HEAR LONDON STRING QUARTET

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When the London String Quartet appears in Albany on March 3, the musical public will hear interpreters of chamber music whose perfect ensemble is something approximating an achievement.

The name of this organization has been chiefly associated with the works of Beethoven; but their interpretation of other masters, from Mozart to Bach to the present day, is modern in its technique and with equal approval from the critics.

Their combined tone is so full of opulent beauty, the listener is often inclined to believe them symphonic in size. One wonders if chamber music would have so slowly come into its own here in America if these four young artists had appeared here earlier in their career.

Origin of the London String Quartet

Every member of the quartet is a British subject, having been born in England, and had their musical training in the best of orchestras.

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CAGE BALL GAMES

Game Postponed

A cage ball game between the musical public and junior varsity took place in the gym on Monday afternoon, February 22. The junior varsity won by a score of 21 to 9. Miss Bennett was the referee.

This is expected to be a forerunner of the admissions in the senior varsity game for the senior- vs. senior match.

The junior varsity team, consisting of seniors and sophomores who lacked. Betty Renner’s team, consisting of sophomores and juniors, took a score of 21 to 9.

As everyone knows, there is a vast lot between State College and Albany High School. This is a dirty, uninviting, and is used for a garbage heap, it is a bed-sitting, worse-looking place.

A bill for the laying of this lot for State College is now waiting to be voted on in the Senate of the State Legislature. The placing of it will be of great advantage to State College, Milne High School, and the City of Albany.

A building, which will contain a large gymnasium for girls, a library, reading rooms, and practice teaching rooms, is planned.

In this way State College will gain the necessary room for her growing population. Milne High School will be in a building by itself and have sufficient opportunity for expansion. The City of Albany will gain a well-balanced lot on which it can be proud.

Students, let’s prove to our legislators that they want to help us. Let’s make them realize that the State of New York cannot afford to lose our services.

L. S. O. ENTERING UPON ONE OF THEIR BUSIEST SEASONS

The L. S. O. are entering upon a busy season in England and Scotland. During the first part of October, they will plan over 20 concerts, eight being in Glasgow. They will arrive in America November first and are booked solid from coast to coast, their tour only giving them an opportunity of having three New York recitals.
STUDENT MORALE

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A FABLE BY AESOP, JR

Once upon a time, in the land of long ago, there was a youth who was so lazy that he was given a high place among the gods. Now, in order to keep this high position, the youth had to be diligent in his labors. This made him proud, and one day, when he was told to tell the story of the first servant unto him, said, "Go do my task, else thou shalt be sentenced to death." So the servant trembled and did as he was bidden. And ever thereafter he did show the whip and was the first servant.

The Student Assembly of Friday, February 17, was given over to a forum, at which the question—SHALL STATE COLLEGE HAVE AN HONOR SYSTEM?—was discussed. It was a spirited one in the majority of the students. Everyone had their minds made up, and the majority of the students took sides.

Dr. Crusade reports that the present statistics of the influenza epidemic show that students have not paid their infirmary bills. Already $300 have been spent and about 12 people have been taken care of at the Albany Hospital. The Student Assembly of Friday, February 17, was given over to a forum, at which the question—SHALL STATE COLLEGE HAVE AN HONOR SYSTEM?—was discussed. It was a spirited one in the majority of the students. Everyone had their minds made up, and the majority of the students took sides.
Why Is Iron Magnetic?

A horse-shoe magnet attracts a steel needle. But why?
We don’t know exactly. We do know that electricity and magnetism are related.

In dynamos and motors we apply electromagnetic effects. All our power-stations, lighting systems, electric traction and motor drives, even the ignition systems of our automobiles, depend upon these magnetic effects which we use and do not understand.

Perhaps if we understood them we could utilize them much more efficiently. Perhaps we could discover combinations of metals more magnetic than iron.

The Research Laboratories of the General Electric Company investigate magnetism by trying to find out more about electrons and their arrangement in atoms.

X-rays have shown that each iron atom consists of electrons grouped around a central nucleus—like planets around an infinitesimal sun. X-rays enable us to some extent to see into the atom and may at last reveal to us what makes for magnetism.

This is research in pure science, and nothing else. Only thus can real progress be made.

Studies of this kind are constantly resulting in minor improvements. But some day a discovery may be made which will enable a metallurgist to work out the formula for a magnetic alloy which has not yet been cast, but which will surely have the properties required. Such a result would be an achievement with tremendous possibilities. It would improve all electric generators, motors, and magnetic devices.

In the meantime the continual improvement in electrical machinery proceeds, in lesser steps. These summed up, constitute the phenomenal progress experienced in the electrical art during the past twenty-five years.

