







We, for one, are not looking for any special trouble from Dickinson tomorrow night. Contrary to the general view, we expect to see the varsity breeze in atop a comfortable margin. True enough, Dickinson gave last year's crack five a close rub. But the point is, right now the present quintet is way ahead of where the 1923 team was at this time last season.

That first half exhibition against Manhattan was one of the prettiest basketball treats ever offered at City College, which is saying considerable. Nat Holman thought so. Jim Furey thought so. The latter, manager of the Original Celtics, the world's champion professional team on which our own Nat occupies so prominent a role, said down in the locker room between halves, in a most paternalistic manner: "Boys, I'm proud of you." Which, once more, is saying quite some.

Really, we were astonished last Saturday night at the great gain in form the team had made in one short week. The loose ends of the opening game were picked up and the College saw a well oiled, smooth-running Lavender machine go through its paces. The old-time short, snappy passwork was back again; the impenetrable five-man defense executed to perfection. In brief, the team reached mid-season form in its second game.

THE CENTER PROBLEM

While we wouldn't exactly say that the so-called "center problem" is solved, we believe a start has been made in the right direction. Hen Flattau gave a creditable exhibition in his first start and one can look forward to bigger things now that he has won the much-needed confidence to his side. Hen has the makings of a good tap-off man in him—he is big, sure on the pass, a good feeder and a fair shot.

CONGRATS. MARKSMEN

We extend our hearty congratulations to the rifle team on its feat of bringing the silver cup emblematic of the Metropolitan Championship from 116th Street up to 137th Street. Somehow, the trophy looks much more attractive in the latter domicile. Two more times and its ours "for keeps."

RE MANHATTAN

We thought that the College was behind us in our attitude on severing athletic relations with Manhattan. No, they're not behind us, they're way ahead of us, as several communications seem to show.

Here's one from Zeke, former sports editor who has since adopted the significant appellation of Sam Business. Zeke was so wrought up that he actually neglected his ad dummy (pride of his heart) to pen this fiery epistle. Leterip—

Dear Milt,

You're right. It's certainly about time that we dropped Manhattan from all our schedules. Each time we have come into contact with Manhattan we have had left with us a bitter taste, and that disregarding the fact that we continually beat them. Each time some unpleasantness has arisen to make us feel that we were playing a pick-up team from Hell's Kitchen or Pearl Button gangs. After the 1920 game, we refused to give Manhattan a place on our basketball schedule until last year, when at practically the last minute we took them on to fill an open date. Then the Manhattanites presented such poor sportsmanship and rough tactics that Professor Williamson asserted and promised that they would not be given a game again. But, once more the difficulties in compiling the schedule apparently overcame our repugnance for Manhattan's rotten sports.

But last week's game stunk to the high heavens. Not only were the players continually shoving and straight-arming and slugging and even kicking our men when they were on the floor, but they were cursing our men with the vilest oaths. The Manhattan rooters were even worse, shouting from the stands their opinions as to the questionable birth of all City College men. After the game was over, the Manhattan crowd hurried to the floor from the stands looking for a fight as is evidenced by their yelling, "Ray for Manhattan—What the h— are you going to do about it?"

Once and for all we should do something and that something should be a complete severance of all athletic bonds between Manhattan and C.C. N. Y. We ought to drop them not only from the basketball schedule but also from the baseball and the football cards. We would much rather take lickings from Yale, Princeton and Penn, as we do in swimming, for at least we are meeting gentlemen and our equals, than keep defeating the poor specimens of sports from Manhattan.

Samson Z. Sorkin, '25

WHO OWNS NEW YORK?

We, personally, and no doubt all other Lavender rooters, were rather pleased to see Columbia drop that game to Maryland. We don't play Columbia but we do meet Maryland. A victory over the southerners, ditto over Fordham and N. Y. U. and lil ol' City College once more "owns New York." A beautiful vision; lots of plain hard digging, though, before it can become a reality.

If you missed the last game make sure you get in on tomorrow's. Those who saw the Manhattan tilts don't need any urging. Such basketball isn't to be seen every day, dontchaknow.

C. D. A. TO DISTRIBUTE MAGAZINE NEXT WEEK

The December issue of "La Vedetta Studentesca," the Italian magazine published by the C. D. A., will be distributed next week. This issue, which has been combined with that scheduled for last month, will contain six or eight pages.

With the exception of an editorial by Professor Arbib-Costa, of the Romance Languages department, all the articles have been submitted by students of this college and of other New York institutions. An Italian crossword puzzle will be included.

Contributions for the issue have been received from John Lo Monaco '26, Peter Milella '26 and Ferdinand Piazza '27. Bob Pratesi '26 conducts the column and Lo Piccolo has charge of the news from the Italian organizations of other colleges.

PICK NEW PRESIDENT AT ALUMNI MEETING

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Lon Huhner '09 was declared ineligible under the by-laws because he is a member of the Board of Directors. Judge Isaac Cohen '00 was nominated in his place. The committee was elected by a large majority. The members are William Fox '84, Louis Salant '98, Isaac Cohen '00, Charles Lee '03, Franklin J. Keller '06, Joseph X. Healy '12 and Clifford O. Anderson '22.

