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The Re-opening of Comenius Hall

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THE Moravian College and Theological Seminary began its one hundred and eighth year of work on Thursday morning, the first of October. It was a bright and cheerful autumn day. About thirty-five old students and twenty-three new ones assembled in the College Memorial Chapel for the opening exercises at ten o'clock. Our honored president, Dr. Schultze, as usual, led in the opening devotional services, assisted by President Clewell, of the Moravian Seminary and College for Women, and the Rev. A. D. Thaeler. Dr. Schultze in his address of welcome called attention to the fact that as an institution of learning we recognize that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." In the words of the Apostle Paul, each student was admonished to "study to show thyself approved unto the Lord." This was pointed out to mean chiefly that we should study to be efficient by learning to know, to be, and to do; and that there is no true efficiency without knowing Christ Jesus as our personal Saviour. Bro. Thaeler followed with well chosen words of welcome to the students to enter into the fellowship of the Church and its manifold Christian activities. The services were then brought to a close after an earnest prayer by Bro. Thaeler and the singing of the doxology.

The rest of the day was given over to the students to prepare their rooms for public inspection by the many friends of the institution on Friday, October 2, the day set for the formal re-opening and re-dedication of Comenius Hall.

This day dawned as bright and beautiful as Thursday had been, and long before the hour of services at 11 a.m., alumni and friends gathered on the campus and in the hallways, welcomed joyfully by the faculty and the student-body. A

temporary speakers' platform had been placed in the main open cross section of the hallways of the first floor, near the foot of the new steel stairway. Chairs had been provided, also, extending far back to the right and left and in front of the speakers' platform.

The services began with the ascription of praise and prayer, *Te Deum Laudamus*, led by Dr. Schultze. After this, all joined in singing "With Thy Presence, Lord, Our Head and Saviour." Bishop Moench then delivered the dedication address, closing while the audience stood, with appropriate words of consecration. The audience remained standing and Dr. Paul de Schweinitz offered the prayer of consecration.

We take pleasure in quoting parts of Bishop Moench's address, as follows:

"It affords me very great pleasure to be permitted, in the name of the Board of Trustees, to welcome you all on this happy occasion and to ask you to rejoice with us in the many and manifest tokens of life and prosperity that greet us on every side, and, above all, in the buoyant spirit of enthusiasm that appears to pervade the very atmosphere of this, our dear old and yet always youthful college and seminary. We can only add, out of a full heart, may this auspicious occasion be prophetic of the wholesouled, hopeful spirit with which for all time to come the noble work of moulding and training young men for highest usefulness in life will be prosecuted.

"Think for a few moments of our causes for gratitude in this hour. First of all, and I speak now in the name of all who are connected with our Moravian College and Theological Seminary, we are profoundly thankful for the gracious

spirit of liberality manifested by our congregations and friends all over the American Moravian Church. To this fact, I can bear glad, personal testimony. We rejoice today that it has been the Lord's good pleasure to crown with blessing and success the unwearied and wise efforts of the faculty and building committee. Pastors who heartily entered into this work, on the lines suggested by the committee, will testify that it required very little argument and urging to induce our people to respond liberally. The need was so imperative, the cause so worthy, the promise of a large percentage of spiritual blessing in return for every dollar invested so assured, that it needed only a simple and clear statement of the case to bring forth the ready and liberal response.

"We confess to a grateful surprise that so much has been accomplished in, comparatively speaking, so short a time. Thus another proof has come to us that there is still loyalty, enthusiasm, faith, energy and ability enough in our American Moravian Church to warrant us in expecting great things from God and undertaking greater things for God in the days to come.

"We are thankful, moreover, this morning, for another signal demonstration of the blessedness of a true optimism. We will never forget that awful night of October 31, 1913, and the morning of November 1. What a scene of desolation! It was enough to make the strongest among us weep as we beheld the blackened walls of our beautiful and stately Comenius Hall. Debris everywhere, confusion, bewilderment. But there was no faltering. It was evident that there was a will to serve, to do something, and not to flinch. As the will to live merely leads easily to pessimism, so the will to serve creates quite as inevitably the spirit of optimism. And the darker the hour, the more urgent the need, the greater the opportunity. Today, after so amazingly short a time, we behold the magnificent result of the splendid faith and courage and wisdom and optimism of these men, our brethren of the faculty and their co-laborers.

"Once again, we are profoundly thankful for our modernized and improved equipment. Our college and seminary and all connected with it

have stood the test of fire and come out of it refined and better in every way. There is, I believe, a better spirit in the institutional life; a deeper interest on the part of our people, East and West, North and South; there has been more prayer and will continue to be, for this, our most important institution, than ever before.

"Out of the bitter trial has come a better equipment, and for this we are deeply grateful. Today we are happy to say that in our beloved college and seminary the professional force and the material equipment are adequate for the sacred work demanded. The result will be that not preachers only, but strong, cultured, Christian laymen will be furnished for leadership in the moral and religious and civic movements for the uplift and truest advancement of humanity.

"What now, we ask, in view of all that has been done, has the Moravian Church in America a right to expect and to ask of our college and seminary? Certainly, the recognition that the seminary and college are the servants of the Church and that their prime business is to send out our men fitted to meet the Church's needs as these exist today. The aim and purpose of Comenius Hall must ever continue to be to send out from its walls able preachers, scholars, men of cultured thought and action, to the end that it may, in larger degree than ever before, be a factor in the work of the world's redemption, to the glory of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of men, the Prince of Peace, the King of Kings.