General Electric Company

ORGANIZATIONS

French Club
French Club will hold a regular meeting Wednesday, March 1, at 4 o’clock in room 101. A surprise is in store for all those who attend.
Y. W. C. A.
Do not miss the meeting this Tuesday when we are going to have the opportunity to hear Miss Clara Signe, the new secretary of the Albany Y. W. C. A. She is going to tell us about “The Perpendicular Pronoun,” certainly an inviting topic.

An added attraction will be a solo, “My Task,” by Marjorie Bayless, the leader will be Pearl Knipe.

This is a personal invitation to You from All of Us.

Joseph Henry Society
There will be a regular meeting of the Joseph Henry Society on Wednesday, March 1, in room 150 at eight o’clock. Mr. Osborne will speak on “Vacuum Tubes and Their Characteristics,” and Miss Margaret Bette on “The Last Word in Illuminated Highways.” Every member, come and bring your friends!

LONDON STRING QUARTET HAS NO RIVALS

London String Quartet, which is soon to visit the United States and Canada, for the second time, is one of the most famous organizations of its kind. In Europe the L. S. Q. has no rivals. It was founded in 1908 giving its first London concert in 1910. Within the space of ten years the quartet has given more than 150 recitals in the British capital. It was the first professional organization to play all the Beethoven quartets in chronological order. Among the cities where this has been done are London, Edinburgh, Leeds, Christiania, Stockholm, and New York.

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The London String Quartet was formed in 1908 by Mr. Albert Sam-
mon, and after 27 rehearsals gave its first performance in Bechstein Hall with much success.
During the war the Quartet made a specialty of "pop" concerts, to which the general public became more interested, and great audiences resulted. At all of these concerts the programs consisted of classic, modern, and some English works.
One of the chief features of the quartet has been to give the works of English composers, and in doing so many interesting compositions have been brought out.
This year, on this anniversary immediately received recognition.
In 1917 Mr. Simmons gave up his work with the quartet, and Mr. James Levey took his place, and is today recognized by the leader of the organization. In both Stockholm and Christiania the royal favor it is a point to attend one or more performances. In Paris the Quartet met with fine success and in Amsterdam one concert was entirely composed of English numbers. In Spain the quartet met with the greatest success ever given a quartet organization. Barcelona, Madrid, Cadiz, and other cities with them with great success.
While it has always been the de-
sire of the London String Quartet to give the works of new En-
glish composers; the works of the old masters have always enjoyed a prominent place on their programs. The Beethoven cycle has been featured in both New York and London.
While in Sweden a new quartet by Steinhammer was produced, and also a Spanish work by Joaquim Turina.
The featured new work in Lon-
don was a quartet by Fritz Kreisler, and the world's greatest violinist was present at its premiere.
Mr. Levey and his associates have been in America this time to play all the principal cities in the country. Before leaving for New York he said: "While we know New York is the greatest musical center we have ever visited, the great mass of music performed here is amazing. And we feel sure that the audiences come from, our reception has been wonderful, and now we want to see this great country more than ever."

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Miss Baker, on the other hand, said that the student body was made up of Katherine Pelz, Jack Mc-
Cleave, Marjorie Blythe, and Mary Vedder to sum up the general opin-
ion of the student body.

STUDENT MORALE
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side world is "lack of morale." And those whom we wronged have enough of that which we lack, not to say, "State College is a great place to be," but of lie they have made a commonplace which is too true (and that is why the guilty resent it so) that we, as characterless beings of jazz days, dare not deny it—"State College is a child."

NEW COMPOSITION BY
H. WALDO WARNER

At its first New York recital in Amos, December 5th, the London String Quartet will present a new work by its viola player, H. Waldo Warner, entitled the "Fairy Suite" opus 23. The work is in five parts, the first is called "Moonbeam;" second, "Tosca Sposal;" third, "Tinkling Blue Bell;" fourth, "Indy Ladies;" fifth, "The Ring Dance." This work has been composed especially for the first New York recital. Mr. Warner recently won the Coolidge prize which was played at the Pittsfield Festival with much success and one of his compositions rendered by the quartet last season in New York caused much favorable comment.
Mr. Warner is looked upon as one of England's prominent composers, his chamber music compositions winning the admiration of all music lovers.

ELECTROGRAPHS
The radio message sent by President Harding at the opening of the great central radio station on Long Island, was picked up in over seventeen foreign countries. The station is operated by the Radio Corporation of America.

Electrographs are being used successfully in the northern cotton belt to pick cotton with electricity's aid. Hollow flexible tubes reach out in four directions from the tractor. On the end of each is a set of revolving brushes encased in a small metal frame, with an opening about the size of a man's double fore, and sufficiently large to take a boll of cotton. The brushes are driven by an electric motor through a flexible drive shaft and revolve inwardly, or toward each other. This causes a comb-like movement which pulls the cotton from the plant the moment it comes in contact with the brushes. It is then sucked up the hollow tube and deposited in a receptacle carried on the tractor.

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