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State Commissioner of Education to Sound Keynote

The Baccalaureate Service will be preached this year by the Very Rev. Charles A. Jessup, D. D., Trustee of the college, and one of its most noted alumni. Baccalaureate Sunday falls this year on June 10. The speaker at the Commencement exercises on June 10 will be Frank Pierpont Graves, Ph. D., Litt. D., President of the University of the State of New York, and State Commissioner of Education. His subject will be "The Place of the Small College in Contempor ary Higher Education."

Because there will be two corner stones to be laid in connection with the Commencement exercises, the ceremonies will begin at 2:30 P. M., instead of at the usual 3:00. Bear in mind that the college runs a daylight saving time. The Commencement luncheon— for Trustees, alumni, faculty and students—will be served at 1:00 P. M.

Minor Changes in Science Building

Dr. W. B. James Donates Machine Shop

The plans of the John Rogers Hegeman Memorial Science Building have been revised several times in the course of the many alterations. The shape of the rear elevation of the structure has been changed, in order to provide a larger light-court between it and the rear rooms of North Hoffman. Other changes include the addition of a small machine shop, in which apparatus used in the laboratories may be kept in repair. This shop will be equipped with proper machinery by Dr. Walter B. James of the Board of Trustees.

Another addition to the building will be a small burglar-proof armory room in the basement. It will be fifteen feet square, of re-enforced concrete, with the most valuable old editions now belonging to the library. Among other treasures of the college to be kept in the safe will be a small weatherproof book, consisting of private prayers, in George Washington's own handwriting, as used by him in the daily family devotions at Mount Vernon. Hereofore most of these valuable books have been kept in New York City.

EDWARD F. ALBEE INCREASES GIFT

$25,000 More Received for New Dormitory

When the plans were completed for the new dormitory, it was found that the building as projected would cost $30,000, instead of the $65,000 which Mr. Albee had given to build it. Smaller plans were immediately prepared, more nearly to meet the terms of gift. At Mr. Albee's request, both larger and smaller plans were then submitted to him. After careful consideration, Mr. Albee informed the president that he wished the dormitory to be erected according to the original specifications, and that he was willing to increase his earlier gift by the sum of $25,000. This $90,000 is the largest amount that has ever been given by any individual for the erection of a dormitory at St. Stephen's.

New Steps for Gymnasium

Testarctive Plans for Reconstruction

Memorial Gymnasium, like other war-time products, has turned out to be less durable than expensive. Last year it was necessary to install new steps down to the locker rooms; this year the front steps have had to be recast. Little by little—you step by step, if you will—the building is being renewed, and Irving Staley is making good the woes of former contractors. There are new indications that the entire outer wall of the structure may flake off within a year or two when that happens, it will be possible to strip off the present stucco facing, put on new metal lath, and apply a surface coating of durable "elastic" cement.

VARSITY GOES INTO ACTION

OPENING GAME LOST TO R. P. I.

LACK OF PRACTICE EVIDENT

St. Stephen's lost the opening game of their season, 6-2, to R. P. I. Coffin's single scored White with the last run of the game.

Although quite a few errors were made and the pitching was not always steady, it is felt that, considering the unfamiliarity of practice conditions, a creditable showing was made; and great improvement is looked for.

The ability to win games is there, and needs only to be developed. The line-up:

St. Stephen's: A. B. R. H. P. O. A. B.
Coffin 1 0 3 1 3
Bouton 1 4 2 0 0
Murry 2 2 1 1 0
Noble 3 0 0 9 1
White 1 0 0 0 0
Coffin 4 1 2 2 0
Kilby 2 1 0 1 0
Jones 1 0 0 0 0
Dorula 2 1 0 0 0

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Manning 5 3 3 1 0
Paul 6 3 1 3 1
Smith 4 3 0 3 0
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Ward 5 2 2 5 0
Kilby 5 2 2 5 0
Craig 3 4 1 1 2
Horton 5 2 2 5 0
Wagner 5 2 2 5 0
Thomas 5 2 2 5 0

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Dr. Strong Renewed Contract

Declines Call to Chair at U. of Maine

Assistant Professor Leonell C. Strong of the Biology Department received, just before the spring vacation, a call to a full professorship at the University of Maine. After due consideration he has decided to accept this offer, and will remain at St. Stephen's for at least another year. Dr. Strong has received a grant of $1460 from the Rockefeller Institute, to enable him to continue his research work in the genetics of cancer. This grant will enable him to procure a research assistant. He expects to publish, within the next twelve months, a book upon the results of five years of investigation in the subject.
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FRESHMAN RULES?

