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SOUTH HANNA WINS INTRAMURAL SPEECH CONTEST SPONSORED BY T. K. A.

Team of Lawrence, Henderson, Peoples And Skiles Annexes Trophy; East Wing Second, Middle Leonard Third.

Forging ahead strongly in the last two rounds, South Hanna's powerful Oratorical Team, swept aside all opposition and piling up an eighteen point lead over their nearest adversaries, East Wing, annexed the trophy emblematic of victory in the first intramural speech contest. The Alphies were in turn securely entrenched in second place by a margin of fourteen points over Middle Leonard.

According to the rules set up for this Inter-divisional Speech Contest, by the local chapter of Tau Kappa Alpha, the graceful bronze trophy was presented to the divisions, whose orators delivered the best extemporaneous speeches in the eyes of three judges: Professor Crocker of Denison, in the first round; Professor Diem of Ohio Wesleyan, in the second round; Professor Moore of Kent-State in the final round. There was no limit on the number of men that each division could enter, but only the rankings gained by the two highest men of the division in each contest, was counted in the final reckoning.

Dr. Peirce Presents Trophy

After yesterday's speeches were over, the results of the first two judges were computed along with those of Professor Moore. Following the evening meal, Dr. Peirce presented the huge bronze cup to Arthur Paul Schmidt, representing South Hanna.

This Speech Tournament is to be an annual affair, and it in each succeeding year, its popularity grows as it did over the three week period of this contest. Memorial Hall will have to be hired as an auditorium! There were forty-five spectators present to hear and watch the first round of orations. By the next Tuesday, due to excellent publicity, both printed and "word of mouth," Nu Pi Kappa seated sixty listeners; for the final round, there were seventy persons in the audience, including the President of the College and several of the faculty.

Valuable New Field

The contest opened a new field for intramural activity. It is certain that all the contestants got more out of it than they put into it, and that every one of them enjoyed themselves. Their speeches were for the most part very entertaining, and their audience appeal was consistently above par. Vast experience was gained by the entrants, and it was noticeable that, as the contest progressed, the speakers would overcome their difficulties of the preceding week.

At the banquet sponsored by Tau Kappa Alpha yesterday evening, attended by Dr. Peirce, Professor Moore, and Dr. Coffin, as well as the undergraduate members, all were jubilant over the great success of their "brain-child." T.K.A.'s President, Frank Boyer, stated that next year, ALL divisions would be represented in the contest and that each division would enter more men, due to the fact that the entire student audience reacted so

favorable towards the whole tournament.

Results

The following contestants were ranked fourth or better by at least one of the three judges, in at least one of the three rounds of oratory: Joe Allen, Chuck Henderson, Hugh Lawrence, Bob Mitchell, Bill Morgan, Dick Olin, Joe Peoples, Bob Skiles, and Norm Smith.

The final standing of Inter-Division Speech Contest (The lower the number of points, the higher the rank):

1. South Hanna 13
2. East Wing 31
3. Middle Leonard 46
4. West Wing 50
5. Middle Kenyon 59

(North Leonard and Middle Hanna entered no men; South Leonard withdrew from the contest after the first round; North Hanna was only represented by a single man, hence, it was not eligible to compete for the trophy).

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAKES APPOINTMENTS

Lawrence Reveille Editor, Doig Business Manager; Lytle to Succeed Gray on Collegian

The Executive Committee made its annual appointments to positions on the college publications last week. Hugh R. Lawrence was appointed editor of the "Reveille" college yearbook, to succeed Jack Fink. Malcolm Doig was selected as business manager, taking over Jack Widmer's job. Mason Hooker Lytle was appointed business manager of the "Collegian" to replace Tom Gray.

These positions on the publications are open to all college students. Any one is eligible to make application, the decision resting with the Executive Committee. Very few applications were made for the positions this year, despite the fact that a salary of \$100 is attached to each of them.

Those selected for the positions on the college publications will serve as assistants to the present staff for the balance of the semester.

"AMACO" TONIGHT

This evening the Dramatic Club, under the auspices of the Department of Speech, will present the modern drama "Amaco" in Nu Pi Kappa Hall. Curtain is at eight.

Students will be admitted free. The admission price to all others is 35c.

PROFESSOR LULL HERE NEXT MONDAY

Famed Anthropologist To Give Larwill Lecture in Philo

Professor Richard Swann Lull, one of the outstanding anthropologists in the United States, and director emeritus of the Peabody Museum at Yale University, will deliver a lecture on the Larwill Foundation in Philo Hall at 8 p. m. On Monday, March 22 Prof. Lull will speak on some phase of anthropology, but the specific subject has not yet been announced. The lec-

WHAT IT IS

Kenyon offers no course in anthropology, so you may be interested in knowing just what anthropology is. It is, according to Webster: "The science of man, specifically, the science of man in relation to physical character, distribution, the origin and classification of races, environmental and social relations and culture."

ture will be illustrated with slides, and Professor Lull is noted as an excellent speaker.

