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## Ruth Draper Reads for College Tonight

### To Present Own Character Sketches

The Dramatics and Art Association will present Ruth Draper in her Original Character Sketches tonight at 8:15 in Chancellors Hall. Great expectations have been aroused throughout all Albany, and it is very safe to say that there will be no disappointment. It is not only Miss Draper's ability in producing and reading which attracts but her great charm of personality. Those few who will be privileged to meet her personally will be better able to describe the attractions of Miss Draper.

The program which she will present is as follows:

At an Art Exhibition.

Three Generations in a Court of Domestic Relations.

At a Dance in London.

A Children's Party in Philadelphia. A Charwoman.

At a Telephone Switchboard.

Three Breakfasts:

The First.....In A Suburb  
After 15 Years.....In A City  
After 40 Years.....On A Farm

## STUDENT ASSEMBLY

Professor Walker presented the question to the student assembly Friday morning of raising the coach's salary from \$1,700 to \$2,000. At present the State pays the coach a salary of \$1,700 and the question is whether the Finance Board, by the sanction of the student body, shall in its annual budget, include \$300 extra for the purpose of increasing the coach's salary to \$2,000. Many arguments were given on both sides and the question, after much heated discussion, was left over for future decision.

## COLLEGE CALENDAR

Friday, February 16  
Reading by Ruth Draper  
Chancellors Hall, 8:15 P. M.

Saturday, February 17  
Basketball, Fordham vs State  
State Gym. 8:00P. M.

Monday, February 19  
Music Association Meeting  
Auditorium, 4:45 P. M.

Tuesday, February 20  
Y.W.C.A. Meeting, Room B, 3:00 P.M.  
Joseph Henry Club Meeting  
Room 150, 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday, February 21  
Basketball (Girls)  
Freshmen vs Senior, Gym, 5:00 P.M.

## Gammi Kappi Phi Holds Annual Reunion

Gamma Kappa Phi enjoyed its annual alumnae celebration over the past week end. The festivities opened with a business meeting of the alumnae association Saturday morning at college. The following officers were elected: president, Mildred Meserve, '20; vice president, Hazel Rowley, '20; recording secretary, Cora Meserve, '22; corresponding secretary, Sybil Balme, '22; assistant corresponding secretary, Jane Scullen, '20; treasurer, Edna Class, '20.

At 1:30 at the Hampton Hotel a luncheon was enjoyed by both the active members and the alumnae. Ethel Cummings, '23 served as chairman of the affair while Cora Meserve '22, acted as toastmistress. The following responded to toasts: Edna Parshall, Prof. Bronson, Susan Collier and Hazel Rowley. The evening's entertainment consisted of a theatre party at the Hall which was attended by the active and passive members.

The festivities culminated in tea served at the chapter house from 3-5 Sunday. Susan Collier, '23, poured and the jolly social chat was punctuated with the exercises of both vocal and stringed chords.

The alumnae who came back to celebrate with us were: Maude Hinekle, '18; Vera Comstock, '19; Hazel Rowley, '20; Edna Parshall, '20; Jane Scullen, '20; Edna Class, '20; Marcella Ryan, '20; Katherine Collier, '21; Cora Meserve, '22; Sybil Balme, '22.

## SYDDUM GIVES DINNER DANCE

Syddum Hall was the scene of a very delightful dinner dance Saturday evening, February 10, 1923. Since this is an annual affair, the preparations which had been made were extensive and the decorations consisting of ferns, palms, and college banners were particularly attractive.

Dinner was served at six-thirty in the dining room at small tables which had yellow daffodils for their centerpieces.

After dinner the dancing, which continued until eleven-thirty, began in the library and living rooms. The house colors, orange and gray, were used in the dance favors. Music was furnished by a three piece orchestra. Miss Pierce, Miss Steele, Miss Perine, and Mrs. Leary were chaperons for the affair. Among the guests of the girls at the house were men from Brown, R. P. L., Union, Springfield, and Syracuse.

