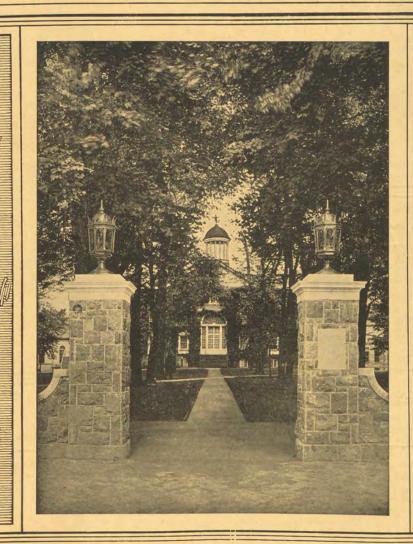
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# **Executive Committee To Direct Alumni Fund Work**

A NNOUNCEMENT has been made and approved at the November meeting of the Alumni Council and the December meeting of the Board of Trustees of the appointment of an Executive Committee headed by President F. P. Corson which will direct the work of the Alumni Fund. Four committee chairmen, who in turn will co-operate with alumni committee members and the Alumni Secretary, Gilbert Malcolm, compose this committee, with President Corson as Chairman.

S. Walter Stauffer, '12, secretary of the General Alumni Association, has been named Chairman of the Committee on Current Gifts; Boyd Lee Spahr, '00, president of the Board of Trustees, chairman of the Committee on Large Gifts; Harry L. Price, '96, president of the General Alumni Association, Chairman of the Committee on Bequests and Dr. B. O. McIntire, chairman of the Committee on Library Guild.

Under the Alumni Fund plan, a new plan to raise funds for the college has been adopted dividing the effort into seeking current gifts, large gifts and bequests. Alumni and others will be asked to make annual contributions to the college and will be told "Put Dickinson in Your Budget. Put Dickinson in Your Will."

The Alumni Fund is a continuous program:

- (1) to secure annual contributions from alumni, honorary alumni, faculty, trustees, the public and corporations for annual needs, including the Library Guild.
- (2) to seek larger gifts, mainly for specific purposes, preferably for cur-

rent needs, but also for debt reduction or future needs new buildings, new equipment, greater endowment.

(3) to attract testators to Dickinson College and to secure bequests.

The Alumni Fund will merge the Library Guild annual effort and subscribers in making their subscriptions will be permitted to designate, if they so desire, part of their gift to the Guild. In any event, the Trustees have decreed that not less than \$750 each year will be turned over to the Guild, this being the average amount of annual payments through the years.

Announcement will be made in special issues of the *Dickinson College Bulletin* of the personnel of the four standing committees of the Alumni Fund, and the names of Class Agents will also be published. These Class Agents will later co-operate with the Alumni Secretary in securing subscriptions from members of the individual classes.

Some subscriptions to the Alumni Fund have already been received though subscription blanks have not been sent out to the alumni and will not be until January. Alumni will then be asked to return their subscriptions accompanied by a remittance or to make payment before May 1, 1936, when it is hoped the work of the Fund will have been completed for the present academic year.

A number of alumni have stated that they plan to continue their former gift to the Library Guild and will simply increase their subscription to the Alumni Fund to include the amount of the former payment. Apart from the amount which in the first year of the Alumni Fund effort will go to the Library Guild, the entire balance will be used by the Trustees for general college purposes. This year's receipts will be needed to balance the budget just as the \$4,992.00 was which was received last year in answer

to President Corson's appeal for scholarship-loan money.

Arising from a discussion in the Trustees meeting concerning the Alumni Fund, a study is being made of the writing of annuities. This will continue as a Trustee matter and application for annuity contracts can be made to the Treasurer of the College.

# THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

I have just returned from the very well attended mid-year meeting of the Board of Trustees. Interest and devotion characterize the relations of this group of men to the College. We are fortunate in this respect.

The reports presented there indicated many things for which Dickinsonians should be thankful. Among them are these last twenty years of progress. If the endowment had not been increased, the original debt removed, the campus buildings renovated, the new gymnasium built, the investments conservatively made, our reports of the College in the depression years would have been tragically different.

We looked a little at this meeting into the next twenty years. Every president of a privately endowed liberal arts collge knows that these next two decades will be years of testing. Some will go out of existence; others will revert to junior colleges at a time when "the freedom of this group of colleges from the necessity of propaganda and indoctrination and their emphasis upon training the critical powers of the mind, out of which the leaders of our democracy come and upon which the success of the democratic form of government depends" is so imperatively needed, unless. \* \*

For Dickinson this "unless" means progress in the next twenty years, both in endowment, equipment and educational procedure, equal to and exceeding the progress registered in these phases of college life during the last twenty years. This is not a cry of "Wolf, wolf"—it is a dispassionate judgment based upon self-evident facts.

Now the practical question which we faced was, What made the progress of the past possible and how may it be matched in the future? And the answer is sentiment and vision.

Vision to know what should be done and sentiment, an emotional disposition, love for the College which prompts its sons and daughters and friends to achieve the Vision.

We took a step in that direction at this meeting by formally inaugurating the Alumni Fund, plans for which we have been making for more than a year. The details of the plan and complete information concerning it will be put in your hands shortly. It is comprehensive practical and possible, and will help greatly to insure the present and future of the College financially, thus enabling us to advance academically.

My plea here is that you will take this appeal seriously; cooperate in its accomplishment and give to it as you are able. If you love the College and want to see it advance, offering to your sons and daughters adequate training for their day, give something to the Alumni Fund this year.

# Trustees Hold Annual Winter Meeting

In a week when announcement was made in the press that the Southern Conference openly declared that athletic scholarships covering tuition, room, board, books and incidentals would be offered by member colleges and on a day when another athletic group meeting in Philadelphia heard a declaration that such practices would be the death knell of football, the Board of Trustees at its annual winter meeting on December 14 in the Union League, Philadelphia, reaffirmed its position. A resolution was adopted as follows:

"The Board of Trustees reaffirms its position in the matter of scholarship, scholarship-loan and loan grants to be that such aid is to be extended to students solely on the basis of financial need, scholastic ability and promise of achievement."

The resolution was adopted following a discussion of many of the practices of colleges in seeking athletic prowess. The sentiment of the Board was expressed that no preference should be given to a student of athletic ability over any other student, and also that the other student should have no preference over the student of athletic ability. To interpret the action of the Board in another way it can be reported that the Trustees will not establish what are usually known as athletic scholarships.

The Board's meeting followed a session of the Executive Committee and a luncheon tendered by Boyd Lee Spahr, president of the Board, to all the Trustees. With but six absent, it was the best attended winter meeting in years.

Following the reading of the report of President F. P. Corson, the Board approved all of his recommendations. Among these, was the establishment of a scholarship for a graduate of Fukien University, Foochow, China. Another which came on recommendation of the Athletic Board will probably result in

raising the annual athletic fee charged each student.

President Corson explained to the Board an unexpected cost of about \$3,000 in this year's operation due to the discovery of elm scale on the campus trees and the resultant need for immediate expert treatment to combat this situation. All of the trees were sprayed and otherwise treated during the summer months and will be given a dormant oil spray during the winter.

President Corson also recommended consideration of the publication of a new college song book, which is reported elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. He directed the attention of the Board to the need for greater library facilities and the need for a new chapel.

A plan to write annuity contracts will be formulated by a special committee which will report to the Executive Committee, according to another resolution which was adopted.

The final portion of the report of President Corson was greeted by applause from the members of the Board. This part follows:

"In conclusion I am constrained to bring to you a report of the discussion concerning the present and future status of the privately endowed liberal arts colleges which is engaging the attention of educational groups throughout the country and to indicate their significance for our own institution.

"The situation is considered critical, due to the changing relationship of Government to higher education and predicted results of certain trends in our fiscal policy. Many of these institutions are being placed at a financial disadvantage now and all face with concern tendencies to regimentation and official influence upon our American educational policy.

"On the other hand, the freedom of this group of colleges from the necessity of propaganda and indoctrination and their emphasis upon training the critical powers of the mind, out of which the leaders of our democracy have come and upon which the success of the democratic form of government depends, must be maintained.

"This fact places a great responsibility upon us. Without greatly increased endowment, many of these colleges will be compelled to close their doors altogether and others will retreat to the status of the Junior College.

"We must face the implications of

this situation for Dickinson College. Let us not be deceived as to the future by the fact that we are doing well enough at present. The next few years will be critical ones, and if we are to maintain our enviable position, advances as marked as those of the last twenty years, both in finance and educational policy, must be accomplished. This fact we must keep before ourselves, our alumni and constituency, and toward its accomplishment we should be actively striving."

# Plan Publication of New Dickinson Song Book

THE Board of Trustees at its meeting on December 14 approved a proposal to publish a new Dickinson Song Book, sponsored by the Dickinson chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, and on recommendation of President Corson referred the matter to the Executive

Committee with power.

The 1910 edition of Dickinson Songs, published by Ben Hinchman, '05, has been out of print for over fifteen years and since its publication a number of new songs have been written. Two years ago, O. D. K. took as one of its campus projects the publication of a new edition based upon the edition of 1910. Since then Prof. Ralph S. Schecter has done considerable work in gathering all of the Dickinson songs and preparing the copy for the new edition.

Proposals for the publication of the book have been received from various publishers, and a campaign for pre-publication subscriptions has been conducted

by members of O. D. K.

The new book is planned in three parts. An effort has been made to include in the first part every song that has in any way been connected with the college. The first song in the new book will be the *Liberty Song* of the American Revolution by John Dickinson, a song that was second in popularity only to Yankee Doodle. There will also be several other new college songs, including The Old College Wall by Wilbur

Adams, '98, The Dickinson Victory Song by Dick Budding, '32, Dickinson Marching Song by Helen Hall Bucher, The College Hymn by Julia Redford Tomkinson, A.M., Dickinson Fight Song by DeHaven Woodcock, '33, and David McNaughton, '33, a new song by Paul Appenzellar, '95, and others that were not in the 1910 edition. The second part of the book will contain two songs from each fraternity on the campus, the songs being selected by each chapter. The third part will be given over to some of the old "stand bys" that are sung whenever college men get together.

Student interest in this book has been splendid. During the week before the holidays 300 subscriptions at a special pre-publication price of \$1.00 were received from students alone. who wish to purchase this new song book at the pre-publication price of \$1.00 are asked to send their names together with the number of copies to Mr. Klein Merriman, Sigma Chi House, Carlisle. After publication the price will be higher. A copy of the book should find its way into the many high schools from which Dickinson draws its students.