After the singing of the hymn, "Lord Christ, our Master, here we raise this Hall of Learning to Thy Praise," Dr. Henry S. Drinker, President of Lehigh University, was introduced to convey the greetings and congratulations of the University. In part he said:

"I rejoice in the privilege of being allowed to join you today on this happy occasion, one in which we all have a right to rejoice, the re-institution of this hall devoted to carrying on the splendidly effective work in honest education that has characterized this college in the past, and on which its present high reputation is so justly founded.

"I am here not only as the President of your

Sister Institution across the river to bring you Lehigh's hearty and cordial greetings and congratulations, but I am here, too, as one of yourselves, by virtue of my Moravian descent on my mother's side, and I feel, and I have thus a right to feel, personally, joy and pride in the realization of the energy and the community support that enabled you so promptly to replace that which was taken from you. We sympathized heartily in your loss. We realized its grievous nature, and as we said to you at the time we would have esteemed it a service in which we would have taken pride and pleasure to have shared our halls with you, until you could rebuild, but from the first you have shown a self-reliant spirit, and a power for rising above discouragement and loss, that has evidenced the strength of your organization and your power of recuperation. That you should have been able to go on effectively with your work on your own site, and should have been able so soon to repair the ravages from which you suffered, is a striking evidence of the great strength of your organization, and of the active efficient backing of your friends.

"You stand for Christian principles with their lessons of temperate continent living and moral life and you stand for high scholarship, for gentle living, and for honest manly sport in your athletics, truly an ideal scholastic conjunction in a community of good men and women, with a tradition of modest quiet, yet sturdy and patriotic citizenship, an ideal American community, founded on religious independence and principle and preserving through the years as they have been passed, the sterling virtues of the past, and absorbing the advancement and culture of the present."

The greetings of the Board of Trustees and of the Alumni were offered by Mr. Archibald Johnston, M.E. We regret that the lack of space prevents us from quoting more than a brief extract of his able address. He said:

"It is a great gratification to be permitted to turn over to the Faculty and students a building so well designed and executed, to play its part in bringing added honors to the College and Theological Seminary, as an instrument to aid

the Faculty in the development of men for the noblest of callings, the ministry, as well as the equipment of men for many other callings. In this connection, the mutual value of the intermingling of the Theological with the Classical and Scientific students cannot be overestimated. This intermingling leaves indelibly impressed on the character of the students a stamp which will make itself felt in their future life in whatever service they are called upon to perform, having a broadening effect on both.

"It must be a great satisfaction and gratification for the President and Faculty to view the accomplishments of the former students of this notable institution. You can point with pardonable pride and justly claim a large share of credit for the success of your offspring, for undoubtedly the achievements of your sons is largely due to the thoroughness of the training here received.

"Finally students, to your care and for your service more than all others is this building delivered and committed. It has been planned principally to supply your needs,—an instrument for the furtherance of your aims. The President and Faculty, and to a lesser degree, the building, are all part and parcel of the grand scheme to fit you for noble careers, and this irrespective of the courses you pursue. But bear in mind that the degree of success you attain, the good you accomplish, is entirely proportional to the willingness and the effort expended by you. The Faculty are only too willing at all times to aid you in any manner within their power. You on your part need supply little else than willingness, and with the facilities at your command, coupled with proper effort, you will be enabled to scale any height to which a noble ambition should attain. We commit, therefore, this building to your care with the feeling that it will serve a noble end. The value of the service performed by it will depend for the most part on the service you put it to."

In response President Schultze said:

"Trustees, Alumni and Friends of this Moravian College:

"It is my happy privilege, in the name of Faculty and students, to respond to the kind

greetings and congratulations which have been presented by Dr. Drinker, in behalf of Lehigh University and other schools of learning, and by Mr. Johnston, in behalf of the trustees and alumni of this College, and to express to them and through them our sincerest thanks for the kind interest and practical help that have been extended to us on every side by individuals, societies and corporations. The result of such liberality has surpassed our high expectations. We also wish to thank the building committee and the treasurer, who have so successfully attended to the gathering in of the necessary funds for the rebuilding and refurnishing of this hall, and the builders and furnishers themselves, with the superintendent, who have so satisfactorily completed the work. Above all, we give thanks to God who has blessed our calamity so as to make it an occasion for increase and advancement. This Moravian College has never done much advertising of its work. Dr. Nathan Schaefer, the State Superintendent of Schools in Pennsylvania, wrote some years ago: 'You are far too modest. You are hiding your light under the bushel.' The Lord God gave us a flaming advertisement, costly but blessed, but He also reminded us of the necessity of making our buildings and our work in general more fire-proof and its foundation sure. We could say, like Nehemiah, when he rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem, 'that the good hand of our Lord was upon us,' and so far as the material buildings and their equipment are concerned, we can joyfully say: The prophet's promise with regard to the rebuilding of the burned temple has again been fulfilled: 'The glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former.' May the same hold true of the invisible spiritual house which we are ever anew building within and around these walls.

"Your readiness to help and your generous support in the restoring of this Hall was a gratifying evidence of your approval of the educational work that has been done in the past, a recognition of its value. You want to see it continued and enlarged, because you believe it is needed. That token of appreciation, we realize, also implies an expectation and an obligation, that this College will justify such confidence.

