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THE ONE PAPER QUESTION.

In a recent number of our esteemed contemporary, The Red and Black, an article appeared on the advisability of conducting but one college paper next year. A proposition to combine The Stentor and The Red and Black under a new name was made.

The Stentor is most thoroughly in favor of a coalition of the two papers. Such a coalition would do away with much of the ill-feeling which now exists between the two literary societies and "The long expected era of good feeling" would indeed appear.

If the two papers could combine into one bi-weekly having for its name The Lake Forest Stentor, and having equal representation on its editorial board from both literary societies, we believe that not only a new era of good feeling would dawn but also a long expected era of good college journalism might begin to appear on the horizon.

The Stentor, speaking not as the organ of any society or party, but as the old and tried Lake Forest paper of seven years past, is jealous of its name. We are asked to give up the name "The Stentor"—a paper that is known as one of the standard papers in western college journalism, a paper that has the prestige of the Lake Forest people and the alumni of this college. The Stentor also has a large advertising list. Under a new name this important feature would have to be worked up anew. The Stentor would suggest that a joint committee from the two societies meet at once. Writing editorials on the subject is not the method to be pursued if anything is to be accomplished. Let a meeting and a full discussion of the subject be held at once.

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This spring has witnessed a decline in athletics which is so painfully evident that attention must be called to the fact for the sake of the future welfare of the different 'varsity teams. Our standard was raised very high last year by the base ball team, and naturally it was expected that this fact would have much influence on the work of the team this spring, but on the contrary the work so far has been much worse. We seem to have reached the climax in '92. It has been argued that our college is outclassed, therefore playing against great odds, and as we are compelled to play with large colleges of our educational standard, knowing that there is little show of winning, the tendency is toward discouragement. This, on the face of it, is a weak argument. Since it is only by forgetting the winning prospects and by overcoming these difficulties that strength is
obtained and progress made. The question now before us all is "What can be done to better our athletics next year?"

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We wish that it were possible to give to our readers a full account of the toast to "The College," delivered by Professor Halsey at the Tri Kappa banquet last Friday evening. In it there were many things said which, although not particularly new, yet they fell with particular force because of the sincerity with which they were presented by the speaker. The idea that Lake Forest in the outside world and even among her Alumni has no recognized place among other colleges was, we are glad to say, corrected. However, it can be said with a great deal of truth that this impression is so prevalent among the students that many are being deprived of the pleasure of their college course, while among those preparing for college the same opinion exists to such an extent that many have signified their intention of attending school elsewhere. Professor Halsey showed plainly that the idea is a false one, only existing among a few, and being largely due to ignorance of the educational matters of the country.

THE IDLER.

