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THE MUSICAL CLUBS

Appear in Concerts in Five Ohio Cities--Trip Successful In Every Particular

Members Very Well Entertained By Alumni and Friends--Honored at Receptions

At nine o'clock on Feb. 10, the greatest aggregation of singers that has taken a trip under the name of the Kenyon Musical Clubs for three years, gathered at the station and started on the trip, giving concerts in Kenton, Toledo, Sandusky, Norwalk, and Cleveland, and returning to Gambier on Feb. 16.

The details of the trip are familiar to most of the students by this time. The Club arrived at Kenton Friday noon and made its headquarters at the Drifters' Club and at the Hotel Weaver. After a rehearsal, the Club sang for the high school at three o'clock. The concert was given in the Armory at eight thirty, under the auspices of the Drifters' Club, and following it the Glee Club was entertained by a dance.

The concert in Toledo was given in Zenobia Hall on Saturday night, under the management of the Rev. Mr. Daniels and other Kenyon alumni. A dance was given in the same hall after the concert. The Club remained in Toledo until Monday morning, making its headquarters at the Secor. After singing before the students of the Toledo high school, at eight o'clock Monday morning, the Club left for Sandusky. It arrived about noon and sang again before the high school during the afternoon. The concert was given in the Sidley Memorial Hall, under the auspices of the Quien Sabe Club. After the concert the members of the Club were entertained by the third dance of the trip. Norwalk was a repetition of Sandusky. In Cleveland, most of the Club went to see Marguerita Sylva in "Gypsy Love", Wednesday afternoon, and the concert was held in the beautiful hall in the parish house of the Cathedral in the evening. In both Norwalk and Cleveland the concert was given

OTTERBEIN--KENYON

Play a Spirited Contest Before Large Crowd--Other Games Faculty vs. Senior

Whether or not Kenyon's athletes were rattled by the presence of so many fair spectators, is an open question, but the fact remains that the basketball team opened the Prom. festivities in a way not nearly so festive as it might have been. Otterbein appeared at Rosse Hall on the afternoon of February 3rd, the idea being for Beatty & Co., to make them look ridiculous for a while and finally chase them away in time for the Informal that evening, thus making the most of the rare opportunity to impress the visitors. It was a good plan, but there must have been a mistake somewhere.

Kenyon played a good game, still showing improved team-work, and could have won the game at almost any stage by one of her characteristic spurts, but the necessary burst of speed was not forthcoming. The teams ran along neck and neck until near the end of the last half, when it was a case of "Now or Never" for Kenyon, and turned out to be "Never." There was a spurt sure enough but the Otterbein boys made it and ran the score up to 25-13 in the closing minutes of play.

Foutz and Gammill were the chief performers for Otterbein, while Beatty and Gaines starred for the home team. Harkness was very closely guarded but managed to break away with one goal from the field. Both sides showed excellent team-work and this was the chief factor in making the game one of the fastest seen here this season.

Score and lineup:
Kenyon (13) Otterbein (25)
Harkness .. L. F. Foutz
Beatty (cpt.) R. F. Gammill
Gaines C. Campbell
Tasman L. G. Hall
Weaver R. G.(c) Cook
Langmade

Field goals--Harkness, Beatty
2, Gaines 2, Foutz 3, Gammill 4,
Cook 2. Fouls--Beatty 3, Foutz
7. Referee--Marshall.

Faculty-Seniors

The Senior basketball quintette

NATIONAL CONVENTION

To Be Held By Philo to Select The Democratic Presidential Standard Bearers

The next (mock) Democratic National Convention will be held in Rosse Hall, this spring, under the auspices of Philomathesian Society. A committee on arrangements, consisting of Messrs. Clan Crawford, '13, Chairman, K. T. Adams, '12, and M. F. Little, '12, has been appointed by President Coolidge, and the date will be made known soon.

The committee will join with a similar committee to be appointed to represent Nu Pi Kappa, and the joint committee will confer with President Peirce, as the faculty has expressed a desire to assist in the affair. It is probable that Dr. W. P. Reeves will be asked to preside, because of his success as wielder of the gavel four years ago. Professor E. H. Downey will probably be offered the clerkship of the convention.

