



# Jacobs, Gray, Schoff To Dedicate Mather Hall; Sports, Festivities Highlight Parents' Weekend

BY CHARLES TODD

The parents and friends of Trinity students are in for a busy day this Seventh Annual Parents' Weekend.

The highlights of the festivities will be the dedication of the William Gwynn Mather Hall at noon. Morning tours of the new structure and of the entire campus will be conducted by members of the Sophomore Dining Club. The tours embark from Cook Archway and from Mather Hall foyer.

### Jacobs Greets Parents

Dr. Jacobs will greet members at a meeting of the Trinity Parents' Association at 10:30, and at 11:15 will speak to freshman parents about Trinity and their sons' careers at the college.

After the dedication, a buffet luncheon for parents, their sons, and members of the faculty, will be served in the field house.

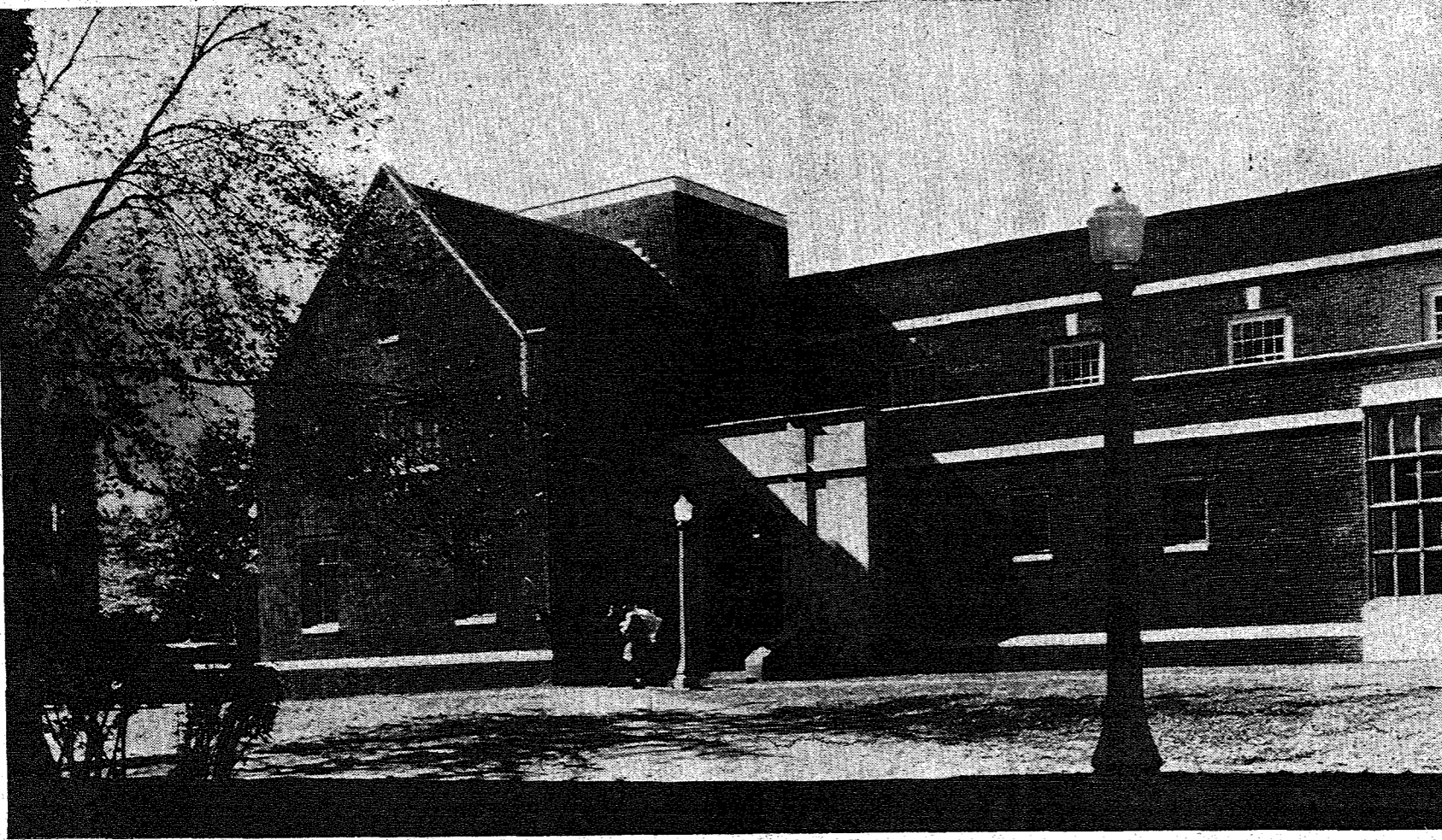
The next appointment is at the football field where the Trinity eleven will meet the Diplomats of Franklin and Marshall. The kick-off is at two.

On the Bantam squad John Szumczyk, No. 28, and Tony Sanders, No. 14, lead the offensive attack. The visitors' right half-back, No. 20, is reported to be the Dips biggest threat.

### Glee Club Entertains

Following the game, between 4:30 and 5, freshmen students who are not fraternity members, and their parents, are invited to a reception at the Wean and Snack Bar Lounges of Mather Hall. Freshman advisers and their wives have also been invited. The fraternities will hold receptions for the members' parents at the same time.

At 8:15 p.m. the Glee Club will present a concert in the



The east entrance of Mather Hall, where dedication ceremonies will be held at noon today for the new \$1.5 million structure. The occasion for the dedication, is Trinity's seventh annual Parents' Day.

### Noon Ceremonies Slated Today At East Entrance

The Right Rev. Walter H. Gray, James S. Schoff, and President Albert C. Jacobs will speak at the dedication of William Gwynn Mather Hall before faculty, students, and guests at 12 noon today. Rev. Gray is Bishop of Connecticut and Schoff is past president of the Parents' Association and headed the parents' group fund-raising drive.

The dedication, which will be held at the east entrance of the new student center, is the culmination of the ground-breaking ceremony held on Parent's Weekend two years ago.

The dedication will mark the near completion of a project first suggested by Joseph Clarke, dean of students from 1948 to 1958. Mather Hall Director Leonard R. Tomat said Dean Clarke felt many of the extra-curricular activities of the College should be combined with improved facilities. Plans for a new building for such activities had to be postponed, however, because of a need to expand the academic facilities.

**Theater Not Included**  
The original intention had been to include a theater and fine arts center within the structure, but as plans evolved it was decided that these should be constructed separately at a future date.

The largest single donation, about \$500,000 for the \$1,250,000 project was given by Mr. Mather's estate, Albert E. Holland, vice president in charge of development said. Through his gifts to Trinity, Mr. Mather previously made the construction of the Chapel possible.

Mr. Mather was a Senior Trustee of the College from 1909 until his death in 1951. It is interesting to note, Mr. Holland said smiling, that during his college days Mr. Mather, '77, was fined a dollar for defacing a desk.

**Thirteen Months' Construction**  
With blueprints completed, work on the student center began in August, 1959. Despite

a delay of a month due to the nation-wide steel strike last year, the construction progressed rapidly, and the building was ready for occupancy by the beginning of Freshman Week last month.

Entertainment every Saturday night for those who remain at school is one of the major attributes of the student center, Mr. Tomat said recently. Also, the new cafeteria dispenses with the necessity of using Hamlin Hall as a student dining hall.

Housed on the lower floor of the new building are the game room, locker room for day students, darkroom (not yet equipped), and Tripod and Ivy offices. Also on that floor are the Bookstore, managed by Mr. and Mrs. J. Penn Hargrove, and the Post Office, with Francis "Cap" Horan as postmaster.

**Main Floor Facilities**  
On the main floor are two lounges, dining room, snack bar, offices, conference room and lavatories. The kitchen is supervised by Donald Prendergast, a representative of Blaikie, Miller and Hines, a New England area catering service.

Located on the second floor are a committee room, band office and storeroom, assembly hall (dance floor) with a seating capacity of 510 and the Alumni Lounge, Senate and Medusa rooms.

### Widely Varied Activities To Enliven Mather Hall

Freshmen and non-fraternity men whooping it up at weekend parties, live bands and singers filling the halls with jazz and classical music on Sunday afternoons, a student battling a faculty member on the billiard tables, and students flocking to free films will be common sights at Mather Hall in the weeks ahead.

