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## DEBATE TONIGHT.

### Strong Team to Oppose Williams.

Tonight at 8 o'clock in the chapel, our varsity team debates four men from Williams College on the subject:

"Resolved, That the sale, manufacture, and importation of alcoholic liquors be prohibited by constitutional enactment, with the reservation to Congress of the right to provide for the sale and manufacture of liquors for medicinal, scientific and sacramental purposes."

Our team, which is going to support the affirmative, has done a great deal of hard work and is well prepared to give Williams a warm reception. This means that there are going to be six men there who will be prepared to give you the facts on the liquor question. Undoubtedly this is one of the most important public questions to today and one upon which every man, especially every college man, should be informed. Therefore, come around to support your team and to learn something important.

This is the first time that a Union team has debated one from Williams. The entire college is pleased that we have started this relation and hopes that it may continue. Besides debating here Williams is at the same time opposing Wesleyan and Amherst thus forming for them a triangular debate.

The teams which debate here are as follows:

Affirmative, Union—C. Foster Brown '16, Milton H. Sternfeld '16, Avrom Jacobs '16, Clyde Heatley '18, alternate.

Negative, Williams—Thomas E. Maytham '18, Goodrich C. Goodrich '18, Irving M. Day '16, Kingsley Ervin '17, alternate.

## BRITISH LIEUTENANT ADDRESSES STUDENT BODY.

### Deploras War in Europe.

Saturday, December 11, it was the privilege of the student body to hear Lieutenant Shane Leslie, of the English army, speak after chapel, on the European war. Mr. Leslie is a Cambridge man, grandson of Mr. Jerome, an alumnus of Union.

One of the ways in which the horror of the war was brought forcibly before Lieut. Leslie touched his life at college. Two of his class-mates, famous men, Robert Brooke and Edward Bosc, neither educated for a military life but instead poet and inventor, had been sacrificed to the great struggle and they but two of his "unhappy generation" of the '80's and '90's and that just when their future was refulgent with hope. Representing the idealistic and the practical types, they like the rest of Europe had become the spendthrifts of their own past.

Having been under fire in Flanders and at the Dardenelles, the lieutenant was able to speak of the war at first hand. In this connection, he told of the ways the men of the various countries meet death. Even

the phlegmatic Tommy Atkins is constrained to cry, "Front seats six pence," while a troop of Scots cheered their home town, a jelly-making center, in the face of death with "Marmalade forever." Wholly different but distinctive is the advance of the aged Landsturm as a human shield for the Prussian guard. They advance to certain death with coats thrown over their heads but unfalteringly in their sense of duty. Patriotism impels them all—patriotism regarding which he quoted from Tolstoy, saying: "Believe me, you talk about patriotism. Verily, verily, I say unto you, patriotism is the sin which is denounced in the scriptures." The truth of this he realizes now, having seen war's toll of the just and unjust alike for patriotism's sake.

The civilization of Europe has failed, he said. Two thousand years of civilization are crumbling with constitutional government, and kings are falling. America must help in the readjustment of the Old World and from his position as representative of the Belgian Relief Fund in this country, he asked: "What are you going to give?"

America must give, in two or three years or sooner, he said, the scales of justice without the sword and with a "patriotism whose obverse is not militarism, and a love that is international."

#### **"AN INDICTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS."**

**William T. Foster, in the November Atlantic, Heavily Scores Present Day Practices.**

"Intercollegiate athletics provide a costly, injurious and excessive regime of physical training for a few students, especially those who need it least, instead of inexpensive, healthful, and moderate exercise for all students, especially those who need it most. \* \* \* Athletics are conducted for education or for business. These two sets of aims are in sharp and almost complete con-

flict. \* \* \* Opposed to the three educational aims (health, recreation, ideals of right living) are the aims of athletics as business—winning games, making money, and getting advertised. \* \* \* The call to-day is for inexpensive, healthful, and moderate exercise for all students. Colleges must sooner or later heed that call: their athletics must be for education, not for business."

So does William T. Foster, ex-Registrar of Bowdoin, and now connected with Reed College, characterize the spirit and practice of intercollegiate athletics in American universities to-day. The paid coach, the anything-to-win spirit, extravagance in equipment, paying of athletes, interference of athletics with studies, the futility of conducting athletics for the benefit of alumni or disinterested spectators, the undue amount of space devoted to athletics in college papers, the fetish of amateur athletics, the harmful effect of athletics on real college spirit, are all counts in the indictment of college athletics as they to-day exist. Mr. Foster, both in his former official capacity and from personal observations covering over one hundred universities in over thirty-eight states, is in a good position to make his attack. He does not base his claims on abstract theory, but spares no words to make definite his charges. Especially does he discount the argument that athletics advertise a college. The paid coach, not responsible to any faculty, is as logical, says Mr. Foster, as the idea of abandoning faculty control of Latin.

We would strongly advise that the article be read. Justice cannot be given to it in a brief review here. We would hesitate to subscribe to all that is said, but personally consider that the criticisms are more applicable to large than to small colleges. (Athletics for 12 cents a man is rather extreme anywhere). There is more, however, than a mere germ of truth in the indictment. Its characterization of the mercenary spirit

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creeping into college athletics can hardly be improved upon. Mr. Foster is violent, but this violence seems to be from conviction rather than from malice. A reading of the indictment if nothing else, will furnish a powerful antidote to a mental state that is apt to be too unbalanced by reflections over football and expectations of basketball, to give other matters a serious consideration in the interim. Whether or not you believe that athletics as they exist today are wholesome, there is something refreshing in coming upon a vigorous presentation of the rather unpopular side.

