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## FRIDAY'S SPRING FEVER

In a letter published in this issue of the NEWS is contained a student's impressions of the student association officers' conduct in assemblies last Friday. It should be clearly understood that the NEWS does not endorse any or all comments by student correspondents.

To throw light upon the situation from a different, and we trust, a more authentic viewpoint, the following explanation is published. Its sole aim is to explain what might at first seem the incapacity of a student association officer, and to suggest a few methods of improving the service that officers might render the association.

The president not being present when the second assembly started, it was natural that the vice president should take the chair, as the constitution so defines the duties of that office. Word was sent to the vice president, however, by the president that the chair should be turned over to Miss Florence Gormley, a member of Myskania. With Miss Gormley's conduct of the assembly we shall not quarrel; she did a hard task well. But that is no reason why the vice president should have been instructed to turn the meeting over to her. Further, it is no reason why the president, who soon arrived, should not have assumed the chair. In electing its president and its vice president, the association places charge of its meetings in their hands. While it is, of course, natural that Miss Brady should do as she is instructed by the president, the student association might very well expect its vice president to preside in the absence of its president. Otherwise, the vice president becomes a mere vocal sandwich man for shouting advertisements of cake sales, and an ornament on an already crowded platform.

The secretary did not have her record of the last meetings of the association available. This was, apparently, a neglect of duty, induced, perhaps, by the spirit of spring noticeable recently. It seems, also, that the student board of finance had not been notified of resolutions passed in the assemblies. To prove a check upon the secretaryship, which office has, for years, been run in an unbusinesslike fashion, the NEWS suggests the reading of minutes of the previous meetings at each meeting. This is a common parliamentary custom. The annual report, such as is usually presented by the secretary, is not adequate. The secretaryship should be made businesslike.

The spirit of spring, we trust, will not long remain with the officers of the association. A spring tonic, we believe, is an excellent remedy.

## WHEN MYSKANIA REQUESTS

When Myskania recently asked juniors to submit to it a list of all their extracurricular activities at State College during the last three years, the honor society was actuated by the highest of motives. The organization perhaps realized that some juniors would feel a bit delicate about parading before it a list of their contributions to student life here, as an apparent bid for membership. But Myskania, carefully weighing the advantages and disadvantages of this request, also saw that justice to all eligible juniors demanded more than an effort on the part of Myskania to compile the individual record of each junior. This process would be long and tiresome, and the results would not necessarily be correct. By asking juniors to submit the lists, Myskania here concedes its interest in considering all eligible candidates. It is the duty of all eligible juniors to submit these lists. If there be any hyper-sensitive juniors, it is suggested by this paper that interested friends submit the activities lists for them. Myskania will be assisted greatly in its deliberation if all the lists are submitted promptly.

## "HIT AND RUN" TACTICS

When an act of vandalism, such as that committed last week end upon the statue of Minerva, occurs at State College, one is tempted to wonder who could have done it, and under what circumstances it could have been done. The NEWS pretends to believe that such an act of insult upon the college was not, could not, have been committed by any State College student. Any student to wantonly mutilate a statue which symbolizes the part of this institution in a noble field, is unworthy of the name of student.

The injury to the statue comes as a shock to the sensibilities of students and faculty alike. There is little need for a lengthy discourse upon the vandalism. Money can, of course, replace the damage; but no hand will fit Minerva so well as the hand she has had since she came to State College many years ago. It is the duty of students to protect and guard the statue; to treat it as an image worthy of respect, not because it is a work of art, but because it symbolizes a great profession and this college's part in that profession; *non sicut, sed docendi causa*.

## A RABBIT IN A LION'S SKIN?

While the NEWS does not profess to be a master of psychology, we must acknowledge the apparent mastery of that subject by our contemporary journalists, the staff of the State Lion. Would the Lion staff, either as individuals or as a unit, reply to the charges made in student letters to the NEWS, to the effect that the last issue of the publication was "a lurid attempt to satisfy the sexually minded"? No, not at all. To do so, would bring the existence of that magazine into jeopardy; the psychological thing to do, of course, is to stay under cover until the storm has passed.

