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OLYMPIC GAMES.

Some Prominent College Men on the Team to be Sent to Athens.

At a recent meeting of a committee of the Amateur Athletic Union, a team was chosen to represent America at Athens this coming April.

Among the men best known to the college world are: Archie Hahn, Michigan's crack sprinter, who won all sprints at the games of the St. Louis Fair, and W. A. Schick, the well-known Harvard runner. They are both entered in the 100-meter dash, and Schick is also entered in the 400-meter run, in which he has made record time. W. D. Eaton of Boston, holder of the 45-yard dash record, will also run in this event. J. P. Sullivan and G. P. Bonhag, both of the Irish-American A. C., are entered in a distance event, the latter in two. Their performance at the last intercollegiate meet in Mechanics Hall has brought them before the Boston people.

The committee lack \$7000 of the sum necessary to send the team abroad. Gov. Guild of Massachusetts has collected \$2500 of this amount, part of which was collected at Harvard.

PROFESSOR SWAIN'S READING.

On last Friday afternoon in 6 Lowell, Professor Swain read a selection from "The Principles and Practice of Teaching and Class Management," by Joseph Landon. The importance and need of study by teachers to obtain the student's point of view was pointed out, and a method of study applying to both teachers and students was outlined. A smattering of many subjects causes an overestimated knowledge of them and leads to confusion, while a serviceable knowledge of one leads to the ability to impart it to others, in fact, to have learned one thing well is the first step toward teaching it. The difficult and important object is to grasp the fundamentals and their relations and so rethink the thoughts of the author and follow his reasoning. When something fundamental is learned well the rest may be referred to that. New facts become fewer and fewer and one's reasoning power rather than memory is brought into play. This is an advantage because the former is not limited, as is the latter.

A knowledge of the relative importance of facts, an accuracy of ideas, and precision of statement are necessary results of concentration. Concentration paves the way to the conquest of difficulty and consciousness of progress and these are the great secrets of success.

A systematic review of a book is to be recommended—not to restudy, but to review to obtain the relation and sequence of the fundamentals. Recreative reading is likewise to be recommended, but for a diversion rather than a duty.

HARVARD WINS AGAIN.

Tech was Second in Fencing Meet, with Pennsy Last.—Lage was The Star.

Harvard won Friday evening's triangular fencing meet from Technology and the University of Pennsylvania at the Gym. The final score was Harvard 13, Tech 9, Pennsylvania 5. Five bouts required extra fencing, and one required two extra bouts. Jorge Lage, captain of the Tech team, was easily the star of the evening, winning all of his bouts.

Pennsylvania was crippled by the absence of L. M. Fleisher, the captain, who was prevented from coming by a death in his family. M. Parks, who took his place, lost all his bouts. P. C. Rousset and F. H. Scott, the two other members of Pennsy's team, worked hard to make up for the absence of their captain, but lost a majority of their bouts. Rousset won three of his six bouts, while Scott won two.

The big bout of the evening was between W. L. Bowman of Harvard and J. Lage of Tech. Lage in the meet between Harvard, Columbia and Tech, Feb. 16, defeated Bowman with ease. Friday night the men fought carefully, and used a great deal of headwork, and an extra two-minute bout was called. Lage had all the better of this, touching his opponent at will, while Bowman very seldom got inside Lage's guard.

Gatewood of Tech, an old Annapolis man, ran up against bad luck, as three of his bouts went for extra time. He was in fine condition, but only won two bouts. His bouts were all close and hard fought. The audience was greatly disappointed that the judges decided against Gatewood, and showed it by hoots and groans.

The Harvard men were in fine condition, and put up some great exhibitions. Bowman lost only one bout, and won his others with great ease. Tyng and MacLeod each won four bouts, each losing to Lage of Tech. Tyng also lost to Rousset of Pennsylvania and MacLeod to Scott of Pennsy.

The next meet of Harvard and Pennsylvania will be the annual tournament of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association at New York on March 10. Harvard and Tech will take part in the tournament of the new University Fencing League at New York on March 17.

STRIP 1.

Bout 1—Tyng, Har., defeated Bounthea, Tech.

Bout 2—Bowman, Har., defeated Parks, Penn.

Bout 3—Gatewood, Tech., defeated Scott, Penn. (extra 2m. bout required for decision.)

Bout 4—Bowman, Har., defeated Rousset, Penn.

Bout 5—Lage, Tech., defeated MacLeod, Har.

