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SOPHOMORES PLAN VARIOUS EVENTS

Baseball, Dance, Track-Meet, Play
and Informal Furnish Ample
Entertainment

Details Carefully Worked Out to In-
sure Success--No Classes Held
On Saturday

The class of 1917 is to make its initial bow into Kenyon society on the evening of Friday, May 14, when it will act as host for the Sophomore Hop. Practically all the details of the dance and the accompanying entertainments, which are many and varied, are completed and Chairman White is confident that the machinery of Hop week is going to outdo any of previous years in speed and efficiency.

The first event is the baseball game between Denison and Kenyon on the afternoon preceding the dance and this promises to be interesting enough to insure a large crowd on Benson field.

Friday evening the dance proper is to be held and every effort is being exerted to make the dance an attractive and pleasant affair from every standpoint. The decorations are to be blue and white and the novel scheme planned by the class of '17, when fully carried out, bids fair to rival even Milton's "bower of bliss." The music will be of the best and will be furnished by a larger orchestra than usual, Mr. Fisher leading it. Cosy corners and a sufficient supply of punch will supplement the program and refreshments will be served in the balcony about midnight.

Saturday afternoon a track-meet with Wooster is planned for the visitors and in the evening a surprise in the nature of a play by members of the Sophomore class, is scheduled. This ought to prove interesting and is bound to meet with approval, as many of the class taking part belong also to the Puff and Powder Club.

From the foregoing account it is evident that a very pleasant week end will be enjoyed by those who plan attending the Hop. No classes will be held Saturday according to the usual arrangement made by the faculty. As the Hop

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FIRE PROTECTION IS ASSURED

Better Means of Escape are Being
Provided on Buildings Used
By Students

After over a year of more or less heated agitation, steps are now being taken to provide better fire protection for the college buildings and better means of escape, in case fire blocks the usual entrances to the buildings in question. Ever since the Harcourt fire last winter and, indeed, before it, there was much criticism both on the part of students and outsiders that the fire escapes on the dormitories were inadequate to take care of the needs of all students endangered by a possible conflagration.

While nothing definite has been done with regard to placing hose in any of the buildings, measurements have been taken to improve the fire-escapes and when the work is completed the risks run by students attempting to get out from any of the campus buildings will be reduced to a minimum.

The buildings which will suffer change as the result of the fire-commissioner's recommendation are: Old Kenyon, Hanna, Ascension, Rosse and Bexley Halls, together with some changes at Harcourt and the college chapel.

In old Kenyon balconies will be provided to reach the present fire ladders, with railings on them at least thirty inches high. These balconies will be located at the second and third story windows and the Bull's Eye windows as additions to the present fire-ladders.

In Old Kenyon balconies will be building, knotted ropes will be provided in the second and third story rooms.

In Ascension Hall, all classroom doors will be changed to open outward and where double-doors are used they will be fitted with double extension bolts. These afford a quick and certain means of unfastening the doors from the inside in the event of a hurried attempt to get out. A pair of stairs leading from Nu Pi Kappa Hall to the Latin Room on the third floor will provide a means of escape through the south end of the building should fire shut off the ordinary entrance.

The doors on Hanna Hall will

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APRIL ASSEMBLY BADLY TANGLED

Illegally Appointed Committee
Arouses Talk--Special Session
Elects Council

A discussion over the rehiring of the coach and a quibble over the legality of a committee composed the chief business of the April session of the Assembly which met on the evening of April 12.

After the roll-call and minutes, the report of the executive committee was read, corrected and accepted. Mr. Kinder, as chairman of the committee to rehire the coach reported that Mr. Mathews had declined to renew his contract as director of athletics. Before this report was accepted, Secretary Goode rose and stated that such a report could not be accepted as the committee was illegally appointed. He based his argument on the rule that no president shall serve on any committee unless special power be granted him by the constitution. Soon a general debate ensued. Motion was then made and seconded to strike from the minutes the motion appointing the so-called illegal committee. This motion was lost and it finally became evident that one illegally appointed man on the committee rendered its report null and void.

At this juncture a motion to censure the secretary for interference in the business of the Assembly was made and seconded. The motion was lost by a narrow margin, it being necessary to demand a standing vote.

The difficulty was finally overcome by dropping the discussion and a motion was made by Mr. Axtell authorizing the president to appoint a committee to engage a new coach. The work of the committee was understood to be subject to the approval of the faculty. Dr. Walton stated on behalf of the faculty that they desired such action on the part of the students. The motion received unanimous support. The committee consists of Messrs. Kinder, Steinfeld and Ader. After some business of minor importance the Assembly adjourned.

Special Assembly, April 19

The Assembly met in special session, Monday evening, April 19, to elect the members of the As-

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COACH MATHEWS QUITS ATHLETICS

Successful Director of Kenyon Teams
for Three Years Will Enter
Business

Under Him, Every College Played,
Was Beaten in Some Branch
of Athletics

R. L. Mathews, for three years coach of Kenyon recently tendered his resignation to the Assembly to take effect the end of this year. After a most successful season the coach has decided to withdraw from athletics, and will leave for Seattle where he intends to enter business. The Assembly has made every possible effort to persuade the coach to stay, and if he were not going into business it is very probable he would be willing to do so.

Three years ago athletics at Kenyon were in a deplorable condition. For several years our football teams had been playing defensive games entirely, hardly ever hoping to come out of a game victorious. In the fall of 1911 only one victory is recorded. In baseball we had no regularly organized team. Whenever a baseball game was arranged, nine men got together to do their best to keep their opponents from running up a high score. As to track, no one had heard of a Kenyon track team for some years.

