist Church, spoke to the men. His theme was the effect that an understanding of and a belief in the "Fundamentals" should have upon life and action. His point was that while a right belief is essential, it is not sufficient, but should be made a basis for two things: a purification of life, and a dedication of service.

**The Visit of Frederick Palmer.**

The visit of Frederick Palmer to his college home, short though it was, is an event which will be held long in the memories of all of the present college generation. The return of such a man as he, a man recognized throughout the civilized world as at the top of his profession, to the scene of his student activities is an inspiring occasion, and it was very noticeable from the way in which he spoke of his school days of twenty years ago that the true Allegheny spirit had never left him during his long career of adventures, vicissitudes and honors. The two occasions on which the student body had an opportunity of hearing the great correspondent were memorable affairs. It is an indusputable fact that his lecture presented the European struggle and the methods of modern warfare more graphically and realistically than a myriad of newspaper articles could do, while his talk in chapel gave an insight into his rise from the role of a humble reporter to the position of the world's most famous war scribe. But one other incident which should endear Mr. Palmer to the student mind even more was his generous act of donating his entire share of the proceeds of the lecture to the Modern Problems Club. It is this deed which clearly shows his veneration for Alma Mater, and brings him closer to the student, coupling with his world-wide fame to make him a man in whom Allegheny may well take pride.

R. E. H.

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## COACH HAMMETT'S REPORT OF FRESHMAN EXAMINATION

The physical examination of the Freshman class reveals some interesting facts. The tallest man measures 6 ft., 3 in. in his stocking feet; the smallest, 5 ft., 2 in. The heaviest man weighs 176 lbs.; the lightest 108. The greatest chest expansion is 5 in.; the smallest 1½. (The average chest expansion for adults is 2⅞ in.) The greatest lung capacity is 340 cu. in.; the lowest 175. (Average for a man 5 ft., 7 in. is 225. Add or subtract 8 cu. in. for each inch of height more or less.) The average normal heart rate for the class is 72. The vital statistics of the class are remarkably good. A very large percentage of the men came to college in good physical condition with a history of clean, healthful living behind them. Most of them have gained in weight during the fall season, the greatest individual gain being 12 lbs. Ninety per cent. were fitted for the active fall sports, foot ball, basket ball and cross country running. Ten men were, for various reasons, instructed not to engage in them, but were assigned special exercises suited to their particular needs. Two members of the class made the 'varsity foot ball team—Harbaugh and Byers. Five made the second eleven—Hauch, Heckman, C. J. Smith, Baldwin and Kofoed. Five others played more or less during the season.

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## RULES FOR WAKEFIELD CONTEST.

The rules govering the Wakefield Oratorical Contest have been formulated by the Oratorical Association. They are as follows:

1. The Wakefield Oratorical Contest will be held on the evening of February 3rd in the Chapel.
2. Three typewritten copies of each oration must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Oratorical Association by January 13th.
3. Men from the Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes are eligible for the contest.
4. Each oration must not take more than ten minutes to deliver.
5. If more orations are submitted than can be conveniently delivered in one evening, the committee reserves the right to have a board of judges choose from the written copies the more desirable orations. In such a case only the orations so chosen will be delivered.

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Alpha Chi Omega gave her members a most enjoyable Christmas party Saturday evening consisting of a dinner, followed by a Christmas tree in her rooms. The alumnae who were present were the Misses Louise Chase, '10, and Sarah Van Hoesen, '11, of Meadville, and the Misses Edith Askey, '15, and Ethel Gealy, '15, of Oil City.

## REV. MR. LAUDERBAUGH LEADS.

Rev. Mr. Lauderbaugh, of the Baptist Church, last Wednesday evening gave in the Y. M. C. A. rooms in Cochran Hall an interesting and practical talk on the subject, "What Your Faith Should Produce in Your Life."

He spoke first of the subject of Fundamentals and the great necessity of having an understanding of the Fundamentals in order to live a succesful Christian life. Also that a thorough understanding of them should be obtained by those who intend entering the the ministry or other Christian work.

The second part of the talk dealt with Faith and how we should be benefited by it, and not only to have Faith but to be benefited in our daily lives We should also not think of God just as the head of our Faith but should think of Him as our father, who is willing to forgive our sins and make us sons of God.

The fact that Faith has a decided effect on your life is not doubted, but a very good sentence was brought forth and explained that would make a good motto to follow in leading the Christian life. It can be applied to all lives for we all have great opportunity to improve in order to make our lives of a greater benefit to ourselves and to others. The motto is, "Make yourself just a little better."

