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## Freshman Victory.



ALL TENSE and thrilling with the inspiration of the scene, hundreds upon hundreds of spectators watched William S. Sheer, a Freshman, stride over the heads of the bunched Sophomores, shin up the twelve-foot pole in their midst and snatch the small, fluttering flag at the very top. His classmates bore him aloft on their shoulders and marched about singing and cheering for their hero. This was the first flag rush in many years which the Freshmen have won.

At four o'clock, the Freshmen marched on to Jasper Oval and arranged themselves in three different lines of battle, five abreast. Loud were the cheers as they streamed in—about two hundred and fifty of them, noisy and anxious for the fray. In the middle of the field, one hundred lusty Sophomores, in a triple-lock formation, were gathered round the pole from the top of which fluttered the tiny pennant. Surrounding this protective ring were the strongest men of the class, serving as "trippers," whose purpose was to break up the line of attack.

At last the field is cleared for action, the judges and marshals stand ready. A shrill blast of the whistle—and down upon the band of Sophs come two lines of Freshmen in double-quick time. The "trippers" get in their work and in a moment the waving arms and the swaying, struggling mass of humanity about the pole tell that the battle is on. Up from the crowd, a figure appears on the heads of the Sophomores. T. H. Huddleston, of Mississippi, fights his way to the pole and clings to it like a leech. But soon he is pulled down with many a tug

and pull. More attempts are made — all of them futile. Finally, another Freshman forges his way to the pole and, at the same time, the third line of Freshmen which had been held in reserve, crashes into the huddled group of Sophomores. The latter's attention being diverted, Sheer gains the pole and pulls himself up in spite of the many arms trying to pull him down. Soon he is out of reach and, snatching the flag, slides down to the ground amid thundering applause. The action of the rush had taken only six minutes.

The Sophs had fought bravely and the gentlemanly way in which they took their defeat was a source of admiration. Surely they have no cause to feel disappointed. There was glory enough for both. They gathered for the last time before leaving and cheered heartily. Now "the tumult and the shouting dies," the spectators have departed, the shadows of night steal over the field and the shortest, most exciting rush in years is over.

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#### A Sophomore's View.

One of the leading spirits of the Sophomores in the rush made the following statement:

"The rush was won fairly by the Freshmen and none of my classmates deny it. What was the matter with us? Our plan was good and every man performed his part well, but we were by far out-numbered and excelled in weight by the lower class."

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#### Student Council.

On account of the Faculty-Senior baseball game which will be played on Friday afternoon, the Student Council meeting has been postponed until Monday afternoon. It is imperative that all members of the Council attend this meeting for several disputes must be decided, the secretary, cheer leader and assistant cheer leader must be elected and some important committees will hand in their reports.

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#### Rubber.

Mr. Dillwynn Hazlett, a Brazilian envoy to the Panama Exposition, lectured on the "Rubber Industry in Brazil." He presented the opportunities which were open to American manufacturers in Brazil. Many beautiful colored slides were used to illustrate his talk.

### Student Council Assembly.

"I suppose that when you saw me here in place of President Finley, you felt somewhat as you did last Monday when you saw Goulait in the place of Matthewson at the baseball game," said Dean Brownson in opening the Student Council assembly last Wednesday and the homeliness and modesty of the remark and the hearty response it called forth, showed the spirit of the occasion. Continuing, the Dean spoke in high terms of the work and worth of the Student Council and emphasized its importance now that our number has been increased by the three hundred and twenty-five members of the incoming class. Jesse Raphael '13, was presented and he spoke on the many interesting features of the Customs Book. Max Lieberman '13 entertained with a violin selection which was much enjoyed. With unusual enthusiasm and eloquence, Professor Guthrie placed before the students a glowing description of the Social House ideal. The short time permitted only a few words. If the future Wednesday assemblies repeat the effects of this one, they will accomplish all that can be desired of them.

