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The Freshmen Banquet.

The banquet of the Freshman class was held on the evening of election day, Nov. 3, at Hotel Edison.

The Freshmen had succeeded in keeping the date secret until the afternoon of the banquet, and then the Sophomores made an attempt to lock up one or two of the class, but they were unsuccessful, for a date had been chosen when most of the Sophs were away, and the few that were here evidently thought it best not to interfere.

At half past nine, the Freshmen, to the number of twenty-nine, and thirteen upper classmen entered the dining hall. After discussing a fine menu, the toastmaster, William Dewey Loucks, welcomed the members of the class of '97 and '98, and announced a fine list of toasts which were responded to as follows:

1900,	Paul J. Kruesi, 1900
DORP,	Charles J. Vrooman, '98
OUR HISTORY,	Lester F. Hubbard, 1900
THE IDOL,	St. Elmo N. Goetz, 1900
ATHLETICS,	Samuel W. Turner, '97
THE BOARDINGHOUSE,	Charles H. McCulloch, 1900
OUR FRIENDS—The Sophs,	
	Philip L. Thomson, 1900
OLD UNION,	Hiram C. Todd, '97
THE JUNIORS,	Roger G. Sinclair, '98
THE LADIES,	William C. Bamber, 1900
THE SENIORS,	Henry A. Frey, '97
THE FACULTY,	Edward E. Draper, '97
THIRTY YEARS HENCE,	Edwin C. Pomeroy, 1900
McKINLEY,	Willis E. Merriman, '98
ANY-OLD-THING,	Herbert H. Brown, '97

During the evening election returns were received by special wire, which added enthusiasm to the occasion. At half past one the party broke up, bringing to a close one of the most successful banquets that the Freshmen of Union have held in many years.

The Junior-Sophomore Game.

The third foot ball game of the Starin Cup series was played on the campus Wednesday afternoon between the Juniors and Sophomores and resulted in a victory for the Juniors by a score of 12 to 0. In the first half Cox, Vrooman and Powers made touchdowns from none of which goals were kicked, and in the second half neither side scored. The summary is as follows:

JUNIORS, 12.	POSITIONS.	SOPHOMORES, 0.
Haviland.....	left end.....	Fisk
Gutman.....	left guard.....	Wilson
MacMillan.....	left tackle.....	Miles
Class.....	center.....	Hoyt
Merriman.....	right tackle.....	Hegeman
Manger.....	right guard.....	Schmitter
Mallery.....	right end.....	Fisk, McMahon
Yates.....	quarter back.....	Strong
Vrooman.....	left half back.....	Hinman
Cox.....	right half back.....	Sylvester
Parsons.....	full back.....	VanderVeer

Substitutes: Juniors—Brown, Avery; Sophomores—Eames, McMahon. Touchdowns—Cox, Vrooman, Parsons. Failed to kick goal—Parsons 3. Umpire—Blodgett, '97. Referee—Prof. John I. Bennett. Timekeeper—Dr. Linhart. Time of halves—20 and 15 minutes.

Golf Tournament.

The second of a series of Golf Tournaments between teams representing the General Electric Works and the College was played on the college links, Saturday, Oct. 31. The electricians won easily by a score of twenty to seven as follows:

Romeling, 7.	Linhart, 0.
Bishop, 2.	Daley, 0.
Williams, 5.	Hale, 0.
Conover, 0.	Pepper, 4.
Remington, 0.	Raymond, 3.
Jacobs, 6.	Landon, 0.

Union's Orators.

Editor of The Concordiensis:—

The question has been asked again and again, "Why does Union not win a game at foot ball?" One might ask with equal propriety, "Why do not Union's orators and debaters win?" The most general answer to the former question is: Because the team is not strong enough. The latter question has not been honored with a definite answer, nor even soberly considered. We are all tired criticising and being criticised, but how can we expect to avoid either unless we remove the cause. This can be done.

We have two organized foot ball teams, and their rivalry is mutually beneficial as far as it goes. We have also literary society orators, fraternity orators, and class orators. But can it be said that their influence upon each other is mutually helpful? Decidedly not. Very few fraternity speakers ever hear a literary society debate, and when speaking before the class we have no incentive to do our best.

