CAPTAINS-MANAGERS ASSO. PLANS SUB-FRESHMAN DAY

High School Seniors Would Be College Guests in Late Spring

On Tuesday afternoon, February 24, 1926, the captains and managers of major sports met with Coach Bray in the new athletic office in the gymnasium building and organized the Captains-Managers Association. Coach Bray was chosen chairman and H. A. Griewold was elected secretary. At this meeting, the association voted to hold what is to be known as a sub-freshman day and selected May 2 as a tentative date. On the motion of V. V. DeJoria, it was voted to inform President B. J. Bell that this association, with the good will of the president, would agree to arrange for a sub-freshman day, upon which day seniors in high schools in the Hudson Valley will be the guests of the college.

On the motion of Mr. Griewold, the chairman appointed Messrs. Ferris, Noble and Wilson a committee to consult with the managers and the three fraternal organizations on campus and to seek their co-operation in making this day a success.

No definite plans have been made, but it is expected that there will be a tennis match between St. Stephen's College and R. P. L., as well as an inter-class lacrosse game in the afternoon. It is probable that in the evening Mummers will present the spring plays in Memorial Gymnasium.

In reply to a communication sent to him by Mr. Griewold, President Bell said that he was very much pleased with the movement for the observance of this sub-freshman day and expressed the hope that it will be a success. The association plans to make it a gala day and the co-operation of every student at St. Stephen's is sought.

A. B. Houghton Replies

The following letter has been received by President Bell from Ambassador Houghton:

"Ennouraged by the United States of America,

Berlin, February 1, 1925.

The Reverend Bernard Bell,
President, St. Stephen's College,
Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y.

"My dear President Bell:

"It was kind of you to cable me, and I thank you most sincerely for the congratulations and good-will of the college and of yourself personally on my approaching transfer to London.

"With assurances of my high esteem, believe me always,

"Yours very sincerely,

"A. B. Houghton."

ALGEBRA BURIAL DECREED ILLEGAL

Student Council has set new date for traditional rites.

Weekly evening, February 25, the class of '28 presented everyone in Commons with a card bearing the following inscription: "The class of Twenty-Eight regrets that you could not be present for the last and rites and obsequies of A. G. Bray held just last night at the Devil's Half Acre."

Thursday evening, February 26, the meeting of the Student Council was held and the algebra burial was declared illegal, because of the interference of several upper classmen with vigilantes from the Sophomore class. A member of the Junior class, when questioned by the council, stated that he had been asked officially by the Frosh to participate in the rites, both as a witness and a "bouncer" in the event of interference by any second year men. The charge against the upper classman was made by President Kunkel, 27, who stated that he had been misled and held captive during the interference. Had not the Junior made the statement to the Student Council that he had acted forcefully in the affair because he was officially asked to do so by the Freshman class, the burial would have been declared legal, for otherwise, the Freshmen could not have held responsible for "outrage."

Two Sophomores were captured by the Frosh during the march of the Teniers to Cruger's Island. The Sophs. were bound, gagged and tied to trees and were left guarded by the belligerent Sophmen, while the Frosh stole upon the island to bury the algebra. As soon as the grave diggers disappeared the yearlings freed themselves, but were apprehended by their guards in their attempt to escape.

Student Council has decreed that all hostilities between the two lower classes shall cease until after the Spring vacation. Upon the resumption of college activities on April 1, the Frosh shall be granted one week in which to carry forth successfully their plans for the interment of the traditional algebra.

ALL FRATERNITIES PLEDGE NEW MEN

22 Men Have Been Accepted by Traditional Rites.

According to the inter-fraternity agreement entered into last semester, the pledging of new men and freshmen was delayed until the week after the beginning of the second semester. No fraternity was allowed to pledge any men before Monday evening, February 9, at 8 o'clock.

A series of informal parties to the new men were brought to a close by the Euluxian, Kappa Gamma Chi and Sigma Alpha Epilson fraternities on Sunday evening, February 16.

On Monday the following men were pledged to the Euluxian fraternity: T. Burrows, '28, John M. Myers, '28, and Kenneth Townsend, '28.

On Monday morning the following members of the class of 1928 were pledged to K. G. X.: Robert Gibson (president), Edwin Hargue, (secretary-treasurer), Richard H. Dodd, Douglas MacKean, Jr., Ernest Nichol son, Arthur Mason, George Quarterman, Horace Simons, Richard Tren- dale and Charles Van Buzirk, Jr. Since Pledge Day George Pock, '28, has also been added to the list of pledges.

