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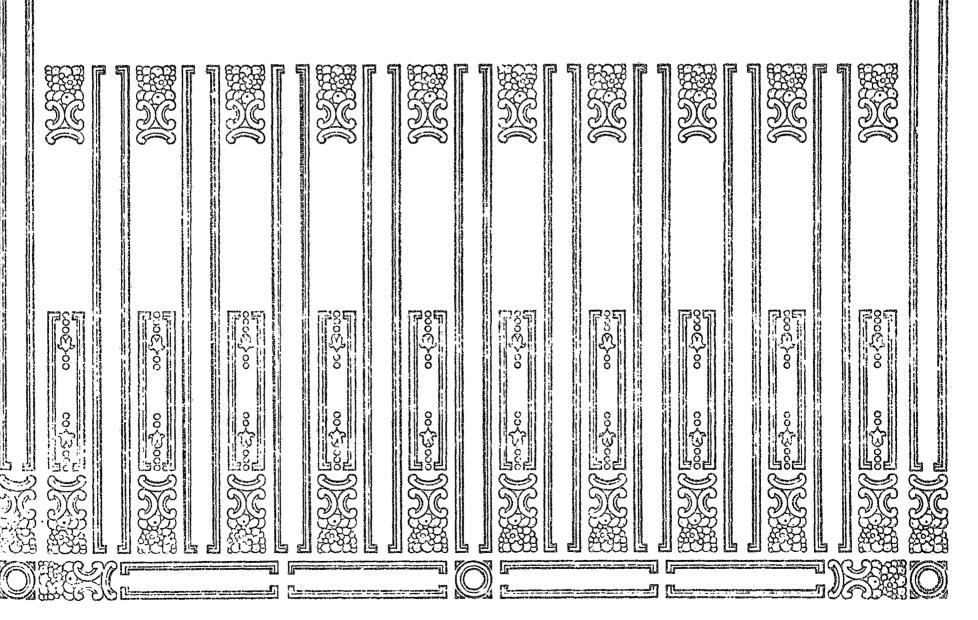
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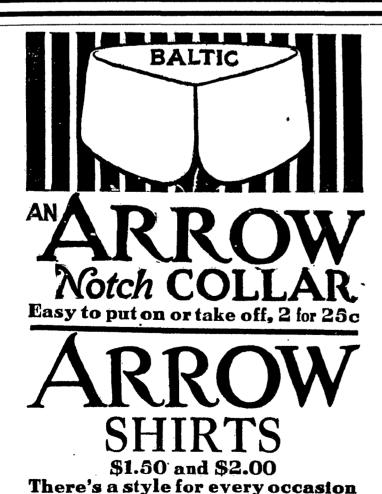
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PROGRAM OF THE PAGEANT

Thirty-five Students To Take Part of Indians

The plans for the pageant have now been completed. The various committees have been selected also many of the players who are to take part and the rehearsals have begun. The officers who are directing the pageant are: Mrs. Joseph Clements, Jr., chairman; Mrs. Hueston, treasure; Mrs. Charles Alexander Richmond, secretary. Committees have been organized to take charge of organization, printing, costumes, advertising, art, music, and finance.

Miss McKay has arrived and has begun work in coaching the players. The art committee, of which Mr. Mott Smith of the Schenectady Dramatic Club is chairman, has designed a poster for advertising the pageant. It represents an Indian standing on a cloud and overlooking Schenectady and the Mohawk Valley. At his side is a totem pole from which floats a streamer curved in the form of the letter "S".

A call has been issued for thirty-five students to take the part of Indians. Hiawatha will be played by Daniel Glen Smith, '12. The costumes will be provided in part, at least, and if it is found necessary for the students to procure any part of their costumes, the cost will not exceed a dollar and twenty cents at most.

Photographs have been taken of several scenes of the pageant and will appear shortly in the New York newspapers. An effort is being made to obtain permission to use the old DeWitt Clinton locomotive, the first steam locomotive to operate successfully in this country.

The program of the pageant is as follows:

Traditional Life.

- 1. The kingdom of Schonowe and the passing of Hiawatha.
 - The Early Settlement.
 - 1. The coming of Van Curler.
 - 2. The massacre.
 - 3. Market day in Olde Schoonachtende.

Patriotic Schenectady.