This is *Comenius Hall*. We take it as a good omen, that the bust of our patron saint, which you see there, was not injured in the conflagration and the subsequent turmoil. In these days, when the nations of Europe, Slavs and Germans, Frenchmen and Britons, are arrayed against each other in bitter animosity and deadly strife, it is significant, that our Comenius, with all his loyalty and love for his native country, was international in his work and a peace maker. An Austrian Slav, by birth, and having studied at German universities, he found his sphere of educational work first in Moravia, then in Poland and Prussia, next by invitation of the British Parliament, in England and in Sweden, declining simultaneous calls and invitations from France and from Harvard University, America, until he ended his activity in the peaceful country of Holland. A man who, undismayed by persecution, by repeated losses of his property through fire and the devastation of war, continued his work, an exile, yet everywhere again bidden welcome, never narrow or bigoted, but always hopeful, sweet and untiring, as the epitaph on his tombstone at Naarden declares: *Cojus virtutem nulla exhauriunt elogia; Pietate, Doctrina, Ingenio Theologus, Didacticus, Philosophus Undique Incomparabilis Ecclesiam, Scholam, Orbem perpetuo habiturus meritis vectigalem.* (In imperfect translation: 'Whose virtue no eulogies can exhaust, in piety, learning, genius, as a theologian, teacher, philosopher altogether incomparable, he has laid the Church, the School, the World forever under the tribute of gratitude.')

"This Comenius, the herald and founder of modern educational principles and methods, was in particular the founder of the Moravian educational work, which was transmitted through him, as well as the Episcopacy, to the renewed Church and from the first regarded as a work specially committed to our care. Accordingly Comenius is to us typical in his person and in his work. Moravian educational work stands today undivided by national feuds or narrowness, but united in principles and activity all over the earth, in fraternal relations with each other.

"This Moravian College simply tries to do its share in this educational work, according to Comenian principles and methods, which can

perhaps be briefly expressed in the three words: Culture, Character, Christianity. We do not claim to excel or to do better work, than is done at other colleges. We feel our smallness and limitations; but we endeavor to hold our place in this important and divinely appointed work."

After the singing of the hymn, "Praise to Thee, O Lord, we render," Bishop Moench pronounced the benediction.

At the close of the services, the alumni and friends present were invited to inspect the building. The students welcomed the visitors to their handsome and well furnished apartments, and an hour was spent in admiring the splendid equipment now at the disposal of faculty and students.

Soon after one o'clock all the invited guests repaired to the dining hall, where a bountiful repast was spread.

After the banquet Dr. Schultze, acting as toastmaster, first of all read letters of greeting from the Hon. James M. Beck, of New York; Bishop Rondthaler, of Winston-Salem, N. C.; Dr. Howard Rondthaler, President of the Salem Academy and College, and Dr. Bade, of Berkeley University. Following these Bro. John Romig conveyed the greetings of General Synod to those present, and appropriate and felicitous remarks were made by Dr. A. G. Rau and the Brethren P. S. Meinert, P. de Schweinitz and V. G. Flinn.

Some Summer

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS, '15 SEM.

SOCRATES, or Shakespeare, or Schmich, or some other great man has remarked that we are living in a large world and there are lots of people in it. We heartily agree. This condition of affairs, therefore, affords a multitude of attractions in the way of spending a summer vacation. Some go to Atlantic City, some to Yellowstone, and up to the year 1914 a great many went to Europe. Even the poor Moravian College student, with slender purse and corpulent ambition, finds it hard to choose from the gifts of Dame Opportunity whether it shall be the Steel Company, an Allentown florist establishment, a Wisconsin pulp mill or a Minnesota wheat field. Verily this is a large world and there are many people therein.

As far as I am concerned, I spent my vacation at the greatest summer resort on the globe. I went home.

A poet, born just one block above me on Liberty Street, once penned lines something like this:

"Back to the Old North State,
Back to the land of my birth,
Back thro' the pines colonnaded gate
To the dearest spot on earth."

As the old Norfolk & Western beat down the cinder trail, and the crowds around the stations called out in mellow Southern accents, and the

light hearted "niggahs" grinned and rolled their eyes at the passing Pullman, and the whispering pines of Carolina appeared in stately groves, then I felt like calling to the aforementioned poet, "Me too."

Winston-Salem is a busy little North Carolina town—now stretching its bounds and calling itself a city. One hundred and fifty years ago the Brethren settled in Salem and built up church, schools and trade establishments. Fifty years ago, Prince Albert, the tobacco king, entered into civic life and has since built up the enterprising portion of the town called Winston. Just a year or so ago the two towns, now grown into one, joined in municipal matrimony and are going to live happily, etc.

The good Bishop of our province and two prominent ministers of the Church were away at Synod. That meant that the M. C. Reserves must be pressed into service. Church services, Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies and the like must be attended to. This gave me steady employment. In all portions of the surrounding province I had the pleasure of holding services. Friedberg, Advent, Clemmons, Hope, Macedonia, Immanuel, Trinity, Fairview, Christ, Calvary, and the Home Church were visited. This gave a splendid insight into the provincial work. The friendships formed, the experience

gained in speaking and listening, the knowledge of church affairs in general, I count exceedingly valuable, and think them enough to pay royally for a summer vacation. I hope our Church can offer such work as this annually to her ministerial students.

But my summer was not spent entirely in circuit riding and filling pulpits. The week days were usually left to my own disposal. I managed to find recreations varied and inexhaustive enough to suit the most fastidious. Listen!

