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#### GARNET TEAM TAKES SIXTH VIC-TORY.

### Largest Crowd Ever on R. P. I. Field Witness Game.

Right off the reel we want to announce that Rensselaer showed Union the best most courteous welcome, both to team and supporters which we have received this year. As the result was, the Union delegation left Troy with nothing but respect and fellowship in their minds for the institution across the river. Had the result been altogether different, we could have felt no differently. Here's to the burial of the hatchet and the replenishment of the convivial wassail-bowl!

After ten years of abstinence R. P. I. and Union could no longer refrain from opposing each other on the gridiorn, and Saturday the big game came off. Union 24—Rensselaer 0 was the final score.

It was R. P. I.s gala day—their big game—and it was estimated that four thousand people witnessed the contest. The Union student body travelled over to Troy "en masse" and distinguished themselves for all sorts of enthusiasm and organized cheering. no less enthusiastic, if a trifle sadder as the game progressed, was the R. P. I. cheering sections which were filled to overflowing with cherry and white supporters.

R. P. I. relied, fruitlessly as it happened,

upon open play. A quadrangular forward pass formation looked excessively dangerous but upon each occasion except one toward the end of the game Union's sturdy defense was capable of spilling the play. It was this ability to break up the play which eventually had a large hand in the size of the score.

We have four or five names to submit to the Hall of Fame for Saturday's performance. Chief among these is Rosecrans, then in close succession follow Jackson, Roof, and Beaver. Between them with Girling to kick the goals they piled up the Garnet's twenty-four points.

The game abounded in spectacular plays, chief among which was "Tubby" Rosecran's forty-eight yard drop kick which inaugurated the scoring of the afternoon. This was a remarkable kick which rose serenely high in air and dropped square in the middle of the posts and a bare three inches over the bar. In the second quarter a thrilling sixty-five yard run by Jackson when he intercepted a Rensselaer forward pass was a notable feature, and in the third quarter the feat was duplicated when Roof spurted through and over and around half the Troy team with good interference, broke loose and deposited the ball once more behind the R. P. I. goal.

Then in the fourth period by a succession of forward pass and line plunges, hard

straight football, Union once more threatened her opponents and "Jake" Beaver went through for the third goal.

#### First Quarter.

Rosecrans, behind strong interference, ran the kickoff back to the center of the field. A wide run by Girling and a line buck by Roof gave the Garnet first down, but Rensselaer held and Girling was forced to kick. Peart was downed on his twentyfive yard line and after vain attempts to break through, R. P. I. essayed a kick, but the pass was fumbled. Jackson broke through the line meanwhile and secured the ball. Here was Union's best opportunity to score, for the ball was hers on R. P. I.'s twenty yard line. By straight football Beaver's men made first down, and then lost the ball on downs. R. P. I. punted. After three attempts to gain, "Tubby" Rosecrans got word to kick. The ball was passed straight and true, the line held like a stone "Tubby" took all the time in the world, measured the distance, swung up his foot and—the score was Union 3, R. P. I. 0.

Hokerk kicked off and soon after R. P. I., unable to gain, punted. Union worked the ball to the middle of the field and again Rosecrans attempted a drop. This kick was even prettier than the first, but the distance was too great and the ball just missed the post. It was R. P. I.'s ball on her own 20 yard line. The Garnet line held and R. P. I. punted out just as the whistle blew.

#### Second Quarter.

After five minutes of play, Johnny Jackson made himself famous. He worked through the line somehow, spilled aforward pass from Peart, grabbed the ball, trickled in and out of the whole cherry and white team, and then sprinted sixty-five yards down the field amid the frenzied shouts of Garnet supporters, for a goal, pursued by two of R. P. I.'s speediest men. It took mighty fast work and clever dodging to get

free but once loose Jackson shot toward the goal as if his almost 200 pounds were all concentrated in obyeing Sir Isaac Newton's laws of gravity for a falling body rather than shooting along on a dead level. In more ways than one did Johnny resemble those famous axioms for he gained impetus as he went along, trailed his pursuers, and ended faster than he began. Amid thunderous paeons of applause, Girling kicked the goal.

