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Laurence Lectures Here This Evening

Tonight at 8:15 in the Chem Auditorium Mr. William L. Laurence will speak on "The Implications of the Atom Bomb." Mr. Laurence, science reporter for the *New York Times*, holds the distinction of having seen four out of the five atom explosions in New Mexico, Nagasaki, and Bikini.

Laurence was born at Salanti, Lithuania, in 1888 to an Orthodox Jewish family and early in his teens determined to go to the United States. In 1905 a Russian purge forced him to flee Salanti and he arrived in Hoboken seventeen years old with fifty cents as his worldly wealth.

He decided that Boston was the cultural center of the United States, earned his train fare to the Hub in a textile factory, and his tuition and board at Harvard as a florist's errand boy. When finances interrupted college work he gained a reputation as a football players' tutor which saved many Harvard heartaches.

In 1913 he became a naturalized citizen of the United States. In 1917 he enlisted in the Army and a year later in France intercepted and decoded German dispatches, and wrote "surrender invitations" which were dropped behind the German lines. "After the war," says the *New Yorker*, he received fleeting attention when he went AWOL, informally liberated the City of Metz and occupied it for five days until Marshal Petain arrived to relieve him."

Laurence took a degree in law, which he never practiced, and started free-lance writing. In 1926 he arrived in New York with no prospects of a job but through good luck was invited to a party at the home of Herbert Bayard Swope. During the evening a quiz game, at which Swope was a master, was played and Laurence beat the hitherto invincible Swope, who hired him on the spot as a reporter for the *New York World*.

A scientific article of Laurence's in which the *World* scooped the other New York papers brought him to the attention of the Editor of the *Times*. In 1930 he accepted an assignment as a roving science reporter for the *Times* and was the first to report on the development of the sulfa drugs and penicillin.

STUDENTS FORM A CANTERBURY CLUB FOR THOSE OF EPISCOPALIAN FAITH

Within the past month, two meetings of the newly formed Canterbury Club have been held. This Club is an entirely different organization from the Seabury Society, and this is the first attempt made to re-establish it on the campus.

Canterbury Clubs are a national association of student organizations of the Episcopal Church, and are located at a large number of colleges and universities in the country. These member groups are committed to a definite program of worship, study, service, giving, evangelism, and unity.

Chaplain Gerald B. O'Grady has been assisting in the organization of the club here. Also Professors Marshall and Cooper have given their time to aid the group.

The officers elected for the year are: Steve W. Harper, Senior Warden; Brad Cogswell, Junior Warden; Kenneth Higginbotham, Clerk; John Hard-

Elections Are Held By Seniors, Juniors

Jim Kinsella was elected President of the Senior Class in a meeting held on November 20. Kinsella, a member of Sigma Nu, is on the Radio Committee which has charge of the Trinity programs heard over station WHTT every Wednesday. Steve Bonafasi of the Commons Club was elected Vice-President. The Secretary-Treasurer of the class is Bernard Mullins, Jr., of Alpha Chi Rho. Mullins has also had a prominent part in the Radio Committee and was one of the twelve Trinity men chosen for "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

At the same meeting, a committee was chosen to make plans for the Senior Ball to be held late in the spring. Lew Dabney is chairman and the rest of the members are: Jim Prendergast, Bill Thompson, Jack Wright, Joel Bengston, Henry Lozier, Drew Milligan, J. J. Mellor, Harry Brand, Joseph Schacter, R. J. Godlewski, and Ed Kelly. The committee is wasting no time in starting to undertake the job of a dance committee. The name of the band and the setting of the Ball will be announced in the near future.

On the same date, the Junior Class also held its elections. Jim Lim, member of Psi Upsilon, was elected President. Lim came to this country from China and prepared for Trinity at Holderness. Medusaman John Fink is Vice-President. Fink is a member of Alpha Chi Rho and is on the basketball team. George Murphy of Alpha Chi Rho was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Plans for the Junior Prom to be held in the middle of February are being formulated. "They will be announced soon," says Prexy Lim.

Notice

The next meeting of the Tripod Staff will be held tomorrow night, Tuesday, December 3, at 9 o'clock in the Tripod Office. The only staff members excused from the meeting are the members of the Business Staff and the Circulation Departments. Everyone else is expected to attend this very important meeting.

wick, Treasurer.

At present, the Club has been busy drawing up a constitution and formulating plans for the future. The members hope to be able to hold discussions with some of the speakers at Wednesday Chapel. Also they plan to aid various organizations in Hartford, such as the Mitchell House.

At their second meeting, the members heard a short talk by Miss Barbara Arnold, a representative of the Episcopal Church Society for College Work. Miss Arnold spoke briefly on the nature of similar programs in other colleges.

The Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of every month. It is not composed of Pre-Divinity students. The sole requirement for membership in the Canterbury Club is membership in the Episcopal Church or churches in communion.

Trinity Jesters to Present "Golden Boy" In Avery Hall Glen Gately and Don Craig Star in Clifford Odets' Play



(Austin Photo)

Members of the Jesters in one of their final rehearsals of "Golden Boy." From left to right: Merritt Johnquest, Dick Elam, Mike Campo, Edward Albee, Ken Wynne, Miss Joyce O'Connell, Miss Gloria Hemming, Glen Gately, Don Craig, and George Dessart.