Out of doors? Yes, a bunch of us had a glorious camping trip to Pilot Mountain, famous for splendid view it afforded, the stiff climb it demanded and the historic associations it claimed as a camping ground of Indians and a hunting ground of Daniel Boone. We climbed, scaled, camped, slept in a rock cave, killed all the rattlers we saw, became exceedingly tired and frightfully dirty, and returned home, weary as to the limbs and large as to the appetite. For further particulars write Jim Springs, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Athletics? Certainly. We had a six-team amateur baseball league that played every Saturday to determine the winner of the silver cup trophy. Our team, which included a varsity player from Yale, from University of North Carolina and from Moravian College (which, by the way, are three of the leading institutions of learning in these United States), was successful in winning the championship.

Literary? Well I should say. I think Mr. Carnegie should send me a card of appreciation. If Omar had been with me he would have changed his tune to "A watermelon, a good book, and a long summer afternoon." I'm sorry Dr. Schultze didn't pay me a visit at the proper time (he usually comes at an embarrassing moment) and find me reading Plato's "Cristo" just for my own amusement. Say, how do you like Ibsen?

Music? Sure. We have the usual number of piannys in town, and there are two public band concerts a week, one given by our band on the campus of Salem College. Of course it's not like a Schwab band, but we have a fine time playing just what we want when we want it.

Business? I had the pleasure of acting sten-

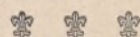
ographer several weeks for an old boss of mine. Just long enough to realize more than ever that I wasn't cut out for a stenographer and that college life beats business all hollow when it comes to having an easy time.

Sentimental? Rook parties and fair maidens abounded. Salem College, catering to young ladies only, is just two blocks away, and—well, North Carolina is the greatest peach growing State in the Union.

But it is growing late. This must come to a close. I cannot, however, refrain from mentioning two welcome visitors. First, my wife, Mr. Kenneth Hamilton, who assisted so admirably in managing the D. D. I. last year. She was duly introduced into our section and conducted herself with due propriety. The other was our own distinguished Hausvater. Dr. Schwarze shelled the woods and succeeded in raising a handsome sum for rebuilding Comenius Hall. Funny thing, however, although Hammie, McCuiston, Spaugh and I were there, yet Prof. Schwarze never cared to take any of these samples around and exhibit them when making his plea.

Now the closing experience was most painful. Just before returning to college I went to the dentist. I left overflowing with amalgam and porcelain, but feeling lighter in heart and purse.

Ye-ay! M. C.!



Vive! Vive! M.C.

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it is very much more solid, substantial and attractive than it ever had been before the destructive conflagration of last year.

As students of M. C., therefore, we hereby wish to convey an expression of our sincerest gratitude to the congregations and individual members of our Church and friends who have made these blessings possible for us by their abundant generosity and gifts of love in contributing to the rebuilding of Comenius Hall. And may the sincerity of our gratitude be manifest throughout the year by our manner of life, realizing that "to whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required."

E. L. M.

Vive! Vive! M. C.

JOY and gladness as never before echo from room to room through the corridors of Comenius Hall and nearly three score of happy students uplift their voices in gratitude to greet their Alma Mater: *Vive! Vive! M. C.* For surely an institution that has the vitality to rise up out of ashes and ruins, in less than one year from the date of its destruction by fire, is worthy to live and to flourish, standing as it does today, a building that is largely fire-proof, better equipped for the needs of the class-room and more adequately furnished as a home for students, yet free from all incumbrances of indebtedness.

Beginning at the main entrance to the Campus at the southeast, there is the first noticeable improvement, the new concrete walk and curbing along the outer curve of the gravel roadway leading to the front entrance of Comenius Hall. From there it leads at right angles around the Memorial Chapel to the Resident Professor's home on the northwest corner of the college rectangle. Likewise a new concrete walk extends from the rear entrance of Comenius Hall to Monocacy Street and to the Refectory. Concrete, also, has supplanted the old wooden floors of the large front porch entrance to Comenius Hall, and of the balcony above.

Upon entering Comenius Hall, everything about the building on the first and second floors is finished in new materials. What woodwork from the previous building could be used was employed for finishing material on the third and fourth floors. The rooms and hallways on the first two floors, therefore, now have all woodwork varnished in the natural wood finish, while those on the third and fourth floors have the woodwork painted with an ivory finish which presents a very clean and inviting appearance. Hardwood maple flooring is laid in all of the first floor class rooms and the students' rooms on all the upper floors of the building. The hallways, plus the toilet rooms on each of the upper floors, have a floor covering of mineral

asbestos, which extends up at the side along the walls in place of the usual base-board, commonly designated as the wash-board. This extension of the mineral asbestos floor covering up the side of the wall for about six inches makes another splendid sanitary improvement. In the toilet rooms the floors were dished to a central trap or drain pipe. Each room is equipped with modern sanitary plumbing, and besides one regular white enamel bath tub there is a slate enclosed shower bath fixture of the latest and most convenient type. A new heating plant and a hot water boiler to supply the toilet rooms have been installed. New and larger radiators were placed in the rooms and halls where the old ones previously proved inefficient. The suites of study and bed rooms have all been fitted and finished to secure comfort and neatness. Walls of all the rooms are finished in a light durable tan color, with ceilings in a grayish sand-finish white, giving to the rooms a cheerful, inviting appearance.

Each floor is equipped with a fire hose and two chemical fire extinguishers placed on the wall toward each end of the hallway, with the fire hose between, nearer the center of the building.