- 1. The days of '76.
- 2. Schenectady welcomes the nation's hero (George Washington 1782).

The Development of the Town.

- 1. The founding of Union College.
- 2. Dr. Nott and student days.
- 3. The welcome to Lafayette.
- 4. The coming of the railroad.
- 5. The Civil War; mustering out.

Modern Schenectady.

1. The city welfare. The intellectual and industrial forces of the city of today. The hope of the city of tomorrow. Review of the pageant players.



ACADEMICS TRIUMPH OVER ENGINEERS IN DOUBLE HEADER

Classical Men Prove Their Superiority on the Diamond by Scores 30-27 and 14-5

The annual spring baseball craze has again struck the college and the general demoralization of work which always follows it, has struck us with it. In fact, everybody struck Friday morning, and a doubleheader on the campus was the result. The junior engineers bolted "Johnny" Callan and the academics bolted "Spike" and for about two hours these two divisions bated for honors on the diamond. The first game which was won by the academics by the score of 30-27 was close and exciting throughout. The classicals secured a big lead early in the game, but in the seventh, errors by the infield coupled with several timely hits enabled the engineers to tie the score. In the ninth the classicals got to Cronin for three doubles and a single and sewed the game up. The second game was also extremely interesting. The umpiring of Dr. Callan featured for the engineers, while the entire academic team shared in the honors of disputing his decisions. At one time, it looked as if he would be forced to retire to his rooms in the Engineering building but the timely appearance of "Opy" and "Joe" Wolf prevented violence. We almost forgot to state that the academics won again by the score of 14-5. Let us hope that this noble pastime and the attendant bolts will live long and prosper.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED FOR SUB-FRESHMAN DAY

Interscholastic, or sub-freshman day, will be held on Saturday, May 18th. The activities of the day will be cared for by the following committees:

1. Executive Committee—To have general supervision of the arrangements for the day and to have power to proceed as shall seem advisable in the conduct of all matters preliminary thereto:

Prof. Barnes, Prof. Garis,

Pres. of the Terrace Council, Thomas S. A. Fairbairn, 12.

2. Reception Committee—To meet arriving guests, conduct them to the place of registration, and attend to their distribution among the student organizations for luncheon and dinner; also to care for the reception and assigning of quarters and explaining matters in general to the competing teams:

Instructor King,
Basketball Mgr. R. P. Patterson, '12,
Football Mgr. W. A. Rice, '12,
Pres. Honor Court J. H. Potter, '12.

3. Fraternity Entertainment Committee—To care for guests, both spectators and competitors at luncheon and dinner:

The Executive Committee and one representative from each fraternity, including The Pyramid Club.

4. Campus Day Committee—To have charge of campus arrangements, order and conduct of events, transition from place to place, timing and promptness of schedule:

Prof. Opdyke,
Dr. Mac Comber,
Track Mgr. W. H. Macmillan, '12.
Baseball Mgr. R. E. Walser, '12.

5. Campus Day Committee—To have all things in readiness for the bonfire and speeches; bleachers in position, material on hand, order of procedure arranged, speakers chosen, etc.:

Football Mgr. W. A. Rice, '12, Tennis Team Mgr. W. W. Coykendall, '12.

6. Evening Entertainment Committee—To have charge of the reception in Silliman Hall, securing and serving of provisions, musical program, etc.:

Dr. E. P. Ellery,

Pres. Y. M. C. A., D. R. Finley, '13,

Mgr. Musical Association, Chas. T. Male, '13.

7. Cup and Awards Committee—To have charge of the purchase of cup and prizes, the decision as to what shall be offered in this line and the form and design of these awards:

Prof. Garis,
Prof. Opdyke,
Dr. Mac Comber,
Instructor King,

Secretary Athletic Board, Roy Peters, '12, Track Mgr. W. H. Macmillan, '12.

8. Press and Program Committee—To attend to the proper advertising of the day, and to the providing of an attractive and otherwise suitable printed program for general distribution:

Pres. of Press Club, H. N. Trumbull, '12, Track Mgr. W. H. Macmillan, '12, Dr. Barnes.



MUSICAL CLUBS ENTERTAIN AT CANAJOHARIE AND FORT PLAIN

Saturday afternoon the Musical Clubs made a trip to Canajoharie aud Fort Plain, giving a concert in Canajoharie in the afternoon and one at Fort Plain in the evening. All the men who made the New York trip, were taken on this one.