Not long since we went out on a wandering tour, and without apparently knowing where we were bound, suddenly came out of our trance, and found ourself on the "Sem." bridge. (We always chronicle unusual facts). By the way, aren't these glorious nights for wandering—by yourself, of course, since the new rule? But, as we stated, we discovered ourselves on the Sem. bridge, apparently bound for the Sem., though we could discover no reason. It was a beautiful night. The moon seemed to hang in the heavens like a huge yellow ball. The frogs held high carnival in the stream beneath, and a gentle breeze sighed through the trees. But if the breeze sighed, we actually suffered, for at the precise moment, when our thoughts were most deeply engaged in pondering the "whickness of the hitherto," a long quivering note broke through the atmosphere. It was followed by several more notes of a similar character, and more of a dissimilar character, and these "characters" meeting formed a conglomeration called "Down on the Mississippi floating." We breathed easier. It was only a college serenade. We used to assist in those musical slaughters, but "we haven't for a long time now." As we listened we couldn't help wondering if this serenade would be carried on in the orthodox way. There were the usual groups at the windows, the usual applause (the poor girls get so desperate they applaud any noise), the usual songs, the usual scraps as to "what shall we sing next?" and—then we waited with bated breath. Would it come? Would this crowd dare to leave it out? Ah, no! "There she blows." Listen! "Farewell, farewell, my own true love." We are so overcome that we can but hasten up and join in the chorus. And what would a Lake Forest serenade be without that song? Absolutely nothing. At least that is the way the boys view it. The girls think differently. The college youth seems to be possessed with a desire to eternally bid farewell to his own true love. It isn't essential that he possess one. He singles out some window, and wiggles his voice up to it with all the concentrated emotion of weeks. No matter how the other songs have gone, everybody yells "farewell" with a will, knowing they will see these same young ladies next day they persist in bidding them adieu in the most heartrending manner, as if they were all going to be suspended soon. It is very doleful. A stranger would be melted to tears no doubt, but Lake Forest audiences have ceased melting. They say it doesn't pay. If they melted every time the song was sung, they would be no more than grease spots at the present. When that solemn line commencing "I'd murmur soft when dying" is reached, everyone imagines the thought will not be appreciated, so the murmur becomes a 'roar—and, for dying men, a decidedly healthy yell. But, strange to say, the
song is always welcome. Why? Because it is the invariable signal of the ending of the serenade. To sing another song after that would be gross sacrilege. In the aforesaid evening these poor fellows bid their loves a lasting farewell, and a brief silence ensued. The following conversation was then overheard. "Say, did you swipe that bottle of olives?" "Well, I should rather say so. What do you take me for?" "Great scot, I thought you fellows weren’t going to yell ‘farewell’ long enough. We barely got those oranges in time." Another youth now joined the throng. "You fellows may say that ‘Farewell’ is not a good song, but I tell you the racket you made over it enabled us to get this, all hunkidori." And we recognized in the moonlight a great, blue, gasoline barrel. This is a sentimental song made to serve a purpose.

THE BANQUET

GIVEN BY MR. HOLT IN HONOR OF THE WINNING SOCIETY.

Last Thursday evening the Tri Kappa Society was banqueted by Mr. Holt in honor of its recent victory in the Academy contest.

This, like the contest, is an annual affair, and is given to the society making the highest average percentage in the contest.

It was held in the dining-hall of Academia, the scene of so many enjoyable events and happy gatherings, where man meets man as brother meets brother. The hall was brilliantly lighted, the gas jets being trimmed in the colors of the society—maroon and orange. Part of the pillars were also decked with the same, the others were trimmed with the colors of the Academy. Patriotism and ornamentation were combined by hanging a large flag with the words "Lake Forest Academy" upon it, on the west side of the hall.

Owing to the large number of guests the tables were arranged in the form of a hollow square around the walls of the room, and in the center of the square was placed the piano, also tastefully covered with the Academy and Society colors. Around this, rows of flowers were set one above the other, making a very pretty effect.

The only thing which occurred to mar the pleasure of the evening was the inability of Professor Burnap, who was to have acted as toast master, to be present on account of the severe illness of his wife. However, this difficulty was overcome and the position very acceptably filled by the president of the society, Mr. Flint. Not only the present members of the society were present, but also those were invited who were formerly members of the society, also the members of the College and Academy faculties, and the president of the Gamma Sigma society and those who were the Gamma Sigma contestants.

After the banquet proper, or rather after "the feed," a brief recess was taken, then all reassembled to hear the toasts which were appropriate to the occasion. The toast, "Our Society," was responded to by Mr. Cooke on behalf of the Tri Kappas, and by Mr. Graham on behalf of the Gamma Sigma society. Owing to the absence of Dr. McClure, Prof. Halsey, dean of the Faculty, responded on behalf of the University Faculty to the toast, "The College."

The programme closed with the Cad yell given with a will, and then the Society proceeded to the Seminary and displayed fireworks consisting of sky-rockets, red and blue fire, and so forth. This closed the evening's entertainment, and the gathering broke up tired but happy.

The following is the program in detail:

Old Tri Kappa, A. Cooke
Fools, E. S. Cutler
Gamma Sigma, J. C. Graham
The Academy, Prof. W. F. Palmer
Visions, J. S. Laughlin
Reminiscences, E. H. McNeal
The College, Prof. J. J. Halsey
WORLD'S FAIR ITEMS.

