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Blue and Gold Ready to Meet Phila. Dental College

Initial Cage Game of Season in
Gym. at 7.00 Tomorrow
Night

Thursday will see the official launching of the Blue and Gold destroyer upon the turbulent sea of basket ball. On this occasion the local quintet will tackle the Philadelphia Dental College five on the home floor. The visitors have not played during this season, hence little is known of their strength or their method of attack; this team, however, has shown marked progress during the past three years, and it is to be expected that a good fight will take place when our boys meet the dentists.

There is but little more known about our own team. Coach McAvoy has not had enough scrimmage to really tell what his squad has in the way of material. It is more than probable that the coming game will see Robinson and Jackson as forwards, Williams or McKelvie as center, and Cole and France as guards. In the reserve lists will be found McDonald, Green, Gibson, and Hoffecker. This game will be an "eye-opener" to Coach McAvoy, who will doubtless decide from the showing made Thursday who will make the trip to Brooklyn on January 5. On that date the team will meet Brooklyn Poly in Brooklyn, and from there they will travel to West Point where they will meet the cadets in their annual contest.

Russian Cathedral Quartette Gives Delightful Recital

One of the most popular entertainments of this year's Artist Series was the recital by the Russian Cathedral Quartette in Wolf Hall last Saturday night.

The quartette was composed of Nicholas Vaslieff, tenor, boy soloist at the Alexander Nievski Larra in Petrograd; Nicholas Wasilevsky, tenor, boy soloist at Christy Cathedral, Moscow, and selected in open contest as the finest tenor in all Russia; Alexander Kandiba, baritone, soloist in the Imperial Russian Cathedral in Petrograde, and winner of baritone honors from the late Czar; and Mikhael Bataeff, basso-profundo, soloist in Sinodalny Choir in Moscow and a member of the Russian Imperial Opera.

In three changes of costume they presented the native Russian folk and gypsy songs. One of the outstanding features of their program was their presentation of the greatest of all music of an oppressed people, the Russian Cathedral Anthems.

These men were chosen by the Russian Government as the best singers in all the country, to present to America lovers of music the native songs and great Cathedral Anthems of Russia.

SOPHS HOLD COURT FOR UNRULY RATS

Compus Livened by Antics
Guilty Freshmen Must
Perform

The Sophomore Court for unruly Freshmen went into session last Thursday night at 7.30 in the Lounge, with Chief Justice McCormick presiding. A group of Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores were the spectators and added to the hilarity of the occasion by interrupting the Judge and Prosecuting Attorney Long, while the Sophomore jury insisted in yelling orders to the court.

At 7.30 the Judge brought the court to order and all lights were turned out. The first prisoner was placed before the bar and a strong search light was flashed in his eyes while the spectators disturbed the solemnity with war cries. Finally court was brought to a degree of order and the prosecuting attorney read the charges against the prisoner. The "Law" asked in a stern voice "Are you guilty or not guilty?" The prisoner hesitated. He was sure he was not guilty, but feared the court would not agree with him, so compromised and answered "Guilty, your honor." Then followed a rapid fire of questions from all points of the compass asking for the third verse of the Alma Mater, the Student Council yell, the ex-'24 yell, etc. By this time the prisoner's knees were fast giving away and he was ushered out with an order to return after court for his sentence.

In the intermission "Pat" Hoey gave the gathering a speech on "How to Act in Court to Make It Solemn." As a result, the next prisoner was given a hearing (?) in an atmosphere of semi-dignity. The prisoner, as a rule was asked any question at all which did not bear on his crime, and the court insisted that it be addressed with "Sir" or "Your Honor." Some of the Freshmen tried to supply wit but gave it up as dangerous.

After 18 prisoners had been heard the court went into session with the jury for a few minutes and gave out the pre planned sentences. Some of the judged have to skip, rabbit-fashion, others have to wear rat traps, horse collars, green ribbons, bird cages and appropriate signs. The solemn duty of the Sophomores has ended and the Freshmen will live to see a better day.