Alumni are asked to send any songs of interest to Dickinson College to Ralph Schecter in care of the college. Such songs should be sent in at once because the contract for printing will be let within a month.

# Death Calls Aged Professor O. B. Super

PROFESSOR Ovando B. Super, graduate in 1873, and for 29 years, until his retirement in 1913, a member of the college faculty, was found dead in bed on the morning of October 29th at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edith Super Anderson, '02, at Bakersfield, Calif. He was in his 88th year, having been born March 2, 1848, in Perry County, Pa., son of Henry and Mary (Diener) Super.

Professor Super had been more or less of an invalid ever since he and Mrs. Super went to California. He had a painful stomach trouble which at times caused him great suffering, but he was brave and patient through it all and his mind remained clear and bright to the end. For the six months before his death he had been failing gradually, and four weeks before his death he suffered a fall which was a great shock to him and from which he never recovered.

He continued to demonstrate his keen capacity as a scholar, for though blind in his declining years he mastered the Braille system and continued to read and study.

Professor Super received his A. B. degree from the College in 1873, his A. M. in 1879, and his Ph. D. from Boston University in 1883.

For three years following his graduation he was professor of languages at Delaware College, Newark, Del., and then went abroad to become a student at Leipzig and Paris. Upon his return to this country in 1878 he taught for two years at Dickinson Seminary, and in 1880 became professor of languages at the University of Denver. Four years later, in 1884, he returned to his Alma Mater as professor of modern languages, serving continuously until his retirement in 1913. He served as secretary of the faculty and also as college librarian.

While he taught French, German and Spanish, he wrote many textbooks,



PROF. O. B. SUPER

principally those for French students. Among his publications were: Daudet's Le Petit Chose, Thier's La Campagne de Waterloo, French Reader, Readings from French History, Anderson's Maerchen, Erckmann-Chatrian's Waterloo, German Reader, Fables de La Fontaine, Historie de France, Lessing's Emilia Galoth, Halevy's La Abbe Constantine, Erckmann-Chatrian's Conscrit de 1813, Sergur's La Retraite de Moscow, Scenes de la Revolution Francaise, etc.

As part of his literary work he made a distinct contribution to *Dickinsoniana* when first in 1886 and again in 1892 he compiled "Alumni Record of Dickinson College." He thus preserved the early records of the college.

He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma and of Belles Lettres Society.

He is survived by his widow, who is now blind and who lives with his daughter in Bakersfield. There are two other daughters, Gertrude and Emma. He is also survived by his older brother, Dr. C. W. Super, '66, President Emeritus of Ohio University, of Athens, Ohio.

#### Basketball Schedule

Jan. 4—Penn A. C Home
Jan. 7—OglethorpeHome
Jan. 10-West Virginia
Harrisburg
Jan. 14—LehighAway
Jan. 15—F. & M Away
Jan. 17—Villanova Home
Feb. 5—Gettysburg Home
Feb. 7—Pratt Institute
Away
Feb. 8—Penn A. CAway
Feb 15 Delaware II
Feb. 15—Delaware Home
Feb. 19—VillanovaAway
Feb. 21—Carnegie Tech
Harrisburg
Feb. 26—GettysburgAway
Feb. 27—Rutgers Home
Feb. 29—Bucknell Home
Mar. 4—F. & M Home
Mai. T-r. & M Home

# Resigns Graduate Managership

John B. Fowler, Jr., '33, who since his graduation has been graduate manager of athletics, publicity director, and assistant to the treasurer of the College, tendered his resignation in November. On December 1st he took up a position with the Charles H. Jones Co. brokerage house of New York City.

President Corson in announcing the resignation of Mr. Fowler made announcement of the temporary appointment of Prof. Horace E. Rogers as graduate manager of athletics and of Charles L. Swift, instructor in English, as director of publicity.

Mr. Fowler was elected to the position of graduate manager when it was created by the board of athletic control two years ago. In accepting his resignation President Corson said: "I accept Mr. Fowler's resignation with regret. He has been a loyal, enthusiastic, and valuable worker in his department and has laid the foundation most efficiently for the office of graduate manager."

#### Good Basketball Prospects

Though the Basketball team dropped the first two games of the season to Long Island University and C. C. N. Y. in the annual December trip to New York, Coach R. H. McAndrews expects another good season in the sixteen remaining games. The two New York conquerors are reputed to be two of the strongest quintets in the college game. Long Island University expects its team to be the United States representative at the Olympic Games.

A new departure will be tried this season in the playing of two of the games, one with West Virginia on January 10 and the other with Carnegie Tech on February 21, in the Zembo Mosque in Harrisburg. This experiment will be tried because of the large seating capacity of the Harrisburg building and the popularity of the game in the State Capitol.

While "Mac" has a number of veterans from which to form his squad, he finds himself missing the stars of last year's quintet, principally his stellar forward Percy Wilson and the able guard Capt. Eddie Steele. At the outset of the season, "Mac" announced that the squad would be limited to twelve men and he has worked fast and hard to select the men upon whom he will depend. The twelve men named include the starting line-up of Kerstetter and Miller, forwards; Kintzing, center; Eaton and Sterner, guards, and the following: James Smith, Vance Smith, Max Stine, Earl Doll, Pete Sivess, Clarence Hendrickson and George Shu-

# Becomes Governor's Secretary

Robert Lee Myers, Jr., '17, '21L, deputy attorney general of Pennsylvania, who was the Democratic candidate for the Superior Court of Pennsylvania and defeated at the general election, has just been named Secretary to Governor George H. Earle. The position carries a stipend of \$7,500.

# Football Team Has Best Season In Years

IN HIS first year as coach Arthur D. Kahler directed the Dickinson Red Devils through the best football season which has been enjoyed in years, registering six victories, including the first triumph over Gettysburg in eleven years, and suffering but three defeats, one of them a humiliating one at the hands of Franklin and Marshall.

Though he had a small squad, with but few additions from last year's freshman team, Coach Kahler succeeded in installing a new system in his first year and after a shaky start developed the best scoring machine Dickinson has had in years. Frequently during the season's practice he had difficulty in mustering two complete teams for scrimmages, and yet observers felt he succeeded in getting the most out of his players.

Because of the installation of a new system under a new coach, the athletic board arranged for a period of pre-season training prior to the opening of college. The squad reported on Labor Day and were taken to a camp at Pine Grove, where they spent about two weeks, until the opening of college. There they were under the tutelage of Coach Kahler and his assistant, Dick Radley, and the two other members of the coaching staff, R. H. MacAndrews and Dick Critzer who later was in charge of the freshman team.

The season opened on September 28th with a victory by the score of 13-7 over the U. S. Medical Field Service School team of Carlisle.

Though a victory was expected, Dickinson lost to Delaware by the score of 10-7 on the following Saturday in the second game of the season. Dickinson scored its 7 points following a 72-yard touchdown march. Two fumbles gave Delaware scoring opportunities which were quickly seized and eventually gave the Blue Hens victory. One fumble gave Delaware possession of the ball on Dickinson's 8 yard line, which resulted

Dickinson	13	Army Post	7
Dickinson	7	Delaware	10
Dickinson	0		26
Dickinson	14	Swarthmore	7
Dickinson	45	Haverford	0
Dickinson	40	Allegheny	0
Dickinson		Gettysburg	12
Dickinson	0	F. & M.	62
Dickinson	13	Muhlenberg	6

in a touchdown. Another fumble gave the Blue Hens possession of the ball on Dickinson's 37 yard line. A successful 14 yard forward pass, coupled with a 5 yard penalty, placed the ball on the 13 yard line, from which point Edward Thompson, star Delaware back, who was later declared ineligible because of professionalism, kicked the field goal for the three points which meant victory.

On the second Saturday of October Dickinson lost to Lehigh, in a rough game played at Bethlehem, by the score of 26-0. Lehigh scored in the first few minutes of play, and though unable to score again until the second half, when 20 points were tallied, had little difficulty. Dickinson was hampered in this game by injuries which had been sustained in the former games and in practice, and by lack of substitutes.

Signs of promise for the games to follow became evident on the following Saturday, when Dickinson defeated Swarthmore at Swarthmore by the score of 14-7, while making seventeen first downs to the Garnets five. The Swarthmore touch-down was tallied when Ben Cooper, a speedy Swarthmore back, ran 74 yards while the second team was in action late in the second half.

In the renewal of athletic relations after a lapse of fifteen years the Dickin-

son team rose to the greatest scoring heights in the Dad's Day game on October 26th, to roll up seven touchdowns and defeat Haverford by the score of 45-0. While scoring at will, the team defensively prevented two star Haverford backs from gaining any ground through the afternoon.

The scoring orgy continued on the following Saturday, the first November week-end, when six touchdowns were made and Allegheny was defeated by the score of 40-0. Throughout the contest the Meadville eleven was never nearer to scoring than their own 45 The Red Devil machine vard line. tallied 14 first downs, while the visitors made a net gain of 2 yards through the entire conflict.

The heights of joy were reached the following Saturday in the Homecoming game, Dickinson defeating Gettysburg on Biddle Field by the score of 32-12 in the first victory in eleven years. After the loss of a scoring opportunity in the first few minutes of play, when a forward pass was dropped at the goal line, the first half ended with the score standing Dickinson 7, Gettysburg 0. third quarter proved to be one of the most brilliant exhibitions of football seen on Biddle Field in many years, if not the best ever seen in a Gettysburg game, when the Dickinson machine tallied 25 points. In the last period Gettysburg marched to two touchdowns, but failed to kick the placement goals to give them 12 points.

On the following Saturday, at Lancaster the F. & M. team looked just as much superior to Dickinson as Dickinson had appeared superior to Gettysburg the week before. Undoubtedly Coach Kahler had pointed his team for the Gettysburg game, and there was a great reaction following the victory. None of the plays which had worked so successively in the preceding games could be completed. Numerous fumbles were made and forward passes were dropped as the team collapsed before the great strength of a much superior F. &

M. team. The Holman-coached eleven rang up nine touchdowns to make the score-F. & M. 62 Dickinson 0.

The season closed on November 23d, when on a cold, blustery day Dickinson defeated Muhlenberg at Allentown by the score of 13-6. Fewer than five hundred spectators were present, because of the intense cold, which marred the playing of the two teams. Dickinson scored its two touchdowns on straight marches, while a speedy sophomore Muhlenberg back ran 58 yards for the Muhlenberg score.