On Monday morning, the men to be seen wearing violets, the fraternity flower, which indicated that they had been pledged to S. A. E., were Robert Broome, '28, Robert Kennedy, '28, Thomas Luepke, '28, Ned Knoll, '28, Theodore Stevens, '28, and Charles Stolp, '28. The men reported at the house on Monday evening at 3:30 o'clock, where they were officially pledged in accordance with fraternity ritual and ceremony. Clarence Han son, '28, and William Page, '28, have been recently pledged.

Ideler Gives Recital

On the evening of February 26, Mr. Edwin Ideler of New York gave a violin recital in Memorial Gymnasium; he was accompanied by Mrs. Ideler.

With a well chosen program which, unlike so many given here, did not sin on the side of "popular" selections, Mr. Ideler gave what is generally considered by the students to be the most satisfactory performance held in the Gymnasium in many years. The Vieuxtemps Capriccio and the Gavotte played as the first encore were, if it be possible to make distinction, best liked. It was only because Mr. and Mrs. Ideler were forced to catch a train back to New York that they were not weary of (Continued on page 3)

SEND THE LYRE TREE TO A SUB-FRESHMAN

Do you know any high school pupil that you would like to see at St. Stephen's next year? The Lyre Tree will be sent free of charge to these men under the direction of the Circulation Manager if you will give us their names and addresses.

Name
Address
State

Cut out this notice and hand it in to the Editor of the Lyre Tree.
NEW LEAVES

Although the original plan was to review, briefly, books which had but recently been received, or which recently came into the library, in this column, the present interest in the Drama, prompted the privilege of uncut limits. Men who have A's and B's in all of their courses will be given five cuts in each course. Also, A Committee of Ten, appointed by the Student Council, is studying the social system in various colleges with the aim of reorganizing the existing state of affairs at Williams. The Committee has sent out questionnaires to several colleges, including St. Stephen's.

The Yale News, which was founded January 28, 1878, is the oldest college daily in America.

The new training quarters at the University of California were recently completed. In addition to a shower room, a supply room, and a steam room, the building contains a dining hall for the use of the athletes assigned to training table.

A donation of two thousand documents has been received at the University of Chicago. These were of great value, since they were formerly the property of the famous Bacon family of England.

The Student Tours Association of New Jersey is conducting an essay contest for Princeton students. The prize, which will be a trip to Europe, including visits to Paris, Geneva, Rome, Florence, Venice and London, will be awarded to the student writing the most valuable two thousand word essay on "Princeton's Greatest Need!"

A newspaper library is just being completed at the University of Iowa school of journalism, which will contain an edition of every daily paper published in the United States. Another Times Square-bound.

John M. Gates, former Yale star and coach at U. S. Naval Academy, may go to Bowdoin next year to assume the duties of football coach. Fred V. Osterren, Bowdoin coach for the past four years, has resigned.

The honor system at Washington and Lee extends beyond the examination room, to the co-operative store, where the students serve themselves, leaving payment in the form of cash or checks.

According to statistics compiled by a Princeton professor, 58,000 American college students studied Latin and Greek last year. More men!

APPOINTMENT

The name of Wallace Porter Doggett, '26, has been added to the business staff of the Lyre Tree as assistant business manager.

INTER-CAMPUS TIPS

POTTERISMS

We respectfully suggest that the Mobbers elect Waldo, Maclean into their organization. They should find him valuable as a make-up man.

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There was a young lady lion-tamer Who married a fellow called Kramer, When he got a radio She fed him to Leo, For which I don't specially blame,

* * *

And by the way, doesn't anybody else on campus ever write bad verse? We're so broad-minded on the subject that we print even our own, Show your stuff!

Noblese oblige—les autres.

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In the past we have sometimes thought that we were making of this column too trivial an affair, and neglecting our opportunity to aid in the spreading of new literature. Now we need fear no longer; for we are able to print (below) a specimen of the purest type of modern thought. We would have you note particularly that it is significant. Moreover, the fact that it is unsigned leads to the suspicion that it is largely autobiographical—in short, that it belongs to the school of confessions.

A Prose Ode to Theodosia

Shoed is the god of those who write diaries. He too is a half-wit. The visible form of Shoed on earth is but a write within by persons of eligible sex on their way across the threshold of maidenhood for the second or third time; and by ineligible persons crossing that door all for the first time. The Very Reverends of Shoed are reformers, who aid in the publication and sale of his Beiter Bilbies by a clever ruse known as exposure criticism. Shoed's wife, Pishaw, is the patron saint of the other persons non-dramatici who remembrace trifles by the help of an album. She too, truer at Shoed's side than buck. Both she and Shoed are generous deities: never, by any chance, do anything evil—much less interesting—ever happen to those mortals who curse them right.

Don't let St. Stephen's contribution to literature stop here, LUIS.

