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SOPH.--FROSH DEBATE DUE MARCH

Try-outs Now Given

BOK PEACE PLAN ISSUE

The Bok peace plan, which was discussed last Friday in chapel by Professor Hutchinson, will be debated by teams representing the sophomore and freshman classes at student assembly Friday, March 7. The subject of the debate, as decided by the joint interclass debate committee, is "Resolved, that the United States should accept the Bok peace plan as proposed." The freshmen will support the affirmative. The judges are to be chosen from the faculty and it is understood that Dr. Thompson, Professor Hutchinson, and Professor Hildley, with Miss Futterer are to be asked to determine the winner. Three minutes each will be given the first two speakers of either side, with five minutes for each of the third speakers. The rebuttal is to take four minutes for each side. Tryouts for positions on the teams of both classes have been in progress.

The freshman-junior stunt will be given at chapel on the Friday before Easter. A joint committee from the sister classes is to plan the event.

CELLO CONCERT TO-MORROW NIGHT IN CHANCELLORS HALL

The 'cello concert to be given by George Miquelle at Chancellor's Hall, Saturday evening, February 16, will begin with a sonata by Grieg, probably one of the most melodious pieces ever written for the 'cello. The program will be divided into five groups of which this sonata will be first. The other groups will consist of shorter selections, showing the diverse tones of the 'cello. The entire program, with notes by Dr. Thompson, will be posted on the bulletin board.

The Miquelles have just completed a tour with Madame Melba, during which their press notices were quite as good as her own. They are soon going on tour with Madame Homer. State College is very fortunate in securing this concert between the two tours.

Ticket for the concert will be given out to students during or after Assembly Friday. Tickets for others will be \$1.50 and \$1.00. The concert will begin promptly at 8:15 o'clock.

Sophs! Begin to think about your bids for the Soiree. It's coming off March 21. Don't miss the big event of your Sophomore year!

INTERCLASS GAMES GIVE MEN CHANCE TO PROVE WORTH

Prize in sight for winning Team

To stimulate interest in the great indoor collegiate sport and incidentally to develop material for future teams, Coach Wegner has started an interclass basketball league among the men. Each class has chosen a team, composed entirely of men not playing on the varsity.

According to the schedule arranged by the coach, each class team is to meet the other and a champion is to be designated. It has not yet been decided whether the winner is to be awarded a prize, but it is understood that the athletic council will vote such an award if it is possible.

Forrest Caton is in charge of the senior squad, Stephen Merritt of the juniors, and Burton Sage of the sophomores. The freshmen will have a quintet, but will not be represented on the regulating board until later.

It has been the belief of the coach for some months, since he came to State College, that there is basketball material hidden in men who have not as yet turned out for the sport, and he intends to develop this material indirectly, if possible. The scheme has worked successfully at Cornell, he points out, and many varsity stars have been picked from the interclass teams there.

BASKETBALL CAPTAIN INJURED

Captain Juckett of the varsity basketball team will be out of the game for some time due to a gashed finger.

"THE CONFLICT" POST- PONED REPAIRS IN CHAPEL HALL REHEARSALS

Due to repairs being made in the auditorium, the one-act play "The Conflict," which was to be presented by the Advanced Dramatics Class under the direction of Priscilla Jones, has been postponed until Monday, February 18. The cast is working hard under its able director and the finished production is much anticipated by the student body.

"The Boor" will be presented by Mrs. Raymer on Wednesday evening, February 20. The cast of characters includes: Helen Orr, Margaret Eaton, and Edward Vines.

Freshmen, join the Y. W. C. A.
NOW!

MIDDLEBURY GAME TO BE PLAYED IN GYM TO-NIGHT

Hornung Expected to Add to Strong Defense of the Team

State's basketballers, defeated a week ago by St. Stephens, 40 to 28, will attempt to redeem themselves tonight on the home court against the Middlebury college five. Little is known of the Middlebury quintet in this section, but from reports from the home town it is gleaned that Middlebury will offer considerable opposition to State.

With Hornung added to the Caton-Gainor eagle-eyed combination, followers of State's court destinies are more optimistic than they have been for some time this season. Coach Wegner has primed his charges up for tonight's fray, which he considers a "crucial" game, inasmuch as State has only five more games this season and tonight opposition is rated as the weakest of all.

BOK PEACE PLAN EX- PLAINED BY PROF. HUTCHINSON IN CHAPEL

Pedagogue Popularity Vote Taken

Professor Hutchinson, professor of Government in State College, presented a few facts, in Assembly on Friday, February 9, concerning the Bok peace plan on which the student body is asked to cast its vote. America wishes to take its part in helping to bring about world peace, thus State College students as loyal citizens of America are given the opportunity to show their loyalty by voting on the proposed plan and do their part toward the furtherance of this worthy project.