December 5 To Be the Play's Opening Night

Weeks of casting, rehearsal, and hard work will culminate this Thursday night when the Trinity College Jesters open at the Avery Memorial in their new production, Clifford Odets' "Golden Boy," a drama in three acts. The play will run for three nights, December 5, 6, and 7, in order to accommodate the many Jester enthusiasts.

The Jesters have not been long in re-establishing their pre-war routine of two productions a year. Last spring "Boy Meets Girl" was a great success, and now the Trinity thespians open the new season with a play that has always been a favorite with theatergoers. There are many who recall MGM's version of the same play. The plot is a gripping portrayal of a young violinist turned pugilist. It is easy to imagine the joy and heartbreak which dog the hero as he smashes his way to fame, only to . . . but the rest must remain untold until Thursday evening. Then you will see the Jesters, bidding for a place beside the Hollywood and Broadway interpreters of Mr. Odets' drama.

Casting began in October, when the Jesters held their first meeting of the new school year. About forty men attended this meeting, giving director J. Bard McNulty a wide field from which to choose. Having 17 male roles the play is extremely well suited to a men's dramatic organization. The female roles boast Joyce O'Connell, who is studying at the Hartford School of Music, and Gloria Hemmings, who has been active in dramatics at Ohio Wesleyan. Don Craig and Glenn Gately do a splendid job in the lead parts, supported by Merritt Johnquest, Michael Campo, Ken Wynne, George Dessart, Orey Gracey, Dick Elam, James Lawler, David Lambert, Edward Albee, George Simonian, Goodrich, John Daly, Joe Brush, Joe Schachter, and Beattie. Between rehearsals these men have been working with Joe Schachter and his stage crew constructing scenery. Since all the stage props were destroyed during the inactive years, this has proved a tremendous job.

Thursday evening the Jesters look forward to a large first-night audience. Critics from the *Courant*, *Times*, and *Tripod* will be on hand. Tickets are now on sale at \$1.20 for reserved seats. Curtain time is at 8:30 p. m.

Father Higgins Talks Before Newman Group

"Foreign Missions," a detailed account on the missions in Burma during the Japanese Occupation, was the title of a deeply revealing talk by the Reverend Father Joseph Higgins before an open meeting of the Newman Club in the Chemistry Auditorium last Monday.

Prior to the talk, in the regular business meeting of the Club, with Jim Kinsella presiding as Chairman, it was decided to hold elections for this year's officers at the next meeting. The Rev. Father Callahan is adviser to the organization of men of the Catholic faith.

Dean's Office

The preliminary Examination Schedule has been posted on the bulletin board in the Post Office Archway. Students should check this schedule and report any conflicts to Mr. Clarke in the Dean's Office. Exams will be held from January 20 through February 1.

A calendar, listing all meetings and special events being held at the college, is posted thrice weekly on the Jarvis Hall bulletin board. Individuals or organizations desiring to have announcements of such events included in the calendar should leave notification of time, place, and event in the box outside Mr. Mason's door (Jarvis 19) at least one week in advance.

All students planning to complete their requirements for a degree in February, June, or September, 1947, must check with Dr. Adams regarding actual status, report name to Miss Merwin in the Dean's Office, and check with Dean Hughes about future plans.

Building Plan Revealed By President Funston

In an address to the student body last Wednesday, President Funston outlined the expansion plans of Trinity in connection with the 125th Anniversary Development Program. "With the increase in enrollment, the present facilities of the college are not adequate," he stated.

Plans call for a field home which will be capable of accommodating indoor football and baseball practice, as well as providing an indoor track and ample space for basketball. Two new dormitories which will house 50 students each are to be built. These buildings will be similar in style to Ogilby Hall. The fourth project to be undertaken will be that of the rebuilding of the present Williams Memorial Library and also an extension of the Administration Offices.

President Funston said that if Trinity is to maintain the standards which have made it one of the leading liberal arts colleges in the country, it must have these additions.

The December 11 edition of the *Tripod* will cover further details of the program.

Mr. Frank to Tell Of Seeing-Eye Dog

On Monday, December 9, at 8:15 in Cook Dining Hall, Mr. Morris S. Frank, Vice-President of the Seeing Eye organization, will address the student body. His lecture will be illustrated with a moving picture showing training scenes at the Morristown, New Jersey, school where dogs are trained to guide the blind. Mr. Frank's own guide dog, "Buddy II," will accompany him.

Mr. Frank was blinded accidentally in his youth, and, several years later, a magazine article was read to him which described the use of trained dogs as guides for the blind in Europe. He immediately wrote to the author, the late Mrs. Eustis, asking how he could inaugurate a similar service for the blind in America. Mr. Frank went to Switzerland, and five weeks later returned to this country with "Buddy," an educated dog.

He achieved remarkable success in this country on introducing the "seeing eye" dog, and, in 1929, the Seeing Eye organization was founded in this country.

George Holt to Speak On Global Federalism

"World Federalism" will be the subject of a lecture by George C. Holt of Woodstock, Director of the World Federalists of Connecticut and currently heading the Rollins College Conference of World Government, at a meeting of the Political Science Club tomorrow evening at 8, in Cook Lounge.