Major Jenney, the architect of the Horticultural building, has said that the view from the dome of the Administration building is the finest view on the grounds. "It is the only way," he said, "to receive a first impression. The Board intended that every visitor should start on his sight-seeing with the Administration building. That is the key to the whole fair." It should indeed be the first aim of every visitor of the Fair to ascend that dome and simply look, it may be for five minutes, or for hours. They will be well repaid. The Stentor will not attempt to describe the beauty and magnificence of the scene. It cannot. But one of the thoughts which came to the correspondent as he leaned on the lime-shattered railing, and crunched bits of plaster under his feet, was, "What would that person think, who, knowing nothing of the Fair, even having never heard of it, should in some magical way be set down in that dome, or under the columns of the Peristyle? If, notwithstanding the efforts of Major Handy and his Publicity and Promotion Bureau, such a person could exist, what would be his feelings, what wonder, what confusion? How dumb-founded he would be! It would be Fairy land, a dream, or some imaginary city! Where was he? "There was a gondola of Venice! But that immense mass of architecture was not Venetian. Those columns are Ionic! But these people are not Athenians." Lively Painters.

In the midst of the stranger's consternation, the Stentor's reporter was distracted by the painters over the tall entrance to Electricity Hall. Five o'clock had just rung and these painters were most zealous in putting away their brushes. But how were they to get down? No ladder was to be seen, there was not the customary swinging platform which painters use. But the artisans did not long leave room for doubt. The first one to prepare himself quickly swung out upon a rope which reached over one hundred feet straight down, and sliding down with seemingly no tearing of hands or of trousers was soon on solid ground. The rest followed, hurrying one after the other like monkeys, and soon all were quietly walking home, as if nothing unusual had happened.

"Old Glory" Well Cared For.

At five o'clock also the great flag began slowly to drop from the top of its pole. It took three men to care for the flag. The first laid out a great sheet, while the other two laid the flag on it and folded it up as carefully as one would a napkin. But at this point the Stentor's representative had to leave, and he was soon bumping home in an Illinois Central freight car, one with seating attachments, however. The view from the dome had been at once instructive and interesting. It indeed is the best way to drink in the spirit of the buildings and scenery of the Grand Court.

D. F., '96.

COMMUNICATION.

Of late there has been considerable shooting on the campus by some of the Academy students. Song-birds, squirrels, etc., have been destroyed seemingly for no other reason than from mere wanton sport. Several song-thrushes have been found dead in the last three days. It was evident that they had been shot. Do the students not know that shooting is prohibited on the campus? Further, there is a state (as well as a city law) fixing a fine of five dollars for every song-bird and squirrel killed. There was a time when the rule prohibiting Academy students from using fire arms during the school terms was enforced, but it is now apparently a dead letter. This wanton shooting is not done by genuine sportsmen. Any manly sportsman would scorn to kill birds in the nesting season. If the Academy authorities do not stop this abuse, the townspeople should take steps to punish the offenders.

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COLLEGE.

L. F. U. CALENDAR.
Oratorical Association Contest, May 23.
Ball Game—U. of Chi. vs. L. F. U.
Annual Senior Reception, May 26.
Academy Commencement Exercises, June 9.
Annual Academy Reception, June 10.
Annual Concert at Ferry Hall, June 12.
Freshmen-Sophomore Prize Speaking, June 12.
Commencement Exercises at Ferry Hall, June 13.
Junior Contest in Oratory, June 13.
Senior Class Day, June 14.
College Commencement Exercises, June 14.
Alumni Banquet, June 15.
President's Reception, June 15.

Pleasant weather at last.

Rogers, '96, was ill several days last week.

Regular examinations will probably begin Monday, June 5.

The hand ball and tennis courts have become very popular during the last week.

Miss Violet Phillips, of Elmwood, Illinois, attended the reception given to Mr. Hopkins.

Professor M. Bross Thomas preached at the Presbyterian church, morning and evening last Sunday.

Sunday evening, May 14, Dr. McClure gave his views on revision and the Briggs case in a very interesting way.

Arrangements have been made for a ball game between Chicago University and Lake Forest, for Wednesday the 17th.

Mr. E. H. McNeal left school Monday, in order to accept the position of Cashier of the Clam Bank, on the World's Fair grounds.

