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STUDENTS ADOPT CONSTITUTION FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

IMPORTANT STEP TAKEN LAST FRIDAY

On last Friday during chapel hour in the oratory the student body adopted a constitution for a student-government association. The faculty consented to the use of chapel time for the purpose of putting such an important document before the students for their common sanction. Mr. Crothers took charge of the meeting and delegated Mr. Foster, the president of the Senior Class, to read the paper which had been prepared. After the reading, discussion was indulged in followed by a vote. The student body adopted the constitution unanimously.

The plan was approved by the faculty at their meeting last night and from now on will go into effect. If a student is caught doing anything which is a direct detriment to the college, he will be reported to the Student Council and his punishment will be decided upon by them and duly inflicted. His misdeed or his penalty will be known to no one outside of the Council; and, unless an extremely severe case should prove an exception, no member of the faculty will hear a word about the matter.

If the scheme is carried out successfully, and every student ought to work towards this end—there will be noticed a great improvement at Delaware College. We shall move on unfailingly toward a bigger and better Delaware. The constitution follows:

Newark, Delaware
February 25, 1916

We, the students of Delaware College through our representative whose names are appended hereto, do endorse and adopt the following constitution for an organization which we hereby enter into. After this constitution has been approved by the Faculty of Delaware College, it shall become binding and applicable to every member of the student body.

Constitution

Article I—Name

The name of this organization shall be "The Student Government Association of Delaware College" which shall be composed of the entire student body of the college.

Article II—Officers

The officers of this association shall be a board of seven members; said board of officers to be known as "The Student Council." These seven men are to be elected from the four classes of the college as follows:

1. Senior Class—three members, one of whom shall be the President of the class. One of whom shall be the Editor-in-chief of the Review. The other one to be elected by the Senior class.

2. Junior Class—two mem-

bers, one of whom shall be the President of the class. The other one to be elected by the Junior Class.

3. Sophomore Class—one member, the President of the class.

4. Freshman Class—one member, the President of the class.

One of the three members from the Senior Class shall be elected by a majority vote of the Association as President of "The Student Council."

Article III—Duties of Officers

It shall be the duty of the President of The Student Council to preside at all mass meetings of the Association, such as smokers, elections, etc.

It shall be the duty of The Student Council to meet regularly once every two weeks at a time named by the President of the Council and at such other times as occasion demands.

It shall be the duty of The Student Council to receive complaints against all students who deface college or town property, who indulge in drunkenness or immorality, or who make improper use of the gymnasium, the library, and the Y. M. C. A. Hall, or any other justifiable complaints. The Council shall investigate each complaint, summon the person complained of before The Student Council, hear his defense if he has a defense to offer, and if found guilty inflict such punishment as is reasonably proportional to the misdemeanor.

Article IV—Elections

After the election of the first Student Council in 1916 there shall be held a regular election of the council on the Friday preceding commencement each year.

Elections of managers and assistant managers of the various athletic teams of the college shall be made at a mass meeting of the Association; notice of such election being posted, at least one week previous to the election date, by the President of The Student Council.

Article V—Amendments

Amendments to the constitution may be made by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any mass meeting of the Association, provided a week's notice in advance, of such meeting has been posted in conspicuous places about the college.

Representative Endorsers

President of Senior Class—
H. M. Foster
President of Junior Class—
G. C. Brower
President of Sophomore Class—
Howard Bratton, Jr.
President of Freshman Class—
Herbert F. Weldin

Petition To Faculty For Honor System

The Honor System will be established at Delaware this year if the petition to the faculty requesting that the students who desire to take their examinations under the honor system is granted. The

petition which was gotten up after a number of the Senior Class had expressed themselves that the honor system should be established at Delaware, has been signed by over one hundred students and many more will sign it before it is presented to the faculty Monday night.

College Holds Exercises In Honor Of Washington

Appropriate exercises were held in the college oratory on Tuesday afternoon in honor of Washington's birthday anniversary. About a hundred children from the Newark Public Schools were seated on the stage, and joined in the exercises by singing patriotic songs. Judge Henry C. Conrad and Charles W. Bush were the speakers of the occasion.

Mr. Bush, who is an alumnus of Delaware College and the first Delawarean to win a Rhodes Scholarship, spoke on the subject of "Americanization." He began by saying that his theme was not inappropriate to the day because Washington, who ever had the good of the country at heart, would have had a deep interest in the naturalization problem. He pointed out that the problem was growing more serious every year, and should command attention of every citizen.