After the kick off R. P. I. showed her best football, gaining three successive first downs and creeping down to Union's thirty yard line. Here, however, they fumbled and the half ended.

#### Third Quarter.

In this quarter Rensselaer broke its back on forward passes. Time after time the ball hurtled through the air toward the quartette of waiting cherry and white players, each time, however, to be intercepted by Roof, Girling, or some other agile player. It seemed a desperate attempt and this formation succeeded but once during the afternoon. Once during the bombardment of passes Roof got squarely under one, tempted it, fascinated it, seduced it to nestle to his breast, and then trickled through all opponents with it, and stormed up to the goal for another six points. Girling again obliged.

#### Fourth Quarter.

Apparently undismayed by the failure of the pass to get results R. P. I. again resorted to it in the fourth quarter. The first one attempted was cajoled—fickle creature—into Captain "Pete" Starbuck's possession on R. P. I.'s thirty yard line. Then Beaver uncorked one on his own account which "Pete" again caught. He went right on with it to the seven yard line and from there after a few line plunges Beaver went through for a third touchdown. Girling kicked the goal, making the score 24 to 0.

Soon after, Dawson perpetrated the "most unkindest cut of all." Feeling secure of the game, and unwilling to run the risk of injury to some of the team, he dispatched practically the entire second team—Rockwell, Vroman, Nash, Akin, Cleveland, Alpert, Anderson, Mudge and Byron—to take the places of the players so far in the game.

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Rensselaer gained its first forward pass through this combination, but Mudge ran the ball back almost as far as the pass gained. Soon afterwards the game ended and the two parades began.

Besides the players mentioned, Hokerk was a tower of strength on the line, watching every play closely, following the ball keenly, and kicking off so that he had R. P. I. backs running way back for the ball every time. Garry Wood busted even more interference than is usual with him-and that's saying a great deal, believe us; while "Pete" Starbuck in spite of his knee worked in defense and offense equally well. Friday, Price, Jackson, Jenkins (who played his best game of the season) were all there, following the ball hard, making the line a stone wall reinforced with concrete, and doing credit to their Alma Mater in every way.

Between halves the rival institutions paraded, sang, and cheered. In conclusion we may say that we like R. P. I., and will be very glad to see her representatives meet ours again under any circumstances.

| RENSSELAER UNION      |
|-----------------------|
| Zahn (Capt.) Starbuck |
| left end.             |
| Cox Wood              |
| left tackle.          |
| Frank Price           |
| left guard.           |
| Young Hokerk          |
| center.               |
| Conant Jackson        |
| right guard.          |

| Lockman Jenkins        |
|------------------------|
| right tackle.          |
| Parrott Friday         |
| right end.             |
| Peart J. Beaver        |
| quarterback.           |
| Goodell Rosecrans      |
| left halfback.         |
| Gallagher (Capt.) Roof |
| right halfback.        |
| O'Hara Girling         |
| fullback.              |
| SCORE BY PERIODS.      |
| Union3 7 7 7—24        |
| Rensselaer0 0 0 0—0    |
| SUMMARY.               |

Touchdowns — Jackson, Roof, Beaver. Field goal—Rosecrans. Goals from touchdown-Girling, 3. Penalties-Rensselear, 15 yards, Union, 15 yards. Referee—Draper, Williams. Umpire-Sanders, Columbia. Head linesman—Gately, N. Y. U. Time of periods—Two 15 and two 12 minute periods. Substitutions—Rensselaer, Schilt for Zahn, Morse for Cox, Praeger for Lockman; Union: Gardner for Price, Mudge for Girling, Girling for Mudge, Wood for Rockwell, Rockwell for Wood, Vroman for Price, Nash for Hokerk, Akin for Jenkins, Cleveland for Friday, Alpert for Vroman, Rockwell for Wood, Mudge for Roof, Anderson for Girling, Byron for Rosecrans.

