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JACK WON

VIRGINIA SHELDON, a beautiful, dark-eyed girl of twenty summers, sat out on the piazza, one sultry afternoon in September, reading a little love story, which on most occasions would have proved interesting. But her roving glances, and the fact that she was absent-mindedly turning the leaves of her book backwards, was sufficient to show that her mind was elsewhere.

Three short months ago (and they seemed three centuries to Virginia) she had taken a tearful, yet joyous, leave of her lover, Jack Dowald, a strong, manly youth of moderate income, who had left for Denver, as he had said, to try to win a bet of $10,000 to $100, offered him by a rich friend; but in spite of all Virginia's persuasions, he would not tell her the nature of the bet, for it was part of the agreement to keep it secret. You may be sure that these enormous odds were offered only because Jack's friend, Mr. Ashbrooke, felt so cock-sure of victory that he knew he simply couldn't lose.

Finally, Virginia threw the book aside altogether, and reclining in her cozy corner, gave herself up to uninterrupted thought about her absent Jack. Her mind dwelt on the lovely moonlight walks they had taken, arm in arm, through the garden; of the tender caresses and affectionate words exchanged in the grape-arbor and other hidden nooks known only to lovers, and she compared those happy moments with her present condition without Jack, and she grew sad.

Suddenly her train of thoughts was interrupted, for coming up the gravel pathway was the postman bringing her weekly packet of Denver newspapers from Jack. It had now grown dark, and she went inside to read them. She had only been reading a few minutes, when suddenly her face became ashy white, her hands trembled, and she fell in a faint to the floor. These were the lines that had startled her:

"Denver, Colo., Sept. 15, 1901. Mr. Jack Donald, of Atlanta, won a strange bet of $10,000. He had a wager with a rich California friend that he would marry Miss Hazelhurst, a rich society belle, of Denver, who was already engaged at the time of the bet, within four months of being introduced to her. True to his word, while joyous wedding bells were ringing last evening, Mr. Donald married Miss Hazelhurst, and——"

But that was as far as poor Virginia could get, for, overcome by her injured feelings, she dropped to the floor. How long she lay in that condition she did not know, but aroused finally by a bell for supper, she arose and, grasping the paper convulsively, tried to read it again to make sure that she was not dreaming; but this time she could get no further than the first line, and feebly throwing the packet of papers into the blazing fire place, she went to her room to try to hide all trace of tears. But in spite of her efforts to conceal her feelings, her condition was at once noticed at the supper table, and soon a tearful explanation followed.

"So, this is what the young scoundrel would tell no one about," said her father in an angry tone.

Everybody expressed similar opinions, and her mother and the rest urged her to forget him. Virginia did try hard to forget him, but she certainly did not succeed; for his face would constantly arise before her, even in her dreams.

Two months passed quickly, and each week brought a letter from Jack; but she always put them aside unopened. Finally, the letters ceased, and in their place came a telegram with these words:

"Cannot understand your silence. Will take the first train home."

Virginia and her parents did not know what to make of this new audacity; but they, at length, decided to allow the young man to explain his conduct.

Two days later, when they were sitting in the parlor after supper, Mr. Jack Donald was announced to the assembled trio.

"Go to your room, Virginia," said her father, "and let me deal with him alone."

"No, father," said Virginia; "I think I can control myself sufficiently to be present."

So Jack was ushered in, and to his cordial "Good evening" was returned a freezing echo.

"Let us come to the point at once without any preface," said Mr. Sheldon, brusquely. "You have treated my daughter in a most shameful manner, and yet you have the audacity to appear before us as though nothing had happened."

"Why, what's the matter?" asked Jack, completely astonished at this reception.

"Oh! perhaps you count your marriage to Miss Hazelhurst nothing, and think you can break a girl's heart with impunity."

Suddenly, as though struck by a flash of lightning, Jack grasped the situation.

"Oh, you are referring to the bet that I won so manfully. Instead of being scolded for it, I expected congratulations. I now see your mistake. Of course, you didn't know that I had studied divinity before I moved here and became acquainted with you, two years ago. Neither did my friend, with whom I had bet, or probably he would have caught on to my little joke. If Virginia had read another word, all this wouldn't have happened." And, producing a clipping from the newspaper he read the sentence which Virginia had not finished, as follows: "True to his word, while joyous wedding bells were ringing last evening, Mr. Donald married Miss Hazelhurst and Mr. Barnes and, thus in marrying her in the capacity of a clergyman, he won this handsome sum of money."

But even before Jack had completed the last words, Virginia was at his side, embracing him, and as father and mother silently withdrew, the happy two repeated their tender vows and caresses, all the more sweetly after the little estrangement, as is sunshine after rain.

And so, when a few weeks later, the joyous wedding chimes broke out on the chilly December air, Virginia was the bride, and Jack, instead of being the minister, was the happy bridegroom.

X. Y. Z., '0?

THE PORTRAIT

RICHARD HAMILTON was a romantic soul. During the thirty years of his well ordered life he had always had vague dreams of an ideal woman whom he would some day make his wife. But ideals are not found every day, and it happened that until the first day in June, 1909, he had never been in love. On the afternoon of that day Hamilton, who was a dilletante artist, had been looking over the excellent collection of paintings belonging to one of his wealthy friends, when his attention was attracted by a small portrait in an oval frame. The title of the picture was "Portrait of a Lady." No sooner had Hamilton's eyes passed over the picture than a voice within him seemed to say, "Here is our ideal woman!" And in all truth the subject of the portrait in question was well worthy of being called "Ideal." The face was small and well-shapen, the shining masses of dark hair, the shapely neck, the slightly aquiline nose, the small mouth, and the rather pale skin all were beautiful; but it was the expression of the face that made it truly wonderful. And where do we find true expression? It is in the eyes, those twin orbs which poets have aptly called "the windows of the soul." These eyes were a soft dark brown in color; lustrous without being too piercing; grave without being heavy; full of intelligence and perhaps containing considerable passion and an element of sadness; but in all, divinely beautiful.

Ah! those eyes! Poor Hamilton could scarcely drag himself away from them. He purchased the portrait that same evening, and sat looking at it musingly, and weaving, in his imagination, fanciful meetings with its original.

For several years Hamilton made careful investigation into the origin of the oval portrait, but with no success. Neither the artist nor the model could be found. He never gave up the hope of finding his ideal. And as time went on his love for the portrait developed into a sort of passionate worship.

One morning while Hamilton was looking for a book in the city library he noticed a lady who was having considerable trouble in trying to place a volume on a high shelf which was somewhat out of her reach. Hamilton courteously offered his assistance and replaced the book. He bowed, when she formally thanked him for his trouble, and was about to move off, when his glance met that of the lady—it was "The Lady" of the portrait.

Their eyes met for an instant—and then she was gone. At first Hamilton was in despair of ever seeing her again, but when his emotional soul had calmed to a certain extent, he reasoned that she would probably again be in the library, and that he would somehow be able to bring about an introduction. From that day on Hamilton became a familiar figure to the attendants at the library. His vigilance was rewarded; his "Goddess" frequently came to the reading room during the week subsequent to that eventful day, when he first gazed into her eyes. Eventually he secured the much coveted introduction. He found in the lady all that her portrait had promised; one of those almost perfectly planned woman, whom we read about so often, and meet so seldom. Later, as their friendship grew, Hamilton made bold to ask permission to call upon the lady at her home.

The day before the much-anticipated visit, Hamilton received a telegram summoning him to a distant city. Much against his will he was compelled to leave without seeing his lady of the portrait. In a hurried note of explana-

tion, he asked her to write to him during his absence. Much to his sorrow and chagrin the coveted letter never came.

Day after day he looked, with a wistful expression in his eyes, into those of the portrait, seeming to question their sincerity. The days lengthened into weeks and still his letters remained unanswered. One evening, while looking over a newspaper from home, he was shocked beyond measure to learn that the object of his affections was no more.

After the first momentary despair caused by this realization, Hamilton sank into a melancholy calm. As he sat there, his eyes half unconsciously sought those of the portrait; slowly he rose, moved haltingly to the picture, and turning the face to the wall, wrote upon the back:

"Oh! ever thus from childhood hour,
I've seen my fondest hopes decay;
I never loved a tree or flower,
But 'twas the first to fade away.
I never nursed a dear gazelle,
To glad me with its soft, black eye,
But when it came to know me well
And love me, it was sure to die!"

P. E. A., '10.

A Remarkable Student

Great interest has been aroused in the intellectual world by Master William James Sides, the eleven-year-old wonder, who is astonishing everyone who meets him with his precocity. An article in the Success Magazine gives an interesting account of this infantile prodigy. He is named after William James, the great American psychologist, and is the son of Boris Sides, another psychologist, who has obtained a world wide reputation from his wonderful discoveries of the workings of the human mind.

