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# The Ursinus Weekly

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## CALENDAR

Wednesday, Mar. Easter Recess begins at 4 p. m.  
Y. M. C. A. Weekly Prayer Service at 6. 40 p. m. J. E. Hoyt, leader.  
Tuesday, April 5. Recess ends at 8 a. m.  
Wednesday, 6. Y. M. C. A. Service, 6.40 p. m. H. Hughes, leader.  
Friday, 8. Academy Literary Society meets, 12 m.  
College Societies, 7.40 p. m.  
Saturday, 9. First Baseball game of Season. Williamson School vs. Ursinus at Collegeville.

## VACATION

The Easter Vacation is shorter than the Christmas holidays, but it is not too short to prevent the working off of numberless conditions. Of the holiday seasons, Christmas is the best for work coming in mid winter when students are grinding day and night. Still the Easter vacation, presents an excellent opportunity for making up lost work.

TIM.

## ZWINGLIAN ANNIVERSARY

The thirty-fourth anniversary of the Zwinglian Literary Society was held in Bomberger Hall, Friday evening. Social festivities followed the program, and the Society gave a light supper. Many visitors attended, and the whole evening was a complete success.

### Program:

PIANO SOLO—March *Selected*  
MISS CATHERINE A. ROBISON,  
Collegeville, Pa.

### INVOCATION

REV. EDWARD F. WIEST,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

VOCAL SOLO—Lieti Signori, "Huguenots" *Meyerbeer*

MISS JEANETTE DOUGLAS,  
Pottstown, Pa.

ORATION—Dante: The Poet of Exile

MISS BERTHA E. SHIPE, '05,  
Sunbury, Pa.

DECLAMATION—The Rescue of Ivanhoe

D. REINER FARINGER, '06,  
Collegeville, Pa.

VOCAL SOLO—Se Saran Rose *Arditi*

MISS JEANETTE DOUGLAS

ORATION—The Dream of World Empire

DAVID R. WISE, '06, Reading, Pa.

DECLAMATION—Pied Piper of Hamelin

MISS MARY H. STONER, '05,  
Collegeville, Pa.

VOCAL SOLO—Beauty's Eyes

MISS JEANETTE DOUGLAS

ORATION—The American Boss System

EDWARD M. SANDO, '04, Lebanon, Pa.

ZWINGLIAN REVIEW

MISS MARY E. SHADE, '04,  
Royersford, Pa.

VOCAL SOLO—Flowers of Spring

*Hartenstein*

MISS JEANETTE DOUGLAS

RECEPTION

## DE ALUMNIS

St. John's Reformed Church, Chambersburg, will hold an election for a pastor on March 27. Rev. E. R. Appenzeller, '00, of Dayton, Ohio, has been nominated by the consistory.

Last week Rev. George W. Stibitz toured Clearfield County, lecturing on "The Essence of Christianity."

The work in Grace Reformed Church, Newton, North Carolina, is prospering nicely under the leadership of Rev. C. E. Wehler, '87, the new pastor.

## Y. M. C. A.

The topic of the Y. M. C. A. service on Wednesday evening was "Obedience." The leader, J. E. Hoyt, spoke somewhat as follows: The thought of obedience or subjection is repugnant to most men, yet the fact remains that we are constantly subjecting our wills and actions to some potent principle. The question is,—to what? Some men are subject to their passions, and that means slavery. Some men are obedient to their selfish desire for honor or wealth. But how much nobler it is to conform our will and personality to that divine Will,—to Him, omniscient, omnipotent and omnipresent, the creator of the universe and the controller of each individual life. Only when this is done will each one tend to attain his highest development and carry out the plans of God for the whole world.

## ACADEMY LITERARY SOCIETY

Decidedly the best program of the year was rendered in the Academy Literary Society last Friday. The numbers were all good and deserved commendation; but special mention may be made of the composition on the "Courtship of Miles Standish," by Herbert Wanner, the first production of the kind offered in this society, and which was not only well written, but well read; the musical number by Messrs. Kopp and Clegg, which was encored; and the Gazette by Eva Thompson contained many happy hits and was written in a pleasing style.

The attendance was large and the interest intense. Principal Chandler's face wore a smile during the entire period; and he said it was "the smile that would not come

off" as long as the work of the society was of that character.

This work which was begun as an experiment, is now an assured success. The problem of rhetoricals has been solved in Ursinus Academy.

## SEMINARY NOTES

The Boarding Club officers for next year are: President, D. R. Krebs, Vice-President, A. G. Peters; Secretary, W. L. Clapp; Manager, G. M. Smith. The boarding for this year has cost much less in the club than at a restaurant or private family.

On last Saturday evening a quintet from the seminary sang at the Whosoever Mission, Germantown.

Easter recess begins on Thursday at 12 m. Almost all the students have left the seminary.

As announced before, the lecture on the "Humorous Side of a Pastor's Life," will be delivered by the Rev. Dr. J. I. Good, in the First Reformed Church, 10th and Wallace Sts., April 12. Admission, 25 cents.

