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## REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS on the SUMMER MILITARY INSTRUCTION CAMPS FOR STUDENTS.

These camps have now been in operation for three successive summers. In their growth and admirable management during the past two summers of 1914 and 1915, they have more than fulfilled the expectations of those endorsing them, based on the first year's experience in the summer of 1913. The camps of 1915 and 1914 were held before the breaking out of the Great War abroad, which has brought into greater prominence than before their value to the nation.

We repeat the hearty endorsement given in our reports on the Camps held in 1913 and 1914. This year they were visited by a number of the members of our committee, and the committee as a whole has given attention and thought to their educational usefulness in the summer season.

The students attending are under careful oversight. The excellence of food, sanitation, and medical care has been well maintained. The students have an ideal five-weeks' outing, pleasurable and beneficial to them; and the instruction, drill, cavalry exercises, field manoeuvres, field surveying, and field work generally give them, in the continuous five-weeks' training, an insight into military matters. They are, in addition to this regular work, given ample time for recreation and rest.

We commend the camps to the authorities and students of the Universities and Colleges of the country. We believe that the training and instruction which the students attending receive not only emphasize the dangers and losses of wars lightly and unpreparedly entered into, but we also believe that the training given is excellent, and a great benefit, mental and physical, to the students attending.

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## 1916 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

### Manager Hard at Work.

The football manager, W. W. Macrum, '17, has been very busy since football season, arranging the schedule for the fall of 1916. The present position in which athletics are at Trinity has narrowed down the number of competitors to those from considerably. The loss of games with teams with whom we have played games almost every year, makes it necessary to look elsewhere for contests. At the present time only three of last year's teams will be played. This, however, does not mean a weaker schedule. The present schedule, which is only tentative, in as much as it has not been passed by the alumni advisory committee, is as follows:

Sept. 30—Open.  
Oct. 7—Brown at Providence.  
Oct. 14—Springfield Y. M. C. A. College at Hartford.  
Oct. 21—Army at West Point.  
Oct. 28—Open.  
Nov. 4—Amherst at Amherst.  
Nov. 11—Wesleyan at Middletown.

Connecticut Aggies were for a time settled as a team to be played on September 30. The game fell through finally, and now the prospects for that date, which are not the brightest, are Worcester Tech. or Boston College. Hamilton, Stevens Tech., and Rensselaer Polytech. are possibilities, but are hardly probable. Any one of these would be a good game to try out the team before the Brown game on the following Saturday.

On October 14, Springfield, which usually has a fairly strong team, will put the team back into shape for the game with the Army. The date following the game with the Army seems to be a hard date to fill. Rutgers, Haverford, and Norwich all have filled their schedules. One of the teams mentioned as a probability for September 30, may fill out this date.

The Amherst game scheduled for November 4 is certainty. If we consider as a standard the teams Amherst has produced in past years, we can be assured of a hard game before the climax of the season—the Wesleyan game.

Wesleyan is holding out until they hear the decision of our committee on eligibility.

## LETTER FROM PROFESSOR PERKINS.

The *Tripod* is very glad to print the following letter from Professor Perkins.

To the Editor of the *Tripod*:

Dear Sir:

I had intended writing you some days ago about your editorial of December 14, and now that the adverse comment appears in your columns this morning I hasten to congratulate you on what seems to me a very sound and well-considered position. To draw the line at contract baseball is perfectly logical, and by no means involves a backing down from our main position.

If we wish to have any opponents worthy of the name to play against next year, we must make some concession, and the one you propose will debar so few men from our teams that we can easily afford to make it. You point out very clearly the real reason why most men who have made baseball a profession are unsuited to play on college nines; and another reason might be added which seems to me has been overlooked in all this discussion, that men who have had the expert coaching of a league nine are not in the same class with the ordinary college student, and the nine including such players would have an unfair advantage over one of a more strictly amateur character.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY A. PERKINS,  
*Acting President.*

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

The preacher at the Sunday morning service was Professor Anthon Temple Gesner, '90, of Berkeley Divinity School. His text was: Matthew 12: 46, 47: "Then one said unto Him, behold Thy mother and Thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee. But He answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?"

Doctor Gesner dwelt upon the present-day attitude towards the Bible and Prayer, saying that if we would cease to doubt the value and efficiency of prayer, and instead of constantly searching the Bible for scientific knowledge, we should look to it as a source of inspiration, then we should become a mother, a brother, or sister of Christ.

Mr. Paul Nilson spoke at the vesper service on "Turkish Massacres."

## NEW HOCKEY CAPTAIN ELECTED

At a meeting of last year's hockey men held Friday, December 17, in the Economics Room, John Humphrey Pratt, Jr., '17, of New York City, was elected captain to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Drummond Williamson Little, '17, of Hartford, Conn. Many plans were discussed for the coming season.

## COMMUNICATION.

Hartford, Dec. 18, 1915.

