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PRES. LUTHER PREACHES.

To a Large Audience in Springfield.

President Flavel S. Luther preached before a good audience in Christ church in Springfield Wednesday evening, his address being the third in the Wednesday evening series of sermons during Lent in that church. The Springfield Republican of yesterday says of his sermon:

"Dr. Luther preached on faith, speaking along the line that faith was not so much belief as loyalty, earnest striving to do well whatever the outcome, and whatever the obstacles, confidence in the ultimate good of things. In conclusion he insisted that our sorrows and sufferings, our disappointments and discouragements, so long as they come while we are earnestly striving to do right, make for the betterment of mankind. By every failure, every downfall, we are helping Christ in the great work he started 2,000 years ago, just so long as we are working hard and earnestly according to our best conviction of right doing. If we so work earnestly we are helping Christ as much in failure and discouragement as we are when all goes well and the world applauds us as having done the right thing. Next Wednesday evening Rev. Dr. Henry Sylvester Nash, professor in the Cambridge theological school, will preach.

GOOD BASEBALL DAYS.

Possible Line-up at Yale Game.

During this week the baseball team has been hard at work in preparation for the first game of the season, with Yale, next Wednesday. Although the regular diamond is still too soft for use, an impromptu diamond has been made on the grass in the outfield. Short practice games have been played the last three afternoons this week and from seeing the men in action, Coach Murphy is rapidly getting a line on their playing abilities. At present the best combination seems to be Smith, catcher; Woodle, pitcher; Abbey, first base; Carrol, second base; N. H. Gildersleeve, short stop; Xanders, third base; Connor, left field; Potter, center and A. L. Gildersleeve in right garden.

The chief strength of the team seems to lie in the infield. Xanders and Gildersleeve will be in their old positions while first and second are being played by new men, Abbey and Carrol both of whom are very fast. A. L. Gildersleeve '11 from his work this week bids fair to be a heavy hitter and will give captain Xanders a merry run for batting honors this season. Woodle and Carrol have also been hitting the ball and are bound to be heard from. Cook, the sophomore pitcher who returned to college recently is still out of the game on account of an injured wrist. His reappearance will strengthen the pitching corps and will also add to the competition in the outfield judging from his good work of last season.

PROF. GETTELL PRESIDES.

At Get-Together Club Meeting.

Professor Raymond Gettell of the History department presided at the dinner of the Get-Together Club of Hartford which was held Monday evening at the Hotel Garde. The other speakers were Clarence Deming of New Haven and Professor William B. Munroe of the department of political science at Harvard University. The Hartford Courant says:

"When the dinner had been cared for Professor Gettell launched into the subject in a general way. He said the question of city government in this country was claiming the attention of a large part of thinking people at present, and was an interesting subject. The development of the big cities had started back in 1840, when only 8 per cent of the population was urban. From that time cities had increased disproportionately to the rest of the population, and to-day one-third of the total population lived in cities of 8,000 and over. In New England four-sevenths lived in the cities and in sections, the country population was on the decrease. As a natural result the democracy of the country was being tested to the utmost, and was facing problems that could not have been imagined years ago. In this matter the middle classes were the sufferers and were between the upper and nether millstones.

"The great trouble, said Professor Gettell, was the lack of self-reliance, imposed by crowded conditions; and the mixture of business and politics thrust on the average citizen found him totally unequal to the emergency. Under the agencies at work, local and statewide, the city was hampered by lack of complete self-government, and in those activities springing from the state, there was no state supervision to look after them properly. As to obvious social conditions, arising from the presence of foreigners, the slums, crime and ignorance, these might be solved by evolution. The purely municipal activities, as lighting, water supply, sewers and streets, should be in the hands of the city government. 'There are two ways of looking at these matters,' said Professor Gettell in closing. 'One looks to the creation of a perfect machinery, that will run itself, and the other places reliance on the genius of the American people to overcome all difficulties, and make good from faulty materials.'

At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was extended to the speakers, and the club expressed its gratitude to Rev. Rockwell H. Potter of the Center church for his decision to continue his pastorate in Hartford.

The University of Chicago defeated the University of Pennsylvania at basketball at Philadelphia Wednesday night by the score of 17 to 16. This gives Chicago the college championship in the United States.

SENIOR CLASS ELECTIONS.

New Officers for Coming Class Day.

