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## ALBANY PROSELYTING ATTACKED BY DALEY

Why Borrow Crutches From Albany? His Argument.

BILL SMITH BEHIND HIM

New York Journalist and Old Football Star Supported Effort to Tighten Eligibility Rules.

Aroused by a letter in THE CONCORDIENSIS, G. Herbert Daley, of the class of '92, sporting editor of "The World," came to Schenectady Saturday and spoke to the student body in chapel in support of the movement to make students at the Albany schools ineligible to Union teams. The letter referred to is one from a correspondent which appeared in this paper on Thursday, January 11, and was written to oppose keeping Albany men from playing on the teams. Mr. Daley upon reading the letter wrote one in reply to it, but on second thought decided that he would come here and speak directly to the student body. He arrived Saturday morning and spoke in chapel Saturday noon, both during the services and afterwards when he read the letter he had written.

"There is not one good reason which can be advanced," Mr. Daley says in his letter, "except the purely selfish reason of victory at any cost, for Union College to draw on the Albany schools for an occasional athlete. The practice opens the door wide to proselyting, the greatest of all athletic evils in our colleges. It casts a reflection on our own abilities. It raises an occasional sneer here and there and raises in the minds of some the question of unfair play."

"Union College is well able to stand on its own feet athletically. Then why borrow an occasional crutch from Albany?"

Mr. Daley read a telegram he had received from Bill Smith, who is well known as one of our old football stars and voluntary coaches and as a prominent New York alumnus. "It is time we put an end to the supposed alliance

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### CALENDAR.

#### Tonight.

7:00—Philomathean meeting.  
7:00—Glee Club Rehearsal.  
8:00—Ichabod Spencer lecture in chapel.

#### Tuesday.

12:15—Debating Council in chapel.

#### Wednesday.

7:15—Press Club.

#### Thursday.

8:00—St. Lawrence vs. Union, Gym.

## R. P. I.'s DAY OF JOY DAWNS WITH UNION DEFEATED; GARNET'S HARD FIGHT FAILS TO HOLD TROJANS

The long sought golden day has come to R. P. I. at last. In her victory over the Union team last Saturday night at Troy by the score of 33-18 she obtained the moment of ecstatic pleasure for which she has sighed and longed ever since relations were resumed four years ago. During that time the Cherry has never come off the football field or the basketball court a victor over Union, until last Saturday night.

The Polytechnic students plainly showed their elation during the game when their captain, Woolsey, and Robertson, who, playing at left guard, made four field baskets, kept increasing the score of their team. The same devils which conspired at the Columbia game to frustrate the field shots of the Garnet five manifested their machinations at Troy and spoiled many opportunities to score which were presented to the Union team. The foul shooting was better. Hathaway made nine points on fouls. It is to Hathaway that the Union team is indebted for saving it from a worse defeat. In addition to the fouls he made good he scored two field baskets and put up as swift a game as any man on the team. Jones also played a plucky game and made one field

basket, as did Haubner who went in during the second half when Galbraith went out for personal fouls. Ewing of R. P. I. was also put out on personals. He was replaced by Noyes.

Woolsey, the rangy R. P. I. centre, was an aggressive and consistent scorer. He made five field baskets and nine fouls. He also contributed to Union's score by fouling frequently on account of his propensity to walk with the ball. Ewing made two field baskets, O'Hara one and Robertson four for R. P. I.

In the first half Union's faulty passwork and lack of dash was disastrous against their opponents' aggressive and speedy play. They picked up in the last few minutes of the first half and Jones and Hathaway scored from the field. With the score 15-10 against them they went into the second half with more resolution but they were unable either to rectify their poor passes or to check R. P. I.'s scoring. Several times they succeeded in running the ball down to their end of the court for a shot but the pill would hit the rim and fall back instead of rolling in. In the last few minutes of play their efforts to overcome their opponent

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## STUDENTS APPROVE ALBANY SHUT-OUT

Take Resolution From Table and Pass It at Today's Student Meeting.

BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

No Opposition Offered; Daley is Present and Hints at Future Reforms.

If the Athletic Board is of the same mind as the student body, students of the Albany schools of Union University will be ineligible to the Union College teams. At student meeting this noon the motion was unanimously passed that, "It is the sense of the student body that the teams be composed of undergraduates of Union College."

On the motion of Jack Upp, '17, who has hitherto opposed the movement to exclude Albany men, the motion proposed by Chapman that "It is the sense of the student body that the teams be composed of undergraduate Union College men," was passed. There were no votes against it. This motion was made at the last student meeting before the Christmas recess and it was laid on the table at that time. According to the usual procedure it was taken from the table at the meeting today, which was the second meeting since the motion was tabled.

