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## PLUNGING ATTACK WINS FOR 1918

**Sophs, Altho Firmly Massed Around Pole in Flag Rush Cannot Resist Heavy Wedge Drives by Freshmen--Victory in Two Minutes Thirty Seconds**

**THOUSANDS WATCH SHORT BUT HARD FOUGHT BATTLE FOR LITTLE LAVENDER STANDARD.**

**1917 Continues Defence of Pole After Loss of Flag--Confusion in Front of Gymnasium After Rush.**

Outnumbered by far, the Sophomore Class was unable to defend the flag against the Freshmen in the Flag Rush last Friday afternoon on Jasper Oval.

Thousands of spectators filled the stands and crowded the field. The weather was ideal,—clear and sufficiently cold.

About half past three, the Sophomores distinguished by red and white bandages around their heads took their places on the field, massing themselves firmly around the pole, atop of which hung a small C. C. N. Y. flag. They awaited the arrival of the '18 class with songs and cheers.

The Freshmen meanwhile had secured the services of a German band whose repertoire consisted nearly entirely of "Die Wacht Am Rhein." To this music they lock-stepped around the Campus, 600 strong.

The Freshmen arrive on the field fifteen minutes to four. They are divided in four squads. The first squad consists of the heaviest men and is numerically the smallest, the second is composed of lighter men with a sprinkling of youngsters whose duty it is to gain the pole in the lee of the heavyweights; the third is mixed; the

fourth is made up of tall, lean men who are to clinch the struggle in the last four minutes.

The small but determined '17 class is still grouped in a closely knit and compact mass around the pole.

On the shrill blast of the whistle, the first squad is off with a rush. It crashes into the defenders. A stout struggle ensues, the assailants making little progress.

Thirty seconds later the second division is dispatched. It plunges into the mass and makes its influence felt. The '17 men are no longer the compact group they had been before. They waver. Several Freshmen rise above the heads of the surging crowd but are pulled down.

The third squad now batters its way into the enemy's ranks at the same point attacked by the former two. The lighter men begin to clamber towards the pole. The Sophomores seize hands, feet, shirts, hair, anything that comes to hand to prevent the aspirants from gaining their end.

Suddenly a Freshman,—Lehrman, rises above the swaying, struggling mass. He makes a causeway of human heads, fighting his way to the pole. Now his hand, within a few inches of the flag, is drawn back. He balances himself and again reaches out. This time, however, he convulsively grasps the little lavender banner, and a mighty cheer bursts from the multitude of spectators.

A record is broken in C. C. N. Y.

The Flag Rush had been won before by a Freshman class when 1916 gained a victory in seven minutes. 1918's victory was won in two minutes and thirty seconds, one division of the offense remaining idle thruout the rush.

As soon as the flag was captured the Freshmen, including the reservists, made a dash for the pole intending to uproot it and parade triumphantly around the Campus with the trophy. The Sophomores resisted this attempt. The officials endeavored to stop the fight by ordering all the combatants from the field. All orders were in vain.

The struggle for the pole lasted over thirty minutes. It was fiercer and more bitterly contested than the Flag Rush itself. The pole was finally torn from the ground and borne away by the officials.

The Sophomores now gathered their wounded cohorts for a valiant stand on the Gymnasium steps and for over an hour prevented the ingress of the Freshmen.

The fight on the gymnasium steps assumed the proportions of a small hand to hand battle.

The Freshmen finally made one concerted rush and were struggling to gain admittance when a squad of police arrived. The battle lusted suddenly vanished. The battle cries died away. The atmosphere cleared. The bells rang six.

The 1917-1918 Flag Rush was history.

#### BLAMES GERMAN MILITARISM FOR WAR

Prof. Beard, of Columbia, Explains German Government to Student Audience.

Prof. Beard, Professor of Politics at Columbia University spoke on the "European War," last Thursday morning in Room 126.

In the opinion of Prof. Beard the immediate causes of the war are German militarism and German diplomacy. To prove this, he quoted from the White Book of Germany that in spite of the fact that Germany knew that the Austro-Servian War would involve Russia and probably Germany, it gave Austria a free hand.

On July 26th, Sir Edward Grey, he said, wished to delay action and discuss the matter peacefully, to which France agreed but Germany refused.

