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WILLARD, ’25, IS WINNER IN ORATORY

Packard, ’26, Twice Winner, is Second in Annual Contest.

By the unanimous decision of both the audience and the judges, the first prize for excellence in public speaking at the Annual Oratorical Contest was awarded to Lawson Willard, Class of 1925. According to the rules of the contest, Willard, by this triumph, wins the McVickar Prize of fifty dollars, which is granted yearly to that member of the Senior Class who, being a candidate for the presidency, excels in oratorical ability. Because Willard so fortunately fulfills the conditions for the granting of the McVickar Prize, the first prize of thirty-five dollars, which would ordinarily have gone to the winner, goes to Alpheus Packard, who was pronounced second best speaker.

KAPPA GAMMA CHI INITIATES ELEVEN

Active and Past Members Enjoy Annual Banquet.

On April 22 the Kappa Gamma Chi Fraternity initiated eleven men of the Freshman class. Those taken into the fraternity were Robert J. Gibson, President of the class; Edwin T. Hague, Secretary; Richard H. Dodd, Arthur Mason, Douglas McKean, Ernest Nicholoson, George Quarterman, George Peck, Horace Simcox, Richard Truesdale, and Charles Van Buskirk. After the initiation ceremony at the fraternity house the members and alumni present adjourned to the Nelson House, Poughkeepsie, to hold the usual banquet. The alumni present were James M. Blackwell, ’92, Major H. S. Smith, ’90, the Rev. Joseph P. Gibson, ’97, and Kirtley Lewis, ex-’99. It was the unanimous opinion of all that this was the finest affair of its kind in a number of years.

SUB-FROSH WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN’S;
R. P. I. TENNIS TEAM TO MEET VARSITY;
FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE TUG-O-WAR SAT.

Hatfield Prize Will Be Awarded Freshmen Who Improve in English.

To encourage improvement in the use of the English language, both spoken and written, and to endeavor to increase the number of graduates of this college who can express themselves fluently, accurately, and confidently both in writing and in speaking before audiences, large and small, Mr. A. Hatfield, Jr., a member of the board of trustees, has founded in his name a series of prizes to be awarded at commencement each year.

For the present, the prizes are to be awarded to freshmen only, but if the experiment of awarding such prizes is found to work satisfactorily, their establishment will be extended to include upper-classmen. The committee of professors appointed to confer with Mr. Hatfield on the subject of founding these prizes has the following report to submit:

1. Two prizes shall be given at Commencement each year, each to consist of fifty dollars in cash and to be known as the Abraham Hatfield Prize. They shall be awarded as follows:
   a. One to the Freshman who, in the opinion of his instructors, shall have made the greatest advancement in his ability to write English in his regular academic work.
   b. One to the Freshman who, in the opinion of his instructors, shall have made the greatest advancement in his ability to write English in his regular academic work.

2. Rules governing the awarding of the prizes:
   a. The Hatfield prizes shall be awarded upon the recommendation of a Committee of Judges to consist of the President, the Dean and those instructors who have freshmen in their classes. Each member of this Committee, at the end of the academic year, will turn in to the Dean the names of men who, in his opinion, should be awarded the prizes. Each member will be guided in his choice by such consideration as his judgment may dictate, but should not allow his choice to be influenced chiefly by the grades obtained by the candidate in his course or courses. The student who, by this procedure, receives the greatest number of votes in each instance, shall be awarded the prize. In case the choices of the members of the Committee should not agree when made by this method, or in case of a tie, the Committee shall convene at the direction of the Dean, discuss the matter and choose the recipients of the prizes by a majority vote.
   b. In case of serious disagreement, or in case no man shall be deemed to have made sufficient advancement to receive it, either or both of the prizes may be withheld.
   c. In no case shall both prizes be awarded to the same student. In case one student shall qualify for both, the Committee of Judges shall decide which prize he shall be given. The other prize shall be awarded to a second candidate chosen in the same manner or, it may be, entirely withheld.
   d. Candidates for prizes must comply with certain minimum standard of improvement, which standard shall be determined by the Head of the Department.

Question of Wearing Red Caps will be Decided at Tomorrow’s Contest

Mummers’ Tonight

SUB-FRESHMEN WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN’S COLLEGE. We are glad to have you as our guests. We hope that your brief stay will be enjoyable and that you will long remember and cherish. The program begins tonight with the Freshmen Who Improve in English. We are glad to have you as our guests. We hope that your brief stay will be enjoyable and that you will long remember and cherish. The program begins tonight with the Freshmen Who Improve in English.

The following program is submitted for your approval:

FRIDAY (——)
6:00 P. M. Evening Chapel.
6:30 P. M. Dinner in Commons.

