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BIG TIME THANKSGIVING DAY.

Soph-Frosh Rivalry Intense.

The Soph-Frosh Activities Committee, consisting of Hohaus, Sproule, Jos. Walker, and Jones, have completed the arrangements for the Thanksgiving Field Day. The games will commence at 9:30 sharp on Thursday, and will take place at Ridgefield. Ridgefield is on Partridge street, about three blocks south of Madison avenue. Partridge street is four blocks west from the college along Western avenue.

The program arranged is as follows:

9:30 a. m.—Tug-of-War.
9:50 a. m.—Relay Race.
10:10 a. m.—Football Game.

The officials of day's events will be: Judges of the Tug-of-War, Ray Townsend, Pearsall. Relay Race: Starter, Hubbard. Judges, Dedicke, S. Fitzgerald. Timer, Heason.

Football: Referee, Hubbard. Umpire, Jones. Field Judge, Hohaus. Linesman, Goewey.

The north side of the field will be reserved for Sophomores and their adherents, while the south side will be turned over to the Frosh. The committee urgently requests that the spectators be sure to group themselves on whichever side has been apportioned to the sympathizers of the class they are supporting. As is known, a very impressive feature of any game where great rivalry is existing is the attendant battle of "cheers." It is the committee's idea that contest between the two classes in singing and cheering will be just as intense as the games. Not only does it give the players the fighting spirit,

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OFFICIAL NOTICES.

Students are reminded that the Thanksgiving recess consists of Thanksgiving Day only. Their attention is also called to the rules of the college concerning absences before and after a holiday.

TWO UPPERCLASSES DEFEAT UNDERCLASSEMEN IN BEST GAME OF SEASON

Goewey, Jones, Nolde and Cassavant Do Good Work

Again all advance reports have been set at naught. Contrary to general expectations the team representing the com-

bined 1917 and 1918 classes defeated the 1919-1920 combination on Ridgefield Saturday afternoon by the score of 7:6. The score itself is an indication of the hot fight that was put up by both sides, but in justice to the Underclassmen it must be said that they deserved a tie score. The backfield of the Upperclassmen was strengthened by the presence of Jones and Goewey, both of whom did stellar work, especially was their forward passing, Jones to Goewey, commendable, and very often a good ground gainer. Nolde, Cassavant and Williams all did good work in the Underclassmen's backfield. Williams was especially good on end runs when he followed his interference closely and always got away with substantial gains.

In the first quarter the Upperclassmen took the offensive and with line plunges and several successful forward passes carried the ball down the field. Goewey carried the pigskin across the line on a forward pass from Jones. Jones then kicked the goal. The first quarter ended 7:0 in favor of the Upperclassmen. Thereafter in the second and third quarters the Underclassmen were steadily gaining strength and confidence and gradually played their opponents to a standstill. In the fourth quarter they developed a strong game and for a time swept the Upperclassmen before them down the field. Cassavant, and particularly Nolde, broke through for consistent gains and several end runs also netted gains. The Underclassmen were rather unsuccessful with their forward passes, they missing several when gains were badly needed. Nolde carried the ball around left end for a touchdown, but the goal was not kicked. The score now stood 7:6 in favor of the Upperclassmen. The Senior-Freshmen pulled themselves together and with several successful forward passes came dangerously near their opponents' goal. Jones went through with the ball, but was tackled by Nolde. In the

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COACH OF BASKETBALL, ED. WACHTER.

This is the "Man of the Hour" who is forming a winner for S. C. T in the basketball world. In a talk to the men a few days ago Coach Wachter warned all of them not to be too confident nor too backward. "No man," he said, "has a position on this team won until he has proven himself to be the best available, no matter what his past record may be." Remember the first game of the season in Troy against R. P. I. December 8th. Everybody is expected to accompany the boys. Let's have a big crowd out!

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COLLEGE LECTURE COURSE.

Preliminary Announcement.

The State College, in cooperation with the Civic League of Albany, has arranged a course of lectures to be held in the College Auditorium in December, January and February. The lectures will deal with the large social, civic and economic problems of the day and the speakers engaged are all experts of national reputation.

The following is a tentative schedule of the course: December 6, 1916, "The Single Tax," John Z. White, of Chicago.

Mr. White has been on the lecture platform for the past 13 years. He is a forceful and entertaining speaker.

December 13, 1916, "The History and Development of American City Government," Robert S. Binkerd, secretary of the City Club of N. Y. City.

Mr. Binkerd is an expert in municipal law and is doing much to promote good city government in this State.

January 10, 17, 24, and February 7, 1917, a series of lectures by Prof. Charles Zueblin, of Boston.