Wednesday afternoon the members of the class of 1908 held re-election for Class Day officers. This action was decided upon by the class because of the fact that a number of the officers elected about three weeks ago had resigned and it was thought that a more representative ticket could be secured if all the positions were declared vacant and re-election held. This was done and the following is a list of the new officers:

Harvey C. Pond of Hartford was elected class day president. Mr. Pond is one of the most popular men in college, has had a large number of college honors and has been very prominent in athletics for the past four years. He has played on the football team for four seasons and has been a member of the track team for the same length of time. Up to this year he has also played on the basketball team. Mr. Pond was secretary-treasurer of the Athletic Association last year and is president this year. He also acted as college marshal last commencement. He is a member of the S. D. C. and Medusa societies. Mr. Pond is also a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

James K. Edsall of Minneapolis, Minn., was elected secretary-treasurer. He was manager of the track team last season, on the Tripod board and a member of the 1908 "prom" committee. He is a member of the S. D. C., Medusa societies and the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

Frederick J. Corbett of Hartford was elected orator for the occasion. Mr. Corbett is one of the high stand men in college and was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternity last June. He has also taken an active part in various college debating societies. He is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Edwin J. Donnelly of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected presenter. Mr. Donnelly stands out pre-eminently as Trinity's best athlete in recent years, at least. He has played on the football team for four years being captain of last year's eleven. He has played on the basketball team for the same length of time and was captain of the 'varsity five for the past two seasons. He has played on the baseball team for two years and has been a member of the track team since entering Trinity. Mr. Donnelly is a member of the S. D. C. and Medusa societies and the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Ralph R. Wolfe of Bloomfield was elected poet. Mr. Wolfe has been prominent in literary activities and was editor-in-chief of both the 1908 Ivy and the Tablet last year. He is a member of the Glee Club and the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

Thomas M. Phillips of East Hartford was elected historian. He was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa honorary fra-

THE SOPHOMORE SMOKER.

One of the Greatest Events of the Year.

Although the sophomore smoker given last night differed in details of arrangement from those of previous years, the difference in enthusiasm was one of degree of intensity alone. It is not likely that interest and spirit in athletics will flag this spring. The enthusiasm with which each speaker was greeted, and the general all-pervading feeling of good-fellowship was bound to move the most distinterested.

Cigarettes, tobacco and pipes were in plenty: the tobacco in small round cans labeled "Sophomore Smoker 1910," and pipes of imitation calabash, secured by the committee through the kindness of F. H. Crygier of Hartford. Considerable sentiment was attached to the smoker because of the fact that yesterday was the birthday of President Luther.

The following was the program of the smoker:

W. Rich Cross, President of 1908.
John F. Forward '96, Chairman.

Part I.

Selection—Hatch's Orchestra.
Address—President F. S. Luther '70.
Selection—Sturges Harmon '10.
Baseball—I. L. Xanders '09.
Wrestling bout—
Skilton '08 vs. Vaughn '08.
Musical clubs—G. A. Cunningham '07.

Part II.

Selection—Hatch's Orchestra.
Athletics at Trinity and Elsewhere—
Professor R. G. Gettell.
Selection—1910 Quartet.
Track—H. B. Olmsted '08.
Boxing match—
Smith '10 vs. Carroll '10.
Alumni talks.
"Neath the Elms."

John F. Forward '96, as chairman, spoke of the policy of reducing the number of athletic contests and called attention to the fact that this policy has been in force at Trinity for a number of years. The effort has been not to get so many games that studies are neglected, and not to get so few that it will not be worth while to keep up the sport, and Mr. Forward maintained that we had succeeded in striking the desirable medium.

Dr. Luther was then introduced, and upon rising, was greeted with a hearty Trin from undergraduates and alumni. He spoke briefly upon athletics, passing from a discussion of athletic spirit to that larger loyalty to one's alma mater. The sense of oneness and solidarity, he said, is particularly strong at Trinity, where the freshman feels that he has become one of a vast corporate body. Dr. Luther expressed his appreciation of his reception by his audience in terms which unmistakably showed how close is the bond which unites president and undergraduates.

Captain Xanders spoke most confidently of the baseball prospects, out-

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EDITORIAL.

Col. Harvey on "Journalism."

It has been said that the real value of the lectures on "Journalism" which George Harvey is giving in the Bromley course at Yale, lies in the fact that he gets nearer the real thing than is usual upon such occasions. Col. Harvey is well known as the head of the Harper Bros. of New York and a newspaper and magazine editor besides. In his last talk at Yale he made the features of the special paper which he has constructed to illustrate his views the article for conveying a good deal of practical advice, filled with idealism, not only to those present, but to newspaper men throughout the country. These facts will be more clearly seen and more widely known when these lectures are published in book form, as they ought to be. Col. Harvey closed his wonderful lecture with an appeal for the "profession of journalism," pointing out its great possibilities of power, and appealing to Yale men to enlist in its service.

