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### SMOKER A GREAT SUCCESS.

### Much Enthusiasm Displayed at Football Celebration.

Rathskeller, about a hundred and all fifty students, with a few alumni and members of the faculty, assembled to do honor to the members of the successful football team of 1910. The members of the team were the guests of the occasion, while the others present ordered as they pleased. There were a number of speakers, much cheering and singing, and in that every way the event was one deserves to be perpetuated at Trinity.

Coach Gettell was the first on the list of speakers, and was received with He reviewed continuous applause. the splendid work of the team, and spoke in praise of the way in which the men played together during the He said that the number of season. stars upon the team this year was far in advance of most teams, but nevertheless the men put themselves after the team as a whole. He also told of the value of the pre-season tarining at Westchester.

## Prof. Gettell Next Year's Coach.

Fresident Sherman of the senate, who presided, on introducing Prof. Gettell announced that he had consented to remain in the position of coach in 1911. This was most welcome news to the undergarduates and was received with much enthusiasm. President Luther, who had arrived

after the ceremonies were commenced, next addressed the men, and spoke in his characteristicly interesting fashion. He told of his interest in Trinity athletics and the desire he felt that the teams should be successful.

Prof. Brenton, who had likewise dropped in to the meeting, was asked speak and enilvened the occasion with some amusing stories.

Captain Ramsdel', the leader of the 1910 eleven was next called upon and responded in good style. He praised the work of the team in the season past, paid a handsome tribute to the men on the scrub, and spoke of the splendid ability of the new captain, Howell. In closing Ramsdell wished the 1911 team the best of success. The "Trin," which followed, showed that the students have not forgotten the work of their sterling leader and it was the most enthusiastic cheer of the evening.

# Official Mascot Presented.

At the conclusion of Captain Ramsdell's remarks, Sherman presented as the official mascot of the college, a For several years bantam rooster. Trinity has been depicted by the outside world as a bantam rooster, for though small it has stood up with the greatest pluck and assurance against the strongest and largest of rivals. The event caused much amusement, as the mascot seemed anxious to display his new found importance at the expense of his keeper.

The captain for next year, Howell, was next upon the program. He spoke of the plans for next season and said that with Prof. Gettell again command there was every hope that the 1911 team would be success ful.

This year's manager, Skinner, spoke briefly about the workings of the team's management and his various duties. Manager Humphrey Interrupted. 1911 outlined the schedule of On Friday evening last, in Bond's Amherst will be found upon it, in probability.

Between the speeches several en-joyable selections were rendered by Upon the completion the glee club. of the program a "Trin" was given for each of the senior members of the eleven, who will play no more for the gold and blue. The affair was then ended by the singing of "Neath the Elms."

### PROF. GETTELL'S BOOK.

### Favorable Review in Springfield Republican.

Reviews of Professor Gettell's "Introduction to Political Science," recently published, are beginning to appear in the various magazines and newspapers. These should be a source of gratification to the author of the work, as they are to every Trinity man.

The Springfield Republican devotes a half-column at the head of its book department to a most favorable appreciation of Professor Gettell's book. The Republican's reputation for accuracy and care makes its words worth more than those of the average newspaper. Its review says in part:

'A work covering so much ground, necessitating the setting forth complex and difficult propositions tersely and briefly, must leave openings for criticism on the score of inadequacy 'or failure to state 'the other side' fully, but Prof. Gettell has, whole, succeeded admirably on the in avoiding such pitfalls. The plan of the work is excellent, and the style which it is written is well calculated to hold the reader's attention."

Several extracts from the book are printed, to show the clarity and sim-plicity of statement. The Republican is glad to observe that in an age of radicalism, when "theories" grow in large clusters on every tree, Professor Gettell has given us political science as it is, and not as a weird fancy might conceive it ought to be: "One of the virtues of the book is

its consistency in the exposition of modern political orthodoxy."

We hope to have the pleasure of reading many more such reviews. Professor Gettell has just sent to the publisher the copy for a second book, a selection of readings to accompany his "Introduction." More than five hundred books, ancient and modern, are quoted and the bulk of the volume will be half again as large as that of

### Notices.

Prof. Kleene will give the first of his series of four lectures on Eco-nomics at Socialist Party Hall tonight, at 8 p. m. All persons interested are welcome.

Outlines of essays for the Alumni English Prizes should be handed to Brenton by Saturday next. For Prof conditions of competition, see catalogue.

# FRESHMEN OUTWIT SOPHS.

The freshman-junior annual banquet was held at the Winthrop House in Meriden last night, and thanks to the secrecy maintained by the freshman committee was an unqualified success. Over a hundred covers were laid, including nearly every man in the clasess of 1912 and 1914.

The chairman of the committee Wolcott Little, '14, acted as toast-master. Toasts were responded to by the president of the two classes, Short, '12, and Hudson, '14, and by various other guests. The menu was well arranged and the programs attractively printed and the service was commended by all.

