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## Legislators Appear Pleased With Univ. of Del. After Inspection

The Forty Delegates from State  
Assembly Express No Doubt  
As To Requirements

### LIKELY NO CUT

The Legislature delegates who inspected the University on Wednesday were very well satisfied with the conditions of faculty and administration affairs here. The members of the General Assembly arrived in Newark at 11 o'clock in the morning. About forty of the fifty-two lawmakers were present for the inspection.

The delegation was met by President Hullihen, Dean Duton, Dean Smith, Dean McCue, Representative Hastings, Business Administrator Wilkinson, Dr. Sypherd, Mayor Frazer, and members of the Faculty of the University.

The tour of inspection started at the College Farm. Here the (Continued on Page 3.)

## SOCIETY EDITOR SPEAKS BEFORE THE PRESS CLUB

Warns Prospective Reporters  
Against Yellow Journalism

Mrs. Ellis, Society Editor of the *Every Evening*, recently spoke to members of the Women's College Press Club and others interested in Journalism. Her subject was "Journalism as a Career for Women."

The salient points of Mrs. Ellis's lecture were the facts that to be a good journalist, one must have an intense love of the profession, a spirit of fair play, an ability to deal honestly with all the facts of the news, and a natural curiosity. Especially was the last necessary, since many great stories have been discovered through a reporter's desire to know the inside facts.

One thing, however, the young journalist was to be warned against was "yellow journalism." This type of copy, Mrs. Ellis said, was thoroughly despised by the honest newspaper man or woman. Moreover, the inhuman side of exposing other human beings to public gaze should be considered.

Later, Mrs. Ellis talked informally to the members of the Press Club. She answered their questions concerning journalism. Also she told some of her experiences as a publicity agent for the motion picture studios in Hollywood.

This lecture was thoroughly appreciated by the members of the Press Club. The President of the club announced that since this first lecture has been so successful, she has been negotiating with another speaker to come Thursday, February 19.

## DR. BURKE, '19, SPEAKS AT WOMEN'S COLLEGE ON MEDICINE AS A PROFESSION FOR WOMEN

Dr. Emily Munday Burke, a graduate of the Women's College and a member of the class of '19, and more recently a graduate of a Philadelphia medical college, made an address before the Freshman Class at the Women's College last night at

### College "Movies"

University of California students may exhibit themselves on the "silver screen" in a film whose plot was written by university students. The plot is to center around university life. The Executive Committee of the student body favors the project and its execution now awaits the sanction of the university authorities.

## DRUID CONVENTION HERE NEXT WEEK-END

Informal Dance In Honor Of  
Visitors To Be In Old  
College Hall

The Annual Convention of the Druids will be held at the University of Delaware on February 20, 21, and 22. Pennsylvania State, University of Pittsburgh, Washington and Jefferson College, and Carnegie Tech. will send delegates to be the guests of the Delaware chapter.

All of the business meetings of the convention are to be held in the "Whim" at Kells. Upon their arrival the visitors will register at the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity House, from where they will be taken to the other fraternities and assigned lodgings for the three nights that they are to be at Delaware.

On Saturday night, February 21, the Delaware Druids will give an informal dance in honor of their guests. This dance will be open to the entire Student Body, and tickets can be obtained from any of the active Delaware Druids.

An automobile trip to Mr. Pierre du Pont's estate at Longwood is being arranged for the visiting Druids for Sunday, (Continued on Page 4.)

## Ratcliffe Discusses Fall of Labour Party

Mr. S. K. Ratcliffe, of London, England, delivered an address before the combined student bodies of the University in Wolf Hall on Tuesday, February 10.

Mr. Ratcliffe, who has been editor of several British newspapers and was formerly connected with educational work in India, having been a member of the Senate of the University of Calcutta during his residence there, selected as the subject of his address "The British Labour Party in Retreat."

The speaker outlined the prime ministerships and related interesting incidents of the lives of Lloyd George, McDonald and Baldwin. He explained the diplomatic feats of each and their political points-of-view in an extremely entertaining and comprehensive manner.

