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COLGATE SATURDAY.

Both Teams Ready for Close Fight on Trinity Field.

The Trinity team will play its fourth home game Saturday, when Colgate comes to Hartford to play on Trinity Field. This is the first opportunity the college has ever had to see a Colgate game, as the last three years the two teams have played at Hamilton. The New Yorkers are coming prepared to fight with their last ounce of strength, to get revenge for the defeats administered to them the last two years, and the Trinity team is just as determined to make it three. Consequently, this will probably be the best home game of the year, and a large crowd is expected.

In the last three years Trinity has played Colgate, the scores were as follows:

1909 Trinity 0—Colgate 0.
1910 Trinity 23—Colgate 0.
1911 Trinity 9—Colgate 0.

So far this year the two teams have not met any of the same opponents. Colgate defeated Cornell 17-0, and was beaten by Amherst 13-0, so to all appearances the team is of about the same strength as last year's aggregation. If that is the case, there is no reason why Trinity should not add a third to her string of victories.

Coach Gettell has been paying special attention to the forward pass this week, and the work of the team in that line is much improved. Collett, Hudson, and Kinney have recovered from their injuries, and will all be in the game Saturday.

With the Faculty.

Much of Professor McCook's spare time of late has been occupied by his duties as a member of the city commission for the new high school building. The commission has accepted the plans offered and has ordered the making of detailed drawings.

Professor McCook is also a member of the town high school committee.

During the summer Mr. Cushman was with the engineering department of the Water Board, which is in the Pilgurd Building in Hartford. Mr. Cushman was engaged in designing a system for the new water supply of Hartford.

There have been recently placed in the drawing room in Boardman Hall thirty feet of new slate black-board.

Professor Kleene's Work.

During the summer vacation, Professor Kleene gave several courses in Economics and Sociology at the Summer School of the University of Colorado. On Friday of next week he is to make an address in Hartford to the History Round Table of the State Teachers' Association on "The Vitalization of the Teaching of History."

UNDERCLASS MEET.

1915 Wins By Margin of Seven Points.

A good-sized and extremely partisan crowd witnessed the annual underclass track and field meet on the athletic field last Monday afternoon, when the sophomores edged out a victory over the freshmen in the closest underclass meet that has been seen in years. The excellent form displayed by all the contestants was a tribute to the hard and thorough training they had all passed through at the hands of Captain "Ted" Wessells of the 'varsity track team.

The meet was so very close that the outcome was in doubt until the last event was finished, when the freshmen lost the chance to even up the score and went gamely down to defeat by a score of 62 to 55.

Most of the events were hotly contested, and there were many surprises. Notable among the achievements was the accomplishment of the racking mile run in 5.09.

Hall was the highest individual point-winner for 1915, while Schmitt carried off individual honors in the 1916 team, adding materially to the freshman score. Peck, '15, was another star of the meet.

The meet finished up with the broad-jump and pole-vault, and before these two events had been in progress long, daylight left the scene of conflict, and the track men were left to complete the events in darkness. This accounted for the tie in the pole-vault, and left the outcome of the meet in doubt for so long.

The events in the order in which they came, were as follows:

Mile—Peck, '15, 1st; Bissell, '15, 2nd; Simonson, '16, 3rd. Time 5:09.

High Hurdles—Hall, '15, 1st; Perkins, '16, 2nd; Boehm, '15, 3rd. Time 18.2 seconds.

440-yard—Furnival, '15, 1st; Spencer, '16, 2nd; Vizner, '15, 3rd. Time 55.8 sec.

100-yard dash—(final) Hall, '15, 1st; Meyer, '16, 2nd; N. George, '16, 3rd. Time 11.2 sec.

880-yard—Peck, '15, 1st; W. George, '16, 2nd; Bissell, '15, 3rd. Time 2.16 sec.

220-yard—Meyer, '16, 1st; N. George, '16, 2nd; Mitchell, '15, 3rd. Time 24 sec.

220-yard hurdles—Hall, '15, 1st; Spencer, '16, 2nd; Boehm, '15, 3rd. Time 29.6 sec.

High jump—Boehm, '15, and Schmitt, '16, tied for 1st; Furnival, '15, 3rd. Height 5 ft., 2 in.