Mr. Holt, who served as a Navy lieutenant on European Theatre duty during the past war, is the son of Dr. Hamilton Holt, President of Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, and prior to his naval service was Director of Admissions at the Florida school.

A graduate of Rollins, Mr. Holt attended Oxford University abroad and it was during this period, in the early 30's, that he had a first-hand opportunity to study the then active League of Nations as an observer and thus gather valuable material on the now greatly pertinent subject of world government.

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CLASS ELECTIONS

Our class elections were pretty well botched up.

The seniors chose a president who will leave Trinity next month. The other three classes voted by hand, with each count differing from the previous one. The sophomores failed to add up to a quorum when they got together. The freshmen did not know most of the candidates, with nominations blitzing before blinking eyes. Nobody seemed to care what happened, anyway.

More often than not, the names of mediocrities were presented and railroaded through. The senior election, for one, was obviously engineered by a less-than-holy alliance. When "the" man for secretary-treasurer failed to triumph, sundry machine leaders voiced their wrath at this revolt among the ranks.

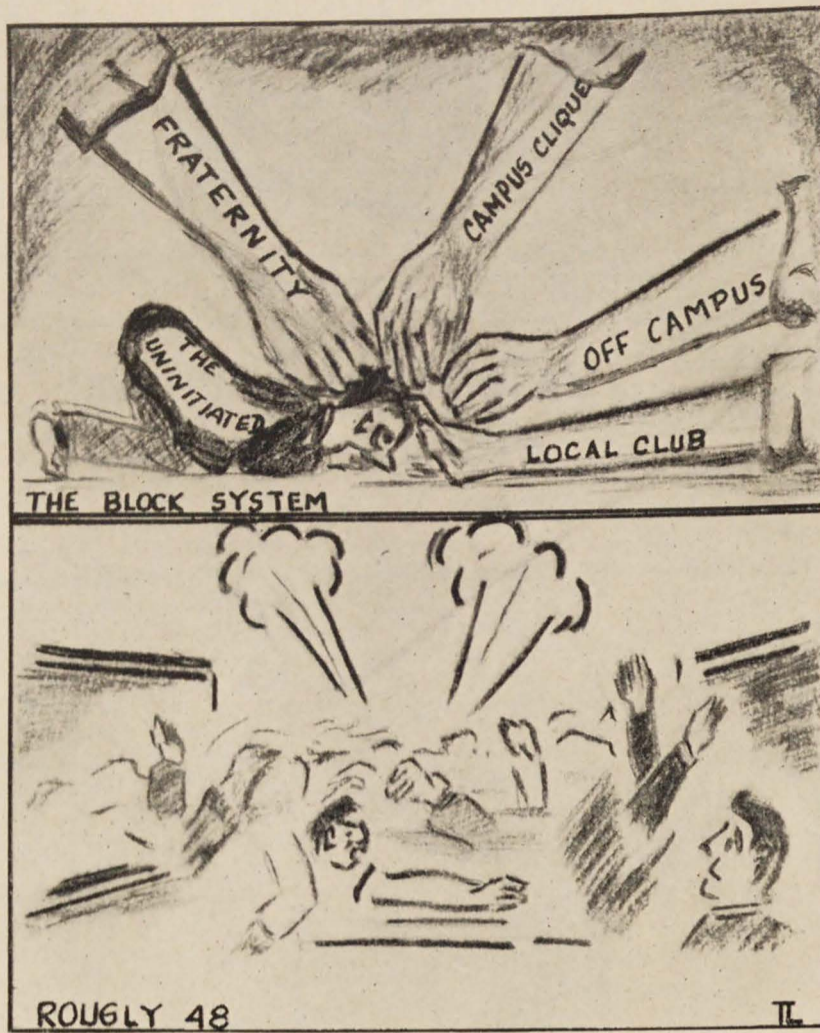
The *Tripod* regrets the perversion of a democratic device for determining class leaders into a medium for the gratification of a few self-appointed campus colonels. How many of the officers chosen truly represent the interests of most of their classmates? How many are fit to lead their class or act well in its behalf? Or, to examine another angle, how many are pre-determined choices, and how many are honest selections by an unbiased electorate? And how many simply got in due to inertia, indifference, or default?

We believe, or like to believe, that most Trinity men want capable leadership. How can they obtain it?

More time should be given to elections. In all cases the results of this year's elections were determined within a period of twenty minutes. A period of at least one week should intervene between the nomination of candidates and their election. During that week, each man can organize and wage his campaign, and the voters should be informed of what he deems his qualifications for office. Each fraternity or club should nominate at least two men for every office, and there ought to be no limit on the number of nominations. This system should do away with present possibility of one man being able to run for all three offices. Under this new system the best man should win in a closed ballot election.

Such a change would crumble, of course, before any wall of student apathy. Every group gets the leaders it deserves. Each class needs to be fully aware of the characters of all candidates. Only weeds bloom in a neglected garden.

CLASS ELECTIONS: BOTH OUT OF HAND



Front Row Center

With George Dessart

In November, 1937, Donita Ferguson, dramatic critic for the now defunct *Literary Digest*, observed: "Hard criticism and violent differences of opinion are inevitable results of a Clifford Odets' play."

