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PROGRAMME FOR JUNE 13-16, 1920

(Daylight Saving Time)

Sunday, June 13.

- 8 A. M. Holy Communion.
- 10:30 A. M. Choral Eucharist and Baccalaureate Sermon by President Bernard Iddings Bell.

Monday, June 14.

- 7:30 P. M. Class Day Exercises.
- 9 P. M. Dragon Club Commencement Dance.

Tuesday, June 15.

- 10 A. M. Tennis Tournament Finals.
- 7 P. M. Annual Missionary Sermon by the Rev. Leopold Kroll, Class of 1898, Honolulu, Hawaii.
 Captain Herbert Stanley Smith, U. S. A., will speak on the "New Army Chaplain."
- 9 P. M. Fraternity Banquets.

Wednesday, June 16.

- 8 A. M. Corporate Communion of the Students and Alumni.
- 10:30 A. M. Trustees Meeting.
- 10:30 A. M. Alumni Association Meeting.
- 2 P. M. Alumni Luncheon in Preston Hall.
- 2 P. M. Luncheon for men visitors and underclassmen in Ludlow-Willink Hall.
- 2 P. M. Luncheon for visiting ladies at the President's house. (Please notify Mrs. Bell.)
- 3:15 P. M. Commencement Procession.
- 3:30 P. M. Commencement Exercises.
- 4:45 P. M. Laying of the Cornerstone of the new Gymnasium.

Captain Frank Thompson to Receive D. D. this Commencement

THE only doctor's degree to be given at the Commencement of 1920 will be a Doctor of Divinity, *honoris causa*, which will be conferred on Capt. Frank Thompson, Corps. of Chaplains, United States Navy.

Capt. Thompson, who is a son of that famous bishop of Missouri, the late Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., is the senior chaplain of the U. S. Navy. He retires from the navy, having reached the age limit for retirement, in July of this year. He was recommended for a degree to the Trustees by no less a person

than the Presiding Bishop. The degree is given as a recognition of 37 years in the navy and of extraordinary ability in the organization of work at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Chaplain Thompson had a staff of twenty-two chaplains at Great Lakes, and was also supervisor of the religious work of the Y. M. C. A. at the Great Lakes Station. His extraordinary ability won him recognition from the Navy Department and from the various boards which had charge of chaplains. It is, therefore, most fitting that the Church, through its official college, should honor Capt. Thompson with a doctorate on his retirement from service.

War Certificates

AT Commencement, June, 1919, the Board of Trustees voted "to issue certificates under the seal of the College to students approved by the Faculty, who have spent not less than two years in distinctly College work at St. Stephen's and who have entered the Army or Navy, such certificates to state the time so spent at the College and the fact that the students left to enter such National Service."

Certificates of this character will be presented at the coming Commencement to former students who clearly meet the above requirements. There are inevitably some cases in regard to which we are in doubt and any man who feels that he has a just claim to such a certificate should communicate with the Dean of the College.

Campus Clippings

The Rev. Mr. Fowler attended the Commencement at the General Theological Seminary, at which President Bell preached the Baccalaureate sermon.

Mrs. Arthur Lawrence, accompanied by Mr. John Welsh, spent the week-end of May 22nd with her brother, Walter Hoffman '20. Mr. Welsh was one of the first 20,000 soldiers who went across, and he was on the Tuscania when that ship was torpedoed.

The Rev. W. Appleton Lawrence of St. Stephen's Church, Lynn, Mass., was on the campus for May 21st and 22nd, visiting Craig '23 and Lyte '23.

Langdon '22 was visited by his brother during the week-end of May 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Colwell of Worcester, Mass., visited the campus on May 28th, to see Colwell '21.

Keedwell '19 spent two weeks on the campus before Commencement.

New Athletic Director

Professor Prince Comes into Residence Next Fall.

PROFESSOR Percy S. Prince has been called by the Trustees to be Associate Professor in Physical Training and Instructor in Chemistry and will enter upon his duties in September. Mr. Prince is 37 years old and will live here with his wife and two children. He was graduated from the High School of Salem, Mass. and received his B. A. degree at Tufts College twelve years ago. Of his nine years of teaching, seven years were spent as Professor of Chemistry and athletic coach at Louisiana Industrial Institute—a state college of Louisiana. During the war he served first on the Mexican Border, then in France where he had the rank of captain.