#### PREXY'S DATES.

On November 12 Doctor Richmond will give an address before the Utica Teachers' Association. On the following day he will speak to the Short Ballot Association in the college chapel. The State Teachers' Association will hear a speech from Prexy in Albany on November 24. December 7, at a meeting of the Fortnightly Club of Schenectady a paper will be read by Doctor Richmond. On December 13 he will preach at Bryn Mawr College.

#### STUDENTS GREET OLD GRADUATE.

Wednesday at one o'clock a loud burst of enthusiasm was heard when the undergraduates gathered in front of Prexy's house to greet Howard Melville Hanna of Georgia, who was taking lunch with the president. The greeting consisted of a number of cheers and the singing of Alma Mater and other songs. After the first cheer Mr. Hanna and Prexy appeared and after being introduced by Prexy the former spoke a few words to the students. Mr. Hanna graduated in 1860 and has not been back to Union since his under-graduate days. However he has always taken a keen interest in his Alma Mater and on different occasions has given sums of money for her benefit. Among these donations was a gift of \$25,000 last year.

### RIGHT AND WRONG VIEWS OF ATHLETIC SPORT.

### A Communication from the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Athletic sport, if honorably and wisely conducted, can hold its own in any institution of learning: but to gain a position of dignity, it must be saved from many of its friends, and maintained on so high a level that no reasonable man can question its value. Rightly administered it strengthens the weak, improves the weak places in the strong, clears the brain, teaches boys and young men to respect their bodies and to know the relation of a clean, vigorous body to an active mind and an honorable life. Rightly conducted it is a school of manly skill, courage, honesty, self-control, and even of courtesy; wrongly conducted it is a school of bad manners, vulgarity, tricky evasion, brutality—the ideals not of a sportsman but of a sporting man.

We are constantly told that in England men play for the sake of playing, whereas in America men play for the sake of winning. The more serious the question of winning, the more serious the need of winning honorably. Sport in America is not mere fun; it is a test of character, and nothing that makes the player less a gentleman belongs to it. The football player who wantonly injures his rivals, the baseball player who persists in shouting to rattle his opponents, the schoolboy or student who takes money for summer baseball and conceals the fact, should be put out of the team. Nor should any school or any college have secrets as to the legitimacy of its athletic representatives.

To maintain high ideals in athletic sport is the chief purpose of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. This Association brings together representatives of more than one hundred universities and colleges in three meetings held on one day every year. Sometimes a group of colleges sends a joint representative; oftener a college sends a man of its own, or two or three men, of whom only one represents it officially. A number of schools and academies have associate membership. Committees working throughout the year prepare business for the meetings, when the delegates listen to addresses from men who know much about athletic sports, and reports from committees on the various athletic sports cultivated at college. The evening meeting is devoted to the discussion of vitally important questions in college athletics.

Though strictly the association has no power over the colleges it represents, it has unlimited opportunity of influence. Its discussions of athletics are the most important in America; and its opinions find expression in "Rules Committees" and in standards of athletic games throughout the country.

The Association encourages "Faculty control of athletics," believing that the man in charge of physical education should be a member of the faculty and as good a man as any in it; that he should have a thorough acquaintance with athletic sport and a strong sympathy with youth, knowing, and

able to teach, the difference between cleverness and trickery, between manliness and brutality, between the amateur spirit and the professional, between the sportsman and the sporting man.

#### THE ANSWER.

On page seventeen of our last issue there appeared a problem. The correct answer was handed to the comic editor by the news editor and appears below:

At the price of seven dozen for a dollar, the first son sold one dollar's worth of eggs, the second son four dollars' worth and the third son seven dollars' worth. Then they raised their price and the first sold nine dollars' worth at three dollars a dozen. The second son sold six dollars' worth at this price and the third son sold three dollars' worth at the same price. Thus they returned home with the same amount of money, had not cut prices on one another and had sold different quantities of eggs.

Figure it out.

#### DR. BERG'S SCHOLARSHIP CUP.

Professor Ernest Julius Berg has donated a silver loving cup to the college to be held for a year by the fraternity or club whose average scholarship was the best the preceding year. The cup was presented for this year to the Pyramid Club, by President Richmond, who said that the prize was much to be desired because for a man to "make good" in college he must first of all make good in his work.

