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MRS. SARAH B. COCHRAN OPENS MAGNIFICENT BUILDING AND GRACES DEDICATORY EXERCISES.

Senator J. P. Dolliver Delivers Strong Address—Bishop Thoburn Present. Suitable and Appropriate Ceremonies.

In the presence of the whole Allegheny community thronged in Ford Memorial chapel, with impressive ceremonies conducted by the ablest of the clergy and statesmanship of the church and the nation, Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, the "Lady-elect of Old Allegheny," formally presented to the trustees and student body the magnificent new commons bearing her name, Cochran Hall, a monument to the cause of higher education and culture, and a lasting and greater expression of her deep and sympathetic friendship for the students of the institution she has so signally benefited. In unlocking the massive entrance to the beautiful structure, Mrs. Cochran opened a new and vaster future for coming generations and made possible an effectiveness and scope in the work of Allegheny college hitherto a far away vision.

The day was a great epoch in the years of the college, and the thrill of a deep coursing patriotism and appreciation was undercurrent through all the crowds that were coming and going on the campus. At the chapel service repeated and wildly enthusiastic ovations were accorded Mrs. Cochran and the venerable Bishop James M. Thoburn. The services of dedication at 3 o'clock found the town and college crowding into the auditorium.

The body of the chapel filled with the student body, the vast assembly of a great united body centering their hopes and regard upon a great alma mater, the presence of aged and able members of the bar and clergy, of educators who have given the best of their lengthening years to Allegheny, of a statesman, a leader in the Senate of the United States,—the realization of the achievement and progress, made the occasion most impressive. Seated on the rostrum were: President William H. Crawford, to whose executive ability and splendid energy of purpose the present greatness of the college is so materially due,—the genius of her fortunes; Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, the loyal friend and benefactor of the college; Mrs. W. H. Crawford, the gracious lady of Allegheny; Bishop James M. Thoburn, D. D., L. L. D., of the Methodict Episcopal church, and one of the greatest churchmen of the world; the aged Dr. Jonathan Hamnett, beloved by every student and for many years the strong guiding hand of Allegheny's interests; Senator Jonathan P. Dolliver, orator of the day, and the well known and able United States Senator from Iowa; Dr. Theodore L. Flood, of the board of trustees; Dr. George L. Cary, of the Meadville Theological seminary; Dr. H. G. Dodds, presiding elder of the Meadville district of the M. E. church; Dr. Andrew C. Ellis, and other well known friends and patrons of the institution.

Mrs. Flavia Davis Porter opened the services with a beautiful rendition of the overture to Evryanthe, on the great organ. Following the prelude the audience joined in singing the old hymn, "Gilead."

Dr. Andrew C. Ellis read the responsive Scripture, the Glee club following with "The Carnival of Song." Bishop Thoburn then offered an eloquent prayer, and Mrs. Porter rendered "In Paririse," by Dubois, as an organ interlude. Mrs. John Blair, Miss Rosalie Bork and Harry Waithe Manville then sang Butterfield's "Father, Lead Me."

After reading telegrams from William A. Arter, of Cleveland; Rev. James M. Buckley, D. D., of New York; and other prominent men, also referring to the scores of telegrams from college presidents and dignitaries all over the country, President Crawford introduced in his most happy manner Senator Jonathan P. Dolliver, of Iowa.

While the roar of applause was ceasing, Senator Dolliver stood quietly be-

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MRS. SARAH B. COCHRAN

The Lady-Elect of Allegheny to the student-body.

"Tell them I think they are all perfectly lovely. I am so glad to give this nice building to such a splendid company of young men, and I want all the students to enjoy it always".

President Crawford Visits Gotham

President Crawford figured in a flying trip to New York City last week, leaving Saturday and returning from the metropolis Tuesday, in time to take charge of arrangements for The Commons dedication. While in Gotham our good president was characteristically busy. On Sunday morning he preached the Easter sermon in the Metropolitan Temple, of which Dr. J. W. Hill is pastor. At the evening service, which was in memory of the birth of General Grant, and the occasion of the dedicatory rites of the new Peace Memorial Window, Dr. Crawford offered the opening prayer. Among others who took active part in the meeting were Secretary Taft, Andrew Carnegie and the Hon. Leslie M. Shaw.