In regard to Professor Prince's athletic ability it may be said he was formerly line coach at Tufts College and coach at Louisiana Institute. During the war he was division instructor in physical training and division athletic coach of the 39th Division. He comes recommended for group athletics, and intercollegiate athletics. He qualifies for instructor of military science, although, of course, he will not do that work at St. Stephen's.

In Other Colleges

Princeton University has innovated a plan whereby it is able virtually to continue the education of its eleven thousand alumni. It involves the taking of stenographic reports of the most interesting lectures delivered during the year, and sending them to the alumni.

There are 4,000 students of law in the schools of Brazil.

Colgate has started a drive for a new gymnasium under the slogan, "get or give 333."

The Mohammedan University of Cairo has 9,000 students, and teaches them the Koran only. It is said that a great many graduates of the institute can recite the whole book *verbatim*.

Addition to Library

Miss Cruger's Priceless Collection Contributed to Hoffman Library.

THE college has received a very valuable gift of books from the library of Miss Cornelia C. Cruger. As yet they have not been counted but there are well over two thousand volumes. The books, which were collected by Miss Cruger and her family are beautifully bound, and, as many sets are from the earliest editions, they are interesting and valuable for that reason.

Especially interesting are the French books, which form nearly a third of the entire collection. The books on Art and Architecture and kindred subjects will be very much appreciated, for our library has been weak in those lines.

It will not be possible to catalogue these books before Commencement, or to put them on the shelves, but they will be in place and ready for use when the college opens in September.

Convocation Meeting

THE last regular meeting of the year of the Convocation of Undergraduates was held at Preston Hall on Tuesday evening, May 25. At the election of officers for next year Colwell, '21, was elected President; Strong, '21, Vice President; Parker, '21, Secretary; Kidd, '21 Treasurer; Wood, '21, Marshall. Also Convocation elected the following men to the Student Council for 1920-21: Strong '21 Wood '21, Donovan, Sp., Saunders, '21. Then Turney-High '22 was reelected for member of the Finance Committee and Langdon, '22, was added to the permanent committee in charge of the Student's Gymnasium Fund.

The year's business of Convocation was brought to an end, and most of the committees were disbanded at the adjournment of this meeting.

1922-23 Tug-of-War

FROSH EASY VICTORS OVER SOPHS

IT was about 3:35 p. m. on the sunny and sultry afternoon of June 1st that the solemn procession of the entire student body, with the Faculty and some Alumni, trailed down the campus in the direction of the Sawkill Creek. After much confusion with the underbrush of the woods and in getting the rope straight across the stream the two opposing teams faced each other.

The sophomores had won the toss, and were consequently on the better side, but the Frosh, undaunted, were quite confident of success. With visions of Freshmen running around on the campus "cap-less," and of the Sophs having to be rescued from a cool bath, they showed their eagerness to start.

When the pistol was fired the rope immediately tightened and swayed from side to side as each team held on as though "for dear life." A sudden jerk on the part of the Frosh set the Sophs' first man slipping, but when he regained his hold again the Freshmen neared the water. For about thirty seconds there was apparently a standstill—a true test of strength. The test was in favor of the Freshmen, however, and the Sophomores began to get dangerously near the water.

The Freshmen kept going—into the woods, and the Sophomores kept going—into the water. At the end of two minutes, when Fisher—the Frosh anchorman—seemed lost somewhere back in the woods and marshes, three Sophs were hanging to the end of the rope in the middle of the creek, while two more were on the bank without any rope on which to hang. The Freshmen had broken the precedent that the team on the better side should always win.

So ended the last official Freshmen-Sophomore contest of any kind for this year. The Frosh came back victorious, jubilant and "cap-less" while the Sophs came back defeated but only in animal strength—and not in spirit.