Miss Ferguson's statement is well borne out by the reviews, criticisms, counter-reviews, counter-criticisms, and observations which have followed every one of Clifford Odets' works. And it is especially true of "Golden Boy."

Odets had 12 years of theatrical experience behind him when this, his fifth play, was first produced. Ten of these years had been spent doing inconsequential roles for the Theatre Guild, and, after 1929, for the Group Theatre, the Guild's unrecognized and insolvent offshoot, when his "Waiting For Lefty" won the *New Theatre* award as the best short play of "social significance." Crusader Odets then became the poet laureate of the Group. "Awake and Sing," "Paradise Lost," and "Till the Day I Die" followed and the critical world hailed him as the "Bright White Hope" of the American theatre. That same season, 1935—his first as a dramatist—Odets left for the Coast. The legitimate stage disowned him. Kaufman and Ferber satirized him as the ex-radical-playwright-turned-Hollywood in their 1936 success "Stage Door." "Golden Boy," Odets' "modern allegory" was his reply, fist and fiddle for stage and

Letters to Editor

Dear Sir:

Whether a person does or does not approve of the present system of chapel credits, he cannot be other than shocked by the discourtesy and derision with which the services are regarded. At the end of a chapel service, instead of waiting until the choir and chaplain have left and the candles are snuffed, a great many of the students make an impetuous rush for the doors, pausing only to hand their snips to the monitors.

Undoubtedly this makes a poor impression on visitors and the rest of the worshippers and only serves to accentuate for them the thoughtlessness so prevalent on the campus.

Only a little reflection and consideration on the part of every student would be necessary to eliminate the ugly concept of Trinity College which may easily arise.

Very truly yours,

James Straley.

screen.

Whatever are their points of disagreement, all the critics acclaim the true-to-life nature of "Golden Boy's" characters. If the play is too often loosely knit, its episodes are powerful drama. If the play relies too heavily on melodrama, it tells its story effectively and emphatically. And its message, or Odets' if you will, is as real and as important today as it was ten years ago.

Musical Notes

By George Stowe

The SRO sign was hung out November 19 when the New York Philharmonic played in Hartford. And it was deservedly so, because the men under Rodzinski gave us some of the best symphonic playing that may be heard hereabouts. The Philharmonic has always been one of our greatest orchestras and its brass section is unequalled in any other major orchestra. If its work at times is sometimes uninspired, it is an inevitability that any rational person will overlook.

Perhaps this orchestra is just the right instrument for Beethoven, because there is a characteristic vigor about the way these New Yorkers play. Anyway, the orchestra gave a virile and resounding performance of the Leonore No. 3 Overture to open the program.

The big attraction of the evening was, of course, the latest Shostokovich symphony, his Ninth. Probably this would not have gained so much attention if some Russian critics had not seen fit to denounce it for "its ideological weaknesses" and failure "to reflect the true spirit of the Soviet people." Although we fail to understand how music can be ideologically subversive, we can say that this opus does sound more like a divertissement than a symphony. It is certainly Shostokovich in a light vein—rhythmic and audacious but certainly not profound.

The Yale Glee Club in collaboration with the celebrated Whiffenpoofs will give a concert at the Bushnell on December 4 at 8:15. Marshall Bartholomew will conduct the largest Club in Yale's history, numbering about 100 voices. All the traditional songs of Yale, Sea Chanteys, Folk Songs, and Spirituals are advertised.

Gleason's Reasons

By Winky Gleason

Noblest Oblige Department: Surely the most impressive event of the week was Lord Wilson's brief but spectacular stop at the campus, his pertinent addresses in the Chemistry Auditorium and the Chapel, and especially, the warm New England hospitality which was exhibited by all and sundry for the benefit of this illustrious representative of the King's Majesty. No stone, we understand, was left unturned to contribute to His Lordship's ease and comfort, and an agreeable aura of Anglophilia has been wafting about ever since. One of the nicest accolades in Jumbo's behalf which has come to our ears, of course, concerns Mr. John Mason, efficient, popular College press attache. According to our report, Mr. Mason searched about all Wednesday for an appropriate shibboleth for the peer's honor. He finally hit on one, our front office man tells us: Wednesday night he was seen sporting on his lapel an enormous white, gold and crimson Bundles for Britain pin.

Columbia Corrigenda Department: We want it understood that we're not bucking for a post with the Federal Communications Commission, but on the other hand we've picked up some very strange transmissions of late which we defy Mr. Knight's Physics 8 class to laugh off as sunspots. Take the quiz program, "General Electric House Party," in which a little five-year-old last week was asked where she got her dimples. Even Mr. Bones was electrified by her immediate, if enigmatic response: "From the iceman." Then, too, a news broadcast from WDRC at 11 Wednesday night has started riots in all our local semantic circles: it began "Forty persons were killed, some of them fatally, in a collision late this afternoon . . ."

Poesy Department: A copy of the current *Princeton Alumni Weekly* has been forwarded to us as a matter pertaining to this command, and we take distinct pleasure in passing it on to our readers. Or at least a two-stanza excerpt from a poem on page 11, attributed to an old grad named Roger Shaw, now a wheel in Trinity's own History Department. The subject is a lament upon the housing of GI wives in the black and orange dormitories. Hark:

The Times have changed, the die is cast
Sweet Tigrines crowded in at last,
And even in my college days
They stormed the dorms in golden haze.