Prof. Beard declared a great war is the concern of all powers, neutral and active as war destroys commerce and disorders finance.

In the German Empire, the people have less to say than in England, France or the United States. The government is vested in the King of Prussia. The House of Lords represents the landed interests, especially of Prussia. In the Lower House of Representatives, there are from 3,000 to 4,000 members. Every adult German may vote for a representative. But as Napoleon said "You can give a clodhopper a vote, if you don't let him do anything with it."

The people in Germany are divided into three classes, according to taxation and each class elects one-third of the representatives.

In the first class there are 3 per cent. of the total number of voters, in the second class, 9.5 per cent. and in the third class 87.5 per cent, yet each class elects one-third of the Electors. They have as much to say about the government as the Russians in the Duma. In 1903 the Social Democrats numbering 314,000 could not elect anybody to the Prussian Diet, while there were 143 men elected by the 324,000 Conservatives. The Prussian bureaucracy, Prof. Beard said sabred people in Berlin for protesting against such a system.

In 1912, the Social Democrats with 4,000,000 votes elected 210 members, the Conservatives with 3,000,000 elected 345.

The minority in Germany, consisting of the landed Conservatives and Aristocracy, the backbone of militarism, ruled the country, and frightened by the growth of social democracy, they struck at France after the French War Minister had declared the French army inefficient.

Now however in the excitement of the war, politics is forgotten.

Three Professors at Albany Meeting  
Professors Overstreet, Duggan and Brownson were in Albany last Friday and Saturday representing the college at the Convocation of the University of the State of New York. This convocation is held every year and many well known educators gather to deliver lectures on educational subjects.

Of all intellectual friendships, none are so beautiful as those which subsist between old and ripe men and their younger brethren in science or literature or art. It is by these private friendships, even more than public performance, that the tradition of sound thinking and great doing is perpetuated from age to age.—Hamerton.

## STUDENTS COUNCIL MEETS

AN ACCOUNT OF A  
CENTRAL AFRICAN ADVENTUREImportant Amendments Passed  
New Committees Formed

Important measures were discussed and passed upon at the last meeting of the Student Council.

An amendment was passed to limit the membership of the Student Council to three men from each senior class, one from each junior class, one from each sophomore class and one from the entire freshmen class.

An amendment permitting the President and Vice-President of the Student Council to be chosen from the entire senior class was passed. Heretofore the President had to be an upper senior, the Vice-president a lower senior.

A motion was passed that a committee known as the Social Affairs Committee be appointed to receive and entertain guests at all social functions of the Council.

A motion that a committee called the Health Committee be appointed to see that all sanitary codes, community as well as individual be attended to, was carried.

It was moved and passed that a committee be appointed for conferring honors in the form of insignia for work of students in college activities.

## Students To Parade

"Fondly do we hope, fervently do we pray,  
That hand in hand with Hunter College

We will wend our merry way," said a near poet when he heard that students of our college are to march on October 31st in the Tercentenary Pageant Parade in which all New York colleges, Hunter included, are to participate.

This parade will be one of the features of the Tercentenary Anniversary of the commercial inception of New York State.

An effort will be made to have the City College division at the head of the parade.

This division will be led by college standard bearers; then will follow the seniors in cap and gown, the juniors in their resque rah-rah hats, the sophomores next and finally the freshmen in scull caps.

Those desiring to march in the parade should hand their names to their class presidents.

How Suderman and McManus Went Up  
the Congo in Search of Wealth

The good ship Leopold, if you please, gentlemen—the good ship Leopold steaming through the vasty and kicking up the spray at the moon. On our right is the Atlantic, on our left the west coast of Africa and on the smoking deck, sitting at a table beneath the moonlight, are Messrs. Sudermann and McManus.

And while the chorus of Portuguese stewards below are plucking at the strings of their souls romantic in a strings of their rosuls romantic in a mandolin air which fits the place and the hour, let us look well at this man McManus as he sits like a mountain in the purple light, his red neck turned to violet and his blue eyes changed to green.

Let us first seek help among the lexicons.

McManus (1) Soldier of fortune.

McManus (2) A man who inhales the atmosphere as though he thought it belonged to him, and who walks the earth as though he knew it did.

Let us look at history.

