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CAMPUS TO BE BEAUTIFIED BY N.Y.A. WORKERS

Seventy-Five Men and Women Plan To Change College Grounds Into Garden Spot

The National Youth Administration has placed a group of seventy-five men and women at Wagner with the object of beautifying and landscaping the campus during the spring season. Henry Baker, supervisor in charge, in cooperation with President Stoughton, discloses a program which includes repairing of the tennis courts, reconditioning of the baseball diamonds, renovating Campus Road with naturalistic planting, and converting the plateau overlooking Pleasant Valley into a "rustic retreat" for wearied students.

Experiment With Seeds

Meanwhile, until the weather permits the carrying out of these plans, the women are helping in the office and library while the men are pruning the trees, making garden boxes, and doing various odd jobs around the campus. Some of the group are also conducting experiments in seed germination and ability of various plants to "take to the soil."

Materials for the work will be furnished by Wagner, though bulletins and other necessary literature is obtained from the government. Syracuse University is supplying about five hundred small plants. Others will be grown from slips and cuttings obtained from trees on the campus.

PANEL DISCUSSION AT ALUMNI DINNER

A panel discussion will replace the usual single speaker at the spring Alumni dinner to be held in Cunard Hall, Monday evening, April 20, at 7 p. m. Approximately two weeks before the scheduled time, President Stoughton will send out a list of several questions to three or four of



DR. GEORGE AUS
Overseer Of "The Panel"

the alumni, which they are to prepare. At the banquet, Dr. George Aus, alumni president, will call on each of these men to present their views on the subject, after which the floor will be opened for discussion.

Just before adjournment, Dr. Aus will call upon President Stoughton to sum up briefly the evening's discussion. This banquet will be the second in a series held by the alumni association.

Sick Room Furnished

The Girls' League has furnished a sick room, with the cooperation of the administration, in one of the dressing rooms back stage to care for co-eds who may need medical attention. Mrs. Collins will take charge of the key.

Librarian Pops From Behind Bookstalls With Honest-to-Goodness Book of His Own

Mr. Robert Deily, Wagner's bespectacled librarian, might be a very proud man if it weren't for the fact that he is modest—for it has been discovered that he is the administration's first member ever to be an author of a book. The volume is the "Bibliographies of Twelve Victorian Authors," published last week by the H. W. Wilson Company, New York City, one of the noted publishing houses of library periodicals and reference tools.

The aim of the publication is to give "the student, the scholar, the book collector, the librarian, and the general reader" an adequate tool to extensive reference work on Matthew Arnold, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Arthur Hugh Clough, Edward Fitzgerald, Thomas Hardy, Rudyard Kipling, William Morris, Christina Georgina Rossetti, Dante Gabriel Rossetti, Robert Louis Stevenson, Algernon Charles Swinburne, and Alfred Lord Tennyson.



ROBERT DEILY

His Thesis Became a Book

Collaborators of Mr. Deily in the work are Theodore G. Ehrsam, instructor of English, and Robert M. Smith, professor of English, both of Lehigh University, of which Deily is an alumnus.



F. GORDON LATHROPE
A Victim of Pneumonia

GORDON LATHROPE DIES OF PNEUMONIA

F. Gordon Lathrope, '32, former debate star and honor student, died last Sunday of pneumonia. He was 27. The Wagner alumnus had been attending the Princeton Theological Seminary where he was studying for the Presbyterian ministry. The deceased, a member of Kappa Sigma Alpha, was manager of the baseball team in his junior year.

AFRICAN TO SPEAK ON ETHIOP CRISIS

Mr. Akintunde B. Dipeolu, native African, chapel speaker on Tuesday, March 10, will discuss the "Ethiopian Situation." Since he was born in the city of Lagos, one of the most progressive towns of West Africa in Nigeria, and has travelled extensively in both Africa and Europe, he has a thorough and factual knowledge of his subject. While in England, he studied at the University of Durham. In the U. S., after graduating from Talladega College in Alabama, he obtained his M. A. and A. B. degrees from the University of Chicago and is now a candidate for his doctorate degree at N. Y. U. As usual, friends and relatives of Wagner students are urged to be present during chapel programs.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Mebane Ramsey at the Calvary Presbyterian Church, this afternoon at two o'clock. Donald Lathrope, a brother, is a sophomore at Wagner.