Those who are shooting song birds in and around Lake Forest are reminded that they are liable, by the state law to a fine of five dollars for each bird destroyed.

J. H. Jones, who has been sick for several weeks with the grippe, followed by typhoid fever, returned to his home in Clinton, Iowa, accompanied by his mother, last Wednesday.

A symphony and concert was given by the children of Alcott School, Monday, May 10, at the Art Institute building. The proceeds go to the children's sanitarium at the World's Fair grounds.

After the promenade Friday evening, the mandolin orchestra was persuaded to serenade the Seminary. The serenade was pronounced by the girls. "Fine, perfectly grand. We could listen nearly all night to music like that." The young ladies seemed to infer that for some serenades they did not care to stay awake all night.

The police have been the object of much criticism by the citizens because of a serious mistake made last week while carrying out the Mayor's order. After the order to destroy all unmuzzled dogs had come into force, it seems that the first canine to suffer was found after death to be wearing the required muzzle.

The Athletic Association still remains in debt notwithstanding the replete efforts of the Entertainment Committee last Friday evening. The Promenade given was a success in every way except from a financial standpoint. We are at a loss to account for the small attendance. However it must be kept in mind that the debts of the association are to be paid and the fellows in refusing to pay them in a pleasant way are simply forcing the officers to adopt some measures which may not be so satisfactory to the majority.

The faculty meeting last Thursday must have been quite interesting. Partial Seminary rules had been placed upon the young ladies of the college. The young ladies resisted such an infringingent on their rights and presented their case before the college faculty. The faculty decided that although they might be restricted from receiving callers in the Seminary parlors on any other than the regular calling evening, they could not be restricted from going walking with the young gentlemen. However the faculty advised moderation.
The reception given in honor of Mr. Hopkins last Thursday evening was, in every way, a success. The auditorium of the Art Hall was decorated with shrubs and cut flowers, so that it presented a very pleasing appearance. About three hundred guests were present. Prof. Haley, as dean of the Faculty, made the address of welcome to Mr. Hopkins, congratulating him, in the name of the University, for his success as an orator and thanking him for the honor he had conferred upon his Alma Mater by his victory. Mr. Hopkins responded in a few well chosen sentences, expressing his gratitude for the efforts made by the faculty and students to show their appreciation of his success. Everyone reported a pleasant evening.

TOWN TOPICS.

Miss Florence Dwight gave a party to about twenty young people last Friday evening.

Prof. Thomas preached at the Presbyterian Church last Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. Rhea, Mr. Foster Rhea and Mrs. Dulles are now in Lake Forest, visiting with the Reid's.

Mrs. Burrell is visiting her mother, Mrs. Benedict. Mr. Sydney Benedict spent Sunday in Lake Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scribner and Miss Sherman, of New York, are visiting with Mrs. Larned at Blair Lodge.

Mrs. Grant Stroh and Miss Lucy Rumsey have returned from Del Norte, Colo. Mrs. Stroh will remain in Lake Forest for a month.

The Art Institute will hold a musicale Tuesday night at the house of Mr. Larned. Miss Sherman will sing and the Max Bendix string quartette will play. This is the last meeting of the Art Institute this year.

Last Thursday night several of the residents of Lake Forest were awakened by an unearthly yelling about half-past eleven. It was only the overflow of spirit which naturally comes after a banquet; a few Academy students who wanted to make a noise. Such noise had not been complained of but, a racket at that unreasonable hour seemed to the good burghers of Lake Forest a little too much, and several were heard asking what the noise was for and who made it. Let the Academy students, and indeed all students, be careful when they make their noise.

FERRY HALL.

The girls report a delightful time Friday evening.

We of Ferry Hall are happy in congratulating Mr. Hopkins upon his numerous honors.

A beautiful copy of the Sistine Madonna has been purchased by the fourth year class for the parlors.

The severe illness of a friend has made it necessary for Miss Nightingale to be out of school for several days.

There is some talk, in fact it has almost been decided, to change the present Y. W. C. A. into a Christian Endeavor Society.

