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ALUMNI PRIZE ESSAYS.

Fourteen Varied Titles Submitted to Prof. Brenton.

Fourteen essays have been submitted to Professor Brenton in competition for the Alumni English Prize. A list of the titles follows:

- The Conception of a Universal Empire. The Western Press.
- A Defence of Vivisection.
- Little Citizens and the Juvenile Court.
- An Argument for the Commission.
- Plan of Government in Cities.
- The Initiative and Referendum.
- The Recall of the Judiciary.
- The Position of Ibsen in the Future.
- International Relations of the Panama Canal.
- The Lawrence Strike; Its Significance. College Morals.
- A History of Socialism in the United States.
- The Modern American Short Story.
- How the Aid of France was Obtained in the American Revolution.

The diversity of subject displayed in the above list shows the value of the Alumni Prize contest as a means of calling out varied thought and activity, and is an interesting commentary on the extremely diverse intellectual interests to be found even in a small proportion of the whole college body.

An innovation in regard to the Whitlock contest this year is the fact that there will be four speakers instead of three as has heretofore been the case.

SCIENCE CLUB MEETS.

Woodward, '14, Leads Discussion of Wireless Telegraphy.

At a meeting of the science club, held in the geology room Friday afternoon, R. W. Woodward, '14, was the principal speaker, with wireless telegraphy as his subject. Woodward opened his discussion with an explanation of the ether theory, and its relation to light and electrical waves. He showed how Herz first worked out the practical application of this theory to apparatus so designed as to be able to transmit electrical oscillations from one instrument to a "sympathetic" instrument entirely separate from the first. From these first experiments he traced the development of the invention up to its beginnings as an established commercial enterprise.

At this point the speaker turned over to a discussion of the various forms of instruments which have been used or are used today in wireless, showing their various merits or drawbacks. In these explanations he made frequent recourse to the blackboard, illustrating and making clear his points by the use of drawings and diagrams. The last part of this topic was especially interesting, as it involved a thorough presentation of all the many forms of the detector, with their peculiar advantages.

At the close of the talk, the meeting developed into a general discussion of the subject, in which many points of interest were brought which were omitted in the lecture, chief among which were the recent government regulations.

Y. M. C. A. ELECTS OFFICERS.

Moses Again President. Plans for Sunday Afternoon Services.

A meeting of the Trinity College branch of the Young Men's Christian Association was held the evening of Friday, January 10th. At this meeting John S. Moses, '14, was re-elected to the presidency of the association for the ensuing year. The other officers elected were: Walter F. Borchert, '14, vice-president; G. Gordon Nilsson, '15, secretary; and Howard R. Hill, '15, treasurer.

The Trinity branch of the Y. M. C. A. has been taking an active interest in settlement work. A number of the members, including Moses, '14, Nilsson, '15, Maxon, '16, Ives, '16, Martin, '16, and Elder, '16, take classes on certain nights at the settlement of the College Club on Spruce Street.

At Friday night's meeting of the association, it was voted that a committee be appointed for the purpose of arranging a series of Sunday afternoon services, and that a Committee also be appointed for the purpose of compiling and editing the 1913-14 "freshman Bible."

ANOTHER THEFT COMMITTED.

Robber Gets Large Haul from No. 8 Jarvis.

On Saturday evening a thief visited the room of Colin M. Ingersoll, '15, and Dallas S. Squire, '15, and got away with nearly three hundred dollars worth of property. The robbery took place while the inhabitants were at St. Anthony Hall for dinner. Squire came back to the room at about 8.15, and found the room in a state of confusion. Clothes were strewn around the room, and the bureau drawers were all lying upon the floor testifying to the haste with which the fellow had worked. The police were called in, and an inventory of the stolen goods was taken. Among the missing articles were: two watch fobs, four sets of dress studs, two pocketbooks containing three or four dollars in cash, a silver watch and chain, a suit, two pairs of shoes, a hat, a pair of gold cuff-links, a silver card-case, a cash box holding four stick-pins, a box of 150 cigarettes, a fountain pen, three gold tie-clasps, a class pipe, a pair of gloves, a safety razor, and two dozen handkerchiefs.

As yet no clue has been found by which the robber may be detected, but the police expect to land the fellow within a short time.

Tennis with Y. M. C. A. College.

In the account of the tennis schedule published in the last issue of the *Tripod*, by an oversight, one game was omitted. The Trinity team will play the Springfield Y. M. C. A. College on May 10th, at Hartford.

SENIOR ASSEMBLY.

Last of Pre-Lenten Festivities Held in Alumni Hall.

Alumni Hall was again the scene of festivities last night, when the senior class held the annual Senior Assembly. Dancing began at 8.30 and lasted until two o'clock, the program containing twenty dances, with cutting-in allowed after the second encore. Sutherland's four-piece orchestra furnished excellent music. A light supper was served the dancers in Alumni Hall. The patronesses were Mrs. F. S. Luther, Miss MacAlpine and Mrs. J. D. Flynn.

