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BATS CRACK IN FIRST **OF PRACTICE GAMES**

Tamsett Uses All Available.

WITTNER MAY LEAVE

Manager Hagar Gives Out Tentative Schedule for Football Season.

The baseball men tore up the turf in great shape yesterday afternoon for 22nd U.S. Infantry, and acting inabout four hours. The first practice spector general, continued his examgame of the season took place, although it was nearly five o'clock before the two teams finally got organized. Coach Tamsett took advantage of every moment of daylight, however, and worked the players until after six o'clock.

The first part of the afternoon was given over principally to infield coaching with two sets of candidates at work. The first group included Capt. Peaslee at first; Fancher, second; Collins, short-stop, and Mallery, third. The second bunch to come out were Hochuli, first; George Brucker, second, Metzner, short, and Neville, third. ing the examiner in company front. If observations of yesterday's practice As a whole, this drill was the best are any safe criterion, it appears as of the afternoon, in spite of the fact though the job of third baseman will that one company in line can hardly be a toss-up between Mallery, Brucker pass another in column of squads in and Neville.

In the sphere of twirlers Bill Han- hibition work was some ler tried their skill at stickin' 'em various evolutions of deployment, firover. Laskowski, Gulick, Benedict ing, and assembly. Again the size of and Rosenthal were also out but did the drill hall had a hand in the hamabundance of steam.

lost none of his last season's tricks. His arm was in excellent condition and enabled him to put them out to the baseman with no apparent effort. His unsettled condition, however, makes it rather uncertain about being here to open the season. He received a notice Wednesday from the government which in substance ordered him to prepare for call. This may come within a few days or a longer period.

The team is rapidly assuming shape. Saturday's parctice will undoubtedly take the form of another game similar to the one yesterday. The men with few exceptions are getting into the game and the progress in the next workout will pretty much determine who will be in the games against Columbia and N. Y. U.

Assistant Manager Hagar has given out the following tentative football schedule for 1918, which is without doubt one of the best that Union has played in some time.

The season will open on September 28th, one week earlier than last

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LIEUT. LORING LEAVES AFTER SHORT STAY

Daylight Inspector Non-Committal as to Report He Will Make.

> VISITORS ARE PLEASED

Close-Order Work, Deployment and Guard Mount Parts of Exam.

Lieut. William E. Loring, of the ination of the Union R. O. T. C. yesterday. His inspection consisted chiefly of a survey of the books and organization of the battalion. Before his departure yesterday afternoon he vouchsafed no hint as to what will be the nature of the report which he will make to the War Department.

The three companies of the battalion were put through a hard course of sprouts as part of Wednesday's inspection. The work began with about twenty minutes of close order drill, the companies frequently passthe gym. The next feature of the exskirmish which to shoot. Almost all of B pany participated in the manual of arms drill, which was led by Cadet Lieut. Townsend. For the most part, the men made an excellent appearance in this feature of the examination. Guard mounting, which took place a few moments later, was run off without a visible hitch. This drill was nearly as successful as the general close order marching had been. The afternoon's work was ended by fifteen minutes of setting-up exercise under the leadership of Cadet Lieut. Town-

Beside Lient. Loring and Col. Goldman, those on the reviewing stand were Professors Hale and Opdyke, of the military affairs committee, and Professor Berg and Mc-Daniell, of the engineering department. Several of the spectators congratulated Co. Goldman after the battalion.

PANTIN WILL PLAY AT HOP AFTER "FULL HOUSE."

Pantin's orchestra has been engaged for the dancing which will follow the production of "A Full House" on the night of April 27th. The actors admit that their protracted period of coaching has put them in tip-top form and they are confident that "A Full House" will be deserving of a "full house." Students will be admitted free to the play. A list of prices for the rest of the audience will appear

BATTALION MEMBERS AID IN LOCAL LOAN DRIVE

Guard Valuable Exhibit of War Relics on View in Old Brown Store.

A number of cadess in the Union R. O. T. C. have volunteered to do their bit in the third Liberty Loan drive by helping the force of Schenectadians engaged in selling bonds.

At the former Brown furniture store at Dock and State Streets, a Liberty Loan exhibit is attracting great throngs from the populace of Schenectady, and so far more Liberty Bonds have been purchased there than was expected.

