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EDITORIAL.

ARRANGEMENTS have been all but completed for a joint Glee Club concert under the auspices of the Amherst and Kenyon Glee Clubs, to be given in Columbus on the evening of April 1st, though the details for

The Amherst- Kenyon Amherst Club comes West at this

Concert in time to give a series of concerts in

Columbus, this part of the country, and their management has expressed a

strong desire to give an Amherst-Kenyon Concert in Columbus at this time. The event should

prove a peculiarly happy one, not only because of the novelty of the idea but from the fact that

Amherst is one of the few Colleges in the East which bears a strong resemblance to Kenyon.

Her ideals are the same; and indeed, the whole make-up of Amherst College is more nearly like

Kenyon than any other College aside from Hobart, Hamilton and Williams. A fact which

should lend much color to the concert is that President Peirce is himself an Amherst man and

will have been graduated just twenty years the coming June. It is said that there are hosts of

Amherst men and friends in Columbus, while we

know that this city is a stronghold of Kenyon enthusiasm. Probably most of the fellows on the Hill would go down to such a concert, and altogether it should turn out to be one of the most attractive social events of the year. We hope the Amherst men will come. Kenyon men would welcome their visit in the most cordial fashion and do all in their power to make the occasion a successful one from all points of view.

The Glee Club trip just finished proved to be the most auspicious journey that the Club has yet taken. The fellows were out for ten days and gave something like eight concerts, visiting besides Cleveland and Toledo, most towns of any size in the northern part of the state. Not only did the concerts give the fellows themselves much pleasure and enjoyment, but a great deal of healthy advertising for Kenyon was the inevitable result of such a tour. Many boys in the towns which the Glee Club visited will be looking around for a suitable College, and if the Kenyon fellows made the impression that they seem to have, many of these men will at least look Kenyon over.

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DURING the past six weeks, Kenyon Alumni dinners have been held in New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Cincinnati and Columbus. These dinners are a most fruitful

source in keeping alive Kenyon Alumni interest and Kenyon enthusiasm,

Dinners. for by means of them the Alumni in the various parts of the country

are enabled not only to come together for the purpose of talking over old times, but also find

out a great deal about the present condition of the College. Not too much can be said in the

praise of men who arrange these dinners and carry them through so successfully; in a very

real sense, they are a boom to Kenyon College, they make faster the bond already existing,

while at the same time they serve to keep burning brightly those embers of Kenyon love,—

embers which we never tire hearing of, and love which is as real as our own existence. It goes without saying that these dinners are the very best that can be provided, always held in the most attractive quarters obtainable, and always up to the Kenyon requirements. Oftentimes strangers of importance in the community are present as guests, thus having the opportunity to gain a fuller appreciation of what Kenyon really is. One man in Cincinnati was so much impressed by the Kenyon dinner that he pledged himself to be present on every succeeding like occasion as long as he should be in the city. To the great credit of President Peirce it should be said that he always arranges to be present at these dinners, and there is no doubt but what it is often a hardship for him to be away from the Hill for as long as three weeks, but he is indispensable to the success of these affairs for it is through him only that the Alumni learn of the status quo of things on the Hill, what progress and improvements have been made in the current year, and just what future prospects for Kenyon are. We undergraduates in little Gambier here are really grateful for these Alumni who do so much towards keeping Kenyon on that steady march of progress which she began so many years ago.

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AT last it can be definitely announced that the next regular number of the COLLEGIAN, that for April third, will be the much-talked-of, and long-promised Literary Number. While

the Editors are far too modest to make any claims for this issue, we feel safe in stating that the number will be in every way attractive, its form and contents promise to be quite good, and while, in real literary worth, the issue may be somewhat wanting, it must be remembered that is our first effort of the kind—indeed the only case since the COLLEGIAN assumed its present form that anything like a literary magazine has been published or even attempted. The number will cost something like three times the amount needed for a regular issue and for this reason we are compelled to place this number on sale. To alumni subscribers the issue will be free, but stu-

dents will have to pay twenty five cents per copy. We THINK all will buy. We know that all SHOULD support this new departure in Kenyon student literature. Only fifty extra copies will be printed so it behooves all to place an early order.

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AT the last meeting of the Assembly, some agitation was noticeable looking towards the abolition of basketball within the coming season, and while the question at stake was quite swallowed up in a humorous **Basketball** wrangle over parliamentary rules, it is safe to presume that the matter will again come before the Assembly, when the April session of that body occurs. To the Collegian, the following facts and the subsequent inference seem indisputable:

First: Kenyon has won less than a half a dozen games in basketball within the past three years. Second: Kenyon students have shown by their attitude that they care little or nothing for this form of sport; not only have they failed to organize a second team to compete with the varsity squad but they have neglected absolutely to support the same either with a personal interest or by attendance at games. Third: It is a fact completely recognized that the men on the basketball team do not even pretend to train. Fourth: We have no basketball coach, and furthermore, to pay \$300 or \$400 for such a man is entirely out of the question. Fifth: The team has been composed of practically the same men for the past three years, and while one or possibly two new men may play on it next year the majority of men will be those of this year's team. Sixth: The many activities which do claim our interest here have long since precluded basketball; if the fellows do care anything about this sport it will at least be evident that so many other interests claim their support that basket ball has been relegated to the rear.

The logical and natural inference drawn from the above facts would seem in the opinion of the COLLEGIAN to indicate with reasonable clearance that Kenyon should not play basketball in 1909. Let no one accuse us of lack of Kenyon spirit; we would remind such persons that hard and dry

facts are a much more potent factor in determining Kenyon spirit than a lot of foolish sentimentalism. It may be Kenyon spirit to send out a team week after week on a pleasure trip, but we fail to see it. It may be Kenyon spirit to support a team which, far from winning, does not even train, and it may be Kenyon spirit to keep our mouths shut and let this thing be decided by next year's Assembly, but we, with our limited vision, can not see the matter in this light. The facts are before us and it is for us to determine what shall be done about continuing basketball for another season.

**KENYON ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA—
THE REV. WILLIAM BUDD BODINE,
D. D., AND THE REV. CASSIUS M.
ROBERTS.**

It is meet that the Kenyon Association of Philadelphia should place on record an expression of their deep loss, in the demise of these men, who had been, the first, as President of the College for fourteen years, and the other, as an Alumnus of '78, so notably connected with our Alma Mater. Though united in their last years, as Rector and Associate of a large Parish in this City, they were men of diverse gifts and temperaments. Such a combination is seldom possible and rarely successful. It is to the credit of both that they perfectly walked together in the House of God as coworkers.