## Doctor O. Retsoff Is New President Of Horticulture

Makes Address to Student Body  
Stating His Aims and Ideals

### STUDENTS IN RIOT

(Special to The Review)

New Monia, Alaska:

Dr. Retsoff, one of the members of the Alaskan Department at Horticulture College, has been selected to fill the presidency of that institution left vacant by the resignation of former President Kalisch.

Dr. Retsoff in an address delivered to the Student Body of Horticulture yesterday made the following statements:

"I am not at all interested in expanding Horticulture College in the physical sense. I see no pressing necessity of the student body increasing in number each year; for when the enrollment increases rapidly, it necessitates the hiring of a number of cheap instructors; thus preventing the gradual acquisition of a few (Continued on Page 4.)

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE FROSH DANCE TO- MORROW NIGHT

Elaborate Plans Have Been  
Made For the Freshmen's  
Only Social Function

The Freshmen at the Women's College will hold their only social affair of the year in Residence Hall tomorrow night. Elaborate plans have been made for the Freshman Dance. Residence Hall will be decorated in red and white, an appropriate color scheme for St. Valentine's Day. Madden's Orchestra will furnish the music.

The dance will be informal and will last from seven-thirty until twelve o'clock.

In the receiving line will be Ruth Larter, President of the Freshman class; Miss Robinson, Miss Keely, Miss Congdon, Miss McKinney, Mr. Reed and Professor Ryden. The invited guests are the class presidents, (Continued on Page 3.)

## Two Free Scholarships To Gloucester School

The Gloucester School of the Little Theatre, Gloucester, Massachusetts, is again offering two free scholarships to undergraduates of American schools and colleges for its sixth summer season, July and August, 1925.

The school has its own experimental theatre where weekly performances are given and offers courses in Public Speaking, Pantomime, Acting, Stage Direction, Lighting, Scenery and Playwriting.

All communications concerning the scholarships should be addressed to Miss Florence Cunningham, 112 Charles St., Boston, Massachusetts.

### Informal Talks

Beginning February eleventh, Prof. Van Keuren will lead informal discussions at the Women's Colleges. They will all be related and will have as a basis, "The Sermon on the Mount." They are to be held in the Common Room each Wednesday evening for six weeks and will not last longer than one hour.

### Suggests Suspenders

We call attention to a story which may give rise to a cult of sartorial mediævalism. We allude to the story of the three wise men from Princeton who recently visited President Coolidge. The President viewed with disapproval their flapping "Kollegiate Kut" trousers which dusted great areas of the White House floors as they walked about. With a little smile the Chief Executive suggested suspenders as a remedy.

## Interstate Student Conference Envoys Arrived Here Today

Over One Hundred Delegates Register at Old College Today

### MANY EMINENT SPEAKERS

The Interstate Student Conference, under the auspices of the Student Volunteer Union and the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. of Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia is being held at the University of Delaware during this week-end. Through the efforts of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet of the Women's College and the Y. M. C. A. of Delaware College, accommodations have been made for the one hundred and twenty-five delegates from the other colleges. Friends of the college will entertain the guests tonight and Saturday night, and meals will be served in the Commons.

The delegates arrived this afternoon and registered at Old College. At six o'clock, a get-acquainted supper will be held in the Commons. The opening service this evening will be at Wolf Hall. The topic for this (Continued on Page 4.)

## SENATOR OFFERS BILL TO WIDEN DEPOT ROAD

Would Increase Width Of  
Street Fifteen Feet

Senator L. Heisler Ball recently presented to the United States Senate the following bill for the purpose of bringing about the widening of Depot Road:

### A BILL

"To provide for the exchange of certain lands now owned by the United States, in the town of Newark, Delaware, for other lands

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to convey to the town of Newark, Delaware, land facing on Depot Road in said town, not more than fifteen feet deep, for the purpose of widening said road, in exchange for the same depth of land in the rear of said lot."*

The land in question lies along the east boundary of Depot Road between Delaware Avenue and Main Street. The street will be widened at this point, providing the bill goes through, to conform with the balance of the street line. Since the Treasury Department owns a part of this frontage, held for a possible Federal Building here, such a bill is necessary to effect the change.

Senator Ball's bill was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

## TWO GIRLS DROPPED FROM WOMEN'S COLLEGE BECAUSE OF POOR SCHOLASTIC STANDING

From figures recently compiled at the Women's College it is shown that only two girls, one Sophomore and one Freshman, were forced to withdraw from college because of poor scholastic standing. As a result of the Mid-Year examinations, however, six girls were placed on probation and twenty-five warned by the faculty.