# Philadelphia Alumnae Reorganize

After several years of inactivity, the Dickinson Alumnae Club of Philadelphia was reorganized on Saturday, September 7, at a luncheon meeting at the University Club of Philadelphia, when officers were chosen and other plans made.

Grace Filler, '10, was elected president; Mrs. R. L. Sharp (Mary Chambers), '24, vice-president; and Jane D. Shenton, '11, secretary-treasurer.

It was decided that the club would hold two meetings a year, one in the fall and another in the late spring.

# New York Alumnae Meet

The Dickinson Club of New York City held its fall meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert E. Woodward, 47 Norwood Avenue, Summit, N. J., on October 19, 1935. Luncheon was served at The Charm House Tea Room in Summit with the business and social meeting following at Mrs. Woodward's home. Fifteen members were present.

# Writes on Photoflood Lamp

Dean E. A. Vuilleumier, head of the department of chemistry, is the author of a paper Photochemistry and the Photoflood Lamp, which is printed in the Proceedings of the Pennsylvania Academy of Science.

# Alumni Win High Posts in Pennsylvania Elections



JESSE P. LONG, '05L



CLARENCE SHEELY, '26L

TWO Dickinsonians were elected judges, seven counties elected district attorneys, Harrisburg chose a Dickinsonian for mayor and another for city treasurer, two alumni were elected county commissioners, while others were named to school boards or other positions in the State of Pennsylvania in the general election on November 5th.

Jesse P. Long, '05L, whose son, Jesse P. Long, Jr., graduated from the Dickinson Law School last June and recently passed the bar examinations with an 85% average, was elected judge of Jefferson County. Judge Long was elected district attorney of Jefferson County in 1909 and held that office until 1922.

Clarence Sheely, '26L, Gettysburg attorney, was elected judge of Adams County. He graduated from Gettysburg College in 1923, and from the Law School in 1926, in which year he was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. He is the youngest man ever elected to the bench in Adams County and the first Democrat elected to the position in fifty-one years. John A. F. Hall, who received his

diploma from the College in 1912, is the new mayor of Harrisburg, while Dr. William K. McBride '22, is the treasurer-elect of the Capital city.

J. Douglas M. Royal, alumnus of Williams and the Dickinson Law school in 1917, Harrisburg attorney, was reelected commissioner of Dauphin County.

George W. Barnitz '14, of Boiling Springs, father of G. W. Barnitz, Jr., of the sophomore class, was again elected county commissioner of Cumberland.

Five of the six Dickinsonians elected district attorney are alumni of both the College and the Law school. Karl E. Richards '10, '12L, of Harrisburg, father of K. M. Richards of the freshman class, was re-elected in Dauphin County. J. Boyd Landis '32, '34L, won the post in Cumberland County. Robert M. Fortney '20, '22L, was elected in Northumberland and two graduates of 1926, 1928L, were victors when Charles S. Williams snowed his rival under a two to one vote in Lycoming, and Henry J. Sommer was named in Northumberland County. Most notice was taken by the press in the election of a woman

in Pike County where Miss Dorothy Stroh '25L, Milford prevented a Democratic sweep in the home county of former Governor Gifford Pinchot when she defeated George R. Bull, Democratic incumbent for 32 years by 84 votes. In Bedford County, Richard Lins, '19, '21L, was re-elected District Attorney having won the nominations of both parties.

In Carlisle, two of three elected to the school board in a spirited campaign are Dickinsonians. Allan D. Thompson '07, father of David I. Thompson of the sophomore class, was re-elected to the board, and Merrill F. Hummel '10L, was elected for the first time.

### Receives State Appointment

Emory B. Rockwell, '14, attorney of Wellsboro, Pa., has been appointed Assistant Director of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of Pennsylvania. He entered upon the duties of his office on November 1.

# Gaiety and Gettysburg Victory Mark Homecoming

A fine attendance of members of the Alumni Council at the annual fall meeting, a sparkling address by Paul Appenzellar, '95, of New York, and a rousing 32 to 12 football victory over Gettysburg were among the features of the best Homecoming celebration which has yet been held. This relatively new fall gathering which is proving increasingly popular is held yearly early in November and was observed last month on Friday and Saturday the eighth and ninth.

Having given a sample of his oratory at the Commencement luncheon in June, a crowded assembly greeted Mr. Appenzellar when he rose to speak in Bosler Hall on Saturday morning, the ninth. He fully lived up to all advance notices and again sparkled in wit and wisdom. His complete address is published in this issue of the magazine.

Following the annual custom, the Alumni Council opened its session by tendering a dinner to the faculty in the Molly Pitcher Hotel. Harry L. Price, president of the General Alumni Association, acted as toastmaster. Dean E. A. Vulleumier representing the faculty, was the first speaker. He was followed by Dean M. Hoffman, associate editor of The Dickinson Alumnus, who spoke for the alumni. President F. P. Corson then made his address.

Most of the time in the Alumni Council meeting was devoted to two

#### Two More Lifers

Rev. George Henry Ketterer, '08, superintendent of the Altoona district of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the M. E. Church became a "lifer" in October.

Dr. E. Roger Samuel, '10, of Mt. Carmel, Pa., sent in his check in December, and wrote, "Inclosed is my check for membership in the chain gang, otherwise known as 'lifers.'"

topics, the maintenance of memberships in the General Alumni Association and the workings of the Alumni Fund, though time was taken to lay the formative plans for the holding of Alumni Club dinners and the Alumni Day program of the 1936 Commencement.

Through the depression years, the General Alumni Association has suffered a greater expense in maintaining annual memberships and a falling off in the amount of dues received. The editors of the magazine pointed out that this has curtailed the possibilities of a greater development of The Dickinson Alumnus, and of a fuller alumni program. Various plans were made to be followed during the winter months to meet this situation.

# Text of Homecoming Address by Paul Appenzellar

Mr. President, Members of the Faculty, Alumni, Guests, and Students:

WHEN Dr. Corson asked me to speak in this chapel on this occasion, my reply by letter was a refusal. I told him frankly and crudely that I wasn't an orator—that I am a poor speaker at best, and persuasive only when talking before a bar. In spite of this, he insisted. I am here, and the

consequences are on his head.

"Home Comings" are popular at present. The boys and girls who left home to seek their fortunes have been coming back to be bedded and boarded at the old home. Many superior sons-in-law and daughters-in-law who married beneath them are being properly humbled, so there is something gained. Just so, many of our graduates who had almost forgotten the old college home are returning. There have been storms and rain and cold winds in the outside world these past few years, and memories of happy days spent here draw them back. If my own experience be theirs, they'll forget here their troubles in the crowd of pleasant recollections and experiences. Vaguely I recall some poem that tells of a minister (I suppose it was a minister) who found his "sermons in stones." I can not only "see" this man; I can "raise" him. I can get a smile from this old chapel desk-a laugh from a door in Old West and another from a Presbyterian church. (Imagine a laugh in or near a Presbyterian church!) shall not ask you to take my unsupported word for this: I'll give you proof.

I realize that it sounds rather ridiculous to say that there's a smile about this desk in this chapel, for the dreariness of a morning chapel service is not to be denied, and for eight long years (part of the time as an instructor) I



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suffered here a daily martyrdom. But now I smile when I see this desk, for behind it I see Dr. Lindsay, long the brilliant and beloved head of our department of Chemistry. I see him standing here and reading (as he was occasionally forced to do) the chapel Bible lesson. How he squirmed and fidgeted, and how the students enjoyed his embarrassment! It was a Hans Christian Anderson fairy tale to him. But, poor man, he had to appear solemn. His normal voice was threaded with laughter. That he had to disguise. It would never do if a note of gaiety or a smile broke the monotony of the reading. As for having publicly a talk with his Maker, commonly known as a prayer, well, at that he drew the line.

Now do you see how even a chapel desk can bring, more than forty years later, a smile?

Leaving chapel, I can walk to Old West, climb to the second floor and find a door, to what was the recitation room of Dr. Harman, three hundred pounds of kindliness-author of an 800-page tome which we were expected, by him, to learn; its title, An Introduction to the Holy Scriptures. He never thought it a joke-this calling 800 pages an "Introduction." At that door I find my smile as I recall a recitation in "Bible." A classmate whom I dare identify only as George (for he is now a successful minister) was reciting, sitting on the recitation chair in front of, and below, Dr. Harman's high seat at the end of the room. George is ready to recite: I, his friend, am prepared with an open book on my lap to give him the help he will surely need.

"Name the early Christian fathers, Mr. B.," comes the question. George doesn't know one. "Origen" I whisper: "Origen," says George.

"Eusebius:" "Eusebius"

"Polycarp:" "Polycarp" (Everything's going well!)

"Athenasius:" "Athenasius"

"Yes, Yes—the great Athenasius."

"Diabetes," I whisper: "Diabetes," says the unsuspecting George, and then the curtain!!

"Mr. B.," screams the good Doctor," I should never have expected that of you, a young man studying for the Christian ministry."

Do you wonder that I smile when I see the door to that room?

And then I wander downtown and find my old church home, the Second Presbyterian Church. There's the other smile. I see a Wednesday night prayer meeting which (for a reason more feminine than devout) I attended. old Dr. Norcross, my friend, now dead, was presiding. It was one of those strange meetings where one rises and speaks or offers a prayer just as the spirit moves. The spirit wasn't active that evening, and the meeting was a bit "draggy." Certainly I, personally. felt no urge to express myself, and I believe that I was reading a hymnal when I looked up and met the eyes of the Doctor just as he started to say, direct to me, "Brother Paul, will you

lead us in prayer?"

I didn't faint: I just stiffened with fear, but I did manage, after a few seconds, to call out in a nervously loud voice, "No." Immediately behind me I heard a shuffling sound, then confused whispers over the whole room. Then Dr. Norcross hurriedly said a prayer and at its conclusion, and long before the normal time, came the relief of dismissal. Only then did I learn the full extent of the disaster. Dr. Norcross hadn't asked me to pray: he had called on Dr. Fall, a Presbyterian minister from Mechanicsburg who sat immediately behind me. Just as Brother Fall rose, closed his eyes and clasped his hands I had yelled "No" and he dropped. Why? I still wonder! Several days later I found myself approaching Dr. Norcross on the street. I tried to escape but he called my name and I came to him for my trial. "Paul," he said, "I'd feel much more comfortable if you'd give me your promise to come to no more Wednesday evening prayer meetings." I promised—and to this day I've kept that promise.