The following couples were present: Peter P. Lawlor with Miss Jackson of Norwich; Ronald Kinney with Miss Lloyd; Clarence Needham with Miss Edith Stengel; Austin Hodge with Miss Miller; Alfred L'Heureux with Miss Clark; Charles Bennett with Miss Josephine Stengel; Walter Hathaway with Miss Adams; Earl Williams with Miss Robinson; A. E. Rankin with Miss Buckley; E. L. Pollock, Jr., with Miss Eleanor Bulkley; Alfred Howell with Miss Ruth Butler; Leonard Adkins with Miss Mary O'Connor; J. N. Barnett with Miss Marjorie Bronson; W. E. Barnett with Miss Marjory Parker; T. Wolcott Little with Miss Helen St. John; Lowell T. Lyon with Miss Church; William P. Barber with Miss Dorothy Seymour of East Granby; Raymond H. Bently with Miss Violet Bonner; Marcus T. McGee with Miss Eisie Clemons; Munsey Lew with Miss Mary Brand; E. T. Smith with Miss Marjorie Eaton; E. T. Somerville with Miss Polly Williams; Hobart Roberts with Miss Ethel Armistead; John J. Whitehead, Jr., with Miss Rothschild; Robert W. Thomas with Miss Esther Lyman; S. S. Swift with Miss Eliza Cheney; Colin M. Ingersoll with Miss Beatrice Cook; Dallas Squire with Miss Frances Billings; J. G. N. Mitchell with Miss Bertha Lyman; Ogden Budd with Miss Marjorie Rice, of Springfield; Elliot Ward with Miss Kathleen Stone, and the following stags: John B. Moore, E. A. Niles, H. L. Brainard, Eugene Smeathers, Chester Seymour, Louis deRonge, G. D. Howell, Jr., Russell Noble, Fred Dorwart, Theodore Kyle, and Chas. A. Plummer.

SPRUCE STREET MISSION.

Work That Is Being Done There By Trinity Men.

The evening classes and meetings of the boys of the College Club Settlement, on Spruce Street, which is under the personal direction of Miss Fiske, has been greatly taken over by members of the College Y. M. C. A. The settlement is financed by the College Club of Hartford and philanthropic friends in the city. The settlement has three rooms, well equipped for the playing of games, evening classes, sings, etc., but not for what appeals most to the boyish inclinations: a gymnasium, where they can wrestle, box, play basketball, dumbbell exercise.

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BASKETBALL SERIES.

First Games to Be Played in Gym Tomorrow Afternoon.

The interclass basketball series opens Wednesday afternoon, January 15th, with 1913 playing 1914, and 1915 opposed to 1916. The first of these two games will be called at 4.15, and the second immediately after the close of the first.

The probable line-up of the four teams will be as follows:

1913		1914	
E. L. Ward	RF	Fort, Wroth	
F. J. Brainerd	LF	Baridon	
J. B. Moore	C	H. A. Sage,	
		J. A. Moore	
Hathaway	RG	Lawlor	
L'Heureux	LG	J. A. Moore,	
		Dexter	
Substitutes: 1913, Collett;		1914, Dunn.	
1915		1916	
Carpenter	RF	Aldrich, Perkins	
Brainard, Shelley	LF	Tiger, Holmes	
N. R. Sage, Vizner	C	Morris	
McCue,	RG	Castator, Lyon	
Withington			
Smith	LG	Lambert,	
		R. A. Brown	

Dr. Swan will referee the contests.

The full schedule of the series follows:

- Jan. 15—1913 vs. 1914; 1915 vs. 1916
- Jan. 17—1913 vs. 1915; 1914 vs. 1916
- Jan. 22—1913 vs. 1916; 1914 vs. 1915
- Jan. 24—1913 vs. 1914; 1915 vs. 1916
- Feb. 12—1913 vs. 1915; 1914 vs. 1916
- Feb. 14—1913 vs. 1916; 1914 vs. 1915

THE CATALOGUE.

Things It Tells About Trinity College.

The 1912-13 catalogue of the college, which appeared a few days before the beginning of the Christmas vacation furnishes material for some interesting facts about the college and those who attend it. The faculty list contains the names of twenty-four professors or instructors, four part time assistants, a lecturer and a treasurer. Of these, twenty-four are actually engaged in teaching, which makes the proportion of teachers to undergraduates and resident graduate students about one for each 10.6.

Among the undergraduates, the college list shows that 128 men are taking the course leading to the degree of bachelor of arts, with 121 taking the scientific course. In the two upper classes, science leads, while the reverse is true among the freshmen and sophomores.