These were the conditions Coach Mathews had to face when he signed a three-year contract in the fall of 1912. It took a man who not only had to know his business thoroughly but who must necessarily be a fighter. The right man was selected. To prove this, one need only to compare athletics in 1912 with those in 1915. The work went slow at first but each step was sure, and we began once more to have winning teams.

His first year Coach Mathews scored four victories out of seven games. Last year with a harder schedule he secured three victories and one tie out of a possible seven. This year the coach turned out one of the best teams in the state. Had it not been for a little "hard luck" we would have had a championship team. This year Reserve was beaten for the first time since 1908.

Coach Mathews has also put

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baseball on a strong footing. A good team was turned out last year and the prospects for this spring are very bright. The coach has aroused enthusiasm about track since he has been here. Several meets have been held this year, and a good showing was made in each case. Last year he started inter-divisional basketball which had never been tried before, and which proved very successful. This year seventy men took part in inter-divisional basketball. The varsity basketball team has shown wonderful improvement under Coach Mathews' direction.

The coach has not only put Kenyon into athletics again, but has made a name for himself throughout the state. Several colleges in the state, realizing his ability, have made offers to him. The thing that has made Coach Mathews so well liked is that he stands for clean play. Thus he has rigidly upheld the reputation which Kenyon teams have always had.

Coach Mathews will be greatly missed. He has made a wonderful showing considering the material he had to work with. He has the satisfaction, however, of having beaten every college in the Ohio conference in some form of athletics.

April Assembly

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sembly Council. The council conducts the annual Assembly elections which take place at the first meeting in May. Nominations for Assembly offices are made by this council through its respective members who represent the constitutional divisions of the college. The following men were unanimously elected en bloc: Messrs. Brunner, Snook, Zint, Gayer, Hall and Ader. No other business was considered at this meeting.

Fire Protection

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be made to open outward and knotted ropes will be placed in all third floor rooms.

In Rosse Hall a new exit, at least five feet wide, is ordered with double doors opening outward and provided with suitable platform and stairs reaching to the ground. This will be placed in the southwest corner of the hall.

At Bexley the hall windows on the second and third stories, are to be widened and fitted with iron balconies leading to the fire-escape ladders. These ladders are to come within eight feet of the ground.

The southeast door of the college chapel is to be changed to open outward as are also the doors on the buildings at Harcourt. At the latter place many other minor changes are to be made to meet

the requirements of the fire inspector.

Kenyon Golf Club Permanently Established

After struggling three years for existence the Golf Club has finally reached a point where it may well be classed among the various activities of the college. For the past week crowds of golf enthusiasts have been seen with lawnmowers and rakes, working on the greens and tees. The result is that the college may now boast of a very presentable golf course.

A meeting was recently held and fifteen men expressed their desire for membership. Officers were elected and a permanent greens committee was appointed. These officers will have entire charge of the finances and upkeep of the course. Meetings will be held regularly and it is the desire of the club to attain a membership of thirty-five men. A charge of fifty cents has been levied on each member which will be expended on the course.

Although no accidents have as yet been reported, it has been the history of the club that the little white ball invariably finds its way to some innocent bystander or unfortunate pedestrian who is bold enough to risk the Middle Path. Last year one inconsiderate golfer even went so far as to hit a professor while another barely escaped killing a baby. Although these experiences are not frequent it is a rather exciting experience to run the gauntlet from Ascension to the college gate, as the course runs directly across the path four times.

Notwithstanding these difficulties the club has become very popular and eventually it hopes to be classed under the Athletic Association of the college. In the course of a few weeks the club will arrange several handicap tournaments and attempt to send several representative players to Mansfield where their skill will be tested in the regular tournaments held there each year. The officers of the club are as follows: President, S. J. Davies, '16; Sec'y-Treas, J. S. Trotman, '17; Greens committee, Messrs. O'Rourke, '17, Schafer, '17, Shaner, '17.

Miami Gets New Dormitory

A bequest of \$250,000 to be used to erect a dormitory for Miami University, with an additional \$10,000 to be used to assist indigent students to pay their expenses at Miami University, is provided for in the will of the late Laura L. Ogden Whaling, of Cincinnati.—Ex.

The Rev. J. H. Young, '87, spent two days in Gambier this month examining Bexley men.

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MELODRAMA TO BE STAGED BY 1918

In Addition to Dance, Sophomores
Will Assume Full Charge of
Saturday Evening

An innovation at Kenyon this year which will doubtless increase class spirit is the presentation of a play by the sophomores on the Saturday evening of Hop week. It is customary to have the glee club concert or some other form of entertainment on that evening given, as a rule, by some Assembly organization. As the sophomore class this year is larger than usual, its members very fittingly decided not to limit their energies to the dance alone, but to demonstrate their abilities as actors as well.

The play chosen is a two-act melodrama by D. J. Stevens, entitled, "Old Aere Folk" and is bound to keep the audience laughing from the rising up of the curtain to the going down of the same after the final act. The scene is laid in a New England farming town and the plot is carefully worked out to emphasize a contrast in characters. It includes the usual deacon, and a country squire whose beautiful daughter is sought in marriage by a country boy, much to the disgust of the girl's father. The chief contrast in the play, however, is brought by the difference in time represented in each act. The first act is a summer scene and the second a winter scene and granted warm weather for Hop week, this situation will be fully appreciated.

Not only is the giving of a play by the sophomores unusual but the fact that a melodrama was selected is also out of the ordinary. The presentation of a play at this time of year by the class giving the dance, it is to be hoped, will not only increase class spirit, but establish a precedent for following classes.

