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TRINITY STANDS FIRM.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY CANCELS GAME.

At a meeting Friday afternoon, of the Graduate Advisory Committee a definite stand was taken on the athletic situation at Trinity. A formal document was drawn up and later published in the important papers of New England. This stand is addressed to New York University but is adopted as the policy to be used in competition with other institutions also. The full text of the letter is the honest conviction of the student body voiced by the few who formulated it. In full, it is:

October 29, 1915.

Professor T. F. Jones, Ph.D., etc., etc.,
Chairman Committee on Student Organizations, etc., etc., New York University, University Heights, New York City.

Dear Sir:

Your letters of October 25, directed respectively to the Secretary of the Athletic Association and to the Chairman of the Faculty Committee on Athletics and College Organizations, reached their destinations, the first on the 26th, the second on the afternoon of the 27th instant, and both were referred for answer to the advisory committee of the alumni, in whose behalf and by whose direction we are now writing.

We acknowledge with appreciation the friendly spirit of your communication and beg to assure you that your kindly feelings are reciprocated.

We understand you to refer to a certain rule of the International College Association and to request that "any professional within the meaning of the rule in question, if there should be any such on the team which Trinity is to play against New York University on November 2, be withdrawn."

Declining, as we must, compliance with this request, the courteous form in which the request is made justifies something more than mere formal refusal.

The rule in question, with which we are familiar, has always seemed to us to be liable to objection for the following reasons:

1—It discriminates between methods of student support, which prima facie are equally lawful, honest, and honorable, narrowing thereby the field of employment already sufficiently circumscribed for this class of young men and closing to them activities in which they are most at home and which consequently are to them most profitable, most congenial, and most healthful.

2—The rule is sure to be evaded and is easy of evasion, while condonement of evasion is in the nature of things all but inevitable. Of all which assertions the very history of the rule furnishes ample proof; and if we fail to cite specific instances, it is not because of lack of facts so much as

because of embarrassment in choosing among them. Moreover, we see no advantage, but the contrary, in embarking upon the turbid sea of futile re-creation.

Let one fact suffice. Invited, as we were, to join the organization at its inception, and declining in spite of much general sympathy with its main objects, we have since been urged to reconsider, and on alleging again our inability to affirm loyalty to a body one of whose most conspicuous aims and obligations, the suppression of "summer baseball," did not command our sympathy, we were assured that by no means all of the present members professed to keep the regulation, or seriously tried to do it, and that we might join, reserving our entire freedom of conviction and action. Without assuming to judge others, of whose conscientiousness we could have no doubt, to us acceptance of membership on such terms seemed impracticable.

As for the young men; we realized that they were likely to be neither better nor worse, stronger nor weaker than their elders, and that, if the latter could reconcile themselves to mental reservation in regard to the observance of laws to which they had given their adhesion, like results might be apprehended in the case of their juniors. For it is an axiom in jurisprudence and in morals that the creation of fictitious offences and the erection of unattainable standards tends inevitably to casuistry, insincerity and evasion, and may end in hypocrisy and serious neglect of all law. Of which tendencies, in the matter in question, it seems to us evidence is not lacking.

So much for the general merits of the case. Specifically, and bearing directly upon your request that Mr. Brickley be excluded from the coming game: There is with us a strict division of functions and responsibilities regarding athletic management. Our own body has entire charge of all questions of general policy and of finance—the faculty has entire charge of all else. The faculty revise all schedules of games with a view to their bearing upon absence and the like. They admit to college, place upon probation and remove therefrom; they restrict and regulate all public student organizations and activities. Up to the present they have given themselves no concern as to the employments or recreations of young men before their admission to college, or during their vacations. The certificate of moral character required by all colleges, covers the former, and the legal conduct required of all citizens the latter. There is absolutely no discrimination for, or against athletes, either at entering or at any other time. They are entitled to all privileges—but they re-

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TRINITY DEFEATED.

Springfield Wins Cross-Country.

On last Saturday afternoon the Trinity cross-country team lost to the team from Springfield Y. M. C. A. College by a score of 43 points to 16. In spite of the score which would indicate a big victory for the Springfield team, the Trinity men ran a surprisingly good race in view of the fact that it was the first experience for all of them in cross-country running, and for the most of them in long distance work of any kind. George, the first Trinity man to cross the tape, ran a good race through the whole course, setting the pace for the Springfield runners for a long distance, and forcing them to their limit.

The course was across open country for a large part of the way and the strong wind, blowing in the men's faces, made the run particularly hard for both teams. The length of the course was five miles. The men finished in the following order:

Kittredge, Leonard, Cote, and Anger of Springfield, George of Trinity, Parker and Jones of Springfield, Williams, Blease, C. Johnson and Carlson of Trinity. Time, 29.35; referee, De Ritter; judges at finish, Shulthiess, Craig, and Harper; timers, Hugisteger and Harmon.