Gilbert Prize Again Offered

The Reverend John Mills Gilbert has announced that the prize which bears his name will be awarded this year as usual. It consists of a question connected with English poetry. All copies of the Messenger which come under these headings will be considered as automatically entered. The winners may be turned in to Dr. Upson.

**END**
COACH BRAY GIVEN CIGARETTE CASE

The members of the 1924 football team met in Memorial Gymnasium on February 21 and, represented by Captain Noble as spokesman, presented Coach Bray with a silver cigarette case. Its cover very appropriately bears the outline of a football in etching, while on the inside is the inscription: “To Father Bray, in grateful recognition of his unfailing interest in us: the 1924 football team.”

Intra-Mural Bowling

The Eulexian fraternity bowled Kappa Gamma Chi fraternity for the bowling championship of the college. The Eulexians won all three games. Bittner was high scorer, with 216. The Faculty bowl the Maintenance Department and beat them three games. Coach Bray was high scorer, with 217.

The Non-Socs bowled the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and won two games out of three.


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The message for Sunday morning, Feb. 22nd, was taken from the 10th verse of the 6th Chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians, and was preached by the Rev. Os- car Treadner, D. D., Dean of the Cathed- ral at Garden City. "Be strong in the Lord!" An old-fashioned text, expanded in an old-fashioned man- ner, the way in which St. Paul delivered it to the Ephesians when they were being assailed by heresies and persecutions.

Today the Church is being assailed in a similar manner. The contro- versies, however, are not whether the doctrines of the Church are true, but are concerned with the justification of God. The Church is fighting for its life, for ages these are times in which the "treasures of heaven" are mocked and spared, and thinking men are despairing of God and of immortality.

To defend itself against its ene- mies, the Church of today has noth- ing in it of that strong quality ex- pressed by the Apostle Paul—at least not as it is being preached from the average pulpit. It is not strange that our religion today is a milk-and- water solution, with nothing of the fire and intensity which should indi-cate that we are "strong" and not weak, in the Lord? This is not the sort of Christianity that conquered the ancient world, and it is not the kind that will survive in the modern world. The Church needs downright, straight, powerful and manly doing for Christ. The religion of Christ needs the services of men who are ready to suffer, and who are not afraid to fight.

The Leaves

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loose thinking. Nor, as far as I can see, can there be any remedy for it. All of the dictionary definitions of what the "humors of the body" are are alleged to be, are in terms of the emotions. What one is supposed to feel at a production of one of these plays, is, in all, primarily expressed by some physiological reaction—con- traction of the abdominal muscles or, if we may relieve some of the worthy ladies from New York, or some of the he-men from Texas, nausea. Per- haps it is because I have a strong stomach that I object to censorship; it is only fair to those who disagree with me to admit it. But the more fact that I am not easily moved to squirm shows the injustice of censor- ship.

Sex seems to be the key in the judi- cial unguent. In fact, that seems to be the only thing which has any great effect on the "humors of professional vice." Bloodshed, crime, or the other bodily functions pass unnoticed. The orthodox subject for my next paragraph would be a discussion of Shakespeare and of the Bible, but I have not enough space to be orthodox.

Friends of mine in New York have called "Abe's Irish Rose" disgusting:

The Rev. Adelbert McGinnis, 1897, has been Vicar of Westfield and Knoxville, Pa., in the Diocese of Indiana.


Sincere sympathy is extended to the Rev. William Heakes, 1877, on the death of his wife.

The Rev. Malcolm DePuy Maynard, 1910, one of the founders of the Dragon Club has become Rector of Grace Church, Ridgeway, Penna.

A second appeal has been sent to the Alumni and Former Students for contributions for the Alumni Active Scholarship. Every man should be a contributor to this fund, and enough by a majority of the alumni each year, not only to pay the scholarship in full, but to allow a balance to be trans- ferred to the Scholarship Endowment Fund.

It is felt that a contribution of $5 each year is not too much to expect, but if there are any who cannot give that much, a smaller amount will be acceptable.

Contributions should be sent to the Rev. Archibald M. Judd, 1913, N. 2nd Street, Harrisburg, Penna., who is the Treasurer of the Active Scholarship Fund.

I have not seen it but the rumor I have heard from it strikes me as de- cidedly more anxious than the lan- guage in O'Neill's mass of gloom. And the hysterically natural actions of his heroine are surely less disgusting than those of the much-valued "Show Off." Which merely goes to show that one man's meat is another man's mutton. I like sincerity; Justice Ford likes to call all nakedness "mutton" when there is considerable difference between them.

The only way I can see to approach a norm in the question of what is ob- scene and what is not, is to subject artistic productions to a jury picked willy-nilly. And that, because of the certainty of different reactions, can prove nothing at all. If art must be democratized, God help it!

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