

# The Birch Rod

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## SENIOR SLEIGHRIDE AND BANQUET

*Class of 1913 Observes School Tradition--Is Royally Entertained at "The Riverside."*

The midnight winds were blowing their fill and a blinding storm was driving the flakes at a cutting rate when five divisions of "The Riverside Limited" were seen wending their way between Cambridge and Edinboro. One might think that the congregation was going home from an old fashioned revival meeting, or that an expedition was starting for the Klondike region; or goodness knows what thoughts might flash through one's drowsy mind if one would have heard what really was the return of the Senior sleigh ride.

The class of '13 had taken advantage of the first skiff of snow and had left Edinboro one hundred strong, with many of the faculty, at five o'clock, February 5.

The hour of departure was delightful, the air was snappy and exhilarating. Mr. Kupper was ready to take a snap shot just as the well-filled bobs, swung off for the Riverside Hotel, with their cheering occupants. Before anyone thought of being uncomfortably cold the bright lights of the hotel burst into view and the happy throng soon gathered in the parlor about the dancing log fire.

Some sought the bowling alley where they could start their blood to circulating freely and find an appetite. Others preferred outdoor amusements and enjoyed riding on the toboggan until they were glowing with warmth, and ravenously hungry.

At 8 o'clock everyone gathered in the parlor to march to dinner. The large dining hall was nearly filled and so were the banqueters after they had been there for an hour.

The banquet itself needs no comment as the Riverside banquets are known far and near, and one needs only a taste to be persuaded to take a bite.

The dancing hall was the center of attraction for the remainder of the evening. Here the guests had a most pleasant time. Those who preferred to be out in the frosty starlight found an ideal place at the toboggan slide to exercise their lungs.

The zero weather and blinding storm gave real spice to the return trip.

Nearly everyone had spunk enough to stick to his post of duty the next day. The large number at chapel were congratulated by Mr. Barnes on the spirit of punctiliousness that they had woven into their character.

Although the lessons the next day were soon forgotten the event described above remains indelible in the mind of each member of the class of 1913.

### NOTE

#### Will the State Buy Edinboro Normal?

Last month the stockholders of this school met to decide whether or not to accept the offer made them by the State board for the purchase of the school by the State.

An election was held that day and 185 stockholders voted either in person or by proxy. Of the 185 ballots cast 182 were for the sale and three against.

The majority of the stockholders who were against did not vote but expect to hold their ground, since they see they are beaten in the vote, by trying to prove the election illegal.

It is easy to see that if the school is bought by the State we will be given much better advantages. The State would give the school much larger funds, and our new building we have been wishing for would soon be built.

So let us hope for the advantage of the school and of ourselves that the dissenters may soon be persuaded to sell their shares in the school.

#### Trustees Annual Banquet, Haven Hall, February 8, 1913

A rustle swept over the student body that almost broke into applause—expressing it mildly—when Mr. Baker announced in chapel that all classes to-day would close promptly at 11:15. Such an announcement is as sure to drive the scowl from a school boy's face as a flash of lightning is to break through the intense darkness of a cloudy night. The smiles on the face of the faculty showed that they were as delighted as the Freshmen, who could hardly hold themselves long enough to get to the door, where they could burst out into the

frosty air and throw their hats up among the snowflakes with a ringing hurrah!

The reason for all this manifestation of inward delight was that the faculty were invited to the trustees' banquet at two o'clock. Also, the Lavery contest was to be held at twelve thirty. A special car was to leave for Erie at six, for Edinboro passers were going to Erie to play.

At two o'clock the teachers suddenly disappeared, and soon sweet orchestral strains came from the direction of the dining hall. For nearly two hours harmonious notes—the favorite selections of the Philo orchestra—followed by repeated and prolonged applause, furnished entertainment not only for the banqueters, but also for all who wished to sit at their windows and listen.

The unusual day seemed even more strange when after having eaten dinner without the teachers we were left alone for supper also. Dickey says no one ate more than he, and he could eat supper, too.