PLANS FOR BASKETBALL.

Good Material in College.

Frank Coyle, '16, chairman of the Senate committee on 'varsity basketball, hopes with the aid of Coach Price to place basketball on as firm a basis as football is established at Trinity. The present plans of the committee are to run a series of games between class teams,—two or three teams from each class, if the material is available. This series will run about three or four weeks, commencing immediately after the close of the football season and continuing until about December 15. On the performances in this set of games will depend the selection of the 'varsity. The big five will be picked by the committee with the assistance of Coach Price.

Games have already been requested by Rhode Island State and Connecticut Aggies, and the success of the plan depends entirely upon undergraduate support. If material enough turns up to produce a team worthy of Trinity, the booking of games will be a simple matter, and with Jackson, Moran, Castator, Lambert, Tiger, Woolley, and Vizner as likely material, there is absolutely no reason why Trinity should not develop a team worthy of the college. All of the plans, however, depend upon the sanction of the faculty, which has been petitioned for by the committee.

UNDERCLASS FOOTBALL.

The annual freshman-sophomore football game will be played Monday, November 8, on Trinity Field.

FRESHMAN MATRICULATE.

Judge Buffington Speaks.

The exercises of matriculation were held yesterday in Alumni Hall at 10 o'clock. Acting President Henry A. Perkins, E. E., opened the ceremonies with a short speech and introduction of the speaker of the day, the Honorable Joseph Buffington of Pittsburgh.

Judge Buffington first commented on the appropriateness of All-Saints' Day for matriculation, for as on that Day the Church Universal looks back on the deeds of the Saints and finds from them guidance for the future, so do the new students today combine the lessons learned in the past with the contemplation of the hopes for the future.

He then paid a tribute to the Chinese boys who were entering college, and requested them to convey to their government the appreciation of Trinity that she was chosen to be the college for these boys who are to help form the destiny of that great country.

As to the significance of the day, the judge analyzed the word matriculation. Matrix, from the Latin, to engrave or mould, has also a close analogy to the Greek word for character. In other words, at matriculation, one enters his college career, the main purpose of which is the moulding of character, the training of the mind, body, and soul for the future.

Judge Buffington then offered four suggestions for building this character while in college: "First, be a stickler and a stayer. Do not flunk out and be forced to realize that your first step in life was a failure. Second, Make a 'go', of it here at college. Give a word of encouragement to the fellow next you, have respect for the good qualities in everyone, and by all means do not try to undermine one's faith in anything good. The deep thing in college is study and application, and the start one makes in his freshman year usually determines his course in life. Thirdly, be not a cynic, a kicker, or a critic. Knockers and pessimists form a class to be despised. Be cheerful and hopeful. Fourth, judge things for yourself. Do not let others determine your opinions and decisions. One of the greatest things in life is to be able to say 'no' at the proper time."

The judge then paid a tribute to Trinity and to Hartford, saying that there was no college with equal civic setting. He then offered a word of warning against the temptations which city life afforded, pointing out their evil consequences. He hoped that all students would keep up intercourse with their parents, and styled this as one of the "unseen anchors which keep the ship of life afloat on the turbulent sea of life."

In closing, Judge Buffington then charged each man to feel a responsibility for his neighbor. "Let each one be a headlight that shall help and not hinder the fellow voyager," and ended by urging every one to join the "tother fellows' club," in which each member pledges himself to help the "tother fellow."

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"NOW THEN TRINITY"

Trinity plays fair—It is not only in undergraduate athletics that she upholds this standard. Trinity alumni, who take part indirectly in college athletics also believe in playing the game square. In a recent article in the sporting columns of the *New York Evening Post*, "Fair Play" speaks of the undue roughness in football, and expresses surprise that such roughness is not detected and punished. He tells of specific instances in college games this season where roughness which must have been seen by officials occurred, and yet nothing was done about it. "These things do not happen," *Fair Play* goes on to say, "when staunch upholders of the sport, such as Bill Langford, or Nate Tufts, or Joe Pendleton, or others of the sort are officiating. But Langford has paid the price of his fearlessness by being persona non grata at New Haven, or in games in which Yale participates. With the numerous officials now in charge of football contests, there is no reason why a great deal of rough play should not be detected and the team of the offending player punished."

