







Lo boys. No, we're not dead yet (never mind the wise cracks). The change of cuts over the colyum would indicate that football has gone its way and that basketball now occupies the center of the stage. Be that as it may we've harbored a little idea avent the gridiron sport in a remote corner of our capacious cranium for a long while and we've simply got to get it off.

No, children, there ain't no Santa Claus. We can't count on him for what we want so we'll ask Doc Parker if he won't sub for St. Nick and present the College with a nice, big, guaranteed-to-work-drop-kicker.

Been following football? See the Syracuse-Columbia or Army-Navy accounts? We'll swear Columbia had the better team. Stopped the Orange offense dead every time it came within scoring distance. And what then? Why, then Mr. John McBride dropped back and calmly and easily poked a placement kick over the bar. And there were three of those "thens" and Syracuse won 9-6. Which was a veritable duplicate of the service battle. The sailors held firmly enough against the running attack but how in the world could they stop Garbisch from dropkicking them got to get it off.

That's just it. They can grab you when you come to them even if you come fast and hard. They can knock your forward passes down even if they're thrown accurately and speedily. But they can't keep the ball from sailing between the posts if you put it there. And they can't keep the scorer from chalking up three points when you do put it there.

A good dropkicker would have won the N. Y. U. game and won it with something to spare. A good kicker would have scored on Fordham and helped considerably in keeping their score down. Think of having the ball on the 10-yard line and not scoring! Its a crime! In short, with a good kicker you're bound to count; they can't stop you.

And why should we wish this job on Doc Parker? What has he ever done to us? Nothing at all, but we know he can fill our bill. He can turn out a drop or placement-kicker who will increase next year's chances of victory by one hundred per cent. It isn't like asking him to produce a crack quarter or an all-Eastern end. These must be "born rather than made." But a dopkicker can be manufactured; he is only a piece of machinery; a mechanism that has evolved from long hours of practise.

Dropkicking success is almost entirely a matter of correct form; make this form second nature and you can't miss because you don't know any other way of kicking the ball.

Who is the greatest drop kicker in college history? Charlie Brickley is right. And how did he get that way? By practising every day for fifteen minutes. If he didn't have a ball or goal posts around, he practised just the same. He'd kick an old tin can, a text-book, a cap, anything that he happened upon. You can't put a text-book over the posts. No, but you can put as much form into kicking that book as into booting the pigskin. And when you've made that form—the correct form—a habit, the ball must go over and you're a dropkicker.

Charlie Brickley proved it. He went out before a Yale-Harvard game trailed by eight assistant managers lugging forty footballs. And he shot over one hundred in a row. He could just as well have made it a thousand. They were all alike; same form, same inevitable result.

There's the tip for us. Lot of time till the next football game, what'll we do with it all? Well, for one thing, let Doc pick three or four veterans who are not on any other team. Give each man a ball and let him go to it. An hour every day; drops or placement. Needn't go out when it gets colder. A painted goal post on the walls of the auxiliary gym will do just as well. Let them practise the way our basketball players perfect their foul-shooting—by trying a couple dozen shots daily till the Form becomes a habit and they can't miss—not more than half the time, anyhow.

The Manhattan basketball game left a bad taste in our mouth. The Green (both players and spectators) committed the last breach in a long list of offenses against Lavender. Too much is enough. Let's very simply put an end to it all by denying Manhattan a place on our schedules. We would even suggest that the F. A. C. cancel the games already scheduled for next year in baseball and football.

We feel sure that this represents the sentiment of the entire College student body.

**CAMERA MEN BEGIN SNAPSHOT TRIALS**

Must Submit Pictures by January 4—Money Awarded Winners

The Camera Club has begun its semi-annual photographic competition open to all students of the College. All students except officers of the club may compete.

The contest closes at noon, January 4. The picture must be handed to either Bernard Fread '25 or Maurice Bratter '27 before that date.

