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On the evening of February 4 an important meeting of the Athletic Association was called to order in the Memorial Gymnasium by Grant Noble, president of the A. A. and student representative on the Athletic Council.

Dr. R. B. Bell, as treasurer of the latter body, reported a deficit of about one thousand dollars, inherited from last year and to be covered by a loan from the Red Book Bank. He suggested, because of the condition of the A. A. treasury, that the baseball games scheduled for the coming season be canceled, so that no further efforts toward intercollegiate competition be made until the fall.

Following the treasurer's report, Coach Bray spoke on the relative merits of lacrosse and baseball. Prefacing his remarks with a statement that until recently he had been an ardent supporter of baseball against lacrosse, he went on to outline the reasons which now made him champion the latter sport. He contended that baseball, requiring as it does some special ability, could not be enjoyed by the majority of undergraduates. There is opportunity for all to compete in lacrosse.

He further pointed out that baseball never has been and probably never will be a true intercollegiate sport, because of the abstraction of the summer months. Under the most favorable conditions the collegiate season lasts hardly eight weeks, an inadequate time for the specialized training and conditioning of a team unless facilities for indoor workouts are won.

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COACH K. A. BRAY REVIEWS
PAST BASKETBALL SEASON

An Organization Has Been Begun and
Prospects Are Bright For Year 1925-26

BY COACH K. A. BRAY

St. Stephen's had a horribly uneven and inconvenient basketball schedule this season, and heavy snows and blizzards conspired to make things worse.

Mr. Haver, the manager, struggled heroically in the face of a late start and a complete lack of organization to make a schedule, and he deserves the greatest credit for doing as well as he did.

The first aim of the season was to secure some beginning of organization in basketball upon the foundations of which it is hoped to build up our future teams.

This year only two varsity veteran seniors reported—John Bitzer and Ken Urquhart, and Ken Murray, a second string man of last year. Millington, a promising second string man of 1924-25 had to retire almost at the start of the season owing to a strain, and Vandeventer left college before his services could be of value.

Wilson, a junior, who did not play last year came out for the team and several freshmen of whom Kennedy, Harding, Rolph, Carleton, Roga and Stevens were the best, though unfortunately Carleton and Roga left at mid-year. Both of them will, it is hoped, return for the 1925-26 season.

Early Finds Last.

Practice started in early December, but very little was done before the Christmas recess. The early games were lost by large margins, as was to be expected. Union, N. Y. U., Rut- gers, Williams all fattened their averages at our expense, and against none of these teams did St. Stephen's show any real opposition. After Christ-

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NEW GYM OFFICE

In an effort to systematize the management of athletics at St. Stephen's, an office for the coach and managers of the various teams has been opened in the room in the gymnatorium building formerly occupied by the college store. In the office, the coach and the manager of each sport has a desk, and pictures of past football and tennis teams have been hung. Students are requested to inspect the office and seek information pertaining to athletics. Beginning next fall, it is expected that regular office hours will be established by the coach and the managers during their respective seasons; and the coach and all managers will meet in this room twice a month for conference.

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FRESHERMEN OUT.

Despite the fact that the varsity has played its last game, the basketball season has not been brought to a close. The remaining second team games and continued practice for both teams will prolong the season another month. Coach Bray is desirous of securing candidates for freshmen basketball managers. At present Ernest Nicholson is the only candidate for the position.

FRESHERMEN OUT. Help your college and offer your services. Freshermen managers this year will be sophomores managers next. Give your name to the coach and help do your bit.
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A CHANGE IN THE FACULTY

It is with considerable regret that we learn that Dr. Strong is leaving the College. It has been a privilege to have had his courses, the most interesting, perhaps, in the curriculum. Although they are among the most difficult given here, the esteem in which they are held by the student body is shown by the large number of men who are taking elective courses in the Biological Department.

