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## Water Carnival at Trowbridge Memorial Tonight; Finals of Squash Intercollegiates Held Saturday

### Famous Los Angeles Diving Team Heads Varied Program

Will Combine Comedy With Exhibition of Graceful Diving in Acts

#### OLYMPIC FUND BENEFIT

Hartford High Will Attempt to Lower National Scholastic Medley Relay Record

Combining comedy with superb technique, the Los Angeles Ambassador Diving Team will present its nationally famous exhibition acts at the Trinity pool tonight at eight o'clock. As an additional feature, the Hartford High School 150-yard medley relay team, which has already unofficially splintered the national interscholastic record for that event, will attempt to duplicate officially in a race against the Trinity trio.

A sensation all over the country, the self-styled Ambassador Comedy and Riot Team seems sure to put on a show pleasing to the most exacting of critics. This quartet of divers, which consists of Clinton Osborne, Harry E. Pierson, T. N. Tucker, and Bill Lewin, boasts an imposing array of achievements. Osborne has been New England Diving Champion, 3rd National Senior Outdoor Champion, 1934; Junior National High Diving Champion, 1935; 2nd place Far West.

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### PROF. NAYLOR SPEAKS ON DANTE IN CHAPEL

Careful Analysis of Life and Work of Italian Poet Given in Wednesday Address

In the morning chapel of Wednesday, March 4, Professor Louis Naylor of the Romance Language department spoke on Dante and his greatest work, "The Divine Comedy."

In opening his sermon Professor Naylor said, "Dante is the author of a great epic poem called 'The Divine Comedy', written in Italian between the years 1313 and 1321." Of Dante's life there are only a few facts to be had: his full name was Dante Alighieri; he was born in Florence in 1265; he was exiled in 1302 from Florence by the 'whites', who had conquered the 'blacks', the old nobility, with the help of the king of France; he died in Ravenna in 1321. His greatest achievement was to build up a language from a dialect—the Italian language was in a fluid state, a wretched patois—which has changed less than our modern English has changed from Chaucer's English. He created for himself a monument like that which Horace writes of when he states: "I have created a monument more lasting than bronze."

Professor Naylor said "The Divine Comedy" was not intended as a play, but that the definition of "comedy" as understood by Dante was "A poetic composition in a style intermediate between the sustained nobility of tragedy and the popular tone of elegy; a poem with a sad beginning

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#### ALUMNI NEWS

The Boston Alumni of Trinity held a meeting in the Chamber of Commerce Building in Boston last Thursday evening, February 27. The toastmaster for the occasion was the Reverend John Moses, '14, and the principal speakers, Thomas Wadlow and Daniel Jessee.

Mr. Wadlow, Alumni Secretary of Trinity, described the condition of the College and went on to point out its present needs, explaining what the Alumni could do in the way of helping Trinity. He also stated the various class qualifications. Mr. Jessee gave a resume of the past football season, and outlined the prospects for next year. Following his talk, a round-table discussion was held. Later movies of the campus and of the various football games were shown.

C. H. Pelton, of the class of 1905, was elected president, and J. A. Mason, '34, was elected secretary of the organization. An executive committee composed of the following alumni was formed during the course of the meeting: H. C. Boyd, '05, M. S. Crehore, '14, J. S. Moses, '15, L. B. Phister, '20, N. T. Clark, '34, J. S. McCook, '35, and B. Shaw, '35. It was decided to have a dinner in May at which time Dr. Ogilby will be the principal speaker.

L. P. Fisher, '20, and John Mason, '34, were instrumental in making arrangements for the affair. Among those present from the last two graduating classes were Clark, Hanaghan, Mason, McCook, B. Shaw, and Zietlow. It was decided that the next meeting would be held on May 11.

#### SENIOR ELECTIONS

At its last elections the Class of 1936 picked its permanent officers, elected to serve for life. John E. Geare was re-elected President for the fourth consecutive time, and T. Lowry Sinclair was again named Vice-President. Stewart Ogilby was honored with the position of Secretary-Treasurer.