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TO THE FRESHMEN

The LYRE Tree is very happy to be able to welcome the visitors who are with us this week-end. This is the first time that sub-Freshman day has been held in some years and the results should be excellent. It is, of course, evidently desirable that a man should know his prospective alma mater. Many are happy who come to us here at St. Stephen's without having been on the campus before their first registration day; but the chance of a successful four years should be considerably enhanced if the student-to-be makes himself master of the course before he will live, become acquainted with the faculty, and know something of the situation, spirit, and traditions of the college. You have an opportunity to know us and, if you like us, to enter next autumn. We have a chance to know you. The contacts made will come to their full fruition when you become one of us. We are glad to have you with us, and hope that over the week-end you may come to know the St. Stephen's that is—and love it as we do.

A TRADITION

A St. Stephen's institution which is, by the memory of the finest and one of those we shall treasure longest, is practically unknown to many of the undergraduates. Lost in the memory of some of these students, and one of the finest and most beautiful of its tableaux, is the tradition that was presented by Lawson Althoff, A. M. Breakfast in Commons. 11:00

Dinner in Commons. 5:30

Tennis Match.

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7:30 A. M. Holy Communion (Chapel).

7:30 A. M. Breakfast in Commons. 8 to 12 Morning Classes.

(Vistors Welcomed)

12:10 Lunch in Commons.

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12:30 Sports Program.

Tug of War.

R. P. I. Tennis Match.

6:30 Dinner in Commons.

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8:15 Smoker and show in Gym.

Show will consist of college vaudeville acts and a number of moving picture reels. The program is not being announced but everyone is asked to enter into the spirit of it and help wind up the day in glory.

HATFIELD PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED FRESHMEN WHO IMPROVE IN ENGLISH

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If you can secure a copy of My Brother's Face by Dhan Gopal Mukerji (E. P. Dutton & Co., New York) read it; but do not read it in the house, or where there are other people. Take it to some quiet, unoccupied place out of doors—perhaps into the pine grove below the chapel—and be prepared to linger over it and to absorb it slowly.

Mukerji is, after Rabindranath Tagore, probably the most important of the new school of English prose writers. His book is not one which is to be perused casually. The author's tone is serious, almost meditative. He seeks to bring into the English language a new element of the Oriental, a new richness of color and thought. He is interested in the soil and the world of the East, and this interest and this love for the land and its people find expression in his writing.

The story is told with great simplicity and with great power. It is a story of a man who has lost his wife and his home, and who is driven to seek a new life in the wilderness. It is a story of struggle and endurance, of hope and despair, of love and hate. It is a story of the human spirit, and of the forces that are working to shape and to mold it.

Mukerji uses the English language with great skill and subtlety. He is a master of the English idiom, and he knows how to use it to express the full range of human emotion. He is a poet, and he is a painter, and he is a story-teller. He is a man of great talent and great vision, and his work is a testament to the power of the human spirit.
In this building are two students' dormitories, Seymour and Hop­son Halls; also, Fairbairn Hall which contains the infirmary and pro­fessors' quarters.
POUGHKEEPSIE FOR HOME GAMES---TENNIS SCORES---BRIEFS

POUGHKEEPSIE MAY BE HOME OF GAMES

Trinity-Norwich Games May be Transferred From Kingston

There is a possibility that Coach Bray and Manager Ferris will switch the football games to be played next fall with Trinity and Norwich colleges from Kingston to Poughkeepsie, if satisfactory terms can be arranged with the Bridge City officials.

Thursday, April 23, Coach Bray and Manager Ferris attended a lunch- eon at the Amrita Club, in Pough- keepse, and discussed the possible transfer with several prominent Poughkeepsians. Coach Bray outlined his idea to the committee by saying that he would be glad to adapt the change, if the field to be played upon could be secured for "reasonable rates." Assurance that this could be done was quickly given by Ralph F. Butts and Frank L. Gardner officials of the Playground Association.

The Poughkeepsie Evening Star advanced a theory in their columns to the effect that athletic relations between Poughkeepsie High School and St. Stephen's had been ended, because the annual football game with the Seconds was omitted on the 1925 schedule printed by the high school. Sam Kalloch, coach of athletics at P. H. S., said that such was not the case.

The only reason that no game had been arranged with the Seconds was because the high school varsity was too light an opponent for them. Coach Bray stated that he would arrange to have a strictly freshman team play Poughkeepsie High a preliminary game before the Norwich-St. Stephen's game.

One of the great factors deciding the transfer of games from Kingston to Poughkeepsie is the fact that transportation facilities between Kingston and the college are not of the best. Also, it is easier for the alumni in New York to reach Pough- keepse than Kingston.

VARSITY LOSES TO FAST UNION TEAM

Tennis Squad Does Not Meet Success at Schenectady

The Varsity Tennis Team was de- feated by the Union University players at the Central Park courts in Schenectady, on April 26, by a score of 6-1, in a match characterized by rain and good sportsmanship. The Crimson was clearly out-classed and had no alibis to offer.