The play is under the personal direction of Mr. Wattle and though many of the men in the cast are members of the Puff and Powder Club, many new faces will appear on the Rosse Hall stage. Besides the director the following men are included in the cast: Messrs. DeWolf, Smith, Shaner, Trotman, Stevens, Cross, Davies and McKechnie.

The play, which will last about an hour, will be followed by an informal dance. The music for the dance will probably be furnished by some of the orchestra from the previous evening. The interest manifested by the members of the class is sufficient to warrant an exceptionally pleasant time.

AGED ALUMNUS RECOUNTS TALES

Dr. S. J. Hubbell, '52, in Letter to
Philo's President Recalls
Early Kenyon

The president of Philo recently received a letter from one of the oldest Kenyon alumni, Dr. S. J. Hubbell, '52, in which the writer recalled many men connected with early Kenyon life, and recounted incidents which, though not important, are nevertheless interesting.

It is evident from the letter that Mr. Hubbell attended the academy before coming to college, as some of the names mentioned are connected with events at Milnor Hall. Many of them are of men who have died. He speaks, for example, of "Life" Andrews (Kenyon, '52) whose death was recorded in the last Collegian. He states that he was 81 years old on March 8, last.

A portion of the letter is here given which may prove of interest to the older as well as the younger alumni:

"Isn't it singular how well we remember the things that do not count and are so handy in forgetting the important ones which make and mar? This, I think there are few about Gambier who can call to mind: Sosthene Henno was enough peeved at Alphonse Coco to give him battle; I forget the cause. Sosthene was about 5 feet and 4 inches and Coco was over six, but Sosthene wanted to fight so he very bravely shook his fist under Coco's nose and dared him. Coco stooped and picked up a timber about 14 inches square and 14 feet long and threw it its own length saying to Sosthene, "You don't want to fight me, do you Sosthene?" Sosthene had all the fight he had wanted.

You don't remember Phil Stanbury who came to us from West Point do you? Well, we at the Hall were a military set adorned with blue jackets and brass buttons; there was some talk of getting Phil to put us through the West Point drill, but he refrained.

Fine old Nelson B. Sweitzer was Aid de Camp to Gen. McClellan in the Civil war. Fearless and honorable but of course, I think, on the wrong side. You see I was born in Culpepper county, Virginia near Mud Run and so was a rebel during the war. I could make you tired if I have not already done so recounting the funny things of college life. I will give you one more and quit, which

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IN CONCLUSION

As this issue of the Collegian is the final one by the present staff, it is fitting for the retiring editors to make a few remarks editorially in regard to the work of the paper during the past academic year.

Perhaps it is fortunate that in our initial editorial a year ago, a statement appeared that to make few promises and keep them is an adage that would be adhered to. This provides, at any rate, a safe means of escape as we step down and out, making room for the next staff. But let us consider more carefully our promises actually made at that time. Like the present senior class it may well be said that they are few in number, yet in this they're strong. We have recorded the college activities as faithfully as we could and we have endeavored to present them in a way which does credit to our alma mater. We have always had the interest of Kenyon at heart in our work and have tried to deal with everything connected with the paper from an unprejudiced standpoint.

As is often the case, there has been a lack of interest on the part of many of the members of the board, with the result that the majority of work has devolved on four or five men throughout the entire year. To these men the editor-in-chief wishes to express his

sincere thanks and on the others, who were willing to sit back and say, "Lord, lord," no words will be wasted.

But despite the trials and difficulties we had to overcome, we can say in all seriousness, that it has been a pleasure to record the activities of the college during the past eight months and with best wishes for the incoming staff we hope that it may be said of those of us, who worked most diligently, that we "kept the faith" that was entrusted to us.

A WORD ABOUT COLLEGE ELECTIONS

For many years, in fact ever since student government was inaugurated at Kenyon, the first Monday in May has been the one day in the college year, on which every man in college desires to be present at the Assembly. At this meeting the officers of the Assembly are chosen for the ensuing year. These officers are chosen from the student body by their fellow-students to act as their representatives in all matters pertaining to student government.

It necessarily follows that to be elected president of the student body is one of the biggest honors that the students can give to one of their fellow members. To this position is attached much responsibility, and therefore a careful, and deliberate choice must needs be made.

As much care should be taken in this choice, were the president of the college to be picked. The man to receive this honor must not only be a "popular fellow" but he should be a true, representative Kenyon man. He should not only have executive ability, but he should command the respect of everyone in college. And so should the other officers of the Assembly be the same kind of men.

There is only one way to pick these officers. And that is, that every man in college, irrespective of what ties he is bound together with certain individuals by, should decide in his own mind who will best represent him as head of the Kenyon Assembly.

Any man who can not decide this question for himself, but who votes the way somebody tells him is no more fit to vote in the Assembly, than a political grafter is to vote for the President of the United States. What a weakling is the man who says he is compelled to vote for a certain man! What a man is he, who stands forth and says it is my duty to do as my conscience dictates. It is my personal duty; there is no higher.

Any man who would like to see himself elected to an office in the Assembly, but who nevertheless knows in his heart that there is a

better man for the job than he, is nothing more than a coward. He is selfish and injurious to the welfare of the college; for a college is prosperous only so long as the best men for the jobs get them.

The worst of all political crimes is to buy and sell votes. This does not necessarily involve money, but any illegitimate arrangement whatsoever with somebody else to secure votes comes under the same head. A man who will stoop so low as to enter into a deal which is against the law, in order to secure an office is a grafter of the worst type. The jails are full of such men. Much less has he a right to call himself a member of any college.

