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## DR. JOHN B. McCOOK RETURNS FROM FRANCE

### ADMIRE TRINITY'S WAR RECORD.

That Trinity succeeded at least as well, if not better, than any other American college or university in keeping her boys "over there" in touch with the conditions and activities at their Alma Mater is the opinion of Dr. John B. McCook, '90, who has just recently returned from Red Cross work in France. He says that he received on different occasions letters and circulars including reports on Trinity's war record. The cards of greeting and "good luck" which he received from the college at Christmas would compare favorably with those sent out by any college in this country. While overseas he also received many copies of "The Tripod", some having evidently gone astray, as was true of much of his mail. He says that any Trinity news, in whatever form it came, was a treat to him.

Dr. McCook went abroad in September, 1917, in Red Cross hospital work, having first tried without success to enlist in army service. On reaching France, he was first assigned to Dr. Blake's hospital in Paris, but after a time was placed in charge of a little French hospital in Bretigny and later was transferred to another French hospital at Arc-en-Barroise, where he remained until it closed. He returned to this country on board the R. M. S. Melita, of the Canadian Pacific Ocean Service, landing at Boston on January 22.

Dr. McCook thinks that if the Germans had not signed the armistice when they did, they would certainly have completely collapsed within ten days, since the Allies were planning a great offensive. This preparation for an offensive was indicated by the fact that practically all the hospitals, even the one to which he was last assigned, which was over fifty miles from the front, were being steadily evacuated to make room for the stream of wounded which would result from such an offensive.

While overseas, Dr. McCook saw both of his brothers, Captain Anson T. McCook, '02, who recently sustained a fracture of his arm, and Major Philip J. McCook, '95, who was wounded in action on November 6; but he has not seen either of them since they were injured.

Dr. McCook spoke of Trinity's wonderful war record, and said that in his opinion, it is a thing to be proud of.

## DR. MILLS TO LECTURE FEB. 14.

A lecture will be delivered by Dr. John N. Mills of New Haven on Friday evening, February 14, on the subject, "Foreigners in America." His address will be especially interesting and instructive, as he has traveled extensively abroad.

## DR. JEROME P. WEBSTER RECEIVES CROIX DE GUERRE.

We have just been informed that Dr. Jerome P. Webster, '10, was decorated with the Croix de Guerre for "devotion and courage" in rescuing and reviving Frenchmen who had been gassed. He expected to return to this country with his regiment on the Celtic, which was due in New York last Sunday. Dr. Webster was sent as Special Assistant to the American Embassy at Berlin, Germany, in March, 1917, serving as inspector of prison camps in Germany until diplomatic relations were severed, returning to this country with Ambassador Gerard in March, 1917. In August, 1917, he was commissioned First Lieutenant in the Md. O. R. C. After being transferred to various camps in this country, he sailed for France in December, 1917, with the 1st Battalion 30th Engineers.

## MADE SUPERINTENDENT OF FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION.

Martin W. Clement, of the Class of 1901, has recently been appointed superintendent of freight transportation of the Pennsylvania Railroad, eastern lines, with headquarters at Philadelphia, Pa. He has been employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad ever since two months after his graduation from Trinity. He entered their employ on Aug. 1, 1901, as a rodman in the office of the principal assistant engineer of the United Railroads of New Jersey, serving later as transitman and assistant supervisor, successively, and being promoted on January 1, 1910, to supervisor in the office of the general manager. In June, 1913, he was transferred to the Manhattan Division, and in the following December, to the Pittsburgh Division in the same capacity. One year later he was transferred to the New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk as division engineer, and on August 8, 1916, returned to the Pennsylvania Railroad as division engineer to study improvements in New York and vicinity. The following November, he was appointed division engineer under the principal assistant engineer of the New Jersey Division, and in June, 1917, was appointed superintendent of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk.

His last promotion was to superintendent of freight transportation of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

## PHI BETA KAPPA MEETING.

A meeting of the Connecticut Beta of the Phi Beta Kappa was held at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of January 29, at which Henry Woodhouse Valentine, '19, was admitted to membership. At the time of the regular elections last June Valentine was in the military service, but he returned to Trinity a few weeks ago.

## SMOKER GIVEN BY THE POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB.

### CERTIFICATES OF SERVICE FOR ENROLLED MEN.

Certificates of service were awarded Friday by Dr. Luther to the eleven men who were enrolled in the S. A. T. C. The men who received the certificates were William Arnut Mattice, Robert Dennison Byrnes, Morton David Graham, John Mitchell England, Edward Buell Hungerford, Merle Stéphen Myers, Thurston Bancroft Macauley, Verner Warren Clapp, John Holmes Callen, Wilbur Kincaid Noel and Robert Leal Mallory.

When they enrolled in the S. A. T. C., these men agreed to submit themselves "in all respects to the same military discipline as that established for men regularly inducted."