But in staying under cover, like so many rabbits, the Lions are showing their lack of the courage that is commonly attributed to the king of beasts. Perhaps it may be that they have no adequate defense. Perhaps their lack of reply may be construed as a tacit admission of the charges. Perhaps they feel that the shoutings of a few students are not worth noticing. But can the charges recently made be dismissed as the bite of insects? Dear Lions, unless you reply, we fear that the insects will continue to grow, until they have become so big as to be able to eat Lions, even Red Hot Mama Lions.

## BOOKS: CASE WITH NINE SOLUTIONS LAFAYETTE IN VIRGINIA

By W. A. F.

*Private Life of Catherine the Great.* By Princesse Murat. 212 pages. \$2.50. New York and Montreal: Louis Carrier.

When one picks up a "private life" of this or that noted or notorious figure in history, one does not expect to read of battles and campaigns, unless they be battles of lovers and campaigns of the heart. In this book, the reader will not be disappointed. There is a bit of history, of course, just to let one know that the figure of Catherine the Great once occupied a place in the destinies of a great nation.

But if it were not for a few names, we might as well consider this beautiful little book a piece of fiction concerning the subject which is more and more becoming the theme for novels: a woman who ignores conventions. This is a form of history or biography, of course; but the Princesse Murat wields the pen of a dramatic writer, who naturally can take great leave from heard facts. Yet the central thread is based upon facts, and the writings of Catherine are consulted where possible.

The story is quite as wonderful as the fairy tales of old: a poor German girl who mounted to the throne of a mighty empire. But we fear that the content would not be quite suitable for readers of fairy tales. If you want modernized fairy tales, with the treatment of current movies, here's the book. It's intensely interesting, and more than capably written.

*The Case With Nine Solutions.* By J. J. Conington. 280 pages. \$2. Boston: Little, Brown.

The ordinary writer of mystery stories is satisfied with having not more than three possible solutions to his particular plot. But it is no ordinary writer of fiction who presents to the detective enthusiasts a book in which nine possible solutions can be applied to a case. Early in the book, a string of deaths occur. The author who signs himself "J. J. Conington" puts before the reader every clue as it is discovered by the police. Nothing is held up his sleeve for a grand surprise. Gradually, the possible solutions are eliminated one by one, till only the right solution remains at the end of the story. Briefly, the first part of the plot is this: a doctor, called to a house, enters the wrong residence and there finds a dying man. Before the victim of attack can reveal the name of the criminal, he dies. Other deaths, one of a servant, and one of a girl who is poisoned with atropine, follow in quick succession. Sir Clinton Driffield and a subordinate, Inspector Flandborough, work together in the solution. The result is a thrilling piece of fiction which will furnish pleasant light reading for any who like this form of literature; and their name is legion.

*Lafayette in Virginia.* Unpublished letters of the Marquis de Lafayette. 64 pages. \$2.50. Baltimore: John Hopkins Press.

The popular conception of Lafayette is likely to be a pleasant combination of the story book prince and of the gentleman adventurer. These hitherto unpublished letters from the young commander during his campaign in Virginia show him as a master of harmony, when harmony was so badly needed between the military commanders and the civil population of the Old Dominion. Von Steuben, it seems, was an efficient commander, but succeeded in ruffling the civil authorities. Washington sent in his place the young Frenchman who pursued his campaign with such tact and consideration that the former friction was greatly diminished.

This second cahier of the Institut Francais de Washington presents the correspondence of Lafayette with Governors Jefferson, Nelson and Henry, and other military documents. One letter to Patrick Henry in 1785 is also published for the first time. These letters will do much to show Lafayette as the considerate commander and diplomatic soldier.

His original spelling is preserved; the English used by Lafayette, as the editor remarks, "is fluent and intelligible if not always perfectly idiomatic." The book is a noteworthy contribution to Revolutionary war literature.

