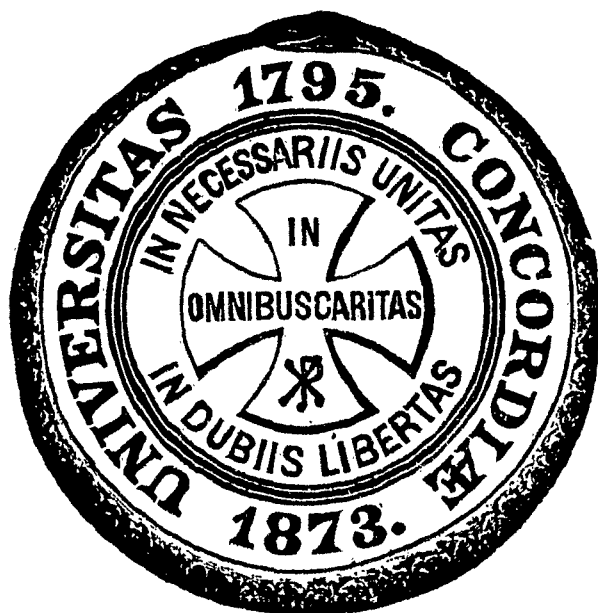


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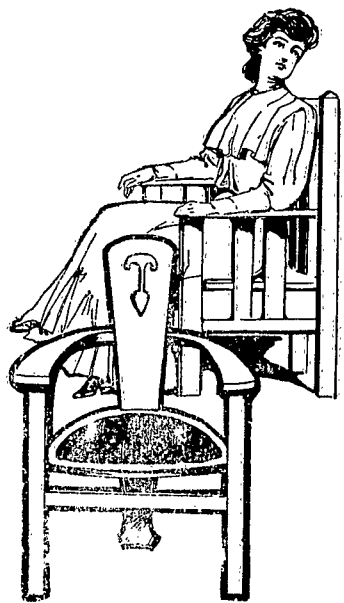
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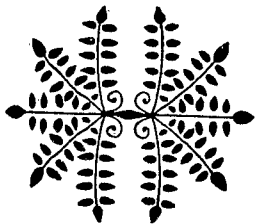
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## UNIVERSITY DAY

**A Remarkable Gathering of the Departments—**

**Notable Address by Dr. Draper—**

**Highly Successful Dinner**

University Day was celebrated in Albany on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, March 7. About 450 students representing Union College, Albany Law School, Albany Medical College and the Albany College of Pharmacy, were in attendance for the afternoon exercises, which began in Odd Fellows' Hall at 3 P. M. Chancellor Andrew V. V. Raymond, '75, presided over the meeting. Upon the platform were seated the speakers and a large representation of the several Faculties. The exercises were opened with a brief address by President Raymond. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Battershall, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Owing to the enforced absence of Vice-Chancellor St. Clair McElway of the State Board of Regents, acting Vice-Chancellor Beach delivered the address of welcome. Dr. Lewis Boss of the Dudley Observatory followed with a noteworthy address upon the work and aim of the Observatory. The notable address of the afternoon was given by Dr. Andrew S. Draper, State Commissioner of Education. Dr. Draper's remarks were largely historical, with special reference to the founding and development of Union College. Dr. Draper spoke with great forcefulness and treated the difficult portions of his subject with singular tact. The address was received with great enthusiasm by all who were fortunate enough to hear it.

The dinner was held at eight o'clock in the evening at the Ten Eyck. There were 241 covers laid. Governor Charles E. Hughes was the guest of honor and was introduced before the close of the dinner in order that he might

attend to official business that could not be deferred. His remarks were brief and to the point. He spoke in a particularly happy vein. At the close of the dinner President Raymond, acting as toastmaster, read letters from the Hon. Frederick W. Seward, '49, and Vice-Chancellor St. Clair McElway. Toasts were responded to by Dean Newton W. Fiero of the Law School; Dr. Samuel B. Ward of the Medical College; the Rev. Dr. Jones of the Madison Avenue Reformed Church, Albany; and the Hon. William H. McElroy, '60, of New York City. The evening closed with the singing of the "Song of Old Union."

