

SIGMA TO HOLD FORMAL DANCE ON OCTOBER 16

Oldest Fraternity Opens
Fall Social Season
Chez Fontaine

Sigma Delta Phi, the "oldest fraternity on the Hill," will open the social season of the college with a formal dance at Chez Fontaine, Eltingville, on Saturday evening, October 16, following the football game with Brooklyn College in the afternoon.

The committee in charge of bids includes Walter Bock, the president of the society, Charles Hellriegel, and Robert Schneck. Philip Anstedt, social chairman, is in charge of general arrangements, and he is being assisted by John Devlin, Albert Keyser, John McDermott, Luther Kirsch, and Edwin Glaser.

Dancing will be from 10 until 2, and the music will be furnished by Reinie Guth and His Recording Orchestra.

Bids are priced at \$2.50 a couple and may be purchased from any member of the fraternity.

SCHRODER CHOSEN TO HEAD L. S. A.

Alfred Schroder was elected to the presidency of the Metropolitan District of the Lutheran Students Association at a meeting of the executive council of the group held last Thursday evening in the Church of the Advent in New York City.



Heads
Metropolitan
Students

At the same meeting, Albert Keyser, a junior, was elected treasurer of the organization.

Mr. Schroder succeeds Gottfried Alberti, graduated from Wagner last year, who is president of the Middle Atlantic Group Association of Colleges.

It will be of interest to the alumni and friends of the college to know that Henry Suhr of the class of '35 was recently elected president of the National Lutheran Students Association at a national convention held in Ohio.

Wagner is playing host to the Middle Atlantic Group in the spring of the coming year, when three hundred representatives from other eastern colleges will come to Wagner for a three day convention.

LAMPADIA COUNCIL REELECTS BOCK

Walter Bock was elected to a third term as president of Lampadia Council, assisted by Florence-Adele Grunow, secretary, and Ralph Tellefson, treasurer. Alfred Beck is to complete the unexpired term left by Miriam Serrick, as senior member of the Council.

During the month of October, the council plans visits to the various charitable institutions on Staten Island. These religious programs and entertainments will be in charge of the committee for the social service: Florence-Adele Grunow and Ralph Tellefson.

Preparations are also being made by the council to welcome the Lutheran Student Association of the Middle Atlantic Region to the campus in February.

Arthur Hergenhan, a sophomore-member of the Lampadia Council, in cooperation with Arthur Renschler and Alfred Schroder, has formed a regular Friday schedule for student participation in chapel. Alfred Beck conducted the worship on October first, to be followed on successive Fridays by Walter Bock, Ralph Tellefson, and Alfred Schroder.

Many Respond To Choir Call To Assure Successful Season

The response of former and prospective members of the choir to try-outs this week promises another successful year for this organization. As soon as Mr. Engum has selected those eligible, the choir will begin its training by reviewing last year's concert program and then proceeding to study a new group of songs. In addition to local concert work, several more extensive trips are being planned later in the year.

Mr. Silas Engum, the choir director, is contemplating a radio hook-up during the winter.

SHADES OF THE IRON LADY

While the sophomores were busily watching their standard during the traditional flag-rush, the freshmen took over the men's dormitory, locked all the doors, and left their calling cards in the sophs' rooms. Out of the West came "Lochinvar" Rice. He must have slipped through a keyhole, for alas, he broke the Hindenburg Line only to develop into the Lost Battalion. He was pounced upon by the grim freshmen awaiting him and carried to the torture chamber on the first floor of the dormitory. His beseeching wails for "Sophomores" continued far into the night. (For illustrations of the torture see Johnny on the Spot Gollnitz.)

VARSITY ELEVEN OPENS SEASON IN NEW BRITAIN ON SATURDAY

Coach Kirchmyer Stresses Condition of the Team;
Optimistic Feeling Prevails Among
the Members of the Squad



From Courtroom to Locker-room

Noted Scientist To Address College Chemistry Society

Dr. Harold Urey, the inventor of the heavy hydrogen atom, will address the Wagner Chemistry Society some time this month, according to Edward Weller, president of the society.