Dr. Sides has always contended that the ordinary system of education fails to develop the human mind to its maximum power of concentration and adaptability. As a proof of his theories he has given his own son the benefit of his ideas as to what education should be and the results speak for themselves.

In the shelves of a book-case in the child's room may be seen text books on algebra, geometry, trigonometry, calculus, along with such books as "Alice in Wonderland" and "Lang's Fairy Tales." And what is strangest of all, Master Sides obtains as much pleasure from the former class of books as from the latter. In this same room may be seen notebooks in which he has worked out problems and theorems in higher mathematics which would put many a college graduate on his mettle. He is also the author of an original treatise on the properties of the fourth dimensions, a subject of which the very meaning is unknown to most of us.

His education began when he first learned to utter syllables, and it is quite interesting to read how his father taught and trained his mind by the use of such seemingly useless things as dominoes and alphabet blocks. At the age of two and a half he could spell and read, at three he could write, and at four he was an expert typewriter. Before he was five he had worked out, unaided, a method by which he could tell on what day of the week a given date would

come. When only nine years old he solved with ease a problem which had baffled an instructor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology when taking an examination for his Ph. D. at a famous German University.

Mrs. Sides accompanied him when, at the age of six, he made his debut in the primary school, starting in the first grade at nine a. m. When she called for him at twelve a. m., she found him in the third grade. He entered the high school at eight years of age. In six weeks he had completed the mathematics course and was engaged in helping the instructor to correct the papers of students twice his age.

Not only has Master Sides made great strides in mathematics, but he is much interested in physiology, astronomy, history, politics and the languages. Besides English, he understands Greek, Latin, and German. He wrote a text book on astronomy, an English grammar and a Latin grammar. For the last few months, Master Sides has been taking some special work at Harvard University. He recently delivered a lecture before the distinguished mathematical professors on the Fourth Dimension. An article commenting on this feat says: "Men of learning, who have spent all their lives in fathoming the mysteries of higher mathematics listened in wonder as the boy spoke of theorems in many cases hitherto unknown to them. Many of them frankly confessed their ignorance of things of which the boy talked glibly, and again they called on him to explain anew some of his propositions. The explanations were given as readily as the lecture, and on no occasion was the boy at a loss for an intelligent answer."

So wonderful, indeed, are the possibilities which he shows as the result of a properly developed mind, the cause to which Dr. Sides ascribes his peculiar abilities, that our educational system seems to be threatened with a complete revolution.

A. B. E., '11.

A Large Lumber Mill

The lumber mill of the Roper Lumber Company in Eastern North Carolina, occupies about fifteen acres of ground. It is situated on the banks of the Scuse River. Two railroads run into the yard.

When one is told that this mill saws seventeen hundred logs per day there is no conception of how much territory this is. One must see the four trainloads of logs to appreciate the vast amount of lumber manufactured here.

The transportation of a pine log into flooring boards, planks, lath, etc., is about as follows: The logs are rolled to a conveyor directly from the cars. The conveyer leaves them beside the carriages. On the carriages are three negroes, who "dog" the log on the carriage in less time than it takes to describe the process. Then they are off to the saw. Down the oor they go, the saw taking one or two inches of slab as the carriage goes down the oor and another slice on the return trip.

Having returned to its original position, the carriage is held there while a huge plunger, rising through the floor, grasps the great logs as a human hand would grasp a match stick, turns the log over, drops through the floor again, and allows the carriage to proceed on its way to the saw once more.

The log is now divided into four classes of lumber, viz.: slab, two-inch planks, one-inch boards and sawdust. The slab is carried on rollers to another saw, which cuts it into the short length for stove food. The two-inch planks

are taken to the drying kiln. The one-inch boards go to the edges, where they are squared up, thence to the dry kiln and later to the planing-mills, having first been sawn into floor board width.

The saw-dust is forced into a huge pipe by means of a suction fan, and goes to the fire room. These great pipes may be seen running from all parts of the mill to the fire-room, where the kerf is fed to the flames for fuel. The light kerf from the planing-mills is taken to "Little Hell." This is a good stack, seventy-eight feet high, and about twelve feet in diameter. It is open at the bottom. In the top perforations in the sides take off smoke and gases. The light kerf burns in the top of "Little Hell", making a beautiful glow at night. The difference in temperature at the top and bottom of the stack creates a draught of sufficient strength to draw a child into the stack if no resistance were made.

The steam generated in the engine room is used to drive dynamos. These dynamos furnish power to a number of smaller dynamos, which run saws, conveyers, etc., throughout the plant.

Conveyers and rollers are great labor savers. No lumber is handled by the employees, except in feeding the planing mill and storing away in the warehouse. As the boards leave the planing-mill they are graded and stored away according to the class to which they belong.

From the edgings are obtained lath and moulding. These are stored with the flooring boards and planks. Every inch of lumber is utilized, except the slab, which is sold for fire-wood. J. N. L., '10.

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PASSING THOUGHTS

Do you, as a student of Delaware College, recognize the real significance of the position held by the REVIEW as a college publication? In many cases the answer will be "No." If the answer is affirmative still another question arises: Have you given the REVIEW a share of your time and energy in order to make it worthy of the position it holds? It may be well to consider here a few facts. About 150 copies of the REVIEW are mailed ten times a year to Colleges, Libraries and to our Alumni, scattered all over the country. Many of the readers, especially in distant colleges, judge Delaware largely from the contents of the REVIEW. It is evident that the REVIEW can be a source of great credit or discredit to our institution. With the importance of the position held by the REVIEW made evident, does it deceive the full and generous co-operation of the student body? You can answer that question yourself. Only ten per cent. of the students take any active interest in the REVIEW. Contributions are hard to get in and come from the same men again and again. There are indeed, few men here at Delaware well endowed with literary talents so that the majority of the students need not think they are incapable of sending in material that will be up to the standard. Sometimes a trial will reveal talent unthought of before.

Stories are not the only things desired in REVIEW material. It has been more than a year since a good, interesting engineering article has appeared in

the college monthly. Articles on current events and on men of OUR age are always acceptable. The REVIEW at the present time is undergoing improvements: although entirely too slowly too keep up wtih the progressiveness of the college in general. Now that the student body is increasing each year, the resources are greater and the whole tenor of the REVIEW should improve. Freshmen should be compelled to subscribe. The price of the REVIEW is so small that every man can afford to subscribe to it.

A new executive board will soon be elected, and let us sincerely hope that under its administration the REVIEW will increase in value and become more collegiate in appearance, and that the student body will give it the help and support it deserves.

THE JUNIOR PROM.

Directly after the strain and worry of "exam" week comes a delightful and refreshing reaction—the Junior Prom, on February 4th. This is the crowning event of the Junior year, and also the big society event of the collegiate year. The Junior Prom. at Delaware is conceded to be one of the best and most select dances given in the State. It is given by the Juniors at the expenditure of a good deal of labor and money, and every student should attend if possible. The social side has its place in a man's college life as well as the mental and the physical side. The doors of the fraternity houses should be thrown open and the hospitality of the entire college extended to our friends and visitors. It might be well to caution the Junior class to see that the invitations are sent with discretion. The public judges these dances largely by the class of people who attend them, and it is their duty to see that the high standard set in the past be preserved.

OUR ALMA MATER

One of the best indications of college spirit and loyalty is maintained in a student's love and respect for his Alma Mater. The Alma Mater which we mean is that grand old hymn that every freshman learns to sing as soon as he enters our fold and which every Alumnus remembers so long as the faintest recollections of his college career remain with him. Delaware has indeed, a beautiful and inspiring college anthem, dignified in tune and significant in verse; but we either sadly lack other songs or else we do not realize the respect that should be due our college hymns. Whenever a "bunch" of students gather for a song on the steps or on the railway train, the song which comes is "Sweet Adaline," then some other popular favorite. Finally some one starts the Alma Mater unregardless of place or circumstances. When the Farmers' Institute asks the students to favor them with a song, the Alma Mater is given. Is this showing proper deference to the hymn that should put fire and fight into every Delaware man's heart when our honor is at stake or our colors about to be bowed to defeat?

We should have an inherent love for that grand old tune that would prevent us from desecrating it every time a few students gather to sing aimless sings. Our Alma Mater was composed for a purpose and should be used only for a purpose. Let that purpose always be lofty. We are more closely bound together when we hold and preserve certain precedents. None could be more wore worthy than an unwritten law that the Alma Mater should never be sung

except on more serious occasions, or when we know that its inspiring tune is needed to prepare for a coming battle, to save the day for Delaware.