Shot-put—Schmitt, '16, 1st; Dooman, '16, 2nd; Baker, '16, 3rd. Distance 34.6 ft.

Discus—Sage, '15, 1st; Vizner, '15, 2nd; Lyon, '16, 3rd. Distance 83.11 ft.

Hammer throw—Castator, '16, 1st; Lyon, '16, 2nd; Evans, '15, 3rd. Distance 86 ft.

Broad jump—Perkins, '16, 1st; Brainerd, '15, 2nd; Hall, '15, 3rd. Distance 18 ft. 9 in.

Pole vault—Dorwart, '15, and Schmitt, '16, 1st; Maxon, '16, 3rd. Height 7 ft., 6 in.

AMHERST'S NEW PRESIDENT.

Dr. Babbitt Represents Trinity at Dr. Meiklejohn's Inauguration.

On Wednesday Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn was inaugurated as president of Amherst College. Besides the students and the faculty, about eight hundred guests were present, among them, Dr. Babbitt, who represented Trinity. Four college presidents were there to greet Dr. Meiklejohn: Abbott L. Lowell, president of Harvard University, H. A. Garfield, president of Williams, W.H.P. Faunce, president of Brown, and W. DeWitt Hyde, president of Bowdoin.

Following is a brief synopsis of President Meiklejohn's inaugural address:

"The college teacher should be the intellectual leader of his time; he must know that the primary business of the college is intellectual, rather than technical or professional. The college is, first of all, a place of the mind, and the justification of intellectual training is first, that thinking is one of the most wholesome, most satisfying of human pursuits. Second, and more important still, that thinking is good because of what it gives to life. The main function of the true, liberal college is to give the students an understanding of actual life and of world experience, with the conviction that they can live better in knowledge of themselves than in ignorance. This conviction of the practical value of knowledge should be set forth in clear and unmistakable terms as the reason and explanation of the work of the college.

Regarding the curriculum, if the college is committed to a definite aim, then the instruction must be adjusted to suit that aim. For this reason the practice of election in college studies must be limited. The elective system is an expression of a kind of intellectual bankruptcy, into which, in spite of all our wealth of reformation, the spirit of the time has fallen. Knowledge as we have it today is simply a number of disconnected departments between which no intelligible connections are established, and which, therefore, are not known and understood in any fundamental sense. No student should be given a degree by a liberal college who has not attained some mastery of philosophy of humanistic science, of natural science, of history and of literature. At the very beginning of his course he should be plunged into the problems of social relations, and in the later years the historical studies and then the formation of his own opinions will follow. But through it all, it must be understood that knowledge is the guide of life, that the college intends to give, not the specialized information of the trade school, but the unified interpretation of the world, which is insight."

THE BISHOP'S TEA PARTY.

The Social Event of the Week a Great Success.

The class of 1915 was the host at a delightful tea given in honor of the freshman class on Tuesday afternoon, October 15th, before the Bishop's statue on the campus. The party was a success from every point of view.

The campus was effectively decorated in autumn leaves, but the chief figure of beauty was the pyramid of sophomores banked up against the foot of the statue. The guests stood in two lines and as the name of each man was announced he was greeted with loud acclamations. The most distinguished freshmen were called before their hosts and allowed to display their various abilities in chasing one another around a tree, playing animal on hands and knees, and other such tricks, all of which greatly heightened the merriment of the party.

But the surprise of the afternoon came when a number of the guests very rudely took to their heels and left the party without even so much as saying good-bye. The kind hosts pursued them, however, and brought them back humble and very repentant to the feet of the austere Bishop. Members of the class of 1916 then engaged in an exciting boat race, which ended in a spill over the bluff, for all contestants, after which the party was brought to a close by each class giving itself a hearty cheer.

CAMPUS GRADING.

With Force Doubled, Work Will Soon Be Completed.

The work of grading the field just north of the college and south of Vernon Street, is progressing as fast as two teams and a gang of twenty men can push it. Considerable dirt has already been dug away from the mound immediately north of Jarvis and is being deposited on the low ground between the stone wall and the gymnasium. Preparations have been made to lay a sidewalk along Summit Street, and the driveway which leads from the street to the end of the college walk has been considerably narrowed.