Monday evening President Crawford gave the principal address at the annual banquet of the Men's Club of the Central Congregational church, Brooklyn, the largest church of that denomination in the country. President Crawford took for his subject "A Religion for Men," and his remarks were very enthusiastically received.

The fact that Dr. Crawford was chosen to deliver this address goes to prove his popularity in the eastern states. The committee in charge endeavors to secure the most highly esteemed men of the country to address their annual banquet, and this compliment to our energetic and honored president is significent.

Student Manual Proposition Resumed

Realizing the loss occasioned by the non-appearance of the Students' Manual last year, the Y. M. C. A. cabinet have selected as a committee to take charge of its publication this year A. J. Nelson, '09, and R. E. Boyd, '10. These managers intend to push the work, and produce a handbook of the college surpassing those of former years. They have already purchased the leather bindings for the manuals, and have begun their solicitation for advertisements.



President Crawford

"Into this chaos came the master hand molding, remodeling, with faithful and never tiring energy, persevering in the face of formidable difficulties, expecting great issue and attempting great things. To the man whose tireless devotion and splendid executive ability have made all this possible the Allegheny world may well extend most hearty congratulations."

Editorial—Campus, November 20.

DEBATERS SCORE DOUBLE VICTORY

TEAMS WIN BOTH CONTESTS.

Home Debate Spirited—Great Credit Due Prof. Brown and Miss Spalding.

When the intelligence of victory abroad was flashed along the wires last night, breaking into the gayety of the home triumph at Hulings, a cheer went up over college hill followed later by several cannonades, evidencing the enthusiasm of an overjoyed student body.

For months six men have labored night and day with the pros and cons of a question long since a national issue. The judges decision was the laurel that rewarded their untiring efforts. How completely the question has been taken up and how thoroughly mastered is evidenced by the fact that the home team debated the affirmative side and our men at W. & J. the negative of the question, "Resolved, That all corporations engaged in interstate commerce should be compelled to take out a Federal charter on such terms as Congress may by law prescribe. Constitutionality conceded," and that both teams won.

Dennison's team consisted of S. G. Bridges, A. M. Wilson and W. B. Storm, all of whom debated very effectively.

Opposed to them were R. B. Callahan, A. D. P. Miller and R. J. George. Allegheny's victorious team at W. & J. was composed of W. G. Fixel, W. L. fessor Doane.

Too much credit cannot be accorded Prof. Brown in recognition of his untiring effort in hammering the trios into condition for the fray, and promoting the art of debate in the college in general, and to Miss Alice Spalding under whose competent direction the delivery and presence of our debaters was made effective.

At the conclusion of the debate a very pretty informal reception was tendered the visiting men by the young ladies of Hulings hall.

Tri-State Oratorical Plans Formulated

Within two weeks there will appear in the chapel representatives from six prominent colleges of three states, to contest for the oratorical championship of said six institutions. Last year the tournament was held at Beaver, Pa., in which Allegheny came off with the first prize of $50. Prospects seem to be just as bright this season for a gold and blue victory. In his splendid "A Life Tragedy" our orator will have the advantage of the presence of enthusiastic fellow students. Mr. Stidger, who is to represent us this year, by virtue of his winning the Wakefield local contest in February, is "down to work" upon his oration again and every Alleghenian predicts a sure success for the common favorite.

W. & J. Ratifies League Proposition

Word was received by the athletic board last week that Washington and Jefferson college had decided to enter the Western Pennsylvania Athletic association, and agree to accept the minimum eligibility rules of that society. This increases the number of institutions in our intercollegiate league to seven, W. U. P. being the only large school not a member.

If this decision is to take effect at once, it means that W. and J. will be represented in the big field meet at Conneaut lake, June 6th, and that our football date with that institution for next fall is ratified.



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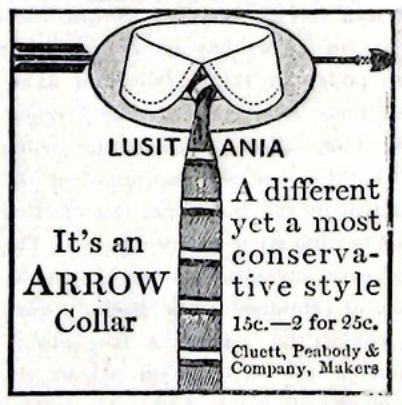
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The Literary Monthly.

