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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

TO-DAY: Y. W. C. A., Bargain Sale in Lower Hall; 3:45, Shakespear Rehearsal in Auditorium; 4:40, Silver Bay Sing, on Campus; 7:30, Operetta Rehearsal, Auditorium.

THURSDAY: Y. W. C. A., Bargain Sale.

FRIDAY: 6:30 p. m., Promethean Banquet in Gym.

SATURDAY: 2 p. m., Newman Club, Basket Picnic.

MONDAY: 4 p. m., Meeting of Miss Pierce's Advisory Council.

In Memoriam

MRS. M. S. MOONEY.

Former Professor of State College Passes Away — Founder of Newman Club.

Mrs. Margaret Sullivan Mooney, late professor of English in the New York State College and one of the best known woman educators in the country, died May 4 in St. Peter's Hospital after an operation. She was nearly 76 years old. She had been ill for several weeks, but it was known for several days that her condition was such that there was little hope held out for her recovery.

Mrs. Mooney was born October 13, 1841, at Harrisburg, Lewis county. She came to Albany in 1860, entering the senior year of the old State Normal School, from which she was graduated. She first taught in Weedsport, Cayuga county, and after two years returned to Albany.

During the Civil War she devoted an entire year to service in sewing for the soldiers of the Union army. She then entered the public school service of Albany and for eight years was a member of the faculty of Public School No. 11, of which Prof. Gilbert was principal. In 1872 she entered the Albany High School and served there for nine years as an instructor in mathematics.

She was married in 1881 to Francis B. Mooney, who died in Albany five years later. But a few months after the death of Mr. Mooney, Mrs. Mooney was appointed instructor in English in the State Normal College and soon was made head of the de-



JOSEPH A. WALKER,
Senior President-Elect.

partment of literature and rhetoric. She served there twenty-seven years. She published several books.

They include a textbook in composition and rhetoric, foundation tones in literature, a Rosary of Mystery plays and a volume of lyric poetry. The latter book has not yet been published. Mrs. Mooney had also traveled extensively.

Mrs. Mooney is survived by two sisters, Miss Ellen Sullivan, teacher in the Albany High School; Mrs. James A. Ward, formerly of Waterloo, and once a teacher in the Albany High School, and a brother, William Sullivan, with whom she has lived at 618 Clinton avenue.

The funeral took place on Monday morning at 9 o'clock from her late residence on Clinton avenue and at 9:30 o'clock at St. Patrick's Church.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Newman Club on the death of Mrs. Mooney:

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SOPHOMORES ELECT CLASS OFFICERS FOR JUNIOR YEAR.

At a recent meeting of the Sophomore Class the following members were elected to hold office during their Junior year:

President..... Margaret Flynn
Vice-President.....

Theodore Cassavant
Treasurer..... Harriet Church
Secretary..... Monica Cardiff
Reporter..... Marie Smith

New Myskania Selected

Other Moving-Up Day Ceremonies

Moving-Up Day ceremonies were held last Friday morning. The day was held earlier this year on account of the early departure from College of a large number of men. The inclemency of the weather took from the day its usual gay aspect and forced the students to abandon the cam-

pus in favor of the gymnasium as the place where to have the various stunts.

The ceremonies began by the moving up of the classes. The Seniors, all in cap and gown, vacated their seats, which were taken by the Juniors; the Sophomores occupying the seats of the Juniors and in turn leaving their seats to the Freshmen.

After the "moving up" had been successfully carried out, Mr. MacAloon, of the Senior Class, presented to the President of the College the 1917 class memorial, a check covering an amount which is to be added to the athletic field fund started last year by the Class of 1916. Mr. MacAloon spoke of 1916 as having planted a seed; the increase which 1917 provided, he said, made the seed a plant, and he hoped that with the help of the classes that follow in future years the plant would blossom and bear fruit.

President Brubacher accepted the gift on behalf of the College.

President Kolin D. Hager of the Senior Class then gave the customary address by the Senior President. Mr. Hager very eloquently spoke of the four years' work done by the members of the class and of the goal they had now reached and the award they had earned. He spoke of the Seniors as having climbed from the mists of the valley below into the light of vision upon the mountain above. He urged his classmates now to remember those who were below and to go back to the depths to help all who needed light, saying they had received freely and now should give freely.

