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INTER-CLASS SINGING.

Senate Committee Acts.

Before the end of the week the committee recently appointed by the Senate will have commenced arrangefor the interclass "sing" ments contest by which it is hoped to raise the present low standard of singing by the college body at the coming games and meets of the spring season. The arrangement is to have a contest between the various classes in college. Each class, under the direction of a leader appointed by the class president, will memorize three familiar Trinity songs. A contest will then be held and honors will go to the class making the best showing. The contest will probably be held on the campus and each class will sing two songs in unison, and another in whatever manner it may see fit.

During the last football season the college body made a rather sad showing in the vocal efforts at the various games. At the Wesleyan game the deficiency was most evident when the men from Middletown won loud applause on all sides for the excellent songs which were heard from their side of the grid-The effort of the committee apiron. pointed by the Senate to improve the college singing here at college will be to make every man familiar with Trinity songs and to add to the present collection of songs any new ones which may prove popular with the college body.

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT.

To-night Trinity meets Wesleyan in Middletown in what will probably be one of the closest games of the season. Wesleyan's team this year has made an excellent showing and Dartmouth, Pratt and Princeton are among the teams which have met defeat at their hands. A large crowd of undergraduates are attending the game from college, this being one of the few games of the season that the men in college have had an opportunity to attend.

TENNIS OUTLOOK.

Manager A. E. Pulford, '11, of the tennis team has partially arranged the schedule for the coming season which will open at Hartford on April 23 with a game with the Springfield Training School. Four other games have been arranged for with Connecticut Aggies at Hartford on April 30, Union at Hartford on May 9, Williams at Williamstown on May 30, Wesleyan at Hartford on June 4. Games pending are with Syracuse at Hartford on May 17, and Brown at Providence later in the season. The New England Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament will be held as usual at Boston in the third week of May.

The prospects for the team this season are excellent as three of the members of last year's team are in college and there is much good material in the freshman class. At a meeting of the class of 1912, held last Wednesday the resignation of Saltsman as chairman of the Sophomore Smoker Committee was accepted, and in his place William Short, Jr. of St. Louis, Mo., was elected by the class. Short is a member of the Sophomore Dining Club and has played on the class football, basketball and baseball teams.

SOPHOMORE SMOKER.

Committee at Work.

Although there are no definite plans arranged the committee has about decided to have the Smoker the night previous to the New York University baseball game in Hartford, April 16. This will give the sub-freshmen who may be present an opportunity to witness the game and to imbibe some of the life at Trinity, and ought to prove a very enjoyable two days. The men about college will take advantage of this opportunity, no doubt, and the attendance of sub-freshmen will be large. There will probably be a play or farce of some sort at the Smoker besides the other amusements of which the finals in the inter-class basketball series will hold an important place. The committee is working hard to make this year's smoker equal, and if possible, superior to those of former years.

BASKETBALL DEFEAT.

Extra Periods at Worcester.

Lost Saturday night the 'varsity jour-neyed up to Worcester and met the speedy Worcester Tech aggregation upon their opponent's floor. Although handicapped by the loss of Capen and Abbey the Trinity quintet showed up well. It was nip and tuck all the way through. Both teams were tied at the end of the first half, each scored the same number of points in the second half making the score 17 to 17. An extra period of ten minutes was played in which neither side succeeded in caging the ball. A second extra period of ten minutes was then played in which the Worcester team succeeded in scoring five points making the final score 22 to 17 in their favor. The 'varsity line up was as follows :-- Carroll r. g., Gildersleeve 1. g., Ramsdell c., Carpenter and Horan r. f., Cook l. f.

INTERCLASS BASKETBALL.

At a meeting of the Freshman class held Saturday noon, John B. Moore was elected captain of the basketball team. Howard Burgwin was also elected manager of the team.

Interclass Basketball Schedule. Preliminaries will take place on Tuesday evening, March 10th.

1st game 1913 vs. 1911.

2nd game 1912 vs. 1910.

The finals will be played on the night of the Sophomore Smoker, at which time the losers of the first series will also play. THE BASEBALL TEAM.

Captain Albert Smith and Coach Connelly are working hard with the candidates who responded to the call for baseball material. The process of weeding the good from the bad is going on swiftly, and by the time of the southern trip the squad will be comparatively small. Captain Smith has great faith in the batting ability of his aggregation. At present L'Heureux, Horan, and he, himself, are all batting with He is confident their usual accuracy. that the whole team will have regained their batting eyes before the first game, and that the 'varsity will spring a surprise on their trip by showing up as a nine that has ability in stickwork. H. W. S. Cook and Olson, the two veteran pitchers are rounding into their usual good form. The pitchers from the freshman class are Sayres, War-ner, and Thomas. With all this material for the box, Trinity does not need to fear that department will not be taken care of. Captain Smith and L'Heureux are well able to hold down the catcher's place behind the plate. With many other old men out for their old positions the infield and outer gardens will be well covered. On the whole the chances of the 'varsity making a fine record and beating Wesleyan at the end of the season are much brighter than they have been for years. The men out for pitcher are Cook Olson, Bleecker, Sayres, Warner and Thomas; for catcher are Smith and L' Heureux; for the initial sack, Abbey; for second, Carroll; shortstop, N. H. Gildersleeve; third base, O. Gildersleeve, Horan and Turner; the men who are fighting it out for the field positions are A. L. Gildersleeve, Webster, Brainard, Yates, and Heater.