The inauguration of a new editorial staff for the Literary Monthly presents an opportunity for re-organizing the policy of that publication along the lines suggested by The Campus not long since. We are proposing with this issue a constitution for the control of the magazine, the election and qualification of its officers. The measure advanced involves the question of establishing the Monthly upon a competitive basis. A free discussion of the articles throughout the student body is urged since the college council will shortly take action on the matter.

The new staff is in every particular qualified to assume the editorial responsibilities and we predict for our contemporary a most successful year.

Cochran Hall.

With the final realizataion of that long hoped for and magnificent vision, Cochran Hall, Allegheny enters upon a new and significant epoch in her life and history. Here the spirit and loyalty of the entire college may be centralized and rendered more effective, men may come to know and appreciate their fellows, making possible a unity of fellowship and brotherhood that must result in a sturdy and American democracy, and a broader and bigger ideal for Allegheny college.

Given with the beautiful and sympathetic friendship expressed in her message to the student body, Cochran Hall means to every student the interest and concern of Mrs. Cochran, so appropriately and gracefully entitled by Bishop Thoburn as the "lady-elect of Allegheny college."

It is impossible to adequately express the appreciation of the Allegheny world. A deep and lasting sentiment of gratitude and esteem for the patron of our common Alma Mater will live forever in the hearts of the sons and daughters of Allegheny, immortalized in the superb architecture of Cochran Hall.

PROPOSED LITERARY MONTHLY CONSTITUTION.

Article I.

Sec. 1. The editorial personnel of the Literary Monthly shall consist of an editor in chief and three editors.

Sec 2. The editor-in-chief shall have full jurisdiction over the compiling and selecting of material for the magazine, and be empowered to direct the associates in the discharge of their functions. He shall keep an accurate record of all competition for positions on the editorial board, of the nature of the work done and the degree of literary efficiency evinced by the candidate. He shall file each month three copies of the Literary Monthly, suitably indicating the work done by competitors, and further preserve all submitted matter unpublished, with comment on the degrees of merit evidenced.

Sec 3. The editors shall be under the direction of the editor-in-chief, and serve as general assistants. In case of the removal or resignation of the editor-in-chief, one of the editors shall be chosen to fill the vacancy by the Executive Committee. The editor-in-chief shall maintain a status report of the amount and grade of work presented by each editor and upon his suggestion delinquents may be removed from office by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 4. Some member of the staff shall from month to month have personal supervision over the exchange table and its maintainence.

Article II.

Sec. 1. The editor-in-chief and editors shall be selected by competition.

Sec. 2. The judges shall be chosen one by the faculty of Allegheny college, and one by the College Council. The head of the English Department shall constitute the third judge.

Sec. 3. Competition shall be interpreted as having taken place when 50 inches of printed matter shall have been submitted by two or more candidates for positions.

Sec. 4. In the event of no competition or vacancy on the Literary Monthly staff the Executive Committee shall constitute the elective agent.

Article III.

The judges of competition shall be selected and publicly announced by February 1st, and competition shall close with the February issue.

Article IV.

All controlling and corrective power shall be vested in an Executive Committe of three, consisting of the head of the English department, a representative of the Quill club, and the editor of the Campus.

Sec. 2. The Executive Committee shall remain in office for one year, and be formally announced with the new board of editors in March of each year.

Article V.

Sec. 1. The publisher shall maintain an editor's fund not to exceed ($10.00), for the purpose of the general improvement of the magazine, illustrations, etc.

Sec. 2. The publisher shall arrange and continue an exchange list approved by the editor-in-chief, not to exceed 30 copies, and shall bear the entire expense therefore.

Article VI.

Any individual may submit to the Executive Committee at the regular time, printed and literary matter. The name of the publication and the date of appearance should accompany the material. The Executive Committee shall submit such material to the judges.