Every man in college has signed a pledge not to enter into politics in the Assembly elections. For most of the men here at Kenyon this pledge is entirely unnecessary. It is only for "those few" which are found in every institution. The public sentiment in Kenyon at present is such that no one dare make a political deal. Let all the eligible candidates for the Assembly offices cross-examine themselves. If they are playing politics they know who they are. No man can expect to be elected to office in such a way and not be found out sooner or later. It would require more than mere nerve to sit in the chair of the president of the Assembly knowing that it was not through his own merits that he was there.

WHAT THE ALUMNI THINK

The following letter received by the editor is submitted to the readers of the Collegian but particularly for benefit of the members of the student body. It demonstrates how far-reaching are the consequences of the act of vandalism recently perpetrated by some of the students of the college.

It may be said here, by way of defense of those in charge of the "discipline of the wood-shed," that the committee, under whose power this duty falls, has used its best judgment in dealing with the offenders and it feels confident that the penalties meted out are sufficient to prevent any like action in the future. It is gratifying to note that such a large number of students vehemently condemned the foolish trick and were strong in their denunciation of the culprits.

"Dear Sir:—The recent appeal for financial assistance, sent out in the form of a circular letter to the Alumni of Kenyon from the Athletic Association, is upheld by a moving reference to the claim of "Kenyon spirit."

This sentiment is commendable, but its efficacy is more or less impaired by a report concerning the application the students have

apparently made of the term.

It is a somewhat inexplicable, but nevertheless time-honored maxim, that the destruction of valuable property must be a manifestation of youthful exuberance. At a certain tender age, the situation is competently dealt with by a parent's heavy hand. When the perpetrators have attained the dignity of high-school years, the act may be tolerated on the assumption that callow youth is deficient in judgment. But that in dealing with such an act of vandalism at the hands of full-grown men it is necessary for the faculty to sit in grave deliberation, has always appeared to me a waste of ammunition, since the affair so palpably calls for the discipline of the wood shed.

Very truly yours,
A RECENT GRADUATE.

THE NEED OF CONVICTION AND THOUGHT

Perhaps, no editorial can express our feelings in regard to the recent attempt of a few students to stack Ascension Hall, but one idea that is particularly pertinent to it is found in the editorial columns of the "Green and White" (Ohio University) in an article labelled "Conviction." It seems an absolutely inexcusable state-of-affairs that men should have such a small sense of responsibility that they fail to prevent such an act or, at least, attempt to do so. Notice this paragraph and see how well it may be applied:

"College is the place where a man should learn to stand on his own feet, to think his own thoughts, to write his own themes and to consider every man his equal until he has proved his superiority. Many a man has no thoughts of his own, would not trust his own voice in public, and considers every man superior until he has proved himself inferior. It is the negative stand that is the undoing of many of the college students of the present day. Too often one may hear a man telling what evil a thing does not do, instead of telling what good it does do. The world is not looking for things and men that do not do evil. It is looking for the proposition and the man that can deliver the greatest amount of positive good. It is the positive nature linked up with a great cause that is moving the world."

This "negative stand" together with the lack of thinking power on the part of the man or men who perpetrated the recent trick goes to show that it is high time for us to make up and realize that as Kenyon men we have duties to perform and that our heads were given us to think with and not for ornaments.

PHILO CLOSES EVENTFUL YEAR

Kenyon's Oldest Literary Society Does Creditable Work--Future Out- look Bright

The final meeting of Philo was held on Wednesday evening, April 21. Being essentially a business session little was done beside the election of officers which resulted as follows: P. W. Timberlake, '17, president; W. J. White, '17, vice-president; P. E. Twigg, '17, secretary-treasurer.

Before leaving the chair Mr. Bailey expressed his regret at having to leave the society and also his appreciation of the honor of having been its president. He wished the society and its future president, success.

There was a short discussion about the purchase of insignias of the society by its eligible men. There is no doubt that before and during commencement the campus will be resplendent with men wearing the engraved "Phi's."

President Timberlake stated that within the next week or two he would appoint a committee to take charge of the Philo luncheon given at commencement.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Bailey, the ex-president, for his efficient work as leader of the society. A motion for adjournment was then made, seconded and carried.

Philo has, with this meeting, completed in more ways than one, a most successful year. Although meetings were begun somewhat late in the fall, a large and promising group of men were initiated at the second meeting, and work was begun in earnest after Christmas. Try-outs for the Stires' Debate brought out several men of ability. Conscientious work on the part of the debaters and support from members of the society resulted in an easy victory over Nupi and the winning of the first prize by the society's president.

The meetings of the society were somewhat handicapped by a lack of interest on the part of a few upper-classmen members, but thanks to those who were loyal, there was always a quorum and sufficient discussion at each meeting to prove that Philo does more to attract attention than rattle chairs. This difficulty (not the overhead disturbance) will be overcome next year as there will be a large number of juniors to guide and direct the policy of the society. It is the intention of the new executive to begin operations

SENIORS DISPLAY UNUSUAL TALENT

Rehearsals for Pinero's Play, "Dandy Dick," Promise Wealth of Wit and Humor

The senior play which was reported in the last issue of this paper to be progressing has now advanced beyond that stage (if such a thing can be conceived) for each rehearsal, held every other day, demonstrates that nothing now can prevent an admirable presentation of the play--so eagerly have the seniors assimilated the spirit of Pinero's farce.