It was clearly and forcibly explained by comparing the purity of the Christian life to the purity of the model which we have to follow, which is in Christ. The comparison was also made between the color of a washing placed against a background of snow, so that the great difference could be seen.

So that it would be a good plan for us to give our lives to the betterment of others, and make our motto "Just a little better." There are three great points which are associated closely with the Faith: first, the knowledge of sin; second, the forgiveness and the benefit that the Christian life is to us and our associates.

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## HULINGS HALL.

Mr. Joseph A. McLain, of Fredericktown, visited his daughter, Miss Helen E. McLain, last week.

The Girls' Bible Study Classes met as usual Wednesday evening at 6:45 There was a good attendance at the classes.

The active members of Alpha Chi Omega entertained their pledges Saturday evening in their fraternity rooms at a prettily appointed Christmas dinner. The rooms were decorated with pine, holly, and a beautifully trimmed Christmas tree which was lighted throughout the dinner.

Miss Miriam Dodd, of Conneautville, was the week-end guest of Miss Lucile Richard, '19, of Meadville.

The regular Sunday evening meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was led by Miss Mildred Hazen, '17. This meeting was the Christmas meeting of the year and the leader chose as her subject, "The Spirit of Christmas." She left with us the thoughts that we should worship our Master by bringing our white gifts, offering Him our joys, sorrows, our sincere worship with our hearts, ideals and aspirations, and with our great love and sacrifice. And as Christmas draws near that we might be filled with the spirit of love and joy and with the wish to share our happiness with others and gain on this day a determination to follow the star of our highest ideals and to find the King.

The following girls were week-end guests at the Hall: Miss Margaret Simpson, '15, of New Brighton, Pa., the guest of her sister, Miss Gertrude Simpson, '18; Miss Edith Askey, '15, of Oil City, the guest of Miss Georgia Roberts, '16; Miss Rachel Cleveland, ex.-'17, of Erie, the guest of Miss Mary Flahaven, '17; and Miss Ethel Gealy, '15, of Oil City, the guest of Miss Marguerite Beatty, '16.

Miss Esther Averill, '19, was pledged to Kappa Alpha Theta on Saturday evening.

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## BACHELOR'S DEGREE CONFERRED.

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"I think I can bring you a little from abroad. Just because a foreigner wears a different kind of clothes than you do, or looks or acts as you do not, don't think that he is necessarily wrong. We appear just as strange to the foreigners. Let us respect their institutions.

"I think I would be the last person here to depend on genius for success. There is no genius except hard work. It isn't just having knowledge stored away in your mind that is of value. It is having it where you can use it. The best thing you can have is a cold, balanced, poised mind, and a warm heart. It is a good thing not to have all of your goods on the counter. Keep a little back, keep poised.

"Never lose your public spirit. Over in those densely populated, closely concentrated European countries, you find today an intense love of country, a love that has survived through centuries of wars and of adjustments. We can take our lesson from them. As you look around you at the green hills and fields—that is what you may some day have to fight for. Live for your country. That is public spirit."

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## MEN'S WEEK MEETINGS.

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words. The God who is behind the workings of the solar system is the one we dare to call "Our Father." We rush into the presence of God without a thought of what we are saying. Most of us pray in the first person singular, but there is not a first person singular in the Lord's Prayer. How much do we show of the holiness of God in our daily life? Some look upon the Kingdom as something to come in the future, but it is gradually coming now upon all of us. The Kingdom needs to come to America. His Will is not being done on Earth as in Heaven. Can a person pray for that without doing anything for it? We emphasize the daily bread for ourselves when thousands around us do not have enough to eat. Do you dare to ask to be forgiven as you forgive? God gave us wills and minds and yet we wonder why God does not keep us out of temptation. We must put up a fight for ourselves. The power is ours if we take it.

F. D. Gealy, '16, conducted the noon meeting on Thursday.

Dr. Henke was the chapel speaker on Friday. He first described several incidents from his travels which he considered especially wonderful. There is something more wonderful than all these: Man, who is behind all these things. Man represents the apex of the process of development. Man has never yet exhausted his hidden resources. Most of us are skimming along the surfaces, and have not yet dived down to discover the hidden possibilities. At this time the men and women of Allegheny College are invited to dive down and discover the things at the bottom of their natures. The object of philosophy is to get as comprehensive a view of the world order and social order as possible. Did God make man or did man make God? We can trace the evolution of religion from its earliest form. By tracing these developments some think that man has made God rather than that God has made man. The world is a developing organism, and this development gives manifestations of intelligence, purpose and direction, which point to an intelligence back of it—God. Three principles have been back of the development of civilization: God, Immortality, and freedom of the human soul. These are manifestations of the Unseen Power in whose hands we are.

