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OPENING DAY CUSTOMS AT TRINITY COLLEGE

The customs by means of which the students acclimate themselves to the college are very old. We have never heard any details of their beginnings and we assume that they or some customs very much like them have always been in force. They are revered by the students and are kept alive by two honorary societies, which strive to have the Trinity spirit inculcated in every student.

On the Friday afternoon of the first week of college the formal opening takes place. The opening ceremony is a very impressive one which takes place in the College Chapel. All the students are present and the Trinity College Hymn, which was composed by Professor Shepard, is sung while the Faculty in their robes march in slowly in order of their seniority. At this first Chapel service and at every one after that for the entire year the freshmen occupy the rows of seats nearest the aisles, the sophomores occupy those immediately higher, then the juniors, and finally the seniors. Unless absolutely necessary no student is supposed to sit in any row except that set aside for his class. This service lasts for about a half an hour, during which the President makes his address and any timely announcements. The freshmen and the sophomores after the service have their first contest, which is held on the campus in front of Northam Towers. The classes line up, facing each other, and have three one-minute rushes. These rushes are great sport.

From the end of the rushes on Friday afternoon until Monday afternoon there are no contacts between freshmen and sophomores which are not purely social. On Monday, however, many new relations are entered into by the two classes, and many new contacts are formed, particularly on Monday night. This day is known as Bloody Monday. In the afternoon the sophomores group themselves around the Student Bulletin Board and the freshmen try to break through and touch the board. This rush does not last long. Monday night the Rope Rush is held. The freshmen have to buy many pieces of rope and two pieces are given to each sophomore and freshman. The Rush is held in a big square and lasts for twenty minutes. The object is to tie up some one of the opposing class and drag him over to the judges, who disqualify him. The freshmen usually tie about half of their own men.

After the Rope Rush the students go down to the State Capitol in groups. The freshmen usually stay pretty close together on the way down and back. While at the Capitol (where the college used to be), a few songs are sung and then the students return to college. The freshmen then furnish food and amusement for the rest of the college, under the guiding and often stinging hands of the sophomores.

There is no other arranged activity in which the freshmen are involved until the Bishop's Tea-party, which is held at some suitable time, later in the year. The freshmen bring cups and saucers and cakes to this affair and a get-together and an old-fashioned good time is had by all who attend.

The St. Patrick's Day Scrap is the most important event of the year, so far as freshmen and sophomores are concerned. On the night of the sixteenth of March the freshmen try to put up posters which contain their class numerals, all over the city. The sophomores try to stop them and many small engagements take place. At about seven-thirty on the morn-

FACULTY CHANGES

When classes begin next Monday the science men, particularly, will meet many new personages. Professor Henry E. Perkins, head of the Physics Department, left early in the summer on a round-the-world tour. He is now in China. In his place here as acting head of the Physics Department will be A. P. R. Wadlund, who has been absent for one year, returning from the University of Chicago where he received his degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics. Professor Gustav A. Kleene of the Economics Department is also on Sabbatical Holiday. He is in Europe. Professor J. L. Leonard of Wabash College will act in the capacity of Economics professor.

E. L. Skau, Trinity, '19, formerly instructor, returns after years of research, as assistant professor of Chemistry. Professor F. J. H. Burkett, of the Mathematics Department has resigned to take a post in Union College. He will be replaced by Mr. K. S. Folley, who was assistant Professor of Mathematics at the University of Toronto. Professor Hillyer has taken a position at Harvard as assistant professor of English. In his place will be Dr. Thurman L. Hood of Harvard. Professor Hood also act as dean of the College.

D. W. Goodnow will assist Professor Wadlund in the Physics Department. A. H. McKee will not return. A. M. Peiker, Trinity, '25, is away studying chemistry. H. F. Meier, Trinity, '28, and Edward R. Blanchard, Amherst, will be assistants in the Chemistry Department.

HALLSTROM AND TAUTE WILL NOT RETURN.

Ernest A. Hallstrom and Rudolph J. Taute, two of the most outstanding men in college, will not return for their last year. Their loss will be keenly felt, inasmuch as both men were star athletes, Taute being captain-elect of this year's grid team, and Hallstrom, leader of the basketball quintet.