#### COLLEGE SHOULD BE A FOUNTAIN OF PATRIOTISM.

##### President Richmond at New York Alumni Dinner Favors Military Discipline.

"The college should be and we must see that it is the perennial fountain of patriotism—the center of a fine infection."

This sentiment was expressed by President Richmond last Thursday night in New York City at the twenty-eighth annual reunion and dinner of the Union College Alumni Association of New York City. Responding to the toast "Alma Mater," Dr. Richmond also said:

"I am not advocating military training in colleges. I do not believe in it. I should like, however, to see every Union College man who is not obliged to earn money in the summer for his education go into the training camps and get the fine discipline and the instruction which those camps are able to give him. But the important thing is that the young man shall have ground into him until it becomes an indestructible and inseparable part of him the duty of serving his country. So that when he goes out from college to live his own life, if it is peace, he shall put into his civil duties the same devotion and zeal which every good soldier puts into his work in the field.

"No ship is indestructible. If the bottom

becomes fouled with weeds and barnacles, her progress will be impeded; if the rudder becomes clogged, she will not steer straight; if the machinery becomes rusted and the boilers unsafe, she may commit suicide, as ships and states have done before now. The crime of our modern citizenship is not so much mismanagement as neglect. We have got to adjust ourselves to a entirely new conception of public duty. We shall have to put more time, more brains, more energy, and more self-sacrifice into the management of our public affairs, and these will have to be furnished in larger measure than ever before by the educated men from our colleges."

##### Dr. Alexander Presides.

Dr. George Alexander, '66, as president of the association, presided, and the speakers in addition to President Richmond were, Dr. William H. McElroy, '60, and Robert Brewster Beattie, '96.

The officers elected were:

Rev. Dr. George Alexander, '66, president; Dr. Edgar S. Barney, '84, first vice-president; Dr. Alexander Duane, '78, second vice-president; William Allen, '95, secretary; Frederick Klein, '95, treasurer.

The following alumni were elected members of the executive committee for a period of three years each:

Charles F. Bishop, '80; William M. Gilbert, '83; LeRoy J. Weed, '01; Theodore Coffin, '02; Leighton H. Peebles, '06.

#### UNION STUDENTS ATTEND ROCHESTER CONVENTION.

At the convention of the Student Volunteer Union of New York State held at Rochester on December 3, 4 and 5th, Lee C. Fletcher, '16, Wilson O. Clough, '17, and Irwin Buell, '17, attended as representatives from the Union College Christian Association.

### SOPHOMORE SOIREE GREAT SUCCESS!

The Sophomore Soiree was held Friday night, December 10, in the gymnasium. The large attendance, excellent music and refreshments made the first college social affair of the year a great success. One hundred couples were present, there being an excellent representation of the student body and a good number of alumni. Eight pieces of Europe's orchestra conducted by Europe himself, furnished the music. The catering was done by Winnips. The garnet and white streamers stretched over the girders of the gym, introduced by Foster Brown at the Junior Prom last year, were used by McCauley and his committee with good effect.

The grand march led by Calkins, president of the sophomore class, started at nine o'clock and from then on for the next six hours the dancers whirled away the time to Europe's peculiar strains.

The success of the affair confirms the judgment of the Terrace Council in changing the date of the Soiree from Junior Week to the early winter season, and augurs well for the continuance of the custom.

### NEW TERRACE COUNCIL RULES.

#### Dudeens Replace Cigarettes for 1919.

The Terrace Council has adopted two rules regarding the regulation of freshmen. These radically alter those in force at the present. One of them changes the regulation permitting freshmen to smoke cigarettes only on the streets of the city and on the campus, interdicting cigarettes and cigars and permitting only corn cob pipes to be used by the frosh within the prescribed limits. The other permits freshmen to go to Glenn's and the Crown without the escort of an upper classman during Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter vacations. These amendments to the present rules were read by Gene Hummer at col-

lege meeting Monday and were laid on the table until next week when they will be acted on by the student body. There seemed to be no opposition when they were read. On the contrary they were loudly applauded and in all probability will be put through next Monday.

The Terrace Council has also amended the provision of the rules relating to class canes by defining a class cane. The language of the amendment makes a cane bearing class numerals or colors and adopted by the class the official cane. The rule permitting the official cane to be carried only by a class which has won a cane rush is unchanged, as is the rule permitting only upper classmen and sophomores after moving-up day to carry canes at all.

### TEACHERS WANTED.

A number of students are wanted to teach boys' Bible classes in the city Y. M. C. A. Some of the students have already volunteered for this most valuable work and several more can be used. The work takes about an hour and a half each week and is of invaluable assistance to both teacher and taught. A normal class will be held in Silliman Hall for the preparation of the half hour lessons which are given in the Y. M. C. A. building down town. If you have any inclination for this work hand your name to General Secretary Story as soon as possible.

### COMING VESPER SERVICE.

In the college chapel at five o'clock Sunday afternoon Professor Horace Grant McKean will be the speaker. The attendance of the student body is especially urged for this service as an address of particular value to college men is anticipated. Professor McKean's subject will be, "After the War—What?"

**PSI UPSILON ENTERTAINS.**

Psi Upsilon entertained over the week end for the Soiree. Saturday's program consisted of a theater party and tea in the afternoon, and a dance after the basketball game in the evening. Among those present were Mrs. F. B. Richards, Mrs. Dayton L. Kathan, Mrs. DeF. Weed and the Misses Jones, Flood, Raymond, Wiederhold, Raymond, Ostrom, Abbe, Smith, Bradshaw, Cease, Marsden, McNally, Baxter, Newton, Moore, George, Jaggard, Tallman, Richards, Lyle, Pearson and Hayes.

**MUSICAL CLUBS TAKE TRIP.**

Last Friday evening the Musical Clubs went to the Skidmore School of Arts in Saratoga, where in conjunction with the Skidmore entertainers, they charmed a large audience.