In the Army, the bands do not intersperse the "Star Spangled Banner" with the popular marches. It is reserved for impressive ceremonies. Let us grasp the true meaning of our college hymn and preserve it with the same fidelity that we do the name and colors of Delaware. The cheer leader could readily help us by hustling around and getting some new songs—original and spirited—that one could learn to sing for our own amusement and thus give our Alma Mater the place of respect and distinction it deserves.

Athletics

W. A. REYNOLDS, '12

Basket-ball has dawned upon us. A much larger number of candidates have reported to Coach McAvoy than in previous years, but consilering the size of the student body, we should have a greater number of men out for the team than have responded. The more men trying for places the stronger is the team. If each and every man on the team is made to hustle for his position by a number of men, who are liable at any moment of the game to go in and replace him, he will not only play hard, but will train previous to his playing. Last year the team had the misfortune to lose four of its best men in the middle of the season, and four o fthe steady, hard-working candidates were given their places. These latter men received invaluable experience and form the nucleus of this year's quintet. Therein lies the secret of the success of four of the members of this year's team. They stuck to it, and won out by an unflinching and determined spirit. Therefore, fellow-students, if you were not on the team in the first few games, don't get discouraged, but keep on trying, for "if at first you don't succeed, try, try again." The last but not least important reason for sticking is that "Old Delaware" might need you just as it needed the new men last year; so don't be found lacking, for her sake.

BASKET BALL

DELAWARE, 54; ALL-COLLEGIATE, 16.

The first Varsity basketball game of the season took place in the College Gymnasium on Wednesday evening, December 22nd. Delaware played the crack All-Collegiate quintet. The opposing team was composed of University of Pennsylvania player, Spear, a Lehigh man, Daiet; an ex-Wilmington High School star, Divinney; and two old Delaware men, Baldwin and Newman. The contest was fast, but too much one-sided to be of interest to a sportsman. It was the Blue and Gold's game from the start. The passing of the Delaware team was superb, and every one shot with accuracy. For the Collegians, Speer and Divinney played good ball, and Hagner was the feature of the Delaware five. The score:

All-Collegiate.		Delaware.
Daiet	Forward	Houston
Divinney	Forward	Hagner
Baldwin	Center	Haley (Capt.)

Newman (Capt.)... Guard Eliason, Marshall, E. J.
Speer ..... Guard ..... Edgar

Goals from field—Hagner, 10; Marshall, 4; Houston, 5; Divinney, 4; Speer, 2; Daiet, 1; Eliason, 2; Edgar 3. Goals from fouls—Haley, 4; Daiet, 2. Time of halves—20 minutes. Umpire—Coach McAvoy.

WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, 20; SCRUBS, 6.

On the same evening of the 'Varsity-All-Collegiate game, the Scrubs played the strong five from the Wilmington High School. It was the visitors' game throughout. They were all over the floor at all times, and played rings around the second team. The game was remarkable for its cleanness, and was fully enjoyed by the spectators on that account. However, the Scrubs had hard luck in shooting. The Scrubs were unable to score in the second half and the game ended with the score in the visitors' favor, 20 to 6.

SCRUBS, 27; TOME, 19.

On Saturday, December 11th, the Scrub team went to Port Deposit, Md., to play the strong quintet of Tome Institute. The game was Delaware's from the start, and only because it was the first game of the season was the Blue and Gold score held to such a small number. When the referee's whistle blew, the score stood 27 to 19 in the visitors' favor.

SECOND GAME

MANHATTAN, 27; DELAWARE, 24.

In the second game of the season, Delaware lost to the Manhattan College five in Brooklyn, on January 7th. The home team admitted that the game was one of the fastest ever seen on La Salle court. The new rules that were put in effect by the New Yorkers were responsible for Delaware's defeat. The Blue and Gold was a trifle slow in the first half, which ended 12 to 6, in the home team's favor. This was due to the visitors' having to learn the new rules. In the second half both teams grew stronger, but Delaware had braced too late. Nugent was the star of the Brooklyn quintet, while Hagner as usual, led the teams in goal shooting. The line-up:

Manhattan.		Delaware.
Bolton, Ryan	Forward	Hagner
Murray, O'Brien ...	Forward	Sawin
Nugent (Capt.)	Center	Haley (Capt.)
Donahue	Guard	Marshall, Eliason
Conway	Guard	Edgar

Goals from field—Ryan, 4; Nugent, 3; Conway, 3; Hagner, 4; Haley, 3; Edgar, 2; Bolton, 1; Donohue, 1; Murray, 1; Sawin, 1; Marshall, 1; Eliason, 1. Goals from fouls—Nugent, 1. Referee—Mr. C. Mahoney, Fordham. Time of halves—20 minutes.

THIRD GAME

ST. JOHN'S, 54; DELAWARE, 13.

In the third game of the season, St. John's College of New York, defeated the Delaware quintet on the former's court in New York, on Saturday, January 8th. The game was very much one-sided, owing to the fact that the Blue

and Gold team had had the hardest game of the season on the night before, with Manhattan. The victors had also beaten Yale and Georgetown this year, and had been playing basketball two months previous to the Delaware game. The final score was 54 to 13. The line-up:

St. John's.		Delaware.
Heller	Forward	Hagner
Norman	Forward	Sawin, Houston
Yates	Center	Haley (Capt.)
O'Shay	Guard	Marshall
Reilly	Guard	Edgar, Eliason

Goals from field—Heller, 4; Norman, 7; O'Shay, 3; Reilly, 4; Hagner, 2; Haley, 1; Houston, 1; Marshall, 1; Edgar, 1. Goals from fouls—Haley 1; Norman, 6. Time of halves—20 minutes. Umpire—Edwards.

FOURTH GAME

DELAWARE, 30; TEMPLE, 14.

In the fourth game of the season the Delaware basketball team defeated its old rivals, Temple College, of Philadelphia, in the College Gymnasium, on Wednesday night, January 12th. The game was a slugging match throughout, and the Blue and Gold only won through superior team work. Last year, Temple defeated the cadets by four points, through their rough tactics, and when they appeared in Newark this year, the home team was prepared for a repetition of last year's game. The visitors were beaten at their own game, and a man on each side was disqualified for unnecessary roughness. The game ended in a one-sided score of 30 to 15, with Temple carrying the small end. The line-up:

Delaware.		Temple.
Hagner	Forward	Keating
Sawin, Edgar	Forward	Turner
Haley (Capt.)	Center	Penrose, Edwards
Marshall, Houston	Guard	Morgan (Capt.)
Taylor	Guard	Redmond

Goals from field—Sawin, 2; Hagner, 4; Marshall, 2; Taylor, 1; Haley, 1; Edgar, 2; Houston, 2; Turner, 1; Morgan, 2; Keating, 2; Turner, 2. Goals from fouls—Haley, 2. Time of Halves—20 minutes. Umpire—Coach McAvoy.

A preliminary game between Old Swedes' team of Wilmington and the Delaware Scrubs was won by the visitors, 17 to 9. The game was a repetition of the Wilmington High School and Scrubs, except that it was a much slower one. The line-up:

Old Swedes.		Scrubs.
Kersey	Forward	Lewis
Walther	Forward	Harvey (Capt.)
Hagan	Center	Heisler
Hallet (Capt.)	Defense	Patterson
Jones	Defense	Stewart

Goals from field—Harvey, 2; Hagan, 2; Walther, 3; Kersey, 2; Patterson, 1; Jones, 1. Goals from fouls—Harvey; Kersey, 1. Tim eof halves—20 minutes. Umpire—Willey, '11.

FIFTH GAME

DELAWARE, 34; MANHATTAN, 19.

After a defeat at the hands of Manhattan College on the latter's court, in Brooklyn, but one week previous, Delaware showed their true form to the Sons of Gotham in the College Gymnasium on Friday night, January 14th. The game was played under the regular inter-collegiate rules, instead of those used by Manhattan in Brooklyn, so that the cadets easily won by the score of 34 to 19. The game was one of the cleanest, and yet most spectacular, that Delaware has taken part in this year. Nugent again was the star of the visitors, while Hagner's goal shooting was a feature of the Blue and Gold quintet. The line-up:

Delaware.		Manhattan.
Hagner	Forward	Murray
Houston	Forward	Ryan
Sawin, Marshall	Center	Nugent, (Capt.)
Haley (Capt.)	Guard	Donohue
Edgar, Taylor	Guard	Conway

Goals from field—Hagner, 6; Taylor, 4; Houston, 3; Haley, 1; Edgar, 1; Sawin, 1; Murray, 6; Conway, 1. Goals from field—Haley, 1; Houston, 1; Nugent, 6. Umpire—G. Smith. Time of halves—20 minutes.

INTER-CLASS GAMES

JUNIORS, 21; SENIORS, 6.

