The Pennsylvania of the college year 1909-10...

FRENCH PLAY CHOSEN

Cécile Francais to Give Two Performances of "Les Precieuses Ridicules" in April.

"Les Precieuses Ridicules" has been chosen as the sophomore's holiday play, head of the French Department of the University, as the play to be acted by the sophomore class this year. Although the original production was not fully prepared, at least two performances will be given, and, although the date has not been definitely arranged, they will probably be held on Thursday, November 17, and Friday, November 18. There are no sets and, with the addition of several very simple scenic arrangements, it should be a satisfactory scene. Various students less last night that before had not been asked to present their plays to the class for candidates. As there are several ardent candidates for every part in the play, competition will be keen, which should insure its success.

The dances will number twenty-six, and the remainder of the cast will be chosen by Professor Vurpillot, head of the French Department of the University.

In this afternoon's recital on "Lucia" the audience will be made as the winning division of the school. After the opening of the recital, the audience will be entertained by "The Tales of Hoffman." It requires no technical knowledge of music, or familiarity with operas, to appreciate the performance, but since the opera offers variety of musical art, since there was nothing better to compare with music, or to enshrine, any, it was as ridiculous as cumbining, and the French Department of the University.

A list of the committee patrons follows: J. MoH and Mrs. (heorge R. L. Smith, Mrs. Charles Harrison, Mrs. Samuel F. Heslop, Mrs. wooded Club, T. Rowbottom and Mrs. E. Van Swearingen, L. B. Balloon, went all, and McKinley High School, for voice. The recital begins at 7:15, D., J. F. Loomer, and H. S. Kohl, will appear as "Marcel." The remainder of the cast will be made up of A. J. Singpah, 11, C., as "Ge- ronimo," H. E. Perlman, J. R., as "Djadie," and L. P. Cannon, 13, B., as "La Grande." 

ENGINEERS' DANCE FEBRURY 7.

Affirm A Promiss to Great Success.

If present invitations may be taken as a true estimate of the future, the annual Engineers' dance this year will eclipse all of the preceding, both in attendance and brilliancy. The date has been set as Monday, February 7, and the dances will take place in the Engineering Building. The sophomore men have been busy for some time, and most of the minor details have been already attended to. Tickets are already on sale and may be had from any member of the committee.

The dances will number twenty-six, and the remaining minor details will be served. The patience of the committee has been supreme, and it is certain that they will be prominent Philadelphia entertainments.

The Mechanics' and Electrical Engi- neers' Club, whose names already the affable attention of the present season, are eagerly awaiting the dates, which they are sure to accept as an epoch in the club's history.

Of the eight committee members, L. C. Chose, 1910 M. E., is chairman of the committee in charge, and E. W. B. Roberts, 1910 M. E., is secretary of the committee. The resume of the committee follows: J. A. Bache, H. A. Ger, E. C., J. S. Birtcher, 1910 M. E., A. E. Blais, 1910 M. E., W. F. Barrow, 1910 M. E., and H. S. Riggs, 1910 M. E., are members of the committee.

Sophomore Dance Committee

The Sophomore Dance Committee will hold its first dance at 11 o'clock, in R. A. 240, College Hall.

OPERA TALK THIS AFTERNOON

Denison's "Lucia" Will Be Analyzed and Audience Shown Its Meanings Failings—No Recital Next Week.

So limited has been the repertoire of opera companies in America, until this year, when the first of the fall series of operas came to the fore, that the musical public has really never had an opportunity to criticize intelligently such operas as the works of the early Italian school. "Lucia," "Traviata," and "La Boheme" are, we believe, the only compositions that have been practically all the operas that America outside of New York and Philadelphia ever heard, and it is not to be wondered at that they were not nearly so professional as the usual productions in these cities. And these were operas for the most part not intended to be heard in these cities. The operas were written for no other purpose than to amuse the crowds in the theatre; for the same end, we have this musical comedies, but since the Italian acting tradition, the Italian composers always arranged to kill off a character or two, somewhere in the last act which police are not included. For an evening's amusement, but to insure the success of the house and to make sure that they will be prominent Philadel- phia opera patrons.

At one time Wesleyan led by two points, but the score was cut to one, and then Pennsylvanians has been headed for the last three years, and once had one of its biggest wins. A snappy, aggressive game. They had plenty of chances to shoot and more com- ing was very destructive to their score. J. Heywood, the Wesleyan capt- tain, was in form at all times. Wesleyan was as good as ever in full play. A smart and solid player. He filled the case and helped the other forward.

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pen." It is the impression of people both in and out of college that too much time is devoted to non-scholastic affairs and too little time in those things that a college student primarily studies.