In the early days of this year, "Ernie", as Hallstrom is better known on the campus, became stricken with pneumonia, and his condition has been poor since that time. His popularity on the campus is best evidenced by the fact that he was elected President of the Student Body last June. He was a letterman in football and was captain-elect of next year's basketball team. Hallstrom is a member of the

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ing of St. Patrick's Day the sophomores group themselves around a designated tree on the campus. The freshmen at a given signal run to the tree and try to get one of their men, who is carrying a class flag, up into the tree. The scrap lasts twenty minutes and in order to win the freshmen must have their flag in the tree for ten consecutive minutes. It has grown to be the custom that if the freshmen win this scrap the rules imposed upon them by the sophomores will be "taken off." This action is not, however, necessary. That matter is left entirely to the discretion of the sophomore class, which is, however, very much influenced by student opinion. If the freshman class has been a good one, the rules undoubtedly would be "taken off", but if the class has been a poor one—has not entered into things and has not taken up its share of work, the rules would probably remain in force until June.

ELECTED CAPTAIN.



"ANDY" BROWN.

Andrew C. Brown of Hartford, for two years fullback and defensive field general of the Trinity football team was elected captain of the 1928 eleven today by the returning letter men of the 1927 squad. Brown reported at the training camp, ending the uncertainty about his return to college that has had Coach Merriman and his assistants on the anxious bench ever since the squad established training quarters at the Lawton Inn last Friday.

Brown transferred to Trinity from the Connecticut Agricultural College at the end of his freshman year and immediately won the fullback post on the 'varsity. He was hampered by an injured leg during his sophomore year, but last fall came into his own as a defensive star and a hard line plunger. He has a "football instinct" that makes him of immense value, particularly on a team composed of inexperienced sophomores, which is the kind of team that Trinity will place in the field this fall.

The 1928 football season at Trinity College got under way Friday when a squad of about twenty-five men left for Plainfield for the annual pre-season training camp. The work at the camp will be devoted for the most part to conditioning work and perhaps light scrimmage. When the squad returns to Hartford the regular routine football work will go ahead in earnest.

Meanwhile, at the camp at Lawton Inn, Plainfield, the members of the squad are taking long hikes every morning, and every evening they are shown moving pictures, illustrating the proper method of playing each position on the team. There has been some practice at touch football, but actual scrimmage will probably not come until late in the week. The squad will leave for the Trinity campus next Friday, at which time it is expected that about thirty men will be reporting regularly.

Coach Merriman has some good prospects for this season but there are also several problems facing him.

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THE NEW GYM.

During the summer the architects of the new gymnasium, Trowbridge and Livingston, have been working on details of the plans for the new gymnasium. These plans, with specifications, have been completed finally, and turned over to the contractors for study and estimates. On Thursday of this week there is to be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trustees to consider the proposals of the contractors who have been asked to figure on the construction, and it is expected that at this time the contract will be awarded. Work will then start at once. In an early number of "The Tripod" reproductions of the plans for this first unit of the gymnasium, which will contain a swimming pool and six squash racquet courts, will appear.

Freshman Week Schedule

During the week of September 17 the regular College Entrance Board Examinations will be held at Trinity for the benefit of those who still have credits to make up. All examinations are held in Boardman Hall. The schedule is as follows:

Monday, September 17:

9 a. m. to 12 m. English.
2 to 5 p. m. French.

Tuesday, September 18:

9 a. m. to 12 m. Latin.
2 to 5 p. m. History.

Wednesday, September 19:

9 a. m. to 12 m. Elementary Mathematics.
2 to 5 p. m. German, Italian, Spanish.

Thursday, September 20:

9 a. m. to 12 m. Chemistry, Physics.
2 to 5 p. m. Greek, Advanced Mathematics.

Friday, September 21:

9 a. m. to 12 m. Thorndike Psychological Test.
2 to 5 p. m. Biology, Botany, Zoology.

Monday, September 17:

All new students report on arrival at the Dean's office for assignment of rooms.

Tuesday, September 18:

5.00 p. m. First meeting of Freshman Class in Public Speaking Room. Subject for discussion: "The Scholastic Problems of the Freshman Year" by Professor A. P. R. Wadlund, Professor R. B. W. Hutt and the Dean.

7.00 p. m. Dinner of the Faculty and the new students in the Union.