The sight of so many good looking young women quickly took the frost out of our musicians' fingers and they were soon playing in the best of form. The whole affair was very well received, and an engagement is assured there for next season.

After the entertainment, all the men stayed for a short period of dancing, and meeting the women.

Manager Santee is working on plans for a Christmas trip, but many members of the clubs are not in favor of a trip at this time of the year, so the affair is doubtful.

**SIGNAL CORPS.**

The Concordiensis desires to call the serious attention of students to the formation of a signal corps on the "Hill." It is a form of national preparedness that a college is especially well fitted to give training in. It could easily be incorporated into our college work and if properly supported, would probably receive invaluable government assistance. This line of work, so entirely different from the more drastic aspects of military preparedness, and yet so

important to our national safety, should attract the anti as well as the pro-militarists in our ranks.

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**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,  
Faculty and fellow-students!**

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**BIG FIRE AT WILLIAMS.**

Early in the morning of December 7, a fire probably due to spontaneous combustion completely destroyed Thompson Chemical Laboratory at Williams College. Assistant Professor Mears estimated the loss to be close to \$100,000. The building, erected in 1892, was valued at \$60,000, exclusive of any of the contents. The library on the third floor, containing several thousand volumes, many of which were rare old books out of print, and bound files of chemical journals, was valued at over \$5,000. It was considered to be one of the completest collections of its kind in New England.

In the second floor room at the southeast corner of the "ell," chemical balances costing \$2,000 were kept. Among the other items of loss were \$2,000 worth of platinum, and copper valued at \$5,000. Many of the chemicals cannot be replaced now, on account of the cutting off of the foreign supplies and were consequently of great value.

In Professor Mears' office, lecture notes for all of his courses, and files and records of every description went up in flames. A letter from Woehler, the pioneer in the field of organic chemistry, addressed to Prof. Leverett Mears, and hanging framed in his office, is one of the prized personal possessions which was lost.

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December 7 Paderewski played at Carnegie Hall, Columbia University. The benefits were donated to the Society for Prevention of Tuberculosis.

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**Williams Debate Tonight.**

### REV. WARREN P. GRANT SPEAKS AT VESPERS. "THE STRENGTH OF MEEKNESS."

"The Strength of Meekness." This seeming paradox was the subject of the talk given by the Rev. Warren P. Grant at Sunday vespers.

To be meek does not mean to be easily cowed, or easily imposed upon, but to be controlled by the invisible; to live, not for the present, but for the future. Every great prize fighter has been famous for his one punch. Each was willing to take punishment or endure even the appearance of defeat, waiting patiently for the opportunity to get in his one decisive blow. Likewise, life is a battle, in which, if we wish to win, we must endure patiently with a fortitude which forsee the invisible at the end and which finally brings us victorious to the goal.

Mr. Grant who was graduated from the Colgate Theological Seminary in 1914, is pastor of the Union Street Baptist Church of Schenectady.

### MEETING OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the Memorial Committee of the Graduate Council held Wednesday, December 8th, the following were present: S. T. Benedict, '60; Judge Grenville M. Ingalsbie, '68; Dean Ripton, '80; DeL. W. Watkins, '80; Rec. W. N. P. Dailey, '84; F. B. Richards, '88; Prof. Bennett, '90; and Peter Nelson, '98.

The committee decided to provide an alumni alcove in the Nott Library, and the work of raising funds for that purpose will start immediately.

An investigation of the arrangements for the provision of proper and fitting care for the Union Plot in Vale Cemetery is being carried on.

A sub-committee was appointed to make inquiries as to what could be done in re-

gard to renaming Union Avenue, Hattie, and Carrie Streets, it being greatly desired to have them bear the names of prominent Union alumni.

The project of making an itinerary book of the campus and college buildings was placed in the hands of a sub-committee, to be carried out immediately.

Resolutions of thanks for and appreciation of the efforts of F. H. Learey, '63, were spread on the minutes. Mr. Learey has prepared and compiled an extensive and complete record of the Union College men who served in the Civil War.

A motion was made and carried, to the effect that President Richmond be requested to deliver an address at the opening of the second semester, commemorating the life and works of Dr. Nott. This occasion marks the date of the half-century after the close of Dr. Nott's work at Union.

### A PROFESSIONAL ROUGH-RIDING ACADEMY.

It may be of interest to Union students to know that a company representing eastern financiers and western men are planning to start rough-riding academies in all the college towns with a view toward giving cavalry training to college men and other towns-people. The plan is to secure western horses and to co-operate with the government, if possible, in the matter of equipment, arms, ammunition and army officers for trainers. Probably cow-boys and Cherokee Indians would also officiate as teachers. Those desiring further information should communicate with Mr. Henry I. Greenburgh, 34 Maplewood Ave., city. Mr. Greenburgh, who represents the company in Schenectady, expects to address the students in chapel on the subject next Monday.

Over 50,000 students of German Universities have joined their colors and are at the front.



**PUBLICATION OF HANDBOOK.**

A new scheme has been devised by the Advisory Board of the Christian Association for the publication of the association handbook or the "Frosh Bible." The plan is somewhat similar to those for the selection of the officers of the other publications in this college. The resolution as passed by the board is to the effect that:

"Each year an assistant editor be appointed by the president of the association on the first day of October to assist in the editing of the Handbook and that the appointment be made from among the members of the sophomore class.

"The assistant editor so appointed with the approval of the Publication Committee, be editor-in-chief of the Handbook in the year following his appointment as assistant editor. If the work of the assistant editor proves to be unsatisfactory the Publication Committee may ask the president of the association for a new appointment.

