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## A DISTINGUISHED FAMILY

Mrs. Benjamin F. Morley, widow of Lieutenant Colonel Morley, one-time vice-president of the institution died recently at the home of her daughter Elizabeth (Mrs. Dougherty Towers), Jacksonville, Fla.

The burial took place from her home opposite the College on Fourteenth street, Chester, Friday, January 15.

This seems a fitting opportunity to pay tribute to a family whose name figures prominently among the honor men in the Official List of Graduates.

Colonel Morley entered the College in 1875, and was graduated, at the head of his class, in Civil Engineering in 1878. The institution at once called him into its service as instructor in both chemistry and mathematics, in which lines of study he had made striking records. After a period following his graduation, he married Miss Sarah de Lannoy, daughter of Professor Felix de Lannoy, who for many years had been on the Faculty as Professor of Modern Languages. His two sons, Dr. Sylvanus G. Morley and Mr. James H. Morley, as also a nephew, Mr. William R. Morley, were graduated from the institution in the years respectively, 1895, 1904, 1909. All had made commanding records in scholarship.

Immediately upon his graduation at Chester, Doctor Morley entered the Archeological Department of Harvard University, and following his graduation was long employed by the University in important exploration work. Subsequently, he was called to place on the Archeological Staff of the Carnegie Institution, at Washington, and is now probably the highest authority on the ancient Maya civilization in Central America.

Mr. William H. Morley has for many years been following civil pursuits with marked success at Datil, New Mexico.

Mr. James H. Morley, upon his graduation at Chester, entered Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he was graduated as a mining engineer. For several years he was engaged in mining in the West. He is now holding an important position in mining.

An interesting addition to this bit of history is that Colonel Silas G. Comfort, who succeeded Colonel Morley as Vice President and was for years Professor of Civil Engineering, married another daughter of Professor Felix de Lannoy, Miss Nellie de Lannoy. In 1916 the institution graduated his son, Frederick de Lannoy Comfort, who is now a lieutenant of cavalry U. S. A. Lieutenant Comfort has attained distinction in the mounted drill, having for a number of years been on duty as instructor at the cavalry post, Fort Riley, Kansas. Still another interesting feature of this family history is that Major Clarence E. Myers, of the Highway Department, Philadelphia, also a graduate of the College, Class

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SHAM BATTLE

## ECONOMICS AND CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENTS OCCUPY NEW QUARTERS IN SCIENCE BLDG.

The Department of Commerce and Finance and the Chemistry Department are now occupying their new quarters in the Laboratory, or Science Building.

With an eye to obtaining the best lighting effects, the entire first floor of the building has been beautifully renovated for the housing of the Department of Commerce and Finance. The new appointments include three splendidly equipped classrooms, an economics laboratory, and an office for Professor Beach, head of the department. There are new floors throughout, and the walls have been tinted with most restful effect. The classrooms are equipped with new chairs. With the department now in its own compact and up-to-date quarters, increased efficiency is bound to result.

Modern quarters for the Chemistry Department have been provided on the second floor of the building. They include a lecture room, a laboratory for quantitative analysis, a laboratory for qualitative analysis, a balance room, a store room and an office.

## INSPECTION

Lieutenant Colonel Clarence Deems, Jr., F. A., U. S. A., in charge of R. O. T. C. affairs, Headquarters Third Corps Area, U. S. A., inspected the cadet battalion on Saturday, January 9.

There was inspection of quarters, review and inspection of arms. The Colonel heard recitations of classes in military science and tactics. He expressed himself as pleased with the fine appearance presented by the corps.

## CADETS WIN FAST POLO OPENER

Sensational shooting enabled the College poloists to win the opener of their indoor season in December with the crack First City Troop horsemen of Philadelphia by the score 15-5.

A drive for a goal the entire length of the armory tanbark by Elmer Putt, and two aerials for tallies from midfield by Captain Dan Jones were examples of P. M. C.'s uncanny shooting in this opening game.

Putt was high goal man of the game with seven tallies, while Jones came a close second with six.