Wednesday and Thursday, September 19 and 20:

Every Freshman will have a conference with a member of the Faculty about his studies for the coming year. The schedule of appointments will be posted on the bulletin boards.

Wednesday, September 19:

5.00 p. m. Competitive examination for the Converse Scholarship in the Library.

Thursday, September 20:

7.30 p. m. College mass meeting in Alumni Hall.

Friday, September 21:

9 a. m. to 12 m. Thorndike Psychological Test in Public Speaking Room. This test is required of all new students.

2.00 p. m. Preliminary medical examination in Boardman Hall.

2.30 to 4.30 p. m. Final registration of all new students at the college office.

5.00 p. m. First chapel.

Sunday, September 23:

8.00 a. m. Communion service in the chapel, attendance voluntary.
4.00 p. m. Faculty reception to the Freshmen in the Union.

RUSHING INFORMATION FOR THE FRESHMEN

"Rushing", which means the entertainment and bidding of Freshmen, is conducted under what is known as the "cut-throat" system. There are no rushing rules which bind either the Freshmen or the Fraternities. This system is admittedly poor, but since we have no Rushing Agreement we must use it.

There are eight fraternities at Trinity. Seven of these are national in their organization and one of them is a local society. These fraternities are:

- Epsilon Chapter of Delta Psi, Established 1850.
- Phi Kappa Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi, Established 1877.
- Alpha Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Established 1879.
- Beta Beta Chapter of Psi Upsilon, Established 1880.
- Phi Psi Chapter of Alpha Chi Rho, Founded 1895.
- Sigma Chapter of Delta Phi, Established 1917.
- Delta Chi Chapter of Sigma Nu, Established 1918.
- Local Fraternity of Alpha Tau Kappa, Founded 1919.

The etiquette of rushing is very much the same in all of the fraternities. Members of the fraternities will introduce themselves to you, freshmen. You will be invited to take a meal at the respective houses of those fraternity men. You will not be expected to make engagements to dine at three houses on the same night—that is, if you really would like to receive a bid. You will not, if you are wise, gossip about other fraternities which have entertained you. You will not, if you wish to receive a bid, talk too much about yourself and your achievements. Be quiet, but not clamorous. The fraternities which want the quiet sort will be pleased with you and those which don't will be sure that they can easily change you to suit their desires. Don't accept free meals from any fraternity for too long a time unless you intend to accept the bid of that house, because a Freshman who lingers too long wears out his welcome very quickly. Fraternities whose bids you may turn down will appreciate a straightforward refusal and will always remember a cowardly, evading retreat from their doors. Do not lie to your hosts except in the course of the usual amenities. The fraternities will treat you squarely and it is up to you to play fairly with them.

Rushing is one of the most important things in the life of each Freshman, and each one of you should consider it in that light. If you receive a bid from a fraternity, remember that you will have to be closely associated with the members of that group for the whole of your college life. Try to judge the calibre of its men and if they do not come up to your standards reject the bid, even though it is the only one you receive. Remember that if you join a fraternity which you really do not care to join, you will have no chance for happiness in your years at college; while on the other hand if you reject your bid, there are many chances that a fraternity whose bid you would welcome, will invite you later. Try, although it is a difficult thing to do, to see through the glamour of Rushing Season, and size up your hosts carefully. You may indeed be sure that they are sizing you up by every means in their power. They are hypercritical, you should try to be also, at

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THRU THE EDITOR'S TRANSIT

To the Class of 1932:

Words of welcome are but trite and insignificant when there is so much to pass on to you, who are sauntering under these beautiful elms; some happy because you have been admitted; others still dubious. True enough there will be a few, who for one reason or another will not be with us when the chapel bell rings next Wednesday, but be that as it may, what we write is for all, who hope to enter.

All of you have finished a period in life. There are none who have not heard the words of some inspired salutarian as he said "Now you are about to press on—to enter the higher shrines of wisdom, or perhaps to pursue some business." And there are none who have not felt that they were just a bit superior to everyone—there is that feeling as one leaves the secondary school. This week you will be objects of interest—of admiration (not all sincere)—and your superiority will, unless you are insusceptible to flattery, be increased a hundred fold. Nor is this some exaggerated untruth that we write: we have all of us lived through similar weeks and have believed it at the time—a few there are who live on not disillusioned. We, too, were hailed as the best class ever—we too were thumped on the back and praised—they listened in awed admiration to our favorite yarns in which we told of great achievements—we also dreamed of becoming world leaders.

