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GROUND BROKEN FOR

President Richmond Turns Over First Spadeful of Dirt to Be Removed.

FORMAL CEREMONY

Amsterdam Building Co. to Start House" is too well known to re-makes a tour of the notable col- Will Drill Two Hours on Tues-Excavating at Once.

Ground was broken for the new Butterfield Memorial building at 12:45 Wednesday noon. Many students were present to witnes the ceremonies presided over by Dr. Edward A. Ellery. President Richmond turned over the first spadeful of dirt to be removed in the excavation for the new build

Dr. Ellery opened the ceremony

by saying:

"The building that is to be erect ed on this site will be devoted to the teaching of the_fundamenta principles of chemistry. It is hop ed that it will also be an inspira tion, as it offers facilities, to add some items of knowledge to wha is already known of the great science.

"Important as these things are in the training of young men, we know that there are some things of greater importance. It is our plan and ambition to make this building one more of the splendid influences with which Union College surrounds her sons. We desire to send forth from it young men who have learned not only the founda tions of chemistry, but as well the foundation virtue of life. Because this is our purpose, I have asked Dean Ripton to read from the Holv Bible the conclusions of an ancient scientist on the real mean ing of wisdom."

Dean Ripton read the 28th chap ter of the Book of Job. This was followed with a prayer.

Dr. Ellery then handed th spade to President Richmond, say ing:

the first to break ground for this that course, nor will any substitunew building. I know better than tion be allowed in the strictly techanvone else, except perhaps your- nical courses which are essential self, that, if it had not been for you to the work of the following year. Union College would never have had this building devoted to the enable undergraduates who so depurposes for which it is intended. sire to devote more of their time future will bring to you ample sat- regular class work. isfaction for the efforts you have put forth to give Union College an PUBLICATION BOARD adequate chemical laboratory."

After a short speech by President Richmond, in which he touched on the need of the building, meet at four o'clock Monday afand the part it would play, the ternoon, at which time they will

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E. A. MEAD TO GIVE READING OF "THE SERVANT IN THE HOUSE" AT VESPERS SUNDAY STUDENTS HAVE

CHEM. BUILDING Mead of New York will present an ened and chastened heart." interpretative reading of Charles Mr. Mead is a dramatic reciter this meeting.

a wonderful play been created—| ance on the Union campus. glowing and healthful emotion, gin at 3 P. M.

On Sunday next Edward A. and sends him away with a soft-

Rain Kennedy's symbolical play, of note and has appeared in Sche-"The Servant in the House." Mr. nectady on various occasions, his Instructed in Double File Move-Mead will appear in the chapel, his last visit being in the spring of reading supplanting the regular 1916 when he presented "Damvesper services which end with aged Goods" at the City Y. M. C. As a play "The Servant in the each rendition. Each spring he DOUBLE TIME WELCOME quire comment. In reviewing its leges in the east, and through the recently the New York "Times" efforts of the Union Y. M. C. A. said: "Not in a lifetime has such he has been secured for an appear-

all the great and permanent to the affair have been high, no At four o'clock the men assemthings in life." The New York admission will be charged, and the bled near the South College and "Post" commented that, "It is a students and faculty are invited were put through two hours of play that thrills the hearer with to be present. The service will be stiff drilling by Captain A. M.

FACULTY RECOGNIZES **MILITARY WORK**

Will Allow Students to Substitute Homer Goff and Vard Cantey Military Training for One Three Hour Course of Study.

The college faculty in meeting Wednesday afternoon prepared a regulation recognizing the military work of the students, and ap proving a course in military train ing for the rest of the year. The men came out for the first time. course will consist of military dril and two of the five following courses: Training for non-com missioned officers, code reading signaling, map reading and sketch ing and military engineering Students taking this course may at their request be excused from further attendance upon one three hour-a-week course, provided one can be found under certain restrictions.

Those who wish to take up the work will have to make arrangeto drop a course without permission. An examination will be given in the course dropped and in ances bids ill to the base stealers. "President Richmond, it is pe-military drill. No one deficient in

The purpose of this action is to We are all grateful to you for what to the preparedness plans and sitll to have been with Columbia on the prehension I wish to state again vou have done and trust that the maintain their standing in their

WILL MEET MONDAY

The Publication Board will spade was given to Dean Ripton, elect the editorial board of THE year, and will also chose the man- Landreth and I have come to a [Concordiensis for the ensuing ager of the paper.