"The business manager be chosen from the junior class on the first day of October by a committee composed of the business manager of the Handbook, the ex-editor-in-chief, and the president of the association. The choice shall be based upon the work done by men who, in their sophomore year, have worked out for the position of business manager. (Other things being equal a man taking an active interest in the association shall be given preference.)

"Each competitor for the office of business manager be allowed five per cent. on all of the paid advertising that he secures and that the manager be allowed fifty dollars or fraction thereof that may be a surplus from the publishing of the Handbook and that any surplus over fifty dollars shall be turned over to the general funds of the association."

A call for the sophomores who wish to compete for the office of business manager will be made within a short time by Carl F. Danner, '16, who was the chairman of the

committee on publication for the 1915-1916 Handbook.

Recently there have been published in the newspapers statements to the effect that Stuart Carr Peck, a Wesleyan freshman, died December second, after initiation into the Chi Psi fraternity, the implication being that his initiation or hazing connected therewith had something to do with his death. These stories were wholly false. Young Mr. Peck had been pledged Chi Psi but was never initiated. He had been ill all summer, having undergone two operations, was ill in the autumn, was delayed in going to college and when he arrived was not initiated because it was doubtful if he would remain in college. He was treated by the Chi Psi chapter at Wesleyan with the utmost consideration. It was recognized that he was ill and he received special attention and hospitality. He was never hazed by anybody in any way whatever. Since the publication of the erroneous statements, the story has been denied by Mr. Peck, the boy's father, and by President Shanklin of Wesleyan University.

**400 VOLUNTEERS AT HARVARD.**

More than 400 men have already enlisted in the Harvard University Battalion being organized for voluntary drill. This number insures the co-operation of the War Department which, according to the statement of General Leonard Wood, will supply the equipment for the contingent and provide a military officer for the drill.

Recent statistics give the three largest colleges in the United States as follows: Columbia, 11,300 students; California, 8,180; and Chicago, 7,131.

About 500 Syracuse students have "Hit the Trail" so far in Billy Sunday's strenuous campaign.

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## BASKET BALL.

When we look back over Union's last two basketball seasons, we find an enviable record. Two defeats in as many years is a record of which we may be justly proud. We must also realize that along with this success goes a reputation which must be lived up to, and so just at present our great aim is to uphold and add to that great name which sterling work of the Beavers, Houghton and Woods has given to Union in the world of basket ball.

We already know that in carrying out this task the present team has no easy work. In the first place, this year's schedule is undoubtedly the hardest that Union has ever been called upon to face. This is but the result of our great work in the past and we have achieved a name and reputation which

all of the colleges wish to tear down and in so doing build up their own. In the next place we are to be represented by a nearly new team. This fact in itself presents a big problem, for no matter what the ability of the individual players may be, the success or failure of the team lies in its ability to act as a unit and to display that team work which is the result of time and experience alone. A Union team has never met defeat in the new gym and it behooves us all to get behind our new men and do all in our power to help them out in their studies and in every other way and thus keep defeat away from the door of our new gym for another year.

But to turn from theory to practice we find that we have every reason to look forward to a repetition of the last two seasons. An unusually large number of good men are trying out for the varsity and they make the practice hard and fast. The first string men are getting opposition from the scrubs which equals that to be encountered from many of our rivals. This kind of training can not help having its effect and Coach Dawson already has developed a team that will do a great deal toward continuing to uphold the reputation of the championship team of last year.

Now as a word of advice to the student body; do not think of our team as a new one which must make a name for itself before you get behind it and push, but consider it as a Union team which we have never known to fail and which we will not allow to be beaten.

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

In this last issue of the Concordiensis before the Christmas vacation we take the

opportunity to wish the faculty and students a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Almost imperceptibly, a third of the college year has slipped by. One by one the days have passed and because they were so filled with busy hours and good times they have attracted no special attention to their rapidity. Time is always playing this trick on college men. The entering freshman sees ahead of him four long years of vast opportunity. With a shock the senior looks back over four short years which have passed as a dream, and regretfully asks why he has not given more time to the improvement of his opportunities.

May the thought that Christmas is here again serve to remind us that the years are rolling around us with deceptive speed and that we are easily fooled as to the time. May it increase in our minds the importance of improving every minute and of the immediate grasping of every opportunity that presents itself to us in our college life.

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The editorials for this issue were written by William C. Loughlin.

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### THE CUMBERLAND'S CREW.

Pat Maloney's Version.

That marnin' o' March is balmy as May  
Thar's niver a wave afloat on the bay  
The braze is aslape, the winds are away,  
The Cumberland's flag scarce breaks on the day.

Thar's a trailin' cloud from a belchin' stack,  
Thar's a prow to ram, thar are guns to wrack,  
Thar are deck and roof o' railroad track,  
And the Stars and Bars,—the Merrimac.

The Cumberland's guns growl sullen and hoarse

As swift as the lightning flies from its source,  
So swift are her shots, so awful their force;  
But still the Merrimac keeps to her course.

Loik paper she rips the Cumberland's side —  
The brave old frigate, her wound gaping wide,

Her maddened guns snapping the crested tide

Goes down with her crew, her flag and her pride.

But when the sad sea has cooled the parched throats

Of her fevered guns, her battle flag floats  
And her dauntless crew in their sailor coats  
Clear ship for the sky, in their God's loif-boats.

Saint Michael, he cooms from the auld grane sod—

His 'scutcheon, a shamrock, a shalalla and hod,

The arch-angels bow at his slightest nod,  
He's chief o' perlice in the City o' God.

I calls to the same as I'd call to you,  
"Moik, Moik, they are cooming—the whole damned crew,

"Turn out your guard! Give the honors their due!