Fraternity Notes

EULEXIAN

The Eulexian Fraternity celebrates this year, the 60th Anniversary of her existence. The reunion banquet of the Fraternity will be held on Tuesday evening of Commencement week, in Preston Hall. A great many alumni are expected.

Messrs. Hunt, Donovan and Leonard entertained at tea at "The Bungalow" on Friday afternoon, May 28th, in honor of Professor and Mrs. Kaltenbach, who expect soon to sail for France, where they intend spending the summer. Those present were: Mrs. L. B. Dean, Mrs. Philip S. Dean, Professor and Mrs. Kaltenbach and Miss Rollins.

Brother John Mills Gilbert '90, is convalescing from a serious illness. He should be addressed "pro tempore," 42 Chestnut Street, East Orange, N. J.

Kappa Gamma Chi

The reunion banquet of Kappa Gamma Chi will be held in the Beekman Arms, Rhinebeck, on the evening of June 15th. This is the fifty-first anniversary of the order, and an exceptionally large number of Alumni and Former Students are expected to attend.

S. A. E.

The Rev. Leopold Kroll '97, of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu, T. H., has joined his family in Red Hook, and is a frequent visitor on the campus.

The annual Commencement banquet of S. A. E. will be held in the Hoffman Inn, Red Hook, on the evening of June 15th.

Gehle, Ex. '18, who is practising dentistry in New York, was a visitor the week-end of May 30th.

Differentiation

Nip—What's the difference between a dance and a dawnce?

Tuck—About four bucks.—Michigan Gargoyle.

"Society Notes"

The marriage of Miss Carolyn Pomeroy Kidd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Howard Kidd, of Red Hook, to Mr. Charles LeRoy Cool, of Marion, Ill., will take place on July third in Holy Innocents Chapel, Annandale, New York.

Mr. Cool, a graduate of Cornell University, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Cool of Pittston, Penn. Miss Kidd has just returned to Red Hook after spending three years in training at the New York Post Graduate Hospital. After a motor trip through the New England States, and the Middle West, the bridal couple will make their home in Marion, Ill., where Mr. Cool is interested in coal mining.

Mrs. Bell kindly entertained the senior class at dinner at the Nelson House, Poughkeepsie on June 7th. The party, which was marked by its very enjoyable informality, was greatly appreciated by all, and will ever be a fond remembrance to the seniors.

Miss Louise Schryvar and Mrs. Holbrooke spent the week-end of May 22nd on the campus as the guests of Professor MacDonald.

Miss Mary Fowler and Miss Gertrude Harris Plaisted spent the week-end of Memorial Day as guests of the Rev. Cuthbert Fowler. Mrs. Upton also spent May 30th and 31st on the campus.

A very pleasant picnic party was given by the Misses Lewis to the "Kaps" on the evening of May 22nd. Mrs. Bell was also present. The picnic was held out-doors amid showers of apple-blossoms, and in the glow of the setting sun the location and scenery was ideal. Such an affair will ever remain as a happy memory to those who enjoyed it.

On Wednesday afternoon, May 19th, Mrs. Kaltenbach, assisted by Miss Katherine Adams, very delightfully entertained at tea in honor of the Seniors. The guests were: Hoffman, Hunt, Gresham, Pfaffko, Strong, Parker, Kidd, Newton, Colwell, Saunders and Wood.

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In the Chair

I felt his soft breath on my cheek

And the gentle touch of his hand—

His very presence near me

Seemed a breeze on the desert sand.

He deftly sought my lips

My head he did enfold,

Then he broke the silence with,

"Shall the filling be silver or gold?"

—Iowa Frivol.

Athletics Notes

TENNIS TEAM PLAYS ALBANY

WHAT was probably the first tennis team officially to represent St. Stephen's at tennis, played the State College Team in Albany on Saturday, May 29. Although the contest resulted in a defeat for St. Stephen's, each set was hotly contested to the last. In the first singles Hinton opposed Cassavant, Albany's star player, whose clever lofting and deep court driving brought him victory in straight sets: 6-1, 6-3. In the second singles Koch lost to Doyle: 1-6, 8-6, 7-5 and in the third White lost to Gray: 1-6, 6-4, 6-3. In both of these matches the St. Stephen's men started in a winning stride but failed to last through the extra sets. The doubles were featured by difficult returns and skillful net-work on both sides but again the local team forged ahead in the end of the sets, winning 6-4 and 6-3. The State College is scheduled to play a return game here on Commencement Tuesday.

