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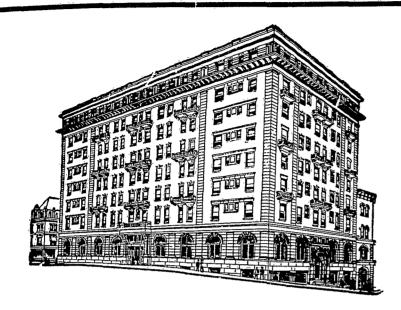
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NEW YORK ALUMNI MEET AT MANHATTAN HOTEL

The New Gymnasium is the Main Theme of President Richmond's Address—Dr. Ellery Speaks

At the annual meeting and dinner of the New York City Alumni Association held at the Manhattan Hotel, December 7, President Richmond spoke at length upon the need of a new gymnasium. He said in part:

"There are two things about our athletics which I am sure you will be glad to hear. The first is, that we have no athletic scholarships, and only one man on this year's football team, is on a scholarship and he is entitled to it because he is the son of one of the college officers. This state of things is, to say the least, not invariably to be found in other colleges.

"The second statement which I wish to make is that the scholarship of our athletes is distinctly higher than the average. Out of 34 men who held places on the various college teams only three men have conditions of any kind and 25 are ranked as high grade men. The faculty makes no concessions to athletes and the under graduates look for no concessions and want none. Altogether the tone of athletics is not only healthy, it is distinctly high and I want to say it as earnestly as I can that we must stand by the boys in their effort to secure a new gymnasium. They need it and they deserve it.

"We must get it for them and we must get it now. There is nothing at this present moment which will do so much to encourage and help the work of building up the cld cellege to which we are all devoted. I have pledged my support and I know that you are ready to pledge yours to the full extent of your power."

There were a hundred and fifty sons of old Union present and the guests of honor included:

President Richmond, President Elmer Ellsworth Brown of New York University, Dean Benjamin F. Ripton, Dr. Edward Ellery, Mr. Burgess Johnson of Amherst Cellege, Rev. A. V. S. Wallace and Dr. George H. Downsey.

Dr. Edward Ellery spoke upon the desirability of having a common meeting of the board of trustees and the faculty where the men of practical affairs and

the men of more or less theoretical affairs could get together and work for the best interest of the college.

"In such meetings the demands of everyday life can be presented by the men who know them. How the college can be developed to meet the demands can be presented by the men who know the departments of instruction most intimately. Such common conclave would be mutually inspiring."

John Bigelow, class of '35, the oldest living graduate of Union College, was unable to be present. In a note from him which was read he said:

"Were I able to come I fear I should not meet one of my class."

At the conclusion of the dinner, annual election of officers for the ensuing year was held. The following alumni of Union were elected: President, Rev. George Alexander, class of '66; first vice-president, Hon. Charles E. Patterson, '60; second vice-president, E. L. Parris, '57; secretary, William Allen, '95; treasurer, Frederick Klein, '95; executive committee for 1914, Dr. Daniel M. Stimson, '64; W. A. A. Brown, '77; William L. Kennedy, '88; H. D. Merchant, '93; Wagner Van Vlack, '00; for 1912, Edward I. Devlin, '81; Conde Hamlin, '83; Leslie R. Pratt, '86; William J. Smith, '99; Herbert C. Bothwell, '02; for 1913, Edgar S. Barney, '84; Norman E. Webster, '96; Edward J. Prest, '92; George F. Allison, '84; Arthur B. Vossler, '96.



BAND OFFICERS ELECTED

At a meeting of the students interested in the organization of a band held last Thursday afternoon the following officers were elected: C. T. Male, '13, president and conductor; R. E. Lowe, '13, vice-president; D. R. Finley, '13, treasurer, and W. A. Mudge, '14, secretary.

Those who were present at the meeting included: Male, '13, Lowe, '13, Finley, '13, Bisgrove, '14, Mudge, '14, Hawley, '14, Purdy, '15, Hunter, '15, and Sauerbrei, '15.



Professor Bennett read a paper on his travels in Greece in 1903 before the Travel Class and others at the Y. W. C. A. in this city last Thursday evening.

GOVERNORS AT CHAPEL

Joseph M. Carey, Union '67, governor of Wyoming and Governor Adolph O. Eberhardt of Minnesota, two of the eight western governors touring the east in a special train, were speakers at the college chapel Wednesday morning. President Richmond, as a member of the reception committee to the western state executives, procured the speakers, who gave short addresses following the usual chapel services. Governor Carey put most of his speech in the form of advice to the students and in the course of his address told of the conditions at Union when he was a student here in the sixties.

Governor Eberhardt, a self-made man through and through, told of his efforts to gain an education. He said that he had had but three months schooling at the age of twenty-one. In his speech he paid high tribute to the small college saying that the personal contact with instructors meant more than the large university training. At present he is endeavoring to increase the education facilities of his state and is putting most of his efforts in the giving impetus to the work of the small college.



