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### LAVENDER ENGAGES ST. JOHN'S TODAY; TRINITY TOMORROW

Meet Indians in Brooklyn, Trinity in Stadium—Fordham Contest Rained Out

#### BLUM'S LOSS SEVERE ONE

Hard Hitting Captain Leading Batter on Nine—Heart Set on Fortunes of Team

Rain, the great baseball schedule leveller, got in its second dig of the season against the Lavender on Wednesday. The scheduled game with the Fordham nine was washed out, and it seems unlikely that a later date can be arranged for the contest.

But at this time of the year, baseball games come thick and fast on the College schedule. Today St. John's will be met in Brooklyn in the second game of the year's series, and tomorrow Trinity College comes down to the Stadium to do battle with the Parkermen.

#### Trinity Beaten by Fordham

The Lavender will have its troubles today, for the St. John's nine, which earlier in the season gained a 7-5 eleven-inning decision over the College, has been travelling along smoothly. The Indians were defeated 4-3 by Fordham on Tuesday in a ten inning game. Trinity is more or less of an unknown quantity.

The loss of Bernie Blum, leading batter on the nine, comes at a time when his batting strength will be missed most. The scrappy College captain, who fractured his ankle in the Delaware game on Saturday, supplied a much needed batting punch to a team which has been weak at the bat all year.

#### Blum's Third Year

There is a lot of drama in the injury of Blum. Blum, who is ending his third year with the varsity, was determined to lead his team through to a successful campaign. His heart was set especially on the Fordham, N. Y. U., St. John's and Princeton games.

But now it looks like a seat on the sidelines for the fiery little leader and Blum will only be a spectator as his mates carry on through the toughest part of their schedule. And it's a tough break for the College leader, whose whole being was bound up with the fortunes of the team.

#### Bracker to Pitch

The College's 500 record will be (Continued on page 3)

### FLEMING PRAISES ETHICAL LIVING

"Both the art of business and the art of living are founded on the building of good roads and their continuity and by preserving the pioneering spirit which built them, while making the most of the materials at hand for building new ones," declared the Rev. Dr. Frederick S. Fleming, educator, business man, and clergyman, before a group of more than one hundred students at the School of Business last Monday.

In the address which was upon "the Ethical Requirements of the Modern Business Man," Dr. Fleming compared the art of business with the art of living. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. with Dean Edwards presiding.

### MAIN S. C. NOMINATIONS DUE TODAY AT TWELVE; DOWNTOWN NAMING OVER

Nominations for the three major offices of the Main Student Council must be in the hands of the Elections committee not later than today at noon. Each nomination should be accompanied by 50 signatures. Candidates for the presidency must be registered upper senior at the time of taking office; for vice-presidency, lower senior; and for the post of secretary, upper or lower junior. Nominations for the various offices of the Downtown Council closed yesterday.

Elections at the aMin Center will be conducted sometime next week, according to an announcement by the committee.

### Roberts Speaks On Farm Relief

Vice President of National City Bank Declares Farm Relief Efforts Futile

Declaring that the efforts of lawmakers in Washington to provide farm relief are futile and that it would be far better to accept developments as on the whole contributing to the general welfare and to make the necessary adjustments elsewhere, George E. Roberts, vice-president of the National City Bank delivered last night the weekly address before the Business Forum of the School of Business.

Mr. Roberts pointed out that the farm problem as existing today had its origin in the World War. "The war," he said, "caused derangements of production and trade which are factors of disturbance today. Western Europe had been accustomed to rely upon Russia for large supplies of foodstuffs, and the cutting off of these supplies, together with the devastation of much of Europe by the armies, gave a great stimulus to farm production outside of Europe.

#### Overproduction in Farming

"Now Europe is back in full production and an overproduction of farm products exists in the world, and a problem of farm relief exists in every country. Moreover, along with the expansion of agriculture in other countries came the discovery that wheat and cotton can be grown in the region which in my school days was marked in the geographies as the 'Great American Desert,' and that by the use of machinery especially adapted to that region they can be grown more cheaply than in the older wheat and cotton states. "That discovery has had serious consequences to the farmers of these older states.

### PRES. ROBINSON DENIES ART STUDENTS' PETITION

In a letter to Dean Redmond, which was read to the class in Art appreciation on Tuesday, President Robinson explained his reasons for denying the students' petition that there be no final examination.

According to the president's letter, the Board of Trustees' regulations require that an examination be given in every course. He disclaimed any authority in the matter of handing in notebooks, but added that it has been the custom of the Art Department to require them in all appreciation courses.

### COLLEGE TRUSTEES RECEIVE PETITIONS ON COMPULSORY 'U'

Last Lap of Three Months Campus Campaign Concluded With Presentation of Results

#### INCLUDES FINANCIAL PLAN

Twelve Petitions and Results of Nation-Wide Survey to Be Considered

The movement to establish a compulsory union at the College swings into the last lap of a three-months campaign next week when student organizations present to the Board of Higher Education all the relevant data which they have gathered. Recommendations as to how the union should be financially constructed will also be submitted.

Petitions from twelve uptown and downtown organizations, the results of the student and faculty referendums in favor of the union, and the records of the nation-wide extra-curricular survey conducted by The Campus will comprise the material. This latest move in the attempt to establish a compulsory activities fee at the College will be closely followed by the Insignia Society dinner, which will be devoted to a discussion of the union. The special committee appointed by the Society to lend its efforts to the movement will begin action after the student material is presented. This action will take the form of conferences with members of the Board at which the alumni group will urge adoption of the activity fee.

The Uptown and Downtown Student Councils and Athletic Associations, The Campus, the German, the Deutscher Verein, the Douglas Society, the Spanish Club, the Officers' Club, the Radio Club and the Dramatic Society are the organizations which have drawn up petitions. The records of the referendums on the compulsory union show that 1957 students voted for the establishment of the union as against 422 opposed.

