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### BASKET BALL VICTORY CHAPEL QUESTION.

Strong Delphi A. C. Team Defeated in the First Home Game.

The basket ball team won a most creditable victory on Friday evening when it defeated the strong Delphi A. C. team by the score of 34 to 20. The only poor feature of the game was the very poor attendance and poor support given the team which is by far the best basket ball team Trinity has had in the past three years. The team was without the services of ex-captain Duffee and Pond but their places were capably filled by Bowne and Marlor both of whom played a good game.

The game for the first three minutes was exceedingly fast and exciting neither team scoring. Captain **Powell got the first point on a goal** from foul. After that the Delphis played superior ball for seven or eight minutes running the score up to 11 to 3. Then the locals gave an excellent exhibition of team work and by the clever goal shooting of Powell and Landefeld ran the score up to 14 to 11, when the first half ended.

In the second half the team continued to play a fine game, especially Powell and Landefeld, whose clever passing and goal shooting was the best seen on Trinity floor for several years. In fact, it was so clever that the Delphis could not solve it at all and the game ended with the score 34 to 20.

The victory was undoubtedly due to the clever work of the two abovementioned men, assisted by Madden, Marlor and Bowne. With a little more practice on the part of the entire team there can be no doubt but that the team will develop into one of the fastest quintets that has ever represented the college. Captain Powell has proved himself to be a cool headed leader and deserves the support of the college body. If the team does not prove to be a winner it will be for lack of proper support. The Delphis are one of the strongest amateur teams in this state and the victory shows the ability of our team. The summary:

TrinityLineupDelphi A. C.Marlorright forwardHousePowell (C.)left forwardReeve (C.)LandefeldcenterGatesMaddenleft guardBuckleyBowneright guardOakesCoaleLandefeldG

Goals—Landefeld, 6; Powell, 4; Reeve, 3; Oakes, 2; Madden, 2; Bowne, 2; Marlor, 1; House, 1; Buckley, 1. Goals from foul—Buckley, 1; Oakes, 5; Powell, 1; Landefeld, 3. Referee, Coughlin; umpire, Cooley. Times of halves, 20 minutes.

President Luther will be one of the speakers at the annual dinner of the Williams College Alumni Association at the Hartford club on Friday evening, January 27. To the Editor of the Trinity Tripod: Dear Sir :- They tell me that to fight the devil with fire is a bad plan because it is foolhardy to choose a weapon with the use of which your enemy is most familiar. And yet, this fact evidently did not deter "Trinity True" from attacking my "long-windedness" with the same article and more of it. When you sift down those three columns of "Trin-ity True's" effusion you have before you practically this: First, because we have no "Union" we should have compulsory chapel; second, I am a lazy beast devoid of will-power and as such I am persona non-grata at Trinity.

As regards argument number one, I consider it totally irrelevant to the question. I am decidedly in favor of a "Union," so-called, such as exists in other colleges, but when anyone says that because we haven't one we should have compulsory chapel, it is about equivalent to the argument that because a man can't play billiards he must read the Bible. In other words, it is absurd.

Strange to say, I feel a trifle delicate about touching upon argument number two. However, I must attempt to justify myself to some extent. Perhaps I am lazy, and perhaps I am devoid of will-power. May ask one question? Do lazy people usually lose or gain in weight? It may be of interest for "Trinity True" to know that in three months I lost ten pounds in weight, which loss the doctors directly attributed to overwork and lack of sleep. If, then, I was lazy, my laziness was in attending chapel only. Listen, Mr. Editor, to "Trinity True's" statement in plain English; it amounts to this: That any man who devotes himself to his college to his own physical detriment is not such a man as the college needs if it be true that he is so weak in willpower as to cut chapel. I do not mean to say that I have accomplished anything at all. That is not for me to judge. I thoroughly appreciate the triffing concession made by "Trinity True," that possibly I might have done much for Trinity. The sweetest praise that I could ask would be to see this mere possibility assume a positive form.