Already a dance for freshmen and non-fraternity men Soph Hop Weekend, Nov. 12, is being planned, while arrangements for a party on Military Ball Weekend, Dec. 10, are under consideration.

Professor Clarence Watters and the Low Madrigal Group from Cambridge, Mass., will give a recital in the Mather auditorium in January. For professional groups, such as the Budapest String Quartet and the Hartford Symphony String Ensemble, admission will be charged. A wide variety of semi-professional and amateur college groups are also being looked into.

Mr. Nathaniel Preston, instructor in government and Dean Lacy are organizing a student-faculty billiards tournament to be played out on

the Mather tables. The Freshman Executive Council has scheduled a ping-pong tournament for the first week in January. Bridge contests will also be organized, the University of Massachusetts already having invited Trinity to attend a bridge tournament either January 21 or 28.

All of the planned activities above will be coordinated by Mr. Tomat, who is "enthused over the student reaction to the plans."

### Weekend Music Events

**TODAY:**  
2 p.m. Trinity Band at Football Game. After game Bacchanalians (orchestra) in Mather Hall Game Room.

8 p.m. Trinity Pipes and Drums at entrance to Mather Hall.

8:15 p.m. Concert in Mather Assembly Hall. Trinity Glee Club, Bishop's Men, Trinity Pipes, Chanticleers, Trinidads.

9:15 p.m. The Folk Singers in the Snack Bar Lounge.

**SUNDAY:**  
11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Chapel Choir at services.

### Frosh Laud Mather Hall

An event like the completion of a student center on the campus is bound to make some profound impressions on the hilltop social set.

The typical upperclassman views the whole phenomenon with a mixture of "At last" and "I wouldn't believe it if I didn't see it." The freshmen, meanwhile, uninfluenced by the "way things used to be," have prepared themselves for four years of utilizing the building's facilities completely.

A Tripod roving reporter survey among the Frosh produced Daniel Tuft's typical reaction that the class of '64 is very fortunate to have the use of the center for its entire four years.

"Mather Hall is one of the most popular buildings on campus. I seem to be spending more time there than in my room," Howard Hirschmann said, as he dashed back to the bookstore to buy another pencil.

**Lounges Popular**  
Daniel Saklad altruistically expressed sympathy for the past generations who have spent their student years without the benefits of the student center. Trying to find a more comfortable position on a Snack Bar Lounge couch, Saklad said he appreciates the lounges as a place to relax.

Some students also try to study in the lounges. "I don't get any work done, but I sure meet a lot of nice guys," was (continued on page 2)

### Dedication Dinner Honors 100 Donors

Some 100 parents and friends were honored last night at a dinner commemorating those who raised funds for the construction of Mather Hall.

The dinner, which started at 7:15 p.m. in Hamlin Hall, featured speeches by College President Albert C. Jacobs; Joseph P. Clarke, Dean of Students here from 1948 to 1953; James S. Schoff, former Parents' Association president; Robert S. Morris, '66, a Life Trustee and National Chairman of Trinity's Program of Progress; Dean of Students O. W. Lacy, Mather Hall Director Leonard V. Tomat and Roger MacMillan, '61, President of the student body.

### Mather Director Tomat Newest Member Of Staff



Leonard R. Tomat, director of Mather Hall, seated at his desk in his office near the east entrance to the building.

Leonard R. Tomat was appointed this year to fill the newest position on the college staff, that of director of Mather Hall.

The 32-year-old director graduated from the University of Vermont and studied at New York University. Mr. Tomat also served on the staffs of several schools before deciding to come to Trinity. His last post, which he left last June, was at Riverdale Country School. Since then he has been visiting student recreation facilities in colleges

and schools throughout the east. Mr. Tomat plans to stimulate social activity on weekends by scheduling dances and mixers and a series of Sunday night movies.

**Student Committee**  
Assisting Mr. Tomat with the formation of policy and other matters concerning the administration of the center is a 12-member group of students.

The group, which is appointed yearly, consists this year of Roger MacMillan, Senate pres-

ident, MacIntosh Wiener, Senate extra-curricular activities chairman; Arthur McNulty, Junior Senate representative; Donald LeStage, Ivy representative; Peter Kilborn, editor of The Tripod; William Richardson, WRTC representative; Ian Bennett, vice president of the junior class; Bruce Hill, sophomore vice president; Douglas Tansill, Inter-fraternity Council representative; Daniel and Paul Myerson, off-campus representatives; and Richard Schnadig, independent representative.

### New Offices Billet Tripod

The cacophony of typewriters, the rustle of carbon paper, and all else that typifies a newspaper office has remained constant for The Tripod.

Only the scene has changed. This year's staff and those of years to come will labor inside the white walls of the new office in the basement of the new Mather Hall.

Completed shortly before the opening of school this year, the office is equipped with new and second hand furnishings. The copy room is furnished with large work tables and the two adjacent rooms, the editor's office and the business office, are equipped with desks, swivel chairs and telephones, and there is more furniture yet to come.

**Three Times Larger**  
The key feature of the office is its size. It is approximately three times as big as the abandoned office in the basement of Woodward.

The Tripod office was donated by Mr. Francis Boyer in memory of his son John F. Boyer '53, formerly an associate editor of the Tripod.

Mather Assembly Hall. All of the college's four octets: the Bishop's Men, the Pipes, the Trinidads, and the Chanticleers, will sing. This performance of the glee club will conclude the formal activities of Parents' Weekend.

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### Two Years Ago . . .



### Ground-breaking On Mather Hall Site In Honor Of Parents' Gifts For Center

Exactly two years ago the ground-breaking ceremonies for the Mather Hall highlighted Parents' weekend. The event climaxed a three-year campaign which raised over four million dollars.

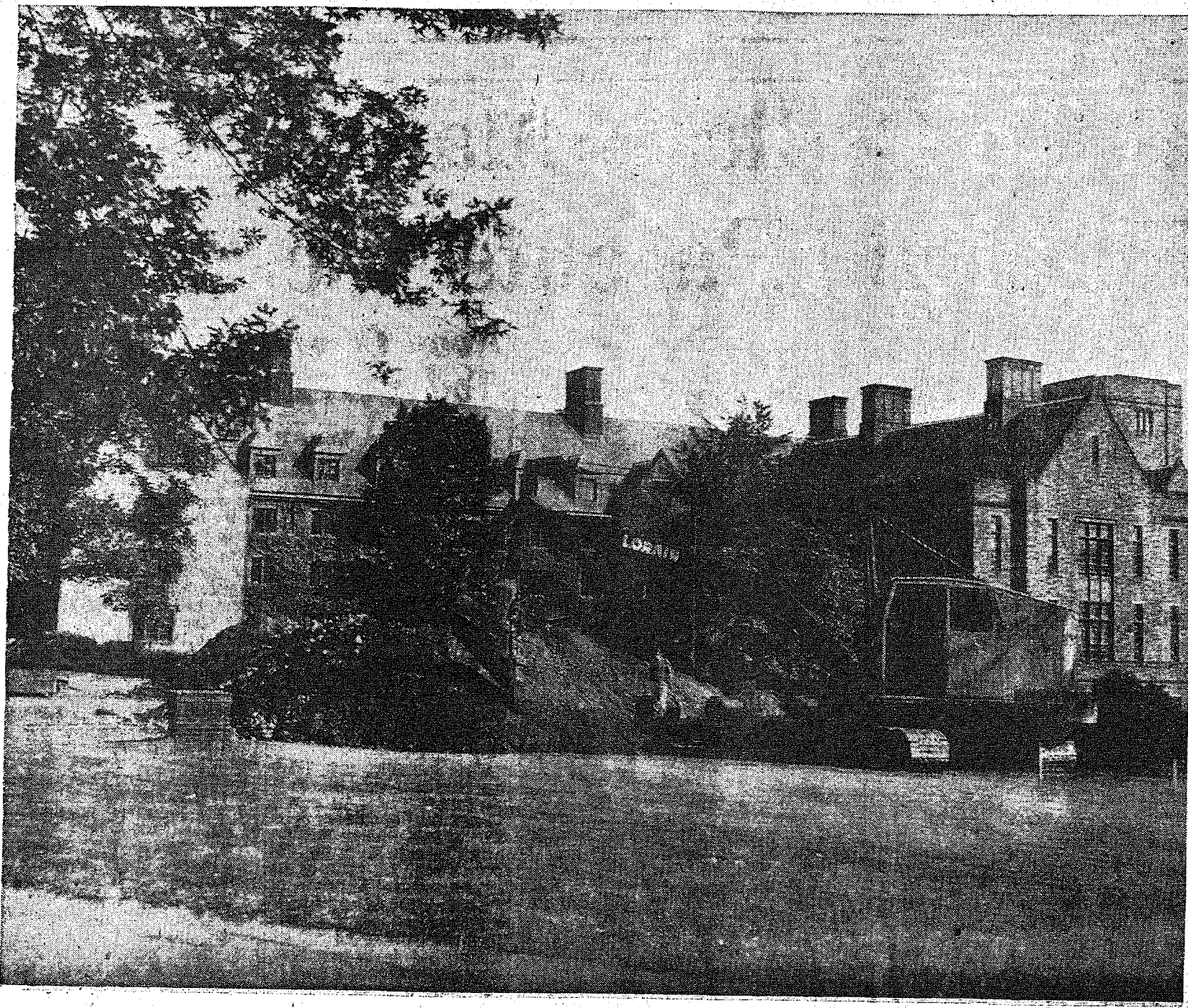
Also handling the silver-plated shovels were Robert Morris,