### Professor Brown Accepts Honorary Post At American Classical School in Athens

Dr. Carroll N. Brown, Associate Professor of Classical Languages, has been offered and, with the approval of President Robinson and the Board of Higher Education, has accepted the position of Visiting Professor for the coming academic year in the American School of Classical Studies at Athens.

Appointments to this important and dignified post are in all cases for one year only, for it is the policy of the School at Athens to enlist in succession the services of the more prominent professors from all the American universities and colleges which are associated in the support of the School. It was through the exertions of Professor Brown that the necessary funds were collected to enable The College of the City of New York to become one of the "supporting" institutions, and he has for some years been a member of the Managing Committee of the School. His present appointment, it is needless to say, brings exceptional honor to the College, as well as distinction to himself.

Professor Brown is well fitted for the position he is to occupy. As

### COMMITTEE PROHIBITS CHEM KITS IN LOCKERS; DEAN AUTHORIZES MOVE

In an effort to safeguard student property and avert the dangers of chemical combustion, the Student Alcove Committee, under the chairmanship of Leo T. Goodman '31, has been authorized by Dean Redmond and the Student Council to issue regulations applicable to all lockers in the student concourse.

The notices which have been distributed to the student body advocate the use of regulation locks, and strictly prohibit the harboring of chemicals within lockers. Violators of this ruling, after May 20, will meet with severe disciplinary action by the Dean.

### Art Department Displays Works

Annual Exhibit in Lincoln Corridor—Sculpture Display May Be Added

The annual exhibit of paintings and drawings by the elective Art students of Professor Abraham G. Schulman was put on display in Lincoln Corridor yesterday and will close next Friday evening.

Simple representation, design, colors, paintings in oil and water color, and charcoal drawings of life and from the antique will be included.

These art creations represent the work of students of the special Saturday Art courses in the School of Education which are given by Professor Schulman, and of the elective Art classes in the College of Liberal Arts and Science. Most of the students are public school Art teachers studying to be admitted to the City's school system.

According to Professor Schulman, the exhibit was supposed to include the results of work done in the Saturday morning classes in sculpture of Mr. Louis Keila, but these plates are not yet finished. They may be put on display later in the week.

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European Fellow of the Archaeological Institute from Harvard University he was himself a student of the School through two years. Since then he has not only revisited Athens, but has kept in the closest touch with the work of the School and with the general progress of archaeological science. Furthermore he is unquestionably the first of American scholars in his knowledge of the Modern Greek language, as well as in the breadth of his acquaintance among Greeks and his understanding of them as a people. His English-Modern Greek Dictionary, published five years ago, took its place at once as the standard authority both in this country and in Europe.

Professor Brown's appointment is all the greater honor to him and the College because it comes at just the time when the American School at Athens is about to undertake one of the greatest archaeological enterprises, probably the greatest archaeological enterprise of our day—the uncovering and exploration of the Agora at Athens. Like the Forum

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### BOAT RIDE PREVENTS ADDITIONAL SHOWING OF MUSICAL COMEDY

Production Manager Cancels Two Extra Performances Upon Protest of Boat Ride Committee Fearing That Proximity of Affairs Would Hinder Success of Both

In deference to the protests of the Boat Ride Committee, the two additional performances of "Ship Ahoy", the Varsity Musical Show, which were to take place tonight and tomorrow evening in Townsend Harris Hall, have been cancelled by the Dramatic Society.

The members of the Boat Ride Committee felt that the sale of tickets for these performances would hinder their campaign, since the trip is to be held a week from tomorrow. After they expressed their intention to bring the matter to the

### A. A. Ballot Held Downtown Today

Fitzgerald and Heimlich Candidates for Presidency—Voting from 9 to 12 Today

The elections of the Downtown Athletic Association will be held today between the hours of 9 a. m. and 12 noon. President, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and sophomore and freshman representatives are the offices to be contested.

The nominees for the presidency are Paul Fitzgerald '31 and Leo Heimlich '31. Fitzgerald is the present vice-president of the A.A. and Heimlich was formerly manager of the boxing team.

Murray M. Gartner '31 and Harry Mendleson '31, are striving for the vice-presidency. Gartner is a member of the Varsity swimming team and is present secretary of the A.A. Mendleson is a member of the Student Council dance committee.

Bob Turetsky '32 and Frank Schragger '32 are the contestants for the office of secretary. Turetsky is Student Council representative of his class and downtown cheerleader. Schragger is soph representative of the A.A. and a member of the boxing team.

Al Alpert '33 and Jack Post '33 are running for soph representative. Alpert is frosh representative and athletic manager of his class, while Post is president of his class. Julius Levitas '34 and Jack Rosen '34 are the nominees for frosh representative. Rosen is present athletic manager of the downtown frosh.

### RADIO CLUB HEARS LECTURE SERIES

To terminate the spring program of the radio club, a series of three lectures will be delivered by prominent radio engineers for the last three weeks of the term.

The first of these was given in room 2 at 12:15 p. m. yesterday by an engineer of the Ampion Company who spoke on problems in loud speaker design and acoustics.

Of the remaining two lectures, one is to be delivered on May 22 by A. E. Marshall, chemical engineer of the Corning Glass Works, makers of Pyrex, who will speak on radio insulation; and the other on May 29 by Prof. Kenyon, formerly of the University of Vermont, who will discuss the transformer design and associated equipment.

attention of the college authorities, Ira M. Silberstein '30, production manager, decided to cancel the engagements in order to prevent the development of animosity between the Dramatic Society and the Student Council.

Varied entertainment on the boat and ashore will serve to enliven the all-day trip to the Roton Point Amusement Park on the shores of Connecticut. The committee has engaged Harry Wilner and his New Yorker orchestra to provide dance music on board the Sirius. The finals in the intramural baseball tournament have been scheduled by Charles Werner to be played off during the stay at the Point.