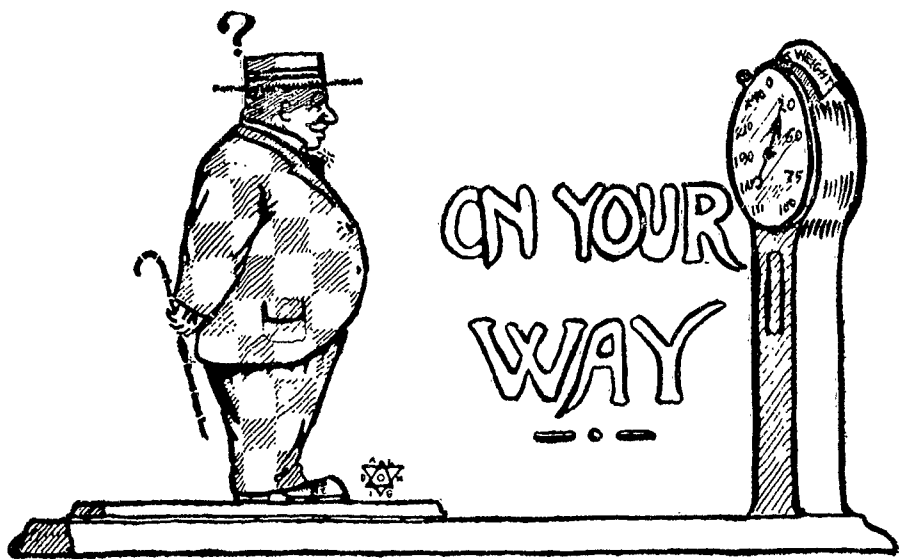
"They're the bravest min that iver I knew."

I swears and I cheers and I swings me hat,  
Me eyes are as wet as a drownin' rat,—  
I jist can't help it; me name it is Pat—  
I would schwap me loif for a death loik that.

Thin Cap'n Buchanan, the foin cavalier,  
Who chances to stand the where he can hear,—

The brave to the brave forever are dear,—  
Says "Gunner Maloney, thanks for that cheer."

HEADFORT.



### THEYMIGHTHAVESAIDS.

(Being "A Dirge," by John Keats)

Rough wind, that moanest loud  
Grief, too sad for song;  
Wild wind, when sullen cloud  
Knelled all last night long;  
Sad snow, who's flakes turn jet  
In this blue Monday slush and wet,  
Wail loud: gone's the soiree girl I met,  
And all the world's wrong!

We have seldom listened to a man who had a better grasp of the English language and who could summon up the right word for the right place with more nonchalance than Lieutenant Leslie, speaker in Saturday chapel. And, in passing, we thank our lucky stars that he didn't bring his fluency to the soiree. As it was, she noticed "that big, good-looking man" crossing the campus and we were subsequently nil while he could be seen with the naked eye.

Someone, under fire in economics class, hopefully guessed that the derivation of the expression "bucket-shop" might be connected with watering the stock.

### THE EVILS OF COLLEGE LIFE.

Holding proudly aloof, as we do, from games of chance, we can get a perspective of the evil influences possible to spring therefrom. Some day a collegier will be invited into high society; he will sit down to a respectable dinner-table and, during the course of the meal, he will pass up his plate to be replenished, saying absent-mindedly, "Gimme another dollar's worth o' those potato chips, hang the luck!"

### SMASHING THE FOOTLIGHTS.

PROCTOR'S—Sunday's Vitagraph Blue Ribbon feature was remarkably well done in every respect, possibly excepting one incident in the

working out of the plot. We seldom see a dream picture these days, especially when the dream is announced before it takes place, without sighing the sigh of boredom, but this film was a welcome surprise. While knowing all the time that the hero was dreaming, we were held strongly interested throughout by the excellent acting and the unrolling of the strong plot within a plot. The jolt in our interest came in the conclusion of the hero's sleep experience. He has fought a duel that really looks as if it meant business, he is badly wounded and lies in the arms of his seconds awaiting the end. But, instead of the relieved awakening that should come during the last struggle for breath, he becomes disembodied from himself and hangs around at a safe distance watching himself die and be carried off the field. Then, when it's all over and the expected climax well past, he wakes up. From a psychological standpoint, this feat is all right enough, but it is decidedly wrong, we think, from the view-point of good scenario construction. Edith Storey takes the leading female role in this film and shows the fan another angle of her versatility. Her dancing in the opening scenes is very clever.

The last half vaudeville bill was the worst we have seen at Proctor's this season. Several bills recently have been fairly good, but this one was a bad slip backwards.

VAN—The second appearance of Mayo and Field's farce, "Twin Beds," was no better or worse than the first. The company was nothing more than fair. The part of the Italian tenor was very badly filled.

"The Tempters" is the same old shake-together that has been around twice a year as long as we remember. Instilling a beauty contest into the piece doesn't disguise it any, and neglecting to change a joke from year to year puts in a finishing touch of poorness. We enjoyed that shell joke when we first saw it long ago.

MUDHAWK—The Crane-Shirleys, we are glad to say, took a decided brace last week and staged a very fair production of "The Yellow Ticket." The personal characteristics of the players fitted in very well with the parts, in most cases, and consequently the whole tone of the production was several notes higher than that of last week's farce. Crane appeared to better advantage as the American journalist than he has in any role since he has been here, the devil-may-care mannerism, which the stock hero gets sooner or later, coinciding perfectly with the needs of his part. Shirley, in the role of the Jewess,



forget to be sorry over her hard lot in life in the difficult stretches of several long lines. Hayden Stevenson, a new acquisition to the Crane-Shirleys, played the Russian baron very well. He will be a material help to the company if he remains. The part of the American girl's father was very poorly done. All in all, "The Yellow Ticket" brought the semblance of a renaissance to the Mudhawk.