One more question. Why does "Trinity True" so strenuously avoid discussing the incongruous punishment of suspension from college for overcutting chapel.

And now, let us eliminate this personal element from this question and try to view it as it really is.

There are, as I take it, only two arguments in favor of compulsory chapel. Primarily, it is supposed to bring men to a proper beginning of their day's work. This being done daily is supposed to make men feel the need of religion throughout life. From this foundation argument many numerous co-existent advantages are also claimed.

I have no inherent objection to allowing any man to pray. "It is meet and right so to do." Nor can anything be said against a man or body of men if they wish to offer prayer and thanksgiving to their Creator before they commence their daily tasks. On the other hand, it would seem to me that there is a very strong objection to compelling a man to perform the above mentioned duties. In a word, the compulsory chapel system does not accomplish its aim. It aims to create in the student a love for divine service and it results in creating a dislike. When the average student goes home for vacation he is thankful for a rest from work, but doubly thankful for a rest from chapel. might go on indefinitely along this line of argument. It seems to me, however, that it is wasting time to do so because irrefutable facts go to prove what I say. Hence, I pass on to the second apparently valid reason for compulsory chapel.

The argument to be considered is that the real reason for the present system is to teach young men that they must be at a certain place at a certain time. This is an excellent reason and were it not for the attendant evils it would be nearly unanswerable. It may be said, however, that compulsory attendance at recitations accomplishes this very thing. Why is it necessary to use the service of the church for such a purpose when we have the secular means at hand?

Compulsory religion in any and every form has been repugnant to the divine freedom of man's soul ever since it has existed. I only hope it will so continue. Any worship which does not come from the depths of man's soul and of his own free will is, in my humble opinion, a sacrilege.

In conclusion, I wish to say that I regret having upset the equilibrium of the mind of my fellow-student, whoever he may be. I admire his wild, reckless, slap-dashery with which he so savagely assailed me. It is truly a misfortune that he is not for instead of against me. "Trinity True" is probably earnest, but he is wrong.

This is the end, Mr. Editor, as far as I am concerned. You may have other letters from Hodiernus, but not on this subject. I have had my sav. I leave the rest for those of greater brains and more will-power.

I also wish to acknowledge gracefully the compliment, such as it is, in the fact that my previous letter was worthy enough to call forth such scathing criticism from such a dignified source as "Trinity True."

I thank you again for your attention and trust that I have not imposed upon your good nature.

Very truly yours,

HODIERNUS.

To the Editor of the Tripod:

My Dear Sir:-May I take a little of your space to correct what seems to me a misleading statement in Hodernius' " letter about compulsory chapel. If I remember correctly, he says if he takes four more chapel cuts before February 11, he will be admonished. What he should have said was: Four in addition to the one a week already allowed, thus making a total of nine cuts during the period between Chiristmas and the beginning of the new term, or about 30% of the total number of possible absences; and even then he would only be admonished, which would limit him to three more unallowed absences before suspension. I do not propose to take up the discussion of the ethical value of compulsory chapel, but should like to remind "Hodiernus" that in espousing a cause, overstatement of grievances always weakens the force of an appeal.

#### Yours very truly, HENRY A. PERKINS.

January 22, 1905.

To the Editor of The Tripod:

Dear Sir :- A few lines to express my approval of the letter from "Trinity True," and his stand for the present compulsory chapel system. There is much to be said in favor of it, also, perhaps, much against it. I have heard many condemning "Hodiernus'" letter and many favoring, and I believe that it would be a good plan if they would express their ideas in joint, or, perhaps, the debating club might give a public debate on the question. I wish some way or means could be adopted whereby the sentiment of the full undergraduate body could be determined. I fully believe it would be for the present system. 1906