This afternoon at 1.15 will be held the second of the weekly assemblies, this time, too, under the auspices of the Student Council. Fully as interesting features as those which last week's assembly boasted, will be presented.

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### Alumni Plans.

On Saturday evening the Associate Alumni will hold their regular annual meeting at the College. The members will consider the proposed incorporation of the alumni. The reasons for this act are stated to be the assurance of permanency of the organization, the assurance of true representation in a permanent governing body, which will be responsible and capable of efficient action, the assurance of identification and, therefore of the extent of membership in the Association and the creation of a body which will have the legal right and power to receive and accept financial support. Besides this, the Association will hold its election of officers.

### A Rumor.

It is in the air that the famous Dr. Alexis Carrel, who has been awarded the Nobel prize for medicine, will visit the college in the very near future and that we will have a French day in his honor. Dr. Carrel has won international fame through his almost miraculous work at the age of thirty-nine. In 1906, Dr. Flexner induced him to pursue his researches in the Rockefeller Institute and since that time he has been arousing considerable interest in scientific circles by announcing several original experiments among which was the keeping alive for months the portions of animals' hearts. These portions after a short time surrounded themselves with new cells and grew to more than sixty times their original size.

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### The Busy Seniors.

Already the Upper Seniors are concerned about their graduation in February and are making preparations for the various commencement activities. The following committees have been appointed: Numeral Lights—Philip Curve, chairman, J. Umans, T. Lindholm, W. Lockwood and J. Kear; Senior Dance Committee—S. Isaacson, chairman; S. Hecht and S. Davis; Class Numeral Committee—Bertram Sommer. Curoe has been elected Class Prophet and Poet-Historian.

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### More Politics.

The loyal Democrats among the students have come to the fore and founded a Woodrow Wilson Club whose avowed purpose it is to convert Progressives into Democrats. Truly, the college is becoming a hot-bed of political discussion.

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### A Visitor.

Robert W. Service, the noted author of "The Spell of the Yukon," visited the college last Wednesday. Mr. Levussove of the Art Department showed him about the buildings.

## ATHLETICS.

### Fresh-Soph Meet.

The second of the three great Fresh-Soph activities will be the meet which will take place to-day and to-morrow. The winning class will receive five points. All entrants should have made their applications by yesterday afternoon. All must be members of the Athletic Association and must have had physical examinations. The events which will be run off are the one hundred yard dash, the eighth mile, quarter mile, half mile and two mile runs, the one mile relay, the high jump, the broad jump and the shot-put. The Sophomores will be hard put to win the meet, for the newcomers have already shown their ability in more than one way since college opened. But with huskies like Schaffer, Feldman, O'Connell and many others, the Sophs may hope with cause to show their athletic superiority.

### Faculty-Senior Baseball.

The infectious baseball fever, which has possessed all fandom for the past week and a half, has at last entered the blood of the Faculty. Their semi-annual game with the seniors will be played on Friday afternoon. If you have not your ticket by now, approach any of the industrious looking seniors who call out, "Get your tickets heah! Only ten cents, one dime!" and provide yourself with one. The senior teams are different every term but the faculty line-up is very nearly the same.

Perchance some "dark hoses" will be trotted in at the last moment. The seniors hope to prove their superiority with a nine composed of Nessler, Davis, Lax, Sommer, Bradner, Steinhoff, Steinkamp, Keepnews and Bloodgood. One should scarcely be surprised to see the wooden fence of Olympic Field bulge outward with the crowd of fans.

### Oyez! Oyez!

The president of the Student Council wishes to meet the Marshals of all the classes to-morrow at 1.15 in room 206. There is a matter of importance on hand which must be discussed. Pay heed!

### More Games.

The interclass baseball series is progressing very well. The attendance and the enthusiasm at the games is a remarkable improvement over last year. During the week two more games were played, 1913 versus 1915 and 1915 versus 1916.

