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can string  
puppets

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## Changes Made to Basketball Card

Last minute changes have had to be made to the basketball schedule published in the Student Directory. Students following that schedule will make these corrections:

January 7 ..... Indiana  
January 13 ..... Mansfield  
January 21 .... Dickinson Sem.  
February 18 .... Dickinson Sem.

## Praeco Dance Is Financial Failure

The annual Praeco dance, held Saturday evening, January 14, in the gymnasium, was attended by one hundred twelve couples, as well as Dr. Armstrong and other members of the faculty.

The gym was decorated as a winter scene, very effectively. Cy Williams, Rus Bohn, Mowrie Ebner, Kathleen Spengler, Geraldine Conway, Geraldine Jones, Kathryn Kelly, Harriet Kelly, Dorothy Bastian, Dent Bowser and Loyd Bauman were on the committee who made the "ball room" so attractive.

So far as dancing and a good time are concerned, the dance was a success, otherwise it, was a failure. It was expected that over \$100 would be cleared on the dance, but \$30.00 is all that is left to go toward the year-book. Some other scheme will have to be arranged to make up the deficit, unless the book is to be inferior to last year's beauty.

## Barpin Found in Washington

Safety guards evidently have not been attached to all Teachers College jewelry; otherwise our alumni and undergrads would not be distributing gold and silver pins all over the Eastern States, wherever they see fit to drop them.

A Central State silver bar pin is now in Miss Ritter's possession, awaiting its owner and anxious to end its travels. Will the student—or could it have been an alumna—who dropped it, probably during the Christmas holidays, in the Munitions Building, Washington, D. C., come to the office and claim it? And will she then see fit to send her thanks to the Inspector of the Guard, Room 1048 Navy Building, who sent it on to Dr. Armstrong? For using his head he deserves them.

The true purpose of education is to cherish and unfold the seed of immortality already sown within us.—Mrs. Jameson.

## Mayflower Chaplain Tells of Coolidge's Yacht Trips

Lieut.-Commander Shrum, President's Chaplain Talks in College Chapel

Genuine democracy of the pleasantest kind marks the life of President Coolidge and the members of his official family on their customary weekend voyages about the Chesapeake on the President's yacht Mayflower. Lieutenant-Commander Reuben W. Shrum, chaplain on the Mayflower, so impressed the student body in the first chapel exercises of the new year.

Lieutenant-Commander Shrum filled his talk with intimate bits of life on the Mayflower, allowing the students to rub elbows with the great men of the government and to find them humanly simple and genuinely democratic. Speaking easily, naturally, unaffectedly, every inch a Navy man, the chaplain made a strong impression himself on the student body; and, with no especial effort to do so, left an even stronger picture of a President who is deeply reverent, straight-forward, democratic clear through, with a democracy so warm and sincere that

it colors every action of every guest on the yacht.

He paid warm tribute to Mrs. Coolidge as a hostess and a mother. Andrew Mellon, Pennsylvania's Cabinet member, he was convinced would be found by history to have been the greatest Secretary of the Treasury this country has known.

### First President to Ask Chaplain

The Mayflower was commissioned as the President's official yacht during Roosevelt's administration. Since then it has been held in readiness at all times for the President's use. Until Coolidge's administration it had no private chaplain, however.

When Coolidge first boarded the yacht for a Sunday cruise he asked whether a chaplain had been commissioned for the vessel. He repeated the question the next weekend, and again on his third arrival. When he arrived for his fourth trip Chaplain Shrum was on board; Presidential hints are not likely to be ignored. "Not that I had any special qualification," chuckled the Chaplain. "There are only \$4 chaplains serving the \$6000 men in the Navy; I just happened to be the handiest."

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## Three New Gridiron Rivals

Three new opponents appear on the football schedule which Coach Dyck has arranged for the oncoming fall. Millersville, Kutztown and Clarion Teachers all will line up against the maroon and gray, Kutztown here, and the other two on their own gridirons.