16, national chairman of "Program of Progress", and Samuel Ninnes, chairman of the Parents' Association.

The building was designed by the architectural firm of O'Conner and Kulham, New York.

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# Construction Continues Winter And Summer; Student Center Rises From Hole In Campus



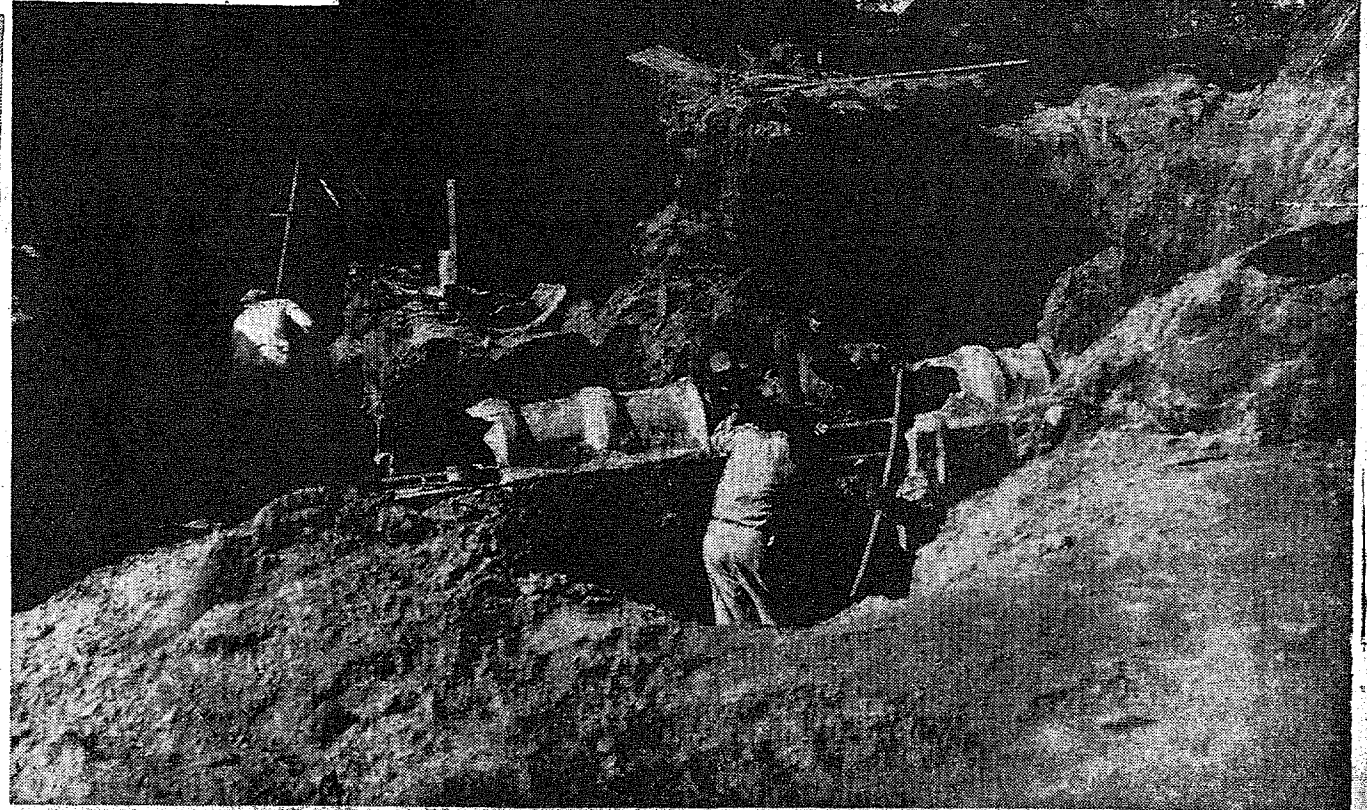
LEFT: The first excavation work for the new structure—engineering the heating pipes. It looks innocent enough here, but the hole was destined to grow bigger . . . and bigger.



RIGHT: This picture shows two of the workmen clambering on the framing girders of the incomplete Center. During construction only one accident hospitalized a worker. He made a misstep and fell two stories from one of the beams.



ABOVE: "Neither sleet nor snow . . ." A workman pushes snow from the half-finished floor. During the winter the workmen were protected from the weather by plastic sheets attached to the scaffolding.



ABOVE: Not a newly-discovered set of catacombs in Rome, but the diggings for the Center foundation. As the holes grew progressively bigger, de-

tours around the construction grew appropriately longer.

## Trinity Tripod

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### The Matter With Mather

William Gwynn Mather Hall fills one of Trinity's most urgent needs: the requirement for a convenient, well-equipped meeting place for students, faculty, and their guests.

The student center's social value has already been demonstrated in a series of mixers, receptions, dinners, and alumni meetings which would have been inconvenient, if not impossible, last year. The lack of space which previously discouraged much extra-curricular activity no longer exists; and freshmen, Independents, parents, and alumni cannot fail to profit accordingly.

The Tripod, Ivy, Senate and Medusa have all gained the adequate facilities necessary for effective operation; and, equally important, the confusing hodge-podge of campus groups are at last assured that there will be available quarters for their numerous meetings. Mather Hall is a welcome invitation to increased student social and cultural activity.