Statistics for the Pedagogue were gathered under the direction of Annie Olson.

SENIORS WIN FIRST SOPHOMORES SECOND OF MENS' GAMES

The first game of the inter class series was played February 11 between the seniors and freshmen, with the victory going to the shooters of the class of '24. It was a fast and hard fight from the first toss of the ball to the final blow of the whistle. Pollock and Shirley were quite the heroes of the hour for the upper classmen, and O'Brien held up the freshmen to a close score.

At the end of the first half the score stood 9-6 in the seniors favor. During the second half it was tied and an additional five minute period was played to bring the final score to 17-15 in favor of '24.

Score 12-9

Snappy passing and fast floor work opened the second of the series of class games, the juniors and sophs being the opposing teams. During the first half there were no field baskets made by either side and the score at half time stood 3 to 1 with the larger number belonging to the floor trotters of '25.

'26 came to the front at the opening of the second half with a field basket by Kersh w. From that score to the final show-up the sophomores led the juniors a hot race. Landon and crane played a good game for the juniors with Graham showing himself capable of some fast-work on the floor. Briggs for the class of '26 put all of his vim into playing the game, and made several close attempts at scoring for the team. The final

"SAYLES" LETTER LAST OF SERIES TO ALL ALUMNI

First Three Letters Result in
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For sales letters of a strong, appealing character one should go to the Residence Hall Committee. They have sent out four money-getting letters to unpledged alumni since January first with a net result of over \$2,000. The letters showed the viewpoints of the student body, written by Evelyn Dutcher; the college officials written by Dr. Brubacher; the Dean of Women, in charge of housing, written by Dean Pierce; and the Residence Hall Committee, written by Dean Pierce; and the Residence Hall Committee, written by Professor Sayles, Chairman. The last of this series was sent out Saturday. More pledges are looked for as a result of this "Sayles" letter. The report of the executive secretary to February is as follows:

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| Cash receipts..... | \$32,786.68 |
| Total number of pledges | 1,364.00 |
| Total amt. pledged and contributed..... | \$105,747.50 |

DR. DOUGLAS RECEIVES PHI BETA KAPPA HONOR

Dr. Gertrude E. Douglas has recently been elected member of the national Phi Beta Kappa fraternity from Smith College.

"toot" of the whistle showed a score of 12-9 with the sophomores in the lead.

Line-up:

| | | |
|----------------|------|-----------------|
| Seniors | | Freshmen |
| Pollock | r.f. | Jackman |
| Hayes | l.f. | Tobias |
| Beaver | c. | O'Brien |
| Haynes | r.g. | Horn |
| Sherley | l.g. | Kaufman |
| | g. | Clarke |

Timekeepers: Johnson and Wegner

Referee: FitzGerald

Line-Up:

| | | |
|--------------|------|----------------|
| Sophs | | Juniors |
| Sage | r.f. | Graham |
| Kershaw | l.f. | Crane |
| Donnley | c. | Landon |
| Briggs | r.g. | Roberts |
| Cantwell | l.g. | Merritt |
| Moose | | Dyer |

Timekeeper: Pollock.
Referee: Wegner.

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GETTING ON

"I got by without getting flunked out" is not an uncommon statement heard in college corridors now-a-days. Perhaps the persons making these remarks really do think they have been clever in getting-by; evidently a college education means only to them the receiving of as high a grade as possible on a little white card with the least effort possible. "Getting-by" individuals must have as their motto "give to the world the least you have, and hope for the best to come back to you." They look for full-value returns from shady investments, and they are perfectly willing to accept the same. Their less fortunate neighbors, the "flunkies" are more honorable in that they bear the penalty of their mistakes. Perhaps sometime in later life the "getters-by" will realize they were beaten at their own game; sometime they may wake up to the fact that people get from life just what people put into life; that bluffing and shamming is of no avail, but true, honest service is what counts.

"SPARE THE ROD AND SPOIL THE CHILD"

Would honor pledged have more effect on the student body than continued reminding of college traditions and laws? At every assembly meeting students are reminded the order in which they should leave. This is disregarded, nevertheless, and freshmen are seen rushing ahead of the upper classmen just as though nothing had been said. Why can't the "sophs" give them a lesson? Why are they allowed to usurp so much wicked authority? Freshmen of other colleges know their places; while here, they care nothing about keeping law and order, but brag about how many laws they are able to break. A little hazing would not harm them but might do good toward making better students.