The plot contains an abundance of comic situations and the possibilities for personal "business" and "action" are many. The speeches in themselves are not abounding in humor except as they are connected with the situations presented. The members of the cast, however, have proved that plenty of amusement will be offered the audience as even the surprises seen in advance, have, on more than one occasion so convulsed the players that the action of the rehearsal has been seriously retarded.

The story of "Dandy Dick" concerns a minister, who, even at the cost of jeopardizing his financial status, offers a large sum of money to repair his church. His two young daughters, at this time in love with two army officers, are clamoring for money from their father, to be expended for ball-room dresses. The father is worrying about his finances when two more characters, his widowed sister (who is an ardent admirer of horse-flesh) and a college chum of the minister's make their appearance at the home of the worthy divine. The latter is shocked at the "race-course" vernacular of his sister and too engrossed in the spiritual to appreciate his college chum's rough, sportive nature. A fire in one of the stables in town causes the famous race-horse, "Dandy Dick" to be lodged in the minister's stable, a fact which horrifies him completely. He proves his humanity, however, when tempted to save himself from financial ruin by betting fifty pounds on the horse in question. He falls victim to this temptation and other actions on his part lead him into an embarrassing situation from which extrication seems impossible.

The role of the minister or dean is taken by Mr. Ablewhite. Messrs. Seitz and Bailey assume the roles of the dean's two daughters while

DEATH CALLS INDIANA MAN

Hon. Albert C. Bearss, '61, Dies of Apoplexy at His Home in Peru --Loyal Republican

Kenyon lost another worthy alumnus on Tuesday, March 9, when Albert C. Bearss, '61, of Peru, Indiana, answered the death summons. Mr. Bearss, who was seventy-seven years old, was active and enjoyed good health up until a few days before his death which was brought on by a stroke of apoplexy. He was one of the pioneers of Miami county and a strong Republican, having taken an important part in the politics of his own state.

Mr. Bearss was a son of Daniel R. Bearss, who was lieutenant during the war period under Morton and later prominent as a Republican leader. The son followed the footsteps of his father and after his education in the Peru schools and at Kenyon, he went west with the current of immigrants headed for the California gold fields. He lived in California for a short time and then went to Nevada where he was elected to the legislature at the age of twenty-six. During this period he made the acquaintance of Mark Twain who was reporting the sessions of the Nevada legislature. Mr. Bearss found that the fighting spirit of his father which he inherited had ample range there, and that his life as well as his father's was to be full of adventure.

After eight or nine years of western experience he returned to Indiana. For a time he was engaged in the mercantile business in Rochester, but returning to Miami county he received the nomination on the Republican ticket for the legislature and was elected.

In 1867 he was married to Miss Madaline V. Lamb, of Coshocton, Ohio, to which union four children were born of whom two are still living. His home life was always marked by a singular devotion to all his family and to his wife, who for many years was an invalid. Mr. Bearss was loved and respected by a large number of friends and acquaintances not merely in his own county but throughout the state. During the last few years Mr. Bearss centered his attention on his business interests and his large farm north of Peru.

The deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. E. A. Gould, Mrs. Theodore Ensil and a granddaughter, Miss Madeline Ensil. Three brothers, Oliver, Omer D., and

CAMPUS ASSUMES NEAT APPEARANCE

Removal of Leaves and Refuse Makes Difference--Work of Refor- estation Continued

The last three weeks has witnessed a good job of cleaning up the campus, and Gambier is once again assuming its usual spring beauty. All the leaves and other refuse have been carefully raked and burned by a crew of men and after the rainy days of the month are gone the trees on the path will be quick to send forth their leaves. Already the grass has assumed a deep emerald hue and is growing in many places where in summer, the shade of the trees often hinders its progress.

Along with minor improvements about the campus may be noted the additional trees which have been placed by W. E. Bontrager, of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station. Mr. Bontrager was kind enough to give out the following concerning the work:

The experimental work in reforestation and landscape forestry which was begun for the college several years ago by authorities of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station has been expanded this spring by the location of more plots in the forest and additions to the various clumps and groups in the college park. Young trees of oak, birch, cucumber tree, tulip tree, sycamore and numerous choice evergreens have been planted in their respective groups and some species having unusual value as individual specimens have been suitably placed. Notable among the newer things are the Yellowwood, a rare flowering tree native to a restricted region in Kentucky and Tennessee, and a specimen of the finest flowering cherry known in Japan. Trees in the earlier plantings have now had sufficient time to become thoroughly established in the soil and henceforth will add very materially to the charming views on Gambier Hill. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to assert that some of the most picturesque and beautiful landscape pictures to be found on institutional grounds in any part of the country have been outlined for Kenyon College.

Frank also remain to mourn his loss. Interment was held in the private cemetery of the Bearss family in Ridgeview.

The Rev. L. E. Daniels, Bex., '02, was a recent visitor in Gambier.

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Cane Sunday Duly Celebrated by Seniors and Freshmen

Following the custom of recent years the freshmen, with their new class canes escorted the seniors to chapel on the morning of Sunday, April 18. The event had been postponed from Low Sunday, the usual date, both because of the inclement weather and also because of the fact that the requisite canes had not reached the Hill at that time.

The procession, which was formed at the library consisted of the college choir, the freshmen with the tangible signs of their victory in the cane rush, the two marshals, Messrs. Steinfeld and Smith, and finally the seniors in cap and gown. At the entrance to the chapel the freshmen separated and formed an arch with their canes under which the seniors marched, and were then escorted by the marshals to their seats.