Comes The Revolution! - Freshman Votes For A U.S. Limited Monarchy In Survey

Did President Franklin Delano Roosevelt get thirty or thirty-one votes, is a question that has been perplexing The Wagnerian editors, for one freshman, a Democrat, cast his vote for an American limited monarchy, in the political survey conducted by this newspaper at a chapel period last week. This student states that he chose the Democratic party "because it is the least of several evils."

This statement came as a result of a questionnaire answered by 105 students as to their party choices, and the question "Of all the prospective candidates for the nomination of president of the United States, who do you think is the most capable man to receive the nomination of the party in which you are either a member or are

particularly interested? State your reasons why."

Roosevelt appears to be the favorite among the students; he received the highest number of votes, a total of thirty. A close second is the gentleman from Idaho, Senator William E. Borah, and trailing along as a distant third, Governor Alfred M. Landon, of Kansas.

The status of Landon at Wagner is particularly interesting, since he headed the list of candidates at all eastern colleges except Wagner and Seth Low. At Seth Low, however, Landon ranked second to Borah.

Of the 105 students who voted, forty-five are Republicans, twenty-four are Democrats, three are Socialists, three are Communists, one royalist, one

C.C.S. ORGANIZES COMMITTEES TO HELP STUDENTS

Pre-Medical and Pre-Dental Groups of Professional Men To Advise

A committee of Staten Island medical men, which was recently organized by President Stoughton, is designed to advise those science students who anticipate entering either the medical or the dental professions.

The functions of these two committees is to act as consulting bodies for pre-medical and pre-dental students. That is, they will advise students as to the type of school they should attend and what courses would be necessary for graduate work.

Plans Law Group

The pre-medical committee will be made up of Staten Island doctors, not as yet appointed. The pre-dental committee is composed of Dr. F. Seesburg, Dr. J. J. Ivory, Dr. B. N. Cantor, Dr. R. Carroll, Dr. B. Greenspan, Dr. J. J. Lucy, Dr. D. Weiss, and Dr. Brandenburg of the Staten Island Dental Society.

The administration is planning to organize a similar committee for students who expect to follow the legal profession.

SUHR ELECTED L.S.A. PRESIDENT

Henry Suhr, '35, while Wagnerites sang "We Want Suhr," was swept into office of president of the North



HENRY SUHR
Wagner Sang Him Into Office

Atlantic region of the Lutheran Students Association at the annual conference held at Gettysburg College, Pa., last weekend. Godfrey Alberti, Karl Eberhardt, Hope Coons, Bob Boettger, and Norman Harris represented Wagner.

"ALLURING BALI" IS LECTURE SUBJECT

"Alluring Bali—the Last Paradise," a musical travelog with masterpieces of art and photography, will be described by Mr. Branson De Cou at his annual lecture in the auditorium, on March 16, at 8:15 P. M. Tickets are one dollar a piece; the proceeds will be given to the Stapleton Day Nursery, Mr. Richard Meyer, of Howard Avenue, has subscribed for one hundred tickets, which are being distributed free at the bursar's office to students who cannot afford the dollar.

Coughlin sympathizer, and twenty-two who have no party preferences. Six students are not interested. Only one professor voted, his two words stand—

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Negative Team Meets Newark On N.J. Campus

Negative Team Beats N.Y.U. By 3-0 Decision; Affirmative Wins 2-1 Victory

Wagner's negative team will meet Newark University at 11:00 this morning, at the Newark school. Herbert Loddigs and Bruce Carney, captain, will present their arguments.

The Wagner negative won its first victory of the year on February 20th, winning from N. Y. U. by a 3-0 decision. The affirmative followed with a 2-1 victory over the same school, on February 25th. These victories boosted Wagner's total to 15 wins in 16 debates with N. Y. U.



BRUCE CARNEY
Debate's Hand Waver

In a two-man debate, Wagner won from Juniata on Friday, February 28th, by a 3-0 score. Wagner upheld the negative. Debating the same side of the question, the Green-and-White orators lost to Nassau, receiving a 2-1 decision from the judges. This debate was held at the Hempstead school, on Monday night.