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fore his audience fascinating the entire assembly with the geniality and grace of his personality, as he acknowledged that for 14 years he had been promising to come before them. The Senator said:

"Dr. Crawford, Ladies, and Gentlemen:

"It is a very great pleasure to me to have the opportunity of participating with you in the interesting exercises of this day, and I feel especially gratified to be introduced to the favor of your attention by my old friend and spiritual adviser, the President of Allegheny College. The things which he said about me relating to the kind of a speech I am likely to make to you, while undoubtedly well intended, will undoubtedly do me more harm than good; and I desire to specially thank him for the compliment to me in respect to the promise which I made to him so long ago. It is enough to make a man conspicuous and famous who keeps a promise ten years after it has been outlawed.

A Beautiful Gift.

"I have had a little difficulty to find out what I ought to speak about this afternoon, and I have been specially anxious to find a subject consistent with the spirit and purpose of the institution of which we are all proud, and appropriate to the occasion upon which the friends of Allegheny College are come, accepting at the hands of Mrs. Cochran this memorial which she has erected here to the cause of popular education, for the use of the students of Allegheny College. It is a rare opportunity which this saintly woman has imposed, to put at the service of the world the earthly substance of which she is trustee and the administrator. I know of no more excellent recognition of the privileges that belong to a world like this—than such a deed as she has done. For by this gift she makes herself a part of the work of this institution from generation to generation. It is not only a beautiful thing itself, but it is characteristic, as I like to think of the times of which we are a part. I have no prejudices and never have had against wealth. I believe that the accumulation of money is not only a reasonable and laudable, but in every respect an admirable ambition. I think a man or woman with money and ability, of imagination and spiritual insight and genius to put it at the service of the world, is God's best gift to modern society. I would have them multiplied, and when I get to meditating about the peculiarities of our day and our generation, and sometimes find myself with others discouraged by the slow moral progress which we are making, there is one peculiarity of the day which seems to me to reimburse us for a good many of the drawbacks and evil tendencies. There never was a year in the history of the human race when more money was dedicated to the welfare of the world than the year in which we are now living. In fact, it is almost a new phenomenon in the development of society, to find these vast sums of money poured out from generous hearts into those channels where it may refresh the intellectual and spiritual life of the human race.

Evil is Exaggerated.

"I think that a great many of our people are down in the mouth over what appears to them to be the backward tendencies of the world. There are two classes of people who are prone to exaggerate the evil things that beset us and to under-state the blessings which surround us. One of these classes consists of people who hope to win the popular favor by minimizing the progress of the community by pointing out the infirmities of our regime and by holding up to contempt and scorn the feeble efforts which the world is making to better this condition and to move itself forward in the path of progress. There is an organized school of criticism which has become a criterion of these times, the avowed object of which is to point out the errors and failures, the vices of our social and our political life, not for the purpose of correcting them or bettering them, but for the purpose of finding an argument to impeach the integrity of our institutions and utterly destroy our faith in the progress which we hope to make in the development of society.

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garding are those things which make to the evil repute of our day and our times. You take the little book, printed a few years ago, which became famous in its way (although I never really caught anyone in the act of reading it) called "The Jungle"—an effort to describe the condition of society surrounding the stock-yards of Chicago. It was a book which made out an excellent case for a sanitary engineer, an excellent case for the man whose business it was to reform the abuses in municipal and social organization of a neighborhood, and to exhibit the sores of society in such a way as to destroy people's confidence in our institutions and in the possibility of the moral and social progress of the country.