President Bodine engraved his mark indelibly on the Institutions at Gambier, and helped mould the characters of many generations of young men who went out from Kenyon. He may not have been a masterful administrator, a profound scholar, or a brilliant instructor, but he did pursue high ideals with such persistent gentleness, and self-forgetful abandon as to accomplish ends which the illustrious endowments might never have attained. His greatest contribution to our Alma Mater's advancement, gained only after years of patient endeavor, in the face of strong opposition from various quarters, made by good and conscientious men, was the change wrought in the Constitution and Title of the Institution itself, which broadened

its scope, and added to its powers for future growth. This great accomplishment was, in a sense, revolutionary and epoch making. It opened the way for peace and prosperity, which is increasingly shown as the years roll by. As fratres Collegi Kenyonensis we ought never to forget to feel thankful to William Budd Bodine for having accomplished this work.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts was peculiarly a son of Kenyon, and gloried in the fact. She received him as an untutored country boy—as she has taken many of us—into her peaceful and beautiful environment, her cultured society, and her sane religious atmosphere and trained him into a manly Christian prepared to think and dare, and do his part well. And if she did not build better than she wished, she builded better than she knew. He came to Kenyon in the raw material, but he left her shades, a poet, orator, and a scholar; if he came within her influence a positive unbeliever, he went out from her a new born, conscious son of God, who could at last say, "One thing I know." At that time he looked forward in hope for distinction at the Bar or on the Bench, but when he was well on the way toward the realization of his ambition, the vision lost its attraction. The teaching of the Great Nazarine, that the greatest of all distinction is not to be served, but to serve; not to be lord, but servant of all, came to him as a call, and he straightway followed Him. This idea of servanthip possessed him, and was henceforth the key to his life, whether as a citizen, prophet, or priest. He was a prophet with a message for the men of his day, and bravely and clearly he delivered it. He never seemed to ask, will it be acceptable? but is it true, and ought men to know it? it is my Master's message.

That these two men from Kenyon, so providentially and sacredly related in the past, and then again in their last years of work, should have passed on, almost together, the latter, with tragic suddenness, is most impressive, and full of pathos. The lament of David over the departure of Saul and Jonathan comes unbidden to our minds, as true of these brothers:

"They were lovely and pleasant in their lives. And in their death they were not divided." We bow in meek submission to the will and way of Him, whose they were and whom they served, and yet we whisper, Would that it had been otherwise!

KENYON COLLEGE.

I. The Founding.*

The granting of the charter of Kenyon College in the year 1824 marks the beginning of the first missionary enterprise of the Episcopal Church in the West. That Bishop Chase, the founder of Kenyon, and the men who were associated with him regarded their work as a means of missionary activity for the Church is amply apparent from their letters and other reminiscences. That Kenyon has done a great missionary work is suggested by a comparison of the numbers and influence of the Church in Ohio with its strength in the neighboring State and dioceses of Indiana. For many years the clergymen and laymen trained at Kenyon determined the religious character of the diocese, and to the present day Kenyon men have, if no longer a paramount, yet an important, influence in all the religious activities of the diocese of Ohio. Nor have Kenyon's services to the Church been confined to the narrow territorial limits of Ohio; throughout the country, in the episcopate, in the ministry, in lay work, men whom Kenyon has trained are advancing the work of Christ and His Church.

Philander Chase, first Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the Northwest territory, came to the West on the tide of immigration which between the years of 1810 and 1820 raised Ohio from thirteenth to fifth place among the States in point of population. He chose his time with sagacity. Never was there a greater missionary opportunity than among the thousands who were flocking into the new State. But from the first he felt the need of men. The harvest was ripe, but where were the laborers? His necessity was great; in all the great wilderness which was then Ohio there was hardly an Episcopal clergyman and absolutely not a place where one could be trained. But for his herculean frame, which no exertions could wear out, he must have broken down under his long journeys through a sparsely settled, new country, to do work much of which might have been done for him by clergymen or well-instructed laymen.

It was even more difficult then than now to secure missionaries, for it was considerably subsequent to the year of grace 1820 that the rector of Trinity Church, Boston, refused aid to a struggling rural parish in Massachusetts on the ground that only cultivated persons could ap-

preciate the offices of the Episcopal Church, and that none such lived in the country. As this anecdote was typical of a large body of opinion in Boston, New York and Philadelphia, the large centres of population in which the appreciative cultivated classes were collected, there was not a great deal of missionary zeal and enterprise in those days, no man caring to cast his pearls, be they religious or lapidary, before swine. There were very few clergymen like Bishop Chase to foresee the great future of the new West, shut off as it was by the high mountains.

From the older part of the country, then, Bishop Chase could hardly expect to receive many assistants, and even though the slender means of his people had permitted him to send young men to the East to be trained, it was doubtful whether men educated under such different conditions as the East then presented from Ohio would be either willing or adapted to do work at home. So it was that Bishop Chase determined upon founding a Church training school in the Opening West, where ministers might be educated at home under the hard conditions of pioneer life, and laymen be bred with the sound of the Church's liturgy continually in their ears. Kenyon College was the result of the heroic missionary bishop's determination.

The obstacles that the good Bishop had to encounter in the accomplishment of his purpose could have been surmounted only by the strongest intellectual conviction of the necessity of his work, an ardent devotion and a will which did not know the meaning of submission to man or to circumstance. Obviously, to carry out his plans money was necessary—not a great deal, for labor and materials and living were all cheap, but much more money than could be provided by the new diocese, which could not so much as afford to pay its bishop a salary.

The lack of accumulated wealth in Ohio and of sympathy in the East determined Bishop Chase to an extraordinary step—a visit to England to raise money for his missionary enterprise. Considering the inflamed condition of national feeling so soon after the War of 1812, the Bishop's resolution was the more audacious and original, and his success the more convincing evidence of the personal authority and influence of the man.

Bishop Chase's trip to England indeed connects itself curiously enough with our national history through the dreary conference of Ghent, in 1814, which after months of bickering and wrangling concluded at Christmas a peace in which neither side mentioned the points, the settlement of which had in July been declared indispensable preliminaries to any negotiation, for it was from Henry Clay, one of the American

* By mistake the latter half of this article was printed first in the issue of March 6.

peace commissioners, that Bishop Chase received a letter of introduction to Lord Gambier, the chairman of the British commission, and it was chiefly through the influence of Lord Gambier that the missionary enterprise in Ohio secured a hearing in England.

The accounts that have come down to us of the contumelious treatment to which the American commissioners were subjected by their British compeers make it hard to understand why Henry Clay, nine years later, is recommending friends to the Chairman of the British commission. Lord Gambier's interest in Ohio is perhaps a little easier to comprehend, for the commissioners of Ghent had demanded as a sine qua non to negotiation that the United States abandon their claim upon Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, most of Indiana, and a large part of Ohio, and recognize the territory as an Indian reservation under the joint suzerainty of Great Britain and the United States, and over this concession the war of diplomatic controversy had raged most hotly and continuously. The nine years' interval had not extinguished Lord Gambier's interest in the much-coveted Northwest territory, and familiar as he had become in 1814, with its resources and possibilities, he was in 1823 readily persuaded to help Bishop Chase in promoting the work of the Episcopal Church in Ohio.

