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Professor Risley's Lecture

A Study in Comparative Government

The third in the series of democracy lectures was given by Professor Risley, Friday. Those who looked forward to his usual originality and enthusiasm were not disappointed. Speaking in the patriotic and vibrant mood he always has, Professor Risley said many things we will "long remember."

"A study of comparative government, that is the governments of other countries, has its place in a survey of democracy inasmuch as it becomes necessary to test the sincerity of governments fighting for democracy principles by seeing whether or not their structure of government is democratic.

"Such a government as Russia has cannot be dignified as a democracy, despite the fact that it represents the will of the people. We hailed the Russian revolution as the beginning of democracy there. To our short-

sightedness, autocracy's end meant nothing more than the dawn of democracy. From that time we date our slogan of making the 'world safe for democracy.'

"After the revolution of March 17, 1918, the Duma continued in power under Lvoff and Milukoff. This transitory government represented the will of the people but was a 'Democracy,' not a democracy. Kerensky followed, and a republic was proclaimed. But the will of the people, expressing itself through the workmen and soldiers, the Soviets, eight months after the revolution, elevated the unknown and Lenin and Trotzky emerged. This was the beginning of mobocracy, and it lasts to-day. The will of the people merely decreed a change of masters. It is inevitable, and important, to conclude that this

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PROF. DOUGLAS GIVES LECTURE

Talks on "Industrial Education Convention" to Industrial Students

Tuesday, the 19th, Prof. Douglas gave a lecture on the eleventh annual convention of the National Society for the Promotion of Industrial Education. The convention, which remained in session during Feb. 21-23, brought to Philadelphia a number of the most distinguished vocational training experts in the country.

Dr. C. A. Prosser, director of the Federal Board of Vocational Education, was one of the principal speakers at the opening session. In his address Dr. Prosser characterized as "foolish" that part of the draft law which already has taken into the army hundreds of young instructors whose services are essential for agricultural and industrial work.

Several speakers agreed that the operation of the Smith-Hughes law would mark the opening of a new era in the educational history of the United States. Already, they declared, there are indications that after the war the trend toward federal control will be a dominating feature in all educational activity.

The need for highly specialized workmen for the war was emphasized by Dr. Arthur L. Williston, director of the Wentworth Institute, Boston. Dr. Williston predicted that before the war ends 7,000,000 such men would have to be sent to France, and that filling their places would require the training of additional millions here.

E. E. McNary, a U. S. Shipping Board expert on industrial training, told how the navy trains men to become specialists in ship work.

Much of the time of the convention was devoted to a discussion of war emergency training, the need of which Prof. Douglas summarized in his lecture.

ELECTIONS FOR 1918-1919

Juniors

President, Earle Sutherland.
Vice-President, Lyra Waterhouse.
Secretary, Martha Stuart.
Treasurer, Mildred Oatey.
Reporter, Winifred Wemple.
Editor of Pedagogue, Dorothy Roberts.
Business Manager, Fanne Plusch.

Sophomores

President, Harriet Rising.
Vice-President, George Schiavone.
Secretary, Elizabeth Gardiner.
Treasurer, Elizabeth Archibald.
Reporter, Helen Reitz.
Athletic Council, Va. Allen Lobdell.

Freshmen

President, Reginald Bruce.
Vice-President, Beatrice Buchanan.
Secretary, Mary Grahn.
Treasurer, Mary Wish.
Reporter, Florence Stanbro.
Athletic Council, Hawthorne.
Athletic Manager, Baker.
Marshal, Winifred Darling.

MENORAH

Menorah is the name given to an intercollegiate organization which has recently been established in Albany. The aims are chiefly literary, but social life is also emphasized. Current events form the principal topic of discussion, and at alternate meetings there is a lecture on some topic of interest. In the fall there were several hikes and more are planned for spring. Meetings are held Sunday afternoons in the vestry rooms of the Temple Beth Emeth. Membership is open to all students who are interested in the study of Jewish culture and ideals.

