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'VARSITY TRIMS LOWELL TECH

Bissell Wrenches Left Knee During Last Quarter

FINAL SCORE 23 TO 9

Blue and Gold Fight to Keep Undefeated Home Record

The Blue and Gold kept its home record unblemished last Saturday night in the Hopkins Street gym, by decisively trimming Lowell Textile by a score of 23 to 9. It was a costly victory, however, for in the closing minutes of play, "Cap" Bissell wrenched his knee in an attempt to recover a rebound from the Lowell backboard. He was carried from the floor in great pain, and there is considerable doubt as to whether he will be able to get into the Wesleyan game, which comes this Saturday night, and which will be the last game of the season for the most successful Blue and Gold team in many years. The game with Lowell Tech was the worst in which the Blue and Gold has been seen in action this year. There was much rough play, and there were frequent collisions and scrambles which usually ended with both parties seated on the floor. Farrell, a Tech substitute, proved to be one of the leading bone-crushers with three personals in about three minutes of playing time.

The game gave promise of being a dull affair from the very start, as neither team could see the basket, and both defenses were working below standard. The passing of both teams was poor with the ball going either into an opponent's eager arms or out of bounds. Hardman missed two free throws for Worcester, and Bissell and Fleming one each. Trinity took the lead after about five minutes of playing time when Slossberg made a beautiful shot from the side of the court. Jarek tied the score for Tech a few minutes later with a field goal. Bissell made his first basket of the evening, and Nye made one off the backboard. Just before the end of half, Allard made one for the visitors, making the score six to four.

In the second period, Bissell began things auspiciously with a free throw and a short time later with a short throw from the court. In doing this he was fouled by Hardman, and he proceeded to make his two free tries. Slossberg made a nice shot from the corner, and a few minutes later fouled Allard who made the shot.

Nye, who was playing a strong defensive game, made a free throw when Savard fouled him, but Savard made up for this by making a field goal a short time later. Nye dribbled down under the basket and made a shot from under the basket. Bissell then made his greatest shot of the game, a one hand shot from well out in front of the basket. A spectacular pass from Captain Deschamps resulted in his making a sucker shot, and Deschamps then made a nice one from the far side of the court.

At this point, Knurek went in for Fleming, Glynn for Deschamps, and Meier for Nye. Slossberg made two foul shots good, and a short time later Bissell wrenched his knee. Nye then took his place, and missed a free throw and Glynn missed two. Savard made the last point of the game from the free throw line.

Savard, Allard and Jarek accounted for all of Lowell's scoring. Although the Blue and Gold team played better
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FRESHMEN HEAR SCIENCE TALK

Professor Dadourian Speaks on New Einstein Theory

On Monday, February 25, Professor Dadourian addressed the Freshman class in the Public Speaking Room on the subject of "Science."

Professor Dadourian first spoke about the relation of Science to the greatest majority of people. There is prevalent a general misconception of the meaning of science—both in the educated and uneducated classes. Science is thought of as a large collection of facts, having little to do with general education. For example, high schools differentiate between science courses and college courses; we find liberal arts widely distinguished from sciences. The fact is that science has been dominant in all highly developed civilization. Men have lost their fear of nature through science. Professor Dadourian deplored the present methods of teaching science in schools. Educators should look at science as a subject to be studied closely by all students.

Professor Dadourian defined science as "the result of an effort on the part of man to understand the world in which he lives and of which he is a part." He then defined the terms of the definition. The effort must be made through scientific methods. The world includes all of man's activities. Scientific methods consist of (1) collecting facts; (2) coordinating facts; (3) arriving at natural laws by correlation and formulae; and (4) synthesizing by generalization.

Professor Dadourian pointed out a difference between the ancient Greek civilization (which was the most highly developed before ours), and the modern civilization. The difficulty with the Greeks was that they stopped with observation, whereas modern science is developed by experimentation. In order to develop science, a scientist must take control of nature, that is, cross-examine nature. Professor Dadourian brought out the chief objection of "unscientific" persons. They do not believe that science can be applied to social sciences in the same way as physical
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Dr. Starkie Plays Violin in Chapel

Assisted by Welivar on 'Cello and Kiditz on Organ

Following his lecture on "Venice in the Eighteenth Century" last Monday evening, at which he played several violin selections to illustrate the music of the period, Dr. Walter Starkie, Professor of Romance Languages at Trinity College, Dublin, gave a further exhibition of his talent on that instrument at the Chapel Service the next morning. Assisted by William M. Welivar, '31 on the 'cello and by William Kibitz '32, on the organ, the trio played "Berceuse," by Ilyinsky, "Serenade" by Chaminade and an arrangement of the Negro spiritual "Deep River" for violin, 'cello, and organ. As his concluding selection, Dr. Starkie played "Cavatina," by Raff, accompanied by the organ.