The exhibit consists of things of interest in the European war, and also a few relics of Civil War times which offer a comparison of old-style warfare and the modern trench warfare. ley, Joe Brucker, Hughes and Smuk- about six minutes to go through the There are exhibits of entrenching tools, army tents, various types of guns and rifles, photographs, hospital equipment, and a very unique model not pitch to the batter. Hughes, Joe pered effectiveness with which the of a full-size trench, complete from Brucker and Hanley showed good commands of the captains, which were sand-bags to periscope. There have control and the latter had his usual entirely by signal, could be carried also been lectures on the Browning out. On account of the necessarily gun and others on interesting phases On the receiving end were Schwartz narrow space between men on the of the war. The exhibit is watched and Wittner. Hal was there with firing line, the latter were often un- very strictly by some of the State some fine form, showing that he has able to take the proper position from guards and will be guarded also by volunteers from the college battalion. Company and about half of A Com- It is expected that the latter will far outshine the former in appearance and in bravery under the scrutiny of the citizens of Schenectady.

GEN. LESTER HOME AFTER HONORABLE DISCHARGE

Brigadier-General James W. Lester, '18, has been honorably discharged from the command of the Fifty fourth infantry brigade, Twenty seventh division, at Camp Wadsworth Spartanhurg, S. C., according to a re cent report from the South. General Lester was examined and declared unfit for service abroad because of his age and weight. He arrived at his home in Saratoga Springs Wednesday night, his return being hastened by the critical illness of his brother, Judge Charles C. Lester. General Lester was marshal of the alumni parade on Alumni Day last Com mencement. He was called to service with his brigade a few months later and has been at Camp Wadsdrill on the good apparance of the worth ever since. He is a member ever, nevertheless, I will always carry of the Delta Phi fraternity.

GARDNER WRITES PRES. OF CAMP LIFE

'16 Man Private in Company C, Kansas Engineers.

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Today's service letter is from H. B. Gardner, '16, a private in C Company, Kansas Engineers, and stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Gardner, while here, was one of the best known men in his class and was one of the mainstays in the line of the 1914 clean slate football team, playing the position of guard. Gardner, who enlisted as a common private, will probably be given rapid advancement. His letter to President Richmond follows: "September 19, 1917.

"My Dear President: It was at the late Union Alumni banquet in Chicago that I saw you last, and little did I think then that soon I would be in the service of Uncle Sam, but it is

"I applied for admission to the second series of training camps for officers but was not accepted. Being a little disheartened at first, I decided to get in the service anyway, and enlisted in a battalion of engineers recruited in Kansas City. My company is in the first battalion of the One Hundred Tenth Regiment, Thirtyfifth Division of the U.S. Army, and is located at Fort Sill, Oklahoma where we have been for nearly one

"Fort Sill is naturally adapted for a training camp, the government reservation containing one hundred and fifteen thousand acres. Preparations have been made for forty thousand troops and cantonment buildings are being erected as far as one can see..

"Many branches of the army are represented here, among them being infantry, cavalry, artillery, medical, engineers, aviation and musketry, and it is indeed a very busy place with an abundance of work for everyone.

"The climate is very enjoyable, the elevation being high enough to make the warm days not disagreeable, while the nights are moderately cool

"I have not once regretted volumteering for service and find more each day that the army is a wonderful school. I believe that every man who does not get in the service is sacrificing a great deal, rather than not, by not joining.

"I suppose Union's team is practicing daily now for the coming football season. How I would like to be back once more wearing a garnet jersey and having Fred Dawson from behind saying, 'Hit that line hard and low.' Such is not the case, how-

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FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1918.

The Supreme Sacrifice.

The first of Union's sons to make the supreme sacrifice in the Great War everywhere with regard to this in-line. But viewing the battalion's work has fallen on an unknown battlefield in France. Leonard W. Ripton, of the class of 1912, has been reported killed in action while fighting shoulder to shoulder with his countrymen performance of the battalion in the in the noblest cause for which men Liberty Loan parade was auspicious ever fought. Ripton was one of the first to enlist in America's overseas forces, and he has been in France for many months. His is only the first of a long list of names of Union men and that their confidence in its memwho will give their lives to the cause of freedom ere the long war to which America has already so freely contributed her men and resources is over. It may not be long before we hear of the passing of one whom we knew only yesterday as an undergraduate. Glorious as was Union's record plans go through, some heavier work making tests. He said he has evolved in the war of two generations ago, in prospect. More than this, that in- a new and more accurate method of we believe that her duty will be performed even more faithfully in these trying days to come. After all, is The outdoor work of the remaining engineer for the city in connection there a nobler way for a man to show his love for his alma mater than to give his life for his mother country?