After the church service, the seniors gathered before the chapel, and sang their class song and the "Thrill." Because of the absence of several of their classmates there were only six of the seniors present: Messrs. Bailey, Brunner, Gayer, Goode, McCaughey, and Seitz, so that the words of the 1915 song "We're few in number" were very concretely illustrated.

Aged Alumnus

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is letting you off easy. Jeremiah Clemens, a tailor, had just had a new gold and blue sanded sign painted and placed over his shop door. Hallowe'en night a lot of the boys took it down and carried it to John Hazlet's room and split it into fire wood and burned it in one of those old box iron stoves with which the authorities used to furnish us. Prex Bronson and Professor Dobbs and Professor Ross of the faculty were on the road to Hazlet's room when the signal was given, but we had the sign all burned except a few sticks and as the faculty came to the door, John said in a voice loud enough to be heard outside his door, "Let us pray," and the faculty waited until the last stick was burned and Hazlet finished this prayer: "A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh for a sign, but no sign shall be given them except the sign of the prophet Jonas." Well that will do for this time. This is rather discursive but you will feel perhaps that I have not bored you."

Sophomore Hop

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is a very popular dance there is every reason to expect a large attendance of out-of-town guests both on the part of alumni as well as prospective students.

Following is a list of music for

the dances:

1. One Step—Indianola Patrol.
2. Waltz—What is Love?
3. Fox Trot—Good-bye Girls I'm Through.
4. One Step—Chinatown My Chinatown.
5. Waltz—Geraldine.
6. Fox Trot—Watch Your Step.
7. One Step—Parisienne.
8. Waltz—Adele.
9. Fox Trot—Spookmill Chimes.
10. One Step—Omar Khayyam.
11. One Step—Court-house in the Sky.
12. Waltz—Black Rose.
13. Fox Trot—Bubi Fox Trot.
14. One Step—He's a Rag Picker.
15. Waltz—Sari.
16. Fox Trot—My Tango Girl.
17. One Step—Ka Ku Da.
18. Fox Trot—Chin Chin Fox Trot.
19. Tango—Arganarez.
20. One Step—When You Wore a Tulip.
21. Waltz—Japanese Moon.
22. Fox Trot—Humpty Dumpty.
23. One Step—Back to the Carolina You Love.
24. Waltz—Good-bye Everybody.

Extras—

1. One Step—Sister Susie's Sewing Shirts.
2. Waltz—Millicent.
3. Fox Trot—The Girl from Utah.
4. One Step—Tip Top Tipperary.
5. One Step—Tipperary.
6. Fox Trot—Reuben Fox Trot.
7. One Step—Jamais Trop.

Member of Class of '80, Changes Residence

The Rev. A. A. Bresee, '80, Bex., '87, of Lehigh, Pa., recently accepted a call to Zion church, Greene, N. Y., where he will enter upon his duties the first of next month. Mr. Bresee, who, in addition to being curate of St. Mark's church, has charge of All Saint's chapel and is also Archdeacon of the Reading Archdeaconry. His resignation which takes effect April 30, will mark the end of almost twenty-five years' work in the state of Pennsylvania. After graduating from Kenyon and later from Bexley he began his work at Johnstown and later went to East Mauch Chunk where he remained until coming to Lehigh.

The parish to which Mr. Bresee has been called is in the Diocese of Central New York and is one of the oldest established in its vicinity. In addition to a beautiful stone church, it possesses a fine rectory and parish house.

Tennis Enthusiasts are Busy

With the completion of the repairs to the tennis courts, practice has started in earnest. A very good schedule has been arranged and the chances of a successful team look very bright.

Captain Schafer is back from last year and there are several other men who have shown up very well, and the competition for places on the team is keen.

T. E. Davey, '16, has succeeded G. M. Herringshaw as manager of the team and he has arranged several matches. The intercollegiate tournament held under the auspices of the Ohio Intercollegiate Tennis Association will take place in Columbus on the Ohio State courts on May 20, 21, and 22.

May 1.—Oberlin at Gambier.

May 15.—St. Mary's at Gambier.

May 28.—Wesleyan at Delaware.

May 29.—Ohio at Gambier.

May 31.—Oberlin at Oberlin.

June 4.—St. Mary's at Dayton.

June 14.—Ohio State at Gambier.

Five thousand and twenty-six degrees have been awarded by Oberlin college since it was founded.—Ex.

Practice Game With Gambier's Nine

The baseball team dropped a closely contested practice game to the Gambier village team on April 21, the score being 4 to 3.

Although it was only a practice, the game was close and exciting, and both teams played snappy ball.

Holt made his debut as a pitcher for the collegiates, and held down the hits well except in the seventh, when two hits, an error, and a wild throw netted the villagers three runs and the game.

The Kenyon team played an encouraging brand of ball, and considering the poor condition of the grounds the fielding was remarkably good. The Kenyon batters picked up a little in batting, Galberach having four safeties to his credit, while several others got one or two hits apiece at the expense of Ayre's fast ones.

"Doc" Dobie to Take Graduate Work at Princeton

L. B. Dobie, '14, for the past year assistant in the department of chemistry at Kenyon will leave next fall to pursue post-graduate work at Princeton. "Dobie" has had no trouble in demonstrating his ability as a teacher and has won the respect and esteem of all the men in his classes as well as others who are not so fortunate as to be under his personal tutelage. He has the best wishes of the students for success in his work in the East.

Candidates for Election to Assembly Offices Announced

The Assembly Council met Thursday afternoon, April 22, and made nominations for the offices of the Assembly for the ensuing year. The following candidates comprise the list:

For President: Messrs. Steinfield, D. R. Smith, Hall and Axtell.