In closing we may say that one does not necessarily have to agree with all of Col. Harvey's ideas to appreciate the fact that he stands for high things as they appeal to him. This was strikingly demonstrated when, upon securing control of Harper's magazine, he emphasized its best side, and enlisted in its exclusive service foremost men of American letters. Thus was a temptation to lower the standard resisted—and that constituted a genuine and noble public benefaction.

Need of Fire Protection.

Trinity's sections and fraternity houses should be better provided with the means of combating fire than they have been in the past. We have had several examples, not very far removed either, when it was shown all too clearly that the provision made for the checking or extinguishing of fire was but a mere pretense. Take for example,

the fire in the college library last May and the enormous amount of damage, which might have been considerably lessened, if a reasonable amount of apparatus had been in readiness. We all saw at that time that help from the city of Hartford was of little value, for it is either too long in coming or useless when it arrives on the campus, on account of poor water pressure. In view of these facts can we not ask that one or more fire extinguishers be placed in each section to lessen the danger?

In the last college year, we also were alarmed at times by smaller fires in the fraternity houses, where the danger is not lessened in the least, for as long as a number of men are rooming together, there is certainly a necessity for some way of escape on a moment's notice. The horrible Chi Psi fire at Cornell was a disaster unparalleled in college circles and who knows but that a like incident will take place here at Trinity without the slightest warning.

We must think of these things, and realize how poor our equipment is for fighting one of man's most dangerous enemies—that of fire. Let us take some steps towards the installment of better apparatus, and at least install hand extinguishers, and fire ropes in every section and recitation hall in college. These are necessities.

Freshmen Win Basketball Series.

The freshmen class defeated the seniors last evening at basketball, thus winning the annual interclass basketball series of the season. The score was 15 to 9. The work of Davis for the freshmen was the feature of the game. The line-up:

Freshmen.	Seniors.
Gildersleeve, lf	rg, Stevens
Davis, rf	lg, Olmsted
Woodle, c	c, Donnelly
Ramsdell, lg	rf, Pond
Carroll, rg	lf, Collins

Score, Freshmen 15, Seniors 9. Goals from field, Davis 4, Gildersleeve 2, Carrol, Olmsted 2, Collins. Goals from fouls, Carrol, Stevens 2, Olmsted. Referee, Dr. Swan. Timer, MacGuire. Time, 15-minute halves.

PROF. GETTELL PRESIDES.

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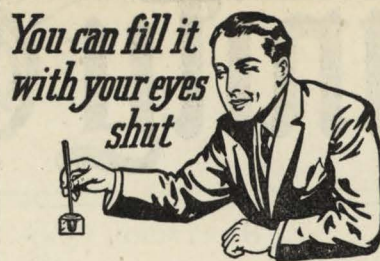
ternity last June and has been a member of the musical clubs for four years. Mr. Phillips is also business manager of the Tablet.

Leroy A. Ladd of Washunga, Okla., was elected class prophet. Mr. Ladd was a member of the 1908 Ivy board and last year's Tablet staff. He is a member of the I. K. A. fraternity.

Henry S. Wilcox of Little Falls, N. Y., was elected statistician. He is a man of marked scholarly ability and a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternity.

Louis S. Butts of Hartford was elected presenter of the famous lemon squeezer now held by the senior class. He played center on the football team his freshman year but owing to injuries received has been unable to play the game since then. He is a member of the Alpha Chi Rho fraternity.

Coach Connaughton of Tufts College believes that he can develop the best baseball team in several years. Their season opens with a game with Brown at Providence, April 8th.



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'57—The Rev. Dr. Edmund Rowland died at his home in Waterbury, Conn., on Sunday, March 22, at the age of 73 years. He was born in Springfield, Mass., on May 24, 1835, spent his freshman and part of his sophomore year at Harvard and entered Trinity as a junior. He graduated in 1857, receiving the degree of M.A. in 1860. In 1882, he received the Doctor of Divinity degree from Kenyon. He prepared for the ministry at the Berkeley Divinity School, and after being ordained to the priesthood, was put in charge of the American church in Rome. He held rectorates in Saratoga Springs and Goshen, N. Y., New Bedford, Mass., and Cincinnati, O. Since 1884 he has been rector or rector emeritus of St. John's Church, Waterbury. The burial took place Wednesday afternoon.

'63—The Rev. Dr. Leonard K. Storrs, D.D., is a member of the Cathedral Corporation of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

'91—The father of I. K. Hamilton '91 died recently at his home in Chicago, Ill.

