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## CHEMISTRY SEMINARS.

Members of Advanced Courses to Visit Different Factories.

In connection with the series of weekly seminars for those taking courses in advanced chemistry, these men together with Dr. Stone and Mr. Harrison went to Middletown last Friday and visited the liquid air plant of Dr. Walter P. Bradley, head of the department of chemistry at Wesleyan University. The visitors from Trinity derived much pleasure and profit from They were conducted their trip. through the plant, which was run for their benefit in connection with an explanation of its workings. They also witnessed the performing of several experiments.

Trips of this nature are planned at fortnightly intervals until the end of the college year. Every two weeks there will also be a meeting at the home of some man in the courses at which a paper will be read and discussions held.

On Friday, March 13, a meeting was held at the residence of Dr. Stone. The subject for the evening was, "Sources of Combined Nitrogen." Papers were read by R. C. Stratton, '15, C. T. Senay, '14, C. B. Spofford, '16, and Mr. Harrison. There were questions and a general discussion.

The plant of the Green and Bauer Corporation of Hartford will be visited Friday, March 30. The men will go through the factory in the afternoon and look into the manufacture of X-ray tubes. They will listen to a talk by Frank J. Farrely, the president of the corporation, upon the subject of the X-ray. Mr. Farrely is one of the foremost men in the country upon the improving of the X-ray. Until the recent death of Mr. Green, president of the corporation, he was vice-president, and has long been active in research work in the X-ray field. With the death of Mr. Green, he became president of the corporation, and is now continuing the research work upon the improvement of X-ray tubes which was carried on by his predecessor.

In the evening the seminar will meet at the home of F. B. Coyle at 59 Buckingham Street. Coyle will read a paper upon "Chemical Reactions Under the Electron Theory," and the usual questions and discussions will follow.

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#### Doctor McCook Returns.

Doctor McCook resumed his classes yesterday after an absence due to illness. He returned to college a week-and-a-half ago after recovering from a case of the grippe. He contracted a slight case of bronchial-pneumonia a few days later, however, and was again forced to give up his work. With lessons assigned daily throughout his illness, he found the progressive members of his classes up to date in their work and hopes to have the classes working on schedule within a short time.

#### THE TEMPTATION OF POWER. Dr. Luther Preaches on the Last Temptation of Our Lord.

In his sermon of last Sunday, Dr. Luther told of the last temptation of our Lord and quoted as his text the eighth and ninth verses of the fourth chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, "Again the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, 'All these things will I give thee, if thou will fall down and worship me.'"

Dr. Luther, continuing, pointed out how great that temptation must have been to one, who, like our Lord was not yet sure of his ministry, who only, as yet, felt the impulses to greatness without being precisely aware as to their goal. And surely the time was ripe for the proclamation of such a Messiah as the Jews had been led to expect. Palestine was groaning under the weight of Roman oppression, all Asia would have risen to his support, and such a nation might have been established as would have changed the destinies of the world.

But Christ was strong enough to put that away, and turning his back on such glory, to pursue his downward course. And it was in this respect that Napoleon differed so greatly from him, for Napoleon turned his great opportunities to his own ends, and is responsible for the conversion of Europe, today, into one large armed camp.

Another case of self-abnegation was quoted fron Arnold's "Light of Asia." That of Prince Arthur who gave up a magnificent opportunity to found a theocratic empire and devoted himself to the study of the divine in the human soul, and became known as Buddha.

Dr. Luther also pointed out that this temptation was not confined to Princes alone, but was present in its appropriate form, whenever one may be tempted to do something wrong for the sake of money, fame or position. He also told of one Trinity graduate of a few years' standing, who came to him almost at the breaking point, but still refusing to perjure himself for the sake of his company. And speaking of this case it was immaterial whether, in the future, he should make a fortune or not, for it was not so much what one gets from the world, as what one puts into it, that counts at the Day of Judgment.

### College Note.

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During the year of 1913 Harvard won two major championships, football and hockey. Of nineteen sports, six times the Cambridge teams took the palm, with Yale a close second with five, while Cornell annexed three.

### AGAINST MILITARISM. Alumnus Thinks Military Camps Result of Jingoism.

(Editor's Note—The following is a tirade against the government's project of instituting military camps for the instruction of college men. He accuses those in power of creating jingoism, and of doing everything possible to promote, instead of to lessen, the spirit of militarism. We do not see how anyone could have read such an attitude into the article published in the *Tripod*, for the very first sentence implied that the whole plan was for the furtherance of peace. We heartily approve of the camps, and would like to see Trinity represented in one of them this summer. But others think differently.) Editor of the Tripod:

Dear Sir:

It was with regret and amazement that' I saw two of the six columns of reading matter in the last issue of the Tripod occupied with an article which was aimed to be an appeal to college men to join the student military camps, this coming summer. I consider the present move on the part of the War Department to make the colleges recruiting places for the army as an onslaught on the very ideal of our educational institutions. The War Department seems to be very anxious o inculcate among the young men of this nation a spirit of jingoism and to get them scared about the "enemy."

