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IMPORTANT ISSUES BROUGHT UP IN CONVOCATION

President And Faculty Urge Student Council To Back

As a result of agitation pro and con in regard to the advisability of maintaining the system of student government in the college, a Convocation of the undergraduates was held in Prinston Hall, Tuesday evening, March 12. Unlike previous discussions of topics relative to the question at hand was permitted, and many vital issues were thrust upon the usual general and unanswerable results. However, of the many resolutions and motions which were made, two of great importance were sanctioned by a vote of the members present, viz.: the Convocation of Undergraduates of St. Stephen's College agreed that the system of electing representatives to the Student Council (i.e. having each group elect its own representative) is the best under the prevailing circumstances, and therefore is to be continued, and, they do believe that the system of Student Government should be maintained.

The advisability of standing by these resolutions is not difficult for any reasonably intelligent college student to see. As was brought to the attention of the members of the Student Council in a conference held between them Tuesday and the President and faculty, the Student Council's complaint of lack of power is entirely without any basis whatsoever. They have now, and have had since the beginning of the year, the pledge of the support of the President; he said long ago that he would back them up in any decisions they made which were not contrary to the laws of the college, and now this support is reassured in the shape of a formal declaration by the President and faculty. The general opinion of the faculty and the President was that the Student Council had been too inefficient in its way of dealing with affairs in general during the last six months to warrant any cause of complaint from the latter. They were shown in what respects they had failed to come up to the reasonably high standard of efficiency which is naturally expected of such a body as they are supposed to comprise.

These statements strike the key note of the whole situation. The Student Council has been going along like a blind horse on a treadmill—its thought has been accomplishing what

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FULL GLUE IN INTER-LEAGUE GAMES TO BE PLAYED THIS WEEK

INTERESTING UPSETS IN RECENT CONTESTS

Sigma Alpha Epsilon Leading in Inter-Fraternity League; Sophomores Need The Classes

In the inter-league games of the last week, two-thirds have brought some surprising results in the form of unlooked for upsets. By the end of this week, all classifications should be complete, although the lesson of recent games has taught us to expect the unexpected any time. The unusually large squads which the various fraternities have in readiness as each game draws nigh is sufficient proof of the unusual interest these encounters have aroused. Everyone, even from the dignified Senior to the newest pledge, does the customary habit.

Inter-Fraternity Games

The Kappa Gamma Chi-Sigma Alpha Epsilon game which was played Wednesday, March 7 was perhaps the most closely contested game which has been played in the leagues to date, in spite of the difference in scores. At no time until the last few minutes of the second half did either side feel certain of the victory. Fast passing and unusual teamwork were the outstanding features of the game, both teams guarding extremely closely. The temporary loss of Pick by Richey was badly felt by the Kappas, although Pick played an excellent game as substitute. Carlson and Judd, A played the best for the Kappas, while White and Coffin exhibited fine technique for the S. A. E. team. Score: Sigma Alpha Epsilon 14; Kappa Gamma Chi 6.

On March 14 the Eucleian-Kap affair proved to be a hair raiser. A more dramatic climax could not have been planned than that which determined the final score. The Eucleians were leading at half time, but seemed about to have to relinquish this in the beginning of the second half, when the Kap five came back with determination and all but gained the upper hand. Both teams deserve much commendation for the hard fight they put up. This game was featured by the close guarding which seems to have become an integral part of all inter-league contests. With two minutes left the score was tied, and it seemed as if an extra period would be necessary to settle the score. In the last thirty seconds, however, a foul on a Kap player for holding gave the Eucleians the opportunity to gain the lead.

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A DISCUSSION OF THE RUHR PROBLEM

MASS MEETING HELD AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED

Without the auspices of the National Student Forum, an organization for promoting, among the students of institutions of higher learning, discussion of current political matters, a spirited mass-meeting was held in Preston Hall on Thursday evening, March 15. The announcement of the intended meeting had stirred up the preliminary debate, and interesting extemporary remarks and appropriate questions were made and Great from the floor. Gifford and Boulton presented the German point of view, the matter; Lissadro spoke on the international aspect of the conflict; Wilson, an ex-service man, gave the case for France. The meeting was then opened for discussion, at the end of which a vote was taken to ascertain student opinion as to the justifiability of France's action, and as to the extent which the United States should take to readjust the world economic situation. In favor of France's attitude there were thirty-one, as against twenty-six opposed; in favor of America's entry into a world economic conference, the vote was unanimous.