Senior Engineers Enjoy Trip

Accompanied by Professors Smith, Koerber, Thoroughgood, and Rankin, fifteen Senior Engineers had a very enjoyable trip last Thursday. At two-thirty the party met at the Scott Paper Company's plant at Chester, Pennsylvania. They were conducted through the plant in small groups so that every man was able to understand the explanations of the various processes employed in making the company's fine products. After a thorough tour of the establish-

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Kid Donaldson To Captain 1923 Football Team

Schedule Pending Approval of
Athletic Council



"Kid" Donaldson

At a meeting of this year's Varsity men in football last Wednesday night, Harmer Donaldson was elected to captain the squad next year.

Donaldson got an early start in the pigskin game. He played center for St. John's, snatched School team for four consecutive years. During his third season, in the Lower Merion game, an opponent ripped one side of "Kid's" face open and "Bill" Feinberg, now playing varsity center for St. John's snatched Donaldson's helmet and played the remainder of the game in his "citz" clothes. "Kid" captained the High School team in his senior year, 1919. The team made a record of seven straight wins that season out of nine games played; the best record any Wilmington High School team ever turned out for number of games won.

The University team will lose four of its hardest fighting men this June. Goffigon, Cole, Boyce and Lynch gave their final and best service to Delaware this last season. The rest of the varsity gridironers will be back on the job under Coach McAvoy next season.

The schedule of games for next season is already completed, but is not open to publication until the Athletic Council acts upon it.

Junior Prom Tickets Go On Sale January 8th

Tickets for the Junior Prom, which is to be held in the Ball Room of the Hotel duPont, Wilmington, on Friday, February 2nd, go on sale Monday, January 8th. The sales will be open to Alumni from this time until the closing of the sales on January 31st. Juniors and Seniors will have January 8th to January 20th reserved to procure tickets, and the underclassmen may procure them from the 20th on.

John H. Schaefer will be in charge of the sales. The price of the Prom is to be \$5.50 and must be paid in full at the time the ticket is procured. All Alumni address letters to John H. Schaefer, Sigma Nu, Newark, Delaware.

SIGMA NU HOLDS FORMAL DANCE

Many Alumni Return to
Annual Affair

Eighty-five couples including guests, friends, and members of the Sigma Nu Fraternity thoroughly enjoyed the Delta Kappa Chapter's twelfth annual dance in Old College last Friday evening. The decorations fitted in well with the coming holiday season. The pale blue lights and the blue background of the walls with an occasional star and figures of the three wise men here and there gave the appearance of a beautiful winter night. The gorgeous gowns of the guests contributed greatly to the beauty of the whole affair.

During the intermission everyone adjourned to the small dining room where delightful refreshments were served. Along the tables were strung wires on which were hung Christmas stockings full of candy-canes and nuts. Here and there were beautiful poinsettias which added considerable to the table decorations which Miss Huntley had been so careful to prepare. At about twelve-thirty the Original Six again filled the hall with the strains of the latest dance music.

The members of the fraternity so many of the alumni of the were very much pleased to see so many of the alumni of the chapter present at the dance. Practically all of the class of '22 had returned for the dance. Among the many guests were Dean E. L. Smith, Dean and Mrs. C. A. McCue, Mr. H. Magee, M. Rubenack, Mr. Fleming Swezey, Mr. Lloyd Alexander, and Mr. Floyd Hubert.

The patronesses were Mrs. W. Hulihan, Mrs. C. A. Short, Mrs. F. A. Cooch, Mrs. J. Pilling, Mrs. E. A. Wright, Mrs. Emma Wilson, Miss Marion Parkhurst, Mrs. H. W. McNeal, Mrs. C. B. Evans, and Mrs. A. Duran.

Frosh Tilt New Castle High in Cage Game

The Freshman basketball team humbled the New Castle H. S. five last Friday night by a score of 21 to 9. The first year men under the stragelical guidance of their coach, "Fuzzy" Akin, managed to crowd the New Castle quintet into one corner of the floor and monopolize for themselves the few remaining square feet of waxed surface which are included in the cage.