The thirty-eight members of the Pyramid Club had an average of 8.002. Phi Delta Theta was a close second with an average of 7.941.

The cup will come in permanent possession of the fraternity or club winning it three years.

Be sure to buy a Press Club magaphone before the Hamilton game.

#### ALUMNI NOTES.

The following alumni are taking postgraduate work at Union:

Richard Evans, '14.

Hugh Stoller, '13.

Roy C. Whitney, '13.

Walter Smith, '14.

Louis de la Verne, '14.

Archibald C. Telfer, '14, is on the "hill" assisting Dr. Landreth.

Frank E. Barclay, '14, is working for the city.

John Kruesi, '14, who is taking a course at Cornell this year is on the "hill" for a few days.

#### FRESHMAN PEERADE PLANS.

Regarding the annual freshman peerade, which will be held the afternoon of the Hamilton game, "Fos" Brown reports a pageant "par excellence"—a "reg'lar ripsnorter," to descend to a classicism. There is to be nothing slow about it. Many innovations will give the '18 men superior advantages over their predecessors to show themselves to advantage.

An entirely new and attractive stunt will be a greased-pig contest taking place fifteen minutes before the game. Freshmen only (and the pig of course) enter the contest. One man will represent each fraternity and three the neutral body. The lucky "Frosh" to catch the porker becomes the possessor thereof. This is but one feature in this treat at the expense of the first year men.

"Fos" and his able assistants are planning to give us a first class display but they need money. Pay up your tax, everybody, at once.

It's fine to be an editor

And have to scratch your wool,

To make a paper every week

And fill it up with bull.

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#### CLEAN ATHLETICS.

Thus far the results which the Garnet team has brought forth from its various gridiron contests have certainly been highly commendable and we may well feel proud of the of the fact that Union has scored eighty-six points against the opponent's ten, but there is one other thing of which we should feel even more proud and that is the clean way in which our team has fought through every battle.

It is all very easy for those of us who sit calmly on the bleachers and have the late fall breeze to cool our blood to fail to wonder how those men who are straining every nerve and every muscle in the thick of a hot contest keep their tempers down and play the game with a gentlemanly spirit throughout. It is all very easy for us to condemn those who in the strain and stress of the battle sometimes seem to lose their tempers momentarily only to regain them immediately when overtaken by a realization of their intended actions.

The beauty of football is its almost complete freedom from the realm of professionalism, and the grandeur of all amateur sport should lie in the cleanliness of its execution. No matter how hard it may seem to free our athletics from all which may appear to a visitor to approach unfairness in the slightest degree. Yet it is certainly something worth while for which any college should strive.

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Whatever else may be said of the R. P. I. game it is a source of a great deal of pleasure to use to note that a game of football played in a cleaner spirit than this game was, would certainly be a contest of a highly inconceivable nature. We won the game fighting like men, the praise of our spectators and opponents by fighting like gentlemen. This show of what is known as the "proper spirit" has always been a characteristic of Garnet men. Let us not lose sight of this fact. Let us keep it always before us and if imperfections do tend to arise now and then, let us fight them down immediately.

We wish further to add that on the matter of cleanliness we should draw no line between our athletes and our rooters. There is such a thing as uncleanliness in cheering and on certain occasions we have not been altogether free from it. It is up to every student of Union Colege,, therefore, to read

and take to heart the communication in this issue of the Concordiensis from the National Collegiate Athletic Association of which organization Union is a member, that we may know better how to strive to make all of our actions toward all of our opponents conform entirely to the code of laws which has been placed constantly before our athletes and which has led them through the greater part of this successful season without a blemish marked against the record of their conducts.

### THE TIME HONORED SUBJECT. OF SPIRIT.

Spirit is not a thing which naturally stands out on the surface of any individual or organization. It is an internal, pressure as it were, which makes us desirous of making some outward expression of those feelings within us which relate in a good way to something about which we are deeply concerned. The show of spirit, however, is something widely different from this. It is the outward expression of this deep inward feeling called spirit.