The principal English donors to Bishop Chase's college were Lord Gambier, for whom the Bishop named his village; Lord Kenyon, for whom he named the College; Lord Bexley, the dowager Countess of Rosse, and Hannah More, whose "cordial frankness, elevated sentiment and chastised wit" and other charming qualities Bishop Chase describes in a way quite at variance with the accounts of an observer like De Quincy.

It was only about \$30,000 that Bishop Chase received from English sources, but those were the days of small things in this country, and the sum then seemed almost munificent. It was sufficient at any rate to enable the Bishop to buy a tract of eight thousand acres of land in central Ohio, and to begin to build his college there in the primeval forest. All the tasks of pioneer life had to be performed on a gigantic scale. The backwoodsman makes a clearing to build his rude barn and the log cabin which is to shelter his own family. Bishop Chase made his clearing to provide for a community, and to erect a massive stone building, which is one of the finest architectural monuments of its period in America.

To the difficulties incident to pioneer life were added the suspicion and hostility on the

part of the other settlers. When the massive walls of Old Kenyon began to rise it was rumored that English money was raising a fort to command a part of the Western country which English diplomacy had not been able to gain possession of at the convention of Ghent.

The College, however, was finally built, and the first class received their B. A.'s in 1829. The manner of life in the new college was necessarily very primitive. Seventy dollars was the price for a year of forty weeks for students of collegiate rank, and sixty dollars for grammar-school pupils, while a generous reduction of ten dollars more was made to theological students. These prices included all expenses except stationery, books and clothing, and Bishop Chase was hopeful of maintaining permanently this state of arcadian simplicity. In one of his convention addresses he says: "Though it is evidently necessary that the boarding department be made to defray its own expenses, yet conscientiously looking to the good of the public, the very nature of our plan of having our institution in the country, surrounded by our own domain, abounding in every necessity of life, gives us reason to expect that those prices can always be kept at their present unexampled and almost incredibly reduced rate."

The picturesque pioneer life of Kenyon College, and its founder and first president is very accurately, if jocosely, summarized in a song which is very popular among the Kenyon students of to-day:

"The first of Kenyon's goodly race
Was that great man, Philander Chase;
He climbed the Hill, and said a prayer,
And founded Kenyon College there.

"He dug up stones, he chopped down trees,
He sailed across the stormy seas,
And begged at every noble's door,
And also that of Hannah More.

"The King, the Queen, the lords, the earls,
They gave their crowns, they gave their pearls,
Until Philander had enough
And hurried homeward with the stuff.

"He built the college, built the dam,
He milked the cow, he smoked the ham,
He taught the classes, rang the bell,
And spanked the naughty freshmen well.

"And thus he worked with all his might
For Kenyon College day and night;
And Kenyon's heart still keeps a place
Of love for old Philander Chase."

But Bishop Chase brought back something more than money from England; he returned with ideas of collegiate architecture which controlled not only his own building but set a standard for his successors. When one looks at the ugly brick boxes which constitute the historical nucleus of the New England colleges of the same date as Kenyon, one appreciates at its full the architectural debt that the Ohio college owes to its first founder. For in the clearing that he made in the forest the Bishop began a group of buildings which far surpassed any collegiate architecture of that date in America, and which even yet is the equal of any. Old Kenyon, Hanna Hall, Bexley Hall, Ascension Hall, Hubbard Hall and the Church of the Holy Spirit, standing at stately distances among the noble forest trees, form as beautiful a whole as is to be found on this side of the Atlantic.

Bishop Chase was a great man; he saw the opportunity of the moment and seized it. The pioneers of Ohio were of the best and sturdiest stock of the young United States; they were energetic and intelligent, and appreciated the value of education. But they had not the means to send their sons across the mountains to school and college, even though the journey had not been long, difficult and dangerous; they needed, and showed that they appreciated, a good education that could be obtained at home cheaply and conveniently. Such an opening for a college has rarely been found, and nobly did Kenyon College fill the place opened for it by the times, for its Alumni roll contains a larger percentage of distinguished names than that of any college in the country. In those early days when the number of undergraduates rarely exceeded sixty, there were trained at Kenyon Salmon P. Chase, Chief Justice of the United States and Secretary of the Treasury; Stanley Matthews, Justice of the Supreme Court; David Davis, Justice of the Supreme Court; Henry Winter Davis, the great orator of Congress; Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War; J. B. Minor, dean of the University of Virginia Law School and the best law teacher of his day in the United States; Bishop Wilmer, of Louisiana, and Rutherford B. Hayes, President of the United States.

The social, religious and political life of the Commonwealth of Ohio was moulded and stamped by the men educated at Kenyon and Western Reserve before the early 60's, and in the broader field of the national life their influence was a potent one. To-day the life of Church and State is more complex than in the early days; Church and State alike are affected by the influx of outside currents; the old colleges which formed the early life of the Commonwealth of Ohio have rivals now in the institutions of

other States, brought near by the multiplication of railroads and the increase of wealth; their influence, though important, will not again be paramount. Yet Kenyon has a brilliant future before it as a brilliant past behind it. The pendulum is swinging back again; there are many signs that thoughtful people are tiring of education in the gross, of the mingling of the sexes in the colleges, of technical training before the mind is ripe. The old conservative notions of separate, liberal education in small numbers are reviving, and Kenyon College, which, in the midst of an uncongenial and often hostile environment, has maintained the standards of true cultivation and scholarship, never lowering them for the sake of numbers or of popularity, is certain to enter upon the second century of its history with greater endowments and more brilliant prospects than it has ever had in the past.

KENYON ALUMNI DINNERS.

New York.

The Kenyon dinner of January 30th, at the Waldorf-Astoria adds one more to the long list of successful banquets of the New York Alumni of Kenyon. In the number of notable guests and in the character of the addresses few, if any, banquets have been its equal.

The table was handsomely decorated and the dinner itself was perfect.

Those present were: President W. F. Peirce, of Kenyon College; Bishop Greer, of New York; Bishop Burgess, of Long Island; Bishop Leonard, of Ohio; Mr. Samuel Mather, of Cleveland; Rev. James E. Freeman, Mr. John Henry Smith, Mr. Samuel P. Kelly, Mr. H. C. Bothwell; Rev. D. B. Ray, '55; Mr. Geo. J. Peet, '65; Col. John J. McCook, '66; Rev. Geo. M. Mead, '68; Mr. John Brooks Leavitt, '68; Rev. A. B. Putnam, '69; Mr. Talfourd P. Linn, '72; Rev. E. W. McGuffey, '76; Rev. H. U. Monroe, '78; Rev. A. A. Bresee, '80; Mr. G. D. Curtis, '80; Rev. Chas. Thomas Walker, '92; Rev. Thomas R. Hazzard, '99; Mr. Leo. W. Wertheimer, '99; Mr. C. R. Ganter, '99; Rev. Frank R. Jones, '00; Mr. Roy H. Hoskins, '01; Mr. Brent M. Tanner, '02; Rev. R. H. Balcom, '03; Mr. Wm. M. Wyant, '03; Mr. P. J. Goddard, '03; Mr. H. G. Oberhaltzer, '04; Mr. Clarence Phillips, '05; Mr. Zach Taylor, '06; Mr. S. B. Axtell, '06; Mr. F. S. Cooper, '09.