The inter-class games were held in the College Gymnasium on Wednesday night, December 8th. The Junior-Senior game was in the former's favor throughout. The line-up:

Seniors.		Juniors.
Cann, (Capt.)	Forward	O. Marshall
Corkran	Forward	Leonard, Ledenham Leonard, Ledenham.
Eliason, Rothrock	Center	Hagner
Edgar	Guard	J. Marshall
Bacon, Horn	Guard	Houston

Goals from field—Hagner, 8; Patterson, 1; Edgar, 1; Goals from fouls—Edgar, 1; Houston, 1; Eliason, 1; Cann, 3; Hagner, 2. Referee—Coach McAvoy. Time of halves—20 minutes.

SOPHOMORES, 34; FRESHMEN, 9.

After the Junior-Senior game the Sophomores and Freshmen again fought for class supremacy and the former easily defeated the latter by the score of 34 to 9. Class spirit ran high throughout both contests, and the "gym" resounded with yells all the time. The results of the two games made it necessary for the two winning teams to play for the inter-class championship. The line-up:

Freshmen.		Sophomores.
Sawdon	Forward	Ayrest
Lynch, Haley	Forward	Taylor
Bush, (Capt.)	Center	Sawin, (Capt.)

Braun	Guard	Levis, Knopf
Foster	Guard	Harvey, Lewis

Goals from field—Taylor, 4; Lewis, 4; Harvey, 3; Sawin, 2; Knopf, 1; Braun, 3. Goals from fouls—Haley, 3. Umpire—Coach McAvoy. Time of halves—20 minutes.

SOPHOMORES, 18; JUNIORS, 15.

In one of the fastest basketball contests known in the history of Delaware College, the Sophomores defeated the Juniors, on the evening of December 15, in the inter-class finals, by the score of 18 to 15.

The Juniors, last year's champions, started off with a rush and made four points before the victors got started. However, the lower classmen found their speed in time and the first half ended with the score at 14 to 4. In the second half the Sophomores weakened and the Juniors scored nine points on fouls alone. The members of the class of 1911 were overconfident of victory, and this fact may have had something to do with their defeat. But the team work of the second year men was almost ideal. Sawin, captain of the Sophomores, was the star of the evening, while Taylor was also in superb form. Houston's goal shooting and Hagner's dribbling were the Junior features. The line-up:

Sophomores.		Juniors.
Lewis	Forward	J. Marshall
Taylor	Forward	Houston
Sawin, (Capt.)	Center	Hagner
Harvey	Guard	Patterson (Capt.)
Ayerst	Guard	O. Marshall

Goals from field—Sawin, 4; Taylor, 2; Harvey, 1; O. Marshall, 1; Houston, 1; Hagner, 2. Goals from fouls—Houston, 7; Ayerst, 2; Sawin, 2. Umpire—Coach McAvoy and Haley, Class of 1913. Time of halves—20 minutes.

We are glad to find that at last the indoor sports have found a place among our college athletics, and we feel sure that the recent success of the inter-class indor sports and the interest already shown in base ball games will only act as incentives to a larger number of men to come out and join in the fun.

On January 1, the Athletic Association held its first indoor base ball practice under the coaching of William McAvoy, athletic instructor. Twenty-five men answered the call of the coach and reported in the gymnasium at 4 o'clock. A diamond had been laid out on the "gym" floor and one of the regulation balls was obtained by the association. The men were divided into two teams of nine men each and played a two inning game as a starter. The rules differ from the outdoor game in that the pitcher has to pitch the sphere underhand and no man is allowed to steal a base until the ball has either been struck by the bat or touched the catcher's hands. If the ball hits the batter the batter does not get his base, but it is counted as one ball.

Coach McAvoy wants to start a series of inter-class games in the near future, and this is his reason for starting practice now. The game ended in a 2 to 1 victory for the scrubs. The line-up differs from the outdoor game in that there is no center fielder, but a right and left shortstop. An unlimited amount of interest has followed the first practice and the enthusiasm for the game will soon be responsible for the "re-arousing" of the inter-class rivalry.

AN ELECTION

On Wednesday, December 8th, after the football team had had its picture taken, Lawrence Brevard Cann (1911) was elected captain of the gridiron team to succeed John R. Rothrock, who will finish his post-graduate work in June. Cann is a half-Senior and a half-Junior, but it will require one more year to entitle him to his diploma. This is his first year as a "D" man, but he has played for two years on the scrub team. He played right end and right halfback on this year's 'Varsity, and was the only man to play every minute of every game. His playing has always been of first class order, both in breaking up interference and in carrying the ball. Cann hails from Kirkwood, Del. He prepared for college at the Wilmington Friends' School, on whose team he played as long as he was enrolled as a student. "Laurie" is nineteen years old, weighs 145 pounds and is five feet six and three-quarter inches in height.

TWO ELECTIONS

On Wednesday, December 8th, the Athletic Association held its monthly meeting. J. Orton Marshall was elected manager of the 1910 football team, and after a contested election, Samuel H. Tammany was elected assistant manager. Mr. Marshall succeeds Mr. Horn, and his popularity could have been manifested in no more fitting manner than by his election, which was unanimous.

RIFLE RANGE

The first of the preliminary matches of the International Rifle Association comprising many of the semi-miltary colleges of the country, was held on the indoor range of the college, Thursday afternoon, January 13th. The range was fifty feet and the cadets used 22 calibre shells. Each man shot ten rounds standing and prone. The targets were six inches by nine inches with one-inch bull's-eye. The Commandant, Lieutenant E. S. Stayer, was in command of the match and First Sergeant H. Heisler was captain of the team. In last year's intercollegiate finals Delaware stood sixteenth with a score of 818, and this first preliminary match the Blue and Gold scored 864 with but two days of practice. These ten preliminary matches were instituted at the suggestion of Lieut. Stayer; consequently Delaware College should show more interest in the matches than any other college, because if we make these shoots a success the Lieutenant's future proposals will receive additional consideration.

The individual scores of the Delaware team in the first match are:

Cadet.	Standing.	Prone
Corporal Carswell	35	39
Corporal Whittingham	31	40
Sergeant Patterson	38	49
Lieutenant Schaeffer	43	43
Corporal Gwilliam	43	45
Corporal Ayerst	39	49
Private Vandergrift	46	49
Sergeant Heisler	42	44
Corporal Sloan	44	45
Sergeant Eastman	42	40
	403	443

Locals

EDITED BY J. V. ENNIS, '11

The Sigma Phi Epsilon boys gave their annual dance in the Newark Opera House on Friday evening, January 7. There were about eighty dancing couples present, among whom were college men and fraternal brothers from Pennsylvania, Yale, George Washington, and Haverford. There were also numerous alumni and friends from Wilmington, Dover, Seaford and Elkton. The refreshments were served by Edward E. Hanna, caterer, from Wilmington. The dining-room tables were lighted by seventy-five candelabra, one of which was placed at each plate. The patronesses were Mrs. Elisha Conover, Mrs. C. A. Short, Mrs. C. O. Houghton, Mrs. L. K. Bowen, Mrs. Delaware Clark, and Mrs. Joseph Hossinger. Music was furnished by the First Infantry Orchestra, Wilmington.

Owing to the recent bad weather, outside drilling of the Cadet Corps has been abandoned. The cadets have obtained rubber-soled shoes and the Companies now assemble in the gymnasium where they are being instructed in the Manual of Arms, Butts Manual and Rifle drill.

During the Christmas vacation the dining-room of the Delaware College Boarding Club was painted by the college. The improvements have added much to the appearance of the room, and are highly appreciated by the management and members of the boarding club.

A debating class, the work of which is elective and is open to all students, has been organized with Prof. Maxfield in charge. Prof. Maxfield intends to give the class practical work in reading, speaking and debating. In these exercises delivery, pronounciation and enunciation are to receive special attention. The inability to deliver their arguments has been the main cause of the defeat of several Delaware debating teams. With some training in this direction, there is no reason why a winning team should not be developed.

In addition to the numerous prizes offered annually at Delaware, Mr. Joseph H. Perkins, '07, has offered three prizes of five, three and two dollars, respectively, for the three best short stories written and published in the REVIEW during the academic year 1909-10. In memory of her son, Garret Stout Smith, '12, Mrs. Smith has offered a prize of ten dollars to the member of the Sophomore Class making the best grade in English for the present academic year.

Our mid-year "exams." began on Monday, January 24. Their approach was noticeable by the unusual quietness in the "dorms" and by the burning of the "midnight electric light."

We understand that Prof. Short has asked Prof. Tiffany for a preparation, which will act as an air purifier for his physics room. The need of such a preparation is due chiefly to the odor generated by the excessive quantity of "overripe" jokes opened by the members of the Ancient Free and Accepted Order of Antiquated Chestnuts. We hope that Prof. Tiffany's preparation will be successful. Otherwise, we fear that this field which has hitherto proven such a favorite place for the operations of the Order will henceforth be closed.