It takes not a very keen observer to note that in Union College there is spirit—plenty of it. If any one doubts it we refer him to the show of spirit at last year's Hamilton game and at the R. P. I. game last Saturday. Yes, the spirit is there, but sometimes it is hard to get it to the surface save on exceptional occasions. In other words, though our spirit is there good and strong we need to be urged before we can bring ourselves to show it.

Just remember, men, that there is only one week and a little over before that little but loud student body from way up in the

hills invades our campus. Then, and only then, will we fully realize how much show of that spirit, which is within us, we need in order to excell those men in blue hats who will, at that game, sit opposite us on the bleachers. Some say it can't be done, but we beg to disagree. If every man of Union College will only make up his mind at once that it can and will be done, nothing can prevent it.

The Hamilton bunch is coming down here with scarcely one man missing. They're going to have a lot of good songs ready. They're going to know every one of these songs well and have every Hamilton cheer perfectly. Now men of Union College it is strictly up to you. Do you intend to let that Ha-a-a-amilton ring out so loud in comparison to our own yells that the latter will sound sickly. No you don't intend such, but what are you going to do to prevent it? There's one way, fellows. Go to cheer practice and to mass meeting as often as such things take place during this last week of the football season. Make up your mind, each and every one of you, that you are going to be able to out yell any Hamilton man on earth by the fourteenth, and put yourself into such a condition that you will do it when the time comes. Let's all get to work.

Again we ask—how about those songs?

#### WHAT THE Y. M. C. A. IS DOING.

The speaker at the vesper services in the college chapel, November 1, was the Rev. Clayton J. Potter, pastor of the First Reformed Church of Schenectady. Dr. Potter is a Union man of the class of 1900. His subject was the difference between regard-

ing life as a game or thinking of it more seriously. In speaking of college men he stated that, while the man who regarded his life here as a game might go through with his class, yet that man neither got much out of college nor was he a leader in college life.

About the tenth of November Mr. Escobar, secretary for Latin American students, expects to visit Union for a few days. Secretary Escobar is a very bright young Mexican.

An opportunity is given for two or three fellows to teach classes of foreigners to speak English. These classes will soon begin the winter's work. There is also a chance for anyone wishing to teach a boys' Bible class at the Schenectady Y. M. C. A.

The Bible study classes will begin shortly. The book under discussion will be "A Student's Standard of Action." This is a very practical little book dealing with the ethics of every day life.

The students who are so fortunate as to have Silliman Hall for their use are unusually appreciative of their privilege. Those who have charge of the hall are very grateful for the way the students keep the place in order by keeping the papers off the floor and for the careful way the magazine covers are preserved. The Electric Light Company too, has its little word of thanks for the way it's helped out by the lights that are left on when not in use. The studes who use Silliman Hall ought to help out all they can instead of treating the place as a cross between a wastepaper basket and a club house. It certainly would be just as easy and would help a lot.

Beneath the spreading chestnut tree,
Our math prof. sits sans sorrow,
He's gathering chestnuts by the score,
To feed to us tomorrow.

Ask the sophomore engineers.

#### ENGLISH CLUB.

The English Club held its regular fortnightly meeting in Washburn Hall last Friday. Dr. Chase read a paper dealing with the works and life of Moody, the poet and author. After this a "feed" was enjoyed by members of the club.

The following article from the Colgate Madisononsis may be of interest to the fraternity men on the "hill":

Some concern has been felt by the fraternities of the University concerning their ability to taxation under the new income tax law. The new statute, however, does not include such organizations. The only way the fraternities are affected by the income tax law is through their form as corporations. Every corporation has to file with the collector of its federal district a statement of the profits and expenses of the business in order that the tax may be levied on the net receipts. But since the fraternity is not a profit making corporation, it is not affected by the tax law.