With fitting words to the undergraduates and to the Faculty, Mr. Hager closed his address.

Dr. Leonard Richardson, in a delightful talk to the Seniors, told them that they would have powerful influence upon their surroundings because of three things: because their character is true and fine, because of their store of knowledge, and because of their culture, their ability to appreciate everything which is high and noble and beautiful in the universe.

In closing, Dr. Richardson spoke of the men who were leaving College for the training

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SUMMER SESSION FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS.

A summer session is to be held at the New York State College for Teachers from July 2 to August 11, 1917. President Abraham R. Brubacher has just issued an announcement to the schools of the State outlining the plans for the session, which will be under the direction of Dean Harlan H. Horner, who will assume his new duties at the College on July 1.

Courses in methods of teaching for high school teachers who wish to improve themselves in service will be offered by heads of departments of the College Faculty in biology, business administration, English, German, history, mathematics and physics. Courses in fine arts will be given by Mr. Royal Bailey Farnum, specialist in art education in the State Education Department. Advanced courses in subject matter in each of the groups mentioned, as well as special courses in educational history, psychology and administration, will also be offered.

Courses in the theory and practice of teaching cooking and sewing, together with practical laboratory work, under the supervision of Prof. Harry B. Smith, director of the School of Practical Arts of the College.

No tuition will be charged and credit toward the B. A. degree may be earned in many of the courses by those who satisfy the College entrance requirements.

President Brubacher reports that there has been an insistent demand for a summer session at the College for several years upon the part of high school teachers who wish to improve themselves in their service and upon the part of many other teachers who seek to complete the requirements for College graduation or to earn advanced degrees.

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Alfred E. Dedicke, Editor-in-Chief

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NEWS LOSES EDITOR-IN-CHIEF.

The "News" goes to print this week with our Editor-in-Chief, Alfred E. Dedicke, absent from our staff. Together with six other State College men Mr. Dedicke left Albany early Sunday morning for Madison Barracks, the officers' reserve corps training camp. Regretting his loss to the College and to the "News," and yet rejoicing in the nobility of his purpose, we will here briefly comment upon our absent chief as we know him.

Mr. Dedicke was born some twenty-four years ago at Middleville, N. Y., where he resided until his father moved with his family to Germany. At about the age of sixteen Alfred returned to America and for several years pursued a variety of business and industrial activities. In the fall of 1913 he entered Middleville high school and in a single year accomplished the stupendous task of completing the entire course. The following year he entered State College, and since that time has been associated with almost every branch of college activity.

During the year just closing he has been principally concerned with the publication of the "News." Only those students who make up the board know with what zeal, capability and industry he has managed the paper. A large part of the time the entire responsibility of its publication has rested upon him, yet the "News" has never failed to appear on time until the lack of fulfilled pledges made a weekly issue impossible. No student better qualified to direct the management of the paper through the first year of its existence could have been found.

During the present year also he has been of invaluable assistance to the Athletic Association in the capacity of assistant basketball manager, and a few weeks ago was elected to managership for next year. He attained as well during the past two years considerable prominence in dramatic art, taking leading parts in "The Cricket on the Hearth," "The Rivals," and "The Silver Box." In addition to all of this he was president of his class during his sophomore year, a prominent Promethean member, captain of the Junior basketball team, and an athlete of no mean ability on the track, football and baseball fields.

It would seem that this man, who has spared nothing in the service of his class and his College, would, above all others, be chosen for any honor that the student body bestows upon those manifesting high qualities of leadership. To the great majority of students that the opposite should happen is unthinkable, but unfortunately the will of the whole is too often set aside by a small number of minds incapable of placing real worth, real ability, real merit above the manipulation of petty politics.

Mr. Dedicke has gone from us and though, in event of his receiving a commission, there is grave doubt of his returning to the College, his influence will long be felt. There will never be a time when his classmates shall cease to honor and revere him, and if fortune decrees that he be a leader of troops upon the blood-stained soil of France, we venture to predict that, there as here, he will fight with his characteristic indomitable courage, and if spared to return from the great conflict a reward befitting his efforts shall not be denied him.

WAR.

A clamor arises, a shriek and a moan,
Where the flying death is hurled;
The war-lord has mounted his reeking throne
And rules his chosen world.
The sword of his hate is upraised in the air,
And points out the way right well,
Where the ranks of his vassals are hastening there
On the blood-fouled road to Hell.

