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### CO-EDS AFTER THE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Short Scrimmage Monday Afternoon  
Went Varsity 10, Second  
Team 0.

#### TEAM WORK IMPROVED

The girls' basket ball team has developed rapidly into form, and it looks like another State championship title will be added to the co-eds' string.

The team has improved wonderfully in passing, and in working the ball down the floor, the Varsity five is displaying mid-season speed. The girls initiate their 1914 season January 9, in a game with the five from Catlettsburg High School on the Armory floor. It will necessitate the resumption of practice immediately after the holidays, to get the Blue and White team into condition.

Monday afternoon, in a short scrimmage between the Varsity and the second team, the first row girls chalked up 10 to 0. The forwards are still a little off in goal shooting, but the team work is exceptionally good. The Varsity lined up: Miss Heller, center; Misses Hughes and McGuire, forwards; Misses McChesney (captain) and Wood, guards.

On the second team the playing of Misses Pence and Wills was noticeably good.

### DR. TUTHILL PREPARES HIGH SCHOOL TEXT

Dr. Edward Tuthill, professor of history and political science in the College of Arts and Science of the University, has signed a contract with one of the large publishing houses to adapt one of their new high school books to the uses of Kentucky students. This task is to be completed before the end of the winter.

Prior to the signing of the contract Professor Tuthill sought and obtained the approval of President Barker, believing that the State has a right to the full time of those whom it employs, especially in the University, and that outside enterprises conducted by members of its staff should be sanctioned by the proper authorities, in advance.

This recognition is very encouraging to the department. It is also gratifying, as it had its origin in a reply to a set of questions submitted to Professor Tuthill by an unknown correspondent some two years ago.

#### FACULTY ATHLETIC TO MEET.

A general meeting of the Faculty Athletic Club will be held Thursday afternoon promptly at 3:30 o'clock, at the office of Mr. Brumage, in the gymnasium building.

Matters of importance are to be taken up and every member of the faculty who is interested in some form of exercise is strongly urged to be present.

### MRS. STOUT CHOSEN NEW PRESIDENT OF ORGANIZATION OF ORGANIZATION

Resolution Passed to Taboo "Old and Tawdry Term" Physical Culture.

#### STATE'S LEADING WOMEN MEMBERS

Last Saturday morning at a meeting of the Kentucky Society of Physical Education, the Physical Director of Women, of State University, Mrs. R. L. Stout, was made president, Lieutenant James Lindgren, Louisville, vice-president, and Miss Mary Anna Bean, of Lexington, secretary.

The society took a club to the name "Physical Culture," and threatened that ignorant and backward scullion who would use it. And for that reason the following resolution was passed:

"Be it resolved that the term 'Physical Culture' be condemned as cheap and tawdry and that editors of newspapers and all other educated persons be respectfully petitioned to discontinue the use of the obsolete term 'Physical Culture,' substituting therefor the regulation and standard terms 'Physical Training' or 'Physical Education,' or 'Gymnastics,' this for the reasons offered by the authors Dudley & Keller in their book, 'Athletic Games for Women' and concurred in by all graduate physical directors, to-wit: 'It would be a good thing if the private schools would abolish the use of the term 'Physical Culture' which has come to mean almost anything. There are Physical Culture systems, restaurants and furniture.' It is pointed out by this society that every exercise offered in a gymnasium is based upon medical principles. The physical director does not explain this theory to classes for the same reason that the physician can not explain his prescription to a patient. The graduate physical director is therefore not a teacher but a medical expert.

"Be it resolved that we endorse the sentiments expressed in a recent editorial on modern dancing printed in the Review of Reviews and republished in a local paper, and in justice to physical educators, the attention of the public be drawn to the fact that modern social dancing, so called 'fancy dancing,' and the ballet are in no way related to the classic dancing of the gymnasium. Such artists as Isadore Duncan and Miss St. Denis have done much towards reviving an art dead for two thousand years. The classic dance is an ideal form of exercise for the body and is as far from all social dancing as the stars are from the earth. The classic dance of the ancients was held in reverence as a fine art on the level of other fine arts—painting, poetry, music and sculpture. Its origin was sacred and today its theme is religious. The classic dance is an interpretation in rhythmic posture of the thoughts, inspirations and passions of the human soul. It

### VARSAITY FIVE FINISHES THEIR FALL PRACTICE

Bench Birds are Satisfied With the Outlook and Predict a Winning Quintet.

#### VARSAITY—SCRUBS, 35-2, 12-6.

The Varsity Basket Ball squad has finished fall practice, and the outlook for a successful season in 1914 is exceedingly bright.

The afternoon practice on the armory floor has drawn a crowd of fans every day, and it is the prevalent sentiment among the students that the Blue and White five will clean up when the schedule starts next month.

Monday afternoon the Varsity took on two sets of scrubs and plastered up a nice score. In the first half the score was 35 to 2, and in the last period the count was 12 to 6. The first string men used were Preston, Park, centers; Morgan, T. Zerfoss, C. Zerfoss, forwards, Tuttle, Scott and Schraeder, guards. The class of work displayed by the Varsity was all that could be desired.

It is too early to pick a probable line-up for the season. A number of second string men have displayed good form and show promise of development when work sets in after the holidays.

The schedule is one of the hardest ever framed for a Blue and White team, and a good string of substitutes will be an indispensable asset.

### FARM SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS CLOSE FALL CIRCUIT

The farm school instructors of the Extension Department of the Experiment Station have ended their fall work and returned at the end of last week from a trip through Lawrence, Mason, Boone, Daviess, Muhlenberg, Henderson, Christian, Mercer and Clay counties. Lectures and demonstrations were given on soils, crops, fruit growing, home economics, dairying, poultry raising, farm sanitation, animal husbandry and farm management.

During the trip E. H. Faulkner, a Senior in the College of Agriculture, was installed as professor of agriculture at Williamsburg, Whitley county.

#### NOTICE, YE AMATEUR ARTISTS.

Select a topic. Draw it during the holidays. Draw it well. Work is competitive. Three good drawings that are published in the Kentuckian, means a Kentuckian to the artist. Drawings to be made in proportions to 6 inches by 9 inches.

O. P. GERHARD, Art Editor.

has a loftiness—a melancholy dignity that lifts it high above all other form of the Terpsichorean art. Many philosophers have discussed the subject in detail, namely Plato, Aristotel, Quintilian, Lucian and Aeschylus and others."

### JUDGE LYMAN CHALKLEY IS HIGHLY HONORED

Has Made a Compendium of the Augusta County Records of Virginia.

#### PRaised FOR HIS MONUMENTAL TASK

At Washington City, this week, the highest tribute that has recently been paid to one of our professors, is being given Judge Lyman Chalkley, in commemoration of his work in the historical association.

In three volumes of beautiful covering, the historical records of the County of Augusta, Virginia, are compiled with the accuracy and care of a master historian. There are some very interesting stories to be found in this work. Going back into the primeval history of this land, the beginning and development of the Old Dominion State is beautifully put.

The scholarly jurist and teacher has abstracts of the records of Augusta County from 1745 to 1820. The work required four years of unceasing toil to complete.

Judge Chalkley and Mrs. Story, president of the Daughters of American Revolution, were the guests at the Capitol City banquet.

This is a worthy and signal honor for our professor and the students and State rejoice in his growing reputation for learning and erudition.

#### ERRATIC MARKET CONDITIONS.

A study of primary cotton market conditions in Oklahoma by the Department of Agriculture has inspired the statement that "there is not a single important step or process in the entire cotton handling and marketing scheme which owes its origin to a special consideration of the producer's interests."