At about this time every year, some one raises the question as to whether or not it is desirable to continue certain phases of the interaction between the Freshman and Sophomore classes. Last spring Convocation decided that it was desirable to continue such practices as the wearing of the green by the Frosh, the hand-and-pocket rule, the smoking on campus of nothing but Missouri meerschaums, etc. We question these sentiments and ask for a new debate.

Can anyone give a reason in favor of the above-quoted rules? We can think of none that are valid. "To keep the Frosh in check!" Scarcely. There has never been any noticeable repression of the infantile spirits. Freshmen are for the most part very reasonable enough without rules; making them look like jackasses is a poor way to teach them respect for the corporate dignity of campus life. Another bad effect, silly Freshman rules tend to make the Sophomore act as if he is generally supposed Freshmen would act in the absence of rules. Witness the recent Kornik a of the Kass of ’26. The Frosh tend to act on prep. school impulses, while the seniors are real "fresh" men.

Certain stipulations do need to be applied to Freshmen, in such matters as leaving the interests of college business. We have dug post holes a plenty, and gathered bags of green at Christmas, and robbed all nine of the Varisty clan arms; those things have to be done, and the Frosh are the lads that do 'er. But non-performance of those duties can be reported by the managers in charge; Sophomore intervention would be gratuitous.

Certain Klaas Klaegles will always ache for a bit of rough and tumble; there is no reason why future Sopho- mores should not be aroused in the February dawn to learn that the goblin has been buried for several hours: that is a harmless old tradition, and has not been broken since Grant’s administration. The Flag of War has been hoisted; too; it is fun in its way and has no connection with the sights of a tree verdigris with discredited brown felt. But for the rest of the Freshman rules, they are as antique as "plus fours" and other "collegiate" paraphernalia will be twenty years hence. Frosh caps and the hilarious.processes of Battle Alley belong long in the days when William Jennings Bryan had hair on his head, and Sullivan fought Jake Kilbane.

Necrology

Upjohn, ’63; Lewis, ’75.

Within the past two weeks, the Col- lege has suffered the loss of two of its oldest and most distinguished alumi,--the Rev. Samuel Upjohn, D. D., ’63, who died at his home in Phila- delphia, on Saturday, March 29; and Nelson L. Lewis, C. V., D. D., ’75, who died unexpectedly on Sunday April 6, at his home in Brooklyn.

Both are alumni of whom St. Stephen’s may well be proud. Dr. Upjohn’s great work was done at St. Luke’s Parish, Germantown, of which he was rector from 1883 until the time of his resignation, six months ago. "During his rectorship," says the Living Church, "St. Luke’s made many successful moves, both in spiritual and parochial growth, as well as in architectural beauty. The hundred of persons from the humblest to the highest walks of life who came to view his body as it lay in state in the chancel of the Church is a splendid testimonial to the deep affection in which he was held.

No less a tribute was accorded Nelson Lewis at his funeral service, attested as it was by many of the best known engineers in New York. Law- son Purdy, writing in the New York Times, said of him, "he was not only a faithful, capable city servant but he had imagination and vision too...Administration came and went and always needed his services. To those who know the New York civil service, this is a wonderful tribute to the man. Mr. Lewis had the ability to win respect and affection without ever abating his loyalty to the city as his first interest." He was for eighteen years Chief En- gineer of the Board of Estimate, and was a noted authority on WRCV planning.