When President Girling announced that the motion was before the house, Upp arose and made a brief speech in which he expressed himself as being persuaded that it was expedient to exclude the Albany men in the interest of cleaner athletics and in view of the opinion of the major part of the student body. His remarks were received with hearty applause and when Girling called for a rising vote every man stood up.

G. Herbert Daley, '92, who spoke in favor of excluding the Albany men, in chapel last Saturday, had slipped into the room and was spied sitting in a rear seat. "We want Daley," was taken up by the students until Daley arose and made a short speech.

"That's the first cheer I've had in twenty-five years," he said. "I am coming back to my twenty-fifth reunion this June."

"I wanted to see how you conducted your student meetings," he continued. "It has been a long time since I have attended one. I am mighty pleased with the way you do it; with the spirit you have shown and with the step forward which you have taken. There are other little reforms to come which are also steps forward and which I am sure you will understand and appreciate."

## WIRELESS OUTFIT FOR RENSSELAER POLY

Brooklyn Bridge Builder and Brothers Provide Funds.

R. P. I. is to have a wireless station in accordance with a gift made to the institution by Washington A. Roebling, the engineer who built the Brooklyn bridge, and his two brothers. "The Polytechnic," the R. P. I. student paper, has the following to say about the station:

"The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute has been presented with funds to erect a wireless telegraph station, by Washington A. Roebling, Charles G. Roebling and John A. Roebling, all graduates of the school. Washington A. Roebling is the engineer who built the Brooklyn Bridge, one of the greatest engineering feats of its time, and Charles G. Roebling is President of John A. Roebling's Sons Co., one of the great wire manufacturing companies of the country."

"The station will be used chiefly for research work and investigation. The towers, which will be erected on the Institute campus, will be in the neighborhood of 200 feet in height, and it is expected that communication may be had with any wireless station on this continent."

## GOOD MATERIAL MISUSED IN 'OH, BOY,' AT THE VAN

Movie Star Unable to Come Up to Musical Comedy Standard.

Plays are like pills; if you swallow them whole they are sweet; but if they are chewed like a pill you will, like the critic, find them bitter.

We flatter ourselves that we are critics and must confess that we found "Oh! Boy" a rather bitter pill. Saturday evening was one of the most aggravating evenings that we have ever spent. So many chances and so many of them muffed. "Oh! Boy" has the cleverest book of any musical comedy that we have ever seen; its music, although not strikingly original, would get by if there were voices behind it. "A Pal Like You" and "An Old Fashioned Wife" are the best numbers. Anna Wheaton and Jack Gardner possessed the only voices in the cast and were the only ones that got anything out of their lines. Our advice to Creighton Hale is, "Back to the movies, (the higher form of art), you'll never do in musical comedy." It was pitiful to watch him struggle through the play without a friend either in the cast or in the audience. We suggest to Mr. Comstock that he talk

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## THE CRUTCHES ARE LAID ASIDE.

Although we rejoice in the progressive and enlightened action of the student body in expressing itself on the side of undefiled athletics we regret that their action has made it futile to publish in full the letter of Mr. G. Herbert Daley, of the class of '92, on the Albany question. The majority of the students were in chapel last Saturday when Mr. Daley read the letter but it is a document worded in such incisive language and inspired by such an advanced view of varsity athletics that it would be well worth the perusal of those who heard it read.

To read the letter would be especially beneficial to the reactionaries,—those who are bent upon winning every game regardless of the means. They had better indicate their perceptive faculties by understanding that the purification of college athletics must result from the action of the colleges themselves, that such action is bound to be taken and that Union College must not be tardy in taking it. The spirit which strives for victory is excellent; but that spirit when uncontrolled by a regard for fair-play brings greater evils than defeat.

The burly bone-head who was a tower of strength on the line and a monument of ignorance in the class room, whom the instructors understood was to be exempted from questions, went long ago. Eligibility based on scholarship has come, there is no proselyting among preparatory school heroes and now that there is to be no proselyting among students of other collegiate institutions we are safe from the imputations of our rivals. Union has always lead in the uplift of athletics. It is well that we did not fall from the van this time.

The opponents of this recent movement to put our athletics on a higher plane never had any other motive to actuate them than the fear of defeat. The talk about fellowship with the law students and the medical students was all bunk. There would be just as much fellowship between them and us if the law school and the school of medicine were in Teheran. Between the schools which on paper compose Union University there is neither union nor university. There never will be until they are all located on the same campus, let athletic rules be what they may.

