THE INDOOR MEET.

The winter's training in the gymnasium came to a most interesting and successful issue in the Indoor Meet which took place Monday, March 16, at three o'clock. For weeks past members of the college, whether athletically inclined or not, have anticipated the results attaching to this momentous event, and although only one class could win, the results were entirely satisfactory in every way.

Last fall the Athletic Association thought it would be particularly desirable to have an indoor, interclass contest of this kind. Mr. Lincoln, hearing about it, offered a silver challenge cup to the winning team, and immediately the class interest and loyalty of the girls was aroused to a high degree. Besides the prize in view, moreover, there was the added inducement of becoming one of the ten picked class representatives, and of being trained to do certain wonderful acrobatic performances as depicted on an attractive poster made for the occasion. As a result there were many entries from which choices could be made. And all through the winter this class of forty girls has had stiff training under Miss Randall's inspiring instruction. As further preparation, there was a preliminary meet a few weeks ago, when four outside judges, invited by Miss Randall, picked certain of the girls who, they thought, were fittest to compete in the finals. On that occasion 1905 won the greatest number of points—a fact which suggested where the cup would go.

The four judges at the final meet on Monday, were Miss Wright, instructor of gymnastics at Radcliffe, Miss Oeis, at Walnut Hill, Miss Bennett from the Framingham Normal School, and Miss Hill, graduate of the Normal School of Gymnastics.

The final contestants from the four classes, all of whom won the insignia "W.I.M." which they wore on the left arm, were:

1904
Udatta Brown
Estelle Kramar
Madeline Steele
Jane Breeze

1905
Estelle Kramer
Madeline Steele
Gerride Lakerus
Jeanette Risdon

1906
Lillian Bruce
Mary Halnes
Kate Lord

1907
Edith Kingsbury
Anna Hablend
Eleanor Hollick
Louise Green
Sarah Woodward

The girls were given as many tickets as it was found guests could be accommodated. The platform and front were reserved for the honored guests, Mrs. Durant, Miss Hazard, Miss Hambler, and Professor and Mrs. Hollick. The four corners of the room were crowded by members of the four classes who waved their respective flags and colors, and cheered whenever there was occasion.

The twelve events took place and were won as follows:
6. Rest one half straight leg raised backward, supporting knee bend. Won by E. Copé, 1900, and E. Kingsbury, 1905.
7. Strain bend at wall, up bending of knee. Won by E. Kingsbury, 1905, and E. Copé, 1900.

All the events were done wonderfully well. The balance movements were sometimes so complex that they made the audience sway in sympathy, although the girls on the floor were perfectly steady. It was a pleasure in all the exercises to see the strong shoulders, the straight backs, and the poised stance which characterized the class.

Perhaps of all the interesting apparatus work, the most exciting was the rope climbing for speed. At the word eight girls jumped up the ropes like so many monkeys and wriggled to the top, while the audience held its breath to see who would touch the beam first. Miss Copé won this event, though Miss Jones, second, almost tied with her.

One of the unexpected pleasures for guests at the meet was the very pretty demonstration of fencing given by Miss Bement, Miss Champney and Miss Dowd, the pupils of Monsieur Fournon. Miss Dowd particularly was loudly applauded for her grace and quickness in thrust and parry.

When Miss Randall finally announced the total number of points, 1906, 6; 1905, 29; 1906, 20, announcing that 1905 had won the Lincoln Challenge Cup, there was cheer upon cheer for the Sophomores. Mrs. Durant, with a few kind words, presented the cup to Miss Green, the squad captain of 1905. Miss Randall then announced Miss Edith Kingsbury, 1905, winner of 24 points, the champion gymnast, and she was awarded a white W by the president of the Athletic Association. Afterwards Miss Hazard spoke a few words to the girls, and then the cheering was renewed. The Sophomores placed their precious trophy on the ground and danced around it, singing their class song. The cup is indeed something to be proud of, not only for what it is, but for what it shows, and we heartily congratulate 1905 on being the first class to hold it.

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The management of the two literary publications of this College has been during the past academic year in the nature of an experiment; the Magazine Board, on assuming the control and operation of a weekly paper, was naturally unable to meet the new conditions with the wisest methods. The two papers—and of course with them the hopeful subscribers—were necessarily victims during the infancy of the new regime, to the inexperience and theories of their editors.

