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## BASEBALL PROSPECTS

### Outdoor Practice Begun Strong. Squad of Candidates Out.

With outdoor baseball practice fairly started, it becomes an easier matter to obtain accurate information about the different players and the prospects of the team.

In the pitching department Swift, '15, and Ferris, '16, are both back at work and seem to be rounding into fine shape. As yet there has been little opportunity afforded for outdoor work, but the last few days have found their curves breaking better than ever. Swift's control, the lack of which was his great fault last year, seems better than ever before, and with his speed and the amount of stuff he puts on the ball, he should prove a big asset to the team. Baker, '16, who did so well in the Intramural League last year, is also out for pitching honors, as are Wessels, '14, Dooman, '16, and Raftery, '16. This is the first time Wessels has been out for baseball since his sophomore year and Coach Burns seems very well pleased with the track captain's offerings.

Carpenter, '15, Schmitt, '16, and Armstrong, '17, are the candidates for the position behind the bat, but Carpenter stands head and shoulders above the others, because of his greater experience and inside knowledge of the game.

The infield positions seem to be pretty well taken care of by last year's veterans, but the season may bring forth several surprises in this line. Captain Murray, and Gilooly, '16, are fixtures for the short and third base, respectively, and Shelly is pretty sure of holding down second. For first base, however, there will probably be quite a contest. Lambert, a veteran of last year, will have the inside track, but Nort Ives, '16, if not used in the outfield, is expected to make a strong bid for the place. And it is possible Coach Burns intends to make a first baseman out of Schmitt.

The entering class has contributed a speedy infielder in McKay, '17, who will surely make the team, probably forcing some of the other infielders to show their best form to retain their positions.

Chapin, '15, is rapidly rounding into shape, and seems already to show improvement over his work of last year.

The selection of a trio of outfielders will undoubtedly be the hardest problem that confronts Coach Burns. There are no outfielders in Trinity who have

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## SCIENCE CLUB.

### Mr. Briggs and Professor Barrows Describe New Library.

Owing to the large number of conflicting activities, but a few members of the old science club met in Boardman Hall Tuesday afternoon to hear a talk on the new library by Mr. Briggs and Professor Barrows. Professor Rogers presided. Upon discussion it was decided to defer the making of plans for reorganization of the club to a time when more men could be present.

In opening his talk, Mr. Briggs remarked that the library attendance record at Trinity is very high. A few weeks ago, over a third of the student body used the library daily, a proportion that exceeds that in most other colleges.

Mr. Briggs gave a very clear and detailed description of the interior and finish of the new building, using blue prints for illustrations. He entered at length upon a description of the main circulation and reading room.

The reading room, he said, will not be a great deal larger than the present one, but will have the appearance of being so, due to the absence of alcoves. The dimensions are seventy-two feet by thirty-two feet. Five twenty-two-foot tables are to run across the room. These will have vertical partitions running lengthwise serving to prevent interference with each other's work on the part of the readers.

The books in the main room are to be arranged in eight-foot shelves running around the room. This system eliminates the necessity of going for books into the alcoves in which others are studying. The shelf capacity is to be 10,000 volumes and that of the stack rooms, 155,000.

Newspapers and magazines are to be contained in racks at the right side of the entrance. A larger number of representative newspapers is to be expected.

A card catalog is to be situated at the left of the entrance and near the librarian's desk. The librarian will be in an excellent position from which to control the entrance to the room and to the stack, as well as to observe the conduct in the room. There will be no general admittance to the stack.

As to lighting, Mr. Briggs stated that the conditions for natural lighting were ideal. Daylight will come in from the north, and as the windows are to be over the stacks, the light will be above the level of the reader's eyes. He con-

## BISHOP NILES DEAD.

### Ends Long and Honorable Career of Service.

Doctor McCook in giving notice at chapel, Tuesday, of the death of Bishop Niles, which took place in his home in Concord, New Hampshire, the day before, said:

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WILLIAM WOODRUFF NILES.

utmost of his ability—by sound scholarship, by ready pen, by earnest word, by fidelity in his high ministry as priest, editor, teacher and bishop; by unflinching and boundless loyalty based upon conviction of the intellect and of the heart; above all by his reputation among men for honor, for goodness, for courage, for purity. The sum total was a personality which commanded the warm affection of those nearest to him, the absolute respect of all. His life overpassed by a full decennium the three score and ten allotted to mortals and during this entire period, which to you will seem so incredibly long,—and yet it has now ended!—he bore himself right nobly and was a worthy companion and leader of our little band.

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sidered the present conditions for natural lighting very poor.

Direct illumination is to be used. The dark finish of the room prohibits the indirect at night. Four large chandeliers will extend from the ceiling. There

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## 1915 WINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

### Junior Basketball Team Defeats Freshman Five, 13 to 12.

The junior team defeated the freshman quintette, Thursday afternoon, in the last basketball game of the interclass series, by a narrow margin, the final score standing 13 to 12. The score remained about even throughout the game, the chances being a little in favor of the 1917 men, but in the last fifteen seconds of play Peck, '15, caged a pretty shot which decided the game. The game was slow in the first half, foul after foul being called on both sides. The juniors seemed unable to score and the freshmen took the lead from the beginning, holding it until the whistle blew for time. The score for the first half stood 4 to 1, and the chances looked bright for the underclass team. The play so far was featureless and enthusiasm ran low.