FRESHMAN BASEBALL TEAM.

The freshman class intends to carry its record of success in basketball onto the diamond, and a call for baseball candidates has been issued. There is much good material in the class, besides the several men who will hold substitute positions on the 'varsity, and who will probably be available at least part of the time. R. L. Deepen has been elected manager.

WHITLOCK CONTEST.

The English department has just announced that the annual contest for the Whitlock Prizes of \$30 and \$20 for declamation will take place Friday evening, March 18th in Alumni Hall, and will be open to members and friends of the college. The speakers will be the three winners of the Alumni Prizes in English Composition, who, with their subjects, are:

Henry Brown Dillard '13, "The Recompenses of Everyday Heroism." William August Bird '12, "Browning the Artist."

Richardson Little Wright '10, "Changes in the Ethics of the Drama."

TRACK CANDIDATES OUT.

Thirty-five Men Report.

The first call for track candidates went out yesterday afternoon, and about thirty-five men met the captain and coach for a general talk over prospects. Coach O'Connell said he was greatly pleased with the showing and hoped every new man would stay out consistently until he had had a fair chance to show his ability. Captain Judge urged the importance of strict training and said Trinity could make a creditable showing with the material at hand if the men would be faithful in training and would work hard. It is not thought that any stars will be developed, but with three average men in every event the result should be a very good team.

Among the men who reported for the various events were:

100 yards—Ahern '12, Stevens '12, Collett '13, Gildersleeve '12.

220 yards—Ahern '12, Stevens '12, Collett '13.

440 yards-Nelson '10, Bates '12, Foot '13, Swift '13, Evison '12.

880 yards—Nelson '10, Buck '11, Mc-Clure '12, Swift '13.

1 mile—Buck '11, Haight '11, Craik '12, Haithwaite '13, Marsden '13. 2 mile—Haight '11, Dillard 13, Burg-

win '13, Germain '13, McGee '13.

Hurdles—Judge '10, Stansfield '10, Maxon '11, Case '13, Heater '13. Broad Jump—Carpenter '10, Howell

'11, Humphrey '12. High Jump—Nelson '11, Hsi '13, Green '10.

Pole Vault-Maxon '11, Wessels '12,

Breed '12, Chow '13, Pulford '13. Hammer Throw—Clark '11, Eaton '10, Bleecker '12.

Shot Put-Bleecker '12, Clark '11, Walsh '12, Withington '13, Dooman '11.

Discus Throw-Eaton '10, Clark '11.

COMMUNICATION.

To the editor of the Tripod:

It seems to the writer that at last the time has come to make a protest, not a mere uplifting of the voice through the medium of these columns, but an appeal which will be considered seriously by the authorities, and will be given some slight bit of attention. It has been told to the writer that when the "Tripod" was launched at Trinity one of its functions was to be the voicing of all differences between faculty and students, and have noticed regret that with these opions seem to pass unnoticed on either side, and are as a rule regarded as mere "space fillers." The matter which we desire to call to the attention of those in power is the number of obstacles which are daily being thrown in the road of those who are trying for the position of assistant manager of one of the teams. Not the least inconsiderable of these is the compelling of these men to go to "Gym."

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The members of the college should take warning from the calendar and get a secure position in their various courses before the spring recess. The return to college after this vacation accompanied by the warm weather and various outdoor attractions, brings with it a natural disinclination to mental activity. There are over two weeks, however, in which a great deal can be accomplished toward lightening the work later on.

The importance of keeping off probation cannot be urged too strongly upon football, hockey and musical men. To non-contestants the probation question is largely a personal one, but in the case of those who are able to represent the college it becomes a social one. Men of the former class should aid and advise those of the latter, and use every fair means to keep them off probation.

The candidates for baseball and track managerships have the Athletic Association tickets for sale now, and will probably leave few men in college uncanvassed. A word to those approached by these candidates may not be amisss. First, to those who are canvassed by more than one man, let it be borne in mind that to buy a ticket is nearly equivalent to a vote. Buying your ticket of the man you do not consider the best candidate, is equivalent to voting against your convictions.

Secondly, every member of the college who refuses to buy a ticket deprives the association not of five dollars, but of perhaps twenty. Their refusal is the basis for other refusals. Many non-supporters of athletics would not care to take this stand but for the too illustrious examples that are furnished them. Surely there is no reason

for a membership in the association of less than 75 per cent. of the college.