I should, I know, have a sense of shame as I recall my behaviour in student days. But I have none.

I should be sad when I realize that I didn't lead my class. But I'm not.

On my returns no one taunts me with my faults or failings. Like the inscription on the sun dial "I mark only sunny hours," I find that only pleasant memories and experiences await me. And so you who have returned are finding it. And so will the others find it, if we can induce them to return.

But I must be more serious. Behind me, I know, Dr. Corson is fidgeting and wondering whether he should not have accepted my refusal of the speaking honor he proferred. By recalling without shame my unchristian behaviour I am not leading the student body in the right direction. I haven't the dignity I

# EDITORIAL

#### SANE ATHLETIC POSITION

DICKINSON'S trustees again have declared themselves on the side of sanity in college athletics. At its December meeting in Philadelphia the Board "reaffirms its position in the matter of scholarship, scholarship loan or loan grants to be that such aid is to be extended solely on the basis of financial need, scholastic ability and promise of achievement."

That is a sane position for a board of governors of any educational institution to take. It is to Dickinson's credit that the December position was but a reaffirmation of an earlier one taken in a day when it was less fashionable than now to condemn athletic subsidies and disguised professionalism on college athletic fields.

There is nothing saintly or puritanical in such a position. It is not closing the door to the scholar who is an athlete but merely to the athlete who is not a scholar. Such a policy will do more to preserve college football for colleges than the prevailing idea that colleges will survive only if their football team wins the conference or some other title.

While there was no connection between the two, it is an interesting coincidence that only a few doors away from where the trustees met, the Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Association was being told by Prof. Philip O. Badger, chairman of the Board of Athletic Control at New York University, that unless colleges banished the professional spirit, recruiting and commercialism, the game would be lost by them to professional football in less than ten years.

Prof. Badger's comments are just a few of the many that have been uttered in recent weeks by representatives of college administrations. President Aydelotte is one of these. President Elliott of Purdue addressed his alumni in Harrisburg similarly. Apparently the challenge to college administrators to clean up the football mess is being accepted. And all thoroughgoing sportsmen may well rejoice in that.

Dickinson had a successful football season just past. And it had it without the finger of professionalism being pointed in its direction. It can and it ought to continue in that highly satisfactory position. Under a strictly amateur banner it cannot always hope to have winning athletic teams, but it can have spirited, clean and respectable teams and that is a victory for a sound principle even though a defeat in playing points.

The time must come when colleges adhering to a set of athletic ideals will not engage in competition with institutions of lower ideals. And refusal to compete will carry its own explanation. That day is approaching rapidly. The genuinely loyal Dickinsonian can stomach defeat on the athletic field less painfully than to be snubbed for bad athletic manners.

# ALUMNI FUND

THE Alumni Fund has reached the stage where class secretaries are being picked. In short order graduates through and around their official representatives will be informed in detail of the program of annual contributions to college funds.

Sister colleges, in many instances, have had their alumni funds in operation for some years with gratifying results. Some of the larger institutions report annual accretions which demonstrate that the plan is practical.

Apparently colleges have sensed human psychology as other enterprises have

done. In the field of social service and charity, the community chest has become the substitute of the half dozen or more annual drives by individual agencies or the drives at short intervals for particular institutions like hospitals, homes, etc.

In the history of Dickinson as of most colleges and universities, there are recorded numerous instances of campaigns to raise endowments, erect buildings, extend campuses or other improvements. If these campaigns have not been entirely displaced, they have given way somewhat to the annual contributions under the direction of the Alumni Fund.

To meet a special emergency a year ago, Dickinson conducted a sort of an annual "hat-passing." Without any organized movement, something more than \$4,900 was raised. That seems to suggest that the graduates and friends of the college are in a mood to give annually to their college just as they give to their church, their community chest and other items which claim a place on their budget.

It is amazing how much money can be raised easily by annual gifts. To give \$1,000 at one time would be a terrific strain on some incomes, yet \$1,000 at \$100 a year for ten years would be comparatively easy on the same income. These figures are not suggested as sample amounts but merely to illustrate what everybody knows as to the comparative ease of making annual contributions.

There is every promise that the Alumni Fund idea will find favor with alumni and friends of the institution. It is a good thing to be thinking about so that when time for decision comes, it may be made promptly and intelligently.

#### KEEPING THE FAITH

RECENT elections saw an unusually large number of Dickinsonians as candidates, most of them winning election. They covered such important offices as judges, mayors of cities and important county offices.

To persons familiar with Dickinson's history, there is something very natural and becoming in such a situation. The old college today remains conspicuous for the number of her sons who have entered affairs of state and served as public

leaders.

By accident or design in its earliest years, the college managed to have in high place in the public service, the state, the church and the educational institution, graduates out of all proportion to those from institutions of similar size and

standing.

With the passing years these ratios naturally had to shift with the founding and growth of other educational institutions and the expanse of the nation itself. But the regularity with which Dickinsonians find themselves in high place in these three fields of service seems to suggest that consciously or otherwise,

the old tradition persists and the hereditary impulses remain vital.

It is doubtful if this or any other college could find a more engaging objective than to train and equip its students for service to the state, the church and the school. Obviously it is not equipped or disposed to provide the finishing processes for engineering and the professions outside of law. It can and does equip its students for public service of the type mentioned. President Dodds, of Princeton, in his sesqui-centennial address at Dickinson, fascinatingly painted the picture of college graduates manning the ship of state. President Roosevelt himself is friendly to the idea of assimilating college men in the national government as a training school for future service to the state.

No Dickinsonian vaunteth himself with pride as he surveys with satisfaction the record of his fellow alumni in public service. The part that Dickinsonians played in the last election and in previous ones merely proves that the faith of the

early fathers is being sedulously kept.

should show as a trustee. I will never get, I now know, with his permission, that D.D. degree which I have so long desired—the degree that every Methodist minister must have if he isn't to feel like a clerical nudist. Let's canvass the graduates of the College-men and women, old and young. Let's ask them what their four years at college have done for them. Are they, by reason of having had those years, better citizens, better husbands or wives, better parents? Are they wealthier: is their social position better: are they happier? I confess that I don't know the answers we'd get: nor do I know the answer the outside world would make.

During thirty active years in the financial district of New York I haven't been able to pick out the college men. Certainly I can't distinguish them by their speech: the most brutal pronoun murderer I ever met was a Princeton graduate. I can not locate them by the test of clear thinking: Franklin Roosevelt

is a college graduate.

Is this whole college course worth while? It would be just too bad if it isn't. Considering the amount of hard and conscientious labor that so many trustees and faculty members are giving.

Of course the answer's "Yes." Boys and girls do grow to be better men and women if they have the four or more years of training that our college and other colleges are giving. We must believe this: Otherwise we'll all lose our

jobs.

And now a word to you students—particularly to you seniors. I might well wish for you a happier world into which to step when you complete your course here. But is it not sufficient quite to remind you that the same old virtues, the same old courage that won success for men and women in the past will win it for you today.

Don't ask me for details of those "virtues" for I don't know them. And don't quote to me "Milton's line—"They also serve who only stand and wait." That line was written about angels.

Perhaps a daily dose of patience as you step out will serve to ward off an early attack of discouragement. Try it.

But that you will win if you deserve to win is certain. As Dr. Faber, the

noted hymn writer, said-

"To doubt would be disloyalty To falter would be sin."

I'll promise you that the journey on which you are starting is hard. That's why you will enjoy it. Whoever (except myself) truly wished for a lazy life?

Christina Rossetti asked and answered in one short stanza the question of life's course for every man—

"Does the road wind uphill all the way?

Yes to the very end.

Will the journey take the whole long day?

From morn to night, my friend."

### Named to College Boards

Two alumni of the College have recently been named to university boards in their respective states. Harry H. Nuttle, '06, of Denton, Md., was appointed to the board of regents of Maryland University by Governor Harry Nice, '99. Nuttle is a former Maryland State senator and has been recognized as one of the leaders in State and foreign problems.

Howard W. Selby, '12, of Newton, Mass., general manager of the United Farmers Co-operative Association, was appointed to the board of trustees of

Boston University.

# Addresses Student Assembly

Reverend Ralph W. Sockman, D.D., prominent minister of New York City, who received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity when he was the commencement speaker in 1930, spoke at Chapel exercises on December 3d and 4th. On those days he also held personal conferences with the students individually and in groups. A reception was held in his honor at Metzger.

#### **ALUMNI MEMBERSHIPS**

W HILE the depression provided an alibi for endless numbers of persons who could and should have kept up memberships and payments to this and that, it is a perfectly logical one for many Dickinsonians who allowed their membership

in the Alumni Association to lapse.

Membership rolls touched a sad low during recent years, but like many another thing, the graph shows a rising curve. One hopes the rise may continue. Out of membership dues is taken a subscription to The Alumnus, which quite apart from such journalistic vices and virtues as it may have, is needed by every non-graduate, graduate and friend of the college if their interest is to be quickened and maintained.

THE ALUMNUS is old enough now to convince many of its year by year subscribers that they erred in not taking out \$40 life-memberships long ago. The magazine is not 20 years old so that on the side of mathematics, the annual subscriber is still a few dollars to the good, but he is not half so comfortable as the

"lifer" who has done with this business of annual subscription.

It is gratifying to know that the list of "lifers" continues to grow. Every interval between publication dates of the magazine produces some life memberships. This fund is destined to be a great bulwark for the magazine and the association in the years ahead as well as an immediate convenience to the member. Life membership is highly recommended. Ask the man who has one.

# First 111 Years of Belles Lettres Literary Society

By Clarence M. Shepherd, '10

DURING my senior year in college, while president of Belles Lettres, there came into my possession a register of the Society published in 1897. The register contains, as far as can be ascertained, the names of all men who were members of the Belles Lettres Literary Society during the years 1786 to 1897. It was published by a committee composed of Joseph P. McKeehan, '97, Frank Mack, '98, and Thomas M. Whiteman, '99.

Belles Lettres was founded February 22, 1786 with eleven charter members. It is interesting to note that one of the first initiates was David Denny, 1788, the first representative at Dickinson of the family in whose honor Denny Hall is named.