#### Played Over WGBS

The dance combination, which has played over WGBS during the past winter and at the Kenmore Kountry Klub last semester will present a novelty number called "Ship Ahoy Medley", which is a combination of the songs in that show. The dance selections have been arranged by Harry Wilner and Al Lebidinsky.

Abetting the entertaining efforts of the band will be the "Kurtzman Kap-pers," a series of numbers that will be animated by the winsome "Ship Ahoy" chorines. Their dancing and singing will provide further diversion for the nineteen hundred thrill-seeking voyagers who are expected to attend. Sam Kane will act as master of ceremonies.

#### Conducted by Student Council

The S. S. Sirius will leave from the foot of West 129 Street at 12:45 and from Pier One, North River, Battery, at 1:45 p. m. on Saturday, May 24. On the return trip it will leave Roton Point at 7:45 p. m.

#### Intensive Selling Begun

With all interference out of the way an intensive ticket-selling campaign has begun. Students are warned by Moses Richardson, Moe Bandler and Clarence Daniels, members of the committee, that if 1000 bookings have been made by the end of next week as expected, no tickets will be sold on the dock before the ship leaves. Tickets are on sale at the three branches of the College during the day and evening, at \$1.25 each.

### Boat Ride Ticket Blocks On Sale at Reduced Rates

Tickets for the all-College boat ride to be held Saturday, May 24, may now be obtained at reduced rates in blocks of fifteen or more by fraternities or other organizations. Those interested may see Moe Bandler or Moe Richardson in the Microcosm Office, Room 424 Main, any day from one to two p. m.

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## ONCE AGAIN THE COUNCIL APPEARS RIDICULOUS

BY kicking up an uncalled-for fuss and by threatening to go bawling to the authorities if their demands are not satisfied, the Uptown Student Council has prevailed upon the Dramatic Society to stop the extra performances of "Ship Ahoy" because of possible interference with next week's boat-ride. The situation reminds us of a cross little child which, merely by its stubbornness, gets from the big-hearted parent what rightfully does not belong to it. We bear no brief against the boat-ride. Its ultimate success is a matter of great importance to us, and we have extended the complete courtesies of our columns to the committee. But we fail to see how the sale of a fifty cent ticket will in any way interfere with two and a half dollar boat-ride subscriptions, how the people who are planning to attend the excursion will be affected by what amounts to the price of a neighborhood movie show.

In the past the Dramatic Society has aided the Council to the extent of contributing to a fund for the support of Council activities. It supported the boat-ride by advertising it at the three performances of the show last week. It offered to continue this practice at the additional showings. But now the Council overlooks all this because of a petty matter which it has magnified enormously. It strikes us that one of the reasons for the present conflict is the desire of the Council to strut about as the high and mighty power of College activities.

Chalk up one more condemnation of the Student Council. Once more the Council has shown that it has not established the proper cooperation with the important extra-curricular activities. Once more the Council has placed itself in a ridiculous light. Insignia awards, personal squabbles and complete breakdown of the regulation of inter-club affairs are a few among the old scores. Isn't it high time that the governing body of the school was so reformed as to make it worthy of the high position it occupies theoretically?

## A SAD SITUATION

ONCE again the Lavender finds itself in difficulties. While the occasion warrants scathing denunciations of an absolutely indifferent student body, wearied from harping on this theme we shall merely record the trials of its editors during the past term.

Late in February a request was made through The Campus for all available manuscripts. Came a trickle of poetry which from its nature betrayed casual origin during a wait for a lady friend or the dentist. Some showed conscientious effort. Another call for contributions, followed by periodic reiteration, was inserted into The Campus. Arrived some more lovelorn poetry and a few essays, apparently designed for ed courses, and generously bestowed upon Lavender. The week before Easter the editors buttonholed old contributors and thereby secured two respectable manuscripts which with several bits of verse was scarcely enough to enable them to go to press. Last week they almost threw up their hands in resignation.

It is odd that in so cosmopolitan a place as City College there is so little experimentation as revealed in the manuscripts, so little genuine interest in a highly serious literary periodical. Perhaps the dog days are upon the College and we must await a rain-maker.

The revival of Phrenocosmia, which has been refreshingly active this term, can also result in the rejuvenation of Lavender. In the past the two literary societies, Clio and Phreno, competed in offering manuscripts. Clio seems to be dead but The Campus would gladly cooperate with Phrenocosmia in turning out Lavender.

## BABBITT AND THE CYNICS

INEVITABLY, when labels are lavishly bestowed upon persons, injustice is done, because minor extenuating virtues are obscured by the broad similarities. So a militarist is ordinarily visualized as a husky, coarse, stupid individual, although there may be many who are sensitive and cultured. But the situation of the individual who becomes persona non grata merely because of his label is not quite as humiliating as that of the outcast who is scorned by all groups alike and can find refuge and solace in none.

The above description finds confirmation in every undergraduate body in the country where one is today either a Babbitt or a cynic. Each class is anathema to the other, but the student with genuine college spirit is cursed by both. Let us define our terms . . .

Babbitt, Rotarian, rah-rah boy, are labels usually applied to the brazen, raucous individuals who compose the larger part of our undergraduate population. Boisterous in thought, action and apparel; afraid and therefore contemptuous of abstraction and sentiment; faithful members of the mob; they form the sturdy bulwarks,—they are the yeomen of our colleges and country. Inside the classroom they work out crossword puzzles and find Spinoza interesting only on the passions, while outside they spend their time profoundly comparing box scores and crooning the Maine Stein Song. Their favorite catchpenny slogan is, "Constructive critics are welcome. Send the destructive ones to Russia."