# Freshmen Make Clean Getaway.

As early as Saturday night the freshmen began to make their escape, the chairman of the committee going with a number of others to Middle town, where they were entertained by Wesleyan men over Sunday. By Sunday night there were tew freshmen to be seen about the campus. the only ones remaining being those whose allowed absences had been reduced beyond the danger mark. These were obliged to resort to various stratagems to elude the wily sophs, who had appointed a vigilance committee to prevent any further exodus of banqueters. The secondyear men were handicapped by uncertainty as to the place of banquet, and not until late Monday morning did they stumble upon the They immediately policed the secret. railroad station, but the freshmen, fearing this, made their way out of town by trolley to New Britain, and thence to Meriden by train.

# Little Trouble at Meriden.

A few sophomores made the trip to Meriden in the afternoon and scouted about the town in the hope of meeting some lone freshman, but the latter had been warned by the juniors not to take any chances, and did not stir from the hotel except in numsufficient to resist any possible bers sophomoric attack. The sophomore delegation was therefore obliged to return to Hartford without reward.

### Good Spirit Displayed.

The spirit of the whole affair was good on all sides. The sophomores deserve credit for the unremitting ef-The sophomores forts they made to upset the plans of the committee, and the freshmen for the baffling secrecy with which managed to surround all eedings. The close frien they their proceedings. friendship between the two "even" classes was strikingly displayed at the banquet, and the value of this annual function in bringing out these benefits of rivalry and friendly amity was effectively demonstrated.

The committee included, besides Chairman Little and President Hudson, T. H. McNeill, W. R. Langdon, H. Fort, E. J. Myers, J. H. Ehlers, E. F. Bassford and C. T. Steven.

The order of formal toasts was as follows:

1912 .....T. C. Hudson, '14 Trinity .....A. E. Rankin, '12

### In the second game of the basketball schedule Trinity's flive went down to defeat at the hands of West Point Saturday, 29-16. The Trinity team was somewhat handicapped by the loss of some promising material on account of academic difficulties.

ARMY WINS AT BASKETBALL.

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In the first half the teams were evenly matched, although the play was not particularly fast and the score stood 16-14 for the cadets. For the first five minutes of the second period Trinity maintained their steady work, but the Army braced considerably and scored thirteen more points.

Dissell made a brilliant shot from the center of the floor in this half, which was the only tally made by the gold and blue.

Horan led in the scoring for Trinity with three baskets, while Sutton of the Army made six. During the last. five minutes of play the Army made substitutions for every position.

The playing of the Trinity team was an improvement over that of the Columbia game, as Ramsdell's presence strengthened it materially. The Army won by more accurate passing and skillful shooting, than Trinity could produce. The line-up: West Point. Trinity. McKinley.... r. f. .... Gilderseleve Surles..... c. ...... Moore Sutton..... l. g. .....Dissell Morris..... r. g. .....Ramsdell Substitutions-Riley for McKinley, Van Vliet for Roberts, Robertson for Surles, Fox for Morris. Field Goals-McKinley (4), Roberts (2), Morris (1). Sutton (6), Gildersleeve, Horan (3), Ramsdell (2), Dissell(2). From Fouls-Sutton (3). Referee-Mr. Tukey.

### SOPHOMORE HOP TO-NIGHT.

### First College Dance of Year in Alumni Hall.

The annual sophomore hop is to be held to-night in Alumni Hall. arrangements have been completed, and a great success is confidently pre-The hop has been made dicted. informal by the committee of arrange-ments. Tickets have been on sale for the past week and a large attendance is expected. Dancing will begin at eight o'clock, and continue till twelve. The following men are on the committee: G. C. Heater, chair-man; J. B. Moore, J. J. Whitehead, A. J. L'Heureux, H. G. Woodbury, K. B. Case, H. J. Roberts, and T. E. Williams.

patronesses will be: Mrs. S. Luther, Mrs. Cranston The Flavel S. Brenton, Mrs. Frederick R. Honey, Mrs. Raymond G. Gettell, Mrs. Arthur Adams, Mrs. George D. Howell and Miss McAlpine.



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# "NOW THEN-TRINITY!"

It should not be necessary to remind the undergraduates of the rapid approach of mid-year examinations, and the consequent care that should be exercised to keep all athleteswhose collegiate standing is in no espect a merely personal matter-out of the range of the long arm of the faculty and its probation rules. It is one thing to have good athletes in college--it is another to keep them in a state of eligibility.

Trinity is fortunate in having a minimum of athletes whose only object is studying at all is to be elegible for "the team." Professor Brenton remarked at the smoker Friday night that the football men in his classes were among his best and most interested students and similar sentiments have been expessed by others. But occasionally it happens that a valuable man is placed on probation as a result of the merest carelessness, and it is as a warning against this danger Each that we utter this word now. man has a fair idea of his probable chances in the examinations, and in each case where the outlook is not eminently favorable we urge that the coming vacation be devoted in part to an attempt at bettering it.