An upper classman and an under classman will comprise each delegation, with unlimited freedom to split up their allotted quota of votes as they choose. In order to prevent a long session all unnecessary red tape will be eliminated. There will be no credentials, national or rules committees, but a resolution committee will be appointed to draft a platform. It is hoped that a minority report will also be introduced, so as to precipitate an impromptu debate.

There will be no restriction placed upon the delegates regarding the number of candidates, but the general precedents will be observed as in a real gathering of the same nature. No state is to present a candidate not its own, but may yield its place to the state in which the candidate lives. Ohio will present Harmon, New Jersey, Wilson; Missouri, Clark; Alabama, Underwood, and so on. Any other candidates may be placed in nomination by the chairmen of the various delegations. The more the merrier.

News is to be received by wireless at Kansas University.

In a strike of firemen and coal heavers at Michigan, students took the places of the strikers.

A DISTINCT SUCCESS

Was the Promenade Given By the Class of '13--Over Eighty Couples on the Floor

Johnston's Orchestra of Cleveland Renders Wonderful Music--Many Guests Attend

Prom. week with its accompanying gayeties ended on Tuesday evening, February 6 and the 1912 Promenade has gone down in history with its long procession of predecessors. To the Junior class and particularly to the Prom. Committee is due a great deal of credit for the way in which they surmounted the difficulties peculiar to the Junior Promenade just given.

The Prom. week was opened with the Junior informal on Saturday evening. A programme of twenty-two dances was arranged, for which a colored orchestra from Mt. Vernon, furnished the music. The dance was well attended and this initial event of Prom. week was happily enjoyed by about fifty couples.

The Promenade proper took place on Monday evening, February 5 and was the culmination of months of careful planning by the the Prom. committee. The Junior class this year is to be heartily congratulated on the 1912 Promenade, for the smoothness with which everything went, the beautifully decorated hall and the many other features which go to make a successful Prom., spoke plainly enough of the careful arrangement and thoughtfulness on the part of the members of the committee.

During the days preceding the dance "skilled" decorators and electricians had spent many hours in transforming the bare gymnasium into a beautifully decorated dance hall. A false ceiling of wires was constructed from which about two hundred Japanese lanterns were suspended. The walls up to the lanterns were covered with yellow and black bunting, arranged in a panel effect, the black forming the center of the panel. On the stage, where the musicians sat, were placed palms and ferns, while very neatly decorated cozy-corners were made out of the space at the right and left of the

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stage. The punch was served from a sort of "old well", covered with yellow and black bunting. It was about nine-thirty when Johnston's orchestra started the music for the first dance thereby making the 1912 Prom. a reality.

The programs were card cases of tan undressed leather with the Kenyon shield embossed on the front. The card was of black and yellow silk. The program as rendered, consisted of thirty dances, and two extras.

Lunch was served by a Mt. Vernon caterer in the balcony during the interval between the tenth and nineteenth dances and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. The music, which was rendered by Johnston's orchestra of Cleveland, surpassed all expectations and the old favorites of Kenyon, "The Dream of Heaven" and "The Court House in the Sky", were as usual encored until time would permit no more. The hit of the evening was the playing of "Alexander's Rag-Time Band" by the Orchestra in costumes, while standing in the center of the dancing floor. The floor this year was in the very best condition, having been thoroughly scrubbed with lye and water. The floor proposition has always been one which the Committees in years gone by have failed to solve, but this year the trouble was found and a fine "slick" surface was the result. The last dance ended as chapel chimes rounded the hour of six.

The Junior Promenade of the class of 1913 was certainly a splendid success. Anyone who saw the splendidly dressed, gaily whirling throng, could not doubt that. The girls were beautifully dressed, and the constantly changing hues of satin and net as the dancers wove in and out, made a picture not soon to be forgotten. The absence of flowers was noticeable. Also the consequent absence of stray petals and leaves on the floor.

The Junior Prom is over, and with it, the Juniors have left behind them a record of which they may justly be proud. The committee is to be congratulated as well as the Juniors, who came out and decorated, thereby turning the plans and ideas into a reality.

The following were the out-of-town visitors during the Prom festivities:

Misses Marion Cook, Margaret Moore, Amo Wilson, Margery Nicholas, Ruth Foster and Elizabeth Ranney; Mesdames H. F. Pettee and S. S. Wilson; Messrs. Ralph Aiken, Harold Barber, Walter McCowatt and Carl Zint, of Cleveland.