## State College Graduates Get Higher Paying Positions Than Those Of Other Institutions, Shillinglaw Finds

[Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of articles on contemporary education by Robert J. Shillinglaw, '29, who represented Kappa Phi Kappa at its recent national convention.]

By ROBERT J. SHILLINGLAW, '29

That State College graduates, on the average, get positions paying higher salaries than do the graduates of other institutions which train secondary teachers, seemed evident to the writer as he conferred with representatives of the various colleges sending delegates to the fifth general assembly of Kappa Phi Kappa last month.

In many of the midwest institutions, graduates consider themselves fortunate to receive a position paying \$1200 a year, while most of them receive one or two hundred dollars less their first year out. This condition is typical for graduates of the southern colleges represented too, according to their representatives.

Men in the graduating classes of the

various colleges consider an annual salary of \$1500 for instructorships and \$1700 for principalships as extraordinarily good.

It would seem from the salaries being paid to State College graduates that these would be rather small. While \$1200 is considered high for women graduating from other colleges, it is practically the minimum wage received by women who graduate from State College, while the estimated average salary for men leaving this institution is generally \$300 a year higher than those of other schools.

While this condition may not be entirely true, still it would seem that inasmuch as the delegates with whom the writer talked came from such a wide area and from representative schools that it might be taken as a general truth.

It may be that aid by the State for local community schools may be higher in this state than elsewhere and so would warrant the payment of larger salaries than elsewhere. But other factors than these are likely entering into the matter. At the convention banquet, Dr. John James Tigert, president of the University of Florida and former United States Commissioner of Education, told how underpaid the teaching profession is, at the same time pointing out a gradually increasing tendency to remunerate these in the pedagogical world more highly, especially in the east.

One of the startling statements made by Dr. Tigert during the course of his talk was that on the average, the unskilled laborer carries more per annum than does the public high school or college instructor.

## WILL ATTEND SOIREE

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of Schenectady; Norma Butler and Richard Van Lear of Albany; Emma Bates and L. B. Osterhout of Union College; Helen Eimer and Donald Parker of the University of Pennsylvania; Louise Carey and James Fitzgibbons of Penn State College; Ida Johnson and Grant Duval of Science City; Dorothy Brandow and James Dyer of Albany; Helen Winter and Carl Turbos, '22; Ginnie Carr and Virginia Shutes, '29; Pauline Schast and William Fitch of University of Michigan; Jewel Johnson and Grayton Mearns of R. P. I.

Elaine Barber and Robert Decker of R. P. I.; Helen Fay and H. Russell Johnson of Utica; Arnold Brown and Donald Wolfe of R. P. I.; Ruth Mayer of Albany; and '28; Donna A. Campbell and Donald Burton of Albany; Ruth Valentine and Arthur Johnston of R. P. I.

Uma Millhouse and Joseph Koster of Troy; Sylvia Rose and Jerry Seeliger of R. P. I.; Mary Reiser and Jack Armstrong of Union College; Florence Seward and Harold Heichman of Union College; Betty Burdette and Robert Keegan of Union College; Josephine Howland and Charles W. Brown of Michigan University.

Jane Schuck and Kenneth Barbach of R. P. I.; Margaret Doyle and William Petre of Troy; Eleanor Kelliker and Edna Gibson of Williams College; Mary Blomquist and Robert Haines of Hamilton College; Mary Goodale and Henry Robinson of Union College.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### WAS IT AN ACCIDENT?

Editor, STATE COLLEGE NEWS,  
It was with regret that some of us noted, Monday morning, the accident (?) to our statue of Minerva. The spear was broken, one finger gone, and chips gouged out of the base. All evidence of the mishap had been cleaned away and the broken parts could not be found. No one reported the incident.

This statue is the only valuable piece of decoration that was rescued from the fire which destroyed our old college home on Will street in 1899.