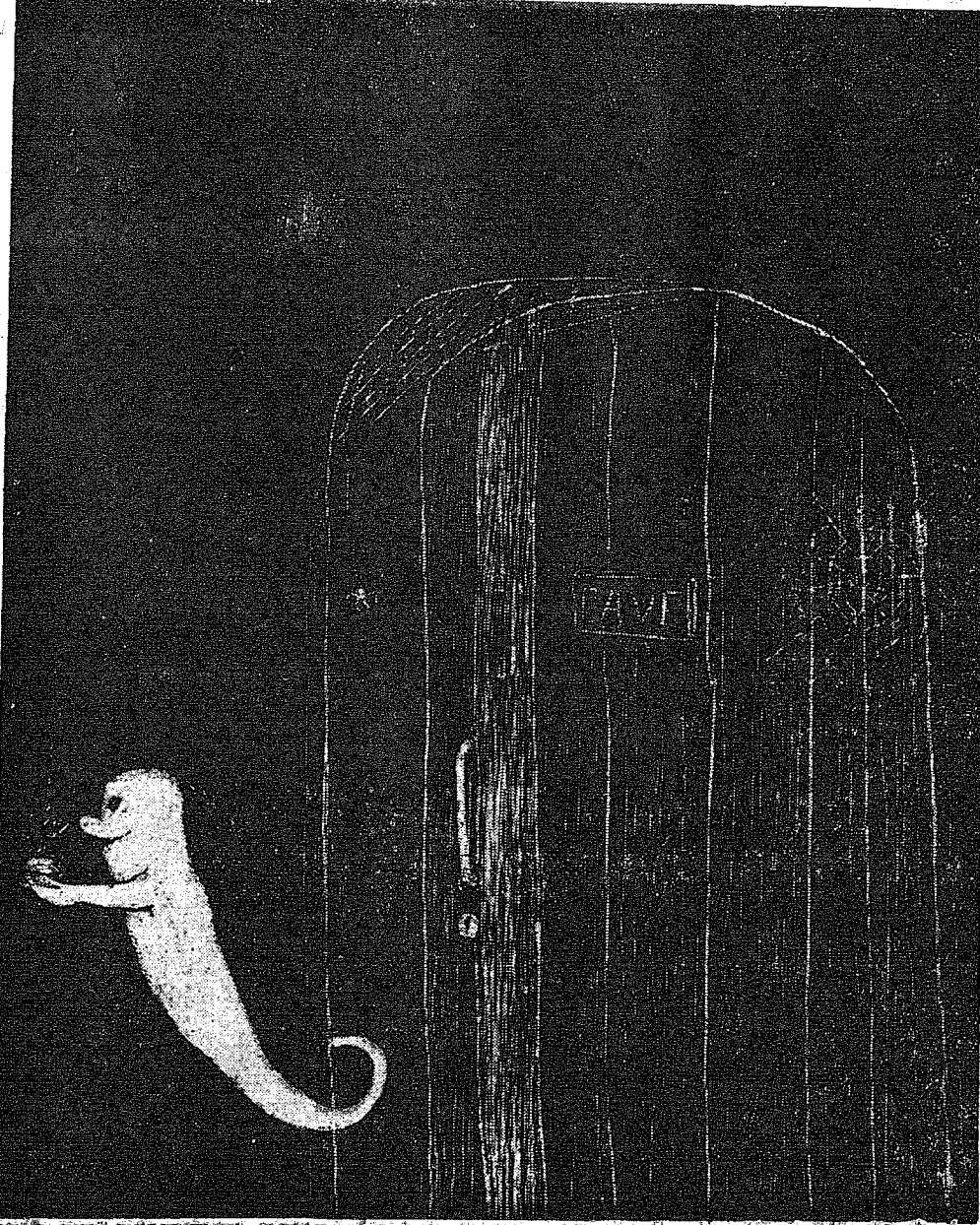
But is Mather Hall the best building that Trinity could have built for \$11 1/4 million dollars? Unfortunately, no.

The Center illustrates what happens when too many people try to guide design and development. An amorphous blob of brick results. Mather Hall is an unhappy combination of pseudo-Collegiate Gothic and sterile contemporary architecture. But the architects are not to blame. They had the impossible job of satisfying three not entirely harmonious factions: the Trustees, Faculty and Administration. The result is hardly surprising. Mather Hall is a great improvement over what existed before, but Trinity passed up the opportunity to design a truly distinguished building.

### Parents' Day

The Tripod welcomes the expected 700 parents and friends visiting the campus today. The day's activities are scheduled to give visitors a glimpse of nearly every phase of a student's life at the College. The dedication of William Gwynn Mather Hall, newest campus showplace, which inspired this issue of The Tripod, will provide a thorough impression of extra-curricular life at Trinity. The Franklin and Marshall football game will display the athletic side of student interests, and one aspect of social life will be reflected in the postgame parties. The evening activities in Mather Hall call special attention in turn to campus musical organizations.

These other activities necessitate the cancellation of classes today, but it is unfortunate that the Trinity represented in seminars, 2 a.m. study sessions, term papers, reserve books and the lecture series cannot be experienced by the parents. However, there are a number of opportunities for a picture of the academic side of college which should not be neglected. The library, including Watkinson Library, will be open, and there is an excellent chance to talk with professors during the field house luncheon.



### Frosh Laud . . .

(continued from page 1) one typical comment.

Some of the most popular activities in the lounges are the dances and mixers held there. Mentioning how important the ballroom and lounges will be in the College's social life, Steve Fein commented, "I can't wait until we'll have a mixer with Bennington."

#### Eating Facilities Laud

The new dining and snack bar facilities, which most upperclassmen consider the biggest improvement over the old facilities, also get an enthusiastic reception from the Frosh. "The Snack Bar is the most popular place on campus," Joseph Martire said as he stood in line behind a hundred other students, all trying to get something to eat before closing time.

"My only complaint," said several students, "is that the several students, 'is that the enough at night. I had been having a snack around 12:30 or 1, but the Snack Bar has long since been closed." Upperclassmen, mindful of last year's 10 p.m. closing hour in the Cave, aren't complaining on this score.

Another source of unhappy muttering is the rule which requires a coat and tie for dinner in the main dining room.

Ground Floor Diversions  
Meanwhile, the game rooms

in the basement have proved popular with all students. Robert Redner, chalking his cue, admitted, "Some freshmen spend too much of their time in the Halden game room playing billiards and ping pong; but the room is really terrific."

"Anyone for bridge?" Mike Heid asked as he walked into the card room: "I've had so

much homework, this is my first chance to play cards since Freshman Week."

On the main floor, the students can receive information about events at the College and in the Hartford area. Services offered at the information desk include answering to one freshman's "How do I get to Bloomfield?" to handing out Parents' Day luncheon tickets.

## Students Express Views On Aspects Of New Center

The College has warmly welcomed Mather Hall. The new student center serves as the focal point for most on-campus activities.

In general, the student body is very satisfied with the entertainment facilities available in the building.

John Norman and John Densen, two frequent visitors to Halden Game Room, said they enjoyed going there after meals and welcome the opportunity to play pingpong pool.

Leaders Enthusiastic  
The leaders of various student organizations were also enthusiastic about the new Center.

Roger MacMillan, president of the Senate, stated that he is highly pleased with the Senate room which is very conducive to discipline and decorum. MacMillan also pointed out that the Snack Bar Lounge is a very convenient place to meet and entertain guests.  
David Tower, president of

the Freshman Executive Council, which also meets in the Senate room, agreed that the room produced a dignified atmosphere. He felt also that the large second floor ballroom was most impressive.