A number of excellent scholastic records were established during the past semester, conspicuous among which were the achievements of Dorothy Nunn and Louise Harris, both of whom received A's in every subject.

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Of all the arts, Education seems to me the greatest, and the one that should be in the hands of the ruling class. The teacher is a sculptor whose statue is not passive under his hand. He is Pygmalion, whose masterpiece is alive.—S. M. Crothers.

## TRAIN OF THOUGHT

"Why are you forever finding fault with the University?" someone asked us the other day, "Can't you discover any good in anything?" Immediately we came back with the answer—which, incidentally, we had prepared a long time previously and had been saving hopefully for just this moment—"that one of the paramount (this has nothing to do with motion pictures) obligations of the person who pretends toward education is to judge and to make criticism; that one never discusses unreservedly any topic without subscribing, to some extent, to the great invisible powers which are directing humanity onward to its ultimate goal."

But we were not as frank as we might have been. There is a specific motive for our sometimes adverse and often unpleasant criticism which before this time we have never divulged to a single person. Now we are going to betray our hypercritical inspiration.

You are all aware that the University is linked to the so-called "outer world" by two separate and distinct railway lines: the Pennsylvania and the Baltimore and Ohio. The Pennsylvania branch runs past the southern end of the University and about one half of a mile away from the nearest building. One traveling on a Pennsylvania train through Newark receives a panoramic view of our institution from just the proper remoteness to lend to the whole a rather pleasing and dignified appearance.

On the other hand, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad goes by the northern boundary of our campus and passes so near to the buildings, at that end of the University, that a passenger is able to gaze out of the car windows and look into the windows of the University buildings and see what is going on. The one riding on the Baltimore and Ohio line cannot see the entire campus as a totality, he is too close, but he can observe countless details which to his fellow traveler on the Pennsylvania system are invisible.

We've got a ten-trip ticket that is only good on the B. and O.

## MERELY AN ITEM

"Are old-time virtues disappearing?" asks *The University Daily Kansan*. "Yes, but they are disappearing only from the surface, going to a basic and fundamental position underlying the vital life of college students. We no longer have the unyielding student mind, outwardly virtuous because virtue is fashionable, but instead, that plastic potential factor, student thought, molded by virtues that are fundamental and sure."

## TO THE CONFERENCE DELEGATES

The University of Delaware extends a hearty welcome to the delegates to the Interstate Student Conference. We hope that these representatives will enjoy being our guests as much as we enjoy having them as such. We offer them the free employment of our colleges and our hospitality, and hope that their visit here may prove to be one profitable in accomplishments, full in the acquisition of new friendships, and an unfathomable source of mental delight and rich memories in time yet to come.

## DELAWARE REWARDS AN ATHLETE

The following letter was recently received by Louis X. Jacobson, '26:

"Dear Sir:

"The following action was taken by the Faculty on February 9 in regard to your absence on January 20:

"That Student Louis Jacobson be debarred from participation in Basket-ball for the rest of this season in view of his claim that he had to neglect an important college duty (trip to Dover for Inauguration of Governor) in order to make up work lost because of a Basket-ball trip."

Very truly yours,  
George E. Dutton, Dean."

We cannot help but wonder if this "important college duty" would have assumed such pomposity if certain members of the Faculty were not trying to curry the favor of the Governor and Legislature to get funds. We have always understood that the foremost "college duty" was attention to studies, rather than taking an obsequious attitude before the controllers of our revenue. Moreover this case of Jacobson's seems to be a mighty poor reward for truthfulness and attention to what the student considered his first duty to his college and to himself.

Jacobson had just returned from the northern trip with the Basket-ball squad. During his absence from college his scholastic work had accumulated to such an extent that, with the mid-year examinations just a few days ahead, it was imperative that he should attempt to cover at once the work he had missed. It was not his fault that the Athletic Council had sanctioned a trip so near to the examination period; but it would have been his fault if he had flunked. Let anyone put himself in a similar situation and decide his course of action.