## FIELD HOUSE BILLS DUE

Contributions to the Field House will be due on April 1. All students who have promised assistance will be expected to be on hand on or before that date, with a broad smile and the amount promised. We trust all will be prompt. The fund is slowly increasing, and when a certain amount is gotten together, actual work will begin.

## THE DYING SWAN

Softly through the forest ringing  
Comes the tender song  
From the swan the death song singing

As the soft tide bears her on,  
Gently down the shady river,  
While her life fast ebbs away,  
She pours out her soul so tender  
In this trembling melody.

See her breast is torn and bleeding  
And her heart is growing weak  
As she floats on, little heeding  
Of her death so cold and bleak,  
Shadows of the falling evening,  
Fall upon the forest round

But her song now, fainter growing  
Now ceases to resound  
Oh, how faint and full of pleading  
Sings the dying Swan.

One last sweet note—stops her  
breathing,  
And her life is gone.

BUTT, '06

## A TALE OF WAR

Comrades, let us hear some story, tale or song,  
Come Jack, you've been through many a stubborn fight,  
Oft have you seen the weak before the strong,  
Oft have you seen the wrong before the right.

Up rose a grizzled veteran,  
Of a hundred fights or more,  
With an armless sleeve hanging by his side  
As a proof of the oath he swore.

Yes comrades, on many a hard fought field I've stood,  
Oft has the enemy felt my keen edged sword,  
And often times I swore I'd have revenge,  
Until I saw the rebel flag was lowered.

But never oath was born with heart so set,  
As when at Gettysburg, the three days' fight,  
We marched upon the plain, the grey coats met,  
And every rebel son we put to flight.

Three days the battle raged, three dark days,  
And o'er the field the dying and the dead,  
With not a tender hand to close their eyes,  
Or soothe their pain, or smooth their dying bed.

Well, it was at the dead of night when all was still,  
I searched around to find some comrade brave,

Who had fallen on the charge upon the hill,  
Perhaps some cooling drink his heart would crave.  
When suddenly a sound came to my ears,  
Twas not the sound of mirth or cry of pain,

Again he charged, again he gave a cheer,  
Again he mowed them down with leaden rain,  
I approached the spot and there before my eyes,  
Lay a soldier with a bullet in his breast,

He murmured Jack, attempted for to rise,  
But sank again upon the hilly crest,  
I knew the face, it was my Brother Will,  
I left him home to help the old folks through,

He followed me and served with little Phil,  
And then was mustered in the thirteenth too,  
I took him in my arms and bathed his brow,  
I knew ere long the hardest would be past,

He whispered, Jack, its all o'er now,  
I knew that we would win the fight at last.  
He died, I swore that I'd avenge his death,  
That not a rebel should escape my sword,

That from that time that sword I ne'er would sheath,  
Until I saw the rebel flag was lowered,  
And from that day that sword I never sheathed,  
And never arm could wield it like my own,

Until the country peace and freedom breathed,  
Until I saw the rebel cause was done.

MITCHELL.

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**GLEE AND MINSTREL**

The Glee and Minstrel Club have inaugurated a successful season in every particular. The initial exhibition given in the college chapel was a grand success, but it appears, through the columns of the Reading Eagle that it was received with even greater appreciation in that town. While the original object of organizing the minstrel was to raise funds in support of the field house, still it has accomplished many unseen by-objects. First and greatest of these is the bringing of the college before the public eye; second, the development of a spirit of unity and cooperation in the student-body itself. One of the best advertisements of a college is its musical clubs, and the thing that a college most needs is this public advertising. It is one sure way of attracting students, for, if a record be made of students who enter college because of its efficient faculty, it would be a short one. Faculty considerations come with the maturity of the student, but they seldom occur to mad-cap Freshmen and Preps. Aside from these mercenary gains, every college man should have a pride in the college organizations. They typify college life and spirit and put it in concrete form. It is something to know "that we can get together if necessary." It is more to know we are working together in athletics, musical clubs, societies, Y. M. C. A., and in every other instrument that connects the units of a corporate body, in a union held by stronger bonds than the ordinary college laws.

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A number of years ago, there

was talk of introducing fraternities at Ursinus, but the movement was squelched on the common "anti-frat" arguments. Societies were introduced, and on the whole the purpose of thwarting fraternity disadvantages was accomplished, but not until inter-society debates were abolished. But even to-day dissatisfaction based on society lines comes to light. The imps of dissension may travel with the cap and bells. Now that the first disappointment has had time to cool, and with the facts in the foreground, we may venture some brief remarks. The purpose of societies was originally not only to prevent discord, but to promote unity. So if society prejudice cannot be relegated to the rear the purpose of these societies has failed, and fraternities might as well be inaugurated, on the merits of the experiment. Generally it is the imagination which works a student into believing himself slighted in the organization of clubs, committees and athletics. The minstrel, for instance, was organized by both Schaff and Zwinglian students; yet some dissatisfaction was apparent over selection of members.