To what fact is our present weakness due? The answer is evident—lack of concentration. There is an abundance of power, but it is not developed because of the lack of organization and system and therefore, a lack of interest. There is no friendly rivalry among the different factions. A great many think that even our prize debating has degenerated into a lottery. Experience proves that when the fraternities flourish the literary societies die, and the converse must follow as a necessary corollary. Now we give the English department credit for all its original ideas, but we venture to say that when five hours a week of debating is regularly required the literary programs of the fraternities will be reduced to a minimum, and the yawning literary societies will drop into a Rip Van Winkle nap.

Why does not Old Union concentrate and systematize her powers in the shape of a regular organized course in elocution and public speaking, under a competent instructor? Is it consistent with our history and dignity to allow prep-school undergraduates to attend our annual commencement exercises and criticise our stage performers? It is bad enough to hear everybody criticising the judges.

It is true Union has sent forth an occasional representative in this line of whom she may well be proud. But this success was due to natural genius, plus individual effort, often assisted by outside tutoring.

Will the trustees and faculty, while they are agitating reforms, not come to our rescue in this important department and change chaos into an intelligent system?

A STUDENT.

Union--Amsterdam.

Union won in a one sided game of foot ball with the Brownies of Amsterdam on Saturday afternoon, by a score of 18 to 6. Two twenty minute halves were played, and to say that the game was exciting would be expressing it mildly. The only touchdown made by Amsterdam was scored on a fluke, when Stover secured the ball and touched it behind the line, after having made the most brilliant run of the day. Crichton made three touchdowns for Union, and Griswold one, Goetz kicked only one goal.

During the game Spencer Warnick, fullback on the Amsterdam team, had his collar bone dislocated.

UNION 18.	SUMMARY.	AMSTERDAM 6.
Price.....	left end.....	G. Stover
Blodgett.....	left guard.....	McFarland
Palmer.....	left tackle.....	Robert
Bookhout.....	center.....	Pompetier
Thomas.....	right tackle.....	Freedendall
Beardslee.....	right guard.....	D. Stover
Griswold.....	right end.....	Quiri
Smith.....	quarter back.....	C. Stover
Thatcher.....	left half back.....	Phillips
Crichton.....	right half back.....	Gallagher
Goetz.....	full back.....	Warnick

Touchdowns.—Crichton, (3), Griswold, Stover.
Goals from touchdowns. — Goetz, Gallagher.
Umpire.—J. N. White, Amsterdam. Referee.—
Jones, Union, '98. Linesmen.—Harry DeGraff of
Amsterdam, and Frey, Union, '97.

Amusements at the Van Curler.

Nov. 9.—Trip to Chinatown.

Nov. 11.—Chevalier.

Nov. 12.—Boston Ladies Symphony Orchestra.

Nov. 13.—Gilmour's Band.

In accordance with the action taken at the college meeting Oct. 27, the following committee has been appointed to confer with the library committee of the faculty in regard to a new library system: H. H. Brown, '97, Canfield, '97, Swan, '98, Merriman, '98, Hinman, '99, and Walbridge, 1900.

Fraternity Initiates.

Since the opening of college, men have been initiated into the various fraternities from the Freshman class and from the upper classes. The following is a complete list of the initiates.

SIGMA PHI.

G. W. Featherstonehaugh, 1900, Schenectady
Paul J. Kruesi, 1900, . . . Schenectady
Joseph S. Patterson, 1900, . . . Schenectady
Douglas W. Paige, 1900, . . . Schenectady
William C. Bamber, 1900, . . . Lockport

DELTA PHI.

Wilford T. Purchase, '99, . . . Newark
De Witt G. Wood, 1900, . . . Albany

PSI Upsilon.

Harold S. Kirby, 1900, . . . Canajoharie
William D. Loucks, 1900, . . . Albany
Wagner Van Vlack, 1900, . . . Palatine Bridge

DELTA Upsilon.