The investigation cover the entire process of growing, selling and grading, and disclosed that the cotton trade in Oklahoma recognized no grade above common middling, although many thousand bales of higher grade are produced. It is found that in the same day the range in prices paid in the local markets for different bales of middling cotton varied in different localities from seventy-five cents to fifty-eight dollars. The Galveston prices are apparently ignored.

#### "NAVAL HOLIDAY" APPROVED.

The House of Representatives having threshed on the naval holiday proposition brought forward by Representative Hensley, has, by a vote of 317 to 77, approved of the resolution, which calls upon President Wilson to cooperate with Winston Churchill, First Lord of the British Admiralty, to bring about a suspension of naval building programs for a year. The resolution express as "the sense of Congress" that the proposal would be the means of avoiding the "waste of investing in war material."

### JAMES MASTIN HIGHLY HONORED IN THE SOUTH

Will be the Chemist in Charge of the Pure Food Laboratory.

#### TURNED OUT 2,600 SAMPLES LAST YEAR

James Mastin, graduate of 1911, and well known chemist of the pure food department of the Kentucky Experiment Station, has been called to the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Mississippi, to take charge of the pure food laboratory in the state experiment Station.

"Jimmie" has been flatteringly successful in the work of the pure food of Kentucky. Last year he completed about two thousand six hundred food samples for the State. No other chemist in his line of endeavor has even approached this record. The general run of chemists finish from six hundred to ten hundred samples per year.

His work will begin about January 1st. There is a wide field for him in Mississippi and he will be heard of before another Christmas comes around.

The Station will miss the young wizzard. His many friends will feel keenly his absence, for he is an uncompromising worker and a veritable good companion.

He worked severely hard to get a college degree. The lawn of this campus he mowed. He did chores and carried coal in his desperate struggle upward. Now that he is being honored to a marked and signal position, we of State University remember his toil and hardships and rejoice with one another in his elevation to the distinguished post.

#### LOUISVILLE CLUB GIVES DANCE.

The Louisville Club, which is one of the largest at State, entertained about two hundred friends Saturday evening with a dance in the Armory. Seibrecht's Saxophone Trio furnished the music for the program from 2:30 until 5:30 o'clock.

The chaperones were Lieutenant A. W. Gullion and Mrs. Gullion, Mr. Alpha Brumage and Mrs. Brumage, and Miss Mary Fisher.

The dance was a success in every way and the many friends of the club are very thankful for the dance.

#### KIM AT PATT HALL.

Mr. Kim, a Korean, who is a student working his way through an American college, will be at Patt Hall with some fancy Japanese goods for Christmas sale to the young ladies. Now ladies, be generous. Buy, purchase and spend your money. Daddy has plenty.

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#### DON'T FORGET FARMERS' WEEK.

Farmers' Week is to be held at the University January 5th to 16th, inclusive, and it will be the biggest this winter that has ever been arranged. The speakers will include not only many noted agricultural experts from a distance who can lay down for the farmers the general principles of the various branches of agriculture, but there will also be talks and papers by numerous thoroughly capable men who have traveled, lived, worked and made money right here in Kentucky and are therefore thoroughly familiar with the conditions under which the farmers of this State work. Naturally they are best fitted to answer the myriad perplexing questions that could be accurately answered only by those familiar with the local questions.

The agricultural students who are going home for the holidays should carry with them all the essential information about Farmers' Week and boost that event among their home neighbors. Let the people at home know you're alive and on the watch for such good information while at school. They'll be asking questions about Farmers' Week. Have you all the necessary information.

The Extension Department of the Experiment Station has mailed to farmers in all parts of Kentucky several thousand booklet announcements containing the programs of Farmers' Week and from this department you can get all information to be had concerning this big event. Ask for some of the literature. Find out what is to be provided that you know will interest the farmers of your particular neighborhood. Then when you go home don't forget to spread the news to every farmer you can reach. It will not only be a good thing for him but will boost your standing in his eyes when he sees you are keen and watchful of such events.

#### "JOURNAL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH" STARTED BY U. S.

The United States Department of Agriculture at Washington has begun the publication of a monthly "Journal of Agricultural Research." The first and second numbers, prepared under dates of October 1, and November 1, are on file at the State University library.

The articles in this magazine are to be scientific rather than practical, but the wise and careful farmer, horticulturist or stockman will be able to get many excellent hints from its pages. The first few issues will contain papers by none but scientists in the Department of Agriculture, but arrangements are now being perfected so that investigators and teachers in the various experiment stations and agricultural colleges can contribute

occasional papers. It is very well worth careful reading by those inclined to scientific agricultural research, or scanning by those of a more practical inclination.

#### FINE EQUIPMENT FOR BEEF CATTLE FEEDING WORK

Animal Husbandry Division at Experiment Station Will Soon Begin Beef Production Tests.

(By Prof. E. S. Good.)

The new barn at the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station farm for the feeding of steers in carload lots, is rapidly nearing completion. This building is 36 feet wide and 180 feet long. A storage room for cotton seed meal, and for the grinding and weighing of feed, takes up 30 running feet at the east end of this building. A concrete silo 14x36 feet is situated just outside of the east end of the barn and is connected to same by a chute to allow the silage, as it is pitched from the silo, to fall to the floor of the barn.

The remainder of the barn, 150 feet, is used for the housing and feeding of the steers and as a storage room for roughage and corn. An open shed, 16 feet wide with loft above, forms one side of the building, and a mouse and rat-proof corn crib 9 feet wide forms the other side of the structure. These two divisions are connected by a ten-foot alley which runs the entire length of the building. The shed part of the barn serves as a shelter for the steers. It faces the south and is left open because it has been determined that steers make better gains in an open shed than in a closed one. The shed space of the barn is divided into four equal parts, adjoining which are four concrete floored lots, 40 by 43 feet, without cover.

This division of the sheds and lots will allow the feeding of four separate car-load lots of steers on different rations, the relative values of which feeds for the production of economical gains in weight on cattle can easily be determined and the results published. There is ample room in this barn for the storage of a large amount of roughage, as well as a large amount of corn and other concentrates.

The building is so arranged that the man feeding the cattle will never have to go out of doors for any of the feeding operations connected with the experiments. Water will be supplied from the city mains. A large stock scales have been installed at the east end of the barn. These scales are provided with a combination stock and wagon rack which allows the weighing of either cattle or loads of hay and grain without removing the rack from the scales. The building will accommodate the feeding of 80 two-year-old or 100 yearling steers.

#### FARM EDITORS WILL MEET HERE NEXT JUNE FROM ALL U. S.

Twelve of Most Progressive Experiment Stations and Colleges Start Organized Publicity Movement.

#### OUR HOSPITALITY WELCOMED

The National Association of Agricultural Editors will meet here next June 25-26, after having organized at Urbana Ill., last summer. Representatives from a dozen states met and formed the association, Kentucky being the most southerly state represented.

Most of the institutions already represented in the association are Northern experiment stations and agricultural schools, but it is believed that within a year or two practically all the schools and experiment stations in the most progressive states will have joined in this organized work of spreading the gospel of good farming.

Dr. B. E. Powell, of the University of Illinois, is acting chairman and his successor will be elected at the meeting here next June.