The inspectors of election, Saul Horowitz '17 and Jacob Cottin '20, the publication committee, Robert C. Birkhahn '01 and Lorenz Reich Jr. '11 and the auditors, E. E. Rossmoore '10 and Louis Schapiro '12 were unanimously elected.

The first amendment to the constitution to the effect that the date of collection of dues be changed from May 15 to January 15 was carried unanimously.

The second amendment to the effect that the yearly dues be three dollars for the first fourteen years after graduation, five dollars for the fifteenth to nineteenth years, seven dollars and a half for the twentieth to twenty-fourth year and ten dollars for the twenty-fifth year on was vigorously opposed.

Professor Robinson amended this amendment with the motion that up to the fourteenth year the dues remain three dollars and from the fifteenth year on, the dues be five dollars. He opposed any greater increase on the ground that the association had no regular overhead and that the small increase should be enough. This amendment was favorably met.

Due to lack of time the discussion was limited and the amendment put to the vote by President Buttenweiser. The amendment as amended by Professor Robinson was carried by the vote 37-22.

Memorial minutes were read for Adolph Cohen '74 and Philip J. Mosenthal '83. Secretary Roberts read the names of the alumni who had died during the past year.

It was passed that a resolution be sent to the Mayor of New York asking for the establishment of a Brooklyn branch. Theodore Goodman '15, former editor and present faculty advisor of the Microcosm, closed the meeting by asking the alumni to buy the Microcosm and thus enable future classes to have a year book.

WRESTLERS MEET COLUMBIA TODAY

Lavender to Begin Its Season Against Veteran Lion Team

The varsity wrestlers will attempt to avenge the crushing defeat administered by Columbia University last year, when they enter upon their 1924-25 schedule this afternoon against the Blue and White. The match will take place at 4 p. m. in the Columbia gymnasium. Each bout will have the usual collegiate limit of ten minutes.

The Lavender matmen will begin their season with increased confidence, caused by the presence of a directing hand in the form of Sam Cantor, their coach, and by the presence of several veterans in their lineup. Last year the reverses suffered by the Lavender were due in great part to the absence of a mentor.

This afternoon, Coach Cantor will lead up to Morningside Heights a much better team than that of last year. It will be composed of the following men: 118 lb., Levin; 125 lb., Suriano; 135 lb., Klinger; 148 lb., Magid; 158 lb., Bischof; 175 lb., Captain Wolf. Tubridy will be on hand to serve as alternate in either the 148 or 158 pound event.

In the Columbia team the Lavender will encounter a squad of experienced veterans. The Blue and White has lost only Captain Parsonet and Bill Johnson, the latter a member of the recent U. S. Olympic team. However, although the Columbians rule favorites over the College grapplers, the Lavender is expected to turn in a performance much more impressive than last year's 20-0 defeat. It is almost a surety, moreover, that Captain Dick Wolf and his teammates will at least break into the scoring column against their veteran opponents.

In addition to today's match, the College team has quite an attractive schedule to look forward to, as arranged by Manager Leo Meyers '26. The list includes, among others, engagements with Brooklyn Poly, an old rival of the College, and with Brown, Franklin and Marshall, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, all of whom are appearing on the Lavender mat schedule for the first time.

COLLEGE HAS BEATEN DICKINSON FIVE TWICE

Lavender Won Over Opponent Successively in 1922 and 1923

The Lavender has maintained its supremacy over Dickinson in two contests on the court. The victories were won successively in 1922 and 1923.

In the opening encounter, Nat Holman's championship quintet beat Dickinson in a dazzling exhibition, by a score of 39-27. The team that year lost only one game, that to Syracuse U. by one point, but easily defeated the Orange in a return game on its home court.

Last year Dickinson furnished strong opposition, leading at the end of the first half. The Lavender tossers started a drive in the next period which carried them through to a 25-20 victory.

PHRENO MEETS FOR FIRST TIME TONIGHT

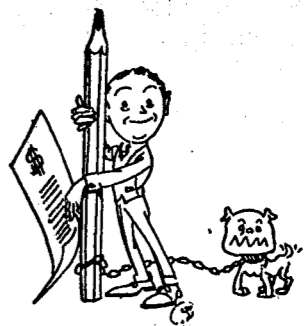
Phrenocosmia, one of the two literary societies of the College, will hold its first meeting tonight. Herman Taubenbaum '25, will read a paper on "Modern Biology". Other speakers will be Nat Berall '25, who will discuss, "The Case Against Censorship", and Paul Weiss '25, who will speak on "Alternatives to Mechanism."

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**Burchard Urges Students To Read Book of Pupin, Next Chapel Speaker**

Author of "From Immigrant to Inventor" Will Address Next Week's Assembly

In a letter to The Campus, Professor Burchard, of the Economics department, urges all students of the College to read "From Immigrant to Inventor" by Dr. Michael Pupin who will address the assembly at next Thursday's chapel. The book received the first Pulitzer prize in its class for 1923.