We hear no more of the Endowment Movement. Since the glorious finish in the race for the half-million, the work has been, seemingly, allowed to stagnate. We have suggested before that is is easier to keep a ball rolling than to start it afresh after allowing it to settle into rest. The second halfmillion is not less important than the first, and should be far easier to raise.

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Under the new point system the regulations are very strict and the candidates are required to spend a large part of their time upon the field. It is not a mere formality either, for the chasing of baseballs, running the countless errands, hauling back the sixteen pound weights is productive of much muscle and brawn. Therefore it seems an injustice that these men who are trying earnestly for the various positions should have to attend "Gym" at the same time. It necessitates the shifting of the regular hour to one of the free hours in the morning and thus deprives the candidate of precious time for study. Moreover, when nightfall comes and he has completed his day, a day in which every hour has been filled, he feels a trifle disgruntled that he should have been made to attend "Gym" in addition to the other manifold duties. We do not contend that the "Gym" hour is in any wise unproductive of bad results, but when a man has "run himself to death," literally speaking, upon the field in performance of his duties, it might possibly be dis-pensed with. Maybe the candidate may enjoy playing tennis, golf or some of the other sports, nevertheless he will be unable to find time to engage in them, for recitations all morning and "Gym" in between does not leave a super-abundance of spare time. So in conclusion we should like to ask of the authorities that the men who conscinetiously try for the position of manager, in the future be excused from attendance of "Gym" unless the day be rainy. Again the writer wishes to state his perfect sincerity in the matter, and hopes that an official recognition of his plea will be made.

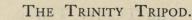
Jarvis Hall. ALUMNI.

From a book of essays annonymously published under the title "'Neath the Elms," but evidently by a former Trinman, since the motto "Floriat Trinitatis" appears on the title page, we take the following as being particularly timely

Voici Le Printemps!

The long snow-time was getting to be a bit of a bore, and there are probably not many of us, least of all the freshmen, who regret that it has pssed. Spring is here, yes, "the hounds of Spring are on Winter's traces," as the poet says. Spring, when the student's fancy turns more lightly to thoughts of love than it did in the heavy, serious winter season; Spring, when it is pleasanter to let the warm breezes that steal through the opened windows of the lecture-rooms, carrying perchance the soft whistle of a bird or the laughter of children at play, waft you to a land of sweet reveries, than it is to listen to the monotone of the instructor, who is human too and would prefer to be out with the sunlight and the grass.







Why is it that this season is so generally recognized as the pleasantest of the year? I guess the philosopher will say "Because it is only a promise, and man's greatest delight is not in enjoyment but in anticipation." That may all be true-it sounds reasonable. Surely we have not the same affection for summer ;—"almighty summer," De Quincy calls it-and is it because summer fulfill? I'll leave that gladly to the logician and the psychologist, who will probably make out a case; but it is spring, and I am not in the mood for either logic or psychology. It has aiways seemed to me that there was something endearingly insincere about this time of the year, something so dalliant, so delightfully thoughtless. On a spring day I never decide in the morning what I will do in the afternoon. This is not, as Mark Twain might suggest, because of the uncertainty of New England weather, but rather because of the uncertainty of my resolutions when I smell the unmistakable spring smells, when "the Red Gods make their medicine again." I like to do things unexpected, surprising. I like to find that I have done just the last thing in the world I should ever have thought I would do. To start out with a book of verses, intending to read them in solitude under some shady bough, only to find one's plans put to rout by the unexpected appearance on the scene of a "thou" in the form of the Unknown Goddess, and to spend the afternoon in picking daisies instead, is much better than carrying out one's original intention, however good the verses. start out for a communion with the stars and the whispering trees, but to be deflected from this course by an agreeable friend who insists upon leading you to a beautiful summer garden of his acquaintance, where girls not too pretty (lest they divert you from the subject of your intended communion with the stars) serve very tall and cool glasses of light and dark fluidsthis also is in keeping with the fickle spirit of the season. My card catalog, diary, laundry list, and other methodical things go to the dogs in springtime. I can't make my check-stubs shake hands with the cash balance, either. But with all the lightness and carelessness of spring, it sometimes seems that I can have the saddest, the most depressing thoughts imaginable on a May evening. I think that I am about to die-nothing can persuade me that

there is a possibility of living the week out. My throat is choked with sobs at the thought that perhaps it will be too late for some certain people to show their love for me then: how they will wish they had been just a little kinder, a little less scornful of my affection! And then it seems to me that that is too hard a punishment for them-that terrible word never was always intolerable to me. If I could only die for a little while-go into a trance, perhaps, so that they would think I was deaduntil they were really sorry, and wished they had me back again. Then it would be so good to make them all happy by forgiving them-what a great deal they would make of me after that. And at the prospect of this great and general happiness that I could spread about by my generosity, my heart would nearly burst with piety, and my eyes would be filled holy tears of good will toward all men. But on the whole this was a sort of pleasurable misery, for self-pity always is that.



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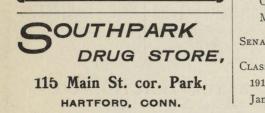
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