#### BREEDERS OF HORSES, JACKS AND MULES TO FORM ASSOCIATION

An association of the horse, jack and mule breeders of Kentucky is to be organized here during Farmers' Week. There has been agitation for such an organization for some time, and it is now expected that there will be good attendance of this class of farmers at the meeting to be held here early in January.

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#### RULES FOR ENTRY AND PRIZE LIST HOME ECONOMICS DEPT.

Contests During Farmers' Week to Be Big Events—Handsome Prizes Offered.

#### ENTRIES CLOSE JANUARY 3rd.

Rules for Entry.  
 Entries close Saturday, January 3rd. Exhibits must be in place not later than Monday, January 5th, at 4 p. m. This will enable exhibitors attending Farmers' Week to bring their exhibits with them. Exhibits may be shipped, prepaid, to Miss Clare W. White, who will place them on exhibition. Do not expect any extension of time. Entry blanks should be secured from Miss White. Your name and address must be written on outside. Do not enclose communications in box.

All exhibits remain the property of the Department of Home Economics, unless otherwise arranged for. This does not include exhibits in sewing.

No exhibitor will be allowed to make more than one entry in any one class. A separate sample must be provided for each class entered.

All exhibits must have been made by the exhibitor in 1913 or 1914.

In contesting, the exhibitor must file certificate of two disinterested persons that the work is that only of the exhibitor named.

In making up the most of exhibit, an itemized statement must be submitted, showing all expenditures, the labor and material used. Labor value at 75 cents a day.

All certificates must be filed with Miss Clara W. White, not later than January 1, 1914.

Score cards giving the standards by which exhibits will be judged will be sent on application to Miss White.

#### PREMIUM LIST.

##### GROUP A.

Open to the Women of the State.  
 The second prize offered for each class in this group is a subscription to Farm Journal for five years, given by the Hanson Magazine Agency.

Class 1. Best exhibit of Christmas Dinner for two adults and two children, respectively four and ten years. Cost limited to \$3 (scored on food value, same in relation to cost, suitability, digestibility, aesthetics.) Recipes must be filed for each dish served, and itemized list of materials, cost and time consumed.

Price—One-half dozen sterling silver knives, one-half dozen sterling silver forks, Paul Revere pattern. Value \$25. Offered by the Phoenix Hotel Company.

Class 2. Best Picnic Lunch for four persons, limiting cost to 25 cents per person; packed and ready for transportation. See score card.

Price—Equipment recommended by "Good Housekeeping." Value \$15. Offered by J. D. Purcell Company.

Class 3. Best Bowl of 24 Cooked Prunes.

Price—Caloric Fireless Cooker, value \$10. Offered by C. F. Brower

& Company.

Class 4. Best Plate of Six Apples stored in farm home.

Price—Cash, \$7.00. Offered by Consumers Ice Co.

Class 5. Best Two Glasses of Apple Jelly recipe included.

Price—Cash, \$3.00. Offered by Consumers Ice Co.

Class 6. Best Four Loaves of Bread, two white and two graham. See score card for bread.

Price—One barrel of Blue Ribbon flour. Offered by Elmendorf Coal and Feed Co.

Class 7. Best Pound of Cottage Cheese.

Price—Baking dish. Offered by Van Deren Hardware Co.

Class 8. Best Plain White Cake, iced with chocolate. See score card.

Price—One barrel of Blue Ribbon flour. Offered by Elmendorf Coal and Feed Co.

Class 9. Best Angel Food Cake.

Price—Ice Box. Offered by J. J. Fitzgerald.

Class 10. Best Dressed Chicken for Broiling.

Price—300 pounds Kakle Chicken Feed. Offered by C. S. Brent.

Class 11. Best Plate of Six Corn Meal Muffins, recipe to be filed with exhibit.

Price—One year subscription to "Good Housekeeping." Offered by Home Economics Department of the Woman's Club of Central Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.

Class 12. Best Two Loaves of Salt Rising Bread.

Price—Cash, \$2.00. Offered by Builders' Supply Co.

Class 13. Best Roasted Hen, weighing three pounds or less.

Price—Aluminum "roaster." Value \$4.25. Offered by Hay Hardware Co.

Class 14. Best Dozen Beaten Biscuits, recipe to be filed.

Price—Coffee percolator. Value \$4. Offered by Smith Watkins & Co.

Class 15. Best Hand Woven Coverlid. Specify age, material and time consumed in making.

Price—Cash \$5.00 Offered by J. M. Byrns.

Class 16. Best, Cheapest and Most Attractive Combination Dish, with cold broiled rice as a foundation. Cost of material and time in preparation must be filed with the dish.

Price—Cash, \$2.00. Offered by Barnes & Hall.

Class 17. Best Design for Modern Farm Kitchen.

Price—Five years' subscription to Farm Journal. Offered by Hanson Magazine Agency.

#### "TOBACCO DAY" FOR FARMERS' WEEK—GOLD MEDAL OFFERED

Recognizing the importance to the farmers of Kentucky it has been arranged that there shall be a special "Tobacco Day" during Farmers' Week, and the opening day has been set aside for that purpose.

There will be numerous prizes in the tobacco show that is to be held, the most valuable being a handsome gold medal for the best exhibit of samples of trash, flyings, lugs, bright and red leaf.

# Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Page

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**ENGINEERING IDEALS**

A great many people in the University believe that the "Mechanical," as he is so dubbed, is a sort of abnormal being who is satisfied to grind his life out in college and give up every pleasure that that life should afford.

There is no doubt that Mechanical Hall is a hive of industry. We are all busy and thank God for that fact! We believe that no man is happy who is not busy. We are working toward a goal, and that goal is not a sheep-skin, either. It is not money and notoriety—we work for the realization of an ideal, and a clear and definite program of life. The engineer is full of enthusiasm, for he is fully aware of the importance of his life and work. Each problem he solves affords him a keener satisfaction, and brings with it a higher and more important problem, and more truth and light into his consciousness.

In the live, progressive sciences of today, there is no such word as rest. Theories are much like flowers, they grow up and are soon cut down and replaced by new ones. Most things are as yet undiscovered. One of us may revolutionize the whole world—who knows?

Engineering is now recognized as the great creative profession, and one cannot fail to see the prominent part which the engineer has and must play in the further development of this country.

But, after all, there are many important things in life other than professional advancement and success. It would be foolishness for us to neglect the many social and other pleasures within our reach. There are many college activities which, although they have representatives from our department, could use many more, and prove of infinite value to us.

Many of us have not had a wide academic training. Let us pull together, then, in the movement for a combination of the usual arts with our technical education.

**FARADAY INITIATION.**

On last Thursday night "Towser" Masters was assisted across the "Hot Sands" and into the illustrious order of the '14 Faradays. The ceremony was noted for its dignity and seriousness. The candidate, after standing all tests applied, was finally welcomed into our midst from the top of the operating table.

After the ceremonies, the chief opened wide the doors leading to the festive board and his efforts to satisfy the inner man were appreciated to the fullest extent, if the speed with which the "cats" were consumed could be taken as an indication.

The members were entertained by several clogs by Bert Hedges and some instructive ballet dances by "Bill" Cross. The music was supplied by "Ty" Watts and the entire bunch joined in singing the national anthem, "Who Says the Faradays Ain't Got No Style."

As things were at the highest pitch and several of the fellows were practicing the tango, turkey trot and hesitation waltz, we had a visitor in the person of Prof. J. Juepuls Curtis. As he was "crossing the bar" a flash-light was taken, much to his consternation. No one could give any reason for the cheese sandwich which Professor Curtis carried unless he intended to use it as a life buoy.