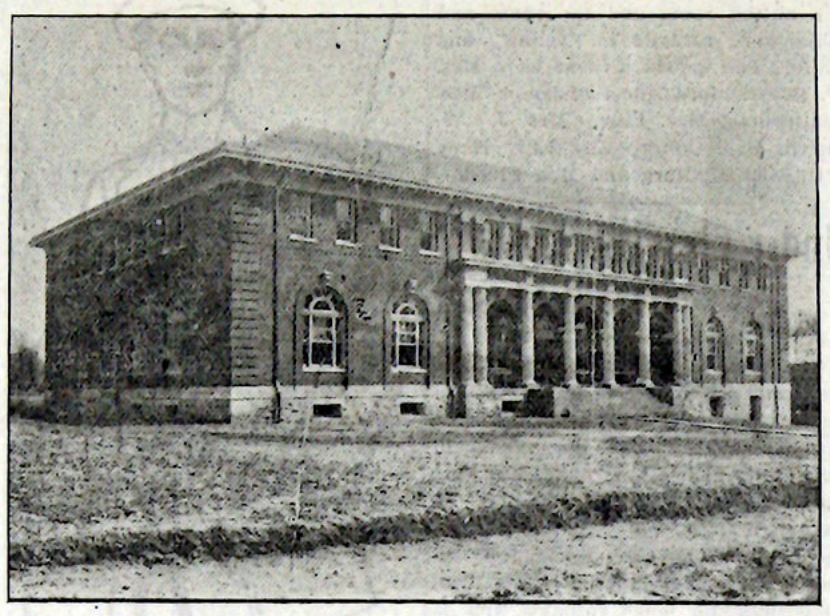
Two Extremes of Opinion.

"We have now in the United States two schools of political opinion and both of them contend that our life, social and political, is practically not worth living. They are at the extreme end of opinion. One of them is a school of political reform and the other a sullen protest against what sins the moral progress of the community is now exhibiting. You can get one point of view from one of my colleagues in the senate in a famous address exhibiting everywhere in the United States—a representative of the government—an address in which he sets himself to prove that for years and years, possibly for a whole generation, all the departments of our government, its presidency, its legislative life, its judicial dignity, every department of our institutions, have been the corrupt servants of evil-minded men organized into great corporations, and that by corrupt influences the institutions of America have been practically destroyed.

"At the extreme opposite end of the current schools of opinion stands such an organ of public expression, for example, as the New York Sun, which, in language contained in an editorial, gave up the fight for Republican institutions as having gone to decay; described our social life as unworthy and corrupt, and described the whole community of which we are a part as absolutely given up to the pursuit of money and sensual things.

Both Opinions Wrong.

"Both of these opinions are extreme, and it gives me a deal of satisfaction, when I sit down to meditate, by the thought that both of them are wong. My friend, who represents the radical school for political reform, thinks it essential to propogate that view in order to interest the people in what he has to suggest. But instead of interesing people in proposed reforms my opinion is that he destroys people's interest altogether in the possibility of reform. For what is the use to suggest legislation or commissions of schemes of social or political improvement after you have once convinced a man that for thirty years every department of our government has been under corrupt influences of many corporations and organized forces intended to destroy the moral life of the community. My friend has gone the length of giving us the exact date at which our moral decay as a community began. He puts it in the year 1835. He gets the date from a little book that was printed that year by a French traveler, M. DeTocqueville, who came over here and spent several weeks as a visitor and inspector of our affairs (most of the time, from what I can make out, sitting at the dinner table of people who were kind enough to invite him out) and who one time wrote this little book, which he called "Democracy in America." In that book he laid it down as



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a singular fact, in all his observations in the United States, he found no evidence whatever of the corrupt use of money in our affairs. My friend, taking that sentence—or half the sentence, because he does not pretend to quote the whole sentence—as a starting point, makes here a base line from which he measures the moral departure of our institutions."

"And so I myself have been making some little investigation into the national conscience as found in the various periods of our national history. You know, there is only one real way to find out anything of the history of the world, and that is to examine carefully into the landmarks of it yourself. Our histories are so written that nobody can hardly read them and very few can understand them. I committed the history of the world to memory. When I was at college we had a book called Anderson's General History and I thought that the way to get at that was to actually learn it, and so, day after day, by expert training of the faculty of memory, I reproduced in the class room a perfect statement of the history of the world up to that date, but I am ashamed now to confess I did not understand it all. In fact I forgot it almost as rapidly as I learned it.