Misses Cicely Rogers, Marguerite Werner, Marion Huston, Margaret Shannon and Lulu and Virginia Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. John H. Scott; Messrs. Edmund F. Shedd and Carl F. Jones, of Columbus.

Misses Helen McNabb, Rhea Snow and Loma and Louise Arndt; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harper; Messrs. Roy J. Morehouse and Rodney Morrison, Jr., of Mt. Vernon.

Misses Pauline Mahon, Katharine Snodgrass and Marguerite Emery; Mesdames W. E. Gaines and Roland Breckheisen, of Kenton.

Misses Alice Wright and Nora Sprague; Mrs. J. P. King, of Lima.

Miss Marguerite Toomey and Mrs. S. J. Brister, of Canal Dover; Miss Jeanette Hubbell and Mr. C. H. Marvin, Jr., of Urbana; Miss Halley A. Pease and Mrs. J. F. Pease, of Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Beatty, of Parkersburg, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Lee, Jr., of Binghamton, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Conover, of Chihuahua, Mexico; Messrs. Walter Collins and Ralph S. Merriam, of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. F. B. Roe, of Piqua; Mrs. Chas. Steese, Jr., of Massilon; Miss Leona Merschel, of Sandusky; Miss Mary Yeager, of Norwalk; Miss Ruth Robbins, of Middletown; Messrs. Glen Skiles of Shelby; Leland A. Vaughn, of Cuyahoga Falls; Damen Guthrie of La Rue.

**Hop and Senior
Committees**

The following members of the Sophomore class have been appointed to serve of the Hop committee.

David W. Bowman.
Louis B. Dobie.
George T. Harris.
Roger A. Houston.
Roy L. Langmade.
Sherman A. Manchester.
Carleton B. Rettig.
Paul G. Russell.

At a recent meeting of this committee, Roger Houston was elected chairman.

Senior Committee

The Commencement Week Committee consists of the following Seniors:

R. A. Weaver—Chairman.
W. H. Coolidge.
W. D. Cook.
J. D. Cook.
W. A. Thomas.
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The Musical Clubs

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under the management of Kenyon alumni. A majority of the men on the Club returned to Gambier on Thursday.

Every man on the trip seemed to enjoy it immensely. Every where the Club was entertained by dances, dinner parties, and other parties. The plan of scattering the men in the homes of people interested in Kenyon or in the concert, added to the pleasure of the trip. The Club enjoyed the stay in every town greatly and appreciated the efforts of those who entertained them.

The concert was well received in every town, and the Club justified the approval of its audiences except in Sandusky, where the strain of singing twice before high schools in Toledo and Sandusky, a long rehearsal in the afternoon, and a quasi-rehearsal on the train in the morning, told on the voices of the members. The concerts were essentially the same as the one given at Prom, except that Clark, Anderson, and Hadley Rood kept the audience, as well as the rest of the Club behind the scenes, giggling at their songs and stunts. When an accident occurred the audience usually gave the Club the credit of doing it on purpose. For instance, in Toledo, Thompson made a mistake in the pitch of the encore of the number in which he sang the solo; and it was practically impossible to sing it. By the time he had staggered thru it, both the Glee Club and the audience were in a roar of laughter, and the audience thought he had done it on purpose. Dobie, Clark, Anderson, Hadley Rood, and the members of the quartet, deserve a great deal of credit for the success of the concerts. Several times, one or the other of these saved the day when the audience seemed to refuse point blank to applaud anything.

In Kenton part of the Mandolin Club was playing in the middle of a medley when the other part finished; but that was due to stage fright and they acquitted themselves well in every concert after that.

The Kenyon Glee Club is the first that has been permitted to sing before the students of the high school in Toledo. Credit for this and for the wide publicity given the concert in Toledo, is due to the Rev. Mr. Daniels. The Club was more enthusiastically received here than anywhere else on the trip. Immediately after the singing in the high school, Dr.

Peirce addressed the students, but he took care to explain that he wasn't along to take care of the Club.

The College owes much to "Bob" Weaver, the Rev. Mr. Daniels, Fred Zinn, Fred Harkness and Walter McCowatt, who made the arrangements for the concert and for the entertainment of the Club in Kenton, Toledo, Sandusky, Norwalk, and Cleveland, respectively. But behind the whole trip was John Dickinson, the manager, who accomplished what was generally believed to be impossible, when he arranged the trip and made money for the Assembly on it. While on the trip, he and the assistant manager, "Rog" Houston, were constantly on the lookout for the convenience and enjoyment of the members of the Club and the success of everything they undertook.