### FRESHMAN FABLES. Number Five.

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"Dear Pop," wrote Ira Twig recently, "I spent all my allowance over in Troy Saturday, because we all went over there to see the football team beat R. P. I. I had to buy an arm band and a megaphone and that took money and then Joe Beamish and me had a hesitation sundae and then we had to pay to get in and then after the game which Mr. Richmond and his team won, Joe Beamish and me was leaving the stands and there was a big parade being started so we jumped right in and marched down the two or three steps from the colege downtown (you know the college is on a little mound) and started off downtown singing.

"I guessed I hadn't learned the songs because they didn't sound familiar to me and I sez to Joe Beamish, 'Say Joe, we'd better

get out our freshman prayer books and sing to.'

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"So we got out our hymnals and hunted all through them for the song they were singing. It went something like this: 'For we are we are we are the sons of old-' somebody or other, I couldn't make out who. And we hunted all through the books and couldn't find the song, and then the parade got down to the Cannon statue which is a big square. Then a great big fellow who I hadn't ever seen before, but he looked just the same as a Terrace Councillor, he jumps out and saw us standing there and he sez, 'Look here, frosh, why aren't you singing?" And Joe Beamish sez, 'We can't find the song in the prayer book.' So I gave him my book to see if he could find it, and he looked at the book and let out an awful yell and a big crowd gathered around and the fellow hollers: 'Look here's two Union freshies who don't know where they are.' And everybody laughed and came up closer, and somebody hollered, 'Ask 'em to give a long yell for R. P. I.' Well, we liked them all right; there wasn't any use in not obliging them, so we gave them a long yell and everybody laughed and hollered and shouted. Then somebody grabbed me by the coat and I sailed out about half across the square and landed right on top of Joe Beamish. Then we heard them all yelling again—and say, pop, b'gosh if they weren't all R. P. I. men in that parade and our fellows had gone home half an hour before! Gee, but I was surprised.

"But I liked them though, they were real nice chaps and they gave a yell for Union just as we got on board the car for home.

"Tell ma to send them along—it's getting cold.

"Your colege boy,

"IRA."

After N. Y. U., Hamilton!

### SOPHOMORES TAKE THIRD GAME OF FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE SERIES

The sophomores "buried" the first year team in the election day game. Outweighed and outplayed, the freshmen did not have a "prayer" and the final whistle showed a score of 21 to 0 in favor of the sophs.

The first score occurred when '17 punted to the frosh behind the goal line. The catch was fumbled and Northrup was there to fall on the ball. The attempt to kick the goal failed. The ball see-sawed back and forth, neither side making large gains until the sophomores took a brace near the end of the quarter and worked the ball to the five yard line. Galbraith went through for touchdown and '17 failed to catch the punt out for goal kick.

In the second quarter the first year men played their best football when they held the sophs for four downs on their three yard line.

After three tries at forward passes within fifteen yards of the freshman goal in the last quarter, Naylon drop kicked neatly between the goal posts, netting the sophomores three more points. With only a few minutes to play Mann snatched the ball on a pass and went through for the last touchdown. The sophs also failed to kick this goal.

Mann, Miller and Naylon starred for 1917, while Beckett and Taylor did the best work for 1918.

### CROSS-COUNTRY. Williams Union.

The Union cross-country team, for its first meet, ran Williams here, October 24, just before the Worcester-Union football game.

The teams started from the gymnasium at 2:30, went by the hospital, out the boulevard and returned, covering about four miles.

Williams got the first two places while Captain Newton of Union came in third.

### FIRST CAMPUS MEETING HELD IN CHAPEL.

#### Much Enthusiasm Shown.

The first campus meeting of the year was held last Friday night in the chapel at 7:00 o'clock. The enthusiasm that was stirred up then lasted through the R. P. I. game and will continue to do so right through the entire season. Prexy Richmond, Fred Dawson, Captain Starbuck, members of the team and others gave short snappy talks about the R. P. I. game. At this time the Press Club was busy in supplying the demand for megaphones and arm bands. This was the first of the meetings which are to be held on Friday evenings during the football season, so let's all come out to keep the ball a going.