Mr. Bush defined Americanization as "an effort to inculcate like-mindedness in all of the people of our country." He said that here in America, where each man is a ruler, the good character of the citizen means the good character of the nation. He stated that it was the duty of every citizen to aid in protecting the immigrant from victimization, and that the government should take an active part in this work of protection. Mr. Bush suggested the following plans to be used in aiding the immigrant: 1. make English the universal language; 2. prevent congestion at the ports of arrival; 3. make it the duty of the state to see that its residents become citizens; 4. let the women as well as the men become members of this nation; 5. let night sessions for naturalization be held in the courts; 6. reduce illiteracy as far as possible; 7. insist upon better living and working conditions; 8. punish heavily any attempts to defraud the immigrant; 9. abandon the social contempt toward the alien; 10. make naturalization a local and personal matter.

In conclusion, the speaker said that the plans for Americanization must include not only the foreign, but also the children of foreign parents, and all those who have un-American thoughts or ideals, for these too must for the future good of the country be instructed wisely and well.

Judge Conrad spoke upon the subject of "Washington as a Statesman." He gave a brief sketch of his life, and pointed out in particular those elements of his character which contributed largely to his greatness. He dwelt in particular upon his career as first President of the United States, and showed how his life during that period illustrated his character as a statesman.

Trustee Meeting

The next regular meeting of the trustees will be held on Tuesday, March 7, at ten-thirty. It is hoped to have the old library building fitted up as the Y. M. C. A. headquarters by that time, when it will be formally opened in the presence of the trustees and student body of the college.

FRESHMAN BANQUET A CROWNED SUCCESS

The big social event of the class of '19, the freshman banquet, occurred Tuesday night in the duPont Hotel. At six-thirty the class and its guests were ushered into the beautiful Rose Room. From the start to the finish there was lots of "pep." Everything came off in great style. Eats, speeches, and songs helped to make the affair one glorious success.

The committee in charge of the banquet, Weldin, Proctor, Cantwell, Humphries, O'Toole, and Marston deserved great credit for their efforts. Nothing was left undone which could have been done. The supper was palatable and the speeches were exceedingly interesting.

The menu was as follows:

Little Neck Clam Cocktail
Mock Turtle Soup
Celery Radishes
Filet of Kingfish Cardinal
Potatoes Maitre d'Hotel
Roast Chicken au Cresson
Potatoes Rissoles Green Peas
Neapolitan Ice Cream
Assorted Cakes
Demi Tasse

Dr. Sypherd started the chorus songs by suggesting and leading that familiar song, "The Bear Came Over the Mountain." All during the supper old songs, from "Delaware Will Shine Tonight," to "We Were Only Playing Leap Frog" were sung. Solos rendered by members of the '19 class enlivened the spirit of the banquet. Cantwell made a great hit by his Fido song, "George" Kalmy also entertained by singing an Armenian song. The speeches followed the eats.

"Herb" Weldin, the class president, was toastmaster. In his speech he said that he hoped that

Orchestra Concert Growing Near

The concert by the College Orchestra which is to take place in the Oratory on next Thursday evening, is creating considerable interest about the town. The previous concerts which the organization has given proved such successes, that the public is looking forward to the next appearance of the college musicians. The men have been rehearsing faithfully during the past two months and have succeeded in getting up a program which, although lighter than that given last year should prove of more general interest.

Miss De Witt, of Dover, who will assist the orchestra, should prove a delightful entertainer. Her beautiful voice has won recognition all over the State and her pleasing personality is no less a delight than her singing. The orchestra will play in Wilmington on Saturday evening in the Century Club. The concert there will be followed by a dance.

Delaware would compete with teams of institutions which are higher in the college world than those we play at present.

Dr. Mitchell then gave a most pleasing and instructive speech. He stated that the present freshman class is the largest in the history of Delaware College. He laid considerable stress on the importance of sticking to whatever you start.

Dr. Sypherd, the class adviser, in an interesting talk dwelled upon a college training. A man after a collegiate course is benefited and improved to the extent that he should be different in ideas and manners from the man without a college training—that is, the man of the common walk of life.

Dean Smith, the students' friend, gave splendid advice to the class. He pleaded with the fellows to get back of the present movement to better Delaware.

Coach McAvoy told of the ample facilities for athletics offered at Delaware. He urged all men to participate in some branch of athletics.

Professors McCue and Srager presented some good points and related a few amusing tales.