Davis, '11, has been searching the chemical laboratory for a borax head. This was his interpretation of his notes for borax bead.

Millington (speaking of Carswell)—Density compared to water, 999.

Prof. Tiffany (in mineralogy)—"Scott, what other kinds of carbon besides the diamond, the there?"

Scott (quickly returning to earth)—"Sulphur."

Horn—We are feeding the cows at Rehoboth on peanuts, now.

Cochran—What's the object?

Horn—To get fresh peanut-butter-milk.

Dr. Sypherd (in English, to Davis, J. R.)—Mr. Davis, do you recall the Biblical story conerning Saul?

Davis (after thinking for some time)—Was he the fellow who was turned into a bag of salt?

Ennis, '11 (in dining-room)—Who cracked the glass?

Gruenstein—"Millington. He thought it was a joke."

Prof. Penny (discussing gold and silver)—Mr. Frazer, what was the cause of the agitation of the 16 to 1 question, several years ago?

Frazer—William Jennings Bryan.

Lowe, '10, is nursing an injured knee. It is rumored that the cause is a rather humble position before a certain fair friend. Said friend has generously recommended Phenal Sodique, Talcum Powder, frostilla, witch-hazel, bay-rum and certain other toilet articles that she happened upon in Lowe's room while visiting that part of the building with Lowe's room-mate.

Attix—Sam, why are you always chewing oyur lead pencil?

Oh, just to get a literary taste, replied Tammany.

A hug—energy going to waist.

I stood upon a mountain
And gazed down on a plain;
I saw a lot of green stuff
That looked like moving grain;
I took another look at it,
I thought it must be grass,
But, goodness, to my horror
It was the Freshman class. Soph.

Laws (entering Wilson's room)—"Miff, tell me something to write about."
Wilson (busy studying?) stopped and offered several suggestions.
Laws—"Oh, they are no good."
Wilson—"Well, right about face, and get out of here."
Prof.—What was the first talking machine made of?
Pupil—A rib. Ex.

HALF-MINUTE ROMANCE.

The little boy sat on the park bench and swung his feet.
"I'll tell you what my name is, if you will tell me yours," he said.
"Well, what is it?" asked the little girl.
"Lemme Kisheu." What's yours?"
"Allie Wright," and she sat still and waited. Ex.

De Alumnis

EDITED BY C. T. McCHESNEY, '11

Professor Clarence A. Short, '96, represented "Delaware" at the fourth annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association, held recently in the Murray Hill Hotel, New York. Professor Short followed the stirring address made by President A. E. Alderman, of the University of Virginia, with a characteristically interesting speech upon the question of "What is to be Done to Save Football?" The address was reproduced in a dozen newspapers and a summary with quotations is here given. "Professor Short declared that the time was not far off when the playing of football would be declared a crime in several States, and then he said the whole future of the game would be menaced. He was for a radical reformation in the character of the sport. 'The mothers and fathers of the boys who go to our colleges,' said he, 'moy not know anything about the rules of the game, but they know when their children come home with injuries that may cripple them for life, and they want to have their children spared from this brutal game if possible.' Professor Short estimates that fully 57 colleges and universities were in favor of modifying the game, 26 were for abolition (of which Delaware is one) and only 5 of the larger institutions contend with the present state of affairs. Editorials that have since appeared in leading periodicals, state "that the meeting was far-reaching in its influence toward the perpetuation and upraising of our virile National game."

Mr. George Biddle, '53, Superintendent of Public Schools in Cecil county, and President of the Maryland School Teachers' Association, died recently at his home on East Main street Elkton, aged 73 years. Mr. Biddle was a trustee of Delaware College, enjoyed the distinction of being an honor man in the Class of 1853, and was an active Alumnus. He was a successful farmer also, and a member of the Peninsula Horticultural Association. Mr. Biddle was vestryman in the St. Stephen's Church, Earleville, and at one time served as a member of the Maryland Legislature. His long life of earnest, active and faithful endeavor has done much toward the betterment of the free public school system in his native State, and also to reflect great credit upon the institution which educated him.

Mr. Edward Reynolds, '59, a respected resident of Middletown, recently succumbed to an attack of abdominal trouble, aged 69 years. Mr. Reynolds for a number of years conducted the Transcript and was later a member of the S. M. Reynolds & Co., but of late years had engaged in the insurance business.

Professor Edward L. Smith, '96, represented Delaware at the meeting of the Modern Language Association which was held at Cornell during Christmas week.

Lieutenant Julian C. Smith, '07, has been detailed to accompany the Atlantic Squadron to Cuban waters for target practice. This trip was made possible for Lieutenant Smith by virtue of the high average he received in recent examinations, which released him from a similar trip to revolutionary Nicaragua.

Arthur Hauber, '06, recently sent an interesting letter to Professor Robinson, telling of his work in superintending the construction of roads ad bridges,

since graduation, in the employ of the Philippine Insular Government Survey Mr. Hauber was placed in full charge of all construction on the West coast of Cuba, after being connected with the service for a period of only one and one-half years. Within a few months, Mr. Hauber contemplates a return to the "Good Old U. S. A." as he expressed it, via Europe.

On Friday evening, January 7th, the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity held their second annual dance in the Newark Opera House. The function was declared a decided success by all present, which included dancers from three States. The following Alumni returned: William Francis, '08; Carroll Coale, ex-'10; Robert Carswell, '09; T. N. Newman, '08; Frank Bildwin, '08; and Floyd Wingett, '09; H. Allen George, ex-'12; Russell George, ex-'12.

Agricultural Notes

Dr. Cook has recently spent ten days in research work at the New York Botanical Gardens and the libraries in New York City.

Professors Grantham and McCue addressed a Farmers' Institute recently held at Camden, Del. Prof. Grantham has also been asked to speak at a Farmers' Meeting at Doe Run, Pa., early in February.

Judge D. O. Hastings recently purchased a pair of Berkshire pigs from the College farm for his farm at Dover.

Director Hayward attended the meeting of the New York State Agricultural Society in co-operation with the State Department of Agriculture. The general subject discussed at this meeting was, "What is being done and what needs to be done in New York State for the advancement of Agriculture, especially along educational lines."

An American Merino of the A type has recently been purchased from one of the best known breeders in Vermont, and a pair of Rambouillet ewes have been ordered from the Michigan Agricultural College. These sheep are for use in class room work.

Mr. William Telfer, a Scotchman, has assumed his duties as Superintendent of Live Stock at the College farm.

Professors Thompson and Grantham have recently started a very elaborate experiment to determine the action of various carriers of lime upon the organic matter in soils. The apparatus is of their own design, and is complex and unique in its character. The experiment has been the cause of some very favorable comment from those who are conversant with the far reaching results that the likely to be obtained from this investigation. The work is being done under the provisions of the Adams Act.

The new Station chemical laboratory and library have just been completed. The library will furnish shelf room for from 5,000 to 6,000 volumes.

Director Hayward has engagements to address the New Century Club at Milford, and The Brotherhood of Grace M. E. Church of Wilmington, next month.

Bulletin 86, "Crimson Clover: Its Rate of Gaining Nitrogen," by Prof. Penny and Dr. MacDonald, former chemists of the Experiment Station, has been received from the printer.

Exchanges

EDITED BY T. F. WATTS, '10

An editorial entitled "The Militant Agnostic" in the December "Haverfordian" cause us to open wide our eyes with surprise. For an exact and graphic account of conditions such as exist here, only on a much smaller scale, than that which we would conclude is the fashion at Haverford, that editorial seems to "fill the bill" exactly. At first reading we were wont to suspect that the editor of "The Harfordian" incognito, armed with pad and pencil had been down here looking around the dormitories in search of material for his editorial. But upon raking our memory to its utmost capacity and interviewing George Termes, we were unable to find any evidence of a suspicious looking individual hanging around "these parts." So we were forced to accept as a solution to the above mentioned editorial, that it was simply a lucky coincidence, and let it go at that. For a more accurate description it would be hard to find its equal. Hardly had we reached the end when we were waylaid in exactly the manner which "The Haverfordian" described so aptly. Many thanks, Haverfordian, for your editorial.