The concert at Canajoharie was given in the Wagner Opera House and was well attended, the house being packed. In addition to the regular program, a new idea was tried out. For the first number the men all came running on the stage with suit cases in their hands as if just arriving from the depot. After rushing around for a moment, they got in line and opened the concert. This little stunt met with great applause from the audience. All the men did remarkably well and the concert was favorably received.

In the evening, the Clubs gave a concert in the Fort Plain Theatre. Although the audience was not so large as the one at Canajoharie yet the attendance was good. The banjo and mandolin clubs rendered some fine music and their work did much to make the concerts successful. After the concert the men left for Schenectady on the 10:30 car.



SOPHOMORE COMMITTEES

Several sophomore committees have been appointed just recently, they consist of:

Cane Committee—R. Vaughan, chairman; C. Sherman, A. Hawley.

Pipe Committee—C. Spaulding, chairman, J. Morgan, J. Hall.

Hat Committee—H. Gunning, chairman; F. Barclay.

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FAMED SONS OF OLD UNION

"Thy sons in life have done thee honor, And spread afar thy name."

-Union Rally Song.

There is perhaps no small college which can boast as many distinguished alumni as can Union. Union College has sent out into the varying activities of the world men of intellect and ability; her sons have reflected honor and glory on their alma mater. From Union's gray old walls have gone forth to far diverging interests men who have won fame in their work. Well does our song express the thought:

"If true sons are jewels a mother adorning, Resplendent Alma Mater's brow with light."

Union's halcyon days have always been regarded as those before the Civil War, the advent of which called to their homes the many Southern students who were at Union. The fame of Union and her great president, Eliphalet Nott, attracted men from distant states. The names of Union's far-famed graduates are well known to us; as we look back on the records of Union's past we find there men of fame in every line—great scholars, statesmen, soldiers, diplomats, authors, theologians and educators. For decades men have worked to set the stage for the Union of today.

It may be that the recital of the achievements of some of Union's noted sons may prove tiresome and trite. But it has occurred to the editors that it would not be out of place to give briefly a series of short accounts of the lives and achievements of a few of the men who have won honor in their work in the world. During the next five numbers of THE CONCORDIENSIS will appear accounts of many early graduates. It is intended this year to cover the great graduates of the earlier history of the college, while next year will be taken up the lives of the later graduates.



COLLEGE MEETING

In the college meeting of April 29, announcement was made of the Schenectady pageant to be held on May 30, 31 and June 1. A request was made for thirty-five students, large men preferred, to take the part of Indians. Such material ought not to be difficult to secure.

Track men were urged to come out every afternoon in preparation for the meet to take place on May 11. It was stated by captain Streever that while much preparation was needed, prospects for victory were very favorable.

C. L. Hequembourg reported that a petition to the faculty would be drawn up asking for a re-instatement of the old bolt system beginning next fall.

DR. HOFFMAN SPEAKS

AT VESPER SERVICE

At the Silliman Hall vesper service last Sunday, April 28th, Prof. Hoffman gave an interesting talk on the religions of this region.

The Shakers are a communistic sect, founded by Ann Lee, in Manchester, England, who came to this country in 1774. In 1776 they bought land at Niskayuna, in the township of Watervliet, near Albany, and settled there. Here they formed a community with Mother Ann, as she called herself, at the head. A spiritualistic revival at New Lebanon, New York, sent many penitents to Watervliet, which afterwards led to the establishment of a bishopric at New Lebanon. Many communities have been established in the East and South but few of them have endured, and in 1908 there were only about 1000.

Spiritualism originated in a family by the name of Fox, about 1848, at Hydesville, Wayne County, N. Y. They were bothered at times by knockings, which on investigation proved to be made by some intelligent source which would make raps as requested, and, communication being established, the rapper professed to be the spirit of a murdered peddler. Thus Kate, and her sister, Margaret Fox, became the first spiritual mediums. At Rochester, where they went to live, Spiritualism was developed to its present form, and lost relatives and spirits of eminent men are thought to have communicated with them.