Bout 6—Rousset, Penn., defeated Tyng, Har.

Bout 7—Lage, Tech., defeated Bowman, Har. (extra 2m. bout required for decision.)

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NINETY-TWO AT KOMMERS.

Prof. Swain Reads Very Witty Selection by Mark Twain.

Ninety-two men were kept in roars of laughter Saturday evening at the Kommers by Prof. Swain's reading of "The Awful German Language," by Mark Twain. The Kommers was the most successful ever held, it being the largest, and the men showing the real "Technology Spirit" in all its phases.

Prof. Swain introduced his reading with a few remarks on the value and necessity of broadening one's self outside of some special training. The world's work is routine work, and something must be done to make it interesting and inspiring.

There are different branches of literature, one of which may appeal to a man more than the others. But some one branch should be cultivated. A man can thus get a rest and a change from his routine work. The object of all reading is to raise one's self to a higher plane in the intellectual and moral world. The world is a big battle. Every man has trials to face, and he must gird himself by reading.

Prof. Swain said he pitied the man who had no sense of humor, for the man who sees the humorous, and not the pathetic, side of things gets more out of life than the man who doesn't. Prof. Swain then proved that the men at the Kommers had a strong sense of humor, for roar after roar of laughter went up at Mark Twain's witty criticism of the German language.

COMMUNICATION.

The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents.

To Every Student of the Institute:

The fact that few graduates of the Institute can make a creditable showing in addressing any gathering is too well known to need to be called to the attention of any of us. Yet, although most of us recognize this condition, it is strange that few have made any efforts to better it.

The Civic Club of the Institute was organized not only to further the study of political questions which should interest all of us, but also to help our men gain facility in expressing their ideas to others. Without this latter quality a man's education must be considered to a great extent limited.

At our meetings we do not profess to enter deeply into obtruse political discussions. We do not ridicule a man for his mistakes. Our whole aim is to help each other to a better knowledge of politics and to a more fluent expression of our ideas.

The next meeting of the Club is on Monday, March 12. I hope that every student who can possibly get off will be at the Union at eight o'clock. We shall be glad to see you. F. BACHMANN, *Temp. Pres.*

CALENDAR.

MONDAY, MARCH 5.

4.00 P.M. Rehearsal of Tech Show Chorus at the Union.

6.30 P.M. Ohio Club Dinner at the Tech Union.

8.00 P.M. Seventh of the Series of the Lowell Institute Lectures by Prof. Cross, on "Recent Developments in Electricity," in Huntington Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6.

4.15 P.M. Geological Journal Club Meeting in 11 Eng. B.

8.00 P.M. Chess Match, Tech vs. Morphy Club at the Morphy Club's Rooms.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7.

7.30 P.M. Mechanical Engineering Society Meeting at the Union.

FACULTY NOTICE.

Photography.—There will be no lecture on Tuesday, March 6.

NOTICES.

1908 Ballots.—Ballots for the Sophomore Electoral Committee are due before 4 P.M., on Monday, March 7.

Ohio Club.—There will be an informal dinner of the Ohio Club at the Tech Union today at 6.30 P.M. All men from Ohio are invited to attend.

Walker Club.—There will be a Walker Club Dinner at the Technology Club on Friday, March 9, at 6.30 P.M. Mr. I. W. Litchfield will be the guest of the club.

Mechanical Eng. Society.—Next Wednesday at 8 o'clock the Mechanical Engineering Society will hold a meeting at the Tech Union, before which Dr. A. H. Gill will speak on "Lubricants." Refreshments will be served.

Glee Club.—Rehearsals of the Glee Club will be held hereafter on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 4.30 to 5.30, at the Y. M. C. A., on the corner of Boylston and Berkeley Streets. The rule in regard to attendance will be enforced except in case of sickness.

1907 Class Dinner.—The Junior Class Dinner will be held at the Union on Thursday evening, March 8, at 6.30 o'clock. Tickets may be obtained of S. R. Miller, Tylee, Howe, Dodge, Macomber, and Wonsen. Everybody in 1907 turn out and make this dinner a success.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Harvard and Dartmouth will hold a dual track meet on Soldiers Field, May 5. This is the first meeting of the two colleges in track athletics and will probably become an annual affair. This meet marks the advent of Dartmouth in the line of the big colleges, a place she has been threatening to take for some years past, and for which her claim has been made good in football at least.