There was the greatest enthusiasm manifested throughout the entire day. The speeches were delivered with rare ability and many of them abounded in pleasing humor. The singing and cheering were rendered with a spirit that was most admirable.

We regret exceedingly that lack of time alone compels this short account of such a memorable occasion. We feel confident that the press and our contemporaneous college publication will do full justice and honor to this remarkable event, which signalizes a new era in the growth of the University.

## TRUSTEES' MEETING

**Grounds to Be Beautified — Appropriation for Museum**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees which was adjourned on January 22 in Albany was continued on Tuesday evening, March 5, at the Hebrew Technical Institute, New York City. Two resolutions were adopted which signify in a material way the new prosperity of the College. Both measures indicate progress in a long-desired direction.



The Board appointed a committee to supervise the improvement of the College grounds. The committee has at its disposal a special appropriation for this purpose, and work upon the campus will begin as early in the spring as is possible. It is highly probable that a large part if not all of the improvements will be effected before commencement in June.

The second important matter brought up for the Board's consideration was the question of the museum. A suitable appropriation was made to put the various collections in good repair. All the specimens now in the Round Building will be restored and classified. The necessary pedestals, cases, etc., will be supplied so that visitors may have the privilege of viewing one part of our valuable possessions that has hitherto been reposing in obscurity. The Wheatley and Delavan collections of minerals will also be moved from the gallery of the chapel to the top floor of the library.

The Board also took action with regard to the land on which the houses of professors and fraternities may be built. For this purpose was set apart all that portion of the campus bounded by Union Avenue, South College Lane and Library Lane, as the lane leading up to the library from Union Street has been called. Although several fraternities have applied for sites on which to erect houses, no applications were granted at this meeting. It is understood that land will be leased to fraternities not in order of establishment, but in an order to be determined by their readiness to build. The lots will average 150 x 100 feet and there is room for some ten houses. Mr. Pond has already erected a house within this district.

Mr. Edouard Lang was chosen to act as an instructor in the Department of Modern Languages. Mr. Lang is a native German and was graduated from the University of Zurich. He has also taken a course in theology in this country. Mr. Lang is at present teaching in the Troy Academy and will not assume his new duties until next autumn.

### Lecture by Prof. Bracq

Prof. Jean C. Bracq, head of the Romance language department at Vassar College, gave a most instructive address on "The Present Relation of Church and State in France" in the Chapel on Tuesday evening. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Fortnightly Club, and was well attended by the members and students.

The speaker dealt with the question from the French point of view, and was well qualified to discuss the subject, since he was born in France, and lived there for many years. He began by showing how the French are divided into two great parties, the clericals and the anti-clericals. The former, representing the extreme Roman Catholic views, are not noted for their love of liberty. The latter comprise men of all creeds, including many of the best Catholics of France.

According to Prof. Bracq, the greatest desire of the French is for religious liberty, and, after that, political liberty. He declared that, when the Catholic party has been in control, they have given as little liberty as possible, while the Republicans have given much when they were in power.

For years, or until some time after the establishment of the third republic the speaker said the prelates of the church controlled all political appointments, and this caused much discord. Among other oppressions, non-Catholic soldiers had to attend mass, the teachers misrepresented history, Catholic teachers were not required to have diplomas, while other teachers were, and free thinkers could not open schools.

The speaker then asserted that under the new conditions the church is not oppressed; that money taken from the abolished orders is either returned to those who gave it, given to Catholics who need assistance or to old members of the orders—in short, that the government does not get one franc, so its act cannot be called confiscation.