This music was a real treat to the student body, who enjoyed it thoroughly. The program lasted about half an hour, at the close of which the Trinity Centennial hymn was sung by the student body.

DROP FOOTBALL ADVISES PROF.

E. Wilder Spaulding Proposes Majoring in Minor Sports

SAYS TRINITY OUTCLASSED

Suggests Introduction of Soccer and Swimming

Professor E. Wilder Spaulding of the History department, in a recent interview expressed a few opinions regarding the football situation at Trinity. To lead up to his argument, he first commented on the present success of the basketball team.

"Everyone is proud of Trinity's basketball record this year," said Professor Spaulding. "It is the best team that has been developed in years. The student body is supporting it with some real spirit, and this has had a great deal to do with the team's success. This is an example of how a sport, not so popular as football, can take hold of a college. Since Trinity has been so unsuccessful in its football endeavors for the past few years, why not entirely abandon the idea of having a team and conserve all efforts to strengthen the minor sports?"

Professor Spaulding said that he is not alone in his opinion that Trinity has in recent years been most unsuccessful in developing a winning football team. He pointed out that ever since the war the football seasons have been generally discouraging to the team, the students, and the alumni. This year's record has been no exception.

Trinity because of its size, he contended, is inevitably outclassed in football by opposing teams, and it will always be impossible for it to compete successfully with its larger rivals. There is nothing distinctive in a Trinity that attempts to compete with the scores of other colleges that play football. By dropping football and by becoming a strong minor sports college, Trinity would gain uniqueness among the colleges of the East. He suggested also that several new sports be introduced such as intercollegiate soccer, fencing and swimming. In those sports the competition is not so great, and Trinity would stand a better chance of success.

When asked what the feeling of the alumni would be toward dropping football, Professor Spaulding admitted that the idea would undoubtedly be strongly opposed. However, he wondered whether the alumni would not approve of a policy by which Trinity would become distinguished in minor sports rather than the present policy by which it attempts vainly to compete in all.

As to the attitude of the present undergraduates, Professor Spaulding is of the opinion that they too, would prefer having no team to the discouragements of a losing team.

Professor Spaulding called attention to the fact that "majoring in minor sports" had been successfully executed at St. Stephens College. The football team was abandoned at that college a few years ago, and since that time, success with the minor sports has been noteworthy. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has also been without a football team for a number of years. He suggested that the idea be given a chance at Trinity and in that way the college might achieve a position noteworthy in the college world. Such a thing would also create a spirit not only among the student body but also
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SOPH DINING CLUB ELECTS

Members Chosen on Basis of Campus Activities

Twelve members of the Sophomore class at Trinity College have been elected to the Sophomore Dining Club, the second year honor society, according to an announcement made Tuesday by Joseph Lovering, president of the society last year. All of the men elected have been prominent in campus activities, and a banquet will be held soon at which they will formally become members of the honor society.

The Sophomores elected are: Lauriston L. Scaife, Milton, Mass.; Howard Edgerton Schmolze, Kew Gardens, N. Y.; Daniel B. McCook, New York City; Paul H. Twaddle, Rocky Hill; Ralph Delaplaine Britton, Hartford; James Allen Breed, Hartford; Eugene Addison Durand, Pompton Lakes, N. J.; John Gooding, Forest Hills, N. Y.; Ambrose Stevens Higgins, Portland, Me.; Walter John Kalasinsky, Ansonia; William Mervine Welivar, Williamsport, Pa.; and Harvey Dann, New York City.

Lauriston L. Scaife has had prominent roles in productions of the Trinity Jesters, the college dramatic society, and he is president of the newly-formed Literary Club. Scaife served on the Sophomore Hop committee and is a member of the Glee Club, Kappa Beta Phi and the Phi Kappa Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi. Schmolze played on the Freshman football team last year, and is a member of the Glee Club. He is assistant manager of football and will automatically become manager in his Senior year. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi.