The past week, however, has seen the results of our year's experience embodied in amendments to the Magazine Constitution which were recently passed by the Student Government Association and approved by the Faculty. According to these amendments the two publications will henceforth be edited by separate Boards: the Magazine by four Seniors, one Junior and an Alumni Editor; the College News by four Juniors, one Sophomore and an Alumni Editor. Thus the Editors will virtually have charge of the Magazine, and the Editors of the College News, each Board including one girl from the class below as potential material for the next Board. The two papers will be under one business management.

As a result of the recommendations of the outgoing Board and the class elections last week, the following girls will edit the Magazine and the News during the next year: the Junior Editor of the Magazine and the Sophomore Editor of the News will be appointed later by the old and new Boards in joint session.

The Wellesley Magazine.

Clara Stanton More Editor-in-chief
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Margaret Webber
The College News.

Caroline Nelson Editor-in-chief
Helen Norton Associate Editor
Mabel Seagrave Associate Editor
Ellen Manchester
The Associate Editor of the Magazine is Ex-officio Advisory Editor of the News Board.

Business Managers.

Emily Sophie Brown Business Manager
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On Monday evening, March 28, a concert was given in College Hall Chapel by the Pierian Sodality and the Glee Club of Harvard University. The program was as follows:

1. Overture, Morning, Noon and Night, Von Suppe
2. Sinker's Song, De Koven
3. Andante from String Quartet, Tschaikowsky
4. Huzzah, Buck
5. Twenty-second Regiment March, Herbert
6. Lullaby, Brahms
7. Overture to Don Giovanni, Mozart
8. Yachting Glee, Albertson
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COLLEGE CALENDAR

Monday, March 16, 7.30, P.M., in College Hall Chapel, lecture by Mr. Leopold Malbon on "L'Institution Nouvelle des Jeunes Filles Françaises."

Wednesday, March 18, 4.15, P.M., 1894 class meeting for the election of the Magazine Board.

Saturday, March 21, 3-8.00, P.M., lecture on "Domestic Science," by Miss Olive Davis.


7.30, P.M., Lenten recitals.

Monday, March 23, Masquerade of the Shakespeare Society.

6.30, P.M., in College Hall Chapel, concert by the Pierian Sodality of Harvard, comprising the Glee Club, Mandolin Club and Orchestras.


Friday, March 27, college closed for Easter holidays.

Wednesday, April 8, college opens after the Easter holidays.

Miss Orvis will be very glad to receive contributions of any amount to a fund for helping Mr. David Willard, in his work among the boys from The Tombs, in New York City.

The International Institute for Girls in Spain.

At a meeting of the Christian Association, held January 22, the following members, Miss Breyfogle, Miss Ethel B. Doak and Miss Eleanor Hammond, were appointed delegates to a public meeting, taking place in the Old South Church, Boston, on Sunday evening, January 25, in the interests of the International Institute for girls in Spain. In order to reach as many Wellesley students as possible, it has been decided to report this meeting through the College News.

Although the day had been stormy, the church was filled. Upon the platform were Mr. Samuel B. Capen, president of the Corporation, Dr. Edward Everett Hale, President Eliot of Harvard, President Tucker of Dartmouth, Rev. Albert J. Lyman of Brooklyn, and Rev. Thomas C. Van Ness of Boston. Front pews were reserved for delegates from the women's colleges and girls' schools that had already shown an interest in the movement and contributed to the work.

The speaking was notable for dignity, earnestness and power. Mr. Capen stated the situation as follows:

"More than twenty years ago Mrs. Alice Gorham Gullik established in San Sebastian a school for the Christian education of girls. Very small at the beginning, the numbers increased until it was seen to be necessary to broaden the plans. Accordingly, in 1892, the International Institute for Girls in Spain was organized under the laws of this Commonwealth. Its battle for life upon Spanish soil is a familiar story which many of you have heard told most pathetically by Mrs. Gullik herself. The school remained at San Sebastian until the war with Spain broke out, when it was deemed best to carry it across the border into France, and so it was established temporarily in huddled quarters in Biarritz. There it has ever since, doing its work under very unfavorable circumstances."

"During the past few years the friends of the Institute have raised about $70,000.00. Of this $65,000.00 has been spent in buying a lot of land, three-quarters of a city block, ideally situated for its purpose, in the city of Madrid. Upon this lot land is a large building, which is now being modernized and put into condition for its new purpose. This will cost nearly $10,000.00; and the money for this is on deposit in the Bank of Madrid. The Institute, therefore, is without any debt. But in order to make available the plan which we now have, and to move the school from Biarritz to Madrid, we need at once one more building, to be called College Hall, where there shall be class rooms and places for public assembly, laboratories, etc. The architect's estimate of cost is $30,000.00. Gifts of furnishing have been promised by different colleges, and there is another gift of over $2,000.00 to equip a laboratory in memory of Miss Darbonne."