The women now in Prince's Towne
Are hauling diapers up and down
Where once the orange banners flew
In dear dead days beloved by you.

The Stars In Their Course Department: Being a truthful triad of puzzling pronouncements—actually rendered this week within the classrooms on the Hill . . . Mr. Troxell, alluding to the chronic tardiness of one of his geologists: "I always say Grace at the beginning of the class because Grace seems always to be late" . . . A Fine Arts student, reacting to a revelation by Mr. Taylor that he had 91 test papers left on his desk still to correct: "Well, let that be a lesson to you" . . . And Robert "Monster" Gariepy, egregious Metropolitan of All Summit Street, commenting upon the most-read section of his favorite weekly: "*Gleason's Reasons* gets duller every week."

A Public Office Department: Our 250 victims of English A this year, and indeed all others who pray for the early dissolution of the Greenough and Kittridge merger and the effigy-burning of Noah Webster, may well take comfort from a little matter we uncovered this week which proves conclusively that worldly success is not necessarily inconsistent with bad rhetoric. It is a large, handsome wooden plaque in the rear of the Old State House in Hartford, emblazoned with two gorgeous crests and allowing as how Generals Washington and deRochambeau met on that spot in September, 1780, to formulate the strategy for Yorktown. At the bottom of the sign, in newly painted gold letters is the uncompromising neograph: "Erected by the City of Hartford, in grateful remembrance."

Radio Series Keeps Trin In Limelight

The third in a series of radio broadcasts, produced by the faculty and student radio program committee, was heard over WTHT on Wednesday night, November 20. Field Marshal Wilson appeared on this program, and in his speech on the Middle East he told of the problems which confront the Arab States and Palestine. The talk was followed by questions from the audience.

Dean Holland appeared on the faculty-sponsored program on Friday, November 22, and he spoke on several of his experiences while in the Japanese prison camp at Santo Tomas. It is hoped that Mr. Holland will again speak over WTHT on Christmas day.

The student committee will be in charge of the program held on November 27 over WDRG. The Jesters will be the main feature, and they are to present "The Killers," a short play by Ernest Hemingway. The next two broadcasts are scheduled for November 29 and December 2, and it is expected that Mr. Mayer of the Hartford Art School, and Professor Taylor will hold a discussion on Modern Art on the first program. On December 2 Professor Constant will interview W. L. Laurence, science editor of the *New York Times* and twice Pulitzer Prize winner. Mr. Laurence is the only man to have been permitted by the Army to be present at the New Mexico atom bomb test, and has witnessed three other A-bombings.

TRIN DOWNS WES IN AIRLANE QUIZ

Trinity beats Wesleyan—over the airwaves.

A quartet of Hilltoppers engaged four Wesleyan men in a quiz program conducted over station WTHT Sunday, November 24, at 5 p. m. The teams were tied at 9-all at the end of the regular question series, but Trinity got the over-time query to eke out a 10-9 decision.

Edward Albee, David Austin, William Bolton and Harry Brand went to bat for the College in a program that simulated baseball, with questions graded as singles, doubles, triples, and home runs. Wesleyan sprinkled infield hits to take an early 4-1 lead, then the A2-B2 combine got the power range and clouted four-baggers that eventually tied up the score. Sluggers Albee and Brand received cartons of Alligator cigarettes, "milder than Chesterfields," and all four received prizes.

Glee Club Continues; First Tenor Shortage

At a meeting of the Glee Club ten days ago, it was decided to continue the Club for the present. Although there were several new faces present, there is still a serious shortage of first tenors. Most of the other departments, the first and second basses and the second tenors are well covered. The Glee Club has planned quite a series of concerts for the following year and now should be able to fulfill its commitments. If anyone is interested in joining the group, he should be present at the meeting this Thursday in the Music Room at 7:30 p. m.



FIELD MARSHAL WILSON

Wilson Lecture On Palestine Problem

Field Marshal Lord Wilson of Libya on Wednesday, November 20, called on America to its role in the Palestine question. Before a full audience in the Chem auditorium and WTHT listeners Lord Wilson explained the fundamental situation in the Middle East and the difficulties arising from the Balfour Declaration.

His talk, "The Strategical and Military Importance of the Middle East," was pointed by the observation, "Political backing by Zionist organizations in the United States intensified these claims (for a Jewish National Home)." He continued, "Establishment of peace and tranquillity in the Arab States" is of "vital interest to the future prosperity of all democracies." America must aid in creating an atmosphere in which the problem can be settled.

In reply to a question on Jews seeking admission to Palestine Lord Wilson replied, "I've not gotten far enough in mathematics to understand how one might pour a quart into a pint pot without making a mess."

Hartford Alumni Meet At Local Golf Outing

The Trinity Alumni of Hartford had a fall meeting at the Hartford Golf Club on Friday, November 15, to which all the faculty members and out-of-town alumni were invited. A short meeting preceded an interesting program of business and social entertainment. Following the introduction of new faculty members by Dean Hughes, President Funston gave an informal report on college affairs. Robert Morris, '16, spoke on Trinity tradition and interesting events of Trinity football games in the past. Joe Clarke revealed methods of scouting football opponents, after which Dan Jessee reviewed the 1946 football season. The evening was completed with refreshments and movies of our victories over Hobart and Williams.