On Friday evening, the last of the meetings in the Y. M. C. A. room, President Crawford led. He first reviewed the work of the week, and showed how the program had been carried out. Christians understand the fundamentals—God, Sin, Conversion, and Prayer, but the problem is how they shall make them a part of themselves. Then, using the parable of the prodigal son as an example, the answers to the problem were given. The word which first answers the problem is "decision." Next comes "declaration." If these things take hold of us right we will have to talk about it. After the declaration comes the conversion to Christian life. There are three problems for every man to solve: God, Immortality and Duty.

Dr. Smith spoke in chapel on Saturday morning. Christianity is faith in God and the life of Christ. If our culture is without character, the result is barren. By character we mean life and spirit. The Christianity of today finds itself in a new environment There is a new doctrine of spiritual truth. There is a conservation of human resources as well as natural resources. There is an extension of moral values. A confession of faith for today is summed up in the word—service. Social service is a well-recognized vocation of the life of today. Social service in the large sense shall be the thought that whatever the work, it is done in the service of fellowmen. The concept of social service brings us a new standard. We have thought we would go out to a world governed by competition. The missionary is a conspicuous example of the spirit of social service. There are three phases of social ministration: industry, government, and voluntary associations, as church and other forms of philanthropic work. The State has been gradually taking over the work of social service. In social service there is a call louder than in other fields, and there is a promise of work accomplished. The call is particularly for the college man, who has the scientific spirit of wanting to know. First there must come a knowledge of conditions, and then the spirit to meet these conditions. The inspiration for all this service comes from Christ Himself. We must remember that all the social work must be Christianized.

(N. B.—Owing to the amount of space required for the special foot ball write-ups in last week's issue, it was necessary to publish the above article one week late.)

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## BOWLING TOURNAMENT UNDER WAY.

Last Thursday evening the first series of the annual bowling tournament was rolled off on the Cochran Hall alleys, the Phi Delts and Cochran Hall being the performers. The Phi Delts won all three games of the series but the margin was not so large as to make it uninteresting.

**The Score.**

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| Phi Delts— | | | |
| Bright | 89 | 104 | 114 |
| Tarr | 118 | 99 | 102 |
| Peckham | 116 | 102 | 91 |
| Leaf | 86 | 110 | 123 |
| Smith | 89 | 102 | 102 |
| Totals | 498 | 517 | 537 |
| **Cochran Hall.** | | | |
| Amon | 98 | 115 | 86 |
| Bryer | 114 | 89 | 81 |
| Bowers | 91 | 78 | 89 |
| Witter | 118 | 108 | 104 |
| Dewey | 76 | 98 | 96 |
| Totals | 496 | 478 | 456 |

The complete schedule is as follows:

Dec. 9—Phi Delts vs. Cochran Hall.
Dec. 16—Sigs vs. Phi Gams.
Jan. 7—Delts vs. Phi Psis.
Jan. 11—Phi Gams vs. Alpha Chis.
Jan. 13—Sigs vs. Commons Club.
Jan. 14—Cochran Hall vs. Delts.
Feb. 3—Phi Psis vs. Chi Rho.
Feb. 8—Phi Delts vs. Sigs.
Feb. 10—Commons Club vs. Cochran Hall.
Feb. 15—Delts vs. Alpha Chis.
Feb. 17—Phi Delts vs. Phi Gam.
Feb. 18—Phi Psis vs. Cochran Hall.
Feb. 24—Delts vs. Sigs.
Feb. 25—Phi Psis vs. Phi Delts.
Feb. 29—Commons Club vs. Phi Gams.
March 2—Cochran Hall vs. Sigs.
Mar. 7—Phi Gams vs. Tau Delts.
Mar. 9—Commons Club vs. Phi Delts.
Mar. 10—Sigs vs. Phi Psis.
Mar. 14—Cochran Hall vs. Chi Rhos.
Mar. 16—Commons Club vs. Tau Delts.
Mar. 17—Phi Delts vs. Chi Rhos.
Mar. 21—Phi Psis vs. Commons Club.
Mar. 23—Phi Gams vs. Cochran Hall.
Mar. 24—Phi Delts vs. Tau Delts.
Mar. 28—Sigs vs. Chi Rhos.
Mar. 30—Phi Gams vs. Phi Psis.
Mar. 31—Chi Rhos vs. Commons Club.