The "Frosh" will continue their schedule after the holidays. Games have been scheduled with Friends School on January 16; Beacom College, February 16; and Salesianum February 20. Games are pending with Goldey College, Wilmington H. S., and Newark H. S.

"Tell me what you read and I will tell you what you are" isn't always a safe rule to follow. I went to see three different girls who had read "The Sheik"—and not one of them is going to let me come back!—Pitt Panther.

Magistrate Proves Huge Success On Opening Night

Opera House Crowded Last Night
—Closing Performance
Tonight

The first production this year of the Footlights Club was given with huge success on Tuesday night. The Newark Opera House was packed with students and townspeople, who vigorously applauded whenever they could spare time between laughs.

Clifford Smith, as Auceus Posket, the Magistrate of the Mulberry Police Court, certainly did the part justice and then some. After his performance of last evening, his historic ability is established absolutely without dispute.

As Agatha Posket, the magistrate's wife, "Jimmie" Tilghman lived up to his reputation as a feminine impersonator, as well as acquiring the reputation of being an actor of no mean ability.

Although the "Duke" and "Jimmie" were the hits of the show, there are several others who did especially fine acting. Among these were Leahy, who doubled in the roles of Mr. Ballaney, another magistrate, and Warrington, chief clerk of the Court; Ralph Heinold, as Cis Farrington, Mrs. Posket's son by her first marriage; Granville Robinson, the maid who carried on a small love affair with Cis; Aubrey Travers, as Col. Alexander Lukyn, an army officer; and Johnson Rowan, as Capt. Horace Vale, also an army officer.

The gowns worn by the women were especially beautiful. They were made in the very latest style expressly for this production.

Another of the attractions of the show was the scenery which was designed by Mr. Blair. It was designed according to the latest ideas in scenery. There were three scenes; a drawing room, a private hotel dining room, and a scene in a police court.

Altogether, the Footlights Club should be commended for its fine work in putting this play over so well, and they should also be congratulated for their success. Mr. Blair deserves much credit as the director of this play. The Footlights Club certainly shows promise of becoming one of the leading organizations around college.

Harry S. Ivory, formerly of Delaware, is the new basketball coach at Palmyra, N. J., High School. He succeeds Charles A. Brumbaugh as tutor of all major sports teams.

The new basketball coach is confident Palmyra will enjoy a successful season. Though only two regulars from the 1921-22 quintet are back, Ivory expects to model a team that will put up a real argument against all opponents.

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ON DRINKING

To have our fingers constantly on the pulse of the American university thought, especially as it is in the East, is a privilege which we greatly appreciate. We are able to be in such a position by means of an exchange of papers with many eastern colleges and we are thus enabled to perceive the various tides of opinion as they sweep over the student bodies.

Our memory recalls first of all the widespread discussion concerning the honor system. Then we read in the college journals the attitude toward hazing. Now we discern a new question coming before the students—the question of drinking. Each college community decides for itself these questions; but the final opinions differ with the college and sometimes are left to hang fire.

We are undergraduate students and consequently are not conversant with condition that existed in the college before the Volstead Act. But, if our observation is correct, the percentage of imbibers in the student family has increased since the Eighteenth Amendment and has increased to such an extent and with such harmful results to the good name of the American college that the reactionary wave of public opinion has commenced to move forward.

In one day's mail we received two college newspapers that contained articles relative to student action against drinking. At Lafayette the Freshman Class passed a resolution opposing the use of alcoholic liquors on the campus and the Student Council there also passed a resolution condemning such practice. The undergraduates of Wesleyan University passed a more comprehensive resolution and went on record "to abstain from drinking during the college year, not only while they are on campus, but also while representing the college in any capacity" off the campus.

Our idea, however, in commenting on the question of drinking is not to reflect on the actions of our own student body. As far as we know the reputation of Delaware has not been marred by the action of any irresponsibles. But we want to be on the crest of the wave as it goes along and this ambitions prompts us to express ourselves.