The troopers staged a furious game in the first two chukkers but were unable to compete with the Chester cadets in shooting and riding off. The half closed with P. M. C. leading by two points. The second half opened with the troopers fighting to regain lost ground. However, they scored but once in these last two periods, the tally being made in the third chukker by Cox when he lifted the pill out of scrimmage and swung it in for a goal. P. M. C. turned loose a landslide of goals, registering four in the third and five in the fourth and final period of the game. In the third frame, Captain Jones twice in succession picked the ball out of scrimmage in midfield and made tallies with sensational aerials. In this same chukker, Putt made two goals, one a difficult angle shot. In the last frame the troopers failed to score while P. M. C. registered five goals in quick succession. It was in this chukker that Putt made his drive clean across the entire length of the armory tanbark for a tally. The goal was made on the "knock-in" from the foul line.

Lineup:  
P. M. C. Positions First City Troop  
Burt ..... No. 1 ..... Huhn  
Jones ..... No. 2 ..... Shober  
Putt ..... No. 3 ..... Cox  
Goals, Putt, 7; Jones, 6; Burt, 2; Huhn, 2; Shober, 2; Cox, 1. Four ten-minute chukkers. Referee, Davisson.

# THE P. M. C. NEWS

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## TECHNICAL ESSAYS

Technical essays were read by members of the Senior Class Friday evening, December 4.

The essays were prepared under the direction of Professor Karl Agan, and covered a wide variety of interesting and instructive subjects.

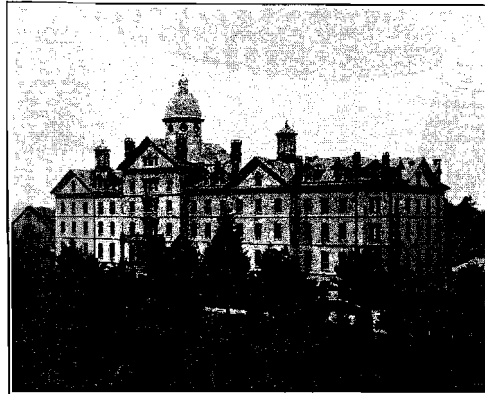
"The City Manager Plan" was the subject of the paper of Cadet Sheryn L. Davis. He argued that the city manager plan as it has been adopted by several American cities has shown itself to be the best system of city government. He declared that leading political thinkers and economists were in agreement that it is the most democratic plan of city government ever devised. Wherever it has been employed it has brought lower taxes and lowered indebtedness, and has taken municipal affairs out of the hands of the politicians.

A most interesting paper on "Highway Research" was read by Cadet Alvin M. Burt. Cadet Burt brought out that the greatest problem confronting engineers today was the construction of adequate highways to handle the ever-increasing automobile traffic. "When one considers," he said, "that there is one car for every ten persons in this country one can appreciate the seriousness of the problem. Through the highway research department of the Federal government cooperation is brought about with the several states in the effort to evolve a type of highways that will best meet the needs of the present day traffic. Today each state maintains research laboratories where various materials are tested. Through these methods the highway problem promises to be solved."

Cadet Samuel J. Lyons, Jr., dealt with the subject "American Industrial Development." In his paper Cadet Lyons brought out the cardinal points that have made possible the great industrial development of America. He showed the great economic value of the division of labor, the localization of industry and the elimination of waste. To these causes he attributes America's place in the industrial world.

"Railroad Cooperation" was the subject very capably handled by Cadet Howard P. Paulin. He brought out the fact that all the various departments of railroad must cooperate in order to give high-class service to the general public.

A splendid paper on "Engineering Education" was read by Cadet Fred-eric N. Whitley, Jr. He declared that engineering education in the past decade has been under constant pressure to broaden the course of study so as to include certain economic subjects that relate especially to business. He showed clearly, however, that the engineer owing to the exactness of his work must devote all of his time during his under-graduate



VISTA OF "OLD MAIN" IN SPRING-TIME

course to the study of mathematics because upon it the foundation of Engineering is laid.

Cadet Glen L. Salm spoke on "Running Trains With Running Water." Forcefully he explained the great advantage of electric railroad over steam. By way of example he took the case of the Milwaukee and St. Paul and pointed out how by the electrification of the mountain division of that road a great saving was made in every department.

In one item alone the Milwaukee and St. Paul through electrification saved tremendous sums in fuel. The one drawback to all our electrification he said, is the cost of installation.

"The Problems of the Highway Bridge Engineer" was the subject of Cadet Kurt H. Nanninga. He declared that one who wished to become a highway bridge engineer should have a supplementary course in a steel plant where he could become familiar with the very process of steel fabrication.