**Present Standing.**

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| Phi Delta Theta | 1.000 |
| Cochran Hall | 0.000 |

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## BASE BALL NO LONGER TO BE AN INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORT

At the assembly hour on Friday morning, the members of the Athletic Association voted to abolish intercollegiate base ball at Allegheny for this year. The vote was taken as the result of agitation which has been going on for several years. The proposal to drop base ball received the approval of the coach and the majority of the Athletic Board. The present manager of base ball spoke in favor of abolishing the sport for this year.

Leo McKay, '16, the President of the Athletic Association, presided at the meeting. He stated the purpose of the assembly, and called for a thorough discussion before any motions were made. A. G. Curry, '16, moved that base ball be dropped. G. G. Witter, '17, A. F. Munhall, '16, and M. W. Frishkorn, '17, base ball manager, all spoke in favor of the motion.

The motion to drop base ball was carried by an overwhelming majority.

The reasons for the action were the lack of the necessary financial support for the game, the lack of interest in the intercollegiate sport by the students, the need of better support for track athletics, and the inability of the college to maintain a strong team, due partly to the short season and partly to the policy of the college of giving no financial remuneration of any kind to athletes for their services.

The action of the Association means that more money will be spent on the track team, and more meets scheduled. This should give a strong impetus to that sport and strengthen the team greatly.

Although the motion called for the dropping of base ball for one year, there is little possibility of the game being re-established as a 'varsity sport for some years. The inter-fraternity games will be continued, however, and in all probability a series of class games will be arranged.

Ladies' Scarfs with Caps to match at Veiths'.

## WITH THE CLUBS.

**Le Petit Salon.**

On Monday evening at 5 o'clock Dr. Snavely gave an illustrated lecture in the chapel, the affair being under the auspices of Le Petit Salon. His topic was "France and the War Situation." The slides which Dr. Snavely had were very interesting. He showed views of the generals, the scenes of battle, the trenches, the cathdrals and monuments which have been destroyed by this reckless carnage. Dr. Snavely said that to him such destruction was of little importance in comparison with the suffeirng of the wounded soldiers and the poor starving women and children. The talk and pictures gave a new insight into the French situation and both proved to be very interesting.

**Classical Club.**

A regular meeting of the Classical Club was held on Tuesday evening in the Library. Four new members were elected: Miss Elizabeth Best, '16, Miss Ethel Hudson, '16, Miss Lois Foster, '16, and Miss Margaret Smith, '16.

The program was in charge of R. A. Blasdell, '16, and F. H. Sanner, '16. The subject was "Greek Comedy." Mr. Blasdell read a paper on the nature of Greek comedy. Then F. H. Bacon, '17, discussed the stage settings and costumes of the Greek comedies. Mr. Sanner concluded the program with a review of "The Birds," one of the comedies of Aristophanes. In the open discussion, Dr. Elliott pointed out that the motives used by Aristophanes are the same as those used by modern playwrights and that many of our jokes were used in his plays.

**German Club.**

The Tuesday evening meeting of German Club proved exceptionally interesting. The meeting was held in Wilcox Hall and the program consisted of a stereopticon lecture by Dr. Mulfinger. By means of his views and his vivid descriptions, Dr. Mulfinger took his hearers through Rotenburg, that city which is the dream of all cities. He showed and described some of the characteristic avenues of the city and some of the wonderfully beautiful churches, altars and public buildings. Before leaving his subject, he gave just a glimpse into the history and development of that wonderful city. The names proposed and accepted for membership in the club were: the Misses Helen Kulp, '17, Elizabeth Hendershot, '17, Helen Cole, '16, and Bessie Preston, '17, J. G. Castle, '18, L. C. Strong, '17, B. E. Nelson, '16, and G. E. Engstrom, '18.

**Philo-Franklin Forum.**

The Forum held its regular meeting on Thursday afternoon in Philo-Franklin Hall. The subject for debate was: "Resolved, that military training should be required in our colleges." The affirmative was upheld by G. E. Hirst, '19, and E. M. Wilkinson, '19; the negative by F. S. Laffer, '19, and J. Trumpeter, '19. The decision was given in favor of the affirmative.

Professor Swartley made some helpful criticisms on the debate and on the debating in general. He urged faithful attendance at Forum for the remainder of the year, for while the class debaters have been chosen, and the 'varsity trials are over, there is no immediate incentive, it is the practice in Forum for the remainder of the year that will help to make next year's team.

Ten minutes were given to the study of parliamentary law. No drill was held, but after a little more familiarity with the laws is gained there will be regular practice in parliamentary procedure.