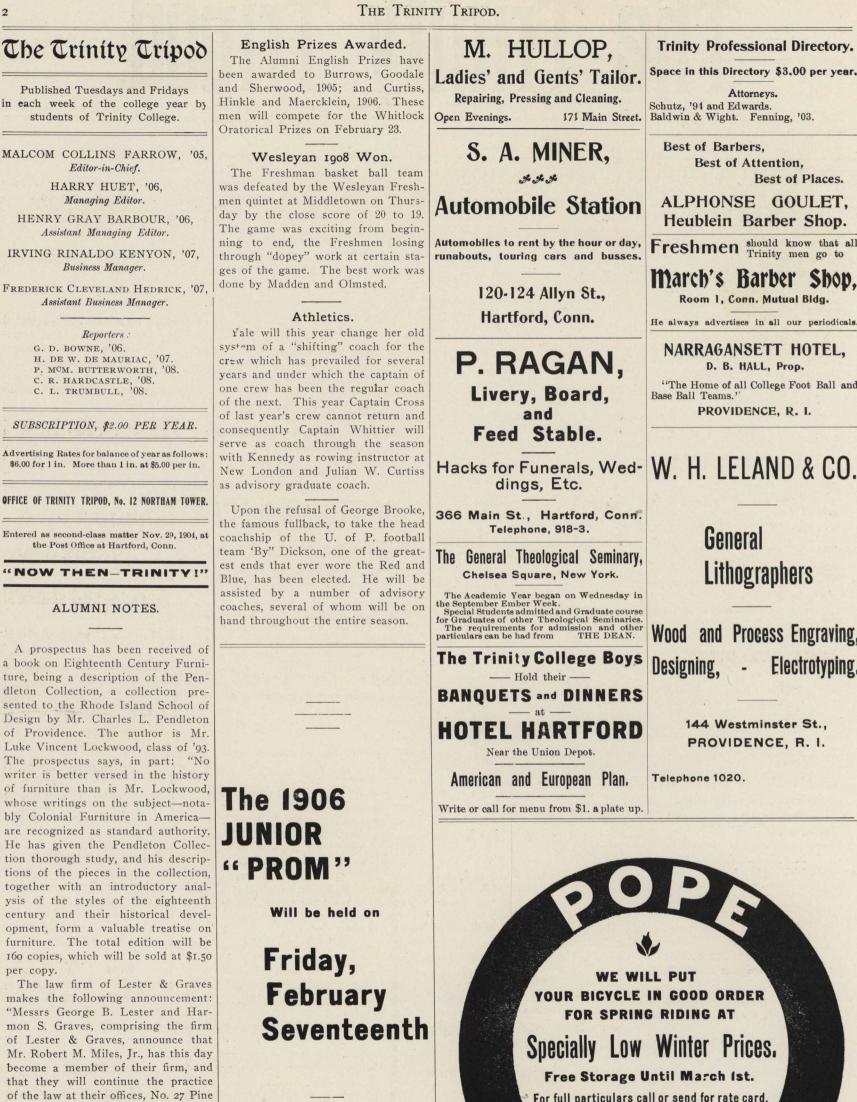
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#### HOCKEY GAME.

The Freshman hockey team defeated the Westminster school team at Simsbury on Saturday, by a score of 6 to 2. It was the "freshies'" first game and practically their first line-up but despite this they put up a good game and won through the good offensive work and shooting of Morris and Hubbard, and the excellent defensive work of Morgan. The summary:

Trinity	Lineup.	Westminster
Budd,	goal	Warner
Stevens	point	Rhodes
Morgan,	cover poin	t Philbin
Ferguson,	right win	g Curtiss
Cunningham,	left wing	Pierce
Hubbard,	right center	r Holt
Morris,	left cente	r Bradley
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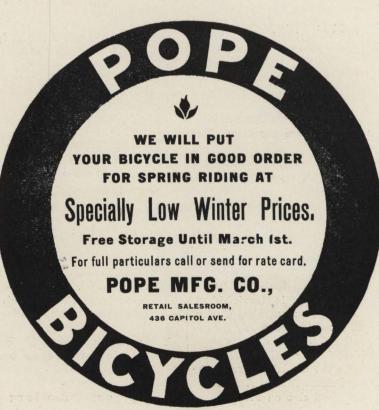
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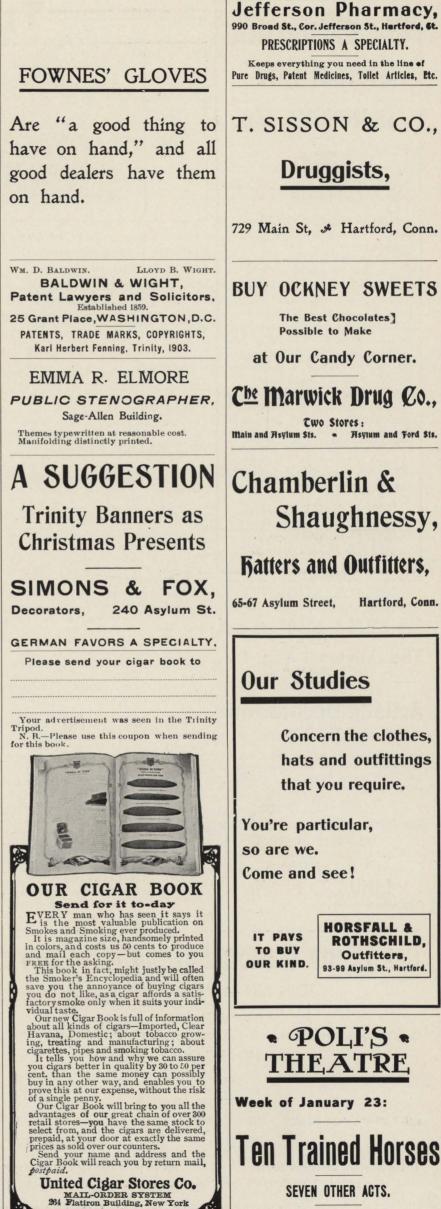
Her Catalogue Shows an Increase in Number of Students-Harvard's Decrease.

The Harvard University catalogue for 1904-5 shows Harvard's registration this year, exclusive of the summer school and Radcliffe College, to be 4,136, as compared with 4,324 last year, or a loss of 192 in the university. The figures, including Radcliffe and the summer school, make the loss for Harvard even greater. This year the total, including these two departments, is 5,550, while last year it was 6,040, making the loss 490.

The Yale University catalogue to be published to-morrow will show, as compared with last year, an increase of officers and instructors from 384 to 301. Not including the summer forest school and courses for teachers, the total student registration is 2,996, an increase of 33. The graduate school increases 20, the academic department 25, the scientific department 24, the art school 4, the music school 7, the forest school loses I, the divinity school 1, the medical school 2 and the law school 22.

In state representation Connecticut has 1,010, New York 582, Pennsylvania 194, Massachusetts 168 and New Jersey 108. In city representation New Haven has 405, New York 213, Chicago 91, Hartford 77 and Brooklyn 72. Forty states of the union, territories and colonial possessions, are represented, and 18 foreign countries, Canada leading with 30 students, followed by Japan with 19. Eighty-two cities and towns are represented by five or more students each. The degree students in the university represent 166 outside universities and colleges, Harvard leading with 15, followed by Amherst with 12 and Bethany College, Kansas, with II. The catalogue for the first time contains the list of the Yale Alumni associations





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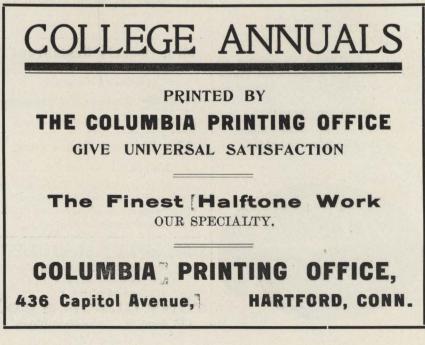
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