The certificates read:

"Trinity College, Certificate of Service—This is to certify that (name of student) was enrolled as a member of the Students Army Training Corps Unit at Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., on (date) and served as such until December 14, 1918, when training ceased in the S. A. T. C.; that being under eighteen years of age he was not eligible for induction into the S. A. T. C., but performed the same kind of duties as the members of the S. A. T. C., without pay or allowances; and that the spirit of sacrifice, service and patriotism thus exhibited is worthy of the highest commendation. Given at Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., this 30th day of January, 1919."

## WILLIAM F. MADDEN, '08. KILLED BY GUNMEN.

### Prevented Large Silk Robbery.

In performance of his duty as policeman, William F. Madden, '08, who was in charge of a special patrol maintained by Cheney Brothers, was shot and killed while bravely attempting to apprehend a gang of six gunmen who were about to carry out a silk robbery on Cheney Brothers' Silk Mills in South Manchester, Conn., last Thursday night. He is universally praised for the absolute fearlessness he showed on this and former occasions.

He was born in Manchester, Conn., in May, 1879, and lived there throughout his life. At the beginning of the Spanish American war, when only 19 years old, he enlisted in Company G of the First Connecticut Volunteers. He entered Trinity with the class of 1908, leaving in his sophomore year. While at Trinity he was prominent in athletics playing both years on the varsity football team. Some years ago he went into professional boxing, and appeared in professional bouts in cities of Connecticut.

He had been in charge of Cheney Brothers' special patrol since 1914. Previous to that he was for four years a captain on the Manchester police force. He leaves a wife, an infant daughter, three brothers and two sisters.

## PROFESSOR GRIFFITH-JONES SPEAKS ON ENGLAND'S DEMOCRACY.

Thursday evening, the Political Science Club held a smoker in the College Union at which Prof. E. Griffith-Jones of England gave a very interesting address on "British Democracy and the Melting Pot of the Great War." There was a very good attendance at the meeting, including a number of members of the faculty.

Dr. Luther introduced Professor Jones and, in his short opening address, made allusion to the fact that Great Britain, France and the United States had, during the past hundred and fifty years, engaged in almost every possible combination to wage war against one another.

Professor Jones said:

"This great war has been brought to a successful conclusion as far as the fighting is concerned, but as far as the issues at stake are involved, there is still much to be done. The three great countries in the war, Britain, my own country, France and the United States are all in varying stages of democracy, and of these I believe that the democracy of my own country is the highest type. I am not going to try to prove this to you, for I realize that I might have difficulty in doing so to your satisfaction.

"England, in common with the other European countries, was in a very disrupted state at the outbreak of the war. There was growing unrest among the working classes, all the more difficult to control on account of the excellent leaders which the workers had. Then there was the sex war, the militant struggle of our dear women for the right to vote. In Ireland, Ulster rose on the passage of the Home Rule Bill, and it looked like civil war.

"Germany thought that England would be too busy with her own affairs to interfere, and attacked Belgium. The English nation rose as one man, forgetting all differences in the common cause. England was not forced to enter the war, although had she stayed out, she must inevitably have realized that her salvation lay in Germany's defeat. This realization came later, however."

"There was a large pacifist party in England, or at least so we were led to believe. The elections of last December, however, showed that the pacifist element was negligible. Lloyd George and his government, which strangely enough is considered conservative, was returned, which amounted to the same thing as a national vote of confidence in Lloyd George.

"The so-called Labor Truce is not going to last, and this is one of the biggest of the problems which England must face, probably along with

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## "NOW THEN TRINITY"

At a meeting of "The Tripod" Board Monday, Melville Shulthiess, '18, was elected to the board as an associate editor.

### TRINITY'S SHARE.

"Trinity College at Hartford is one of the smaller New England institutions of the higher education, but it has had a creditable share in the Great War, according to figures just printed. Twenty of its men laid down their lives for their country, while nineteen were wounded or gassed, and eleven were decorated for bravery. The whole number of those who took part in the conflict is 579, while many others performed patriotic services of various kinds.

Trinity has a right to be proud of this record, as the other colleges of the country have a right to be proud of theirs."

### DE PROFUNDIS.

The following lines were written by Paul S. Parsons, during a German barrage-fire at night. He is now a sergeant in Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery. The lines were printed in "The Living Church."

#### "De Profundis—

"The world is seared by shriek and burst of shell.  
The nameless things—once men—lie where they fell.  
Before the onslaught of a savage horde  
We stand, O Lord.

"Our youth—with some they call the nations' best—  
Are rushed untimely to their last, long rest,  
To sate the lust of one man's bloody sword.  
How long, O Lord?

"In midst of falling dynasties and kings  
One king stands forth and blasphemously flings  
His insolence into Thy face,  
Thou God of Grace!