For some years, Minerva stood in seclusion, awaiting a proper place in which to be erected. When these buildings were finished, this statue was given its present position, a symbol that, even in the haste of our daily duties, the old Goddess of Wisdom presides over our activities, and that, at least in our more thoughtful moments, we do worship at her shrine.

This "hit and run" method of treating the aesthetic symbol of our college life is a matter for deep concern. Back of the carelessness that caused this accident, is a headlong disregard for property, tradition, and sentiment.

Such persons remain children, lacking in a proper respect for the past—or a sense of responsibility for future citizenship.

It has been suggested that it is the function of the art department to teach our students in regard to the aesthetic possessions of our college. Not only is it the privilege of this department to give such training, but it is the function of every department of this college, the English, the history, the language, and the sciences, as well as the art department, to teach a love for all manifestations of the symbolic and the beautiful.

To some, Minerva may be "nothing but an old statue"—for some to put lighted cigarettes in her mouth, or to treat in an infant and childish manner, but she is the best we have at present to symbolize our faith in wisdom and our belief in its teachings.

We cannot afford to descend to vandalism. Eugene A. Perine, Instructor in Fine Arts.

### RAPS OFFICERS' NEGLECT

[Editor's Note: This letter, though containing certain inaccuracies, is published in the hopes that the NEWS can, in its editorial column, clear up an apparent misunderstanding. The editor trusts that students will, in justice to student association officers, read the editorial entitled "Friday's Spring Fever."]

Editor, The News,  
The second assembly last week showed just to what extent the officers of the student association are falling down upon their jobs. The assembly started without the president there; naturally, the vice president took charge of the meeting, as the student constitution charges the incumbent to do. But the vice president, for reasons known best to herself, turned the meeting over to a member of Myskania, not an officer of the student association.

The secretary did not have her record book with her in the first assembly. When a question which demanded consultation of the minutes was brought up, no minutes were at hand to consult. This is a neglect of duty. I do not advocate any steps toward reprimanding what may be a condition of Levity or general neglect. At the same time, it is a proposition for members of the student association to consider.

## CALENDAR

- Friday
  - Senior Sophomore assembly 10:55 A. M.
  - Freshman Junior assembly 11:30 A. M.
  - Sophomore Source 9:00 P. M. Gymnasium.
- Saturday
  - Basketball State vs. Long Island University 8:15 P. M. Gymnasium.
- Tuesday
  - Men's interclass tournament starts
  - Freshman Sophomore Game 4 P. M. Gymnasium
  - Advanced Dramatics play 8:15 P. M. Auditorium.
- Wednesday
  - Debate, Women's varsity vs. St. Lawrence University. 8:15 P. M. Chancellors Hall.

Helen Smith and Ira White of Union College; Lucille Krapp and Hedwig Landstrom of R. P. I.; Catherine Broderick and George E. Hodgson of R. P. I.; Marcia Alma and Harry Shepard of Cooperstown; Beatrice Hertwig and Joseph Gignea of Canisius College; Helen Howard and Malcolm Packham of Albany; Ethel Lagan and Herbert Smith, '25; Marie Fowke and Kenneth Dean of Union College; Doris Markham and John Warren of Albany; Mattson Christman and Robert Bohrer of Albany Medical College; Gladys Nowell, '30, and Harold Frankel of Columbia Law School; Katherine Conroy, '30, and Theodore S. Oppenheim of Union College; Cora Scales, '30, and Raymond South of Union; Edna Hancherson, '29, and Fred Cook Fisher of R. P. I.; Virginia Higgins, '28, and James Collier of Union College; Mary McAffee, '29, and Martin Spaulding of Albany; Genevieve Cole, '29, and Robert Sturtevant of Albany.