At an early age McManus had noted the fact that few men cared to argue with him, and none to contradict him. This inherent idiosyncrasy he had cultivated with such success that in due succession he became the bouncer in a Broadway burlesque show, foreman of a gang of navies, wrestling partner of a heavyweight champion and the Man Who Put a Scare in Sandow. In this latter capacity he travelled much, and as a side line (still relying upon his faculty of discouraging curiosity) he took up the smuggling of precious stones.

Eyes: ferocious.

Nose: imperious.

Mouth: a steel trap.

And pet aversion: mosquitoes.

Whereupon we will turn to Sudermann and consider his case.

Sudermann was a mining engineer whose first ambition it had been to make his mark in teh world. It might have fallen out so, too, if he had not displaced this ambition with the more fascinating study of making his marks in the world. With these in view, he had written a glowing report of a gold mine for a group of friends and they would all doubtless have made a great deal of money if they had only been able to keep out of jail. Failing this,

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## NOTES

*We will be pleased to consider for publication any news items of collegiate interest which members of the Alumni, Faculty and Student bodies desire to contribute.*

Registration in all the courses in Chemistry has increased about 35 per cent. over the attendance, 800 day-college students alone being enrolled.

Dr. Breithut has lately been appointed a member of the Advisory Department of Public Health by Commissioner Goldwasser.

Last Saturday was Students' Day at the German Theatre, Irving Place and 15th Street. Schiller's "Wilhelm Tell" the drama studied in German 6, was successfully produced, and students taking this course in C. C. N. Y. as well as some members of the Department were among those who enjoyed the performance.

George F. Balland delivered the first of a series of monthly lectures to be given at the Delta Sigma Phi House, 305 West 138th Street. He spoke on "The Panama Canal." The lecture was illustrated by stereoptican views.

The I. M. C. A. is endeavoring to raise money to purchase a piano. It will be remembered that two years ago the Student Council rented a piano for a year, subletting the same to student organizations at \$2.00 per evening. Last year the Y. M. C. A. rented a piano by the year and sub-letted the piano at \$1.00 per evening in order to encourage student activities. The Association is not able to finance the renting of a piano another year and so is endeavoring to purchase one outright in order that student organizations may have the use of it at a low rate.

At meeting of the engineering Society on Thursday, October 22, 1914, M. Schurman '15 gave a talk on the "Santa Clara Lumber Company."

Joseph Berger '15 gave a few facts concerning the manufacture of Ford Automobiles.

The regular "Study Hour" of the Newman Club will be conducted tomorrow in room 112. The services of a chaplain of the Society for these meetings and for lecturing purposes will soon be given. A date for the annual banquet of the club to be held in December, is now being considered by the officers.

Bill says:—"The Sirrom Club will hold it's regular meeting this Thursday noon at the usual place. Matters of almost etc. etc. and all members etc. etc."

The Circolo Dante Alighieri will resume its activities to-day at 12 M. in Room 2.

City College men are invited to attend an open meeting held by "Les Etudiants de Francais," a French club composed of C. C. N. Y. grads and under grads, at its club house, the Emanu-El Brotherhood, 635 East 6th St., on Sunday evening, Nov. 1. Prof. Downer will be one of the speakers.

Townsend Harris Hall has begun its season in Basketball by calling out a squad. The result of the call was disappointing as only fifteen men appeared for practice. Harris will no doubt have a light team this year, but it is to be hoped that competing High Schools will also be light. The soccer team lost to Commercial. Their next game will be played on Saturday Oct. 24th against Evander Childs. Harris is expected to win. An Interclass Soccer Champonship is to be held this year. No entry fee will be charged. Every player on the teams must be an A. A. member.

All Stuyvesant men are requested to meet in the Mechanics Arts Building on Wednesday, October 28 at 1 P.M. for an organization meeting.

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they had all gone broke, and Sudermann turned pessimist.

Face: like sour putty.

Eyes: Fishy.

A drooping black fedora that would almost draw your tears.

And pet aversion: mosquitoes.

"Ever been down here before?" asked Sudermann.

"I've been everywhere else," said McManus.

"But not here!" persisted Sudermann.

"What of it?" demanded Mac.

"Nothing," said Sudermann; "but if you're looking for gold mines"—

"I'm not," said MacManus.

"But there's nothing else!"

"Then what are you here for?" asked Mac.

"Oh, I've been here before and I know the country," said Sudermann. "I'm going up teh Congo to call on a few friends."