Wagner's negative debaters will meet Newark University before a student assembly, at the Newark school. Herbert Loddigs and Bruce Carney, captain, will uphold the negative.

The records, to date, follow:

Affirmative:

Nassau.....Feb. 10.....home.....lost 2-1
Montclair.....Feb. 27.....away.....lost 3-0
N.Y.U.....Feb. 25.....home.....won 2-1
Newark U.....Mar. 10.....home.....
Ursinus.....Mar. 13.....home.....
Muhlenberg.....Mar. 19.....away.....

Negative:

Montclair.....Feb. 6.....home.....lost 2-0
N.Y.U.....Feb. 20.....home.....won 3-0
Juniata.....Feb. 28.....home.....won 3-0
Nassau.....Mar. 2.....away.....lost 2-1
Newark U.....Mar. 5.....away.....
Ursinus.....pending.....away.....

Sigma Spring Formal At Elks, April 25

The annual Spring Formal Dance of Sigma Delta Phi will be held in the main ballroom of the Elks Club on Saturday evening, April 25. Walter Bock is chairman of the affair.

The fraternity inducted Prof. Herbert R. Childs, registrar and professor of physics, as an honorary brother last Friday evening, April 28. The induction was followed by a stag social in the fraternity quarters attended by members of both the alumni and active chapters of the fraternity.

Prof. Milton T. Kleintop and Prof. L. Walter Seegers, former Wagner registrar, are also faculty members of Sigma.



DR. RALPH DEAL
A New Deal In Bulletin Boards

BULLETIN BOARD GETS NEW DEAL

Mr. Anton L. Schwab, head of a Staten Island real estate firm, strolled into the hall one day and found several students squinting at the bulletin board. There was nothing unusual there, except for the fact that there was not enough light to read the pot-pourri of notices.

The real estate executive then turned about, marched into Prof. Stoughton's office and offered to have a light placed above the board. Our president, who has never been known to say "no" to any offer, gave his assent. Dr. Deal, feeling that the old board was too small and undistinguished, promptly responded by supplying a large new board (30x49, to be exact) of Celotex. The head of the biology department, having finished a new bulletin board for the faculty, is at present working on a baton to replace the wand recently splintered by our choir director, Mr. Engum, in a fit of musical fervor.

POLITICS

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ing out across his ballot, "Not Roosevelt!"

Staten Islanders will be somewhat surprised by the fact that, even though the Island is a Democratic stronghold, there are more local Republicans than Democrats at Wagner. Of the forty-five Republicans who voted, thirty are Staten Islanders; of the twenty-four Democrats, twenty-three are Staten Islanders. One student suggests that while Staten Island Republicans are going to college, the Democrats are working on the W. P. A.

The tabulation of votes according to candidates for nomination, is as follows:

Candidate	No.	Candidate	No.
F. D. Roosevelt	30	T. R. Roosevelt, Jr.	2
Borah	28	Al Smith	2
London	12	Browder	2
Hoover	7	Thomas	2
Sinclair	2	J. W. Ford	1
Coughlin	1		

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THE QUILL

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Sonnet: To A Winter Night

The storm had ceased. I climbed the crested hill.
I turned my face to see the world below.
The wind no longer moaned; the trees were still.
The lake and dale covered with the snow.
The solemn, whitened earth seemed dead and bleak;
Around my heart cold fingers seemed to press.
I raised my head, more beauty thus to seek,
And found my soul was filled with loveliness.
I stretched my hands, my arms to grasp the sky.
It made the shining stars seem close to me.
And in their midst a new-born moon, yet shy,
Lay cradled with velvet canopy;
And Venus shone, enthroned with silver light.
I stood alone, enraptured with the night.

—Hope Coons.

AHREND, BERGNES WIN PHOTO HONORS

Justus Ahrend, staff photographer of the Wagnerian, and Manuel Bergnes received third prize and honorable mention respectively in a recent photography contest sponsored by the S. I. Advance at the Stapleton Library. These men were the only two Wagner students to compete with the fifty-one photographers. Professor Haymaker was one of the judges.

The pictures entered in this contest will be on exhibit at the Port Richmond Library during the week of February 29 to March 7 for the benefit of the general public.

