

Campusology

One of the great mysteries of college life, is where and why do the guests go to and do when they leave the dances so early.

At the game Friday, a fair co-ed exclaimed about the third inning, "Oh are they playing now?" We wonder if the dear thing thought the men all took ball bats and had a sort of football game.

Oxford—A college.
Oxford—A shoe.
Therefore many at college get the boot.

That's logic.
Prof—"How many of you have your lessons?"
Class—"None of us."
Prof—"Class excused."
That's fiction.

He—"Huh"
She—"Uh huh"
Both—"Ooh mum!"
That's college.

St. Peter—"What are you here for?"
Applicant—"To get in heaven"
St. Peter—"Go on back down."
That's ? ? ?

He—"E Pluribus Unum"
She—"Vive la France".
Both—"It aint gonna rain no more; Cause daddy's got a new rain-coat."

Spring is here—Coach Campbell has on his short pants.

Red Hughes has severed all connections with Wright Hall. We'll all sing "Weep no more my ladies."

The snow is gone. Now our jungle will come into its own and husky voices and nervous whispers in answer will be heard from the depths of the trysts.

The five most important men on the campus as picked by Paul D. Gesner:
1. P. D. Gesner
2. P. D. Gesner
3. P. D. Gesner
4. P. D. Gesner
5. P. D. Gesner.

Frank "Porky" Beverly will appear in the play "The Cheaters." This troupe will start from the Avenue Theater in Detroit and will tour the mid-west. Mr. Beverly has appeared in several high class parts before and undoubtedly will make a great success in this play.

Miss Marjorie Daw was the guest of Margaret Morrison over the week end.

Miss Olga Down entertained her sister, Esther Down and Dona Jones of Highland Park, last week end.

Don't miss the Y. W. Carnival, Wright Hall, May 10, 8. bells.
Stop! Look! Listen!

CLIPPED

Of the 524 students attending Hope College, 262 are from the state of Michigan with the remainder coming either from abroad or from foreign states. The city of Holland alone furnishes 146 of the enrollment.

A campaign for better sportsmanship has been instituted by the upper classmen and faculty of Cornell. This action is the result of numerous complaints received by the Cornell authorities, discouraging Cornell rooters for their abusive language and manifestations toward opponent.

Albion and Hillsdale have introduced a new custom, the exchanging of a three-act play yearly. Albion started it off by appearing at Hillsdale May 5.

"All canoeing parties in which coeds are participants must end at nine P. M." Such was the recent ruling made by the Albion faculty when the vital question could not be agreed to by the student disciplinary organizations.

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Y. W. Carnival
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8 o'clock.

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BETA TAU EPSILON

The regular meeting of Beta Tau Epsilon was called to order by Vice-President Dresback, Monday evening, May 3. After a short business meeting, the assembly was turned over to the literary program. An interesting talk was given by Cecil McDonald on "The Comparative Values of Our Larger Universities." Impromptus were responded to by Wilmer Patton and Everett Winslow. Mr. Apsey gave a lengthy speech on the merits of Peck. After the critics report the meeting was adjourned.

PHI PHI ALPHA

President Bailey presided at the regular meeting of Phi Phi Alpha, April 27th. Herbert Nisbet was elected Marshall. Fildey and Prouty grew hungry and resigned as janitors. Anderson and Pruyne offered the society treats at the European in return for the offices of Janitor and Asst. Janitors, and were unanimously elected.

Harold Bailey gave an interesting and capable paper on "The Trend of Modern European Politics," followed by Bentley's dissertation on "Britain's Labor Government" and Snell's paper on "Ramsay MacDonald's Foreign Policy." The critic's report was masterfully given by John Henry Shroyer. Adjournment to the European.

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the freshmen brought in the climax in the regular meeting of Philomathean Literary society Monday night. The meeting was opened with Mary Hagaman in the chair. Roll call was responded to by a current event—"pertaining to Wright Hall or a bit of Wright Hall gossip." After a short business meeting, there was a motion to proceed to the program of the evening, toward which all had been looking.

The first number was a piano duet, "Mah Jong" played by Mary Hagaman and Winifred Mills. Ethelyn Adams then rendered a touching vocal solo in costume—"It looks like rain." A short entertainment, "Be-

fore Dinner" was cleverly produced. Wright Hall secrets would have been divulged. Refreshments, consisting of freshmen delicacies, were served. Pool rooms and had here been outsiders there to catch them, many Adjournment.