Mrs. Hester was obliged to give up her work at Ferry Hall this week owing to the illness of Dr. Hester at their home in the city.

Miss Conger learned this week of the sudden death of a friend, at Baraboo, Wisconsin. Miss Conger will be in Baraboo for a few days.

We would like to suggest the more frequent use of the Gym, for entertainments given by the students, as it is large enough for most purposes as well as suitable in other ways.

Last week Professor Eager was introduced by his friend, Baron von Fraetsch, at the home of Mr. George Pullman, where he entertained a great many distinguished guests, people from Chicago and abroad.

“No voice in the chambers,
No sound in the hall;
Sleep and oblivion
Reigns over all!”

And then the most beautiful serenade. Many thanks to whom it may be due.

ACADEMY.

Hand ball has become a favorite game lately.

The warm weather makes studying rather irksome these days.

Lamberton's brother has been visiting him the last few days. He was an Academy student some years since, and can tell entertainingly "how we used to make it lively for the masters."
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The east and west ends of the dormitory expect to play a match game of ball in a few days.

The students sympathize with Prof. and Mrs. Burnap in the severe illness of the latter. We hope for her speedy recovery.

How may the faculty establish themselves in the good graces of the boys? By allowing them an extra half-hour in the evening.

Erskine's nine now have brilliant uniforms with which to adorn themselves. The prominent feature is bright red and blue black stockings.

Nearly everyone is making arrangements to tarry long enough in the "White City" at the close of school to see the many sights contained therein.

We would like to suggest a game of ball between the Senior Class and the Faculty. It would be interesting from start to finish. Profs. Burnap and Williams would make a good battery for the Faculty; Prof. Mendel could "hold down" first all right, especially if he stood on it; Prof. Dudley could play second; Prof. Smith third; Prof. Jack short stop; and Prof. Palmer in all probability could handle all the field alone. Come out and show your athletic ability.

Following are the officers of the senior class:

President and Class Jester, - N. W. Flint
Vice-President, - A. S. Reed
Lord High Scribe, - F. C. Vincent
Chancellor of Exchequer, - R. L. Roberts
Envoy Extraordinary Minister Plenipotentiary to Seminary, - M. K. Baker
Director of Cuisine, - E. C. Yaggy
Chaplain, - T. W. Harvey
Class Poet, - F. C. Ritchey
Class Historian, - W. R. Cheever
Class Sport, - G. M. Wells
Attendant of Hoodoo, - F. B. Whitney
Class Colors, - Black and White
Class Pin, - Hairpin

Last Friday afternoon the Dormitory and College Freshmen crossed bats on the athletic field. Jaeger was in first-class condition, and fanned out the men in one, two, three order. The game became very much one-sided, with the Freshmen on the wrong side, and when in the second innings the Dormitory hit the ball away out in left field, close to the foul line, and Umpire Linn called it a fair ball, thereby frustrating Hayner's clever little trick of picking up the ball and standing just outside the foul line to make it appear a foul, the Freshmen in true school boy style refused to continue the game. The score stood 16 to 6 in favor of the Dormitory.

Some weeks since the Seniors elected a full quota of officers, among others Hon. M. K. Baker as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Ferry Hall. The election had hardly become known to the public when it was announced that hereafter Dr. Seeley would permit no one to call on his "jewels." In short, he had become converted to the "high protection" theory. Mr. Baker at once journeyed to the Seminary to see what he could do to change the opinion of the doctor, and allow a resumption of society between the Academy and Seminary Seniors. He was seen last night by the STENTOR correspondent at his residence in Mitchell Hall Place, and although somewhat fatigued by his tiresome journey, he consented to a short interview. When asked what policy he tried to obtain for the future, he said: "I tried to show Dr. Seeley that his policy was entirely wrong, and that while the Academy Seniors would be the immediate losers, eventually his own seniors would sink into insignificance and lose their identity as a class. He replied that he could not think of free and unrestricted society, and so I broached to him the idea of reciprocity. It seemed to strike him favorably, and he has consented to take the matter under advisement. I have no doubt that we will eventually come to terms, as he seemed willing and anxious to do whatever he could to advance the cause of society."

