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UNION A MATCH FOR R. P. I. IN TRACK

According to Records Shown in
Hamilton Meet.

BASEBALL PRACTICE

Squad Diminishing—Workouts of
Rudimentary Nature on
Thursday.

Saturday should be a day of victories for the Garnet baseball, track, and tennis men. Although Applebaum of R. P. I. is a good point getter in track we may depend upon Jones, Lyman, and Rapelje to come across with points for Union. The recent meet held at Hamilton resulted in a tie, showing that our opponents are equally matched. The results of that meet in comparison with the results of the inter-class meet are as follows:

100 yard dash—Moore, H., time :10 4-5. Jones, U., time :10 2-5.

1 mile run—Judson, R., time, 5:03 1-5. Dewey, 5:18 2-5.

440 yard dash—Couper, H., time, :53 4-5. Potter, :55.

120 yard hard hurdles—Applebaum, R., :18 2-5. Barlow, :20 4-5.

Two mile run: Smith, R., time, 11:15. Friedman, 11:36 3-5.

220 yard low hurdles—Applebaum, R., 28 2-5. V. Lyman, :25 1-5.

880 yard run—McWilliams, H., 2:03 2-5. Zehfuss, 2:11 3-5.

220 yard dash—Reed, H., time, :23 4-5. Jones, :23 3-5.

Shot put: Armstrong, R., 31 feet, 10 1-2 inches. Miller, 36 feet 6 inches.

Pole vault—Cook, R., height 10 feet 7 inches. Jones 10 feet.

Discus—Burnes R., 92 feet, 4 inches. Hay 98 feet, 9 inches.

High jump—Thompson, H., 5 feet, 2 inches. Rapelje, 5 feet, 5 inches.

Hammer throw—Bartz, R., 8 feet 10 inches. Hay, 90 feet 9 inches.

Broad jump—McLachlan, H., 20 feet, 3 inches. Jones, 19 feet, 7 inches.

The following men will take the trip, leaving on the 10:34 car: Northrop, McLean, Hay, V. Lyman, Zehfuss, Barlow, Jones, D. Lyman, Speer, Mace, Snell, Carr, Dr. McComber, Titus, Tremper, Allerton, Dewey, Potter, Freedman, Rapelje, Miller, Walker, Van Ness, Schwarz, Dohm.

Baseball practice Thursday consisted of base running, hitting and fielding. The team is in good condition and expects to repeat its former victory. So few men are coming out for practice that Coach Tamsett has not enough men for two teams. So of necessity the work is confined to batting and fielding practice.

About 17 men will be taken to R. P. I. It is customary to take all the men who have stayed out through the season on this trip.

Both teams will probably use the same lineup that was used in the

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DR. BRIGGS RETURNS AFTER YEAR IN FRANCE

Union Alumnus Tells of Experiences
in War Zone Since
June, 1916.

FRENCH ARE WONDERFUL

"A German May Be a Soldier
But a Frenchman is a
Warrior."

After nearly two years' active service in France, Dr. Charles G. Briggs, one of Schenectady's leading physicians, and a prominent Union College alumnus of the class of '99, returned recently. It is Captain Briggs now, as the three blue bars on each sleeve of his uniform attest, and hundreds of old friends are still welcoming him back. This is but a breathing spell for the captain, as he expects to return to France early in July and there continue his work with the Red Cross.

Dr. Briggs left here June 10, 1916, to become a member of the American Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Ever since the beginning of the great war Dr. Briggs has taken a great interest in the struggle and especially so in the work of caring for the wounded soldiers. Thus he seized the first opportunity to go to France and offer his services.

In speaking of his arrival in France Capt. Briggs said:

"When I arrived in Paris nearly two years ago I found the city dark and gloomy, although it was summer, with no theaters running and no signs of mirth. I came right in the midst of the great German drive at Verdun, and I can assure you those were anxious moments for the French. One French officer told me while I was on my way to the front he felt sure that Verdun would fall. It was not a good place for defense and the general staff wanted to retire, but for moral effect and psychological reasons the French government decided to hold it. The French are absolutely wonderful soldiers. It has been well said that the German is a soldier but the Frenchman is a warrior."