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Late Professor of Modern Languages

by
DR. G. B. RANDELS

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by our forefathers but also by our children, so Dr. Bober's children, being American by birth and citizens of the United States by adoption, he was in fact, a part of our group and loyal to it. He admired particularly the Yankee element in our civilization and regretted what he believed the lessening relative importance in America, the character of American virtues.

But above loyalty to any national groups was loyalty to humanity. He wished the human race well. Though himself noble born, I have observed his fervid response almost religious response to the idealists, who dreamed of a new order which would take from Dr. Bober's own class, special and unearned privileges and help the unfortunate groups in society to enjoy the best things of the world for which their abilities and aptitudes fitted them but which were denied them because of inherited inequalities of wealth and position. I have been dwelling on but one of many principles in Dr. Bober's character and using it to illustrate how he lived a principle controlled life.

How did he arrive at his principles? I may illustrate. He has told me, how as a youth in Germany, he used to gather with other German youths to study the Constitution of the United States. He has told how there groups had their emotions stirred even to tears as they marvelled at the land which had a constitution guaranteeing justice, equality and well-being for a great people. So they dreamed and idealized. He has confessed his disillusion on coming to America and finding us ignorant of our organic law, and observing how far short we come of our ideals.

And now we are the root of all the difficulties. His principles were formed in the pure realms of ideals. And he lived them in a world that could not understand. One of the ideas which has clung to me since my college days was expressed by Miss Inglis, one of our thought-provoking instructors. She used to say that certainly the most painful experience in the life of Jesus must have been his being misunderstood. It must always be so. That is the tragedy of life. Dr. Bober had more than his share of the tragic than comes to most of us mortals because he was as loyal to his principles as the ideal gentleman in the mind of the Psalmist. He must bear, and did bear with courage the consequences of his principles. His erect carriage of body symbolized a soul that did not cringe. To me his life appears to have been a tragedy, a noble tragedy. Who, but a man of strong character, can be tested and tried and live worthily a life of tragedy.

by
PRES. H. M. CROOKS

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words about his son's duty to their land—America—were startling; he would rather see them dead than to see one of them fail to serve to the utmost. Sons with such an inheritance could but serve as soldiers, as they did. But the war, with the suffering it brought his German relatives and friends, with the violence of speech it engendered, in my opinion shortened his life, probably robbing us and him of years of service.

In critical moments of our recent campaign for funds, no one spoke more frequently to one with encouragement, no one rejoiced more at any success 'our college' scored, no one pledged more generously and paid more promptly and systematically.

Duty ruled him but he never spoke the word. I never heard him use it. Does the large-hearted man talk much of duty or does he rather do what his conscience and his honor dictate, without ostentation and without asking credit for himself by using fine words? He met classes, made out reports, attended faculty meetings with regularity not exceeded by any one of us.

Such a man among us teaches daily whether we are in classes or not. Excellent as was his classwork, large as were the results of his direct teaching, he was larger than his teaching, his influence was

beyond his classroom. I have heard it said that a class with him was not a lesson in German or Spanish but a trip to Europe. He added strength to the whole college. Athletic teams will miss his figure following on the side-lines; students waiting for classes will miss his walking the Halls during a vacant period; the faculty will miss his voice speaking for high standards and his opening the windows for the air he loved; townspeople will miss his gallant figure on our streets. Faculty, students, trustees and townspeople agree that a strong man, a great teacher, a noble spirit has finished a truly notable and distinguished service.

by
DR. C. D. BROKENSHERE

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where he was so long a helpful and honorable sojourner.