William Henry Faust, '14

The funeral of William Henry Faust, who entered college with the class of 1914, was held in this city Monday afternoon. Faust was a graduate of Schenectady high school and completed his freshman year at college. Owing to ill health he was unable to continue his course this fall. He was a member of the Union Street M. E. church and in which he was president of the Epworth League. Faust was popular among his classmates and only his short time in college prevented him from being leader in many activities. The student body unites with his family in sorrow over his loss.



DEWEY ELECTED CAPTAIN

Hartley G. Dewey, '13, a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, has been elected captain of the football team for next year. Dewey has played varsity football for three years and has shown himself to be a fast and consistent player. He filled the position of halfback his first two years but this season showed marked ability in generalship at quarterback.



R. L. Beatty, a sophomore at Columbia, broke the intercollegiate record in the shot put when he made a throw of 40 ft. $2\frac{3}{4}$ in.

GLEE CLUB

The Glee and Instrumental Clubs made their first appearance at Elmira, on Wednesday evening, November twenty-ninth.

Thirty-one men make up the clubs, there being five men to each part. Each number was well received and encores were numerous throughout the entertainment.

The Elmira papers spoke very highly of the concert and many people said that the entertainment was the best that Union College had ever given there. These facts speak well for the concerts which will be given during the winter.

The management has secured several dates but as yet the New York and Buffalo trips are not assured.



LIBRARY NOTES

There was no business of importance transacted at the meeting of the library officials held last week.

No gifts have been received since the last issue.

Although not generally known, Mr. Clinton says, the library is open to the public for reference. No books, however, can be loaned to any but college men.

New books are coming in at frequent intervals. Among them are the following:

Volumes IV and IX of Goedeke, Grundriss zur Geschichter der Deutschen Dischtung. The others will follow shortly.

Several volumes of the Oxford Dictionary, by Murray are on the shelves.

There are two volumes of Principles of Economics by Tausig, which will interest the B. S. students.

Four books, published by Wiley and Son, on street pavement and upkeep should be welcomed by the Civils.

One large volume of note is the Glory of Greece, by V. C. Stobart. This book has many handsome illustrations.

The list includes numerous other works on timely subjects, such as food adulteration, purchasing power of money, wages, government, religion and literature.

Through the kindness of Mr. J. Havermeyer of New York city, three volumes of the Transactions of the Grolier Club have been placed in the college library.

The annual orders for books are being sent out. Some are already placed and others will be taken care of later.



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PHILOMATHEANS WINNERS OF ALLISON-FOOTE DEBATE

Peters, '12, Captures Individual Prize But Opposing Society Out-Argues Adelphics

On Friday evening, in the college chapel, the Philomathean Society won the annual Allison-Foote debate. The individual prize was won by Roy W. Peters, president of the Adelphic Society. The question debated was: Resolved, That the repeal of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law would be detrimental to the best interests of the country. The Philomatheans defended the affirmative and the Adelphics the negative. The speakers for the affirmative were: Allan B. Mann, '12, Theodore W. Hanigan, '13, James H. Potter, '12, Arthur D. Mann,'12, alternate. For the negative: Kenneth E. Walser, '12, Donald A. Coulter, '15, Roy W. Peters, '12, Charles T. Male, '13, alternate. Potter was the winner of the individual prize last year, and so was de-



ROY W. PETERS, '12 Winner of Individual Prize

barred from competing for it this year. The judges of award were: Lewis Cass, Esq., Albany, Joseph Harmon, Esq., Troy, Harold J. Hinman, Esq., Albany.

Mann opened the debate. He stated the law and defined the question at issue. He discussed the development of trade and of corporations in this country and the causes which led to the passage of the law. He pointed out that while the law, literally interpreted, makes all monopoly illegal, the recent decision of the Supreme Court makes illegal only those monopolies which are unfair and lawless.

Walser outlined the argument of the negative. He stated that the history of the law showed that it had had unfavorable results. That it had failed to accomplish its original purpose and would never have been passed if it had been known how it would be ap-

plied; that a law should be such that it could be interpreted literally; that the law is inconsistent; that a general law cannot be enforced but that we should have specific remedies for specific evils, and that the law is unjust.

Hanigan proposed that the law be amended and also proposed remedies for the drawbacks which exist now.

Coulter brought forward proof to show that the law was fundamentally wrong.

Potter showed that the repeal of the law would leave the corporations without any check upon them while the substitution of a commission for the law would throw an enormous burden on the government.

Peters showed that the enforcement of the law would be extremely detrimental to legitimate business.

In rebuttal Walser summed up and replied to the arguments of the three affirmative speakers.

Mann stated that in the light of the recent Supreme Court decision the law would not discourage big business.

Coulter stated that the law failed to accomplish its purpose and was, moreover, entirely destructive.

Hanigan asked the negative to state the specific laws which they proposed and showed that the Sherman Law was directed only against bad trusts.

Peters and Potter each summed up the arguments of their respective sides.



STUDENT BAND ASSURED

Charles T. Male, '13, has been appointed by the Terrace Council to take charge of the organization of the student band. A tax of one dollar per man was levied at college meeting thus giving a sum of money sufficient to order instruments and carry on the details of preliminary steps. There is great enthusiasm among the students over the idea of having a band and inasmuch as there are many who already play band instruments the success of the organization seems assured. It is expected that it will take two or three months practice before public appearances will be deemed advisable from the standpoint of both the players' safety and the hearers comfort; but at the end of that time it is asserted that the organization will be proficient enough to render music at any gathering.