In addition to the regular officers, the class picked at this time the men who will handle the remaining class activities. Frazier Scott was given the job of Class Day Chairman, Peter Fish was named Statistician, and James Miller was designated Class Historian. William Anthony Paddon was chosen to write and read the Class Poem, and John Clark was selected to be Presenter, while Adolph Hoehling was named Chairman of the Senior Ball Committee.

#### ANDERSON RE-ELECTED TO HEAD SOPHOMORES

O'Malley and Wilson Picked for Other Offices—Election of Ivy Editor Postponed

E. A. Anderson of Hartford was re-elected president of the Class of 1938 at the regular semi-annual meeting of the class held in Cook cafeteria last Thursday night. Robert D. O'Malley of South Manchester was again chosen vice-president, and John B. Wilson of Baltimore, Md., was named to fill the position of secretary-treasurer.

Discussion then followed as to the advisability of electing an editor for the '38 Ivy to be published next year. It was finally voted to postpone the election until a later meeting, which

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### Eight Colleges Represented in Eastern Championship Play

Glidden Retains His Title as Gilder, Also of Harvard, Bows in Final Round

#### COMPETITION RIGOROUS

Robert Bainbridge, Trinity, '37 Made President of Squash Racquets Association

Germaine Glidden, Harvard University senior and defending champion, retained his intercollegiate squash racquet title last Saturday when he defeated Richard Glider, also of Harvard, in the final match of the fifth annual tournament on Trinity College course. In giving Harvard its fourth squash championship in the association's five years of existence, Glidden clearly outplayed his classmate to win in straight games, 15-13, 15-10, 15-10.

Recently the winner of the National Championship at the Hartford Golf Club, Glidden is now rated as America's outstanding amateur performer. Stroking his way with easy assurance through the tournament, the Crimson champion drew a bye in the first round and in the second he overcame Stearns, of M. I. T. by scores of 15-7, 15-10, 15-10.

Glidden next defeated George Cookman, Yale racquetman and a former classmate of Glidden's at Exeter, 12-15, 15-12, 15-10, 15-13, to gain his

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### GLEE CLUB ENTERTAINED AT GREENWICH CONCERT

Present Rare Program Before Lassies of Edgewood Park Junior College

By Robert I. McKee, '36

The Glee Club went down to Greenwich four days ago and you still hear them talking about it. Mostly about their blind dates, of course. Some members there are who are still raving ecstatically, whether anyone is within ear-shot or not, about the charms of their lovely partners for the evening. There are others who are grimly silent about this crazy system of blind dating. Presumably a similar situation exists with the Edgewood lassies.

Leaving Trinity behind and whatever cares gleeful people have, the Club traveled by bus last Friday afternoon to Greenwich where, after foraging at the Lafayette Grill, they stormed the Edgewood Park Junior College and sang and danced until one in the morning. Harry Davis, '36, contrived the thing.

The Club made what was by all odds, its best appearance of the season. The boys managed to conceal their reluctance to sing on key and their indifference to tempo and dynamic indications which they have displayed on earlier occasions. In fact they sang the selections by Palestrina, Lotti, Purcell, and Callcott with a degree of excellence that was as consummate as it was unprecedented. Mr. Clarence Watters conducted, assisted by Daniel L. Newlands, Jr. Maurice Tulin, '38, piano soloist,

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## Byrnes Claims One Question in 1936 Campaign to Read, "Are You For or Against Roosevelt?"

By Ethan F. Bassford, '39

Mr. Robert Byrnes of the Hartford Courant spoke on the 1936 campaign Thursday night in Cook Lounge to members of the Political Science Club. After being introduced by Professor Humphrey, Mr. Byrnes started with a story about Senator Tydings of Maryland. Senator Tydings, like most politicians, has one speech which he uses with slight variations on every occasion. In the middle of the speech one night he remembered that it was the same one he had used a year before in the same town. After a hurried finish he asked a girl whom he remembered had been there the previous time if she had heard the speech before. "No sir," she said, "I didn't. All I could think of while you were talking was how funny you looked."