#### David Stancliff.

Mr. David Stancliff, who joined the teaching staff of the Normal at the beginning of the winter term, is a graduate of the Edinboro Normal School, and an ex-student of the Leland Stanford University. He came to Edinboro from Weiser, Idaho, where he was principal of one of the city grammar schools. He is in charge of several commercial subjects at present, in addition to assisting in the science department. The ease and quickness with which he has won favor with the classes proves him an adept in his profession. The Birch Rod bids him welcome.

#### Haven Hall Notes.

Last week we had ice cream on a week day.

The Potter play is Saturday, February 22.

Everybody went to Erie to the game last Saturday night and came back—in silence.

Madonna says the only course not offered in Edinboro is "Recreation." This since she took up agriculture and started a young farm on the radiator.

Come to the Potter Play Saturday, February 22.

# Literary Societies

## PHILO EVERETT SOCIETY.

This year promises to be very prosperous and profitable for Philo. The officers started to work with such enthusiasm that the society quickly caught the spirit; and regardless of lectures, basketball games, skating parties, and all that usually detracts from society work, the hall has been filled at every meeting.

Many of the new students have joined with us and are taking interest in society work. There may be some who have not yet visited the society; if so, we invite you to come, you are welcome as the birds in spring. If you feel that the work that is being done in Philo would help you to improve your literary talent we invite you to join with us.

Our constitution will permit us to admit only a certain number; that number is almost reached. But next term we may admit twenty-five more, so all who are really interested and show their willingness to do society work for the pleasure and experience that they derive from it stand a good chance of being admitted to the society next term.

## Potter Society.

The winter term opened for the Potter Society with very encouraging prospects. It consists of sixty enthusiastic members and an energetic and capable cabinet.

The first meeting was held Jan. 6. The prin-

cipal function of this meeting was installation of new elect officers, as follows: President, Arthur Johnson; vice president, Freda Mitchell; secretary, Frances Hannah; treasurer, Carl Joslin; critic, John Krasinski; tellers, Walt Whitman, Ruth Smith.

The society has cause to be proud of its new cabinet; they have been successful in other school work which they have taken part in, so we trust this will be one of the most prosperous terms in the history of the society.

The program for next Saturday evening is as follows:

- Roll Call ..... Quotation from Riley
  - Solo—"I Was Seeing Nellie Home" ..... Emilie Van Ertten
  - Ruts ..... Imprompu
  - Autobiography of a Pin ..... Verna Markle
  - A Boy's Dialogue ..... Cynthia Frame }  
Ora Hasbrouck }
  - Piano Solo ..... John Krasinski
  - Description—"A Russian Xmas" ..... Paul Webb
  - Reading—"My Rival" ..... Mr. S. D. Dell
- Topsy Turvy.

You are invited.

## Oratorical Contest for the Lavery Prize

The interest that Mr. I. S. Lavery has in this school has been manifested in many ways. He has recently shown his interest in public speaking, by offering a beautiful prize to the Normal student who could deliver the best oration. This announcement was made last term and preparation began at once. The Normal students are busy people and only a few could find time to enter the contest. But those few showed that they possessed talent.

The contest was held in Normal Hall Satur-

day afternoon, February 8. A large audience of students and town people were present.

Mr. Morgan Barnes introduced the first speaker, Helen Bathurst, whose topic was "An Ever Needed Remedy." The speakers came in the following order: Adlia Dickey, "The Results of Avarice as Reflected in Public Life;" Rachel Diehl, "If;" Lucy Lamb, "A New Cry For Liberty;" Robert W. Sabin, "The Unseen Man;" Edna Sammons, "Oberammergau;" Quincy G. Vincent, "Literature Our Greatest Heritage."

Comment upon each individual speaker is not requested, and unnecessary. No word of comment could give them just praise. Those who were present say that all the speakers did their best in a way that was an honor to themselves and a credit to the school.