Cadet LeRoy J. D'Aloia read a paper on "Tricks of the Trade of the Criminal Bar." He explained the various devices employed by accomplished criminal lawyers in handling their clients at the criminal bar.

## CADETS DEFEAT OSTEOPATHS IN FAST BASKETBALL OPENER

In a swift passing game with the score tied three times, the College basketballers January 9 won the opener of their cage season against Philadelphia College of Osteopathy by the score 41-32.

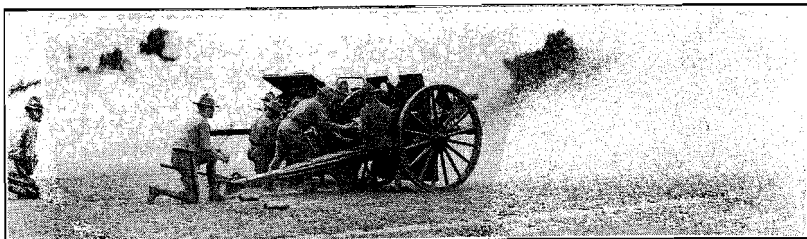
With seven baskets to his credit. Harry Kreig, rangy center for Lon

Jourdet's Chester cadets was an important factor in P. M. C.'s victory over the Osteopaths. Krieg's swift passing and accurate shooting were high spots in this swift game.

P. M. C. put on a rapid game in the first part of the first half, quickly establishing a seven-point lead over the visitors. But in about the middle of the half Bradford of Osteopathy turned loose a salvo of baskets deadlocking the score 16-16. Captain Buono of the cadets gave P. M. C. the lead again with a long shot from midfloor, and then Ellis of the visitors tied the score again with a back-handed toss into the basket. Here Sullivan of the Osteopaths broke loose with a flurry of baskets, and when the half closed Osteopathy led by the score 26-18.

Lon Jourdet's cagemen opened the second half with a whirlwind game that dazzled and demoralized the Philadelphia doctors. Three minutes after the opening of the period the game stood at a 30-30 tie when Magner gave P. M. C. the lead with a long clean shot. In rapid succession Krieg snapped three into the basket. In this last half the basketballers of Lon Jourdet registered 23 points while the Osteopaths gained only six. The high score man for the Osteopaths was Bradford with 13 points.

P. M. C. Positions Osteopathy  
Elliot ..... forward ..... Bradford  
Buono ..... forward ..... Ellis  
Krieg ..... center ..... Sullivan  
Magner ..... guard ..... Laughton  
Hummer ..... guard ..... McHenry  
Field goals, Elliot, 1; Buono, 4; Krieg 7; Magner, 4; Hummer, 2; Bradford, 5; Ellis, 3; Sullivan, 4; Laughton, 1; McHenry, 1. Foul goals, Elliot, 3; Buono, 2; Krieg, 1; Hummer, 2; Bradford, 3; Ellis, 1. 20-minute halves. Referee, Grave, of Penn.



CADET BATTERY THUNDERS INTO ACTION

## STRONG APPEAL MADE FOR BETTER SUPPORT OF COLLEGE POLO

Stoney McLinn, noted sports writer of Philadelphia, recently permitted Colonel Hyatt to utilize his column in the Public Ledger to make a strong appeal for a more generous support of pony polo.

Incidentally Mr. McLinn is himself an ardent polo enthusiast and in connection with Colonel Hyatt's appeal he paid a warm tribute to the prowess of the P. M. C. mallet wielders. The column follows:

By STONEY McLINN

Twenty-five or thirty years ago, maybe less, the average American lad wanted to be a cowboy. Sticking on the back of a bucking broncho, throwing a lariat with unerring accuracy—that was the life!

Some of we "older boys" have not entirely lost that hankering for the rough and ready life of the plainsman, galloping lickity-split and sitting the saddle as easily and gracefully as granddad sits the rocking chair.

Of course, not all of us really wanted to be cowboys. What we did crave was the master horsemanship which the plainsman was supposed to have—did have, if we accept all we saw in the Wild West shows.

Times have changed! Today the colleges are finding it difficult to keep alive that greatest of all games, pony polo.

True, it may not be the fault of the boys of today that polo is fighting for its life as an intercollegiate sport. The motorcar, the airship and all the modern gas and electric contrivances for "getting there in a hurry" have not entirely destroyed that inherent love of young mankind for the horse and saddle.