President Peirce delivered the address of the evening, an address always awaited with eagerness, able, instructive and interesting.

Bishop Leonard struck the key note of the occasion in a most eloquent and delightful speech on the comparative advantages of the small

college. In his position he was seconded and sustained by Bishop Greer, Bishop Burgess and the Rev. James E. Freeman. Not even in New York, the home of orators and after dinner speakers, is one of ten privileged to listen to such an uninterrupted flow of eloquence, brightened and enlivened by flashes of humor, as characterized the evening speeches from first to last.

As the younger element increases the singing at our banquets grow better year by year. Under the leadership of such artists as Zach Taylor and Roy Hoskins, how could it be otherwise?

Zach Taylor's Kenyon Song Book enterprise was formally launched at this meeting. If the enthusiastic favor with which the scheme was received by the New York Alumni is any indication of the feeling of the Alumni at large it cannot prove other than a great success.

One of the surprises of the evening was the unexpected presence of the Rev. H. U. Monroe. Those who remember "Pusher" as he was called in the days of '78 would have been amazed at his appearance. During the thirty intervening years most Kenyon men have grown older or have barely held their own. While Time has touched some more lightly than others, as far as known, he has not utterly passed any by except "Pusher." The Dundreary whiskers, the sedate pace, the hesitating speech, the grave demeanor of '78, are all gone, and in their place we have a smooth faced, red cheeked, alert, stripling, of seventeen or eighteen summers or thereabouts. Verily, verily, the waters of eternal youth must be located in Massachusetts rather than in Florida and "Pusher" must have drank deeply thereof, yea, even into satiety.

Another surprise was the presence of Bishop Greer at our dinner. The Bishop is a very busy man, but if he knew the pleasure which his keen, incisive, witty and forceful speeches give the Alumni we feel sure he would never miss a banquet. And the Bishop has a wonderful fund of stories at his command, illustrative, funny and above all, always new.

One of the dangers to which Col. McCook, as presiding officer, is annually subjected, is in waking up some old fellow who was in Kenyon along in the middle sixties. On several occasions dark hints have been dropped, vague allusions made, and innuendoes thrown out, all of which justify the inference and hope that interesting chapters of the experiences of those early times may yet be forthcoming.

Rev. D. B. Ray, of '55, was the oldest Alumnus in point of graduation present. Mr. Ray was one of the founders of the D. K. E. Chapter at Kenyon, and as a Freshman assisted in the erection of the famous log lodge in the woods.

Mr. Ray is by no means an old man and on occasions like this is "one of the boys."

Rev. Geo. M. Mead is another old Alumnus of very youthful appearance; although he graduated in '68, forty years ago, there is not a gray hair on his head. Like the "Jolly Bacchus" of Brooklyn, Mr. Mead is of a jovial tendency and he adds a pleasant quality to our Dinners, which is missed when he is absent.

Mr. John Brooks Leavitt, another still sprightly youth of forty years ago, came in late; He was probably working on his Alumni Oration for the next commencement and is thereby excused.

Every Kenyon man has a warm side for Mr. Samuel Mather, and his presence even for a few moments was the occasion of sincere pleasure.

Rev. E. H. McGuffey is always surrounded by a knot of youngsters to whom he recounts tales of "the brave days of old." One of these, "How McGuffey climbed the lightning rod of the Church of the Holy Spirit," as recited on such occasions, has more thrills than imaginable and is worthy to go down in history side by side with "How Horatius Kept the Bridge."

The clear cut intellectual face of Clarence Phillips, '04, is always seen at our Dinners. Mr. Phillips is winning deserved fame and profit as an artist. He is a regular contributor to "Life" and their periodicals. He will design the cover of Zach Taylor's Kenyon Song Book, a further guarantee of its success.

We expected Bishop Vincent and he didn't come; we expected Dr. Stires, and he didn't come; "Jim Demp-see" came the day before—one day too early, and Bishop "Mollie" Williams came the day after—one day too late.

These were all the untoward incidents connected with the occasion.

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Cincinnati.

The Cincinnati Alumni Association of Kenyon College held its annual dinner Thursday evening, February 27th, at the University Club, 4th and Broadway. The following loyal sons and guests were present: Dr. Wm. F. Peirce, Dean Harry, Cincinnati University, Dr. N. P. Dandridge, Wm. P. Elliott, N. L. Pierson, Elliott Marfield, Samuel W. Probasco, Florian Granque, W. B. Morrow, Rev. C. K. Benedict, W. W. Myers, J. Benj. Myers, Lou. A. Sanford, T. O. Youtsey, A. L. Larmon, Harry Theobald, H. B. B. Yergason, A. L. Brown, W. H. Brown, Melvin D. Southworth, R. C. Garlick, Frank G. Wright, Fred E. Hall, Aaron Warman, Geo. B. Schley, Joseph J. Ewalt, Andrew E. York, P. B. Stanbery, Henry Stanbery.

The outgoing President and Secretary of this Association have reason to feel proud of their efforts. Never in the history of the organization has there been a more enthusiastic dinner, and the present officers have much on their shoulders to duplicate the success of 1908.

After a splendid dinner served by the efficient steward and corps of waiters of the University Club, Mr. N. L. Pierson was unanimously chosen Toast-master of the evening, owing to the absence from the City of President A. L. Herrlinger. Throughout the dinner song after song was given, thanks to the younger men whose repertoire is not limited to "Old Kenyon Mother Dear", "I'm a Son of a Gambler", and a few others. Wait 'till we get our Kenyon song-book and we will need no toast-master, but rather a leader with a baton.

When the toastmaster called upon Dr. Peirce to entertain as long as he wished, he found all in a most congenial and receptive mood. And he did entertain, as he always does, in quite a happy way, telling us of happenings on the Hill the past year. No "hika" with more vim was given during the evening than at the end of his interesting talk.

Dean Harry, of the Cincinnati University, guest of Dr. Peirce, caught the spirit of the evening splendidly, and after his talk we voted him one of us, and have his promise to be at the dinner next year.

It is a fact that no Kenyon dinner here in Cincinnati would be complete without Mr. Wm. P. Elliott. He never misses, and in his inimitable enthusiastic way, starts the ball a rolling the minute his genial face is seen in the assembly room. He comes from Chicago, too. (Delinquent Alumni of Cincinnati and vicinity, please take notice.)