Foster, the president of '16 class, delivered the last speech of the evening. He gave the gist of the Student Government that has since been adopted.

After the banquet the class and its guests went to the Garrick. There they enjoyed (but for one incident) the entire show.

The guests of the class were: Dr. S. C. Mitchell, Dr. W. O. Sypherd, Dean E. L. Smith, Mr. W. J. McAvoy, Professor C. A. McCue, Professor Z. A. Srager, Professor C. A. Short, Mr. H. M. Foster, Mr. G. C. Brower, and Mr. Howard Bratton.

Blue Hen Board Selected

The following board has been selected by the 1918 class to produce their Blue Hen. This college bi-annual is becoming one of the most influential publications of the college. Its appearance is looked forward to by lovers of the college all over the State; and it is read by them with interest because it represents the traditions and ideals of Delaware. The new men ought to feel their responsibility and get to work in earnest to make the next issue of the Blue Hen the best yet.

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Student Government

The formation of student government is a great step forward in the life of the students of Delaware College. It means that the student body has finally been aroused from its past state of lethargy and inability to act for itself and is now to be a live organization which will be able to carry on its own affairs. Hitherto the student body has been accustomed to sit idly by and allow members of the faculty, alumni, and trustees of the college to inaugurate any step towards advancement. Now the student body, since it will be self-governing, will be encouraged to take an interest in its organization and attempt to improve it. Self-government will create in the student body a greater responsibility for its actions and a greater interest in the college itself. A student will not allow another student to deface the walls of the gymnasium or to carry himself unbecomingly to a gentleman if one student is partly held responsible for the actions of another. Lastly, and most important of all, student government is a step towards eliminating that greatest evil of college life, dishonesty on the part of the student in doing his work. It means the inevitable adoption of the honor system. Hitherto, a man could crib his way through college, if he were fortunate enough not to be caught by the instructor, and at the end of four years of college he graduated with a better record than the student who did his work honestly. Under student government, if the honor system is added to it as it logically must be, the dishonest student will have to become honest in his work or get out. Student government is the application of the principles of democracy to the student body; the honor system is but the application of a great law of democracy, that the dishonest man is a criminal and has no place in society.

The following letter was received by the editor from Mr. E. N. Vollandigham, '73. We are publishing it not because it corroborates sentiments which we have previously preached, but because of the practical suggestions which it contains. Mr. Vollandigham represents the type of the ideal alumnus—the man who, after he has received the benefits which his college has bestowed on him, never forgets those benefits, but who expresses his love for the college at every opportunity and who never ceases trying to uplift her and her ideals. The letter was accompanied by a check covering two years subscription to the Review.

Chestnut Hill, Mass.,

February 20, 1916

To the Editor of The College College Review,

Newark, Del.

My dear Sir: Enclosed is my check for two dollars in payment for two years' subscription to the Review.

Ever since you sent me your issue of Dec. 14 last containing your earnest cry and prayer for more of the aesthetic in the teaching of the College, I have been intending to write and congratulate you upon the editorial article upon that subject. Make no mistake, however, and do not assume that the neglect of the fine arts is restricted to colleges of our size and type. Few of the large colleges touch the fine arts anywhere except on the side of literature, and a good many of those treat literature as a science, not as an art. It is not through vast amounts of "required" reading done at a gallop that one ripens in literary tastes but by reading much for the pure love of what is read.

As to the other fine arts—music painting, sculpture, architecture, the colleges, great and small, are much alike. Most men come through profoundly ignorant of these things, even if they have learned many names, dates, facts and even principles of these arts, because they have not lived with lovely examples illustrative of what is finest in them all.

Delaware College will be asked to do many things, many that it cannot immediately do, but one of the things that it should do earliest is to meet the need of which you have written so well. Courses of lectures on the fine arts, accompanied by visits to the nearest good illustrative gallery, should be provided as soon as possible. Of course Delaware College cannot have a really illustrative gallery of its own. Hardly a single university in the land possesses such a gallery. Delaware can, however, have some good and inexpensive reproductions of noble objects in painting, sculpture, and architecture, and provision should be made for a few excellent musical events in every term. Reproductions of paintings in color are as yet unsatisfactory, but you may have at Delaware College for a moderate outlay, reproductions in plaster of highly representative sculpture and architecture. There used to be a house in New York that produced such things, and there is probably one in Philadelphia. The best in the country is Caproni's, Washington Street, Boston, specifically, P. P. Caproni and Bros., 1914, Washington St. Their warerooms form one of the most interesting museums in the United States, and the place is the more educational by contrasting the immense superiority of the Green and Renaissance sculpture to the vulgar modern things unhappily so popular in the United States; for example, Sheridan's Ride, Paul Revere's Ride, and the like. You may see there, however, also reproductions of much fine modern sculpture as well as many architectural models. If you

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Here's a winner.
B. & O. trains have been running several hours late all week. "Perkie" Goldie claims that railroad officials should take away the engineers' watches and give them calendars.