WOODROW WILSON EULOGIZED BY PROFESSOR HILLEY

Woodrow Wilson as world leader and teacher was eulogized by Professor Hilley last week before the three hundred freshmen. Referring to the war-time President as "the outstanding leader of the twentieth century," Mr. Hilley said that "although Woodrow Wilson will go down in history as the Great War President, he deserves to be called the Great Peace President. The constructive achievements of his first three years of office escape notice. Wilson, he declared, was the world's best-known soldier. His four rules by which nations can live amicably were: equality of nations, abolition of territorial gain by conquest, peace through understanding and agreement, and reduction of armaments.

As a great teacher, a college professor, and a college President, also, Wilson should be known to the teaching world, the History lecturer said. "It was Wilson's habit to enter a lecture promptly and to complete his address on time. He used no notes and was intensely impatient of stupidity."

ETIQUETTE

Among the various courses offered by the modern college of to-day perhaps the least considered is on in etiquette. Of course etiquette is something of which we are supposed to have, at least, the rudiments of before we enter college, but even this at times seems doubtful.

There can be no doubt that such a course, if offered, would have a large registration. It would be purely elective and should be open to all students. It might well be divided into various parts each dealing with a certain phase of the subject. This part of our education should not be neglected; it is something that we as future teachers will be expected to know. It is easy to do the right thing if we know when to do it. Such a course as this would help us to know when to do the correct thing and how to do it. Why not create a demand for such a subject along with one in General Science?

'26 SHARES HEARTS WITH '24 AT PARTY

Broken Hearts Mended To Satisfaction of All

The class of '26 marked off as accomplished on Saturday, February 8, one of her ambitions, frustrated last year on account of the ruling against freshmen entertaining and only realized in the Senior-Sophomore party.

From the first glimpse of the Gym under a camouflage of hearts, balloons, and class colors, through the hearty welcoming speech of President Campbell, and the Valentine program, the appropriateness of the season was made to accentuate the ties of sister classes.

Under the general direction of Margaret Mix, assisted by Mary Swartz, Catherine O'Leary, Helen Barclay, and Janetta Wright, a program of solo dancing, love songs, and recitations was presented. Dean Pierce and Miss Anderson acted as chaperones for the party.

MUSIC ASS. PLANS PROGRAM FOR REST OF SEMESTER

The Music Association has made extensive plans for this semester which are of utmost interest to all of us.

On February 16, Georges Miquelle, a French artist, will render a 'cello recital in Chancellors' Hall.

The annual spring concert given by the Women's Chorus and the Men's Chorus will occur March first.

National Music Week is also scheduled for March. This movement is spread over the entire country in order to stimulate interest and appreciation in music. Every city and community of any size whatever will arrange a program for National Music Week. Dr. Brubacher is executive chairman of the committee for plans toward this project in Albany; Mayor Hackett is honorary chairman. State College will take some part in the program arranged.

1860 PLEDGES TANGIBLE SUPPORT TO DORM. FUND

The following letter, written in a trembling hand by a member of the class of 1860, gives proof of loyalty to State and love for it as an Alma Mater:

I am in hearty accord with the idea of building a dormitory. It is much needed. I recall the inconveniences which I experienced because of the lack of one. I was there in 1860 and I changed my room four times.

I enclose check for one hundred dollars as my subscription to the Residence Hall Fund. It is a great pleasure to me to give this.

Very cordially yours,

ENTHUSIASTIC REPORTS OF Y. W. CONVENTION GIVEN IN MEETING

At Y. W. C. A. meeting, Tuesday, February 5, the report of the delegates to the Student Volunteer Convention at Indianapolis was given. Aileen Wallace, the Senior delegate was in charge of the meeting, and Miss Wallace, of the faculty, gave a brief summary of the work and spirit of the convention. She said the problems most discussed by the students were race and war. She especially praised the fair and open-minded spirit of the convention, and said that she did not think the press had done it justice in the points it chose to emphasize.

ONE STUDENT PHILOSOPHIZES ON DEBATABLE TOPICS

As to the topics suggested for expression of student opinion:

Dancing—The only need of improvement is in number of opportunities. Minerva—She remains too secluded in her corner. A newcomer announces, "I have not yet met that young lady. Where does she hang out?"

New courses for the curriculum—Plenty now! Some romantic freshmen wish the star-gazing course might be added.

Regulation of extra-curriculum honors—Sprinkle enough to go 'round. College men and College girls—Give 'em a chance. They're coming along fine.

'27.