Any subject may be taken, the only restriction being that the picture must be in black and white. Cash prizes will be given the winners.

**WANT JUNIOR ASSISTANTS**

Junior assistants in wrestling are needed at once. Coach Sam Cantor has been greatly handicapped by a lack of aid. Candidates for the posts should meet the manager in the wrestling room on Tuesday at 1 p.m.

**MENORAH DANCES WITH HUNTER BRANCH DEC. 21**

The local Menorah Society in conjunction with the Menorah of Hunter College will hold an informal dance at the Community Center of the Temple Israel, Broadway and 91 Street on Saturday evening, Dec. 21 at 8 p. m. The tickets are \$2.00 per couple and may be obtained from Charles Shecrowitz '25.

**C. D. A. DROPS INITIAL BASKETBALL CONTEST**

Loses to Our Lady of Peace Quintet 26-18—College Society Lacks Players

Handicapped by a lack of experienced players, the C. D. A. basketball team lost its first game of the season to the Our Lady of Peace five last Thursday evening at the Catholic club's gymnasium by the score of 26 to 18. The C. D. A. was forced to play with one of the opponents' lineup.

Tony Marasco, high scorer on the College nine last year, scored five field goals. Dillan, guarded by one of his own men, was able to find the basket six times. Dono, also of the O. L. P. tallied six points. Dono is better known as the captain of the Lavender frosh baseball team last year. Tony Orlando, star cross country man played a sterling game at guard.

One of the humorous features of the game was the spectacle of the midget center Cioto, of the C.D.A. outjumping the giant center of the Catholic quintet. Time and again Cioto surprised the spectators by getting the ball away from his opponent on the tap-off.



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**STUDENT OPINION**

To the Editor of The Campus:

On Friday there will take place in the Great Hall at 1 p. m. a debate between Dean Frederick B. Robinson and Dr. Scott Nearing on the proposition, "Resolved: That Socialism offers more to humanity than the existing economic order in the U. S."

This debate will be held under the auspices of the Interclub Council and the Social Problems Club. The Interclub Council is a recently formed organization composed of representatives from all groups in the school for mutual activities and co-operation. The Social Problems club is well known in school and it has, as its duty, the active arrangement of this debate.

I believe that no school group has in the last few years arranged a debate on so vital and interesting a subject. It seems to me, therefore, that as the Council, although so young, has already with the Social Problems Club made such an important contribution to the extra-curricular activities of the term, that these two groups merit the support of the student body and that the great Hall should be filled to capacity. A nominal fee of ten cents to cover expenses incurred by this debate will be charged. Tickets may be procured in the circulation department of the school Library.

If the students will profit by this debate and if they are in favor of this opportunity afforded them by their own groups of hearing prominent men in both schools of thought express their views on the burning question of the day, I think it proper to inform that this is to a very large

measure due to the cooperation and assistance given me by Dr. Robinson himself in arranging it. His attitude throughout has been that of a scholar and a liberal.

I am certain that the students will show their appreciation of such an attitude of members of the Faculty and their encouragement of such affairs by turning out en masse and filling the hall with a record breaking attendance.

Louis S. Rogoff '25

To the Editor of The Campus:

In an article dated Wednesday October 22, 1924, The Campus stated that in accordance with a Student Council ruling, all non-"U" members were to be barred from participation in extra-curricular activities.

In a later issue, October 31, The Campus again notified non-"U" members of the action to be taken against them. The same article declared that only 30% of the College had joined the Union.

Six weeks have elapsed. What action has the Student Council Committee taken? Last year several members of the football team were barred from practice because they were not members of the "U". How many were kept out this year? How many men were removed from the teams, societies, clubs, or publications? If any such action has been taken, it has been kept in unwarranted secrecy.

Those societies which are in charge of alcoves or meet in the College are utilizing College property. The least they can do towards paying for this is to require "U" membership as a qualification for joining.

Solomon Fishman '26

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