The Seniors revenged themselves on the Sophomores last Tuesday, by winning the game with ten runs against seven. Southpaw Nessler twirled for 1913 and, although he was hit hard, he pitched a clever game. Soons, the Seniors' catcher, stopped a foul tip with his face, but managed well otherwise.

In the ninth, Weirich speared a sure two-bagger and thus nipped in the bud a promising Soph rally.

1915 . . .	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	2-7
1913 . . .	4	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	*-10

Batteries—1913—Nessler and Soons; 1915—Wright and O'Connell.

On Thursday afternoon, the game between 1915 and 1916 called up much enthusiasm and a peculiar situation. The Sophs had been behind until the beginning of the eight inning when they made three runs and took the lead. The game was called, however, on account of darkness and the score reverted to the previous inning, in this way giving the victory to the Freshmen. Donaldson, a Freshman from Richmond Hill, distinguished himself by hitting a clean home run. The Sophomores are preparing to protest the game.

1915 . . . . .	1	1	1	0	0	1	1-5
1916 . . . . .	5	0	0	0	0	2	0-7

Batteries—1915—L. James and N. O'Connell; 1916—Donaldson and Adler.

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### A Rebuke.

In every class a certain individual is chosen Athletic Manager to serve some purpose or other. Coach Palmer wonders whether they really exist for very few were in evidence when he issued his call for a meeting. He wants to see every one of the eight up in the gymnasium this Friday afternoon at 3.30.

### Cross Country Cuts.

The interclass cross country meet will be held on Wednesday, October 23. All candidates must get their physical examinations at once and sign up for regular practice. Each class in college must enter at least ten men. The prize, which will be announced later, will be awarded to the class whose men finish best.

Captain Siebern has high hopes of victory in the cross country meet with Columbia, which will be run off on Saturday, November 2. Meets are being arranged with a few other of the larger colleges. Altogether, the track team expects to have a highly interesting season of activity. Men are responding fairly well to the call, but fairly well is not good enough. There are many who are paying no heed to the call and these must be urged to show up for practice.

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### Swimming Strokes.

Next Tuesday, some of the men who have put in their afternoons "crawling" through the water will perform for the students. The first event of the interclass swimming meet will be held during the lunch hour on October twenty second. It is probable that the usual events will be run, or swum, off: the fifty, the hundred, the grueling 220, the relay, the plunge and fancy diving. 1913 and 1914 have their veterans and 1915 has a strong combination. As to the Freshmen, a class which has such good athletes in other sports, they can not fail to put forth capable swimmers. Every Tuesday, then, after you have bolted your lunch, bolt for the gym. It will be well worth while.

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### Visitors.

Two 1912 men, who were prominent in the athletic world at college, visited us last Friday. William M. Finger, once Athletic Editor of THE CAMPUS, and Harry Leavitt left their tooth-pulling activity long enough to witness the flag rush.

Dr. Lease is to be congratulated on having contributed an article of sixteen pages to such a periodical as the "American Journal of Philology," and an article of almost equal length to the "Classical Journal." They may be found in the most recent numbers of these periodicals.

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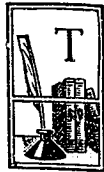
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## The Way to Look at It.



BE honest with ourselves it must be admitted that too many of us regard life at the college with a critical attitude. We expect to be convinced that college is a glorious institution. "Here we are. Let's see if you can make us feel enthusiastic about you. If you can, all well and good. If you fail, then we must condemn you as a spiritless institution. Don't blame us; it is your own fault." And all of the attempts which are made to awaken us to the possibilities of college life we carefully weigh in the balance—and usually find wanting.

The man who goes through life with this sort of an attitude is scarcely one to live a full life. He will always be disappointed. To get the full value of our experiences we must receive them and welcome them with eager interest. "When I pay a visit to a friend, I go, not with the idea of being entertained, but with inward enjoyment. I feel interest within me and all the joy



which I actually receive comes in the nature of a pleasant surprise." Thus spoke one who surely has fullness of life, and whose friends are devoted.