The trip was successful in every way, especially in advertising Kenyon. The moral is,—take another.

Sophomore Minstrels

The Sophomore Class is planning to put on a minstrel show instead of a play during Hop Week, under the direction of E. M. Anderson. Try-outs will be held some time in the near future, for end men and for the chorus. When the announcement of the exact time for the try-outs is made, everyone who has had any experience or who thinks he is any good in this line is requested to try. With the talent in college at present, such a show should be a big success. There is a possibility of its being sent on a trip.

Basketball Notes

When Russ Copeland nearly scored a basket on Dr. West in the Faculty-Senior game, someone heard the "German Tenor" scream, "Why of course!"

Dr. Weida had on a real live basketball suit, but it didn't keep him from getting cold feet.

Kenyon's game with Allegheny College has been cancelled. A return date at Meadville could not be arranged and without this the game was too expensive.

Although this is her first year in basketball, Western Reserve has developed a really fast team and gave Oberlin and Ohio Wesleyan a couple of hard games.

Almost half of the Big Six schedules for the next football season have been published, and Kenyon's name is not found on

any of them. Just where is this delay over the Freshmen question going to land us? Isn't it time for some more action?

Dr. Allen says the cosine of the angle between the basket and the backwall interfered with some of his most "elegant" shots.

The reception tendered the Wittenberg basketball players, when they played at Gambier, seems to have been much appreciated and they returned the favor with a similar affair at Springfield.

At one stage of the contest, Capt. Peirce of the Faculty team called "time out," while he spoke these few words to his men: "I strongly incline to the opinion, which I do not hesitate to assert, that a closer adhesion on the part of each individual player to his respective opponent would, to a very marked degree, conduce toward a more creditable outcome for our affiliated efforts."

Baseball practice has already started in the gym and the more imaginative spirits are even talking track.

Musical Treat

It is not often that Gambier Hill has the opportunity of welcoming musical talent of any note. Therefore the appearance of Skovgaard, the Danish violinist, was hailed with delight by everyone. The violinist was assisted by Miss Ethel May Wright, Mezzo Soprano, and Miss Alice McClung, Pianist.

Skovgaard, who was the "shining light" of the concert, is a remarkable man in several ways. His striking appearance and commanding air produced a profound impression on his audience, which good impression was by no means weakened by his handling of the violin. His brilliant technique and keen artistic appreciation are little short of wonderful, and cause one to overlook entirely a slight discrepancy in fullness and richness of tone. The performance of three of his own compositions added not a little to the general success of the event.

Miss McClung deserves a great deal of praise for her consistent good work as accompanist and for her admirable rendering of several difficult piano solos, the "Zarantella" of Liszt being especially good. The solos of Miss Wright, notably an Aria from "Samson and Delilah," were also well received.

Chinese classics will soon be entered in the Columbia curriculum.

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The National Convention

The announcement of a mock national convention is hailed with joy by all who love a unique and interesting diversion in the lines of public speaking, for there is no greater factor in determining the oratorical standard of the nation than the many nominating speeches to be found in a real gathering of such nature.

There was a time when the great men in national life were the great orators of Congress, especially the Senate. This body was small and composed of men who had reached that exalted position by means of impassioned pleas on the stump, before excitable and emotional backwoods-men. A candidate's only aid was his "gift of gab." Now, however, men no longer speak with bated breath, clenched fists, flashing eye, furrowed brow and similar aids to effectiveness. The people demand logic rather than figures of speech, arguments in preference to elocution.

Also, the national Congress has

increased in size and decreased in the ability of its members. We have now no Websters, Clays, Calhouns, Bentons and Blaines.

With this decline of oratory in Washington, the nominating convention has become the home of modern "speech-making." While the born orator has not as great power in campaigning before the people as he formerly had, it is not much of a task for a genius to stampee a thousand delegates, who are often in such a state as to be very impressionable.

The opportunity is offered here for each man to test his oratorical ability, just as it is done in a real national conclave. It is doubtful whether many of the "delegates" will have any set convictions, hence most of them will be influenced largely by the nature of the nominating speeches.