Among the interesting happenings was a touching imitation of J. Mort given by "Bono" Hayden. "Berk" Hedges and "Ty" Watts rendered several very touching ballads. Flash-lights of the festive board and operating table were taken from time to time.

In the wee hours of the morning these hard working engineers drew out their Thermodynamics in order to prepare for a quiz which "Steam" Cassidy gave in honor of the occasion.

The janitor swept out the merriment and fun and back into their old places were placed the fleeing B. T. U.'s and elusive K. W.'s. Everything was quiet and the quiz resulted in several fizz-outs.

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**DYNAMIC ENGINEERING SOCIETY  
SMOKER IN HONOR OF THE  
FACULTY.**

Monday night December 8th, the Dynamic Engineering Society, composed of the Juniors in the College of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering gave a banquet and smoker in honor of the faculty of their college. Places were set for sixty and a goodly crowd was present, including Dean Anderson, Prof. Freeman, Prof. Frankel, Prof. Nollau, Mr. Wilhoite, Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Curtis and Mr. Dicker, of the faculty.

Prof. L. K. Frankel acted as toast-master and the following responses were enjoyed:

Welcome—President Elchhorn.  
Music—Tau Sigma.  
"The Twentieth Century Engineer," Professor Freeman.

Music—Tau Sigma.  
"A Plea," Merott Brooke.  
"Photography," Professor Nollau.  
Music—Tau Sigma.

"Reminiscences," Mr. Cassidy.  
"Selections from Robert W. Service," J. Esten Bolling.

"Hints to Juniors," Dean Anderson.  
Music—Tau Sigma.  
Good night.

The occasion was one of delight and benefit, offering as it did, an opportunity for wholesome enjoyment and a closer intimacy with the men who are preparing the class for the service of the country.

It is the intention of the Society to make the affair an annual event. The inspiration gathered from the words and presence of the faculty kindled an enthusiasm which will do much toward making each of those present a better man as well as a more efficient engineer.

**INTERESTING MEETING.**

Dynamic Engineering Society Holds Regular Bi-Monthly Session.

The regular meeting of the Dynamic Engineering Society of 1915, on November 10th, was a most interesting one. The feature was a talk by Mr. J. Esten Bolling.

After a brief business meeting, the body had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Bolling discuss the new "Thermit Process," by which metals are welded almost instantly. He illustrated his remarks with an experiment, by which he demonstrated in principle the method now in use commercially for welding metal joints and fractures, as for example, a railroad joint or a cracked casting.

The apparatus for the experiment was furnished by the Thermit Co.

The A. S. M. E. held a very interesting session Monday. For the opening part of the program, "Scientific Management in the U. S. Navy," an article in "Engineering Magazine," was given a thorough discussion by Mr. W. S. Carrithers. The speaker outlined some recent developments in efficient handling of battle ships and their armament. The figures presented were very gratifying to those of his audience who were patriotically inclined.

The second speaker, Mr. R. B. Cottrell had been trusted with a very difficult subject, "Tests Upon the Transmission of Heat in Vacuum Evaporations," as presented in the Journal of the Society. Coming coincident with the study of vaporization in Thermodynamics, the topic proved of great value to his auditors.

Mr. Cottrell evidenced a mastery of his subject that did credit to his preparation and ability. Adjournment was for the holidays.

**A FRESHMAN'S DESPAIR.**

I long to drink the coffee,  
That mother use to bake.  
I long to eat some bread and pies,  
That she was wont to bake.  
But you never heard me talking  
To the barber as I live,  
Of the neat, artistic hair-cut,  
The Seniors tried to give.  
—A Freshman.

**ROPER FEATURE  
OF CONVOCATION**

(Contributed.)

The last convocation of 1913 ended in a blaze of glory, and the old chapel was a scene of battle under the generalship of Stonewall Jackson, editor of The Idea, accompanied by the marshal music of Alvin Roper, pianist.

It was a fitting climax to the weekly gatherings held this fall of the student body under the new arrangement of chapel services. Accidentally delayed in beginning promptly through the placing of the new grand piano on the platform the customary devotion was omitted, and Mr. Roper was introduced. At special request, he rendered his medley of national airs, including "Old Kentucky Home," and "Dixie," and when the last strain of "Star Spangled Banner" was finished, the audience that packed the room from door to door broke loose with an applause, the like of which was never heard before on the campus. Mr. Roper responded with a beautiful encore, his improvisation of "Jesus Shall Reign, Where'er the Sun," closing with his famous "Chimes," a perfect imitation of cathedral bells which has charmed so many thousands in audiences the world over.

The purpose of Mr. Roper's concert of the night before being explained, Stonewall Jackson responded to the call to come to the platform.

Mr. Jackson, in an eloquent and effective statement, told of the disappointment in the small sum realized

over expenses from the concert to faculty men. send a delegation to the coming convention of the Student Volunteer Movement in Kansas City and ended with a manly and straightforward appeal to the students to get under the load and help raise the \$250 required.

Had time permitted, no doubt the entire amount would have been secured, but after two rounds of the hat, \$75 was brought forward and announced by the ushers, which included representatives of all classes and a few

Complying with the demands of the audience Mr. Roper closed the service with a movement selected from Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata."

**RETURNING THE CALL.**

Mr. Deadbeat—"Thought I'd stop in and pay you my respects."

Postmaster Storekeeper—"You did? Well, I'd feel better if you'd pay your bills.



**Gift Things For  
Young Men**

The useful kind that they like to receive—that's the kind you'll find at this store.

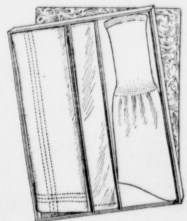
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### EDITORIAL

#### KRIS KRINGLE DAY.

With the anniversary of Christ's birth comes a multitude of generous musings concerning the mystery of the deathless Judean. The day when every heart-ache changes to throbs of love and the hour when despondent souls take refuge in His words—"be not afraid, I am with you"—the earth rests in His supreme assurance. With that day and that hour comes the solemn reflection and sympathy that defines the birthday of a crucified Lord. What a glad day for the world's despairing anticipation was that when He was born! The shadows of doubt and superstitious vanished, the pillars of paganism tottered, the swaddled poor rejoiced and kings shuddered at the thought of his divine genesis among men. At the close of that blessed night, when the star of Bethlehem grew dim in the light of the enduring day, morning came "adorned as a bride." Gathering around the manger—throne of the infant king—the shepherds left their flocks to witness the sacred dawn of two thousand years of hope and love. Infidelity and sin stood palsied in the rapt presence of this matchless comer. Scoffing and unbelief trembled and skepticism found faith in his meek humility. One look into His compassionate eyes would heal torn hearts, unstain the tears shed in sorrow and give health to hurt minds. The endless ages had inherited the blissful sovereignty of an omnipotent Savior. The wise men expected the child. In the stars they and the seers of old had read his forebodings. He came and, though he died, still lives. Can you not hear the singing, the celestial voices aburst with hymns of praise?

Our bitter jealousies and puny strifes should turn to charity and human kindness on the holy day of Christmas, the great Sabbath of the year. Let Santa Claus bear the gift of forgiveness in the jingle of his sleigh bells. The emissaries from the spirit land will inhabit the dreams of childhood on that hallowed eve. Yule-tide will unbar the door to the sweet memories of heads that are gray and the mistletoe will play a part in the jubilee of youth and every gift shall be wrapped in the sublime joy that comes with the Day of Days.