When the separation law was being framed, the Catholic committee which had it in charge

submitted it to members of that faith, to Jews and to Protestants, and it was not passed until all expressed satisfaction with it. When the nation was appealed to, an overwhelming majority voted in favor of it.

In closing, Prof. Bracq compared conditions under the Concordat and under the present arrangement. He showed that both church and State have gained, the one being made a purely spiritual, the other a purely temporal organization, and neither one controlled or influenced by the other.

### Briefs

The Faculty has appointed a committee to arrange with the Musical Clubs for the spring trip. The following were chosen: Prof. McKean, Dr. Ellery and Prof. Ferguson.

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The basketball team will play R. P. I. in the Gym. next Friday night. This game will be the third of a series of five. The first game was played in Troy on December 15 and resulted in a victory for R. P. I., the score being 32--25. The second game was played here on January 12 and the Garnet won 26--12. As the team has been very considerably strengthened since the beginning of the season a victory is looked for on the 15th.

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A committee has been appointed by the Faculty to determine upon the most available hour for holding Chapel services. This committee is to render a report some time before the beginning of the next College year. So far as the spring term is concerned, it was decided to discontinue the practice of holding Chapel at noon and to revert to the usual hour of a quarter before eight.

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The Faculty met on Wednesday afternoon in view of the fact that University Day fell upon a Thursday, the usual day for the weekly meeting. Among other things of interest that were decided was the ratification of the baseball

schedule which was published in these columns some weeks ago. However, a proviso was added whereby it will not be permissible to begin home games earlier than 4:30 P. M. This ruling applies only to week-day games and in nowise affects the games to be played on Saturday.

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The Sigma Phi Society celebrated its 80th anniversary last Saturday evening with a dinner at the Mohawk Club.

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The College has recently published a circular of information concerning courses and entrance requirements. The booklet is made up in a very attractive form and is illustrated with whole page cuts. The views show a birds-eye glimpse of the campus, North and South Colleges, the President's house, Silliman Hall, the library, the garden, North colonnade, the electrical, chemical and physical laboratories, the chapel, a corner of the oval, the gym., the Idol, and the various fraternity houses.

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The Senior Class held a meeting yesterday noon instead of on Wednesday, as first announced.

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Cheer and song practice was held in the Chapel at noon on Monday and Wednesday. The singing was the best heard at any student gathering this year.

### RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS

#### Pres. Raymond on Committee

Six of the eight candidates for the Rhodes scholarship from this state have passed the examination and it now rests with the committee to select the one person to receive the scholarship. It is expected that the committee on award will meet in Albany March 28 to make its selection. The committee is composed of President Raymond, of Union; President Rhees, of Rochester; Rev. M. Hearn, of Manhattan and Howard J. Rogers, assistant state commissioner of education.

### Another Way to Mark

There are many ways of determining how much a student knows about his subject. There are also many ways of determining what his mark shall be. Rumor has it that some of the methods employed by the Powers that Be are rather unique. For example, we have heard of a professor who marked his men according to the silk hat system. That is, he carefully set down against each man's name whatever grade appeared on a slip of paper drawn from his "topper." This system works very well when the knowledge of the subject is at a minimum. Justice to the class forbade the insertion of slips bearing the letters "N. S." or "F."

"Life" for last week, in quoting from the "Bellman," gives a system perfected by Walter Pater, the height of the marks depending upon the depth of feeling aroused.

"Quite a delightful tale is told of the late Walter Pater's failure to give marks to certain essays for the final grading of students and his reason for failure to meet the obligation. Pater, being one of a committee to pass upon examination essays, professed when it came to the giving of an account to be wholly unable to say anything at all, shaking his head wearily at reiterated questions, and asseverating, 'No, nothing struck me; nothing struck me at all; all the essays were very much alike.' Finally, his colleagues suggested that if they read aloud the names of the men who had submitted the essays he might be able to give some opinion. He submitted, finally, brightening visibly at the name 'Sanctuary,' and saying with soft glee: 'Ah, yes, I remember. Give him first. I liked his name so much.' The tales of his special tolerance toward the pranks of undergraduates, too, are delightful. Being consulted upon measures to be taken against students who persisted in bonfires in the squad, he objected that, on the other hand, 'they do light up the tower of St. Mary's beautifully.'"