We believe that the student body beyond all shadow of a doubt does not and will not sanction drunkenness on the campus. Up to this point drinking is a matter of collective opinion; beyond, the question rests with the individual. Is a Delaware student justified in being drunk when he is off the campus? The college does not have the right to say a person shall not become intoxicated at any time; but a student who has the name and fame of his alma mater at heart cannot escape the moral obligation of living true to her ideals. And if he loves his college, the student will do nothing that will cast a harmful reflection on the Blue and Gold.

"MOTHER-WIT" VERSUS SCHOLARSHIP

We ran across a statement of Lafcadio Hearn's the other day, which is applicable to a few questions which are in the minds of some students of the college. Great care must be taken in its interpretation, however, so that it be not used as a means of justifying or condemning scholarship, superior or inferior. It may perhaps serve as an inspiration to some who desire to gain that natural ease so lacking in our student group.

"In any gathering of students there are always a few remarkable persons in whom the other students are willing to put their trust whenever any emergency arises. Suppose a thousand students are in a difficult position of some kind or anxious about something; presently out of that thousand, leaders or guides or advisors would come forward. It is not necessary at all that they should be particularly strong or formidable persons; what is wanted in time of embarrassment or danger is a good head, not a strong arm. You instinctively know, I presume, that he who has the best head among you is not necessarily the best scholar. It is not scholarship that is needed for difficult circumstances; it is what we call 'mother-wit,' strong common sense, that is what we commonly mean in England by 'a good head.' Persons of this kind do not often make mistakes. Notice how they act when they come in contact with strangers—they remain quite at ease, unembarrassed, and they know what to do and what to say on meeting extraordinary persons or extraordinary events. Now what is this power, this 'mother-wit'? It is a kind of strong intuition. It is the best of all wits that a man can be born to."

If wishes count, our readers will enjoy a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The proof reading for this issue was in charge of M. Hanson, '26.



By A. Traveller

"Oh: Nature's noblest gift—my grey goose quill:
Slave of my thoughts, obedient to my will."

BATOUALA, by Rene Maran. 207 pages, \$1.75. Thomas Seltzer, New York. *Batouala* is a story of French Africa; of its Negroes and their rulers, told by an educated African. It is a story told as simply as was any fairy tale.

Batouala was awarded the annual prize by the ten members of the Academie Goncourt. The book has been translated into several languages, and is bought in France at the rate of eight thousand copies a day.

Especially credit for a faithful translation of *Batouala* into English is due Adele Szold Seltzer.

Batouala is a Main Street of the African Jungle, but with the added power of a tremendously effective simplicity in the telling. Here is a tale of love, hate, and revenge such as Ulysses might have told, or the old singers before him. It is a tale as simple as ancient folk-lore, or old stories handed down from one generation to another.

Through all this story of lazy living and recurrent gorgings; of frantic religious rites and brave huntings of wild animals; in spite of the white man's bloody rule, the velvet voice of the jungle murmurs eternally of its enticings and dark mysteries. In spite of the white man's uniform, and the frequent lash, the naked, flaming soul of the African responds to the voices of those old, old masters of men; the fires of passion, the urge of hunger, and the lust for revenge. At intervals, repression bursts



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The book is a piece of sheer genius. In it, Maran has for all time pictured the soul of the primitive African Negro. In it civilization is lost in the stark, primitive man in all his naked oily black simplicity. In it is the maddening, suggestive beat of barbaric tom-toms breaking in on Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. And in it the shock of

seeing a black, pallid paw on the white shoulder of a woman at a dinner table.

Co-Ed: Say, I'd like to try that suit on in the window.

Clerk: Sorry, but you'll have to use the dressing room.—Titt Panther.

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Muhlig: Can a person float before or after eating a meal?

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BY
SANTA CLAUS*"Oh wad some power the giftie gie us
To see oursel's as others see us!"*

EDWIN PRICE PITMAN

The following extract was extracted after much difficulty from one of the late John Wanamaker's famous diaries, which is the property of the still later Edwin Price Pitman. The extraction is as follows:

"Oh, I want to go to Delanco, Where the gnats and mosquitoes thrive,
Where the country side is one tough hide,
Where only the potent survive.
In dear old Delanco."

Some person, apparently a novice and evidently unknown, by the name of Brandt composed the musc. The song has never been published before.