The subject for debate next week is: "Resolved, That the adoption of the league plan is the most effective way to avoid war." The debaters are: affirmative, J. B. Rusterholtz, '19, and G. D. Patterson, '19; negative, C. F. Richmond, '19, and G. S. Norton, '19.

Ladies' Buster Brown Hose at Veiths', 25c.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

Among the new books recently added to the library are:

"The Sea Kings of Crete," by Baikie, and "The Higher Aspects of Greek Religion," by Farnell—bought for the Department of Greek.

"Helladian Vistas," by Guinn—presented by the author.

"Belgium, Neutral and Loyal," by Waxweiter—presented by the author.

"The Ethiopic Liturgy," by Mercer—presented by the Western Theological Seminary.

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# Musical Club Season Opens Favorably

### THREE SUCCESSFUL CONCERTS GIVEN LAST WEEK.

(Held over from last week)

**The Greenville Concert.**

Before a large and appreciative audience, the Glee and Mandolin Clubs gave their initial concert of the year in the Opera House in Greenville last night. The continued and enthusiastic applause with which the efforts of the clubs were met, and the many expressions of appreciation at the close of the concert, left no doubt of the success of the evening. The program was completed without confusion or interruption of any kind, the singing was excellent, and the performance had a "finish" that has not generally been shown in the first night.

The program, in variety and originality, was the best that has been presented by the clubs in recent years. It was planned by Leader W. L. Scott, '16, who is largely responsible for its success.

The singing of the Glee Club was a big improvement over that of recent years. The club was smaller, better trained and appeared perfectly at ease. The "War Song," by Max Bruch, sung by L. J. Dundon, '16, and the Glee Club, was particularly effective. The song, itself, is beautifully written both in words and music. It was sung with a spirit that produced a fine effect. Two Shakesperean numbers, "O, Mistress Mine," (words from "Twelfth Night") and "It Was a Lover and His Lass," (words from "As You Like It") were well sung by the club, and were appreciated by the audience. The glees were all well selected, and all received a hearty response from the listeners.

The Mandolin Club, under the leadership of C. E. McKinney, '17, made a decided "hit." Because of the character of the music which was played, the members were mentioned on the program as the "Ragpickers." A number of good popular selections were rendered with life and energy, and with an irresistible "swing."

The singing of the choruses of the songs by the ragpickers themselves added greatly to the effect.

The audience was much pleased with the work of the quartette, consisting of Sanner, '16, Scott, '16, Dundon, '16, and Miller, '17. Hickman, '16, gave several good readings, and the work of Ellis, '16, as accompanist, was excellent.

The second part of the program kept the house in a roar of laughter and applause. It was in the nature of a minstrel show, the scene being laid in a student's room. The entire part was perfectly worked out, and produced no end of merriment.

The program as given in Greenville follows:

Part I.

1. Opening Song.
   College Song.
   Glee Club.
2. War Song.....Max Bruch
   (From the "Cross of Fire")
   L. J. Dundon
   accompanied by Glee Club.
3. Alabama Jubilee.
   When Old Bill Bailey Played the Ukalele.
   The Ragpickers.
4. The Coppah Moon .....
   .....Harry Rowe Shelley
   Quartette.
5. Selected Reading.
   E. W. Hickman.
6. Shakesperean Numbers.
   Glee Club.
   a. O, Mistress Mine (Music by Barratt.) Words from "Twelfth Night"—Act II, Scene III.
   b. It Was a Lover and His Lass (Music by Barrett.) Words from "As You Like It."—Act V, Scene III.
7. Down in Bom-Bombay.
   It's Moonlight on the Rhine.
   The Ragpickers.
8. Selected Number.
   Quartette.
9. Song of the Northmen.....
   ..... N. Fredenberg
   (From "Ekkehard" by Scheffel.) English version by Henry G. Chapman.
   Glee Club.

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The Garbage Man ..... "Scotty"
The Professor ..... "Fritz" Sanner

Balladers and solo-ers:
"Kid" Kramer, "Bob" Tuttle and "Red" Dundon.

**The Corry Concert.**

Thursday afternoon the Glee Club journeyed to Corry where a concert was given in the High School auditorium under the auspices of the athletic association of the school. The members of the Club were met at the station by representatives of the association and assigned to private homes where they were taken care of during their stay in the city. Owing to a number of entertainments going on at the same time, the auditorium was only partly filled, about four hundred people being present, but the audience was enthusiastic and received the numbers well. Nearly all the numbers were encored, and some several times. The concert was well given and made a decided hit, and the latter part of the program seemed to take especially well. The papers gave the clubs very strong commendations and spoke well of the entire program. The men left for Warren early the following morning for their second concert.