SOPHOMORES WIN INTER-CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP

Retain Title for Second Consecutive Year

The Sophomore basketball team last week won the inter-class basketball championship of State College when they defeated the Juniors in the "tie off game" by a score of 31 to 12. The contest was fast from the start, but the winner was never in doubt after the first few minutes.

The Sophs were the first to score, getting a two-point lead on free throws. Castellano made the count 2 and 1 by scoring from the penalty line. This was as near as the Juniors came to winning the game. Merchant was the first man to score a field basket, dropping one in from underneath the basket. The Sophs gradually drew away from their opponents, which was the result of their superior team work and Merchant's shooting. The Juniors failed to score a field basket in this half, Castellano scoring but three times from the foul line. When the whistle sounded for half time the score was Sophs 10, Juniors 3.

In the closing period the Sophs showed a flash of the form that gave them the championship last year. The team passed the ball in great style and the Juniors found it hard work to get past Captain Lobdell and Hakes, stellar guards of the Yellow and White. Carson, Merchant and Springmann were the scorers for the Sophs, while Masson accounted for nine points for the losers.

The Junior team went to pieces near the end of the game, three of their men, Whitney, Tobias and Castellano being ordered from the game for committing four personal fouls.

JUNIORS

Name.	Pos.	Fb.	Fp.	Tp.
Castellano, r. f.-c.		0	3	3
Masson, l. f.-c.		3	3	9
Whitney, c.		0	0	0
Tobias, r. g.		0	0	0
Chiessen, l. g.		0	0	0
Sutherland, r. f.		0	0	0
Force, l. f.		0	0	0
Totals		3	6	12

SOPHS

Name.	Pos.	Fb.	Fp.	Tp.
Merchant, r. f.		5	0	10
Carson, l. f.		2	0	4
Springmann, c.		3	11	17
Hakes, r. g.		0	0	0
Lobdell, l. g.		0	0	0
Ferguson, r. f.		0	0	0
Neuner, l. f.		0	0	0
Hakes, r. g.		0	0	0
Totals		10	11	31

Score at half time, Sophs 10, Juniors 3. Referee, Dr. Powers. Scorer, Hathorne. Timer, Barry. Time of periods, 15 minutes.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Pct.
Sophomores	7	6	1	.857
Juniors	7	5	2	.714
Seniors	6	2	4	.333
Freshmen	6	0	6	.000

SOPHS WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

The determining game of the series was played Thursday when the Sophs and Seniors met in the most hotly contested game of the season. Dot Austin made the first score. Then the Sophs sailed in and gained a four-point lead for the first half. The score was 9 to 5.

In the second half the battle was renewed. The Seniors could not break through the Soph passwork. Dot Austin was well guarded and failed to score in the entire half. Florence Bohne did excellent work for the Sophs and made all but one of the points for her team. Beulah Cunningham as guard and Mad. Cummings as side center did much to gain the Soph victory.

The final score was 13 to 6. This determines the championship, since the Sophs have won five out of the six games and their nearest competitors, the Seniors, have already lost two. Miss Gray was referee.

SENIORS FINISH THIRD

Frosh Lose Sixth Straight

The Freshmen team lost its sixth straight game Monday, the 19th, meeting defeat at the hands of the Seniors by a score of 16 to 12.

The Frosh were the first to score, Link putting his team in the lead by scoring two field baskets. Dewey Townsend dribbled half the length of the court and made the first Senior score. Baker came thru with another point for the Frosh by scoring from the foul line. Pearlman brought the Seniors to the front by scoring two field baskets. The score at half time was Seniors 6, Frosh 5.

The Seniors rolled up five points in short order at the beginning of the second half; this they maintained throughout the half. Hathorne and Link were the chief scorers for the Frosh, while Townsend and Pearlman featured for the Seniors.

