

## Literary Societies

### PLATONIC SOCIETY

Judging from the voluminous political news articles about the recent national presidential election, one might think it was a hot contest. No doubt it was, but who will dare compare it with the election of the Platonic Literary Society officers for the second quarter? All the many members had their political machinery oiled and working perfectly. That it was a very hotly contested election is proved by the fact that several candidates won by a majority of only one vote. The retiring officers have given entirely satisfactory service, some being elected to other offices instead of being laid on the shelf. Everyone was primed for the occasion, and the entire election went like clock-work. The results are as follows:

President—Grady Kincaid.  
Vice-President—Fred Hedgepeth.  
Secretary—Laurie Smith.  
Treasurer—Lewis Carpenter.  
Chaplin—Hoskie O. Huss.  
Critic—R. P. Gibbs.  
Marshal—John Keever.  
Janitor—Jack Huneycutt.

### VICTORIAN SOCIETY.

Although the Victorians do not make a lot of noise about their society as the Newtonians and Platonics do, we would have you know that we are still alive and working. At our last meeting, after a short but very interesting program, the new officers were elected.

President—Cornelia Campbell.  
Vice-President—Christine Jensen.

Secretary—Myra Wagg.  
Treasurer—Catherine Cassels.  
Chaplain—Pauline Satterwhite.  
Marshal—Evelyn Pons.  
Critic—Jane Goode.  
Reporter—Margaret Usry.  
Janitor—Kate Schrum.

Our society meets every Friday afternoon at 2:05 o'clock, and we extend to all a cordial invitation to visit us at any time you wish.  
—Kate Schrum.

### NEWTONIAN SOCIETY

On Friday evening, November 16, 1928, the Newtonian Literary held its regular quarterly election of officers. The following were elected: President, J. L. Michael; Vice-President, Arnold Killough; Secretary, Edison Bass; Treasurer, Joe Griggs; Chaplin, J. L. Con-drey; Chairman of Executive Committee, E. B. Hunt; Critic, Henry F. Snow; Marshal, Ellis Hunt; and Janitor, A. B. Bruton.

The Society has been a success under the regime of the retiring officers and it is believed that the new ones will be able to continue the same work in a more successful way.

### McCombs vs. Eddy.

The first round opened with McCombs leading a terrific offense. Eddy returns with equal force, but McCombs takes the round. The next two rounds went to Eddy. The fourth and last round showed both fighters weakening and went

### RUTHERFORD COLLEGE.

Irregular Profs,  
Irregular boys,  
A lot of scoffs,  
And a lot of noise.

Irregular bells,  
Irregular meals,  
Irregular life,  
With irregular deals.

Irregular lights,  
Irregular heat,  
Won't do to gripe,  
Gotta keep sweet.

Don't get sick—  
Got no light—  
Say it with flowers,  
If it's dark as midnight.

Don't get cold—  
Heat's all gone—  
Say it with flowers,  
And pray that it come.

Don't fret 'bout the time  
A meal is served.  
Just take it easy;  
Don't get unnerved.

It may be an hour,  
Or the door may be closed;  
There's no way o' telling,  
For only God knows.  
—E. B. H.

### HOPE.

What is the voice I hear in the  
night  
On the wind so calm and still?  
It softly speaks to the fainting  
heart  
In the hush of the twilight still.

After sunset come the shadows  
Falling o'er the world below;  
Struggling hearts in darkness  
bending  
For a word of hopeful glow.

Dear heart, come closer, while the  
light  
Dies slowly in the evening sky,  
And listen to a word of love;  
To hope, a word that shall never  
die.

One's life at best is far too short,  
Too soon the flowery mound is  
made.  
So while the months and years go  
by,  
God grant that hope be not dis-  
mayed.

Thus, heart in heart we tread the  
way,  
For soon the dawn will break' at  
last,  
And we shall see on God's great  
throne  
The rays of hope that shall not  
pass.  
—Fred Hedgepath.

### THINK RIGHT.

Think smiles and smiles shall be;  
Think doubt and hope will flee.  
Think love and love will grow;  
Think hate and hate you'll know.  
Think good and good is here;  
Think vice—its jaws appear!  
Think joy and joy ne'er ends,  
Think gloom and dusk ascends.  
Think faith and faith's at hand;  
Think ill—it stalks the land.  
Think peace, sublime and sweet,  
And you that peace will meet.  
Think fear, with brooding mind,  
And failure's close behind.  
Think this: "I'm going to win!"  
Think not on what has been.  
Think "Victory;" think "I can!"  
Then you're a winning man!

in favor of McCombs; thus, mak-  
ing the fight a draw.

The Scarborough-Inabinet match was  
called off on account of Inabinet's  
severe cold.

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### IS THE WORLD GROWING BET- TER OR WORSE?

Imagine yourself at a small fountain of crystal water far up on some mountain side. Follow the small silver thread as it swells into a large stream. Ceaselessly it plunges and dashes ever onward until it comes to a large dam. Seemingly it stops, but it is steadily and silently gaining in size and power. Suddenly the dam can no longer resist and the inestimable force surges forward, crushing every obstacle in its pathway until its energy is sapped by various outlets. The ugly bulk rushes on till another dam is reached, when it again comes peacefully to rest in a much larger and more calm body than ever before. Soon, however, its increased power of destruction is displayed when that dam gives way also. Thus in endless routine it plunges forward, comes to rest, and is suddenly in a turmoil again until it is finally swallowed up in the vastness of the ocean.

In the beginning, was not the world just as pure and good as the mountain spring? Has not humanity done exactly the same way? Everything went smoothly until man's first sin, the first impediment in the silver stream of life. Just as the stream gains destructive strength on its seaward journey, there has been a repetition of incidents in human history. We stand today viewing the surging, ever changing masses of the world. Yes, it is true that the man is more learned today than ever before; he has made inventions and discoveries in every field of endeavor that make his existence here more pleasant. There is less sickness and physical suffering. On the other hand did not the great dam, that was holding back restless tyrants, give way in recent years and turn loose on the world the most destructive, cruel, and heartless flood of war that has ever been known?

What is our ultimate goal? Are we now rushing down the flood waters of time, only to store up energy and gain momentum for greater destruction, or shall we glide out into a calm ocean of peaceful progress? Is there a modern prophet who can intelligently say that the world is getting better or worse?  
—R. P. Gibbs.

### ADMINISTRATION BUILD- ING.

The Administration Building for Rutherford College was erected in 1914. Since that time it has served the purpose of class room building and has supplied the offices for the administration. It has given remarkable service and the outer walls are still in good condition.

At present the building is in need of repair. The plaster on the interior walls has cracked and is very unsightly, to say the least. The floors are sunken in places and very uneven. The crowning feature of the delapidated state of the

building is the fact that it is a fire hazard.

We rejoice in the fact that there is an early remedy for all of these evils. Through the beneficent gift of Mr. Ben and Miss Lizzie Price, the building is to be completely

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