The first regular meeting of the society will be held this afternoon in the Chem lecture room to outline plans for the semester.

TWO COEDS OBTAIN PERFECT AVERAGE

For the first time in the history of the school, two students obtained a perfect average of 3.00 for a semester. For the Spring term, two women students, Misses Muriel Ahrend and Erma Rudloff, now members of the senior class, obtained this distinction.

Of the twenty-eight students receiving a 2. average or over, thirteen were seniors, ten were members of the present junior class, and five were from the sophomore class.

The scholarship index and class of the first twenty-eight students follow:

1. Ahrend, Muriel—Senior	3.00
2. Rudloff, Erma—Senior	3.00
3. Kraft, Norman—Junior	2.88
4. Jensen, Marion—Junior	2.70
5. Kircher, Marjorie—Senior	2.66
6. Harris, Albert—Sophomore	2.46
7. Schroder, Alfred—Senior	2.44
8. Campbell, Donald—Junior	2.40
9. Hornburger, Harold—Senior	2.26
10. Perneti, Alfred—Senior	2.26
11. Riebesell, Fred—Senior	2.26
12. Birkel, Caroline—Sophomore	2.19
13. DeGroat, Charles—Senior	2.17
14. Anstedt, Philip—Junior	2.11
15. Beck, Alfred, Senior	2.11
16. Sandberg, Edith—Junior	2.11
17. Scala, Anthony—Junior	2.11
18. Badga, Lenora—Junior	2.06
19. Foster, John—Sophomore	2.06
20. Haas, Harold—Junior	2.05
21. Bennetter, Kathryn—Sophomore	2.00
22. Kaplan, Fred—Sophomore	2.00
23. Blumenthal, Beatrice—Senior	2.00
24. Comeforo, Elaine—Junior	2.00
25. Daniel, Edith, Senior	2.00
26. Frost, Mary—Junior	2.00
27. Grunow, Florence-Adele—Senior	2.00
28. Wagenhals, Mary—Senior	2.00

This Saturday Wagner will send out for its first encounter of the season a team strengthened and inspired by the best aggregation of players in the memory of any of the present students, when the Green Wave will journey to New Britain, in the central part of Connecticut, to oppose the State Teachers' College. The team, determined to regain prestige of former years, when one loss out of ten games was a devastating calamity, is eager and willing to prove to Coach Kirchmyer that his excellent coaching job has borne fruit, and that it is determined to start the season with a win reminiscent of bygone days.

For the first time in five years, Wagner has grounds for expecting a good season. The players, in practice since September 10th, are in good playing condition, because of the new equipment which this year enhances the playing field, and to the inspired action of the players themselves, who have from the beginning of practice shown themselves to be only too willing to cooperate in every way with Coach Kirchmyer and his staff. Then, too, the schedule calls for no games with teams out of our class, disposing of the possibility of any such heart-breaking defeats common to the last several years.

Lineup Indefinite

The starting lineup, as yet indefinite, will probably include Captain "Swede" Nilssen, Charles Hellriegel, George Bain, and Robert Johnson in the backfield. The line will be composed of Ernest Graewe at the center position, flanked on either side by Hector Perneti and John McDermott; Bob White and Harold Hornburger will be at the tackle posts, and the end positions will probably go to Carlo Marese and Bill Berger. Joe Crecca and Hector Quintana are making a strong bid for a starting position in the backfield, and Tex Schneck and Everett Jensen, veterans of last year, will undoubtedly see plenty of action in the line.

Plentiful Reserves

The team has not been retarded this year by the lack of substitutes, one of the more serious ailments of football at Wagner in past seasons. Each practice sees the addition of new members to the squad. Coach Kirchmyer's pleas have been well received by those eligible to play, and the coach is satisfied with the turnout. Laboring to put the first team in condition are Bill Berger, John Kalny, Charles Schulz, Bernard Riley, Anthony Scala, William Gollnitz, and Clark Mullins.