This impression would receive a rude shock were one of the directors Theosophists to show from New York Hall of the Law School building tomorrow evening about 7 o’clock. There they would present a distinguished body of men, lawyers and students, financiers and professors. Each has a lack of expediency and interest on his own account; one is inclined to ask what the score is and wonder where the cheerleader is.

And, in fact, what is it? The answer is: None other than the Prater Prize Debate. It seems lamentable that the newspapers throughout the country should fail to give either voice raising the hue and cry against too much ethnocentricism and outside interests in college, and then should give such small account of accounts of debating in their columns. This is entirely inconsistent.

Debating is a thing that broadens a man, that develops him, not physically, true, but mentally. It brings forth in a man a quality which will enable him successfully to make his mark in the world. It fosters keen and quick thinking, a lively perception, and last, but most important, is able to customs the man to facing an audience and saying what he has to say in a clear, concise, straightforward manner.

The Prater Prize Debate is an institution whose value and worth is hard to estimate. For several years Pennsylvania has held an available place in Intercollegiate debating circles, and the Prater Prize Debate is the school in which have been developed and trained the men and minds which have brought credit to the university.

Again, to understand what an important place debating holds at Pennsyl-
BOWLING AVERAGES CHANGED

Civil Engineers and Combined Vets. Beat Medicals Yesterday.

Considerable progress has been made in the bowling tournament which is being held on the Houston Club alleys for the championship of the University. This coveted title was held last year by the Architectural Department.

At present the Civil Engineers and the Combined Veterinarians are tied for first place, both having played and won three games. There is also a tie for second place between the Architectural Department and the Combined Dentals. The standings to date follow:

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Uppers: 174 - 156
Scott: 107 - 103

Totals: 659 - 679 - 679

COMBINED DENTALS

White: 147 - 138
Northrop: 138 - 125 - 125
Austich: 143 - 143 - 143
Osmakow: 137 - 132 - 131
White: 119 - 152 - 152

Totals: 679 - 694 - 679

Yesterday's match between the Medicals and Dentals was very close and exciting throughout, as the total score of 1292 for the house and 1278 for the latter shows. White, of the Dental team, rolled the high score of 181. The complete summary follows:

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ANOTHER LECTURE ON ANTS

Professor Wheeler Talks of the Ant Kingdom, Their Habits, Enemies and Passtimes.

"Guests and Parasites of Ants" was the subject of the lecture given last evening in the new Medical Laboratory by Professor William M. Wheeler, of Harvard. This is one of a series of talks on the ant kingdom under the auspices of the Harris Foundation.

Dr. Wheeler told of certain small spiders that live in cavity in the undersides of the colony's habitation to waylay any of the weaker inhabitants who may be passing. The practical results in constant warfare between these two bee species is the extermination of the weaker members of the ant colony.

There is a certain species of beetle which can change its shape so that even the eye itself cannot distinguish them from one of their own family. The table turned this to good account, these beetles gain admittance to the nest and commit murder without fear of detection.

Another kind of beetle has the exact shape of an apple seed. The athletic young ones of the colony, Dr. Wheeler says, from sides, take one of these "apple seeds" in their mouths and have a regular game of "football" by throwing this from one to the other.

The next lecture of the series will be given Monday night, on "Bee-making and Pasadena Ants."

To Specials and Parties.

All special and partial students of the College Department who are entitled to insertion of individual records are requested to see the Senior Secretary who did not report at the time the Pennsylvania office yesterday was asked to do as promptly at 1 o'clock to-morrow, to meet O. B. K. Writer, the editor in charge of this department. This is positively the last call. (Signed) A. R. Stanley, Editor-in-Chief.

HALF-MILE SCRATCH RACE THURSDAY.

"Birch" Murphy announced yesterday that there will be a half-mile scratch race next Saturday afternoon in which the best material in college will be entered. "Miller" is responsible for the announcement that a gold cup will be awarded the winner, a silver cup for second place and a pewter one for third. The most prominent entrants are Fugl Gray, Masters, Loring, Porter, Boyle, Wilson and Buxey.

"VARIETY DEFEATS WESLEYAN."

(Continued from First Page.)

There was a good attendance at the small field and placed well in the other places. Fruite was good for the visitors. The lineup:


Goals from field—Fruite, 4; Keough, 2; Murphy. Anderson, Shell, McWilliams, Young. Goals from free-throw, Turner, 2 out of 13; Fruite, 4 out of 11. Fruite—Turner, 2; Keough; 2; Fruite; 4; Anderson. McWilliams, Shell, Stewart, McWilliams, Young, 3; Young, 3; Fruite. Time of halves—15 minutes. Referee—Lamberton.

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