Professor Lull, one of the best beloved and most popular professors at Yale, has written a number of books on anthropology among which are "Organic Evolution," and "The Ways of Life."

Classmate of Dr. Allen

He took his undergraduate work at Rutgers, where he was a classmate of Dr. Reginald B. Allen, head of the Kenyon mathematics department. Professor Lull will be a guest at Dr. Allen's home during his stay here.

At Rutgers he was the first student in the new department of biology, brought about chiefly at his request. He took his Ph. D. at Columbia, and holds honorary degrees of M. A. from Yale, and Sc. D. from Rutgers.

He has been editor of the American Journal of Sciences since 1933, and is fellow the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and of the Geological Society of America. He is a member of Chi Upsilon, Sigma Xi, and Phi Beta Kappa.

FRITZ TAYLOR ELECTED PRESIDENT OF SENIORS

John Bingham, Secretary, P. A. Craig, Treasurer; Group Plans To Raise Funds by Play, Party

Fritz Taylor was elected president of the Senior class at its first meeting on Monday, March 8. Other officers elected were John Bingham, secretary, and Peter Craig, treasurer.

Several plans for raising money were discussed, among them a production of "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room," a lottery and a vaudeville show at the Vine theatre.

The Senior class will meet regularly every Monday in the Commons after lunch.

108 STUDENTS MATRICULATE AT CHAPEL SERVICE ON MONDAY, MARCH 15

President William Foster Peirce Officiates At Matriculation for Last Time; Largest Group in History Becomes Part of College.

One hundred and eight students, the largest number in the history of the college, matriculated in the chapel on Monday morning, March 15. The list of those who matriculated follows:

David Acheson, Pittsburgh, Pa., N. L.
Joseph Vernon Dodd, Steubenville, Gambier.
George Matthew Brown, New Rochelle, New York, N. L.
Jacob Marion Ford II, Saint Joseph, Missouri, M. K.
Ralph S. Jiroch, Jr., Saginaw, Michigan, N. H.
Joseph Leonard Millar, Lakewood, E. K.
William Leigh Bartlett, Cincinnati, E. K.
Albert O. Goodale, Jr., Hampton, Virginia, M. K.
Paul Decker Graebner, Lakewood, W. K.
Alfred Stull Harris, Jr., Cleveland Heights, M. K.
John Henry Heil, Rocky River, S. L.
Robert Henry Legg, Geneva, New York, E. K.
Pride Morey Lewis, Texarkana, Arkansas, E. K.
Donald William McNeill, Oklahoma City, Okla., W. K.
Pierre Burdette Aftman, Indianapolis, Indiana, E. K.
Alfred Guerin Allen, Glendale, N. L.
James Harold Badger, Buffalo, New York, W. K.
Richard Bruce Baker, Cincinnati, M. L.
John Ronald Barlow, Grosse Pointe Pk., Mich., M. K.
William Edward Bauble, Detroit, Michigan, W. K.
Laurence Graeme Bell, Toledo, W. K.
A. C. Bernstein, Muncie, Indiana, S. H.
William Melick Boggia, Cleveland Heights, E. K.
Richard William Brouse, Jr., Buffalo, New York, S. L.
Robert Bowen Brown, Jr., Winnetka, Illinois, S. L.
Robert Jewett Brownell, Sioux Falls, S. D., S. H.
John Richard Brunner, Ann Arbor, Michigan, M. K.
Edward Bachman Campbell, Johnson City, Tennessee, M. L.
Stephen George Chubbuck, Hudson, N. H.
James Bennett Clark, Gambier, Gambier.
John Walter Clements, Jr., Richmond, Indiana, E. K.
Robert Orr Cless, Saint Paul, Minnesota, N. L.
Theodore Sabin Cobbe, Jr., Canton, M. L.
John Dudley Crane, Columbus, N. L.
Samuel Chester Crobaugh, Shaker Heights, M. L.
Samuel Dunshie Curton, Mount Vernon, Mt. V.
Geoffrey William Curwen, Middletown, N. H.
Howard William Davis, Jr., Cleveland, N. H.