It is my duty and privilege to say something of Dr. Bober as a teacher. He impressed us all as a splendid example of the methodical German pedagogue with his strict and benevolent discipline and his broad, profound, and accurate scholarship. The military training that he had received in his young manhood made him appreciate for himself the value of punctuality and method. As the child of a family that inherited the best traditions of the German officer class, he had in his infancy not only been baptized with water into the faith of the church of his good Lutheran pastor, but at home, and quite unecceciastically, he had, according to a custom prevailing in officer's families, been baptized with champagne into all the high ideals of honor implied in an army officer's profession. The young lieutenant of some forty years ago learned how to be a conscientious and efficient drillmaster, whether of soldiers or of students. He had something of the moral energy and vehemence attributed to an early president of the writer's own Alma Mater who once expressed himself to the effect that he would expel the first man caught in a lie or evading duty. He was not a man that the indolent or mischievous loved to encounter. Sometimes his blows fell tremendously on such. It is generally understood that those who arrived late in Dr. Bober's classes received immediately such a vivid realization of his opinion of their slovenly tardy habits that thereafter they arrived on time, even if considerably out of breath. There has been some young grants who have frankly admitted to their friends that almost any other possible ordeal was preferable to meeting Dr. Bober when he felt it his duty in a private conference after class to tell them what he thought of their very evident habitual laziness and negligence in their class work. For the industrious and the struggling he had sympathy, patience, and encouragement but for the lazy and careless there was stored up a righteous indignation as made them tremble. Yet all his students realized that his reproofs were the expression of a conscientious benevolence that always sought their good.

Dr. Bober was a scholar, a true Gelehrter of the Fatherland. He had passed through the exacting curriculum of the gymnasium or the military academy and he had breathed the invigorating scholastic atmosphere of the German Universitätsleben. He had quite possible worn in his youth the bright colors of some merry Verbindung whose youthful members of fifty years ago have long since been "Alte Herren." In Vienna and elsewhere he had drunk long and copiously and enthusiastically from the waters of learning's fountain. His range of reading and interest had been cosmopolitan and his erudition was after a fashion encyclopedic, yet he was unwilling to make any pretensions of teaching a subject which he had not himself thoroughly mastered to his own satisfaction—and his standard for himself was not easily satisfied. In this respect he was a typical specimen of the genuine Gelehrter, the springs of whose knowledge do not seep from the stagnant pools of the surface but gush from wells dug deep in the rock.

Our late Professor of German was

an enthusiastic student and teacher of the language and literature of his native land. It was a joy to him to spread the knowledge of the language of Luther and Lessing, of Schiller and Goethe, of Victor von Scheffel and Herman Suderman.

"What can you tell me about Uhl-land?" asked the writer once, in order to obtain some clearer information about a poet who was at that time to the questioner little more than a name. The reply was a charming little lecture illustrated by an eloquent explosion of the poem "Des Sanger's Fluch." On another occasion a similar casual inquiry elicited an elaborate description of some of the most ancient fragments of German literary history, the old heathen incantations preserved in the Merseburger Zaubersprüche. Of Luther and Goethe, Dr. Bober was always happy to talk and in the painful days of the approach of his mortal disease he took pains by his presence and attention a lecture on the great German reformer. He appreciated the elegance and the beauty in the belles lettres of France and Spain, and he taught with intimate acquaintance the languages of Moliere and Cervantes, but for the literary lore of "das Vaterland" he naturally cherished a patriotic and passionate devotion. Those who have heard him will not forget the earnestness and animation that illuminated his very countenance when he spoke of the land of his fathers, its customs, its history, its language and its literary glory.

Dr. Bober was much more than an experienced and efficient instructor. To each of his students he sought to be a personal friend. He welcomed every opportunity to talk with them before and after classes or when he met them in leisure moments on the campus. When he was able to receive them he welcomed their visits to his home. He was a perpetual example of a beauty of character and firmness of principle that expressed themselves in his very handwriting. No one who received a letter from him failed to admire the elegance and refinement that marked the most unimportant note that he penned. He was himself a living epistle of precision and neatness.

And he brought to those who came to know him intimately a definite impression of deep, and reverent religious conviction. He manifested an especial fondness for beautiful prayers. At least on one occasion he even appointed the composition of a beautiful prayer as a test exercise in a final examination in the German language. He was affectionately attached to the Lutheran faith into which he was baptized and confirmed and he spoke with tender emotion of his memories of the old pastor of his childhood, who as he said, was "ein wahrer Gottesdiener" a true servant of God. He had an abiding faith in Him who is the "Mighty Fortress" of the great reformation hymn, and his religious disposition combined with liberality and mysticism of Schleiermacher's feeling of absolute dependence with the sublime allegiance to moral intuition expressed in the categorical imperative of Kant. It was his last wish to be laid quietly and simply to rest with a prayer to the God of his fathers in the language of the old Lutheran Church of the Augsburg Confession. For him it was true, at least as to the fundamental apprehensions of the Eternal, "Gottes Wort und Luther's Lehr Vergehet une und nimmermehr."