In geographical distribution Trinity has representatives from eighteen states, one district, and two foreign countries. In these, of course, Connecticut leads with 131 men, a majority of two men. New York with 39 comes next, Massachusetts with 17 third, and the others come as follows: Maryland 12, Pennsylvania and New Jersey 10 each, New Hampshire 9, Rhode Island 4, Kentucky, Minnesota and Ohio, 3 each, Florida and Illinois, 2 apiece, and Vermont, Maine District of Columbia, Oklahoma, and Iowa, each with a single representative. China sends two of her sons here and England one.

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"NOW THEN TRINITY"

Amherst Game Cancelled.

The hockey game between Amherst and Trinity scheduled for last Saturday, had to be cancelled on account of lack of ice. Next Saturday there is to be a game against Williams at Williamstown. There has as yet been no practice but winter shows indications of intentions of acting its proper part for a change, and the hockey men expect practice before the end of this week.

SPRUCE STREET MISSION.

(Continued from page 1.)

A wrestling and boxing class started by the men at the College had to be dispensed with, owing to the complaints of the neighbors.

The men from the College Y. M. C. A. have generally given two or three evenings a week from seven until nine. They have divided the men into two classes, the younger boys from ten to twelve years, and the old from thirteen up. Prominent men in the city have been procured to speak to the boys, and have been listened to most attentively.

Much has been done to influence the boys in the matter of personal cleanliness. There has been a decided improvement, and no boy can come to the settlement without clean hands and face.

The settlement, of course, has no religious affiliations, and the boys are of various races and creeds. However, absolute truthfulness is required and the men from the college make a point of putting every boy on his honor and putting their trust in him.

Perhaps the most noticeable thing about the boys, was their lack of knowledge about the simple games. For instance, checkers, dominoes, crokinole. Much has been done to teach them these games, to play them without arguing, and to keep their own scores. Classes in arithmetic, spelling, and reading were attempted but did not prove very successful. But there are still several boys that wish to have these classes, and the right man would do much good.

The men from the College Y.M.C.A. have done much good work in the settlement during the past season, and have enjoyed and become much interested in the work. However, more men are needed, and better facilities for the boys' gymnasium classes.

Two Books of Verse.

The library has recently purchased two volumes of verse of considerable current interest, Kipling's book of "Songs from Books" and Masefield's "Sailor's Garland." In the first of these Mr. Kipling says, "Here will be found the greater part of the verses scattered through my novels and stories, with the exception of children's stories. In several instances where only a few lines or stanzas were originally used, I have given in full the songs, etc., from which they were taken." The great English poet has produced here reprints of some very excellent short bits of verse, but there is much of it which is not much better and probably on the whole, when not connected with Kipling's name, no more interesting than the large part of the poetry which struggles into print nowadays.

It has been a common suspicion that Kipling wrote his chapter heading verses as if parts of larger poems, without bothering about whether the rest of the poem existed or not. Many of these are reproduced without additions, while there are several others completed, whether at the time of or later than the first snatches, being unexplained. There is, however, a falling off in the brilliancy which robs the headings of some of their old charm.

Mr. Mosefield's volume is a six-year-old, but interesting in the light of the compiler's recent rise to fame. He includes in it a complete collection of miscellaneous sea poems, tells through the same medium some of England's sea history, adventure poems, verse about mermaids, sailor love, pirates, and rhymes about every phase of a sailor's life, present and past. The Bible story of Jonah and his three-day incarceration within a "great fish", not a whale, is included in the volume, and an endless variety of selections from all authors. The latter portion of the work contains a section devoted to chanteys (pronounced like shanty with a Chicago *a*) with an interesting and unusual account of this queer ballad form, to the tune of which sailors have done their work from time immemorial.

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A glance at the subject reveals several cases where scattering tends to increase, as in the familiar figure of the sower, and the investment of funds, although increase from the latter is often accompanied by the penury of some one else, who has suffered. The exercise of human strength in any project is good to see. There is more

love in the world every time a mother makes a sacrifice for her child.”

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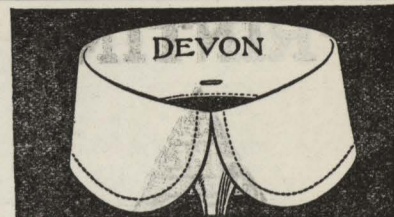
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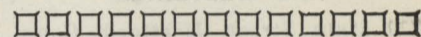
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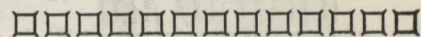
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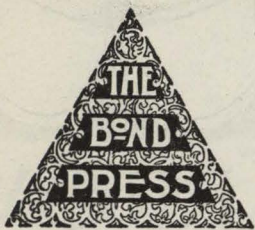
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Date for Sophomore Smoker.

Chairman Stites of the Sophomore Smoker committee has tentatively announced the date for that occasion as March 14th. There is a likelihood, however, that the event will not come off until after the Easter holidays.

Faces Still to Be Taken.

At a meeting of the junior class held yesterday, the editor-in-chief of the Ivy urged the men to have their photographs taken at the earliest possible date. These must be taken before the twenty-first of this month.

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