George Watters DeVoe, Warren, M. K.
John Brockus Ellis, Chicago, Ill., N. L.
William Edward Ellis, Columbus, S. L.
Samuel Froome, Jr., Cincinnati, N. H.
LeRoy Lewis Gaede, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, S. H.
Robert Paul Gray, Evanston, Ill., W. K.
Wilbur John Griffin, Cleveland Heights, N. H.
Robert Bromley Grinnell, Rutland, Vermont, S. H.
James Richard Grudier, Mansfield, N. H.
George William Gulick, Newark, N. L.
Davis Mackay Gunn, Chicago, Illinois, N. L.
James Simmons Heath, Riverside, Illinois, M. K.
Robert Pierson Henry, Detroit, Michigan, W. K.
James Edward Herl, Port Clinton, M. L.
Charles William Howard, Cincinnati, M. K.
Raymond Andrew Ioanes, Garfield Heights, N. H.
James Hobart Jenkins, Mount Vernon, Mt. V.
William Prichard Jenkins, Reno, Nevada, S. L.
Jack Lloyd Jones, Shaker Heights, E. K.
Rex Vernon Larson, Mansfield, M. K.
Arvi Lennard Laurila, Ashtabula, M. K.
Charles Frederick McKinley, Mansfield, M. K.
George Willard McMullin, Lakewood, M. K.
George Thacher McNary, Cleveland, W. K.
Riggs Franklin Mellen, Cleveland Heights, M. K.
Philip Huston Metzger, Mount Vernon, Mt. V.
Alan Paul Michels, Cleveland, M. K.
Donald Lane Miller, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, M. L.
Robert Kenneth Miller, Mount Vernon, Mt. V.
Robert Belknap Nash, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, N. H.
Thomas Randall Navin, Jr., Birmingham, Michigan, M. K.
Richard David Owen, Sharon, Pennsylvania, N. H.
Charles Arthur Parsons, Kent, M. K.
John Richard Peterson, Sandusky, M. K.
Phil Porter, Jr., Dayton, N. L.
Francis Downing Poulson, Shaker Heights, S. H.
Carroll William Prosser, Shaker Heights, W. K.
John Nelson Puffer, Evanston, Illinois, M. K.
Robert Kingston Purves, Des Plaines, Illinois, M. K.
James Philip Reed, Toledo, N. L.
Norman Washington Reed, Jr., Toledo, M. L.

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1. A track worthy of the name.
2. A saner method of rushing.
3. Establishment of awards for scholastic achievement.
4. Continuance of the honors system.

THE LIBRARY: AN OBSERVATION

An important letter this week points out the need for a modernized library. The proposals for the improvement of the library merit serious attention, for it is very essential that the academic prestige of the college be maintained.

The past few years have seen much-needed improvements in athletic and extra-curricular fields. These have been valuable—but we must not lose sight of the fact that our intellectual development must keep pace with our athletic development. We have advanced academically in recent years, but the great balance of our additions to the college have been of an athletic or extra-curricular nature.

Of course it may be said, and with some justification, that the college had fallen behind in certain fields and that advancement in those fields was necessary. However, the letter on the library, in addition to the intrinsic worth of its proposals, reminds us that a college's real reason for existence is to educate the student.



Wednesday night we had ice cream. Nothing unusual in that, but one method of eating it struck us as quite unusual. Howard Adams, sitting at the table next to us, seemed to possess quite a ritual in eating the stuff. While this account is not intended to be a drama, or fiction, we will give the principals in the interlude. Adams, Jasper, Ford, Shorkey, and Taylor are included.

Adams eyed his ice cream, took up his spoon and set to work. He lowered his left shoulder, shoving Shorkey to the left, raised his right shoulder, pushing Jasper to the right. The field cleared for action, Adams first chopped his ice cream to little bits. His shoulders rotated a little more counter-clockwise, Shorkey now almost off the seat and looking quite peeved, Jasper dodging to the right and looking nonchalant. Simultaneously Ford and Taylor saw the procedure; simultaneously they gave each other a knowing wink. Adams' shoulders were now almost vertical.

Now the mashing process began. He mashed his ice cream to a pulp, sat up, sighed, looked pleased. Ford and Taylor laughed, Shorkey and Jasper looked at Adams and pitied thereof; Adams, complete master of the situation fell silently to eating the abused pulp.

BULLETIN

Try-outs for the play "Twelfth Night" will be held at 4 and 7:30 P. M. tomorrow, Thursday, in Nu Pi Kappa Hall.

All students are eligible to try-out for this play, whether already members of the Dramatic Club or not.

ALUMNI NEWS

The Chicago Alumni Association, on Friday, March 5, held one of the best Kenyon gatherings ever held by the Association. The meeting was at the Blackstone Hotel, with about 55 or 60 present. The association entertained its members, several distinguished guests, and a number of the fathers of undergraduates, and had as their speakers and honor guests Bishop Stewart and Clarence B. Randall, a Harvard man who is an old friend of President Peirce and Kenyon.

Robert B. Brown, '11, president of the Chicago Alumni Association, sends the following poem, offering apologies to Oliver Wendell Holmes:

Has any old fellow got mixed with boys?
If there has take him out without making a noise.
Hang the Almanac's cheat, and the Catalogue's spite,
Old Time is a liar; we're twenty tonight!

There's a boy—Willy Peirce—with a three-decker brain
That could harness a team with a logical chain;
And he speaks for old Kenyon in syllabled fire,
He's a youngster that all of us greatly admire.

God bless him and prosper him all of his days!
We hail him tonight with a garland of bays
He will ever be dear to all Kenyon men,
In saeculo saeculorum, Amen.