Fire escapes now lead out from each floor at both ends of the building. And in the center of Comenius Hall a strong steel stairway leads all the way up to the fourth floor. This stairway rests on steel beams securely embedded in the brick walls, so that this, too, affords a safe central passage from the top to the bottom of the building. The support of the roof over all the building now, too, is safe and secure. Large upright steel H columns have been placed at four positions within the building. These have firm concrete foundations in the basement and in conjunction with the brick walls, that extend through the center of Comenius Hall, they support steel trusses on which the roof securely rests. Therefore, we can say now that Comenius Hall is very largely fire-proof. And altogether

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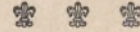
Greetings

With this first issue of the COMENIAN for 1914-'15, the editors and members of the staff extend to each reader very cordial greetings. We know you are deeply interested in the college life of M. C. and we shall strive to give you the best possible expression thereof through the column of this year's COMENIAN. We trust, too, that our college life at M. C. during the coming months may yield some really worth while literary productions. It is not our purpose to boast of any ability to make the COMENIAN anything better than it has been in previous years, but to strive to make each issue the best of which we are capable.

It is our desire, also, to bear in mind the fact that the COMENIAN is intended to be devoted not only to the immediate interests of the student-body but also to the broader interests of all alumni. Therefore we kindly request of all alumni to send in items of special interest for publication. And if any alumnus feels that he has a message of particular interest and value for the readers of the COMENIAN, let him inform

the editors and we will gladly provide space for its publication. Let there be this mutual co-operation of alumni and students and there will result, also, the much desired increase of mutual interest and inspiration.

E. L. M.



Equal Suffrage

A lady, while addressing a W. C. T. U. convention in Ohio in behalf of woman suffrage, made a statement something like this: "We need not heed the college student who comes out fresh from his studies claiming that woman is too good for politics." She did not stop to give reasons, but continued her harangue, using exactly the same methods as those of any political demagogue.

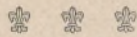
In spite of what this speaker said, and in spite of the rapid strides which equal suffrage is taking in many states, we believe that there will always be a large number of sane-minded men and women who will look with suspicion on this movement. What college men once held as a theory is now being demonstrated as a fact. We claim that the type of woman who usually stands at the head of this movement has lost many of the feminine virtues. Woman, contrasted with man, has in past centuries stood for the unobtrusive virtues, those which make themselves felt whether or not they are proclaimed through newspapers or in public assembly. It is this silent but potent goodness in woman which has won her respect among men. When woman cries for equality of rights with men, demanding that she be allowed to participate in the political and business world on the same basis as men do, she is disclaiming that distinctly feminine virtue which lay at the root of chivalry, and which still makes the rudest men soften their language when in the presence of a woman.

If there could be found some happy combination by which woman might retain that virtue which lifts her above man, and at the same time mingle with them in politics, then we also would hail equal suffrage as a grand reform. But in their effort to obtain equal suffrage, women have shown that in the political world women are not actuated by higher motives than men. If women were given the vote we would simply

have more politicians, not better ones. And, with due respect to all exceptions, we are inclined to believe that women as a class would make much poorer politicians than men. Was not Shakespeare true to human nature when he portrayed a Lady Macbeth? *The Princess* attempted to be independent of men, but returned, a penitent, at the feet of her lover.

We shall welcome the day when womankind will no longer seek to be divorced from mankind, when she will be content to occupy her own grand and noble sphere.

A. P. Z.



Hades

The first shock occasioned by the turmoil in the Old World has well nigh spent itself upon our feeble intellects. Inquiry and questioning into the causes and effects of the war are taking its place. With the first news we were halted, stunned! Now, we view dispassionately the actual scenes of the greatest catastrophe that has come upon humanity.

Of all the causes which are assigned as being potent in bringing on the melee, we can see only one which fascinates us. For the past fifty years the leading nations of Europe have been steadily advancing in scientific achievement. Along with the cultural and intellectual advance has traveled the commercial improvement. Krupp steel has borne with it an atmosphere of destructive efficiency. English and German vessels have furled their flags on the high seas. Socialism, or a corresponding movement, has been making itself heard throughout France, Austria and Germany, but to no avail.

All these facts suggest to us that our entire social and economic *scheme* is and has been at fault. Not that Christianity has lost its power, but that the inevitable result of militarism is "arms and the man" plus definite action. The savage principle, "prepare for war in time of peace," is truly the forerunner of the diabolical situation in which the powers find themselves today. Causes? There are none! The *fabric of the nations*, selfish and exacting, has brought on this scourge!

There is one cause, but many effects. War itself is not what Sherman called it, but that

which brings up the rear deserves that name. Poverty, famine, starvation, cholera, disease, cold and homeless humanity are the absolute snake-like trailers of the struggle. The watchword for reconstruction should not be "Hoch der Kaiser," but "Down With Militarism."

R. E. S.



C. L. S.

At the initiation meeting, held on October 3, fifteen new members were received into the society after having been duly initiated. The names of the new members are as follows: Evans, Allen, Everoad, Fischel, Fulmer, Leinbach, Richter, Splies, Billheimer, Funk, Nonnemaker, Meixell, Shields, Wolter and Pfohl. Two older members rejoined and two members' names were transferred from the honorary to the active membership list. Thus we came within one of doubling the membership at this meeting, and with the co-operation of the officers, and all the members, with the efficient President, we may look forward to a successful year.



Y. M. C. A.

With the beginning of the new scholastic year, and also in the new building, an earnest endeavor is being made by the cabinet to arouse and stir up new and lively interest in the Y. M. C. A.

The new cabinet has several methods by which to employ the members as well as to create more interest in the organization.

The Deputation and Social Service Team work will probably be the principal activity engaged in throughout the year. There will be a team of Y. M. C. A. men who, during the vacation and the week-ends, will make trips to the outlying villages within a radius of about fifteen miles of the city for the purpose of giving an entertainment, by way of music, readings, recitations and dialogues.