The principle is a very profitable one to work on. If we put a live interest into our college life we shall certainly receive substantial returns in the broadening of our sympathies. Since we hope to live our later life in real earnest, why shouldn't we put all our earnestness into the living of our college life, our microcosm? The gain from it would be more than the immediate increase of pleasure.

The critical attitude is not conducive to happiness. Let us live our college life with all our might. Our success is dependent on it.

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### Another Walking Feat.

Evidently, walking around Manhattan Island is too tame an affair for Prexy. While he was on board the battleship Virginia on Friday evening, Frederick D. Underwood, president of the Erie Railroad, proposed a walk to Chicago, to which President Finley immediately consented. Mr. Underwood insisted upon the accompaniment of a private car for purposes of sleep and rest. It is hardly probable that they will be able to take the walk before next summer.

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### Good Sportsmanship.

Last Friday's flag rush was exemplary in the spirit which was shown by the Sophomores at their defeat.

Throughout the six minutes which the rush lasted they fought like Spartans, bravely and "gamely" though they were outnumbered. As soon as the flag was won, they stopped struggling and allowed Sheer to pass through their midst unmolested in spite of their naturally deep disappointment. They had no bandying of words or excuses with any of the Freshmen. Their entirely gentlemanly conduct is worthy of much praise and quite compensates them for the glory which might have been theirs.

## Societies.

The Dramatic Society announces that its first meeting of the term will be held on Wednesday, October 23. It is probable that at this meeting the name of the Elizabethan show will be announced. Then, too, there is much important business to be transacted.

At their Thursday afternoon meetings, the members of the Civic Club will give prepared talks on the Republican and Democratic presidential campaigns since 1888. The issues of each campaign will be outlined and the Presidents' messages discussed. The society will soon hold a straw vote that will show which way the wind of political sentiment blows in the College.

The Society for the Study of Socialism was well represented last Sunday at Carnegie Hall when J. Keir Hardie, a well-known English socialist, lectured on "Socialism versus the Progressive Movement." The members of the society meet on Friday afternoons at three o'clock to hold interesting discussions concerning socialistic doctrine.

Under the auspices of the Menorah Society, the Jewish Forum was opened on Monday during lunch hour by Julius Drachsler '12.

Every Monday, questions on Jewish topics will be discussed.

The Engineering Society, which suffered appreciably through the graduation of half of its members, will hold a reorganization meeting within the coming week. All Seniors and Juniors in Science courses, who are interested in engineering, should watch the society's bulletin board for more definite announcements.

## Stroke of Twelve.

The class of June 1912, following the custom of classes recently graduated, has issued a paper which is entitled the "Stroke of Twelve." It contains news and views of the class members who have just begun to rub elbows with life outside of college. The genial humor of Carl Schloss, the "Viginius Snicker" and past editor of the *Mercury*, and the journalistic ability of Jacob Shientag who was the editor of THE CAMPUS for the past year, make the pages of the paper a perennial joy.

### Chemical Compounds.

The Chemical Society met on Friday evening and Clarence L. Weirich '13 delivered a paper on "Some New Appliances of Chemical Theory in Commercial Processes."

The same evening saw the first meeting of the New York Section of the American Chemical Society. The President made an opening address, after which Dr. Curtman, in collaboration with Max Mosher '14, delivered a paper on "A Study of Certain Confirmatory Tests for Tin."

Mr. Feinberg contributed "A Study of Some Methods for the Determination of Aldehydes."

Dr. Frederick E. Breithut is lecturing under the auspices of the Board of Education on "The Chemistry of Common Things."

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### German Department Notes.

The German Department, following the example of most of the other departments, has opened a library of its own for the use of the students. The books may be borrowed. If the students so desire, the library will be open late into the afternoon of every day.

Dr. Hartman's book on "Göngu-Hrolfs Saga" was published by the Columbia University Press in August.

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### Liberalism.