Envy and greed must stand aside and down this isle of crushing years let charity walk. Then each heart will pulse with raptures of the risen Prince and we shall come to feel the kindlier brotherhood which is lodged in the goodness of that unspeakable morning. Christmas, what a splendid and immortal hour! What rhapsodies fill the songs (and jollity) of the playing children! Indeed these are the holiest moments of a holy life. May our hearts be thrilled with potential love and our breasts breathe out the eternal melodies with which

we commemorate the Redeemer's birth on Kris Kringle day.

#### THE LOOM OF LIFE.

Cotton Noe's loom of life is the most intricate of Jacquard weavers. The fancy figures of the carpet brighten every time the shuttle dances across the warp. The old machine can explain many things of living interest to men. It can tell whence

"The dew of eve; the mists of morn;  
The bloom of rose; the thistle's thorn."

The secret of this little volume is a soul-filled love and sympathy. There is a warmth of human kinship and the spirit of infinite compassion in every beam and standard of this literary loom. The poet's heart, and not his mind, is dominant in this book, and it is this presence of love and heart in his lines which are so beautiful and radiant. It is the ultimate idiom of his music.

Any one whose childhood was spent around the old grandmother's loom, marveling at the myriad shades and tints of the folding carpet can grasp the sense of "life's great loom." There is a human captivity in "One Armed Joe," who was caught in the mesh of life's great weaver. In "Natura" is a peculiar beauty and merit and "Anent Halley's Comet" captures the whole field when it muses,

"Wonder now has science lied?  
That gas smells like cyanide."

#### GOD'S RICH BLESSING BE ON THESE

The Idea sends a Christmas prayer to every Kentucky home. We hope the professors will see hope in your examination paper, see a possibility in your youthful attempt and glorify the love you hold for them by placing the A, B, C's on your cedar tree.

Give the school a good name at home. Tell the world the needs of the State and institution and come back with zeal and fervid fire of youth and work in your lives. We give the rich blessings of The Idea with the others we have invoked.

#### CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOLS

The Idea editors will send to every high school in Kentucky its Christmas number as a token of the University. The paper will be on the reading table every week throughout the coming year and the students over the State may see what the University here is doing and will be aided thereby in choosing the proper institution to attend after graduation. This is our gift and we trust to Santa Claus that all will receive it promptly.

The first student scholarship loan to be pledged by any city alumni was

promised by the Chicago Club at their meeting, December 6.

The chairman of the Chicago scholarship loan fund committee is Mr. William Irons, formerly of this city. The Chicago club is one of the most active alumni clubs and annually enlarges its numbers.

Last week we received the question from Central for the annual debate in the Kentucky Intercollegiate Association.

Up to the present time State has held the championship of debating in Kentucky. Three years ago we were supposed to debate Central, but they were unable to make sufficient preparations. Since that time we have won from Transylvania and Georgetown. The debate will be held at Danville sometimes in the Spring and the team will be selected from the Inter-Society debate which will be held sometimes in January.

#### THE SHORT CUT TO PANAMA.

The volume of tourist travel to the Isthmus of Panama is surpassing all previous records. Almost every one in official Washington has visited the great ditch, with the exception of President Wilson, whose plans to spend the holidays in the Canal Zone have been interrupted by Congress. A convenient short cut to the Panama Canal for tourists in the south, middle west and far western states, is made possible by the special pleasure cruises sailing from New Orleans. Two special cruises will be made by the Hamburg American Line, beginning in January, which will enable tourists in these sections to visit the Panama Canal and the West Indies without necessitating a journey to the eastern seaboard. The cruises will be made by the palatial steamer "Fuerst Bismarck," which assures all the luxury of modern travel throughout these delightful cruises. The visit to the Panama Canal and other West Indian ports may be made within a two weeks vacation, since the cruises cover sixteen days. Starting from New Orleans in the cruising steamer "Fuerst Bismarck," the first call will be made at Kingston, Jamaica, where plenty of time will be afforded to explore this modern Garden of Eden. A delightful feature of the visit to the Isthmus will be an actual trip on the Canal with visits to the principal points of interest. On the return a visit will be made at Havana. Interest in the cruises is very keen in the Capital among person representing all sections of the country. A pleasure cruise on one of the great liners is surrounded by every comfort, and the tourist is assured of a delightful trip throughout. The steamers are equipped throughout with all the newest safety devices and appliances.

#### THE RIGHTS OF STATES.

There is hardly a week passes but some southern member rises in Congress to tell of the rights of the states and to describe the functions of state government, and the manner of attempted invasion by the National Congress. But now Mr. Volstead, ranking Republican member of the House Committee on the Judiciary and a resident of Minnesota, attacks the proposal of

President Wilson that Congress shall enact a law for the election of candidates in primaries, and bases his objection upon the rights of the states; likewise declaring that the proposition is unconstitutional. According to Mr. Volstead, the President's plan "is an unauthorized interference with the constitutional prerogatives of the states."

#### HADN'T SPOILED THE PAPER.

"Everything seems to be going wrong," sighed the poet. "I asked the maid at my lodging this morning what had become of the paper that I'd left lying on the desk."

"Oh, sir," she said, "I thought it was waste paper so I threw it in the waste basket."

"No," I said, "It wasn't waste paper, for I hadn't written anything on it yet."

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Judge W. T. Lafferty, Dean of the Law Department, has been appointed chairman of a committee to draw up a bill for the raising of the standard of admission to the bar. The bill will be presented to the Legislature at its next meeting.

Judge Lafferty has received a bill from the Louisville Bar Association, and they request that a law student have a high school diploma and two

years' study of law before he be permitted to take the bar examination.

The American Bar Association has set the standard of three years and most of the law schools in the country have adopted their standard. The course in the law department is three years and Judge Lafferty prefers that the bill should require three years in law school, but he will not insist on this point.

## Contributors' Club

### GOING HOME.

Dust thou art, to dust returnest,  
 Was not spoken of the soul.—Longfellow.

Through cave and rock the winding rills  
 Flow down each mountain's side,  
 To seek from out the ancient hills  
 Their home, the ocean wide.

The past hath crumbled into dust,  
 That forms the page we hold;  
 Our fathers wrote with pens of rust,  
 The thought our lines infold.

And thus abides—no jot is lost—  
 The mind and spirit too,  
 Eternal midst material tossed  
 Though formed in fashions new.

So let us bear through passing years  
 And changes that must come,  
 No crown of doubt, no cross of fears  
 Along this journey home.

—L. M. Hammonds.

### THE CHRISTMAS STORY.

'Tis Christmas night, let the Yule log's light  
 Floor the room with its cheerful glow;  
 Come gather 'round, let the songs resound—  
 The songs of the long ago.

Now the time draws near of the glad New Year,  
 When each heart with a new hope swells.  
 Draw the easy chair for grandfather there  
 And list to the tale he tells.

"'Twas long ago, as the legends go,  
 As the shepherds watched at night,  
 That the heavens rang as the angels sang  
 And the world was filled with light.

"When the watchers afar, saw the light of the star,  
 And heard the glad message of cheer;  
 They said, 'let us go to the city for lo,  
 The King that was promised is here.'

"In swaddling clothes bound the Saviour they found,  
 In a manger that served as a bed,  
 But the glory that shone, 'round his poor cradle throne,  
 Approved what the angels had said.

"Come! To Him raise glad anthems of praise,  
 Let His love in your hearts now abide;  
 For Christmas is here to bless and to cheer  
 And the gates of heaven swing wide.