Mildred Winston Invited To Address Girls' Group

Miss Mildred Winston, recent chapel speaker, will give an address on social service here to the Girl's League on Friday, April 24.

Miss Winston is well known among the eastern colleges through her work as secretary of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America.

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Night School Shows Desire To Organize

Extension Students Plan To Bring College Social Life To Night School

Why don't we organize a students' association?" is a question echoing about the halls and classrooms of the evening school this term. The suggestion is not a new one but arises from the desire of the night students to foster greater relationship.

The night extension group feels that an important part of college life is lacking if these contacts are neglected, but do realize, on the other hand, the difficulty of the project since the night school courses are so arranged that all students do not attend on the same night. It has been suggested, however, that a body be formed and regular meetings be held one or two Fridays a month. The Wagnerian requests comment on the subject from the night school readers.



ALLAN MILLER
"Chemists versus de Coverly"

Night Chess Club

When the noon whistle blows at the Ansbacher-Siegle Color Works, Rosebank, chemists push aside test tubes and Bunsen burners and place the kings, queens, rooks, and chess board on the laboratory tables and begin to play, and, incidentally, eat lunch. In this group are two of the Wagner night school students, Rudy Gentsch and "Doc" Wheeler. The game has gained such interest with these men that they are now instigating a chess rivalry between Dr. Davidheiser's night chemists and Instructor Allan Miller's Sir Roger de Coverly enthusiasts.

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Trying to get a story from Bill Keegan about himself is worse than trying to catch the manager of girls' basketball without the Frosh assistant to Bob Glaser. The most we got him to admit was that he had scored 3 points once when he was at Manhattan College. Unlike most coaches, Bill is very reticent when it comes to anything concerning himself.

Collins Scored 34

He told us Doc Lewin was complaining that the open windows in the gym caused a draft that threw his set shots off. He mentioned that Jimmy Collins once scored



JOHN STRIFFLER
(Minus The Dark Hair-Linings)

28 and 34 points in consecutive games against Trenton and Montclair. He told us that the present squad has only one member who had played varsity ball at high school. All this and much else, but nary a word about himself. A prize of \$5.00 (Confederate money) is offered to anyone who can get him to break his silence . . .

While the basketball squad has not compiled an impressive record, it does have an imposing list of nicknames. i. e., Boots, Putty Nose, Boo-Boo, Archimedes, Box-car, Demosthenes, Beckman, and Doc . . . "Mom" Spitzer, former manager of girls' basketball and the first woman graduated from Wagner, is studying for an examination in playground work. The people in the apartments adjoining Mabel's complained of the noise emanating from there. It seems she was practicing those games we played in grammar school, such as Flowers and Wind, Dodge ball etc . . .

Striffler Won Once

John Striffler, the dormitory athlete, is happy again. He has found some one he can beat at ping-pong, none other than the editor of the Wagnerian . . . Tot Swartwout and George Koch, both '35, are continuing their basketball activities on Island courts, Tot being with the SIACS, and George with the Garbers . . .

Who said we only had three sports at Wagner? How about indoor baseball, track (breakfast dash), wrestling (?), ping-pong, and for something real strenuous, watch the boys at a rousing game of Monopoly . . . And as a gentle reminder, let's extend the Honor System in sports, especially when visiting another school. Just a suggestion.

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INTER-CLASS TILTS START FINAL ROUND

The Juniors, winners of the first half of the inter-class basketball tournament, will begin the defense of their high honors tomorrow with the Sophomores. The Juniors, who have held the Kirchmeyer Trophy for two consecutive years, are out to annex the second half title honors and claim the trophy without a playoff, which will occur only in the event that some other class wins the second round.

Blomquist High Scorer

High scoring honors went to Ockie Blomquist for the first half of the tournament, who scored 21 points in three games. Close behind are two members of the champion Juniors, Babe Fieramosca and Rocco Zaza, with 18 and 16 points respectively in a like number of games.

