

aging and speaks volumes for its future welfare.

The following is a list of the first thirty, all of whom, with the exception of three or four, paid their first visit to the ranges this season:

E. Forster	88
Prof. L. B. Stewart	86
Prof. W. L. Miller	80
E. L. McColl	79
W. H. Brydon	78
Dr. F. B. Kenrick	75
R. B. Stewart	73
D. F. Keith	73
N. L. Harton	72
A. C. Craig	71
W. B. Large	65
Principal J. Galbraith	64
R. H. Johnston	63
Prof. J. Home Cameron	62
Rev. E. M. Burwash	62
N. K. Wilson	59
D. J. Cowan	58
Prof. G. H. Needler	58
R. G. Edwards	58
Prof. C. H. C. Wright	57
J. G. Miller	56
M. N. Riddell	54
D. A. Macdonald	52
A. C. Stewart	51
H. L. Kerr	51
Prof. T. R. Roseburgh	48
R. F. DeLury	46
J. G. McKay	46
J. H. Jackson	46

—E. L. M.



Lectures on Public Speaking

Lectures on public speaking, reading, etc., including exercises for the training and development of the voice will be given during the present season by Mr. J. R. MacLean, M.A., a graduate of Glasgow. Lung, voice and physical exercises will be given during part of the hour.

An introductory lecture, to which all who may be interested, are invited, will be delivered in Class-room No. 2, Main Building, on some afternoon next week.

Fee for the course will be \$3. Tickets may be obtained from the Registrar and from the Secretary of the Undergraduates' Union. More definite announcements will be made later.



Notes from the Union

The Union dance is announced for Nov. 15th. It will take the form of a reception to the women students in University College and the affiliated colleges. The Glionna-Marsicana orchestra has been engaged and there will be nothing left undone to make the affair a success.

A new supply of note paper, embossed with the crest of the Union, has been provided for the use of the members.

A noticeable feature in the membership list of this year is the increased number from the Medical Faculty. The Union aims to include the men of every faculty and affiliated college, both for its own sake and for the benefit of the members themselves.

To the Editor of Varsity:

Sir,—As a former President of the University College Literary Society, I have observed with great regret, chiefly through the mediums of your columns, that this, the most ancient, and for many years the only undergraduate association, is fast losing, or perhaps has already lost, the hold it used and ought to have on the affections of the student body, so that the annual election, with its attendant and not always creditable turmoil, seems to be the only sign of life left, and I should be glad if any suggestions I could offer should contribute to the improvement of the situation.

It seems to me that the first requisite of a live debating society should be live subjects—in fact, the questions of the day, not only in other countries, but in our own; not abstract questions, but concrete. The old prohibition of questions of party politics seem, judging from a copy of the constitution which has been furnished to me, to have been eliminated, and I cannot imagine why such topics should not, if restricted to measures, not men, be freely discussed.

I suggest that the Society should be reconstituted on the lines of the Oxford and Cambridge Unions, where certain speakers are appointed as leaders, and the "house" divided between government and opposition, with an absence of the burlesque element (except of "question hour") which is now the chief characteristics of its Mock Parliaments. Mr. Kylie, the new Lecturer in History, who so distinguished himself at the Oxford Union, would be able, and no doubt willing, to offer suggestions as to details. It is much to be regretted that the opportunity was neglected last year of worthily celebrating the semi-centennial anniversary of the Society's birth; but I venture to think that it is not yet too late to do so. I beg to suggest that a circular be issued to the past presidents and other former officers, by the present Executive of the Society, inviting them to a conference in regard to this matter, and I believe that they would one and all be as glad as I myself should be, to further this or any other project which might redound to the benefit of the Society.

D. H. Vandersmissen (President, 1869-70)
University College, 25th October, 1904.



Y. M. C. A. Notes

Mr. E. T. Colton, associated with Mr. John R. Mott in the Foreign work department of the International Y.M.C.A. Committee will visit the University of Toronto on Nov. 10th.

The next University Service will be conducted in Wycliffe Convocation Hall on Nov. 13th. Rev. Principal Falconer of Pinehill College, Halifax, will preach the sermon.

Remember the regular meeting of the Association Wednesday, at 5 p.m., in the University College, Y.M.C.A. building.

A number of books that were much sought for at the Book Exchange during the earlier days of the term have recently been entered. Those who have not procured all their books yet, should consult the exchange again.

Come around and join the Association. Do not wait to be solicited.