Judging from our personal observations, the high school and college boys of today like to watch a polo match in which the players display the ultimate in courage, horsemanship and dexterity in hitting a ball with a mallet.

Those who cannot play or may not care to become at home in the saddle appear to get quite as much kick from pony polo as they do from football or any other sport fostered by the colleges.

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Perhaps the college presidents are too busy worrying about the so-called "overemphasis" of football, seeking to place the blame for this on press and public, to give proper emphasis to polo.

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### Something Must Be Done

Be that as it may, as George Monroe would have had it, Colonel Frank K. Hyatt, coach of the Pennsylvania Military College mallet-wielders, is authority for the statement that something must be done to quicken the interest in pony polo as an intercollegiate sport.

Colonel Hyatt, in an open letter to alumni members of all colleges and universities on the Atlantic seaboard, urges that athletic associations make more generous contributions to the development of polo in 1926.



TWO "GOING OVER"

Pointing out that the University of Pennsylvania and Cornell University have dropped polo because of the lack of support of their respective athletic associations, Colonel Hyatt declared that if the game is to survive and prosper in American colleges better financial support must be forthcoming.

"Particular emphasis," said Colonel Hyatt, "has been given polo in a number of colleges and universities, including Yale, Harvard, Princeton, West Point and Pennsylvania Military College. In addition, polo has been carried on at Norwich University and Virginia Military Institute.

"Polo has already done a great work among college men, has created a wide interest in horsemanship and has sharpened the faculties of the young men who have engaged in this thrilling game. It has given a great boost to clean sportsmanship, for in polo a player has to 'come clean' or he is soon out of the game.

"Though popular interest in polo is increasing by leaps and bounds, the game is in more or less of a critical stage just now owing to difficulties of financing. The 'gate' has not yet reached the proportions where it can carry on the game alone.

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"Until polo gets entirely on its feet like football there must be support from other sources.

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### Expensive But Beneficial

"It is my earnest belief that the athletic associations of the various college should in their budgets make appropriations for the development of polo. Alumni members should also take a substantial interest in the development of the game.

"With the proper financial backing college polo in a comparatively short time would attain a popularity

closely akin to the college football game. Interest in the intercollegiate tournament would extend over the entire country.

"Polo is undoubtedly the most expensive of our modern sports. But the great benefits derived from the game warrant the financial outlay.

"Polo is constantly training groups of young men in a high grade of horsemanship—in other words, it is working up the best material for possible high-trained cavalry units which might some day be urgently needed in this country, especially in the event of invasion of our shores by a foreign foe.

"Three institutions especially, Yale, West Point and P. M. C., have gone to great expense in developing polo. Yale has a number of polo teams, the first two or three of which are virtually equal in ability. Yale has in the vicinity of sixty active players."

An alumnus who wouldn't "make a fool of himself" in boyish enthusiasm at a polo match such as was played between P. M. C. and Yale last spring would need to see a physician.

Pony polo is played indoors as well as on the turf out of doors. It has become a year-round sport.

P. M. C. recently opened her indoor season by defeating the First City Troop team, 15-5. The West Point Cadets, Yale, Norwich, Harvard and V. M. I. are other teams on the Chester team's schedule.

A United States Army team will be met in Baltimore and several games will be played in Brooklyn, where polo in cavalry armories is one of the leading winter sports.

Colonel Hyatt has a well-coached team which probably will win the intercollegiate title. The game is certain to grow and prosper at the Chester college.

But P. M. C. is anxious to see the (Continued on Page 4)



A BEAUTIFUL JUMP

#### COLLEGE POLOISTS BEAT A TROOP IN BRILLIANT MALLET CONTEST

In a whirlwind finish the College poloists on Saturday evening, January 16, defeated the crack Troop A outfit, of Philadelphia, by the score 12-4.

The game was staged in the 103d Cavalry Armory, Philadelphia, in the presence of an audience that packed the galleries. The riding was furious and there were frequent spills and close shaves that kept the spectators continually on edge. At the beginning of the third chukker the mount of Cadet Dan Jones collided with the pony of Fischer, of A Troop. Jones pitched to the tanbark, his horse rolling over him. Bruised and shaken, Jones was obliged to leave the game, and his place was taken by Cadet Whitehurst, who played very creditable polo.