Games in the second half of the tourney will be played in the afternoons at 4 o'clock. The schedule is as follows:

- Monday, March 2—Juniors vs. Sophs.
- Friday, March 6—Frosh vs. Juniors
- Monday, March 9—Seniors vs. Sophs.
- Friday, March 13—Sophs vs. Frosh
- Monday, March 16—Seniors vs. Juniors
- Friday, March 20—Seniors vs. Frosh
- Monday, March 23—Playoff (if necessary)

FOOTBALL ANNUAL TOMORROW NIGHT

The new season's captain will be elected at the annual banquet of the football team being held at Monge's Restaurant, Victory Boulevard, Tompkinsville, tomorrow evening at 7:30. Among those invited are President Stoughton, Pastor Frederick Sutter, chairman of the Board of Athletic Control; Herbert Sutter, director of athletics; and Coach Frank Spotts. The banquet is being sponsored by the team itself.

Manager George Mayer announces that the team has scheduled a contest with St. Lawrence University, for October third at the St. Lawrence stadium. This is the fifth game booked for the 1936 season.

International Lecturer Speaks

C. Douglas Booth, an internationally known lecturer of the Carnegie Institute for Peace, gave the first of a series of chapel addresses last Monday, March 2.

The services of Mr. Booth, who will speak again on the ninth, sixteenth, and twenty-third of this month, were secured through the efforts of President Stoughton.

Letters

Social Science Department Answers

Dear Editor:

I am taking the liberty to ask for the use of your column for the purpose of expressing my appreciation of the services performed by two of your correspondents in calling attention to certain problems associated with the work of the social science department.

The fact that these undergraduates of our college community take a vital and intelligent part in the discussion of our educational problems is, it seems to me, a most hopeful and encouraging sign. I feel that these students deserve our appreciation and gratitude.

I was especially grateful to one of your correspondents for raising a question of the most vital character. He pointed out that:—"Next semester the student must receive a B average in his major in order to receive full credit. What will the social science students do under these conditions?"

This, it seems to me, is a pertinent question. I desire to take this opportunity to assure your correspondent that my present attitude is one of suspended judgment; and that in cooperation with the administration and under its supervision and direction, I shall make every effort to view the problem in the light of all the facts involved and endeavor to the best of my ability to render full and impartial justice to all the parties concerned.

It is with some hesitation that I also venture to suggest that I may be able to aid one of your correspondents by helping him to solve another difficulty that presented itself to his mind. He states:—"As I was led to understand, marks should be rated two-thirds on work in class and one-third on the final examination mark. I have found that more weight than one-third was placed upon the final examination mark."

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TEAM ELECTS "NICK" KOBREN COURT CAPTAIN

Sheie Captures City Record With 11.8 Average Per Game

Abe Kobren, who ended the season with a scoring spree, was chosen captain for next year's basketball team following the Seth Low game. During the season, Abe's chief work was on defense and passing, but near the close he developed a penchant for long shots that made him a scoring threat.

Sheie Leads Scoring

Captain Bob Sheie led the city with an average of 11.8 points per game. The record of the team is as follows:

	G	Pts.
Sheie	16	189
Lewin	16	139
Kobren	16	115
Meyer	16	48
Accetola	16	32
Wallace	5	13
O'Reilly	3	4
Jackson	15	4
Cohen	5	3
Carney	12	1

548 Opponents 624

Record: Won 7, Lost 9

Handbook Editor Appointed

Henry Endress, editor of the Wagnerian, has been appointed by Rolf Danielson as chairman of the committee detailed to publish the college handbook, scheduled to appear next fall. Those appointed to assist Endress are Clarence Wasmund, editor-in-chief of this year's Kallista, and Luther Palmeyer.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1936

"What's In A Name?"

The Wagnerian's "Letters" column has become the pillar of controversy that the editors hoped it to be. In the last issue two students criticized the marking system of the social science department, and the result to date is that one professor lost one night's sleep pondering over the situation, and another spent an evening writing a reply which appears in the "Letters" column today.

Whether right or wrong in their points of view, readers find a place for true expression of opinion in the Wagnerian and should be unafraid to do so. Three letters appeared in our last issue, the writers of which requested that their names be withheld since they feared "the Prof might take it out on us."

We feel that part of the college education is to help an individual form opinions and the strength of character to stand behind them. The faculty is in accordance with this ideal, for it is part of that group's duty to foster it. The administration and this publication, both headed by newspapermen, would never tolerate any other attitude; the constitutions of this country and of this college stand for this right. Freedom of speech is guaranteed.

