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Glee Club Success.

St. Stephen's Glee Club Given Hearty Welcome at Beacon

On Thursday, May 7, the Glee Club made a trip to Beacon to give a concert in the Parish Hall of St. Luke's Church. The Club has practised at rehearsals weekly, and a pleasing programme was compiled.

The trip to Beacon was made under the supervision of Mr. Mason, the business manager and the Rev. Cuthbert Fowler, the director of the club. The club met at the station by the Rev. A. O. Trisch, rector of St. Luke's, and several citizens of Beacon who conveyed the singers to the rectorcy, where they were assigned to their respective lodging places for that night.

The concert was given in the Parish House of St. Luke's Church, and considering the inclement weather a very encouraging and appreciative audience attended.

After the concert a dance was held, in which both parishioners and students took part. Punch and cakes were served. The dance continued until midnight.

The Glee Club received a very hearty welcome in Beacon, and this success is a spur to greater achievements.

The programme of the concert was as follows:

Opening Chorus ... In Days of Yore Piano Duet ... Clark and Mason Come Fill your Glasses High ... Club Song, I Want y e r N o w ... Quartet Rainbow Song .......... Club Song, Aloh ....... Quartet and writing in connection with the Glee Club... Trinity Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, and has just returned from a platform planned for the 11th of June. The degrees are given from a platform erected under a canopy of awning, on the old site between the tennis courts and northwest of Ludlow and Willink Hall.

It is hoped notable speakers will be present and chief among these it is thought will be the Alumni. Perhaps no other time in the history of St. Stephen's has there been a greater reunion than now and it is this that the authorities have in view when they make plans for a real Commencement of a bigger and better College.

CHAPEL NOTES.

This is the first opportunity the Messenger has had to mention the sermon of the Rev. Lawrence A. Cole, D. D., Ph. D., Headmaster of Trinity School, New York, and one of the trustees of St. Stephen's. Dr. Cole is a former warden of the college and has always had the college interests at heart. Before his sermon proper he spoke to the students as one of the institutions' trustees concerning the college's future. Dr. Cole said that the financial part of the institution has never been in a healthier condition, that the college is entirely free from debt, save the ordinary small debts to tradesmen. Considering the times we think this is very remarkable and are sure that this good news is welcome to alumni, students, and all other interested in St. Stephen's.

Plans for Big June 11th

Alumni are asked to attend Big Post-Bellum Commencement.

A big old-time Commencement is planned for the 11th of June. The campus once more will be adorned as it was five years ago. The degrees will be given from a platform, erected under a canopy of awning, on the old site between the tennis courts and northwest of Ludlow and Willink Hall.

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Protest-Tithing Engagement.

The Rev. Jacob Probst, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, and Mrs. Probst announce the engagement of Miss Frances Probst, to James A. Brown Tuthill, son of Dr. and Mrs. Frederic H. Tuthill, also a former student here. Miss Probst is a graduate of Hunter College. Mr. Tuthill was a student at Yale when he enlisted in the 2nd Cavalry U. S. A., and has just returned from Colombia. He, for two years, was a former student here.

back strong after two defeats and easily won this third contest of the inter-mural baseball games by the score of 27 to 22. The game was marked by the fine-fielding and consistent hitting of the winners. The winning lineup: Kidd, 3rd b; Wood, p; Colwell, 1st b; Castleman, s s; Koch, 1 f; Dickerson, c; Parker, r f; Gresham and Newton, c. Rev. Mr. Kaltenbach umpired.
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Dr. Davidson, our acting President, has during the past year submitted matters in which students were implicated to the Student Council, the governing body of the Undergraduates. Almost without exception the difficulties have been amicably settled to the satisfaction of both the College Authorities and Students. In the past years the Students Councils have always endeavored to co-operate with the Administration in power, but were so utterly ignorant that disruptions and misunderstandings have been the only logical sequence. This new step of progress adopted by our new tentative head is to be commended. That harmony and good will may be created by such a policy is self-evident.

Many rules and unwritten laws are prevalent here at St. Stephen's—some good, some worthless. Enforcement of these efficiently is almost beyond the sphere of possibility for the average college president, who should have the duty to see that the enforcement of some rules. For instance, there is an obviously sensible rule which prohibits students from taking coal out of the college cellars. The President cannot rule in the diverse places where the precious 'cold brick' is stored. Neither does the average student have the duty to notify the head of the Institution that his roommate is carting away coal. Coal has gradually disappeared this past year. This practice could early be abolished were the Student Council to act within their bounds. The rule of the cap and gown over which there has been a controversy, is the kind which should assume a legitimate share of the burden of enforcing. Otherwise, when and how the student's obligations must be paid is entirely without the board's jurisdiction.

Let me suggest to the men who will comprise the new student council that they at the outset of their office consult the President and determine to help enforce such rules as the Administration may determine.

THE GLEE CLUB The recent concert given by the Glee Club has been the only concert given this semester, and it is felt keenly that the Glee Club must have something to work for in order to be an efficient organization. Prospects of concerts or a tour have a great effect upon the men. Rev. Mr. Fowler, the conductor of the Club, has worked very hard and the men have received well, but without concerts in view the labor seems lost.