The successful occasion was largely due to the direction of Sophia Cohen, '24. Officers of Syddum Hall are: Gladys Mesereau, '25, President; Joyce Dwyer, '25, Vice president; Madeline Finch, '25, Secretary; Adelaide Grueschow, '26, Treasurer.

## State to Play Fordham

### Game in College Gym.

On February 17 Fordham's basketball five will meet State's five in a game in the college gymnasium.

The tossers for Fordham are not as strong this season as they have been in former years, and State and the Albany Law School whom they play February 16, may each hope for a victory.

State's Varsity have had ample time for rest and practice since the Alumni game and should be able to give the visitors a good hard fight. As the teams will be more evenly matched than they have been in many of our former games, we may look for good fast playing all through the game.

## FROSH TEAM DEFEATED BY SUFFIELD

The basketball game played in the State College gymnasium February 10 between the Suffield five and the "frosh" resulted in a victory for the visiting team.

During the first half both fives played nearly evenly, but in the second half State's frosh went down under the fast playing of the Suffield team.

The "frosh" put up a good stiff fight all during the game, but they were outclassed by Suffield's five in both size and weight. Neither State's Varsity or "frosh" team has men of equal weight. As a result the game could have but one result: defeat for the "frosh" who went down in the whirlwind of fast plays pulled off by the Suffield five.

The score:

SUFFIELD	f.g.	f.p.	t.p.
Babeock, lg.	1	0	2
Yates, lg.	1	0	2
Duncan, cf.	9	6	24
Buckingham, c.	0	0	0
Richtmyer, lg.	2	0	4
Shaughnessey,	1	0	2
Weltman,	0	0	0
Totals	14	6	34

STATE	f.g.	f.p.	t.p.
Kershaw, lg.	0	0	0
Braun, rf.	0	0	0
Gainor, c.	2	7	11
Landon, lg.	1	0	2
Howe, rg.	1	0	2
Briggs, lg.	0	0	0
Totals	4	7	15

Final Score: Suffield 34, State 15.  
Referee—Johnson.

## College Concert To Be Given February 23

### Os-Ke-Non-Ton, Indian Singer Special Feature

The Music Association will present the Women's Chorus assisted by Os-Ke-Non-Ton, the college orchestra, and the Men's Double Quartet, in a concert at Chancellors Hall, Friday evening, February 23.

Os-Ke-Non-Ton will be the special and unusual feature of the concert. He is a full blooded Mohawk Indian, and is still a chief of that tribe, as were his father and grandfather. Running Deer, as his name may be translated, is a graduate of an American High School, but he still lives with the Indians during the summer, and does concert singing during the winter. He has a fine baritone voice, and he appears on the stage in his native costume and sings a collection of traditional songs of the Six Nations and other western tribes. There are only three or four such men in America, and Os-Ke-Non-Ton is considered the best.

The second attraction will be the College Chorus. This year there are about one hundred women in the chorus, and they will sing two groups of songs. The first will be a group of Negro Spirituals, "Didn't It Rain," "Meeting Here Tonight," and "Deep River." The first two are rather humorous, typically "nigger" songs, showing a little of the negro interpretation of religion and Bible stories. The third of this group is considered one of the best and most beautiful of the negro spirituals. The second group will be made up of songs written especially for the chorus by Mr. Candlyn. The first is to be a lullaby, "Sleep, Sleep, Beauty Bright," the words of which were written by William Blake. "The Shadow March," a dainty little march of ghosts and goblins, will be the second number, and this will be its first presentation in public. The last of the group will be the "Hottentot Child," another humorous selection.

As the final touches on the program, the orchestra will play two groups of selections, and the Men's Double Quartet will sing two groups of songs. The selections for this concert are being chosen with the idea of showing the students the best American music, the Negro and Indian folk songs, and also the really modern American songs.

All students will be admitted on their student tax tickets, and outsiders will be charged an admission of fifty cents.

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## NOTICE

Dorothy Jones, '24 has been appointed as Assistant Business Manager to take the place left vacant by the resignation of Annie Olson, '24.