From this article it can be seen that the standard of Trinity men, past and present, is embodied in the phrase "Do your duty as you see it." Langford has seen his duty and has carried it out to the best of his ability. Men,

directly concerned with the college at this critical time, believe that it is their duty to uphold principles for which Trinity has so long stood, and they are doing so. It may be policy in the future for the college to make a change in its eligibility rules. In the end it may be found to be in the best interests of clean sport to do so, but, what the *Tripod* wishes to emphasize here, is that Trinity has never been degraded by its lack of rules regarding professionals. It has always believed that no rule is better than a broken rule, and has acted accordingly. It has always tried to do its duty.

Although there is a certain amount of justification for the indignation felt by the college body over the actions of other institutions in regard to the present athletic controversy, it might be well if individuals did not express their opinions in such opprobrious terms. It is always well in a case like this to look at the other fellow's point of view. If one of us were a student of Williams College he would probably be a firm believer in their cause of action in the present case, and at the same time would decry our principles. It is all a result of slight narrowmindedness. We believe that Trinity is right and should back her loyally accordingly, but we must remember that the men of Williams, N. Y. U., and others are just as firm in their convictions. They are not quitters, afraid of being licked. Their trouble is also narrow-mindedness. Let them look at Trinity's point of view, and let us look at their's. Thus may a settlement be made sometime which will allay the present wave of bitterness which is overwhelming long traditions of friendliness.

As the *Tripod* goes to press we note that N. Y. U. has cancelled the game scheduled for today. We regret that they have done so, but feel that under the circumstances the Athletic Committee did well in refusing to withdraw Brickley. To back water in order to prevent cancellation would have been contrary to the character of Trinity men, and inconsistent with the course which Trinity has adopted.

PRIZE ESSAY CONTEST.

An opportunity is presented to all college students by the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor, through the president, Adolph Lewison, to show what they know about prisons and prison labor. There will be three prizes awarded for the best theses on this subject: a prize of \$50 for the best Master's thesis and two prizes of \$25 for the two best undergraduate theses. The only requirement is that the competitor be a matriculated student of any college or university in the country. The men selected to make the awards are: Thomas Mott Osborne, Warden of Sing Sing Prison; Prof. Samuel M. Lindsay of Columbia University; and Dr. E. S. Whitin, chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Committee. Students wishing any further information can obtain the same by communicating with the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor, Broadway and 116th St., New York City.

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ceive no favors. No hour, or place of examination, lecture, or recitation is changed for their convenience. They go on probation when and as others do—they can get off only at the fixed times, twice yearly, when others do. Before every game, or other participation in public activity, the manager must present under his signature, a list of those who are to participate, with other details covering hour of departure and return upon a printed form provided by the college; the registrar must in writing certify that the persons named are academically eligible, and thereupon the chairman of the faculty committee on athletics and college organizations, in writing, authorizes the game. A separate list must be prepared for each game, or concert, or debate, or whatever the occasion may be, and no man can take part in the same whose name is not on the list, for the authenticity of which the managers are held personally liable.

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And now to come to Mr. Brickley, whom you mention by name. To the faculty he is simply a youth who has complied with their printed and published conditions as to intellectual and moral fitness for the work of a student. His business before reporting for admission has been treated—as his business! His elective card was approved and filed by the proper committee and he thereupon began attendance at lectures and recitations. In due time—we have no "one year" rule at present, though that seems to us a possible improvement—his name appeared upon a list of persons certified as above, and he played. His name may not appear again. Whether it does or not will depend upon the decision of the coach, whose general respectability may be inferred from the fact that he is a college graduate and a doctor of medicine. If it does so appear and he is at the time under no disciplinary disqualification, he will play.

Only one condition, however, that he shall desire to play. He is under no obligation to play, financially or otherwise. In common with many other students, some athletes, most of them not, he has a scholarship. The grant of the scholarship has no regard, so far as we are aware, either expressed or implied, to his playing or abstaining from playing. It will be continued as long as the standard of work and behavior required of persons holding scholarships is maintained, whether he play or not. Playing on a team is a privilege which he enjoys in common with every other student, until he forfeits it. In case he stops playing, the only difference will be that he will be obliged to join the freshman gymnasium squad for the obligatory physical drill; he will join it anyhow when football is past. There are no dispensations for athletes in Trinity College and there is little athletic hero-worship there, and as Mr. Brickley is described to us, he would not be over mindful of it, if it were there. He seems to be just a quiet youth of rather unusual seriousness, who has come to college to do college work in preparation for the later work which fortunately he will have to do in life in order to live, and who particularly

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shrinks from the publicity which he finds forced upon him.

This is the most explicit answer to your question that it is now in our power to give. Without some change in our faculty action, which is improbable, Mr. Brickley is almost sure to be on our list of players next week—though he may prefer not to play; and as for any further or different list there is but one kind of list ever prepared by us, the one above described, and to that you will be welcome.