Another opportunity offered is that of putting to use that political instinct which has only too often been wrongfully used to the detriment of the college. If any man hankers for a "deal" or a "frameup", let him practice on the convention rather than on the Kenyon College Assembly, his class, his team or his committee.

Class Finances

Class finances at Kenyon are handled without much regard for the future. It is necessary at present for Juniors and Seniors to pay large and sometimes burdensome assessments. Most classes also have been chronically in debt from the end of the Sophomore year on. By the collecting of class dues, of a small amount, say 50c a month, from the beginning of the Freshman year, these difficulties and others can be overcome.

The objection to such a system would be the difficulty in collecting dues. There are, however, several ways of getting around this,—for instance, depriving a delinquent member of the right of voting in class meetings, especially elections. There would be several advantages resulting from the plan of levying dues. By careful management, the Prom, Reveille, and Commencement Week assessments could be eliminated, or at least, greatly reduced. There would always be money in the treasury to meet the running expenses of the class and pay its debts. The student who leaves before his Junior year, but who enjoys the advantages of one or two years of class activities, would pay no more than his just share of the cost in the shape of dues.

His class, also, would receive from him money that it would not otherwise receive.

This seems to be a more reasonable and practical plan of managing the finances of a class, and it is not yet too late for the present Sophomores and Freshmen to profit the experience of older classes.

Otterbein-Kenyon

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tied the faculty in a knot in a hot and rough contest, 24 to 13, but not without a tremendous effort on the part of the victors. The game, held February 24, was one long football scrimmage, and the faculty members were good on end runs which merely delayed the progress of the fray.

During the first half the Seniors ran up ten points in field goals, while the faculty was held to two fouls. In this period the game was marked by a few beautiful gallops around the floor, gracefully but vainly executed by Dr. Walton, Dr. Peirce and "Babe" Cook mixed it up considerably, while Little made life miserable for Dr. Fountain.

In the second half the faculty wisely put in Prof. West at left forward, and although he didn't score he guarded Copeland well. Allen became aggressive and caged three baskets, while Fountain and Peirce scored one apiece. Nichols was a tower of strength for the faculty, and succeeded in breaking up the work of Coolidge and Adams several times. He is now regarded as fine material for a halfback.

For the Seniors, Little and Cook divided honors, while for the faculty Allen and Fountain did the telling work. The latter shot a few clever fouls. It is to be hoped that the custom will be followed each year, as is that of the faculty-Senior baseball game. The spirit or revenge was notably absent, as the 1912 five was composed of "sharks" who have no fault to find with their grades.

The lineup:

Seniors	Faculty
Coolidge . . . R. F. . . .	Fountain
Adams . . . L. F. . . .	Walton, West
Cook C.	Peirce
Little R. G. . . .	Allen
Copeland . . . L. G. . . .	Nichols

Baskets—Little 5, Cook 3, Adams 3, Coolidge, Allen 3, Peirce, Fountain.

Fouls—Fountain 3. Time of halves—uncertain. Referee—Beatty.

Kenyon-Miami

Tired out by its long trip and handicapped by poorly defined boundary lines, the Kenyon basketball team did not put up its best game against Miami at Oxford, February 17th. But this is not to detract anything from the credit belonging to the Miami boys, who played good consistent basketball and deserved to win. Nevertheless Captain Beatty expects to give them a run for their money when the return game is played at Rosse Hall.

The game was interesting though not sensational. The features were the team-work of Miami and the individual playing of Beatty for Kenyon. The visiting captain made nearly all of his team's points, scoring several sensational shots, and playing his usual whirlwind game on the floor. The score at the end of the first half was 14-6, favoring Miami.

Score and lineup:

Kenyon (14)	Miami (29)
Harkness . . . L. F. . . .	Levering
Beatty (cpt.) R. F. . . .	Kristing
Gaines . . . C.	Rosencranz
Weaver . . . L. G. . . .	Hunsenger
Tasman . . . R. G. . . .	Prudens

Field goals—Beatty 4, Harkness, Levering 4, Kristing 4, Rosencranz 3, Prudens 2. Fouls—Beatty 4, Levering 3. Referee—Stanton.