### A STUDENT'S SOLILOQUY.

(Apologies to Bill Shakespeare)  
 To flunk, or not to flunk,—that is the question:

Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer  
 A world of quizzing to remain unanswered,

Or take arms against a sea of questions  
 And by opposing end them? To fall—to flunk—  
 No more; and by a flunk we say we mean

An E; a mark in modern times that  
 Student flesh is heir to,—'tis a dread misfortune

Keenly to be feared. To fall,—to flunk,—  
 To flunk! Perchance to fizzle! Ay, there's the rub;

For in that hour of trial no friend may come,  
 When we have racked our weary brains in vain,  
 And give us aid; there's the respect

That gives the honor system such prestige;

For who would brave its terrible tribunal  
 With bearing stern and dire investigation?

There's mighty Conscience with its subtle power  
 That points out the straight and narrow path

In which we walk or out of which we stray  
 According to its hidden strength and force.

And there's the "Prof.," the bans of college life,  
 Whot at his desk in dreaded presence sits;

Or with a dreaming and thoughtful eye  
 Roams with silent tread about the room,  
 And from each window views the outside world.

We laughed in joy at every joke he told  
 And when it was repeated, laughed again.

And when he would upon his hobby ride  
 We'd gladly lend our ears in due respect—

But soft! We cannot judge the elements  
 Of failure or success, until at length  
 The last dark question has appeared and we  
 Have homeward turned in peace.

—The Judge.

### "THE SOPH."

You may talk about your "stuck-ups,"  
 Who think they have some knowledge,  
 But nothing is more haughty  
 Than a Sophomore in college.

Watch him on the campus  
 Watch him when in town,  
 And see that if at all times  
 He needs no calling down.

He goes to all the dances,  
 Even if duties he must shirk.  
 Since he's become a Sophomore  
 He thinks he's through with work.

He butts into the Seniors,  
 His superiors by two years  
 For since he is a Sophomore  
 He thinks he's past his fears.

He's always carrying fair maidens  
 To ice cream parlors and such  
 But soon his Dad writes him:  
 "Dear boy, you're spending too much."

He heeds not his Daddy's warning,  
 And continues to run about,  
 But when he goes home Christmas  
 Dad says, "Son, cut it out."

He tries to placate the old man,  
 By telling him he's a shark,  
 But when his Dad quizzes him  
 He finds him in the dark.

And now, dear futile Freshman,  
 If you're to acquire lore,  
 Remember not to get haughty  
 When you're a Sophomore.

—Freshman.

### FORETHOUGHT.

Druggist—"What kind of a hairbrush do you want?"

Willie—"Er, have you any with soft backs?"

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Through the courtesy of Mr. Berryman in permitting the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. the use of the Ben Ali Theater for the Roper recital, they received a neat sum to send delegates from this institution to the Seventh Quadrennial Convention of the Students' Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions at Kansas City, from December 21st to January 4th.

The performers were Mr. Alvin Roper, who took the leading part and was assisted by Mr. Harlowe F. Dean, basso-cantante, and Miss Myrtle Keshelmer, accompanist.

Besides a number of selections of well known composers, including Beethoven, Schumann, Mendelssohn, McDowell, Tschalkowski and others, he gave several of his own interpretations of grand opera and religious songs.

His transcription from the opera, "Bohemian Girl," and on the sacred song, "My Jesus I Love Thee," were very beautiful selections. "To the Wild Rose," "The Flatterer," "The Dying Poet," and "Dolly's Funeral," were well rendered.

His two remarkable imitations of cathedral chimes would make you feel if you could forget that you were in the Ben Ali, as if you were standing before a great cathedral when the time came for the ringing of the chimes chimes, shimes.

Mr. Dean highly pleased the audience in his two group of songs. They were well sung and very effective as he was twice encored.

Among his selections was found "Hear Me Ye Winds and Waves," from Scipio; "Love Me If I Live," by Footie; "Absent," by Metcalf; "Uncle Rome," by Homer and several other popular melodies.

Mr. Roper and Mr. Dean were both well received by the audience and Miss Keshelmer made a very capable accompanist.

The program was very long and Mr. Roper omitted one selection, yet it lasted for over two and one half hours, but was arranged to meet the popular taste of the hearers. The association did not begin to obtain enough coin to send off the delegation and funds were raised from the faculty and student body.

## ROPER-DEAN CONCERT AT

BEN ALI THEATRE

To aid in sending the State University delegation to the Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement at Kansas City, December 31 to January 4th, a concert was given at the Ben Ali Theater Monday evening, Dec. 15, by Alvin Roper, pianist, assisted by Harlowe F. Dean, basso-cantante, and Miss Myrtle Keshelmer, accompanist.

Mr. Roper was especially pleasing in his transcription from the opera, "Bohemian Girl," in his improvisations of the sacred song, "My Jesus, I Love Thee," and in his own remarkable and unique composition, the "Chimes." His renditions of the classical selections of well known composers, including Beethoven, Schumann, Mendelssohn, McDowell, Chaminade, Gottschalk and Tschalkowski were marked with great expression and feeling. His selections were aimed to suit all ages and degrees of musical appreciation,

and the audience, evidently very appreciative in its demand for encores, was held in breathless silence, while he was playing, lest some tender little refrain escape their hearing.

Mr. Dean proved himself the complete master of a voice remarkable in range, power, and intelligence and handled a variety of range including Handel's "Hear Me, Ye Winds and Waves," Huhn's "Invictus," Homer's "Uncle Rome," and Squire's "Three for Jack." Mr. Dean's accompanist, Miss Keshelmer, appeared at her best and her able work was a distinct feature of the concert.

From a financial standpoint the concert was decidedly unsuccessful, there being realized but little over five dollars after meeting expenses, which amount would not seem to go far in sending a party of delegates on a journey to Kansas City and back. All thanks are due to the small but appreciative audience who supported the concert however, and among whom constant remarks of regret were heard concerning the loss of a rare treat by the absentees.

We are requested to say that the officers of the Christian Associations, under whose auspices the concert was given, are greatly indebted to Mr. Roper for his appearance immediately following a very serious illness of typhoid fever, to Mr. Dean and Miss Keshelmer for their personal donation of their services to the cause, to Mr. C. H. Berryman for the donation of the theatre, and to the press for their publicity of the event.

E. L. HALL.

## BEN ALI.

Another big Keith vaudeville bill opens at the Ben Ali with a matinee this afternoon and continues for the rest of the week, with daily matinees. The bill is one of the strongest yet presented at this house and fills in just right at the beginning of the holiday season. John Henshaw and Grace Avery are among the best entertainers on the vaudeville stage, and the New Orleans papers, where they appeared last week, speak in the highest terms of their bright little playlet entitled, "Strangers in a Strange Flat." Henshaw has been seen here a number of times in musical comedy and has always been a favorite with the audiences. In Grace Avery he has a partner that keeps him hustling to hold his place as the head of the team. Another feature that will appeal to all is the pair of wonderful monkeys, "Consul" and "Betty." They eat, drink, smoke and play various kinds of musical instruments in a way not only to amuse but to astound their auditors. Besides the above there will be five other acts selected from the best of the Keith artists.

## THE ADA MEADE.

The bill at the Ada Meade is an exceptionally good one this week and students who spend an hour there will find it a pleasant method of recuperating from the tortures of examination week.

The performance opens with a comic Kinemacolor entitled "Entertaining Auntie." The vaudeville starts with the Davis Musical Trio, with a comic cabaret revue consisting of instrumental music, singing and a line of nonsense which pleases the audience.