The reason for this policy perhaps lies in the failure on the part of our professional war-criers to succeed in getting from the government all the battleships and other military appropriations they so anxiously desire. Thus a new public opinion must be

created, and they proceed to manufacture it among the young students, who will soon leave their colleges and universities to take up the leadership of this nation.

But the scheme will not succeed. It must not succeed. Those who are really taking to heart the future of the people of this country know, that what we really need to send out from our colleges are not professional menkillers, but men-conservers,—i. e., intelligent young men endowed with a social vision and determined to fight our common internal enemies, such as poverty, alcoholism, tuberculosis, prostitution and other ailments of our present system which are undermining the well-being of our society.

The argument that the military camps will offer the students an opportunity for physical training is certainly an absurd one to make to our college and universities, where the gymnasiums are sometimes better endowed than the laboratories, and where the largest part of the extracurriculum activity is devoted to outdoor sports.

The article printed in the *Tripod* deplores the fact that "Every American is not a natural-born crack-shot", and so the War Department proposes to rectify this failing by offering instruction in the art of killing our fellowmen. (Continued on page 2.)

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#### THREE ACTS MASTERED. "The Jesters" Will Give up Part of Vacation to Rehearsal.

The progress of the "Prince and the Pauper" has been rapid and steady. The cast has been constantly practicing and has now mastered the first three acts and has just begun the fourth and last. "The Jesters" will have to report from their vacation four days earlier than the college requires. In order to get into form for the performance on the 23rd of April, they must take up their work again on Thursday, April 16. The play will be especially appropriate this year, as it marks the fiftieth anniversary of the appearance in literature of the author's name, Mark Twain.

Tuesday afternoon the mob appeared for the first time in the rehearsals. It is a lively mob and will add a great deal to the action of the play. Hudson, '14, has charge of the mob, which includes ten girls, the glee club, and a number of men of small stature. All rehearsals of the mob will hereafter be held at Parsons' Theatre, where it may be accommodated more easily. There have been six rehearsals at Parsons', all others being in the home of Mrs. Williams, to whom the cast and the management are very grateful. More scenery is being procured from New York, and every endeavor is being made to have the production as realistic as possible.

The play is sure to be appreciated by a large audience, especially by the college body, as there is lots of fighting and love-making. Hudson, '14, and his mob, when they first saw the rehearsal on last Tuesday, were very favorably impressed with these scenes. Every few minutes there is a street brawl among the ruffians. When "Bill" Spofford, '14, appears as a London gangleader, the mob with good reason hurriedly makes way. Nor is "Jim" Moore, '14, excelled in feats of strength, for once "Arch" Mitchell, '15, faints in his arms, and is carried off by this stalwart Briton. Moore, again, shows great skill as a seamstress.

Two performances will be given at Parsons'. One will be on the evening of Thursday, April 23, and the other in the afternoon of Friday, April 24. South Manchester has asked that a performance be given there on the following Saturday. The management is considering this but has not yet decided. The shows are for the benefit of Trinity's revived dramatic associa-tion, the "Jesters", and the manage-ment hopes that it has the support of the college body. The management also wishes that the different fraternities would make early arrangements to secure the boxes. The prices will be the usual amount for the boxes, and no assessment will be made. The pictures of the cast in several scenes are done and the posters will soon be seen in the shop windows. The managers are: Craig, '16, for the advertising; Maxon, 16, for the programme, and Harding, '16, for the stage property.

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## "NOW THEN TRINITY"

It is good for a man to hear the other fellow's point of view. At times it may be of value, and always it is an excellent remedy for narrowness and egotism. Naturally enough the communication published last Friday concerning the idea of a college commons, caused not a little comment. In the main, the writer of that article was right; Trinity undoubtedly needs a commons or as near an approach to one as we can get. The fraternity should be secondary to the college. We do not believe, however, that the references to snobbishness and prejudices are well founded. We are rather inclined to think that Trinity, considering the system that obtains here, is fairly free from both snobbishness and prejudice. Of course this is altogether a matter of opinion. Trinity needs a commons, not in order to escape snobbishness, but to develop a more unified spirit, a more real democracy. Many fraternity men realize this, and yet they are unwilling to give up the eating clubs at their houses, not because they fear association with other men in college, but because they hate to break away from what has become to them one of the pleasantest features of college life. It will be a very difficult matter to install the commons system here. But how about a freshman commons? This may seem a poor substitute, but still it would be a great deal better than nothing, and probably most of the fraternities would concur. The freshmen would get the right idea

#### AGAINST MILITARISM. (Continued from page 1.)

One need not be an optimist to believe that the best among our students will refuse this pleasant invitation \* \* Do not the recent revelations in

Germany, Russia, Japan and France. about the intimate relations of the professional Jingoists and the armour plate concerns such as Krupp's and Pautiloff's throw some light on how the war cries are manufactured? Let us hope that a call to our students to join the ranks of militarism, which was rightly termed organized insanity, will receive no response.