ALUMNI.

A. S. Wilson, '92, is an immigrant inspector on the Chicago Board of Health.

J. H. McVay, '91, has charge of the cash carrier exhibit at the World's Fair.

L. E. Zimmerman is making large investments in South Waukegan real estate.

W. E. Pratt, '92, is now operating a flourishing manufacturing industry in Chicago.

Miss Frances Patrick, a '92 graduate from Ferry Hall, has been very ill for some time.

The thanks of the STENTOR are due to Mr. J. E. Smith, '91, for his excellent article on "Interesting facts about Lake Forest's distinguished Men," which was published April 25. We wish that more of the Alumni would contribute interesting facts about the former students of our Alma Mater. Let some one write up the women who have gone from our halls.
EXCHANGES.

What is that wild unearthly sound,
That seems as 'twere creation's knell?
It is the college boys. They've found
A new and most heart-rendering yell.—Ex

The senior class of Luff's college has chosen
a lady as their foot-ball manager.

The dean of the medical faculty of Drake
University was arrested recently, by Des Moines
officials, for grave robbing.—Illini.

Beloit and Wisconsin have organized Camera
Clubs similar to those of Cornell and Harvard
and many other universities.

The authorities of Minnesota University are
endeavoring to introduce the eastern custom of
working six days a week. The students do
not favor this plan.

Harvard has the largest college library in the
country. There are 700,000 volumes to 200,-
000 at Yale, 136,000 at Cornell, and 133,000 at
Columbia.—Ex.

During the summer Evanston will entertain
some four hundred young ladies from Vassar,
Wellesley, Smith, Cornell and other eastern
schools, who are coming to see the Fair.

The Nassan Lit fears that the trustees of
Princeton will prohibit the annual foot-ball
match between Princeton and Yale on account
of the disgraceful carousals at these games.

The appointment of Ruskin as poet laureate
is a recognition of the fact, too often forgotten,
that there are poets who are not verse-makers,
as well as verse-makers who are not poets.—
Philadelphia Ledger.

Several of the instructors of Iowa college
have established a prize of $20 to be awarded
at commencement to the athlete maintaining the
highest average scholarship during the year.
The candidates must be either regular members
of the ball teams or win either a first or second
prize in the field meet of the State Athletic
association.—Northwestern.

The students of Yale are making prepara-
tions for presenting a play entitled "Robin
Hood." Vassar will soon give the "Antigone
of Sophocles," and the Harvard men are mak-
ing elaborate advancement, under the super-
vision of Prof. Grenough, with a Latin play,
"The Rhonio of Terence."—Round Table.

Yale now has a hospital where students will
be cared for during illness. It has thirty-two
rooms, and will have trained nurses and the
best infirmary equipment.—Ex.

Lake Forest does not want such an extensive
hospital as Yale has, but we do want, and must
have, some kind of accommodations for caring
for students in case of sickness. The Seminary
and Academy students have been well pro-
vided for, and now we of the College feel that
it is our turn. Dear friends, and Alumni of
Lake Forest, we ask you for a home for the
College girls, and a home for the College boys.

Lake Forest has received many congratula-
tions from the college world on account of our
orator's recent victory. We would like to pub-
lish all that our friends have said of double A,
but we can only find room for the following
from the Collegium Forense:

"Mr. Hopkins' graceful bearing, in entire
harmony with the treatment of his subject, won
at the start the good opinion of the audience.
His clear, musical voice, with its marvelous
flexibility, which it retained to the end, was
the strongest factor in his success. His was,
perhaps, the most symmetrical production of
the evening—thought, composition and deliv-
ery combining to make one harmonious whole."

THE RIDDLE.

DOMUS.

I asked the man in the moon one night,
What under the sun made his face so bright.
He looked at me in amazement and
As he answered "Young man before I rise
I do what every man, maiden or duke
Should do after they rise for their pulse rite."

Of course the riddle was easy to guess,
And my question absurd I must confess,
For even a dunce might readily know
That he gave his complexion such a glow,
By leaving alone cosmetics and dope,
And washing his face with Cleancum's soap.

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grocery department.