LARGE SQUAD AGAIN REPORTS FOR PRACTICE

Showing Up Well in Pitcher's Box.

tice after Easter vacation was held Feld. yesterday afternoon. A large squad reported and several new The outfielders were given considerable practice in fielding long ments in the war situation may reflies. A great deal of time was spent at batting practice and at sliding bases. Homer Goff and Cantey were in the box and showball was particularly effective. At base sliding "Hal" Wittner and "Corky" Moynihan showed up particularly well, while Frank Peaslee did some very good work at shortstop.

The position of catcher is now ments with the class committee-ably filled by Wittner. Hochuli and President Richmond Gives Plans men. No student will be allowed McCauley. Wittner perhaps is especially good at throwing to the bases, and his present pertorm-

> self and gives the squad an illus-listing. tration of how the game should be

twentieth of this month but due to that the plans of the trustees for

FIRST OUTDOOR DRILL

ments and Obliques for Two Hours.

days and Thursdays.

The first outdoor drill of the Union College Battalion was held so great, so compelling, so akin to Although the expenses incident on the campus Tuesday afternoon. Jackson. A number of students who have had military training at Plattsburgh and military schools assisted him. The students were divided into four platoons, each under its own instruction officer and maneuvered as a separate unit. The training was mainly in double file movements and obliques. The instruction in the double time was appreciated by the men who welcomed the chance to warm up, for Due to the military drill on a heavy cold wind was blowing Tuesday the first baseball prac- down the valley and across the

The battalion will drill two afternoons a week, on Tuesday's and Thursdays from 4 to 3 o'clock for the present. Further developsult in additional drill hours. The afternoon recitations, which have heretofore started at 1:30 o'clock will now begin at 1 o'clock so that ed up very well. Goff's cross fire all the men will be free to participate in the drills.

Baseball practice will be at 2:30

on those days.

WILL NOT FORM SEPARATE COMPANIES

of Trustees for Training Officers.

At chapel-on April fourth, Presi-Coach Tamsett is giving the clent Richmond spoke to the stuculiarly fitting that you should be a subject will be allowed to drop men a great deal of practice in the dents of the plan which the trusfine points of the game and is fast tees had adopted with regard to developing a good team. "Jimmy" the war situation, and urged every occasionally gets in action him-student to consult him before en-

He said in part:

"It may not be necessary, but in The first game of the season was order to avoid any possible misapthe fact that Columbia has can-this college do not contemplate the celled all her games, this date is formation o fany separate comnow vacant. Therefore unless the Lanies for military service. Our date is filled soon the first game object is to train officers and in will be with the Crescent A. C. of this we are acting upon the advice Brooklyn on the twenty-first of the and at the request of the government. I desire to make this especially clear to the engineers. Dr.

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view of those facts."

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THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1917

Issue Editor S. W. Talbot.

The breaking of ground for the "The Servant in the House." Chemical Building Wednesday roon marked another step in the been discontinued for the season. progress of old Union. Especially is it an evidence of prosperity in classes will continue as usual. such times as these, when univer- This work has been highly sucsities all face the prospect of hav-cessful, and about 100 foreigners ing next year but a fraction of the are attending the classes. Meetstudent body which they now ings are held in the "Tank" and ATHLETIC GOODS have. The confidence of the trus- Boiler" shops at the Locomotive tces is admirable.

College as a memorial to Gen-lare acting as teachers. cral Daniel Butterfield by his The directories of foreign stuwidow, cannot but express the dents attending American colleges faith of alumni and trustees in the are received at Silliman Hall. The fact that after the war, Union book is an important one to forwill be bigger and stronger than cign students, and the Union men ever. The moral effect of seeing should ask for their copies immed- 229 State Street the erection of this building, even iately. while students are enlisting, is one which it is hoped will strike visit- a delegation to represent Union ors here with the impressions at the Northfield Conference held which we feel, and end ultimately for students at Northfield , Mass. with the largest enrollment in our from June 19 to 27th. Many noted history.

University of Rochester, told the H. R. Mackintosh of Scotland. students that he could not declare too much his belief that college men are the natural objective of the first summons.

"Undoubtedly," continued Dr. Rhees, "they would respond! promptly, but to take it for granted that that very special selection of young men which has led the groups who are now in our colleges and universities should be relied upon for the men who are, to rise first in the defense of our three or four Naval Coast Defense country's honor, is the most shortsighted mistake that I can con-

"This group has been trained for = leadership. Assuredly a national policy which would make them the first victims of war would be a 169 Jay St. most tragically foolish policy for a country to adopt. That is what happened in England. England's loss of men who were destined to

be leaders in the next generation The Concordiensis has been appalling. Their service is worth more in another direction than in the direction in which they gave themselves.