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Editorials

SUPPORT YOUR TEAM

Wagner opens her football season this Saturday against New Britain State Teachers College, and as true students of our school we are hoping for a victory. Let us ask ourselves what we are doing to help the team on its way to a successful season.

First, it seems to the writer that the student body needs to be made conscious of the fact that we have a football team which has been practicing and getting into condition from the first of September.

Second, we need a large attendance at the first game in New Britain, Connecticut, which is not too far away that a good aggregation of students can cheer the team to victory. The squad, playing together for the first time in this initial contest will welcome the support which the students give.

Let us give the members of the team the necessary confidence that it needs when it takes the field on Saturday in New Britain.

AN EXPLANATION

It may seem strange to the readers of the Wagnerian that one of our students could be elected to the presidency of the Lutheran Students Association of the metropolitan colleges when Wagner does not have such an organization of its own.

We understand that this organization was formed in colleges throughout the country for the purpose of bringing the Lutheran students within the college closer together. While Wagner has seen the need for this, we believe that in the Lampadia society, our religious organization on the campus to which all members of the student body belong, we have an organization which has gone a step farther by including people of other denominations as well.

We urge all the new students to become acquainted with the work of our Lampadia Society and to give it your support.

A BIT OF ADVICE

Although a month of school has passed, we feel that it is not too late to welcome the freshmen and new students to our environment.

To the freshmen, we say—"You have been the object of much traditional hilarity and fun at the hands of the upper-classmen, especially the sophomores, your guardians. We have all appreciated the attitude in which you received this seemingly bad 'treatment'. We can tell you that you have not passed through these experiences in vain. Each of you will look back upon the events of your freshman year in college with an approving eye. The upper classmen can tell you that."

So we say to all new students—Be good sports and appreciative of the opportunity that is yours in coming to such a college as Wagner. Make use of all the benefits that it has to offer, both in the classroom and out. Make a wise selection of your friends for they will help to make your decisions in the remaining four years of your college life.

LETTERS

Dear Editor:

As a new student at Wagner, I thought that perhaps you would be interested in knowing some of my observations since my arrival here. From the very first day, I was strongly aware of a feeling of friendliness and good fellowship in all my contacts with fellow students and faculty. It is difficult to express how much this means to a person who is entering a new world, so to speak. It was not long before I felt perfectly at home here and to use President Stoughton's expression, "a member of our big happy family."

I saw an unusual school spirit among the students. I say unusual because having attended another school for some time, I am able to make a comparison. It was quite simple to see that this sentiment was not superficial but something deep down below the surface.

I can readily see the reason for the success of the Honor System among such a group of people. I have noticed just how far this code extends into student life, and frankly speaking, I was surprised. Somehow I began to think how many errors people could prevent in their lives if they thought that everything they did was under some sort of Honor Code.

To get back to the purpose of this letter. I think now of the humorous but heart-felt statement by one of the fellows that "Wagner is a small college, but it is a good one." I agree with him wholeheartedly now. In closing, I might venture to say that most if not all new students here at Wagner share my observation of these fine things and that we appreciate them.

—Anonymous.

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

October 6—Rev. Walter Mueller of Stanley Congregational Church of Chatham, New Jersey.

October 11—Rev. Russell F. Auman of Redeemer Church of Scarsdale, New York.

October 13—Judge Hackenberg of the Court of Special Sessions.

October 14—Miss Katherine Gray, noted actress.

November 3—Virgil Markham.

November 16—Dr. Robert F. Weiskotten of the Epiphany Lutheran Church of New York City.

November 17—Rev. Herman F. Reissig, Secretary of the North American Society for giving aid to Spanish refugees.

FACULTY NOTES

The opening of Wagner College revealed the departure of one instructor and the addition of three new ones. Dr. Allen E. Anderson, former head of the department of mathematics was called to Massachusetts State College. He had been connected with Wagner since 1933 and will be greatly missed by those to whom he taught the principles of mathematics and deeply remembered by all others whose friendship he cultivated.