Detective William J. Burns lectured on "Citizenship and Municipal Graft" recently at the University of Michigan.

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The initial number of the Union College Alumni Monthly is before the public. The Monthly fills a long felt want in our college life in general and it is a worthy addition to Union's list of publications. THE CONCORDIENSIS, sheltered, as it is, within a thin glass structure, would dare not hurl stones, even though it were possible to sight a vunerable spot in the home of the publication. So we turn to praise. Passing over the other creditable features contained in the Monthly we stop a moment over what seems to be a feature supreme, the editorial section. The editorials accomplish what every writer of editorial strive for and but few succeed in, namely making an interestingly readable production.



This is the ninth and last issue of THE CONCORDIENSIS for the term. According to the contract with the printer there will be nine each term with a special issue at commencement making twenty-eight numbers for the year.

Spelling Among College Men

Below is printed a portion of a letter devised by Professor G. M. Whipple, of Cornell University, to illustrate the mistakes in spelling made by students in English papers submitted to the professor after they had been returned for revision with special demand for correction of orthography. No errors have been included that were simply slips of the pen. It need not be said that no student would make all of the mistakes, but it is a fact that no student of those examined would fail to make some of them.

It seems almost incredible that such gross errors in some of the commonest words could be made by university students. In fact, none of the words could be said to be uncommon in a college man's vocabulary. In treating the matter editorially the New York Times says: "In one sense the fault lies with the elementary schools undoubtedly. In another it lies with the colleges which fail to demand adequate attainment in the simple and indispensable requirements for admission to the higher grades of instruction."

It is true that there are born poor spellers; but more often the poor speller is a product of inefficient instruction, though carelessness figures not a little in the matter. Insistance by colleges upon a strict entrance rule relating to spelling ability would necessitate an increased effort on the part of the elementary schools to improve conditions along this line and voluntary action on the part of the schools towards eliminating poor spellers by making the work a major subject even through high school would further the cause.

The letter follows:

Dear Aunt—Today I recieved my diploma, and now, thank fortun, I am educated. I have not yet intirely detirmined my carere. Wheather I shall finally earn my livlihood by going into the solliciting buisness as my uncle's pardoner will dipind on his perferences. At any rate, laborous and humuliating manuel pursuits are furtherest from my intentions, as I am concious allready that the university invironment has prooved particularly valuable to me in evry way. My intellegual equippement has been advansed harmonously; by immetation of the best sholars my vocabular has been strenghthened; suberstitions all most as ball as those of the heathern have been naised and prooved incorect to me; my inactiative has been arroused and intencified; socialy I am well acquiped and incidentily the rough eges I used to show have been eleminated; again, the discipline I have recieved from the pratice work in the labratories of physics and chemistery, where persistance, courtsy, couragiousness and similar quallities are definately emphazed, and the knowledge I have recived from the lecturs and disscussions of my proffessors in bonay, rhitoric, mathmatics, phisiology, ect. shoud be a sourse of inestimatible benifit to me from whatever angel it is regarded.





HAND-BALL TOURNAMENT

The hand-ball tournament has not yet been completed. There will be a few final matches before the tournament will close. A prize will be awarded to the winner. Up to date the following summary shows the standing of the contestants:

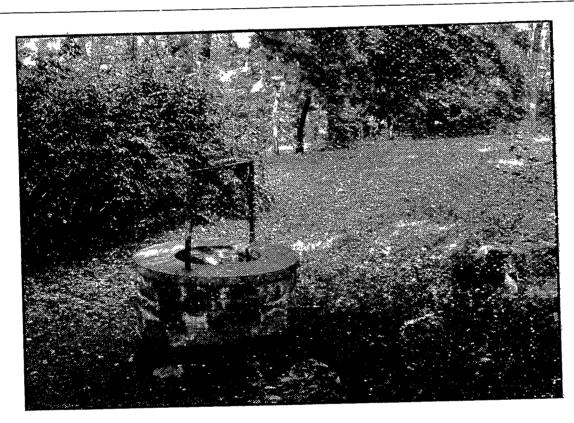
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ALUMNI NOTES

1835—John Bigelow, '35, author and diplomat, celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday on November 25th at his home in New York. He received very few callers, keeping the day almost entirely for his family. Mr. Bigelow is Union's oldest living graduate.

1869—Wesley S. Buch of Tessenden, North Dakota, died very suddenly on Friday, September 29th. He dropped dead from heart failure while standing in front of his office. Mr. Buch was born at Amsterdam, March 9, 1850, and graduated from Union in 1869. He was one of Wells county's well known business men and his death was felt by many.

1893—Warren B. Lippincott, '93, who has been identified with the zinc industry for a number of years, has left the Colorado field and gone to Missouri. His



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MISS BARRELLE'S GIFT

Miss Lolah Barrelle, of Buffalo, has presented to the college a steel engraving of Dr. Nott. The engraving is in a handsome gold frame and now hangs in the library at the left of the entrance.

partnership with J. M. McClave, of Denver, has been dissolved and his office will be at Joplin, Mo.