Walker M. Gage, 1900, . . . Johnstown
Eugene M. Sanders, 1900, . . . St. Johnsville

CHI PSI.

James C. Cooper, '97, . . . Schenectady
G. Wilson Francis, 1900, . . . Buffalo
Clayton J. Potter, 1900, . . . Glenville
Philip L. Thomson, 1900, . . . Schenectady
Newman Walbridge, 1900, . . . Buffalo

ALPHA DELTA PHI.

Thomas M. Bender, 1900, . . . Albany
Gardiner Kline, 1900, . . . Amsterdam
Clarence D. Stewart, 1900, . . . Amsterdam
James S. Stewart, 1900, . . . Amsterdam

BETA THETA PI.

Frederick M. Davis, 1900, . . . New York
Charles E. Palmer, Jr., 1900, . . . Schenectady
George E. Pike, 1900, . . . Lockport
Edwin C. Pomeroy, 1900, . . . Lockport
Charles E. Reynolds, 1900, . . . Ouray, Col.
Louis Tinning, 1900, . . . Pattersonville

PHI DELTA THETA.

Francis E. Cullen, '98, . . . Amsterdam
Daniel J. Hoyt, '99, . . . Amsterdam
Leland L. Boorn, 1900, . . . Schenectady
LeRoy O. Ripley, 1900, . . . Cooperstown
Everett G. Brownell, 1900, . . . Ballston Spa.

PHI GAMMA DELTA.

Orlando B. Pershing, '97, North Madison, O.
Edward H. Rodgers, '98, . . . Albany
W. M. Swann, '98, . . . Albany
W. B. Davis, '99, . . . Schenectady
George C. Rowell, '99, . . . Ogdensburg
Charles F. Murphy, 1900, . . . Norwood
Seward French, 1900, . . . Binghamton.
E. S. Ketchum, 1900, . . . Lockwood
John H. Cook, 1900, . . . Albany

Sophomores vs. Albany High School.

The Sophomore class foot ball team was defeated by the Albany High School team Wednesday afternoon at the Ridgefield grounds, Albany, by a score of 22 to 2. In the first half Albany made a touchdown and Union scored a safety, but in the second half Union showed the lack of practice and was unable to score while Albany made three touchdowns from each of which a goal was kicked. The teams lined up as follows:

A. H. S. (22.)	UNION '99 (2.)
Taylor.....	left endFrench
Tyrell.....	left tackleSchmitter
Kempton.....	left guardWilson
Gilbert.....	centre.....Hoyt
McDonald.....	right guard.....Nellis
Docherty.....	right endPruyn (Capt.)
Cook.....	right tackle.....Hegeman
Griffin.....	quarter.....Strong
Hausman.....	left halfSylvester
Keogh, (Capt.)....	right half.....Fisk
Bishop.....	full backWiley

Touchdowns—Bishop, Cook, Hausman and Taylor. Goals from touchdowns—Keogh, 3. Time of game—two 20-minute halves. Referee—George D. Morris, Albany. Umpire—Charles Parsons, Union. Linesmen—Alexander McKee, Union; Fred McDonald, A. H. S., '96.

Sage, ex-'99, has accepted a position in the Grand Central Station, New York.

Alonzo P. Strong, '64, Republican nominee for county judge of Schenectady defeated Daniel Naylor, Jr., '84, the Democratic candidate, by 652 plurality.

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THE article headed Union's Orators and printed elsewhere in this paper, touches upon a very important branch of collegiate work. An instructor in elocution would be a desirable addition to the faculty. "Student," however, must remember that the faculty has already been increased in late years far beyond what it was formerly.

THE STUDENTS of this college have been requested repeatedly to come out on the campus and practice foot ball against the 'varsity. Once more is this request repeated. The foot ball team needs your hearty coöperation to enable them to win the games yet to be played. Saturday we meet Rutgers. A large delegation should accompany the team to Albany, and by loud and hearty cheering, urge the players on to certain victory.

THE COLLEGE Hill Golf Club has played several excellent games this fall. Within the present organization there are several who may eventually

become crack players. There is sufficient material among the students together with the present club, to form an excellent team. It has been suggested that the College Hill Club might be sufficiently strengthened by next spring to warrant their meeting a golf club from some other institution. The suggestion is timely, and a little agitation may bring about the desired result.