### Alumni Notes

'48. Judge Charles C. Nott has recently presented to our library the original manuscript of an address delivered by Abraham Lincoln at the Cooper Union, New York, during the Civil War.

'66. Captain George Hammeken Kearney, U. S. N., died in February at his home in Fishkill-on-Hudson. Capt. Kearney was a chief engineer in the Navy from 1893 to the time of his death.

'83. Gulian V. P. Lansing, secretary of the Northwestern Gas Control Co. of Seattle, Wash., has been visiting recently in Schenectady.

### Boiler House Fire

About five o'clock Sunday morning the Hill was awakened by the Schenectady fire department and found that the boiler house was on fire. The flue, which was supposed to be fire-proof, being lined with asbestos, had become overheated and set fire to the surrounding woodwork. The blaze was extinguished after doing about \$100 damage.

Again, at four o'clock Wednesday morning, the firemen invaded the campus. The blaze had been started from some of the refuse of the former fire. This time all that was needed was a bucket of water. Neither fire stopped the working of the boilers, so that the sections and fraternity houses did not suffer a loss in temperature.

### Safe

A Missouri graduate in law, says a politician of that State, wrote to a prominent lawyer in Arkansas to inquire what chance there was in that section for such a one as he described himself to be. He said: "I am a Republican in politics, and an honest young lawyer."

The reply that came seemed encouraging in its interest: "If you are a Republican the game laws here will protect you, and if you are an honest lawyer, you will have no competition."—Harper's Weekly.



### Memory, the Gleaner

The following poem is the valedictory address of Mr. Anson G. Chester of Buffalo, of the class of '49, and was read at the annual dinner of the Western New York Alumni Association of Union College, held at the University Club of Buffalo recently:

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The harvest field of Boaz—like a host  
Drawn up for battle stands its ripened grain,  
Rustling its note of challenge. Brawny men  
Are there to lay it low, and, now, the noise  
Of the keen sickle blends with triumph songs.  
Close on their track, the agile binders haste  
To tie the newly-fallen grain in sheaves  
Which throng the field with golden monuments  
To foresight, thrift and labor.

Glance again—

Behold a meek eyed maiden straying there!  
Like one sweet lily in a hedge of thorns  
So she among the reapers. See, she bends,  
And carefully and patiently collects—  
Thinking of her she loves and fain would serve—  
The few stray stalks the binders left behind  
That, but for her, would only perish there.

'Tis Ruth, the gentle, meek and beautiful,  
Around whose name are wreathed unfading  
flowers

In man's remembrance. Filial, faithful Ruth,  
The type of love and loving constancy,  
Long as the page endures that chronicles  
Thy simple, sweet and touching history,  
Love shall write thy name with benisons  
And hearts shall be thy home.

Another scene:

Behold before thee here a broader field—  
The wide, unmeasured acres of the world!  
And, yonder, busy with her ceaseless toil,  
Lo! Memory, The Gleaner! not like her,  
The gentle Moaditess, led by love,  
But urged by strenuous duty, and controlled  
By Him whose will is foremost everywhere.

One gleaned to succor life—affection led  
Her footsteps to the field and cheered her toil;  
The other gleans for justice, hoarding up  
Her testimony in her garner place  
Fix final judgment and impartial Heaven.  
Mark what is in her grasp—lo! thrifty tares—  
Old unrepented sins by thee forgot;  
And thistles, too—thine unforgiven wrongs;  
And worthless weeds,—thy lost and squandered  
hours;  
And fruits betraying mildew and decay—

Pledges unkept and futile purposes;  
And flowers,—a few, thy deeds of charity:  
O! what a mean array of witnesses  
When thou art summoned to thy last account  
To stand with thine accuser face to face—  
To meet, confront and answer Memory.  
'Tis only on the pure and perfect grain  
Of goodness, truth and virtue, garnered up  
In all our years of toil and struggle here,  
Our souls can live, keep living, live forever.