"The Messenger of Glad Tidings," in the Western Maryland College Monthly, was a good story. Although we try to refrain so from criticism, if we have not something favorable to say, still we have to admit that this story was above the usual caliber of the contents of the "Monthly." As we said before, the story was good and held well to the object in view, but there were several glaring inconsistencies. For instance, if we were to accept the author's statements as authoritative, we should be led to believe that very changeable, made-to-order weather, existed in Rome. To quote the author we have in the beginning, "A crowd is surging from the gardens of Nero in the darkness of a December night. This definitely fixes the time of the scene which he describes so aptly. Now another—"An hour later a horseman was speeding along the Appian Way into the night of wind and storm," which seems reasonable and most certainly consistent with the time of the year, which we are told in the first sentence was December. But our beliefs are most rudely shocked in the following sentence which reads: "the days of the emperor were ?- nificent butcheries had been unusually warm and fair. Summer had so swayed autumn with her influences that lilacs were budding in the gardens." Certainly by no means could these two statements be made to agree, which leaves us in doubt as to the time of the year. Still another extract, "wrapping his cloak about the little bundle which he thought must be the body of a child, he set off toward Rome, in the face of the snow-laden blast of the wind." By weighing the extracts pro and con we are able to arrive at the conclusion that December is the time intended. Possibly we are supposed to overlook such little details; but it seems to us that consistency is a valuable asset in every story.

A very pleasing feature of the "Mercerian" is the unusually good exchange department. Four pages of well written and intelligent criticism were the testimony of the ability and diligence of the editor. Too many "ex-men" seem to think that a small amount of comment on "such and such articles," with a few jokes, in the majority of cases somewhat ancient, are all that is required of

them. While we do not wish to appear lavish or profane with our praise, in our opinion "The Mercerian" had the best department of all our December exchanges.

"Frenchy," in "The Mercerian", was a catchy little story. The author paid a considerable compliment to the charms of the American girls, or perhaps, upon looking at it from the other side, it was a rather cruel picture of the inconsistency of the French "dandy" in his description of the rapidity in which "Frenchy" fell in love with the American beauty, even though his Suzanne was awaiting him in Sunny France.

The Christmas number of the Blair Hall Breeze seemed to us to be a misnomer. Upon careful perusal we were able to find two stories, neither of which had the least bearing upon Christmas, which plus the editorials constituted the sum total of the literary efforts. In our opinion, if it had been called the "Athletic Number" it would have been more in keeping with its contents. Athletic notes drawn out to undue length and, then for a change, more athletic notes, constituted the major portion of this number. Undoubtedly from the undergraduate viewpoint, a well edited athletic department's an important factor in every collegiate publication, but when drawn out to undue length, causes our contemporaries to conclude that athletics are the most important part of the collegiate or scholastic curriculum. For example, the account of the C. C. I. game was undoubtedly drawn out to a point, where it became tiresome, to say the least. As the most pleasing feature of the Christmas number, we would name the exchange column which was a decided improvement.

We are in receipt this month of two new exchanges, the one, "The Southern Collegian" from Washington and Lee University, the other, "The Comet" from the Cecil County High School. To the Collegian, with its long record of success back of it, we find comment useless, except that we hope we may continue to recive it every month. To "The Comet" on its initial appearance, we extend our best wishes for a successful career.

REST.

They tell me in this human life,
Who have the darker, dimmer side,
And struggle with the bleak, wild tide,
That rest is sweetest after strife,
They tell me, in the longest night
Who greatly toil with anguished soul,
And reach at last the long'd for goal,
That dawn is sweetest to their sight. — The Mercerian.

We acknowledge the receipt of the following exchanges:—The Mountaineer, The Haverfordian, The Fordham Monthly, The Southern Collegian, The Mercerian, The Georgetown College Journal, The Western Maryland College Monthly, The Tome, The Breeze, The Iris, The Comet, The College Student, The Mercury, The Albright Bulletin, The Niagara Index, The D'Youville Magazine The Muhlenberg, The M. H. Aerolith, The Brown and White, The Ursinus Weekly, The Ides, The Literary Advance, and The Perkiomenite.

Inter-Collegiate Notes

A. B. EASTMAN, '11

At a recent meeting of the Cornell University faculty, some of the professors favored a resolution forbidding the game of football, on the ground that it was dangerous, and furthermore that inter-collegiate football contests got too much prominence and were detrimental to ethical standing. Others held that the game should be retained but that radical changes in its character were necessary. Finally the following resolution was adopted:

With a view to securing greater safety of life and limb and higher standards of honor and fair play, it is the insistent opinion of this faculty that the continuance of football is a game for undergraduates depend upon an effective revision and enforcement of the rules regulating the game. This opinion applies farther to the selection of officials and to the conduct of players and coaches." The football question has been discussed nin the faculty meetings of almost every Eastern college, and the majority have agreed that some revision or change should be made in regard to the game.

A new library and administration building has lately been completed at Western Maryland College. In the main are a treasurer's office, two rooms for the president, a Board room, and a museum. On the second floor is the library of 25,000 volumes, and a reading room. Below the main floor are two society halls. The interior finish is in weather oak, and the decorations and casement windows make an artistic and attractive appearance.

The enrollment of a few of our Universities for 1909, including the summer enrollment, is given below:

Columbia, 6,132; Harvard, 5,558; Chicago, 5,487; Michigan, 5,250; Cornell, 5,028; Pennsylvania, 4,857; Yale, 3,276; Syracuse, 3,248; Princeton 1,398; Virginia, 767; Johns Hopkins, 710.

For the first time in the history of Yale University the Ten Eyck prize for speaking was won by a Chinese, when Yum-Hsiang Ts'ao, of Shanghai, China, a Junior, was awarded the honor. The award carries with it the income of a fund of $2000 established in 1888, in memory of Henry James Ten Eyck, of the Class of 1879. Ts'ao's subject was "America and the Far East."

Statistics tabulated by the registrar of Massachusetts of Technology, show that the Freshman class is the youngest that has ever entered there, the average age being 18.2 years. The oldest member of the class is 30 years old, and the youngest is 17. There are altogether, 355 Freshmen with representatives from nearly every state in the Union, and from 18 foreign countries. Among the foreigners is Lieut. Ranego Goto of Tokio, a graduate of the Imperial Japanese Naval College, who took an active part in the Russo-Japanese War. Mr. Goto is taking mining engineering, and is one of the three men sent out by the Japanese government this year to study abroad. Another foreigner is Nicholas Ratsauros, of Athens, Greece. He is a graduate of the National University of Athens, where he received the degree of Doctor of Mathematics. He intends to specialize in mathematics.

The Pennsylvania State Agricultural College is to have a six weeks' summer course, especially adapted to teachers and superintendents.

The first glider for the Oero Club of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is now under construction. It was designed by the engineering committee. All the parts will be made by the members themselves.

Of the class that graduated at Harvard last June, 135 went into business, 99 into the law, 54 into engineering, 43 into teaching, 41 into medicine, 18 into journalism, 16 into architecture, 12 into the ministry, and 9 are devoting themselves to the varied forms of chemistry. The records show that the wide term, "business" is claiming more college graduates each year.

What an expensive item in college life football is, may be seen from the fact that it cost Yale University $46,235 for the season last year. This is a trifle more than usual, but not much more. In addition, nearly $20,000 was required for repairs on the grand-stand.

Our New Library

The most noteworthy addition to the college buildings since the erection of the gymnasium in 1905, is our attractive new library. During the last fifteen years, especially—years which have witnessed so great an expansion in all departments of Delaware College—instructors and students alike have felt the serious inconveniences of our old library facilities. Our collection of books, thanks to the unwearied activity of Professor E. L. Vallandigham and Dr. Edgar Dawson, has been reasonably adequate. In English Literature, History and Economics, the divisions in which the greatest demand is made, our several thousands of volumes have been ample for the general needs of students. We have also had on our reading tables a good collection of general and technical periodicals. But these books and magazines could not be used to advantage. We could not expect students to use a library which, apart from its inaccessibility, was comfortable neither in the warm days of the summer months nor in the cold days of the mid-winter months. The third floor of Recitation Hall, the old library quarters, was as those of us know who were at the college before 1909, in every way unsuitable.

But these disagreeable conditions are now things of the past. When we returned to college last September we found that the building formerly occupied by the Kappa Alpha Fraternity had during the summer been completely remodelled into what many of us consider the most attractive of our college buildings. Through the generosity of the last State legislature, which appropriated a sum of money to be expended for specific purposes, the trustees were able to spend about $1500 in converting what had been for many years a residence into a building which for twenty years at least ought to answer all the needs of a college library. At present we have in our new quarters about 8,000 books, all accurately catalogued and conveniently shelved, and 150 periodicals, the latter all placed in the main reading room and alphabetically arranged. On the first floor, at the right of the street entrance, is the main reading room, admirably lighted by day or night. Here may be found, as we have first indicated, the periodicals, and also our collection of general works in science and reference books for all departments. At the left of the main entrance are two

rooms which contain books in English and History. Here is located also the librarian's desk. Directly back of the second room is the catalogueing room, which serves also as a store room for unbound magazines. Two rooms on the second floor contain the bound magazines, and books in French, German, and other foreign languages. The third room will be fitted up shortly as a trophy room.