Let us strengthen your letter of ideas and opinion with your name.

The Forehead Slap

From past experience, it appears that the student body president's gavel is the magic wand that sets off the association's brain-trusters; each time it raps on the lectern, students slide to the edges of their seats and start thinking up insignificant points to argue about. This uncanny ability of uncovering irrelevancies to quibble about proves to be a disease that is eating away valuable time, good judgement, and better legislation at each meeting.

Noah Webster places quibbling in the same category with punning; the campus method of curing punsters is by striking these individuals on the forehead. We suggest the same for the quibblers.

We "Ask" The Freshmen!

Every college and university is extremely proud of its traditions and is suprisingly loyal to them. Most of the time they are not listed on artistic parchments but are handed down from class to class as part of the alma mater.

Last week there appeared on the new student bulletin board a note "asking" the freshmen whether or not they wanted a freshman-sophomore banquet! When the members of the alumni association read this they will probably drop to the floor. The students are actually asking the freshmen whether or not they want to have a banquet! Not since the last initiation paddle swung, has there been such an astonishing change of attitude.

The freshmen-sophomore banquet is an old Wagner tradition and has been the joy of these classes for many years. If we start clipping off such truly Wagner customs for economy's sake, there may soon be nothing left. We are in the midst of a depression, some freshmen say; but just as well as the freshmen allow their personal funds to dribble away via cigarettes, chewing gum, magazines, and the movies, so can they contribute, in a lump sum, one or two dollars toward a congenial college banquet and the preservation of a truly Wagner tradition.

REFLECTIONS

Question: Do you believe in a hereafter; if so, what do you think it is like?

The Mystic

My conception is something like that of Vaughn and Wordsworth in that after death your soul rejoins the World Soul.—Arthur Klein, Senior.

Can't Picture It

Yes, certainly I do. I have never formed any picture of it because I don't believe mortality can visualise immortality.—Harold Haas, Frosh.

Doubtful

I am doubtful of a hereafter. If there is one, it is a place where every one is happy together.—Rita Reilly, Frosh.

Development of Personality

Yes, but I don't think we will sit in the clouds and play the harp. I think there will be a further development of the personality.—Prof. Palleske.

What is hell like, Joe?

Yes, there is a heaven and hell. Heaven is a place of eternal reward and happiness and peace.—Joe Ward, Soph.

Peace

Yes, it is a state of complete peace. I also believe the present is part of the hereafter.—Charles De Groat, Soph.

Scientist

No, your body decomposes into nitrogenous substances and the spirit lingers as a memory.—Harriet Shapiro, Soph.

Early Greek Moralists

No, the atomic force disperses into the universe.—Charles Hellreigel, Soph.

Predatory

Yes, a large meadow where you can idle away your time.—Joseph Crecca, Soph.

Words Can't Describe It

Yes, but it cannot be described in terms of the physical.—George Van Tash, Senior.

Progressions?

Yes, it consists of different stages. The better the life we lead the higher the stage we will go to.—Luther Freimuth, Frosh.

Reward

Yes, it is a place where we are rewarded according to our good deeds in this world.—Frances Pillitteri, Soph.

Epicurean

Yes, it is rather hedonistic; it is a paradise where those desires that we wanted so much on this world will be gratified.—Bessie Sadowsky, Soph.

Non Credo

No, no one knows. After death we are no longer a unit of personality, our being both mental and physical disintegrates.—Henry Pape, Senior.

Psychologist

I am not sure. Heaven or hell is a state of mind. Belief in the hereafter is the resort of a suppressed or thwarted personality.—Bruce Carney, Junior.

Faith

Yes, I do. Although I could not describe its physical aspects, I never the less believe in it.—Al Beck, Soph.

Physiologist

We will never know what the hereafter is like for our nervous system dies with us.—Harry Dahl, Junior.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

Thursday, March 5

Chapel: Dr. Haag
Debate: Newark (affirmative) vs. Wagner away, at 11:00 A. M.
Kappa Meeting.
Sigma Meeting.

Friday, March 6

Basketball game: Frosh vs. Juniors, 4 P.M.

Monday, March 9

Chapel: C. Douglas Booth, (Peace).
Basketball: 4 P. M., Seniors vs. Sophs.
7 P. M., Girls vs. St. John's U.