And the destructive critics—the cynics—are the hollow of which the Babbitts are the hump. Nurtured on a weak diet of Shaw, Mencken and possibly the New Masses, their forte is to torment Babbitt by deriding his loyalties and scoffing at his customs. They alone are Culture's acolytes and jealously do they guard this distinction. They alone appreciate the subtleties of Huxley, the delicacies of Eliot. They talk of "the machine age" and "preserving the individual." In circumspect manner they may even become humanists. And their slogan bravely rings out, "Tradition is the opiate of the people."

Somewhere in between the two, desperately trying to preserve equilibrium is the isolated undergraduate who has college spirit yet is not blatant; who is restrained and urbanely skeptical yet not a pestiferous carper. For him, we feel, college life is most fruitful and happy.

For he can attend football and basketball games without fear for his prestige nor of being too naively absorbed. He enters extra-curricular activities both for their intrinsic value and out of devotion to his alma mater. He is loyal to college, class and to whatever group he belongs, for he has examined them and found them worthy of critical fidelity. In the classroom he strives for high grades realizing that the meritorious secure them—also the unmeritorious. While intensely interested in poetry and philosophy he does not despise what stimulates a belly laugh and at fraternity smokers can tell a tangy tale.

But we need not multiply his virtues. Composite characters are always distortions. Nevertheless this person who may best be described as balanced, as one who in restricted fashion views things sub specie aeternitatis, is with us. When we find him we grapple him to our souls.

# Gargoyles

BY WAY OF ENTREE

Prof. Wump entered his classroom. "Today," he announced, "I intend to show you the inner workings of the frog."

As he unwrapped the package, the students exclaimed, "Why, professor, you have there two ham sandwiches." "Oh! how stupid of me," said the perplexed professor. "I could have sworn I ate my lunch a few moments ago."

## BLESSED BIRTH CONTROL

(Written, illegibly of course, on first seeing one of those New York characters selling, or rather, trying to sell those well-known but rarely read "Birth Control" magazines.)

She stands there on the corner, still,  
Displaying books for those who will  
Portray some interest in control  
Of birth, poor disillusioned soul!

She usually has long to wait,  
But someone in a saddened state,  
In time will fall within her range,  
And then—oh, well, life is most strange.

It's folks like these we always find  
Who keep recalling to our mind  
The fact that birth control would be  
A darn good thing for humanity.

A darn good thing, we must agree  
Moreso, if it could possibly  
Be put in practice, if you please,  
On parents of such folks as these.

## FOUR COURSE DINNER (in Greek)

Bulla zoop  
Ruzz biff  
Scups scoff  
Peas pitch puy.

hey murray

You've gotta put this one in your column it's hot stuff and it's the greatest little story I've ever heard since marc anthonny gave me back the ears I lent to him here goes: a rooster by dint of much exercise managed to roll an ostrich egg into the chicken yard whereupon he called all the hens and addressed them thusly, "now ladies I'm not casting any insinuations or reflections on anybody but I just want you to see what is being done in other places."

been sour  
al koweck

thanks a lot al old boy hope the linotyper can understand what you mean to say eh whitey what say I say.

And now, dear customers, we release for your approval (it's got to be that, darn you, Jack Dalton) a few tidbits from our own real and latest

## COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY

**BARGING**—Stagging.  
**BLIMP**—Girl friend (usually the other fellow's).  
**BLOTTO**—No good (sometimes abbreviated N.T.G.).  
**COVERED WAGON**—Sedan (especially 1912 model Dodges).  
**DRAGOUT**—Out of town party.  
**DRAG A HOOF**—To dance.  
**INKWELL**—Girl's house you can use for a clubhouse.  
**OIL CAN**—One who takes nine years to complete a four year course.  
**ON THE STUB**—Financially embarrassed.  
**PARLOR LEECH**—One who doesn't step out with the girl friend.  
**SQUEEZE ON THE HOWLER**—A blast on the horn.  
**TWO GARGLES FROM THE CUCKOO**—Two a. m. and time for another drink says

M. H. R.

## THE ALCOVE

Our delight in Ship Ahoy was highly inconstant. When Irving Schwartz trooped out as the noble epitome of the marines we applauded and abandoned ourselves to undignified gleem; when a lame joke about Professor Oversoul and the philosophy department was perpetrated we were happy; and dragging in the Mike elections was a good stunt though rather crudely done. But in between those quite isolated moments of joy were barren reaches of boredom.

Whenever the show fell back on its virtues as a sheer musical comedy — implying the usual wisecracks, bravado drinking bouts and promiscuous lovmaking, it became uninteresting. Bert Cotton, we feel, was unnecessarily and rather foolishly imprudent in trying to compete with Broadway productions. A writer of a College varsity show need merely confine himself to the College and he has his audience prejudiced in his favor even before the curtain rises.

And there is such abundant material lying around, the inanities of alcove habitues, of student councillors; the expeditions of fraternities down to the German beer gardens, professorial aberrations, bull sessions in the locker rooms requiring only unifying ingenuity from the writer to assure a good degree of success.

The custom of running a varsity show that the production of My Phi Beta Kappa Man and Ship Ahoy has made permanent should become a College tradition such as the Bump-dinner at Oxford; delightful and gratifying to undergraduates and faculty primarily. The show should be indigenous to the College and molded to our peculiarities so that while successful here it probably would be inexplicable to Broadway.

Besides a production interested especially in capturing the spirit and atmosphere of the College could dispense with most of the females, who, while shapely and pleasant scarcely intrigue the sedate scholars of the Heights. (Nor is this said to revenge ourselves upon the lovely H. W. who last year spurned our invitations to a fraternity party compelling us to stag.) The girls are feeble singers and worse actresses.

Our criticism will probably provoke the comment "Well, why don't you write your own show?" To which we answer that we shall.