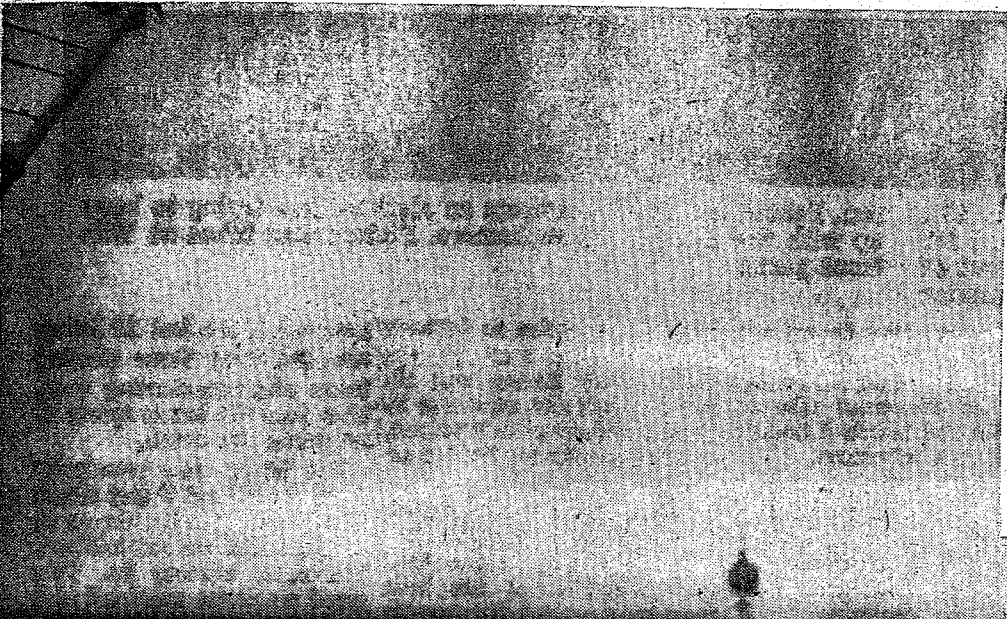
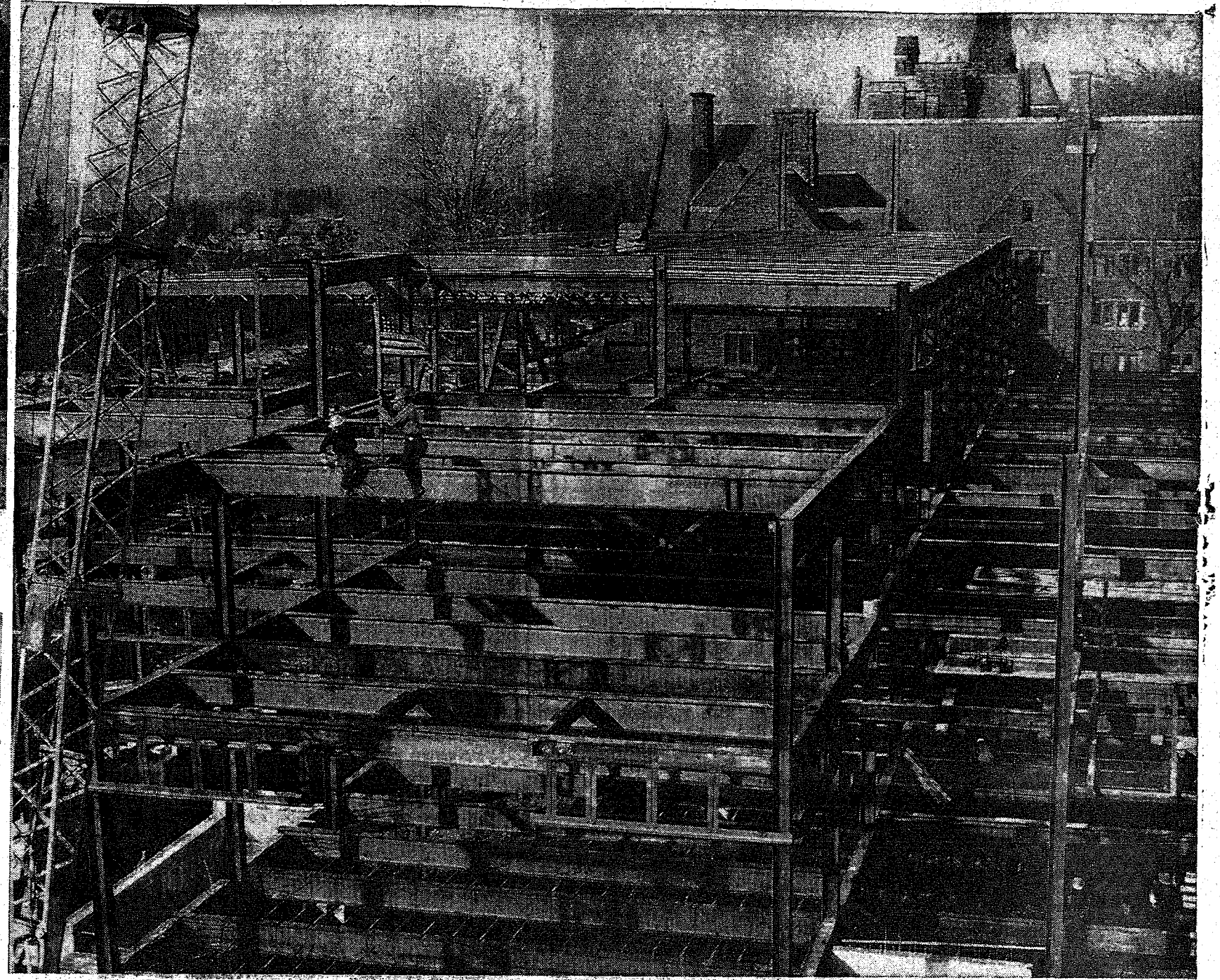
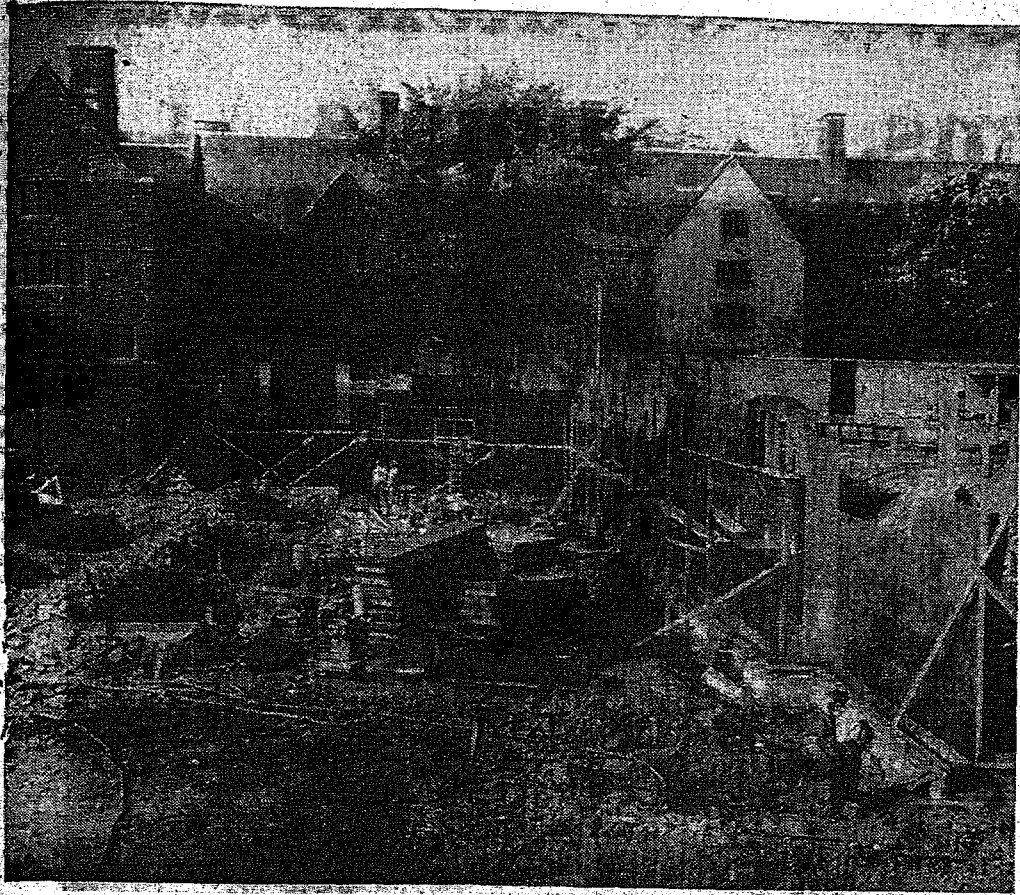
#### Weekend Activities

It had been hoped that Mather Hall would in some way decrease the mass exodus from Trinity on weekends. Most upperclassmen, however, agreed that the Center's facilities would not stop them from spending weekends away from the college.

Mather Hall is a boon to the Independents and freshmen, who lack some of the social advantages offered by the fraternities. Tower stated that with proper supervision and planning the weekend social activities of Mather Hall would encourage more freshmen to remain at the college after Saturday classes.

Most students felt that the new Center is a definite asset.