### MANY NATIONAL LEADERS

Probably the most distinguished member listed in the register is Roger Brooke Taney, 1795, Chief Justice of

the Supreme Court. Other leaders in these early days include Ninian Edwards ex-1792, Chief Justice of Kentucky, U. S. Senator, and Governor of Illinois; Calvin Blythe 1812, Attorney General of Pennsylvania; Cooper Grier 1812, Associate Justice U. S. Supreme Court; John Harris ex-1813, U. S. Consul, Venice, Italy; Henry Miller Watts 1824, U. S. Minister to Austria; John A. Inglis 1829, Judge Supreme Court of S. C.; Thomas Bowman 1837, Bishop M. E. Church; Daniel E. M. Bates 1839, Chancellor of Delaware; John A. J. Cresswell 1848, Postmaster General; George DeB. Keim 1849, President P. & R. R. R.; E. Joyce Smithers 1849, U. S. Consul, Osaka, Japan; Louis E. McComas 1866, Judge District Supreme Court, Washington, D. C.; Jesse B. Young 1868, Editor Central Christian Advocate.

There are five Buchanans listed, but

James Buchanan, President of the United States is not among them. Possibly he was a member of our rival Union Philosophical.

#### NUMEROUS COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

Dickinson certainly furnished its share of college presidents during these early days. No less than fourteen members of Belles Lettres are listed in this capacity. Here are the names with the date of graduation and the college of

which each was president.

Jeremiah Chamberlain 1814, Center College, Ky., and Oakland College, Mississippi; John Clark Young 1823, Center College; John W. McCullough 1825, University of Tennessee; Henry Louis Baugher 1826, Pennsylvania College: William Henry Campbell 1828, Rutgers; Robert Davidson 1828, Transylvania; Robert A. Lamberton 1843, Lehigh; Robert S. Maclay 1845, Theological Seminary; Isaac N. Urner 1845, Mississippi; Alfred H. Ames 1849, National Training School; Nathaniel T. Lupton 1849, University of Alabama; Ralph Pierce 1852, Bloomington; Charles W. Reid 1865, Washington (Md.); John F. Goucher 1868, Woman's College (Goucher).

#### MANY COLLEGE PROFESSORS

No less remarkable is the long list of those who became college professors. Among the institutions in which Belles Lettres men taught are, University of Pennsylvania, Union College, Schenec-Washington, Princeton, West tady, Point, Western Theological, University of Michigan, Pennsylvania College, Oakland College, Mississippi, Franklin and Marshall, Drew Seminary, Cincinnati University, North Carolina Agricultural, Colorado Agricultural, Maryland Agricultural, West Virginia, De Pauw, Delaware, Johns Hopkins, Miami, Ohio, Teachers College, New York, and of course Dickinson.

Principals were furnished for Tome Institute, Ursinus Academy, Trenton State Normal, the Hartford, Conn. Public Schools, and the Danville High School.

#### OTHER OCCUPATIONS

Most of the men whose occupations appear in the register were lawyers, clergymen, teachers, or physicians. Many became members of Congress and of State Legislatures. There were judges of various courts, and several U. S. Senators.

The first insurance man was John D. Boswell 1844, and the second Marvin E. Clark 1856. Apparently this business was then neglected until after the class of 1880 graduated, when more men were drawn into this field.

John A. Wright 1838, was the first engineer. Farmers, merchants, bankers, army and navy men, railroad officials, and newspaper men are represented, with a capitalist or two thrown in for good measure.

#### HONORARY MEMBERS

Many honorary members are listed in the register. This does not mean very much except, of course, that these men did accept honorary membership. Probably few ever visited the College. Some of the more prominent national figures in this group are Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, Horace Greeley, Francis Scott Key, Edward Everett, Stephen A. Douglass, Charles Sumner, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Bayard Taylor, Thomas Buchanan Read, U. S. Grant, Thaddeus Stevens, and Bishop Matthew Simpson.

It is nearly forty years since this register of Belles Lettres was published. There come to mind the names of many men who became leaders in various fields of human endeavor in these latter

years.

It must be remembered also, that an equal number of Dickinson students were members of the Union Philosophical Literary Society which had a long and honorable history. No doubt its roster would reveal as many Dickinsonians of prominence as those affiliated with Belles Lettres.

# The National Geographic-Army Air Corps Stratosphere Flight

By Fred Mohler, Ph. D.,'14

(Head of the Atomic Section, U. S. Bureau of Standards)

T was my privilege last summer and fall to be a member of the stratosphere expedition of the National Geographic Society and Army Air Corps under the command of Captain A. W. Stevens. This expedition was not undertaken primarily to make an altitude record but to learn as much as possible about conditions in the upper air. The preparation of scientific apparatus required months of preliminary planning and preparation by Captain Stevens and a score of scientists in many laboratories. Nearly every instrument had to be automatic in operation and recording to make full use of the few hours in the upper air.

The spot selected for the flight was a natural bowl in the Black Hills of South Dakota. About the first of June we arrived with our instruments and accessories—ballon handlers; scientists, mechanics, radio men, meteorologists, aviators detailed to follow the balloon and a troop of soldiers from Fort Meade to maintain the camp in which we lived. My part was to install two spectrographs which were designed to measure the ultraviolet light from the

sun and sky.

Many details remained to be worked out in the final installation of the apparatus and only after several weeks of hard work did we have the complicated assembly working smoothly. Then it was just a question of waiting for perfect weather. Hiking, riding, swimming and sight-seeing helped to pass the time and finally in the middle of July our chance came. All day and most of the night we worked and everything seemed to go with clock-like precision. Then with a loud report the great bag burst. It was a discouraged group of men that stood around the crumpled



DR. FRED W. MOHLER, '14 AT BLACK HILLS CAMP

heap of balloon cloth in the cold gray dawn. Soon, however, Captain Stevens assured us we would try again in the fall.

By the end of September we were ready for another attempt and anxiously waiting for good weather. comes early in the Black Hills and soon we were experiencing snow and subzero temperatures. The camp was administered with model efficiency but living in a tent in zero weather is hard under the best of conditions. The labor required to clear away snow and maintain a supply of fire wood became increasingly great and it was a question whether we could stick it out. Finally on November 10th we had a favorable weather forecast. The inflation of the balloon was a trying task for the balloon handlers. The fabric was stiff and covered with frost. In the midst of the inflation a rip twenty feet long was

torn in the bag and hours were spent in putting a big patch on it. The final preparations were made in frantic haste. No one knew how much helium had been lost and it was with surprise and relief that we saw the balloon rise into the air with ample bouyancy. Quick action by the pilot, Captain Anderson, prevented a collision with the rim of the bowl, the patch held and they were away for a technically perfect flight.

We are now in the midst of the task of computing results from the records obtained and all indications are that the knowledge gained by this flight will well justify the effort and risk involved.

# Finds Thrills and Pleasures in New Guinea

By Joseph Clemens, '94

(From Finschhafen, New Guinea, Chaplain Clemens wrote his impressions of a new country in a letter to the editor dated September 23 without warning that he was writing for publication. This interesting article will justify the liberty taken in printing it.—The Editor)

NTIL the S. S. Neptuna anchored off the coast of New Guinea at Salamua on August 16 and the crowd of strong, well-formed, dark brown natives began to thrust their black kinky mats of black hair above deck, as they clambered aboard to remove the cargo, I had not taken time to think of how the natives of New Guinea appeared. Except a "lap-lap" (short skirt) their only other covering consisted of little raised lumps made by a red-hot needle or blue designs on the face, arms and body, intended to inspire fear or elicit admiration. Some of them also had large holes through the lobes of ears and nose in which they formerly wore ornaments to horrify or beautify. A few, not yet brought under the influence of missions, make their hair brown or white by the use of chemicals. we are told, is to elicit the admiration of women.

Women dress about the same as men except a few who wear a waist or short dress in imitation of foreigners. All are shoeless.

While riding horses up a well graded but very muddy trail to the mission rest resort, Sattelberg, at an elevation of 3,000 feet, we came upon about twenty men, women and children from the interior. They were very cordial to our missionary companion and rushed forward to shake his hand; but when he raised his whip and gave the usual cry to start off, they scuttled toward the bush, like a covey of quail.

The men wore only a little coarse woven bag, tied on by a string about the waist. The women wear only a lap-lap of dried sedge (usually called grass) fastened about the waist, which

hangs half way to the knees.

Their system of religious missions is unique. Our observation of the missions of fifteen different countries leads me to say that none of them impresses me as favorably as this one in New Guinea. Unprejudiced contact gives one quite a different impression from that which he gets from the usually published news reports. When I read that some mission possesses so many acres of land, and that the Finschhafen Evangelical Lutheran Mission, which received us in such a brotherly manner, has ten thousand acres, I expected to find a lot of bloated Not so, I do assure you. exploiters. They do not own the land and the These own the missionaries, soul and body. They slave for the natives day and night, receiving less for their toil than any people I have known who have left their friends and native land.

The acres this mission is permitted to control must feed, clothe, and house four hundred thousand people, and the civil law says just how much food,

clothes and money each laborer must be paid. Moreover, their children must be given education in their own dialect. From 5:30 to 9:00 they attend school, then they go to care for their crops of taro, native potatoes, rice, corn, bananas, In the afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00 the school is for girls and the primary boys. These schools are under native teachers, and teach just what is meant by missions. In one school I was asked to give a talk on the Philippine Islands because that was the lesson, from map drawn on the blackboard. are not ordered by civil authority to omit religion and teach only humanism, materialism, and naturalism. teach "The Way, The Truth and The Life," which alone has ever or can ever produce real civilization.

Our first cabin, at Malala mission, six miles from Salamaua, was near the school. On the first day I had gone a distance from the house when I heard such music as I supposed could come only from a great pipe organ. It gave me the musical thrill of my life. Seeing the missionary, I asked "What is it?" He took me into the school, where I found thirty boys with conch shells. Each shell produced one note and its flats. The latter were made by thrusting the fingers into the mouth of the shell. The notes were figures. The boys were practicing for the Sunday service. What a service that was! Five hundred natives attended. Some of them walked or rode four hours, spent three hours in the service and then went home. They believe the seventh day is set apart to improve the spiritual man. The native elders decide points of dispute and of violation of civil or eccle-The question arose siastical law. whether it violates the Ten Commandments to fish on Sunday. After much deliberation, they decided "It is not lawful." A man of the congregation was found guilty of immorality, and was ostracized to live in a cabin in the bush, where no person was supposed to speak to him except the committee appointed

to see that he had food and the necessary care. At the end of four years he confessed his sin and was reinstated into the church on trial. Even the civil authorities could not help him, although the case was brought to their attention. At this service the missionary and the older men stayed until two o'clock to determine who was guilty of certain petty thievery in the fishing. We asked "Did you find him?" and were told that they did.