## THE TABLES TURNED.

Last Saturday night did not seem like former times at Troy. First, we did not win. Secondly, the Union rooters in attendance were few in number. Lastly, we missed the song leader of expressive and rhythmic movement who used to lead the R. P. I. cheering sections in the words of "A Son of Old R. P. I." Moreover they did not make their Freshmen sing for us their Freshman song, as used to be their wont.

It is always hard to lose, yet defeat is less bitter when the taste of victories still lingers. It is not good to be stingy. We should remember how long the Trojans' mouth has been watering for the sweets of victory and how often they have had to swallow the unpalatable crow. And we should not forget that we have another opportunity this season to get the taste of crow out of our own mouth.

## TO MR. DALEY AND ALL THE WORLD BESIDE

There are no pigeon-holes or waste baskets in THE CONCORDIENSIS office designed for the reception of correspondence not to our taste. So long as anyone who has opinions on collegiate matters is not violent or verbose in expressing them we are ready to publish his letters whether his opinions agree or disagree with ours.

## THE FORUM

Editor of THE CONCORDIENSIS:

The Freshmen Banquet is now over and all its good qualities and bad qualities have come before the eyes of the College.

It is not the purpose of this article to depreciate the Freshmen Banquet as a class function, but to question the justification of one characteristic of the same.

For years it has been customary for a Freshman to take an Upper classman. In the beginning the reason for this was that he formed a body guard for the first year man and made him inviolate to the Sophomore barbers. Recently the protection of the two upper classes has been denied the Freshman. Nevertheless, the Freshman is expected to take the upper classman. Is such logical?

Furthermore, the cost of the banquet for a Freshman because of this wholesale guest list of upper classmen causes many a man to remain away. Would it not be

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a better class function, if it were purely a Freshman class function and would not the number of Freshmen at the banquet be greater, if the upper classmen, forgetting that they were once the "goat," did not fairly insist upon their banquet ticket?

If such is to be an under-classmen's affair, let's make it so; not a Junior or Senior party(?).

(Signed) TOR.

## STUDENT SUPPORT LAGS

In reporting on the Columbia and R. P. I. games at student meeting today, Captain Scoby asked for better support for the team from the students. "At Troy," he said, "the students were as poor as the team."

Friday declared that at the Columbia game the cheering was poor and said that but thirty men were at R. P. I. Saturday night when there were many fellows at the Van Curler and Proctor's.



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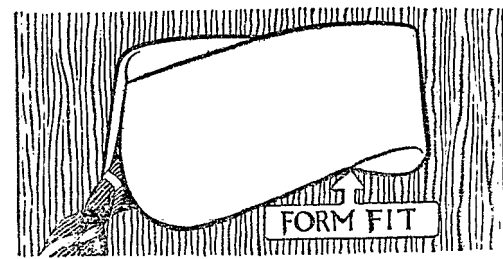
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## ALBANY PROSELYTING ATTACKED BY G. H. DALEY

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which causes so much and unfortunately just criticism from our collegiate neighbors," he says in his telegram.

In introducing Mr. Daley to the students Dr. Richmond said, "He is more than a sporting editor. He is a man who stands for the best things."

"The amateur question is at present a vital one," said Mr. Daley, "and the sport governing bodies are up in arms over the principal involved. Personal liberty against personal license is the crux of the situation. We are disposed to look upon specific purposes and results and we are indisposed to take a broad view of the question and consider the more remote results."

In speaking of the work of the National Collegiate Athletic Association against professionalizing collegiate athletic he said, "Union has a part in this work but it is not as high a part as it should be. The lack of sympathy on the part of the undergraduates is in the way of the movement. It is folly for the undergraduates to kick against the rulings of the faculty. If a man is not up in his work he should not expect to be allowed to play on a 'varsity team. The difficulty in the amateur question is that men let their sympathies and their hero-worship rule them."

Mr. Daley then spoke of a report made by George Ade in regard to the purification of lawn tennis. He quoted Ade to the ef-

fect that every sport has degenerated in which the tendency towards professionalism has not been checked.

"Ade," said Daley, "has fallen into the same trap that undergraduates fall into, the inability to distinguish between professionalism and semi-professionalism."

"Summer baseball should be encouraged. If a fellow needs the money earned in this way to put himself through college his professors and his fellow-students should tell him to go ahead. But that man should not represent the college on a 'varsity team. Let him practice with the team, but he must be kept off from the team itself. This is a fight against the dishonest amateur, against the professional who hides under the amateur's cloak."