Tennis Begins

C. L. Willard Elected Captain

A meeting of the 1923 tennis squad was held before spring vacation, and Lawson Willard, ’25, winner of last autumn’s tournament, was elected captain of the 1924 team. Willard was semifinalist in the Hastings trophy tournament last June, which contest was won by Thomas A. Richery, ’24, who will be available for this year’s team. Hugh N. Gifford, ’24, is manager. The remainder of the squad, at present, consists of R. Pow- ers, L. M. Myers, H. Ferris, E. Mon- roe and R. Whitehill. Powers, My- ers and Ferris displayed consistent form last season and may be expected to feature in Varsity games. Monroe and Whitehill are new men and not much is known of their ability.

Games have been scheduled with Hamline College and New York University.

The Hamilton contest is to be played at Clinton, May 10, while the N. Y. U. will play at St. Ann- andale, May 17. Manager Gifford is angling with the University of Vermont; a date here, when the Vermont team invades the valley to play West Point. Tentative arrangements have been made with the Roughkeepsie Tennis Club for matches both at Roughkeepsie and Annandale, and with the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy.

Work was begun upon the courts before vacation and, with favorable weather, play will be soon opened. Dr. Wilson, who has again assumed the responsible role of coach, has spent many weary hours of trot driving Napoleon about, his swift squire, to make sure he was home winner at the Bowtie track, hitched to a dirt-filled drum cart. The courts have been leveled and the bases set farther from the service line. An agreement has been made with the Troy Country Club when courts may be used in case of a local washout, so it is doubtful if any matches will have to be canceled.

"Akeley Bronze Age To Stand In Church"

"REV. C. F. POTTER, UNITARIAN AND EVOLUTIONIST,adopts rejected 'CHRYSALIS.'"

"Carl E. Akeley's bronze statue, 'The Chrysalis,' which depicts a young man emerging from the form of a gollum, and which was recently rejected by the New York Academy of Design on the ground that it lacked merit, is to be solemnly unveiled in the West Side Unitarian Church the Sunday after Easter by the minister, the Rev. Charles Francis Potter. The statue will remain on exhibit an indeterminate period. Mr. Akeley, who will take part in the unveiling ceremony on 'Personality in Animals,' and will defend gollums and other animals from the charges of 'bestiality' which Mr. Potter and Mr. Akeley contend are frequently made by opponents of evolution."

Hyme for Arbor Day.

Come let every bold Unitarian voice
In praise of St. Pittienanthropus Dubius:
An Ape-man from Java!
The sire of creation
"A beast is no beast" is the newest equation.

Chorus
St. Michael, fit off from the heavenly bough.
A perch is required for an older than thou.

Some patron we need for our Church Evolving,
So Kian and Kiwanis and We are all rooting
To raise to high Heaven our pride and our choice,—
St. Pittienanthropus Dubius.

When man in his infancy still wore a fur suit,
His cousins from Java were equally primitive.
The we rose to our eminence wholly unbiased.
What matter if we had more fortune than they did? Chorus

Our family tree has its root in our pride;
St. Pittienanthropus let no one demean.
So with book and with candle, with velvet and ermine,
With psalm and with radiating sculpture and sermon,
We welcome to church and to chapel cloths
Ter St. Pittienanthropus Erectus Dubius.

President Bell's Activities

President Bell has accepted a number of engagements for the next six weeks. During Holy Week he will be at Grace Church, Providence; this includes the Three Hour Good Friday service. The fourth week in April he will be one of the two preachers at the opening services of the new church in Philadelphia. The Bishop of Milwaukee will preach at St. Mark’s, and the president at St. Clement’s.

Sunday, June 1, he will preach at the outdoor service at the Cathedral in Washington. This will be the first Memorial Sunday service since the inauguration of the late President Woodrow Wilson, in the Bathsheba Chapel of the Cathedral. Seats will be provided for sixteen thousand persons, and the service and sermon will be projected by amplifiers to all parts of the grounds. The Cathedral authorities have procured a radio monopole for the hour, and the service will be relayed throughout the United States. Bishop Freeman was to have been on hand to preach on this occasion; but as he will be obliged to go to Europe in May, he has asked President Bell to take his place.
Basketball

Letters Awarded

Eight Men Receive Varsity S.