These people take no collection for the support of missionaries or pastors, but vesterday at the close of the morning service, to which they came in a downpour of rain, carrying with them their children, without umbrellas, they received bits of paper on which members had written their names and sums of money to send the Gospel into the interior. The gifts ran from five to fifty shillings. What of it? It means the same as if we other Christians should limit our food to rice, taro, potatoes. or yams with only one pound of meat or fish a week, with perhaps an occasional cocoanut or banana; and to equal their sacrifice we must sell our household goods and utensils, retain only a couple of kettles and bowls and a single sheet or blanket in which to wrap ourselves at night to sleep on the floor.

Their first and principal earnings they use to send their religion to others. Does not that make a body think real hard?

My Lady and I are in a paradise of new and rare plants, and the days are full of labors and pleasures.

# Receives Mayorality Appointment

Joseph Sharfson, '20L, has been appointed city solicitor of Philadelphia by Mayor-elect S. Davis Wilson and will thus become a member of the cabinet of the Philadelphia mayor. While an undergraduate Mr. Sharfson was a member of the tennis team for three years and its captain in his senior year.

# How I Originated the First Christmas Savings Club

By Merkel Landis, '96 (Reprinted from the Magazine of Sigma Chi)

WELL do I remember that snowy Saturday evening in December of 1909 when three men came to my office in the Carlisle Trust Company at Carlisle, Pennsylvania. I was then serving as treasurer of this banking institution which I had organized in 1905.

These three callers were employees of a Carlisle shoe factory. The purpose of their visit was to ask me if they could open an account in their joint names for the purpose of depositing cash each week which they proposed to collect from their fellow workers as they received their weekly pay. As a banker I was interested in their proposition from the outset and listened attentively to the remainder of their story. They explained that their idea was to start with one to five cents a week and increase the deposit by the same amount every week for the next 50 weeks, and then distribute the funds just before the next Christmas. Of course, the account was opened and the following week the Carlisle Trust Company announced to the public the opening of its Christmas Savings Club.

There were no fixed classes in the first Christmas Savings Club and it was therefore necessary to write on the membership envelope the amount of the initial deposit. The printed rules were few and simple. In order to keep our records properly we had printed sheets of 50 coupons each and as payments were made the coupons were torn off and the member placed the coupons in his envelope. At the end of the 50 weeks, just two weeks before Christmas, a check was mailed to every member for the amount paid in with interest at the rate of three per cent added for those who had completed all payments. Later on, definite amounts or classes were adopted and the payments could be as-



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cending, as at first, descending or stationary.

Our Christmas Savings Club idea or plan could not be protected by either patent or copyright and consequently it soon became a purely commercial enterprise which swept through the entire financial world. All statements of the amounts saved for various purposes are purely guesswork as there is no way of estimating what is done with the money.

Since banks no longer allow any interest on such funds, the Christmas Savings Club plan has lost in popularity.

I am now president of the Carlisle Trust Company which is still doing business at the old stand where this unique thrift plan first came into being.

# Faculty Babe Arrives

Professor and Mrs. Ralph Schecter announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Mendenhall, on November 3. The Schecters have three sons.

#### Trustee Dies Suddenly

Dr. George Gailey Chambers, '02, professor of mathematics at the University of Pennsylvania and a trustee of the college died in the University Hospital, Philadelphia, October 24. He was 62 years old and had been seriously ill of a heart ailment only four days.

Dr. Chambers was widely known in Dickinson circles not only because of his own affiliation and the high rank he attained at the University but as the father of a family of four children all of whom are graduates of the college; Mrs. Ellsworth Keller, of Scranton; Mrs. Stephen Teller of Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. Reuben L. Sharp, of Camden, and Carl C., of Lansdowne, with whom Dr. Chambers resided since the death of his wife, December 18, 1934. The son is a member of the faculty of the engineering school of the University.

Coming from his birthplace in Fulton County, Dr. Chambers entered college with the class of 1902, somewhat older in years than his class mates. He early demonstrated his scholastic talent and was graduated as class valedictorian. His bachelor of arts degree won, he entered the Graduate School of the University and received his Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1908.

Two years before, he was elected an instructor in mathematics at the college of the University. In 1910, he was made an assistant professor in the School of Education, becoming professor in 1920. A year later he was named professor of mathematics in the college and in 1927 was given the same title in the Graduate school.

He served as director of admissions at the University from 1915 to 1921. For years he was active in the affairs of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary schools and also served as treasurer of the Board of Conference Educational Society of the Methodist church.



DR. GEORGE GAILEY CHAMBERS, '02

# "Hold Fast the Middle Way" THE HONORABLE JOHN DICKINSON, LL.D.

Little, Brown and Company

Hold Fast the Middle Way is a small volume which can be read in an evening. It deals with the economic problems peculiar to our times and is an attempt to arrive at a solution of these problems in the interest of the human values involved. Planning, Production Control, Capital Goods, Higher Wages, Price Stability, Foreign Trade and Relief are the subjects discussed. The author's method is to present the extreme right and left view and

As you read these chapters you are impressed with the author's scholarly and practical treatment of the issues confronting the American citizen. You have the feeling that he has studied the problem in search of a real solution

taking the workable elements in both

to effect a synthesis which he calls The

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rather than in support of some special theory. The inductive rather than deductive method of development has been followed. It is neither radical, nor reactionary, but liberal and for that reason the solutions offered will be rejected by the so-called "pressure groups." But

to the vast majority of Americans, looking for the way to permanent recovery and enduring progress, the book will have an appeal.

The author bears an honorable name and is an adopted son of the College.

F. P. Corson.

# Another New Book by a Writing Dickinsonian \*

By Prof. LEON C. PRINCE, '98

\* "Ten Minute Sermons" By Lewis H. Chrisman, Litt.D. Willett, Clark & Company, Chicago-New York

It has been my privilege through these columns to call attention to previous books by Professor Lewis H. Chrisman of the Class of 1908, one of the finest minds and choicest spirits that has passed through a Dickinson class room in the last forty years. Professor of English Literature at West Virginia Wesleyan College, he is a prophet not unhonored by his own Alma Mater which conferred upon him honoris causa the degree of Doctor of Literature on the fourteenth anniversary of his gradu-The State of West Virginia knows him as a leader in education. Universities and seminaries remote from that locality know him as a master of homiletical art. To many appreciative readers he is known as an author who presents ideas with crystal clarity in phrases trenchant and sparkling.

Ten Minute Sermons titles a collection of almost four score inspiring messages of brief dimension but rich content, struck off at white heat on the anvil of an incandescent soul and unerringly directed. Dynamic, persuasive and compelling, they not only provoke thought but prompt to action. I have sometimes wondered why so many men rush into print since so few have anything important to say, and why most books are written, when most writers merely repeat what somebody else has said before and said much better. This criticism, however, does not apply to Dr. Chrisman who can take as his

theme some admirable trait of character with which you may have scarcely a bowing acquaintance and clothe it in such fashion that you will want to make it your personal property. An investment of ten minutes' time will guarantee permanent dividends in mental and spiritual return.

A constant problem of the clergy in these days seems to be how to stop the exodus from the house of worship to the tabernacles of pleasure, and how to find something to say from the pulpit that will keep awake the remnant who stay in the pews. The pastor who reads Ten Minute Sermons in the privacy of his study may be tempted to incorporate them into his Sunday discourses without quotation marks, to experience the pleasurable sensation of hearing them attributed to his own originality. He will find here proclaimed the social message of Christianity, not as a formulated program, but as the inevitable expression in collective form of the contagious spiritual enthusiasm generated in the individual soul. Here likewise he will find stressed the gospel of individualism, not as a circumferential boundary, but as the pivotal center of fermentation which must ultimately In short, be he leaven the lump. preacher or layman, scholar or pragmatist, the reader of this book will find it a vade mecum to illumine the art of living, by a sympathetic and understanding philosopher who speaks as one having authority and not as the scribes.

# PERSONALS

#### 1878

Dr. Edward S. Conlyn has been a patient in the Carlisle Hospital since October 14, when he suffered a compound fracture of the right leg in an automobile accident. The accident occurred at the entrance to the Carlisle Barracks, when Dr. Conlyn momentarily lost control of his car and crashed into a brick pillar.

#### 1883

William A. Kramer, Carlisle attorney, who is rounding out a half century of practice before the Cumberland County bar, has a law partner. His son, Joseph Kramer, a graduate of Princeton University and of the Dickinson School of Law in 1935, passed the bar examinations last July and has been admitted to practice.

#### 1893

Dr. Frederick E. Downes and Mrs. Downes announce the marriage of their daughter, Virginia McIntyre, and Mr. Frederick Streicher, of Philadelphia, on October 14, 1935. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Robert Bagnell, of Charleston, W. Va., formerly pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, of Harrisburg.

Dr. Downes was formerly, for ten years,

Dr. Downes was formerly, for ten years, in charge of Dickinson Preparatory School and later, for eighteen years, Superintendent of Schools of Harrisburg. He is at present connected with the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Downes was formerly Miss Nellie E. McIntyre.

#### 1896

Bishop Ernest G. Richardson of Philadelphia began his eighth term as President of the Methodist Episcopal Board of Home Missions and Church Extension on November 21 when he was reelected at the final session of the annual convention held at Philadelphia.

#### 1897

A. C. Sheets, Jr., son of A. C. Sheets of Harrisburg is one of nine Pennsylvanians who have been selected for the sixth class for flight training and appointment as aviation cadets, Naval Reserve.

#### 1899

The Rev. James W. Colona, D.D., member of the Board of Trustees, is pastor of the Harrison Street M. E. Church, Wilmington, Del.

#### 1901

Dr. Leroy McMaster, professor of Chem-

istry, Washington University, is co-author of an article which appeared in the Journal of the American Chemical Society entitled A New Synthesis of 5-Benzyl-8-hydroxyquinoline and the Antiseptic Activity of its Sulfate."

#### 1902

Ethlyn Hardesty Cleaver (Mrs. C. Grant) broadcast a group of original poems recently over WNYC under the auspices of National Poetry Center.

#### 1903

A poem, The Orchid, which won honorable mention in the 1934 poetry contest of the Springfield Poetry Society, has just been published in Rose Chalice. It is from the pen of Mrs. Nell Davis Bostwick, Chicopee, Mass. Last June Mrs. Bostwick completed two years as president of the society. She was recently elected vice-president of the Chicopee Women's Club and is a member of the board of directors of the Springfield Cosmopolitan Club, and also of the Poetry Society. In a letter to the editor she asks for more news of members of the Class of 1903, suggesting that more frequent reports of the activities of the members of the class be published in this column. Members of the class, therefore, are requested to notify the editor of their activities.