In connection with these words, Wellesley girls may need to be reminded that, in response to Mrs. Gullik's personal appeal here two years ago, a committee was appointed and a sum of nearly six hundred dollars raised to furnish a Wellesley room.

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fact has been inculcated in us from childhood. The sad truth is that as people grow older they grow more conservative; lean more and more on what has been done and what has been thought. From the most impersonal motive—that we can have but one youth—it is not well to forego the hot-headed liberality that accompanies the earlier stage of existence. It may be thought a useless effort, like forcing spontaneity, but so little impulse is needed to set the ball rolling that the initial movement may easily be external. The coming new attitude will not be colored by the fact of voluntary impetus. There is immediate need, then, for us to get out of the rut of other people's opinions, and of our own. To many this well worn dictum is monotonous; the precedent of others may be too binding, by chance, but surely their own carefully formulated ideas must be a proper basis. These are the people who should displace the motives in their errors for "wretched is he who is the slave and prisoner of his own opinion of himself." It is better to be ridden by all manner of seemingly foolish theories, now while we may, than to be cast in the conventional mold of the Proper—and the Commonplace.

II.

Wellesley has had student self-government now for two years, and during that time the experiment has had the opportunity to be thoroughly tested. And in most things it has been a success, we all admit that, probably. But at the same time we are forced to confess, and to say that there is one thing in which, outwardly at least, it has failed to become all that it should, and this is the matter of the Association meetings. It is a matter of general knowledge and regret that at least twice in the past six months, it has been impossible to secure a quorum—which is a small percentage of the whole membership—of the association for the transaction of important business. Nor is it an outward sign of the inward spirit of Student Government. Attendance at meetings, if outside people see the chapel nine-tenths empty when a meeting is called, they may naturally infer that the interest and support of the students is dying down. They have no other way to judge. Aside, moreover, from the tell-tale character of these non-attended meetings, they are a great practical annoyance. The failure to get a quorum resulted in much hurry, excitement, inconvenience, and almost complete disaster for the magazine constitution, whose amendments should have been passed at the first meeting. Every self-governing body has to make and amend its own laws and to look after its own business affairs; if this is too much trouble, then the authority as well as the work must be done by some other body for which it is not too much trouble.

Our Student Government Association has laws to make and business to manage, and if it cannot get its members together for this purpose, it has no right to exist as a law-making organization. But what can be done? We have seen by experience that enthusiasm will not bring the girls to the meetings; then something must be found that will, and here is a suggestion.

Why should not the Association, like the Legislature of a state, have its regular sessions? Governing cannot be carried on successfully by meetings called at any time, when other duties and activities are to interfere. It is almost impossible to find an afternoon free from dancing, gymnastics, seminar courses, and the thousand and one complexities of our college days. If, however, a date were set aside each month, for instance, for an Association meeting, other things would give way to that. We should say "one hour a month is given up to the transaction of the Association business; we can consult, or practice, or rehearse, or play during that hour." It would become an established thing; we should go to it as we do to our classes. Nothing is allowed to interfere with them. Why? Because they are our business here, and they come at stated times so that other things may be put elsewhere. Very well—our Student Government is also our business here. Let its meetings be put at stated times, so that other things may know how to put themselves elsewhere. They cannot keep out of the way of a thing that may come at any time.

Then let us have fines for non-attendance, as they do in politics. Every member of the Association shall go to its monthly meeting or pay a fine. It is our duty to go, our failure means inconvenience and criticism for our Association, and we should pay for the trouble we cause.

This is a suggestion. What do you think of it? Please talk it over and say what you think, and afterwards write Free Press articles about it. The editors are always asking for discussions of important college questions, and surely this is as important as we could wish, for on these meetings hang the whole future failure or success of the Student Government Association.

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Now, this autocratic little elevator was fond of getting away from the maddening crowd. There was nothing in his interior arrangements that maddened him so much as a crowd, so when he saw one coming from the post-office, he would say encouragingly to himself, “Excelsior! Come, come, Ellie, we mustn’t be lazy.”

Then he would glide easily upwards, borne past the second floor by the blast of vituperations that followed him.