We consider that Jacobson has been treated in a manner that shows a great deal of injustice, much unnecessary ruthlessness, and a grievous amount of narrow-mindedness.

We try to be cool and collected and look at affairs from an all-around point of view, but there are so many such petty cases! We pull our hair and earnestly pray for the time when our institution will grow up, when our "guiding lights" will get away from the idea that they are conducting a "prep" school and realize that we are trying to act as men in a university, and that, moreover, we desire and expect to be treated as men and not as children.

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The members of last year's track team at Delaware are still waiting to have their letters awarded to them. Whoever is responsible for this negligence should take steps to have these men presented with their "D's".

## LIBRARY CAMPAIGN TO BE SOON UNDER WAY

Campaign Committee To Hold Preliminary Meeting On February 17

The formal opening of the Library Campaign for the enlistment of new pledges of ten dollars from each Freshman and Sophomore, and for collecting payment of pledges made before the New Memorial Library was built, will take place in the Lounge of Old College, Thursday noon, February 26. Three five-minute speeches will be made by Dr. W. Owen Sypherd, Mr. Everett Johnson, and Mr. A. G. Wilkinson, respectively.

R. A. Jones, Chairman of the Campaign Committee, will hold a preliminary meeting of his Committee on Tuesday evening, February 17, to complete a specific plan of campaign which will be followed. The nucleus of this plan will be the appointment of two men from each fraternity who will be canvassers. As an aid in obtaining pledges in the Freshman and Sophomore classes, representatives will be appointed from each class.

## Fordham Beats Delaware

Delaware lost a fast game to Franklin and Marshall on last Saturday when the Lancaster boys tripped Captain Jackson's men by a 31-14 score. With this defeat ringing in their ears, the locals were forced last night to take a 50-19 lacing at the hands of the unbeaten Fordham five. The New Yorkers had previously beaten Army by a 51-28 score and with a string of fourteen straight victories are out for the championship of the United States. Delaware will meet the strong Lehigh five at Bethlehem on Saturday night.

Forum at the Women's College has begun for the second semester. It will meet as usual on Wednesdays at 4 o'clock.

**The Reading Room of the University Library is open every Sunday from 1 to 5 p. m.**

An important meeting of the Senior Class at Delaware College will be held at eleven o'clock, Tuesday morning, February 17, in West Wing of Old College.

## JUNIOR PROM WAS EVENT OF LAST WEEK

Blue Leather Book-Ends Were Given As Dance Favors

The biggest social event thus far this year was the Junior Prom given by the class of '26 in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel du Pont on last Friday night.

Each girl was given as a favor a very attractive set of book-ends. These book-ends were covered with heavy blue leather on which was embossed in gold the seal of the University. In the leather was stamped the following: "Junior Prom—Class of 1926." One of the factors which contributed much to the success of the dance was the excellent music.

The patronesses were: Mrs. Walter Hullihen, Miss Winifred J. Robinson, Mrs. Charles A. McCue, Mrs. William Denney, Mrs. Charles B. Evans, Mrs. Everett C. Johnson, Mrs. H. Rodney Sharp, Mrs. George E. Dutton, Mrs. Finley M. K. Foster, Mrs. Arthur G. Wilkinson, Mrs. Norris N. Wright, Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont, Mrs. Harry L. Bonham, and Mrs. C. S. Rankin.

## FRATERNITY NOTES

Two Formal Dances Announced

Members of Theta Chi are proud of the work they have done to the interior of their house since the examination period. All of the woodwork in the Theta Chi House has received a new coat of paint in the last two weeks. The general appearance of the rooms has been greatly improved by this renovation.

Harold Clift and John Murray were recent visitors at the new Phi Kappa Tau House on Delaware Avenue.

The annual formal dance of the Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity is scheduled for March 6.

A smoker was held at the Kappa Alpha House on Tuesday evening, February 10.

"Bill" Hill was seen speeding about our little college town on last Monday in a redhot, twelve-cylinder Rolls Royce (?).