## "EVERY DAY"

"Every day in every way I can do some one thing better than I did it yesterday." "Ha ha!" laughs the cynic, "another way of amusing the dear public!" But strange to say it is not merely a phrase coined for amusing those who hear it; it does not involve the mental concentration and revolution that the venerable Dr. Coue's patented phrase involves; it merely states a fact in sort of catch fashion.

When we, if we take the time, ask ourselves just how perfect our yesterdays were, we are very apt to say that we shall do better tomorrow. Very often we make excuses for ourselves; very often we don't even make excuses. We know of course what we need, a sure cure dose of patent medicine, the kind that tastes nice. But as the sages and even our own selves have admitted time and again, only in different language, "there are no such animal!" We must face the fact of a slow and tedious cure. Nothing could be simpler than saying to ourselves once a day or more "Every day—I will do better!"

If it doesn't work, it can at least do no harm.

## STUDENT COMMENT

### ARE WE GAME?

Hobble gobble, razzle dazzle, zipp. Much excitement in the student life of State College! Variety is the spice of our existence and now after two weeks (which have seemed like countless aeons) of concentrated vigil with the midnight oil, our souls are filled with that insatiable yearning for something that will relieve the monotony and add zest to the routine. A bomb was dropped in the form of a very short notice on the bulletin board sometime during Thursday and it exploded Friday in assembly, scattering refutation missiles here and there which especially hit the men and the juniors. Its effects were wonderful—everybody became electrically animated, there were wild discussions pro and con, and even room-mates were torn asunder by the heat of the argument.

But now that the flash is over, let's get down to brass tacks and think as soundly and logically as our mentality will permit us. Do we want to raise the salary of a coach for State College to \$2,000? In the first place we all have college spirit (in various amounts but then it's there all right) and we would all like to have our college on a par with the other colleges with which we compete in athletic contests. We realize we are sadly deficient in the quantity of our men but we believe we could be efficient in the quality of our team members. One of the big requisites for this efficiency is a capable coach who can spend all his time and energy with his proteges and in order to obtain a man of this calibre, we must pay the price. Perhaps it can be pulled elsewhere but on this earth anyway we keenly appreciate the fact that nothing comes gratis. While perhaps a \$2,000 coach could not produce a stellar team out of our material, yet he might be able to so train our men that we could win a few games and even a few basketball victories might serve as an inducement for possible male freshmen. Of course none of us can estimate results with certainty but aren't State Collegians game to make a trial, especially if that trial may raise our athletic reputation? Dr. Brubacher states that he has a prospective candidate in mind—wouldn't his recommendation of a coach influence our decision to exert all efforts in bringing that man here?

And now concerning the student body making a disastrous precedence by raising the salary of an instructor in order to keep him in the faculty of State College—if a professor has decided to widen his field and broaden his own capabilities, three hundred dollars is not going to deter him on his road to highest advancement. Money will be nil to him in his avoidance of stagnation.

So do we want to raise the salary of our coach to \$2,000? Let's remember—when a State Collegian does a thing, he does it right so here goes for just a little more power in the motor!

## It Is the Way of the World

Years and years ago when the world was new, there was but one great kingdom on all the earth. And the ruler of all this great kingdom, for he was as wise as he was great, decided that the young of the kingdom should have an opportunity to share in the great learning.

So he called unto himself a noted wise man who in turn called unto himself many other wise men. Together they founded an institution of learning where they might instruct the young as the ruler had commanded. And a heterogeneous mass, who had been previously educated by known and unknown masters, appeared before them.

Gladly the wise men took up the task of instructing the newcomers. They showed them the writings of their ancestors, and pointed out which was good and which was bad. They told them of the birds, the beasts, and the flowers; of the method used in keeping the accounts of the royal treasury; of chemistry and physics, and the laws of great philosophers. In fact all which they themselves knew, the wise men taught the children.

And after many weeks of continued instructions, the noted wise man

called the other wise men to him and said: "you have taught long and diligently. You must now find what benefit your pupils have derived from your instruction."

The wise men then conferred together and decided to form questions on that of which they had spoken, and find to what degree each of their pupils had absorbed the great knowledge. And they graded the answers of each and made report to the noted wise man.