The score:

SENIORS

Name.	Pos.	Fb.	Fp.	Tp.
Pearlman, r. f.		3	0	6
H. Lobdell, l. f.		0	0	0
Walker, c.		1	0	2
Heason, r. g.		0	0	0
D. Townsend, l. g.		2	4	8
R. Townsend, l. g.		0	0	0
Totals		3	4	16

FROSH

Name.	Pos.	Fb.	Fp.	Tp.
Bliss, r. f.		0	0	0
Link, l. f.		3	0	6
Manville, c.		0	0	0
Baker, r. g.		0	1	1
Cordan, l. g.		0	0	0
Hathorne, c.		1	3	5
Totals		4	4	12

Score at half time, Seniors 6, Frosh 5. Referee, Dr. Powers. Timekeeper, Hofmann. Time of periods, 15 minutes.

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EDITORIALS

To the Editor:

Since the Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity is the largest purely men's organization in the college, we feel that we should state briefly our position on the admission of a new fraternity. We believe:

First. That a fraternity based on sound principles and properly conducted is a means of moral and social betterment to its members and the college as a whole.

Second. That the rules governing the admission of fraternities to State College, just published, are very complete and fill a long felt need.

Third. That the acceptance or rejection of a fraternity by some other college is in itself no cause for like action here. We should be governed by the President's findings and our own laws.

Fourth. Since K. D. R. has found that even in our largest colleges lodges not greatly exceeding thirty active members are most efficient, and since there are many men in college who do not care to pledge themselves to conform to the principles on which our fraternity is founded, we feel that if they have a desire to organize along lines in which they have a community of interest, we cannot and should not deny them the privilege which we demand for ourselves.
Kappa Delta Rho.

To the Editor of the "News":

In the last issue of the paper there appeared a letter which called attention to the fact that there was no social need for the establishment of a chapter of Kappa Nu fraternity at State College. The validity of this contention is to be tested by an examination of what conditions a social need. It seems that the need would spring from the desire of those who seek a closer fraternal relationship. A social need cannot be determined by any other criterion. Do we want ourselves organized? Our desire is always, when this question is put, to be satisfied from our own point of view.

As to the new fraternity being turned out at all colleges, this is disproved by the fact that it is taken in in Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Columbia, Pennsylvania and New York U. Why the Jewish young men who seem to be excluded from college fraternal life cannot have their own fraternity is a question which seems hardly debatable.

Resolution Adopted by Athletic Council and by Myskania

Since the students of State College who have gone to war have thought it unwise to ask for rebate of student tax, it is the opinion of the Athletic Council and of Myskania that it would be unwise for students who leave college for other reasons to ask for a rebate.

FORMER STATE COLLEGE STUDENT SURVIVES TUSCANIA

Robert McCarthy, a former student of the college, is one of the survivors of the Tuscania. A letter received from his mother describes his experience:

"Robert had a very narrow escape, as he was among the last to leave the boat, and in helping some of the others to tie the ropes he was pushed overboard. He struck against an overturned life boat, which dazed him, but in the water he became conscious and was finally rescued by a rope thrown from one of the destroyers. He landed the next morning, and since then he has been all over the British Isles. He is now a draftsman in an aviation camp in Scotland."

Company C.

Reserve Officers School,
U. S. Naval Operating Base,
Hampton Roads, Va.

Dear Prof. Douglas:

No, I haven't fallen from a plane, been shot by a spy nor anything like that, but I have been so darn busy I have hardly had time to draw my pay.

I have had lots of experiences since I left the old S. C. T. When I said good-bye to old Albany the government gave me a fine Pullman ride to Pensacola. Everything was fine and I had the time of my life. When I reached there I found it much overcrowded. They had no equipment for us and no place to swing a hammock. My bed was on the floor under a table, but as the room was a school-room I was perfectly at home. After five days of nothing to do but sit around and grow fat, I was transferred to Hampton Roads. For a while we had it kind of tough here, sleeping on floors, no warm water, but we managed to make a joke of it

and pulled through. After the first week conditions improved and everything went along well. We had a great bunch of men and a dull moment was seldom experienced. This is some life. It's fall in, fall out and stand by. We hit the deck at 5:30 A. M. and lights are out at 9 P. M., when we are supposed to pipe down.