It is the purpose of the cabinet to develop this idea as soon as possible. The next object will be the teaching of English to the foreigners in the alien sections of our city. This has been carried on very effectively other years; but with the large enrollment of new men a better year is expected, not only in the teaching of English, but also in the religious work, such as the establishment of Sunday Schools.

Bible Study, Mission Study and Prayer Circles will form the other phases of the Y. M. C. A. activity and it is believed that this new year will be a very beneficial, helpful and prosperous one for the Young Men's Christian Association.

The Manufacture of Furniture

EDWARD R. McCUISTON, '16

THE manufacture of furniture is a very scientific and intricate work. The manufacturer must know just when and how to treat his lumber in such a way as to preserve it. If the lumber is not properly seasoned and dried before it is put upon the market the result will be bad furniture, and marketed goods returned.

Furniture is probably one of the most widely used commodities in the world. Very few people understand the work and expense of putting on the market first class furniture.

In going through a furniture factory one must notice every piece of machinery closely in order that he may understand how the different pieces of furniture are cut out and shaped.

The lumber is usually bought by the factory in its rough state, coming directly from the saw-mills. The first difficulty that the manufacturer must contend with is the thorough drying and seasoning of the lumber. This is done by placing it in the "dry kiln," which is usually a long brick building built to withstand a very high temperature of steam heat. The steam is conveyed from the boiler to the kiln through pipes which are laid in rows in the kiln, thus permitting the steam to be evenly distributed.

The lumber is then placed upon trucks with a stick between each layer of plank. This allows a free circulation of heat through the lumber. When the lumber is sufficiently dried and seasoned it is taken from the kiln to a part of the machine room which is called the "cut off" room. This room contains the "cut-off saws." These saws are built in a heavy frame which swings from the ceiling. The lumber is placed upon long tables directly under the saws, and here it is cut into the desired lengths.

From these saws the lumber proceeds to the "rip saw." This saw is used to rip the lumber to any width necessary. The next procedure is to give it a smooth surface. To do this the lumber is taken to a machine called the "planer." This machine consists of a set of long knives in the form of a cylinder which revolves very swiftly. The lumber is fed between fluted rollers to these

knives, which cut off the rough grain, leaving a very smooth surface.

After the surfacing the lumber is ready for the shaping and cutting machines. The band saw is a machine consisting of an endless band of steel which revolves on two wheels. This cuts the finished lumber very closely, leaving no rough saw mark upon the grain. The "shaper" then receives the lumber to round, groove and mould it into the desired shape.

Dresser tops are ripped out of surfaced material then taken to a machine called the "glue jointer." At this machine the pieces of lumber are tongued and grooved. This is necessary to insure the fitting of the plank into a smooth top. After this process the planks are placed in a large "glue clamp." Hot glue is then distributed in the grooves. The planks are then placed so that the desired width of the top is maintained. While the glue is still hot the planks are clamped closely together. When the top is removed from the clamp the narrow planks are transformed into one wide board.

The "cabinet room" is the next important feature. This is where the materials for dressers, wash-stands, beds, etc., are made into the respective pieces of furniture. The cabinet makers fit all of these separate parts together by nailing, wedging and glueing them. The furniture is then designated as being in the "white," meaning that the article has not been touched by stain or varnish.

Following the furniture to the "finishing room" one sees it being stained and varnished, then rubbed with a very soft cloth to give it the desired finish. Finally the article is ready for the market. The furniture that we see and use daily has been through practically the same process.



We take great pleasure in announcing the engagement of The Rev. John C. Moore, of Washington, Iowa, to Miss Helen Smith, of Bethlehem.

We also take great pleasure in announcing the engagement of Mr. William Holmes Stevenson, former student at M. C., to Miss L. Williams, both of Pittsburgh.



Moore Domer Roamings

THIS page is dedicated to two departed brethren. Domer is gone. Doc is gone. Everybody, from the members of the Presbyterian choir down to D. Bachman of the unbustable bean, mourns their loss. Hence we do the fitting thing in inscribing this page to those of us who are here no more, in order that we may all read this sheet and turn over a new leaf.

O, the D. D. I. is vacant; D. D. Bachman's trade is low; Rook has lost its former prestige; orchestra its star 'cello;
No more duos from old Phillie; big cheroots are most forgotten;
No more "wifey"; no more "Right O!"; some one Walters' goat has gotten;
No more classic ragtime excerpts on the organ as before;
No more West Side trips at midnight;
Doc and Domer are no more!

GREETINGS from Huffman: "Howdy! Howdy!"

VACLAV states that he is going out heavy for athletics this year—shaving twice a week.

GREETINGS from Jonas: "My new Indian yell from the Winnebago Mission:

Yahoo! Grabow! Meixell!
Limbech, Limbach, Limburger!"

"HEY, Gus, what did you do this summer?"

"Worked at the Steel Works making steel springs to keep the water company supplied, you Pie Face."

GREETINGS from Zimmerman (First speech): "Gentlemen, I was attacked front, rear, right and left wings by wasps, who assailed severely with their sharp pointed stingers."

(Second speech:)"I have several points yet to bring out."

WEDMAN is taking French. We knew Germans would take French.

CUPIE (or Kewpie) to Sherlock: "Wonder where the boardwalk is?"

Sherlock: "Haven't you felt your pillow?"

GREETINGS from Henkelmann: "The Germans claim that dropping explosives on Antwerp was only a bomb joke."

ALLAM: "Say, Clewell, the Bell Telephone has gone into the hands of the receivers."

Clewell: "That's nothing, the receivers have gone into the hands of the people. Haw!"