Willard, playing in No. 1 position, displayed the best brand of tennis in the singles for St. Stephen's, holding his opponent, Ottman, to a 6-2, 6-6 score. The outcome was ever in doubt and it was only the superior steadiness of the Union man that finally won for him. Ferris afforded that he was fairly smothered by Davenport

COl. GRAVES GIVES IDEAS ABOUT PLAYS

Famous Big Three-West Point Coach Advizes Coach Bray

Probably few students know that Colonel Ernest Graves, former West Point coach, and the only man to have coached Yale, Harvard and Princeton in football, is a strong booster and an ardent worker for his sport at St. Stephen's college. Colonel Graves is a personal friend of Coach Bray and both men have met several times within the past months for the purpose of discussing football at this college next fall.

Last year was the first year in the history of Colonel Graves's life since becoming a football player and fan, and that he was not actively and officially connected with the sport at some college or university. He could not keep away from the sport, however, and was seen as a "fighting fan" at many of the big games. When St. Stephen's defeated Rochester by a 22-0 score, Colonel Graves was one of the first men to send a wire of congratulation to the team and college.

Colonel Graves is the father of the co-called wedge play which Percy Haughton acknowledged was the foundation of Harvard's success in line plays. He is also author of "The Lineman's Bible," copies of which have been issued by Coach Bray to men who play in the line.

This enthusiastic football mentor (Continued on page 5)

1925 FOOTBALL CAPTAIN

THE LYRE AND LITE

1924 VARSITY SQUAD

V. V. DELORIA '26

1925 BASKETBALL CAPTAIN

JOSEPH WILSON '27
New Leaves

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as few men have done before. The
easy glow of his style and the variety
of colors with which he has to work
have made a book which, for me at
least, is now placed among the "un-
forgettable."

There is, of course, a great deal of
contrasting of the East with the
West, as the pilgrim returns to his
loved India. But this, which has
been done so many times before, is
richened by comparisons of the India
of today—there have been vast
changes—and the picture of the
struggle within the author's soul to
harmonize the good that he has
found and is still finding in the two
almost antipathetical cultures. His
interest takes three directions, as far
as I have read, economic,
religious. The last he considers
es he gives of his experiences might
be called kaleidoscopic, were they
given so easily and with such soft
words. Much of Brahmin religion
and culture are necessarily discussed
for the benefit of Occidental readers, "G-9-3,
but the discussion never bores. There
is more than a modicum of poetry
and the man treats of personalities
so charmingly that one is forced to
use considerable will-power to stop
for consideration of the ideas.
Mukerji leaves the Holy Man at
Benares and part of his religious les-
tions took place as the two were swim-
mimg, one morning, in the Ganges.
This scene, in its vividness and color,
might be an excellent subject for
Zuloga.

I should like more space. The In-
dian nationalist movement, with
a dominant Gandhi note, is most inter-
estingly treated as I suppose, later
on, is the economic situation. Mukerji
speaks authoritatively and beautiful-
ly; it is a rare book. One may so lose
himself in it, with its Brahmin poe-
try, that the spider which
spins the skein of Benares Theske~~ ~ ~-------~~~~~~--~~----~----------
himself in it, with its Brahmin
rows; swamp sparrows; tree
rows; starlings; olive backed and
woodpeckers; Maryland yellowthroats
betony; common dandelions;
and two real strangers, the red bel-
gold; early saxifrage; Solomon's
breeches.

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INTER-CAMPUS TIPS

The varsity and junior varsity
crews of the University of Washing-
ton will leave Seattle June 6 for
Poughkeepsie, for the annual rowing regatta on the Hudson river, June 22.

The schedule for the Hobart fresh-
man lacrosse team was abandoned re-
cently when it was learned that a
number of the best men on the frosh
squad were included in the thirty-
members of the freshman class who
are on probation. The inroads made
by the Eligibility Committee were
found to be more serious than at first
thought, and the effort to play out
the schedule with the remaining
members of the squad was thought
impractical.

As a result, games scheduled with
Syracuse and Cornell freshmen
Geneva High and East Syracuse High
were cancelled.

At a recent meeting of over thirty

prospective candidates for the Bow-
doin eleven next fall, the new Bow-
doin coach, Jack Cates, gave an im-
formal talk. "Coach Cates outlined
the fundamental principles underly-
ing his system of coaching. Among
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INTER-CAMPUS TIPS
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other things, he said that there would be no spring football training, which he characterized as being over ninety per cent pure bunk."—Bowdoin Orient.

Colby has found the system of voluntary chapel a failure. Attendance has been falling off so rapidly, and the vacant seats have become so conspicuous, that President Roberts has at last resorted to the compulsory attendance method. Needless to say there has been a marked increase in attendance at the chapel service. Enforced chapel attendance was resorted to by Colby's president, only after other measures had failed. President Roberts has always believed chapel should be a voluntary matter, but in the future attendance of all students will be required four times a week.

The faculty of Notre Dame has passed a law which forbids any member of the undergraduate body from owning or assuming ownership of an automobile.

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