It is hardly necessary to say that the students of Union helped to raise the shout of victory which resounded throughout the length and breadth of this country on the morning of November 4th. We should not have been worthy of the name of students had we done otherwise. We should not have maintained the honor and reputation of our venerable institution, which for more than a century has pointed out the path of honor to each succeeding generation, had other than the name McKinley burst from our throats in long and loud huzzas.

Union is loyal, Union is patriotic, so is every college in this broad land of ours. William Jennings Bryan heard the shout of the McKinley cohorts not alone from farm and factory, but from the school house, the college and the university. The derisive hika's with which the sons of "Old Eli" greeted the boy orator of the Platte, have found an answering shout in every institution of learning in America. The yell of the student has reverberated throughout hill and dale, from house top to chimney top. The farmer has heard it, the merchant has heard it and Bryan has heard it. And all have joined in the long loud shout. "We want McKinley," and we got him.

Editor of The Concordiensis:—

Allow me to correct an error in your report of the remarks made by President Raymond in connection with his account of the sesquicentennial exercises at Princeton. You say that Dr. Raymond, referring to Union, said "the faculty must get together, work together and pull together."

What Dr. Raymond said was in substance: That all in whose hands the interests of the college lie, trustees, alumni, faculty and students, should "get together, stay together and pull together."

A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY.

The editor of THE CONCORDIENSIS regrets exceedingly that through the careless wording of an article which appeared in the last issue of this paper, it was made to appear as though there was a lack of harmony among the members of the faculty. We, all of us know that such a condition of things does not exist. It would indeed, be hard to find a faculty of which the members are more in accord with each other than at present exists at Union. The editor of THE CONCORDIENSIS returns thanks to the members of the faculty who kindly call our attention to a bad blunder.

THE CONCORDIENSIS has received numerous communications from alumni and students in answer to the question. Where is the remedy? We printed two letters last week and would have printed several more this week but other matter has crowded them out. They are, however, under consideration and may appear later. It is suggested in one letter that a remedy could be found or at least more easily applied by working through other channels than THE CONCORDIENSIS. It is a question whether the publicity which such a matter receives when in print is or is not of advantage to the college. It has been suggested that the trouble might be just as easily remedied by keeping it out of print.

THE Junior class have decided to hold their annual promenade on November 20th. The CONCORDIENSIS desires to call special attention to the large dances which are from time to time given under the auspices of the various classes. These social events form an important part of the social life of the student while he is in college. They furnish a means by which he may come in touch with the society of the town, and it is always to the advantage of the student to have a fair number of acquaintances in the city. It is also equally as pleasant for the towns people to know the character of the student body which is in their midst. The running expenses of these large dances are necessarily considerable. If they are properly patronized however, the expense falls lightly on the individual, if not, the committee has to shoulder both the expense and the labor. We therefore, urge every student to stand by his class, his college and by his fellow students and patronize one of the most enjoyable events of the college year.

Personals.

Ball, ex-'97, was on the hill last week.

Charles F. Murphy of Brooklyn has entered the Freshman class.

Mattison, '98, has recovered from a recent attack of quinsy.

Hinman, '99, is suffering from an injured knee received in foot ball practice.

A great many students took advantage of the election recess and spent the time at their homes.

Wiencke, Med. '95, of Schenectady has been appointed house physician at St. Luke's Hospital, Albany.

Bart. Howard, '95, has been elected a member of the executive committee of the Venezuela Colonization Association.