# Progress On \$1,500,000 Mather Hall Completion Fulfills 12-Year Dream



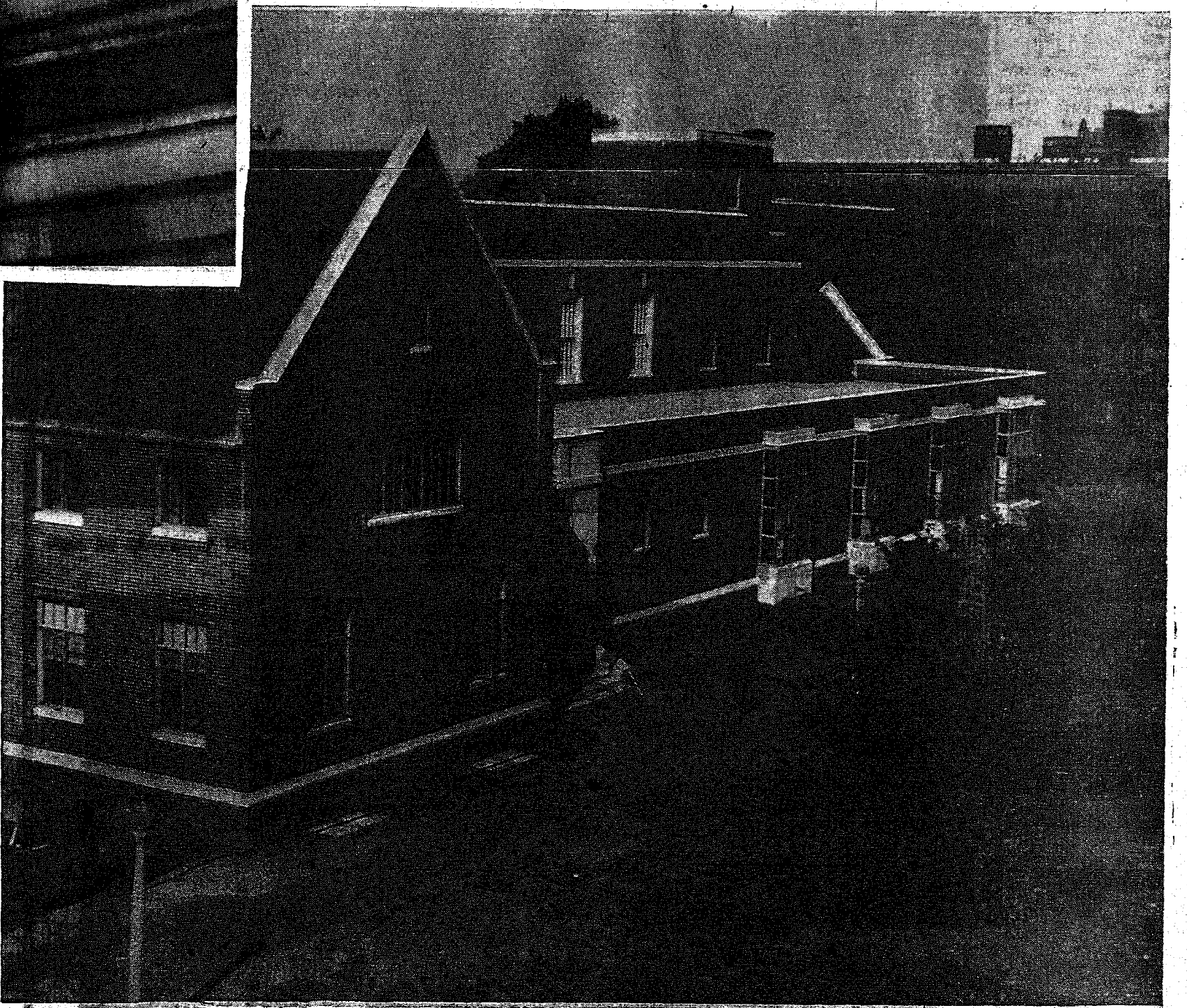
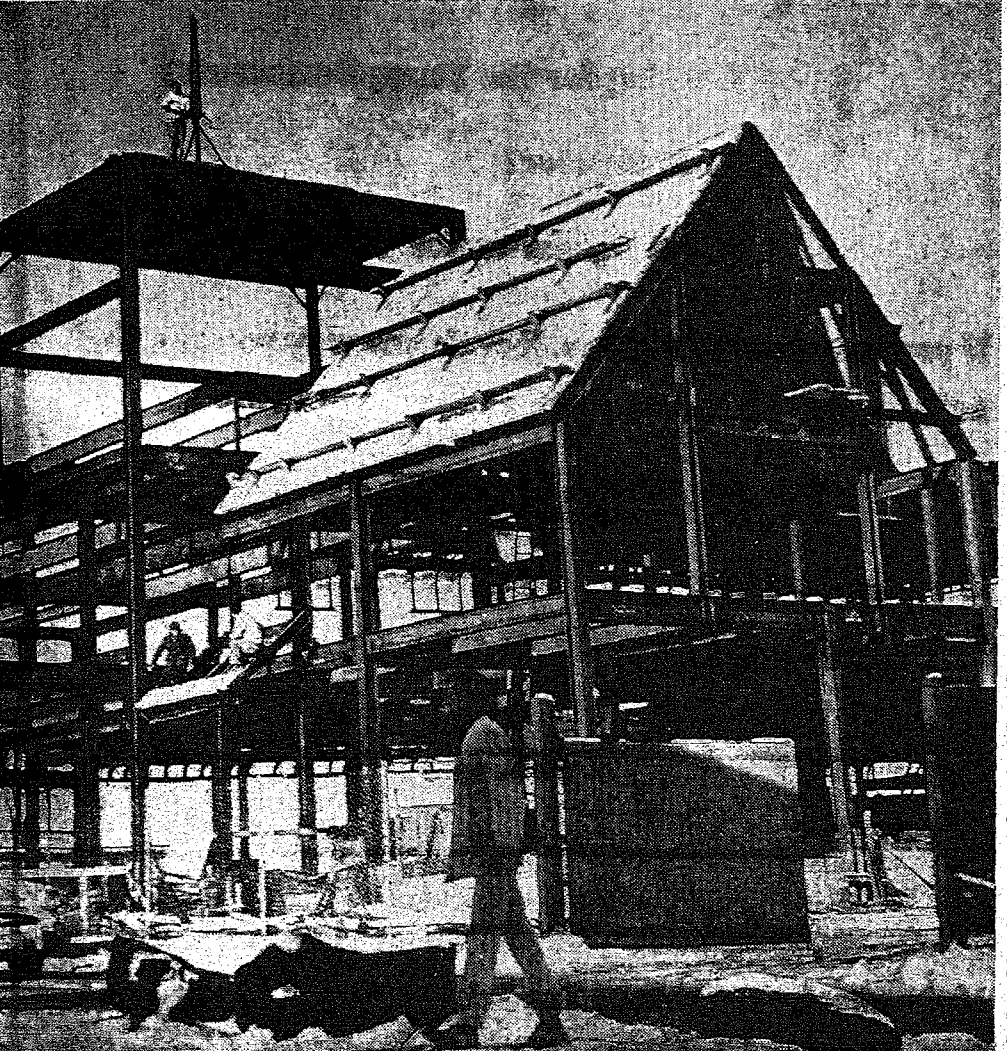
**UPPER RIGHT:** What looks like the frame of an aircraft carrier is really the steelwork for the building. This picture shows what will be the tallest part. The modern structure contrasts here with the Victorian rooftops of Northam and Seabury in the background.

der has been hoisted into place.  
**LOWER LEFT:** View of Mather Hall from Summit Street. The repavement of the driveway (foreground) and other improvements around the building are now in the process of completion.