The common name given to the Church of Latter-Day Saints, is Mormons, a religious sect founded by Joseph Smith, Jr., at Manchester, N. Y., in 1830. Since 1848 it has centered around Salt Lake City. Smith claimed to have had revelations and visitations of angels, which enabled him to locate some gold plates, on which was inscribed the Mormon creed, but which soon after they had been translated, disappeared. Along with the gold plates were found a pair of silver framed crystal spectacles. With the aid of these the mystic characters on the plates could be read. A book said to contain the translation of these gold plates was published, but which was later shown to be the revised romance originally written by Solomon Spaulding,

In conclusion, Prof. Hoffman made a comparison between our Christian religion and those of these three sects.



Harold S. Vroman, '15, was taken to the hospital this week to be operated upon for a severe case of appendicitis.

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Sub-Freshman Pay

This year Sub-Freshman Day will be bigger and better than ever. There will be more high school men on the hill and there will be new attractions to interest them. It has been a splendid change to make the medals this year in the form of watch fobs having the idol stamped upon them. This will present and keep before the new men one eccentric characteristic of Union for which she is known far and wide. It certainly will tend to arouse their curiosity and will afford a means of stirring up interest and a desire to come to Union, in those men who are at all inclined to possess a combative spirit.

The Union men will be given an exceptional chance of coming in closer contact with the high school students as their guests will take dinner at the various fraternity houses this year. It, of course, will be a considerable benefit to the visitors to have this courtesy extended to them, for, aside from giving them an opportunity to get better acquainted, it will do away with their taking dinner down town and will make it more pleasant for them to

stay for the campus meeting in the evening. This meeting ought to make a vivid impression on the sub-freshmen.

Up to the present time there has been a larger registration than ever before, but this is only an index of success. It falls to the lot of the men on the hill to make success certain. See to it that all the men registered get here! See to it that they receive a hearty welcome! See to it further, that there are no men in your home town who might be here but who have been overlooked through your negligence! Surely there must be more prospective college men than we manage to entertain here, and if each and every man would keep his eyes wide open and feel an individual responsibility and pride in this matter, Union would certainly profit by it.

Now that a permanent coach has been secured we must make it our ideal to have first-class teams and to develope a permanent winning streak. The most strenuous efforts are being made to bring out any athletic ability now present in our institution, and doubtless more or less success will attend these attempts, but we need more athletes! Consider what loss we must suffer by graduation, and let this, together with numerous other reasons, be powerful incentives for inducing every true Union man to put forth his best efforts for the benefit of his Alma Mater!

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The Terrace Songs

Since it has been definitely decided to revive the old Union custom of coming together on the campus to sing the old college songs, the plan should be carried out in good form. It is a distinctive custom, a custom to be proud of and one worthy of consistent support.

This will not only be an opportunity to sing the old songs and incidentally practice a few new ones, but it will also afford a chance to improve our yelling. It has been considerable time since the students have given any yells in the open and the rest is noticeable in the calibre of the cheers. There is just a little room for development and we ought to take advantage of this means of improvement.

Fairness Toward Business Men

It would only be a "square deal" on the part of the college men if, when making purchases of various kinds, they used a little discrimination in regard to the different places of business in and out of town which they patronized. All Union students would do well to patronize the business men who advertise in any of our college publications. This spirit of fairness pervades most colleges and is generally in evidence at Union, yet there are times when the men grow careless. It will not be asking an especial favor of the students since the best business houses are the ones that place their advertisements in the college publications, it will only be asking the fellows to be more careful about doing the fair thing.

UNION ALUMNI ASSOCIATION DINE AT TEN EYCK

The Union University Alumni Association held their annual election and banquet at the Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany, on Saturday evening. The affair was probably the most enjoyable one ever held. William P. Rudd, supreme court justice of Albany, acted as toast-master and called upon five speakers. The first was Dr. Mosher, '86, who was one of the organizers of the alumni, who proposed its first by-laws and acted as its first secretary. He spoke of the standard of medical excellence upheld by Union and of the development of the medical profession.

Irving W. Wiswall, '81, dwelt upon the splendid record of Union graduates and of the efficiency of the university and its faculty.

Alexander N. Campbell, '81, spoke at length of the Roosevelt-Taft controversy.

Dr. John I. Bennett told many college happenings in his usual humorous manner.