Jim Farley, Mr. Byrnes said, claims that the 1936 campaign will be fought on a very low level. While some observers say that it will be low because the campaign will be close, Mr. Byrnes says that it will be questionable because the people are interested in it. It will be like the campaigns of 1920, 1928, and 1932 which, while there was little doubt about the outcome, were interesting to the people and exceed-

ingly unethical. When the professional politicians are the only ones interested in the campaign, he said, it is comparatively clean, for each politician knows he is just as crooked as the next one.

Mr. Byrnes described the three stages of the campaign: the pre-convention struggle, the convention, and the campaign proper. This campaign, he believes, is starting early because of the startling results of the Rhode Island election. The Republicans, who had expected to lose and were laying plans for 1940, came to life and started attacking the New Deal. The Democrats are at a disadvantage now, for if they direct their attack against Borah, Landon will be nominate, while if they fight Landon someone else will be nominated. Besides this advantage the Republicans are out of power in every state but eight, with the result that in nearly all cases they can attack the administration. One reason he gave for the 1936 campaign being a lively one was the fact that people are eager to listen, and any politician will talk if he has an audience.

There is little interest in the Democratic primaries, Mr. Byrnes said, because Roosevelt is certain to be

nominated. The only contests will be for state chairmanships and other jobs which control patronage. A strong contest in the Republican primaries has already been started by Borah. But Mr. Byrnes doesn't think he will get very far, for in every state his backers are the black sheep of the Republican organization.

There are two lines of thought relative to the Republican convention. One is that no matter what candidate or platform is chosen there will be such a letdown for Roosevelt's opponents that the Republican campaign will lose force. The other is that the convention will nominate an unknown, whom they can keep shut up at home so that all opponents of the New Deal will find nothing wrong with him and will unite against Roosevelt. One reason why the Old Guard won't support Borah is that they know they can't make him conduct a front-porch campaign.

He spoke of three possibilities if there is a deadlock at the Republican convention. One is that when all the delegates are tired, broke, and eager to go home, the leaders will meet in a "smoke-filled room"

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PROF. NAYLOR SPEAKS

(Continued from page 4.) gives way to her as guide. She leads the main character, now a soul, up through the seven revolving circles of heaven to heaven itself, where he is met by St. Bernard, who prepares him for his beatific vision of God. The greatest student of Dante of our time, Professor Charles Grandgent of Harvard, has written the following tribute to Dante: "When we ask ourselves why we are so strangely stirred by the words of a man of whom we know so little, one so remote in date and in thought, we find that it is because, on the one hand, he knew how to present universal emotions, stripping his experiences of all that is peculiar to time and place; and secondly, because he felt more intensely than other men; his joy, his anguish, his love, his hate, his hope, his faith, were so keen that they come quivering down through the ages and set our hearts in responsive vibration. This intensity seems to distinguish him from other poets of the Middle Ages, perhaps, in part, because he alone had the art to express it. His mastery of language far transcends that of any other mediaeval poet, and surpasses that of all but the few very foremost in the world's history."

WESLEYAN MERMEN

(Continued from page 4.) sprint men. Turning in a time of 25 seconds, Hall captured the decision by a split second from Seigle. Clem Motten took third place after some discussion of the judges, thereby tying the score at twelve apiece.

The regular dives followed, and from the outset, the supremacy of Broker was evident. He executed his dives with a precision and accuracy seldom seen in Trowbridge. His teammates, Jones, appeared second choice, with Sinclair taking third place. Johnson, obviously superior to his past performances, was, nevertheless, fourth.

Expecting a win in the 440-yard swim, Tanner entered the event with Seigle for Wesleyan against Bob Muir and R. Motten. The latter turned in his best time of the season, but could hardly compete with Tanner, who set a new pool record of 5:28.8 seconds, taking more than eight seconds from the previous mark. Breaking away in the last two laps, Seigle managed to capture second place from a tiring Motten.