Seven games compose the schedule, four of them to be played in Lock Haven. The schedule seems to be more in Lock Haven's class than has been recently the case, each of the three additions being, if recent records mean anything, somewhat less formidable than the tough opposition furnished last year.

The two first games of the season, with Millersville and Kutztown, will certainly furnish a more gradual breaking in of the team than was granted down in West Virginia in the season just past.

Mansfield reappears on the schedule, to play here October 20. Indiana will be met at Indiana on the following Saturday; Bloomsburg will be here on November 3; and East Stroudsburg, apparently the hardest opponent on the list, will appear almost at the climax of the schedule, on November 10, on the local field. The final game will be with Clarion at Clarion on November 17.

## Lock Haven Drops First Game

The Maroon and Grey basketballers dropped the first game of their season to Indiana on January 7 to the tune of 42-19. Neither team played a brilliant game although at times each showed flashes of form.

Vonada worked well at the pivot position, while Mack stopped many Indiana baskets. Studebaker for Indiana showed up well in his floor work and long shooting. His eleven baskets, nine of which were from out past the foul line, show his ability as a basket producer.

Indiana	Lock Haven
Fume—5	F Robb—3
Leonard—0	F Parsons—4
Studebaker—24	F Plumber—2
	F McMullen—0
McKnight—3	C Vonada—6
Hiches—3	C
Goldstein—0	G Coleman—4
Barr—1	G Mack—0
Fee—1	G
Referee—Stock, Bellefonte	
Timer—Sullivan, Lock Haven	

Slavery is but half abolished, emancipation is but half completed, while millions of freemen with votes in their hands are left without education.—Robert C. Winthrop.

## Margaret Armstrong in Memory Feat

Miss Margaret Armstrong, Dr. Armstrong's daughter, a teacher in the Mill Hall High School, on December 22, saved the J. H. S. play, "Why the Chimes Rang," when in twenty-four hours time she learned the lines of the leading character, the elder brother.

The part so well taken by Miss Armstrong was to have been played by a junior high school boy who became ill just two days before the date of presentation.

## Sororities Pledge Thirty

The formal rushing season closed on Wednesday, December 21, when bids were accepted by thirty girls. All sororities gave out their bids at the same time, according to inter-sorority agreement. The following girls can be seen hard at work for their superior members:

Alpha Sigma Tau—Alice Read, Margaret Beeson, Geraldine Greaser, Dorothy Gearhart, Helen Lear, Margaret Martin, Alice Miller, Sara Wilson, Mary Kay Yeckley, Emma Frances Fry, Doris Mattern and Mary Louise Lewis.

Rho Omega Lambda—Evelyn Bosworth, Dorothy Lawrence, Mary Albaugh, Phoebe Varner, Irene Langan, Mary McNicholas, Mary Shea, Ruth Grier, Violet Madden, Genevieve Kennedy.

Beta Sigma Chi—Charlotte High, Catherine Bennett, Kathleen Bowes, Harriet Rohrbaugh, Ruth Hunter, Irene Henry, Iva Thompson, Catherine Cook.

## Seniors Facing the Praeco Camera

Every Senior has taken the long walk over to Brion's studio or is about to take it. Praeco photographs are in progress. For 175 seniors the time has come when Art must supply what Nature omitted.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday Mr. Brion has been snapping the bulb every ten minutes or oftener. Proofs have already been returned to many of those who first were photographed, and the halls are again ringing with, "Oh, you do too look cute!"

Senior pictures are to be arranged in groups of fourteen, occupying an entire page of the Praeco, and arrangement absolutely unlike any other yearbook having been planned. Not a writeup will appear on the page with the pictures, all the usual data being arranged on the opposite page in a position matching

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## Marionettes Dance

Puppet plays and puppet ways have been filling the free moments and minds of the I. K. U. girls since the opening of the year. The puppet-shows and "movie reels" made as projects in the Primary Subjects classes have been turned to the purpose of raising funds to send delegates to the national I. K. U. convention, and to purchase certain much needed books.

Little Red Riding Hood, The Night before Christmas, the Snow Lady, Marie Peary, and other tales have been turned into puppet plays. Marionettes have been costumed, strung on wires, and rehearsed through dozens of dress rehearsals, until the fingers of the operators became accustomed to pulling the right string at the right instant.