In the first two chukkers the riders of A Troop had a slight edge on Coach Hyatt's mallet wielders. The half closed with A Troop leading by one point. The second half opened with the Chester cadets riding like a lot of cowboys. The fierceness of their attack demoralized the offensive and defensive of A Troop. The furious playing and accurate shooting of Elmer Putt thrilled the spectators in these last two chukkers. Putt was high goal man of the game with five tallies.

P. M. C. Positions A Troop  
Burt ..... No. 1 ..... Burns  
Jones ..... No. 2 ..... Fischer  
Putt ..... No. 3 ..... Davisson  
Goals—Putt, 5; Burt, 4; Jones, 1; Whitehurst, 2; Davisson, 2; Burns, 1; Fischer, 1. Substitution—Whitehurst for Jones. Referee—Captain Bell.

#### INDOOR ATHLETICS

Indoor athletics have begun under the supervision of Mr. R. Frank Mountcastle, of the widely known gym team of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde.

Already the raw material is showing splendid results under his able direction. He is training in work on the parallel and horizontal bars, the side horse, and in tumbling, in preparation for the annual indoor athletic exhibition in March.

It is most fitting that a representative of the Turngemeinde should have the direction of P. M. C.'s indoor athletics. For many years most friendly relations have existed between the College and the Turngemeinde, which annually sends a team of highly trained gymnasts to P. M. C.'s indoor athletic event, and these splendid athletes always give a superior exhibition. Their rare all-round development, high order of skill and absence of commercialism, all being amateurs, makes them especially welcome at the institution.

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game become a leading sport in all colleges. That is why Colonel Hyatt is seeking to arouse alumni and athletic associations.

There is an Intercollegiate Association, with headquarters in New York. A championship tournament is held each June at the Biltmore Club, near New York City.

Red-blooded sportsmen who recall the thrills that lickity-split riding gave them when they were boys will lend aid and encouragement to Colonel Hyatt's campaign.

#### CADETS LOSE TO ST. JOE BASKETBALL TEAM

St. Joseph College basketballers on Saturday, January 16, defeated the College cagemen by the score 22-16.

Although handicapped by the absence of their star forward, "Pop" Elliot, the cadets outplayed the visitors in the first half. The half closed with the score 10-7 in favor of P. M. C.

With two baskets and two foul goals by Harry Kreig, P. M. C. continued to build up its lead until six minutes before the close of the game when the St. Joe tossers broke loose with a bewildering flurry of baskets. The score was then 14-13 in favor of P. M. C. when a goal by Collins and another by Branka gave St. Joe a three-point lead. Encouraged by their success, the visiting basketballers redoubled their efforts, dazzling the cadets with their swift passing and accurate shooting. Collins threw two more baskets in rapid succession, Henry dropped in two, and Sheehan a long one from mid-floor. A foul goal by Sheehan added to St. Joe's score. In this second quarter the cadets were handicapped by the loss of Wagner, who was pulled out for fouls.

The best all-round playing of the game was performed by Harry Kreig, P. M. C.'s big center. He was high score man with eleven points. Collins and Henry were the high score men for St. Joe with six points each. The cadets played a good "cover-up" game in the first quarter. The system went to smash, however, when Wagner went out for fouls. St. Joe's passing featured the second quarter.

Lineup:  
P. M. C. Positions St. Joseph's  
Kreig ..... forward ..... Sheehan  
Buono ..... forward ..... Oakes  
Allen ..... center ..... Collins  
Wagner ..... guard ..... Henry  
Hummer ..... guard ..... Branka  
Goals—Kreig, 4; Buono, 1; Wagner, 1; Sheehan, 1; Oakes, 1; Collins, 3; Henry, 3; Branka, 1. Foul goals—Allen, 1; Sheehan, 2; Branka, 2. Substitutions—Cella for Wagner, McCaffery for Cella, W. Oakes for Sheehan. Referee—Cashman, of Ursinus. Umpire—Graves, of Penn.

#### A DISTINGUISHED FAMILY

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of 1909, married a daughter of Colonel Morley, Miss Alice Morley, who died at the close of the World War. During the World War, Major Myers was an officer of Engineering.

Graduates of earlier days will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Felix de Lannoy is still living and in excellent health. She resides near the institution and carries her ninety years with remarkable spirit, and manifests continued interest in family and local affairs.