The prize, which was a beautiful volume of Milton's complete works, was awarded to the seventh speaker. Mr. Barnes, before presenting the prize, took occasion to voice the sentiments of the school by publicly expressing appreciation and thanks to Mr. Lavery for making the contest possible, and the hope that the contest may be an annual affair.

Mr. Lavery rose to express his wish that the names of the judges, Mr. John C. Diehl, Erie; The Rev. John M. Gannon, S. T. D., Cambridge Springs; Prof. Guy E. Snavelly, Allegheny College, be written in the back of the book. Also the date and the cause for which it was given.

All the participants in the contest were invited to the trustees' banquet which was held that afternoon in Haven Hall.

## The Spanish Students.

The number of Spanish students today has increased to eight. Seven go to the Model school where they enjoy their classes very much, and it seems that they learn rapidly.

Six of them room on the third floor and their pleasure is to talk Spanish and tell jokes.

In the afternoons they go to the lake to skate, but their legs go more twisted than straight; none of them can keep up long. When one falls the others try to make fun of him as if they could skate any better.

The other day four gathered in the same place; the ice broke and they went clear down to the neck.

The boys are as follows: Leonardo Alarcon, from Venezuela. His father has a nice coffee plantation. E. Monte Alegre, from Brazil. His father is a coffee man. Oscar Bethencourt, from Venezuela. His father and brothers now have business in Mexico City. Benjamin Quintero, from Venezuela. His brothers have a large daily newspaper called "Horizontes." Carlos Gil, from Venezuela. His father is dead and left him a nice coffee plantation and some cattle. R. Ignacio Ramirez, from Columbia. His father is a man of business in Cucuta. Emilio Tirado, from Mexico. His father has a coffee farm. Edward Baptista, from Venezuela. His father is a lawyer, now in Mexico City.

The other day the boys had an election for the president of the colony, and Mr. Gil was favored for being "Master in Music." He plays the flute.

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### A FEW CRAWFORD COUNTY TEACHERS.

Lloyd Edminster, '11, is teaching in Athens Township.

Clara Saunders, '11, is teaching in Athens Township.

Mable Thompson, '12, is teaching in Cambridge Township.

Opal Hollenbeck, '11, is teaching in Cussewago Township.

Anna Coughlin, '11, is teaching in Cussewago Township.

Jennie Coon, '11, is teaching in Hayfield Township.

Forest Knapp, '12, is teaching in Hayfield Township.

Bess I. Dunn, '11, is teaching in Hayfield Township.

Jennie Wagner, '01, is teaching in East Mead.

Rena Devore, '11, is teaching in West Mead.

Bertha Sloane, '11, is teaching in Oil Creek.

Glennie Grant, '12, is teaching in Oil Creek.

Isabelle Doubet, '11, is teaching in Randolph Township.

G. D. Decker, '11, is principal of the High School in Richmond Township.

Ruth Richardson, '12, is teaching in Richmond Township.

Leah Willeey, '11, is teaching in Richmond Township.

Amy Wilder, '12, is teaching in Richmond Township.

Ray Bunting, '11, is teaching in Rockdale.

Verda Morgan, '11, is teaching in Round Township.

Agnes Swaney, '12, is teaching in Spring Township.

Alice Tounsend, '12, is teaching in Summerhill Township.

Ray Steiger, '11, is teaching in Summerhill Township.

Myrtle E. Fiske, '04, is teaching in Washington State.

If you want to laugh come to see "The Mouse Trap" and "The Obstinate Family." given by the Potter Society, Saturday, February 22. 35 cents.

Resolutions were adopted by the pan-hellenic council of the national fraternities and organizations of Illinois University several weeks ago which are intended to put a stop to hazing and intimidation of Freshmen. It is the intention of the council to do all in its power to cause this form of activity to be looked upon as something below the level of a gentleman.

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While not wishing to disturb the peace and harmony now existing between the various classes which have been graduated at the Edinboro State Normal School in recent years, I feel that a word should be said in defence of the class of 1912, as a whole, and of the members present at the Thanksgiving Banquet.