Lucy McAvoy, '29, and Randolph Lantz of Union College; Fiva Young, '27, and Harry Ford of R. P. I.; Margaret Horton, '32, and Bernard Lutz of R. P. I.; Arthur Sullivan, '32, and James Hays of R. P. I.; Katherine Leaver, '32, and Ben W. McLean of Schenectady; Margaret Neering, '32, and Gerald Hadden of R. P. I.; Evelyn Price, '32, and P. G. Hays of R. P. I.; Margaret Wilson, '32, and Robert O. Ballard of Union College.

Margaret McNamee, '29, and Edward Colburn of R. P. I.; Elizabeth Wilson, '30, and Walter Maloney of Union College; Lena Galt, '29, and Thomas O'Reilly of R. P. I.; Ann Stafford, '29, and Paul Gallagher of Albany Law School; Ivan Campbell, '29, and Dorothy Hall, '32; Euna Rogers, '30, and Michael Muskiewicz, '31, of R. P. I.; Virginia Baxter, '29, and Ralph Collier of Albany Medical College; Hamilton Adams, '30, and Marjorie Lockwood, '32; Alice Walsh, '30, and Barton Doyle of Troy; Dorothy Cannon, '30, and Edgar Nevers of Rochester.

Cathryn Kostick, '30, and Fred Haverly of Columbia University; Florence A. Gooding, '30, and J. Bradford Schuyler of Albany; Blanche Lockwood, '29, and Glad Bennett of Canisius; Eleanor Cullen, a graduate student, and J. Amund Thronax of Canisius; Della Fossan, '30, and Gordon Henning of Newburgh.

Lillian Weinberg, '32, and A. Herman Richman of the University of Pennsylvania; Selma Schuler, '32, and Samuel Schachtel of Poughkeepsie; Sarah Yaltes, '30, and Charles Brielstein of R. P. I.; Doris Bishop, '30, and Ralph Staupig, '29; Eva Jackofsky, '30, and Herbert Champagne of Columbia University.

### HERNEY IS STAR AS STATE WINS NINTH GAME BY 31 TO 11

Led by Captain Herney, the State College basketball team Friday night chalked up their ninth victory of the season, their second in as many starts against the New York Aggies and the sixth in their latest string of straight victories. They took over the Aggies by a 31-11 count.

The game was much closer and harder fought than the twenty point margin of victory would indicate. The game was fast throughout and the visitors were always in the game, forcing the fighting. The home team had a ten point margin at the end of the first half, having scored fourteen points to four. The game was not a dull one to watch, with both teams trying their best from the first whistle to the last.

Woods, the highly touted Aggies center, gave the fans something to think about when he sank the ball with a flip of his wrists while holding it at arm's length above his head. He scored only one more field though throughout the game. Herney, Kuczyński, and Klein started for the State College outfit. Herney was high scorer of the game with eleven points. They scored seven and Klein in addition to holding Woods, chalked up five points himself. Cary, although he didn't have his scoring eye with him, gave his team mates chances to score on his accurate passes under the basket. Woods and Van Pelt played best for the defeated team.

#### Aggies Score First

The Aggies gave the State College fans a scare at the start of the contest by scoring three points before the Purple and Gold machine managed to get loose. Following this little outburst on the part of the visitors, State took control of the game. Herney, Kuczyński, and Klein, and Herney and Van Pelt played best for the defeated team.

The Aggies were the first to score in the second half also. Woods putting the first basket. He flipped an another two pointer which only served to make State fight a little harder. State only, netting twelve points, in which Herney got two fields and a foul, Kuczyński the same and Cary one field, gave the home team a 30-16 lead. This margin it was able to maintain to the end. With a couple of minutes to play, the state second team entered the contest. The team which, with one or two exceptions, will be next year's varsity, consisted of Blair and Lyons as guards, Good, such as center, and Ott and Kessam as forwards. They held the Aggies scoreless and came up one point on Kessam's successful free shot after he had been fouled.

### OFFICER AND STUDENT TO RECRUIT FOR CAMP

Lawrence C. Newcomb, '31, and Dr. George S. Painter, professor of philosophy, have been named to assist Lieutenant William Walker as committee members in charge of enrollment for the 1929 citizens military training camps. Dr. Painter is a major in the specialist reserve section.