At the announcement of the next event, the 150-yard backstroke, a noticeable murmur ran through the stands for it was this event that was to be the highlight of the meet. Slowik, displaying magnificent form throughout the season, and holder of the pool record, was to meet Pullman, a consistently strong performer. Maue and Armstrong also participated. From the opening gun, the two principals swam side by side, but a roar came from the spectators as Slowik pulled a yard or two away from his opponent. Then it was realized that the over-anxious Slowik, apparently still feeling the effects of his gruelling 220-yard swim earlier in the meet, was miscalculating his turns. Gradually Pullman forged ahead, and captured the event, setting up a new pool mark of 1:47.7 seconds, and missing the New England Intercollegiate record by one-tenth of a second. Slowik touched a fraction behind the Cardinalman, with Armstrong taking third. This proved to be the turning point of the meet.

The 200-yard breaststroke that followed found the "star among a group of stars," Captain Ken Degnan, holder of the New England Intercollegiate Record for the event, and Olympic hope from Middletown, coupled with Walsh against Onderdonk and Connar. Chopping over ten seconds from the old pool record, Degnan turned in the excellent time of 2:30.9 seconds. Walsh, ordinarily a trailer, swam the best race of his career to take second from Onderdonk.

In the 100-yard dash Captain Hall and Clem Motten were pitted against Blizzard and Weisenback. Exhibiting his steady, rhythmical stroke, previously seen in the other dash event, Hall captured the event at 57 seconds, with Blizzard trailing at his heels. Motten again took third from Weisenback.

Following were the optional dives, in which Broker, although still apparently holding the lead, lacked much (Continued on page 6.)

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SOPHOMORE ELECTIONS

(Continued from page 1.) is to be held in the near future. The class's financial position was then made clear, and the new treasurer made an earnest plea that the members keep up in the payment of their dues. Gregory McKee and the rest of his committee were then given a vote of thanks for the success of the Sophomore Hop. Later in the meeting a resolution was passed showing that the class favored the placing of class dues upon the regular college term bills.

HOPKINS SWIM

(Continued from page 4.) going away by five yards. Later Canterbury won the 200-yard freestyle relay when Suffield was disqualified, and hung up a record time of 1:47.

Summary: 50-yard Dash—Won by Duncan, Hopkins; Bertini, Westminster, second; Gormley, Canterbury, third; Price, Suffield, fourth; time, 26.3 (new meet record).

100-yard Breaststroke—Won by Haag, Canterbury; Rogers, Westminster, second; Brinkley, Hopkins, third; Halle, Westminster fourth; time, 1:14.8 (new meet record).

220-yard Freestyle—Won by Erick, Hopkins; Smith, Westminster, second; Halsey, Canterbury, third; J. Vier, Canterbury, fourth; time, 2:33.8 (new meet record).

100-yard Backstroke—Won by Emory, Canterbury; Stack, Hopkins, second; Strong, Westminster, third; Haire, Canterbury, fourth; time, 1:09.6.

100-yard Freestyle—Won by Duncan, Hopkins; Madigan, Canterbury, second; Hill, Hopkins, third; T. Vier, Canterbury, and Newhut, Westminster, tied for fourth; time, 56.7.

Diving—Won by Smith, Westminster, 76.13 points; Sloan, Suffield, second, 53.16 points; Desmond, Canterbury, third, 51.94 points; Paine, Suffield, fourth, 51.67 points.

150-yard Medley Relay—Won by Hopkins (Stack, Brinkley, Hill); Westminster, second; Suffield, third; (Canterbury disqualified); no time taken.

200-yard Freestyle Relay—Won by Canterbury (Ryan, Evans, Madigan, Gormley); Westminster, second; Hopkins, third; time, 1:47 (new meet record).