Dr. Richmond was the principal speaker of the evening and gave a most interesting talk which was in part as follows:

A Leveling Process

There is a leveling process going on in the world today which is felt in every range of life. It is no doubt true that the general level of human life has been raised, but we have had to pay the price. There has been a leveling down as well as a leveling up. The conditions of modern life are not favorable to the development of great individualities; and this is a loss hardly to be made up. It has been said that the history of a nation is a history of her great men. Certainly the progress of civilization has been marked by the strong impression which great individuals have made upon it. Great masses of men do not elevate themselves any more than a man can lift himself by his boot straps; when they are elevated it is because some great man has reached down from above and lifted them up.

Now the colleges of the country have made a record in producing such men. When one considers the relatively small number of college men in this country the record is remarkable. To speak only of Union, one of the smaller colleges; among our products are one president of the United States, two secretaries of state, two secretaries of war, and several other members of cabinets; twelve United States senators: 132 members of the house, including two speakers; a large number of governors of states and foreign ministers; one-fifth of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, judges of New York State; seventy-six college presi-

dents, including Princeton, Brown, Michigan, Vassar, Smith, besides many others whose names are writlarge upon the history of this nation.

Capable Leaders Needed

What we need, what we always need, is leaders—men capable of large views and able to bring to the tasks which lie before us in this country, a trained mind and statesman-like spirit; and it is out of the political principles to public questions as they arise. The security of a government like ours is only to be found in the ability of the great mass of the people to think for themselves and to test the truth of the questions which affect them. Millions of our voters do not think. This is what gives the fishwife orator his chance. Billingsgate is better for his purpose than the soundest reason.

It is the business of the educated man not only to think for himself but also to expose and resist the demagogue; and it is the mission of the college to add year by year to the number of the men who judge and act by the light of intelligence and conscience.

There is especial reason why Albany should take pride in Union. The first petition for a college in this part of the country offered in 1779 came from 542 in habitants of Albany couty. Three of the presidents of the college have been taken from Albany. The professional departments of the university are all situated here and many of our most distinguished graduates have come from this city, including John C. Spencer who became secretary of war, and Francis Waland the great president of Brown university.

Important College Center

I want to call your attention to one very important fact; nearly all the great colleges of this country are located at important centres of population, and in all cases a large majority of the students come from a radius of fifty miles, taking the college campus as a centre; this is true of even the most celebrated of our universities.

The immediate locality is the element which gives greatest strength to a university. Now we have here an ancient and honorable institution. The college founded in 1795, became a university in 1873. The organization, somewhat loose, needs strengthening, and this will come about. We have a natural centre for a great university—some day this will come to pass. Here in Albany, a place of Capitol importance, with a population of 100,000; Troy with 76,000; Schenectady with 73,000; Amsterdam with 31,000; Water-vliet with 15,000, besides many smaller towns, making a total of nearly half a million within easy reach. It opens to us a prospect which ought to stimulate local pride. We have large numbers of men interested in

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education, many of them college men; it would not make them less loyal to their own colleges, but it would add greatly to the efficiency of higher education in our own locality if we should all unite to encourage and stimulate interest and pride in this fine old institution in our midst.

Agricultural School

Referring to the agitation for the establishment of an agricultural school at Union. Dr. Richmond said he had not given the matter sufficient consideration to be able to say whether such a school would be established, or what it would be like.

The election that was held resulted as follows:
President, Andrew MacFarlane, Albany.
Vice president, Charles F. Bridge, Albany.
Secretary, Arnold G. Chapman, Albany.
Treasurer, Charles P. Wagoner, Albany.
Trustees, Melvin Bender, A. D. Kline, Walter Mc-Ewan and Dr. J. M. Vander Veer.



THE JUNIOR CLASS

Will please note that their electives for the Senior year must be filed with their class committee at my office in the electrical laboratory. The dates appointed for this registration are:

Thursday, May 16, 2:30 to 4:30. Friday, May 17, 2:30 to 4:30.

O. J. FERGUSON, Chairman of Junior Class Committee.



ENGLISH CLUB DOINGS

At the meeting of the English Club on April 23, Professor McKean read a very interesting paper on Robert Browning, optimist. At the meeting next Friday, Mr. Robert Patterson will discuss "Studies in Virgils "Gorgics"." The meetings are now being held in Washburn hall.



SCORES OF UNION'S OPPONENTS

Bucknell 1
Fordham 0
Tufts 4
Fordham 11
St. Johns 1
Tufts 3
Colgate 0
Syracuse 2
Rochester 2
West Point 3
Swarthmore 1

A MODERN VIEW OF SOCRATES' DEATH

Old Socrates, he had a wife,
As many moderns do,
Her temper it was nothing sweet,
Alas! it was too true.