With some he was well-pleased, but with others he was in despair. And he shook his head sadly, and said, "It is of no avail to keep some of these with us. They have gained nothing from our teaching, and we certainly have gained nothing from them." So he called this certain few unto him, and bid them seek advantage unto him, and bid them seek advantage in other fields, and, if perchance they chose to return when they were more capable, they would be welcome.

As they filed out, one by one, from the institution of learning, high on the top of Mount Olympus the gods, looked at each other, smiled, and murmured, "It is the way of the world—"

Aesop III



The cake had been passed to everyone at the table but Bobbie, age three and a half years.

Bobbie—I'll take a piece of cake, please.

Mother—No, dear, banana cake is too heavy for little boys.

Bobbie (after several seconds of thought)—Well, I'll use both hands.

David Crowe was a devout churchgoer. The young minister of his church was also devout, but easily embarrassed.

Imagine the consternation of Mr. Crowe and the delight of the congregation, when the young divine solemnly said in prayer meeting: "And now, will Brother Pray please crow for us?"

When the battle of Mobile Bay was over, and the ships had anchored, Lieutenant Commander Perkins who commanded the Chickasaw went on board the Hartford to report to Admiral Farragut. Perkins was a handsome dashing fellow, bright and popular.

After calling on the Admiral he went below to the ward room, where he found the officers standing around the table, and the Chaplain with prayer book in hand just about to read the prayer of Thanksgiving for victory. Perkins stopped at the door, and the Chaplain seeing him, said in a solemn voice, "Captain, won't you join us?"

"No, thanks, old man," replied Perkins. "I've just had two with the Admiral."

Pullman Conductor—Sorry, sir; no chairs; let you have the drawing-room.

Passenger—That wouldn't do me any good; I can't draw.

Prof.—What do you find the hardest part of the Bible?

Student—The book about work.

"What is the name of it?"

"It's called Job."—Virginia Reel.

First Flapper—The check of that conductor! He glared at me as if I hadn't paid my fare.

Second Ditto—And what did you do?

"I just glared back at him—as if I had!"

The doctor's three year old daughter, Doris, had come to bid her father good night. Thinking to ascertain the child's viewpoint as to her prayers, he asked: "Doris, how do you begin your prayers?"

"Why, daddy," she said, with a twinkle, "I just say 'Lord, this is Doris speaking.'"

"Bill," the poet gasped to his friend "I wrote a poem about my little boy and began the first verse with these words:

"My son, my pigmy counterpart."  
"Yes, yes?"

The poet drew a newspaper from pocket.

"Read!" he blazed. "See what that compositor did to my opening line."

The friend read aloud: "My son my pig, my counterpart."—Atlanta Constitution.

Mr. Peddy—If that young man's coming to see you every day in the week, you had better give him a hint to come after supper.

Miss Peddy—I don't think it necessary, Pa. That's what he comes after

Bella—Do you believe that playing cards carry germs?

Stella—Certainly! Don't you know that sailors are compelled to scrub the decks before they are allowed to play?

## G. A. A. ACTIVITIES

A band of bathing beauties created quite a splash at Bath No. 3 last Tuesday night. I said beauties; perhaps the adjective should be limited to those who owned their bathing suits, judging from what I have heard about the suits for rent. At any rate the G. A. A. party must have been a jolly one (reports are not yet in) as outings always are where lovers of the same thing get together.

Jingle bells, jingle bells,  
Jingle all the way,  
A sleigh ride party Saturday  
Is planned by the G. A. A.

If nothing happens to the weather, country roads will be in excellent condition for sleighing. Arrangements have not as yet been completed, but the merry party is expected to start late in the afternoon, and continue long enough to arouse keen appetites for a hot delicious supper in the "cafe."

Then who among the rooters for our boys Saturday night will be more alive and full 'o pep than those G. A. A. gals who have been "taking the air" all afternoon?

## FACULTY NOTES

The New York branch of the State College Alumni will hold its annual dinner at the Hotel McAlpin, New York City, Saturday evening, February 17, 1923. Miss Pierce will be present and Dr. Brubacher will give an address.