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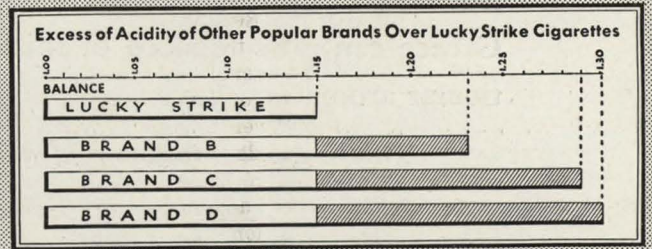
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COAST GUARD SWIM  
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The summary of the varsity meet: Medley Relay—Won by Trinity (Onderdonk, Connar and Anderson); time, 3:30.3.

220-yard Swim—Won by R. Motten, Trinity; Muir, Trinity, second; Henderson, Coast Guard, third; time, 2:32.2.

50-yard Dash—Tie between Hall, Trinity, and Prins, Coast Guard; C. Motten, Trinity, third; time, 25.1.

Diving—Won by Schmuck, Coast Guard, 88.94 points; Boyce, Coast Guard, second, 84.38 points; Sinclair, Trinity, third, 71.09 points.

440-yard Swim—Won by R. Motten, Trinity; Henderson, Coast Guard, second; Anderson, Trinity, third; time, 5:41.6.

150-yard Backstroke—Won by Slowik, Trinity; Onderdonk, Trinity; time, 1:45.8.

200-yard Breaststroke—Won by Connar, Trinity; Schrader, Coast Guard, second; Brodie, Coast Guard, third; time, 2:53.5.

100-yard Dash—Won by C. Motten, Trinity; Neil Fanning, Trinity, second; Potter, Coast Guard, third; time, 59.1.

400-yard Relay—Won by Trinity (Slowik Anderson, Muir and Hall); time, 3:58.6.

TROUBADOURS SAILING  
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may be, of luxurious leisure on the sands of sunny Bermuda.

The members of the Troubadours going on the cruise are: Charles Kirby, '36, leader and violinist; William Kirby, '36, piano; Albert Starkey, '36, sax and clarinet; Robert McKee, '36, trombone; Robert Hazenbush, '37, trumpet; Gregory McKee, '38, trumpet; William Taylor, '37, sax and clarinet; William Boles, '38, sax; Guy Maynard, Jr., '39, drums; William Nelson, '36, bass.

There is a consciousness among the members that, by playing for ocean crossings under the name of the Trinity Troubadours, they are accepting the responsibility of being good-will emissaries, so to speak, of the college. Said Conductor Kirby: "As on previous trips, we realize that this is a real opportunity to represent Trinity, and we shall attempt to conduct ourselves accordingly."

What definite plans the Troubadours have for their Bermuda stay have not yet been divulged, but full of many connotations was the sentiment, "This trip will make history" expressed by various members of the outfit at a rehearsal this afternoon.

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of the precision and excellence of performance previously shown. He took top honors in the diving with 93.67 points, trailed by Jones with 78.07 points. Sinclair annexed third position with 74.90 points.

The final event, the 440-yard Freestyle Relay, was decisively won by the Trinity team of Slowik, C. Motten, Muir, and Hall, with a time of 3:55.9, although the combination was some six seconds behind the record they set last week against Massachusetts State.

Even though the Trinity swimmers exhibited good form, they were completely overshadowed by the powerful Cardinalmen, who, living up to all reports, presented a team noteworthy in all events. Trinity closed, nevertheless, one of the most successful seasons, losing only two meets, and can be proud, not only of the record, but of their able coach, Joe Clarke.

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patronage now anyway.

Knox, he said, hasn't a chance because he was once employed by Hearst. Hoover will be but an elder statesman and won't be nominated because the "magic of the Hoover name", which holds housewives, does not extend to practical politicians.

In answer to a question concerning the recent TVA decision of the Supreme Court, Mr. Byrnes said that this decision has hurt the Democratic chances. Before the decision the Democrats could say to farmers and workers, "We were trying to help you, but the Court wouldn't let us." Now they have no alibi. Perhaps, he said, the attitude of the Court is like that of a former Justice who said, "I'll be damned if I'll die or resign while he's in office."