In accordance with the plan outlined by the Student Forum, in the execution of which plan many other colleges and universities had already joined. Two letters were written. One was addressed to President Lippincott and the other to Senator Borah. The text of both letters follow:

"We, the undersigned, a representative committee of the student body of St. Stephen's College, feel that in this time of international unrest, the Government of the United States has been, and is now, evading its moral responsibilities in affairs European. "While we do not approve of the present conduct of France as regards the seizure of the Ruhr, since in its bearing upon the future peace of the world this conduct will have an extremely demoralizing effect, yet we recognize that France is pursuing the logical course of action left open to her through the withdrawal of the support of her former allies, Great Britain and the United States. In view of this fact we recommend that the United States Government take immediate steps for the convening of a world economic conference, which shall endeavor to secure the settlement of the reparations prescribed in the Treaty of Versailles, while at the same time it shall endeavor to safeguard the future economic integrity of the German Republic."

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BASKETBALL SEASON CLOSES WITH VICTORY

CRIMSON DEFEATS ALBANY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY 37-28

Both Teams Strong On Defense

In a game marked by the extreme aggressiveness of both teams the Crimson quintet ousted the Albany College of Pharmacy five, on the evening of Saturday, March tenth, the contest taking place on the Albany floor. The playing of both teams was rather rough at times, the play of Captain Bither being the most consistent. The playing of Kilby and Meyers as forwards was worthy of special mention, while Coffin and Bither each contributed their share to the winning score.

Murphy drew his first blood for the Albany players in the first half minutes of play by a pretty basket from a difficult angle, which was soon followed by another by his team-mate, Hayes. Bither then scored a point for the Crimson on a free throw. A field goal by Meyers from mid-floor, together with another by Bither, gave St. Stephen's the lead, which she held for the remainder of the game. A fast one-side running game between Coffin and Kilby resulted in another couple for the Annandale collegians, and field goals by Kilby and Coffin practically put the game on ice; although four successive field goals by Callahan and one by Barnum made matters appear rather different for a time. The half ended with a basket by Meyers. Score, 8-28; Albany 15.

Barnum started the scoring in the second half with a clever shot from the corner. Callahan failed to score on either of two free throws granted as a result of a foul on Powers for backing. Kilby then dropped one in from the fifteen foot line, while Lasher duplicated with another point for the Albany aggregation. Lasher followed this up with a goal from a scrummage. Callahan was put out of the game at this stage for charging, it being his fourth personal foul. He was soon followed by Boulton, whose precise tackling was unappreciated by the referee. After a fast, passing game by Coffin, Kilby and Bither put St. Stephen's well in the lead again. Albany hopes were raised by two field goals by Barnum.

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Noted Psychologist Makes Stimulating Address

The REV. T. W. PYM
Speaks upon Psychology and the Christian Life.

Monday evening, March 12, the Rev. T. W. Pym, head of Cambridge House, London, lectured to an enthusiastic audience. The charm of his personality and manner lent force to his powers of clear and convincing exposition, and aroused all who heard him to an unusual degree of mental stimulation. Mr. Pym is one of the better known of the British psychologists. A graduate of Cambridge University, he served with distinction as a chaplain throughout the late war. He is author of "Psychology and the Christian Life."

When we were home for the Christmas holidays we were approached by the editor of one of the city papers. He is very much interested in educational work, and said, "I have learned from a friend of yours a little about the type of college at which you are studying. I would like to know more." Having heard all about the college he said, "To me this is something very new and interesting. I should like to write it up for my paper;" it would not only help advertise your college but also, I think, would influence conditions in our high school. I should like to have more of our people know about St. Stephen's." The result was a three-column, front-page story in that man's paper. This is but one example of the willingness of men of influence to "boost" that which appeals to them as in any respect better and more desirable. Do not, during Easter vacation, hide your light under a bushel! Let your high school, your town, know about the "College on the Hill." Show by your support that you believe in your Alma Mater, and when your opportunity comes, put in a good word for her.

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PLENO JURE.

It is an old axiom that added authority brings added responsibility, but it is just as true today as it ever was. The faculty, in conferring upon the Student Council the authority to enforce decrees and discipline, has made the Council responsible for the absolute maintenance of law and order upon the campus.

In a very real way, the efficiency of the Council will now be tested as never before. No longer will it be able to plead lack of authority as an excuse for side-stepping an issue, or for refusing to cope with a situation, whenever difficulties the situation may contain. Efficient, purposeful, and well-directed action on the part of the Council will go long way toward silencing criticism, and refuting those who claim that its ineffectiveness is due to inefficiency. On the other hand, dawdling, clumsy and verbose handling of student affairs will now be a sure sign of intrinsic weakness, and will bring about a very real danger of collapse in student government.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE RUHR DISCUSSION.