The plan to be followed in the grading is to extend the campus at its present level for about 200 feet north of the college fence, and thence to give the ground a slight northeastern slope down to Vernon Street. This will necessitate the lowering of the walk down to Vernon Street and probably the lowering of one or two of the maples bordering the walk. The row of hemlocks along Summit Street will not be disturbed.

The gang of men will be doubled in the course of a few days and it is expected that the work will be completed in two weeks time. Present indications give promise of a great improvement in the appearance of the campus,—an improvement for which the unbounded thanks of the college are due Dr. Ferguson.

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"NOW THEN TRINITY"

Press Representation.

An alumnus writes to the *Tripod* complaining that Trinity football news is getting no space in the New York papers, and he starts off with the question, which he calls the "usual" one, "What has happened to the Press Club?"

That New York papers have contained nothing but the bare scores of our football games, is only too true, and perhaps the Press Club, which seems to be considered an organization able to do any thing it pleases if only it will get up and try, offers the easiest target of complaint. As it happens, however, the Press Club, nominally the body which directs the spread of Trinity news, is without a particle of real power to see that anything be sent to any paper.

The above information is gratuitous and somewhat beside the point. As football results have to be sent by telegraph, this may be done at the receiver's expense only after the receipt of an order from the paper which wishes the news. This order is obtained by sending what is known as a query to the various papers. This is put in some such form as this,—"New York—, Trinity-Bowdoin football. How much?" and not until a reply has been received may the news be sent in. Each Saturday this fall such queries have been sent in to all the important New York and Boston papers, but thus far those sent to New York have been barren of results, though the Boston papers have each week taken short accounts. The

reason is probably that the teams played have been at some distance from New York, and of minor importance, and the games possessed little interest to New Yorkers. The usual procedure will be followed this week, and with Trinity playing a New York team of considerable strength, the papers should carry entirely satisfactory accounts of the contest. If they don't it will not be because of undergraduate carelessness or laxity.

Founders' Day.

An effort is being made by the president and others to make Founders' Day an occasion of more interest than it has possessed in years gone by. For that purpose, the matriculation of the new men has been put off until that date and a prominent speaker will address the undergraduates, alumni and friends. After the regular Founders' Day chapel service. The most important thing to take care of is to see that the college body turns out in force for the exercises. Judge Riddell has a very wide reputation as a lecturer, so that there should be little trouble in doing this. But the day needs something more to make it an "occasion" each year. Would it not be well to make Founders' Day the date on which the members of the senior class assume their academic gowns? A procession of the college body headed by robed members of the faculty, followed by seniors in gowns, with the other classes bringing up the rear, will lend to the occasion an air of solemnity and importance. It is about such observances that college traditions grow and Trinity would be the better for an increase in them.

A Slight Delay.

It had been planned to have the first number of the *Alumni Supplement* accompany this issue of the *Tripod*. The work, however, being new, has presented several unexpected difficulties which make it necessary to postpone its publication until next Tuesday. It will be a four-page sheet, containing probably, fourteen *Tripod* columns of news, which cover a wide number of persons and classes. This will compare fairly favorably with the amount of which the *Tripod* lately can boast, so we ask indulgence for the lateness of the first number.

Meeting of College Body.

There will be a mass meeting of the college body tonight at 7.30 o'clock in Alumni Hall, for the purpose of rehearsing cheers and songs. The game Saturday will be the hardest Trinity has had this season, and the team will need all the support that the bleachers can give, and so it is urged that every man who can possibly do so, be on hand tonight.

Address by Librarian.

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Communion Service.

Today being St. Luke's Day, a celebration of the Holy Communion was held in the chapel this morning at half past seven o'clock. Dr. Adams was the celebrant.

Cross-Country Running.

Captain Wessels has instituted cross-country running, and he now leads his squad forth from the gymnasium every afternoon.

Four interclass cross-country runs will be held on the Mondays, Oct. 21 and 28, and Nov. 4 and 11. A prize has been offered by the Alumni to the man scoring the highest in all four meets. Anyone not competing in all four runs will be considered ineligible.