Prof. Zueblin is a well-known author and publicist. He visited Albany in 1910 and delivered five lectures before large audiences. He is undoubtedly the most brilliant lecturer on social topics in America.

February 14, 1917, "Recent Progress in Housing Conditions," John Ihlder, of New York.

As Field Secretary of the National Housing Association for several years, Mr. Ihlder

has become familiar with housing conditions through the country. His lectures are in great demand.

February 21, 1917, "Beautifying American Cities," Richard B. Watrous, Secretary, American Civic Association.

During the past decade Mr. Watrous has been a leader in the movement to make American cities more attractive.

February 28, 1917, "The Relation of Public Utilities to Municipal Progress," Dr. Delos F. Wilcox, of New York City.

Dr. Wilcox is an authority on franchises and public service control. He is the author of "The American City," and several other books and municipal problems.

AMERICAN BOYS IN WAR.

A special price of admittance has been arranged for the students of the College for the moving pictures to be shown in the auditorium of the Education Building of the "American Boys in the European War" on December 5th, 8:15 p. m. The tickets for students will be only 50 cents.

STATE MUSEUM OPEN ON SUNDAY.

Under an opinion made by Attorney-General Woodbury at the request of Frank Gilbert, of the Legal Division of the State Education Department, the State Museum will hereafter be open to the public on Sunday. The usefulness of this museum, which is one of the best in the country, will be greatly increased by this ruling

KOLLETCH KOMICK KOLYUM

(Abandon hope, all ye who enter here!)

Bean Swift explains blankly. Many a time and oft in this same sheet have I

Provoked poor Pelham and enraged poor Shutts

And fired the languid soul of lean La Gry;

Whilst every dame within these hollowed walls

Hath much applauded and to Dead Ike said,

"Konsider now Bean Swift—how well he writes!

We marvel at his learning and his wit."

But when, perchance, I make a trifling jest—

A trifling, weak, inkonsequential jest.

Concerning one who never has deserved

That she be spared from jest; I truly say,

Methought I never would live out the day

On which that weak and trifling jest appeared.

And so it is where angels fear to tread

I shall rush in (as I am wont to do).

And loving danger and defying death

I jest again to-day—and hold my breath!

SKANDAL!

D. Townsend has been notified by his landlady that he must move at once or else have his toenails amputated—he is ripping all the sheets.

While others prokrastinate, Kount Meout submits the following yell, viz., to wit, and e. g.:

Yoicks! Yoicks!

Tally—Ho

S - O - C - K - T - O - E - S

In rendering the foregoing kakimation, let the following minutiae be observed, viz, to wit, and e. g.: Yoicks! short—like the roll call heard in Oriental history. Tally-Ho!—slow and solemnly—as if it were being dragged akross the floor by Dr. Dikson in kap and gown, harnessed double with a little neck klam. Socktoes—short—like Charles' hair-kut. Salah!

BEAN SWIFT.

IMPORTANT.

Mid-term standings in all courses will be filed at the office on December 4. Students whose standing up to that time is below grade will be warned as soon as practicable. Students may, however, be failed in February without having received warning at the mid-term.

H. E. DEPARTMENT.

On Friday, December 8th, the Normal School teachers of Home Economics throughout the State will gather here at the college for a conference. Nine teachers are expected to attend. This is an annual event begun last year. Mrs. Anne C. Hedges Talbot will also be present and the syllabus to be published next month will be discussed as well as other matters of interest. A dinner will be served in the department dining room at six o'clock by the students, the college H. E. faculty acting as hostesses.

Home Economics Day, December 3d, is a day on which all H. E. departments in all schools of the country set aside to celebrate Mrs. Richards' birthday for the purpose of strengthening and unifying the work. In the past years in the college the afternoon has been given over to a program, some prominent worker in Home Economics as speaker, followed by a reception. The usual celebration this year will be carried out in a new way.

The Practise House is now the center of interest in all classes and a plan for cooperation of the entire department in working for the house will make it more vital to all.

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week has been chosen as House Days and all students in the department will spend an hour of their free time sometime during the day helping to put the house in order for occupancy next week. Many kinds of work will be done under supervision of Senior students and faculty.

CHEMISTRY CLUB.

Meeting on November 24, 1916, was well attended. The meeting was devoted to "Current Topics," and many interesting subjects were discussed. Among them were "Extinguishing Fires in Oil Tanks," "Alcohol from Bananas," "Motor Fuels," "Iceless Refrigeration," "German Liquid Fire," "Osmosis in a Fish," and "Rubber Foam." Miss Bronner and Mr. Woolever were elected to membership, and several other names were proposed.

Chemistry I class visited the Albany Filtration Plant on Saturday, November 25, 1916, and studied the methods employed in purifying the water.