The members of the class were subjected to some embarrassment by the remark of the toastmaster stating that he could not find anyone to represent the class of 1912.

The truth of the matter is that only one member of the class was asked and she, having just arrived after a somewhat tiresome journey, requested him to ask some one else.

Unfortunately there were few members of the class present but those who were there were very capable and willing to speak for the class and for our alma mater, had they been given an opportunity.

We hope that the incident was a result of thoughtlessness on the part of the toastmaster and was not premeditated, yet we feel that some explanation is due the class, especially to the members present at the banquet.

### A MEMBER OF '12.

By an action of the trustees of Bryn Mawr, the number of students is limited to 400.

At the University of Michigan clog dancing is a part of the work in physical training for men.

# THE BRICH ROD

## Winter Sport at Edinboro.

Great was the excitement when it was reported that the lake was covered with perfectly smooth ice.

Many of the Reeder Hall boys who have had experience in the art of skating performed marvelous feats of skill. The girls, lost in admiration, were quite willing to put on their own skates and trust to the fates to uphold them on the ice rather than be the means of interrupting in any way their much needed example of perfection on skates.

Indeed their enthusiasm became so intense that the boys decided it was a waste of time to sleep. Because of this decision it is rumored that the Haven Hall girls will wait in vain for the serenade this term.

The most enjoyable event of the skating season was on Friday evening, January 24th. A skating party was formed under the kind protection of Miss Bauman and Mr. Hayes.

It was a beautiful night. The moon shown with the luster of noonday. The long stretches of ice glimmered and sparkled in the clear light. Who would not be happy on such a night? Mr. Hayes, according to his custom, told the others to wait while he tried the ice to see if it was safe. He advanced with a firm step and soon called back that everything was all right.

Everyone was perfectly happy and enjoyed to the fullest extent the time and the place. When the time came to go home the ever-obedient students followed meekly where Mr. Hayes led and were soon safe in their rooms with minds refreshed and ready for the lessons that awaited them.

Some of the party complained of wetting their feet in crossing the muddy road but such small discomforts are lightly regarded when there is so much to be enjoyed.

All those who were present regret very much that a new rule has been made which forbids skating after supper except by members of the faculty and even they must carry a lantern.

Oxford and Cambridge are negotiating with Harvard and Yale for an international track meet to be held in this country next year. The Englishmen are very enthusiastic over the prospect of a meet, and a representative of the English Universities has already interviewed the Yale athletic leaders, who are said to favor the plan.

J. Pierpont Morgan has given \$50,000 to his alma mater, George August University, Göttingen, Germany, in order to enable it to maintain its reputation of having the best equipped library of American and English literature in Continental Europe.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL.

The prospects of girl's basketball for the coming season are bright. The classes have selected their managers and the spirit aroused promises an interest in Girls' Athletics as was never before known at the Normal.

All girls interested have met for practice and the zeal shown, proved that they were ready for work.

We are anxious that all girls who do not know how to play and are interested in basketball should come and learn.

All of the old players are back and many from other schools have joined with them.

Each class has elected it's managers, Ethel Case represents the Senior's and though she seems short for such a high position, there is no doubt in any mind of her fitness; for the knowing look in Casey's eye when she said, "The girls shall have their rights," dispelled all fears.

The Junior Class is not asleep and their manager Esther Averill says, they are going "To teach the Seniors how to play."

The Sophomores under Blanche Doubet, from their record of last year gives promise of their class being, "The Team for 1913."

We hope that the Freshmen Class will also elect a manager, and show the other classes what they can do with the game.

As soon as the teams from each class are chosen, captains will be elected.

The girls expect to get their numerals this year, providing they play the required number of games.

From the keen interest taken by the girls in Athletics of all kinds and their loyal support, which has made Normal Athletics a success, it seems that we should have the privilege of meeting other teams.

It is hoped that the efforts put forth by the girl's will hold the support of the students.