Mr. Sayles will attend a meeting of the department of superintendents of the National Education Association, to be held at Cleveland. The meeting begins February 26, 1923.

## Remember March 7

### PUBLIC SALES

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## ORGANIZATIONS

### Chemistry Club.

The Chemistry Club held a meeting on Friday at 4 o'clock in Room 250. Eleanor Fraser presented an interesting paper on "American Chemists."

### Joseph Henry Club.

At the next meeting to be held Tuesday evening interesting papers will be given by Miss Hunter and Mr. Cassavant.

## 'Round the College

Frances Stilson, '22 was a welcome week-end guest at the Kappa Delta House.

Harriett Holmes, '21 has been seen around college this week. Harriett is teaching at Walden, N. Y.

At the recent meeting of Hudson Valley Branch of State College Alumnae, Linnie Clark, '21 was elected secretary.

Betty Macqueen, '25 has returned to college after two week's absence. Martha Parry, '22 and Anna O'Neil, '22 visited college this week.

Elton Hakes, '21 was a guest over the week-end.

Beatrice Martin, '24 is ill in the Albany Hospital.

Helen Van Aken, '22 and Ethel Huyck, '22 were guests at the Eta Phi House over the week-end.

We are glad to see Laura Ebell, '23 back after a week's absence.

Rachel Van Denburgh visited her sister at the Delta house over the week-end.

Catherine Peltz, '22, Carol Traver, '22, and Beatrice Buchanan, '21 visited college Monday.

### NOTES OF A TOURIST

In Akron, O., a station porter thanked me for my tip.

I remember Denver, Colo., because there a barber shaved my neck before I could stop him.

In Miami, Fla., I was asked to join the Ku Klux Klan.

I am the man who heard the woman say the Grand Canyon was cute.

In Atlanta a waiter emptied kidney stew in my lap.

In a Detroit drug store I innocently ordered a glass of sarsaparilla to receive a drink of gin and a check for sixty-five cents.

The police of Joplin, Mo., arrested me for vagrancy.

At Atlantic City I saw a girl, pretty as a royal flush, asleep on the sand, and snoring.

Chicago always reminds me of the confidence man with the wire-tapping scheme, who let me win my first bet, after which I quit.

Admiring the sunset from the roof garden of a Salt Lake City hotel, I sprinkled pepper on my ice cream.

In Los Angeles a widow with twins wanted to marry me.

On the causeway between St. Paul

### THE COACH AND HIS SALARY

It seems to be the opinion of those State College students who are so strongly in favor of raising our coach's salary at our own expense that a better paid coach means a better team, a better team means that more men will be attracted to State College, more men means better material from which to choose and a still better team, and soon State College will stand at the top in athletics. All these points, if they were not suppositional, might be really strong arguments. But after all, does a coach make a team? Can a college which offers merely A. B. and B. S. courses expect to attract many men? Have we the gymnasium facilities to develop real athletes? Would these men who might come to State College be willing to keep in training in order to develop a better team? If more students of either sex did come to State College could we possibly accommodate them?

In the first place a coach cannot make a team. He can merely develop a team. That team, to begin with, must have a thorough knowledge of the game, good physique, perfect co-ordination between brain and muscle, much practice, and some high school experience at least. Moreover, the members of the team should conform the usual rules in regard to eating, sleeping and smoking. Then, and only then, can a team be a success, regardless of the salary of the coach.

But you say if the material which we have is better trained by a better paid coach some games will be won and more men will be attracted to State College. Do you think really

good; athletes will be attracted to State College when large colleges, like Colgate and Hamilton are paying their way and glad to get them for their teams? Do you think many men are inclined to take an arts and science course when they might make a choice of engineering, pharmacy, journalism, dentistry or law? An arts course may attract the scholarly type of man, but not, as a rule, the athletic. Naturally all men prefer to attend a college which offers a big choice of professions.

Of course teams, to be regular teams, must keep in training and abide by certain health laws. Not even is the suggestion being made that our team does not do this. Only the fact that regular rules make a regular team is being stated. Let our men be their own judges.