"The courage to fight on all undismayed—  
To crush the beast's foul head, as we have prayed,  
Can but be gained by holding to Thy Word.  
Give peace, O Lord."

## ELDER, '16, WRITES OF EXPERIENCES.

The following is an extract from a letter received at the college from F. W. Elder, '16, who was wounded near Rheims on July 30, and who is now recuperating at General Hospital, No. 2, Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Md.:

"For some time I have been intending to write to the editor of "The Tripod" to thank him for copies of "The Tripod", which I received while in France. I feared that they might still be sending it across not knowing of my return to this country. The copies were ever a source of interest and were almost like letters from home.

"I have not yet gotten my Croix de Guerre, nor a copy of the citation. Perhaps it will be sent eventually, however. I am sorry that I will not be able to go to the meetings of which you speak, but am not able to leave the hospital as I have daily dressings. I have been around on crutches for over three months and am beginning to feel quite at home on them. The details of my service record would be a good deal to write you.

"I enlisted in September, 1917, with the U. S. Army Ambulance Service, then stationed at Allentown, Pa. In October, we went to Tobyhanna, Pa., and were there until we sailed on December 26, 1917. After fifteen days on shipboard, we landed at Brest and took the train for St. Nazaire. At St. Nazaire we spent three weeks in assembling our ambulances and during the last week in January drove to the front. We were attached (as Unit S. S. U. 515) to the fifth French Army, operating to the right of Rheims. We worked in this sector until June 1, 1918, in which time we had numerous and exciting experiences. On June 1, we moved to the left of Rheims and until August 5 took part in the severe fighting which centered about that city. On July 30 I was wounded in the leg by a shell fragment while bringing in some gassed men from one of our advanced posts. Since then I have been touring France, putting up at its various hospitals until November 10, when I sailed from Brest for Hoboken. My wound is doing well, but of course takes a long time.

"Six months on the front under shell fire, two and a half months in French hospitals and three months in American hospitals carries with it many experiences both pleasant and otherwise, experiences that I would not have wished to miss."

### REV. JAMES W. ROBINS, D.D., '52.

The Reverend James Wiltbank Robins, D. D., who received from Trinity College the degree of Bachelor of Arts, ad eundem, in 1852, died at his home in Philadelphia, December 2, 1918.

He was born in Philadelphia, Pa., September 30, 1831, the son of Thomas Robins, a banker of Philadelphia, and Eliza (Wiltbank) Robins.

He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with the degree of A. B. in 1850, and his Alma Mater subsequently conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. June 11, 1854, he was ordained Deacon in the Protestant Episcopal Church by Bishop Alonzo Potter and in December, 1856, he was ordained Priest by the same bishop.

From 1854 to 1857 he was Curate in St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia; and from 1857 to 1891, was Head Master of the Episcopal Academy in Philadelphia.

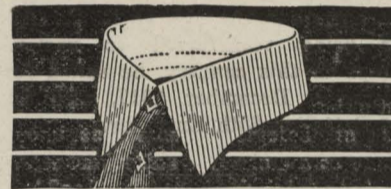
Doctor Robins married Miss Helen Hamilton Patterson on June 17, 1856. She was the daughter of Professor Robert M. Patterson of Philadelphia, a professor at the University of Vir-

ginia and the University of Pennsylvania, and also Director of the United States Mint.

### "1920 IVY" BOARD ORGANIZES.

At a meeting of the "1920 Ivy" Board Saturday, Editor-in-chief Stansfield organized the board. Alfred Hoisington, Jr., and John W. Lyon were appointed to the business department to assist Business Manager Alfred P. Bond. The other members of the board were appointed associate editors. They are Frederick Adkins, Robt. S. Casey, Raymond Fox, Harold V. Lynch, Leonel E. W. Mitchell, James A. Nichols, Gustavus R. Perkins, and Hall Pierce.

A book, entitled "The Tragedy of Armenia", telling of the sufferings of the Armenian people for centuries and of their sacrifices for civil and religious liberty, has been sent us by the Armenian Union of America. The book has been placed in the library.



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### JUNIOR PROM TO BE HELD APRIL 25.

At a meeting of the Junior Class last Friday, Francis R. Fox was elected chairman of the Junior Prom Committee. The Prom will be held on Friday evening, April 25, the closing event of Junior Week, which will be the week following the Easter recess. He has chosen the following as his committee: Caleb A. Harding, Frederick Hoisington, Arthur L. King, Harold V. Lynch (ex-officio), Jack Lyon, L. E. W. Mitchell, James A. Nichols and Gibson G. Ramsay.

### JUNIOR SMOKER COMMITTEE CHOSEN.

Donald E. Puffer, chairman of the Junior Smoker Committee, has chosen the following for his committee: Robt. S. Casey, Francis R. Fox, Caleb A. Harding, Frederick R. Hoisington, Arthur L. King, B. R. Levin, Harold V. Lynch, L. E. W. Mitchell and James A. Nichols.