The ranks now advance as the dread word is given;
The rush ends in piteous moans;
Those fair human battlements, shattered and riven,
Are flung far like so many stones!
Oh, the bite of the metal on quivering limbs!
The fearful catching of breath!
The blood-clouded eye as it strains and it dims!
The last hoarse gasp of death!

And is there no God up above in the sky
Who watches or pities or cares?
Does He give it a thought? Does He utter a sigh
At this wanton death that is theirs?
Will He sit by the mother whose sons are all dead?
Will He comfort the father made blind?
Will He measure the sorrow that rests on their head?
The gaping wounds will He bind?

'Tis the triumph of evil, the triumph of hate,
But a higher triumph as well,
For steadfast faith sees an opening gate
Beyond this ravaging Hell;
And in that white portal an angel appears
And bids the foul evil cease,
Proclaiming the end of all war and all fears
In a thousand years of peace.

KOLIN D. HAGER, '17.

To the Editor of State College News:

The committee for the freshman stunt on moving-up day wish to make it known that the announcement of the "Star Spangled Banner" was entirely unauthorized by the committee or by the freshman class. Undoubtedly it was the unfortunate result of the confusion caused by the unexpected change in arrangements. Certainly nothing but the greatest respect and honor is due the "Star Spangled Banner" from all of us.

[Signed] MARION A. BEALE,

Chairman of Freshman Moving-up Day Committee.

May 12, 1917.

NOTICE.

Last call for 1917-1918 News Board candidates! All those working for a place on the new staff should make themselves known to Mr. Joseph A. Walker, acting Editor-in-Chief, or to any other member of the News Committee.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON JAPAN.

Dr. Lawlor, historian and globe-trotter, lectured on the subject "Japan" at the Newman Club last Monday night, May 7. The lecturer told several interesting stories, some touching on the Russo-Japanese war. Dr. Lawlor was in Japan throughout the hostilities. He said that some of the temples were converted into prisons for Russian captives during the war, and that the Japanese furnished Russian teachers to teach the Russians. When the war was over the Tokio government re-

quired Russia to pay the expense of keeping these prisoners; no fee was charged for the teaching. During the war it was not an uncommon thing to see wounded Russian soldiers being propelled in Jenrikishas by Japanese.

PROMETHEAN.

At the meeting of the Promethean Literary Society last Thursday evening nominations were made for next year's officers. Following the business a very delightful program on Alfred Noyes was given, consisting of a vocal solo by Miss Amy Shelley, '20, accompanied by Miss Dorothy Banner; readings from Alfred Noyes' poems, by Prof. Hastings; a paper on "The Life of Alfred Noyes," by Miss Arline Newkirk, '17; a piano duet, by the Misses Louise Burleson, '18, and Eileen Keefe, '18, and selections by the Freshman Mandolin Club. Elections will take place at the next regular meeting of the society.

MRS. M. S. MOONEY

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Whereas, Mrs. Margaret Sullivan Mooney has been the founder of the Newman Club of the New York State College for Teachers, and

Whereas, She has been whole-hearted and untiring in her service for the best interests of the Club, and

Whereas, For the greater part of her life she has been a source of inspiration and encouragement to all of the eight thousand students who came under her influence, and

Whereas, We cherish in fond memory the qualities which so endeared her to us all, her gentleness, kindness, exceeding helpfulness, faithfulness, deep affection, and unflinching spirit of service; therefore be it

Resolved, That we take this sad occasion to pay the unstinted tribute of our affection for our deceased helper and friend; and be it

Resolved, That we, mindful of our indebtedness to her, and realizing the extent of our loss, bespeak our grief, offer our most sincere sympathy to the members of her family; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the "State College News" and sent to her loved ones.

Committee:

Stanley G. Fitzgerald,
Josephine Keating,
Walter Doyle,
Lillian G. Magilton.

NEW MYSKANIA SELECTED

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campus and pointed out that this great war is a turning point in the history of the world in which they would take their part.

"The struggle will be long and fierce. It may be a judgment of Almighty God meted out on the nations of the world. However that may be, it is a time to try men's souls. These young men go to take their part in the struggle of civilization against barbarism, and our hopes, our thoughts, and our prayers go with them."