#### 1907

H. Walter Gill has announced the removal of his offices in Atlantic City to 333-340 Guarantee Trust Building.

Since 1934 H. P. Swain has been principal of the North High School, Columbus, Ohio, a school of over 2200 students. He has been in Columbus since his graduation, and in 1919 was made principal of a school of 600, and in 1925 he was transferred to one of

Allan D. Thompson was reelected a member of the Carlisle School Board for a six year term at the General Election in November.

#### 1909

Dr. C. J. Carver of the College faculty was the speaker at the annual memorial service of the Carlisle Lodge of Elks, November 30th.

#### 1910

Dr. Alpheus T. Mason, associate professor of politics, Princeton University, was a member of the faculty of the fifth Industrial Relations Conference held at Princeton in September. During the summer Professor Mason lectured at the Liberal Summer School

in Cambridge, England, among the other speakers being Herbert Samuel, David Lloyd-George, G. P. Gooch, and Norman Angell.

1913

Dr. Milton Conover of the Yale Faculty is now in Europe studying political conditions, and at present is located at the City University of Paris. He spent a large part of the fall in Germany observing the results of Hitlerism, and expects to remain abroad until June. He writes of celebrating the Dickinson-Gettysburg football victory after reading the score in the Paris edition of the New York Herald-Tribune.

#### 1914

Rev. Elmer Lamont Geissinger, pastor of the Methodist Church at Grand Island, Nebraska, is a member of the Nebraska Conterence delegation to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church next May. Mr. Geissinger is also a Trustee of Nebraska Wesleyan University and the Nebraska Methodist Hospital in Omaha.

Rev. Frank Y. Jaggers, President of the Dickinson Club of Baltimore, is now represented at Dickinson by Frank Y. Jaggers, Jr., member of the freshman class.

#### 1915

Harry Mountjoy is head of the Department of English and in charge of the college newspaper at Panhandle College, Goodwill, Oklahoma.

Roger Todd, of Carlisle, narrowly escaped serious injury on December 8 when the car he was driving skidded on a slippery stretch of road near York Springs, overturned and completed two somersaults. Roger drove the car home under its own power and neither he nor his passengers were hurt.

#### 1917

Jasper Deeter, founder and director of the Hedgerow Theatre, Moylan-Rose Valley, Pa., has been named director of the Pennsylvania-New Jersey district for projects in the theatre under the WPA program of the Federal Government.

#### 1918

James B. Stein, Jr., has been elected commander of the Harrisburg chapter of the military Order of the Purple Heart.

#### 1919

Richard W. Lins was re-elected district attorney of Bedford County on both tickets at the general election. He was opposed at the primaries by Dick Snyder—former freshman football coach—for the Democratic nomination and ran on the Republican ticket without opposition.

W. G. Kimmel, managing editor of *The Social Studies*, was chairman of the committee on local arrangements for the National Council for the Social Studies which held its fifteenth annual session in the Pennsylvania Hotel, New York City, on November 29-30. This organization is the largest and most important of its kind in the world and covers approximately two-thirds of the States of the Union.

#### 1920

At the last session of The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Delaware, Calvin E. Afflerbach was elected Grand Thrice Illustrious Master. He also holds the position of Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Delaware, having been elected to this position last January.

Ralph L. Minker has recently been named director of the Ferris Industrial School, Wilmington, Del.

#### 1923

Appointment of Morris E. Swartz, Jr., of Camp Hill as custodian of the newspapers correspondents' room in the State Capitol was announced by the Governor's office on November 20. Swartz was formerly with the Associated Press and the Harrisburg Telegraph. He is the son of Reverend Dr. Morris E. Swartz, '89.

#### 1924

Dr. William P. Kenworthy, Jr., physician at Atglen, Pa., was married to Arlene De-Long Kline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Kline, of Lansdale, Pa., in the Trinity Lutheran Church, Lansdale, on October 26. Dr. John D. Yeagley and Stuart E. Glatfelter were ushers at the wedding.

The University of Pittsburgh conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy upon Norman Weisenfluh in August. He has been connected with the department of psychology and education at the State Teachers College at Slippery Rock, Pa., since 1929.

#### 1925

Percy P. Bullock spent three months in the East this summer, but has returned to California, where his address is 206 W. 61st St., Los Angeles.

#### 1926

Dr. and Mrs. Rudolf C. Hergenrother are now living at 166-41 17th Avenue, Beech Hurst, Long Island. Dr. Hergenrother is engaged in research on electronic tubes for television for the Hazeltine Service Corp. They have two sons—Rudolf M., 5 years old and Karl M., 3 years old. Mrs. Hergenrother was formerly Kathryn Meck.

#### BALTIMORE NOTES

Carlyle R. Earp, Correspondent, 129 East Redwood Street, Baltimore, Md.

Trickett Giles, '35 is employed by the City of Baltimore, Bernadette De-Falco, '35, is teaching in the Baltimore Public Schools and William Ragolio, '35, is working at the Hub Department Store during the day and studying at Johns Hopkins in the evening.

Samuel King Smith, '90, is spending this winter in Washington and commuting daily to his office in the Munsey Bldg., Baltimore.

Dr. J. W. Edel, '27, has opened offices at 3403 Garrison Boulevard for the general practice of medicine and at 800 North Patterson Park Ave., Baltimore, for X-Ray practice.

Harry H. Nuttle, '06 Denton, Md. has been appointed a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland by Governor Harry W. Nice, '99.

The monthly luncheon of the Dickinson Club of Baltimore at Scholl's Cafeteria was resumed on December 6th and the next will be at one o'clock on January 9th.

Harry L. Price, '96, has removed his law offices to Suite 1012 Mercantile Trust Building in Baltimore.

#### 1928

Mrs. Anna H. Campbell has announced the marriage of her daughter, Alice May Cohee, to Mr. William Reese Hitchens on Thursday, November 28, 1935, in Saint Stephen's Lutheran Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

#### 1929

Dr. E. Blaine Hays, Carlisle physician, was elected to the board of directors of the Farmers Trust Company at its recent annual re-organization meeting.

Eugene R. Sowadski is assistant vocational examiner of the Rehabilitation Commission of the State of New Jersey. His address is 641 Centre Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

Albert James has been elected president of the city council of Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. John C. M. Grimm (Margaret Craver), of Carlisle, was threatened with pneumonia and was a patient in the Carlisle Hospital early this month. She was discharged on December 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harner announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth May, August 5, 1935. Mrs. Harner was Anna May Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hall announce the birth of a daughter, Shirley Louise, October 8, 1935. Mrs. Hall was Miriam Bell.

#### 1930

Tobias Dunkelberger is president of the Pittsburgh chapter of Phi Lambda Upsilon, honorary chemical fraternity. He attended the last national convention at Stanford University in August as the representative of his chapter.

Dr. Edward S. Kronenberg, who is practicing medicine in Carlisle, made an address on "Blood Pressure; Its Significance," before the Mohler Scientific Club in October.

The engagement of Dorothy E. Gress to Charles W. Shooter, of Williamsport, has been announced by her father, Dr. E. M. Gress. For the past four years Miss Gress has been teacher of Spanish and German in the Williamsport High School. Mr. Shooter is employed in the Williamsport postoffice. No date has been set for the wedding.

#### 1931

Rev. Richard A. Cartnell, Washington, D. C., was married on Oct. 5 to Miss Katharine Lee Gould, also of Washington.

R. L. D. Davidson is principal of the Clayton Summer High School, Clayton, N. J., this year. He recently published a one volume history of the Dickinson chapter of the Sigma Chi fraternity, entitled Old Omicron.

#### 1932

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Skelton, Bigler, Pa., announced the birth of a daughter, Marjorie Ann, on October 1. Mrs. Skelton is the former Betty Lou Walker.

Stanley G. Nailor, of Mechanicsburg, was married on October 12 to Miss Sara Louise Brunner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brunner, of York Haven, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, York Haven. The bride is a graduate of the Manchester High School and Thompson School in York. Mr. Nailor is employed in the administrative offices of the State Emergency Relief Board at Harrisburg.

Edwin Blumenthal of Carlisle who graduated from Dickinson Law School last June was admitted to the Cumberland County Bar on December 2. A motion for his admission was made by John D. Faller, '07L. He has opened an office in a suite on the first floor of the Sentinel Building.

Robert Lee Jacobs, son of Ralph T. Jacobs, '96, was admitted to practice at the Cumberland County Bar on November 29th and

shortly thereafter was appointed solicitor to the Sheriff. Jacobs who graduated from Dickinson Law School last June is practicing Law with his father who has been a member of the bar since 1899.

Rev. James G. Glenn, who graduated last June from Princeton Theological Seminary and who was married a few days later to Miss June Scott, of Cumminston, is pastor of the Presbyterian mission in Payson, Arizona.

Mary Chronister of Harrisburg was elected teacher in the English department of the Steelton High School to fill the vacancy caused by the death in November of Miss Viola A. Helm, 'ro.

#### 1933L

Merrill W. Linn, attorney of Lewisburg, Pa., was married to Miss Henrietta Catharine Weary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Weary of Carlisle, on Thanksgiving Day afternoon in the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge. The bride is a graduate of Carlisle High School and was formerly employed at the Farmer's Trust Company. Mr. and Mrs. Linn reside at 219 Market Street, Lewisburg, Pa.

J. Milton Davidson has been elected presi-

J. Milton Davidson has been elected president of the Kiwanis Club of Clayton, N. J., and will enter on the duties of this office on January 1st.

William R. Woodward of Port Washington, N. Y., entered the Harvard Law School in September upon his return from a year of study and travel abroad.

Graff Barr, who has been a patient in the Lewistown Hospital is reported to be much improved. He was in an automobile accident last August in which he suffered a fractured leg; and serious complications later developed. At the time of the accident he was Carlisle agent for the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Miss Elinor Betts, daughter of Dr. William W. Betts, '02, Chadds Ford, Pa. is now teaching English and typing in both the day and night school of Goldey College, Wilmington, Delaware. Following her graduation Miss Betts took a course in Secretarial Science and Commercial Teacher Training, and at the conclusion of her work was added to the faculty. She began her teaching work July 1st. Goldey College is a business college with an enrollment of 300 students. Miss Betts is the sister of Miss Lydia B. Betts, '29.