'93—William C. D. Willson, of Troy, N. Y., was a visitor at college recently.

'00—D. L. Swarthz is with the Union Bag and Paper Co., 17 Battery Place, New York City.

'01—The Rev. Frank S. Morehouse, after several years of faithful work in Rugby, North Dakota, has accepted an election to the rectorship of St. Peter's church, Cheshire, Conn.

INTER-COLLEGIATE NOTES.


It seems to be the unanimous opinion of the press that the Yale crew in the event of a victory over Harvard this spring will not accept an invitation to row Cambridge or Oxford in England this year. An invitation from Oxford and Cambridge to Harvard and Yale, to send a team of field and track athletes to England is predicted.

Princeton opened the baseball season with a home game, Wednesday by defeating New York University by a score of 6 to 3. The game was won principally by the pitching of Heyniger, who did not allow the visitors a hit during the first five innings.

The intercollegiate basketball league meets in New York to-day, and probably Yale will hand in a resignation. If Yale does hand in a resignation, Cornell, Pennsylvania and Columbia will be left alone in the league. Yale men believe that they play too much basketball and may decide to drop it as a collegiate sport.

The Georgetown Athletic Association will meet Sunday and a hot fight is expected as the subject of summer baseball is to be discussed. Two years ago it was voted to allow 'varsity men to play ball with independent teams, but an attempt will be made to do away with this rule and to keep the men from "summer ball."

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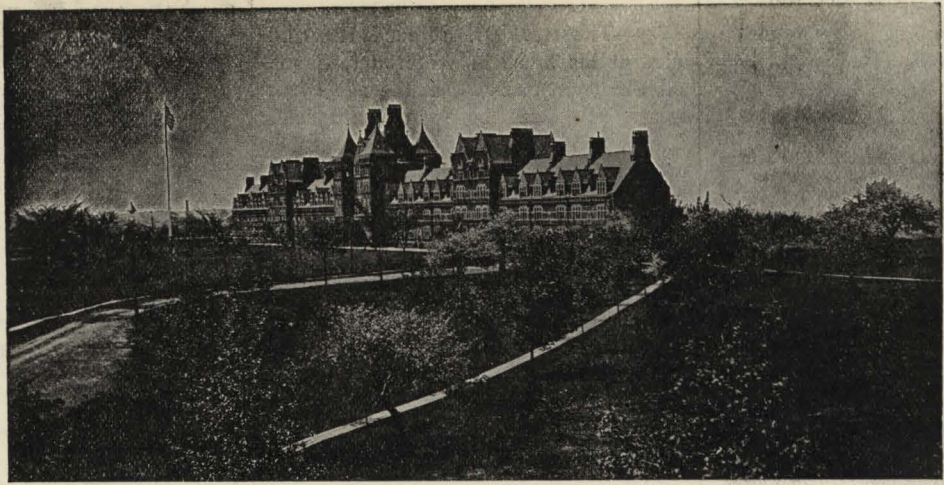
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THE SOPHOMORE SMOKER.

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lining clearly what the college body can do to help, and what it may not do, namely, criticize. "The coach and captain," he said, "have been put in charge of the team, and they are the ones who are responsible. If you have nothing good to say, don't say anything."

G. A. Cunningham, in his address, made the point that athletics express the life of the students only in "a sort of rah rah way," but that the musical clubs do really stand for undergraduate social life.

Professor Gettell very ably compared Trinity athletics with those of various other colleges which had come under his observation. He said that Trinity takes rank in intercollegiate contests with colleges twice and three times her size. Furthermore, the three chief criticisms against college athletics do not hold good at Trinity. The objection that athletics engages too few of the students does not hold here, for almost one-half of the undergraduates take part in athletic contests. Our athletes, contrary to the general rule, are proficient students, and men in good academic standing. It can not be said that undue prominence is given to athletics here as our schedule is by no means so large as to prevent a student from giving due attention to his studies.

H. B. Olmsted, captain of track, spoke of the need of support and of hard, consistent practice. W. S. Schutz '94, also spoke most earnestly and energetically on athletics.

The boxing match between Smith '10 and Carrol '10 was declared a draw, and the wrestling match was won by Skilton '08, who succeeded in taking two falls out of his adversary Vaughn. The other numbers on the program, a solo by Sturges Harmon '10, and a medley by the 1910 quartet were enthusiastically received. A clog dance by J. F. Townsend '10 received hearty applause.

The smoker on the whole was very earnest, a fact which may be taken for a good sign, namely, that this spring Trinity means business, and is going to support her track and baseball, win or lose.

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