Dr. Dandridge, Messrs. Elliott, Probasco, Giaque, Morrow, Benedict, Yergason (Yale, '99) Brown, Youtsey, and Stanbery made short talks. Just before it was time to give "Old Kenyon Mother Dear" and a last good yell, we were given a real treat by Mr. Youtsey, who sang those great coon songs of his, accompanying himself on the guitar. The Executive Committee intend featuring him next dinner. Dr. Henry Stanbery was elected President, and Mr. Arthur L. Brown, Secretary for the ensuing year.

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Central Ohio.

The annual dinner of the Alumni Association of Central Ohio was held at the Columbus Club in Columbus on the evening of February 28th. Although there were not as many present as usual, there was plenty of enthusiasm, and steps

were taken toward making the proposed interscholastic track meet in Gambier a success.

The Hon. T. P. Linn acted as toastmaster, and called upon the following men: Dr. Peirce Judge Adams, of Zanesville, J. G. Dun, W. R. Mahaffey, of Lima, W. P. Elliott, of Chicago, and W. M. Townsend. Those present were President Peirce, T. P. Linn, '72, W. M. Townsend, '79; J. G. Dun, '75; F. W. Blake, '80; T. T. Swearingen, '89; W. P. Elliott, '70; W. T. Derby; George Beatty, '73; R. B. May, '06; John J. Adams, '79; W. R. Mahaffey, '82; F. H. Hamm, '06.

In the business session which followed the speech making, Mr. J. G. Dun was elected to succeed Mr. Townsend as president of the Association and F. H. Hamm was chosen to fill the office of Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Peirce brought up the matter of the proposed interscholastic meet and, after showing the advantage which it would be to the College, asked the Columbus Association to take charge of the raising of funds for medals and other necessary expenses outside of the entertainment of the contestants which will be provided by the men in College. The members present approved of the meet and voted unanimously to undertake the work of securing funds. It was decided to ask the other Associations to secure five dollar subscriptions from each Alumnus. Sixty dollars was raised from the twelve members present at the Columbus dinner. It is hoped that the Alumni will be prompt in answering the call by sending their subscriptions to the Treasurer of their local associations. The idea is to get medals of a special design, which will be distinctive of the College, containing probably the college seal. There are to be gold and silver medals for first and second places in each event respectively. The weight and quality of the medals are to be such as will be in keeping with the usual thorough manner in which Kenyon does things.

Accused of being a "molly coddle" and a "mamma's boy" and of being too "stuck up" to associate with his fellow students at the Western Military Academy at Upper Alton, Ill., John Flentge, aged 19, son of the postmaster at Cape Girardeau, Mo., was escorted to a train by a committee of seven of his class mates and sent home, they purchasing the ticket. He was told to "never come back."

Princeton will start the baseball season with fine prospects for a championship team. Her chief loss is Captain Cooney, star catcher and batter. Heyneiger and Drews, the twirlers, as well as five other members of the 1907 team, are still in college and will play this year.

1907-1908 TRIP OF THE MUSIC CLUBS.

The tour began Wednesday morning, February twenty-sixth. The clubs arrived in Coshoc-ton, the first place visited, about noon and were met by the local management and John Nicholas, ex-'06, who assigned the fellows their places. The clubs had luncheon together, with several rousing songs that attracted quite a crowd. The concert was given in the theatre before a large and quite enthusiastic audience and was followed by a leap year dance. Bashfulness prevented the first part of the dance from being all that it might have been but this gradually wore off and the evening proved to be a most delightful one.

At a perfectly ungodly hour the next morning the clubs assembled at the station, the last arrivals, some twelve in number, arriving in a bus, the capacity of which was strained by six at most.

At Justice, a tiny station where the Clubs changed cars, the fellows filled the box car station to overflowing, sang a song or two in the narrow space—and broke for fresh air.

Arriving at Akron at noon, the local manager, T. E. Smith, led the clubs to the Y. M. C. A., which, after a short rehearsal, they left for Mr. Smith's house, some thousands of miles away, where a buffet lunch was served. The concert, in spite of other and rival attractions, was given before a good audience and was followed by several small affairs at different homes for the fellows. A large number of Kenyon Alumni were present at Akron.

The interurban lines carried the Clubs to Ravenna the next day. Two suit cases, and, in some instances, an instrument besides, had their effect on the shoulders of the fellows by this time and everyone had a decidedly "passed-away" expression when the clubs lined up in a Church that evening. Local Manager Rockwell had made perfect arrangements and helped things along by a jolly little dance, followed by a buffet supper at his home. The pianist at the dance was ably assisted by about twenty of the fellows, who lined up and sang, "Cheer up, Mary" and the tunes, completely drowning out the pianist. And they were just a bit easier to dance to, besides.

"On to Cleveland" was the watchword next morning and "The Little Cherub" Saturday afternoon helped the two front rows of Kenyon men to forget a lot of hardships. The Hollenden Assembly room was quite filled with an audience

of strong Kenyon people and the concert, after the effects of being in a real hotel again had worn off, was exceptionally smooth and effective and many said afterward that it was equal or even superior to that of Yale, Cornell or Princeton. Several small affairs followed the concert.

Sunday was a day of rest in every way and Monday morning the bunch left the real town for Elyria, famed as the habitat of Denny, Knapp and Vogelsong. Several "suburban" attachments were discovered but the fellows fared well, on the whole. The concert—in another church—was the best of the trip. About sixty of "Oberlin's finest" adorned the front rows and provided amusement sufficient to make Child's instruction, "Jolly up," wholly unnecessary. Even the mandolin club, however, drew three encores. A small party at the hotel, with the manager as host, and a suddenly discovered Elk dance kept things warm after the concert.

The Rev. L. E. Daniels, "Pete" Daly and "Bill" Robinson met the fellows as they entered Toledo, and the usual rehearsals were dispensed with in their honor. The Collingwood was the scene of the concert and the dance that followed was the most enjoyable social affair of the entire trip. All the Kenyon Alumni and admirers were there and the dance was most enjoyable in every way. The next morning the Glee Club sang at Rev. Daniels' church, Calvary. Several fond friendships formed at the dance were strengthened that afternoon and night.

The next morning the Clubs plunged out into the wilds and unexplored regions again and finally made Fostoria, where Sieghrist was host. Another Church held the concert, which was wonderfully applauded—by ten or twelve small boys. At this discovery the smiles of the leaders faded perceptibly. A small dance again.

The management was compelled by this time to subsidize a vehicle to carry the millions of suitcases and boxes, as, physically, many were "all in." Riley and Marsh, Tunks, Dildine, and finally Cartmell, had to leave for their homes. Walter Morris, '02, and Kitto Carlisle, '03, were found here.

Norwalk was the last concert which was perfectly satisfactory to all. Rood, Young and Peake here did the honors and Rood's whistling solo made a great hit. Mr. and Mrs. Peake gave a dance for the fellows after the concert, which was the most delightful—after Toledo—affair of its kind met with on the entire trip. The next morning the clubs left at 8 o'clock for Gambier. That is, officially, the Clubs left. Individually, a number stayed over or went home for Sunday and not until Monday did the last remnants straggle in.