When the resolutions passed by the student body were sent to President Harding and to Senator Borah it was not expected that any marked effects would be produced upon the eminent persons to whom they were addressed, nor even that those resolutions would actually reach their marks. The purpose was to create some stir, in the undergraduate body, of corporate interest with other undergraduates bodies engaged in similar enterprises. The unconcern of the American college student about current matters of world-importance is notorious. In Europe, colleges and universities are looked upon as centers of advanced social thinking; in the United States—at least if we can trust the less virulent portions of Mr. Sinclair's "Goo-Goo," the seats of higher learning stand for indifference to, or even definite reaction against, the positive facing of world-problems. It would be plagiarism to brand this indifference and reaction as worse than deplorable. It is something actively to be fought, and when the National Student Forum attempts to stir up a feeling of kindred interest and power, in national and international, among the students of America, it is performing a valuable service to the sanity of society for the days to come.

EN PASSANT.

As the basketball season draws to a close varied feelings of resignation and disappointment are aroused in the minds of many of the followers of the sport, that lament the fact that our schedule of the past winter has had so few games played. This is to a certain extent justified in view of the fact that we have had so much success in the few games played; but to one who gives the matter any intelligent consideration, there is not so much cause for righteous indignation as would at first appear to be the case. It must be borne in mind that the majority of the colleges of the country are able to schedule a greater number of games only because of the fact that for them the football season is a money-maker and a form of diversion. All too apparently this is not the case in St. Stephen's, with the result that inadequate attendance where the number of spectators is decidedly limited. Therefore, considering that of the two sports football is by far the more important in any light in which it may be regarded, it is an obvious advantage to the college to maintain its football standards even if some of the other sports have to be placed in a comparatively obscure position.

AN APPEAL TO STUDENTS.

Here at St. Stephen's the men have shown that it is their duty in the service of the college, to care for the new material during vacations. The mere fact that a man is going to St. Stephen's will not of itself induce anybody; but if the student were to tell outsiders what St. Stephen's stands for, and to show there was something about them which have nothing to be found in other institutions, they would certainly be interested. Why? It is a fact that a very large percentage of the people over this country have never heard of a college built on such principles as is St. Stephen's. To many it is an entirely new idea.
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great deal, when in reality it has been standing in the same spot; it has been making a lot of noise and accomplishing nothing. Lack of decision on infinitesimal problems is paramount to negative effort. If it will make its decision in the manner in which five men such as it is composed of should, if it will see that its decisions are carried out to the letter as it has the power to do; if it will try to work on the assumption that it has the backing of the student body, the faculty, and the President of the college, and not be afraid to assert itself in a dignified manner, as it has not done in the past; then it will begin to be a positive force on the campus; then it will not be 'missing the woods because of the trees, and will be doing something of positive value. The student body has pledged its support, the faculty and President have pledged their support—the Student Council has the power; now it is for them to utilize it to the advantage of the college and the students in it. Following is the expression of the Faculty and the President in re Student Government:

WHEREAS, the President and Faculty of St. Stephen's College believe that Student Government should be maintained if it is at all possible;

BE IT RESOLVED, that they will therefore support the student government until the students themselves make it possible and that its decisions shall be backed by the President and the Faculty in so far as those decisions are not illegal; and that the President and the Faculty urge the student body to recognize that continued disregard of an authority which they themselves have established and may legally disestablish is not only an evidence of immaturity but also a confession of incapacity for collegiate residence.

(Signed) E. C. COOK,
Secretary to the Faculty.

FINALS IN INTER-LEAGUE GAMES TO BE PLAYED THIS WEEK

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Bittner shot one of the two free throws through the ring and it was all-over. Derrick and Gifford played hard for the Euxelians, and Richey and Jaud, O. did well for the Kapps. Score, Euxelians 6; Kapps 5.

Inter-Class Games:

March 9 witnessed the Sophomore-Unclassified struggle, in which the Unclassified Men came off second best. The Sophomore did not come up to their usual standard, while the Unclassified Unconquerorables showed evidence of lack of training or practice. As the score indicates both teams played an offensive game, seeming satisfied to limit their efforts to the guarding side, with an occasional shot at the basket to break the monotony. However, great things are expected from this groups in the form of indoor amusement within the next few days. Bennett was the Unclassified Star, while the laurel was placed on William and Carlson as the bright spots of the opponents. Score, Sophs 12; Unclas. 10.

The Sophomore-Freshman frascs was held on the afternoon of March 16, the game being accompanied by spasmodic outbreaks in the form of improvised cheers by the members of '26. The Sophomores had evidently regained their scires, and were able to get away with the Fresh aggregation after they once got started. Both teams showed evidence of over-training, and the Freshman let their anxiety to get into the fray displace their knowledge of the rules of the game. They were badly called for running with the ball, to the obvious advantage of the Sophomores. Carlson played well for the Sophs. The tackling of Gruver, and Leslie's open-field running, featured the Fresh side. Score, Sophs 16; Fresh 7.