While I was studying for the quartermaster exam I was also busy preparing for an exam for entrance to the Ensign School here. By rare good luck I was successful. Yesterday I moved my bag and hammock to this school and to-morrow I start work. Tell the boys to study math, if they want to get anywhere in the army or navy. Had I never studied trig, I would never have made the school. I also found that mechanics was a great help in the aviation school. Make the boys work hard, for they will appreciate the value of it when they get out. Wish I had had more of the stuff.

The life here has certainly agreed with me. I have already gained about fourteen pounds. We get fine chow and a hammock is not at all bad to sleep in after you learn how. The chief requirement is to lay fast, for the deck is six feet below and quite hard. All our clothes are kept in a sea bag. A more unhandy thing would be hard to find, for the article you want is always at the bottom.

I have had quite a lot of guard duty since I have been here. You start out with a gun and come back with a cannon.

Yours sincerely,

Ralph W. Floody.

GREAT DISCOVERY MADE ON WEDNESDAY

A revolutionizing discovery was made on Wednesday last, leaving most of us astounded. Contrary to all expectations, and coming as a stupendous surprise to State College, an affair transpired which cheered our hearts. We still wonder. Truly has it been said, "The day of miracles has not passed." Long will it be remembered in the annals of this, our Alma Mater—The Freshmen showed some pep!

DEPARTMENT OF HOME ECONOMICS

Mrs. Katharine Odell Anderson '16 has entered the federal service in the laboratory of the General Army Hospital No. 9 at Lakewood, N. J.

The Home Economics Seniors and faculty enjoyed a sing, followed by a supper at the Practice House last Sunday evening.

On Wednesday the Junior cookery class entertained at dinner in the home dining room. The guests were the Home Economics faculty and Miss Jewett.

Fannie Leech '15 has left her teaching position at Sinclairville, N. Y., and will engage in Chautauqua work.

Miss Van Liew attended a meeting of Normal School Home Economics teachers at Buffalo during the past week end.

Miss Steele entertained the Home Economics Seniors at afternoon tea in her apartment, Wednesday.

Several of the Seniors are assisting Mrs. Agnes Dynes Feuling in the Knickerbocker Press exhibition this week.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Surgical Dressings

	Workers	Compressors
Freshmen	14	299
Sophomores	19	253
Juniors	9	241
Seniors	4	65

Miss Mac Larkin '10 has accepted a very responsible position as Bacteriologist of the State of Washington.

Miss Gray of the faculty has been appointed to the advisory board of the State Hygiene and Physical Directors Association.

JUNIORS WIN FROM FROSH

The Frosh played their last and best game Wednesday, losing to their sister team by a score of 18 to 13. The first half was well fought by both sides and the result of the game was still doubtful when, at the end of the first half, the score was 6 to 6. In the second half the Juniors brought in swifter pass work and stronger guarding against the Frosh forwards. The Juniors finally drew away from their opponents and won by a safe margin.

Miss Gray refereed.

G. A. A. MEETING

A meeting was held Tuesday to decide about the Pedagogue representation of the association. It was decided to have in the year book a group picture of the members, a picture of Miss Gray, one of the captain of the Scnior team, and a group picture of the champions. Attention was called to the swimming classes being held at Bath 3. All who wish to go are welcome.

A number of people have not paid their dues. These are mostly old members. Money is needed for the Pedagogue, for cups, and for letters and numerals.

MUSIC CLUB

A very pleasing program was given Monday, March 18th, in the auditorium at 4 o'clock. Those who performed were:

Vocal solo, Sayde Rosen. Flute accompaniment by Merle Hosdowich. Reading, Marion Beale.

Piano solo, Esther Cramer.

Reading, Gertrude Green.