Tuesday, March 10

Chapel: Mr. Dipeolu (see news section).
Debate: Newark (negative) vs. Wagner here at 8:00 P. M.
Lampadia: Jesus' concern for the Penitent.
Led by Godfrey Alberti.

Wednesday, March 11

Chapel: Dr. Posselt of Albany.

Thursday, March 12

Chapel: Dr. Haag.
Girl's Basketball: Wagner vs. Upsala (away, at 8:00 P. M.) Alpha Meeting.

Friday, March 13

Basketball: 4 P. M. Sophs vs. Frosh.
Deutscher Verein meeting.
Debate: Ursinus (negative) vs. Wagner here at 8:00 P. M.

Monday, March 16

Chapel: C. Douglas Booth.
Basketball: 4 P. M. Seniors vs. Juniors.

Tuesday, March 17

Lampadia: Jesus' Concern for His Disciples. Led by Siegfried Dietrich.

Wednesday, March 18

Chapel: Harold Miller from Brooklyn.

Letters

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It will, perhaps, help to clarify the problem for your correspondent if I state that in general we do endeavor to judge the student by evaluating two-thirds of his class work and one-third of his final examination mark. This is our basic method of evaluation, and in the great majority of cases it represents a very close approximation to the final grade. It is also true, however, that we sometimes feel it our duty to weigh this grade in the light of all the circumstances of the case. The object is still the same on all cases:—so far as is humanly possible we are trying to give the student the mark that we feel he has earned in the course—no more, no less.

Imponderable and Intangible

It may sometimes happen that we feel there are certain imponderable and intangible elements not appearing in the daily grade-book record of the student that ought to be considered. It is impossible to enumerate all of these factors but as examples of what we have in mind we might mention such matters as the quality of oral and written reports, participation in class discussion, highly personalized contributions; as well as progressive advancement, the growth of scholarly habits, attitudes and aptitudes on the part of the student; his patience, diligence, attention, punctuality, and his spirit of open-minded tolerance and cooperation.

It seems to me that it is hardly practicable to give these qualities a definite rating in a grade book and attempt to assess them on a mathematical basis; it also seems to me that there are times when consideration should be given to these elements in assigning a final grade. It is admittedly a problem that calls for the utmost delicacy of perception and yet it is one that the instructor is compelled to face. After years of experience there are times when he ventures to hope that he has been able to develop a sixth sense that renders him adequate to the task he is called upon to perform; yet to the end of his days there would also seem to be times when he is equally conscious of the fact that he must have failed in particular instances.

Problem of Grading Difficult

Thus in my own case let me hasten to add that while I have been teaching for many years, the problem of grading students does not seem to grow any easier; and that is why I welcome suggestions and criticism from every possible source. We are glad to discuss the problem at all times and from every possible angle. Our office door is always open . . .

This letter has been much longer than I intended and I am very grateful to the editor for the space that he has afforded me. It may, however, be of interest to those who have thus far followed this account if I submit the following tables. It is a tabulated list of the grades in our department for the last semester:—

RODICK	BAILEY
A.....2	A.....2
B.....31	B.....5
C.....44	C.....10
D.....20	D.....5
F.....2	F.....1
Total.....99	Total.....23

—Burleigh Cushing Rodick, Ph. D.

College Stuff

Daddy of Them All

The mailman got Fred Schnackenberg out of bed at 10:30 one Saturday morning (an inimitable feat) with a letter from the Peace Forum committee, addressed to "Mr. Frederick Schnackenberg, President of Wagner College, in care of Father Stoughton."

And It Took A Woman

It has always been the desire of reporters, since the Earl of Essex's newsmen spied on Queen Elizabeth, to put one over on the editor. Last week, a reporter, and it was a woman, finally did the impossible.

The Wagnerian's "Simon Legree" editor (every editorial room has one) had been storming about bad stories, and Vivian Chapman, covering co-ed activities, suddenly found the verbal whip lashing in her direction. A short time after, while "Snoop" Endress was away to dinner, Vivian scribbled off a story and a little note, and went home. Endress returned and read the note:

"Henry: Look over this article, please. I had to leave before you could see it. I will listen to you tomorrow."