1906—George Arthur Vedder, formerly of Schenectady and Miss Florence M. Thomson of Pasadena, California, will be married Thursday, December 14th, at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. Vedder is a graduate of Union, class of 1906, and a member of the Chi Psi fraternity. He also graduated from the cld Union Classical Institute where he was a member of the Pi Phi fraternity.

1911—The engagement of Miss Esther L. Van Slyck and Harry M. Leon of New York was announced Saturday, November 25th. Mr. Leon is a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity at Union College.



Beginning next year fraternities at Wisconsin will not be allowed to initiate men until their second year at college.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 16

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9 A. M. Economics Geology

European History (Soph. and Junior)

Plane Analytics Freshman Rhetoric

Mechanics (Soph. B. E.)

Direct Current Circuits

2 P. M. European History (Senior)

Differential Equations Junior Latin

Soph. Greek (B) Solid Geometry

Chemistry (Senior S. E.)

Tuesday, Dec. 19

9 A. M. Advanced Psychology
American History (Junior Acad.)
Soph. Intermediate French
Trigonometry (Freshman B. S.)
Freshman Greek (a) Stresses
Chemistry (Junior B. E. and E. E.)
Soph. B. E. Calculus
Freshman B. E. Algebra Transmission

2 P. M. Shakespeare Quantitative Analysis
History of Education Junior Greek (B)
Sophomore English
Freshman Intermediate German
Freshman Elementary German
Junior E. E. Laboratory

Wednesday, Dec. 20

9 A. M. History of Philosophy Integral Calculus
Biology General Chemistry
Sophomore Greek (A) Freshman Latin
Laws of Corporations
Railroad Construction
American History (Jun. B. E. and E. E.)
Sophomore B. E. Physics
Freshman Drawing Senior E. E. Design

2 P. M. Qualitative Analysis English Poetry
Junior Greek (a) Sophomore Latin
Freshman Elementary French (a)
Freshman Elementary French
Sophomore Topographical Surveying

Thursday, Dec. 21

9 A. M. Comparative Politics Junior French
Junior German Anglo-Saxon
Sophomore Intermediate German
Freshman B. S. Algebra
Freshman Greek (B)
Heating and Ventilation
Junior Topographical Surveying
Freshman B. E. Trigonometry
Senior E. E. Logic Hydraulics

2 P. M. Senior Latin Organic Chemistry

Junior English Sophomore Acad. Physics

Freshman Intermediate French

Friday, Dec. 22

9 A. M. Senior Greek (B) Senior French
Solid Analytics Argumentation
Elementary German (a)
Economic Geology
Highways and Pavements
Sophomore B. E. Chemistry
Senior E. E. Laboratory
Junior E. E. Seminar



Y. M. C. A. ACTIVITIES

Several upper classmen gave talks on the general topic, "The Place of the Association in College Life," recently.

Wallace Macmillan, '12, spoke on "The Value of the Work with the Foreigners."

Raymond Shepard, '12, spoke on "The Missionary Work of the College."

Finley, '13, spoke on "Bible Study Work in College."

B. La Parron, '13, spoke on "Why Every Student

R. LaBarron, '13, spoke on "Why Every Student Should Be a Member of the Association."

S. Cavert, '11, spoke on "The Relation of the Association to College Spirit."

Dr. Kellogg's subject was "The College Man's Attitude Toward Religion."

A prayer meeting will be held at one o'clock every Tuesday in Silliman Hall for the remainder of the college year. These meetings will be led by upper classmen.



Ex-President Roosevelt characterized the agricultural college of Cornell University in an address at that institution last week as "the foremost college of its kind not only in our country, but in the whole civilized world."

WINNER OF THE STORY CONTEST

The winner of the ten dollars for the best original story written by a member of the undergraduate body was won by Morris P. Schaffer, '14. The story is entitled "The Fourth Invention". There was not as much interest shown in the contest as had been hoped for but there was a sufficient number of competitors to warrant the awarding of the prize. Of the number of stories submitted the winning contribution was chosen because of greater ingenuity in plot and more natural handling. The judges for the contest, whom THE CONCORDIENSIS management wishes to thank, were Professor Edward E. Hale, Professor Horace G. Mc Kean, and Instructor Stanley P. Chase.

The winning story is published below.

The Fourth Invention

It was the greatest day in the year—yea, the greatest day in his life. Conrad arose promptly at five o'clock, dressed, swallowed his buttered rolls, left the eggs untouched, and gulped down his coffee. His mother looked on him, her son, her joy, with a smile of deep parental love and satisfaction. Her husband had joined the silent majority and Conrad was now her support and her mainstay.

Mother and son lived—rather existed—in a three room tenement flat in a big city. No, not THE big city! But a city which can boast of newspapers just as yellow as the New York Journal, of politicians just as openly corrupt as Charlie Murphy is said to be, of a police department just as subservient to gambling den owners as New York's is said to be, of drinking water just as pure as that of the East River where our Metropolis vomits her waste, of air just as delightful and exhilerating as the college student breathes in his chemical laboratory. It can boast of scandals as prodigious, of divorce suits as sensational, of swindles as clever, of robberies as bold, of suicides as numerous, and of murders as intrepid as New York can boast of.