PERSONAL.—Orris B. Emery, '14, is chemist for the Pure Oil Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

**HINGTING WONG AD-
DRESSES COLLEGE
CLUB.**

On Friday, November 24, Mr. Wong addressed College Club. His subject was "The Life of a Chinese Girl under the Old Regime."

Mr. Wong first contrasted the conditions in China before 1911, with those in America. In China the family is the unit instead of the individual. Hence the life of the Chinese girl offers little opportunity for self-expression.

Her education along intellectual lines was brief, but her moral training was definite and detailed. She was taught respect for her elders, diligence and faithfulness. Through life there were three persons on whom she must depend. First, her father; next, her husband, and in case of his death, her son.

She had few pleasures. Even her married life was not in her own hands. For not only was the marriage arranged entirely by her parents, but after the wedding she lived with her husband's family and was under the control of a mother-in-law. Though this life in general was not happy, the Chinese woman found some compensation in the respect shown her during her old age.

Mr. Wong spoke of the influence of missionaries on Chinese life. He appreciates the good they have done, but regret their attempts at political reform which have hindered the progress of Christianity.

In conclusion, Mr. Wong mentioned the present-day tendencies of life in China. In one respect that country is more progressive than America, for in 1911 Chinese women were given suffrage by the government.

Mr. Wong is in favor of woman suffrage, though he is inclined to think American girls a little "headstrong and talkative," and too much "under the influence of Dame Fashion."

AN INTERESTING BOOK

Mr. David M. Kinnear has just completed an interesting book, "High School Days and the Old Philologists." The purpose of the book is to aid in securing funds for the erection of memorials to the first two principals of the school, Professors Bradley and Robinson. The book gives much historical matter concerning the High School and the Philologist, and is well illustrated with school views and pictures of principals and graduates.

**Upperclasses Defeat Underclassmen
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mixup someone's heel collided with Nolde's nose with the result that the nose is fractured. The game ended 7:6 in favor of the Upperclassmen.

The score:

Upperclassmen.	Underclassmen.
Wrenn	Position. Curtin
	L.E.
Greenblatt	V. Lobdell
	L.T.
H. Lobdell	Harrigan
	L.G.
Dediecke	McMahon
	C.
R. Townsend	Sutherland
	R.G.
B. Townsend	Sherlock
	R.T.
Herrmann	Springman
	R.E.
Jones	Cassavant
	Q.B.
Goewey	Logan
	L.H.
Burns	Williams
	R.H.
Hohaus	Nolde
	F.B.

Score by Periods.

Upperclassmen	7	0	0	0-7
Underclassmen	0	0	0	6-6

Summary.
Substitutions — Underclassmen, Bliss for Logan. Touchdowns — Upperclassmen, Goewey; Underclassmen, Nolde. Goal from touchdown — Jones. Referee — Hubbard. Umpire — McKenna. Field Judge — Powers. Head Linesman — Fitzgerald.

Pancoast Kidder on Life Insurance.

Gave Interesting Lecture in Auditorium.

On Friday morning, November 24, in the auditorium, the studentbody had the privilege of hearing an expert talk on the "Development and Growth of Life Insurance." It was the second lecture of the series on life insurance which has been arranged for the benefit of the students. The speaker on Friday was Mr. Pancoast Kidder of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mr. Kidder said that life insurance is the scientific distribution of a loss and that a life insurance company is the highest expression of an organization of the people, for the people, and by the people. Some of the facts with which the speaker acquainted the students are as follows: The old style assessment insurance is impracticable and obsolete. In this method of insurance a group would insure the life of any one member, which while comparatively easy at first, is found hard to keep up when time reduces the group materially in numbers. Life insurance is based on mortality. The individual life is uncertain, but it has been dem-

onstrated that there is nothing more certain than the life of a group.

Insurance had its first feeble beginning in the twelfth century in Venice, when the first marine policies were issued. Later, in the fourteenth century some policies are found in Belgium. But these are, however, transactions between individuals only. England is the true birthplace of insurance, for it was there in Lloyds that the present systems were mainly developed. Lloyds was then a coffee house (around 1350). Owners of vessels and other interested parties met there and took to betting on the arrival or non-arrival of this or that cargo, and laid thus the beginning of insurance in general, and life insurance in particular. For gradually the insurance system was taken away from chance and based on such laws or tables as could be established. In 1664 John Grant wrote the first life insurance laws, but his deductions were imperfect. In 1693 Ed Haley studied the records of Breslau, Silesia, and made up tables on the average length of life. This table was incomplete and elementary. Seventeen hundred fifty-five brought the first life insurance governing laws in England. A man named Price was the first to develop the fact that life insurance tables must be based on experience.

