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53RD SESSION OF COLLEGE

LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN ATTENDANCE AT CHAPEL EXERCISES FIRST DAY

ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS BROKEN

Flag Raised by Seniors.—Pastors Present.—Address of Welcome by President Few.—Over Four Hundred Were Enrolled First Two Days.

The opening exercises of the fifty-third session of the College revealed an attendance far in advance of the most sanguine expectations of those who have been carrying on the campaign for new students during the summer that has just passed. While no official announcement has been made in regard to the number that have entered the Freshman class, it was plain to a careful observer that almost two hundred new men were in attendance.

Eight o'clock is considered an early hour for college students to rise, but Wednesday morning a new spirit seemed to be stirring on the campus and the majority of the newly arrived students were up and about an hour before the time for breakfast. As soon as the morning meal had been finished large crowds of men could be seen gathering around the steps in front of Craven Memorial Hall, and by the final stroke of the new bell, at 8:45, practically every man who was on the campus to enter college was in the vicinity of the hall. The members of the Senior class were congregated about the foot of the flagpole, from which was to float soon the banner of the class of 1912.

Promptly at the stroke of nine, the new flag was seen rising above the heads of the members of the Senior class pressing close around the base of the staff on which their flag was to hang. With uncovered heads the assembled crowd watched the square of bunting until Mr. F. S. Bennett, president of the class, had drawn it to the top of the pole, and made it fast there; then the boys gave with lusty vigor the yell of the class:

"Hickety, hickety, hi hi!
Hackety, hackety, mi mi!
T-r-i-n-i-t-y — twelve — twelve twelve!"

This ceremony, one that has been carried out every fall at Trinity College, within the memory of the present generation of students, completed, the students and visitors poured into the Memorial Hall. The number was so large that it almost filled the big auditorium, which has a seating capacity of over twelve hundred. After an opening hymn was sung by all present, President Few introduced Rev. J. D. Bundy, of Elizabeth City, who conducted the devotional exercises, consisting of the reading of a passage from the Bible and a short prayer.

Dr. Few then presented to the audience, three of the pastors of the city who were present, Rev. M. Bradshaw, Rev. E. R. Leyburn, and Rev. R. C. Craven, all of whom made short talks welcoming the students and inviting them to attend the churches of the city. After calling attention of those present to the return of Dr. W. H. Glasson, of the Chair of Political

Economy, and expressing the pleasure of the college community at having Dr. Glasson back in his old place again, Dr. Few spoke of the new members of the faculty, Judge Crawford Biggs who will hold a professorship in the Law Department, and Dr. F. N. Parker, professor of Biblical Literature. He said the college was particularly gratified to present to its students two such men as these, and considered itself fortunate to have them among its teachers. Professor W. W. Peele, the new headmaster of Trinity Park School, was then introduced. He made a short announcement for the benefit of the Park school students present.

After his official announcement, Dr. Few proceeded to make a short address to the students, welcoming them back, and giving some sound advice for their guidance during the year. He spoke in substance as follows:

I welcome to this place returning students and those who enter now upon a new chapter in their lives. I hope that this year may be filled with success and happiness for you all.

We have been busy all summer with preparations for the opening, but still some of the buildings and the improvements are incomplete.

When so much has been done, I know that you will be patient with what is not done. I bespeak the earnest and active co-operation of every man among you in an effort to take care of all this property. Let's at once make that a part of the Trinity ideal. From all thoughtful and sincere men among you, and especially from those who live in the new dormitory, I should be glad to have suggestions as to the ways in which the next dormitory may be improved, and at any time I am glad to get suggestions from men who are interested in the welfare of the community.

We are doing our level best to make and keep this in every way a wholesome place for men to live and grow, wholesome morally, intellectually, physically. The buildings are erected with a view to encouraging economy. We want comfort and health, but complete freedom from luxury and idleness. Take care of your father's money and your own time and character. And while here be a student, a docile child of knowledge. Become familiar with the every experience of the race in order that you may live wisely your own human life. You have but one chance at it. Use it!

The remainder of the morning, after the conclusion of the chapel exercises, was taken up by the matriculation of the members of the three upper classes and the appearance of the new men before the committee on admission for classification.