Can you picture this humble three room tenement flat? Can you picture its inhabitants—the mother, the son? Do you know why the son seems as happy as a boy when first he dons his long trousers? Because it is Election Day. For Conrad, Election Day was always the most interesting cay in the year. Even at the age of seven he displayed great interest in the ballot and his interest advanced with his years. At the age of thirteen he knew what the salaries were of governors, the U. S. senators, and so down to the members of the aldermatic board. He could tell you

the approximate majorities and pluralities of successful candidates in the past five or six elections. How unlike most boys who measure their degree of intelligence by their ability to name baseball players, tell in what league they play, what salaries they draw and what their batting averages are. Election Day was THE red letter day in Conrad's calender.

On this particular Election Day, however, he held more interest than ever. Today, he was going to vote for the first time. Moreover he took an active and important part in the campaign that fall and this instilled in him added vital interest in the results of that day's ballot. How it gladdened his mother's heart to see the part her "Connie" had acted in the campaign; to see with what impetus he started his party wheels rolling after they had been broken down by party disruptions and clogged with the dust of successive defeals. He stumped for his party candidates, because he believed and claimed them to be "conscientious men, men of unstained integrity and men of discretion and ability." His words, his oratory and his youth swayed the masses that heard him.

Moreover, he was a close student of economy and his remarks appealed to the reasoning as well as to the understanding of his listeners. Although he was severe in his attacks of the opposing candidates, he did not utter a remark which he did not substantiate, he did not criminate anyone unless he proved his accusations. His opponents feared him. After many years of victory and power, defeat stared them in the face.

Conrad was most bitter in his denouncement of "Boss Bill" Belter. He was a rich liveryman and the boss of Conrad's district. Since he found politics more profitable, the livery business became a "side line". Encouraged and urged on by numerous party victories, he had the reprehensible boldness and utter audacity of nominating himself for Congress. "Shame be on our political system which would allow such a man to be in the Halls of Congress. Are you going to sent him to Washington? Are you going to aid corrupt professional politicians and endorse rotten politics? In these words Conrad Maxwell closed his last speech the night before election.

It was 5:15 o'clock A. M. when Conrad stepped out of the front door to the street. It was a brisk, invigorating, ideal November day. He was to do "picket duty" at the polls, which were situated in the school-house basement. Even at that early hour the street was hustle and bustle; for the working men of a big city unlike their more fortunate brethern of the smaller city, must generally leave for work an hour

they toil and grind out a bare living are far from their homes. From amidst this early rush of humanity, a young man stepped forth, handed Conrad a sealed envelope with the curt explanation "from Mr. Belter," and vanished as suddenly as he had appeared. Conrad opened the envelope and found therein a typewritten and unsigned note as follows: "Want to see you immediately on a highly important matter to you". The young man read between these lines "Won't you come into my parlor, said the spider to the fly." He was no fool. Belter was up to one of his political tricks. He would stay away from the Boss.

There is something in our nature which leads us to do exactly that which we have determined not to do. As soon as Conrad decided not to see Belter, he straightway hastened to the Boss's office in the livery-stable. This may sound contradictory, but it is, nevertheless, a fact.

The politician was waiting for him. As soon as he spied the young man, he greeted him with a "Hello, Maxwell", and was about to extend his fat hand for the customary handshake, but perceived that Conrad kept his hands in his overcoat pockets, perhaps, purposely. Conrad was surprised at the good taste with which the office was fitted up. The things which particularly attracted his notice were a picture with a sterling silver frame of the blind Milton dictating "Paradise Lost"; and the stenographer's desk, upon which he observed a telephone, a typewriter, a camera and a dictograph. Unconsciously his hand fell upon the last named instrument and involuntarily his fingers pressed the little disc.

"I am going to be a pretty busy man today, Mr. Belter, so you had better speak quickly if you have anything to say. I didn't intend coming here at first, but I thought you had a confession to make which might interest the public."

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"The Hell with the public" came back Belter. "Confession, nothing," he fairly shouted. "I said I wanted to talk something of importance with you and I keep my word with everyone—except the public. Now, look ahere young feller, cut out that stage play and be sensible. You read what our papers said yesterday bout Clusker and the other angels of your party." He lowered his voice, "Well, just sign this statement for our papers sayin' those reports are true in your 'stimation."

The younger man could not refrain from laughing aloud. "Why, pray, should I be so utterly foolish as to do that?"

"Now, young feller, give us a chance to finish. We know you are holding out for big stakes. We don't work for nuthin'. We don't want your services for nuthin' neither." He put an envelope in Conrad's hand and continued, "There is \$1,000.00 in there, sign that statement and it is yours."

"You base, low ward heeler. You public parasite. You immoral briber. You dare offer me dirty money to turn against my honest comrades." Conrad ejacuated each word with increasing rage and finally gave vent to his feelings by bringing his pugilistic powers to play and marring the facial beauty of our hitherto pleasant looking William Belter. Before Conrad could leave, the Boss was up again.