We feel that the College can not but be stronger by Dr. Strong's departure, for he is more than an instructor. His research has such great importance in the light of his fellow scientists that, for the last three years, it has been supported by the Rockefeller Institute and, before that, by the Institute for Cancer Research and Carnegie Institute of Washington. And he has been asked, by Professor Ewing, of Cornell, Chairman of the Committee on Program, to read a paper before the Congress on Cancer which will meet at Washington on May 4.

Since we can not keep him here we must be satisfied with wishing him all the good luck there is, in whatever field he may now enter.

TRUSTEES FAIL TO REAPPOINT STRONG

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A committee formed of the president, Dr. Walter B. James, professor of medicine in Colgate University, and Prof. Henry N. Ogden of the department of sanitation at Cornell University.

Students Vote Against Baseball at Assembly

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ter be provided. On the other hand, lacrosse can be played at any time by anyone almost anywhere. It is the only remaining collegiate sport, and even more than football is it the sport in which the small college can meet the larger one on nearly equal footing.

Baseball's supporters, who had been quite active during the week preceding the meeting, seemed to have no come-back to Coach Bray's speech, for the motion "that the baseball schedule be cancelled and that the Athletic Council be instructed to investigate lacrosse with a view to its introduction as a recognised college sport" was passed with no discussion and little opposition.

Registrar Upton

Appointed Dean

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The students have been informed of the election of this worthy member of the faculty as Dean. He has always had the respect and regard of the student body and we know that he will retain both, together with its fervent good wishes.

Approve Improvements

Also at the meeting of the Board of Trustees several additions and improvements to the gymnasium and property were approved. Among these is the Board authorized the Administrative Committee to build three faculty houses, costing $12,000 each. On that plot of ground northeast of the President's house. The Board made contracts with Mr. Charles Gardiner, of Albany, and Mr. Stalcy of Rensselaer as contractor. According to the plans of Mr. Gardiner, the houses will be of a new type of construction—clay concrete blocks, finished on the outside with stucco. Each house will have eight rooms and bath, of which there are, on the first floor, a large living room with fireplace, a dining room, kitchen, and private study for the professor, and on the second floor four large bedrooms and a spacious bathroom. The buildings will also be entirely fireproof. The Committe expects to have them ready for occupancy by August 15.

The Board, furthermore, authorized the purchase from Mr. K. B. Lewis of three acres of land at $500 per acre. This new addition runs north from the present northeast corner of the property and connects with the main road to the north of the College. A driveway will be put through to give a back entrance to the College.

The corporation sent a cablegram to Ambassador Houghton expressing its appreciation at having associated with the College one who had done such signal service at Berlin for our country and for international understanding, and its pleasure at his appointment as Ambassador to Great Britain.

Chapel Notes

The speaker in chapel on Sunday morning, February 7th, was the Rev. Selden P. Delany, Associate Rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York City. His text was taken from the epistle for the day: 26th verse, 9th chapter of the 1st Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians: "I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." 

"...Thus I fight, not as one that beateth the air: but keeping under my body, bringing it thus into subjection." The design of Christian asceticism. And what is Christian asceticism? It is an essential ingredient in every true life, the essence of self-restraint and discipline. The Rev. Fr. Delany pointed out, in the conclusion of his theme, that asceticism was of two kinds, true and false; that the true was positive in nature, giving up something in order to gain a desired end, and that the false was a negative asceticism, practicing all the forms for the sake of the forms themselves.

The text chosen by Dean Fosbrooke of the General Theological Seminary for his sermon on Feb. 14th, was Deuteronomy, 4th chapter, 24th verse: "For the Lord thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God." This, said Dean Fosbrooke in effect, is a primitive conception of the God. The Israelites were able to conceive of a loving God, but they could never picture a God whose love was mingled with a fearful devouring passion.

The new testament love of God through Christ is an enlargement of the old idea—there even remains a note of sternness. People have attempted to picture a God before which we must cringe; others have shown us a God of tolerant acquiescence. The ministry has frequently been made attractive to men by offering them an adventurous, exciting life by means of religion. It is true that these elements, true to religion in a large degree, but it is true that in religion, a man must face the stern, inexorable facts of life.