**The Warren Concert.**

Although the attendance at the Warren concert was not so large, the work of the Clubs was equally well done, and was greatly appreciated. In spite of a number of vacant seats, due to a number of other attractions which were scheduled in the city for the same evening, it was more difficult for the Clubs to get into touch with the audience at first. The entire performance, however, made a decided hit, every number being greeted with prolonged applause. Many encores were demanded during the course of the evening. At the conclusion of the concert, a "leap year" dance was given in honor of the Clubs in Columbia Hall, by the young ladies of the High School. The men reported a highly enjoyable evening.

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# Musical Production Staged in Gymnasium Last Evening

### ORIGINAL WORK OF ALLEGHENY STUDENTS FOR BENEFIT OF Y. M. C. A. AND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

At 8:15 last evening, in the College Gymnasium, the Paint and Powder Club gave one of the best performances ever witnessed at Allegheny College, when the musical comedy, "Countess Caprice," was produced. The book of the play was written by Helen R. Adams, '16, and the music by E. W. Hickman, '16. The plot of the comedy is that of a young Countess, who, under an assumed name, gives her summer home over as a hospital to the wounded soldiers of the present war. Among the patients is an American newspaper correspondent, who, of course, becomes infatuated with the Countess. The Countess' boarding-school chum, Constance, also falls in love with a French lieutenant, another of the patients. A German spy throughout gives a burlesque villain touch to the production. Sir Gerald, an English lord, lends light comedy continually. Paul, the gardner; Pierre, the cook; and Honorine, his sweetheart, will keep the audience in convulsions of laughter. The old tale of John Alden and Priscilla is cleverly woven into the lovemaking of the real plot.

All of the parts were taken by men, and all of the female characters, from the leading lady to the smallest girl (?) of the chorus showed the effects of faithful practice. The twenty-two musical numbers, which were interwoven in the plot, were melodious and catchy. The leading characters were exceptionally well chosen.

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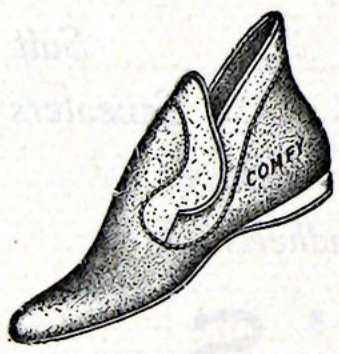
Mr. Palmer did a very handsome thing after the lecture Friday evening, in giving to the Modern Ploblems Club his share in the proceeds. Mr. Palmer was entitled to one-half of the gross receipts. Through his generosity the club receives all but one-eighth, which goes to his manager. The gift was a very pleasant surprise to the members of the club as it was entirely unexpected. The fact that Mr. Palmer left his work to come back to his alma mater and to deliver his lecture for the benefit of the college without financial return of any kind, is but another of the many proofs of his generous nature and loyalty to Allegheny.

On Saturday evening, the members of Phi Delta Theta entertained their lady friends at a formal dinner party at their house. The chaperones were Prof. and Mrs. C. F. Ross, Prof. and Mrs. Snavely and Dr. and Mrs. Elliott. The out-of-town guests were Miss Clara Schultz, of Painesville; Margaret Simpson, '15, of New Brighton; Rachel Cleveland, ex.-'17, of Erie; Clara Martin, of Ambridge; Grace Hall, of New Castle, and Edith Askey, '15, of Oil City.


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## Hulings Hall

Monday evening the Association News Committee of the Y. W. C. A. gave a spread in order to obtain money for the purchase of a sectional bookcase for the Association rooms.

Mu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta had as its guests during the past week the Grand Secretary of the Sororty, Miss L. Pearle Green, of Ithaca, N. Y., and the District President, Mrs. Kendall Overturf, of Columbus, O.

On Wednesday afternoon the Student Volunteer Band held an open meeting in the Library. Dr. Elliott was the speaker and took as his subject, "God's Call: How, When, Where and What." He said that it was just as necessary to receive a divine call for teaching, medicine, law or other fields of work as for the ministry or the missionary fields.

Thursday evening the Social Service Committee of the Y. W. C. A. and a great many of the girls visited the Old Ladies' Home, near Meadville. The evening was spent in talking with the ladies, singing songs and rendering a short program which had been arranged by the girls. The program consisted of a vocal solo by Miss Clarissa Randall, '19; a musical selection by the Misses Julia Brooke, '17, Meredyth Neal, '19, Clarissa Randall, '19, and Margaret Chapin, '19; a quartet composed of the Misses Ruth Allgood, '16, Bessie Preston, '17, Lillian House, '17, and Marian Miller, '18; a vocal solo by Miss Bessie Preston, '17. Several college songs were rendered by request of the ladies.