After the talk the members adjourned to the Dining Hall where refreshments were served. A. van C. Hamilton, Treasurer of the Political

Science Club, announced that Mr. Greenley's talk had been postponed till next term, and that Professor Perkins will speak March 26 at a meeting to which all students are invited.

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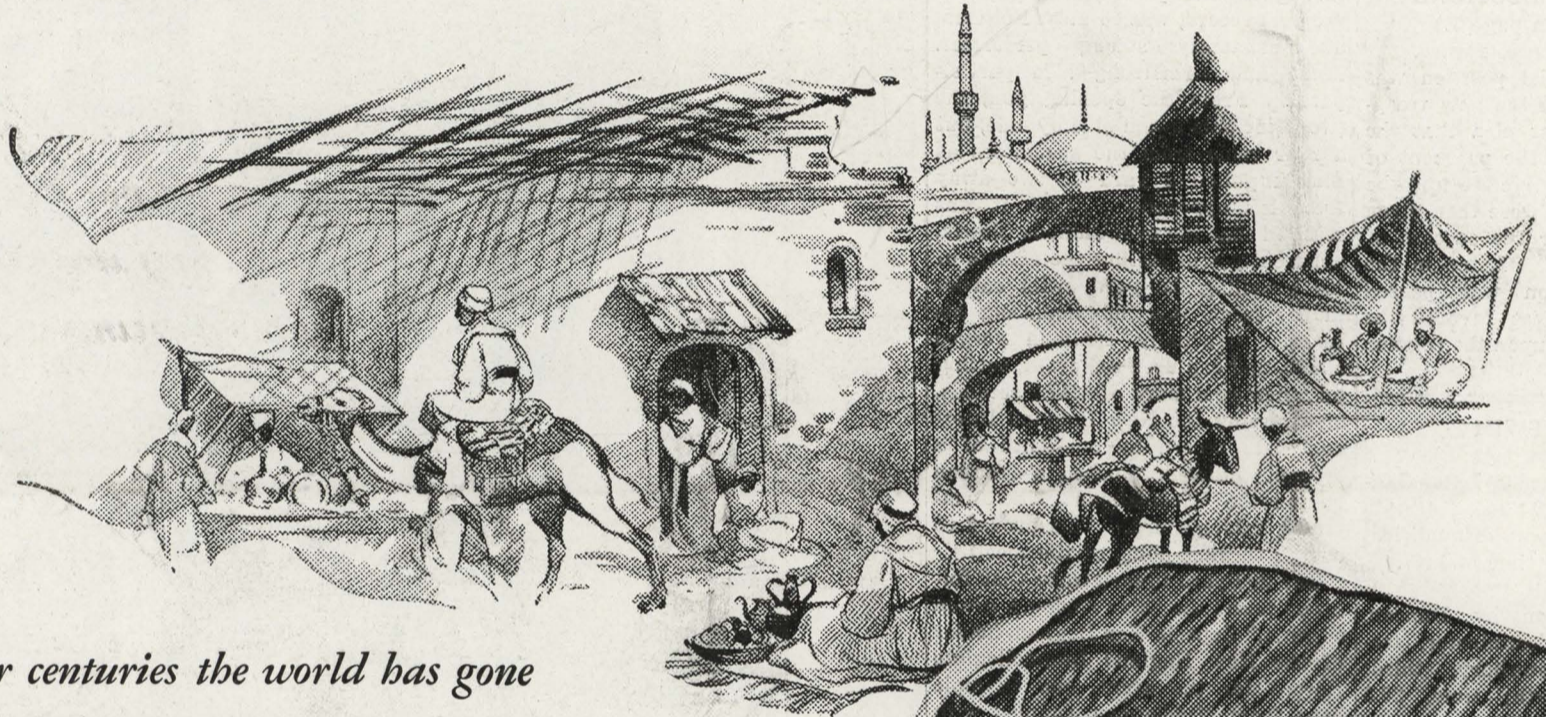
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