For Vice-President: Bemis.

For Secretary: Larcomb.

Executive Committee (to fill vacancies): Messrs. Rockwood, DeWolf, Forker.

Dormitory Committee: Messrs. Williams, Davey, Larcomb, Bowman, Bemis, Hall, Andrews.

Ohio College Press Association To Meet at Delaware

Notice has been received of the annual convention of the Ohio College Press Association to be held in Delaware, May 7 and 8. It is planned to send three representatives from the Collegian staff, the retiring as well as the new editor and the new business manager.

The delegates from the various papers represented will be accommodated by the eleven fraternities, the O. W. U. Union, the Y. M. C. A. and the new Hotel Allen. President Thornburg of the association announces a surprise for those who attend and an excellent program has been arranged. Some of the best journalists in Ohio are scheduled for the event.

The association will attend, as guests of the college, the Denison-Wesleyan baseball game on Saturday afternoon.

Two papers are going to apply for admission to the association and the members will probably take some definite action concerning them at this meeting. The papers already represented in addition to the Collegian are as follows:

Ohio Wesleyan Transcript.

Oberlin Review.

The Denisonian.

The Miami Student.

Case Tech.

Otterbein Review.

Green and White.

Reserve Weekly.

Wooster Voice.

Kilikilik.

Mt. Union Dynamo.

Northern Light.

Hiram Advance.

The papers applying for admission are the publications of Cincinnati and Wittenberg.

Biology Summer School Will Begin June 16

The printed announcements for the fifth season of the summer course in biology are now out. The courses offered are the same as in previous years, General, Aquatic and Advanced Biology. The course is scheduled to begin June 16 and will last approxi-

mately till July 28. It comprises lectures, laboratory work and field excursions. Three or six semester hours credit may be obtained with one or two hundred laboratory hours. This course has been very successful since its inauguration several years ago and there is no doubt but that this year will witness a larger attendance than in former years.

Kenyon 10—Mt. Vernon 11

In a loosely played game marked by frequent disputes, Kenyon lost the first game of the season to the Mount Vernon Y. M. C. A. ball team, 11-10, at Gambier, Saturday afternoon, April 24.

The heaviest scoring was done in the first two innings by the visiting team. In the first inning they scored five runs, and in the second, managed to cross the plate three times. Mueller, pitching for Kenyon tightened up, and no more runs came in until the sixth inning, when one man came home.

The seventh was unproductive of scores, but in the eighth they scored two more tallies, while the first three men up in the ninth went down in one-two-three order.

Kenyon obtained three runs in the first inning, five in the fourth, failed to send a man across the plate in the fifth and sixth, and secured their final two runs in the seventh and eighth.


Considering the fact that this was the first game played this season, the Kenyon team was by no means disappointing. Save for a certain raggedness and lack of cohesion, the present material ought to develop into a formidable aggregation before the season is over.

Galberach, short stop for Kenyon, was easily the star, both in his ability to clout the ball, and in his skill in stealing bases. Lowry at third, and Gregg at center, played a consistent game throughout, while the work of Mueller in the box was very creditable.

Norich, pitcher for the visitors, handled himself well, and had six strike-outs to his credit. With a bush league record behind him, he did not come up to the mark expected, however, as the members of the Kenyon team had no trouble in hitting him. Gilpin at short stop for Mount Vernon, and Van Vorrhis as catcher, played heady games, both being especially good when questions involving the decision of the umpire arose.

A fair sized crowd of students and townspeople witnessed the game, but owing to the threatening weather, the attendance was not so large as was expected.

Yale.—In a meeting of the Eastern Inter-collegiate Basketball Association, Yale, who won this year's basketball title forced through a ruling which makes basketball a major sport. This automatically debars freshmen and degree men from the game—Ex.



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ALUMNI GATHER IN CINCINNATI

Kenyon Men Plus Friends Reveal True Spirit Before Group of Prospective Students

One of the most enthusiastic gatherings of Kenyon men during the past few months was held at the University Club, Cincinnati, on Saturday evening, April 24, when the Queen City Alumni and their friends gathered for a reunion and banquet. About forty men were present including President Peirce, Bishop Vincent, several Cincinnati men interested in Kenyon, and a number of prospective students.

After a very sumptuous dinner, speeches were made by a few men chosen by the committee on subjects that were of especial interest to men about to begin life at college. J. G. Stewart, '02, president of the association acted as toastmaster and after a short speech of introduction, called on President Peirce. His remarks covering conditions in Gambier were well received. Following came Bishop Vincent, whose interest in Kenyon has always been frankly shown, as it was by his speech at this time. Constant Southworth, '98, city solicitor in Cincinnati, was next to answer the toastmaster's summons. His remarks were to the point and met with hearty approval of all the men present. Following a few remarks by "Max" Long, '05, came a speech on "The Advantages of a Small College," by Mr. Harry Yergason, who, although a Yale man, has become converted to the idea expressed in the title of his speech. He is an ardent Kenyon enthusiast and his talk was extremely effective and sincere. Kenyon songs were interspersed between the speeches and as is customary, their value was demonstrated by the additional enthusiasm that permeated the banquet board. "Phil" Stanbery, '98, and Arthur Brown, '06, selected the songs and saw to it that interest in the musical program did not wane.

The most gratifying part of the banquet was the presence of a large number of high school students who are contemplating college entrance next fall. Students from Hughes High School and Ohio Military Institute comprised the bulk of the prospective student list. Of the seventeen men present, three are sure of entering next September and a large majority of the remainder have prac-

tically decided on Kenyon as their alma mater.