In closing, Dr. Fosbrooke said "If you want to live fully through Christ, face the fact that you must make Christ be free in that he brings you face to face with reality; he gives you freedom because he claims your whole life."

Inter-Campus Tips

Several up-state coaches have been brought down here by the athletic board and have decided to form a conference of the small colleges, to promote competition. A communication was sent to the Rochester "Campus," from which the word "Census," to one who objects to the U. of R. entering the elipta, says: "Certainly the winner of such a conference would be foolish to claim even the small college championship of this state in any sport, with such colleges as Colgate, Union, St. Stephen's and Niagara not included."

Swimmers in Wisconsin University, where professionalism is discouraged, are forbidden to dive for pennies in the swimming pool, as that might be construed as use of their swimming knowledge for financial gain.

Freshmen are given a real immersion in the front of learning at New York University. Following tradition, the freshmen, attired in pajamas, are marched through the streets of Fordham and treated to a bath in the Fountain of Knowledge. The ducks, strictly a Senior affair, is an annual function and no freshman is considered a New York University man until he has been cleansed by its water.

St. Stephen's Seniors, what about the Annadale pond?

"Cy" Winthrop, captain of the 1924 football team at New Hampshire State and one of the greatest athletes ever to wear the Blue and White, has accepted a position with Swift and Company, Boston.

The alumni of Williams College have opened a new Williams Club in New York City.

President Hopkins of Dartmouth, has, by administrative edict, reduced his membership in fraternity life at Dartmouth to three years; no freshmen may be rushed or pledged. The threat of Sport, alas, is soon to have an eclipse all his own, for the schedule is said to be too highly spiced for human nature's annual food.

The Harvard system of the future will be a combination of the lecture and the tutorial method of instruction. The average student will continue as an average student, gaining an education of a sort, and not a bad sort either, in spite of his seeming lack of interest in scholarly pursuits.

—Williams Alumni Review.
ELECT WILSON NEW CAPTAIN

At a meeting of the varsity basketball men held in the gymnasium on Thursday evening, February 19, Joseph Wilson, a three letter man from the Geneva, N. Y., High School, was elected captain of the basketball team for the season of 1925-26.

Captain-elect Wilson is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and is one of the most popular members of his class. At the Geneva High School he received letters in football, basketball, and lacrosse.

Wilson not only intended to build a strong basketball squad next season, but will endeavor to help organize a lacrosse team this spring.

"Joe" did not play on the varsity basketball outfit last year and according to Coach Bray did not play his first season of organized basketball until this year. When placed on the varsity he played at guard. Wilson proved a consistent scorer and a marked development in his defensive work was noticeable at the close of the season.

NEW PLANS FOR SPORTS

Coach Bray recently outlined to the Athletic Association a plan for all-the-year-round sports, which met the interested approval of everyone student on the campus. Coach Bray has decided that he does not like the athletic system current here; and, unlike many other men, has found a better plan to replace it. The plan is very simple to the one employed at West Point during the summer.

All those who are not trying for some particular team will be divided into several squads. Each one of the squads will take up some sport that the season permits; cross-country and soccer in the fall, and skiing in the winter—baseball, lacrosse and tennis in the spring. In this way every man on campus will

"be engaged in some sport, or at least practically all year around.

Avanti, ye traditional winter blow! Coach Bray said that he thought it was the duty of the Physical Department to provide recreation for all students on campus who had nothing to do during the various athletic seasons. Those who wish to go out for a particular game may do so, but those who have no preference for the branches of athletics known as major sports, will get a chance to try their hand at several things in turn. It is Coach Bray's idea that there are several sports in which a college man should be more or less versed—at least to the extent of watching and discussing them intelligently. In closing, he said that he would see this plan through, or resign as physical director.

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