The complete letter follows:  
To the Editor of The Campus:

It will be of interest to our students to know that Dr. Michael Idvorsky Pupin, professor of physics at Columbia University, has consented to address the assembly on December 18. Professor Pupin's "From Immigrant to Inventor" was awarded the first Pulitzer prize in its class for 1923. It is recommended that every student who can should read at least the first six or seven chapters of this book before hearing the speaker, as this story of his life as a peasant boy in Serbia and of his winning an education in America is told with simplicity and charm.

Invented "Pupin Relay"

Dr. Pupin was valedictorian of his class as well as champion wrestler of the University. Great fame and wealth have come to him because of his invention of the "Pupin Relay", which has made long distance telephony possible. A Pupin cable is now laid between England and France so that London may talk with Paris. That New York may talk to San Francisco is owing entirely to his invention.

At Columbia, for many years Pupin's work has been entirely post-graduate, and what his students tell rather reminds us of what the C.C.N.Y. men of the first three decades of our history used to say of Barlett's Mechan-

ics. Barlett used to say, "By a simple reduction we get the following equation". The "simple reduction" consisted of some thirty equations—exactly what Pupin used to offer to his bewildered sections, his chalk flying like magic over the panels, which, as soon as they were full, were mercilessly erased in order that he might continue.

For many years Pupin has been most generous in his praise of this College and of its Professors. In 1903, when Professor Compton reached his "Jubilee" year, Pupin addressed a petition to the Trustees of Columbia to grant an Honorary Ph. D. to Compton, in his petition calling Compton the "Van Amringe of City College", ("Van Am" being the most popular Professor at Columbia) and stating that Compton's graduates were, without exception, the best students he had ever had in his post-graduate work, especially praising such men as Professor Frederick Pedersen '89, the late Professor Parmly, Gano Dunn '89 and others. At an Alumni dinner years ago, he gave testimony to the generosity of the College, just after the first announcement of the Roentgen rays, in giving him Crooke's tubes when they were worth their weight in gold, saying that no one but Prof. Dornum and the City College would be capable of such generosity between scientists. He also said that he had found no model shop in the United States capable of constructing the models he needed except that of the City College, under our modest but incomparable Mr. Dressler.

Pupin Loyal Serbian

Politically a subject of Austro-Hungary, he has been loyally, entirely a Serb, and the "father" of all the Serbs in this country, spending money lavishly upon literature for their benefit and organizing and protecting benevolent societies for their care. In the Great War, because of his activities as Serbian Consul General in New York and General Agent for Serbia, he was condemned to death, and his properties within the jurisdiction of the Austro-Hungarian Government confiscated. During the War he rendered valuable assistance to our Government as expert advisor on important committees. Pupin's foremost invention was created and worked out by him entirely by mathematical processes, a priori without test or experiment,—in this respect like the discovery of Neptune by Adams and Leverrier,—being, of course, afterward confirmed by a physical test over a three hundred mile loop of wire provided by himself at his own expense.

"America" Topic of Address

Fortunately for us, he will address us not upon his own scientific subjects, where he would have us out of our depth in two minutes, but on "America in the eyes of the foreign born," for he is the most loyal and enthusiastically patriotic of American citizens. It is hoped that, in spite of the acoustic defects of the Great Hall, he will be received with the same courteous and respectful attention that was given to President Roosevelt speaking in English in Berlin, Paris, Stockholm, and other European capitals before convocations of scientists and university students, many of whom undoubtedly could not understand a word that was said; and for his loyal and constant praise of and friendship for City College, he should be received with the heartiest of "Big Versities".

Lewis Sayre Burchard '77

**PROF. SCHAPIRO BACK FROM EUROPEAN TOUR**

After a six month's tour of Europe, Professor J. Saiwyn Schapiro '04, has just returned to New York. Professor Schapiro, who has been granted a year's leave of absence from the College, will spend the remaining six months at Harvard University.

Dr. Schapiro went to Europe to study the conditions and life in European countries, especially in France. This was done in preparation for a book on the workings and history of European thought which he is writing.

**MARK TWAIN PRAISED BY CHAPEL SPEAKER**

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Twain's pessimistic view of God. He believed that there was a Supreme Being who, while not hostile to humanity, was indifferent. The death of his wife and two children, added to the meager religious training he received as a child, undoubtedly brought these ideas to his head.

His epigrammatic answer to an account of his supposed decease, that "reports of my death are greatly exaggerated," definitely established his position as a humorist. Before that, he had caused a sensation by publishing a poem called "To Mary in H-1," the H-1 standing for Hannibal.

"The three greatest books that Mark Twain wrote," asserted Professor Troop, "are 'Tom Sawyer,' 'Huckleberry Finn,' and 'A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court.' They are best because they illustrate American life, customs, and ideals."

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