A Year of Drill.

will be the nature of the findings of There is still too much of that atti-Lieut. Loring, acting Inspector-Gen- tude which prompted one of the cadets eral, who examined the Union R. O. a few days ago to brush off carefully T. C. at drill Wednesday and who a place on the ground on which to continued his inspection yesterday. He in skirmish line. Many of the file

For most of the battalion members Wednesday was a day of anxiety. The inspection was the climax of more than a year of hard work, work into which not only a large part of the student body, but also many faculty members and alumni have thrown Entered at Schenectady Post Office as Second themselves with all the zeal they pos-Class Mail Matter. Subscription price: Five cents a copy, \$2.50 a President Richmond announced that for the first time in more than thirty years Union students would again be given an opportunity to drill as a college unit. And now the results of the test will be awaited with the greatest eagerness. A favorable recommendation to the War Department means that the Union R. O. T. C. will get prompt action on requisitions for the materials it needs-for rifles, ammunition, tents, equipment. A less favorable report means months of waiting, when the material which might have been sent here may be diverted to other and more deserving training corps.

If Lieut. Loring was uncommunicative concerning his official report, the members of the committee on military affairs and the other faculty members who watched Wednesday's exhibition surely were favorably impressed. Considering the short duration of their training and the difficulties under which the narrow confines of the gymnasium forced them to work, the men made a good appearance. Especially praiseworthy was the high percentage of attendance at the inspection, a condition not unusual during the last few weeks. The recent drastic rules regarding absences and an improved battalion spirit might be mentioned as the causes for the present scarcity of the drill slacker.

Even better was the showing made by the battalion at its first formal appearance before the people of Schenectady, when it took part in the Liberty Loan parade last Saturday. Favorable comment has been heard their duty in correcting the men in spection by the public. Shoulders as a whole, the observer must char- Novelties in Men's Furnishwere not thrown back when the bat- acterize it and that of the faculty talion passed the movie camera Saturday because they were already back as far as they would go. The good because it showed Union's local alumni that her undergraduates have caught the war spirit; that the money which they expended in getting the battalion started was not misspent, bers was not misplaced. After Saturday, it is more than !likely that Union alumni will stand behind the battalion with greater enthusiasm than

materially in the attainment of this tice here. end. Company pride and the spirit of competition are as yet almost un-No report is yet available as to what tried as producers of esprit de corps.

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closers are still prone to overlook members behind the scenes as a notable achieveemnt.

DR. ELLERY EVOLVES NEW SEWAGE TEST

Dr. Edward Ellery professor of chemistry at Union and chemist for the City of Schenectady, has devised a new method of testing sewage. Last Tuesday Dr. Ellery described the device to Mayor Charles A. Simon, Commissioner of Public Works S. M. Bishop and City Engineer Lewis Sebring in the mayor's office. The professor brought samples of raw and But our R. O. T. C. has still a great filtered sewage and testing impledeal of work ahead of it. There are ments with which he demonstrated long hours of drill, and, if present the former and present methods of tangible requisite, battalion spirit, testing which he purposes to demonmust attain a greater development. strate to Harrison P. Eddy, consulting weeks of the spring, with the separate with the sewage disposal plant, in company drill which the military au- Mr. Eddy's laboratory in Boston after thorities have promised, should aid which he expects to put it into prac-

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RIPT ON '12, FIRST UNION MAN KILLED IN OVERSEAS ACTION

The name of Leonard W. Ripton, of the class of 1912, will probably go down in history as that of the first Union alumnus to be killed in action in France. Although no record of his enlistment is available, it is believed that he was a member of the force of American engineers who were the vanguard of the overseas troops from this country. His name was included in the list of killed in action in the casualty report which was received by the United Press yesterday. While in college, Ripton was active in the affairs of his class, having played on a number of class athletic teams. He did not graduate from Union, but went in his Sophomore year to Albany, where he entered the Albany Medical ollege. Leaving the Medical College, he went to Canada, where he remained for several years at one time living in Alaska. Following an unsuccessful attempt to enlist in the Canadian Medical Corps, Ripton returned to the United States, joining the American forces some time later.

SENIORS VOTE \$200 FOR LIBRARY ALCOVE.