In 1842 Pell founded the first American life insurance company in New York City. Great restrictions were put upon the insured person as to traveling, living, manner of employment, etc. In 1850 E. Wright established the first State supervision of life insurance in Massachusetts. This has since spread over the whole Union. In recent years life insurance business has grown enormously.

At the present time over 42,000,000 policies are in force. Life insurance has reached a point where its stability and permanence can no longer be doubted. In the last twenty-five years there has not been one failure among life insurance companies. When this record is compared with that of our banks, which are greatly trusted, the result is obvious. In closing, Mr. Kidder pointed out that life insurance to-day means a safeguard of family, business, and old age. Its social and economic value rests in its fortification of the State, in that it eliminates worry, thereby takes a burden from the shoulders of society and in that manner increases efficiency.

PROMETHEAN.

Over forty people were initiated into the Promethean Literary Society last Thursday evening. Although it was a rainy night, a good number of the members were out to witness the fun. The next literary meeting will be held November 7th, place and program to be announced later.

FRESHMEN MEETING.

At a meeting of the Freshman Class last week Albert Luff was elected manager of the class basketball team and Spencer Peckham director of the class football team.

Y. W. C. A. THANKSGIVING MEETING.

The Thanksgiving meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will take place Wednesday, November 29th, at 4:35 in the auditorium. Miss Myra Du Mond is to be the leader. Every member should make a special effort to attend.

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but it also fits in very nicely with the campaign now being made for concerted cheering in the college.

If the weather is at all pleasant, a large crowd should be present, for both of the underclasses have signified their intention of being out in a body to root for their team. The rivalry between the classes has shown itself to be quite strong, and as this is the first opportunity for either class to gain a decisive victory, both '19 and '20 will be watching for the result with great anxiety.

As to the probable outcome of the games, there are strong arguments pro and con on either side and any prophesy would be but guesswork. Concerning both the tug-of-war and the race, nothing is known, as Thursday will be the first time anything has been held along either line. The football game, which will be, of course, the main feature, is sure to be an exciting one. Both classes have played this fall and in their games they have showed up about even. Both teams have strong back fields and many spectacular runs ought to result. In Bliss and Cassavant each team has a man who is quite adept at forward passing, and consequently there will be plenty of open play. An open game always is interesting and the result is usually in doubt until the final whistle. From all appearances, both classes are very evenly matched, and in all probability victory will be brought to either class by some unheralded hero. Here is a chance for you, Soph and Frosh gridiron warriors, for one of you to have your name go down in State College history as "The Man of the Hour."

If the Field Day Thursday is a success, it is the intention of the Soph-Frosh Activities Committee to make the "rubber" basketball game also a gala event. Each class has won a game and the deciding one will be played sometime before Christmas. The committee is planning on staging this game, with some other contests between the classes, some evening after Thanksgiving and thereby give the loser of to-morrow's events a chance to regain some lost laurels.

KAPPA DELTA.

We cordially welcome Marion White '19, as a pledge member of Kappa Delta.

Le Moyne Gillette spent last week end with Ruth Moseley at her home.

DELTA OMEGA.

The girls are sorry to lose Bertha Reedy as a house member.

We are happy to receive Winifred Wagner as a pledge member.

Bertha Reedy attended the Yale-Princeton game November 18.

PSI GAMMA.

We are very glad to welcome Lyra Waterhouse '19 into the Sorority.

Hattie Ogle attended the Union-Hamilton game at Schenectady.

Gertrude Swift and Olive Horning spent the week-end of November 17th at Schenectady.

Doris Sweet has returned from a much needed "vacation" of two weeks.

Alta Sahler is home recovering from a severe illness. Emma Sommerfield spent last week-end with her at Millbrook. From all reports she seems to be improving rapidly. However, we do not expect her back until after the Thanksgiving recess.

INTERCLASS BASKETBALL LEAGUE.

Race is Tightening.

Standing of the teams:			
Team	W.	L.	P.C.
Juniors	3	1	750
Sophomores	3	1	750
Freshmen	3	2	600
Seniors	0	5	000

Results of Games.

Last Monday, November 20, the Seniors forfeited their game to the Sophomores. In a practice game the Sophs beat a combination team by the score of 31:23; the official score for the league game being 20.

Last Wednesday the Freshmen defeated the Seniors 29:17. This was the first time that the Seniors have had a full team on the floor and judging by the showing they made, it is safe to say that they would have been serious contenders for the championship had they been together all season. The Senior-Frosh game was interesting throughout. The Seniors, not having played together before this season, put up a good game individually, but they could not surpass the fine pass-work which Captain Springman insists upon having on the Frosh five. The hard playing of Walker for the Seniors and a shot from beyond the middle of the floor by Hager must be mentioned, as well as the quick work of Colton, who not only scored seven baskets, but also fitted in well in the floor work.

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