Think not of these words as the morbid outpourings of a sophomore mind (for some Sophomores do begin to see), but let these few writhing ink marks prepare you for a life of pretense, not only in college but in the life thereafter. So much then, for the gifts you bring with you.

Why people persist in telling others what best to do—why preachers never tire of admonishing sinful souls, when no one heeds them, is more than we are qualified to answer. Perhaps by intuition they feel that some fortunate being will listen. So let it be with us. The first real problem here which you will face, or are already facing, is the fraternity proposition. There may be no problem, but if any of you are less thick-skinned than the average, not many weeks will have passed before you will know something about it. Being ourselves "fraters" we feel that we can tell you about it. The first week every one will act like the family when company is present, then gradually as time goes on and the guests stay, little squabbles will appear on the surface—you, too, will act natural. We have often wondered if the Freshmen have "fallen" for all that we said. This week you will learn to know only the members of the "rushing" committees in the various houses, and these will be jolly good fellows. When the others arrive you will have been pledged. For convenience sake, let us cast aside the changes in you, your likes and dislikes, in the course of four years—there will be many. We advise you to get acquainted with each group. If there should be one person for whom you have an immediate dislike, it will be inadvisable to cast your lot with them, regardless of their "campus standing", for where there is one bad apple there may be more. Fraternities are made up of types. This has been said so often that it is odious to the ears, but so many Freshmen fall into the wrong groups each year, that we have repeated it. There will be stories of the glory of old—of the great men in our chapter—the great times—the wonderful business chances later in life. But you may want to be an individual.

To the man on the street, to the movie-goer, to the entering Freshman—yes, and to many a student, college is a succession of wild invitations of parties, football games, drinking bouts, dances and all that. At this early day let us inform you that college is none of these. It is a place to learn "the secrets of the gods", to search out the paths leading to better understanding; if nothing else, it can be the birthplace of your mind. Most of you will desire culture, thinking that it is a smattering of this and that. That's not culture; it is mediocrity. Nor is it mainly the fault of the student. One curse of the American college of today is to offer a wide variety of courses, none of which extend beyond one year's study. To do things is our only aim; we have no thought for thoroughness. We never complete anything. To impress the crowd is our only aspiration. Most of us have in mind only the social side; but that, too, is merely a by-product of college.

Most Freshmen find it difficult to adapt themselves to this change. At secondary school the instructor chided when lessons were unprepared; at college the professor doesn't bother. One, more or less, matters not. He cares little whether you are on the squad; it concerns him not if you aspire to the stage. Here you should begin to know yourself to realize that you can depend upon no one but yourself. If you can, without neglecting your courses, be active on the campus, let it be to your credit. Bear in mind, however, that studies are first—extra-curriculum work follows.

We wish by no means to make "bookworms" of you. Our hope is that you will do a few things well, rather than scratch here and there and become like the rest of us—mere dabbers. K. F. K.

ASTRONOMICAL NEWS.

Mary Proctor, the famous English astronomer, whose new book, "Romance of the Moon," was published by Harper's, September 7, has returned to England after a lecture tour in the United States.

FOOTBALL RULES ARE DISCUSSED.

Doubt concerning interpretation of several football rules have been cleared up today following the publication of questions, submitted by coaches and officials, and answers by the American Intercollegiate Football Rules Committee.

The questions were discussed and answers prepared at a secret meeting of the committee in Montclair, N. J., on August 24 and 25. The members of the committee are E. K. Hall, member-at-large; W. S. Langford, secretary-at-large; T. A. D. Jones New England States; W. W. Roper, Middle Atlantic States; H. J. Stegeman, Southeastern States; A. A. Stagg, Middle Western States; M. F. Ahearn, Missouri Valley States; D. X. Bible, Southwestern States; H. W. Hughes, Pacific Coast States.