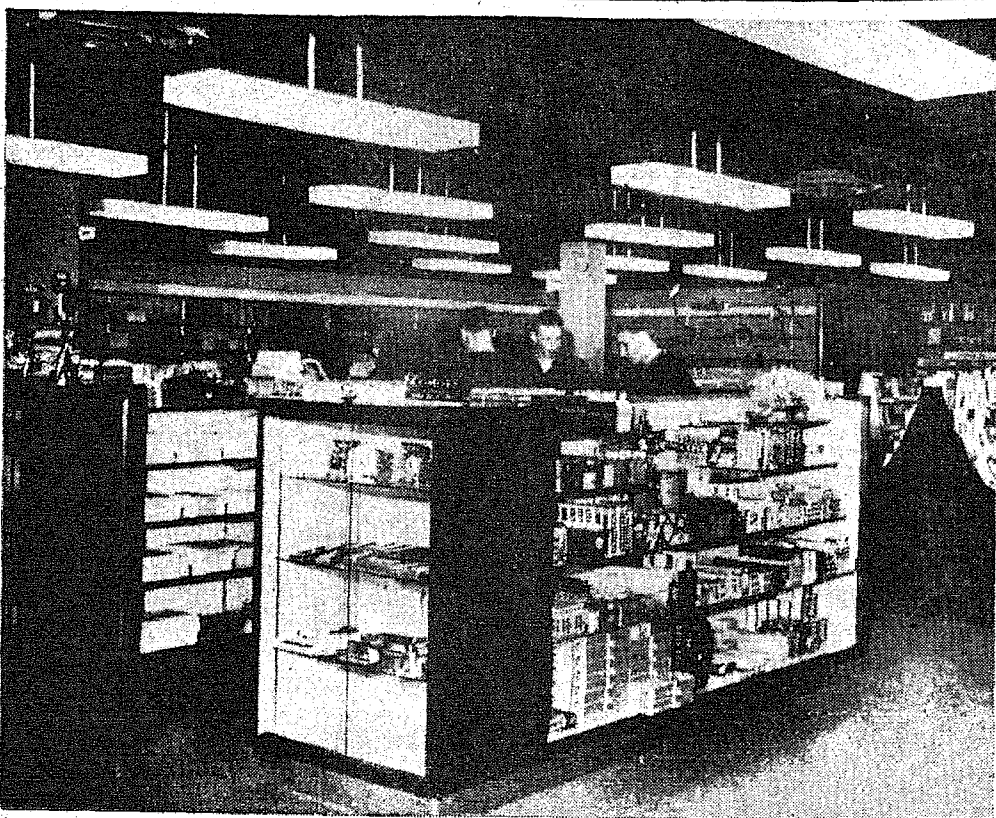
**UPPER LEFT:** The first step: the foundation for the Center being poured. In the background is Cook. To the left is Hamlin Hall which now connects with Mather.

**LOWER RIGHT:** A view of Mather Hall looking northwest. The wing in the center of the picture contains the building's offices and Senate and Medusa rooms. On the left are the windows of Wean Lounge on the ground floor and Alumni Lounge on the second.

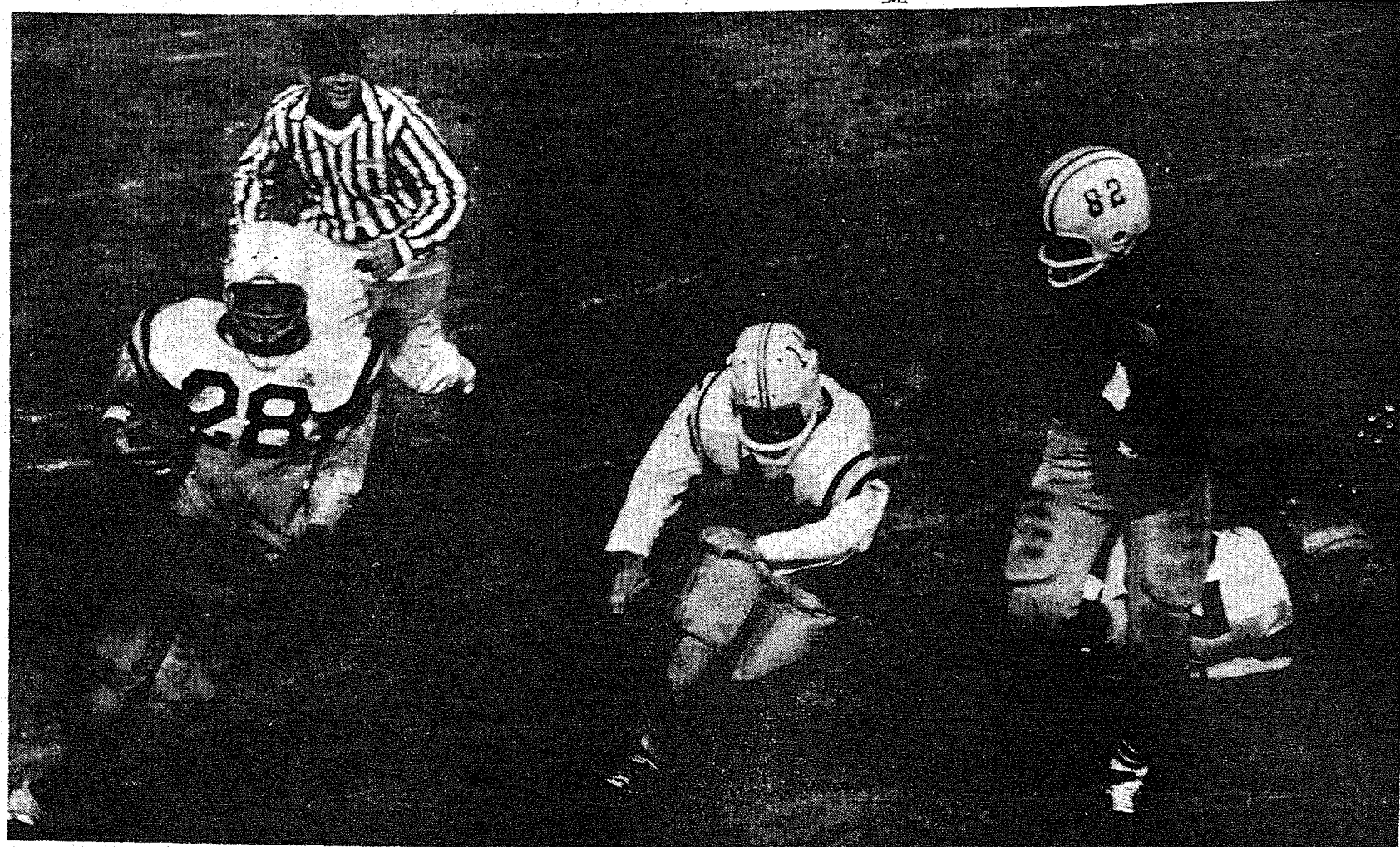
**CENTER LEFT:** Topping out — four stories up. This is the traditional flag-raising when the last gir-



# Parents' Day Crowd To Watch Battle Between Bantams, Diplomats At 2



ABOVE: Not Tiffany's. Just a partial view of the Student Bookstore. The new shop is larger, better stocked and 100% more pleasant than the old cavern.



JEEP SUPPORTING A TANK: John Szumczyk (No. 28), Trinity's biggest and fastest halfback, sweeps the right end for a short gain. A Williams' defender is about to be taken out of the play by quarterback Tony Sanders in this fourth quarter run. Behind Szumczyk scampers an alert referee trying to keep up with the fleet-footed sophomore. Picture was taken at Williams game.

### The Soft Sell

## Hidden Persuaders Lurk In Hargrove's Bookstore

By KEITH WATSON  
Now you probably thought that the new bookstore in Mather Center was simply an enclosure to sell books and cash checks.

Well, exploited shopper, you are dead wrong. In fact this innocent-looking room has been modeled by a nationally known store designer to create the best possible customer efficiency and the greatest sales appeal.

Do not be dismayed if you walk into that enclosure to purchase a textbook and finally walk out with three contemporary cards, five book-covers, a Trinity pin for the little woman, an English translation of Cornéille, two tubes of toothpaste, a sweatsuit, and a Hershey Bar—you have merely been the victim of Trinity Bookstore's hidden persuaders.