Friday night we attended the humanism debate. Whatever hope that we may have had of Professor Babbitt's changing certain terms were destroyed as he launched into the most pedantic lecture that we have ever had

# LAVENDER TWELVE DEFEATED BY N.Y.U.

Varsity Opposes Montclair Athletic Club at Van Cortlandt Park Tomorrow

Inecceve passing along with the lack of a steady defense resulted in the varsity lacrosse team's defeat at the tune of 5-2 at the hands of the N. Y. U. twelve in the second game of a home and home series played in the Stadium on Tuesday afternoon. It was the fourth straight setback for the Lavender stick-wielders who have yet to come through with a victory against collegiate opposition.

A polished attack put the Hall of Fame twelve ahead in the early stages of the game, and at no time was the visitors' lead seriously threatened. N. Y. U. rolled up two points before the Lavender managed to score as Kelly and Rosen tallied in rapid succession after some ten minutes of play.

George Clemons put the varsity into the running a few minutes later with a pretty shot from scrimmage, but Schachter found the netting to give the Violet a 3-1 lead as the half ended.

Neither team seemed to be able to get into scoring stride again after the intermission and it was not until the closing minutes of the game that Rosen sent the ball whizzing into the net to increase the N. Y. U. total. Meyerson followed with another goal soon after. Allie Trifon accounted for the Lavender's other tally with three minutes to go. Captain Eddie Curtin and his mates will swing into action again this week when they line up against the Montclair Athletic Club at Van Cortlandt Park tomorrow.

## IN ERRATUM

The recently announced history award of \$100 is open to only those seniors or graduates of February '30 who have majored in history at the college and is not open to students of sciences as stated in the last issue of The Campus on Tuesday.

the misfortune to hear. We copied down at least thirty terms that the dullest of dialecticians would have defined. Yet Professor Babbitt blithely forgot or avoided to do so. My companion made a list of famous men invoked by Professor Babbitt in his fifty minute speech. There were about thirty, from Buddha, Plato down to Paul Elmer More. It was quite a relief to have Carl Van Doren arise and remark, "Let's have some super-ficiality now!"

J. P. L.

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## PROF. ROEDDER CONCLUDES ANALYSIS OF EXPERIMENT

By Edwin C. Roedder  
Professor of German

(Editor's Note—Professor Roedder concludes his analysis of Meiklejohn's educational experiment at Wisconsin.)

The enthusiasm of the students of the E. C. as well as of their faculty at the beginning bade fair to silence the scoffers and doubters, and the excellence of a performer of Euripides' Alcestis, repeated several times to crowded houses added to the outward lustre of the undertaking. Comparatively little of what transpired within the walls of the E. C. got beyond the confines. There seemed to be unusual reticence on the part of its faculty and its students as well. This was accentuated in the following year when the faculty of the College of Letters and Science voted an investigation of the E. C.'s doings by a Committee of Five—the complaint of the committee members being that the students examined were loath to give any information. As a matter of fact, the report of the committee was withheld at the request of Dr. Meiklejohn, until a proper answer to it from the director and faculty of the E. C. could be prepared to be published with it.

### Success Undetermined

In the second year, the number of students received into the E. C. fell short of the expectations, not more than about ninety registering for the freshman class, and so far as my information goes, the number during this, the third, year of its existence has fallen off still more. Little has as yet been learned concerning the average scholastic record of the students joining the regular junior year last fall, and what little is supplied is rather contradictory but would hardly tend to forecast a brilliant future for the E. C. More and more students from it are taking some work outside of its curriculum, especially languages—the natural science courses with their great demand on the student's time on account of laboratory work, are hardly compatible with the student's schedule—and some of the most ardent erstwhile supporters of the idea are now proposing a fifty-fifty division between E. C. and Hill work. But it does not require a particularly prophetic soul to foresee that the transformation of the entire College of Letters and Science into a school along the lines of the E. C., dreamed of a few years ago by sanguine adherents, will never come. Nor is this due solely to the "might of an eternal yesterday." Still less could it be attributed to petty jealousies on the part of the regular faculty. That there was friction in some quarters it would be useless to deny—the faculty of the E. C., mostly young men, were appointed from the start with considerably higher salaries, and what had been suggested originally, viz., that a number of men from the regular faculty should be taken over, did not come to pass. Now, however, it is the members of the staff of the E. C. who clamor to be relieved, and to be permitted to alternate in three year cycles with their colleagues on the Hill, since their work is exceedingly exhausting and does not give them any time whatsoever for research and productive scholarship.

### Instructors Burdened

Nor is it to be wondered at that this should be so. Every young member of the teaching force of the E. C. cannot be supposed to be possessed of that encyclopedic information and knowledge covering such a vast field as the Athens of Pericles, let alone our own multifarious modern age, not even from secondary sources, let alone from direct first hand study. If the teacher is honest he will have all too numerous occasions to answer the student's questions with "I don't know"—and such candid confessions, harmless in advanced and graduate work, cannot but undermine a youthful and immature student's esteem of his instructor. Fortunately there are today

not many text-books that by their skillful arrangement of subject matter enable the inexperienced teacher to keep just one lesson ahead of his class and yet be prepared for most emergencies in the shape of embarrassing queries. Another very trying feature of the system is that the private conferences between teacher and student—productive of splendid results in the hands of a teacher who knows how to make the student "do the talking," a gift possessed in rare measure by Dr. Meiklejohn himself—tend to develop into private lectures, and that the instructor has to deliver the same lecture twelve times that might just as well be given once to a group of twelve.

### "All Roads Lead to Rome"

I wish I might give the experiment the benefit of the doubt. But I am no longer doubting. We are never too old to learn, and should always feel young enough to be willing to learn. However, in education, evolutionary processes are, in the nature of things, mostly preferable to revolutionary procedures. I, for one, do not believe that everything that is new must needs be good because it is new, and vice versa. If the Wisconsin Experiment teaches us to emphasize the features of what the Germans call *Arbeitschule* (activity school) and to stress the closest personal contact possible between teacher and student, it will have performed a worth while service. As to the subject matter of the curriculum, I believe that the diversified courses with their training of the different mental qualities, through the diversity of approach and handling, still deserve preference over the new venture. The ultimate goal of all education can be reached by the most various routes. All roads lead to Rome.