Five of the thirteen questions answered concerned rules regarding the shift. The most important of these five, according to the answer published, puts a penalty of fifteen yards on a lineman breaking into the neutral zone less than one second after a huddle and before the ball is put into play, the committee's decision says that the offending lineman breaks two rules, one against off-side play and the other calling for a full stop of at least one second after a huddle or shift. The fifteen-yard penalty, for an illegal shift, the greater of the two, is therefore imposed on the offending lineman's team.

The committee ruled that a safety is scored when the offensive team with ball on its own five-yard line makes a protected backward pass which a member of the defensive team hits across the offensive team's goal line, where a member of the offensive team recovers it.

The committee also ruled that any player eligible for taking forward passes cannot return to the end zone to grab a forward pass once he has passed the end line.

The question and answer on the most involved problem, concerning the shift and submitted to committee, follows:

"After team has shifted and has come to a stop for one second, and end changes his position on the line and stops for less than a second before a wing back pivots and comes in on the tackle, is this play legal?"

"Answer—The play is legal provided the end has stopped before the wing back pivots and provided the wing back is moving either directly or clearly in an oblique direction toward his own end line at the moment when the ball is put in play. If the end and back are in motion simultaneously and the ball is put in play before both have come to an absolute stop for a period of approximately one second, the 15-yard penalty must be inflicted, for the two men in motion simultaneously constitute a shift. If the end was stationary when the wing back started in motion and then the wing back is in motion forward at the moment when the ball is put in play the 5-yard penalty must be inflicted as provided for in Section 5. (The same ruling would apply if no shift preceded.)"

The information contained in this article will be of great interest to all followers of football, and of particular interest to Trinity men because of the fact that Mr. W. S. Langford, '96, is one of the best known football officials in the United States. Mr. Langford, who was captain of the football team here, is very well known to many Trinity men. He is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity.

THOSE CYNICAL CITY EDITORS.

Homer Croy's home in Forest Hills, Long Island, was the scene of great excitement several days ago when three young would-be automobile thieves leaped from their stolen machine, when pursued by police, and left it to run crazily up the road and stop dead against a tree on the novelist's front lawn. "The most thrills since the Armistice," Mr. Croy commented when awakened by the noise. But one city editor in New York thought it was all a press-agent story for Mr. Croy's new novel, "Caught!"

PROMINENT SENIORS OUT.

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Sophomore Dining Club, Medusa and the Phi Psi Chapter of Alpha Chi Rho.

Taute was a star athlete at Trinity. He excelled in both football and basketball, and his loss will be hard for Coaches Merriman and Oosting to replace. Taute is a member of the Sophomore Dining Club, Medusa and the Alpha Tau Kappa Fraternity.

WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S WHAT AT TRINITY COLLEGE

Names of Organizations and Their Leaders

There are two honorary societies at college: the Medusa, which is a Senior society and the Sophomore Dining Club. The Medusa consists of members of the Senior class, who have been chosen the previous June. Each year in June, the Juniors sit upon the fence and the old members of Medusa come up and tap those whom they have chosen to perpetuate the society. To belong to Medusa is to have the highest honor that a Senior can hold.

The Medusa is composed of the following men: Ernest A. Hallstrom, Rudolph J. Taute, William McE. Ellis, Andrew C. Brown, George Hardman, Harwood Loomis, Paul R. Ihrig. (Hallstrom and Taute will not return to school this year.)

The Sophomore Dining Club is a group of men chosen each year from the Sophomore Class, who have been the most representative and most active for the good of the college. The men are chosen after mid-years and they become the active Sophomore Dining Club, continuing until the middle of their Junior year.

The Sophomore Dining Club is composed of the following: Joseph Lovering, John MacInnes, Ralph Rogers, Frederick Cooper, James A. Gillies, James Smith, Philip Cornwell, Adam Knurek, William Sturm and Bert Snow.

The chief executive of the student body is the President of the College Body. He presides at all College Body and Senate meetings. He has the power of appointing four other Seniors besides himself and the five of them constitute the Senate. The only restriction placed upon the President in the choosing of his Senate is that one member must be a member of the Neutral Body.

The President of the College Body is Ernest A. Hallstrom. The Senate is the higher legislative body of the college. It consists of the President of the College Body and five other Seniors, one of whom must be a member of the Neutral Body. The Senate meets once a month.

The College Body is the lower legislative body of the college. Every student is a member of it. It is presided over by the President of the College Body, and meets the first Monday of each month.