Dr. Briggs spoke very enthusiastically about the funds for sending tobacco and cigarettes to the soldiers. "Tobacco is an awfully important factor in the morale of troops. Time hangs heavy on a soldier's hands, he is frequently lonely and smoking is his one diversion. Although he smokes twice as much as ordinary, it doesn't seem to do him any harm. Tobacco has practically disappeared from France and cigarettes are not to be had in French stores.

"In France one sees only old men, boys and women. After four years of war France is stripped, its men are at the front, its money is gone and its women are doing the work. But

DR. UPSON TO SPEAK AT VESPER SERVICES SUNDAY.

On Sunday, at five o'clock, in Jackson's Garden, the third of the series of vesper services will be held. Prof. Upson of the Engineering Department will be the speaker and his subject will be "The Principles of Christ in War Times." The soloist for this service will be Mr. Elmer Weise. This makes the last of this season's series of vesper services held under the auspices of the Christian Association.

TENNIS TEAM MEETS FIRST DEFEAT OF SEASON

After Three Consecutive Victories
Falls Victim to Williams.

Thursday afternoon Williams brought over a remarkably well-balanced team and took the measure of the Garnet lads to the tune of 5-1. Williams won all four of the singles and yielded but one of the doubles.

Capt. Wadsworth and Wilber lost their matches in straight sets while Rosenthal and Hawkes carried their matches the full three sets. Several times Hawkes' opponent had the match point but Hawkes always pulled out until he finally yielded the match on the third set by a score of 7-5.

Wilber and Wadsworth worked together in the doubles and managed to vanquish their opponents in three sets. Rosenthal and Hawkes lost their match after a game fight which lasted three sets, the last set going 9-7 before the Garnet boys finally succumbed.

The summary:

Glenn (Capt.) 7, Wilber, 6-3, 6-3.

Fraker (Capt.) 7, Wadsworth, 6-4,

6-4.

Bullock 7, Rosenthal 6-2, 4-6, 6-1.

Washburn 1, Hawkes 6-4, 3-6, 7-5.

Doubles.

Wilber and Wadsworth 7, Glenn

and Fraker 6-8, 6-4, 6-0.

Washburn and Bullock 7, Hawkes

and Rosenthal 8-6, 4-6, 9-7.

BATTALION PERFORMS ON STAGE AND SCREEN

The Battalion has had the hours of its last few drills pretty well crowded. In fact it is rather difficult to determine whether it will become a fighting or an acting organization. The "rookies" have been well in the public eye for the past two days both on the stage and screen.

Thursday, today and tomorrow the "Fisher Red Cross Nurse," by Miss Dorothy Jenkins assisted by a squad of soldiers from the College Battalion is on the bill at Proctor's. Wednesday afternoon during the manoeuvres the camera man was on the job to snap certain movements in the field. For the men who are not going to the Plattsburg Camp, drill closed this afternoon.

France is confident of victory and the French people fully appreciate the support of America for their cause."

STUDENTS QUALIFIED FOR COAST ARTILLERY

Excellent Opportunities for Obtaining
Commissions in Corps
Being Formed.

TRAINING CAMP IN JULY

Other Camps Will Be Held in
October, January and
April.

For those men who are planning to enter some form of service this summer, the Coast Artillery Corps offers excellent opportunities for a commission. The next training camp will begin in July, and to be eligible for it a man must get into the service not later than June 15th. The training camp will be of three months' duration at the completion of which successful graduates will be commissioned to the grade of second lieutenant. Other training camps will be held in October, January and April. The following extract is taken from a letter received from the Office of the Chief of Coast Artillery, relating to enlistment and eligibility for the training camps.

"Regiments will be organized from the troops of the Coast Artillery Corps for service abroad on guns similar to those in our coast defences. These guns, of six to sixteen inches in caliber, will be on wheel and railroad carriages and will support our infantry in France. Soldiers are trained in the coast forts at home for this service abroad." It can thus be seen that contrary to the popular belief, the men who compose the Coast Artillery will be sent abroad in a most active capacity.