"So I have adopted a more practical method of getting at the history of the times in reference to why the year 1835 was a year of ideal national perfection from which we had altogether fallen away in our times. I just thought I would find out actually what was going on in this country in the year 1835, if I could, especially in the land office. So I went into the secretary of the treasurer's office. This department of Congress at that time contained the land office; and I asked them to let me mouse among the archieves of the department. I wanted to get hold of some document that would throw a white light on the moral standards of the period which I had heard advertised as one of ideal national perfection. Curiously enough, I had not been hunting very long until I came across a paper that interested me. It was yellow with time and nearly covered with dust, and it was just such a document as I thought would give a great light upon matters that I was interested in, and so I hshed it out and copied it, and I have it here. I intend to read an extract from it. I would like you to listen to it, especially, every young man and every young woman into whose heart has come the shameful heresy that the moral character of our institutions has been steadily going down and not forward. Upon a report made by a special commissioner appointed by Levi Woodbury, then secretary of the treasury, to investigate an alleged defalcation in the public land office of the United States, this is the language of the report: 'The books of the receiver show that he is in default $254,970.' So you see, taking into account the simplicity of the times, the rake-off was considerable. His own books showed a shortage of $253,980. So, you see, there was no dispute about it. Now, here is the report. 'The man seems really penitent.' (Well, you would naturally expect him to be, under such circumstances as that.) 'The man seems really penitent, and to have been led astray by the example of his predecessors.' So you see it was no new thing in that neighborhood, to have been led astray by the example of his predecessors. The report ends in the words: 'The morality here does not seem to revolve in as high a circle as it does with us at home.' I don't know exactly what that means. I never heard anything like it except once I heard Bill Nye say in speaking of his social position in Wyoming, that he 'moved in the highest alcoholic circles there were in Laramie.' That is the nearest I ever got to that.

"Now, listen to the report, especially you who think these are the worst of all times, when public life is smirched with corrupt influences and the national conscience and character gone and irrevocable. Listen to this: 'Another receiver would probably follow in the footsteps of the two. You will not be surprised therefore that instead of recommending that he be removed, I recommend that he be retained, for he has his hands full now and will not be disposed to steal any more.'

"And yet I have heard the very year, in which the final report was made to the secretary of the treasury, advertised to the young people of the United States as a period of ideal moral perfection in our public life, from which subsequent generations had fallen unhappily away."

Senator Dolliver then spoke of the questions under consideration at the present time, to show the high standard of American integrity. He mentioned the national quarantine law, the employers' liability law, the organization for a national child labor legislation, the abolishmen of the army canteen, and the race questions. He closed with an eloquent tribute to Allegheny and her place in the world.

An organ interlude by Miss Porter followed the conclusion of Senator Dolliver's address.

Rev. Joseph D. Brison, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Dawson, Pa., of which Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran is an honored member, on behalf of the donor, presented Cochran hall to Allegheny college in a brief but appropriate address and formally presented Dr. Theodore L. Flood, who represented the board of trustees of the college, with the keys of the building.

Dr. Flood, in the name of Allegheny, accepted the magnificent building with a few appropriate remarks.

President Crawford accepted the keys and made the declaration of the opening of Cochran hall in a brief address. He restored the keys to Mrs. Cochran, who graciously consented to open the building she gave.

Following the singing of the Portuguese hymn, Dr. Jonathan Hamnett pronounced the benediction.

A procession, headed by Mrs. Cochran, was formed and slowly marched to Cochran hall. The donor of the commons building unlocked the doors

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CAMPUS NOTES.

Jno. McMichael, ex'11, visited the college on Thursday.

Miss May Hart spent Easter with her parents in Girard, Pa.

Miss Carroll, '11, was a guest at Phi Delta Theta on Wednesday.

C. H. Clarke and C. N. Jones were Union City visitors on Wednesday.

Miss Julia Jones, '10, and Miss Lucy Loane, '11, have been pledged by Alpha Chi Omega.

W. A. Wynn, of Warren, Pa, took dinner at the Phi Delt house an Thursday.

Miss Bess Rist was the guest of Dr and Mrs. Crawford during Mrs. Cochran's visit in Meadville.

R. H. Uhlinger, '10, and C. F. Stewart, '09, spent Sunday at the latter's home at Burghill, Ohio.

Mrs. Hepfinger, of Warren, Pa., was a guest last week of her daughter, Miss Lillian Hepfinger, '08.

A. C. Perry, '08, went to Oil City Wednesday evening, to spend the remainder of the week.

Miss Katherine Adams visited over Sunday at the home of Miss Florence Phillips, '07, in Youngstown, O.