The use that students and instructors have so far made of the new library, with its comfortably heated and lighted rooms, seems to justify amply the expenditure that has been made and has exceeded greatly the expectations of those who have worked to bring this change about. The library is open every week-day from 8:45 a. m. to 10 p. m. It may interest some of our readers to know that the number of readers in the library for 54 days of this college year was 1529, and that 534 students used the library in the evening. Instructors and students have drawn out 267 books and students have used 55 reserved books. The gain to almost every department of the college from this liberal use of our collection of books is obvious. This increase in efficiency is, we are happy to say, but one sign of the growing worth of our State college ss an institution where the young men of Delaware may be educated broadly, thoroughly, and for the greatest usefulness.

General Regulations of the Delaware College Library

1. The Library will be open on week days (except on holidays) from 8:45 a. m. till 10 p. m.

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3. Members of the Faculty may retain books three months.

4. For every book not returned in two weeks from the date of the loan or renewal, a student shall pay a fine of two cents a day until the book is returned.

5. Borrowers may take out books only after they have been charged by the Librarian or his Assistant. Any student who violates this rule will incur a fine of $1.00. If the offense is repeated, he will be excluded from the Library.

6. Until fines are paid, a student will not be allowed to take out books, and he may be excluded from all privileges.

7. No borrower shall write in a book, or turn down the leaves, or in any other way injure the volume.

8. Any student who abuses the privileges of the Library may be excluded therefrom at the discretion of the Librarian.

9. All books must be returned to the Library on or before the Friday preceding Commencement.

10. According to the regulations of the Board of Trustees, the accounts of a student with the college must be settled before he will be given a Diploma. Under this rule, a student must return all books to the Library and pay all fines before Commencement.

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But these disagreeable conditions are now things of the past. When we returned to college last September we found that the building formerly occupied by the Kappa Alpha Fraternity had during the summer been completely remodelled into what many of us consider the most attractive of our college buildings. Through the generosity of the last State legislature, which appropriated a sum of money to be expended for specific purposes, the trustees were able to spend about $1500 in converting what had been for many years a residence into a building which for twenty years at least ought to answer all the needs of a college library. At present we have in our new quarters about 8,000 books, all accurately catalogued and conveniently shelved, and 150 periodicals, the latter all placed in the main reading room and alphabetically arranged. On the first floor, at the right of the street entrance, is the main reading room, admirably lighted by day or night. Here may be found, as we have first indicated, the periodicals, and also our collection of general works in science and reference books for all departments. At the left of the main entrance are two

rooms which contain books in English and History. Here is located also the librarian's desk. Directly back of the second room is the catalogueing room, which serves also as a store room for unbound magazines. Two rooms on the second floor contain the bound magazines, and books in French, German, and other foreign languages. The third room will be fitted up shortly as a trophy room.

The use that students and instructors have so far made of the new library, with its comfortably heated and lighted rooms, seems to justify amply the expenditure that has been made and has exceeded greatly the expectations of those who have worked to bring this change about. The library is open every week-day from 8:45 a. m. to 10 p. m. It may interest some of our readers to know that the number of readers in the library for 54 days of this college year was 1529, and that 534 students used the library in the evening. Instructors and students have drawn out 267 books and students have used 55 reserved books. The gain to almost every department of the college from this liberal use of our collection of books is obvious. This increase in efficiency is, we are happy to say, but one sign of the growing worth of our State college ss an institution where the young men of Delaware may be educated broadly, thoroughly, and for the greatest usefulness.

General Regulations of the Delaware College Library

1. The Library will be open on week days (except on holidays) from 8:45 a. m. till 10 p. m.

2. All books, with the exception of "Reserved" or "Reference" books, may be kept out two weeks, with the privilege of renewal at the discretion of the Librarian.

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4. For every book not returned in two weeks from the date of the loan or renewal, a student shall pay a fine of two cents a day until the book is returned.

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8. Any student who abuses the privileges of the Library may be excluded therefrom at the discretion of the Librarian.

9. All books must be returned to the Library on or before the Friday preceding Commencement.

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Doings of the Ancient, Free and Accepted Order of Antiquated Chestnuts

We wish to make known to our readers that the F. S. and H. Auxiliary were to a member "tickled to death" by the thought of being recognized by our noble organization. "West Point" Whittingham, the (noble?) president, has been noticed going around among the "Fruits" inspiring in them, loyalty to the mother organization. Of course, we do not want our readers to get the idea that the F. S. and H. is in any way connected with the A. F. A. O. A. C., but a member of the F.S.andH., who has passed through all of the chairs of that organization may with the consent of our four charter members become a minor footstool in our order.

We realize that this prologue must of necessity be a trifle tiresome to our readers, but in self-defense we would beg to explain that it is absurdly necessary to make clear the distinction between our exalted organization, and our inferiors. We understand that Ennis, '11, is endeavoring to herd us with the rural local notes. It is not for us to doubt his purpose. Of course, we would not say that he is short of local news. Oh! no! Remember, fellows, "He that laughs last, laughs like a rolling stone."

NEWS NOTES.

At Prof. Short's suggestion Lewis' "front handle" has been changed from "Ancient Eggs" to "Camphor," in order to rid the atmosphere of that peculiar dead smell.

Now casting the burrs aside to get down to the kernel, (not colonel).

One night last week Maier, '12, paid a call upon a "young" Wilmington lady. Fred was evidently in a quiet mood for about 8.30 he was aroused by this remark, "Goodness, my hands are cold." Fred said nothing.

Shortly after she again faintly murmured, "Nobody loves me."

This time Fred actually awoke to the fact that something was required of him, and answered, "God loves you; sit on your hands."

"Sunset" McCafferty and "Plow" Attix were coming from the library along a narrow, winding path, through the snow. Just as they turned the corner they come face to face with Prof. Conover, who said, "Boys this is surely the narrow path, but not the straight one."

McCafferty turned to Attix and said: "No it is not the straight path, but it has a lot of crooks on it."

A debate came off in Physics one day. The question debated was "Is there any possibility of Lewis' head being a vacuum." Millington was for the affirmative and Rice negative. The decision was given in favor of affirmative.

We notice that Allmond, '12, is looking from the dark. Did sadness or Lewis' fists do it?

In Chemistry Class. Prof. Tiffany—"Maier, what is the difference between O 3 and O?"

Maier, with great mathematical precision, answered, "2 O's."

McCafferty is going to the Philippines as an agent for the Karluck Salmon Company.

Why?

Ask the Sophs.

Too much Christmas for "Kid Staller" Knopf. He has trotted to classes very seldom.

On account of the nearness of the mid-year exams, we have not been able to put much time in this month's collection, but we hope that our readers will look for our notes next month. They will not disappoint you.

(Signed)
"Camphor" Lewis.
"Tell it to Sweeney" Rice.
"Kid Staller" Knopf.
"Queenie" Millington.

The Eternal Questions of the Classes

Isn't it funny that the best time to get soft water is when it is raining hard.

Could you call swearing sheet music?

Most things go to the buyer, but coal goes to the cellar.

Lowe, '10, says that he always folds up his money and puts it in his pocket-book, and when he takes it out he finds it increases.

Jolls, '12—"Is that all you've got to eat here?"
Millington, '12—"I haven't got to eat it. I work here."

Armstrong, '10 (in logic class)—"Professor, don't you think it's rather cold in here?"
Prof. Conover—"Well, then, we'll have some cold facts."

The King, overburdened with the mighty affairs of State, fell fainting into the arms of the Queen. As he gained consciousness he faintly asked, "What happened?"
"You fainted, and I brought you to," answered the Queen.
"Then bring me two more," said the King, as he gently closed his eyes.
And the joke was on the Queen.

Overheard at the class inter-class basket-ball game:
Fresh—"I wonder who's going to play first?"
Shaw, '10—"This is a basket-ball game, kid, not a base ball game."
Fresh—"Oh, pshaw!"

Freshman—"How many plates in drawing have you handed in?"

Sophomore—"How many Freshmen did you wet?"

Junior—"How many unknowns have you got out?"

Senior—"How many flunks have you got?"

I can't imagine why it is,
  I surely cannot tell,
But every time I try to rhyme
  It really sounds like——
  No, that won't do!

And when again, in rhythmic strain,
  I try to spin a yarn,
The people that are listening
  Don't seem to give a ——
  No, that won't do!

So now I guess I'll give it up,
  I'm not in my right class,
I'll hie me back to simple prose
  Before I'm called an ——
  No, that won't do!

Another thing I can't explain,
  As clever as I am,
Whate'er I try in metric verse
  Don't prosper worth a ——
  No, that won't do!!!