MEETINGS.

Nu Pi Kappa.

The regular weekly meeting of Nu Pi Kappa was held on March 11th, with but thirteen members present. Mr. Kanaga and Mr. Field were nominated for membership and Mr. Smith was initiated into the society. A Committee consisting of Messrs. Gayle, Seth and Morrow was appointed to confer with a like committee from Philo concerning a National Convention to be held sometime in May. Hereafter only such men as are bona-fide members of Nu Pi Kappa at the end of the first semester can be entered as such in the Reveille.

The program for the evening was a debate on the question: Resolved, that the army and navy be increased. Affirmative, Wuelker, Hardy; negative, Morrow, Platt; Judges, Scott, Burris and Southward. The decision was rendered in favor of the negative.

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Philo.

FEB. 26. The meeting was called to order by President Sykes. Mr. L'Hommedieu was appointed critic for the evening. Mr. Bland announced that the program committee had adopted a new plan of procedure and that a program lasting until Easter had been arranged. Messrs. Cassil and Gulich were accepted as members of the society. The program of the evening was as follows: Mr. Knapp gave a resume of the Stoessel Trial. Mr. Chase gave an account of the recent liquor legislation. Mr. Sykes gave a talk on the present panic in the United States.

MARCH 11. The meeting was called to order by President Sykes with nineteen members present. Mr. McGlashan reported that the committee appointed to arrange a national convention had been unable as yet to confer with a committee from Nu Pi Kappa. Mr. Bland was appointed critic for the evening. The program was as follows: Mr. Cahall gave a talk on the influence of music in a college community. Mr. McGlashan gave a talk on the short story epidemic and its probable fruits. Mr. Sykes spoke on "Presidential Possibilities."

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Assembly Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Assembly was held in Philo Hall on March 9th.

Mr. Brigman, after speaking at length on the basketball situation made a motion that basketball be discontinued for the rest of the year provided that we have no forfeits amounting to a considerable sum. This motion was carried.

The minutes of the Executive Committee were read and approved.

Mr. McGlashan urged the members of the Assembly to take some interest in the mock national convention which is to be held in Rosse Hall some time in May.

Mr. Clarke reported that the work on the interscholastic meet was progressing.

After the regular business had been transacted a lively debate took place on a motion which provided that basketball be discontinued during 1908-09. After a somewhat long and interesting discussion the motion was withdrawn and a committee consisting of Messrs. Cott, Clarke, Bland, Luthy and Southworth were appointed to investigate the basketball situation in the Western Universities and their training methods.

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Sophomore Class Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting was held on March 10th, in the English room. The Committee appointed for the purpose of choosing a play for the Sophomore hop week close, decided to give "The Private Secretary." The Sophomore hop will probably be given on May 15 and the play May 16. It was moved and carried to lay an assessment of two dollars to defray the expenses of the Hop.

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Executive Committee.

MARCH 6. Meeting called to order by Mr. Fennell, Chairman pro tem with five members present. Mr. Morrow reported \$199.28 on hand.

The manager of the baseball team was authorized to sign the following contracts. April 4th, Otterbein at Gambier. Expenses for twelve men. May 16, Denison at Gambier, guarantee \$40. May 28, Kenyon at Westerville, guarantee expenses for twelve men. June 12-13, Kenyon at Athens, guarantee \$110. June 16, Denison at Granville, guarantee \$40.

MARCH 11. Manager of the football team was authorized to sign the following contracts: Oct. 31, Wittenberg at Springfield, guarantee \$135. Oct. 17, Case at Cleveland, guarantee \$225. October 10, Ohio Wesleyan at Gambier, guarantee \$80. Oct. 3, Otterbein at Gambier, guarantee \$50.

Mr. Lord returned to the Executive Committee a profit of \$42 from the Reserve, Otterbein, Case and Wesleyan games.

Mr. Platt was authorized to sign the following contract: May 16, Otterbein at Westerville, guarantee, \$28.

Mr. Bland was elected assistant baseball manager. Mr. Farquhar was elected assistant tennis manager.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Another member of the famous old class of 1909 has slipped the chains of bondage and is now a free man. C. H. Dun has formally severed his connections with the college, and while we are sorry to see "Dunnie" leave, we wish him all kinds of success in whatever vocation he may enter.

The last Assembly meeting was rendered especially interesting by a spirited discussion upon a motion which proposed the doing away with basketball next season. It is well known that the present team has disregarded the fundamental rules of training and naturally served to discredit the college. Nevertheless, the motion was bitterly attacked by four members of the team with wild bursts of oratory and appeals to Kenyon spirit. However, from much irrelevant speaking, two questions seemed to show themselves: First: Will the team next year show some of their spirit by a little self-sacrifice in cutting out smoking, etc.; Second: Will the student body be willing to support the team by coming out to practice and by attending the games? If, so basketball should undoubtedly be continued.

The Kenyon Pool Room has been bought by a syndicate, composed chiefly of members of the Faculty. Under the joint management of Messrs. Lord, Simpson and White, the Pool Room should prove a great success. The former prices have been decidedly lowered, the tables are being recovered and promise to be in excellent condition.

We are glad to see the class of 1910 planning some excitement for next May. The class intends to present a play on the evening of Friday, the 15th, and to give their Hop on Saturday. The dance is planned to be quite elaborate, with good music and serving of refreshments.

Plans are being worked out by a joint committee from Philomathesian and Nu Pi Kappa societies for a mock national convention of the Republican party, to be held in Rosse Hall, the last of March or early in April. As far as possible, and as much as time will permit, the whole procedure of a great convention will be followed. The convention will be called by the Chairman of the Republican National Committee; the Secretary of the committee will read the call; delegates will be present from all the states; the permanent Chairman will send dismay through the ranks of the Democratic party by

his ringing keynote speech; there will be a report of the committee on credentials, platform committee, etc.; and, finally, Secretary Taft, Speaker Cannon, Governor Hughes, Vice-President Fairbanks will all be nominated; and in case of a deadlock perhaps President Roosevelt will have to accept a third term nomination. A mock presidential election of this sort has become a kind of custom or tradition at Kenyon. All the students take part, and enthusiasm is let loose in large quantities.

The COLLEGIAN is glad to know that this good practice is not to go by the board this year and promises a full press representation and careful report of the proceedings.

On Thursday, March 12th, Quiet Day was observed at Bexley. The Rev. Dr. Stearly conducted the services.

Bexley was well represented on the Glee Club. Riley, Marsh and McCowatt made the trip. They were delightfully entertained by Dean Du Moulin, while in Cleveland.

Mr. Marsh has been quite ill with grippe but is now completely recovered.

Mr. Crawford recently spent a few days in Toledo.

Mr. Riblet entertained the Wesleyan debaters during their stay on the Hill.

William P. Elliott, '70, has been on the Hill for a number of days, visiting his sister, Miss White.