Here is an opportunity for the Alumni to render a good service to the College. A week's tour is included in the Club's plans for next year, to take place during the Easter Vacation. The Alumni, by arranging for concerts, will not only encourage the men in this important college activity, but will also do good for the College, since the Glee Club is a most valuable advertising medium for the institution.

We feel everyone appreciates greatly the efforts of the Club director and all those involved in keeping this organization a worth-while organization. It is the part of every one to take a firm interest in this side of the campus activities and the advancement and improvement of college life should do whatever he possibly can for the advancement of St. Stephen's College Glee Club.

DRAGON CLUB NEWS

Much to our regret, Mrs. Frederick W. Norris was unable to be with us on Wednesday evening, May 7th, due to sudden and unexpected sickness. The Dragon Club was very fortunate in procuring Mrs. Norris who is a very remarkable reader, and was to entertain us with a series of readings on "Dickens and other authors." We hope that her sickness will be short and another date can be arranged before the close of the college year.

Mrs. Norris is a very close friend of the College and is the wife of Rev. Frederick W. Norris of the class of 1888 who is now Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Brooklyn, and a Trustee of the College.

L. A. WYANT DIES.

Leroy Abraham Wyant, a former student 1911-1915, passed away at Camp Greensleaf, Ga., on October 12, 1918. His home was at Seymour, Conn.

ALUMNI, WE EXPECT TO SEE YOU JUNE 11.

(OTHER COLLEGES)

Mrs. Susan F. Colgate, benefactress of Colgate, passed away recently at her home at the age of 101.

Hobart's across season opened April 19th, and includes games at Cincinnati, Harvard, Yale, Stevens and Pennsylvania.

Counting the six Freshman boats, Princeton now has a total of eleven. Her schedule includes races against Harvard, Yale, the Navy, Penn., Columbia and Cornell.

Mae Ewan, a former student of St. Stephen's, has been initiated into the Kappa Beta Phi of Hobart, the society that helps keep a balance sheet with the Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Elvery and Professor Garis have succeeded Dean Bipton as Dean of Union College, the first now being Donn, of the Faculty, while the second is to be Dean of the School of Music and Fine Arts.

George Eastman is to donate a hall, and a school of music to Rochester University.

Union intends remodeling her Honor Constitution after that of Princeton, and has sent representatives there to study that system, which is the oldest and most successful in the country.

Among the Frosh Ten Commandments of N. Y. U. are these:

"Thou shalt at all times keep thy promise, no matter how the wind may change, thou enterest the portals of N. Y. U."

"Thou shalt always display upon thy bosom a diny grey tie not more than one and one-half inches wide at any point."

"Thou shalt not part thy hair in the middle."

"Thou shalt at no time put thy hand in thy pocket without a good reason, for thy mother's sake."

"Thou shalt never speak evil of a man, but in charity."

"Thou shalt make smoky tobacco through the medium of an unadorned corn cob pipe only."

The Trustees of Hobart College have voted to rebuild the athletic field, and subscribed $7,500 for the work, provided a similar amount in cash would be raised by the students, alumni, and friends of the college.

An entirely new type of college has been opened—a Trade Union College. The aim of the founders is "to make directly accessible to women and workingwomen the study of subjects with that will further the progress of organized labor."

Psychological tests are now given to all candidates for managerial positions at Portsmouth, and the results are given some weight in the elections.

"Punchkeeps's Big Day," the Punchkeepooopouzzo, which was temporarily erased from the calendar when the United States entered the war, will most likely be resumed in 1926.

A striking innovation has been proposed at Amhurst—the adoption of the "fourth wheel" system, it is said, in which attendance in classes is not compulsory but rests on trust of the intellectual curiosity of the student.

THE MAIL BOX

CONCERNING EDITORIALS. To the Editor of the Messenger: May I be permitted to say a few words concerning editorials? From the very word, we know that the word applied to magazine and newspaper articles, "editorials" means the expression of the views of the Editor or the entire Editorial Staff. Beyond this an unsigned editorial should not dare to go. It should never presume to represent student opinion in a college publication unless the writer is absolutely certain that his article is expressive of the views of the majority. Free speech I advocate and have the greatest respect for the opinions of others, although my own may be diametrically opposed, but I vigorously protest against the publication of one man's views as student or public opinion. An editorial which purports to represent the student opinion of some two hundred men, would, to say the least, be difficult of comprehension on the other hand, I see no harm in a student presenting his personal views on any subject provided that having the courage of his convictions, he is not ashamed to publish them, and at the same time acknowledge the same by inserting his name beneath the article. Editors seem to lose sight of the fact that there is a great difference between news writing and the writing of editorials. The former must occasionally be padded and rewritten, but the first principle of the latter should be truth. This is essential and it is mainly on this account that I desire publicly to register my objection to certain wild assertions and sweeping statements which were made in an editorial appearing in the last issue of the Messenger.