On Thursday afternoon Mu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta entertained their town alumnae, the faculty ladies and the Seniors and Juniors of the other sororities in honor of their guests, Mrs. Overturf, of Columbus, O., and Miss L. Pearl Green, of Ithaca, N. Y. The town alumnae present were Mrs. Josephine Bates Webb, '00, Mrs. Walter Irving Bates, ex.-04, and Miss Rebecca F. Cooper, '93.

On Friday afternoon Mrs. Josephine Bates Webb, '00, entertained at her home.

Guests at Hulings Hall for dinner Thursday evening were Miss Rowley, '05, guest of Miss Moore; Miss Dorothy Nichols, '18, guest of Miss Norene Saxton, '18, and Mrs. S. E. Ferguson, of Meadville, guest of Miss Mary Carroll, '16.

Miss Blanche Taylor, '16, Miss Mary Arnold, '19, and Mrs. Overturf, of Columbus, O., were dinner guests at the Phi Gamma Delta House Friday noon.

On Wednesday afternoon the girls of the different classes met and elected their basket ball captains for the year. The girls chosen were: Senior captain, Martha Kelley; Junior captain, Agnes Smith; Sophomore captain, Marie Olson, and Freshman captain, Louise Root. The first basket ball practice of the season was held Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Crittenden Derby, '92, of Newton, Kansas, spent the first of the week with friends and relatives in Meadville

On Tuesday morning, Biship J. M. Thoburn, '57, was a guest at the morning chapel service and led the prayer.

Mrs. Josephine Bates Webb, ex.-'00, entertained Mu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta and its town alumnae Friday afternoon at a tea in honor of Miss Green and Mrs. Overturf.

Miss Martha Neringer, '17, was the Wednesday evening guest of Miss Agnes Van Hoesen, '17.

The Social Service Committee of the Y. W. C. A. is busy this week packing candy and collecting toys to send to the Huidekoper Home and the County House.

### COURT HOUSE FILLED.

(Continued from page 1).

done since his undergraduate days. He established his right to speak of the war, by mentioning his year at the front, and his position as the only accredited representative of the American press, with the British forces.

He made clear the nearness of the war to England. From London to the firing line is only a five hours' journey. When the aviators wish to return to England, they step into their machines, fly across the channel in about twenty minutes and are at home.

According to Mr. Palmer, who ought to know, it is extremely difficult to get to the troops in the field or to move about in the zone of actual fighting. Although he was an accredited representative of the press, he was obliged to use no less than six passes and credentials, and even then he was apprehended several times. "If Henry Ford expects to preach peace in the trenches, he must go well prepared with passports. Probably the best he will be able to do will be to put up at some good hotel in a neutral country and await developments."

The great correspondent showed the difference between modern warfare and that of twenty years ago. Most of the fighting today is trench-fighting. Never before has the artillery played the important part that it does today. But the artillery development has not made the use of the rifle obsolete, as many writers claim. The rifles kill the most men, not the machine guns or heavy batteries. Moving pictures of life in the trenches were shown at this point. The firing of the trench mortars was seen at close range. Mr. Palmer described both orally and with pictures the firing of the big guns—how the gunners never see their mark and yet can drop shells with deadly accuracy into the exact spot where they are needed.

He described the life in the trenches. Never before had he seen such close fellowship. And yet the men give little thought of death. They seldom speak of those who are killed. "The feeling when in the trenches is that all is lost so far as you are concerned. When you are under heavy fire you give yourself up as lost."

The aviators, he said, are quiet men. They say very little. This is probably because when in the air they are always using their hands and eyes. The chivalry of the airmen is noteworthy. If a German aviator falls within the British lines, a British plane will go above the Teuton forces and drop a message, giving the name and rank of the German, and whether he is dead or wounded. And the Germans return the kindness in the same way.

Mr. Palmer defended the press censorship, explaining that it kept information from the enemy which might cause the loss of hundreds of lives. He described the country behind and in front of the "dead line," the approach to the firing line, the ammunition, and weapons of the different troops.

He gave a vivid description of the aeroplanes under fire. "Looking above the line of trenches, we see the great planes rising and falling, twisting about, always at great speed. All at once the birdmen seem to be surrounded with white thistle blows. Those are bursting shells from the anti-aircraft guns." The reason that the planes are not hit more often is that the planes are going at about ninety miles an hour. The shells have from four to five thousand feet to go to reach them. The gunners can only tell how near they come by watching the burst of white smoke which the shell gives off as it explodes. But the aviator watches these, too, and before another shell can be fired he is several thousand feet from the first position.