Baseball

Varsity Loses Close Game

In the best game of the season, the Varsity team was defeated by the N. Y. Aggie aggregation by the score of two to one. From beginning to end, it was a pitchers' battle between Colwell and Powers. The Aggies scored two runs in the third on a base on balls, an error by Langdon at first and a hit. St. Stephen's scored its lone run in the ninth on a hit, a sacrifice, and an error.

Score by innings:

	R	H	E
St. Stephen's	0	0	0
Aggies	0	2	0

Varsity Loses to Kent

Playing in complete reversal of form the Varsity succumbed to Kent 10-8 on the 26th. The Varsity secured an early lead by bunching hits in the first and fifth innings and scored seven runs; but, becoming over-confident, played loosely and allowed Kent to tie the score and then win the game.

The batting of Simmons and Wellford featured for the Varsity. Brown played well for Kent.

Score by innings:

	R	H	E
St. Stephen's	4	0	0
Kent	1	0	1

Batteries—Colwell-Simmons; Villaverde-Bergen.

Varsity Closes Season with Victory—Defeats N. Y. S. C. 6-3.

The Varsity brought to a close a very successful season by defeating N. Y. State College 6-3 at Albany. Colwell, ably assisted by his teammates, held the State batters in check while the Varsity scored six runs. The team started with a rush and when the clouds of dust rolled away after the first inning St. Stephen's was two runs to the good. Single runs were added in the second, third, fifth and eighth innings. N. Y. State scored in only one inning, the ninth, when they tallied three runs.

The batting of Wellford and spectacular catches by Simmons featured a fast game. Craig also fielded well.

St. Stephen's	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Craig, s.s.	5	0	1	8	2	0
Colwell, p.	4	1	1	0	2	0
Pfaffko, c.f.	2	3	1	0	0	0
Cowling, 2b.	4	1	1	0	4	0
Simmons, c.	4	0	0	11	0	0
Howes, l.f.	4	0	0	2	1	0
Langdon, 1b.	4	1	1	11	0	0
Lyte, 3b.	4	0	0	0	1	1
Wellford, r.f.	4	0	3	0	0	0
Total	35	6	8	27	10	1

N. Y. State College	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Miller, c.	4	0	0	10	1	0
Sherlock, 2b.	2	0	1	2	3	1
Ferguson, l.f.	4	1	2	0	0	0
Springman, 3b.	3	1	0	0	0	0
Lobdell, c.f.	4	1	1	2	0	0
Haltrome, 1b.	4	0	0	11	1	1
Cassavant, s.s.	4	0	0	2	3	1
Johnson, p.	4	0	0	0	4	0
Neuner, r.f.	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total	31	3	4	27	12	3

Base on balls: Off Colwell 3; off Johnson 2. Hit by pitcher, Springman. Stolen bases, Pfaffko 3, Cowling, Wellford 2. Struck out by Colwell 8, by Johnson 8.

SEASON'S BATTING AVERAGES

	AB	H	G	R
Colwell	.333	18	6	6
Wellford	.333	18	6	6
Craig	.304	23	7	6
Cowling	.250	20	5	6
Simmons	.176	17	3	5
Pfaffko	.117	17	2	6
Langdon	.100	20	2	6
Howes	.076	13	1	6
Lyte	.000	20	0	6

A Successful Baseball Season

WHEN one takes into consideration the numerous obstacles and difficulties encountered at the beginning of the season, one may safely say that St. Stephen's has had a successful baseball year. Placing a varsity team on the field for the first time in three years, with practically no trained material on hand, by hard work and good spirit the team succeeded in winning half of its games.

The following men, having taken part in five or more games, have been awarded the Varsity S: Simmons, Colwell, Langdon, Cowling, Craig, Wellford, Lyte, Pfaffko and Howes.