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We see that the Keystone Company is attempting to create another comedian in the same manner that they "made" Charlie Chaplin. Several years ago the queer little man with the up-turned toes began to appear regularly in the leads of the Keystone films. No one knew who he was, nor cared especially at first, but, as he grew more and more popular throughout the country, people began to wonder who he could be. His name was closely withheld, however, and it was not generally known until the time of his capture by the Essanay people and the subsequent nation-wide featuring of his name. It is with this quiet system of forcing the popularity of the unknown player upon the public that Keystone is introducing "Gussle." He uses many clever, pre-conceived mechanical means of drawing his laughs, but he falls far short of having the natural, spontaneous humor of Charlie. The little Englishman will never meet his equal in slap-stick comedy.

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And while speaking of Keystone, it was our joy to read that Mable Normand has recovered from the dangerous illness which resulted from a blow in the head with a shoe heel during a recent fracas before the camera. The Sparkling Mable is the Chaplin of the ladies; fans will welcome with open hearts her return to the Keystone battles.

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Grace George, we read, has offered a 1,000 for the best play written by a college student. A comedy being desired, the proposition is well within the ability of several Union collegers, not including ourself. We offer the free use of our dramatic library to any aspirant after the 1,000.

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The subject of college play-writing brings to mind the dead-and-buried state of our own dramatics, and we wonder if they will ever be resurrected again. Few are the American colleges that do not look to their dramatics as one of their most important activities. A majority of them smaller colleges included, have dramatics on a basis similar to that of our musical clubs,

appearing abroad in the towns and cities where the alumni are strong and where it would be a good advertisement. We fail to see why this activity is dormant at Union. All it needs is someone to grease the ways a little.

#### TELEGRAM WAG.

Union College, Dec. —

Captain Varsity Debating Team,  
Williams College.

Plan to stay here over night. Big party at Glenn's after debate.

Union College Debating Team.

Any manual labor is unpleasant, but we can't conceive of a more arduous employment than has the Jay Street tailor who advertises: "Clothes Pressed By Hand." His task might be called a sort of prestidigitation though there can obviously be nothing slight of hand about him.

Press and public are shouting for a new army and navy for national defence, noticing, we suppose, that they are defending themselves in the old country.

#### THOSE BARBER SHOP CONVERSATIONS.

"Hello, ole man! How's business?"

"Oh, so-so. Well, what you think of the latest developments over across?"

"Say, you know them Germans ought to be annihilated. I tell you right now, if they lick the alleys civilization'll be busted all to smash."

"Yer right! Yessir! Who broke them treatiez, I want to know? Them Germans! Every time!"

"Sure they did."

"And let me tell you another thing, boy. Soon's them Germans win that ole KaySAR's going to dump ninety thousand men slam into Batt'ry Park, New York City, you listen to that!"

"Inev'table! I'm for national perpared-ness every time. That's what I say!"

"None o' this watch and wait fer me!"

"Me either. Perpared-ness, I say. That's the dope for the U. S. Where you suppose them Germans'd been this minute now without that wonderful perpared-ness they got? Shot sky high, I say!"

"Sky high's no word for it. Why, I tell you it's wonderful how they're trimmin' the whole content the way they are. It's the biggest thing goin'!"

"You got to hand it to 'em haven't you now?"

"Mm! Well, I guess not! Wonderful race, them Germans. Humph! Germans. Humph! Seven o'clock. Got to break

away, ole man."

"Same here. The wife'll be waitin'."

"Well, be good!"

"Be good yourself!"

#### A WORD TO THE WISE.

We have often thought of what a wonderful melee Caustic Hop Adams, of the Tribune Ad-Visor, could make among the wonder sales of The Outlet in Jay Street. And while in a vein of, as you might say, spuriousness, we take it upon ourself to warn the smoking collegers of a cigarette paper called "Riz La Tour." They are put up in exact imitation of the "Riz La Croix" masterpieces, but they are very, very different. We recommend them as excellent material to pass out to the bummer.

With the advent of the corn-cob pipe in freshman circles comes the rumor that secret agents of the Smokarol Company are working with the men higher up.

#### THE INEBRIATE'S PARAGRAPH.

We have forgotten what literary inebriate it was that asked if Edgar Lee Masters ever wrote a Green River Anthology.

At last the diplomatic notes to Austria are getting very harsh, and The Times says that the last one is, unless Vienna backs down, the forerunner of an ultimatum—a penultimatum, we Funny Men would say.

Maeterlincke once issued a scientific paper in which he made the staggering guess that bugs and plants have souls, and therefore, we suppose, infers that they are immortal. A good summertime thought is that no mosquitoes are good.

"London Laughs at Rumor of New German Air Raids," headlines the London Times of the 12th. Regular Charlie Zeppelins, those Germans!

As the time of going to press approaches, to assume a news-paperic air, the Real Snow is coming. We welcome it. It fills up the cracks in the windows and we joyfully discover that we can light a cigarette in one far corner of the room without shielding the match with one hand.

NITE.

There are sixty-two uncalled for diplomas at the University of Kansas. Most of them are Master of Arts degrees.

#### "THE SPIRES OF OXFORD."

From the Westminster Gazette we take "The Spires of Oxford," by W. M. Letts:

I saw the spires of Oxford

As I was passing by,

The gray spires of Oxford

Against a pearl-gray sky.

My heart was with the Oxford men

Who went abroad to die.

The years go fast in Oxford,

The golden years and gay,

The hoary colleges look down

On careless boys at play.

But when the bugles sounded war

They put their games away.

They left the peaceful river,

The cricket-field, the quad,

The shaven lawns of Oxford

To seek a bloody sod—

They gave their merry youth away

For country and for God.