The Athletic Association has charge of all matters concerning athletics, and meets once a month, directly after College Body meeting. The officers of this association are:

- William Gregg Brill,.....Graduate Manager
 - George Hardman,.....President
 - Frederick W. Cooper,.....Secretary
- The organization of the Football team is as follows:
- John S. Merriman,.....Coach
 - Andrew C. Brown,.....Captain
 - Paul R. Ihrig,.....Manager

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BROWN ELECTED.

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The backfield is at present an unknown quantity. Mastronarde and Whitaker of last season's eleven have graduated and Captain-elect Taute is not returning to school this fall. This leaves only "Andy" Brown as a regular back. Brown has played fullback regularly for two seasons and the backfield will no doubt be built around him this season. Knurek and Uhlig, reserve backs last season, are counted upon to show up well in the fight for backfield berths. Then too Merriman has a number of last season's Freshman backs, the most promising of these being Glynn, former Ridgewood High flash, and Flanders Smith, a Worcester Academy product.

At the end berths Merriman has two veterans in Hardman and O'Leary. Both of these men have had two seasons of 'varsity experience and should give Merriman little cause for worry. Other prominent end candidates are Dave Slossberg, former Hartford High performer, "Bill" Nye, a Springfield College transfer, and Cornwell, a member of last season's squad.

Merriman must also rebuild his line. He lost two outstanding performers in the graduation of Captain Even and Burr. Walter Kalasinsky, former Williston star, is expected to

fill Captain Even's shoes at one tackle berth, the Veteran Fred Cooper will probably get the other. At guard he has "Jim" Kelly, a veteran, and among the outstanding candidates for the other berth are "Jim" Gillies, ineligible last season, and also Durand, Schultz and Dunbar of last season's Freshman eleven. At center MacInnes of last year's squad is a likely prospect and Breed and Wyckoff of last season's Freshman eleven may be heard from. Other men on the squad are Mackie, Sayers, Nordstrom, Belden, McCook, Dignam and Muller.

Merriman has started out with one of the largest and most promising squads seen at Trinity in several years and Trinity followers are entertaining high hopes for a successful season. There have been one or two changes on the schedule the most notable being the dropping of the Connecticut Aggies and the addition of Amherst in the place of the Storrs eleven. The complete schedule follows:

- October 6—Lowell Textile at Hartford.
- October 13 — Worcester Tech at Worcester, Mass.
- October 20—Upsala at Hartford.
- October 27 — Hamilton at Clinton, N. Y.
- November 3 — Wesleyan at Hartford.
- November 10 — Amherst at Amherst, Mass.

Alumni Notes

A new list is being prepared containing the known addresses of all Alumni. The last revision was made in 1924. The difficulty, of course, in preparing this sort of a list arises when it becomes known that a graduate has removed without notifying the College. Then, too, this list contains not only the addresses of Alumni but of men who attended for a longer or shorter period.

Anyone receiving "The Tripod" addressed wrongly should notify us of the change. At intervals during the year "The Tripod" prints names of Alumni whose addresses are not known. Readers who can help us locate them should write to the Circulation Manager, "The Tripod," Trinity College.

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Richardson Wright Heads Silvermine Artist Guild.

Richardson Wright, editor of "House and Garden," has been elected president of the Silvermine Guild of Artists, according to the board of managers. Mr. Wright is a graduate of Trinity College in Hartford and a member of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity.

The Literary Column

As the train rumbles and clatters over its steel path rushing ever faster toward some unknown city, far beyond the destination of any of its passengers, thousands of eager eyes still wet with tears of farewell look out upon a range of hills ancient, but new to them. Many wonder, as they look into the dull purple slopes, about friends left behind; many join the happy groups to play their games, to talk with some who have already spent part of the best four years of their lives. All in their solitary moments see images of themselves a few years hence, leaders—great athletes—singers—actors—and perhaps well-known writers. At this time they would enjoy seeing for the first time, probably, their work in print.

Now the train approaches the station and the merry throngs of students gather in a circle to give one last cheer for every college represented. A mad rush—suitcases collide, the train jerks, girls babble hands clasp, a long necker holds the line, porters shout, cabbies bark, the whistle shrieks, life has begun. Already the hollow thud of the paddle on the hard pavement seems to sound in their ears. Shadows in the night are darker, more sinister. Soon the merry excitement is over and the meek Freshman resumes his eager quest for wisdom and glory.