Our lives are what we make them; human will  
Moulds human destiny; spirits on earth  
But leaf and bud, the blossom is the future's;  
Earth, like a cunning sculptor, fashioneth  
The form and features of eternity.

Like maketh like,—the seed thou scatterest  
Into life's furrows shall produce the same  
A million fold increased. Yes, heaven is kind,  
But heaven is just and just to all alike;  
Upon the sowing doth the reaping hang,  
The gleaning on them both. All this is Law,  
And Law is God, and God can never change.

Scatter, O! scatter, on thine earthly way  
The golden grain of goodness, truth and love;  
That when thou meetest Memory on high,  
Bearing the tokens of life's employ,  
Thou shalt embrace her as an olden friend;  
And, counted with the angels, shalt remain  
In the childhood of the skies!

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Inasmuch as the candidate from the Sophomore Class to succeed to the office of Assistant Business Manager of this paper has been obliged to leave College, Business Manager Newton announces that the time for registering for this office has been extended to the first Monday of the spring term. The names of all candidates must be in the hands of the Business Manager on or before April 8.

## THE BROADER SPIRIT

For the first time in years there has been developed in this university a feeling of mutual regard between the several departments. It is not for us to attempt to trace the development of this spirit—we content ourselves with the fact of its welcome presence. Now that there is a bond of genuine good fellowship we should guard and protect it with all care and tact. A single personal difference between prominent men of the different departments may lead to a breach that even the strongest spirit cannot mend. We would take this occasion to speak to the managers and leaders of our various organizations in favor of concentrating the greatest attention upon whatever relations now exist between the departments. The spirit of courtesy and the willingness to sacrifice a small personal pleasure will do more to help this growing spirit wax strong and close-binding than anything else we know of. A trip to Albany now and then may not be convenient, but the effect will be well worth while. It is within our powers to grant favors that will be received with greatest gratitude. Will our services be rendered freely and willingly without a trace of the spirit of commercialism or exclusiveness? This is

a matter over which we have no jurisdiction. It rests in the hands of a few.

#### A SIGN OF THE FUTURE

By its action last Tuesday evening, the Board of Trustees gave a sign to the friends of the college that cannot be mistaken in significance. The willingness of the Board to devote money to purposes outside the pale of bare necessity is indicative of two important considerations. The past, with its burdens of debt and lack of prosperity, has been forced out of our immediate notice; the future, with its horn of plenty, is bright before us. We have always believed in the future of this institution as firmly as we have revered the memories of the past. We have often looked for some token or outward manifestation of that future, and at last we have found it exhibited in the manner desired. We are beginning to be able to do something for ourselves. But in the doing it is gratifying to note that the improvements will be along the lines laid down some years ago. The spirit of the past will not be violated, we hope, in a single particular. We believe that no improvement will appeal more to our older graduates than the proposed repairs to the Terrace. We understand that other work of a similar nature is being contemplated. We congratulate the Board upon its action and feel confident that the work of beautifying these historic old grounds will be carried on with unerring taste and sound judgment.

#### Memory

Somebody of a psychological turn of mind once asked Lord Rosebery, "What is memory?"

"Memory," Rosebery replied, promptly but somewhat pensively—"memory is the feeling that steals over us when we listen to our friends' original stories."—Youth's Companion.

#### A Brilliant Outlook

He was heard to remark,

When about to expire:

"The future looks bright,

But it may be the fire."

—Ex.

#### Can You Guess It?

Two right angles, a circle complete,

Two semi-circles with diameter meet,

An acute angle triangle standing on feet,

Two semi-circles and a circle complete.