In addition to President Peirce, Bishop Vincent, Mr. Yergason and Mr. Clarence Pumphrey (another "associate" alumnus) the following alumni were at the banquet:

J. G. Stewart, '02.
C. Southworth, '98.
R. Southworth, '00.
E. R. Moeser, '06.
W. V. Morrow, '08.
R. B. Brown, '11.
S. W. Allen, '09.
M. B. Long, '05.
L. J. Leake, '18.
P. B. Stanbery, '98.
W. H. Brown, '06.
H. Stanbery, '96.
A. L. Brown, '06.
H. C. Forster, '06.
R. F. Gordon, '08.
R. S. Japp, '06.

Tennis Team's First Trip was Unsuccessful

The tennis team opened the season somewhat ingloriously when a tie was played with Ohio University, and Denison defeated the team on April 23 and 24 respectively. The team consisting of Captain Schafer and Albright played both matches away from home which somewhat accounts for the results.

The first match, at Ohio, was played on courts which were rain-soaked from the previous day, and in no shape for tennis. The contest did not start till four o'clock and darkness ended the day's play with honors even.

Schafer out-played Pickering and won 6-4, 6-4, without much trouble. Albright, however, seemed nervous, it being his first college match, and lost out to his man 4-6, 5-7. In the doubles Ohio won the first set 6-4, while Kenyon got the balance and won the second set very easily 6-1.

At Granville Schafer's work was very gratifying. He clearly outplayed his opponent, Moore, and won 6-4 6-2. His smashes were faultless and Moore returned very few of them. Albright appeared nervous again and lost to Scott 6-2, 6-1. Scott played a very creditable game. In the doubles the Kenyon team showed lack of practice and lost 6-3, 6-2.

Juniors Busy With Promenade Plans

Amid the hustle and worry of the sophomores in preparation for their Hop, may be discerned a feeling of unrest among the juniors which is to be accounted for by the fact that they are making arrangements for the final dance of the year, June 15.

The committee has been busy for many weeks already, and in an unobtrusive way have paved much of

the way for the execution of their part of the commencement program. The arrangement for the music has been made and unique programs have been ordered. The juniors even though deprived of the full use of the damage deposit have resolved to give a good dance and there is little reason to doubt it will be a financial success, since there is invariably an enthusiastic dancing crowd at commencement.

The committee wishes, through these columns to urge upon all men who can and are willing, to turn any money left over from their deposits to the chairman of the committee for use in giving the dance. It is hoped that all who are able will be public-spirited enough to help the juniors in this matter.

The following men comprise the committee: Messrs. Steinfeld (chairman), Davey, Bemis, Hall, Brown, McDowell and Zint.

Student Campaign Results Slow in Coming In

Reports from the Easter campaign for a larger enrollment have been slowly reaching President Peirce, and an approximate estimate shows a somewhat smaller list of prospective students than the two preceding years.

The incomplete record available shows that about sixty men volunteered to visit high schools during the Easter vacation to interview prospective students. These volunteers were assigned to schools in or near their homes, according to the plan followed in former campaigns.

The value of this systematic canvass has been proved in the past by the increasing enrollment of the last two years. Realizing this fact, President Peirce advocated the movement in the March Assembly, and asked the united assistance of the students. It is hoped that late reports will be received and a considerable list of prospective students recorded.

A letter recently received from R. D. Custis, ex-'15, states that he is regaining his health at Ocean-side, California, about forty miles from San Diego. "Bob" asserts that the San Diego Exposition rivals the Frisco Fair in regard to buildings and grounds as well as climate. Many who have visited both think the former much superior.

E. C. Dempsey, '11, spent a day on the Hill last week.

A bill has been introduced in the Texas legislature to abolish all fraternities and secret societies in the State University.—Ex.

Football Schedule for Next Season Adopted

At a recent meeting of the executive Committee, the following football schedule for next fall was submitted to, and accepted by, the committee. It provides for three home games, one of which is with Case. It is a matter of conjecture, at this time, as to what chances for a good showing Kenyon has in the list of opponents which follows:

October 2—Otterbein at Westerville.
October 9—Reserve at Cleveland.
October 16—Cincinnati at Cincinnati.
October 23—Antioch at Gambier.
October 30—Oberlin at Oberlin.
November 6—Wooster at Gambier.
November 12—Case at Gambier.
November 20—Mt. Union at Alliance.
November 25—Akron at Akron.

William T. Allen, ex-'13 was married to Miss Vera Van Ness of Glendale, O., Monday, April 19. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents.

The Rev. E. A. White, D. C. L., of Bloomfield, N. J., spent last week in Gambier. While here he was engaged in delivering a series of lectures to Bexley men on church law.

Senior Play (Continued from page 5)

Steinfeld and Gayer are military men. McCaughey, as the sister of the dean, proves himself a worthy widow even though fond of the races. Thompson, as the college chum of the dean's, is ably fitted to make a happy, care-free, pleasure-seeking jockey. Messrs. Goode and Snook as the constable and his wife are bound to meet with satisfaction in their scene which comprises the bulk of the third act. High Moor as Blore, the dean's butler is already an assured success. His lines are among the wittiest in the play and his voice is well suited to the part.

The result of the last few practices have precluded any idea on the part of the cast that the play will prove tiresome or uninteresting as is so often charged by some who attend.

Philo Closes (Continued from page 5)

a little earlier next fall in order to prevent, as far as possible, the irregularities caused by vacation periods and examinations. Thus, it is thought, the society can be of even greater usefulness to the college and increase the scope of its work.