COLOR HARMONY AND HOME DYING EXPLAINED TO H. E. STUDENT

A wonderful galaxy of brilliant colors, hues, and tints formed a most charming background for Miss Phillips, who on Thursday evening February 7, lectured the apostles of the home-making art on "Color Harmony." Miss Gillett introduced Miss Phillips and gave some interesting sidelights for instance that the speaker was a noted authority and lecturer in her particular line and was contemplating a trip to New Zealand in the interest of her art.

The lecture was exceptionally instructive and useful to women in all walks of life for it explained "home dyeing." The entire process was expounded in detail and made delightfully vivid by colored illustrations and even by a demonstration. A pair of beautiful pink hose changed to a pair of perfectly practical dark brown ones! The intricacies of the dyeing art were revealed and sincere admiration knew no bounds.

HEALTH, PEP, FUN MADE SEM-FACULTY HIKE MEMORABLE

Six miles, fifty-four girls, the Pine Woods under a light crust of snow, Miss Morris and Dr. Crossdale as guiding spirits, shuffled together gave two G. A. A. points and pleasing rushes of colorful pep. Participants cite as high lights, Miss Morris' lack of psychological foresight in running ahead only to find that Dr. Crossdale had gone the other way and left tracks in the broken crust to guide the exuberant disciples of exercise to stumble in the rear, that at the only stop for rest one might sip water thru the ice, and the Juniors' interest in "No Trespassing" signs.

CALENDAR

Friday, February 15

Basket-ball game—Middlebury vs. State — 8:00—Gym

Saturday, February 16

Musical Concert—8:00—Chancellor's Hall

Monday, February 18

Menorah Society—4:00—Room 100

Tuesday, February 19

Y. W. C. A.—3:00—Auditorium
French Club—4:00—Room 100
Joseph Henry Society—7:30—Room 150

Wednesday, February 20

Advanced Dramatics Class Play—8:00—Auditorium

JOSEPH HENRY INITIATION FILLED WITH PEPARD FUN

A howling Success

Tuesday evening, February 12, marked an epochal initiation in the history of Joseph Henry Club. At 8 o'clock in Room 150 the first degree was administered to a class of twenty initiates in the form of an electric shock. There was much timidity and drawing away from the apparatus of torture, in some case three stalwart men were required to electrocute the hands of one victim.

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BROADCAST

Miss Lillian Hopper, '21, is taking Miss Johnson's place as instructor of girls' gymnastics and girls' basketball coach until Easter. Miss Johnson has returned to her home after undergoing a serious operation at the Albany City Hospital.

Gamma Kappa Phi welcomes as a pledge member, Hilda Klinkbart, '26. Miss Alice Streeter, ex-'25, was a guest at Gamma Kappa Phi House last week.

Helen Elliot is back in school after an attack of bronchitis.

Last week Marion Farrel was entertained at a William's house-party.

Alpha Epsilon Phi renders her services to the Jewish bazaar. The members of the sorority sell candies and in various other ways lend a helping hand at the bazaar.

Captain Taylor wishes to announce that any girl who has any riding lessons left, may substitute them for rides at any time at the armory if she wishes.

GAMMA KAPPA PHI PLANS LIVELY REUNION WEEKED OF FEB. 22-24

The annual reunion of Gamma Kappa Phi will be celebrated the week end of February 22-24. A most varied and interesting program of events has been arranged and details are being worked out which promise oodles of jolly fun for both the passive and active members. Many of the "gruds" are planning to come back and join in the renewal of good fellowship. All guide posts are pointing toward one of the liveliest and most successful reunions in the history of the sorority.

MEN EXPLAIN MYSTERY OF WEARING APPAREL

Their Motto Same as Girls'—"First Out, Best Dressed"

For some time it has been a source of some wonder and unusual brain activity, mostly guessing, as to where State's men get their great variety of outer garments—and, more especially, how they get them.

But the veil of mystery which has shrouded this eighth wonder of the seven wonders of the world has finally and exasperatingly been penetrated by the sharp witted Locker Room corps of Sherlock Holmes's wise and otherwise.

Today, State's Beau Brummels are no longer objects of beauty or amazement. At least, not to the Locker Room bloodhounds. They are the pitiless butts of criticism and ridicule.

Out in South Allen street, where the West begins, and men are men and can't be anything else, there is a domicile for State college men.

Still further, in another section of the city, more familiarly designated as Washington avenue, or out in West Albany where every man is either in the railroad shops or the movies (the Colonial, not Hollywood), there is situated another abode for men.

Herein lies the secret of the sacred wardrobe.

"Jimmy" Carrolan is the original Beau Brummel of Kappa Delta Rho. Jack Hayes is the style-plus of Sigma Nu Kappa.