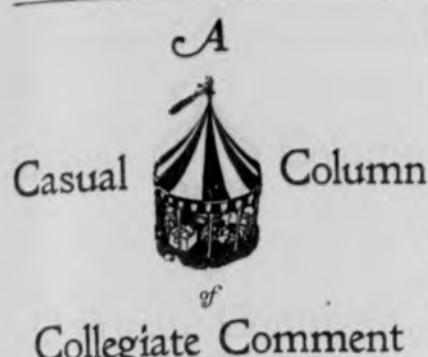
The Sigma Nus say that there is a rumor to the effect that Edward J. Murphy, '23, and Helen Lucas, '25, are married, but that they know for certain that the couple are engaged.

John Lynch returned for the Junior Prom last week.

The Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity will hold its annual formal dance on the evening of February 20. There will be a reception at the fraternity house which will precede the dance Friday afternoon.

Among the alumni who visited the house last week were Paul Winthrop, Walter Dent Smith, William Jacobs, John Challenger, and Isaac Elliott.

If our youth is to get into his consciousness that love of life—that with the male comes only through the love of surfaces, sensually felt through the fingers—his problem is to reach down through all the broken surface distractions of modern life to that old love of craft out of which culture springs—Sherwood Anderson in "A Story Teller's Story."



## Collegiate Comment

Nature rejoices in illusion. If a man destroys this in himself and in others, she punishes him like the hardest tyrant. If he follows her in confidence, she presses him to her heart as he were her child.—Goethe.

The problem of inducing the entire student body of a college to take part in athletics is discussed by Elmer D. Mitchell, Director of Intramural Athletics at the University of Michigan, in his book "Intramural Athletics." This work will be published by A. S. Barnes and Co. sometime this Spring. It is said to be the first book on this particular subject.

The end of a literary education is to teach adaptability to any sort of circumstance or environment.

The flashily dressed clean-cut young college man, who was strolling ahead of us, suddenly threw up both of his arms and toppled over in the street. We rushed to him. He was dead, quite dead. There was a great dent in his battered skull; and close to his collegiately clothed body was the huge undamaged marshmallow which his cold-blooded murderer had hurled at him.

Keep the young generations in hail,  
And bequeath them no tumbled house.—Meredith.

The definition of a radical, according to Professor Moore, psychologist and radicalist of Dartmouth College, is one who answers "yes" to the first two following questions and "no" to the third:

1 "Do you believe in alleviating poverty by social legislation?"

2 "Are you sympathetic with the political experiment now going on in Russia?"

3 "Are you prejudiced against an individual because of promiscuity in sex life?"

We step into the ballroom. Immediately, and without formality, Life sweeps us out into the mad dance and whirls us wildly until utterly weary we slip from her arms to the floor, where the younger ones dance upon us.

The true scholar learns from the known to unfold the unknown.—Goethe.

At Northwestern University, a group of co-eds, desiring to be different, have formed a club with the following motto: "Liberty or Death. Preferably Death." They believe that love and marriage are degenerating into a childish game.

No intelligent man can or ought to ignore the part which hope of better things plays in our present social system.—Edwin L. Godkin.

Keith Preston in the Chicago "Daily News" spoke of a recent issue of the "American Mercury" as the "Literary Digest" with acute indigestion—a prolonged bellyache from cover to cover.

Holiness is having a pure mind.

In the "Atlantic Monthly" for February appears "The Young Person" by A. Professor. The author contends that the present generation has lost romance, a disinterested love of the intellectual, emotion, and the sense of sin.

Wot the hell ails that guy?

### Fraternity Basketball League Averages

	Won	Lost	Ave.
Kappa Alpha	2	0	1.000
Sigma Tau Phi	2	0	1.000
Sigma Phi Epsilon	1	1	.500
Theta Chi	0	2	.000
Phi Kappa Tau	0	1	.000
Sigma Nu	0	1	.000

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE FROSH DANCE

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Madalin Wintrip, Georgia Wiggin, Tacy Hurst, and Kathryn Ladd, President of the Student Government Association.

The committees for the Freshman dance are:

Executive Committee — Ruth Larter, Jean Lobach, Marjorie Johnson, and Elizabeth Brady.

Decoration Committee — Lillian Benson, chairman; Margaret Carter, Marion Steele, and Margaret Brady.

Refreshment Committee — Lydia Wilson, chairman, and Helen Pearce.

Favors—Margaret Burke and Viola Williams.