The second half, however, began with a rush and after a couple of delays it was "nip and tuck" right up to the finish. Shelley started the scoring for the juniors but Armstrong retaliated by two clean shots in succession. The second was a spectacular throw from the center of the floor which brought the audience to their feet. Wright and Peck each tallied, and the score for a while stood 8 to 8. The freshmen soon forged ahead and held the lead until within a few seconds of the end of the game when Peck's shot turned the tables. Armstrong starred for the 1917 team, both in his fast floor work and in his shooting. Brainerd played a fast game for the juniors. This contest was the deciding game of the inter-class series, the championship of the college going to the junior class.

### The line-up:

1915		1917
Shelley	RF	Dennis
Carpenter,		
Brainerd	LF	Armstrong
Peck	C	Little
Smith, Cowles	RG	Bradley
Wright	LG	Berkeley

Summary: Score, 1915-13; 1917-12; substitutes, Brainerd for Carpenter, Cowles for Smith; goals, Shelley, 1; Peck, 2; Wright, 1; Brainerd, 1; Armstrong, 3; Dennis, 1; Berkeley, 1; Little, 1; goals from fouls, Carpenter, 1; Brainerd, 2; referee, Dr. Swan; halves, 15 minutes.



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The Tripod notes with not a little satisfaction that the Science Club is to be reorganized. Any organization which has for its object the study of things about us should be welcomed and encouraged at Trinity, since it gives not only a change and refreshment from the regular routine of study, but also offers an opportunity for seeing how those studies are or may be applied to the affairs of progressive civilization.

Right here it may be well to correct a possible erroneous impression as to the subjects treated and the method of treatment in the club. It would not be unnatural for the uninquiring student to suppose that a science club was some sort of advanced affair which studied deep technical subjects in such a deep technical way that the layman could not even recognize the language used. However, such is by no means the case. A science club meeting is an informal gathering at which up-to-date every-day subjects are presented and

discussed in a practical manner or abstruse subjects are explained in such a way that they become clear to the most unscientifically disposed Arts student. Sometimes the student members present scientific subjects which they have had the good fortune to see at first hand, sometimes a professor is invited to clear up points on some topic not so easily understood, or to give the benefit of his expert interest in some problem which confronts the world of science. The field included in the term science covers not only those subjects generally thought of as scientific in an academic sense, but also forestry, farming, waterways, manufactures, and all of those things which should be a part of our every-day knowledge. Most of us will not soon forget the series of entertaining and instructive popular lectures by specialists which were given from time to time last year under the auspices of the science club. These were just a public sample of the work that was done at the meetings all during the year.

By joining the Science Club which has just been started, you will help along a good thing, but even more, you will be placing yourself in the way of learning some things the knowledge of which you will not regret.

## STUDENT VOLUNTEER REPORT.

### Kansas City Convention Speeches Published in Book Form.

There was gathered in Kansas City during our last Christmas vacation some of our foremost educators, greatest missionaries, and most eloquent orators in the world today. They put forth their greatest efforts during that great Convention of Student Volunteers and it is fortunate indeed that those speeches have not been lost to us. A book, containing the most notable ones, together with a full report of all the other conferences and such other material in regard to the movement has been published and is being offered at special rates for a limited time. It is not merely a study of missionary conditions today, it is an encyclopedia of oratory and a reference library in one. The Convention itself was hailed by the press as the greatest and most unique in the world, and this book is a history of that Convention. The few words which the Trinity delegates have spoken in regard to it concern the mere framework of the whole, and anyone who wishes to derive any benefit from the Convention or is at all interested in the Student Volunteer Movement, should have this book in his library. It may be ordered through the College Y. M. C. A., at one dollar per volume, or by ordering direct from the Student Volunteer Movement, 600 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y.

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**BASEBALL PROSPECTS.**  
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had any real experience in college baseball, though there is no lack of candidates. Among those who have reported for the garden work are: Ives, '16, Brand, '15, Tiger, '16, Bent, '15, Dennis, '17, Craig, '16, and P. J. Young, '15. As only three of these men, Ives, Craig and Brand, have ever been in a college game even for a few innings, it is probable that some of those trying for the infield will be used to fill the vacancies caused by the loss of last year's players.

With only two days' batting practice, it is difficult to make any forecast as to the abilities of the different batters. Up to this time, McKay has shown the best form, and Murray, Gilooly and Carpenter have also been connecting in good style.

Everyone seems well satisfied with the way Coach "Jimmy" Burns, formerly of North Hampton, is handling the team. He is able to impart a great deal of "pep" and spirit to the men, and takes a lot of personal interest in the different players.

**SCIENCE CLUB.**  
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will be individual lights at the tables and over the shelves. The direct system of lighting is considered more satisfactory and much less expensive than the indirect for the purpose in hand.

Mr. Briggs proceeded to describe the situation and use of the various offices and committee rooms connected with the library department.

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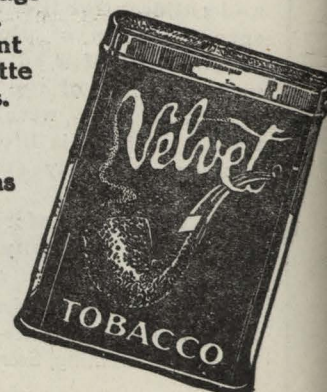
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