



The staff joins in wishing our readers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

On Making Resolutions

Four per cent of the entire year lies between the beginning of the Christmas vacation and New Year's Eve. Instead of spending this time in comparative relaxation according to present plans, why don't we put on an extra spurt, so that by New Year's Day we'll feel so self-satisfied that we will neglect to make any resolutions for next year, leaving the 96 per cent of the year for leisure.

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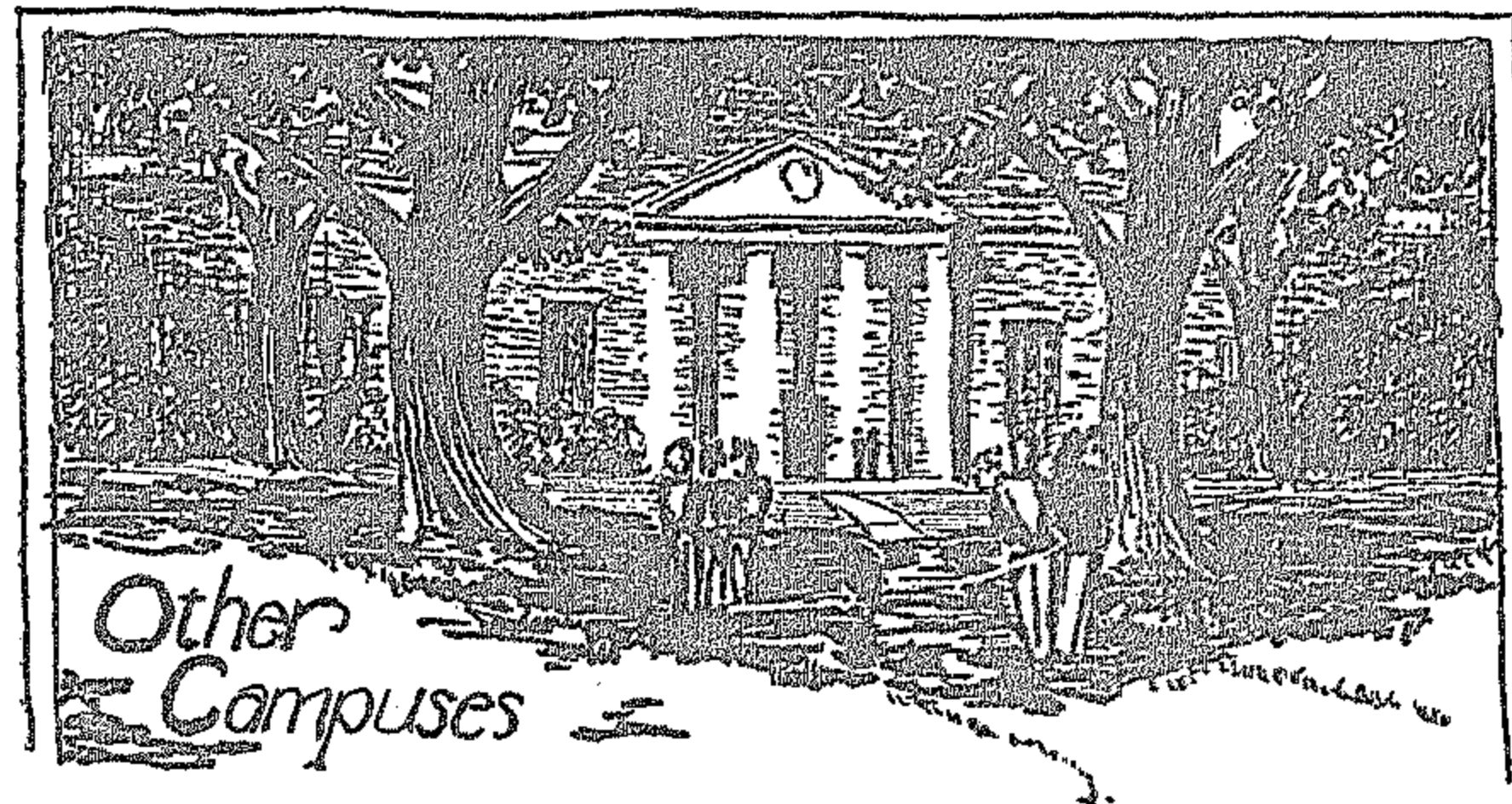
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By James Hebson

According to Dr. Roy W. Hatch, professor of social studies and education in the New Jersey State Teachers' College, the discussion of controversial topics requires of the teacher an honest respect for the student's ability to make critical judgments for himself.

"Soap-box" orators have at last come into their own. Columbia University has announced that hereafter it will award two scholarships annually to students who are the best street-corner speakers. The scholarships will be given for electioneering, union organization, and open-air vocal performers.

Students at Knox and Monmouth colleges went on a strike preliminary to the 53rd football game between the two schools. Not satisfied with a promised half holiday, they objected to the school's decision to cover the full day by holding short classes in the morning, leaving the afternoon free for the game.