Allam: "Aw, I know, but this is straight goods."

Clewell: "Well, I bite."

Allam: "Why they have sent all the Poles to Europe to fight."

MUCK saw Pete trying to get a tennis ball out of the grating by the library window. "Hey, Pete," he yelled, "I dropped five dollars in there the other day." After an hour of hard work Pete called to Muck: "Are you sure that you lost that fiver here?" "Quite sure," says Muck, "I got it out myself. Haw!"

GREETINGS from Allen: "They are going to take the Bethlehem street cars to Europe and use them as 'rough riders.'" (Joke.)

THE entering Freshman class has a strong sense of humor. When William G. Oat was conveyed to the gymnasium to participate in the ups and downs of C. L. S. initiation, Richter, or Billheimer, or Spleasy, or some other youthful aspirant, remarked: "The poor goat is the butt of all jokes."

GREETINGS from Gutensohn: "If we got a home out of the D. D. I., I wonder what Ehr Gott out of it?"

BULLETIN Board: "Try for the Footlight Club."

Herr Funk: "Too bad, I wear size nine."

GREETINGS from Brother Mike: "Zoo, Zoo."

WE hear that Kant held the responsible position of stockholder on a Western farm this summer. He held the cows for milking. (Extract from Mamre Evening Journal.)

GREETINGS from Gretchen: "Mister Bruner, what makes you eat so much?"

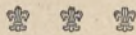
JUDGING from the questionable vibrations in ether produced from the chapel instrument by the efforts of Sherlock, Spagh and J. George, this is a badly organized institution.

THE fund for erecting a memorial to the memory of Doc and Domer is coming along nicely. The memorial will be in the shape of an immense smokestack fashioned after a cabbage leaf Havanna roller with pipe

organ has relief. The memorial is to be erected in center of campus facing Main Street. Mac and Ruprecht have consented to keep the fires going and send forth a prodigious volume of smoke continually. The design will be surmounted with the M. C. national bird, a gigantic Rook.

AND the editors employed on this page so vile and wretched,
Cast a fearful look around them; wait for direful criticisms;
Well expectant of the disgust and the exclamations following
With a torrent of abuse showered on their hopeless innocence.
And they sympathize, yea truly, with the brave men gone before them,
And they call in desperation, "O Bob Stout, why didst thou leave us?"

(Extract from Personal Editor's Diary.)



LOCALS

Owing to the rebuilding of Comenius Hall the opening of the first semester was somewhat later than usual. Even before the doors of grand old Comenius Hall were open to receive the students, many of them were hurrying back to old M. C. The anxiety of the fellows to see the splendidly remodeled building was apparent when, on the evening of September 31, practically every student reported to the Resident Professor.

On Thursday morning, October 1, at 10 a.m., the opening exercises of the scholastic year were held in the chapel. We were very glad to see the members of the faculty and the older students again. Yet we were especially glad to see the large number of new students, and we all bid them a hearty welcome. Dr. Clewell took part in the exercises and Dr. Schultze and Rev. Mr. Thaeler gave the welcoming addresses.

On Thursday evening the Resident Professor, and Mrs. Schwarze, gave a reception to the new students. The evening was enjoyed by old and new students.

The formal opening of the newly rebuilt Comenius Hall took place on Friday, October 2, at 11 a.m. The consecration service was held on the first floor of Comenius Hall. Bishop C. L. Moench, D.D., Dr. Paul de Schweinitz, D.D., Dr. Henry S. Drinker, LL.D., Mr. Archibald Johnston, M.E., and Dr. A. Schultze, L.H.D., participated.

At 1 p.m., the Alumni Banquet was served in the Refectory. The following members and friends were among those present: The Brethren Dr. Paul de Schweinitz, Bishop Moench, John Romig, A. D. Thaeler, M. E. Kemper, E. Brunner, R. H. Brennecke, Jr., Paul T. Schultz, F. E. Grunert, V. G. Flinn, C. D. Kreider, H. E. Stocker, Wm. Strohmeier, Paul S. Meinert, H. A. Gerdson, F. E. Lennox, F. Hagen, F. E. Raub, Alfred

Vogler, and Geo. Christ, Dr. Drinker and Dr. Laciari; Messrs. F. Stout, A. Johnston, Garber, T. Shields, C. Rominger, M. Borhek, F. E. Luckenbach, F. Speck.

During the afternoon and evening Comenius Hall was open for public inspection and many friends of the institution went through the building.

On Saturday evening, at 7 p.m., the Resident Professor and students had a prayer and praise service in the chapel.

The following are the names of the new students: Freshmen—Allen, Everoad, Fischel, Clewell, Fulmer, Leinbach, Richter, Splies, Landis, Billheimer, Dech, Funk, Gross, Nonnemaker, Shields, Wolter and Meixell; Sophomores—Evans, Meissner, Martin and Brown. Wilfred Vogler returned after one year's absence and joined the Junior Class. This makes a total of twenty-three new men. Forty-one are resident students including Pfohl, who boards here but attends the Parochial School, preparing to enter college next year. The total enrollment thus is fifty-seven.

Dr. Schultze addressed a meeting of the Alumni Association of Central Pennsylvania, held at Lititz in June. He has given a great deal of his time this summer to personal interviews and correspondence with prospective students and has succeeded in recruiting a large Freshman Class.

Dr. Schwarze spent a large part of his vacation on a collecting tour in the South. He was cordially received everywhere and his efforts were well supported by ministers and other alumni.