Rather than read something that we might concoct about the first impressions, mental and physical, we urge that one of the writers in embryo come to the rescue. Here is the chance to become a real figure on the campus.

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Of great interest to the intelligent reader is the announcement of the publication of Professor Harry Todd Costello's Revised Bulletin. In his introduction the author has given reasons for compiling a list to be used by the college man as a guide in reading. It were better to quote him:

"But the fact remains that while the average student is able to get the general sense out of, let us say, an essay by such a clear writer as William James, he will not, if asked about it in detail, sentence by sentence, with the text before him, be able to give any particularly intelligible account of exactly what the author is there saying. The student is, therefore, prone to declare that a thoughtful book is dry or meaningless, locating the fault in the book, instead of in himself. Also, it may be added, that if almost any student would put himself through the stern discipline, for the being rather unpleasant, of holding a timepiece on himself, and marking down the time required to read each page, so as to overcome the dawdling inattention with which most people read, he could within five or six weeks not only double his speed but increase his comprehension of what is read. The average student simply cannot read."

Again in his introduction Professor Costello cites reasons for the necessity of a reading list which covers not only Sociology and Philosophy but the Classics. We quote again:

"It may be admitted that this list intends to be advanced, 'high brow' or whatever other derogatory adjectives of a similar nature the critic may prefer. It is intended for the honor grade college student, and not, like so many 'Reading with a purpose' and similar lists, for the ordinary casual reader. It makes concessions to interestingness, but none to laziness. We have not hesitated to include books which were hard reading, if they were also meaty; or some that might offend the squeamish or the Puritan, if they caught the real aspects of life. Muck-raking books, of the quality of 'Elmer Gantry', and 'Mother India' have not been featured. The exclusion is not from any straight-laced fastidiousness, but from a belief that other sorts of reading should be made basic. Many good books have without a doubt been overlooked, but if some popular ones are not found here, the omission is

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LITERARY COLUMN.
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not always unintentional. In general, our main lists are the books most recommended for starting a subject, but the introductions and notes suggest others which are worth reading in following up some interest already established. We make no claims that there are not other good books on the same subjects."

Professor Costello has worked untiringly on this apparently thankless work. No one except himself perhaps really appreciates the colossal dimensions of work of this nature though we may understand that in recommending one book on a subject the compiler must have read many from which to select.

Three books have been published recently which seem to be among the best of the summer. They have all been printed in Harper's. Two are fiction, the other is psychological in subject matter. They are here reviewed.

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THE INVADER.

By Hilda Vaughan.

The Invader is Hilda Vaughan's third novel. Like its predecessors, *The Battle to the Weak and Here Are Lovers*, it deals with the Welsh border country. But unlike them it treats of the present day, and with the rising farmer class which has supplanted the old time squires. Miss Vaughan brings to bear on this old-world civilization a thoroughly modern mind and point of view. The result is an unsparing yet understanding study of little known people.

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—Harper & Brothers, New York.

In every country—every city, every hamlet there are some who, for one reason or another, have been unable to look at life and its serious struggle for existence without drawing back and depriving themselves of the comforts hidden from them by a thick blanket of the evils (or less strongly) the disadvantages of a change as seen by them.

KARL KOENIG.

ARTICLE BY JAMES HARVEY
ROBINSON.

James Harvey Robinson, author of "The Mind in the Making," has an article, "Religion Faces a New World," in the September "Harper's Magazine." Once more Dr. Robinson surveys the trend of our times through a historian's eyes, turning his attention to the changing position and conceptions of religion in a world transformed by new knowledge and new ideas.

RUSHING.

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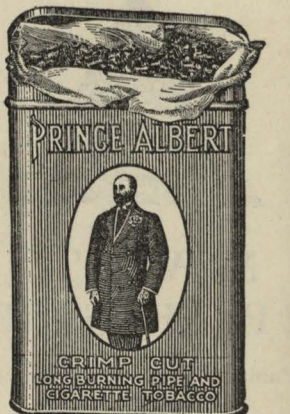
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