After the singing of "America" by all present, the members of the Junior Class marched upon the platform and past the 1916-1917 members of Myskania. In order of their appearance on the platform the following Juniors were tapped as being the leaders of their class and thus proclaimed as members of Myskania:

Eloise Lansing, Joseph A. Walker, Jesse Jones, May Fillingham, W. Irving Goewey, Stanley Heason, Verna McCann, Lillian Magilton, Agnes Moore, Maude Rose.

LECTURE ON ST. THOMAS AQUINAS.

The Newman Club met at St. Patrick's Institute Monday night to hear Father O'Brien lecture on St. Thomas Aquinas. The lecturer treated the subject in a way that never fails to interest, by telling incidents in the life of the Saint. In discussing the works of the Saint, Father O'Brien drew attention to that part of the "Summa Theologia" which treats of war, and showed that America's entrance into the war with Germany is justified when we apply the tests of Thomas: (1) The sanction of the lawful authority; (2) The justice of the cause; (3) The righteousness of intention.

BULBUL.**Comic Operetta to be Presented May 24.**

The class in Music 3 have been preparing for a comic operetta under the instruction of Prof. Samuel Belding, and will present it in the Auditorium Thursday evening, May 24, for the benefit of the "Echo." The principal characters have been chosen as follows:

Famit.....Fussy Little Monarch
Kolin Hager.
Bulbul....His Beauteous Daughter
Jeanette Keller.
Caspian.....Amiable Prince
Chas. W. Carr.
Ida.....Court Chaperone
Helen Rosebrook.
Lilla.....Friend of Bulbul
Emma Wilbur.
Allain.....Friend of Caspian
Walter Doyle.
Dosay..Keeper of Royal Spectacles
Christian Christensen.
Justio.....Keeper of Cash Box
John Becker.

Act 1—Garden of Palace—afternoon.

Act 2—Ballroom of Palace—evening of same day.

The tickets are only fifteen cents! Everyone plan to come and see the fun.

SCHOOL JOURNALISM.

Paper Read by James Wingate, Dist. Supt. of Schools, Schenectady, N. Y., before Press Club of the State College for Teachers, March 17, 1917.

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You can scarcely carry this item of attractive headlines to the extreme. (By attractive headlines, I do not mean the mammoth sensational headlines as seen in some types of daily journals.) You waste paper by not interesting the readers, by filling up your columns with long-winded accounts. Then, too, a greater variety of news means that you interest a

greater number of people, which logically means more readers. I regard this as one of the most important facts in connection with the publication of a paper, either school or a modern daily. You cannot err in this direction for if you give greater variety you are bound to attract and please more readers and make the paper more influential. Make the paper fairly sparkle with little stuff.

One of the greatest essentials in a reporter or news gatherer which must not be overlooked, is that he must get the facts. This is the first requisite. He must get them accurately and express them so clearly that there can be no misunderstanding of those facts. Every day reporters call at our office and I have been much interested in the impressions that these different individuals make upon me. Some inspire confidence in me and lead me to talk freely to them about anything of importance that transpires in my own department or any matter of news that I might know about outside of my department. In fact, they make me feel like racking my mind to think of something that would make a good news item or story as they call it. Others seem to irritate me, to make one more reserved in his conversation with them. I believe this difference comes from the fact that one can be sure that the former will truly and accurately report, and that the latter may be expected to jumble the account. Therefore, let me again say to those who are interested in this particular division that you should get the facts and accurately and truly express them. When you interview your president, the heads of departments, your trustees or anyone whom we might term a source of news of interest to the college, you should inspire such persons with confidence in you. If you are told that a certain thing will happen in the near future, but that it is not yet time to publish that fact, you should not violate that confidence either orally to your associates or through your printed page.

Another essential in a reporter is the follow-up work. A paper reports many items of news about events that are going to happen and it is absolutely essential that an account be given after the thing has actually happened. When you have mentioned in one issue that some event will transpire or something will occur in the future, the reader has a right to expect that he will be given an opportunity to follow that

event through to its conclusion or consummation.

I have spoken somewhat at length upon this matter of news, because I regard it as the most essential feature of a college or any other paper. In the field of school journals published outside of institutions and affecting the teaching profession generally, I am sure that I am right in saying that 90% of the readers will turn first of all to the news column. If I might mention individual papers, I would say that this particular feature, the news department, has made the School Bulletin, published at Syracuse, attractive to its readers. Some years ago I was for a short time acting editor of American Education, and during that time I established a county news department covering the counties of this State, and know that no division of that paper was read by more people than this particular department.