"AMACO"
TONIGHTPENNER'S
"SUGAR PLUM"

That's what Vera Marsh is to "Blacksheep" Penner — on the air, anyhow. You hear this lovely lass's



voice as she plays the role of Joe's girl friend on his Sunday night broadcasts over a WABC-Columbia network from 6:00 to 6:30 P. M. EST. She's shown here on a holiday at a Palm Springs pool.

WITH EYE AND EAR

MOVIE CALENDAR

Vine
Wednesday — "Ready, Willing and Able."
Thursday — "Outcast."
Friday and Saturday — "John Meade's Woman" and "We're On the Jury."
Saturday Midnight thru Monday — "Green Light."
Nu Pi Kappa Hall
Wednesday — "Amaco," A Drama Of The Machine Age.

"Ready, Willing and Able" should prove entertaining enough for you to consider a trip to Vernon worth the while. Ruby Keeler and Lee Dixon do practically the whole gamut of dance types, presenting some very elaborate and spectacular scenes a la Warner Brothers. Many very gorgeous girls flit about huge stages while Ruby and Lee sing and dance. One scene which you will find especially amusing is that in which the screen is covered by the appearance of a huge typewriter, with girls legs for bars of type. Harmless film musical. Bargain matinee at the Vine is on Wednesdays, you know.

With the picture "Outcast" is a short subject which should interest all those who have visited Quebec. It is a travelogue showing the quaint city of Quebec as it combines the modern with the ancient. For once you may see a travelogue which is not taken in the tropic seas, but which comes a little near.

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WHO'S RIGHT?

Kenyon College,
Gambier, Ohio,
March 7, 1937.

Editor The Collegian

Dear Sir:

I believe almost everyone knows the system whereby the officers of the Kenyon publications were elected to office in former years. The system ran something like this: The man now in office would say to the man who wished to succeed him, "I will submit your name to the EXECUTIVE council as my successor, if you will do the same for the man I appoint as your successor." This system resulted in the offices of the publications remaining in one or two divisions on the Hill.

To get away from this "vicious political method," the Executive Council published the following article in the Kenyon Collegian on December 18, 1934:

"The Executive committee of the Kenyon Assembly wishes to announce that applications for the positions of editor and of business manager for the Collegian and of editor and of business manager of the Reveille will be received up to the time of adjournment of the regular meeting of the committee on the first Friday in March, 1935. Applications should be made in writing and presented to Mr. Leonard Parnell, secretary. The Executive committee hopes to stimulate greater interest in these publications than has been shown lately and to make appointments to the position on a basis of merit."

Business Staff Increases

It was inferred by the student body that these positions would become a competitive proposition and the men would work on the staffs in which they hoped to become head. Furthermore, it was to mean "apprenticeship" on the staff.

Prior to this time the entire business staff consisted of solely the business manager. After the issuance of the above quoted article, the business staff of the Collegian increased in size so that the business manager had a few assistants to help him. Furthermore, last year, the first year in which the system really applied to the business staff of the Collegian, the men who were applying for the position had worked on the staff during the previous year.

This year, a man was elected as business manager for the year 1937-38, who had had no previous experience with the Kenyon Collegian. He was not elected, as I see it, on a basis of merit, which was the reason for the Executive Council's taking over election of this officer; he was elected, so it seems at least, on a basis of financial need of the salary which the business manager received.

Dangerous Precedent

Inasmuch as Mr. Lytle had not worked on the staff prior to his election, a new precedent is set; (or rather a return to the old one-man staff system); namely, a man does not have to work on the staff to become the manager, all he has to do is make application for the position at the time of election, and from this grows the feeling of why work on the staff at all? This feeling will result in the business manager's being the only man who will be on the advertising and circulation end of the college paper until a successor is elected sometime in March.

Furthermore, since the question Continued on Page 5

To the Editor of the Collegian:
Dear Sir:

It is characteristic of Kenyon to cry out to the world in general that Kenyon possesses the best and most modern equipment to be found in any small college. We point with pride to the newly renovated Ascension Hall, our spick and span Commons, and our ultra modern swimming pool and tennis courts. But although the Kenyon man may play tennis on the finest courts in Ohio and although he may soak up life-giving ultra-violet rays while enjoying a swim in the Shaffer pool, when he steps into the library he steps back into the nineteenth century.

The library is, in the last analysis, the heart of any educational system and hence should be maintained at the peak of efficiency. It is only from the books in the library that we are able to gain specialized information on any subject. The library is inadequate in several ways. We have read in the college publications already several letters dealing with the scarcity of certain types of books so we will not discuss that phase of the problem. However, I maintain that Kenyon students cannot realize fully the material which we do possess because the present library is outmoded.

