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College Mourns Loss: Requiem Mass Held.

Edward F. Albee, trustee and benefactor of St. Stephen's College, died suddenly on the evening of March 11 in his room at the Brook- bury Hotel, New York City.

Starting life as a tailor in a circus, Mr. Albee had been to be- come president of the largest, pre- eminent organization of its kind in the world, the B. F. Keith vaude- ville circuit and subsequently the Keith-Albee-Orpheum Corporation, owner of one of the largest circuits, which controlled theatres in the United States and Canada.

Mr. Albee found time to develop many other interests in his leisure time.

In 1919, Mr. Albee was made a trustee of St. Stephen's College in 1884, and in the same year, took his college a dormitory upon the condition that a new science build- ing would be constructed. The condition was promptly fulfilled and the Albee dormitory was built. Immediately upon the completion of the structure, Mr. Albee expressed his desire to completely furnish it. The cost of the actual building was $3,500. The cost of the furnish- ings has never been learned, but is estimated at $25,000. Mr. Albee had, since that time, made yearly giving amounts of $10,000 towards the clauson's athletic and dormitory and contributed $100,000 additional to- wards the college debt.

In 1923 Mr. Albee received a Mem- ber's Award for his services to the college in the building and maintaining beautiful theatres and in the advancement of the arts and the drama.

The decline of straight vaude- ville and the formation more than a year ago of the Keith-Orpheum Corporation, en- tracing vaudeville, motion picture and radio, of which the Keith-Al- bee-Orpheum Corporation became a part, Mr. Albee had more or less retired, although he was still active as a member of the B-O direct- orate.

Started as Circus Tailor
Mr. Albee was born at Princeton, Mass., April 18, 1837, of Ma- rian and Aandra Albee. His father was the creator of William Albee, one of the original members of the famous Keith-Orpheum Company. Mr. Albee's grand- father was a young man who went to Boston in 1836. Through his great-great-grand- father, B. F. Keith, a vaudeville promoter who, in his own words, "just put the Rummage Show flat on the 94th" and located for himself in Boston, Long Island.

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The progress on the make-up of the Sketch-Book has indeed been remarkable. On March 1 the entire page of the editorial division was in the hands of the printer. All the pictures, individuals and groups, have been in the hands of the printer for over a week. There remain but one section of the back to meet the advertising. Due to the dictates of the Build- ing Manager the soliciting of advertise- ments was withheld until the work was completed.

The success of the editorial sec- tion of the Sketch-Book has not hesi- tantly assumed the financial success in a matter of time. The cost of the printing, paper and binding, is at least hun- dred dollars more than that of last year's edition, yet the business depart- ment believes they can handle the situation.

During the Spring vacation, Gam- ber, editor-in-chief, spent two days in New York of Keith & Company's, getting proofs and completing the galleys sent into book form. The editorial section of the book consists of numbers over two hundred pages.

Baseball Candidates Start Spring Practice
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The baseball candidates started their practice session after a brief break. The men are training daily in preparation for the com- mercial season, the first in five years at the College. It will be re- membered the College has ceased to be a spring sports club with the Introduction of Lacrosse. But last year before the evening of a number of students petitioned the student council for baseball and after a brief discussion on the part of the candidates baseball was introduced and Lacrosse dropped as a Major sport.

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Speakers Are Named for 1930 Commencement
On Monday, March 11th, the Administra- tion announced the names of the speakers for the Commencement exercises of the Class of 1930. The following speakers were selected: President of the Board of Overseers, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, President of the Univer- sity, and the Department Chairs.

The class of forty four men will be held at the various Commencement ceremonies on May 22.

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Overwhelming Majority Opposes Enforcement of Prohibition
Ninety-seven Per Cent of Entire College Is Canvassed for Straw Vote.

The Prohibition Poll conducted by the Lyre Tree, in accord with other such polls throughout the nation, has revealed much interesting data and opinions concerning the present Eighteenth Amendment.

Until 1928 St. Stephen's college was definitely affiliated with the Episcopal Church and generally known to educators as a "church college." Since the amalgamation of St. Stephen's with Columbia University the college has been definitely non-sectarian. It is interesting to note that at least 75% of the students enrolled are members of the Epis- copal church. The Registrar's records show that a great majority of the students come from outstanding preparatory schools in New England and the Middle Atlantic States. The remainder come from accredited "day" and high schools.

These facts are significant and must be kept in mind in reviewing the results of the poll. Ninety-seven per cent of the entire college, including the faculty, voted for this measure. Of this number 15.3% preferred enforcement; 59.3% favored modification; and 25.4% favored repeal. Thereby intimating very strongly that this college thinks something should be done about the prohibition situation.

It is curious to note that sixteen per cent claimed to be "unknown." and that only half of them voted for enforce- ment, while there were seven confirmed drinkers who strongly advocated strict enforcement.

Because of the widespread discussion concerning the relative value of "straw vote," the Lyre Tree included in its questionnaire the question "Do you advocate straws voting as being of value?" To this question seventy-four per cent of the entire college assented.