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SILVER BAY.

What is the Silver Bay Conference? An assembly of students from all the colleges of the Northeastern States, who come together to learn to live more efficient lives, and incidentally to enjoy all the wholesome sports of outdoor life, spiced with the comradeship of other college girls.

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KAPPA DELTA.

KΔ welcomes the following into full membership: Olive Wright, Caroline White, Jean Hungerford, Marjorie Bryant, Ruth Davis, Ruth Libby, Harriet Rising, Marion Burnap, Helen Guldi, all of 1920, and Lois Knox, 1919. The annual luncheon will be given May 19th. Many of the Alumnae are planning to attend. A party in honor of our Faculty members took place at the sorority house Saturday evening.

KAPPA NU.

We are glad to welcome Mae Cronin, '18, and Marian Haskins, '20, as house girls.

Margaret O'Connell spent the week end in New York and Brentwood, N. J.

Katherine Hagel, who has been ill at her home in Utica, is slowly recovering.

Marian Weir is ill at her home in Tupper Lake.

Marian Hogan of Saranac Lake visited Aileen Russel this week.

NEWMAN CLUB CONCERT

The concert given Friday evening by St. Joseph's vested choir of Troy was well attended, and deservedly so. The recital is the first of a series under the auspices of the Newman Club, to show the development of church music in the diocese. Each of these concerts will take place at St. Joseph's Academy Hall, North Swan and Second streets, Albany.

The choir is exceedingly well trained and was directed in a most satisfactory manner by the choirmaster, Mr. James McLaughlin, Jr. The boys gave evidence of great interest in the work itself and sang all the selections without scores. Their unaccompanied numbers, "Regina Coeli" and Tschaiakowski's "Legend," were especially well done, every note being given its true value. The "Legend" was an exquisite bit and most sympathetically interpreted.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

There will be but two more meetings of Y. W. C. A.

The meeting on Wednesday, May 16th, will be a Silver Bay party. There will be a pageant on the campus—something new—followed by a party in the gym. Be sure to be present. You are going to enjoy it immensely. It will be something you won't stop talking about for a long while. Don't forget to come!

The last Y. W. C. A. meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 23rd.

The Seniors are to take charge. Edith Wallace will be leader.

The Seniors are going to give little farewell speeches. It will be your last chance to hear them in Y. W. Give them the respect due them by attending.

The week-end of May fourth there was a Y. W. C. A. Student Conference in New York City. Our organization was represented by the Misses Verna McCann, Gertrude Schermerhorn, Lyra Waterhouse, Anna Smythe, Jennie Muhlemann, Louise Burleson and Agnes Moore.

PROMETHEAN BANQUET.

The annual Promethean banquet will be held at 6:30 Friday of this week. All members in good standing are invited to attend.

MUSIC CLUB.

A very interesting program was presented at the meeting of the Music Club, Monday afternoon. It included a reading by Miss Margaret Flynn, vocal solo by Miss Caroline Lipes, reading by Miss Marion Beale, and a piano solo by Miss Katherine Tedford. The feature of the program was a reading of her own composition by Miss Elizabeth Osborne.

SUFFRAGE CLUB.

At the meeting of the State College Suffrage Club, Friday, March 27, Rabbi Goldenson was the speaker. He gave his reasons for believing in equal suffrage in a logical and convincing manner. In his opinion women should be given the same opportunities and privileges of a training in public as men, so that they may be enabled to attack a problem from every point of view. It has been argued that a woman should be kept dependent upon man, for that makes men more chivalrous. If a man loves his own independence, he must love that independence for his wife also. That is true chivalry.

SPANISH CLUB.

A regular meeting of the Spanish Club was held on Wednesday, April 25. A very interesting program was enjoyed. Miss Florence Quinlavin gave an excellent description of Spanish women, telling about their character and their life. Miss Fawcett read a paper on "Murillo: His Life and Works," and Miss Barrett gave an interesting sketch of the "Alhambra and Its Legends."

FRENCH CLUB.

Prof. Simonin will give an illustrated lecture before the French Club on Friday at 3:45. Anyone interested in French is cordially invited to attend.

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