Dr. Gapp visited a number of the congregations in the East in behalf of the Building Fund, and has supplied various pulpits during the summer months.

Dr. Rau, with his family, spent part of the summer in Stanley, N. Y. He has visited several congregations in the interest of the Building Fund.

Dr. Moses, while visiting his people in Jamaica, B. W. I., this summer, preached nearly every Sunday.

We are glad to hear that our last year's graduates are all in active work and wish them success in their duties. Mr. W. Scheel has taken charge of the English Church at West Salem, Ill. Mr. W. Wesenberg has been appointed as pastor of the church at Bethany, Minn. Mr. John C. Moore has taken up the work as pastor of the congregation at Gracehill, Iowa. Owing to the war in Europe Mr. K. Hamilton has not been able to continue his studies at Berlin. At present he is assisting some of the pastors in the South.

The Rev. H. B. Johnson, of Grand Rapids, Wis., was fortunate in the purchase of an attractive church edifice for his congregation, at Rudolph, Wis., for a very reasonable sum.

Eugene L. Michel, Sem., '15, was employed by the Western District Executive Board this summer to assist the Rev. O. E. Heise at Green Bay, Wis., and at Dag-

gett, Mich. Two months were spent in serving the East Side congregation at Green Bay, and five weeks at Daggett, Mich. The remainder of the time, until the opening of college, was spent in visiting at Watertown, Mamre, Lake Mills, Denver, Ill., and at home in West Salem, Ill.

J. George Bruner, Sem., '15, was engaged by the Presbyterian Home Missions of the Synod of Wisconsin, to serve the churches of Edgar and Stratford, in the Winnebago Presbytery, during the three summer months. A very pleasant and profitable summer was spent with the people of both villages. By giving each field one service a week better results were obtained.

June 7, J. George Bruner, Sem., '15, preached the morning sermon in the Scandinavian Moravian Church in Grand Rapids, Wis., and the evening sermon in the German church of the same place. On September 27 he conducted the evening service in the Moravian Church, of Hope, Ind. On October 4 he preached both morning and evening in the Moravian Church, of Coopersburg, Pa.

Messrs. Swavely and P. Allen were engaged in Y. M. C. A. work among the Allegheny lumber men during the greater part of the vacation. Mr. Swavely, Sem., '15, occupied the pulpit at the Laurel Street chapel on the evening of June 7. On September 27 he addressed the Luther League at Grace Lutheran Church, of Allentown.

Mr. Allen P. Zimmerman, Sem., '15, preached at Gnadenuetten on Sunday evening, August 9.

On October 4 Herbert T. Kant, Sem., '15, preached the morning sermon, in German, at the Bethlehem Emanuel Evangelical Church.

Mr. Flath, on a visit to London, Wis., addressed the congregation at that place on June 7.

During the month of August Richard Shields conducted the services for Rev. D. C. Meinert, at Hope, Ind., while the latter was taking his vacation.

The Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Vogler called on Wilfred Vogler on October 2.

Mr. Harold Lopp had charge of one of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools in New York City this summer. He is now teaching at the Moravian Parochial School here at Bethlehem.

Christian Weber attended the C. E. Convention of the Eastern District, held at New Dorp, Staten Island, during the last week in July.

Mr. Henkelmann reports having had a very pleasant summer in Canada, in spite of all the complications which occurred in connection with the war. He had the privilege of visiting the congregations of Heimthal, Bruederheim, Bruederfeld, Strathcona, and Uhrichsville, Ohio, and addressing several Sunday Schools and C. E. Societies.

Athletics

BASKETBALL

Once more we are on hand to predict that the pantry will be full of bacon at the end of the approaching season. With the addition of twenty-three new men to our enrollment there is every reason to believe that the coming weeks will bring out a large number of 'varsity aspirants. The outlook indeed is brilliant and, with four of last year's first team men as a nucleus around which to build, the Blue and Gray should be a winner.

With such prospects before us we hopefully make our start on the biggest and best season that Moravian has ever been permitted to enjoy. Manager Shields is now perfecting a schedule which he hopes will include such teams as Alumni, Lehigh, Pratt, Schuylkill, Delaware, Lafayette, Allentown Prep., Muhlenberg and others of similar calibre.

On the afternoon of October 2, in connection with the re-opening of Comenius Hall, an interesting game was played by members of last year's teams and a quintet of Alumni, which resulted in a victory for the college, 20 to 12. The outcome was uncertain until the final few minutes of play. Desperate guarding of the Alumni kept the College from scoring until Kuehl and Wedman brought their long range artillery into action and in rapid succession bagged enough long ones to clinch the victory by a comfortable margin. The line-ups follow:

Alumni.	Positions.	College.
T. Mueller.....	forward.....	R. Shields
J. Mueller.....	forward.....	Kuehl
Lichte	center.....	Lopp
T. Shields.....	guard.....	Wedman
Flath	guard.....	Clewell

TENNIS

In tennis great progress may also be expected. A new court has been provided and eagerly welcomed by an increased number of enthusiasts. Here, as in the other sports, some good material will be available to represent the College against all comers. Tennis has, in the last few years, come to the forefront with remarkable strides and bids fair to rival the other sports in the years to come.

BASEBALL

Baseball was provided for a day to get a look at the new men, and the result was encouraging in this field of sport, as in the others. The best infield in the history of the College will appear on the 'varsity line-up next spring. There are at least three contenders for every corner of the diamond, and the best man will have to show that he has the goods. Material for the outfield will also be available to keep the outer garden in the best condition. Hassler, '15, has been chosen to lead the 'varsity on the field for the coming season.

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