Doctor Harter; "Lightning rods are always fastened to the chimneys of houses."
Margurite (in distress)—Why maybe our barn will be burned up because it hasn't any chimney."

W. C. D. Notes

On Wednesday, February 23rd, Professor Hills gave a chapel talk on "The Beef Industry of the United States," a topic of especial interest to Home Economic students.

Katzenjammer, suffering from one of her new diseases: "Every bone in my body aches."

Her unsympathizing friend: "You ought to be glad you are not a herring."

One of the Seniors was heard to remark the other night, "Well, I guess I'll go and do my chores." He meant "chores"; but he was only a Civil Engineer so you can't wonder at it!

Two of the young ladies at the Women's College chipped together and bought half a year's subscription to the Review. Things must be prospering down Depot Road.

Doc Vaughn said in class the other day that the way taxes were levied in "ye olden days" was by the number of windows in a house.

Morris Mitchell '18 promptly asked, how much a greenhouse would be taxed?

The other night at one of the famous Shakespearean rehearsals "Doc" Sypherd wished to speak with Savin over the 'phone. When Savin answered the call Bowen called "Doc" to the telephone.

The distinguished professor of English asked "Bus", "Is that him."

The '19 class certainly must be "rough". Mr. Dockstader told our Freshmen that since they were college men he expected better of them than attempting to tear down his theatre. He even compared them with Carney's Pointers, which was the nastiest insult he could think of at the time.

Bratton: "Miss C., dancing with you is like gliding on a desert."
Miss C: Thank you Mr. Bratton, but that is no excuse for your dancing like a camel.

DELAWARE WINS ANOTHER

Drexel Proves Easy Mark For Blue And Gold Quintet
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Delaware added another win to its basketball victories when she defeated Drexel Institute last Wednesday evening. The game was nothing more than practice for the home boys and not once during the game were they on the short end of the score. Wills made the first point for Delaware when he dropped in a one pointer after holding had been detected in the

Philadelphia team. Following this came a shower of field goals, until Delaware had rolled up a comfortable lead at the end of the first half.

Coach McAvoy changed his team somewhat in the second half substituting an entire second team with the exception of one man. T. Wilson, E. Wilson, Wel-din, and O'Toole took the places of Horsey, Weimer, Wills and Doherty, respectively.

The new men held the visitors well, and at the same time tossed in several pretty goals from scrimmage. The final score was 35-15.

The line-up:

Horsey..... f.Eves
Reeder..... f.Jobes
Wills..... c.Smith
Doherty..... g.Walls

Capt.

Weimer..... g.Calhoun

Substitutes: T. Wilson for Horsey; E. Wilson for Weimer; Wel-din for Wills; O'Toole for Doherty; goals from field: Reeder, 3; Horsey, 4; Doherty, 2; T. Wilson, 3; Wills, Eves, Walls, Calhoun; foul goals: Reeder, 4; Wills, 5; Jobes, 9. Referee, Follmer, Susquehanna. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

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EDITORIAL

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will write for the Caproni catalogue you will probably receive it free of charge, especially if you say that you have on foot a plan for the eventual founding of a museum at the College. If I can help you about the matter at this end of the line, let me know. Of course I am too little acquainted with these matters to advise as to the choice of objects, but I have acquaintances among artists who would be glad to aid. If you could obtain even as little as \$100 as a beginning, a few supremely beautiful things could be placed advantageously in some public room of the College, and eventually a suitable room could be appropriated mainly to such things, though it might also be used as a lecture room.

When I was at college in the '70's my books were drawn mainly from the Delta Phi Library, and there I began reading of masterpieces, and I can truly say that I was never disappointed in a masterpiece no matter how late I postponed reading it. You fortunately have the beginnings of an excellent College Library, and you do not have to hunger in vain for fine things, old or new.

Sincerely yours,
E. N. Vallandigham

Among the Colleges

The intercollegiate debates at the University of Virginia are to be financed by the University. This work was done by the literary societies in former years.