No Segregation

Perhaps the most striking defect in the present library plant is the utter lack of segregation of students. On the shelves of the reading room we find reserve books for more than thirty courses, together with all the encyclopedias, dictionaries and other general reference works. In this respect, Norton Hall is like the little red school house where eight or more "grades" were taught in a single room. Although it cannot be denied that the little red school house did produce some great men I believe that it was in spite of, rather than because of, the system.

It is practically impossible to do any serious studying in the reference room. Constant extraneous movement and other distractions make concentration extremely difficult if not impossible. Of course the student may escape upstairs, but, in the Reeves room, which was never intended to be used as a study room, talking and smoking are permitted, neither of which is conducive to serious study. When seminars are not in session, the seminar rooms are perhaps the most attractive places to study. The only other alternative is taking the book out for the evening. That many students are forced to do this is evidenced by the number of books which you may see piled on the librarian's desk any morning. The library, instead of being the place of refuge of the student, as it is in many colleges, is, at Kenyon, the place where it is most difficult to concentrate and this is due largely to the fact that three hundred students are given only one room in which to do all their varied library reference work.

Lack of Space

Another defect in the present library plant is the lack of space to store books. A library is like a ten-year-old boy, constantly growing. The library outgrew its present accommodations years ago, and as a result many of the oldest and most

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This Sporting World

By Lee Allen

Of all the absurd methods of handling sporting events, perhaps the most distasteful is the foolish technique of running swimming meets in heats, the swimmers pitted against the stopwatch and not their aquatic enemies. An easily furnished example is found in last week's Ohio A. A. U. meet. In the fifty yard free style Henry Sebach covered the distance in twenty-five seconds flat. This time was duplicated in another heat by Ohio State's Sinkowicz. But instead of having a final in this event, it was decided that Sebach and Sinkowicz should toss a coin to determine who won first place. Fortunately for Sebach and Kenyon, Hank won the toss and was awarded the first place medal, and his name will go down in the records as the winner of the event.

Now, with all due respect to Henry Sebach, is it not extremely foolish to decide the winner of a swimming event in this way? It would take more than a psychologist to determine the correlation between ability in swimming and coin-tossing. And it is difficult indeed to conjure up a picture of two professional rivals deciding proficiency in their event by so precarious a method.

George Eagon demonstrated just what he is able to accomplish in the water when faced by stiff competition. In cutting down his time in the 220-yd. free style to 2:28.6, "Fagin" beat his own Kenyon record by almost four seconds and now contends that he should be able to traverse the distance in 2:25 before the season is over. This should prove that the best way to improve Kenyon's records is to schedule meets with the more proficient colleges. And Eagon's time Saturday was made in a slow heat where he was not pushed.

Bob Bentley, Kenyon, '09, one of the greatest athletes the college has ever produced, visited the scene of his heroic exploits several weeks ago and entertained a group of students with anecdotes centering around Kenyon athletics of the period. One of the best of these is worth passing on.

When the great Kenyon football team of 1908 decisively walloped Ohio Wesleyan on the gridiron, our Methodist cousins were coached by Branch Rickey, now famous as the chief executive of the powerful St. Louis Cardinals. It was a sad afternoon for Wesleyan and strategist Rickey rushed from the Wesleyan bench many times to argue with the referee. On each occasion the Kenyon backfield walked over and picked Rickey up and carried him safely back to the bench.

It is amusing to visualize Branch Rickey, charmingly generalized by a Columbus sports writer as "the smartest man in baseball," so tremendously interested in a trivial football game between two Ohio colleges. And the story deserves to reach Dizzy Dean, now Rickey's chief enigma in baseball wars.

It has long been the opinion of the author that something is radically wrong with the Ohio Conference. The chief thing is its awkwardness. How can a "league" such as the Conference be able to function properly without better balance and compactness?

In the first place, many Conference teams have been known as such for years without playing other teams in the Conference. Only

a few teams play a full Conference schedule, and even they often fail to meet their closest rivals from a standpoint of ability.

The chief purpose of any league is to provide close rivalry. The ideal size of such a body is six colleges. Such an organization can provide that each team meet every other team in the league every year, and the results of the games will be remembered from year to year. But with over twenty teams banded together, it is impossible to definitely decide championships. Even the Big Ten is cumbersome, but the Ohio Conference is unspeakable.

Apparently, the only solution is for six teams to withdraw from the Conference, form a league of their own, and meet annually in athletic competition. Kenyon might well adapt itself to such an organization, but where the leadership of the movement will come from is unknown. Perhaps it will never materialize, and the Ohio Conference will continue its bulky way, with a score of college teams fighting for the mythical championships.

Kenyon's baseball season is about to get under way, and if Chuck Imel can put a team on the field that looks like a baseball team, he will be accomplishing almost a miracle. Kenyon baseball is traditionally bad, and the situation does not appear capable of remedy in the near future.

The first sour note from this year's baseball was provided by the fact that only fourteen men answered Imel's call to practice. When the various sore arms and other drawbacks appear, the squad will be even smaller. So if Chuck can put nine men on the field, that is about all that can be hoped for.