The manager and seven members of the squad which played so successfully through the recent season were given their letters just before College closed for the spring holiday. The men to receive Varsity insignia were Capt. Bittner, Richley, Coffin, Kilby, Noble, Urqhart, Millington and Manager Tite.

These columns have frequently before this time the praise and criticism of the squad. Perhaps a word or two about the individual players would not now be out of place. Capt. Bittner, playing his third year on the floor, and during the last two years at rover guard. Due to a lack of forwards he was, in the past season, moved to that position, where, although not so accustomed, playing forward, he put up a strong and clever game.

Richley, captain of last year’s Varsity, was the other forward. His speed, and his smoothness in shooting and passing, combined with his excellent defensive floor work, had him one of the outstanding stars of the season. The loss of Richley, who has played his four years and will be graduated in June, is sure to be felt.

Coffin, finishing his fourth year as center on the Varsity, is a man who plays hard, rough, but clean basketball. Always eager to work, he proved invaluable on the defensive, at the same time contributing not a few points from the floor. Coffin has reached the limits of his playing career and will not be available next year.

Kilby, guard, was perhaps the most dependable defensive player on the team. Quick on his feet, accurate in his passing, always ready and alert, his general floor work left nothing to be desired. Kilby’s graduation will leave a vacancy that promises to be hard to fill.

Noble, guard, was a fit running mate for Kilby, and the two, working together, were unbeatable. Noble, although handicapped by a bad knee during the early part of the schedule, played a fast, fighting game in the majority of the season’s contests. He will be back next year.

Urqhart and Millington, substitutes, played well on all occasions when they were needed. With this year’s seasonings behind them, they should not have much trouble in making regular berths next season. Vandenverter and Derrick also played more or less with the Varsity during the season, and will provide good material for next winter’s team.

With only three men lost by graduation, an even better season than the last should be expected next year. Assistant Manager Haver reports only two games, with Olgiate and Underwood scheduled to date, with the remaining dates filled tentatively.

Individual scores made during the season, with floor, free-throw and total points, are listed below:

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Elaborate Easter Program Arranged

Owing to the fact that for the first time in years the college will be in session during the Easter season, Eastertide is to be observed here as never before. Particularly beautiful services have been arranged for Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday, and a special preacher has been secured for the preaching of the Passion on Good Friday, the Reverend Philemon Surtiges, D. D., of Grace Church, Providence, R. I.

On Maundy Thursday, the anniversary of the institution of the Blessed Sacrament, there are to be three celebrations of the Holy Communion early in the morning, a vesper service at six in the evening, and the ancient and beautiful and symbolic service of Tenebrae at nine. This service is to remind us how, beginning on this night on which He was betrayed, the darkness of human tragedy came down over the Redeemer, as all forsook Him, and doubt drew near. The deepening of the tragedy is symbolized by the gradual extinguishing of all the blazing lights with which the service begins, until all pray in the darkness for the return of the light of the world which has forsaken Him.

Morning Prayer and an Anti-Communion service will be held on the morning of Good Friday, and the preaching of the Passion from two until three o’clock in the afternoon. Deletus, in addition to his usual sermons, will make a solemn celebration of the Holy Communion at half past ten, with special music, and a sermon by President Bell. Vestments for this occasion have been supplied by St. Clement’s Parish, Philadelphia.

Science Department

Uses Movies

Educational Pictures Shown

A new feature in the teaching of science at St. Stephen’s is the projection of films issued by the Department of the Interior in collaboration with some of the large industrial plants. The pictures are shown bi-weekly and are the same ones which are given in the larger technical schools.

The first film was “The World’s Struggle for Oil,” prepared with the help of the Sinclair Oil Company; there followed “The Story of Petroleum,” also a Sinclair production, and “The Story of Sulphur” which dealt with the sulphur deposits in Louis-

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