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The answer is a word commonly heard on the campus. It is a commodity which you very frequently borrow from your friends. Sometimes you loan it to the Faculty and sometimes the Faculty returns it to you with greatly increased value. Very verdant freshmen often use it as an outward token of their arrival at man's estate. Seniors and other wise men find it as restful as the "sleep that knits up the ravell'd sleeve of care." The word in question will appear in next week's issue.

#### A Wing Shot

There had been many speakers, the hour waxed late, people were tired, and the diners were one by one quietly pushing back their chairs and leaving the hall, when Mr. Elder was called upon to respond to a toast.

He arose, and looking around the large hall, remarked that the present circumstances reminded him of a story told of a Methodist minister. The reverend gentleman was officiating in a strange parish, and when he rose to deliver his sermon the congregation began stealing out one by one. Stopping in his delivery of his text, he remarked quietly:

"Well, I have all my life been a traveling clergyman, but never before have I preached to a traveling congregation."

Mr. Elder's palpable "hit" brought down the house, and the migration ceased until the close of his brilliant remarks.—Boston Herald.

**BASKETBALL****To-night's Line-up**

The basketball team, consisting of Shutler, Brown, Starbuck, Hequembourg, Anderson and Buck, accompanied by Coach Hardman and Manager Noble, left this morning for Rochester. To-night they play the U. of R. team, which they defeated here on February 20 by a score of 29--19.

The men are all in fine condition, and expect to make a good showing.

The probable line-up is:

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Reed (Capt.).....	Shutler (Capt.),	Buck	
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Forwards.			
Neefus .....	Hequembourg		
Center.			
Keibur .....	Anderson		
G. Rameker .....	Brown		
Guards.			

**Intercollegiate**

Syracuse has an inter-fraternity basketball league.

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Undergraduates have organized a "Teachers' Club" at Bucknell University, to discuss educational problems.

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Dunn, Pennsylvania State, captain and All-American center, is going to China as a medical missionary.

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The faculty at the University of Maine recently made gymnasium work compulsory until Senior year.

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Wisconsin has over 500 candidates for the track team, owing to the faculty giving credit for all branches of athletics.

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Harvard has endowed a pew in the American church, in Berlin, to bear the name of the university.

Purdue has abolished bulletin boards, and hereafter all official announcements will be published in the student daily paper.

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University of Virginia shows a matriculation of 800 the past year.

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The Y. M. C. A. at Wesleyan College gave \$1,500 to missions last year.

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Michigan has the largest law school in the country; Pennsylvania, the largest medical school; Cornell, the largest technical school; and Harvard, the largest academic school.

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Michigan University is to have a theological seminary.

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Mount Holyoke has a Freshman class of 212.

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President Stryker of Hamilton has left on a two months' vacation to be spent abroad. President Drinker of Lehigh is spending a few days in Jamaica.

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Forty men turned out for baseball practice at Princeton last week.

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The University of Wisconsin has 3,700 students enrolled. There are five new buildings on the campus. The faculty has been increased by seven new professors, twenty-three instructors and twenty-nine assistants.

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Over 6,000 volumes have been added to Brown University Library this past year.

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One of the latest Boston movements is to give newsboys college courses at Harvard.

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South Dakota University is again in the throes of a student revolution. President Gault had planned to give a lecture in chapel, but 500 seats were taken out and hidden. The chairs of the faculty were given a coating of honey.

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Wheaton Seminary, Norton, Mass., closed because of thirty cases of scarlet fever.

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Syracuse health authorities quarantined Haven Hall, the largest of the girls' dormitories of Syracuse University, because of a case of scarlet fever.

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At Ohio State University about 1,200 condi-

tions and failures were given at the end of the fall term and 100 students were requested not to return.

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At Yale students are now forbidden to throw snowballs in the college buildings or yards, to smoke upon the steps or in the entries of the public buildings.