Kenyon-Wittenberg

Our basketball team made a trip to the southern part of the state recently and played a return game with Wittenberg at Springfield, February 16th. Kenyon was not so fortunate as in the earlier game and was returned loser by a score of 17-13. The first half ended 17-4 against her but Kenyon braced up in the second half and held her opponents scoreless, though unable to overcome their lead. The feature of the game seems to have been the work of guards Weaver and Tasman, for the Wittenberg report acknowledges that their forwards were completely outplayed and these two men did all of Kenyon's scoring. After the game the team was entertained by their hosts at an affair which proved very enjoyable for everyone.

Score and lineup:

Kenyon (13)	Wittenberg (17)
Harkness . . . L. F. . . .	Stewart
Beatty R. F. . . .	Allen
Gaines C.	Swoyer
Tasman . . . L. G. . . .	Morrow
Weaver . . . R. G. . . .	Wilson

Field goals—Swoyer 4, Allen 2, Wilson, Weaver 3, Tasman 2. Fouls—Stewart 3, Beatty 3. Referee—Borden.

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It will no doubt be of interest to Kenyon men to know that nearly every one of the leading presidential candidates in both parties is a college product, and that without exception all have carried undergraduate collegiate work in some institution. We append a brief summary of their scholastic achievements.

On the Republican side, President W. H. Taft leads in point of scholarship. He took his A. B. at Yale in '78, standing second in a class of one hundred and twenty-one, of which he was Orator. In '80 he divided the first prize at the University of Cincinnati, when he secured his LL. B. Later he acted as Professor of Law at Cincinnati, and as Dean '96-'00.

Former President Theodore Roosevelt won his A. B. at Harvard in '80, and has since received the honorary degree of LL. D. from a number of institutions.

Senator Robt. M. LaFollette received a B. S. at Wisconsin in '79 and a LL. D. in '01.

Senator Albert B. Cummins of Iowa, attended Waynesburg, (Pa.) College, but never graduated. He was honored with an LL. D. there in '03, also at Cornell, (Ia.) College in '04.

On the Democratic side, honors are divided. Hon. Wm. J. Bryan became an A. B. at Illinois in '81, winning highest honors and acting as Valedictorian. In '84 he obtained the degree of A. M., after earning his LL. B. at the Union College of Law, Chicago, in '83.

Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, took his A. B. at Princeton in '89, then studied law at the University of Virginia, '79-'80. In '86 he won his Ph. D. at John Hopkins, and has since received a number of LL. D.'s. He taught at Bryn Mawr and Wesleyan, and served as President of Princeton, '02-'11.

Speaker John B. ("Champ") Clark, like Gov. Wilson, was once a college President. He studied at Kentucky University and graduated from Bethany College and the University of Cincinnati, after which he was President of Marshall, (W. Va.) College, '73-'74. He was barely twenty-three at the time, and was the youngest man who has ever served in that capacity.

Gov. Judson Harmon of Ohio

became an A. B. at Denison in '66 and an LL. B. at Cincinnati in '69. In '09 he received LL. D.'s at Kenyon and Marietta. Like President Taft, he has taught law at Cincinnati since '96.

Gov. Thos R. Marshall of Indiana took his A. B. at Wabash in '73, and an A. M. in '76. The same institution made him an LL. D. in '09.

Former Governor Jos. W. Folk of Missouri, took his LL. B. at Vanderbilt in '90.

Gov. Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts, studied at the University of Vermont, '77-'79, but did not take his A. B. until '01, after many years of business life.

Chairman Oscar W. Underwood of the House Committee on Ways and Means, is the only candidate except Senator Cummins, who never completed his college course, but he spent several years at the University of Virginia.

Reception at Bexley

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 20th, the Sanhedron Club of Bexley Hall, entertained the Kenyon chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. At about eight-thirty the men gathered around a big wood-fire in Colburn Hall, the Bexley library and there they all spent a most enjoyable evening. Sandwiches, coffee and cigarettes were served, amid the singing of many college and Brotherhood songs. One of the most interesting features of the evening, was the display of a collection of very ancient books, some of them dating back as far as the early half of the fifteenth century.

Assembly Meeting

The February Assembly met Monday, the nineteenth, and after the roll-call and minutes, Mr. Clark was elected to the Executive Committee. Mr. Weaver discussed having a track-meet of various prep-schools here some time during the spring, with a view to increasing the attendance next year. He urged the fellows to get together and make it a success. Messrs. C. A. Carr and F. E. Thompson said they would do all they could toward getting the high schools of Cleveland and Cincinnati to send teams. A committee was appointed to look into the matter and report on its advisability to the next Assembly. The Assembly then adjourned.