Professor Theodore W. Gibson, a graduate of Colgate and Columbia Universities, and a former member of the department of mathematics of Long Island University, has been appointed to fill the post left vacant by Dr. Anderson. Professor Gibson is a native of Solebury, Pennsylvania. Although he attended the Chestnut Hill Academy in Philadelphia and the University of his native state, he obtained his bachelor of arts degree at Colgate University and his master's degree at Columbia.

In 1927, Professor Gibson answered the call of Long Island University as a member of the department of mathematics where he served for six years. He also taught in Brooklyn College of Pharmacy, the Tutoring School of New York, and the College of the City of New York. During the past nine years, Professor Gibson has served in the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. He lectured in mathematics at Columbia University in 1935-36.

The Women dormitory students have the rare pleasure of welcoming as their hostess an outstanding traveler and distinguished student of European languages, Dr. Emelie A. Meinhardt.

Dr. Meinhardt received her bachelor of arts degree in romance languages with the highest honors that Radcliffe College had to offer. She obtained her master's degree in the following year, and in 1927, she was awarded her doctorate degree in modern languages at the University of Chicago.

The new hostess began her teaching career in 1911 at Agnes Scott College in Georgia. Here she taught French and German. Later she served as a faculty member at the Universities of Nebraska, Dakota Wesleyan, and Texas Trinity. In addition, she held posts of professorship at Lake Erie College, Ohio; Friends University, Kansas; the Ethical Culture School of New York City; and the Westchester Collegiate Center.

In her graduate study, she attended the Universities of Paris, Marburg, and Madrid. In order to satisfy her adventurous, roving heart, she traveled extensively throughout England, Germany, France, Spain, Austria, Switzerland, and northern Africa.

Upon the appointment of Miss Jean P. Smith to its staff, Wagner automatically added its second woman instructor.

Although a graduate of the University of California, Miss Smith was awarded her master's degree at Stanford. Having taken advanced work at Oxford University, John Hopkins, Columbia, and New York University, she has completed her work for a doctor's degree. Like the new dormitory hostess, Miss Smith has traveled extensively in Europe.

Besides being a world traveler and teacher, Miss Smith is also a musician and editor. For three years, she was a member of the first violin section in the Johns Hopkins Symphony Orchestra. She was also active in chamber music and concert work in other groups.

Shortly after a professorship at the evening division of Brooklyn College, she accepted the post of assistant editor to the Century Company. As a member of the East Coast Review Committee, she has written many interviews of current motion pictures. She has also written a monograph on Tennyson and has contributed articles and reviews to various publications.

FROM THE SIDELINES

1. Those assisting head coach Ray Kirchmyer in making the present "Green Ripple" into the famed "Green Wave," are two men who have had first-hand experience with Hilltop waterpower. Both Roy Comerford and Sam Herrman were members of the famed "32" squad which swept aside all opposition until their ill-starred defeat by Susquehanna.

2. Had Bob White even dreamed that the canvass for which "Herbie" Sutter dispatched him, was to go on that back-breaking, stubborn instrument of torture called a charging-sled, we do not doubt that he would have been very late in returning. Rather ironic, sending a lineman to get the means of working him to death.

3. The squad is rapidly nearing good condition but we note that its graceful members, "Softie" Schneck, "Cross-stitch" Jensen, and "Moon" Mullins, are sliding prettily through their paces while "Chubby" Scala sweats valiantly to get that waistline supple

4. The two Trojans "Hector" Perretti and "Hector" Quintana have met their respective Achilles. Perretti can't decide between "Blondy" Erickson and "Liza," that luscious tackling dummy he seems so attached to these days; while Quintana ran into tough luck wrenching his ankle and temper—airily incapacitating himself.

5. Erling "Swede" Nilssen, the 1937 captain, seems to have much better legs this year. Can it be that those nocturnal strolls he takes with she-who-is-named-after-a-fruit are developing him?