#### WILL NOT REPAIR PIANO

No attempt will be made by the sophomore class to further its suggestion that all classes contribute to repair the piano used for music in the gymnasium, according to Edith Cairns, '31, chairman of the soiree committee.

Neither the junior nor the freshman class voted in support of a suggestion which would bind them to contribute one fourth of the total of ten dollars to do the necessary repairing.

### KIRTLAND LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATES EVOLUTION OF VASE

"You don't know anything about vases until you make some," Richmond H. Kirtland, professor of education, told an audience of more than 100 persons in the Albany Institute of History and Art, Tuesday afternoon.

In his lecture on "How a vase is made," Professor Kirtland moulded a piece of clay into many different vase shapes. He showed the evolution of a "pre-Volstead, little brown jug" into a cookie jar and then into a rose bowl.

Professor Kirtland has taken no lessons in vase-making. During the lecture, Professor Kirtland said that he watched a potter at Fort Edward a few times, and then bought a potter's wheel to try vase-making for himself. "One is his own best teacher," Professor Kirtland declared. He believes the method of self-instruction is the best in any art.

### Bureau Sends Out 20 Letters Daily To Obtain Jobs For Seniors

More than twenty letters are sent to school administrators and boards of education each day by the college placement bureau, Professor John M. Sayles, its secretary, said today. These letters include the sending of folders bearing the students' photographs, references and academic records.

Each senior is asked by Professor Sayles to pay twenty-five cents to him or Miss Gertrude M. Hall, his secretary, as part payment of the postage charges. Nearly half the seniors have paid this fee, he said. Others are asked to pay it this week or next week.

Many interviews for prospective teachers are being arranged this season by the placement bureau which has its new offices on the main floor of Milne Hall.

### CLASS WILL PRESENT MELODRAMA TUESDAY

The advanced dramatics class will present a melodrama of western life in the auditorium Tuesday night at 8:15 o'clock, under the direction of Pauline Crowley, '29. The theme of the play is the foiling of western justice by a clever woman, according to Miss Crowley. The sheriff, representing western justice, is played by James J. Cassidy, '30. Annabelle McConnell, '31, is the clever woman, and her brother, Robert McConnell, '31, plays the role of the man who is rescued.

#### MAY DISTRIBUTE ECHO

The Echo, literary magazine, may be distributed next week, according to Florence M. Gornley, '29, editor-in-chief.


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### 5 NEWS DELEGATES IN NEW YORK TODAY

Weekly Publication Competes With Teachers' College Papers Of Nation

Five members of the State College News board are today in New York where they are attending the fifth annual conference of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. They are William M. French, '29, editor-in-chief, Thomas P. Fallon, '29, business manager, Louis J. Wolner, '30, managing editor, Margaret J. Steele, '30, associate managing editor, and Margaret Henninge, '30, advertising manager. They left for New York yesterday and will return for classes Monday.

The News is entered in the contest for papers printed by colleges for teachers. The News took second prize in this class in 1927-28 and third prize in 1928-29.

When French reaches New York, he will be attending the Columbia conference for the third time. He attended once when a senior at Elmira Southside High school, and twice as a member of the News board. After the conference, French will go to Walden, New York, where he will visit Edwin Van Kleeck, ex-'27, a former editor of the News, and now superintendent of schools, and Mrs. Van Kleeck, (Charlotte Jones, ex-'28). French will return to college Tuesday.

### NUMBER OF FRESHMEN IN ATHLETICS SWELLS

More freshman girls are out this year for all athletic activities than for any three years prior to last year. Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education, said today.

Much more interest is being shown by upper classmen than ever before, according to Caroline M. Schleich, '29, president of the Girls' Athletic Association.

"There seems to be more interest shown this year, especially by the freshmen," Miss Schleich said. "Perhaps interest was started by the G. A. A. freshman playday at Camp Cogswell during registration week."