Each play has been presented twice, once for the training school children and once for the campusites. Beatrice Mokie has been chairman of the ticket committee, Christine Edler of the advertising committee, and Maude Caldwell of the ushers. Lib Bressler has secured the necessary halls for performances, and Vonda Johnston has looked after the ticket sale.

## Holy Land Pictured

Stereoptican slides of the Holy Land were shown in Vespers last Sunday evening, the pictures shown being taken in Galilee by Rev. Parkhill, pastor of the Great Island Presbyterian Church, who was present and discussed informally the taking of the pictures and something of the stories with which each was connected.

## Seniors Facing The Praeco Camera

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the photograph. The effect is said by Louise Young, photo editor, to be artistic beyond words.

Louise herself is seen skipping all over the campus, camera in hand landing snapshots for the rest of the book. All those girls flocking in her direction are trying accidentally to get their picture in the yearbook.

## Sporting Their Colors

"Say, don't some of those fellows look cute?"

"Cute? No more than usual. Why?"

"Oh, you know what I mean, the ones with the clever little caps over their eyes."

"Oh, I get what you're talking about now, and I agree with you. But you wouldn't notice them so much if they didn't act so self-conscious. You'd think everybody in school was watching that particular person."

"Well, give them a chance. Maybe by the time they graduate, if they do, they will have gained a little dignity."

"Yes, maybe!"

## GOODBYE, BOB

"Hey! Wait a minute, I'll walk over with you!"

"Hurry up! I got a whole stack of work to do and I want to curl my hair."

"Curl your hair! Goodness—every time ya say anything lately, every other sentence is, 'I didn't have time to curl my hair', or, 'I simply must hurry over an' curl my hair!' It makes me tired."

"Oh, gwan! It's nice when you've got hair that's a little curly, but when ya' got such straggly straight hair as mine—"

"Well, look at Eloise Brungard's. She's always curling her hair an' I don't think it looked so bad when it was straight."

"Oh, ya' big goof! She's lettin' her hair grow."

"Well, that doesn't say she's gotta keep her hair curled, does it?"

"Sure! She's got a little pride. She wants ta' look nice when she's lettin' it grow, she isn't like y—"

"Oh, cut that out will ya?"

"An' I guess Mowrie's leavin' hers grow—anyway she's curlin' it and leavin' it behind her ears."

"You mean Morwie Ebner?"

"Yeh!"

"Well, Helen Young's leavin' her hair grow, too. It's pretty long now."

"Who's she?"

"Don't you know her? She's from Billtown. She lives in the dorm and teaches over in fourth grade."

"Oh, yeh, there's another kid over there in fourth grade leavin' her hair grow. She's got black hair an' I guess she has it marcelled. She's short and I guess she must be from Scranton, she was around with that gang, anyhow. She lives up on third floor, too."

"Ya mean Mary Davidson?"

"I guess that's her name."

"I wonder if May Grier's leavin' her hair grow? I had a notion to ask her the other day but then I thought she might think I was kinda nery."

"Kinda?"

"Ya know what I mean, Smarty!"

"Oh, ueh—guess I do! Say do you now Jerry Jones?"

"Yeh—she's lettin' her bob grow out, too! Say—Ruth Craine said she wanted to see you before to-morrow mornin'—"

"Oh, she did?"

"Yeh, she's another kid that's lettin' hers grow. She parts it and brings it over her ears and wears combs to keep it back. Gee, if it wasn't so much bother I'd let mine grow!"

"Yeh, you would! You'd get it cut off like Mary Daugherty did just as you've done about steen times!"

"Do you know that Strayley kid?"

"Yeh! she's a Junior and she's lettin' hers grow and doesn't put it back of her ears tho', but leaves it down like little Lord Fauntleroy!"

Oh me! Her first name's Tessie or some such!"