6. If "Mac" Mac Dermott is heard emitting large sighs these days, don't be alarmed, it's not his wind, it's his heart.

7. Finale. Seriously, after all is said and done, it's a winning team that Wagner wants, and we can safely say that with the driving spirit shown by Ray and the boys, (especially Ray) you won't be ashamed of your team this year. But we need you! Go to the games, yell your heads off, and—well who knows?

SUTTER ANNOUNCES INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Touch-football and basketball will be featured this fall in the intramural competition for the men. Mr. Sutter is having some difficulty in working out a corresponding program for the women students because of the great difference in the number of co-eds in the various classes.

The probable solution is that the co-eds will be organized into teams without respect to class, for competition in field hockey and basketball.

Sports open to all besides archery, include riding and tennis. During the winter months deck tennis and badminton will be introduced.

The start of the fall tennis tournament last week marked the opening of the organized sports program.

Mr. Sutter was appointed full time instructor in physical education last May. He is also graduate manager and director of athletics.

ARCHERY IS ADDED TO WAGNER SPORTS

Many moons ago, when the last Grymes Hill red man trudged his way down Chapel Knoll never to return, it seemed that the noble art of the bow and arrow was lost forever to our fair campus.

But those that prophesied thus as they watched the descent of that weary warrior reckoned without Herb Sutter.

For one of the choice items on this year's sports bill-of-fare, announced Monday by the new director of physical education, is the pursuit of archery.

According to the new sports program every student is expected to participate in at least one sport.

Freshmen are required to attend regular weekly physical training sessions in the auditorium, except at such time when they are participating in one of the major sports.

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FENCING SQUADS BEGIN WORKOUTS IN NEW QUARTERS

Seven Women Report; Men Have Two Veterans

Fencing, now one of our recognized sports, began its second year at Wagner with attendance of the co-eds at the initial practice promising a successful season. Last year's "pretties," Misses Anne Bosche, who placed fourth in the A.F.L.A. National Outdoor Women's Championship, Virginia Costich, and Ruth Gorman will again take their places on the strips. The new candidates are Hope Coons, Beatrice Werner, and Hildegard Kropp. While no definite schedule has been announced, the girls will take their places on the strips against Nassau-Hofstra, New York University, Hunter, and Brooklyn College.

The men's team has sustained great losses as Gerhard Dietrich, a three-weapon man, and Albert Accettola have been forced to resign their position because of injuries. Robert Vogel and Walter Vierling, also members of last year's squad, have not returned to school. Edward Weller and Norman Kraft are the only remaining members of the team. The seven new candidates who have reported are: Oscar Weber, Charles De Groat, Frank Betancourt, Robert Intemann, Kenneth Rogler, Raymond Brown, and William Rowe. Tentative meets have been arranged with Drew, Nassau-Hofstra, St. John's, Newark College of Engineering, Long Island University, and Seth Low.

A new fencing room has been equipped in the basement of the boy's dormitory with the money appropriated last year by the student body. Masks, epees, sabers, and plastrons have been purchased and more equipment will be procured as the need arises.

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TENNIS TOURNAMENT NEARS CONCLUSION

Twenty-four men students and twelve women students entered the Fall tennis tournament this year, and at the time that this paper went to press, the quarter-final round had been reached in each tournament.

Carl Sheie and Donald Lathrope were in the upper bracket, Philip Anstedt and Hector Quintana in the middle bracket, and Siegfried Dietrich and Kenneth Rogler in the lower half. The winner of the third quarter-final match automatically drew a bye, and was scheduled to play the winner of the upper quarterfinal matches. The quarterfinal matches will be played this afternoon, and the finals on Monday.

The women's tournament had progressed to the quarterfinals at the time of publication. The winner of the match between Bessie Sadowsky and Gloria Lorenz will play Marion Jensen, who drew a bye, in the finals this afternoon.

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**ALPHA ANNOUNCES
SOCIAL PROGRAM**

Alpha Kappa Pi, Wagner's only national social fraternity, is completing plans for three novel affairs to be held this month.