Herein lies another secret of the sacred wardrobe.

It is the unwritten law, as Professor Hutchinson might say in explaining the British constitution, at each of these so-called "flat" houses that the first man up has his choice of the wardrobes. Last man to get dressed—well, he's the most easily recognizable one in college each day.

Therein lies the Q. E. D. of the State College style setters.



There has been a general scramble among the freshmen during the past week. Several of their number have been endeavoring to have their quiz sections in their various subjects changed in accordance with their decision that a professor must be an easy marker.

A word of warning to the frosh! "Be ye not led astray by outward appearances."

"Notice my left and right hands." Professor Woodard remarked last week in lecture. "Which is darker green?" Later in the lecture Dr. Woodard gave a vivid description of a pine cone hunt, in the course of which he was assisted by Professor Kirtland who obligingly shot the unflinching cones off the trees with part of his arsenal.

Some new students have come to State College this second semester to cast their lot among us, and to grace our halls of wisdom.

Soph: "How many hours did you make?"
Frosh: "When I get another I'll have one."

TO-DAY'S KIND THOUGHT

"Don't forget the birds when the snow is on the ground because we're always glad to see them when the spring comes round." Just a few crumbs a day outside your doorstep or window will save many a bird from hunger and perhaps from death. Let us cherish our feathered friends for they mean much to us.

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WHY STUDENTS ARE STUPID

By William Allen White

(From The New Student)

Forty years ago and more, when an American boy or girl went to college, it was to satisfy a desire for education. A student of the last generation who went to college found little lure in the social end of the school; organized inter-collegiate athletics did not draw him at all. There were none. If he was a country boy, he came from a family in which there were a few well-read books. If he was a town boy, he came from a family where there was a slightly wider environment of books. But books inspired him. Books and a love of reading, the desire to widen his mental horizon by getting into the knowledge of his generation and the wisdom of the ages furnished the primary urge that sent the American boy or girl to college until thirty years ago.

During the last twenty years, two things have happened: First, the colleges have become tremendously attractive to youth, quite apart from the course of study. Second, the rise of the economic status of the average American family has made it possible for thousands of young people to go to these attractive colleges, who have no cultural background whatever, who are not interested in books and reading, and who regard education as merely an equipment for making a living.

Hence we have the hordes of stupid, ineducable college students. The college spirit, outside of college athletics, society and hooch, never touches them. They are strangers to the academic life—as isolated and remote as the wild savage of the forest from all that went with the cloistered life in our old American collegiate tradition. Perhaps the college softens them a little. Perhaps seeing the books in the library and thumbing and memorizing the texts for their classrooms does pull off some of their feathers and rub off some of their barbarous paint. Perhaps they will make homes in which the Cosmopolitan and Motion Picture Magazine and sets of uncut and unread books may decorate the rooms. So perhaps their children, feeding upon this poisoned pabulum, will get some inkling of the love of books and the desire for things of the spirit. Perhaps in another fifty years the college will be an influence in the higher life of the state and of the nation.

But just now the college is the haunt of a lot of leather-necked, brass-lunged, money-spending snobs who rush around the campus snubbing the few choice spirits who come to college to seek out reason and the will of God.

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**JOSEPH HENRY INITIATION
FILLED WITH PEPARD FUN**

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Then followed a most peppy and interesting program of entertainment. Each candidate for membership contributed his or her bit and showed no mean ability along this line. A debate on the "Isness of Was" proved to be absolutely irresistible and sent everybody into "laughter holding both its sides." Little did State College suspect that Mr. Daires could ramble along so eloquently in the Welch language and that Mr. Goffrey could be so frenchy! There were songs, duets, "fancy" dancing, stunts, truly Demosthonian speeches on weighty subjects, and a radio which made connection with the station SPYX. Thus ended the administration of the second degree.

The third part of the program was—? Adjectives can't be found! Twenty candidates on their knees in a black room thru which one light was shining, solemnly repeated the oath of Joseph Henry Club, before the dark-robed president, Oliver Putman. The twenty candidates rose—members of the glorious society!

Much credit for the success of the initiation was due to the committee in charge, consisting of Mildred Kuhn, chairman; Dorothy Westerman, Ralph Beaver, and Frederick Scott.

A short business meeting was held at which Dr. Hale welcomed the incoming members. It was voted to have a sleigh ride Thursday evening, February 14. Refreshments were served after which everybody tripped the light fantastic and promoted the spirit of good fellowship.

The male section of Professor Simonin's French 2 class are greatly worried because he has seated them so that there is a vacant chair between them. They say that it means preparing lessons for each recitation in the future.

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