"Ella!ne Stephens' room-mate Anna Taylor, has been lettin' her hair grow for some time. 'S funny, but you hardly remember what a kid looked like before she started to let her hair grow after she's let it get pretty long! Some of the kids let their hair grow so's to make them look more dignified."

"Dignified! what for?"

"Well, so's they look dignified. You need dignity to make a good teacher and some kids can't get it anyway but by leavin' their hair grow? I think it's silly, but gee-whiz, it does work a lot. Look at Verna Mae Kurtz, Ruth Adams, Peg Melvin, Lena Stephens, Linetta Grier and Bill Harmon. Don't you think it's making the biggest difference in them?"

"Who's Bill Harmon? Boy or girl?"

"Girl—dumbell! What'd you think I was talking about—boys? By the way, didja notice Sam Long had his hair parted on the side the other day? Lenore and I were trying to figure what was wrong with him and here we discovered he had changed the way of partin from middle to side! "Bud" Mack from Renovo got a hair-cut, too! Biggest change in looks!! Oh, boy!"

"Oh, cut your rav'n about boys! boys! boys! Just cause it's leap-year you think you kin talk about boys! Well, I'll warn you right now, those things don't interest me in the least!!!"

## Alpha Zeta Pi to Hold Banquet

Alpha Zeta Pi will banquet at the New Fallon, Saturday evening, January 28. Invitations are being issued to all alumni members to attend the dinner at 6:30 in the private dining-room. Lenore Sharp is chairman of the committee in charge of the plans for the banquet. Geraldine Jones, Ruth McLaughlin, and Martha Maitland comprise the decorating committee.

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DR. S. E. WEBER

### Alumnus is Superintendent in Charleston, W. Va.

Dr. S. E. Weber, graduate of Lock Haven Teachers College in the class of 1895, at present superintendent of Charleston, public schools in West Virginia, and author of several educational articles and books, holds an achievement rank worthy of special comment.

While Dr. Weber was born in Vernon County, Missouri, he procured his education in Pennsylvania, attending first Lock Haven Teachers College. In 1901 he was granted his degree of Bachelor of Philosophy by Lafayette College; and in 1905 the University of Pennsylvania granted him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

#### Varied Teaching Situations

Dr. Weber's teaching experience has been wide both as to type of work and as to region of country in which he taught.

He has taught in the district schools of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania. From 1901 to 1903 he was principal of schools in North Wales, Pennsylvania. The Cortland Normal Training School of New York claimed him for principal from 1905 to 1907. 1908 found him as state inspector of high schools in Louisiana. He remained in Louisiana until 1910, also acting, in that time,

## Editorials

**LET'S HAVE SOME AIR** in chapel. It is bad enough at nine o'clock, but by nine-twenty it is worse. We cannot put ourselves into the singing. We miss the point of Dr. Armstrong's bit of friendly advice. The orchestra tries to co-operate but nobody seems energetic enough to keep in step. Blame it on the lack of air.

### "A NOTEBOOK"

is for our own use," quoth our instructors—and, of course that is why we spend hours frantically copying and re-writing the notes we have kept for our own use.

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### A GOOD SPORT?

Well, hardly! Not when she leaves her lights on for the hour and a half she's in the library, or doesn't bother to turn them out precisely at 10 o'clock—What are fifteen or twenty minutes more? They may be just enough to take the privilege of "light cuts" away from us. A good sport?

### LOOK PLEASANT!

And don't blame the photographer because he can't bless you with beauty.

### ARE YOU ALL SET?

Are you well prepared? or will mid-years be too much for you? Who are you going to blame for a "flunk" or a low mark?

as Professor of Secondary Education during the summer sessions of the Louisiana State University.

#### Back to Pennsylvania

Dr. Weber returned to Pennsylvania in 1910 to hold the position of Professor of Education and Director of Summer Sessions for the Teachers at Pennsylvania State College.

For eight years, from 1914 to 1922, Dr. Weber was superintendent of the Scranton public schools. From Scranton Dr. Weber again moved southward to be superintendent of the Charleston public schools, West Virginia. During the summer sessions of 1922-23 Dr. Weber also held the position of Professor of School Administration and Supervision, University of Pennsylvania.