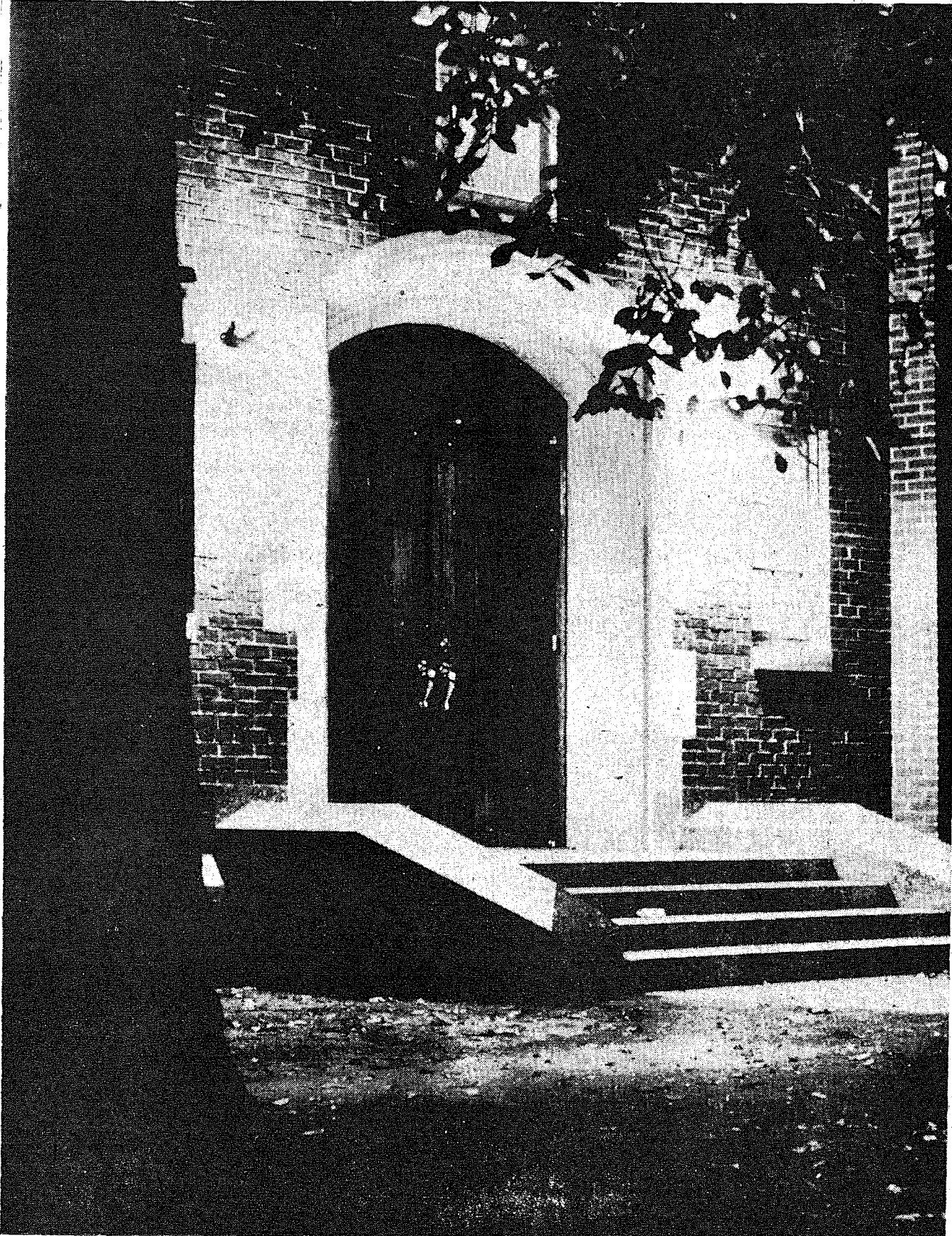
**Tzar Hargrove Rules**  
The Tzar of this capitalistic empire is Mr. J. Penn Hargrove. A graduate of Brown, this silver-haired six footer came to our campus eighteen months ago.

He immediately set about to reorganize the old bookstore which had suffered under rather capricious management. Cleaning out the storeroom in Seabury's basement, Mr. Hargrove decided to remove slower-moving commodities, such as moth-eaten jackets and '36 Freshmen beanies, from the inventory. Yet he knew from his long experience in merchandising that even a cleaner old bookstore could not satisfy the needs of 1000 students. Mr. Hargrove was therefore delighted to move into his new quarters this fall.

**Non-profit Operation**  
Despite some student protests, Mr. Hargrove assures us that beyond overhead his is strictly a non-profit operation. Most of the overhead is the salaries of the staff. The employees include eight students and Mrs. Hargrove (she's the one who informs you that you have just entered by the exit

door). Mr. Hargrove has no complaints against Trinity shoppers and is happy in his work, if the students are satisfied. But much of the success of the Trinity Bookstore must be attributed to the enthusiasm, efficiency, and devotion of its manager.

The campus has been blessed with a supply center of the most modern design and staffed with sufficient personnel.



ABOVE: Mather Hall looks like this after 11 P.M. right demonstrates that almost everybody on campus reads the Tripod.



## Tomat Tells Future Plans

Four bowling alleys, equipment for the dark room, and an assortment of paintings are scheduled to bring Mather Hall to its full physical maturity in the future.

Although space has been set aside for the bowling alleys, complete with locker rooms, the funds were not immediately available to install the alleys.

The dark room, likewise, is awaiting additional appropriations for equipment. Asked when the above facilities would be completed, Mr. Tomat replied, "I'm waiting for the money."

There are funds, however, already allotted for paintings to grace the now barren walls of Wean Lounge, the committee room, and the foyers. No decision has been reached yet as to the precise nature of the paintings.

### PHOTO CREDITS

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A Parents Day Crowd will witness the inauguration of a new football series here today when the Jessemen take on Franklin and Marshall College at 2:00 this afternoon.

The game, Trinity's first at home since Sept. 24, will be the first of three consecutive home games. So far the Bantams have managed only one win in four contests.

Recently Trinity has been plagued with injuries to key personnel. Full back Ken Cromwell was hobbled in the opening game and today may see his first action since then. Cromwell's understudy, junior Bill Polk, separated his shoulder against Colby and is lost for the remainder of the season.

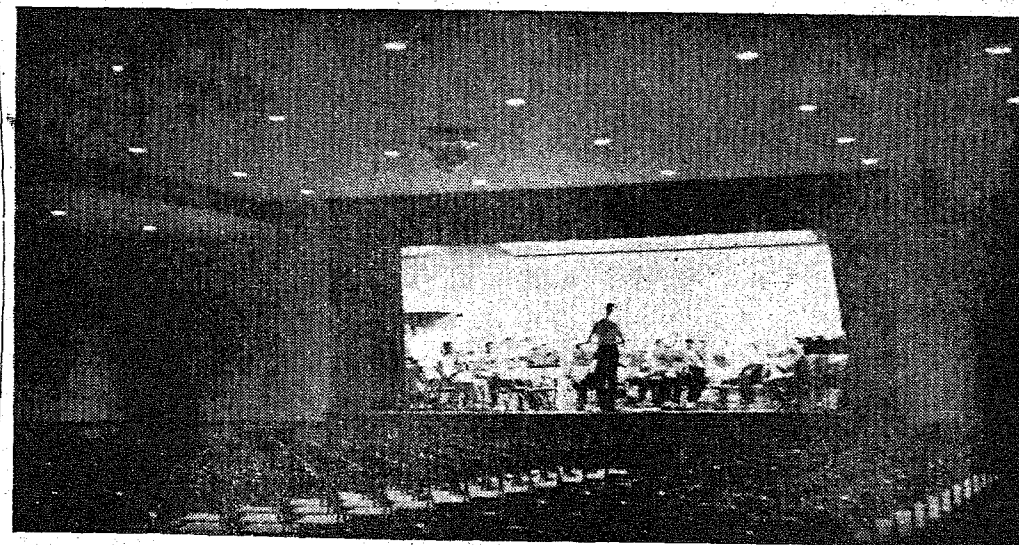
**Injuries Hit Backfield**  
The starting backfield for Trinity this afternoon can best be described as doubtful. West Hartford sophomore Carl Lundborg was impressive when

pressed into action as fullback last week and may get the call. Charley Bishop will fill one halfback slot, replacing injured speedster John Wardlaw. The latter may see limited action.

The biggest question mark is massive John Szumczk. The sophomore, the Bantams leading ground-gainer, has been nursing a pulled leg muscle this week. It is certain that Jesse will start his "bread and butter" back if at all possible. On the line things are more healthy. Only end Dale Peatman is on the shelf.

**Graduation Hurts Dips**  
The Diplomats from Lancaster, Pa., managed a 4-3-1 record in 1959. After a slow start this year, the visitors rallied to defeat Dickenson, 21-13, last Saturday. Coach Woody Sponaugle, who has compiled an excellent 56-37-6 record with the Diplomats, was hurt seriously by graduation. He lost 10 lettermen including three starting backs and two starting ends. This year the teams sports 12 returning lettermen.

**Scout Sees Hope**  
Two mammoth tackles are the mainstay of the Dips line. At other positions, the Pennsylvanians compare with the Bantams in size. Coach Jay McWilliams, who scouted the team, does not class them with the likes of Tufts and Colby, Trinity's most recent conquerors.



BAND practices in Mather Hall auditorium.

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