The student, by virtue of his training, acquires an international mind. This is due to the fact, that in the process of his education, he imbibes the ideas of the thought of the entire world. The intellectual world is just as interdependent as the commercial world. The proof of the interdependence in the field, of knowledge, just as in the field of commerce is evident by the existence of 60 different international scientific and cultural associations, and there is already organized a central organization of all the international associations.

Who if not the student is to see the importance of this international relationship for human progress? The best among our educators have joined together to do away with enmity of one nation against the other.

The student youth of America should join this noble movement which aims to bring about the time:

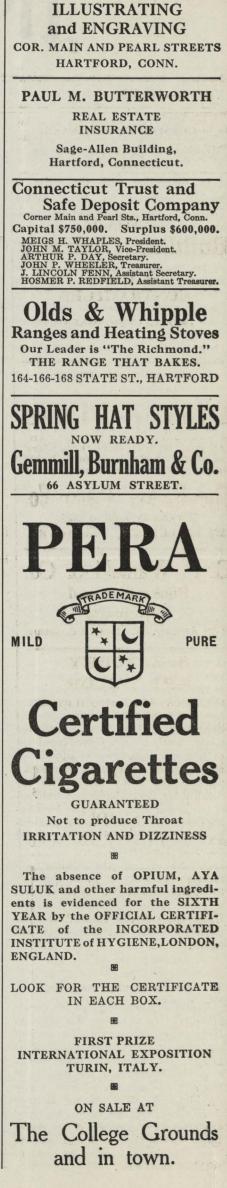
"When the war-drum throbs no longer And the battle-flags are furl'd, In the Parliament of man— The Federation of the world." -'11.

R SOUTH AMERICAN SEMINAR.

Meeting at Alpha Delta Phi House. The second meeting of the South American Seminar was held at the Alpha Delta Phi House on Thursday evening. A digest of the first chapter of Mr. Speer's book, "South American Problems," was presented by Lazarus, '14, and Craik, '14, after which a general discussion ensued. An excellent plan has been adopted for dividing the work. Each member of the seminar is appointed a country for which he is responsible and all questions held brought up about that country or referred to him for verification thereby giving the meetings the air of the real German seminar system. If there are still any men who wish to join the seminar, they should hand their names to J. A. Mitchell, '15, as soon as possible.

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at the outset, and would learn to know all the men in their class intimately. We are not retracting what we said about a college commons. We merely suggest this as a substitute because it seems that the fraternities would not willingly surrender their eating clubs altogether. A freshman commons, too, would make the fraternity rushing agreement possible. At present, if there were a month before any pledging, where would the freshmen eat? There is certainly not room for one hundred or more men at Stickney's. A freshman commons and a recreation room for the college body would be an excellent use for the old library if the plan of a college commons does not materialize.



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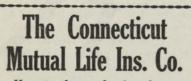
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POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB. Delegates Appointed to Convention.

At a meeting of the Political Science Club held at Professor Gettell's house on Tuesday evening, the final plans of the Intercollegiate Civic League Convention were discussed and Fitzpatrick, '14, Lazarus, '14, and Stadtmeuller, '14, were appointed as delegates to represent the Trinity Political Science Club at the Convention. The most important feature of the Convention will be the business meeting and conference for all delegates at Earl Hall, Columbia University on the afternoon of the first day, April 2. At seven in the evening there will be a dinner at the University Club at which speakers of national reputation will address the delegates. The second day of the convention will be practically a sight-seeing exhibition in Washington. The delegates, besides attending the sessions of the House and Senate, will be received and addressed by President Wilson, officers of his cabinet, and prominent members of Congress. They will also have afternoon tea with Justice Hughes of the Supreme Court at his home.

The discussion at the meeting followed a very comprehensive paper on "The Commission Form of Government in Cities," by Robinson, '15.

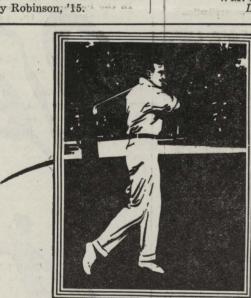
**Concerning Class Secretaries.** 

To the Editor of the Trinity Tripod: Dear Sir:

I should like to propose through your columns the formation of a Trinity association of class secretaries. Among the functions of such an organization would be to provide for the uniform collection of statistics for each class, to provide an efficient organization for class reunions, and to ascertain that every Trinity man was recorded in a definite class, whether he received a degree or not.

The organization itself need not be elaborate. I would suggest that such an association hold an annual meeting, possibly during Commencement Week. Arrangements could be made for providing the secretaries with uniform blanks, and could include, if desirable, a central file of the more important statistics with some official of the college, or the Alumni Editor of the *Tripod*. Such a plan would certainly prove of great value to the incoming secretary, whose duties at first seem rather vague.

rather vague. If the secretaries of other classes would express their opinion of the mat-ter through your columns, and if the proposal seems to meet with favor, I would suggest that a meeting of the life secretaries be held during the coming Commencement Week. Very truly yours, WM. P. BARBER, Jr., Life Secretary of 1913.



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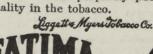
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