Now Socrates, the wise and great,
Was fond of lager beer,
But wifie had a strong dislike
To it, 'twas very clear.

One night quite stewed, he stumbled in, His clothes were all awry, His toga mussed, his chapeau crushed, For the keyhole he did try.

Sweet wifie came with frying pan,
And batted his co-co,
She gave him more than one good slam,
He cried, it hurt him so.

"I swear", he cried, "'tis my last drink!"

"Ye Gods' she cried, for he

Had seized a cup of hemlock near

And gone his last journey.



Charles T. Male, '13, secured first place on the list for appintment to the position of sealer of weights and measures, as he passed the civil service examinations with a much higher percentage than any of his competitors.



The news editor for this issue of THE CONCORDIEN-SIS is John Kreusi, '14.



It was recently announced that the committee on admissions at Columbia had decided feminine students were not eligible to the Pulitzer school of journalism.



The annual triangular debate with Harvard and Yale was won by Princeton, Yale finishing second and Harvard coming last, on the subject of monopoly.

In La Crosse, a petition was handed to the Board of Education, indorsed by more than five thousand persons, asking that Norwegian be added to the course of study in public schools.

HONOR MEN OF CLASS 1912



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TERSE TOPICS OF THE TIMES

Citizens are requestested to hang a lantern in front of their residences at night from 7 to 10.

All entertainments at Comstock opera house have been called off for lack of light.—Boonville Herald.

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JUMPY PUMPS

They went around, an 'round, an 'round And neither of them knew

That each was blaming the other

For the dancing ——

of the shoe!

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

1882—Justice Edward C. Whitmyer, Union, '82, who is presiding at the Supreme Court term in Fulton County for the first time, was tendered a dinner Friday evening, April 26th, by a number of the legal fraternity of Johnstown. The dinner was served at the Sir William Johnson Hotel and was a very enjoyable affair. Justice Whitmyer is one of the foremost lawyers of the State and was elected to the Supreme Court at the elections last year. He is a member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

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FRATERNITY NEWS

Last Friday evening Phi Gamma Delta held its annual formal dance. The house was decorated with palms and banners.

Directly after the Tufts game, Alpha Delta Phi entertained a large number of its friends at an informal tea at the house.

Psi Upsilon had as its Sunday guest, Hamilton Hope, who lectured in the chapel Saturday evening.

Frederick T. Martin, '76, was entertained at the Kappa Alpha lodge last Thursday evening after his lecture given in the chapel.

Delta Phi entertained several of its alumni after the Tufts game.

Four of the Tufts baseball team were at the Delta Upsilon house over Sunday.

The wonderful jump of 6 feet 6 1-8 inches credited to G. F. Horine of Stanford University last Friday has received the indorsement of John Elliott, president of the Pacific Association of the A. A. U. The usual formalities will have to be observed before the record is allowed to replace the mark of 6 feet 5 5-8 inches made by Mike Sweeney. Athletes who have visited the field state that there is a decided slope to the ground and before the new mark will be credited it will have to be established to the satisfaction of the record committee that Horine received no advantage either in the run to the takeoff or in landing after the jump was made.

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Timely information—Baseball: "A game of ball, wherein four designate the circuit each player must make after striking the ball."—(Cyclopedia Say-so).

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The Cornell 'varsity wrestling team maintained its unbroken string of victories by winning five out of

seven bouts from Lehigh Saturday.

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Professor: "Did you filter this solution?"

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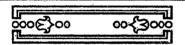
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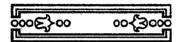
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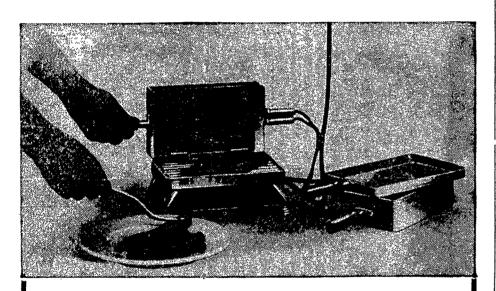
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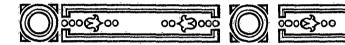
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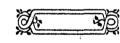
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