Several professors have already announced that they are willing adopt The Tripod's suggestion to and dispense with tests next week, either holding them this week or after va-cation. To these we feel we voice the sentiment of the student body in extending hearty thanks. To those who have not yet announced sucn a polwe again appeal, assuring them icy that a few days' extra vacation, earned by previous regularity in attendance. is a matter of vital importance to a large number.

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..... W. H. Bleecker, '12 Class Spirit.....C. Burgwin, '14 1914 ..... W. Short, '12

Several of the juniors were also called upon for informal toasts. Singing and cheering was almost con-tinuous, closing with "Neath the tinuous, closing with the num-Elms." The sophomores, whose numlate afternoon, made several efforts to effect an entrance during the banquet, but a squad of police, summoned by the hotel management, thwarted their attempts.

Chairman Narrowly Escapes Capture.

The chairman had not arrived at six o'clock, and his classmates feared he had been captured. He came in on a train from New Haven snortly af-ter six, and a few juniors, happening to be in the station, escorted him to a place of concealment opposite the hotel. A few minutes later he was was wrapped up in a fur coat and hustled into the hotel, passing within a few feet of a large party of sophomores, who supposed him be to junior, as his cap was pulled down to conceal his face. Had a few sophomores met his train and taken him into custody they would have won a signal victory, but as it turned out the laurels must be awarded to 1914.

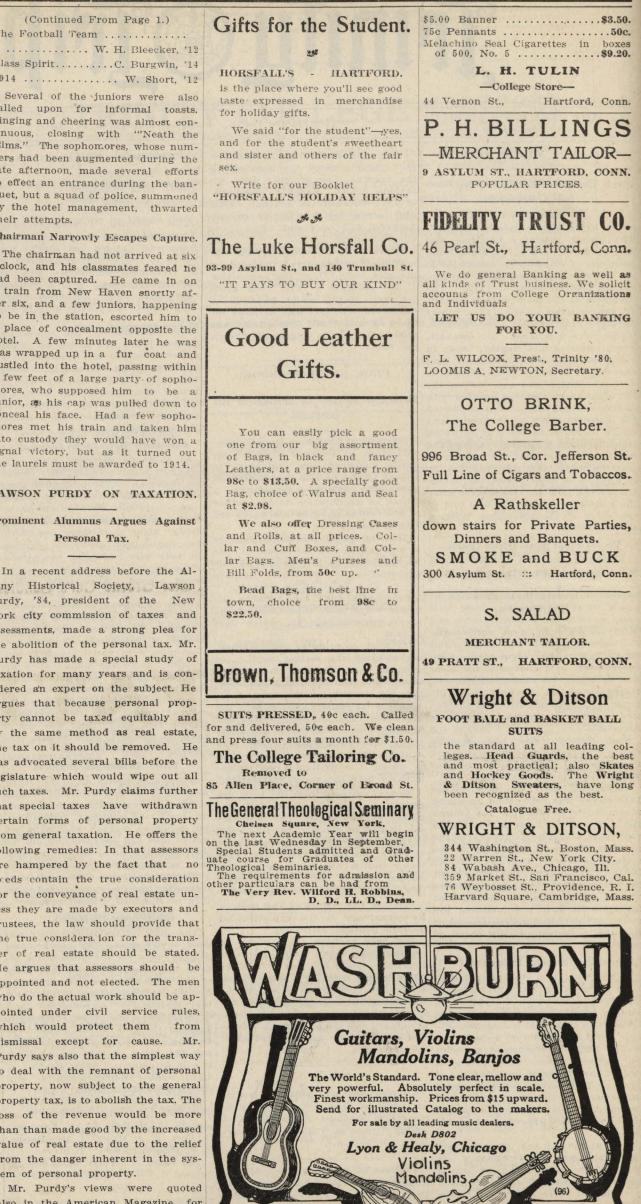
LAWSON PURDY ON TAXATION. Prominent Alumnus Argues Against Personal Tax.

bany Historical Society, Lawson Purdy, '84, president of the New York city commission of taxes and assessments, made a strong plea for the abolition of the personal tax. Mr. Purdy has made a special study of taxation for many years and is considered an expert on the subject. He argues that because personal property cannot be taxed equitably and by the same method as real estate, the tax on it should be removed. He has advocated several bills before the legislature which would wipe out all such taxes. Mr. Purdy claims further that special taxes have withdrawn certain forms of personal property from general taxation. He offers the following remedies: In that assessors are hampered by the fact that deeds contain the true consideration for the conveyance of real estate unless they are made by executors and trustees, the law should provide that the true considera ion for the transfer of real estate should be stated. He argues that assessors should be appointed and not elected. The men who do the actual work should be appointed under civil service which would protect them dismissal except for cause. Purdy says also that the simplest way to deal with the remnant of personal property, now subject to the general property tax, is to abolish the tax. The loss of the revenue would be more than than made good by the increased value of real estate due to the relief from the danger inherent in the sys-

Mr. Purdy's views were quoted also in the American Magazine for December. He is president of the Trinity Alumni Association.

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