Daniel McCook played Freshman football in his first year, and was on the 'varsity football squad last year. He is a member of the Glee Club, and served on the Sophomore Hop Committee. He is a member of the Beta Beta Chapter of Psi Upsilon. Twaddle played Freshman football, and is a member of the Glee Club. He is assistant manager of the College Union, and a member of the Phi Psi Chapter of Alpha Chi Rho.
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Literary Club Holds Meeting

Tentative Constitution Adopted

The Literary Club met last Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, in the English Room, and in accordance with the plans made at the previous meeting, drew up a tentative constitution and discussed work which was submitted.

It was decided that all those present at the meeting should be charter members, and that candidates in the future should be voted into membership by the charter members. As regards literary work, papers will be prepared for each meeting, to be read by the writers appointed by the president at the meeting before. Meetings will take place every two weeks.

The prepared work for the evening was a paper on Dostoevsky, the Russian novelist, by Mr. Trevechick, and a talk on the work of Edgar Allan Poe, by Mr. Ljongquist. The work was educational, as well as entertaining, and was received with enthusiasm by the listeners.

President Scaife designated two men, who will read prepared work at the next meeting, on March 5.

TRINITY TO MEET WESLEYAN HERE

Bissell's Loss Will be Severe Handicap to Blue and Gold Five Saturday

OPPONENTS STRONG

Injured Guard May be Replaced by Glynn, Knurek, or Meier

Trinity will probably be without the services of "Cap" Bissell when the Blue and Gold quintet lines up against Wesleyan in the closing game of the schedule. If Bissell is out of the game, Trinity's chances for victory will be decidedly lessened. Bissell is in a Hartford Hospital with a wrenched knee which he received in the closing minutes of the Lowell Textile game. He has been Trinity's high scorer this season with a total of 132 points, an average of better than 10 points a game.

Wesleyan has a strong team which is tied with Williams for The Little Three. They have victories over Clark, Boston University, Massachusetts Aggies, Lafayette, Maine, Connecticut Aggies, Worcester Tech, and Williams. They have lost but four games to Springfield, Williams, Tufts, and Brown. Coach Lash is driving his team hard for his closing games with Trinity and Amherst.

"Ray" Oosting will probably try out all his available material in an effort to find a suitable substitute for Bissell. Glynn, Meier, or Knurek will be the fifth man. Glynn and Meier are guards and will be fitted into Bissell's back-court position. If Knurek gets the call, Slossberg will be shifted to guard. Trinity's record to date is as follows:

Trinity.	39.....	Alumni	12
	22.....	Tufts	25
	49.....	Clark	16
	25.....	Albany Law	17
	32.....	Lafayette	26
	27.....	Worcester Tech	29
	29.....	Conn Aggies	28
	24.....	Pratt	27
	26.....	Brooklyn Poly	22
	20.....	Williams	32
	39.....	Upsala	11
	33.....	Hamilton	23
	23.....	Lowell Textile	9

Trinity Professors to Give Lectures

Dadourian and Troxell in Extension Courses

Professor H. M. Dadourian of the Mathematics Department, and Dr. Edward L. Troxell, Professor of Geology, have both indicated their availability for single lectures offered in connection with the Connecticut University Extension Courses. Professor Dadourian will lecture on "Scientific Methods." Professor Troxell will lecture on "The Origin of the Earth"; "Animals of the Past"; "The Fundamentals of Evolution"; "The Horse and its Relatives, Living and Extinct"; "The Origin of Man"; "The Romance of Fossil Hunting." Professor Troxell has also indicated his availability for courses in General Geology; Paleontology and the Evolution of Animal Life; "Physiography and Geography"; "Economic Geology Mineralogy."

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ORCHESTRA

We understand that a meeting of a proposed orchestra took place last night. There is no doubt but that Trinity College could well support such an enterprise. Until this week, however, nothing has been done to promote the musical interest which may be the latest in the student body. In years passed there have been trios and orchestras, but the latter usually were of the jazz type.

Now, realizing that there is talent in the student body, aware of the fact that there are many students who are interested in the formation of an orchestra, we endorse this proposal with hearty approval. Should it prove, however, that the interest is not great and that the number of students who play musical instruments is less than the number necessary for a real orchestra, it may be advisable to make an ensemble, but not to drop the matter. Now that the ice has been broken there should be nothing to defer the immediate and active formulation.

