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Lincoln Day.

Monday, February 12th, was set apart for the commemoration of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, and all college exercises of the day were suspended. The student body, faculty, and guests of the college, gathered in the Auditorium at ten o'clock in the morning to hold appropriate exercises. A special train was run from Bellefonte to arrive at the College before ten o'clock and returned after the exercises in the Auditorium were over.

Promptly at the close of the ringing of the bell in "Old Main" the college orchestra struck up an appropriate march and the procession of trustees, the orator of the day, and the members of the faculty in caps and gowns, moved from the foyer of the Auditorium to the platform. General James A. Beaver, President of the Board of Trustees, presided. The invocation was given by Dr. Benjamin Gill and was followed by the Lord's prayer chant. The College Glee Club, with Miss Atherton at the piano, rendered a patriotic anthem, "To Thee, O Country," in a stirring manner.

General Beaver, in introducing the first speaker of the day, Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, of the University of Pennsylvania, said he could not refrain from calling to remembrance the fact that it was Abraham Lincoln who signed the Land Grant Act of July 2, 1862, which made possible this great college and all other State colleges and universities of our republic; and that all students who had been, are, and are yet to be educated here and in similar institutions owe to Abraham Lincoln a debt greater than they can realize. He

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Football Dance.

The football men in college gave a very pretty dance to their friends last Friday night in McAllister Hall. The captains and managers of the other athletic teams and a number of men who room at the Track House were invited, making in all about thirty five couples. A number of the wives of members of the faculty acted as patronesses.

Dancing continued from 8 30 until 1 o'clock. The music was furnished by the College Orchestra and everybody was of the opinion that their efforts compared very favorably with those of a professional orchestra. Many of those present suggested that the College Orchestra be given an opportunity to play for the coming Easter dance.

During the intermission refreshments were served by Housel, the caterer of McAllister Hall.

Stewart's Picture.

At a class meeting Thursday night the Senior class presented to the Y. M. C. A. a large, framed picture of C. P. Stewart their fellow classmate, who died very suddenly on Sunday of last Commencement week. Farrington, in behalf of the Senior class presented the picture with an appropriate speech to the Y. M. C. A. committee, which consisted of Wilber, Hays, Kunkle, and Watson. President Hays accepted the gift and thanked the class in behalf of the Y.M.C.A. Stewart at the time of his death was Vice President of the Y. M. C. A. The picture, which is an enlargement made from a photograph taken by Mallory, will hang in the Association rooms.

Progress of the Football Reform.

Probably the most important reform made by the rules committee in New York last Saturday was the naming of a committee to arrange for a central board of officials. This action is something that ought to help to remodel the game and make the sport much cleaner and open. The rules, it is claimed, are comprehensive enough to demand a clean game but the officials have been too negligent in their enforcement of the same. All this because they feared the possibility of their not being re-engaged for future games.

The idea of the committee's action is to have a central board appoint the officials who will rule the game absolutely, not fearing a loss of their positions by reason of any decisions. On the other hand a failure to enforce rules will bring about dismissal.

In regard to the "ten-yard" rule there was some dissatisfaction among the college representatives, but it was carried through.

The next meeting of the committee is called for March third in order that more suggestions may be obtained in the meantime.

Senior Exams.

At a recent meeting of the faculty it was voted to allow all seniors the privilege of not taking written examinations in those subjects in which they attained a term grade of eighty five per cent. This action is in accordance with the practice adopted several years ago and applies to second semester senior subjects.

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