McManus looked him over from the corner of his eye.

"Queer," said he. "So am I."

The River Congo.

Here at Bechuana the sidewheeler lay at anchor and could no further go; and while her cargo is being lightered to the shore let us have a bird's-eye view of the lands adjacent.

Underfoot are the newts, the lizards and the toads.

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## ATHLETICS

## Basket Ball Squad Best Ever

Join the A. A. and make up your mind to see the best basket ball team that ever played for C. C. N. Y. Mr. Palmer promises a very good basket ball year because the size of the squad and the keen competition and hard work of the men. A very fast team is being developed.

Monday night our boys played their annual practice game with the fast Knickerbocker five and defeated them by a large score.

The home schedule which when completed will contain ten games, is as follows:

- Dec. 5 Rennsallaer P. I.
- Dec. 12 Manhattan
- Dec. 19 St. Lawrence
- Jan. 2 Open
- Jan. 9 Lafayette
- Jan. 16 N. Y. U.
- Feb. 6 Rochester
- Feb. 13 Rutgers
- Feb. 20 Open
- Feb. 27 Franklin and Marshall

## SOPHS WIN TRACK MEET

## Mile Race Keenly Contested

The Sophs beat the Freshmen by four points in the annual dual outdoor meet, last Thursday before a large crowd of enthusiastic spectators. All the events were keenly contested. The two mile run was especially interesting. Landers '18 and Weperpals '17 ran a nip and tuck race alternating in setting the pace. With Weperpals leading in the last eighth of a mile. Landers began to sprint and crossed the tape five yards in front of Weperpals. Moonan's time for the hundred according to the watch was ten flat but a correction of two-fifths was added.

## I. S. A. Meets

By order of the Board of Graduate Advisors the Intercollegiate Swimming Association met at the N. Y. A. C. on Sunday to decide the schedule for the coming season owing to the fact that the night college will probably have the use of the pool after February 1, all home meets will have to be held before January 31 this season.

## Cross Country Try-out

Manager Freiberg has called the first tryout for the Lafayette meet for Thursday at one on the Van Cortland Park course. The meet will be held on Saturday. There will be a run with 1000 on November 13th. All cross country men must report at once to Freiberg or Mac Mackenzie.

## Heavy Freshman Team Needed.

A big, heavy squad is needed for the 1918 basket ball team as the team will go up against the heavy freshmen of N. Y. U. and other colleges as well as the usual high school line-ups. The schedule is almost completed now. Practice is held on Wednesday at four and Friday at five and candidates must have green cards and A. A. membership tickets. No candidates for the squad will accepted after next week.

A social committee is being established to pass on all applications for the use of the gymnasiums for classes and organizations desiring to hold dances there. The committee will have full power to refuse the use of the gymnasium to any applicant whom it considers unworthy.

## NOTES

Reich '18 has been chosen assistant property man.

Six junior assistants are to be chosen from the sophomore class to aid the managers of teams. In this way it is hoped to train future managers.

The cross country men will entertain the Lafayette men in the Flower Rooms Saturday evening, after the run at Van Cortland Park.

Original songs are wanted for the new song book being compiled by the Athletic Association. Season tickets will be given to the writers of the two best songs.

Advertising in the new book costs eight dollars per page. Commission of ten per cent is paid by the A. A. Board to solicitors.

## LOST

A hat Friday afternoon in front of the gym.

## NEW APPOINTMENTS TO FACULTY

## Board of Trustees Add Seven Men to Teaching Staff

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees last Tuesday evening the following men were appointed to the Faculty of City College:

Richard H. Keep, as Tutor in History, George A. Pfeiffer, as Tutor in Mathematics, Edward R. Maloney, as Tutor in English, J. S. Snoddy, as Tutor in English, William M. Thornton, as Tutor in Chemistry, W. T. Rowland, as Tutor in Latin, Ellis A. Johnson, as asst. Tutor in Mathematics.

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*"The accumulation of a fund from the profits . . . which fund shall be used to aid, foster, maintain, promote realize or encourage any aim which shall go towards the betterment of College and student activities . . . This corporation is not organized for profit."*

—Article of Incorporation of  
The Campus Association.

A gang of Jasper Oval frequenters who mar the dignity of the College by their near presence on the public ball field, operated with telling force on Flag Rush day.