The second act, Moore and St. Clair, is out of the ordinary. A man and a girl meet in a country lane; the man is a stranded actor and their repartee causes a continuous laugh.

The feature act in Dainty Jane Roberts in a musical comedy, "Show Folks." Jane is just as dainty as ever. She dances, if anything, better than ever. She is only twelve years old now, and has been dancing on the vaudeville stage since she was eight. Her father plays the flute, rendering two numbers, "That Old Sweetheart of Mine," and "When It's Apple Blossom Time in Normandy," in a way that few flute players can.

Dooley Donovan comes in after the big act helping to strike the scenery and set the stage. He seems surprised when he finds the curtain up and at once goes into his act, which is a burlesque of the acts ahead of him, some jokes and songs, all of which should please.

The Zara Carmen Trio of hoop rollers and baton manipulators are three lively and good looking people, two women and a man, they make a fine stage appearance in their costumes and velvet cyclorama and do the best act of their kind seen in Lexington for a long time.

## HUMOR.

Bewildered English student—"Do you believe the English language was made to conceal thought?"

Second Student—"Sometimes, when I hear Professor Dantzier lecturing on Shelley!"

Art Dealer—"Now Madam, look over this portrait from Hamlet."

Mrs. Newryrich—"I would rather see one from a larger town, Mr. Clerk."

An Irishman loves his pipe,  
A Dutchman loves his beer,  
But from what I see of "English,"  
He loves "zip" thruout the year.Perhaps you've heard the story told  
No doubt to you it's very old,  
That Christmas time doth unfurl  
The present you owe your girl.

This is how the big brother so completely discourages the younger "bud" at home:

"Dear Johnnie: Do not think I have forgotten you. I just don't have time to write—my studies keep me till two o'clock in the morning. With best wishes. Tell dad to send me a check right away."

A baldness was on a Freshman's head,  
Now its gone—but the instead!'Tis Christmas time, she said, quite cunning,  
As Joseph held her hand.  
I wish Santa would propose to me,  
And place a diamond on my hand.

J. Frank—"Proff. looked at me the other day like he thought I was a dunce."

Chumbo—"Well, what did you do, Frank?"

J. Frank—"I just tried to imitate his look."

Ikey, (to father)—"Fadther, vat is independence?"

Father (to Ikey)—"The right, my son, to sell vat you pleas as high as you pleas and ven you pleas."

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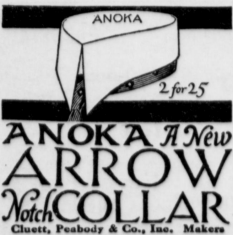
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**LEXINGTON CLUB EARNESTLY AT WORK**

The dawn of a brighter day is compassing the students of the University of Kentucky. When the graduates of a college come to the feeling that there is a bond that binds them to their Alma Mater and begin to realize that they can fulfill a boundless need to that institution, it is time for the world to watch us grow. The Association of Alumni, of New York, of Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Chicago, Cincinnati, Birmingham and the various others are turning back now and will furnish a stalwart aid to our school.

There will be a special department in The Idea after the holidays, devoted entirely to the activities and news of the clubs and associations of alumni over the country. Because these organizations realize that the college paper is the most expedient and natural medium of building and developing a college and bringing the University and alumni in closer touch.

The Idea has rejoiced in the news of these associations. It has been glad always to publish their tidings and tell the readers of the work and ways of our students who are gone. The college paper will receive some more subscriptions from the clubs everywhere and hopes to build up a marvelous circulation which will reach the high school students of the State, the Legislature, the old graduates everywhere and the various universities in the country. All of the students are readers of our paper as a rule. Some have not subscribed, but are interested in the news and college activities any way. The ideals of The Idea are high, its ambition is to become the best and newest and most desired college weekly in the interior. If there is anything of virtue in a wagon tied to a star, The Idea has its share and quota of virtue. When the Alumni wants a fact known or an appeal made the columns of this paper are unbarred to them and the editors are delighted to receive.

President Barker is behind the good work and will guide and pilot the fight for a better school, more lively alumni and better chances in the State.

The Lexington Club of Alumni is kind in coming to the needs of the University and gives its news and financial aid to the development of the paper.

So now the students must feel that The Idea and the University demand their attention for good of the institution of their State.

**CHICAGO ALUMNI.**

The Chicago Chapter of the Alumni of Kentucky State University held its quarterly meeting on Saturday evening, December 6th, at the Boston Oyster House, with 24 in attendance. The chapter is in a flourishing condition with fifty members enrolled, all of whom will be glad to get in touch with any member of the institution who may be in Chicago.

The following officers were elected by the chapter for the coming year:

E. B. Perrine '09, President.  
J. B. Sanders '11, Vice-President.  
H. H. Lowry '09, Secretary and Treasurer.

A guarantee of one scholarship was made to the Alumni Scholarship Fund now being raised.

**CINCY CLUB REORGANIZING.**

For a number of years there has been an Alumni Club in the Queen City, but it has been more or less inactive. Recently Mr. George Morgan, with the Nocala Stone and Myers Company, assisted by Messrs. A. J. Vance and A. J. Chinn, have set about to reorganize the club and make it one of the liveliest of any K. S. U. Club in the country.

There are no less than fifty alumni in and around the Queen City, who are bringing honor to themselves and credit to their Alma Mater and we are assured that this club will be of inestimable value to the University.

**ST. LOUIS CLUB.**

Mr. A. C. Ball, '11, Dairy Agent of the Southern Railway Company, with headquarters at St. Louis, is organizing an Alumni Club in that city. There are probably twenty-five successful Alumni eligible to membership in this club and they expect to meet together during the holidays to effect a permanent organization.

**OTHER CLUBS.**

In keeping with the movement of the Alumni to get in closed touch with the University active Alumni Clubs are being organized in Buffalo, New York, Louisville and Frankfort, Ky., and we have no doubt but what in a few months there will be a wide-awake club in every city in the United States where as many as a dozen of the "Old Grads" have cast their lot.

**ANCIENT FOOTBALL**

Football is commonly supposed to have originated among the American colleges. However, like everything else in the world that is not specially born, it is not new.

The old Teutons have been accused of founding the game by playing it with the bleached skulls of their enemies. Preliminary practice was first heard of in Chester, England, where the inhabitants are said to have roughened the game of their Teutonic predecessors. In 982 a legend states that, during the Danish invasion of England, the citizens of that town captured a Dane, and after beheading him, kicked his head about the streets for spite. So popular did the diversion become that the exercise was repeated whenever the head of an enemy could be secured. Finally when Danish heads became almost extinct the game had such a hold on the populace that a tougher skin, a "hale of leather, called a foot-balle," was substituted.

"Then," says Walsh, "the game often degenerated into a rough and tumble scrimmage, and the ball itself might be left alone for half an hour at a time, while the citizens chased one another through alleys and lanes and even into the houses of respectable citizens. Scowles were cracked, bones were broken, lives lost. The custom spread."

Neither are football critics a modern production. Philip Stubbes, in his

"Anatomic of Abuses," published in 1583, denounced the game in a way that would have been creditable to one of our contemporary, whole-body around a whole-soul enthusiast.