A "Candle Light Brigade," 250 strong, marched into the library of the University of California at Los Angeles in protest against the inadequate lighting facilities of the building.

An 18 year old coed is the only feminine guide in the North Woods. She attends junior college in Ely, Minn., and in her free time acts as a guide to deer hunters.

What Emily Post is to society in general "Pittiquette" is to the University of Pittsburgh. It is edited by a sophomore coed and is presented

to all freshman girls at the University.

What is man coming to—that he invades a field which women have always dominated, that of possessing an inferiority complex. A psychiatrist at the University of California who hears the woes of students states that inferiority complexes harass twenty-five per cent of the male students entering the school.

A rarity among schools is Simpson College in Iowa. It is one of the few colleges in the United States where students have an equal voice with

SALAMANDER

Nineteen years after formal work of collegiate grade in fire protection engineering began at Armour Tech, O. L. Cox, '23, and R. M. Beckwith, '24, in cooperation with Prof. J. B. Finnegan of the faculty took the initial steps in 1922 to found Salamander, honorary fire protection engineering fraternity. The chapter is the only one in the United States.



The fraternity key is in the shape of an inverted sprinkler head while the mythical Salamander born of fire, imbued with fire, rejoicing in fire, is enclosed to remind viewers that fire is not only the destroyer but is also the servant of man. The pledge button, red and black in color, represents red fire and the black char that remains in fire's wake.

The basis of election to the active chapter is scholarship and character. Two elections are held each year. In October, a sufficient number of seniors to make a total active membership of not more than ten and the junior student having the highest standing in the F.P.E. department may be elected.

Not more than five members of the junior class may be elected in the Spring.

Each year the "Deflector" consisting of letters written by alumni members is published and sent to all alumni members of the chapter.

As the fraternity continues, it is realized that men of the same tastes and interests should strive for close union and effective cooperation through a brotherhood whose bond is a common work.

THE MAILBOX

What is the true significance of the present undeclared war between China and Japan? We in China sincerely believe that aside from defending our own soil, we are also undertaking the defense of certain basic principles indispensable to the maintenance of international peace and good order. These principles are, firstly, the sanctity of treaties, without which there would be utter anarchy in this world and normal international cultural and economic intercourse would not be possible; secondly, the outlawry of war as an instrument of national policy and of aggression as the root of all wars; and, thirdly, the principle, long established in international law, of non-interference in the internal affairs of other nations.

Japan is distinctly violating all three of these principles. Are we going to allow Japan to set a dangerous precedent which, we feel sure, will be followed by other aggressor nations? We are firmly convinced that the security of one nation depends upon the security of all, and that what happens to one nation is bound to have repercussions on others. The Chinese people, therefore, earnestly hope that all peoples of the world who wish to live in peace will furnish us in the present struggle with every possible assistance so that mankind may forever rid itself of the spectre of war.

Gan Eng.

faculty members in school government.

Harvard freshmen have petitioned school authorities to replace the young chambermaids who tidy up their rooms, with older women. It seems the youthful maids are too "giddy," talk too much, and sing too frequently while at work, disturbing the students at their studies.

A University of Rochester scientist has trapped a rare third form of uranium, employing "cloud chamber" apparatus and a camera. By studying its disintegration he has estimated the age of the earth at 2,000,000,000 years.

Public petting is developing into a nuisance on the campus of Louisiana State University, according to the "Reveille," student paper. An editorial states that either the amorous should be cautioned to court in seclusion or "vigorous measures" be adopted to curb cupid's campus activities.

The University of Nebraska is being over-run by the Smiths. There are six Robert Smiths and four Virginia Smiths, two of whom belong to the same sorority, attending classes.

A University of Minnesota freshman had to say "Ugh" 97,000 times in the last few weeks, and it wasn't a fraternity trick either. That one word was his entire speaking part in a play.

At George Williams College a recent concoction of their social committee is noon hour dancing. The boys and girls swing it once a week from 12 to 1 in their social corridor. Why not have something like that at Armour? All we lack is girls. Any suggestions whereby we may overcome this minor contingency will be appreciated.

The Slipstick

Cleave to the slipstick; let the slapstick fly where it may.

A Mississippi River steam-boat was stopped at the mouth of a tributary stream, owing to the dense fog. An inquisitive passenger bustled up to the captain and fustily inquired the cause of the delay.

"Can't see up the river," was the laconic reply.

"But I can see the stars overhead," said the fussy one sharply.

"Yes, but unless the boilers bust we ain't going that way."

Temperature Scales

100 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade
55 degrees Centigrade in the shade
328 degrees Absolute in the shade
10 steins of beer in the shade.

Latibus Poemus

Latibus nightibus
Losius keyarium
Climbus porchibus
Bustum britchibus.

And a question in a Latin quiz was to write the four principal parts of any verb. One not too bright student wrote—slippo, slippers, falli, and bumpus.