> "I am sure that in case of necessity your response would not be hesitant or slight. Your response, however, should lie in a somewhat different direction than in personal volunteering. Our country needs to think as the country has not thought for more than a generation. Our forefathers thought in revolutionary times; that is the reason they fought. Now the country must think at this junc-

> "We may or we may not be dragged into actual conflict. We cannot tell. No one today knows what is before. The thing that is clear is that in this emergency what the country most needs is clear, rational thinking, a fearless

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Sunday Vespers services will be hereafter discontinued, the last being Sunday, when Mr. E. A. Mead of New York will recite

The English to Foreigners

works, and evening classes in Silli-This building, given to Union man Hall. About thirty students

Plans are being made to secure speakers will attend this year's conference, some of them being J. President Rush Rhees of the R. Mott, R. E. Speer and Prof.

> THE CONCORDIENSIS wishes to It's in the air and in our store. correct a statement appearing in a former issue with regard to military training at Hamilton to the effect that 196 students out of 212 in college, have enrolled in the voluntary infantry corps there and are regularly drilling.

Williams College is organizing Units, to act with the government in guarding the New England coast in case of war.

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MUSICAL CLUBS GO TO JOHNSTOWN FRIDAY

Will Be Last Concert of Season. Saratoga Date Cancelled.

The Union College Musical Clubs will close the season with a concert at Johnstown Friday even-

the fourteenth since the opening great talent. The tickets for the of the season. Plans had been concert are on sale at the music made for a fifteenth concert to be stores and can be procured at the equipment at the site. held at Saratoga, but on account of chapel the night of the concert. the unsettled times and consequent increase in ex-curriculum family of musicians; his father ly rehearsals next Tuesday evenduties such as the various military also was a distinguished pianist ing, and at this time officers for training courses now being held, and conductor and noted as one of the faculty decided to curtail these the finest interpreters of Chopin. plans. The season just drawing to Mr. Alwyne's musical studies All members are requested to be a close has been one of the most were undertaken by Professor successful in the history of the mu- Max Mayer, the well known piansical clubs and to al those who ist and composer. At the age of by their efforts helped to attain sixteen he was successful in gainthis success are due the congrat-ing the Sir Charles Halle Memorulations of the college.

for the coming year will take the youngest student ever to hold place in the near future.

State Legislature voted in favor of making Rutgers College the State to the State.

HORACE ALWYNE TO PLAY HERE TONIGHT

Recital with Varied Program.

Great interest has been aroused with the scientific departments. ing. The concert, which is being in the concert tonight at the At the firing of a signal gun red held under the auspices of the Chapel when Horace Alwyne fire torches marking the outlines Johnstown Anti-Suffrage Society, will appear in a lecture recital, of the building blazed forth, with will take place at Willard Hall including a pleasing program of torches of green flame to indicate Those who will take part in the piano numbers. The interpretive the entrances. At the close of the concert are to leave Schenectady recitals of Mr. Alwyne are always ceremony Hugh J. Williams, '17, on the 4:00 o'clock F., J. & G. popular and as he is soon to belimited. Mrs. F. N. Neuendorf, come the organist of the First head of the Reception Committee, Reformed Church there is spechas made arrangeemnts whereby ial interest in his concert apthe Musical Club members will be pearance here. Mr. Alwyne is a new building, which is to be locatentertained over night at the member of the music faculty of homes of members of the society. the Skidmore School of Music and line with the gym. The Amster-PICTURE FRAMING The Johnstown concert will be ies widely known as a soloist of

Mr. Alwyne is decended from a ial Scholarship at the Royal Man-The annual election of leaders chester College of Music, being this coveted honor. On leaving he was awarded the gold medal Both Houses of the New Jersey of the college, and later continued his studies in Berlin under the University, in view of her services noted Polish pianist, Michael von Tabora.

CLASS OF 1897 GIVES \$500 TO COLLEGE

Money Raised for Twentieth Reunion of Class to be Used in Military Plans of College.

The Class of 1897 has given \$500 to President Richmond for use in the military preparedness plans at college. The money was raised by the class to defray expenses of costumes at the twentieth reunion of the class at Commencement this June, but in view of the present crisis it was decided that the fund could be used to better advantage by the college.