God rest you, happy gentlemen,

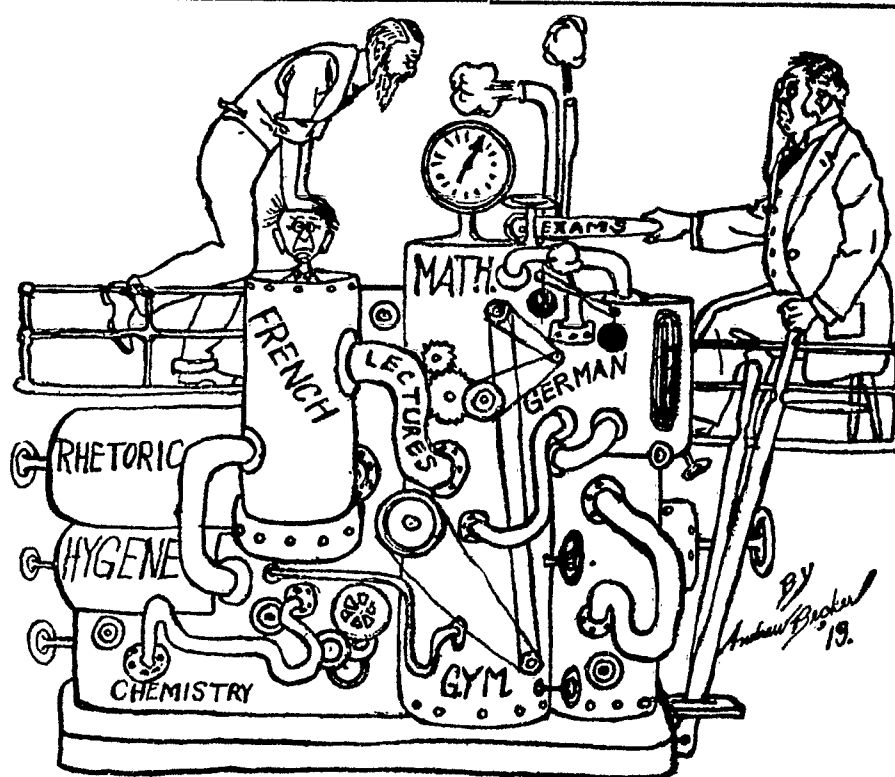
Who laid your good lives down,

Who took the khaki and the gun

Instead of cap and gown.

God bring you to a fairer place

Then even Oxford town.



DOWN FROSH.

## AT THE END OF THE TERM.

By Joshua Agenda.

It was a miserable way to spend the afternoon, but the call of one's family had to be heeded occasionally. It was too windy to play tennis anyhow. So he sat laboriously writing home.

"I suppose I've got to stick around here for a few days after graduation at least," Kimberley wrote. "There's a lot to be done—somebody's got to straighten out after the old grads get through mussing the place up. It really hasn't been a bad year, but I'll be glad when exams are over. I guess I'll be able to run down home about the——"

His roommate sprawled his ungainly bulk on the lounge across the room. Harvey really was tremendously fat. Just at present he was wheezing uncomfortably with a wretched cold.

"Harvey" called the letter-writer, "how in the world do you spell 'eighth?'"

Harvey shifted his bulk ever so little on the lounge.

"I wish you wouldn't annoy me," he said in his husky voice. "I'm right in the middle of Marchbank's big scene with Morell and can't be disturbed. You spell eighth 'e-i-g-h-'"

Then he stopped. He rose from the lounge and his asthmatic breath fluttered in his throat. Without another word he fell, ponderously, bizarrely. Kimberley ran to him.

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Kimberley stood by the window an hour later looking out at the sunset. He had no remembrance of running to the telephone but soon enough Dr. Peters and several of the fellows had come. Harvey was dead. It was some complication of asthma and something going to the heart Dr. Peters had said. Harvey had been in rotten condition.

They had taken what was left of him.

Telegrams had been sent, the dean had called. And now Kimberley stood by the window in a strange hush that followed upon the excitement of the previous hour.

Behind the hills across the valley the sun was going down. Elm trees intervened so that Kimberley could scarcely see the factories that lined the river. For five minutes he stood there.

Abruptly he turned, snapped on the desk-light, and sat down. In front of him lay the unfinished letter. As he took up his fountain pen he read over the last lines—"I guess I'll be able to run down home about the ——" There the line stopped.

Kimberley spoke up suddenly—

"Harvey," he called, "how in the world do you spell 'eighth?'"

It was with a gesture as of warding a blow between the eyes that he reached for the dictionary.

## AN EXPLANATION.

Said Richard E. to Nathan\*

"We've hit it bad this trip;  
The hour's four—no copy set!  
Let's let'er all go flip!"

Said Nathan A. to Richard:

"We can't afford to flunk;  
There's no way like the Jacobs way,  
Let's fill'er up with junk!"

\*Nathan—Nathaniel.

The members of the sophomore class of 1918 who are trying out for the assistant basketball managership are: Calkins, Jaycox, Towne, Beckett and McKenna.

## SALUTATIONS.

When two members of the class of 1915 meet the greeting is, "Hullo, old man!" When two members of the class of '65 meet the salutation is "Hullo, old boy!"

Your turn next, Clarkson Tech!

## Vacuum Stuffing

Doc Mac—If I stood upon my head the blood will run down into my head would it not?

'19—Yes, sir.

Doc Mac—Then, why does not the blood run into my feet when I stand upon them?

'19—Because yer feet ain't empty.

### LOGICAL MIND.

Hoffy: "Where do liars go when they die?"

C. Foster: "They are buried and lie still."

This freshman wore corduroy pants;

"Aha!" cried the bold sophs, "Our chants!"

And the garments frosh wore,

When the contest was o'er,

Would never look well at a dants.