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Library Not Dull: Tripe Spots Women

The Tripe, always willing to divulge student foibles to its clientele, dropped into the Library last week for a pleasant and informative chat with Mr. Niels H. Sonne, the Reference Librarian. It was our suspicion that the daily onrush of studious young men must sometimes result in comic incidents and Mr. Sonne, after some rumination, confirmed our fears.

At the top of his list stands the incident of the broken glass. Several weeks ago a graduate student was intently examining the display housed in the glass case near the main entrance. With all the curiosity becoming an ex-editor of the *Tripod*, he bent closer and harder, consequently, landing inside with the more inanimate contents of the case. The resulting noise of shattering glass stirred echoes reminiscent of the long-departed carpenters who built the Library.

"History 1 has been giving us a bad time this year," said Mr. Sonne as he related the visits of neophyte freshmen in search of required reading volumes. "The bewildered student thumbs through the catalog file, finds the book to be on the reserved shelf, and receives the news that the other 269 men in the course are ahead of him."

"And there is a general consternation on Wednesday morning when the female invasion takes place," he continued. Being acquainted with this ourselves, we know well that innumerable eyes wander from innumerable pages whenever young women from local colleges enter the Library for research work, usually on Wednesday mornings. A staggering amount of study-hours are lost when St. Joseph's invades Trinity.

Other incidents concern chronic repeaters on overdrawn books, the students who forget the file numbers and encourage the attendant's madness, and those who check out reserve shelf books and forget to bring them back. "But business is good," said Mr. Sonne.

FRENCH CLUB HAS INITIAL MEETING

The legal "red tape" involved in getting married in France was the subject of a short talk in French by Mademoiselle Cohendet, formerly an instructor at the Oxford School for Girls in Hartford, before a meeting of the newly reorganized French Club on November 21.

The meeting, the original organization meeting of the club for the year, was also marked by the election of club officers and the formulation of tentative plans for the coming season.

Officers of the club include: Mike Compo, President; John Fandell, Vice-President; Alfee Marzi, Secretary; and Albert Bowman, Treasurer. Dr. Louis Hastings Naylor is club adviser.

Library Opens Earlier

The library is now open at 8:15 a. m. daily. This change has been made to enable men who have 8:30 classes to return their reserve books before class.

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ALPHA DELTA PHI announces with pleasure the initiation of Scott Race and Don Young. Embarrassing house-party repercussion: one young lady from Brooklyn, who attended Fall house-parties at Alpha Delta Phi, addressed her bread-and-butter letter to "122 Vermin St." We excuse ourselves, however, with the thought that it must have been the Lundborgers (Swedish meatballs) served with the apertifs. Phil Hale, who lost the toss with his bunko for the bottom sack, is being measured for a six-foot ash stand to facilitate smoking in bed. For those righteously outraged A.D.s who were omitted from the 1946 *College Who's Who*, one die-hard, following a lead from *The New Yorker*, is preparing a *Who's Almost Who in U.S. Colleges*, for those of us who didn't make it. The pages will be liberally speckled with A.D.s. However, non-Alpha Deltas who can give bona-fide proof of not-quite-prominence, quasi-fame, or pseudo-distinction (those who make their boilermakers with Calvert), should submit their names to 122 Vernon Street at once.

ALPHA CHI RHO initiated Brothers Jack Bland, John Godfrey, Russ Holmes, Moe Jennings, Earthquake Lewis-Jones, Bill Mickelson, Buzz Fagan, Paul Gates, Chuck Brierant and numerous beer mugs Saturday afternoon. The music lovers, headed by Bernie ("Pipe") Mullins, launched "The Old Titanic" and "My Eyes Are Dim" before attempting to identify Thomas's First. The chapter heartily challenges the Alpha Delta netmen to a resuscitation of their age-old ping-pong series. In a post-season touch football game the Crows bowed, 12-0, to Sigma Nu. The latter team's backfield, nervous in its try for an extra point, fell victim to an unfortunate fumble, however, and Ed Anthes was dropkicked from the twelve. Ed split the up-rights, and will now welcome letters and visits to the Hartford Hospital from his many friends on campus.

PSI UPSILON has elected Dick Weisenfluh, the almost-indestructible one of football, squash, and baseball fame, to head the Beta Beta Chapter. The very protean Richard—whose duties as campus agent of *The New York Times*, husband and father, as well as his better-known devotion to Trinity sports both as participant and organizer of rallies, etc., have not prevented him from playing an important role in fraternity affairs—is still recovering from injuries received in the Wesleyan game. The chapter has revived another worthwhile pre-war custom: that of publishing a chapter newspaper for distribution to alumni and friends, *The Betsy Baker*. It is through this medium that close liaison with the alumni, a loyal and generous group, is maintained. It will go to press in mid-December.