"Look ahere young feller, I told you to cut out that stage play, didn't I. I just want to say one thing. My Pinkertons outside took a snap shot o' you coming in my office. They took one when I handed you the envelope with the money, but, of course, they didn't take one when you threw down the money. That will 'send you up': Besides, I can have our judges 'send you up' for attempted murder and can sue you for that \$45.00 from your father's funeral. These things wouldn't be pleasant for you, would they? Now, be sensible, I wouldn't like to see these things happen to you for your mother's sake, and, besides, your father was a good friend o' mine."

"How'd you like to be 'hind prison bars? Wouldn't like it very well, eh? Like to go back to college better and fool 'round and git wise, wouldn't you? We can send you there and will, if you behave. Just sign that statement, that's all. We'll take care of you! You're a good political general and will fare better on our sea. Them fellers you're with 're pikers. Look ahere, see that satchel. There's \$5,000.00 in there. It's yours, bag an' all, just put your name on that statement. We'll take care o' you fer life. Our papers will immediately issue special editions with that statement on the front page and your picture too, three columns wide and six inches deep. Have your papers done anything like that for you? You'll be the most popular man in town. 'The Man of the Hour' will be nix on you. You'll be the 'Man of the Minute' and after I have had a good whack at Washington we'll make you Congressman. Wouldn't that be grand?"

"I daresay you can use five thousand 'bones'. It took me a long time to 'hitch it' like that. Worked mighty hard for the gang. That's the district 'kale' and it's in twos, fives and ten dollar bills. You can put it in different banks and none's the wiser. I would just as soon hand it to you in a heap as give it

to the 'boys' outside, 'cause you can win for us by signing that statement. It's big money, but I know you are holding out for big stakes. Three years ago I offered your father twenty 'bucks' for his vote and he act'lly felt hurt. I guess 'twas too small, but you're gettin' it big and besides if you don't put your name to that paper, it'll sure be prison for yours."

With this ultimatum the Boss rolled himself into his spacious desk-chair, puffed on his big black cigar and keenly observed the face of the young man. He chuckled with glee and congratulated himself on the way he had managed the whole affair. Conrad was trapped. He leaned against the big roll top desk for support; his face flinched; his eyes became expressionless.

The mentioning of the incident about his departed father brought back to his memory the events of the past three years, the trials they had gone through, the distress they had seen, the grief they had felt and the afflictions that were visited upon them.

Three years ago the humble family lived in humble bliss and in their humble way. The father was a cabinet maker, who loved his work. His chief ambition, his main purpose in life was to give his sons an education. His ambition might have been gratified, his purpose fulfilled, but for uncontrollable circumstances. The father, who was ill for many years, finally succombed a victim of the white plague. This shattered all hopes of sending Harold, the oldest son, to college. He, therefore, followed in the footsteps of his father and plied the trade of cabinet maker. Then, it was determined that Harold help defray the college expenses of Conrad, who was accordingly sent to such an institution. But he never completed his course. Harold met a young lady one evening who made his heart beat a million times per second. He needed no Davey to aid him in his love suit, but straightway hinted "That Barkis was willin." So was the young lady. After his marriage, he could offer little or no aid to his brother. The family treasury was low and more wealthy relatives who had promised pecuniary aid now refused it. The help he received from home was a mere pittance—hardly enough to keep soul and body together. But, he lingered and hung on. He decreased his incidentals, put off his board bill, borrowed his necessary books and clerked in a store. However, when his source of money supply was shut off he fell by the wayside.

These sufferings that Conrad experienced inspired in him a fiery ambition to make a name for himself and yet bring sunshine into the life of his mother. These recollections passed quickly through his mind and gave place to thoughts and visions of the future.

Conrad was standing on the Floor in the Congressional Chamber delivering a speech which was received with generous hand-clapping. He saw the delighted face of his mother in the visitors' balcony. Why was she not sitting on the Floor within the railing, he thought? At the conclusion of his speech, his colleagues as well as his opponents near his desk approached him and warmly shook his hand.

He lived now in a beautiful home and his office admitted him in the best of cultured society. When he walked down the street his friends would cross over to greet him. His cup of happiness was full to the brim.

Then he saw himself in a striped suit. He was sitting on a stone bench in a little stone room. He was in prison. He heard the footsteps of the turnkey. He heard the clanging of his keys. Soon his cell door swung open. "Mother!" He could utter but the one word and fell upon her weeping like a child. She was dressed in black. Her face was lashed with the pangs of grief. The convict knew his mother's days were numbered. Ah, he was responsible!

Now, he was before the high prison gates. The warden gave him a-matter-of-course handshake and handed him the customary five one dollar bills. Ah, but the air of freedom was beautiful to breathe again. His twenty years of imprisonment had broken his ambition and his physical power alike. He returned to his old haunts. He was wearing the State's dark black suit and square toed shoes, which made him a marked man wherever he went. His former friends would hurry to the opposite side when they spied him coming down the street. His cup of bitterness was full to overflowing.

"Going to sign?" This curt demand coming from Belter fell upon deaf ears. Conrad did not answer, but looked with blank eyes at the sterling silver framed picture on the wall.

As he looked, there floated through his mind the idea of Temptation offering him the choice of Prison or Congress, the idea of Honesty urged him to sacrifice everything to the right.