We can not hope to have too great success, nor does the orchestra think that it shall achieve immediate results and only through perseverance and long practice, which implies continued urging and encouragement, can this musical organization hope ever to develop into a real and mature agency for the interpretation of the masters.

WE FROSH

Authentic Letters of a Freshman of 65 Years Ago.

Dear Mother:

As I had a little time I thought I could spend it as advantageously in writing to you as any way. In your last letter you spoke of its being best for you to come to my room directly from the cars when you come down on Saturday. I think that would be the best way, for I could not possibly get there (to the depot) before half past nine, because the time for recitation is changed from what it was last term, the first recitation being at eight o'clock, the time the cars arrive at Hartford. I hope that it will be pleasant, for I would not miss having you come down for anything. The football game will not interfere with it at all, for although I was one of those chosen to play I shall give my place to someone else, for I had rather see you than all the football games or any other kind of games. I speak of this because I believe I mentioned in one of my other letters that it was to come off on Sat., and I did not know but that you would think it stood in the way. Last night they tried to raise the wind here a little or rather considerable I should say. There was a missionary meeting last night which I of course attended, and after the meeting after I had gone to my room, I heard some shouting out doors, but paid no attention to it at the time. Soon after there was a great scampering into the hall downstairs and soon I heard someone talking, and I went to the window but could see nothing on account of its being so dark, but I could distinguish Prexy's voice. Wishing to know what the matter was I

went down, and found that he was talking to them against making so much noise. It seems that the Juniors and Seniors had commenced crying out "66!" and "67!" in order to get the Sophs and Freshmen out and set them at it. The President told them that if they wanted to have a good time to be quiet about it, but not to make so much noise, and left. Having found out what the matter was, and not wanting to have anything to do with it, I started for my room, but as I came near the door to go in one of the Sophomores seized me and tried to pull me off. But I threw him off in a minute and went to my room. In taking hold of me he tore my coat. Fortunately it is my blue coat, and it is mostly under the arm where it is torn. I locked my door and went to bed, and as I did not hear much more noise, I conclude that it did not come to much at least I have not heard anything about it this morning. Munro is back. He came last night. He did not know that he was drafted until last night and it made him feel rather uneasy. One of the new Juniors, Gardiner by name, is the son of ex-Governor Gardiner of Mass. He pretends to have left Harvard because he did not like the Profs. But I guess there was something else the trouble for he and the other one (Clark) would not have left probably, merely because they did not like the Profs. John has just been in and has told me that the Vanderbilt has been sunk and that France has declared for the South, but whether so or not I do not know. But my time is up, and I can write no more so good bye, love to all, and be sure and come down Saturday.

Your aff. son,

L. T. F.

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Well, all I know is just what I read in "The Tripod" and what I hear said about "The Tripod" and its various newswriters. My first bits of information come from the austere and dignified gentleman usually called The Editor. It so happens that he is rather sad about this little spirit. He tells me that men on his board are suffering unjust criticism from fellow students who consider each individual the writer. Now, rest your soulless spirit, it is not a member of the board who is writing this and even if you think so, it doesn't make it so.

But the best one is to watch this unmlaut fellow, who is generally considered to be individual, take his beating from the fellow members of his board. We humans do enjoy the discomforts of others.

Another thing, why doesn't that Trinity College ad ever change? We know, all of us, that Henry Wadsworth Longfellow strove after eminence in Literature. Literally that is true because he went to Europe and took everything he could lay his hands on or should I say put his signature on and called it his works. He certainly attained eminence in plagiarism. If you don't believe it, see—some higher authority.

And another thing, this Dean Doyle of George Washington University—praise be to the great father of our country—on another great research problems, certainly cannot have much work if he can spend his invaluable time finding out whether or not we are collegiate. Imagine anyone with any sense sincerely working on a problem like that. Even a student of Phil. 2, "social ethics," who puts on an average of ten minutes a lesson will tell you that the classes set the styles of dress, habit and actions, which are after a time adopted by the hoi polloi, "Populus Romanus"—the mob—or what have you? Years ago collegiates were collegiate in the modern movie sense, but now to keep ahead of the great mass they have adopted new fashions tending toward conservatism which will also in due time be followed making way for another of Dean Doyle's studies.