These parasites who are pursuing post-graduate courses in vagabondage for the rest of their natural lives, having nothing whatever to do with College functions, being total outsiders, seemingly believed they had been appointed by divine right and exercised their will (unless they encountered a stronger) wherever they chose.

It is not our purpose to dwell in detail upon the shameful and cowardly action of members of the police force, whose duty it was to suppress these pests. With thick clubs at their disposal they should have made short work of the offenders. The theft of many a hat is attributed to the wilful negligence of these officers of the law. In one case an officer refused to make an arrest when the guilt was palpable.

The student promised to "make it hot" for the guardian of the peace. It is our fervent hope that he does so,—quickly and thoroly.

The problem of sustenance naturally concerns all of us. Man must eat; but his food must be pure, nourishing and wholesome. The question of food supply is a constant subject of complaint in C. C. N. Y., where the students and the Student Council bitterly lament the deplorable lunch room and its products. This discussion, altho in an ebullient stage for sometime past has not as yet worked itself into action.

It is futile to expect amelioration of this unfortunate but still remediable state of affairs from one whose interest is undoubtedly pecuniary. It can only be improved by having a student committee undertake the absolute control and management of the lunch-room. The members of the committee, representative of the entire college, would feel it incumbent upon themselves to introduce permanently beneficial reforms. The natural pride which is the result of achievement, their enthusiasm for the project and their devotion to the college would make them throw themselves into the work with such a sprit of ardor that no obstacle could impede their progress towards success. A City College Student we believe, far outshines a student of any college in the country in executive ability. A student controlled lunch room has been attempted and has succeeded in other colleges. There is no reason why it should not succeed here.

Numerous benefits will follow the accomplishment of this work. The food served in the lunch room will be of the finest grade obtainable. To often the independent owner is tempted to sacrifice quality to profit. Here the paramount issue will be the maintenance of a high standard of excellence. An opportunity of obtaining employment at a light task requiring short hours in the lunch room afforded the men who must work their way thru college. Any resultant profit, although it must be borne in mind that it will necessarily be slight, will be applied to the support and encouragement of college activities or added to the Students Aid Fund. The general opinion appears to be that such a plan would be salutary in the highest degree to all concerned, and since the cry has

been raised incessantly that something must be done in regard to the lunch room let some immediate action in this matter be taken by the Student Council.

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In the bushes and the trees are the snakes and the serpents.

And up above are the buzzards.

We go still further away from the river and come to sun and sand. Let us go back.

On the wharf Sudermann and McManus are shaking hands.

"Well," said McManus, "Goodby. I'm going up the river again tomorrow."

"Trading?" asked Sudermann.

"What of it?" demanded McManus. "I'm going too."

"Oh, nothing. Only its funny."

"Going in the interior?" demanded Mac.

"In the interior," nodded Sudermann.

"With the natives?"

"With the natives."

They eyed each other slowly and each man searched his heart to find a way in which he could turn this news to a personal advantage.

"So you're going up the river?" said McManus.

"Up the river," nodded Sudermann.

They looked at each other with care and deliberation, each one working his mind in an endeavor to get a strangle hold.

"How are you going up?" asked McManus.

"Native canoes."

Mac nodded.

"How far are you going up?" asked Sudermann.

"Oh far enough to reach a place where the territory has never been touched before," said Mac.

This time Sudermann nodded.

"Well," said Sudermann at last. "Look here. Shall we go up together? When we get far enough up you can take one bank of the river and I'll take the other."

"Wait a bit," said McManus. He doubled his hand, threw a chest, reached down for his most profound bass and bellowed, "Look at this fist!"

"It's a big one all right," said Sudermann.

"It is!" glowered Mac. "I never saw a bigger."

He took off his hat and bent his head forward.

"See that hair?" he demanded.

"Red," said Sudermann.

"You're right it is," said Mac: "the reddest kind of red!"

He bent a searching glance upon his friend.

"Remember!" said he, "if any one tries to play any tricks on me!"— He stiffened his right arm and presented it to Sudermann. "Here! here!" he exclaimed with peevish impatience. "Just feel that muscle!"

Sudermann felt it with every sign of awe, and then, and not until then, they shook hands again.

Time: evening.

Place: Central Africa.