"With reference to admission into the service, the letter continues: "The Coast Artillery Camp at Fort Monroe, Virginia, is for the purpose of training enlisted men for duty as officers. Only enlisted men of the Coast Artillery are eligible for entrance to this camp. These camps are of three months' duration, beginning early in July, October, January and April. For the October camp and all camps thereafter every applicant will be required to have had at least three months' training in the ranks. Applicants for the July camp should get into the service not later than June 15th. Entrance to the ranks is gained by enlistment at any recruiting office for the Coast Artillery if applicant is not within draft age, and by induction by special authority if applicant is subject to draft and not within the current quota. Members of enlisted reserve corps must obtain discharge therefrom before they are eligible for enlistment or induction into the active service in the Coast Artillery, or they may apply for orders into active service with request for immediate transfer to the Coast Artillery Corps.

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FRIDAY, MAY 24, 1918.

James M. Cline --- News Editor

Compulsory Military Drill.

The country is gradually awakening to its task across the seas. Union College has given and is giving liberally. But are the undergraduates, are the men who are the future leaders, both military and civil, doing as much as they might? A U. S. R. O. T. C. has been established here at college and in its short existence of one year has proved that it is worthy of staying and growing. At one time practically half of the students of the college were members of the battalion. Next year let every student be a member of it. We want compulsory drill for every physically fit man in college. The major sports, such as football, basketball and baseball, and the minor ones as well must not be made subservient to the drill. They should and must continue to go on as of old. Last year over half the number of men on the football squad were members of the battalion and the same is true of the baseball squad. At Yale, in order to compete in any branch of athletics a man must be a member of the battalion. There are

hundreds of colleges in the country where every one drills and where the sports, both athletics and literary flourish. At the same time Union can do it and moreover, Union wants to do it!

The government needs trained men both in technical and in military lines. It earnestly urges all men under age to stay in college until they are called. In order that these men remaining may also prepare themselves for military service in the capacity of officers the government has made possible the establishment of these R. O. T. C.'s all over the country. Union has been one of the favored ones. The value of the battalion to the student is clearly shown by admission to the Fourth Officers Training School at Camp Devens of twelve members of the battalion. We will all have to fight; we all have to go, and the better prepared we are to go the greater service we can be to our country. The R. O. T. C. at Union offers us this opportunity and none of us, not one single student, should fail to take it. This opportunity is a privilege given us by the government; not something which is being forced upon us against our will. The larger colleges have gone into it seriously and so must we. Next year at Princeton all students will have to rise at a certain time, take setting up exercises for fifteen minutes before breakfast, and after they have drilled all day, they are under military discipline. A military organization in the college is nothing new to Union. It is simply the revival of one and is a very good one which existed sometime ago.

President Richmond has told us in all probability the students will have to take it. But let us anticipate this action on the part of the President and the Board of Trustees; let us show them that we really want it; that we realize that it is a splendid thing for the college and for us and that we really appreciate the opportunities which the government is giving us to complete our technical training, at the same time obtaining a military one. When we are asked to join in the movement to secure military training for every physically fit man in college let us all get in the game; root for it. We want it to begin in the fall, and with only this wish of ours apparent we shall get it. What is your answer?

F. de P. Townsend.

Coach Dawson of Princeton believes that with collegiate competition is essential and that athletics should be carried on next year.

Amherst sent 16 men to officers' training camp at Camp Devens.

Amherst battalion is to have an outdoor rifle range for their R. O. T. C. 1 100-yard range and a 600-yard range.

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FORSYTH TO HEAD MANDOLIN CLUB

A meeting of the Mandolin Club was held Wednesday night in Silliman Hall to elect a leader. Hartman, '19, and Forsyth, '20, were the only candidates in the field, and the vote being a tie, a toss-up decided in favor of Forsyth.