The check was sent to President Richmond by County School Superintendent James Wingate who is treasurer of the class of 1897. The fund will not be used for any special phase of the military plans of the college, but wil lgo towards the general expenses which may arise in connection with the preparedness work.

GROUND BROKEN FOR CHEM. BUILDING

(Continued from page 1) Talented Pianist Will Appear in who also turned up a spadeful of dirt. Mrs. Richmond and Mrs. Ellery were the next to break the turf. They were followed by some 134 State St. members of the faculty connected

> led the crowd in singing the Alma Mater.

> Work will begin at once on the ed on North College lane on a dam Building Company, of New York, already has most of the

The band will resume its weekthe coming year will be elected. present.

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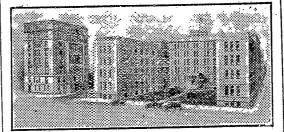
WILL NOT FORM SEPERATE COMPANIES

(Continued from page 1) perfect understanding. He tells me that his idea from the start has been not the forming of an engineering company but the training of officers for the engineering branch of the service. He may

but he has made it clear to me. his own request, will retire from schedules for this spring, due to active service in the college at the the interference of their athletics end of this academic year and in-with their program for preparedstruction in military engineering | ness. The Athletic Board, howas in al lother branches of military ever, has decided against cancellservice, will be under the direct ing the program, but it has limited control of the regular officer who practice to times when it will not may be assigned here. Any idea, interfere with military drill. Actherefore, that you may possibly cordingly baseball practice will be have that enrollment as a separate held at 2:30 on Tuesday and engineering unit shall be recog-Thursday afternoons. nized, is of course not well founded. We are acting here, and must deavoring to secure games to take act, as a college and not as a col- the place of the two scheduled with outlined the policy to be adopted the present the control of all our military instruction in the college is centered in the Faculty Advistry, Drawing, E. E. 23, Elementary serve officers' training corps at the ory Committee and, if I may add with egotism, the president expects now and again to be consult-

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CONDITION EXAMS START TOMORROW

The condition exams will be held Friday, Saturda, Monday and alumni at the University Club in Tuesday. Following is the sched- Albany Tuesday evening, Presi-lection of departments. As I have Columbia. Columbia is one of the

Freshman English, Hydraulics.

Saturday, April 14, 2 P. M.-French, Gym, Greek, International college next fall. Law, Mechanics, Motors, Physiology, Qualitative Analysis, ficers were elected for the coming ed." Sophomore English, French, Stresses, Thermonamics, Trigonometry, Virgil. Thermody-

Monday, April 16, 7 P. M.-Biology, E. E. 1, Elementary Gerior German, Surveying.

Tuesday, April 17, 7 P. M.-Thysics.

SPEAKERS FOR UNDER-CLASS DEBATE CHOSEN

Charter Form of City Government Will Be Subject of Debate.

The try-outs for the Sophomore-Freshman debate took place yesterday afternoon. The Sophomores who were chosen were William Watts. Roland LeGrange, planning to adopt at the beginning and Charles A. Brind, captain, with Samuel E. Davis as alter-ling students from their every day nate. The Freshman team will be work in college instead of through made up of John Hoag, Stuart examinations. MacMillan and William Smith, captain. The subject that will be outs were Prof. McKean, Clyde debated is, "Resolved, That the Heately, and Leslie Uphoff. agership." The judges of the try- 'eld in the near future.

PREXY SPEAKS AT ALUMNI DINNER IN ALBANY

At a dinner of Union College dent Charles Alexander Richmond said, this explanation may not be colleges which has cancelled its Friday, April 13, 7 P. M.—Alge- told of the stand taken by the trus- necessary but perhaps it will program, and thus Union has two bra, Calculus, Chaucer, Differen- tees with regard to the part Union make the situation more clear in open dates. tial Equations, E. E. 3, E. E. 21, shall play in military affairs, and the minds of some of you. For in the next twelve months. Te Architecture, Descriptive Geome- spoke of the plan to institute a re-

At the close of the dinner of-Senior year. The program of the meeting included a film taken at the last commencement, showing the festivities and scenes familiar to the graduates. Some members of man, Intermediate German, Jun-the Musical Clubs gave an informal entertainment during the

> The elections of the Glee Club will be held in Silliman Hall at seven o'clock Monday evening. All members are requested to be pres-

Until further notice the Laboratory Periods in Physics will be at 1 P. M. and 2:30 P. M.

Ohio University at Athens is of the next term, a system of grad-

City of Schenectady shall adopt. The date for the debate has not the proposed charter of City Man- been decided as vet, but it will be