And of one thing, at least, you may be sure—that every man on that list will be a genuine student up to the common standard in his studies and his conduct; that he will probably be ignorant of the vices of idleness—possibly not unacquainted with hard self-denial, but fit in our judgment to stand now unabashed in the company of his forebears, and later to stand by the side of any young American of any college, in work or play.

We join with you in hoping our relations with you and others may remain undisturbed and uninterrupted, but concede to you of course the right to decline to play with us, if your interpretation of your duty under your rules seems to require that course. In the latter event you will find it in your power, we trust, to wire our manager; so that the team may be saved a needless journey.

In any event we beg to assure you of our friendship and good will.

Very truly yours,

Signed:

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Sec'y Graduate Advisory Committee.

N. Y. U. MAKES SECOND APPEAL.

Mr. Frank Cann, director of athletics at N. Y. U., interviewed the committee Saturday, requesting that Brickley not play, saying that if he did play, there were four situations that would be distasteful to New York University. In the first place violating the rules of the I.C.A.A.A., they would endanger the athletic standing of their men, especially Cann and Egan. If, in that case, they were obliged to withdraw these two men, in order to save their athletic standing, the contest would be much weaker from the spectators' standpoint. Again they might feel impelled to cancel the game, which might, lastly, lead to the severance of relations. Because of this, they especially requested Trinity not to play Brickley.

The alumni committee met November 1 to discuss the proposition. Mr. Cann, said Sunday night that he was vested with full power in relation to athletics at New York University. The committee suggested that in order that the standing of Cann and Egan might not be jeopardized, Brickley might play half of the game while the former players should play the other half, if their coach so wished. Mr. Cann in consultation with the committee Monday denied that he had full powers relative to action taken in the case and thus could not accept the offer until he had consulted the committee at New York. Since Mr. Cann could not accept the offer, the committee rescinded its proposition on Brickley, inasmuch as the principle involved would be broken. A telephone message received from New York last night, cancelled the game.

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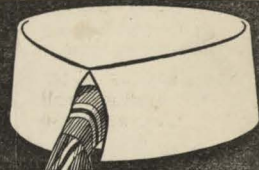
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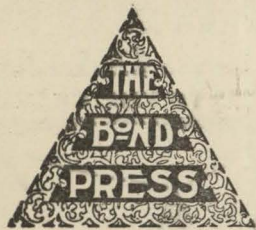
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The Rev. Henry A. McNulty will address the college on Thursday, November 11, at 7.30 P. M., in Alumni Hall.

Mr. McNulty has just returned from China where he has been for six years. He is a Princeton man and was an inter-collegiate record holder in the 220-yard dash.

His message should prove interesting and instructive to those who are at all undecided as to their future work. He has had the experience of an older man and has not yet lost sight of the viewpoint of the undergraduate.

It is hoped that a large number of students and their friends will turn out to hear him. He comes at the invitation of the College Administration, which urges the undergraduates to give him a cordial welcome

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI.

'99—The Rev. Allen R. Van Meter will enter on his new duties as Dean of the Cathedral of St. Paul, Erie, Penn., early in November.

'02-'09-'89—Anson T. McCook and William J. Hamersley have recently made addresses in Hartford based on their experiences at the Plattsburg Military Instruction Camp. They, with Woolsey McA. Johnson were the representatives of the Trinity College Alumni at that Camp.

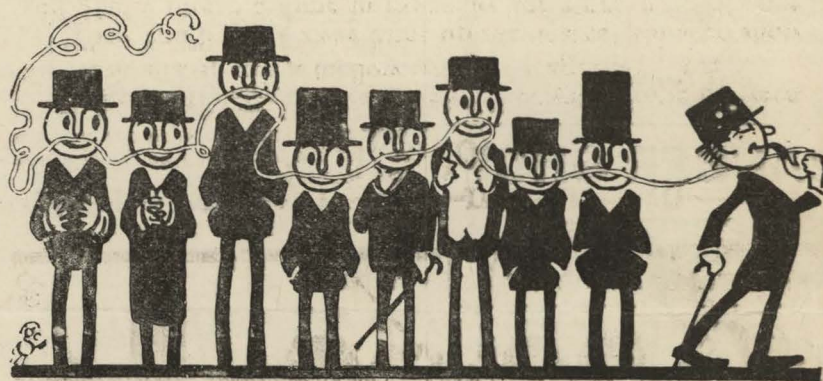
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FRESHMEN MATRICULATE.

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Acting President Perkins then thanked Judge Buffington for his address and announced that matriculation would immediately follow. He then read the pledge to be signed, and said that in plain words it meant the pledging of loyalty to the college, and the following of the motto for the college, "Trinity First."

The ceremonies were then concluded by the matriculation of all the new students.



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