P. K. Wrigley, who has been elected president of the Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co., the \$90,000,000 chewing gum corporation, is just past thirty and one of the youngest presidents of a large manufacturing concern in the United States.

### Legislators Appear To Be Pleased With Inspection

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members of the Agricultural Faculty showed the visitors through the buildings. The dairy barn seemed to be the most interesting. Inclement weather made a visit to the experimental farm plots and hog yards impossible. Representative Drexler carefully inspected every visible detail of the farm buildings. Mrs. Hanby, the only woman legislator in the State, braved the weather and took an active interest in everything.

The guests were next conducted in cars to the Women's College where Dean W. J. Robinson received them. A group of Women's College students took the visitors through the dormitories, the class rooms, and Residence Hall. Governor Robinson and Secretary of State Taylor joined the inspection delegation at the Women's College.

The visitors were next es-

corted through the new Memorial Library, Wolf Hall, Recitation Hall, the Engineering buildings, the Physics building, and Mechanical Hall. The Pattern-Making students, the Machine-Shop students, and the Steam Laboratory students explained the various methods to the legislators.

Then, after an inspection of Old College, the guests adjourned to the Commons for luncheon. Mr. Henry B. Thompson, chairman of the Board of Trustees, presided at the luncheon. Seated with him at the speakers' table were the Honorable Charles R. Miller, Governor Robinson, President Hullihen, Secretary of State Taylor, Speaker Downward, Mrs. Hanby, Mayor Frazer, Representative Hastings, Everett C. Johnson and Thomas Davis.

Mr. Thompson opened the speaking program by welcoming the members of the Legislature and by asking for their careful consideration of the facts to be stated by the other speakers. After explaining the handicaps under which the University has been running, he ended his remarks with a tribute to Dr. Hullihen, the Faculty, and Mr. A. G. Wilkinson for their efficient execution of college affairs during the last two years.

Governor Robinson stated that he considered a cut in the much talked of appropriation a serious mistake. Honorable Charles R. Miller said that this cut will embarrass the standing of the University because it will mean doing away with the Teacher Training course. It will also mean a severe curtailment in the Summer School budget. Two-fifths of the college girls are receiving training for school work through the Teacher Training Course, and many others are being trained at the Summer School.

Dr. Hullihen supplemented what Governor Miller said by illustrating with a black-board chart handicaps under which the institution is at present running. An additional cut would, of course, increase these handicaps. If any change is to be made in the appropriation, it should be an increase. Dr. Hullihen also called attention to the imperative need of a new dormi-

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soldiers were employed during the frequent wars of Napoleon I, and they were settled in this part of France as a recompense for their military activities.

M. Chinard suggested that the time-honored custom of kissing under the mistletoe originated in this district where, from time very ancient, young people have been accustomed to embrace under the oak trees which were mistletoe-laden. A very interesting custom.

In conclusion the speaker expressed the desire that all the members of the combined clubs should make a voyage in France in order to appreciate better the charm of "la belle France."

Miss Richardson, Dr. Patterson, and Professor Brinton of the Modern Language Department assisted at the "causerie" as did Mrs. Hullihen.

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**Dr. Retsoff Is the New President at Horticulture**

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high-priced teachers; and it seems to me that there is already enough of cut-rate education in Alaska. Nor do I feel that the vital need of Horticulture is more and better buildings. I do not credit the apparently popular belief that the success of an educational institution is proportionate to the number and size of its buildings, to its enrollment, to the number of acres it covers, and to the number of men on its faculty staff. This dieification of physical bigness, which has infected the educational realm, and which has been caught from the commercial world, is bound to lead education away from its true aims into the sphere of false ideals, unless we ourselves are awakened to a realization of our peril.

"Of course, it is difficult to break away from the general trend, when we are dependent to a large extent upon the illogical whims of our local legislators, who, for the most part, have no conception of the problems of education of today or of the seriousness of these problems. Another difficulty to be surmounted is the fact that we are getting more and more students with insecure educational foundations and with very little ability. These students, who formerly went to the 'business college' or to the normal school, come to college governed by purely narrow and essentially utilitarian aims, seeking to learn how to make money, idolizing Bigness, thinking, in a great many cases, more of college as a place in which to win distinction than as a place in which to develop. But despite these unfortunate inconveniences, I am going to try, with your help, to make Horticulture College the real educational institution it should be."