## LAVENDER MEETS ST. JOHN'S TODAY

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impaired if a decided batting improvement is not forthcoming. The loss of Blum leaves only two .300 batters, Tenzer and Goldman, in the first string line-up. Good defensive play has carried the College through thus far but it will take more than mere fielding strength to achieve victories over the strong nines remaining on the schedule.

Dave Bracker, who has gained the credit for the last four Lavender victories has had practically a week's rest, and is ready to start today's game with St. John's. Bracker's side arm delivery has brought effective results and he may bring to an end the wearisome superiority of St. John's sport teams over the College today.

Blum's disability may lead to a shifting of Irv Tenzer from his right field position to center field, and the insertion of Sam Futterman into the regular line-up.

## Racketeers to Meet Out-of-Town Teams

Taking its second road jaunt of the season, the Lavender tennis team departs today for Pennsylvania, the land of the coal and iron industries and, what is of more interest at the moment, the home of the Villanova and Moravian net outfits.

Coach Wisan's charges have an excellent opportunity to raise their season's average over the week-end for neither of the Pennsylvania teams has shown up very strongly in any of their recent appearances. A brace of victories today and tomorrow will give the St. Nick outfit a rating of .714 with five matches won and two lost, while a defeat in either engagement will prove that the much improved showing against Manhattan on Saturday was but a flash in the pan.

The encounter with Villanova is the first ever to be staged between

## Marksmen Beat Fordham, N.Y.U.

### Secure Temporary Possession of Cup Offered for Best 4-Man Team

The Lavender rifle team whipped two of the college's traditional rivals, Fordham and N. Y. U., last Saturday at Camp Smith in Peekskill when it won temporary possession of a cup offered by the Manhattan Chapter of Reserve Officers Association for the best four-men team scores notched up by the three metropolitan institutions. This year marks the beginning of a series of matches, and by their victory the St. Nick boys garnered the first leg on the trophy, final possession of which will go to the school that captures three legs. The Lavender's final score was 645, while the Maroon won second with 637 points and the Violet brought up the rear with a 516 count.

### Hammerschlag Wins Medal

Malcolm Hammerschlag won the medal given for the highest individual score—a feat which gave the College a complete cleanup in the competition.

Service rifles were employed for the first time in a collegiate encounter by the Lavender marksmen who were allowed 40 shots per man at 200 yards standing and knee shooting, and 300 yards sitting and prone. Cadet Captains Leon Applebaum and Emilio Guerra, Cadet Major Harry Smith and Cadet Colonel Malcolm Hammerschlag were the members of the winning squad, all of whom received medals for their performances.

## "SHIP AHOY" CAST AT JUNIOR DANCE

All of the principal entertainers of the Varsity Show "Ship Ahoy" are to appear at the '32 Junior Informal, which is to take place tomorrow evening at nine o'clock in the College gym. Sam Kurtzman '30 and Irving E. Schwartz '31 will present a number of comic songs and dances. Mac Goldsmith '32, business manager of the recent musical comedy will act as master of ceremonies.

A novelty will be the inclusion of local talent in the evening's program. Travis S. Levy and Leon Calafura will entertain with songs and dances, while the music will be provided by The Oxford Collegians under the direction of Manny Heller '32.

### Balloon Dance Featured

Special features of the Informal will include novelty dances by the "Ship Ahoy" cast, and spotlight and balloon dancing. A prize will be awarded to the best dancing couple on the floor.

In addition to the entertainment planned for the dance, refreshments will be served free, according to the chairman of the affair. The committee in charge of the dance consists of Irving Herbert and Martin Freidlander, chairmen; Milton Cantor and Felix Lefkowitz, vice-chairmen.

Tickets for the dance, which is the only social function of the Junior class this term, are being sold at \$1.50 a couple by the members of the committee in the alcoves and in the concourse.

### '34 CLASS HOLDS DANCE

The Business Freshmen will hold their Frosh Frolic in the Downtown gym on Saturday, May 17, 1930. Arrangements are being made to have refreshments and entertainment. There will also be spotlight dancing to the tunes of Abe Zuchor's "Varsity Rhythm Kings." Tickets are on sale in the Business Center Co-op store at \$1.50 per couple.

The court teams of the two colleges, Moravian, on the other hand, has graced the Lavender schedule since 1922 and in all but the first of these engagements has been defeated.

On the trip today Coach Wisan will be accompanied by Captain Willie Epstein, Reggie Weir, Sheldon Morganstern and either Piggy Wolfe, Lou Spindell or Paul Haber.

## 23rd STREET

### Business School Must Be Modern

PROFESSOR Philip speaks of our School being a modern and up-to-date institution, and his desire is to give "applied math" a valuable place in the curriculum. There are now two courses in Mathematics and soon there will be more. Probably much of the extensive material Professor Philip is collecting for a book on annuities and security valuations will be the backbone for additional Business School studies. Math to the business man today occupies much the same place as math to the engineer. Analysis of statistics, financial calculations, are vital. Math applied to the solving of business problems is an enthusiasm of Max Philip. He wishes math courses given that require little or no foundation in the subject. He realizes the importance of making the work practical, and wishes to place the material in as interesting and appealing light to the individual as possible.