Professor Flowers Will Take Rest

Monday afternoon Professor R. L. Flowers of the Department of Mathematics left for Glenn Springs S. C., where he will spend some time resting up after his summer's work. Professor Flowers has been on the campus directing the work in the office all summer and his belated vacation is a needed one.

Y.M.C.A. INAUGURATES YEAR

FIRST MEETING OF SESSION HELD SUNDAY AFTERNOON IN EPWORTH BUILDING

TALKS BY MEMBERS OF FACULTY

Prospects for a Good Year.—Bright Co-operation of College Administration in Work Promised.—Plans for a Students' Reception Completed.

The first meeting of the year of the Young Men's Christian Association was held Sunday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. hall in the east wing of the Epworth building. The meeting was a most enthusiastic one indeed, and was attended by a large number of new men as well as the usual percentage of old men. The exercises beginning with a song and a prayer, were conducted by Mr. E. J. Harbison, president of the college branch of the Y. M. C. A.

In a few well chosen words, Mr. Harbison welcomed all the new men to the meeting, and made a very enthusiastic talk in the interest of securing members.

President W. P. Few was then introduced and spoke for a few minutes on the necessity of Y. M. C. A. work. He said that the college had been planning great things for the Y. M. C. A. here, and that he hoped and had every reason to believe that the plans would materialize within the very near future. It was generally understood by his hearers that Dr. Few had reference to the new hall for the association which will be provided in the new administrative building now nearing completion.

Dean W. I. Cranford began his remarks by saying that he wanted to see more and more in Trinity College the quality of self government. "Every man knows," he said, "and judges for himself that the sanest and wisest thing for him to do during his stay here is to ally himself with the cause of righteousness in the form of the Young Men's Christian Association. The best thing he can do during his four years of college life is to stand firm on the faith with which he left his Christian home. Allow no influence in college, or anywhere else to swerve you from the conviction to stand for what you think is right." Dr. Cranford's remarks were to the point and impressed all with the importance of Y. M. C. A. work.

The talk of Dr. Franklin N. Parker, the new professor of Biblical literature, was his first appearance before a meeting of the association, and his words were listened to with the greatest interest by all the men who heard him. He said that there was a great opportunity in Trinity College for the making of manhood. "There are millions in this world," he said "who would give worlds to be where you are, there are millions in perdition who would give ten thousand worlds to sit where you sit, and to have the same opportunity that you have." Dr. Parker spoke in convincing terms, and made a strong impression upon the minds of his hearers. He is that kind of a man who, among college men, is called a "deep man," and he is destined to fill a most important place in the Christian life of Trinity College.

No actual canvas for members

STUDENT LIFE

Committee Meets and Takes Action on General Matters.

At four o'clock Tuesday afternoon the student life committee of the college met in the Philosophy room with representatives from most of the organizations in college present. The principal topics for discussion were the practicability of taking a census of the students in regard to the number of hours spent in the preparation of class room work, the problem of increasing the interest in the work of the literary societies, and the matter of cheating on examinations.

It was brought out that by ascertaining the number of hours the average student puts into preparing his lessons for recitation, it would be possible for each professor to regulate his work in more harmony with that of other departments, and so bring up the general average of study.

In regard to the debating and literary society interests, a committee was appointed to draw up a memorial to be presented to the Debate Council expressing the opinion that it would be better for this college to secure some debating contests with colleges from the surrounding territory. It was also shown that the new society halls, when completed would add largely to the zest with which students enter into the literary work.

The Student Life Committee is a body organized last year. It is composed of three members of the faculty, Professors Brooks, Cranford and Wilson, and representatives from every organization on the campus that has any social features at all. The literary societies, the clubs and fraternities, and the classes send men to the meetings of the committee to speak their view point on whatever may arise concerning the betterment of conditions in the college community. While organized only last year, this committee already has a large number of beneficial actions to its credit and its field of usefulness is growing as it becomes older. Being the meeting ground, as it were, of students and faculty, it settles difficulties before they arise and saves trouble in many cases.

was made at the meeting Sunday afternoon, but it is supposed that a room-to-room canvass will be made within the next few days. Judging from the large number of students in attendance at that meeting, it would seem that the members of the Young Men's Christian Association will be increased this year as never before.