After having read the above crime the Mirrors feel safe in indulging in a bit of verse, too—not likewise. And here is the brain-child:

I

I never held of Delanco
Until a little while ago,
When Pitman came from there.

That wasn't so bad was it?
And there is nothing that I know
About this place callen Delanco,
Except it's in New Jersey State,
The people there don't stay up late,
And Pitman came from there.

II

Perhaps he got his speedy feet
By fleeing from mosquitoes—
Bloodthirsty wretches, who will eat
On anything at all, complete
From tin-cans, rocks, or garden hose,
Old socks, or wood, or underclothes;
For what could a mosquito know
If he could live in Delanco—
For Pitman came from there.

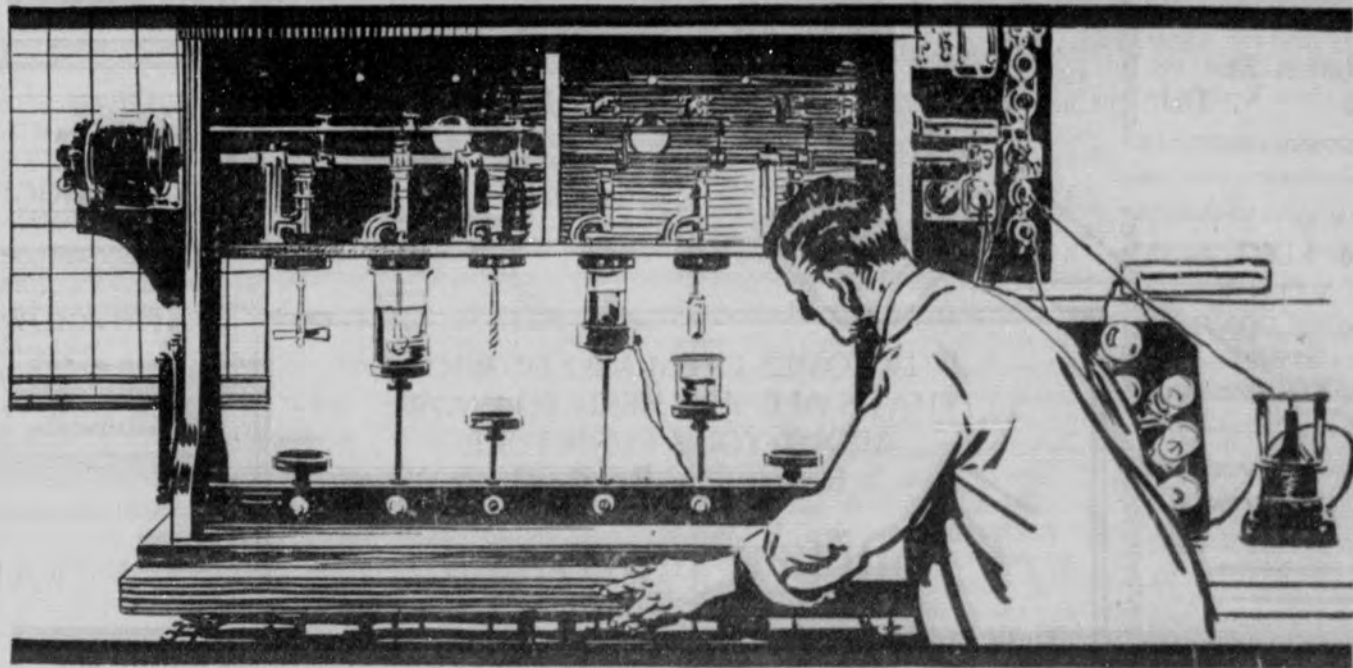
Being able to do the hundred yard dash in only about ten seconds, "Pit" will probably always be too slow to play football or baseball, and with such fast men

as Cole, McKelvie, Givan, Wells, and Snyder to go up against in basketball, dramatics, and waiting, the only thing left for Pitman to go out for is track. Incidentally, it is rumored that he does fairly well on the cinder path. But despite the swiftness with which "Pit" sometimes moves there are times when a circumstance arises in which his fleetness of foot avails him nothing. For instance, one morning, December 9 to be exact, our hero was strolling along Depot Road when—well he couldn't run away from it.