Dr. Felix Grendon of the English staff undertook the defense of liberalism in art and in sociology. Several book reviews and an article on "The New Sculpture" appeared in the Sunday "Times." To the "International" he contributed "Matisse," "Zenobia on Woman Suffrage," "Diogenes on the System" and "The Case for the Democratic State against Syndicalism."

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### To You.

An appeal has been sent in behalf of an unfortunate City College graduate, Mr. Samuel Elkin '01, who subsequent to his graduation, taught in the schools of the city until his eye sight became so seriously impaired that he was compelled to discontinue his work in that field. Mr. Elkin needs moral help, not charity. He is now acting in the capacity of general book agent and receives subscriptions for all magazines. His address is 60 East 119 Street.

## Our Naturalists.

The hive of bees which had been carefully taken care of by the Natural History Department last term deserted their hive in the lecture room during the summer. However, Anapole, a special student, came to the rescue and presented the Department with a new colony of bees. The colony, which contains many thousands of inhabitants and but one queen, may be heard buzzing cheerily on the plaza underneath the Natural History lecture room.

On Sunday last, about a dozen members of the Biological Society took a most interesting tramp about Hunter's Island. Much of the time was spent in rowing on Pelham Bay. The Society will spend next Sunday on the Palisades with Professor Winslow.

Recently, a valuable collection of a hundred books or more was presented to the department.

## Prize Speaking Trials.

Those Upper Juniors and Upper Seniors who wish to try out for the prize speaking contest, which will take place on November 8, should report to-morrow at 3 o'clock in room 305.

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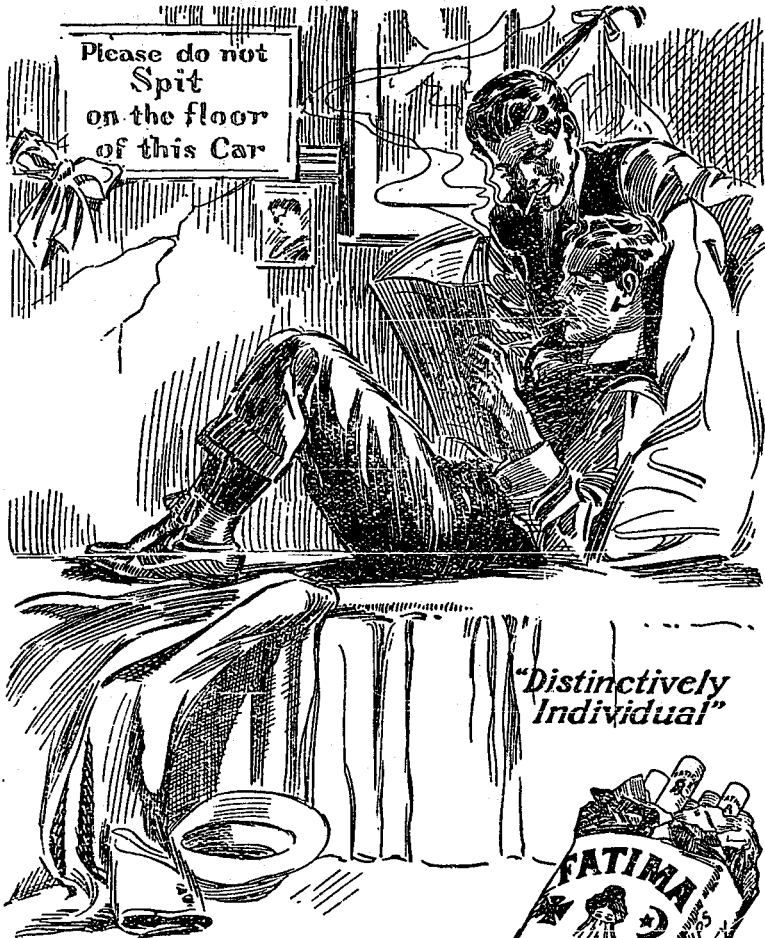
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