Let us have truth first.

ALEXANDER N. KEEDWELL.

May 7th, 1919.

CAMPUS NOTES.

Dr. A. J. Rodgers spent April 22d and 23d on the campus.

Rev. Mr. Swan, D. S. C., of the U. S. Army, visited the campus the latter part of April, and was here for Commencement. Chaplain Swan was graduated from here with the class of '25.

Donnan E. Strong '20 and Joshua C. Prater '18, visited the campus on April 20th.

Rev. Mr. Stated '06, of Catskill, and his son visited Mason '20 on April 30th, 1919.

The Fraternity Tennis Courts have been marked and prepared for the spring season.

Ensign Bennett has recently returned to college for a visit after having been in the Navy for two years. He found the campus most attractive and delightful after his recent experience out in the busy world. More of our alumni would plan to be here for Commencement if they could see the beauty of the campus and feel with us its new energy and life. This new life, coming with spring, victory and enthusiasm, make us feel that the spirit of St. Stephen's is yet holding the past and present charm which brings our men back—so they ever so far.

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Senior Tree

1919 Plants Memorial Beside Chapel

Sunday, May 3rd, the graduating class performed the time-long custom of planting a memorial tree. Even since the large Chestnut that formerly spread its protecting branches over the southern side of the college chapel died, frequent remarks have been passed as to the need of another tree in the same spot; but final action was left to the once famous class of 1919.

The members of the class, all wearing their Bachelor of Art gowns and ties, carried the golden mace before the tree to the chapel. Here, they were joined by Father Macdonald and two acolytes. The planting was preceded by the solemn ceremony. After the singing of a Requiem hymn, the First Psalm was read. Then Father Macdonald read an appropriate lesson taken from the Book of Genesis, after which he blessed the tree. During the singing of another hymn the tree was actually planted.

The new tree is a healthy young Tulip Tree. Neatly to say it has been given the most careful attention and seems to be thriving.

The Tree.

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the nether world's sweet flowing breast.

A tree that looks at God all day
And lifts her leafy arm to pray.

A tree which in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair.

Upon whose bosom snow has lain
Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me
But only God can make a Tree.

—By Joyce Kilmer.

The new service flag, which bears 165 stars including five gold stars, will be ready to hang on the campus this Commencement. The stars represent all the alumni and undergraduates who have been in the service of the Government during this recent war.

ALUMNI NOTES.

"79. The Rev. Richard C. Baring has resigned the rectoryship of Ascension Church, West Park, N. Y., to take effect on the first of next October.

"80. Rev. Lawrence F. Piper visited the campus on his way to the Holy Cross Monastery for the Retreat of the Oblates of Mount Calvary.

"81. The Rev. John Frederick Hinson has received a call to the rectoryship of St. John's Church, New-

"82. The Rev. Elroy J. Jennings is now associated with the Rev. Dr. Alexander Vance at St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

COMMENCEMENT JUNE 8th-11th

On To The Lyre Tree.

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"The Passing of the Classics."
The classic studies seem forsocked To early disappearance;
Of Homer, Plato, Xenophon There soon will be a clearance.

That Horace, Sallust, Cicero And Virgil, Livy, Lucan, Will join the dodo, dead and gone, Expect, quite shortly, you can.

And apt quotations’ artful aid No more will help ink-slinging, When illustrating deadly prose Or tuneful cadence singing. Oh, even “mirable dictu.” Don’t shoot in scale crescendo, Avoid Cinnamon bloom, and ex— “Lucas a non lucendo.”

Lament “ehue fugaces” not, “Pro bona pub.”—forget it! And as for “Hoi polloi!” “Nemo Impune me lacessit.”

“Habit justicia” is wrong— Your “alma mater,” shame her, And “fulmen brutum” seems absurd When, oh, “te salutare.”

A. R. ROSS
The N. Y. Times.

“Habit” is hard to overcome. If you take off the first letter, it does not change “a bit.” If you take off another you still have a “bit” left. If you take off another, the whole of “it” remains. If you take off another, it is not “i” totally used up. All of which goes to show that if you wish to get rid of a “habit,” you must throw it off altogether.

Will you all come June 11th, Alumni?

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UNDER THE LYRE TREE.

Primus: There goes Dr. Wasson-wolfie, (pause) he ain’t the man he used to be.

Secundus: No, and he never was.

Maud Muller on a summer’s day
Watched the hired man rake the hay.
She laughed and gibed in her glee
When up his pant’s leg crawled a bee.
Later the farm hand laughed, in turn
He gave me most of them back.

night.

the dean ever found out

Primus: You don’t have to be a good guesser,

Secundus: If you take off the first letter, it does

not change “a bit.”

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not change “a bit.”

Secundus: “Habit,” you must throw it off altogether.

Primus: “Habit,” you must throw it off altogether.

We Wonder Why:
Someone does not contribute some new jokes.
The dean enjoys going to Bard Hall before the winter is over.
There are always seconds on beans but never on food.
The road to Red Hook is shorter and has fewer twists than the road back?

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