The Rev. Ed. J. Owen, '02, was a visitor this past week.

Bishop Chase's diploma from Dartmouth has been presented to the College by Mr. George C. Thomas of Philadelphia, and now hangs in the library. It is an heirloom of rare interest and well worth examining.

Seventy-one volumes of old Spanish authors and a number of Latin texts have been placed on the shelves.

German students will be glad to know that a Technological German dictionary is available at the library.

BASKETBALL.

Denison, 37. Kenyon, 25.

On Saturday, the twenty-ninth, Kenyon met Denison in a good clean game at Rosse Hall. Although several little disputes arose, the game as a whole, was comparatively free from wrangling. The day was rather bad for a game as the Glee Club was away and a number of the fellows had left the Hill for "over Sunday." But despite these disadvantages quite a little crowd turned out to cheer for Kenyon.

Livingstone and Pine were the mainstays for the Denison five, while Capt. Brigman, Cardillo and Bentley got in some good work for Kenyon.

Line-up:

DENISON.	KENYON.
Flack	L. F. Cardillo
Pine	R. F. Bentley
Livingstone	C. Lord
Rockwood	L. G. Brigman
Rogers	R. G. Clark

Referee, Van Voohrees. Timekeeper, Coach Monroe.

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Ohio University, 33. Kenyon, 19.

Kenyon's next opponent was Ohio University. The game was played at the Ewing Hall, at Athens, Saturday evening, March 7th. The game was fast throughout but was marred by an excess of rough playing on the part of both teams. Much time was consumed in long arguments between players and officials and both sides fouled frequently.

McCorkle and Kaler showed up well for O. U., the latter throwing a number of goals from field and doing excellent work.

The Kenyon men played a good game, Captain Brigman at right guard and Cardillo at left forward, getting in some splendid work.

Line-up:

OHIO.	KENYON.
Welsh	L. F. Cardillo
McCorkle	R. F. Bentley
Kaler	C. Lord
Scott	L. G. Brigman
MacGregor	R. G. Clark

Field goals—McCorkle, 5; Kaler, 4; Scott, 3; Welsh, 2; Cardillo, 4; Bentley, 2; Clark 1.

Foul goals—McCorkle, 4; Welsh, 1; Cardillo, 5. Referee, Dr. J. C. Jones. Timekeeper, Bob Wood.

SONGS OF KENYON.

Edited by Alfred K. Taylor, '06, 353 W. 17th St., New York City.

MY DEAR ALUMNUS:—For some time past there has been a movement on foot to collect all of the many Kenyon songs, with the thought of having them published in a fitting manner under one cover. Some progress has already been made, but, owing to the fact that the undertaking is a big one, requiring more time than the average Kenyon Alumnus can give it, it has not as yet been completed. The writer feels, however, that he is now so situated as to make possible the issuing of such a book before the completion of the current college year, and is ready and willing to take up the work.

The extent and get-up of the book have already been planned. Firstly, EVERY KENYON song of any merit whatsoever will be included. Secondly, the many well-known college songs, such as "Integer Vitae," "The Last Cigar," "Juanita," etc., that are sung at Kenyon, will be included. Thirdly, it will be our earnest endeavor to obtain the music for each song, arranged in the best possible form. Where it will be of any particular advantage, it will be arranged not only for four parts, but for piano as well. Fourthly, the volume itself will be of different style from the usual college song book with its unattractive cover, glazed paper and lack of character. The Kenyon book will be a board bound quarto edition, under the title, "Songs of Kenyon"; with clear notation and where advisable a bit of material in the way of subject notes; good paper, wide margins and just enough illustration to give it a distinction both original and beautiful.

Such a book, we feel, should appeal to every Kenyon man and to every lover of Kenyon. Part of the material has already been collected but we believe there are many songs, never heard at Kenyon today, and that are not found on the college library shelves, but that can be had only from the Alumni who used to sing them. The completeness of the book, then, rests with the Alumni and it is to you as one of them that we appeal for any songs, suggestions or information that might be made use of. Particularly will we welcome any new songs. We have not enough of them. As the work is already under way, and as we plan to have the book published by next Commencement Week, we cannot urge too strongly the necessity of your giving this your immediate attention. Address all communications to Alfred K. Taylor, Gordon House, 353 West 17th Street, New York City.

Very sincerely yours,

ALFRED K. TAYLOR, '06.

SOME FOOTBALL FACTS, FROM AN OLD ALUMNUS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COLLEGIAN:

In the March number of the COLLEGIAN I find a reference made to an article in the January number which stated that "Football" was first played at Kenyon, and I thought perhaps a few reminiscences on that subject from an old alumnus might be of interest to some of the readers of the COLLEGIAN.

When I entered Kenyon College in 1854, football was played there, though it was not the kind that is now played. Those who wished to play chose sides and then lined up on "The Path." One side took as their base the two trees nearest College while the other side stationed themselves about forty or fifty yards farther down the path between two other trees. These two trees at each end were the goals, and the ball was kicked backward and forward until it passed through either one of the goals. The ball was never allowed to be picked up in the hands. One day, however, Jim Sheldon, one of, if not the, handsomest fellow in College picked it up and started to run with it. He had quite a prominent nose, and in running he struck it against the shoulder of one of the players and broke it. The blood flowed very freely and he started at once for his room. As he entered he turned toward the looking glass to see if it marred his good looks and took hold of the end of his nose and fortunately set it straight and afterwards had no serious trouble from it. But that put an end to any further picking up of the ball.

I do not know how long before I entered College this game was played, but I presume from certain circumstances I know of, that it had been the custom for several years, as it was the common understanding that "Bill" Boardman, called "Buff" or "Buffalo Boardman," could stand at the apex of the two paths that lead from the East and West Divisions, near where an old well that had been filled up used to be, and "carap" the ball as we called kicking it, over the college building. There was one man at Milnor Hall in my day who could "turn the same trick" and that was Bill Hawk. Poor old Bill! He was in the sub-Freshman class when I entered college and I believe never got any higher during the five years he was there.

Sincerely,

JAMES K. JONES, '58.

THE COLLEGE WORLD.

Much interest was manifested in the five intercollegiate debates held on March 6 on the tariff question. Out of the five, the negative was successful three times and the affirmative once. Wesleyan won three times, defeating Oberlin, Reserve and Kenyon and was beaten once by Mt. Union. She won on the affirmative against Reserve, and Kenyon, and on the negative against Oberlin. Mt. Union had the negative against the Delaware School as did also Oberlin against Reserve.

In the annual debate between O. S. U. and Cincinnati, the latter was accorded an unanimous decision on the question, "Resolved, that all corporations doing an interstate business should be nationally incorporated." Cincinnati had the negative.