The past two paragraphs are not intended as an offense to anyone connected with Kenyon baseball, but they are, nevertheless, the bitter truth. Baseball is a grand game when played under ideal conditions, but the Kenyon variety has been consistently painful.

The remedy for this set-up can be found only if the players themselves will take baseball more seriously, work out all winter long to get in shape, and practice diligently when the season arrives. But the combination of beer parties, double features, and laboratory courses seems to prevent this from being realized. Other colleges must face the same problems, yet they seem able to trounce us year after year.

IMEL'S FISH GAIN NEW HONORS

Sebach, Eagon, Davis
Griffin, Matthews
Cop A. A. U. Medals

Last Saturday, March 13 saw Kenyon's swimmers venture into the Ohio State A. A. U. Championships at Cincinnati's Central Y. M. C. A. pool, and return with six silver medals and one gold medal.

The five natators representing Kenyon were Henry Sebach, George Eagon, Stu Matthews, Bill Griffin and "Sonny" Davis.

Sebach, who is Ohio Conference 50 and 100 yard free style champ, annexed the gold medal, when his time of 25 seconds flat for the 50 yard free style tied that of Ohio State's Hytowitz. A coin was tossed for the medal and Sebach's luck held again.

Kenyon's strong 200 yard free style relay team composed of Sebach, Eagon, Griffin and Matthews, narrowly missed winning the National Junior A. A. U. championship in that event. They were touched out by a tenth of a second by a Cincinnati quartet.

"Sonny" Davis, diving as he had never dived before, gave George Karst of the Columbus A. C. a close battle for the diving crown, losing out only on the last few dives.

Griffin, Eagon, Edged

Bill Griffin also took a second place medal in the 150 yard backstroke event. The race was swum in heats and Griffin, being in a slower heat, was not pressed as was Sinkowicz of Ohio State who won the title with a time of .2 of a second better than Griffin's.

Eagon won his silver medal in the 220 yard free style. He swam his heat in a time .6 of a second slower than that of the winner of the event, Hytowitz of Ohio State.

Poor lighting conditions caused Eagon, Griffin and the relay team to lose by such narrow margins. Accustomed to swimming in the fine Shaffer pool, they found difficulty at the turns.

The medals won by the swimmers can be seen in the trophy case in the Commons.

Coach Imel took Eagon, Griffin and Davis to Fremont for an exhibition on Tuesday, March 16.

ROAR, TIGER

Maybe the "Collegian" account of the Princeton polo game seems a bit partial and biased to you. What would you think then of a comment from the lips of the father of Princeton's outstanding polo player, Eisner? (It is Mr. Eisner, sr., who supplies the polo ponies to Princeton's team.) Mr. Eisner, sr., is quite an authority on polo.

After the game Mr. Eisner, sr., patted Mr. Eisner, jr., on the back and said: "Son, if Kenyon had played your ponies today, they would have licked the tar out of you!"

We might quote other spectators, but think that Mr. Eisner's statement stands supreme in its simplicity.

(N. B.—This is not a paid testimonial.)

KENYON POLOISTS, MOUNTED ON PLUGS, LOSE TO PRINCETON IN FINALE, 16-11 1-2

Tigers Score Ten Goals in Disastrous Second Chukker; Bobby McMahon Leads Scoring With Six Goals

Kenyon's 13th polo game of the season, the 13th day of March, a referee who was a Princeton man, and a collection of nags resurrected from the glue factory combined last Saturday to spell a disheartening end to a successful indoor polo season as the Purple riders were beaten by the Princetonians at Princeton, N. J., by a score of 16-11 1-2.

Despite the fact that Princeton was playing its own private ponies while the visitors from Gambier were mounted on government ponies, who, like government workers, were not much interested, Kenyon struck out to a lead of 6-1 in the first period.

Page "Spark Plug"

Kenyon's play in the first period, was, then, good polo, but it proved to be poor politics. Old Nassau's board of strategy apparently went into action between the first and second periods. At any rate McMahon was given a horse that reared at the slightest application of the bit, and Bobby spent a good deal of his time on the floor of the arena; Jack Sted had an animal which seemed to be descended from a good race of bucking broncos; Merle Ake's mount had all the bad characteristics of a mule.

In short it was a physical impossibility for the Kenyonites to keep pace with the Tigers during that second period. Time and again the Princetonians, with their speedier mounts, succeeded in overtaking Kenyon men in possession of the ball and preventing them from scoring. The upshot of it all was that Princeton tallied ten times in that second chukker, while Kenyon tallied only thrice.

Princeton Forever

Moreover, Kenyon's fine play of the first chukker had an undesired effect on the referee (not to be wet, but it should be known that the referee was a PRINCETON man), who called five fouls in quick succession on the visitors in this second chukker. This had a disastrous effect on the team's morale, as it has been known for its clean play.

