Officers of the Freshman Class

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SEPTEMBER 11, 1912, seems but yesterday. On this day fifty timid young men entered upon their college careers by taking the entrance examinations in English Composition in Room No. 11 of Recitation Hall. What a nervous, distracted crowd of boys we were. Some began to wonder if a jump out of the window would have any bad after effects; others had a sickly imitation of a "dare-devil" smile on their faces. If it had not been for the entrance of the professor at this psychological moment I firmly believe that about ten of us would now be engaged in other pursuits. The examination soon started; some weathered and some "unweathered" the storm. At any rate the ice was broken; we came to earth again.

The night of the eleventh was one fatal night. We think of it now as the "thirteenth" instead of the eleventh. On this night a crowd of about "fifty thousand" Sophs introduced us to some of the remarkable things necessary for a Freshman to know. A shower bath was the first thing on the program. We did not mind this; next Fourth of July was a long way off. Then, we gave some wonderful exhibitions of singing. It was so sad the angels in heaven must have wept. Next in order was the performance of feats of strength on our part, such as picking a penny out of a quart jar full of molasses with the aid of our nose and rolling a peanut (not an ordinary peanut, but a "midget" peanut) along the aisles of the Oratory with a toothpick. Modestly speaking we certainly did perform well. To tell the truth we brought down the house with bursts of thunderous applause. "Eddie" Foy and "Charlie" Hitchcock were made to look like "selling platters." My! If David Belasco had only been present. At 7.30 on the following morning we had concluded our entertainment. We were heartily thanked for our kindness and as we had shown so much "talent" it was necessary for us to repeat our performance three or four times during the next few weeks.

Two weeks after the eleventh we engaged in the annual rush or "rope fight" with the Sophs. This was "some" battle. Bestowing praise where praise is due, we must admit that we licked ourselves. We had no organization; one Freshman did not know his brother Freshman. As a result of this Freshmen were fighting Freshmen all over the field, and the Sophs won. (Does this explain, gentle reader, how we came to be defeated? If not we will have to try some other explanation.)

By this time lessons were in full swing. "Doc" Sypherd and "Rudy" Srager are "bears" when it comes to assigning work. We began to wonder if
they were trying to "kid" us. At any rate we are still here batting at an average of about .350.

The next notable occurrence was the class football game. Almost all the members of the 'Varsity were in our class. The Sophs put up a good battle for the first half but then our "class" began to tell and we walked away with a 14 to 0 victory. In the indoor meet shortly after the Sophs "got back at us" by winning.

Since our advent at college several members of our class have been compelled, through one reason or another, to withdraw. This is deeply regretted by us. In our class are some few men who give indications of more than average ability and in the course of years we hope to read their names in the Hall of Fame. There may be a genius in our midst, who knows?

HISTORIAN.
Members of the Class of 1916

Leo Blumberg ................................................. Wilmington
Emory Miller Bonwell, Ω A ................................. Kennedyville, Md
*Harvey Chaplain Bounds, K A ............................ Frederica
  Delta Phi Literary Society, Y. M. C. A.
Howard W. Bramhall ........................................ Georgetown
  Athenaeum Literary Society.
James Ellis Brayshaw ........................................ Delmar
Harry Crawford Bye, K A ..................................... Holly Oak
Daniel Henry Callaway ...................................... Bridgeville
Julian Clark, Σ Φ E ............................................. Newark
  Agriculture Club.
E. Harvey Clouser ............................................ Marshallton
James Alexander Crothers ................................ Northeast, Md.
  Indoor Meet.
Joseph Ford Daley ............................................ Wilmington
  Manager Class Basketball.
Charles Ralph Dawson, K A ................................. Jacksonville, Fla.
  Class President, Athenaeum Literary Society, Y. M. C. A., Indoor Meet.
Edward Haigh Dawson, Ω A ................................ Elkton, Md.
  Agriculture Club, Maryland Club.
Gerald Paul Doherty .......................................... Wilmington
John Edgar, Σ N ............................................... Wilmington
Homer Hazel Ewing, Σ N .................................... Wilmington
Harold Morrison Foster, Ω A ................................ Wilmington
  Class Football Team, Indoor Class Meet.
Oscar F. E. Gentieu .......................................... Wilmington
Augustus H. Graham ......................................... Charlestown, Md.
Frazier Groff, Σ Φ E ......................................... Clayton
Horatio Raynor Hamilton ................................. Singerly, Md.
James McC. Heinel Ω A ...................................... Newark
  Band.
Harry Archibald Hill, Σ Φ E ................................. Kennedyville, Md.
  Scrub Football and Basketball, Class Football.
Ira J. B. Hill ................................................. Bridgeville
Theodore Hirschman, Ω A .................................. New York City
  Varsity Football and Basketball.
Eleazer Ainsworth Hirzel ................................... Wilmington
Walter Keller Hoch ........................................... Woodside
Harvey Simpson Hoffecker ................................ Newark
JOSEPH IGNATIUS HORTY ...........................................Wilmington
MITCHELMON LAYTON HOUSTON .................................Millsboro
JOHN WESLEY JONES, Σ N. ........................................Wyoming
             Class Treasurer.
HORACE JONATHAN JOSLYN .....................................Wilmington
JAMES EMMETT KENDIG ...........................................Salunga, Pa.
WILLIAM HAYMAN KYLE ..........................................Wilmington
              Varsity and Class Football, Class Historian.
JOSEPH EWING MCFADDEN ......................................Singerly, Md.
JOHN AVERY MATHER .............................................Jenkintown, Pa.
ROY WILLIAM MITCHELL ..........................................Millsboro, Del.
BENJAMIN FRANK MORRISON, JR. ............................Wilmington
LIONEL GEORGE MULHOLLAND .................................Riverside, N. J.
GEORGE FRANK NASON, JR., Κ A. ..............................Wilmington
WARREN CHILDs NEWTON ........................................Bridgeville
              Y. M. C. A., Scrub Football, Agriculture Club.
CARLTON DAVID PEPPER, Κ A. .................................Georgetown
              Delta Phi Literary Society, Y. M. C. A., Varsity and Class Football.
WILLIAM BATES PRATT, Σ Φ E. .................................Elkton, Md.
DONALD A. PRICE, Σ N. .........................................Wilmington
              Class Secretary, Band.
JOHN MITCHELL PRICE ...........................................Wilmington
JOHN WILBERT RAMSEY ........................................Newark
LAWRENCE J. RIGNEY, JR. .......................................Wilmington
ALBERT RUTH ......................................................Wilmington
JAMES HENRY SALEVAN, Κ A. ................................Milford
              Delta Phi Literary Society, Glee Club.
HARRIS SAMONISKY ................................................Delaware City
WILLIAM BUCHANAN SEWARD ..................................Middletown, N. Y.
HARRY VANDEVER TAYLOR, Κ A. ...............................Dover
              Delta Phi Literary Society, Band, Varsity Football, Freshman Football.
              Athenaeian Literary Society, Agriculture Club.
WESLEY deVALLINGER, Ω A. ....................................Wilmington
CHRISTOPHER VANDEGRIFT .....................................Wilmington
              Varsity Football.
ROBERT WEIMER, Σ N. ..........................................New York City
ALBERT ALLEN WHITE, Κ A. ..................................Conshohocken, Pa.
WILLIAM COMPTON WILLS ......................................Wilmington
EDWIN S. VALLIANT, Σ Φ E. ..................................Laurel