W. E., '10

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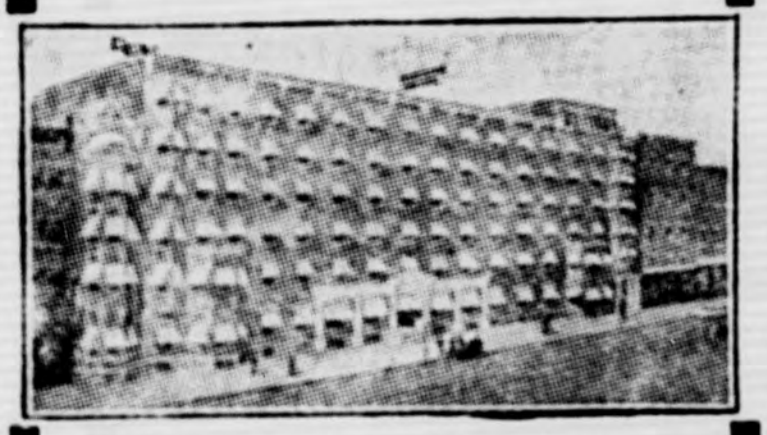

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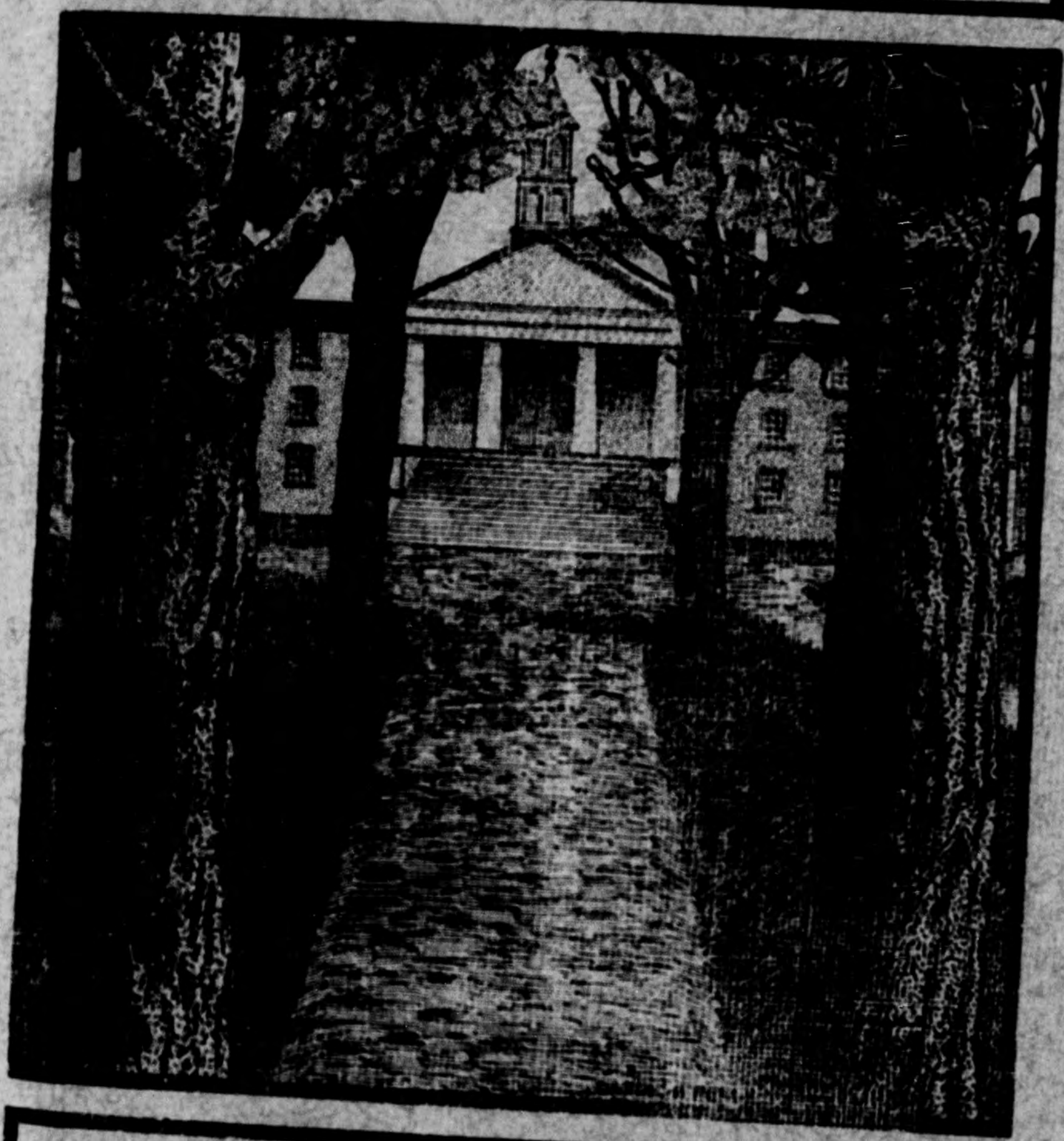

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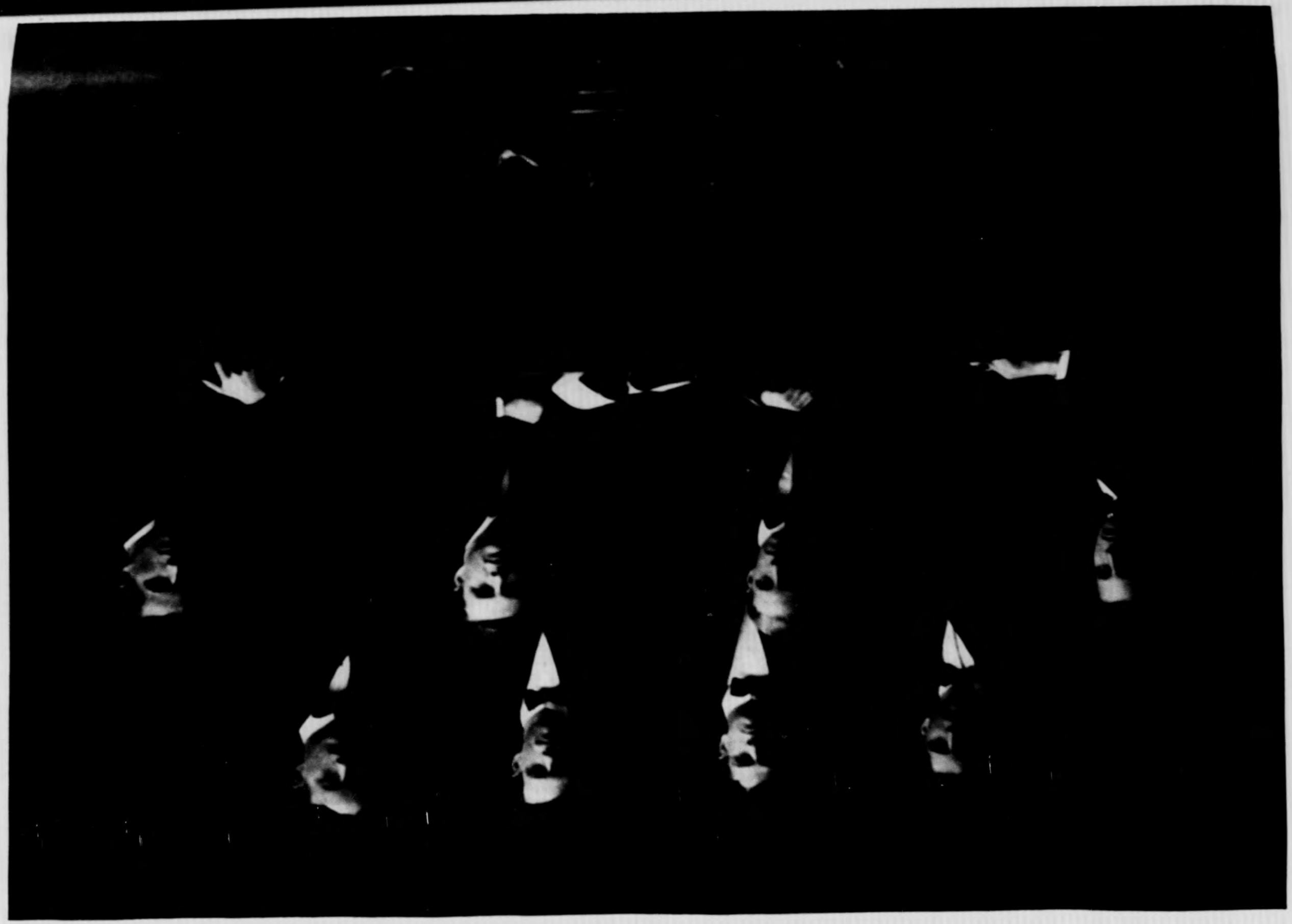

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