In his examination just completed of the present Freshman Class at Columbia University, Physical Director Meylan found that the smokers were superior to the non-smokers in almost every detail PHYSICALLY. No examination was made of the heart. Dr. Meylan does not contend that men should smoke but merely gives statistics and leaves us to draw our own conclusions. Ours is that smoking is one of the forms of mild dissipation, which, indulged in with moderation, goes to add to the zest of living. Further, smoking is a different proposition for each man. It hardly ever effects two men alike and no general statement as to its effects can be made. Every man knows how tobacco affects him and should regulate his use of it accordingly. Only don't be led into it by other fellows who look at you as a sissy if you don't smoke. Their opinion is not worth having.

John Taylor, the University of Pennsylvania's famous negro runner, is temporarily out of all athletics. Trainer Mike Murphy is giving him a complete rest, as he is suffering from a rupture of a muscle in his thigh. Murphy thinks that by April 1 Taylor will be in condition to resume training and will be in top notch form for the outdoor season.

In spite of the cold weather and large pieces of floating ice three crews from the Harvard squad were recently launched on the river for the first time this year. This is much earlier than last year, as then the crews did not appear on the river until March 11th. But two years ago the rowing began on the river as early as

February 19th. All three crews started up stream and the first two almost covered the whole course, but the third turned back after a little row of about one-fourth of the course.

The Kenyon Musical Clubs furnished Clevelanders with what some considered the best concert that any college has presented here this winter. The whistling solo with the Mandolin Club accompanying was a novel feature which was encored several times.

The mandolin soloist at least equaled, and, in the opinion of some, excelled the fine Cornell leader. The best feature of the evening was Part III, in which all the clubs sat informally on the stage and sang rousing college songs.

—University School News.

Harvard baseball is dependent upon graduate coaches now. Eight out of nine men on the 1907 team are still eligible, but some of them are apt to be crowded out by the youngsters. There is an unusually fine lot of pitchers at Harvard this year.

The American record of 5 4-5 seconds for the 45-yard dash was lowered one-fifth of a second by En Sue, at a Chinese track meet in Honolulu last week.

The New York Tribune is guilty of the following: "When Cornell put a young woman on the debating team chosen to meet Columbia orators, the milk of human kindness on Morningside heights went sour. The result will be a Koo-miss debate, the Columbians having picked as the fair one's opponent a full blooded Chinaman named Koo. The Ithacans are secretly praying that this strategy will prove to be a mis-cue."

The English Dramatic Club of Cornell is to give for the first play Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night."

The Yale-Harvard crew races are to be held at New London June 25.

Coach Yost has started in with the regular spring training of his football candidates, of which there are already fifty.

If the Columbia soccer team wins the inter-collegiate championship this spring it will make a trans-Atlantic trip in August, touring through England and Scotland.

Midshipman A. M. Douglas, who recently set a new strength test at the U. S. Naval Academy is trying for a place on the crew which is to row Harvard.

Telephones have been removed from the midshipmen's quarters at the U. S. Naval Academy because young women call up so frequently.

The students of Washington and Jefferson College "cut loose" again, dumping furniture out of a third story window and carrying every seat out of the chapel.

The Holy Cross track team was disbanded and all future meets cancelled on account of the poor scholarships of the team members.

The Brown "Herald" is publishing a series of articles describing the dining hall systems at the various universities.

"The Brain Trust," a musical comedy presented last week by the Architectural Society of the University of Pennsylvania at the "Grub" Street Theatre, Philadelphia made quite a hit.

J. P. Willets, 1909, will captain Harvard's Hockey team next year.

The U. of C. is going to have a rowing course. It will probably only extend for a mile at first, but President Judson hopes to have it greatly enlarged later.

The Board of Regents of the University of Michigan have lengthened the summer session by two weeks.

A Cosmopolitan Club which aims to provide social opportunities for foreign students was organized at Harvard last week.

The University of California will erect one section of a library building, which, when completed, will cost \$2,500,000. Pneumatic tubes will be used in conveying the books from the shelves to the delivery desk.—Ex.

Football netted Michigan \$25,657 in the past season. Basketball and track events were losing sports.

Dartmouth and Michigan will meet at Boston for the great East-West gridiron contest of 1908.

A new dormitory is to be built at Williams College, and Clark Hall is to be rebuilt.

Ten per cent. of the Freshman of the engineering schools of Columbia have been dropped since the mid-year exams.

The Junior class of Oberlin College will present a comedy entitled "Eastward, Ho!" February 29th.

Two doors of the parsonage in Branford, Conn., in which the ten ministers met in the year 1700, and gave the books for the founding of Yale College, are to be mounted in the Yale University library. The doors opened into the room where the ministers gathered. The relics are the gift of George D. Seymour of New Haven, and are the oldest parts known of any building in the country connected with Yale.—New York Post.

COLUMBIA EXAMS, NEW STYLE.

It took the sixteen special proctors who are supervising the examinations at Columbia University, now being held in the gymnasium under the new rules, to spot one luckless student who was trying to "crib" in one of his examinations yesterday. The student first attracted attention by continually fumbling with the sleeve of his coat. The student was ordered to roll up his sleeve and then take off his coat. The "crib" was fastened to the inside of the sleeve. He was sent from the room and will probably be expelled.

The system of holding the examinations in the gymnasium works well from the faculty point of view, and altogether too well according to the opinion of the students. Proctors patrol the room unceasingly and, in addition, two men are stationed up on the running track who look down on the students within the enclosure.

Before the examination is scheduled to start, a "bread" line of from four to six hundred students forms on the campus and the men are admitted one by one to the room. Once inside they are directed to narrow lanes between long

lines of tables on which the question papers are kept. After getting his paper in the "mill," as it is termed, the student presents himself before another desk and receives his seat check. He is warned to leave all note books in the front of the room and then takes his seat.

Bell No. 1 sounds and the question paper is opened. Two bells, write your name on the answer paper. Three bells denote that work can commence. Three quick strokes tell you to stop work and a continuous ringing warns you to leave the room. Tolling means that a student has been caught cribbing.

The bell ringing has been got down to a science by a professor who trained in the engine room of a towboat for several months. For the time being very little is being done in the cheating line, but by next June the students promise to work some schemes that will completely bewilder the proctor.—The New York Sun.

Again, as nearly always, when we compare Kenyon with other institutions, we cannot but reflect on the superiority of our own student honor system; and we realize how much better it is to stand for men; broad-minded, earnest and honorable than for beings whose loose and suspecting environment stunts their moralities and leads them to think that marks are the sole end of a college training.

STUDIES AND COLLEGE ACTIVITIES.

In chapel, two views regarding the duty of students were recently set forth. One counselor stated emphatically, "Make study your business. Whatever you do, get your lessons. Don't you believe that the most important part of college is either the forming of friendships or the training derived from college activities." And we believe this advice is sound and correct. The other counselor, later in the week, laid emphasis on the training of college activities, and urged the careful consideration of our relation to our fellow students, "for," said he, "attention in college to these relations will surely result in a full realization of our civic responsibility later in life." And we believe this advice is sound and correct.—Reserve Weekly.

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