### An Educational "Visionary"

Professor Philip has a keen slant on educational progress. He says, "The old theory that hard, detailed study, with its supposed excellent mental training constituted the best means of developing mentality, is passing. It is more economical and useful in knowing where to find the tools to solve problems, than attempting to carry in your head masses of detail solutions." He cites the newspaper reporter as a educated person. The reporter has collected in a rambling, haphazard fashion, the knowledge of where to find needed information, with the ability to quickly reach a solution. That the end result of the student's training should approximate the reporter's skill is Professor Philip's striking opinion. Mastery of detail in specializing is of course necessary, but he says it would be foolish for an accountant to memorize exact planetary measurements, just as the astronomer

needs little more than a hazy idea of debits and credits.

### The Mind Has Limits

Another important assertion is not to burden the memory too much with over-estimated facts. He says, "Save your memory for things that interest you, for interest is the main solution of any educational problem. There is to an individual much material that must be accurately memorized, but the correct division of that material from other is the real goal of education."

### A Mathematician's Wool

Questioned on the practical value to mankind of research and study as Einstein contributes, Professor Philip offers a lucid explanation. "Usually such men are not impelled by a utilitarian urge to help or better mankind, but they, derive through their science a satisfaction of man's overwhelming universal trait, his perpetual curiosity. However, such men may uncover, in the course of events some new or unexplained laws of nature which when fully explored and developed would result in the material advance of the comfort of the individual, and would be a benefit to the world."

### In Conclusion

"Well, you have a lot of rambling stuff." "Oh," we said, "We'll use it all." But of course we have not. We haven't put upon paper the deep impression this man makes upon one. His evident broadness and sincerity, his modesty and kindly charm, the straightforwardness of his manner. That is hard to catch. One must sense those qualities in order to appreciate. The College of the City of New York, and especially the School of Business, should undertake a valuation of the personality and character of its leaders, and when one stands forth, the College should give thanks. It has received for a long period of time the devotion and service of Maximilian Philip, '98, Professor of Mathematics at the School of Business College of the City of New York.

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Students enrolled in the Military Science basic courses need no longer cringe beneath the heavy khaki, ancient, war type, uniforms. With the passing of a final appropriation bill last week, a new type of uniform, designed for attractiveness as well as comfort, will be available for use in the Fall.

"Right dress" next term will see the R. O. T. C. cadets lined up in the new outfits made of fine grade melton, olive drab, a split tail coat with turned down collar, infantry blue faced lapels, gold buttons, and trousers cut full at the bottom.

### Present Uniforms Odd

The present uniforms were made by a score of contractors, through a dozen different mills, and show the results in the ill matched up outfits which are worn here.

For several years previously the War Department endeavored to obtain an improved R. O. T. C. uniform but was forced by the economy policy of Congress under budget restriction, to utilize the large supply of war type uniform.

Last year the War Department secured a bill appropriating one half the amount necessary and last week's bill filled out the required total needed.

## PROFESSOR BROWN WILL VISIT ATHENS

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at Rome, the Athenian Agora was the very centre of the life of the ancient city. Deeply buried for centuries under the debris of ancient and medieval times and now covered with the buildings of the modern town, it surely has in its keeping monuments and works of art which will have the utmost value, not only for archaeologists but for all the world of today. The scholars, artists and historians of every land have congratulated America upon the fact that its School at Athens has been chosen to undertake this most important and responsible project; the City College may therefore be especially congratulated upon the choice of one of its Faculty to bear a large and prominent share in the work.

One further item of interest to the College is that Professor Brown will have among his students at Athens a man who was formerly his student here and who graduated from the College in 1926, Mr. Israel Walker. Mr. Walker was recently awarded, upon the results of a competitive examination open to students of all American colleges and universities, an Athenian Fellowship of the Archaeological Institute of America. He is the first City College man to win this highly prized honor.

### RADIO HOUR FEATURES NEW MUSICAL PROGRAM

Featuring a program of song and musical novelties the City College Radio Hour will be broadcast tomorrow at 3:30 p. m., over Station WOV. Following the rendition of several selections by the Townsend Harris Hall orchestra, a band led by Charles Binder '30 will present in addition to a group of popular pieces, a tuneful series of City College songs. This hour marks the next to the last radio performance of the College for this semester.

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## Attractive Card For Courtmen

Yale, Harvard, Pittsburgh and Dartmouth Scheduled for Home Games During 1931 Campaign—Eli Met on New Year's Eve—Spring Court Practice Continues

To those College sport fans who get their main sustenance from following the fortunes of the Lavender basketball teams, the preliminary efforts towards the drawing up of the 1931 court schedule ought to prove interesting. The schedule is not yet complete, but four major attractions, and all four of them home games, have already been carded.

Pittsburgh, Harvard, Yale and Dartmouth are the four teams which have been signed by Professor Walter Williamson for appearances in the coming campaign, and all four carry a wide appeal on the court. Pittsburgh, which appears on the Lavender schedule for the first time, has turned out some crack quintets in the past few years. They will be without the services of their high scoring ace, Charlie Hyatt, next year.

### Yale at Armory

All three teams will be met at home, with the Eli game scheduled for New Year's Eve in the 168th Street Armory. Yale was the only team in the Eastern Intercollegiate League to down the championship Columbia quintet last year, and it was only a last minute goal by Albie Booth, who will stack up against the Lavender next year, which turned the trick.

The Green will face the Lavender here December 20, the day after the Harvard game. Several more attractive games are being carded, and if there is such a thing as satiating the Lavender enthusiast's basketball thirst, then next year's program will do it.

### Spring Practice

And while Professor Williamson is busy with his schedule making, Nat Holman is concerned with the whipping into shape of a team which will add to the achievements of his great teams of the past eleven years. Every Wednesday, the famous College mentor has his candidates for the 1931 team up at the gymnasium,

## ORCHESTRA HOLDS MUSICAL RECITAL

The City College Orchestra, under the leadership of Prof. William Neidlinger, in conjunction with the Glee club and Prof. Samuel A. Baldwin at the organ will offer a public recital in the Great Hall on Friday evening, May 23 at 8:15 P. M. There will be no charge for admission.