So set the stage for a desert, if you please, Mr. Scene Shifter, with plenty of sand below, plenty of sunset above, and in the near distance a winding line of tropical jungle that marks the course that the Congo runs.

And now if the professor will kindly bring down his fiddle stick so that the orchestra may know that it is time for "See the Conquering Hero," we will have a little procession pass over this strip of sand.

First into sight appears a native costumed in apple green gingham, the same enlivened with polka dots of yellow, each as large as a frying-pan. He is a bucko of nobility with a haughty look and manner, and when he isn't engaged in keeping his costume on, he winds an alarm clock and enjoys the music of the bells, the clock dangling from his neck, and he walking with such pride and vainglory that at each step he nearly falls backward. On his head a basket.

Behind him stalks a second native with a horn in his mouth. He is clad in a purple robe the monotony of which is relieved by crimson clusters of grapes; it is his abiding delight to point his horn north, south, east and west and let the country know that fresh fish is here to be had; and on his head a basket.

There comes eight other natives bearing a litter, and all of these bearers are in the following uniform, to wit, a corn-cob pipe.

And on the litter reclines McManus, covered with the authority of his red head and wreathed about with the power of a fist that can strike like the kick of a mule.

Tanned to mahogany tints is McManus, but his blue eye twinkles with ferocious merriment, as ever, and as he is jogged along beneath the equatorial sunset I will tell you what is in his mind. It is in his mind that when he rejoins Sudermann he will take that gentleman somewhere and lose him, afterward appropriating the lost one's possessions.

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## CORRESPONDENCE

It is not reasonable to suppose that all readers will agree with our editorial comments in their entirety. We would be pleased to receive letters on subjects discussed in our columns, and, in fact, on all matters of collegiate interest. Anonymous contributors will not obtain consideration, nor do the editors guarantee to publish all letters addressed to them. A most liberal policy, however, will be adopted, and readers having comments worthy of expression should take this opportunity to state their views.

The Campus does not necessarily support correspondents' views.

Albert B. Unger

To the Editor of THE CAMPUS.

Sir: It will undoubtedly prove interesting to your readers to know that the youngest candidate for Delegate to the Constitutional Convention is a 1908 man, Albert B. Unger, whom many of the graduates will remember as having been particularly interested in college activities.

He is a son-in-law of Joseph L. Bittenweiser, through whose efforts the splendid contribution of Mr. Lewinsohn for the present Stadium was obtained.

Mr. Unger is the Democratic candidate from the District which includes the College, in which district both his family and he have been active. It seems to me that many of the instructors and those concerned in the welfare of the College may be interested in knowing of these facts.

Louis Ogust '10  
New York, Oct. 20th.

The Lockers

To the Editor of THE CAMPUS.

Sir: I beg the courtesy of space in your valuable journal to express my appreciation—and I believe I speak for the student body—of the kind efforts of the authority concerned in the management of the student lockers to prevent loss of personal property. It is my opinion that the cause of this loss nine times out of ten can be traced to poor padlocks. Even when the loss is positively attributed to this source, the authorities have shown their earnest desire to help in the removal of the necessity of even good padlocks.

Andrew Livingstone.  
C. C. N. Y. Oct. 23rd.

A Loyal Ounce is Worth

A Clever Pound  
To the Editor of THE CAMPUS.

Sir: The crowds of rooters and the large number of participants in the '17—'17 Tug-o-war and Flag-rush was to my mind good evidence of the spirit of those classes. But other classes have made just as good and perhaps even better showings.

The real spirit and love of Alma Mater, I maintain, is absent. Take for example the fact that 271 A. A. tickets have been sold up to date. The Freshman Class alone contains more members than that.

Then too, not only is not the proper pecuniary support given but there are I regret to say a few C. C. N. Y. men who have dared to speak in a belittling manner of our teams. If all knockers of that stamp would remember that a loyal ounce is worth a clever pound, our athletic and social prestige would grow apace.

Do not "condemn and eternally disparage, for not do you harm the institution, but by disparaging the institution of which you are a part you disparage yourself."

Harold Hutchinson.  
G. C. N. Y. Oct. 24th.

Modern Books Not In Library

To the Editor of THE CAMPUS.

Sir: I wish to avail myself of the opportunity you extend to the students to voice their views of college problems.

I believe that what I have to say is the sentiment of a great number of students.