To the Editor of the *Tripod*:

In your issue of the 14th inst.—I think it was—you take the position that a student once a member of a baseball team that belongs to the organization should not represent his college in any sport. Your reason seems to be that association with professionals condemns a man to a lower social status than that enjoyed—or claimed—by the average student. Now that is not at all the reason why professionals are excluded from amateur contests. The real reason—the justifiable reason—is that a man who has had the training of a professional is presumably—indeed almost certainly—a better player than the average amateur, and consequently his presence on amateur teams would insure victory. He is excluded precisely on the principle that a 2:8 horse is excluded from competing in the 2:15 class. It is his skill and experience that makes him ineligible—not his social status. This distinction cannot be too plainly kept in view. It is the true basis of athletic classification even in England, except in the minds of the snobs.

This being so, there is no reason why the proficiency implied by professionalism in one sport should bear on the question of amateur eligibility for another. A 2:5 horse might reasonably be allowed to compete in a contest based on equal beauty with the 2:40 class, though not in a contest of speed. A man who excels in baseball and has the diploma of an organized league is not necessarily a good tennis player or football player.

You are right in saying that employment on a "summer nine" should not bar a man from playing on a college team. The reason, however, is that such employment is no guarantee of skill, not that it is socially respectable.

Let us keep our eligibility rules based on common sense, and not on any arbitrary ruling of a self-constituted authority, still less on a snobbish standard of social classes, and do not let professionalism—or high-grade skill—in one sport exclude from another. It would not be right to have a skilled lawyer represent us in a debate, even if a student, because he has had more practice in speaking than the average student can possibly acquire, but he might properly enter a chess contest.

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The *Tripod* wishes to apologize for the somewhat puzzling spacing of the editorial column in our last issue. The abrupt change from one subject to another was due to arrangement of the material rather than any wandering of the editor's mind.

The *Tripod* takes this opportunity to wish all its readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and to wish all its readers who have paid their subscriptions a Very Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year.

### INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

Joseph A. Gilman, right-tackle, has been elected captain of the Harvard football team.

The Comedy Club of the University of Michigan is raising the money for a Theatre to be built on the campus for the production of college dramatics by a series of Theatricals.

On "Old Clothes' Day," at the University of Pennsylvania, dormitories, fraternity houses, and boarding houses are canvassed for old clothes, which are then sold at a rummage sale, the proceeds of which are used for the University Settlement House.

Cornell has an undergraduates' band, and recently a second band has been formed to train players for the 'varsity band.

A class in life saving has been organized at Columbia University. The plan is to teach the various methods of approaching a drowning person, how to break the various holds, and to instruct in the art of artificial respiration.

L. K. Muller, fullback, is Cornell's new football captain.

On December 9, only two days after the burning of the Thompson Chemical Laboratory at Williams, the Goddard gymnasium, at Tufts, caught fire. The work of the students prevented the fire spreading to other buildings, and helped to put the fire out after a loss of \$5,000. Many athletic trophies were destroyed. This is the second fire in two years at Tufts, East Hall, a dormitory, having been burned in 1913.

The *Tufts Weekly* has announced the following as its selection of an All-New England team:

Stankard, Tufts, L. E.  
Farnum, Brown, L. T.  
Morrison, Tufts, L. G.  
Baxter, Dartmouth, C.  
Spears, Dartmouth, R. G.  
Castator, Trinity, R. T.  
La Plante, Williams, R. E.  
Purdy, Brown, Q. B.  
Pollard, Brown, H. B.  
Wescott, Tufts, H. B.  
Brickley, Trinity, F. B.

### NEW BOOKS FOR LIBRARY.

The following books have been purchased since July by the Library of Trinity College:

Author	Title
Alden, R. M.	An Introduction to Poetry.
Audubon, J. W.	Illustrated Notes of an Expedition through Mexico and California.
Aydelotte, F.	Elizabethan Rogues and Vagabonds.
Blackmore, S. A.	A Great Soul in Conflict: Macbeth.
Christian Brothers	Irish Grammar.
Clark, B. H.	Continental Drama of Today.
Cunliffe, J. W.	Early English Classical Tragedies.
Daly, R. A.	Igneous Rocks and Their Origin.
Dinneen, Rev. P. S.	Irish-English Dictionary.
Durham, W. H.	Critical Essays of 18th Century.
Fisher, H.	Napoleon.
Ford, W. E.	Dana's System of Mineralogy, 3rd Appendix.
Grinnell, J.	Nature and Science on the Pacific Coast.
Gross, Charles	Sources and Literature of English History.
Iddings, J. P.	Problems of Volcanism.
Lewisohn, L.	The Modern Drama.
MacNutt, J. S.	A Manual for Health Officers.
Metcalf & Eddy	American Sewerage Practice: 2 vols.
Nettleton, G. H.	English Drama of Restoration and 18th Century.
Palmer, J.	The Comedy of Manners.
Pirsson & Schuchert	Text-Book of Geology.
Raynes, F. W.	Domestic Sanitary Engineering and Plumbing.
Reed, E. B.	English Lyrical Poetry.
Rice, et al.	Problems of American Geology.
Schelling, F. E.	The English Lyric.
Shimer, H. W.	An Introduction to Study of Fossils.
Shurter, E. duB.	Rhetoric of Oratory.
Smith, G. G.	Elizabethan Critical Essays; 2 vols.
Spingarn, J. E.	Critical Essays of 17th Century; 3 vols.