#### Author of Educational Material

Dr. Weber has written several books among which are "Charity School Movement in Colonial Pennsylvania," a "Course of Study for High Schools," "School Building Survey for Scranton, Pennsylvania." He is joint author of a series of arithmetics and translator of Christopher Dock's, "Schulordnung," the first school management written and printed in America.

Dr. Weber also contributes to the "Educational Review," "Normal Instructor," and the "School Board Journal."

#### Active in Educational Societies

Dr. Weber is a member of the National Educational Association and was, in 1918, the president of the Pennsylvania State Educational Association. He is, too, a member of the National Committee for Chamber of Commerce Co-operation with the Public Schools, and is a member of the College and University Council of Pennsylvania. He is found listed in "Who's Who in America."

### Alumni Mailsack

Girls from 1927 holding out in Altoona this year are Linda Bryan, Anna Fleck, Katherine Hartswick, Margaret Wambaugh, Blanche Wahl and Catherine Gallagher.

Martha Gaffney, also '27, finds herself in Beaverdale.

### One of Alumni is Lebanon Attorney

Not all of Lock Haven's alumni follow the teaching profession, especially among those who graduated during the period when the college preparatory course was offered.

Harry A. Honker, class of 1895, attorney in Lebanon, Pa., is one who did not remain a teacher.

For six years after graduation he taught school in Lebanon County, Pa. Prior to studying for the legal profession, Mr. Honker attended Lebanon Valley College.

In 1904, Mr. Honker was admitted to the Bar of Lebanon County. Since then he has been practicing law continuously with his office in Lebanon.

### Us and Others

Ruth Oechler, 1927, was here with her old gang the weekend of January 8. Glad to see her back. My, ain't it quiet now!

Alice Peterson was visited by her mother and brother on Sunday last.

Sh! Helen Lear and Shorty Martin entertained men on Sunday afternoon. Looks bad right after vacation.

Mary Young had as guests last Saturday her mother and father.

Gwen Strongfellow, Mid Reiter, Lil Mitchell, and Edith Hopkins, graduates of 1927, were here for the weekend.

### The Experiences of a School Teacher

"Well, for a change, the train is just five minutes late. Thank goodness, I'll get to school on time this morning."

Alas for the plans! How truly Robert Burns wrote when he said that the best laid plans of mice and men "gang oft a-gley."

Cheerfully I got off of the train at a station some distance from the school. (It really is unhandy when a place is so small that only two trains stop, and those in the evening.) I looked around to find my private chariot, but not a car nor a wagon was in sight. Yes, I'd have been glad for a horse and buggy. Then I should have sung "Thanks for the Buggy Ride" instead of "There's a Long, Long Trail." I was speedily enlightened as to the whereabouts of the car—it simply would not start.

And I wasn't the only teacher out of luck that morning. A girl friend, school-mate, and fellow-worker was also stranded. She was worse off than I, for she had to cross a creek and could not tell whether she would have to swim or not.

There we were—two partners in misfortune. What to do, we did not know. If we had both been going in the same direction, it wouldn't have been so bad. But—when two people want the same person to take them in different directions, how is it to be done? At any rate the car we were in was indisposed—and that was that!

We left the Post Office and held a street corner down a while—trying to decide what to do. I decided to walk, and my partner, for the small sum of one dollar, hired some person to drive her to school. (That was another joke, for between us we had about fifty cents.)

My route was on the State Road. But did I get picked up? I'll say not. So I walked on, intermittently singing and whistling. "There's a Long Long Trail" making the words suit the case. When I saw a steep hill looming up in front of me, I stopped using my extra energy and took the grade on high. (That was just the first hill.)

This is the most hilly place I have ever seen. Although I am used to funny bumpy roads, I am not used to these. Up one and down another, and I had a suitcase that was getting heavier and heavier.

Frantically I watched the time and tried to increase my speed. And it was so icy and snowey that if my suitcase had been a little older I should have used it for a sled. So I half walked and half slid—all the time keeping my eye on the time.