At a meeting of the Senior class Wednesday noon, \$200 was voted to be expended for the purchase of a class memorial to be presented to the college during Commencement Week. According to the present plans of Chairman W. P. Northrop of the committee in charge, the gift of the class of 1918 will be unique among Senior memorials. The money pledged is to be used in the fitting up of a section of the college library as an alcove for the preservation of all alumni records of the college. The alcove, to be known as the Alumni Alcove, will be situated on the ground floor of the building and will be furnished tries among the subject peoples so with iron gates, steel shelves, etc. | that it might not be possible to build The Senior banquet committee will probably decide the time and place and some of the details of the graduation feast some time this week.

ENGLISH CLUB TO HEAR "VATICAN AND THE WAR."

The English Club will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the Graduate Council room, Washburn Hall. L. J. Fitzgerald, '15, will present a paper on "The Vatican and the War."

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Systematic Exploitation of Bel gium Under the Rathenau Plan.

Washington, D. C.—The systematic exploitation of Belgium by the Germans under the so-called "Rathenau Plan" is revealed for the first time to the American people in the latest publication of the Comimttee on Public Information, issued recently, entitled German Treatment of Conquered Territory." It is based upon unpublished reports to our Department of State, and other sources as yet little known in this country, and presents an appalling record of calculated German greed and brutality. Much of the most damning evidence is derived from the official orders and other utterances of the Germans themselves.

The Rathenau plan was suggested early in August, 1914, by Dr. Walter Rathenau, president of the General Electric Company of Germany. It consisted essentially in the formation, under his direction, of a bureau to procure an unfailing supply of essential raw materials for the war, such as rubber, saltpetre, metals, etc., both by purchase in neutral markets and by seizure in occupied territories. Secretly a more dastardly purpose was pursued. "The plan aimed not merely at making war support war by contributions and requisitions forced from the conquered peoples. It also sought to destroy the industhem up again for some years, if at all. In the meantime, the German authorities counted upon their ability to capture the markets of the world

As an example of the deliberate crushing of Belgian competition, the case of the glass industry is cited. This was one of the most flourishing industries of Belgium before the war, the German glass manufacturers could not compete with it in the export trade. In the words of the head of the German organization of glass manufacturers, "It became vital to the German manufacturers of glassware that the Belgian manufacturers should be stopped from going to neutral markets." Accordingly, the German administration in Belgium was appealed to, and it promulgated "an order stopping importation transit and exportation" of these goods. Seizure of Belgian trade secrets was another feature of this typically German plan.

The extent to which Belgium has been denuded of its wealth, war materials, machinery, means of transport and man power under this iniquitous plan is almost unbelievable.

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Mysterious Trip to New York Ends in Enlistment at Camp Meade.

The Terrace Council is now reduced to only three members, as the result of the enlistment in the national service of Pierre Hoag, '18, the last remaining councilman who was tapped last spring. News of the enlistment of Hoag came as a surprise to most of his friends on the campus, who expected his return from a trip to New York within a few days.

In a letter received by K. H. Gorham, '19, Hoag says that he is stationed at Camp Meade, Maryland, in the machine gun section of the headquarters company there. Definite information as to just what regiment he has been assigned to is still

During his four years at Union, "Pete" was one of the most active men on the hill in undergraduate life. He was president of the Terrace Council, manager of baseball, captain of A Company of the college battalion, a member of the Musical Clubs, of the Chemical Society, the Honor Court, and the Commencement Committee. In his Freshman year, Hoag was on the varsity track team and last year was assistant manager of the 1918 Garnet.

"All crude materials indispensable for Belgian industries," reported Brand Whitlock, our Minister to Belgium, as early as August 2, 1915, "were requisitioned and sent to Germany-leather, hides, copper, wool, flax, etc. Furthermore, if not the entire stock, at least the greatest number possible of machinery parts were shipped to Germany, to be used, according to German statements, in making munitions which Belgian factories had refused to produce." Belgian draft horses, the best in the world, were seized and sent to Germany to be sold to German farmers. A long list compiled from the German official ordinances is given of the articles ordered seized in Belgium. It comprises some 300 separate items, listed under such headings as minerals and metals, chemicals, machinery, food, clothing, textiles, household articles, old materials, oils and explosives, metal products for industrial establishments, medical supplies, etc. The articles range from tungsten steel to ground slag, from electric condensers and conductors to printers' slugs and 529 Liberty Street. matrices, from all grains for breadmaking to oat straw, from bath tubs to stairlcarpet rods and door-knobs, from old rags to the skins, horns, feet, bones and carcasses of horses, calves, goats, rabbits, and dogs. Nothing apparently is overlooked or forgotten in this ruthless robbery of the quivering victim. It is German efficiency joined to German unscrupulousness and disregard of all rights on the part of those not able to defend themselves.