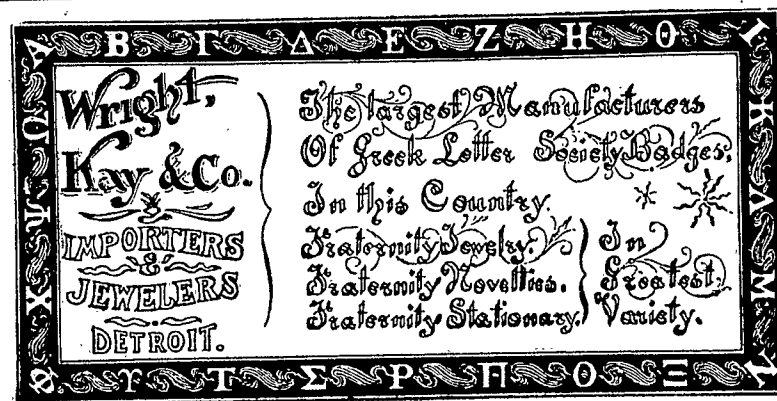
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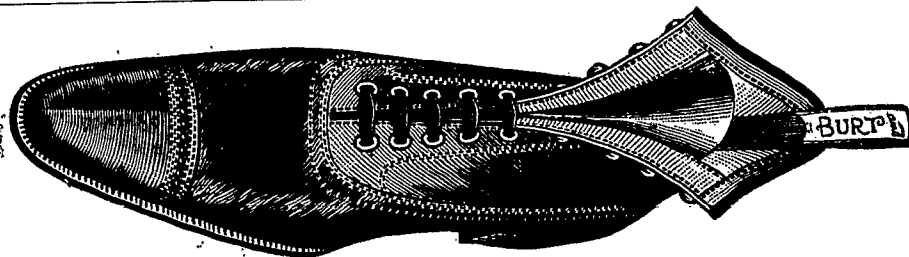
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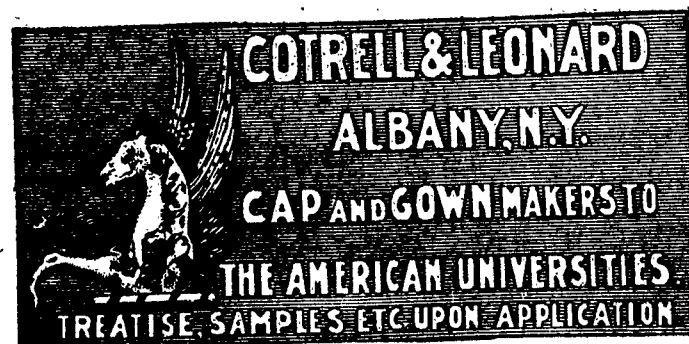
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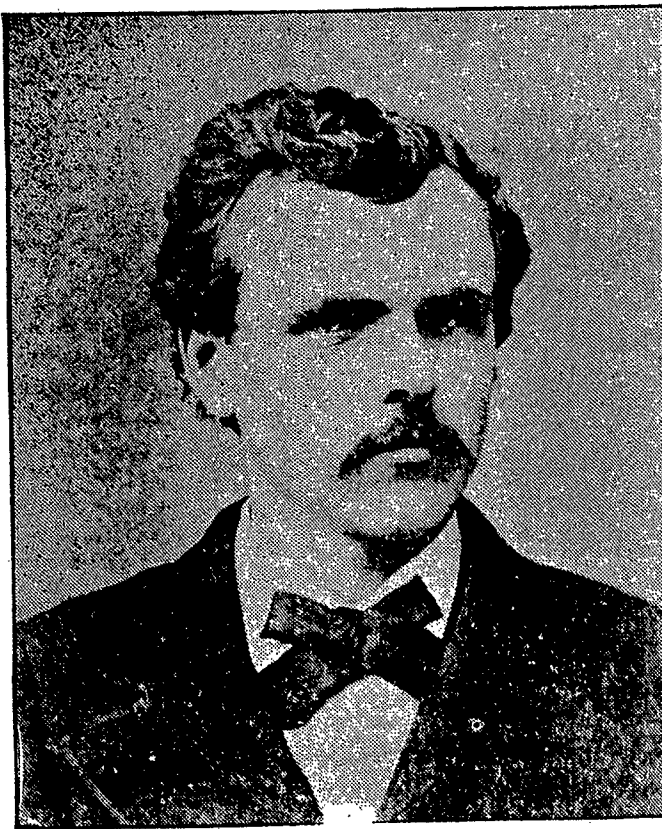
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