"You goin' to sign?" Again came the demand and this time more loudly. Conrad reeled. His senses slowly came back. He was about to shout the word "No". His eyes fell on the stenographer's desk. Suddenly the light came into his eyes and a thrill of joy passed over his countenance. He seized something from the little desk and with the exclamation "I'll be

back in fifteen minutes", hastened out of the office and away from the presence of "Bill" Belter.

And now you ask: "Did Conrad go to prison?" No. "Was he sent to Congress?" Yes, he is in the Upper House now. "Did he get five thousand dollars". Yes, twice that amount. "Was he the 'Man of the Minute'"? Yes, he was the "Man of the Second". "Did he sign the statement?" Read on.

Belter was waiting in his office for Conrad's return. He looked at his watch. It was 5:55 o'clock. In five minutes the polls would be thrown open. True to his word, Conrad made his appearance. But with him were two men. The taller one acted as spokesman. "We're from headquarters", he explained drawing something from his inside coat pocket, "and this is a warrant for your arrest", he continued, "which charges you with attempt at bribery. Our auto's outside. Better come along without any noise."

Imagine the purple face of Belter upon hearing these words. After he recovered his breath sufficiently, he turned to Conrad with clinched fists exclaiming "I'll have you with me. You can't prove nothin' on me. Besides headquarters is our auxiliary office." To these words Conrad did not think it necessary to make reply. Belter's last remark reassured the boss. To whom then did the judges belong, he thought? These happy recollections made him feel rather good and put him in a talkative mood. He began by talking philosophy. "There are three great inventions," he said, "which are particularly handy in political play.

The telephone by which we can say what we please and none's the wiser; the typewriter, by which we may make typed and unsigned notes and none's the wiser; and the camera, by which we can take a handy picture or two and make a big fool wiser."

Conrad said nothing. As they neared the polls, the auto slowed down because of the crowd of voters just outside the usual limit line. They were looking up to the second story window of the house next to the line. Somebody was evidently "putting in a last word." Belter caught such remarks as "five thousand dollars." "Sign that statement!" "We'll take care of you." He jumped up in the auto. Was he mad? Was this his own voice coming from that window? He looked up. He saw and then his strength entirely failed him and he fell in a swoon. At headquarters Conrad was approached by an agent of the Civic League, who handed him a check for ten thousand dollars, the amount they had offered for the first arrest of a boss accused of corruption.

When Conrad saw Belter soon after he said: You were right. There are three great inventions: the telephone which felicitates the home and facilitates business; the typewriter which aids correspondence; and the camera by means of which we can always have near us faces of those distant and which can carry us around the world. Since you have named these three, I trust you will permit me to add a fourth and that is, the phonograph and especially one of its species, the dictograph which in case of necessity can convict a corruptionist and save an honest man.





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ALUMNI CIRCULAR LETTER

The following circular letter was mailed to many of Union's alumni showing the interest taken by President Bailey, of the New York City Alumni Association. The results from this letter were sufficient to consider the effort well spent.

Brooklyn, November 22d, 1911.

My Fellow Alumnus:

The New York City Alumni Association of Union College hold their annual dinner on December seventh. I appeal for your presence. If you have not kept in touch with your Alma Mater, you should learn of her progress in ten years. Our Endowment has increased from \$421,866.54 to \$857,266.09. Our income from students from \$3,988.50 to \$51,492.50. Our Annual Expenditures from \$51,862.51 to \$104,222.48.

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FRANK BAILEY,

President,

New York City Alumni Association of Union College.



PERSONALS

Robert McTaggert, '15, has recovered from a four weeks attack of grippe.

Raymond D. Shephard, '12, returned to college about Nov. 1st after several weeks sickness.

Stephen W. Bruman, '15, has been out of college for the past few weeks on account of appendicitis. He was teken to his home in Clinton.

Bates, '12, who left college last year has re-entered this fall.

James H. Gould, '15, who left college last year, reentered this fall but sickness has prevented him from following up his work.

But twenty-five students registered for the conditions exams, the smallest number in years.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Freshman Pee-rade

Receipts \$16 10 Senior class 10 70 Junior class 16 20 Sophomore class 52 75

Freshman class

\$98 20 *Total expenses \$95 75 *Deficit 2 45

*Expenses in detail filed with report. Deficit will be met when all taxes are paid.

Signed, La Barron, '13, chairman.

Freshman Banquet

\$256 00 Banquet expenses 6 60 Incidentals Received from assess-\$262 25 ments, \$262 25 Total expenses 35 Deficit Signed, Faust, '15, chairman.



DRAMATIC CLUB NEWS

The first regular meeting of the Dramatic Club was held Wednesday night. Dickinson, '13, was elected treasurer and Riedinger, '13, secretary. Nearly twenty new men were out and to these Pres. Sawyer carefully outlined the plans for this year and showed that it was absolutely necessary for the association to have some money in the treasury to start. To provide for this the association dues were fixed at a dollar. Mr. Leake will direct the club.



Plans are being drawn for a new law building at Nebraska to cost \$85,000. The structure will be three stories high and will contain a law library and large auditorium.