"As concerning foot-balle," he says, "I protest unto you it may rather be called a friendlie kind of a fight than a play of recreation, a bloody and murdering practice than a felowly sport or pastice. For dooth not every one lie in wait for his adversary, seeking to overthrow him and picke him on the nose, though it be on hard stones, or ditch or dale, or valley or hill, so he has him down, and he that can serve the most of this fashion is counted the only fellow, and who but he So that by this means their necks are broken, sometimes their backs, sometimes their arms, sometimes their noses gush out with blood, sometimes their eyes start out; for they have the sleights to mix one between two, to dash him against the heart with their elbows, to butt him under the short ribs with their gripped fists, and with their knees to catch him on the hip and picke him on his neck, with a hundred such murdering devices."—The Princetonian.

A very wise man once said in an address to a graduating class of engineers:

"Like college faculties, mothers-in-law are often the subjects of jokes, but if you will observe carefully, and accept the verdict of those who have had experience, you will learn that one of the truest and best friends a man has in the world is apt to be his mother-in-law. In this connection I may say that one of the things most essential to his success, which a young engineer should not do too late in his career, is to acquire a mother-in-law."

Seniors, take notice!

**THE PENNYRILE.**

Men may chant of the grass, famed in horses—  
Where people love the beau monde and style,  
But allow me in simplest expression,  
To praise the plain old pennyrile.

A neighbor is friendly to his neighbor.  
'Tis not a strife of man for man;  
Each lives contented in his home and holds  
For his passing friend a cordial hand.

In the Blue Grass its noble, pleb and lord,  
The aspect of fashion leads on as vile  
As kings rule over American men,  
But thanks to the ruralistic pennyrile.

Simplicity is their faithful guard;  
Consideration for all—they call this style!  
"A man is a man for all o' that."  
Down in the plain old pennyrile.

**LOVE ON CHRISTMAS DAY.**

In the prayers we pray  
On Christmas day,  
How gracious is our love;  
Goes a song so gay  
In the children's play,  
To the glory of Him above!

Young people assemble,  
With graces nimble,  
While the Yule-tide log burns away.  
A struggle, "Oh!"  
'Neath the mistletoe,  
A kiss for Christmas day!

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**FIGHTING BLOOD IN CONGRESS.**

Even peaceful Mrs. Stevens, of Maine, who has long been the distinguished head of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, is threatened with the accusation of being a militant, since by coming to Washington and organizing a great parade to march upon the National Capital she was indirectly responsible for a clash between Captain Hobson and Representative Donovan. Hobson in the open House declared his desire to "fight" his enemy from Connecticut, but as usual in such instances no blood was shed. Over in the Senate end of the Capitol things have also become turbulent, although the peace-loving Senators have not evinced any desire to spill blood. Senator Owen, in charge of the currency bill, has charged the Republicans with procrastination, thus angering Senator Eallinger, who after the manner of the privileges of veterans, administered a rebuke to the younger gentleman from the southwest.

**WILL BANKERS**

**CONTINUE TO KICK**

Senator Weeks of Massachusetts, has been an active and interesting factor in the currency debate. He has asserted his belief in the government distribution of moneys by the proposed Federal reserve board that there will continue the same character of criticism that has been made against the Secretary of the Treasury in the past. In parceling out deposits of government funds no bank appears to have ever gotten as much as its officers wanted—no matter how great the sum.

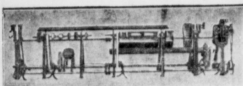
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**WOULD ESTABLISH HOME RULE.**

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**PATTERSON HALL NOTES.**

It's hard to leave our attractive lessons even for the pleasurable thrill of a few minutes' gossip; however, here's a few things we've managed to do in between times.

Misses Theodosia Wickliffe, Frances Geisel, Alla Turner, Marie Speldid spent Saturday night in Georgetown, the guests of Misses Thomas and Blackburn.

Miss Marie Elliott (a former member of our ranks) spent the weekend with Miss Marie Stamper.

Miss Sarah Settle was the guest of Miss Sara Winn McConnell, Tuesday evening.

Upon receipt of a pressing invitation, Miss Ruth McChesney spent a small part of the weekend with Miss Florence Hughes at her home on Woodland Avenue.

Miss Marie McCuen was the guest of Misses Bessie White and Ella Mae Cheatham.

Dean Hamilton left Tuesday night to attend the Sixth Biennial Conference of the Deans of Women of the State Universities, which meets this week in Chicago.

**To Whom It May Concern:**

Be it known by these presents that we, the undersigned, have on this fourteenth day of December, Nineteen Hundred and Thirteen, instigated, organized, and perpetrated a BEAUTY PARLOR. Anyone desiring to learn more of our methods will please call at Room 11 any evening after the holidays. Just now we have suspended operations out of reverence for Exams.

(Signed)  
MOLLY McGUIRE, Instigator.  
JANE DICKEY, Organizer.  
JULIA VAN ARSDALE, Perpetrator.  
MARTHA WEAKLEY, Victim.

A. T. Bryson, a Senior law, has gone to his home in Greenup county to prosecute his candidacy for State Representative from that district, to succeed the former incumbent, who recently died. Bryson graduated last year in the Arts Department and was for the first part of last year editor of The Idea.

"Dart" is an active worker and has always been a leader in college activities. He has many friends in the city besides the students and all hope for his success.

The girls' basket ball team of the Morton High School defeated the team from Versailles last Saturday night in an exciting game in the Armory, winning 14 to 8.

The Lexington High School girls started off with a fast game and kept up the works to the finish. Miss Van Meter was the individual star of the High School, and Miss Edwards was the stellar performer of the Versailles team.

Line up:  
Lexington—Misses Edna Barker, center; Nell Mahoney and Gladys Van Meter, forwards; Kate McCann and Lillian Hayden, guards.

Versailles—Misses Martha Sinclair, center; Marie Edwards and Martha Thompson, forwards; Dorothy Greenbaum, Lillian McMillan, Jane Crenshaw and Barbara Craig, guards.

Field goals—Misses Van Meter 4; Mahoney 3; Edwards 2.  
Foud goals—Miss Edwards 2.

The Horace Mann Literary Society at its regular meeting Thursday evening, elected the following officers for the coming term.

President, R. L. Donovan.  
Vice President, Miss Folsom McGuire.

Recording Secretary, Miss Louise Michot.

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Sue Matthews.

The Society has decided to give two medals, one to the girls and one to the boys. The winner of the girls' declamatory contest will receive the gold medal, while a contest in extemporaneous speaking will decide the winner of the boys' medal.

In arranging with Vanderbilt University for the debate which will be held in our chapel next April, the Union and Patterson Literary Societies have decided that for the best interest of debating and our institution we must have a debating council. Judge Barker will be asked to appoint this committee and we believe that two of the committee should be students. The committee will select the subject before the tenth of January and send same to Vanderbilt. They will also arrange plans for the selection of the debating team.

**WHY THE ROOSTER**

**IS A GOOD BIRD**

Dr. Tutill (in history)—In the division of birds and animals by the Persians, was the rooster considered good or bad?"

Virgil Chapman (guessing)—"The rooster was a good bird."

Dr. Tutill—"Why so, Mr. Chapman?"

Virgil Chapman—"Because he was a Democrat!"

Chapman's classmates have nicknamed him "Democrat."

**Irregular Vicissitudes.**

My grandad wore a jumpin' jacket,  
My father wore a crown;  
If I only had a two-bit piece,  
There'd be a millionaire in town.

So and So, (sympathetic like)—"Professor Davis, actually I believe you are loosing you hair! You will be bald if this keeps on."

J. Morton (placing his hand on a secluded spot)—"My daily prayer is that this will keep on."

**NOW GIRLS.**

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Around at Christmas time;  
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