The first event will be a Tea Dance held in the fraternity Lodge on next Tuesday afternoon, October 12. The committee in charge of arrangements is composed of Philip Luther, chairman, William Gollnitz, and Edward Sheldon.

A luncheon is the second affair on the calendar and will be given on October 19th for freshmen and prospective pledges.

The Third Annual School Dance, which has become an Alpha tradition at Wagner, will be presented on the evening of October 29th in the college Auditorium. The committee in charge of this event consists of Norman Kraft and Christian Holmstrup, co-chairmen, Jack Cooper, Larry Knudsen, and Henry Raisch.

**Dramatic Society Attends
Performance of "Richard II"**

Fifty students from the Dramatic Society and Drama Classes attended a performance of "Richard II" on Tuesday evening in Manhattan. With them was Ronald T. Hammond, the college director of dramatics, who hopes to continue the practice of seeing a play every other week as was begun last year by the two groups.

The next performance to be seen by the group, will probably be "Brother Rat" on the evening of October 19th. The opportunity of seeing these performances at reduced prices is open to all students and faculty members. Announcements of the time and place of the coming performances will be posted at frequent intervals on the bulletin board in the main corridor.

CAMPUS CHATTER

Rumor has it that the dramatic society is studying radio technique in preparation for a radio performance early this Fall. Watch for developments . . . We notice that versatile Ed Weller is combining his comparative anatomy course with the girl's archery . . . We know that it isn't the R & H disc that our freshman dorm girl from Bayonne was seeking when she asked Roy Holmstrup to sign one . . . Advice to freshmen: It's all right to look at your watch in the classroom, but by all means do not hold it up to your ear to see if it still running . . . Anyone financially embarrassed should get in contact with Pallmeyer's Employment Bureau and Nurses' Registry . . . Wanted by "Ray" Kirchmeyer: Some rooters at the first football game to witness Wagner's first victory in several seasons; "We can and will do it," says Captain Nilssen . . . We wish the faculty members would enlighten the staff about the proposed "Faculty Bachelor's Club." . . . "Educate yourself," advised Dr. Tildsley in one of the best chapel talks this year . . . Read our ads for a few good laughs. . .

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This is a book plate, furnished Wagner last year in connection with the two thousand books bequeathed to the college by the late George Stuart Collins. It was designed by the donor of the books while he was a student in Germany at the University of Leipzig preparing for his doctorate degree.

Because of his interest in plates of this sort, he designed this for his own use in 1882. Mr. Kenneth Collins, son of the late Brooklyn Polytechnic School professor, gives us the following explanation for the plate:

"Literally, the translation of the motto is: "For the taking of the reader, books have their own meaning," or "The meaning of a book is limited to the comprehension of the reader." The implication is that a reader of the book can get only so much out of the book as the reader himself understands. Obviously, the monk with his learning gets a great deal more out of the book than the ignorant unlearned donkey. Here the contrast is between the extremes of knowledge and ignorance as understood at that time."

Since many of the books in the library being used frequently by the members of the student body contain this plate, the Wagnerian staff wishes to give this explanation of the curious but interesting sketch.

**Cement Sidewalk To Replace
Our Traditional Boardwalk**

A cement sidewalk, the gift of the graduating class of '37, is now being constructed to replace the boardwalk almost as old as the college itself.

The N.Y.A. boys, under the able supervision of Mr. Harold Baker, began its project early last week. The forty-inch cement walk will extend from the Administration Building to Professor Child's house. When the work is complete, shrubbery will be planted on either side of the walk.

**Three New Music Courses
To Be Given This Year**

Wagner is making an effort to add more of the aesthetic to the curriculum this year by offering three new courses in music. They will be Elementary Harmony, History of Music, and Choir Conducting. Only two of these classes are to be conducted this semester. In all probability the two will be History of Music and Elementary Harmony. Choir Conducting will substitute the course in the History of Music in the spring semester.

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