Of the many undergraduate organizations of which Yale is proud, there is none which has more claim to perfection in its line than the Yale Daily News. The News is advertised as being the "oldest college daily." Started in the latter '70's more in the shape of a handbill than a newspaper, it has now developed into a six-page daily with a circulation of 2,000 copies. The editorial staff of the News is one of the two or three groups of undergraduates who receive financial compensation for their labors.

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### The Aida Quartette.

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AIDA TRUMPET QUARTET.

woman trumpeter of the world; Miss Norma Santer, violinist, a pupil of Franz Kueisel; Miss Cora Santer, cellist, a pupil of Leo Schultz, and Miss Ruth Wolfe, the well known pianist, compose the quartette. Occasions such as the appearance of the Aida Quartette are only too infrequent in the year's school privileges and we trust that no one will fail to seize the opportunity offered on Monday evening.

### Minor Surgical Operation in Reeder Hall

Since the beginning of the school year last fall at Edinboro it has probably been noticed that many of the boys limped up and down the streets and showed various signs of discomfort while walking, but one morning about two weeks ago everyone was greatly surprised when they saw that many of the boys of Reeder Hall moved about with graceful step, forgetting their former limp, and in no way showing signs of pain. Inquiry was made concerning the cause of the great change. It was soon learned that on the previous evening Reeder Hall had been temporarily converted into a hospital, and many of the boys had received surgical attention. Thus the mystery was solved.

At about 6 o'clock when the boys had returned from supper, their attention was attracted by a dignified looking gentleman carrying a traveling bag, whom a certain member of the faculty introduced as Dr. King, of Erie.

Fifteen minutes later he might have been

seen in room 18 skillfully plying the surgeon's knife, while the room was crowded with boys, each pleading for next place in the operating chair. Corns, ingrown toenails and warts all disappeared like magic. Thus the good work went on until after 7 o'clock when Mr. Snyder announced that it was study hour. But alas! This good man was not here for his health. When asked what his bill was he replied, "Fifty cents for corns and one dollar for ingrown toenails."

Thus the faces which a few minutes before were beaming with joy at the thought of loosing their corns and pains became distorted and moist with tears, as they parted with their dollar bills and fifty cent pieces.

Their grief was still greater when a few days later they realized that these operations were nothing more than could have been performed by anyone with a good sharp jackknife. But we are all frank to admit that we are here to learn lessons other than those found in books, and it is to be hoped that some of the boys of Reeder Hall have learned at least one.

"The Obstinate Family," Normal Hall, February 22.

### INTERCOLLEGIATE.

The average age of members of the Freshman class of Lehigh on September 18, the opening day of college, was 19 years, 2 months, 21 days.

Lee Talbot, the former Cornell University wrestler and weight thrower, may join the pro-

fessional ranks and go after the heavyweight wrestling honors this fall.

According to statistics recently compiled, the average cost of a four years' academic education at Yale, twenty years ago, was \$4,310; While the average to-day has increased, owing to the high cost of living, to \$4,472.

The annual report of the U. S. Bureau of Education contains some interesting information. It states that only five out of every hundred high school graduates enter college, and that less than two per cent. of the students who enter college receive a degree. During the last year, the facilities of the colleges of this country have grown 61 per cent., while their student bodies have grown 67 per cent.

The Potter play, reserved seats on sale, 35 cents.

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Thank heaven, some cool-headed individual had presence of mind enough to see that some grotesque misunderstanding must be at the bottom of this announcement. Order, with an effort, was again restored while an investigation of the matter was brought about. After a short interval all was made clear. It seems that some unknown had broken into the gymnasium the evening before and by some mistake had torn up the basket ball.

Now, basket balls are an item of expense. Mr. Hayes has an erroneous idea that it is necessary for the Athletic Association to be careful of its supply. The best ball, he held, should be reserved for first team work. Those who opposed him did so on the ground that the people have a right to their own. The muss may have been due to a technicality that appeared in varying degrees of importance to either side. The Birch Rod rejoices to report that there were no fatalities, and that nearly everybody came out of the fracas with the ability to laugh about it. The staff poet celebrates the event as follows:

Coach said they shouldn't,  
The "kids" said they would;  
It happened that they didn't—  
For it wasn't so they could.