I'm glad that there were enough fraternity men to carry the election of the Literary Club and thus prevent one J. Kazarian from being the dictator. You don't like my frankness—well disprove it. I know just how to handle him. Perhaps Mr. Kazarian has read Wordsworth's sonnet—"The world is too much with us late and soon." If he hasn't, that's all the more reason why he should be the chairman and the secretary rather than the President. But enough of that, Yale's football team of 1928 was also affected by an inner spirit. Would that I could get me a job as a cicisbeo and live in the picturesque and happy city of Venice. Would that I were living in the eighteenth century accompanied by my ward going now to take my music lesson or rather milady's, then to the portrait painter, thence to the dance—Oh, for the life of a Venetian! That's all until next week.

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THE DECAY OF CONVERSATION.

"I rise to lament the growing prevalence of information—and what is worse, of accurate and specific information," writes Philip Wagner in his latest contribution, "The Decay of Conversation," to the Lion's Mouth in the February "Harper's Magazine." "There is an undeniable tendency these days to be well-informed on matters of moment; and the result is that conversation is being ruined. The rise of the daily press, of the encyclopedia, of books of reference bearing upon everything imaginable, of question-and-answer columns, and of the publicity industry has made access to useful information so lamentably easy that it is becoming quite impossible to make a simple misstatement of fact with any assurance of getting by with it."

INTERCOLLEGIATE NEWS

We reprint the following from "The Hobart Herald." To some it may have the tone of a mid-week sermon, but if the thought is properly understood, there is not so much sentimentality in it as might first be apparent. Man is one with his eyes toward the skies may be a rather ideal point of view, but, then, even Sumner in "Folkways" sees some good in ideals.

KEEPING A TRADITION.

Was it not the ancient Greeks who thought of man as one "with his eyes turned toward the skies"? Indeed a beautiful thought, characteristically Greek, which, though perhaps not a representative description, carries for us a strong appeal. Nor is it entirely an imagined one, for there are always a few about us who keep alive our belief in its truth—men who think high and noble thoughts, with eyes that are raised, not lowered. Despite repeated and repeated assertions to the contrary, one can affirm with an emphasis firmly grounded in experience that the college furnishes the setting and the stimulus to many of such men. There are on our own campus men who, detaching themselves from the strains of the outside society for four brief years, "turn their eyes toward the skies." In love of learning, in interest in their fellow students, these men pursue quietly and unobtrusively the college path. They are men for whom there is, in college, no applause nor hail greetings, but for whom the world waits with arms extended out of need. They are men whose ideals will survive the transition from a fluid chastened college life to the hardened contacts of society. They have found the only lasting thing which the college has to offer—truth. For in their thirst for this they have spent their time among those who think and live simply. They have sought for that which is eternal in the commoner and humbler things of life, knowing that those things which are not so, perish; but that the common and the humble must remain with us forever. "Those who turn their eyes toward the skies." There are not many of them among us, but they are true Greeks and indeed noble, they who deserve this saying.

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The "Mummers" which is the dramatic organization at Hobart, announces the production of three one-act plays. It might be a worthwhile thing for our Jesters to do something similar as their spring presentation. Such a production might cause more work on the settings and staging, but if the plays be carefully chosen, it would be possible to avoid additional work in that direction; and the variety of theme would give an opportunity for character parts to a greater number.

The Mummers are producing "Release," a powerful melodrama of prison life; a comedy interlude, "If Men Played Cards as Women Do"; and "The Unseen Host," a drama.

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What would your criticism be if you had such a chance as that mentioned in the clipping taken from "The Gold Bug?"

"The Student Council of the University of Washington has called for a written criticism of the university curriculum from all students, in an effort to aid in the revision of the university's courses"—(I. Pr.)"

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"The Gold Bug" of Western Maryland College comes to the defense of the institution known as the American College.

We suppose opinions may differ on this subject, some of us may belong to the Thoughtive School and still others support the Activist School. Whatever side you may be on, it would be a good time to give some thought to the points argued in the following excerpt:

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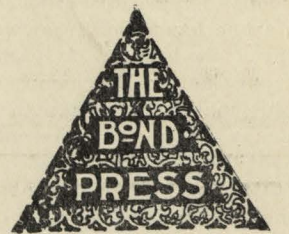
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Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote in his Junior year at College:

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