When his paper came back corrected it said: failo, failere, fluncti, suspendum.

Stan Osri:—"shall we go in tuxes or wear our own clothes?"

"Say, Doc, as long as I'm to be under ether for appendectomy, do you mind cutting out my corns? I'm kinda sensitive."

A modern woman is like a match—slim, has her own head, flares up easily and can burn a fellow up plenty.

HOLIDAYS

The Christmas season comes apace
And smiles light up the Freshman's face.

He's going home to see his folks
And tell them all the college jokes.
How little bow-wows visit classes
Making Prof's reclean their glasses,
Finding extra students where
There once was just a vacant chair.
How early one September morn
He wished he never had been born.
He left his green cap home that day
And lost his pants, the sophomores say.

He also lost his city Queen,
Who chanced to see the shocking scene.

She never knew her hero bold
Had spindle legs turned blue with cold.
But now his true love calls him back,
Let's wish him peace till Finals crack.

H.B.B.

The minister arose to address his congregation. "There is a certain man among us today who is flirting with another man's wife. Unless he puts five dollars in the collection box, his name will be read from the pulpit."

When the collection plate came in, there were nineteen five-dollar bills and a two-dollar bill with a note attached:

"Other three pay day."

And an incapable guy is one who is capable of anything.

We don't like it either. . .

Introvert No. 1: "Yup!"
Introvert No. 2: "Umph."
Introvert No. 3: "Quit arguing!"

Sign on an Alpine hotel: "tourists going mountain-climbing must settle all accounts beforehand."

"If you had your life to live over again, what would you do?" asked the nosy news-hound of the retiring star. "The same things, but much oftener."

Montmorency:—Beg pawdon, sir; when does the next train leave for the east?

Ticket agent:—In six hours.
Mont Ditto:—Beg pawdon, sir; and the west bound train?

Ticket agent:—Not until tomorrow.

Mont Same Thing:—Okay, Ferdie; now we can cross the tracks.

In case we don't see you before the next issue, we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Eejay and Zazu

Armour's Hillbilly Sends Christmas Greetings to His Mountain Belle

Deer Sally,

Josephine wonced sed, quote—laff and the world laffs with yew, cry and yew streak yew rouge, unquote. So wat.

Wel, Sally, old Knick will sune bea hear again. How times scurries on? And with the approaching holoways cums many activities and things too dew. Am I dewing them, you bet!

It seems that they have a orkestra hear, a thing in wich a lot of instewments get together too turn ourt rythmik harmonies. Wel, the stewdents in it axed me if I did not want to play my zombotrone in it—yew no, the inscrewment which has won string that I hit with my hands, and sweet musik like a harp and trombone kums out of it. Wel, I joint the orkestra, (how dew you spel that anyway? and laste weak we were invited to a tea danz at a musik skool. Wow, did I hav fun. I waz the chimes of the bat, or the bell of the ball, or sunthing. My beerd had an irresistible apeel too the girls, and my blew serge overhaws waz the style rage.

A Wommin Engineer

I hav hopes that you, my deer sally, may bea able to lum hear to skool with me. I red in the Mas-sachosits Tech. newzpapper that they hav coeds in theyre skool. Wow! All a wommin engineer will hav to dew to land a job is tew pul her skirt a halve inch above her nee, and she will land the contract to build a suspension bridge across lake Michigan.

Boy oh boy, another big danz cums up this week. It is cawled the "Senior Sing" I believe. I wunder if it is anything like the sings we used to hav at the skool howze ever sat. nite wen with a hymn book and a

quart of corn we reely whent to town. This danz means that If I go I'll hav too take my second bath within a month. Gosh, I'm am becoming so white hardly anybody noes me.

Sune Bea Hom

Next sat, I leaf for my Christmas vizit bak hom. Run over an tel my maw to peel the spuds before she mashes them for xmas dinner. Dog-gone, eating in lunchrumes is spoilin' me. And tel her to take the fethers of the turkey, it improofs the flavor greatly. I can hardly waite to see yew and Zig, and brother Lem an Clod and Twist an sister Ziro an Goldilia and Effie and my other brothers and sisters, and your fam-bly. I guess I'll dres up as santa agin this year, brother Lambrain is only 23 and shuld still be kept innocent that there is no santa Klaus. For Dad I am brigin sum newfangled thing they where arown heer called shoes. I'll bet brother Lambrain gets a kick out of them. For grand-maw I got a new corn pipe rite off the cob. Uncle Zeke is going tew get one to.

It certainly is cold hear. It waz so cold in the bording howze the other nite that the filament on the elektik bulb got frosty and put the lite out. I tried to warm it up with a match but the flame froze solid, became brittle and broke.

I heerd that Christmas is stuff that, every year before it, you wish everybody a very merry. Wel, as a long distance traveler once answered when St. Peter axed him howe he had gotten to the Golden Gate, he sed "flu." Therefor I will flo, and have flum,

Yures,

Stoopbrain Bliss

Wishes yew a mery Christmas.

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