—Jack-O'-Lantern.

"Ay, there's the rub," soliloquized the thinlocked Hamlet, as he gazed at a bottle of Herpicide in a drug store window.

—Jack-O'-Lantern.

It—I dreamed last night I took the classiest queen on the campus to the prom.

She—Did I dance well.

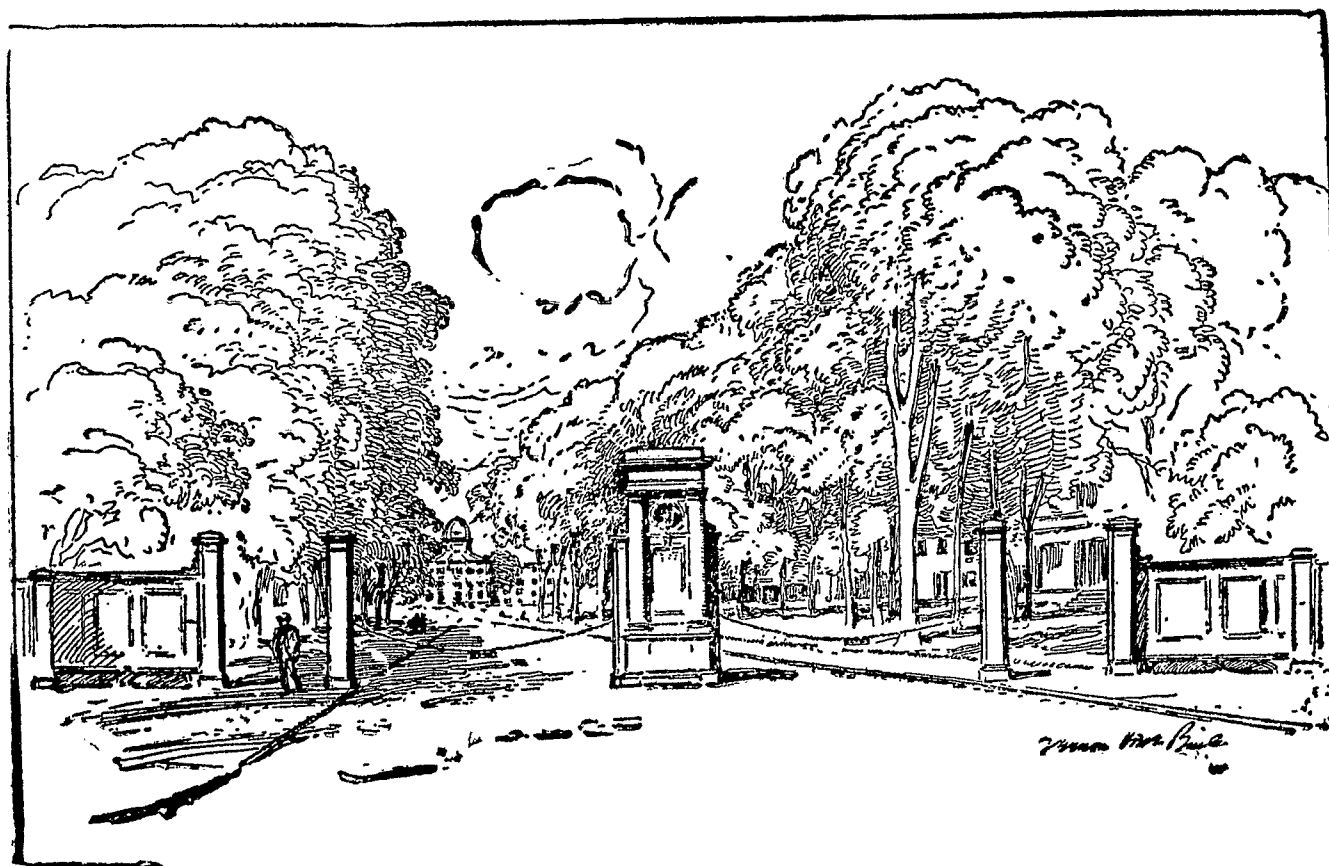
—California Pelican.

E. Q. Oliphant, the famous halfback of this year's Army football team, is the only four "A" man at West Point. Although he has been there only one year, he has made his letter in baseball, basketball, football and track.

According to a special survey, recently made for the trustees of Princeton University, that institution, during the last 10 years, has not only doubled its investment in buildings and equipment, but at present is spending on its teaching staff over twice the amount spent for similar purposes a decade ago.

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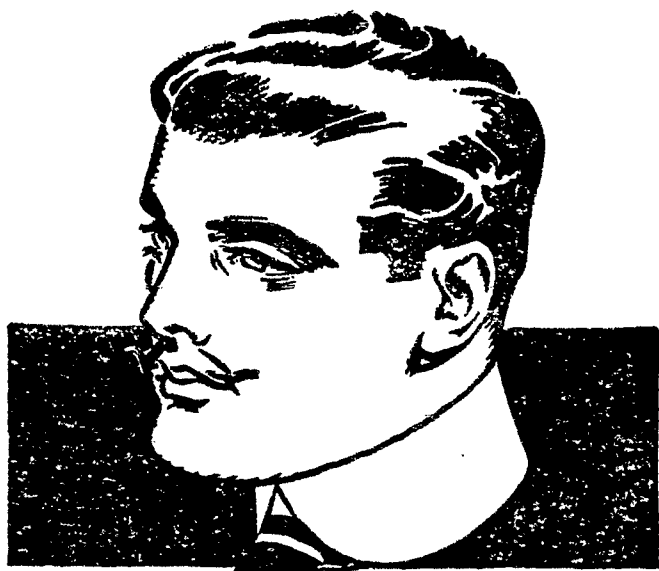
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