SIGMA NU, smarting under the upset by the Dekes, challenged the Crows, interfraternity touch-football champs, and beat them in a hard-fought post-season Wash Bowl classic. This proved conclusively, to the Sigma Nus at least, that they have the best team on campus (a fact which will doubtless help to mitigate the Big Nine's unholy exclusion of Sigma Nu and Army as Rose Bowl competitors on January 1). Last Saturday the Delta Chi Chapter entertained the Wesleyan Sigma Nus with a touch football game which the Trinity Chapter won, 8-0. This was capped by a rolling out of the barrel, toasts to the victors and vanquished, and beaucoup barbershop harmony, at which time it was felt necessary to produce the traditional singing cup to prove to all that the Trinity chapter really can sing.

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Time Out With Tweedy

Just a week from Friday the Trinity basketball team makes its 1946-47 debut. From all indications this year's squad should be a powerhouse, equal to the 1943-44 aggregation which embarrassed Wesleyan, 84-42. A nucleus of the V-12ers who brought such success to the Blue and Gold courtmen during the war years is back. "Red" Faber, whom Nat Holman, famed coach of C. C. N. Y., tabbed as one of the finest players he had seen, is rounding into form. Competition for positions is so great that few members of last winter's squad will be retained.

Thus, it would appear that the Blue and Gold should pile up an impressive record. But, unfortunately, there are other factors to be considered. The calibre of the opposition will be correspondingly tougher. As was the case in football Wesleyan is loaded with returning lettermen. This should hold true in other colleges as well. Also, Coach Ray Oosting has picked no soft spots for his charges. Besides the traditional home-and-home set with the Cardinals, a pair of games has been arranged with Amherst, and singletons pit Trinity against such formidable arrays as Yale, Harvard, Williams, Tufts, and Worcester Tech, to mention but a few.

Many reasons have been advanced for football deficiency. Perhaps we expected too much. For four years we waited expectantly for the resumption of full-scale rivalry with an added dash of war-fed ferocity. When it came we expected a weekly carbon-copy battle on the order of the recent Army-Notre Dame game with the added thrills of, say, the Ohio State-Northwestern 39-27 affair. That's asking a lot. Maybe if we don't expect as much from the basketball season we'll be pleasantly surprised. If any of this year's court battles can equal the recent Trin-Wes football tussle in the matter of thrills I'll be satisfied.

Swimming has always been a highly successful sport on the Hilltop. It is well supported and Joe Clarke has consistently turned out good teams. This year he boasts fewer individual aces than in past years and he has lost a very important member of the power-driven Tyler trio. But it looks like the natators will have a better balanced outfit than in some time. Last year the Blue and Gold was practically carried on the backs of the Tylers into the runner-up spot in the New England Intercollegiate after a dual season which found only Harvard and Williams superior to the Trinity swimmers. As a matter of fact, we believe it was the Harvard *Crimson* which announced, "Harvard Defeats Tylers, 43-32." This year's squad is green but the outlook is far from bleak.

Chuckling heartily over the purported jokes I published a few weeks ago (not to be confused with my football predictions), the incomparable Elliott Stein, *The Young Arbiter*, gives me leave to publish exclusively a true story with a humorous twist in which he was involved. So, let's prime the thermometer to about eighty degrees and shift the scene to another seat of higher learning, Wethersfield State Penitentiary. And, before we begin, allow me to state that the opinions as regards the whereabouts of each pitch as it comes across the plate are not necessarily those of yours truly.

The home team is at bat and up to the plate strides the burly Negro catcher, Hypockets, who has won many letters at dear old Wethersfield. Umpire Stein dusts off the plate and we are ready to go. The first pitch is a hook, ticking the outside corner. "Strike one," bellows Umpire Stein. Hypockets gives the ump a contemptuous grin. The next pitch is a blooper which drops beautifully across the plate. Umpire Stein swallows hard and cries "Strike two!" Hypockets turns around and looks at him with an expression of wonderment. Finally, another pitch, right across the knee, on the inside. Consequences or no, Umpire Stein dutifully cries, "Strike three," and then, for emphasis, "You're out!" Hypockets again turns around and stares at the steadfast arbiter. Controlling his temper, Hypockets speaks. "Listen here, boy, all I done is rob a bank and they gave me ten years!"

Basketball Players Fight for Positions

Now that the football season is over, and quite successfully it might be added, let's turn our attention to the coming basketball season. It looks like a banner year for the Trinity hoopsters. Coach Ray Oosting has had his boys out practicing for several weeks, and it appears that there will be some stiff competition for the starting posts. At present, only two men are sure of their positions. Ed "Red" Faber is considered one of the best college centers around, and little Dick Kirby is a good bet for one of the forward assignments. Wetherald, a freshman, has a keen eye and is good defensively. Joe Ponsalle, a former Trinity letterman, has joined the squad since the football season and is making a bid for a starting post. Jack Mahon and Ronnie Watson both look good, and either may make the first five. Captain George Linardos, Hayes, and Sitarz are other former letter winners here who have chances for the first team. Boyko, Shannon, Dowbroski, Fink, Seymour, and Scotty Linardos make up the balance of the squad. When the first team is definitely set and has had a chance to work together, we should see a better brand of basketball than the college has seen in many seasons. Thus far, the team has done well in practice games but has shown a definite need for practice.