It must be a wonderful sensation to realize that on every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening when one sits down to write to one's vision of liveliness in the City of Brotherly (and

other kinds) of love, it must be wonderful, we repeat, to realize at the same time that one is writing "darling" all over the seventh page of one's letter, that she is inscribing upon the eleventh pink page of her mss. "dear," "hon," etc.; and to think that while one is reading her epistle on the following day, that at the same time she is sighing over the clever expressions in one's missive. It must be a grand and glorious feeling. Of course all this may appear to be digression—but it *aint*.

Good-looking, president of the Senior Class, quiet and unassuming, captain of Track, with well oiled hair and shoes, Pitman stands out prominently on our campus when he is surrounded by a group of Freshmen.



Blazing Trails for Progress

Curiosity may have killed the well-known cat, but it has been underneath most of the hard-won developments that lastingly benefit mankind. Once in a great while, perhaps, accident has been the spark that has lighted the torch of achievement; but much more frequently—always, nearly—accomplishment, especially in the field of science and invention, has grown out of the insatiable curiosity that seems to be the heritage of us all. Mankind wants to know—and is slowly finding out. Curiosity, the complement of imagination, knows no appeasement.

This is, however, no essay on the vague subject of idle curiosity. There is a vast difference between that and the organized, untiring, well-planned activity which, as an integral part of Westinghouse organization, searches continually for the answers to problems which intelligent speculation sets up. This, if you please, is curiosity in its highest and most intensified form; and it is a fundamental thing in the Westinghouse operations.

Research, as we know it, is the guiding hand upon the purely creative activities of business. Constantly it brings to light new aspects of known laws, new visions of laws yet to be uncovered. But the search for these is not haphazard nor whimsical; it is organized and planned as carefully and thoroughly as any other business activity. Whether chemical, electrical, or physical, it is engineering; and it follows engineering methods and tradition.

Many great engineers have been wholly at a loss in this specialized activity. For research, in a sense, reverses the usual order. Its endeavor is to discover unknown laws in the known facts—a thing which is quite at variance with ordinary engineering practice. Yet there is a fine type of engineering mind which finds its great opportunity in this kind of work. And to that type of mind, and that type of man, research beckons with an unmistakable hand. It is engineering pioneering, it blazes trails for progress, to new triumphs, in a wilderness into whose outskirts man has scarcely penetrated.

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Social Science Club**Discusses Fascisti Movement**

On Monday evening at the regular meeting of the Social Science Club the Fascisti movement in Italy was treated in all of its phases. Several interesting addresses were made by members of the Club, and much light was thrown upon the subject. Dr. Bevan who is well informed about conditions in Italy was able to introduce very valuable information for discussion. The remarkable life of Benito Mussolini the originator of the movement, with his meteor-like rise from the son of a blacksmith to Prime Minister of Italy, was discussed in some detail. An extreme Socialist before the war, this leader became a most decided Nationalist and headed the new party which he formed to check the excesses of his former compatriots. Marching on Rome with a host of Fascisti he deposed his opponents and was invited by the king to form a cabinet for the control of Italy. Since then he has been the political head of the country in every way. Although he possesses practically no diplomatic experience and is quite new in the work of managing such a

revolutionistic country as Italy, it is to be hoped that as a strong leader of the people Mussolini will be able to redeem Italy from the slough into which she has fallen and place her once more on a sound footing of wise democratic government.

The Social Science Club will meet again on Tuesday evening, January 9th, to discuss America's immigration problem.

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Senior Engineers Enjoy Trip

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ment, the party, together with parties from other colleges were entertained by a moving picture entitled, "Thirsty Fibres." As each man left he was presented with a package of Scott tissue towels.

The group then went by bus to Swarthmore College where the Engineers were shown the excellent laboratories of the college. Supper was served at the college dining hall and followed by a meeting held under the auspices of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. After a very interesting talk the meeting was adjourned. The trip was very successful and thoroughly enjoyed by all the men.

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