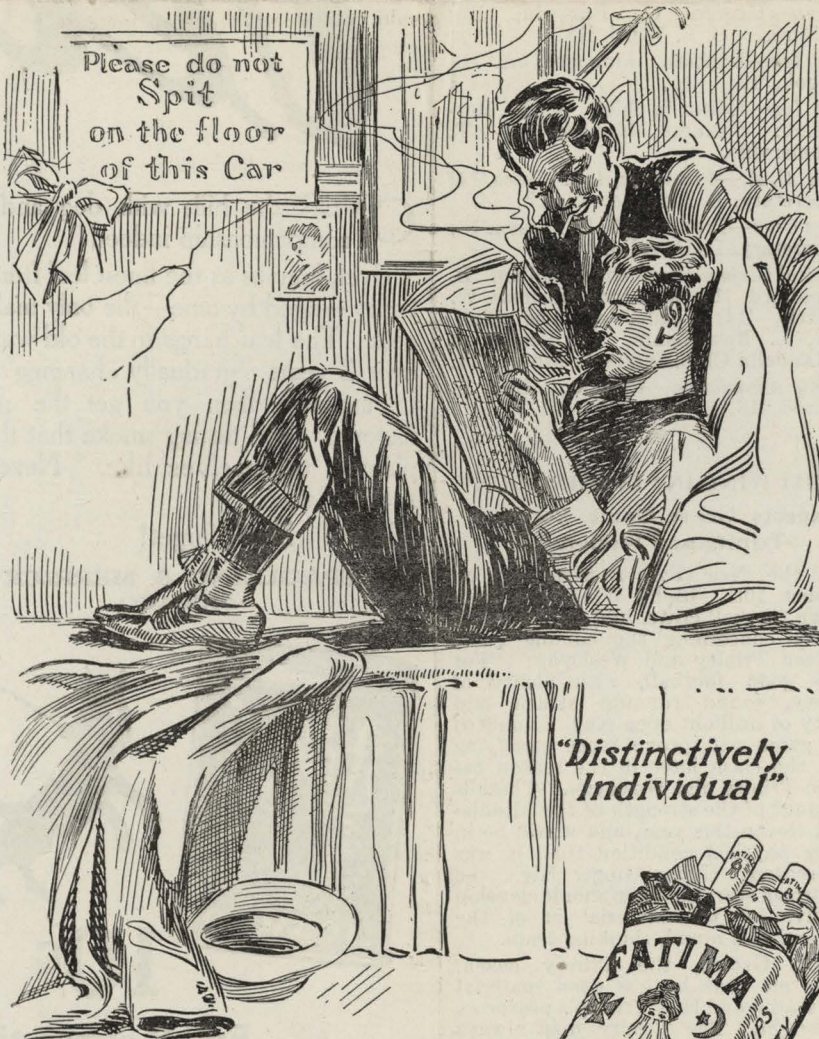
Tennis Tournament.

In the finals of the singles, the match between Burgwin, '14, and Edsall, '15, was called Wednesday on account of darkness, with Burgwin leading 6-3, 5-5. The tie will be played off in the near future.

No matches have been played for the doubles championship since the last issue of the *Tripod*.

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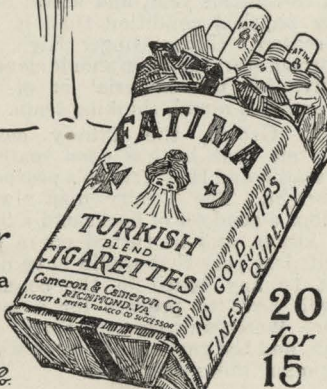


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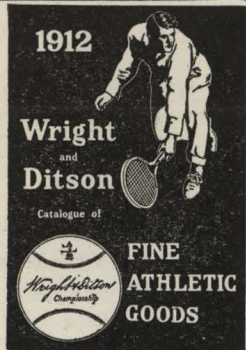
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Prof. Gettell, the Trinity coach, writes me that he has good material this season and that Trinity's prospects are bright. The Trinity man always develops a good set of backs and a first-class kicker, and he turned out a pair of ends last year that would have done credit to any coach in the country. He will have to prepare for a much better Wesleyan eleven than last season, and the game ought to be worth going many miles to witness."

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