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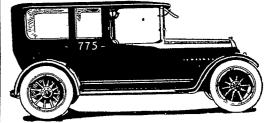
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BATS CRACK IN FIRST OF PRACTICE GAMES

(Continued from page 1) year, with a game with St. Lawrence. Practically all games are assured and the possible addition of another Wesleyan game will give one more than last year.

The schedule:

Sept. 28. St. Lawrence on campus.

Oct. 5. Wesleyan on campus.

Oct. 12. Amherst on Campus.

Oct. 19. Williams at Williamstown.

Oct. 26. N. Y. U. on Campus. Nov. 2. R. P. I. at Troy.

Nov. 9. Columbia at New York.

Nov. 16. Hamilton on Campus.

REGENERATE PRESS CLUB HOLDS FIRST ELECTION

At a meeting of the Press Club Wednesday night three men were chosen from the Junior class as members of the club, three from the glad to know that you are in the ser-Sophomore class, and four from the ranks of the Freshmen. Henry E. of Glens Falls and William R. Barnett of Newburgh were the Juniors Frederick DeP. Townsend, of Washington, and James D. Cline and Jerappointment of Metzner and Rosen-records. berg as managing editors was apelected assistant editor.

The election of new members which took place last night is the first since the reorganization of the club last January. The Freshmen elected will serve as reporters.

GARDNER, FOOTBALL MAN WRITES OF CAMP LIFE

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the memory of old Union with me wherever I go and it is close to me as one of the best friends I ever had. "Perhaps it would be of interest to

know that my brother, John '13, is a lieutenant with the Eighteenth Field Artillery at Fort Bliss, Texas.

"Hoping that Union will have a very successful year in spite of the enormous handicap laid upon her, I

> "Very faithfully yours, "Harold B. Gardner '16, "Co. C, Kansas Engineers, "Fort Sill, Okla."

"September 25, 1917. President Richmond's answer to Gardner's letter reads as follows:

'My Dear Gardner: "Thank you for writing me. I am vice. It is where you ought to be and you will without doubt do good work. Rosenberg and Raymond D. Metzner, I have no doubt but that you will work your way to a commission and it is the best way to secure one. My elected. The Sophomores chosen were own feeling is that the men who work up from the ranks will, on the average, make the best officers and your ome Loevenheim of Amsterdam, while ability and training, not forgetting the four Freshmen were Harry A. the discipline you have had on the Reoux, of Warrensburg, George E. football team, ought to help you. I M. King of Schenectady, Walter A. am very proud of my Union boys Haberbush of Gloversvile, and Tom who are in the army and navy and W. Reynolds of Amsterdam. The I know that they will make great

"Let me hear from you as often proved by the club and Cline was as you feel inclined. It will always be a pleasure to me.

"With every good wishes, believe

"Faithfully and cordially yours, "Charles Alexander Richmond."

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lessons either in class or private TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS 206 So. Centre Street,

CHEMICALS TO ELECT OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

The Chemical Society will hold a regular meeting on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the chemical laboratory. After the disposal of business, which will include an election of new members from the present Sophomore class and the choice of new officers for the ensuing year, the club will listen to the reading of a paper by V. M. Lyman, '19.

GRADUATE COUNCIL TO CHOOSE TWO TRUSTEES.

The Graduate Council will hold its regular spring meeting on April 27th, according to a recent announcement 104 Jay Street, Gleason Building by Secretary Waldron. Important business is to be transacted, including LENS GRINDING A SPECIALTY the election of trustees to fill the positions of Frederick W. Cameron, deceased, and William Platt Adams, whose term expires in June of this year. The new trustees are to be elected according to a new set of rules passed last year. The Council will also consider the details of this year's Commencement.

A service booklet recently issued by the Graduate Council contains the names of 442 Union graduates and undergraduates. Only men actually enrolled in the United States army and navy are noted in the booklet, alumni in Allied war activities not being mentioned.

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