The program of the evening follows:

1. Allegro, from Symphony No. 1.....Beethoven  
The Orchestra
2. a—Secrets.....Smith  
b—Laugh.....Huntley  
c—Old Jonah Had a "Whale of a Time".....Wick  
The Glee Club
3. a—In the Morning.....Grieg  
b—Gavotta.....Padre Martini  
c—Variations de Concert.....Bonnet  
Prof. Samuel A. Baldwin
4. Overture to "Magic Flute".....Mozart  
The Orchestra
5. a—The Wise Old One.....Nevin  
b—Old Man Noah.....Bartholomew  
The Glee Club
6. a—Adagio, from "L'Arlesienne".....Bizet  
b—Poupee Valsante (Dolly Dances).....Poldini  
c—Coronation March, from "The Prophet".....Meyerbeer  
The Orchestra

### PTOMAINIE POISONING WILL KEEP PROF. SCHUYLER OUT

Prof. Livingston R. Schuyler, of the History Department, has been confined to his home at 520 W. 114th St. for the past two weeks with a serious case of ptomaine poisoning. Prof. Schuyler will be unable to meet his classes for the remainder of the term, and his place is temporarily being filled by other members of the department.

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## COLLEGIANA

**These "Racketeers"**  
The "racket" game is inferring even the erudite precincts of the University of Indiana. Racketeer students have built up a profitable business of buying up returned examination papers of the best students and selling them to dullards the following term. Wholesale rates are being offered to fraternity and sorority houses, wherefrom comes the biggest demand.

### Isn't Nature Grand?

Exultant botanical chortling of a chauvinistic nature-lover as recorded in the venerable Ottawa Campus:—"The beauty of Ottawa's campus is increasing each year. There is on this campus something different than on other institution grounds. There is here a natural beauty that increases with age and does not deteriorate. Of course, the grounds have to be and are kept up in good condition. But each year the stately dignity of the campus increases. The tall trees grow taller; the shrubbery increases in size; new touches are added; and the campus as a whole is more pleasing to the eye year by year."

### The Rising "Professions"

The University of Chicago has been advised of the feasibility of elevating the culinary and manual "professions" to the dignity of medicine and law. Successful cooks, laundresses,

parlor maids and dishwashers may, in the future, find themselves holders of the degree of bachelor of arts or of science. Elevating by degrees is all one can say!

### Prof. Von Klenze

Professor Camillo von Klenze, former head of the Department of German at the College, delivered a series of lectures at the University of Wisconsin last month, on "The Main Currents of Intellectual Life in Germany Since the World War."

He holds one of the two German chairs on American literature at the University of Munich, at present.

### The Check Problem

Baylor University is having trouble galore with its finances. Bad checks to the amount of \$1,500 have been given to the bursar for this semester's fees. These "rubber" checks, most frequently presented by co-eds, are usually drawn on banks wherein they have no accounts.

LEO T. GOODMAN

**PROF. MEAD WRITES BOOK**  
"American History Since the Civil War" is the title of a new book by Professor Nelson P. Mead of the History Department, to be released next week by Harcourt, Brace and Company.

**Dean Seeks Information**  
Information about the Delta Sigma Tau Fraternity is being sought by Dean Redmond. Any one having such information is requested to communicate with the Dean as soon as possible.

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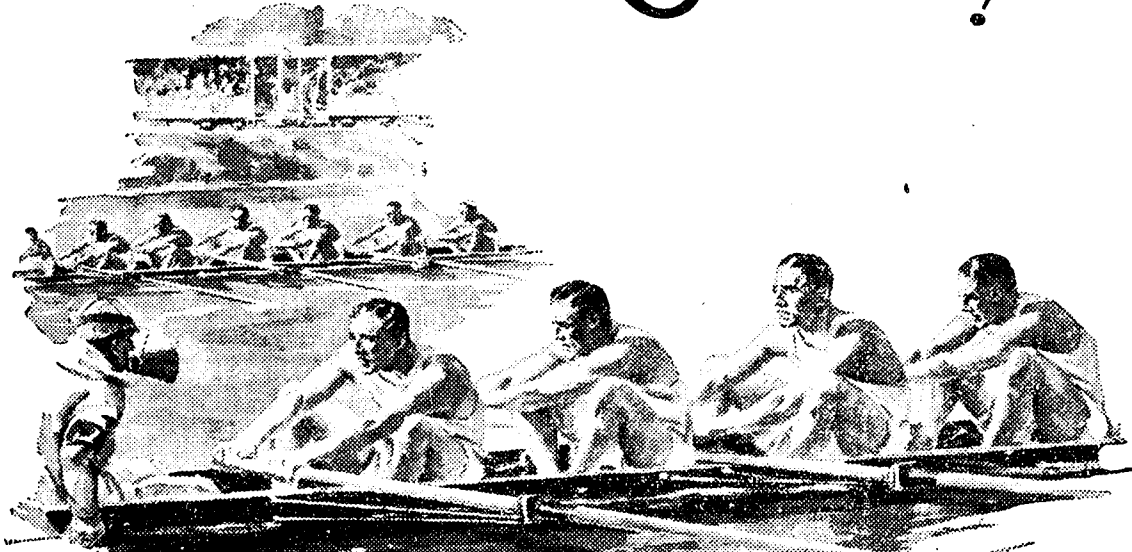
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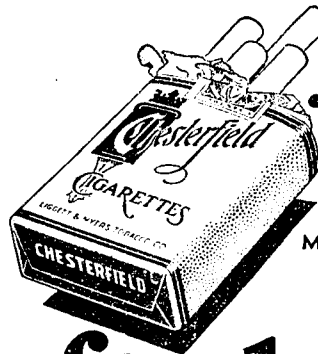


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