The end of this tragic second chukker saw Princeton out in front by a score of 11-6 1/2.

After a few words in the intermission, the referee ceased his excessive attention to Princeton's guests, and Kenyon had time for some more polo. In the third period each team scored three goals, while Kenyon scored three goals and Princeton one in the final chukker. In this last frame, Bobby McMahon had the amazing good fortune to draw for the first time in the game, an animal which might be called a polo pony. At that, McMahon only received the pony when Captain Eberle absolutely refused to continue the game were McMahon forced to ride the pony which had thrown him so often in the second chukker.

McMahon High Scorer

It was Bobby McMahon again who carried off high scoring honors of the day with 6 goals. Vanderbilt of Princeton trailed him with five goals, while Merle Ake tallied four and Jack Sted one.

Kenyon's brand of polo was decidedly superior to Princeton's but the Gambierites could not overcome the disadvantage of poor mounts who had seen their best days and were about ready for the

last round-up. The Princeton polo coach remarked afterwards that Kenyon had supplied the toughest competition the Tigers had met this season.

It was Kenyon's fourth defeat in thirteen starts.

DIAMOND HOPES PRACTICE DAILY

Baseball Squad Under Coach Imel Seeks to Make Up For Last Season; Play 10 Games.

In an effort to make a definite improvement over last year's unsuccessful baseball team, a roster of twenty men has signed up for varsity baseball for 1937. Last year the team had a very unfortunate season, losing five games without a victory. However, this year's ball club, under the coaching of Chuck Imel, has a complete schedule of ten games, and Imel believes that with this year's prospects, he will have a successful season, winning at least half or more of the games.

Members returning from last year's squad include Jack Sammon, pitcher and shortstop (and coach of last year's team); Jay Ehle and Clyde Bauser, first base; Dave Jasper, pitcher; John Long, third base; "Harpo" Marks, second base; Bob Wuerdemann and Skip Wright, catcher; Bob Davis, Harry Koegler, Bud Thackery, "Wolf" Wilson, outfield.

Of the newcomers to the team Ken Gass will pitch and Charles May will catch. Jim Alcora, Bill Alexander and Harold Sparks are infield prospects, while Mac Baker, Chuck Henderson, Hugh Lawrence and Fritz Taylor are outfield hopes.

Although the weather is not yet fit for outdoor practice, daily practice is being held in Rosse Hall. Regular outdoor practice will probably begin immediately following the spring holidays.

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"LIBRARY PROBLEM"

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valuable books are stored in the basement of the library which is not completely fireproof. If Kenyon is to expand as it surely must to take care of the honors students, more space is absolutely necessary.

Another fault which comes to mind as I write might well be called the lack of modern conveniences in the library. Since 1910, when the present Alumni library and Norton Hall were built, great strides have been made in the fields of sound-absorption and air-conditioning. The Kenyon student suffers both physically and intellectually because the library has not kept pace with these developments.

The famous whispering gallery in St. Paul's has a worthy rival in Gambier. The sound of a falling book, a footstep, a typewriter echoes throughout the building. There is no effort made to deaden the necessary sounds in the building. Hardwood floors resound to the impact of hard leather heels, plaster walls reflect and amplify local sounds and lastly a marvelous system of open stairways and open doors distribute all the sounds throughout the building. In such a confusion of footfalls, typewriters, subdued voices and other "stray noises," it is strange that Kenyon men are able to "get out the work" at the library as well as they do.

Ventilation Bad

The ventilating system of the library (if there is any) is abominable. During the winter months the temperature soars and the humidity falls to the vanishing point. It is extremely difficult to get effective circulation of the air without incurring the risk of contracting pneumonia by sitting in violent cross-drafts which are so prevalent. During the past three years, I imagine that I have tried every seat in Norton Hall and the Alumni library, but I have yet to find a place which is adequately ventilated. One of the better places is in the stacks, but the lack of electric lights in that building limits the usefulness of this refuge.

Of course I realize that ventilation is only a matter of physical comfort while Kenyon aims to train the mind. But I think the faculty will agree that the normal student is not too anxious to study and the fewer excuses he is given to escape work the more likely it is that his mind will be trained and the aim of the college realized.

Now I have tried to point out a few of the defects of our present library. We can see that they are all traceable to the fact that Kenyon has not kept up with the advances made in architecture and engineering. It is indeed high time that something be done about this situation. In order that this letter shall not be all criticism I shall outline a plan which will eliminate many of the defects in our present plan. First, however, allow me to say that I am not an architect; the following are just a few suggestions made by an initiate.