The R. O. T. C. of Princeton according to reports, is going to have a very distinctive uniform next year. It is to be made of the material known as Forrester's green. It will consist of long trousers and a coat designed on the English model, with lapels and bellows pockets. Two Sam Browne belts will be worn by men, but only one by officers. On the lapels will be a strip of orange and black on which will be embroidered "P. O." and R. O. T. C. The cap will be of the sort worn by the Royal Flying corps, with orange and black piping and possibly the seal of the university. Of course that is mainly for dress parades and for attending classes and for trips out of town. The regulation service uniform will be worn otherwise.

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 * appear for the remaining issues *
 * of THE CONCORDIENSIS this *
 * season.

* Thursday, June 6th — Prize *
 * oratory of Sophomores and Jun- *
 * iors College Chapel, 7:30 P. M. *
 * Friday, June 7th—Everyman's *
 * reception and dancing in Hanna *
 * Hall, 2:00 to 6:00 P. M. Class *
 * Day exercises, Captain Jackson's *
 * Garden, 2:30 P. M. Everyman's *
 * Dinner, Golf Club, 6:00 P. M., *
 * followed by entertainment.

* Saturday, June 8th — Alumni *
 * Day, 10:00 A. M., alumni parade. *
 * 10:30 A. M., meeting of College *
 * Board of Trustees, President's *
 * office. 11:00 A. M., flag raising *
 * and review of classes by Wald- *
 * ron Cup Committee. 12 M., *
 * election of Alumni Trustees. *
 * 2:30 P. M., baseball, Union vs. *
 * Rochester. 4:30 to 6:00 P. M., *
 * President's reception, President's *
 * house. 7:30 P. M., general gath- *
 * ering on Alexander Field; drill *
 * by College R. O. T. C. 9:00 P. *
 * M., dancing for members of col- *
 * lege battalion, in Alumni Gym- *
 * nasium.

* Sunday, June 9th—Vesper Ser- *
 * vices under Nott Elm in Jack- *
 * son's Garden, 5:00 P. M. Bac- *
 * calaureate Sermon, 3:30 P. M., in *
 * First Presbyterian Church.

* Monday, June 10th — Com- *
 * mencement Exercises and address *
 * by Robert Lancing, Honorary *
 * Chancellor, 10:00 A. M. Review *
 * of Battalion by General March. *
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"U" CLUB TO MEET
MONDAY EVENING

There will be a meeting of the "U" Club Monday night at 7 o'clock sharp in Silliman Hall for the election of officers.

Y. M. C. A. MAKING PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR'S CLASS

Letters, Receptions and Lectures to Arouse Freshman Interest in Union Activities.

The college Christian Association is planning to devote itself more than ever to the interests of Union Freshmen and sub-Freshmen. In line with the movement to attain a record Freshman registration, the Association has established a committee with Pierre Bleecker, '19, as chairman, to correspond with sub-Freshmen, interest them in Union, tell them more about the college and of its advantages. The plan is expected to be of benefit.

During the first month or two of the next term, the class of '22 will receive special attention at the hands of the Association. On the first Friday of the term, a reception to the entering class will be held in Hanna Hall. Members of the faculty, and several athletes will speak, and refreshments will be served. On the following Sunday morning the Freshmen will assemble in Silliman Hall, and meet representatives from the various churches of the city. It is the purpose of the Christian Association to affiliate every Freshman with some church in the city. Sunday afternoon, Dr. Richmond will speak in chapel. On Friday of the following week, a Freshman get-together will be held. The Association also plans to conduct a series of five or six life-talks for the benefit of the Freshmen, on subjects pertaining to college life and its relation to life outside.

PROF. M'DANIEL SPEAKS AT HIGH SCHOOL

Professor A. B. McDaniel of the Civil Engineering Department, addressed the Cosmopolitan Club of the Schenectady High School last night at 8 o'clock on the subject of "Americanism."

Professor McDaniel has made a special study of this subject, and because of his able presentation of it to several organizations in the city his services as a speaker have been in considerable demand. The Cosmopolitan Club is an organization which makes a study of important political and economic subjects.

The executive committee of the club extended an invitation to the public to be present to hear Prof. McDaniel.