"I realize only too well that the greatest need of the College is better professors. A convincing symptom of this need of qualitative improvement in the teaching staff is the general apathy of the students. Memorial buildings undoubtedly augment the physical impressiveness of the college, make your college life in some respects pleasanter, and draw more students here of the type who would come chiefly because of the social or recreational facilities. Nevertheless, I cannot help feeling that there is a greater aspect to education than the material side."

"I cannot help but feel assured that those of you who had fear of the College becoming a great mechanical adding-machine, who worried yourselves into a state of insomnia because of this dread and because of your love for Horticulture, who despaired of Horticulture ever getting back to her true ideals, I am sure that you would welcome a squalid garret as an abode if you could associate with blazing teaching intellects, teachers alive, sympathetic, not entirely dependent upon other personalities for their thoughts, nor apprehensive about having thoughts. I am sure that you would attend classes in a mildewed basement with keen delight if you were met there by a Robert Frost. As it is you wander sleepily into a fairly decent classroom and dream through fifty minutes of unimportant dribble from a thousand-dollar-a-year comma-hound."

"We have succeeded in keeping some of the eminent men who have graced our faculty, but only because of a sentimental regard they have formed for Horticulture, surely not on account of the salaries we have paid them. But a great many of our teachers are no more than the personification of mediocrity."

"As you, the students, have realized we are all treading on the brink of intellectual damna-

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meeting is, "What is Christianity?"

Tomorrow morning, the topic for discussion will be "The Need of the World." Parallel group meetings will be held at this session. Forum on types of Christian service will be held on Saturday afternoon. Following this will be a few hours of rest or recreation as the guests desire. A banquet will be given to the guests at six o'clock on Saturday evening, at the Commons. Following the banquet

tion. President Kalisch, unfortunately, was one of the commercial—one of the wholesale educators. He is gone.

"Now our task is twofold: first, to improve the quality of our teaching staff, by sacrificing possible buildings and employing the funds thus saved to bring to us such teachers as we desire; and second, to keep out the flood of inferior students, by means of intelligent tests.

"Our program shall be intellectual freedom, to the intellectually select, with the idea of developing spiritually well-rounded individuals. Our methods shall be those of each individual teacher, none shall be unnecessarily restricted by the administration, each shall employ his own system or method. And we shall try to select teachers who, through the force of their own personality, will make you open up your personality, make you curious about learning, instead of causing you to hide your individuality under a standardized shell and to hate the acquiring of knowledge.

"I realize we are setting out upon a great experiment, but I have faith in the living ideal of the intellectual aristocracy as opposed to the ready-made ill-fitting ideals of the masses. I am asking you for your whole-hearted support, and I feel confident of receiving it."

Dr. Retsoff's address was greeted with a tremendous burst of applause. A veritable hubbub of enthusiastic and excited talk broke forth. Even after the assembly was dismissed, the students gathered in groups and held heated arguments or exchanged statements of gratification with and appreciation of their new president and his talk.

In front of the new Yocumb Library, a mob of excited students became involved in a discussion which developed into a miniature riot, but with the exception of some few sanguinary noses and a couple of discolored optics, no injuries have been reported.

Foreign Correspondent's Note—I tried to imagine the students back at Delaware getting excited over such a question, and I fear I have ruptured my imagination.



there will be a lecture at Wolf Hall on the topic, "My relation to the need of the world."

On Sunday morning, worship services will be held. The lectures on Sunday afternoon will deal with the topics, "The Commitment of Life," and "Carrying Practical Christianity to the Campus."

Among the leaders and speakers who will be present at the conference are: William F. McDowell, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Walter Judd, of Nebraska University; Mrs. J. Harvey Burton, formerly of India; Frank C. Torrey, of Penn State College; Y. Y. Ying, of Shanghai, China; C. S. Kim, of Korea; Joseph Maxwell, of the University of Pittsburgh, and Missionary to Sudan; E. Stanley Jones, from India; Dwight Chalmers, of the Union Theological School of Richmond; Eugene Corbie, of New York University; Philip Price, of the Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore, and Mabel Easton, of Mt. Holyoke College and Missionary to the Congo.

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