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This year will see the revival of another old Kenyon custom that does much for the good of the College, in the Interscholastic Track Meet. At the last Assembly meeting a committee consisting of Messrs. McCafferty, Chairman, Anderson, Coolidge, Thompson and Weaver was appointed to take care of this event. The date has not yet been set and will be governed by the Cleveland schools, as they are the most important ones and the ones from which Kenyon draws a great many of her students. The schools to be invited to this meet are Toledo, Cincinnati, Columbus, Zanesville, Kenton, Canton, Newark, Findlay, Norwalk and others.

The committee is already in possession of a beautiful set of medals which are duplicates of the ones given three years ago. These medals are works of art and are said to be the most expensive athletic medals given in the state. There are three medals for each event, a gold one for first place, silver for second and bronze for third.

The event means a great thing for Kenyon as it gets here for a visit men whom we need. We have now in school several men who made their first acquaintance with Kenyon at the last Interscholastic meet.

This is an affair in which all the college should be interested and everyone should do his best to help the committee in this undertaking.

Track Prospects

At a meeting of the track "K" men, held Feb. 19, Robert A. Weaver, '12, was elected captain for the ensuing year. The track team has lost several of its best men this year in Marty, Axtell, Lewis and Mason. It will be remembered that Axtell and Mason came out of the Big Six last year with 8 points, while Lewis broke the Kenyon record for throwing the hammer, at the interclass meet.

Anderson, Cook and Tasman should be able to take care of the weight events, Weaver, Little and "Buck" Carr, the hurdle and short distances, while Matthews, Hauck and Tasman should show up well in the longer runs. The jumpers so far are pretty scarce, but there are several men who with a little training, should be able to equal,

if not surpass, some of our former records.

The Kenyon Alumni Library

The new Alumni Library, which now occupies the site of old Hubbard Hall, is nearly finished. Its architecture is in perfect harmony with that of the other college buildings and when it is entirely completed, Kenyon may be more than proud of it. Perhaps the most attractive part of the whole building is the large and spacious reading room, which is situated just back of the main hall-way and extends the full length of the edifice, north and south. This apartment resembles, in a great degree, an ancient Gothic banquet hall, with its high vaulted and paneled ceiling and general appearance of immensity and grandeur. At each end of this oblong-shaped room there is a magnificent Gothic window of leaded buff colored glass and in each pane is set a monogram; each one representative of some noted book publisher in the United States and England. The huge chandeliers of lacquered brass give an artistic setting which could not possibly be improved upon. In this room will be arranged several long tables, around which will be chairs enough to seat comfortably over fifty students.

On the second floor is the "faculty room" and the "Periodical Reading Room", both of which are in keeping in decoration with the rest of the building.

Election of Baseball Captain

Owing to the fact that Russell Young, captain-elect of the baseball team for the coming season, has withdrawn from school, a second election for that position became necessary. At a meeting held for that purpose last week V. C. McMaster was chosen as leader by the veterans on the baseball squad. "Mac" is a first-class infielder and pitcher himself, and will, without doubt, prove an able captain. Baseball prospects are a little uncertain just now as there will be a good deal of new material on the team, but Captain McMaster feels that even in the few experienced men available, he has the nucleus of a strong team.

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Cornell is the first institution to adopt a Russian instrument in the Mandolin Club.

Iowa University has taken up anti-typhoid vaccination.

Missouri offers a short agricultural course to girls. Many have signed up for it.

A course in photography is offered at North Dakota.

A camp in the Ozarks is to be established for Missouri students of forestry. The university owns fifty thousand acres of timber.

Toronto University is building three large skating rinks. Each is to have a band.

The Conference of Kansas colleges has substituted the javelin throw for the hammer throw.

In connection with the horticultural department, Missouri has a canning factory.

Reserve has organized a student volunteer band with fourteen pieces.

A Missouri professor has missed but one football game in seventeen years.

Michigan has a woman's fencing class.

Harvard library contains 900,000 volumes and 600,000 pamphlets, a total of 1,500,000.