**Edinboro at Erie.**

On the night of February 8 about seventy-five Normalites journeyed to Erie for the express purpose of seeing the "varsity" get revenge for the defeat administered by Erie High the first Saturday night of the winter term. Instead of revenge they witnessed the

most exciting and least-deserved defeat in a season of defeats.

The Normal boys seemed to be victims of stage fright for the first few minutes of the game and Erie connected with the net for the first pair of points. Then Graham scored on a long field goal and immediately after this Edinboro annexed another point on a foul. This was the only time during the game that Edinboro was in the lead. From this Erie forged ahead until at the end of the half the score stood 16 to 8. The second half was by far the faster. Edinboro scored the first goal but failed to connect with the basket for field goals in the remainder of the game.

During the last half the Edinboro boys had possession of the ball most of the time and shot repeatedly, only to see the sphere roll perversely around the ring and drop into the hands of some Erie man. The score stood 12 to 22 until about five minutes before the close of the game, but about this time two of Edinboro's best men had to leave the game and the Erie boys took advantage of the opportunity to roll up the score. The final score was 34 to 12.

The game was marred throughout by continued fouling on both sides, but was decidedly more rough the last half than the first.

About ten minutes before the close of the game it was necessary to remove Proudfit on account of injuries and shortly after this Captain White was kneed in the chest, breaking two ribs, an injury that will bar him from the game the balance of the season.

In addition to the favoritism shown by the referee during the last half the Edinboro boys seemed to be playing in hard luck. Graham, who has missed but one or two fouls before this year failed to judge the distance time after time, although playing, as were the other members of the team, a star floor game. Proudfit and Mathews, two of our best basket getters in practice had hard luck that cannot be ascribed to the strange floor or stage fright. Leach broke up play after play but failed to add numerals himself.

The lineup:

	Edinboro		Erie
Proudfit, Obert	..... r. f.	.....	Anderson
Graham	..... l. f.	.....	Fitzmaurice
White, Matthews	..... c.	.....	Shaffer
Leach	..... r. g.	.....	Devine
Shiver, Hood	..... l. g.	.....	Ulrich

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Monday evening, January 27, the first inter-class games were played. The Seniors and Sophomores tried for the tip off first. The Sophomores got it. But the ball was soon passed into their opponents territory and during most of the game it stayed there. Occassionly Harrison, Kilbane and Mondreau would cleverly pass the ball toward their goal but the result was either a hard luck shot, or the Senior guards would recover the ball and pass it back into their territory. When the first half ended the score board showed Seniors 8; Sophomores 0.

The Juniors and Freshmen took their positions. Everybody expected the Juniors to win an easy victory but they misjudged Fall's ability at center and Leishler's at forward. By the time the Juniors had shot two baskets the Freshmen had made seven points. Everyone enjoys a surprise, but the Juniors didn't enjoy that. Hayes and Green soon began to work together and the half ended with a score of 14 to 10. The Juniors were ahead.

The teams that started the game lined up several new men, and tried it again. The result was even more favorable for the Seniors than before, the final score being 20 to 1.

The other two teams being more evenly matched played a much faster game. It was a good stiff fight all through the last half. Every one played his man hard. Each team added five points to the score. The result being Juniors 19, Freshmen 15.

Field Goals—Bentley 4; Dearment 4; Joslyn 1; Hayes 5; Green 2; Babcock 1; Fall 5; Leisher 1; Foul Goals—Joslyn 2; Green 3; Kilbane 1; Fall 3.

Seniors		Sophomores
Joslin	}	R. F. Harrison
DeRemer		
Porter	}	L. F. Kilbane
Bentley		
Bentley	}	C. Soety
DeArment		Turner
Richey		R. G. Mondreau
Marsh		L. G. Turner
		Daley
Juniors		Freshmen
Green	}	R. F. Gorman
Hayes		L. F. Leishler
Blakeslee	}	C. Fall
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