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### NOTES.

Thanksgiving Day was very busy, everyone taking dinner with everyone else.—*Catskill (N. Y.) Recorder*.  
It would seem quite busy!

Senator Martine has stated quite emphatically to the writer that he is a red hot candidate for renomination this year.—*Coldwell (N. J.) Progress*.  
One effect of a burning desire.

Many Athletes to Toe the Mark.  
—*New York Tribune*.  
A st-t-t-tuttering t-typesetter.

Charles Noel Flagg, the instructor of the school, says that he often found him at the league studio during the noon hour, eating huge slices of bread and painting.—*Hartford Courant*.  
A rather unique diet.

"guad ad istum gradum hic aut alibi pertinent."—*The Tripod*.  
"Little Latin."

Miss Hazel Kidder has returned to her hospital work in the Albany Hospital.  
Fred Spooner has been confined to the house by illness.

—*Middlebury (Vt.) Register*.  
With these names, isn't there some casual connection?

Miss Rowena Harlow has been in Waterbury visiting her sister, Rowena.  
—*Rutland (Vt. Daily Herald)*.  
Twins in very verity?

Cherchez la femme!  
One of our gentlemen journeys out to Cairo to attend Church. The sermons must be very impressing in that little hamlet.—*Catskill (N. Y.) Recorder*.

In their process of eliminating obnoxious foreign words and phrases the Germans have removed "parfumerie," furnishing a cumbersome substitute in "reichstoffhandlung."  
—*Providence Journal*.  
At least not onomatopoeitic.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Story celebrated their golden wedding on November 23, and their hosts of friends wish them many more such anniversaries.  
—*Catskill (N. Y.) Recorder*.  
Isn't one enough?

Mr., Mrs., or Mrs. Mr.?  
Mr. F. A. Farr suffered a relapse during the past week and is now confined to her rooms.  
—*Middlebury Vt.) Register*.



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### NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY.

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Stephenson, H. T.—Shakespeare's London.

Stephenson, H. T.—Elizabethan People.

Strindberg, A.—Plays, 3rd Series.

Tarr and Martin—Alaskan Glacier Studies.

Thayer, H. R.—Structural Design, vol. 2.

Wallace, A. R.—Is Mars Habitable?

Woodman and Norton—Air, Water, and Food from a Sanitary Standpoint.

### SECOND JUNIOR SMOKER.

The second Junior Smoker was held at the I. K. A. House last night. Dr. Stonex read some selections from Ernest Poole's "The Harbor," and a letter from Bernard Shaw, and followed these by a short talk. Refreshments followed.

### ELECTIONS TO JESTERS.

At a meeting of the Jesters held Saturday, December 18, the following honorary members were elected: Mrs. Henry A. Perkins, Prof. Edward F. McDonald, Miss Frances Williams, and Miss Elizabeth Beach. To Mrs. Perkins' and Prof. McDonald's faithful coaching may be ascribed much of the success which the play achieved, while Miss Williams and Miss Beach aided materially in the production itself. From the student body were chosen the following active members: Eric Anderson Astlett, '18, Theron Ball Clement, '17, Allen Northey Jones, '17, Hurlburt Allyngham Armstrong, '19, Einer Sather, '17, and John Francis Maher, '19. These were chosen either on account of ability shown as actors, or work done on the business end of the play.



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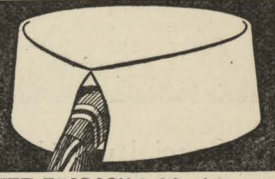


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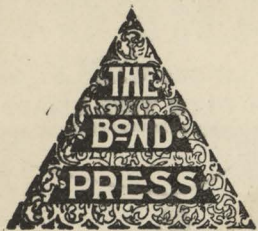
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Dr. Shears was adjunct professor of obstetrics in the Polyclinic Hospital and Medical School and visiting obstetrician to the New York City and Misericordia Hospitals. A comprehensive work of his on obstetrics is soon to be published. Dr. Shears was deeply read in metaphysics and was in particular a student of German thought. In 1889 he married Miss Susan H. Moore, of Yonkers, who survives him with two sons and a daughter.

'92—Isaac D. Russell, treasurer of the American Hardware Corporation, and one of the leading powers in the Russell & Erwin division of the corporation, has been elected director of the Savings Bank of New Britain. He succeeds Henry E. Russell in the position. The latter is residing at present in New London.

### 1917 CLASS MEETING.

At a meeting of the Junior Class held in the Greek Room, Thursday, the men were urged to pay up their Prom. and Ivy dues, and to have their pictures taken soon for the Ivy. The next Junior Smoker was also announced.

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