JUDGES FOR VAN ORDEN PRIZE APPOINTED

The committee to judge the Van Orden prize essays has been appointed and will consist of Professors John L. March, Morton C. Stewart, and Marvin A. King. The winner will be announced at Commencement. The prize was won last year by Ernest B. Augur.

DRAMATIC CLUB ELECTS.

The Dramatic Club held a meeting Wednesday night for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. William T. Hanley '20, was elected to the presidency, and G. C. Baxter Rowe '20, vice-president. The manager will be appointed by the president.

INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE ELECTS

Gorham, Preston and Hoag New Officers Chosen.

At a meeting of the Interfraternity Conference this noon Karl H. Gorham '19, was elected president, A. H. J. Preston '19, vice-president, and John H. Hoag '20, secretary.

A committee consisting of Swart, chairman; Preston and Wadsworth was appointed to investigate the feasibility of requiring each fraternity to dispose of a certain quota of Garnets each year. Due to the unusual conditions this year several houses have been forced to take many more copies of the Year Book than have been required for their members. If the abolition of this rule will not be fatal to the Garnet, the custom will no doubt be discontinued.

Action was also taken regarding the sub-Freshman lists which are usually distributed shortly before college reopens in an effort to have them distributed at once. Several other matters were discussed but without any definite result.

A rifle club was instituted at R. P. I. and it seems that it is doing well as many turn out to be expert marksmen. The purpose is to acquaint as many as possible with the workings and parts of the rifle.

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game here on the fourth. Beaver will no doubt start on the mound for the Garnet and Lefty Kuhnert, being their one bet, for the Trojans. The game will start at 3:30 and will be preceded by a track meet and a tennis match, Union being the opponent in these events also. The track and tennis teams will leave Schenectady at noon, but the baseballers will not go until 1 o'clock.

The tennis team has had a very successful season and hopes to defeat R. P. I. on their own courts.

COLLEGE MEN QUALIFIED FOR COAST ARTILLERY

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Artillery has special authority to induct a limited number of men who may be able to make the training camp. The qualifications for induction include a working knowledge of plane trigonometry and logarithms, or an education equivalent to that attained by attendance of one year at a standard college. Those who wish to apply for induction must state their qualifications along these lines. Applications for induction should be made to the Office of the Chief of Coast Artillery, War Department, Washington, D. C."

Although the War Department believes that all college men should be qualified for induction and entrance to the camp, it recommends that "service in the ranks would be of great assistance to the student who later takes up the the work in the training camp." Induction does not necessarily guarantee admission into a camp, but simply means that an applicant has been passed as far as his mental and physical qualifications are concerned and that he is therefore eligible to take the examinations for entering the camp. If he does not make the camp he will probably be given another opportunity to try for another camp.

Upon making application to Washington for induction, a qualified man will receive his papers which when presented to his local board authorize the board to induct him into the service and furnish him transportation to the fort indicated on his induction papers. A time limit, usually ten days from the date of receipt, is allowed the applicant in which he may close up his affairs.

WHAT A COLLEGE EDUCATION IS WORTH

Here are two or three opinions by men who know, on what a college education is worth:

Dean Holmes, of the Pennsylvania State College after spending months gathering statistics and reducing them to orderly form, has discovered that the money value of four years at college is \$20,000, or a financial return of \$5,000 for every year so spent. Dean Holmes' investigations reveal the fact, which at first seems a little disconcerting to the advocates of university training, that the average earnings of a bachelor of arts amount to \$1,187 a year, not quite \$25 a week. But the situation brightens for the colleges when we learn that the average earnings of the non-college man are only \$518—not \$10 a week. The difference between these two sums is \$669, and since the average man lives thirty years after leaving college his financial reward for four years of more or less arduous undergraduate toil is evidently something more than \$20,000.—World's Work.

"If I had Aladdin's lamp and could make one wish which would surely come true for every student, I would wish for every student the power of a mature mind that he might be able to estimate the four college years at their full value; to transform time into money; to think of the one hundred and ninety-eight college working days in each year as so many dollars, or

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