After the program, a business meeting was held. It was decided not to have a group picture for the Pedagogue but to have a write-up of one page. Election of officers ensued, resulting as follows:

President, Helen Reitz.
Vice-President, Marjorie Finn.
Secretary-Treasurer, Marion Posson.

PSI GAMMA

We are glad to welcome, as pledge members, Emily Kelly '19, Amy Clubley, Alberta Silkworth, Pauline Feeney, Gertrude Southard and Edith Parrott '21.

Once again the veil of quarantine is lifted and Psi Gamma girls are happy to be back.

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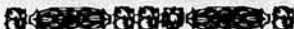
WEDNESDAY, March 27:
5:40 p. m., Easter Vacation Begins.

THURSDAY, April 4:
8:10 a. m., Instruction Resumed.

FRIDAY, April 5:
9:00 a. m., Student Assembly, Auditorium.
4:00 p. m., Lecture, "The Development of Democracy in the United States," Mr. C. A. Hildley.
8:00 p. m., Consumers' League Party, Gymnasium.

SATURDAY, April 6:
2:00 p. m., Dancing Class, Gymnasium.
8:00 p. m., Inter-Sorority Party, Gymnasium.

MONDAY, April 8:
9:00 a. m., 5:00 p. m., Red Cross, Sewing, Room B1.
4:00 p. m., War Cookery Demonstration, Room T.
7:45 p. m., Faculty Women, Red Cross, Green Room.



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**Wednesday, April 10, 4:35
Auditorium.**



CAMOUFLAGE

We learned that Coach Maroney spent the week end in New York trying to discover a new way of getting bricks on the top of a skyscraper.

Wanted—A nice little girl to sew the S on H. P.'s sweater.

The Press seems to think that Professor Risley is the father of the democracy series.

ETA PHI

We welcome, as pledge members, Dorothy Bacheller '19, Esther Craner, Louise Perry, Florence Stanbro, May Truman and Myfanwy Williams '21.

Helen Kelso '17 spent the week end of March 15 at the house.
Dorothy Bacheller '19 spent the week end of March 22 at the house.

KAPPA DELTA

Kappa Delta welcomes the following as pledge members: Martha Stuart and Anita Fraser '19, Mary Grahn, Margaret Crane, Mabel White and Luella Clark '21.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jensen of Summit, N. J., called at the house Sunday.

All sorority activities have been postponed until after vacation on account of the death of Jane Spaulding Burt '16.

Y. M. C. A. GAME TABLES

Industrial Men "Doing Their Bit"

The Commissioner of Education at Washington, D. C., has announced that the Army Young Men's Christian Association would be glad to accept gifts of checker tables from manual training schools or departments.

There are thirty-two army cantonments, with a total of 500 Y. M. C. A. buildings already erected or projected. Each of these buildings can use from eight to ten tables.

The table on exhibition in the rotunda is one of four made by members of the Industrial Department. The rails and legs are constructed of oak and the top of white wood. The tables are finished with one coat of white shellac and two coats of best quality flat varnish. One the top of each, two checker-board designs are painted in black and red shellac, with a one-half inch gold paint border.

KAPPA NU

Kappa Nu cordially welcomes, as pledge members, Edna Mameth, Helen O'Brien, Helen Taafe, Katherine McGarahan, Gertrude Burns and Margaret Vangura '21.

We extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Florence Quinlavin '18, who is ill at her home in Iliou.

Margaret O'Connell '17 visited at the house Friday night on her way home for Easter vacation.
Edith Sullivan '18 and Mae Cronin '19 have returned to college.

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Dr. David Penfield Austin of the class of 1857, on March 19th, 1918, at his home in New York City.

Dr. Austin taught in the Albany Academy '57-'60, and in a New York City ward school '60-'62. In 1866 he was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, and since has practised medicine in New York. He has always been active and loyal as an alumnus of the college, serving as a member of the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association since 1907 and as President of the Association in 1902. He was a member of the committee that erected the memorial tablet which is found in the college rotunda.