#### 1934L

Five members of the class which graduated from Dickinson Law School in 1934 passed the July examinations of the Pennsylvania Bar, Dean Hitchler has announced. The five are Kenneth Vitlack, Mifflinburg, Robert Moser, Shamokin, Sidney Noch and

#### PHILADELPHIA NOTES

Lester S. Hecht, Correspondent, 1616 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Hugh C. Morgan, President of the Dickinson Club of Philadelphia, has announced that the annual dinner will be held on Saturday evening, February 8 and will be followed by the Dickinson-Pen A. C. basketball game.

Boyd Lee Spahr, 'oo, President of the Board of Trustees, was elected a member of the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Bar Association at its annual meeting on December 3.

Clarence G. Shenton, '10, has an article entitled "Can the Legislature Alone Call A Constitutional Convention" in the November issue of the Temple University Law Quarterly.

Jesse C. Phillips, '05, became head of the Department of History at the Olney High School in September.

Joseph Sharfson, '20L, has been appointed City Solicitor by S. Davis Wilson, Mayor-elect. He is perhaps the youngest attorney to ever hold that office.

Lester S. Hecht, '15, is scheduled to speak on February 14, 1936, on the subject of "Municipal Claims and Tax Liens" before the Philadelphia Bar Association. Mr. Hecht's address is one of the monthly addresses to be delivered before the Bar Association during the season of 1935-36. These lectures are delivered by attorneys who have specialized in certain fields, and are open to all members of the Bar and last year law students of the University of Pennsylvania and Temple University.

Edward G. Wink, both of Reading, and John Welsh of Harrisburg.

#### 1935

W. Roger Cooper is teaching in the Guaynabo High School, Porto Rico.

Kathleen Rickenbaugh is attending the Katherine Gibbs School of Business in Bos-

Miss Ruth Burr has recently secured a position to teach various subjects in the Consolidated Junior-Senior High School at Bell, Florida.

Howard Crabtree is now teaching English in the Foster Township High School at Freeland, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Fred A. Higgins, Jr., of Mechanicsburg, was married to Miss Ardna I. Snelbaker, also of Mechanicsburg, on November 9 in Hagerstown, Md. They will reside at 242 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, where Mr. Higgins is employed by the Union Emblem

Maxwell Ocheltree is attending Hahnemann Medical School and is living at 1419

Chestnut Street, Chester, Pa.

Banks Hudson, Jr., is student booker for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, at present stationed at Pittsburgh, where he is living at 624 Clyde

William H. Quay is dispatcher on the pipe line of the Atlantic Refining Company at the Cornwall, Pa., plant. His address is R. D. 5, c/o William Loud, Lebanon, Pa.

Dean W. H. Hitchler of the Dickinson School of Law has announced that the following members of the class passed the July examinations of the Pennsylvania State Bar. Albert Astom, Donald Mills and Johnathan Valentine all of Wilkes-Barre; John Bene-dict, Waynesboro; William J. Blank, Col-umbia; Daniel Buckley, Freeland; John Foulkrod and John W. Oler, both of Philadelphia; Forrest Gotthardt, Allentown; Myron Hockenberry, Harrisburg; George Houch, Altoona; Kenneth Koch, Allentown; Jesse P. Long, Punxsutawney; John Rich, Reading; William H. Wood, Muncy; and Edwin Blumenthal, Robert Lee Jacobs and Joseph Kramer of Carlisle.

Luther J. Linn attended the summer session at Bucknell University, where he received his credits for practice teaching. He is not employed and is living at his

home in Tremont, Pa.

Miss Mary Delavan Prince will be married to Jack Hughes Caum, '34, on December 26th, in the Allison M. E. Church, Carlisle. Miss Lena Ritner will be maid of honor, and the matron of honor will be Mrs. C. H. Lewis, of Middletown, Ohio, an aunt of the bride. The bridesmaids will be Miss Kathleen Rickenbaugh and Miss Janet Graham. Richard Stover will be best man, and the ushers will be George Hansell, Edward Buchen, William Mark, and Arthur D. Swift. Moordeen Plough will be at the organ.

#### 1936

Emily Jane Cameron, of Williamsport, has been appointed press representative for the Harrisburg Symphony Society, the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra and the Harrisburg Young People's Concerts.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Hankee announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Ann, on Oc-

tober 30th.

# OBITUARY

1874—J. Spicer Learning, former mayor of Cape May, N. J., dropped dead while talking with officials outside the Cape May city hall, on October 28, when stricken with a heart attack. He was eighty-two years old.

Born in Cape May on November 16, 1853, he prepared for college at Pennington Seminary. As an undergraduate he was a member of Chi Phi fraternity

and the U. P. Society.

He was a member of the Pennsylvania and New Jersey bars and at one time was corporation counsel for Cape May and later county solicitor, before serving as mayor.

1884—Charles P. Addams, former deputy attorney of Pennsylvania who retired from the department a few years ago, died at his home in York, Pa., on

August 23d.

Born in Carlisle on April 16, 1863, he attended the old Dickinson Preparatory School, received his A. B. from the College in 1884 and his A. M. in 1887. He was a member of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity. In 1895 he became a law clerk in the office of the attorney general of Pennsylvania and served there continuously until his retirement. In 1931 he was made a deputy attorney general. Beginning in 1901 and for some years thereafter he was chairman of the Republican county committee of Cumberland County. In 1888 he married Laura E. Gardner of Carlisle.

1899—John Williams Huntzberger, who was bedfast for practically a year and a half, died at his home in Philadelphia on October 17. He worked in the railway mail service from 1901 to 1933, and during his career survived three wrecks. From 1914 to 1933 he was located at the Philadelphia terminal of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and he was retired in 1933.

Born in Newville, August 7, 1875, he was a student of the College from

1895 to 1898, and then he taught in the public schools until 1900.

He was married to Helen T. Reifsnyder, of Harrisburg, on January 1, 1902. His widow and five children survive. The children are John Donald, Richard Earle, Robert Nelson, Helen Francois, Mortimer Cleveland.

1907—Berry C. Still was instantly killed at an unguarded grade crossing of the Pennsylvania Railroad near Harewood Park, Baltimore County, Maryland, on December 16th. Mr. Still had been a circulation manager of Baltimore newspapers in the Eastern Shore territory for many years. He resided at 2522 Harlem Avenue, Baltimore, with his wife and son, who survive him.

He was born in Pine Grove, Pa., and after graduating from the old Dickin-

son Preparatory School entered the College in 1903, and withdrew in 1904.

Mr. Still was a brother of the late Stanley Still, Dickinson football star, and of Beulah Still Gunson, who formerly attended Conway Hall.

1910—Viola A. Helm, head of the English department and dean of girls in the high school of Steelton, Pa., died at her home from a heart attack on the evening of October 17, three hours after she left her work in the high school. Miss Helm was a native of Steelton, a graduate of the high school where she taught for twenty-five years. Her death came as a great shock to her associates. This is clearly reflected in the issue of the high school paper, which devoted a half-column to an "in memoriam" statement and in reporting her death wrote as follows:

"Miss Helm had met her classes as usual on this day, held conferences with some teachers and pupils at the close of the day's session and later returned to the school for a rehearsal of the Senior class play. Shortly after she left the building following this rehearsal Miss Helm was stricken.

"Miss Helm was a loyal alumna of Steelton high school and had been an

honored and successful teacher for a number of years.

Very impressive and appropriate services were conducted at her home on Monday afternoon, October 21. Dr. Benjamin Segelken of Mt. Joy, a former pastor, officiated. The public schools of Steelton were closed Monday afternoon out of respect for Miss Helm.

"The loss through Miss Helm's death to Steelton high school and to the community is inestimable. The faculty and students of the high school wish to extend their deepest sympathy to her parents, her two brothers and their families."

1924—Meredith Zell Shupert died on October 6 of peritonitis following an emergency operation for appendicitis in a Woodbury, N. J. hospital.

Born in Haverford, Pa., July 21, 1902, he prepared for college at the Conshohocken High School. As an undergraduate he served as manager of the football team, and he was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

Following his graduation from college in 1924, he became registrar of We-

nonah Military Academy, remaining there until its closing at the opening of the present school year. He then became registrar of the Admiral Farragut Naval Academy, Toms River, N. J.

He is survived by his wife, Fanonda Lorence Shupert, his mother, a sister

and a brother.

Funeral services were held at Wenonah, N. J., and were conducted by the pastor of the Methodist church, of which he was a member. Interment was at the St. Paul's Lutheran cemetery, Ardmore.

1927-Peter Heistand Frey died at Freeport, L. I., on October 19.

Born in Washington Boro, Pa., September 13, 1904, he was the son of

Heistand and Susan Frantz Frey, who with two sisters survive him.

As an undergraduate he was a member of the French Club, the Mohler Scientific Club, the band and orchestra, and the S. A. E. fraternity. Following his graduation from the College in 1927, he taught school at Pleasantville, N. J. and Ridgefield Park, N. J. For about five years he had been teaching in the schools of Freeport, L. I., where he was also conductor of the band and orchestra.

Funeral services were held from his home in Washington Boro on October

23 and interment was made in the Masonville cemetery.

# NECROLOGY

Elmer E. Sellers, father of Ruth Sellers, '15, of Carlisle, and Ernest H. Sellers, '12, of Collingswood, N. J., died at his home in Carlisle on October 29.

He was seventy years old.

Until his retirement last April, Mr. Sellers had been employed by the Carlisle Trust Company for twenty-nine years, first as teller and later as treasurer. He served a term, following his election in 1897, as prothonotary of Cumberland County.

William L. Woodcock, Ph. D., a member of the Board of Trustees, dean of the Blair County bar, and Civil War veteran, died at his home in Hollidaysburg, Pa., on September 15. He was almost ninety-two years of age and had

been in failing health for some time.

Dr. Woodcock was educated at Martinsburg Academy and Allegheny Seminary. He then read law with an older brother and was admitted to practice in 1867. While a student of law he taught school and served one term as principal of the Philipsburg High School. In later years he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Hood College.

During the Civil War he served as a member of the Pennsylvania Volunteers

and attained the rank of lieutenant.

Throughout his life he was interested in religious, philanthropic, and educational affairs. He served as a trustee of the College and also of the American University.

He was married, on January 23, 1901, to Miss Lydia Ferguson of Pittsburgh, by whom he is survived, together with two daughters, Eleanor Lee, wife of Rev. Sydney Peters of Altoona, R. I., and Miss Elizabeth, at home, and a grandson, William Lee Woodcock Peters.

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