The occupation of Belgium, said Mr. Palmer, is terrible beyond conception. "You in Meadville cannot even imagine it." He asked the audience to try to think how it would seem for a man to live under the rule of a foreign power, with an armed guard before his home. He told of one Belgian pacifist who was the most pronounced opponent of war in his community, and who did not enlist. But after the desolation of his country he became so full of the fighting spirit that everyone was glad to get him out of the country, when he went to the front to fight.

"There are no people so French as the French of Lorraine. One day when I was in Lorraine, I remarked to a peasant upon the ruin of his village. 'Yes,' he said proudly, 'but this was done by our shells. Our soldiers are here and this is our village.'"

Mr. Palmer spoke of the shortage of ammunition among the British troops and their allies, but said that the shortage exists no longer. The alliance he believes to be growing daily stronger, while he says that Germany and Austria have reached their greatest strength. He expects a great offensive by the allies in the spring, which he does not believe Germany can resist.


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## News Items

The dinner guests at the Phi Delta Theta House on Sunday were the Misses Clara Schultz, of Painesville, O.; Margaret Simpson, '15, of New Brighton; Rachel Cleveland, ex.-'17, of Erie; Clara Martin, of Ambridge; Grace Hall, of New Castle, and Lillian Fetzer, '17, of Meadville; Miss Margaret Simpson, '15, was the guest of Mrs. Dutton over Sunday.

An interesting scientific pamphlet, the work of an Allegheny alumnus, in connection with another scientific student, has appeared, a copy having been sent to friends at Allegheny. The work is headed "The Salicylates. II. Methods for the Quantitative Recovery of Salicyl from Prine and Other Body Fluids," and was written by T. W. Thoburn, '14, in conjunction with Paul J. Hauslik, both students at Western Reserve Medical College.

Tuesday morning at the close of chapel services, President Crawford read a few words of tribute to the late Booker T. Washington from the "Tuskegee Student," a publication of that school whose foundation he laid.

Miss Rowley has collected a large number of magazine articles written by or about Frederick Palmer. They have been placed on a table in the reading room to the right of the entrance, together with Mr. Palmer's book, "Going to War in Greece"—the book which brought his work to the attention of the great newspaper editors. A bibliography of his writings has also been posted on an attractive card, together with a photograph of the author.

In the December issue of "The Colonnade," the magazine of the Andiron Club of New York City, appears an article by Prof. Guy E. Snavely, on "The Poetry of Becguer."

A feature which added greatly to the lecture by Frederick Palmer last Friday evening was the splendid collection of moving pictures and slides, and this part of the entertainment would have been practically an impossibility had it not been for the generous action of the management of the Manhattan Theatre. It was only known a few days previous to the lecture that Mr. Palmer would require the use of a moving picture machine, and the committee on arrangements immediately found itself confronted by an obstacle which threatened to cause much trouble. It was found that the expense of importing a machine from Pittsburgh or Buffalo would be great, and it was also probable that one would not reach Meadville in time. At this juncture the manager of the Manhattan was visited and he immediately expressed his willingness to furnish one of his machines at a nominal expense. It is certain that the students will not allow this kindness to go unrewarded.

### JOHN W. CABLE, EX.-'71, DIES.

Word has been received of the death of Mr. John W. Cable, ex.-'71, at Baltimore on Dec. 5. At the time of his death, Mr. Cable was deputy naval officer at the port of Baltimore. Death followed an operation performed the previous day, from which he failed to rally. He was seventy-two years old.

Mr. Cable was born on a farm near Sandyville, O., Oct. 19, 1844. He enlisted in the 51st Ohio Volunteer Infantry in '64 and served in the Army of the Cumberland under General Thomas. At the battle of "Kennesaw Mountain," June 20, '64, he was severely wounded and removed to a hospital. Later he received an honorable discharge on account of physical disability. He entered college here but was unable to complete his four years. He returned to Ohio, but removed in 1869 to Washington County, Pa.

In 1885 Mr. Cable was elected a county commissioner of Washington County, and in '87 was re-elected, serving as the president of the board. He was tax collector of the county, 1896-7. In 1899 he was made special deputy naval officer at Baltimore, which position he held until his death. He was closely connected with Washington County politics for forty years.

Surviving Mr. Cable are his wife and two children.

The Seniors of Kappa Alpha Theta entertained the active members and pledges at a Christmas party Saturday evening.


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