NEWMAN

This is that interesting, all-important information. The Newman song contest is on, but the time is drawing to a close. The prize is twenty dollars, and you need not write both words and music. If you write music but simply can't write words, why not collaborate with some of the more poetically inclined members? We have lots of talent, and at least there is nothing lost by trying, and you stand an excellent chance of finding there's lots to gain. If you wish any further information, ask any member of the council or the committee, Margaret Miller, Aileen Russell and William Merchant.

The Newman dance is April 13th. Don't forget!

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PROF. RISLEY'S LECTURE

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is the will of the people, such people as are active and able in this unfortunate transitory stage of Russian progress.

"If our conception be true that this war is the accepted decision of the German people, then our contest is directly with the people of Germany and is not pointed solely at the Kaiser. So be it. Away with phrase and subterfuge. We are fighting the German people, and the only way to impress those people with the fallacy of their decisions is to fight them until an American and an allied victory is won. Tip the point of American bayonets with democracy; apply as directed. Otherwise no German minority that agrees with our principles can ever have a shadow of a chance to register its will.

"It is not unfair to assert that at present Germany has a government that represents the will of the people. The German is satisfied with his government, both in peace and in war. He glories in its military efficiency and victories in time of war. He belongs to a triumphant nation whose government has made others tremble and become subservient and has taken the lead in science. It is businesslike, beneficent and progressive. He prefers efficiency to democracy.

"Our positive distaste for the fundamental principle of the German state should not lead us to think that our attitude must be shared by the German. In spite of some protests by Germans the existing government suits the German, is what he wants, and represents accurately both the submissive and dominant will of the people. This does not deny that events may cause a change in sentiment, but satisfaction has been and is the mood of the German. Surely, a government of its known autocratic sort, even though it represents the will of the people, cannot, by any stretch of the imagination, be termed a democracy. Hence, the definition of democracy as the will of the people fails, too, in this instance.

"What is a real definition of democracy? Our own country supplies it and has always put it into operation. Democracy is that structure of government which allows a minority to become a majority. The working of this practical definition will produce and fit democracies that suit our notion of the will of the people. A democracy allows the 'outs' to become the 'ins.' It affords opportunity to grow and 'o be tested. It produces change that is gradual. It is that form of government which allows change of evolutionary character rather than of a revolutionary sort. It is the minority growing into a majority.

"This is not a distinction made for the mere sake of making a distinction. Nor is it a distinction without a difference. In the routine of a study of governments, covering many years, with careful examination of the exact working of the accepted definition, its failure to define, as contrasted with the exactness of the growth of minorities, the value of the definition here presented has increased, and it seems specially applicable in these present-day events, a few of which we have given.

"If the growth of minorities had been a working principle in Germany, it is probable that at this moment we might be extolling the value of The Hague conference. Germany has possessed an active minority which wished to grow into a majority that would not have been the inflexible sort of will of the people that now drives Germany mad."

DELTA OMEGA

We are very happy to have Alida Ballagh, Beatrice Buchanan, Katherine Wansboro, Dorothy Guernsey '21 and Miriam Smith '20 for new Deltas.

Lovisa Vedder '20 spent the week end with Marguerite Ritzer '20 at her home in Scotia.

Edith Wallace '17 is home for her Easter vacation from Wellesley.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Anna Lenka '20 for the loss of her sister.

Miss Van Liew was at the house for dinner Wednesday.

Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., where most of the New York men in the National Army are located, gives some idea of the great task of training an army. The cantonment consists of 622 buildings which were completed by September 1st. In addition to these there are 124 buildings for hospitals, refrigerating plants, storehouses and miscellaneous structures. The buildings cost the government about \$6,000,000, and a force of 9,000 men was necessary in their construction with a weekly payroll of \$400,000. The contractors reckon that one building was completed every forty minutes for two months. Thirty million feet of lumber was delivered. Fifty carloads of material were unloaded every day. It was necessary to lay twenty miles of pipe for the water system and twenty miles of pipe for the sewerage system.

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