The smokers will be held every other week, the first one of the series being planned for next week at the Delta Kappa Epsilon House.

### FRESHMAN TEAM LOSES AT WATERBURY.

The freshman basketball team lost another close game Friday night, when Crosby High nosed them out in the last few minutes of play on the floor of the Waterbury Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, the final score being 31 to 24. The 1922 team played good basketball, but seemed to be unable to complete their passing when it meant a score. Reynolds and Captain Nordlund played the best game for Trinity, each getting eight points. Johnson also played a good game, scoring once or twice from very difficult angles. Alexander was the individual star for Crosby. The line-up and summary:

Trinity 1922		Crosby
Reynolds	RF	Alexander
Nordlund	RG	Guerrera
Johnson	C	Fiori
Mohnkern	LG	Lee
Tansill	LF	Post, Krasow

Summary—Field goals, Reynolds 4, Nordlund 4, Johnson 2, Mohnkern 1, Alexander 4, Post 4, Fiori 4, Krasow 1; foul goals, Johnson 2, Alexander 5; referee, Foley of Naugatuck; scorers, Brainerd and Lord; timer, McBride; time, two twenty-minute halves.

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### FRESHMAN-JUNIOR BANQUET TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 28.

Disregarding all precedent, the freshmen have announced the time and place of the Freshman - Junior Banquet. It is to be held on Feb. 28, at Holyoke, Mass. Although it is generally known that the chairman of the banquet committee is Wilson G. Brainard, the committee he has appointed has so far been kept secret.

### SMOKER GIVEN BY POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB.

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this country. I read in the dispatches of today that there are at present over a quarter of a million men and women out on strike in England. I had hoped that Britain would face the after-the-war problems in a rational, conservative way but, as nearly as I can judge from the long-distance observation which I am forced to take, I fear that there will be the inevitable friction between Capital and Labor. However, my information is gathered entirely from the press dispatches and I still hope that

England will treat this matter with the same conservative, slow but sure method with which she usually meets her problems."

At the close of his lecture Professor Jones invited questions, and among the points brought up were government ownership of the railroads and mines, the leadership of the British Labor Party, the British Prohibition of Imports, the Liquor Traffic and the Influence of the War in breaking down the barriers between the Church of England and the Non-conformists.

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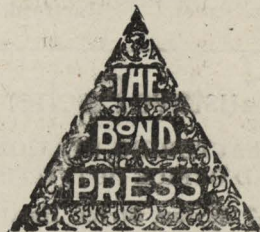
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1908

Thomas M. Phillips should now be addressed 6 Forest St., Hartford, Conn.

DeWitt C. Pond should now be addressed Larchmont in the Woods, New York.

Charles L. Trumbull should now be addressed 250 Ridge Avenue, Winnetka, Ill.

Sergeant Percival C. Platt, Medical Department is now attached to Headquarters Medical and Surgery Consultants, American E. F., Army Post Office No. 731.

Lieutenant Charles C. Withington, Battery C, 151st Regiment, Field Artillery, (42nd) Rainbow Division, can now be addressed care of Guaranty Trust Company, Paris, France.

The home address of James J. O'Connor is at 104 Whitmore Street, Hartford, Conn.

The home address of Maurice L. Furnivall, is 587 New Britain Ave., Hartford, Conn.

1916

Gordon G. Nilsson should now be addressed, S. S. U. 650, Par B. C. M., France.

Charles E. Dowling should be addressed at 445 Hillside Avenue, Hartford, Conn.

Eric A. Astlett should now be addressed S. S. U. 647, Par B. C. M., Paris, France. His home address is Upper Mountain Ave., Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

Henry S. Beers graduated from the M. I. T. Ground School, November 10. Directly after the signing of the Armistice he was placed on inactive duty at his own request and is now in the Actuarial Department of the

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Romilly F. Humphries, Jr., is now a Corporal, Co. D, 110th Field Artillery, American E. F., France.

Tom T. Hawksworth is a Chief Quartermaster at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Wingfoot Lake, Akron, Ohio. He expects to go to Pensacola, Fla., very soon to complete his aviation course.

## JESTERS MEET.

At a meeting of the Jesters on January 29, Harold V. Lynch, '20, tendered his resignation as president of the organization. His resignation was merely a matter of form, so that all the members of the executive committee might have equal power in deciding on the future of the organization. The Jesters will probably give a production during Junior Week, which will be the week following the Easter recess.

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## G. F. Warfield &amp; Co.

Booksellers and  
Stationers,

77-79 Asylum Street, Hartford, Conn.

## Plimpton Mfg. Co.

PRINTERS ENGRAVERS  
STATIONERS

252 Pearl Street, Hartford, Conn.

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