Six students of the University of Virginia were refused passage on the Oscar II, by Henry Ford.

On account of lack of funds the University of Pennsylvania Athletic Council has prohibited the university crew from taking part in the Poughkeepsie races next year.

A ruling has recently been passed at the University of Kansas requiring every able-bodied male student to play football at least twice a week.

The conduct of students in the dormitories at Rutgers is to be supervised by a committee of upper classmen, who will incidentally see that no destruction is done to the college property.

At Lehigh University each class present a loving cup to the member who has the first son. The 1912 cup has just been won.

Some students at Harvard have sent a protest to Congress against the passing of the bill appropriating half a billion dollars towards national security.

There is a bill before the Virginia Legislature to found a Women's College at Charlottesville, co-ordinate with the University of Virginia.

Interclass fights at the University of Pennsylvania are at an end for all time. Their discontinuance was decided upon last week by separate votes of each of the four classes. Scarcely a student among the 8,000 enrolled favors the retention of such class contests because the bowl fight resulted in the death of William L. Lefson, and the injuries to more than a score of Sophomores and Freshmen.

Rural Schools
Show Improvement

Academic Freedom is no longer a term for theoretical discussion. It is becoming daily, a test of strength of manhood formed in

According to the Smyrna Times the improvement in the rural

schools of Kent and Sussex has been remarkable during the last three years. In almost every section better schools are being built and equipped with modern conveniences. Sanitary heating and ventilation systems have been installed in twenty or thirty schools during the last two years, and the indications are that it will be a very short time when the old fashioned rounded wood stove will be a thing of the past. Vestibules have been built in almost all of the schools, and the school grounds have been kept in good shape and repair. The latest plan for improvement has been the introduction of hot lunches at the country schools for those who have to go some distance to their homes. The pupils are being taught to cook the lunches which are then sold at cost to the pupils.

"The Value Of
Final Examinations"

(By E. D. Walker, Professor of Hydraulic and Sanitary Engineers, Pennsylvania State College.)

The principal advantage of the final examination is its value as a means of education, since the student in making a proper preparation for it, receives training which is in itself most valuable. The student usually gains in this way a conception of the subject as a whole and frequently sees for the first time the relation of the parts which have formed the daily assignment or which have been considered in partial reviews. This, of course, is not true of all, but statements made by the better grade of students lead the writer to believe that these men gain a better knowledge of the subject by preparing for the examination.

The writer believes that instruction in methods of preparing for examinations is a proper part of the teacher's work and he makes it a point to give such instruction to those whose work has been completed in a given subject, if the text book has a good table of contents which lists the titles or subtitles of the various sections, the writer directs the attention of the class to this table pointing out the more important divisions of the work and suggesting the use of the headings as a means of testing their knowledge of the subject. If the title of a given section suggests to the student a reasonably complete idea of the particular topic treated, he is advised to turn to the section in question and verify his concept. If any topic fails to suggest the substance of the section, then the topic should be noted for further study. If the book lacks a suitable table of contents, then the class should be instructed how to make a proper syllabus.

The writer also gives the student some instruction in what might be termed "mental hygiene" warning them against studying all hours of the night preceding an examination and advising that their preparation be completed sufficiently early to leave time for amusement of a nature that will enable them to relax mentally and to secure proper sleep. While many disregard the advice, some follow it with apparent profit.

Engineers are usually obliged to take examinations in one way or another throughout their professional careers. The first and most obvious instance to present itself is that many national, state, and municipal positions are today filled by competitive examination. The writer has learned through friends who have had experience in teaching in institutions where final examination are not given, that graduates of such institutions have usually shown that they were handicapped in such competitions.

Civil service examinations, however, are not the only ones that the engineer is called upon to take. Frequently the candidate for a position is given a more or less thorough examination in the form of an interview with his prospective employer and the ability to marshal facts and to give clean and logical answers to questions as to his knowledge and experience in a particular field frequently secures the position sought. Another candidate with more technical ability may fail because of his lack of such mental self-control during the "examination."

The engineer who is called upon to appear as an expert witness is certain to be subjected to a searching examination by the attorney for the other side as to knowledge of the branch of engineering concerned and he finds it necessary to make preparations by a systematic review of the points involved and of any related subjects. Here again training in preparation for college examination is of value and tends to breed a feeling of confidence which promotes calmness under a grilling cross-examination.

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