On Wednesday, November 20, New Britain Teachers College basketball team journeyed to Hartford for a pre-season workout with our squad. They played under game conditions but played three extra ten-minute periods. In the 70-minute skirmish, Trinity piled up a total of 78 points against 66 for the opponents. "Red" Faber led the Trinity team with 16 points, five field goals and six free throws. Joe Ponsalle netted a total of 12 points, while showing himself to be a good play-maker. George Linardos and Dick Kirby each scored nine, with Ronnie Watson getting eight.

The following Saturday, the squad encountered a sharp-shooting Springfield College team. In ten periods of ten minutes each, the Trinity team barely outscored Springfield 111-109. The boys really got a workout, and Coach Oosting had a good opportunity to view his material in action. Dick Kirby ran wild, netting 23 points, while Faber, Watson, and Wetherald each tallied 12. Kirby, Faber, Watson,

Sports Dinner Held; Letters Awarded; Bestor to Captain '47 Football Team

Swimming Squad Is Showing Progress

Swimming, one of Trinity's two big winter sports, will soon be coming into the limelight. After more than five weeks of intense practicing, most of the squad is beginning to shape up nicely. Showing up especially well in the opening time trials last week were Jack and Bob Tyler, John Grill, and Bob Richardson. The latter, a breaststroker, has shown tremendous improvement over last year. Winkie Bennett looks like a good bet to be one of the long distance men. Jim Glassco, Bob Compton, Chuck Tenney, and Walt Simpson have the backstroke division well in hand, and the two divers, Bruce Bollerman and Dewey Yeager, are also progressing. On the whole, Coach Joe Clarke expects to have a well balanced team with at least two good men in each class.

Roy Kent and Mitch Holmgren, of the football team, came out last week, and Bill Carothers, who holds the freshman breaststroke record, is expected after Thanksgiving recess.

An inter-squad practice meet will be held in about a week.

Roger "Whitey" Bestor and Ray Morrell were elected captains of the 1947 football and soccer teams, respectively, at the annual Fall Sports Banquet. Ed Lemieux, an outstanding runner, was elected captain of next year's cross-country team.

Honorary captains for the 1946 season were Dick Weisenfluh, veteran football star, and Tom Grimes, soccer fullback for three years.

Nearly 80 athletes, coaches, and guests gathered in Cook Dining Hall for the affair. Letter and numeral awards were made, each coach commented on his season. There were a few short talks, and the evening closed with a showing of the recent Trinity-Wesleyan football game pictures.

The evening's first speaker, after opening remarks by Toastmaster Ray Oosting, Director of Athletics, was Head Coach Dan Jessee of the football team. Jessee praised his team which came back from an early season disaster to turn in a very respectable record. He then made a plea for returning players to keep after their studies, pointing out that a few years ago he gained exactly three members for his varsity from an undefeated freshman team. There will be closer cooperation between the faculty and the Athletic Department than ever before, he asserted, and "if you don't get on the ball, we'll find a way of making you study."

Coach Bruce Munro of the soccer team lauded his men for their spirit even in defeat. "I have never played on or coached a scrapper team," he said. He predicted that Goodyear, Trinity goalie with but one year's experience, "will be heard from as one of the finest goalies in New England, within a year or so." The booters fielded a first team composed of nine freshmen and brighter horizons are in store for next fall.

A brief resume of the Junior Varsity football season was given by Coach Joe Beidler, who hailed the Jayvee win over Wesleyan as a harbinger of things to come. "I wouldn't have any worries," Beidler concluded, "if we could have a squad with the spirit of Hank Perez." Perez failed to miss a single day of practice during the season.

Bill Lee, Sports Editor of the *Hartford Courant*, answered complaints concerning the relative amount of publicity accorded Wesleyan and Trinity this fall. Wesleyan completed its first perfect season in history, Lee said, and therefore was of more general interest than Trinity. However, he pointed out, he would be more than happy to do as much for an unbeaten Trinity eleven. He also praised Wesleyan for its fine showing against Wesleyan.

President G. Keith Funston announced that he would shortly wage a strenuous campaign to give Trinity proper athletic facilities. He said he was "never prouder in defeat" than in the recent Wesleyan football game, and added, "I wouldn't trade our coaching staff for any other coaching staff in the country."

Major letter awards were presented to the following: Roger Bestor, Bruce Bixler, Bob Boland, Bill Carothers, John Dolan (also a gold charm for three letters in one sport), Frank Eblen, Fred Gelderman, Jack Gilmore, Roger Hall, Harold Heintz, Mitch Holmgren, Roy Kent, Merlin Kola-kowski, Tony Kunkiewicz, Jim McDonnell, Joe Ponsalle, Al Pope, Bill Powell, Ford Ransom, Dick Sceery, Cy Seymour, Tom Steel, Jake Tweedy, manager, Peter Vibert, Ernie Pesoux, and Dick Weisenfluh. Tom Grimes was also awarded a major letter for winning three minor letters in soccer.

Wetherald, and Ponsalle worked very effectively together, offensively and defensively.

The team is going to be good, but its schedule calls for a good team. The Oostingmen play capable foes in Wesleyan, Williams, Amherst, and Coast Guard; and, to keep the boys from getting over-confident, they also will take the court against Harvard and Yale.

The junior varsity has also recently swung into action, under the guidance of Bruce Munroe and Stu Parks. They are getting in form to meet their 17-game schedule.

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