I walked into the library the other day and asked for a book by George Bernard Shaw. I was answered with a smile that, that as well as other books on vital social problems, were deemed too "radical" for college students to read.

Are college students considered children that there must be a "supervisor of the morals" in this college?

A taboo on radical books was expected in the dark ages but that time, I believe, has passed.

Any ordinary public library is filled with books on vital social problems, and our library instead of being ahead of the public library, is in respect, not even abreast with the times.

We've got heavy volumes "hoary with age" rotting away on our shelves. Should they not be replaced by modern works?

William Kraft.  
C. C. N. Y. Oct. 22nd.



## The New Microcosm.

To the Editor of THE CAMPUS.

Sir: At last the 1915 *Microcosm* is a reality. As for the usual tardiness, we are somewhat glad of it, for the wait held a grand surprise in store for us. Upon the publication of the 1914 issue a year ago a much justifiable criticism was made upon the typography and the arrangement of material.

That the present *Microcosm* has overcome all these shortcomings and that it is better than any previous Annual is certainly evident upon even a hasty perusal of its contents. The cuts are clear and the blue cover prim and attractive. Clever artistic contributions scattered throughout the volume harmonize with the prevalent spirit of the work. The cartoons and verse concerning both our pedagogues and classmates strike home and the personals will cause many a laugh.

Altogether the *Microcosm* has ably it goes without saying that the hearty support of the student body will reward the unselfish devotion and perseverance of the entire staff. Hats off, to the best *Microcosm!*

Walter Lessler

O. C. N. Y. Oct. 21.

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Such was McManus's thought as he was jogged along in his litter until at last he came to the fringe of the jungle that borders the Congo at the place which he and Sudermann had appointed for a rendezvous.

"Whoa!" cried Mac.

He arose, picked up a leather sack and climbed a bit of ground which commanded a view of the other side of the river.

As if in obedience to his gaze a cloudlet of dust appeared in the distance, which McManus knew to be Sudermann coming back from his trading expedition. It was, indeed, Sudermann, and as he approached the meeting place he kept whispering to himself:

"Now after I have fixed Mac's coffee and he has gone to sleep"—

"Well," said McManus with a grin, "had any luck?"

Sudermann drew a tobacco tin from his pocket and rattled it.

"Diamonds?" cried Mc Manus.

"Emeralds," said Sudermann, opening the box, "uncut emeralds!"

McManus gave them one glance.

"Is that all you've got?" he asked.

"All?" shouted Sudermann—"all?

Why man alive! Look at them! Look!"

"Oh, I know," said McManus, "I've seen them before. You make me tired. Little rough cubes of green glass—that's what they are. I traded them off myself a week ago for this leather bag full of gold."

"That leather bag?" cried Sudermann. "Hang these natives! That's what I paid my bearer boys with. That's one of the fake samples of a gold mine that I was connected with once. Gold? Why, man that's the rottenest kind of pryites and brass!"

After they had exhausted rhetoric they went back to where the camp had been.

"Funny," said McManus, "I thought we left our packs here.

"We did," said Sudermann, "but these — natives are too much for us all the way around. They've cleared out with the whole bag of tricks."

"How many miles is it to Beuchana?" asked Mac. as they raced down to the river.

"Twelve Hundred," panted Sudermann, "and there's the canoe adrift."

They threw off their clothes and dashed into the water, but a hundred feet from shore they dashed back with a crocodile bringing up the rear. As they neared the bank they caught sight of a native running off with their clothes.

"And as if it wasn't enough," gasped Mc Manus when they had given up the chase as hopeless, "here's a rain cloud coming this way!"

"Rain cloud?" chattered Sudermann, looking up and shrinking visibly. "Rain Cloud? No such luck! That's a cloud of mosquitoes and they're looking for their supper!"

Poet.

O Goddess mine, why gaze on me with  
O Goddess mine, why gaze on me with  
anger in

Thine eyes? Pray Phyllis tell this  
gloomy bard what sin

Of his has caused thy lips with  
sternness grim to press

Together, marring thus all of their  
loveliness.

Maid.

Thou wishest, sorry rhymester, do I  
To know the reason why that I abhor

the sight

Of thee, why in my heart thou'llt  
more have a place.

O wretch, what means this sonnet  
called "Lines on thy Face."

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