There were fourteen "W's" awarded to women in the competitive sports at the University of Washington this fall.

At the University of Pennsylvania, there are forty men out for cross-country in the combined Varsity and Freshman squads. Eighty men altogether are out for fall practice.

The "Daily Princetonian" explains flunking as fel lows: "Most men flunk out because they study too little most of the time, too much part of the time, and not enough all of the time."



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3:35 p. m., 7:13 p. m. and 11:09

p. m.

Burnt Hills 8:05 a. m. and 4:05 p. m. Craig 6:10 a. m. and 5:25 p. m.

Cohoes 6:10 a. m., 6:49 a. m., 8:20 a. m.,

10:17 a. m., 1:20 p. m., 3:16 p. m., 5:25 p. m., 7:05 p. m. and 11:09

p. m.

Carman 6:49 a. m. and 12:22 p. m.

Delanson 6:25 a. m., 9:30 a. m., 3:05 p. m.

and 5:25 p. m.

Duanesburg 6:25 a. m., 9:30 a. m. and 3:05

p. m.

Elnora 3:35 p. m. and 11:09 p. m.

Fullers 6:25 a m. and 12:22 p. m.

Guilderland Center 6:25 a. m. and 12:22 p. m.

Hoffmans 7:25 a. m., 12:55 p. m. and 4:28

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Delta Upsilon held its formal dance at the chapter house last Eriday evening. The patronesses were Mrs. Richmond, Mrs. Landreth, Mrs. Ellery, Mrs. Landon, Mrs. Akin, Mrs. Striebert and Mrs. Argersinger.

Alpha Delta Phi will hold its formal winter dance at the chapter house, Friday evening, December the fifteenth.



Professor Inazo Nitoba of the University of Tokio is visiting in the United States this year as the exchange professor of six American universities at each of which he will remain for about a month: Brown, Columbia, Johns Hopkins, Illinois, Minnesota, and California. An American professor will make a similar visit in Japan next year.



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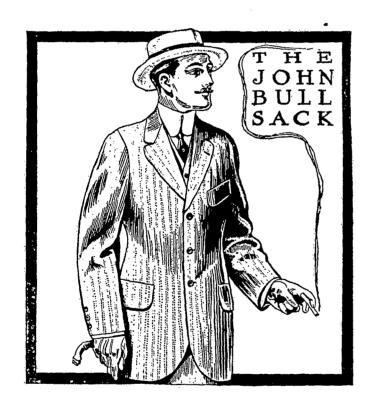
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PRESS CLUB NEWS

At the meeting of the Press Club Wednesday evening, several new plans were announced. The bulletin committee is to revise its list of papers to which it is sending Union news and send bulletins only to those papers which will use the news. The Press Club calendar is ready and has been on sale now for several days. It is far superior to last year's calendar and yet is selling for fifty cents instead of a dollar as formerly. The sale has already been quite large.

The membership committee is to revise the list of members and cut off those men who are not working for the club. The advisory committee feels that the club has not done its best this term and is determined to start a new order of things with the new term. More assignments are to be given out and a system of credits established.



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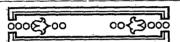
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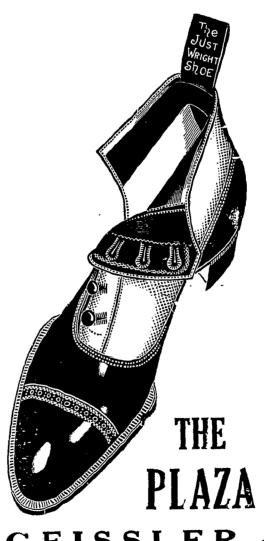
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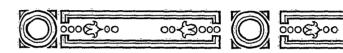
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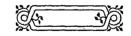
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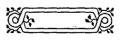
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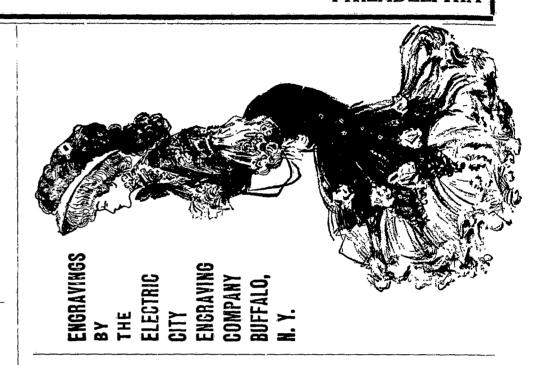


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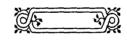


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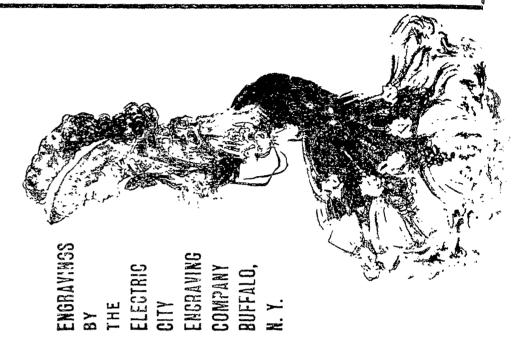


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