So I pursued my weary walk until I was about a quarter of a mile from my boarding place. A "Hello" stopped me for a second and in that second I accepted a lift.

At my boarding place I jumped out of the car, chucked my suitcase inside the door, grabbed my keys

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and my lunch, jumped in the car, and was off. But the funny and good part of it was that I was on time, even though it was just a minute before the last bell!

Thus the day was saved, despite the long walk I had. I don't care for many more such experiences. At least, I'll leave the suitcase behind.  
A 1927 Alumna

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## Mayflower Chaplain Tells of Coolidge's Yacht Trips

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Since then, whenever the yacht leaves the dock for a Sunday voyage, after the airplane has brought out the mail and it has been distributed the bell is tapped for services.

### Enlisted During World War

Lieutenant-Commander Shrum was pastor of a Jersey City church when the World War broke out. He enlisted in the navy, and was assigned to the Naval Academy at Annapolis. Since then he has served on a number of battleships, including the Pittsburgh and the Arkansas, one voyage taking him around the world on a little journey two years in length.

He is a Pennsylvanian, having been born at Irwin, Penna. Deputy Commissioner of Public Instruction Robert C. Shaw was principal of the high school from which he graduated.

He arrived at the college in company with Judge Harris Massina and Attorney M. E. Haggerty. He was introduced to the student body by the latter, whom he knew at college.

### Sororities Initiate

Senior sorority girls are staging a clean-up and pressing campaign in the dormitory, initiating our poor little pledges.

When passing through the dormitory at most any time of the day, pledges can be seen cleaning rooms, pressing dresses, sewing, etc.

### "Shake" Gives Bids

Seven new members will soon be pledged to Shakespeare Literary Society. They are: George McMullen, Robert Bollinger, Sherman Francisco, Walter Miller, Helen Lear, Ann Orlin, and Dorothy Askey.

Bids for membership were given out Monday, January 9.

### Peculiar, But True

It's hard to believe, isn't it—

That the Pacific end of the Panama Canal is farther east than the Atlantic end.

That Venice, Italy and Montreal, Canada are in about the same latitude?

That if an express train had started out from the earth for the planet Neptune at the birth of Christ, and had traveled 60 miles an hour day and night ever since, it would not be halfway there?

That Cuba would reach from New York to Chicago?

That the mouth of the Amazon River is as near to Europe as it is to New York?

That Texas is as large as 212 Rhode Islands?

That the entire continent of South America lies farther east than Florida?—Penna. School Journal.

## Hundred New Books Added to Library

Over a hundred new books, to be used for reference work, have been added to the library within the last few weeks. These books should be widely used by the students as they cover almost every phase of the curriculum.

### Social Studies

Among the books added for the use of the students taking social studies are: "The Schools as a Social Institution"—Robbins; "The Socialized Recitation"—Robbins; "Education for Social Efficiency"—King; "Modern Economic Problems"—Fetter; "Society and its Problems"—Dow; "Political Parties and Electoral Problems"—Books.

"National Problems 1885-1897 American Nation series vol. 24"—Dewey; "Political Philosophy from Plato to Jeremy Bentham"—Engleman; "National Ideas Historically Traced 1607-1907 American Nation series vol. 25"—Hart; "Governments and parties in Continental Europe"—vol. 1 and 5—Lowell.

"An Introduction to Sociology"—Davis and Barnes; "American Diplomacy in the Orient"—Foster; "A History of the Presidency"—Stanwood; "How France is Governed"—Poinecare; "The Rise of American Civilization," vol. 2; The agricultural era, vol. 2, the industrial era—Board and Beard.

"Economic Beginnings in the Far West"—Coman; "Lectures on the relation between Law and Public Opinion in England"—Dicey; "History of Currency in the U. S."—Hepburn; "The Government of England"—Lowell; "Imperialism and World Politics"—Moon; a "History of the U. S. since the Civil War"—Oberholzer; "An Introduction to the study of the American Constitution"—Martin; "Theodore Roosevelt and his Time, shown by his own letters"—Bishop; "Household Manufactures in the U. S."

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