"We would not cheat at cards, or forge a check or take money that did not belong to us, but we have no hesitancy in doing anything in competition with our rivals. We want victory at any price."

"The professional has as high and as respected a position as the amateur. It is dishonesty in sports you are against, not professionalism in sports. You are against the dishonest amateur."

After the faculty had passed out Mr. Daley again mounted the rostra to read his letter on the Albany question.

"Last night," he said, "I read a letter in THE CONCORDIENSIS about debarring Albany students from our 'varsity teams. That letter didn't make a hit with me. I immediately dictated a letter to the editor of THE CONCORDIENSIS

and then I thought that if I sent it, it might never be printed, so I jumped on the midnight train and came up here, taking a chance that there would be a student meeting today and that I could get this matter before you."

After reading the letter Mr. Daley said that before leaving New York he had tried to reach Bill Smith on the telephone but found that he was not at home. He left word with Mrs. Smith that he was coming to Schenectady and told her the object of his trip. On his arrival in town he found the following telegram awaiting him:

"Just learned of your going to Dorp to support the endeavor to eliminate the Albany schools from our undergraduate activities. It is time we put an end to the supposed alliance which causes so much and unfortunately just criticism from our collegiate neighbors. Good luck to you."

WILLIAM J. SMITH.

"Do we want to go around on crutches or stand on our own feet?" Mr. Daley said in closing. "For God's sake let's stand on our own feet."

## GOOD MATERIAL MISUSED IN "OH, BOY," AT THE VAN

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terms with Joe Scott Welsh, Charles Purcell or Robert Ober for this part.

Marie Carrol is also rather weak as "Lou Ellen," but a singing voice in the part of "George Budd" would take the singing burden from her and strengthen considerably the whole production. Edna May Oliver, (seen here last fall in "The Master"), did a very clever intoxication scene and should be given more to do. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Heisen deserve mention for their dancing.

Notwithstanding the famed beauty of Justine Johnstone and Marian Davies, for choice we would take the one in pink on the right end.

## R. P. I.'S DAY OF JOY DAWNS WITH UNION DEFEATED

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ents were desperate and ineffectual, Woolsey scoring against them with dismaying pertinacity. The R. P. I. cheering section became loudly vocal as their team forged ahead.

The game was not called until nearly nine o'clock. The spectators were entertained in the meantime by a fast preliminary game between the Rensselaer Freshmen and the Holy Terrors of the Troy High School, on whose behalf the Black Streak played a formidable game and contributed largely to his team's victory.

About fifty students accompanied the team to Troy.

Professor: "What were you doing in that cafe so long?"

Student: "Why I was only in there for a second."

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### JAKE'S VACILLATION PROCRASTINATES MEET

At student meeting this noon Jake Frankel, President of the Philomathean Literary Society, announced a meeting of that organization to be held this evening for the purpose of choosing a question for the Allison-Foote debate. This year it is the privilege of the Philomatheans to determine what the debate shall be about. Usually the Allison-Foote is held before this, but Jake, up to today, had not been able to prevail upon himself to settle on the question with his compeers, the Philomatheans.

Meantime, the Adelphics have been patiently awaiting Der Tag when Jake would move, and now that he is in action they expect to mobilize for the try-outs, which will occur soon.

Challenges have been accepted to meet the Massachusetts Aggies here and the Hobart team at Geneva, but final arrangements have been held in abeyance until the Allison-Foote question was settled.

The Debating Council will meet after chapel tomorrow noon to give these matters consideration.

chemists can accomplish when placed under pressure. It has been considered by many that the American chemists could not make an acceptable dye. It is apparent from the work that this and other similar companies are doing that the American chemists have met the situation adequately.

### M. I. T. UNDERGRADUATES TO TAKE ANNUAL INSPECTION TRIP SOON.

A party of undergraduates of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be in the city about January 29th. This will be the first stop of the annual trip. About five days will be taken, during which the party will stop here for inspection of the General Electric Company and the Locomotive Company. The itinerary also includes Buffalo, New York City, Newark, N. J., and the Lackawanna Steel mills.

### CLASSICAL CLUB MEETS IN NEW QUARTERS.

The Classical Club held a meeting in their new quarters in the Engineering Building Tuesday evening, which was very well attended. Dr. Kellogg read a very interesting paper on minor poems of Virgil, and illustrated it with many pleasing translations of the most interesting of them. A short discussion followed the paper, in the course of which Dr. Fobes gave some recently discovered facts regarding Virgil's minor work. The meeting was adjourned early because of the Fuller Sisters' concert.

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