We have all lost a friend whose life was passed among us in a modest and simple grandeur. We shall miss his stately presence and his words of wisdom, but his memory is bequeathed to us as an abiding benediction. The legacy of his ideals and principles has passed into the treasury of our best Alma tradition. And written on our hearts forever in his honor are the beautiful words inscribed over the grave of one of the greatest of his philosophic countrymen:

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OBITUARY
 Prof. H. Lothar Bober, Doctor Civil Laws, was born in Silesia, Germany, in 1858 and died on April 25, 1924, after two months or more of painful illness and rapidly increasing weakness.

He attended the Berlin Military Academy from the age of ten. At nineteen a lieutenant in the German Army, he was stationed for a time on the Polish and Russian frontier; transferred to the Austrian army (on the chance of a war with Turkey) he served later in Austria. Soon after his marriage in Vienna in 1887 to Miss Elizabeth Salier, he came to America, his first connection being with the Berlitz School in New York and Boston as professor of German. Moving to Canada, he soon left the Berlitz school at St. Johns, New Brunswick to teach in Halifax, (Nova Scotia) County Academy.

His distinguished service in Canada began in 1892 as professor of German and French in Kings College, Windsor, Nova Scotia. In this post he served until 1905. Kings conferred on him the honorary degree, Doctor of Civil Laws. For many years he was examiner in French and German for all high schools of the province. From Ottawa came two notable appointments: civil service examiner in French and German for all Canada and examiner in the Royal Military Academy at Kingston, Ontario. In Kings he was for a long time usher and manager of commencement processions and festivities and was peculiarly in touch with alumni.

The World War came before his citizenship in Canada was complete. He came to Alma College in 1915. At first he taught French and German and later began the work in Spanish relinquishing the French. Before the United States went into the war, the German classes in Alma College included about half the students. Spanish classes have been large. Surviving Dr. Bober are his wife and three children. Dr. Angela Bober is Senior Assistant Physician at the Massachusetts Hospital for the Insane at Northampton; Wilhelm C. Bober is an Industrial engineer in San Francisco; Hans F. Bober is a civil engineer in the Bridge department of the Rock Island railways and lives in Chicago. All had their undergraduate work at Kings College. Mrs. Bober will make her home with her son, Hans, in Chicago.

KAPPA IOTA
 The regular meeting of the Kappa Iota Literary Society was held Monday, April 28. The honorary members, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Ewer were guests. Roll call was answered to by a wish for Kappa Iota. A one-act play, "Phoebe Louise" was presented by Dorothy Flannegin, Winifred Porter, and Cathryn Lee. The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served.

COLLEGE CLUB
 The second meeting of the College Club was held Monday evening, April 28th. The previous meeting had been for the purpose of initiation. This one was given over entirely to business. It was decided to study for the remaining of this semester the lives and works of some of the great naturalists. June Lewis was elected Almanian Reporter and Marie Hamilton Sentinel. Inez Thornton and Mary Parr were appointed first janitors.

ALPHA THETA
 The Alpha Theta Literary Society held its regular meeting, Monday evening, April 28. After a short business meeting, the society proceeded to the study of James Russel Lowell. Roll call was answered to by some fact concerning the life of the great poet. Ethel West responded to the impromptu, "Lowell as a Critic." Some popular musical selections were played by Eunice Houghton and a paper, "Anecdotes of Lowell," by Dorothy Allen concluded the program.

ALUMNI
 Miss Esther M. Friedrich, class of 1921, who will receive her A. M. degree in June at Michigan, writes that "Psychodid Flies" are multiplying rapidly and that she is enjoying her work in zoology. She is undecided as to her work for next year.

Albert J. Esselstyn, class of 1915, who is just completing his work for the Master's degree at Cornell University, with his major in chemistry, writes that he feels his future is secure, if he succeeds in producing O-hydroxy-benzoyl-O-benzoic acid in sufficient quantity to satisfy his instructors. He will teach in the Urbana University Schools at Urbana, Ohio, this coming year. Miss Mabel E. Field, class of 1922, sends Professor West several samples of scoria from Japan. Miss Field is teaching at Kobe College, Kobe, Japan.

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