Just one look at our gymnasium and college buildings will prove that we have neither the gymnasium facilities to develop real athletes nor the building facilities to accommodate more students. If applications are to be sent in only to be returned, what is the use of attracting people to State College and then keeping them outside the gates? Then, too, if students cannot pay their present class dues or college tax, how can they possibly pay a heavier tax? No objections as to this action being a bad precedent or quibbling over forty cents being added to the student tax is entering into this discussion. Only a few plain facts have been put before you for consideration by a student who is willing to back up her college in all suitable actions. Think them over seriously, then make your own decision.

'25

and Minneapolis I found a ten dollar bill.

I saw a woman on the Albany day boat who thought she was seasick.

Coming into Louisville, Ky., our train paused at a switch, and a man who had been sharing my seat rose hurriedly and jumped from the train, leaving a suitcase behind him. In it were six quarts of whiskey, which I found excellent.

Toledo, O., has the finest gas works I have yet seen.

Leaning over a pool of boiling water in Yellowstone Park I lost a silver watch, willed me by my godfather, from whom I had expected to inherit at least \$10,000.

In New Orleans I ate fried eel on a bet.

On a train near Butte, Ida., I was snowbound with a troupe of actors, who did vaudeville turns to amuse the passengers. It was very cold and one of them imitated a steam radiator in a flat.

A drunken man paid my fare on the cogwheel railway up Pike's Peak.

In Newark, N. J., I was taken to inspect a factory where dog biscuits are made, untold thousands each day.

On the smoker between Houston and El Paso I lost thirty dollars at

poker to an oily nosed ex-bartender who quoted the Koran.

Arriving at Duluth, I was mistaken for a celebrity expected that day, and the reception committee's band played until the mistake was discovered.

I saw a prominent actress drive a taxicab 365 times around Columbus Circle, New York, to win a wager.

In Market Street, San Francisco, a perfect stranger banged me over the eye and accused me of running away with his wife. Later he apologized.

A tailor in Portland, Me., burned a hole in the trousers of my dress suit.

In the Yosemite I had my photograph taken, riding on a mule.

I attended a Confederate Veterans' Reunion at Chattanooga, and made a speech.

At Del Monte, Cal., I went to a masquerade ball dressed as a deacon and kissed three girls, one of them against my will.

In Philadelphia I was riding in a rubber-neck wagon that tipped over after a collision.

On the South Street Wharf, Boston, I checked my best wardrobe trunk never to see it again.

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## In Days of Old

(From the issue of Feb. 28, 1917.)

### S. C. T. Defeats R. P. I., 22—21

The State College basketball team scored a 22 to 21 victory over the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute five in Albany High School gymnasium in a game admitted by local papers to have been one of the greatest contests staged in Albany in years.

Coach Wachter is receiving compliments from all sources upon the wonderful showing made by the team.

Woolsey, R. P. I. center and considered the best center in intercollegiate basketball was outplayed by "Honey" Miller who outscored him from the field by 6 to 4. The R. P. I. men stated they had brought all their subs in order to give State a chance. As matters turned out the subs remained on the bench and even the regulars could not accomplish what the subs had been expected to do.

### Dances

The State College dances, directed by Miss Jack Wilbur and Edwin Johnstone, will continue during the second semester, every Friday from 4:30 to 6:30.

These dances were very popular and

started many people on the road to be good conservative dancers.

The college orchestra will be used and everyone is cordially invited.

(From issue of February 13, 1918.)

### Milne Seniors Elect Officers

At a recent meeting of the Senior class, the following class officers were elected: President, Marie King; vice-president, Helen Alexander; secretary, Carol Traver; treasurer, Joyce Goldring.

### State College Observes Universal Day of Prayer for Students

The officers of the World's Student Christian Federation appointed Sunday, February 24th as the universal day of prayer for students. Our college through the Y. W. C. A. observed this day of prayer by a meeting of the students in the college auditorium Sunday afternoon. Maud Rose led the meeting. Mary Wish sang.

Many college students have answered the call to arms and some are "over there" now. Those students remaining behind must do all in their power to "keep the home fires burning." It was for that the meeting was held.

## Remember March 7

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