#### THE REAL STUFF.

An example of real college spirit was noticed in a small, a very small college in Geneva one day last week. Early Friday morning every student and some of the younger professors donned overalls and after a brisk peerade through the town to warm up, started in with picks and shovels, grading schoops and horses to grade their new athletic field. Back and forth went the line of horses and men, loading and unloading the scoops; forward and back worked the "studes" with shovels from early morning till late afternoon, with a short lay-off for grub. When the whistle blew, the grading was finished ready for the final touches to make it a model athletic field. Considerable "pep" they have at Hobart, eh?

Many tennis champions are now fighting in Europe.

It is too early to learn the net results, but they'll get used to a different sort of racket, and there won't be any "love" in that score.

#### OUR BATTLE SONG.

When that team of garnet hue
Meets the boys in buff and blue,
As in the Neolithic age
Savage warfare will they wage;
To the bitter end they'll fight
And they'll yield 'em not a mite
But they'll smear 'em, smear 'em, smear
'em o'er the field.

Also we who cannot play
Will do our very best that day
Though it be a minor part
We will have it in our heart,
Right behind you all the way,
Will we clean 'em? Well I say!
We'll smear 'em, smear 'em, smear 'em
o'er the field.

Can't you hear that whistle blowin',
Down the field the pigskin goin',
'Leven eager huskies tearing,
Shouting, fighting, doing, daring,
On the stands we rooters hoarse
Backing up our team in force.
We'll smear 'em, smear 'em, smear 'em
o'er the field.

### THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER. Foreword.

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The innocent bystander is no cynical crab. He is no misanthrope, no grouch, no kill-joy. Every once in a while, however, he gets an idea. Probably his ideas are all wrong. His chief fault is that he cannot bring himself to worship the god of things as they are. He much prefers the god of things as they ought to be. Hence his ideas. He is not so narrow minded as to listen to only one side of a story. He craves dissenters, provided those dissenters put down their thoughts on paper. So much then as a raison d'etre.

#### Chirp the First.

The college boy is fast becoming a relic of a dim distant past. The "sport" whose

peculiarities once were the wearing of checkered suits, fancy hat bands, loud socks, and whose sole ocupation seemed the shouting of his college yells to the edification of his admirers at home, is passing speedily into the discard. The college man is taking the place of the college boy; the college man, with man's habits and man's ideas. Far from being the butt of opprobrium, the man who earns his way through college is held in higher esteem than our gentleman who opens his monthly letter from home and languidly picks up the check which has fluttered to the floor.

What have been some of the phases of this evolution? Student self-government in all of its forms. The college of twenty years ago would no more have thought of conducting an examination without an instructor being present than it would have voted to confer Phi Beta Kappa keys for prominence in athletics. And yet we have an honor system, as we call it, which works satisfactorily, and has come to be taken as a matter of course by faculty and students.

Far be it from me to criticize any part of our honor system or honor court. But do we carry out in essence what we mean to in spirit. Is an honor system an honor system which does not place restrictions at the very minimum? Let us consider the pledge necessary to make an examination valid. It runs something like this: "I pledge my honor that during this examination I have neither given nor received aid, and that I have reported or will report any violation of the honor system which comes under my notice." Compare it with the previous pledge: "I pledge my honor that I have fulfilled all the requirements of the honor system." Which is the better?

Now a pledge of some sort is a psychological necessity. Is not the incogruity apparent, however, of having a pledge of five or six lines, when a mere statement of the fact that the student recognizes the honor

system would suffice? In fact, it would more than suffice. Let us make no mention of the inconvenience in remembering and writing the present pledge. The spirit of the thing is wrong. As a matter of fact, the shorter pledge is technically even more inclusive than the longer. But that may or may not be the question. If we are to have an honor system, let us have one where the student is bound, not by mere formula, but by a consciousness of what the significance of the honor system really means to him and to his college.

This is the Innocent Bystander's first chirp. Does he hear any objections?

THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER.

Of all grand words
Of tongue or pen,
The grandest are these,
"We've won again."

There's one thing that's not so high since the war began—alimony.

### CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM LOSES TO COLGATE.

Last Saturday, the cross-country team was again unsuccessful, this time at Colgate, on the opposing team's territory. The score was Colgate, 18; Union, 37. Colgate won the first four places. Peaslee was the first man to finish for Union, coming in fifth. The time, twenty-seven minutes eleven seconds is considered fast time for the uphill course of four and three-quarters miles. The following is the order in which the run finished: Boughton, C.; Bernstrom, C.; Harriman, C.; Froggatt, C.; Peaslee, U.; Scoby, U.; Newton, U.; Williams, C. This is the biggest score that Colgate has ever made against Union in a cross-country run.

The team showed up as well as could be expected considering the preponderance of green material and scarcity of veteran runners. We expect a good season next year,

but our hopes for the future should not prevent us from present appreciation of the loyal and strenuous efforts of Captain Newton and his band. Better luck next year! Ray, cross-country team!!!

Cornell has a training table for the squad of 16 cross-country men. Not a bad thing for Union to look forward to, but for the present \* \* \* \$ ?

#### L'ALLEGRO.

Hence, lothed mathematics,
Of Milnes and hated Newton born,
'Mongst roots and powers and logarithms
dire.

Seek out some attic dusty, Where spiders spin and flies are caught, And brooms are never seen. There, under beams and shingle roof, In dirt and mildew ever dwell. But come, thou language sweet and kind, Soft easer of an o'erworked mind. Come, thou tongue long dead and gone. In thee our lessons are ne'er too long. Thou tongue in which great Cicero Did write in days so long ago, Whose rythmic words, the poet Maro Dids't wield into the statliest measure Ever moulded by lips of man. Now haste thee Latin, and bring with thee, Thy figures, cases, joys to me, Modes and forms are somewhat hard, But love for thee, they can't retard, Thy volumes ne'er to attic dusty Shall be consigned, nor shall grow musty By long disuse from men who hate thee, With joy and love, I do salute thee.

H. L. C., '18.

#### TELEGRAM FROM HOME.

Son, your draft of October fifteenth gave father an awful cold. Come at once.

Let's all help "Pete" Starbuck work for that clean slate.

### ELECTION DAY CONTESTS. Sophs Win Sweeping Victory.

The sophomore class overwhelmed the freshmen in the election day track and field games, winning by the score of 58 to 17. Out of the seven events, the first year men won but two. Peterson, '17, and Miller, '17, were the individual stars of the meet. The results of the events:

100 yard dash—Morrison, '17; Taylor, '18; Carr, '17. Time, 10 4-5 seconds.

Running high jump—Miller, '17, and Peterson, '17, tied; Akin, '18. Height, 4 feet, 11 inches.

12 pound shot—Hay, '18; Miller, '17; Peterson, '17. Distance, 38 feet, 9 inches.

One mi'e run—Stevens, '17; Gilman, '18; Moore, '17. Time, 5 minutes, 5 4-5 seconds.

Running broad jump—Moynahan, '17; Miller, '17; Peterson, '17. Distance, 18 feet. Relay—Won by 1917.

Tug-of-war-Won by 1917.

### BLODGETT SPEAKS TO CHEMISTS. Subject—Gas.

The Chemical Society of Union College met Monday evening, November 2, in the chemical laboratory. A very interesting paper on "Illuminating Gas" was read by Blodgett '15. He touched on the manufacture of water, coal and oil gas and covered the two latter in detail. The by-products of gas manufacture were then enumerated and emphasized.

Mr. Blodgett spoke authoritatively on the subject, having been employed by the Mohawk Gas Company during the summer.

After the reading of the paper a lively discussion ensued in which many members took part.

The next meeting will be held Monday evening, November 16, at which Randles '15 will read a paper on "The Uses and Manufacture of Cement."

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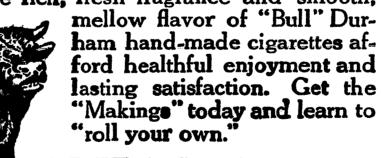
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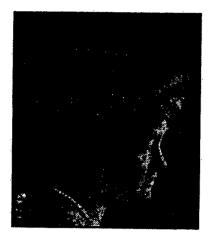
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