The whole point comes to this conclusion—shall a student be selected for his talent, courage and college spirit, or shall he be given honors because he wears a sporty vest and is up in the clique. The essential qualification is capacity, and if a student have that, we care not whether he comes of high or low degree, this branch of the tree or that, so he represents his college with that energy, and ability.

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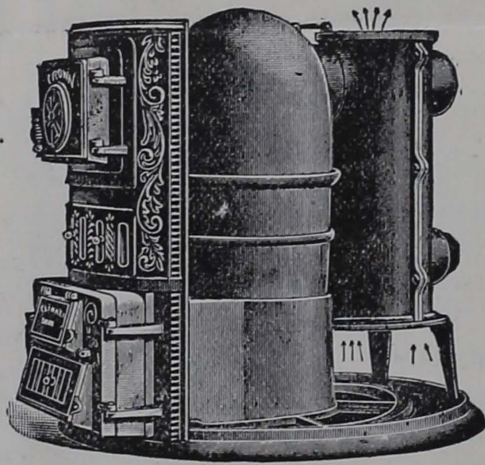
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**NOM DE PLUMES**

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**SOLILOQUEE OF AN EXCITED JUNIOR**

Air, By the light of the moon. Still night, Enter C— Mein himmel, could it does—it dinna vas mein kraws, yet she vould by todo gaistems in der bis. Dot learned bee on man Cabeza, vorked ein jeujeune ramrod. Mein faderland, it could not be or buzz. To bee or buzz dot ish ze keston. Mein frau uz sne faulse. Ich poard de choo choo cars pound vor Frau Hazelton auf Anneville. Exit.

**WAR EXPERIENCES OF GOBEL**

Juan Antonio Gobel of Havana, a student in the Academy fought over nine months in the Spanish American War. He describes General Miles as a very strict disciplinarian but of generous heart. Upon the occasion of General Miles complimenting the Spanish Army for its bravery, several Cubans hissed, they were taken from the ranks and shot. Gobel's father was with Miles at San Juan Hill. Gobel says that if the American troops had not gone to Cuba, the Cubans would all have perished. Garcia of the Academy also served at Hoyo Colorado. His uncle was General Calixto Garcia. Gobel was a courier or despatch carrier on the Cuban staff.

**PREP NOTES**

Kopp was a visitor at Klegg's home in Phoenixville, Last Saturday and Sunday.

Kugler was home over Sunday. Miss Kaisinger entertained a few friends last Saturday evening.

The Academy students are at last manifesting some interest in their literary society. The program rendered last week was certainly the best to date.

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From a young man (no relation)  
What was meant by osculation,  
While I shifted my location,  
To invite the sweet sensation.  
Well imagine my vexation,  
When he gave me the translation,  
And its latin derivation,  
And a lot of information,  
Like a pedagogue's oration,  
Till I thou't I'd have a fit.  
Wasn't he an awful it?

—Bucknell Record.

### SOME "AMBISH"

Id like to be—

Butz—The Rag-man.  
Price—The Bass Drummer.  
Beck—By Goll—The Village Barber.  
Ellis—A Chinese Boxer.  
Gobel—A Water Bag Man.  
Neby—A Chimily Sweep.  
Smeck—On the Hog.  
Cooke—In Darkest Olevian Hall.  
Alspach—In love.  
Spons.—Among the Bones and Tambos.  
Reisner—A Dish-wiper.  
Fry—With Badelia on the Bowery.  
Smith—Cooing on the Sofa.  
Gettel—On the Outs and Uppers.  
Foltz—Where they don't Shovel Snow.

### MORE APOLOGIES TO MORMON SMOOT

There was a big Junior, Bob,  
Who smoked a yellow corn cob,  
When he turned quite blue,  
He recalled all he new,  
And rolled out a great big sob.

A grand Irish Junior Kellee,  
Whose gift is for oratoree,  
He would sit in his room,  
Conning Clay and Calhoun,  
For in these he has great facilittee.



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Who had of beauty no smell  
But he made great stabs,  
Into soft deviled crabs,  
And took his raws on half-shell.

There was a big Prep Lou, Lou,  
Whose love was a gal named Sue,  
And often 'tis said  
He did lay in his bed  
A prayin' his mustache "to grew."  
A high stepping Senior Get-tell,  
Who to cooing has bid farewell,  
In Chem if he flunk  
He calls up his spunk  
And rips out a dandy O-hell.

### EASTER DITTIES

Easter Sunday,  
Great big Hat.  
Next Day Monday,  
Big Bill for Pap.

Easter Egg,  
Lots of Dies.  
Johnny licks them,  
Paradise.

Why don't the poultryman  
Change his habits.  
Quit raising hens  
And raise Easter Rabbits.

Friday is the day we'll see  
"What fools we mortals be."

April Fool jokes—  
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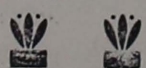
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