Eighty-eight girls play with interclass basketball teams, 10 girls attend the coaching class in basketball conducted by Miss Johnston, 30 girls bowl, and 45 girls have enrolled in the athletic dancing class conducted by Miss Johnston.

### Sorority Delegate



Courtesy of Knickerbocker Press

Marion E. Sloan, '29, will represent Kappa Delta at the annual luncheon of the New York branch of the alumnae of the sorority, tomorrow at the Hotel McAlpin in New York City. Members of the Utica and Albany alumni chapters are also planning to attend. A reunion of the class of 1925, will be a feature of the meeting this year.

### MINISTER TO ADDRESS Y.W.C.A. AT SERVICES

The Rev. Samuel J. Skevington of the W. C. A. at an Easter vesper service, Temple Baptist church will address Y. Sunday afternoon, March 17, at 4:30 o'clock, in the rotunda. His topic will be "Easter Message." Mary Nelson, '29, will lead the service. There will be special music, and tea will be served.

Y. W. C. A. and Menorah will cooperate in presenting a series of Lenten morning services March 19, 20, and 21 at 8:30 o'clock in the auditorium of Hawley Hall. Carolyn Kelley, '31, and Helen Mead, '32, will lead the two services conducted by Y. W. C. A., and a member of Menorah will lead the other morning service.

### ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT

Epsilon Beta Phi announces the engagement of Nettie Corlew, '30, to John Pickard of Schenectady.

### TWO RIVAL CLASSES TO DEBATE APRIL 5

Freshman Team Is Selected; Sophomores Will Name Squad Today

The sophomore-freshman debate has been postponed to April 5, according to Evelyn Graves, '29, president of the student association. The debate was postponed by mutual agreement of representatives of both classes because of lack of time in which to prepare the debate.

The freshman team has already been chosen. Yesterday try-outs for the sophomore team were conducted. The members will be announced this morning.

The debate will take place in a single assembly, Miss Graves said. Five points in the interclass rivalry contest will be awarded to the winning class. This year is the first time in five years that a debate will take place between the rival classes.

### TROUBADORS TO HAVE TRYOUTS ON TUESDAY

Try-outs for the minstrel show to be presented by the Troubadours, men's minstrel organization, will be Tuesday night. The show will be presented in Draper Hall, Friday night, April 26. The play has been written by James Cassidy, '30, who also wrote the play for the entertainment last year.

All men interested may compete, according to Robert J. Shillinglaw, '29, Professor William G. Kennedy, assistant professor of chemistry, will be the director.

Thursday night, April 25, parts of the minstrel show will be broadcast over station WHAZ at Troy.

### Students Lose Religion Through Faculty Indifference; Students Also Disbelieve, Delegates Say At Meeting

Faculty indifference is one of the principal reasons why students who enter college lose their religion, according to opinion of a discussion group of the New York student conference in Schenectady last week end. Delegates also pointed out that students themselves are active disbelievers.

Dr. Henry P. Van Deusen of Union Theological Seminary struck the keynote of the convention by stressing the need of understanding and fellowship with foreign nations, and of an intelligent co-operation with them.

He pointed out that "expediency is no reason to suppose we are to have peace in the future. In this sophisticated, intellectual world, peace is becoming more difficult in proportion as our knowledge increases," he declared.

Foreign representatives at the conference included students and professors from France, Hungary, Porto Rico, Germany, England, and Switzerland. The State College units of Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. were represented

by Hermann Koerner, '29, president of Y. M. C. A.; Robert T. Ross, '29, vice president; E. L. Duncombe, graduate student; Carl Waterman, Paul Waterman, and Evelyn McNickle, seniors; Mary Nelson, Katherine Watkins, Katherine T. Graham and Robert Barium, juniors; Carolyn Kelly, Margaret Cussler, and Jean Gillespie, sophomores; Kathryn Belknap, Asenath Van Buren, Josephine Holt, and Edward S. Merry, freshmen.

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