M. J. Beatty, of State College, visited Phi Delta Theta Wednesday of this week.

Miss Hazel Emery attended the banquet given by the Shakespeare club at Conneaut Lake, Wednesday evening.

A. L. George, Junior at W. and J., was a guest of his brother, R. J. George, '11, at college last week.

Tuesday evening in place of the regular meeting of the Scientific club, the members visited the observatory and observed several stars under the direction of Dr. Ling.

Mr. A. D. Brison, Allegheny, '97, and Mr. F. Smith, of U. of W. Va., were Sigma Alpha Epsilon guests on Wednesday.

F. B. Cooley, who has been principal of the Guys Mills high school, returned to school this week to complete the work necessary for graduation with the class of 1908.

Miss Louise Chase and Miss Gertrude Hillman who were confined to their rooms several days last week with sprained ankles are again able to attend classes.

P. B. Schaffner, the newly elected president of the Y. M. C. A, attended the annual meeting of college Y. M. C. A. presidents at Dickinson college, Carlisle, Pa., from last Thursday to Monday. He reports a fine time.

Last Tuesday evening the Girls' Tennis Association elected their officers for the coming season. Those chosen were Miss Margaret Beebe, President; Miss Lottie Hamnet, Vice President, Miss Ida Tillotson, Treasurer and Miss Molly Basset, Keeper of the Courts.

On Saturday afternoon, April 18th, Miss Fraser and Miss Spalding paid a very pretty compliment to Mrs. Crawford in the form of a luncheon. The table was spread in Miss Fraser's sitting room and the room and table were arrayed in yellow and white. The guests present were Mrs. W. H. Crawford, guest of honor, Mrs. Southworth, Mrs. Ling, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. Colter, Miss Lilly Hamnett, Miss McClurg and Mrs. Flood.

Under Class Managers Herald Season

The baseball "fans" of both Freshman and Sophomore classes, have, in anticipation of the coming life or death struggle upon the diamond, borrowed, filched or otherwise "dug up" a heterogeneous collection of base ball togs; and having donned them, "fit or no fit," almost daily indulge in a little practice—very little sometimes, for much valuable time is taken up by valiant long-winded boasts predicting unfailing victory over "their friends, the enemy." Manager Piper, of '10, and Manager Over, '11, after diligent search of dictionary and encyclopedia, have framed challenges of such strength of phrase as would put similar productions of the professional ring to shame. Not only have the managers been busy with words. Manager Piper has purchased several balls for practice and Over has sent home for a book of rules which he has had for six years.

It is impossible at this early date to give definitely the personnel of the teams, but there will be plenty of applicants. The sophomores who are showing up best are Maxwell, Morgan, Broadbent, Fixel and Scott. Some Freshmen candidates are Over, Rossiter, Brown, Culp and Stidger.

Apropos of lower-class rivalry, the interclass track meet will be held at Vallonia in about a week. The classes met last week and elected captains as follows: Harper, Freshman; Croasman, Sophomore.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The books purchased with the money contributed by Ossoli Literary Society are on the table for new books.

An interesting contribution to the Allegheny collection is the original copy of the first song written for the college by Professor N. Luccock in 1888 and published in the Kaldron of that year. D. W. Howell of the class of '88, made the contribution to the library.

Another consignment of government documents has been received and will be placed on the tables for inspection.

A list of new books follows:

Allen—Choir Invisible.
Anson—Who Wrote That?
Antrim—Book of Toasts.
Barrie—Little Minister.
Bartlett—Familiar Quotations.
Chase & French— Waes hael.
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Duncan—Doctor Luke of the Labrador.
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and threw them open amid cheers to the host of Alleghenians who had assembled in honor of the occasion. As the students marched slowly past the donor, cheers after cheers expressed the enthusiasm of the occasion and told Mrs. Cochran of the place she holds in the affections of the sons and daughters of Allegheny and their appreciation of the splendid gift she had made to their beloved institution in the firm belief that the highest ideals of the college would be strengthened thereby.

Cochran hall was thrown open to the public Thursday evening, the reception hours being from 8 to 10 o'clock. Hundreds of people visited the new commons building.

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