Following are the tabulated numerical results of the Lyre Tree canvass:

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Choir Again Sings Services in Hudson
First Trip on Schedule Completed With Success.

On Sunday, March 11th, the St. Stephen's College Choir traveled to Christ Church, Hudson, N. Y., on their first trip of the term. They sang the evening service. All the students were received with open arms, and many were expected before the end of the month. Of the right five or six seniors, all of whom are experienced singers and have long since become familiar with the music of the church, all were expected to sing. The Lyre Treereveals no predictions other than that the concert will be a hot item and event.
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EDITORIAL

We have an opinion! Nothing very strange about that except that it is one no one could have made, no one but us. We believe that there is such a thing as compulsory education; we believe that compulsory education is a splendid remedy for the world's ills. If you have read this far, you may perhaps be inclined to see things that we see. In fact, we don't believe that compulsory education is simply to make people more like us. We know that there are people who believe this. We have no arguments with them, for they may hold any opinion that they wish. However, we believe that compulsory education is to lead people down the path to the true church of their choice. We believe that this is a fact that we can prove.

We want to make a note about the various things that have been said about college. We have grown to enjoy spending a half hour before dinner. It is a tradition with us. It is a part of our life. It is a way to enjoy The Church of the Vineyard. We believe that this is a fact and we want to be able to prove it.

COMMENCEMENT VICESES

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One of the most noticeable things about the commencement is that it is crowded. There are so many students present that it is difficult to find a place to sit. It is also difficult to find a place to stand. The students are crowded into every available space. The viceises are crowded into every available time.

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?

CROWDED COMMENCEMENT CONDITIONS

"Cejus Re Haec Diplomata Testimonium Sit" Commencement is not far off, and as members of the Senior Class, we are looking forward to it with great excitement. It is a time when we can reflect on all that we have accomplished during our years at the college.

One of the most disagreeable things that the College and its guests is forced to face is the overcrowding of the Chapel. Our ritual of conferring of the Degree is most impressive and of great importance to the students. However, since there is no other place in the college that the Chapel would seem a suitable one. The only way, through which this condition can be remedied, is by reducing the number of students present at the commencement. The number of students present may be changed only by a three-quar ters (3/4) vote of the entire active body, with the exception of the Senior Class.

Youth in the Community.

The LYE TREE has an editorial board, consisting of five members: Robert C. Flint, William A. Metzler, William Vanucci, A. Alexander A. Almecqy, and Robert Jude. The board is responsible for the overall direction and content of the newspaper.

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Admits 5 New Men

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John Milton, 33, Hoboken, N.J. 

George Lockwood, 33, Ottawa, Ill.

Edmund Grey, 32, Amityville, Long Island.

Kappa Gamma Chi is making plans for the improvement of the grounds around the Chapter House, including the construction of a new driveway from the main road. The present possession of property to the southwest of the house, makes it possible to abandon the old driveway and build a new one which will lead directly to the main entrance of the house. The work will probably be started in the early spring.

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The first annual bowling tournament ever held at St. Stephen's has been completed, the team representing the K. O. X fraternity emerging as victors. They were awarded with a handsome trophy, a mounted silver bowling ball, donated by Dr. Bell, which is to remain permanently in their possession. Four teams representing the K. O. X, S. A. E, and Beta Theta fraternities, the Non-society group, the Faculty, and the help and the complete help. Each team met the others in one match consisting of three games, a total of fifteen games per team. The trophy was awarded on the basis of the total number of pins scored. The K. O. X team was the only one to score over ten thousand, their final score being 10,984.

**Baseball Candidates Start Spring Practice**

(Continued from page 1, col. 3) Coach Banks is confident of putting a good team on the field this year, because of the promising material which has shown up for practice. For pitchers we have Kenneth Green, Tracy Darling, Jim Paul,带瑟，and Kenneth. Of this group of candidates, Green and Darling are seasoned ball players. Green, a former Hampstead star, pitched and captained his high school team. Darling, a transfer from Yale, pitched for the Freshman team. A good deal is expected from these two. McKenney is the most promising young man on the team. The rest of the pitching staff have shown enough to encourage Coach Banks. Travon and Hurd are trying out for the catching job. Walter Scagay and Mulligan are candidates for the first base position. Both men are long and agile and seem to handle themselves in a capable manner. Pepper, Cooney, and Coldplay are trying for the shortstop and position. Broome, McKenney, and Grissom are candidates for the far corner. The third baseman's job is difficult; all three men prove capable.

**There seems to be a shortage of material for the outfield. Pretty, Ficke, and Dell are the only candidates for the seven position.**

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**ALUMNI NEWS**

Gordon J. Mitchell, ex 30, A. E., of Malone, N. Y., was a member of the University team. He is now with the Columbia Sales Corporation of Albany.

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**It is hard to make any predictions about the coming season. Early spring training and especially in a gymnasium, never indicates the real ability of a team. When the men get a taste of outdoor practice and when they have a few weeks of competition and a few weeks of the ball, it will be then that we can get a line at the individual men. Furthermore, one cannot judge from indoor hitting the real hitting ability of the team. It takes practice to develop a batting eye and more can be said**

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