Several committees have been at work for the past week making arrangements for the reception to be given the new men on Friday evening. Everything has been prepared to give every man as good a time as he ever had and the college community is looking forward with a good deal of pleasure to the occasion. The reception will be held in the Angier Duke Gymnasium from the hours of 8:30 to 11:30. Cards for admittance may be secured by those who have not already received theirs from the committee in the faculty building of the academic building Thursday morning.

LITERARY SOCIETIES BEGUN

WELCOME ADDRESSES TO NEW MEN MADE AND ENTHUSIASTIC CANVASS INAUGURATED

HESPERIANS AND COLUMBIANS

Old Men and Active Members Join in Inviting Freshmen to Ally Themselves with Debating and Oratorical Interests of College.

Saturday night presented some exciting scenes for the new men at Trinity College. It was the occasion of the first meeting of the two literary societies and the advocates of each organization were exceedingly zealous in their efforts to corral men into the halls of their respective societies. The societies are somewhat handicapped this year in their canvass for new members on account of the fact that they have no regular places of meeting ready for occupancy, the halls which once sheltered them having been destroyed in the fire of last January. But they can show great promise for the future, for the new halls, to be located in the new Administration building that is being constructed, will be the equals, if not the superiors, of any society halls in the South. They are to be in the two end sections of the building, and will be equipped with galleries for the convenience of visitors, and also several committee rooms for the use of members in transacting business.

At 7:30 the clans began to gather, the Columbians in Craven Memorial Hall, and the Hesperians in the Y. M. C. A. Hall.

In Hesperian hall the meeting was well attended by the old members and new men alike, there being fifty or more new men and about the same number of members. The visitors were welcomed by the president, Mr. W. G. Shepard, in a striking speech, and the following men made talks: Mr. H. G. Hedrick on the subject, "The College Man's Relation to the Literary Societies;" Mr. J. N. Aiken on "What Hesperia Undertakes to do for Her Members;" Mr. C. O. Fisher on "What the Society Has Meant to an Individual;" Mr. Holland Holton on "Hesperia's Record."

After a cordial invitation had been extended to the visitors to return next Saturday they were asked to retire and the society proceeded to regular business. A good many important matters were brought up and discussed at some length, and the meeting adjourned to meet next time in the large lecture hall in the Academic building, where the society will meet until the new quarters are ready.

In the Columbian Society, Mr. R. G. Cherry, the president, made the address of welcome and then called upon several of the old men and also the active members who society time's adherents.

We are especially interested in society work to make short talks, telling the visitors of the record of Columbia. The first speaker on the Columbia program was Professor H. E. Spence, of the English department of the college, who made an enviable record during the time he was in college in the work of the societies. Messrs. (Concluded on Page 4)

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unto the going down of the same
it is hot on Trinity campus—and
elsewhere.

"There have been tears and aching
hearts for thee," O freshman.
Forget them not in the pleasures
of the first week in college.

If walking in the road were for-
bidden the students as is walking
on the grass an impetus might
be given to the aeroplane indus-
try.

There was a sound of revelry
by night—and the people of Dur-
ham knew that the students of
Trinity College had returned to
the city.

From the number of gentlemen
displaying their wares the first few
nights of the year the freshman
comes to think his room is a verit-
able house of representatives.

"Last noon held them full of lusty
life,
Last eve in beauty's circle,
proudly gay,
The midnight brought the signal
sound of strife,
The morn"—

But hazing has long been ban-
ished from Trinity College. No
freshman should fear to complete
the stanza.

There are men on Trinity cam-
pus who have never joined a lit-
erary society. There are men on
the campus who have never allied
themselves with any organization,
good or bad, and who live a life to
themselves without the responsi-
bilities that membership in clubs
brings. The words of such men
tend, whenever heard, to discour-
age men from joining literary so-
cieties.

It is not the intention of the

Chronicle to read these men a lec-
ture; the matter of joining a so-
ciety is purely optional and no
power should be set that would
make it compulsory. Neither does
the Chronicle desire to set itself up
as an adviser *par excellence*, to the
members of the Freshman class.
It is the purpose of this paper,
however, to express the opinion
that the advice of any man who
would prevent a new student from
joining a literary society should
pass for nothing, and that any
slighting remarks made upon the
work of the societies should be re-
garded as reflecting on the man
who makes them, rather than on
the object at which they were di-
rected.

