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Now that politics has begun to assume some tangible form throughout the state it is also appearing in the student body. The students as a rule do not enter or take any important part in such affairs before the regular candidates have been named by their respective parties. However, when a man who has been, at some time or other, connected with this university is mentioned for a prominent office, they use their influence in his favor. Especially when the man so mentioned is a member of our faculty, the student interest is intensified.

The mention a few days ago in the city papers of Hon. H. H. Wilson as a desirable candidate for governor has set many of the students, especially the law students to work in his behalf. While Mr. Wilson has not yet announced himself as a candidate for this office his friends are very active in their desire to secure his nomination. Mr. Wilson is one of the instructors in the college of law where he is recognized as a man of exceptional ability and highly respected by all who have met or had dealings with him.

PEDAGOGICAL CLUB MEETING.

The University Pedagogical Club will hold a meeting next Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Y.W.C.A. rooms. After the social meeting the club will be addressed by C. S. Allen, '86, ex-president, and at present a member, of the Lincoln board of education. His subject will be "Personal characteristics that influence the employment and success of teachers, as seen from the standpoint of a member of the school board."

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HOW FILIPINOS GAMBLE.

To the collection of "Games of All Nations" deposited in the Museums of the University of Pennsylvania, has recently been added a number of the most popular games played by the people of the Philippines. Judging from these exhibits, the games played by the Filipinos do not differ much from those of more cultivated nations, although some of them may have had their origin in eastern countries. Among the exhibits and games most commonly used by the natives for gambling is that known as "Puti-puh-itim," which is a dice game consisting of two wooden dice, each marked with a single dot on each face, two red, two white, and two black. The players lay their stakes on a cardboard with three divisions, marked red, blue and black respectively, the player putting the money on the division selected by him. The dice are thrown and if the colored spot of the dice turns up on the colored division played, the player receives double the amount he bet; and if two spots of the same color drop on the division of the same color, the player gets four times the amount he bet.

Another game equally popular among the Filipinos is one known as "Dama," which consists of a small wooden table inscribed with a diagram similar to a checker board. A lottery known as "Ripa," is also a favorite among the natives of the more thickly populated district. The paraphernalia for this game is a little more complicated than the others, consisting of forty little wooden hemispheres, each containing a number corresponding with the numbers on forty cards. These cards are sold to players, the hemispheres are deposited in a large bottle and thrown out one by one and the player whose card number is first thrown out twice wins the pot.

One of the most curious of the Philippine exhibits at the Museum is a large boat-shaped log of wood containing fourteen holes, in each one of which there are seven shells. The game is thought to be of Arabic origin and is rather complicated.

Another exhibit closely resembles our modern pool and billiard tables and balls, and is played not unlike our own game.

The collection includes numerous other interesting and novel games, among which may be mentioned "pungitan," a game of shooting with a shell at a smaller shell placed in a ring; "tabita," a board game, played with a diagram and a disk, which is flipped in the air; "cara cruz" and "birachapa," head-and-tail games; "primola," played with a hexagonal top die, spun in a saucer, and a card with six divisions; "tapan," a board game, in which six round pieces of wood form the men; "capona," which consists in counting off small shells in fours and betting on the remainder and is identified with the Chinese game of fan-tan; "chablul," a lottery game, played with a wooden tablet with painted numbers from one to twelve, and a corresponding number of numbered cards; "lan se," a puzzle game made of bamboo and a football made of rattan is also among the collection; the game, however, as played by the Filipinos does not resemble the great American college sport.

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