Suggested Changes

Two new buildings should be constructed. The first of these would be a stack room, similar in size and design to the present one, except for the addition of electric lights. This building would be located about ten feet north of the present lights. Between the two stack rooms would run a corridor which would connect Norton Hall with another new building. This would be a completely fireproof study hall located to the east of the two stack rooms. The new stu-

dy hall would contain at least eight cubicles, each of which, in general, would be occupied by one department. In this way the number of students working in any single room would be considerably reduced. The building would be equipped with the latest in air-conditioning equipment and adequate provision would be made for sound absorption and control, by means of insulating and absorbing materials in walls and floors.

The present library would be retained for use as a meeting place for clubs, and as a recreational reading center. Norton Hall would be used as a general reference and periodical room. The fellow who had to get some work done and wanted to be undisturbed would have the study hall to rely on, a place where he could be physical-

ly comfortable and mentally isolated.

Some people would have us tear down the entire present set-up and begin from the ground a new modern library. Such a plan would have its advantages but it also has its less desirable features. It would be quite an added expense to build a whole new plant and furthermore it would mean the loss of one of the architectural gems of the campus, namely Norton Hall. That building should be preserved at all costs, but not as the intellectual center of the college.

And in conclusion may I leave these thoughts with you? The library is the heart of any educational system and for this reason should be maintained at the highest level of efficiency. Kenyon College has definitely fallen behind in

modernizing the library, so that Kenyon students find it difficult to study there. It is possible to reconstruct the library, retaining the architectural beauty of the old building the latest advances in the fields of engineering. By doing so Kenyon owes it to her students to modernize the library if she wants to retain her right to say that Kenyon has the most up-to-date equipment of any small college.

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BUSINESS MANAGER

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of monetary need of the applicant is to be considered (another precedent set by this last election, if campus politics did not interfere), you will exclude many men who may have better qualifications than the man who seems to need the money. The true value of the position is not the salary received but the contacts made and responsibilities incurred by the position.

Change Suggested

I do not believe that the Executive Council is in a real position to determine the merit of the men in question, who are applying for the position. I suggest, therefore, that

the election of the future business managers of the Kenyon Collegian be turned back to the STAFF of the paper, under the same condition as the editor of the Collegian is now elected, and let them determine the man who is best suited, from his work on the staff during the previous year, or years, for the position of business manager.

I wish to state that this letter is not a protest against the election of Mr. Lytle as my successor, but is taken from an impartial point of view, in the hope of improving conditions on the business staff in the future and eliminating as much of the hard feelings of such elections as is possible.

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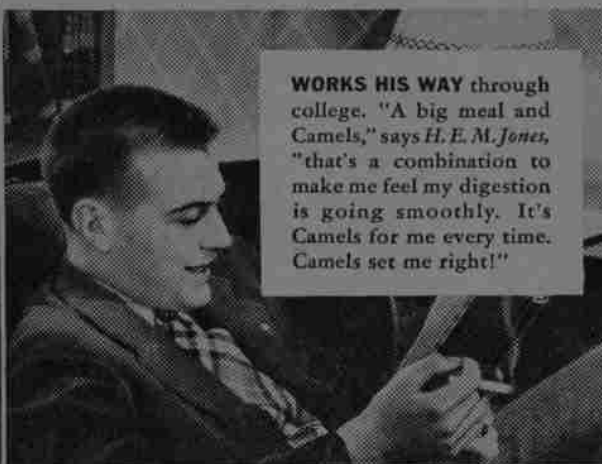
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EYE AND EAR

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er home. This one is highly recommended.

"We're On the Jury" should give you several very hearty laughs. Helen Broderick and Victor Moore, long on Broadway musical comedy stages, combine their amusing efforts in this film with the result that we have a delightful and witty little picture, full of sparkle and life.

Combined with that film is "John Meade's Woman," a drama which gives Edward Arnold of "Diamond Jim" fame a chance to snarl and bellow at his fellow characters. Recommended as a reasonably good half of the week-end's better-than-average double feature program.

"Green Light" has as its greatest fault its underlying insincerity. If you can believe all that you see

and hear in this picture, you are more gullible than a Kenyonite should be. Is that not enough to say of a film which would be moral and ethical without expressing a code in tangible terms? For high sounding allegory and figure of speech, "Green Light" probably has no equal, unless it be "Magnificent Obsession," its predecessor.

Tonight (Wednesday) is the night of the play "Amaco" scheduled for an eight o'clock showing in Nu Pi Kappa hall. We guarantee this play to be far superior to anything you have ever seen here at Kenyon. It is really GOOD! The story or continuity is excellent, the staging is extremely daring and novel, and the direction is of the best sort. You should put aside everything to see "Amaco." It's going to be talked about quite a bit these next few weeks.

Speaking of plays reminds us

the Hartman theatre in Columbus is showing "Idiot's Delight" next Tuesday and Wednesday. You will recall this play as the Pulitzer Prize Play of 1936. It is a Theatre Guild Production and stars the inimitable Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne. It goes without saying that here, indeed, is a magnificent production. If you possibly can get to Columbus, do so and see "Idiot's Delight"! There is a matinee Wednesday.

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