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A \$75,000 law building is in course of construction at the University of Texas.

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Yale has introduced a combination season ticket to be sold for \$5. It admits the student to all football, baseball and track games.

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There is being published at Colgate a booklet of seventy-five pages containing 125 cuts of the buildings, the campus and athletic teams and records for the past six years.

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The Yale University Dramatic Association has formulated plans for the building of a theater with a seating capacity of about 1,200. A feature of the building will be its containing offices for the various college organizations. The cost is estimated at about \$75,000.

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At Yale two baseball diamonds and two football fields are being laid out for the use of the undergraduates, exclusive of 'Varsity men.

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Preliminary work will be done at Princeton this spring in preparation for the crew in 1908.

Boston Tech is agitating the question of adding \$5 a year to the required expenses of students, the money so raised to be used for the support of athletics, for which there is now no regular provision.

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In memory of the late Charles L. Marburg, his brothers and sisters will add \$150,000 to the endowment of John Hopkins University.

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At the present rate of royalties on the ore lands belonging to Minnesota, it is estimated that the university will secure an endowment of \$1,000,000 a year.

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The Intercollegiate Hockey Championship was won by Princeton and the Basketball Championship by Yale.

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Students at Princeton are required to sign church attendance cards and leave them in the hands of an attendant as they go out from the church services.

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Twenty-five students at the University of Michigan have formed a rifle club.

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A small party in the University of Chicago is planning an anthropological and historical expedition to Egypt and Palestine. Regular class work will be carried on while traveling, the students receiving credit for their work.



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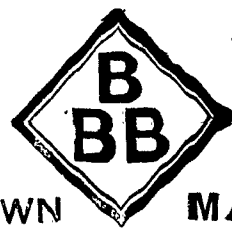
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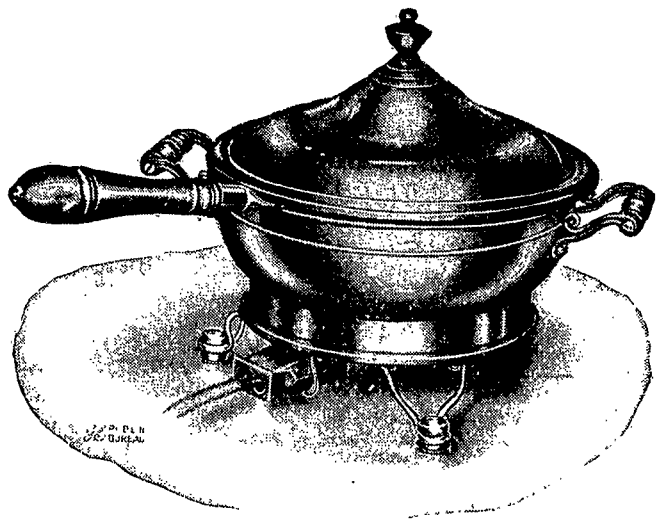
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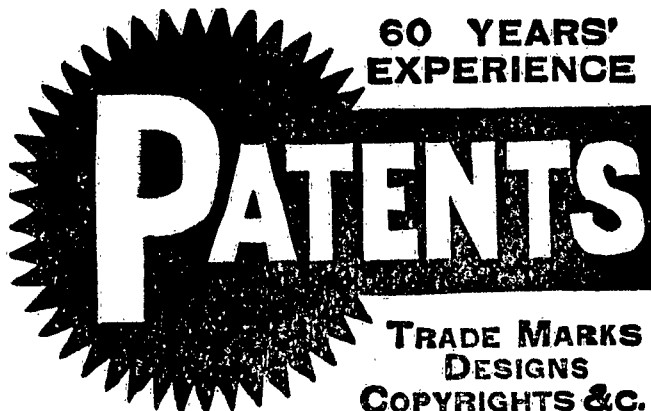
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