Volley Ball.

In Volley Ball the Sophomores have also proven their superiority, and have a clean slate. They triumphed over the Juniors with comparative ease in their recent game, and thus put the latter in the zero class.

The failure of the Junior stars to appear on the field of play, March 12, resulted in the Unclassified Sextet winning its first game of the season by forfeit.

The League Standings—Week Ending March 17th

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I.

"By Our Ideals We Are Saved"—Dean Washburn.

On Sunday, March 11, Dean Washburn of the Cambridge Theological School, preaching at the late celebration, took for his text the words of Saint Paul, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things above where Christ sitteth upon the right hand of God," and developed it from a forceful sermon on "Ideals.""We are saved, says Dean Washburn; but when we identify our conduct with our ideals, we are in grave danger." He cited as an example of this truth, the personal life of Saint Augustine in his "Confessions," and went on to point out that it is not only true in our personal life, but also in the life of Nations. As examples of this he cited the ideal of a warless world which the Church held up before men's eyes during the Middle Ages, when perpetual warfare prevailed; and also the ideal of union maintained by the North during the Civil War, when actual union seemed an unattainable dream.

Applying this principle to two spheres of our life today, religious and social, he said that however impossible it may seem, we must hold on to the sublime ideal of the Divinity of Christ, and the Humanity of God, So too, in the social sphere, although we may differ widely as to the means for bringing it about, we should keep our eyes fixed upon the great ideal of the Brotherhood of Man.

II.

Dr. Lauderburn Counsels Christian Optimism.

On Sunday morning, March 18, the Rev. Dr. L. C. Lauderburn, of Middletown, Conn., preaching from the text "They that are with us are many, they that are against us," drew many conclusions in favor of an optimistic view of human nature. "Where does power lie?" asked Dr. Lauderburn. "Not in majorities. If it would be a sad thing for Christians, for they are in the minority. Yet they have won out. Why?" he was asked again, and then gave the answer to the question. It is his belief that the soul of man is inclined more toward higher things than toward lower things. This he says, proclaims the essential kinship of man with God. An example of this is the idealism of America as exemplified in plays and movies which show virile spirit triumphant and vice defeated. We do not see this essential idealism of human nature because of our prejudice, he said. It is here that Christianity comes to the rescue. The continuous touch of Christianity is needed for men to see that they are really brothers. We should make our approach to men "via" God.

Taking up the application, "Why then should our own souls be so inclined toward low and worldly things, for which we are ashamed?" he finds the key to the answer in the word "ashamed," and the fact that men are happier when they overcome temptation. "Let us be certain that the battle is not to the mighty," he concluded.

An Outing Club Formed

BACK-TO-NATURE THEORY PRACTICED

Just one more college organization has been added to the already long list, in the formation of an outing club for the benefit of those with nerves jaded by long hours spent indoors. The idea is to give an easy means of exercise to men who would otherwise be forced either to forego outdoor work, or at least to do it alone. The organization is as follows: Roy L. Webber, President; P. D. Jones, Vice-President; A. C. Pfeiffer, Secretary; Charles Horton, Treasurer. People in the vicinity of the college have been surprised at various times to see a strange sight on the horizon; that of a line of figures apparently rising up and down as it slowly progressed. Upon investigation it proved to be the Outing Club in skis or snow-shoes, struggling and swaying its way across the landscape. (The rising and falling needs no explanation.) Many excursions have been taken and we have been planned for the future.

One of the proposed ventures for next year, and one which should receive the backing of many of the men, is the erection of a tobogganslide on Whale's Back. This would be a comparatively easy task for a number of volunteers to accomplish, as Dr. Wilson, the faculty advisor, has pointed out; and it would be the source of great deal of enjoyment. It is hoped that through this medium of common outdoor activities a group will be benefitted, who through inability to participate in college sports, would otherwise miss a great part of the exercise necessary to them.

SOCIOLOGY PROFESSOR TO WED

Dr. Edwards' Engagement Announced

The long-expected has happened! Our contemporary, the New York Times, got a scoop on us by announcing on Saturday, March 17, the engagement of Dr. Lyford Patterson Edwards to Miss Helen Winthrop Gray, of Stamford, Conn. Miss Gray is the daughter of the late Thomas Sewell Gray.

Dr. Edwards has for some years been Associate Professor of Sociology at St. Stephen's.

The wedding has been planned for the fourteenth of June, and will take place in one of the Episcopal churches of Stamford.

GOLD FROM THE ROSE

Mr. Clarence Dillon, of New York City, has given two thousand dollars to the college. This money is to be used in making up deficits in the college expense-account for the current year.