The literary societies are not
perfect. But they stand for some-
thing in college and give a person
practice in an art that once flour-
ished on Southern soil, but has
long since begun to pass away.
Every college man should become
a member of the literary societies.
It should be as much a matter of
duty as joining the Y. M. C. A.
The halls of the organizations
ought to be over-run Saturday
night.

A college is a place of changing
generations. Within the course of
four years a complete alteration
takes place in the personnel of the
students who make up the popula-
tion of a college community. Yet
in some indefinable manner there
are always forms and customs that
remain despite the passing classes
and traditions that are recogniz-
able everywhere as characteristic
of various colleges. Trinity is a
comparatively new college, but it
is old enough to possess such tra-
ditions, some of them possibly re-
lics of the days when the college
was located at the old spot in Ran-
dolph County, back in the days be-
fore 1892. To the Trinity man
these heritages from former gen-
erations of college men are exceed-
ingly dear. They form the center
of the love entertained for the col-
lege by its students. They consti-
tute the real college spirit. With-
out feeling their weight no one
can truly be called a son of Trin-
ity.

As a new class comes in to take
their places in the college com-
munity, the leaven of these tradi-
tions begins again to do its work
upon their minds, affecting them
in a way known only to those who
experience it. It were well for
those who are just entering upon
their college course to heed care-
fully the several little things that
differentiate this college from oth-
ers. There may be, in other col-
leges forms of almost identically
the same nature, but in certain
small particulars ours are differ-
ent and these differences, tho they
may seem insignificant to-day will
be fondly remembered in the fu-
ture as characteristics of Trinity.
Such occurrences as the raising of
the flag by the senior class on the
opening day of each college year,
the annual Y. M. C. A. reception
and the custom of raising one's
hat when passing a professor while
they may have almost their exact
counterpart in other institutions
still are marked by their own pec-
uliarities which make them espe-
cially dear to Trinity men. Such
things form the life of a college
that is lived over in after years.

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MINISTERIAL BAND MEETS

Dr. Parker Addresses Them and Outlines Year's Plans.

The Ministerial Band of Trinity College held its first meeting of the year at 7:30 Friday evening. Dr. Franklin N. Parker, the new professor of Biblical Literature, made an address to the assembled young men who numbered thirty-four. A large amount of enthusiasm was shown for the work of the band during the coming year. This is the first organization of any kind to get to work this session, and it shows great energy on the part of Mr. W. L. Scott, president of the organization, that he has begun laying his plans so early.

Dr. Parker spoke of the work that will be given through the college courses for the benefit of those who are studying for the ministry. He will himself offer several advanced courses in the biblical literature department for graduates and undergraduates, in addition to the regular one-hour courses required of all students in the college.

In the Greek department there will be given a beginners' course in new testament Greek under the direction of Prof. A. H. Meritt. The aim of this course will be to enable the men to learn to read the new testament in the original in the space of two years.

The plans of the year are so directed that the ministerial students will be able, not only to have better opportunities for study and self-improvement, but also for becoming individual factors in promoting the religious welfare of the community. The Department of Biblical Literature, newly organized as it is, will doubtless be an important agency in helping the men in the work they have chosen.

Book of Poems

During the summer there came from the press a small and modest volume entitled "A School Boy's Poems," all of the compositions being the work of Mr. M. B. Andrews of the Sophomore class. The book was privately printed by the author. It contains several bits of verse that show a good deal of promise, and especial mention might be made of the rhymed character sketch of "Queed" as the author pictured him in his imagination. Mr. Andrews deserves commendation for his efforts along this line.

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Mails will be received at the branch office at 7 o'clock in the morning, and at one and six thirty in the afternoon. The mail service of the college will be greatly facilitated by this arrangement as special messengers will be used in carrying the mail back and forth between the city postoffice and the college branch.

All the business of a regular postoffice will be transacted at the Trinity office, including the registration of letters and packages, and the transmittal of money orders. The book room will be fitted out with boxes, and other furniture used in handling the mail and will be up-to-date in every respect.

Dr. Few Speaks in Charlotte

To-night before the Conference on association work in Cotton Mill Communities assembled in Charlotte, President Few will deliver the principal address. On the programme for the various sessions are many men prominent in this line of endeavor and it is a mark of distinction for Dr. Few that he has been called upon to address the assembly.