In a recently discovered catalogue of Williams, dated 1795, appears a record of the original diploma granted in 1790 by Yale to Edward Griffin, late President of Williams. It was signed by President Ezra Stiles of Yale.

Social Events

Miss Cora Putnam entertained some twenty Harcourt girls and college men on Monday evening, February 12. The evening was very enjoyably spent in playing "500". Later in the evening dainty refreshments were served. The party was given in honor of Miss Dorothy Bresee.

An unusually pleasant evening was spent by many college men on Wednesday, February 14, when Miss Merwin included them among those who should have the pleasure of hearing a finely rendered piano and violin recital. Since this was more or less of a novelty to college men it was appreciated all the more. It is only too seldom that one has the privilege of hearing good music here on the Hill, especially a good violinist, and too much can not be said in thanks to Miss Merwin for giving college men an opportunity to do so whenever one arises.

Tuesday, February 20, was surely a popular day here on the Hill. Affairs are generally few and far between and it was indeed an anomaly when two had to be given on one evening. President and Mrs. Peirce entertained some members of the faculty and college men at duplicate bridge. At the same time some twenty-five Harcourt girls and college men were striving to thrust the "Black Maria" upon one another over at the home of Miss Helen Thompson, who was entertaining in honor of Miss Charlotte Rote of Cleveland. Excellent refreshments were served in both instances. All participants report a wonderfully enjoyable evening.

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A recent number of an esteemed contemporary, "Current Literature", observes that we are approaching a time when, as in the Elizabethan Age, almost every educated person will be able to write passage poetry. Even here at Kenyon this tendency is beginning to make itself apparent. For instance, only a few weeks ago, the following appeared on the bulletin board:

Lost—A girl's muff.
Found at prom.
Cuff.

When the members of the Glee Club were posing before the representatives of the Baker Art Gallery, full dress was of course necessary. A number of the men were, however, too practical (or too lazy) to put on full dress below the waist, and some very striking combinations were the result. In a few cases the wearers appeared to be Clubmen to the belt and hoboes below.

As the train on which the special car of the Glee Club was attached was approaching Kenton, there was considerable discussion as to the size of Kenton. Bob Weaver finally admitted that the train wouldn't stop and the club would have to jump off into a hay stack. As the train was pulling into the town, the members of the Club were standing in the aisle, baggage in hand, ready to get off, and bound to accomplish it whether they had to jump or not. John Dickinson, the manager, stood at the head of the aisle.

"Hey Dick", somebody in the rear called out, "which side of the train is the hay stack on?"
"Outside," yelled Dick.

A humorous history of Kenyon College could be written, based on facts gleaned from the various books in chapel. The academy students must have worked diligently to fill these volumes and, after their efforts ceased, many

college students took up the good work. Scores of ancient football games in which Kenyon defeated O. S. U., Oberlin and other powerful rivals, were favorite themes for these pseudo-historians.

Many of the pages are taken up with names of those present and a careful enumeration of the students who are taking the J. D. Cook insomnia cure.

It may be interesting to know that "John" Crawford, '13, has the largest head (in measurements, of course) in college. "Doc" McCafferty happened in the other day and carelessly tried on Crawford's derby, as one is wont to do. To his surprise, it slipped down easily over his ears and even obscured him from seeing anything. "John" is also nursing a closely cropped "hirsute appendage" and threatens to annihilate Freshman Thompson for playfully whistling "My Mus-

tache is Growing" at him the other day.

Dr. Reeves happens to be in poetic mood just now and the result is his English classes had to write a sonnet. P. G. Russell blossomed forth with fourteen lines addressed to "My Deceased Wife." By way of explanation Rusty says: "She's dead now." We can but hope he never springs any such sonnets on a living wife. "Ham" Harper had one that was real funny at the Doctor's expense, but by the time "Ham" had to read it to the class a second time, it was acting somewhat as a boomerang. Jim Young made a bid for favor by closing with the line, "This surely is an educational place," but Doctor R. told him not to be facetious. Dave Bowman was soaring with the moon "high o'er Kenyon's lofty pile" and Lou Dobie "hitched his wagon to a star" and took a similar flight but such ambitious efforts were the exception rather than the rule. And then an anonymous poem was handed in, signed by Buck Carr, which was written in honor of W. P. R. himself and attempted to rhyme Pete with "repete."

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