It can be truly said that the greatest strength of the team for the season lay in the battery work of Colwell and Simmons. The pitching of Colwell was admirably steady throughout the season, while Simmons at the receiving end played almost flawless ball. The hitting of the two men also was dependable.

As the season advanced, a first-rate infield was developed through the efforts of Coach Hoffman. Langdon at first base held down that position with skill and real ability. Cowling at second base fielded and hit efficiently. The batting of Wellford, third baseman, featured in many of the games, while the fielding of Craig at shortstop was exceptionally clever.

The outfield, composed of Lyte, Pfaffko and Howes was remarkably strong. Each of the three men displayed some brilliant catches and accurate throwing in the various games.

Taken all together, the make-up was a real college team; the only difficulty being that they never before had played together. But St. Stephen's is particularly fortunate in that

only one varsity man graduates this year. Watch the work of the team next year.

—G. D. L.

Have You Done Your Share for St. Stephen's Athletics? An Appeal

TO THOSE INTERESTED IN ATHLETICS

DID you have athletics in your college or university?

Of course you did, and when you could you backed them up as much as possible. You were proud of your college's showing on the football field or the diamond.

St. Stephen's Athletic Association, to-day, is appealing for funds to continue her athletic schedule. The association needs five hundred dollars to make the athletic side of the campus life here at Annandale worth-while.

What can you do to help? Won't you as one who is enthusiastically interested in athletics do your part to help St. Stephen's athletics?

The athletic side of a college education is almost as important as the scholastic side. Will you not help St. Stephen's develop these two lines together, in order that she may keep her present rate of progress? You can in this way help St. Stephen's College.

(Kindly address all communications to the Athletic Association Committee.)

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WITHOUT question Commencement here at St. Stephen's is the highest point of the collegiate year—the great academic festival, when one year's work is over and we turn to the renewing of friendships with St. Stephen's men of other years. Yet the element of sadness comes unbidden into the midst of Commencement happiness. The newly-hooded Bachelors feel an ache of sincere sorrow at leaving the Alma Mater that has nurtured them so faithfully during their undergraduate days; Alumni experience a keen pang of regret at the absence of some beloved face or perhaps the disappearance of some time-honored custom; and undergraduates, if they be thinking men at all, must of necessity feel a strange dissatisfaction with the year just completed—a realization that many valuable opportunities have glided by and that many petty, foolish, even extremely boyish, mistakes have been made.

Commencement means for the undergraduate the completion of one more page of his record and the anticipation of another. The year has passed into history and he is

determined to profit by its joys and sorrows, its lessons and its mistakes.

He has passed through a trying year,—all transitional periods are necessarily trying, and he is eagerly looking forward to what the new year will bring forth. He is anxiously awaiting that vague, inevitable thing called change, which is always both desired and dreaded. We all know that to prevent stagnation, changes must take place here at St. Stephen's as in any other place; yet all of us who love our Alma Mater feel that we must not allow a change to take place in what might be called the "character" of St. Stephen's,—that indefinable something which began sixty years ago and which, by a process of evolution, has come down to us today, a rich heritage.

With the beginning of another academic year, the undergraduates of St. Stephen's will face a situation which we feel reasonably sure in affirming has never existed before. There will be a Freshman Class larger than the three other classes put together; and the question immediately arises as to whether the spirit of St. Stephen's will be entirely revolutionized or whether the minority will have the requisite amount of love for Alma Mater to fight for the preservation of her traditions and ideals. The large number of new men will come into our community with new and alien ideals, and these ideals will prevail if it becomes evident that the older men do not value their ideals highly enough to do everything in their power not only to retain them but to pass them on to others. We have already witnessed, during the past year, several indications that even in the present there are instances of the weakening of ideals, a waning of the spirit of St. Stephen's; and now is the time for this insidious disease to be checked,—now, before it is too late, before St. Stephen's becomes a new, unknown thing. What is the cure for this treacherous malady? It can be nothing else than the calling into being of a more real college spirit, than has existed here for some years.

What is "college spirit?" One hesitates to use a term which has been so cheapened by misuse as has the one in question. It