“Like Lucifer, by Jove!” he would chuckle contentedly to himself, for you see he was an observant little elevator, and in his semi-daily journey to the Fifth Floor, he had plenty of leisure to indulge all kinds of learning, classical and profane. He said “by Jove” because he had heard several English 6 people say that cultured gentlemen should never use any other exclamation. Take him up and down, he was a model elevator, and his ascensions, which took place, inch by inch, every morning at 9.00, just in time to avoid the rush, and every afternoon at 3.30, were attended by a pleasurable excitement. And yet it was restful, too, to go up to the second floor a half-hour later and watch for him to go sailing imperceptibly by until he was again lost to view.

But one day he was very cross. In the first place, someone had called him a “liar,” and he instinctively felt that “liar” was too short, sharp and decisive to be applied to him. In the second place, a person had stood at the fourth floor and rung his bell for twenty minutes. That action, he thought, was indelicate, and he hailed majestically by her with his nose in the air. Then, to cap the climax, he had to wait fifteen minutes at the third floor, while a Faculty, a Graduate, a Senior, a Junior, a Sophomore, a maid with a tray, and Psyche sidled around one another trying to decide on a polite order of exit.

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ALUMNAE NOTES.

The degree of doctor of philosophy was conferred by the University of Chicago upon Miss Mary Hefferan, '00. March 17. Miss Hefferan has been acting as assistant in the department of Bacteriology while completing her work for the doctorate.

Miss Martha Smith, '05, is teaching Biology in the Central High School in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Bertha Clough Burnas, '03, with her husband, visited the college during the past week.

Below is given a statement prepared by the Educational Committee of the Philadelphia Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae. Among the members of this committee are the following Wellesley graduates: Mrs. Harriet Peirce Sanborn, '80, Miss Anna Palen, '88, and Miss Jennie R. Beale, '96.

TO GIRLS WHO WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE.

The Educational Committee of the Philadelphia Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae desires to be of service to Girls and Women who wish to go through College or to do some College work.

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Mrs. Cordelia Nevers Mariott, '96, has arrived in England after five years in South Africa. Her husband, Captain Mariott, was received with enthusiastic demonstrations on this return from active service, with two "Distinguished Service Order" decorations. Horses were removed from their waggonette, and Captain and Mrs. Mariott were drawn to "the Beeches." Captain Mariott's ancestral residence, by members of a local regiment.

The Cleveland Wellesley Club held a social meeting with Mrs. Louise Pope Johnson, February 3, 1906. The guest of honor was Miss Mary E. Lewis, '94, who has recently returned to her home in Springfield, Ohio, from her teaching in Honolulu, H. I.

Miss Eleanor B. Eaton, formerly instructor in English at Wellesley College, is spending some time at Riverside, California.

DEATHS.

February 12, 1906, at Ashville, Kentucky, Mrs. Mabel Conant Garrell, formerly of 1900.

February 13, 1906, at her home in Weston, Miss Elizabeth S. White, '89, librarian of the town of Weston.

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EXCHANGES.

We devote the exchange column this week to bits of news from other colleges—

Oratory and debate at the University of Minnesota have, as a stimulus, over twelve hundred dollars offered in prizes.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to donate to the Western Reserve University the sum of $100,000 for the founding of a training school for librarians.

Princeton is building a new gymnasium, donated by the alumni and undergraduates. The total cost is to be $256,526.

McGill University has issued a formal complaint to the mayor and city council of Montreal to protest against the establishment of the Marconi wireless telegraph plant at Mount Royal. The plant will be seven hundred yards from the physical laboratory, and the authorities of McGill contend that the operations of the plant will affect research work and possibly utterly destroy all accuracy of experiment. Another ground for complaint is based on the danger from fire which it is stated will result from defective insulation of electric wires all over the city.

President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton University is at work on the development of a plan of his own which will be an innovation in American universities. He intends to introduce the tutorial system into Princeton, such as is used in Oxford, and by which tutors are available for every student in his individual preparation for classes. It will require twelve and a half million dollars to institute the change effectively and President Wilson is sure of getting the necessary amount.

SOCIETY NOTES.

A regular meeting of Phi Sigma was held in the Chapter House, Saturday evening, March 21. The subject for the evening was "The Norse Work of William Morris."

The program was as follows:
I. The Icelandic Journeys and their Influence upon the Work of William Morris, Maude Dewar
II. "The Lovers of Gudrun." Comparison with "Kliartan the Icelander," a tragedy by Newman Howard, Helen Rollins
III. "The Forging of Aslang," Christine Brinkman
IV. "Sigurd the Volsung," Miss Katharine Lee Bates
Reading of the "Rebound," Blanche Winner
Miss Elsa Green, '03, and Miss Ruth Wise, '03, were formerly received into membership.