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PROFESSORS IN VACATION

(Continued from last issue)
been in that State during his vacation. Captain W. W. Card, Director of Physical Training spent the greater part of the summer in the Eastern part of the state, resting and visiting old friends.

On the campus there has been a dearth of Faculty members, but throughout the summer Professor R. I. Flowers, of the Department of Mathematics and W. H. Wannamaker, Professor of German, have remained in the office at their work of corresponding with prospective students. Their stay has been broken by only a few short trips away, usually on college business. Mr. D. W. Newsom has likewise remained here all summer, with the exception of a short vacation spent in the eastern part of the state. Professor A. H. Meritt has spent the entire summer at his home on the campus, leaving several times for short excursions to various places. In the early part of the summer he spent some days in Montreat. Professor W. H. Pegram, of the Chemistry Department, remained in his home on the campus throughout the vacation. With the exception of a three week's stay in the western part of the state at Black Mountain, he and his associate, Professor R. N. Wilson, who likewise has remained on the campus, having been engaged in superintending some changes being made in the Chemical Laboratory.

Dr. W. H. Glasson, Professor of Political Economy, after the close of his year's work in Cornell University, where he occupied the chair of Economics and Politics, made vacant by the leave of absence granted Professor J. W. Jenks, took a pleasure trip to Europe accompanied by his wife. Together they visited Germany, especially the valley of the Rhine, Switzerland and Paris. Dr. and Mrs. Glasson arrived in America again about ten days ago, and after visiting relatives in Washington, came with their family to their old home on the campus. It is with pleasure that the college community welcomes Dr. Glasson back after his long absence.

President W. P. Few has spent the greater part of the summer on the campus, or in making trips about the state in the interests of the college. He has made several addresses during the course of the summer, the most notable of which was the one delivered before the meeting of the State Press Association, in June. On the 18th of August, President Few was married to Miss Mary Reamey Thomas, daughter of Hon. Lynn Starling Thomas, Martinsville, Va. Mrs. Few was a member of the class of 1906 at Trinity. Dr. and Mrs. Few are now living in the President's Home on the campus.

LITERARY SOCIETIES BEGUN

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Willis Smith, E. J. London, C. E. Rozzelle and R. M. Patterson also addressed the meeting. After the close of the public part of the program the visiting men were dismissed and the regular business of the society transacted.

The meetings were marked by great enthusiasm and, as usual on first nights, there was a great deal of rivalry between members of the two sister societies in getting the new men out to their meetings. There were several members of former years present, mostly from the class of 1911, but other classes had their representatives

on hand also. After so favorable a beginning the societies expect a most profitable year and it is expected that several innovations will be made in this side of the college life during the year.

TRINITY RECEPTION

Annual Affair at Trinity Church Affairs Much Pleasure.

An occasion of annual pleasure to Trinity students is the reception given each year to the college men by the members of Trinity Church. The reception last night was the first opportunity the Trinity boys had had of meeting the people of the city, and from the number of them present they appreciated the chance when it came. One of the largest crowds that ever attended a Trinity reception passed down the receiving line last night. In the line were the stewards of the church and the teachers of the Sunday school. All extended a hearty welcome to the students of the college.

Throughout the evening the Durham Orchestra played softly in the Sunday school room, and several songs were sung by Mrs. W. M. Yearby. In one of the Sunday School class rooms several young ladies served delicious fruit punch, while from another, beveries of girls supplied the visitors with ice cream and cake.

For getting the various people acquainted, a novel scheme was devised. Each girl was given a slip of paper with a number and a quotation on it; the boys were supplied with similar strips, and they were to try to find the girl with the corresponding number. Every member of the church did his best to make the young people have a good time, and from their expressions of pleasure on leaving the effort was a successful one.

BALL GAME THURSDAY

Team Practices Every Afternoon During Week.

Base ball practice has begun among the members of the team who are back from last year, and those men among the freshman class who are going to endeavor to make places on the team. Captain Bundy has got his men together early for this time of the year and an unusually large number of freshmen reported on Hanes Field Monday afternoon for the first round.

A game has been arranged with the Durham Hosiery Mill on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The admission will be twenty-five cents. In order to be ready for playing this game the team has practiced every afternoon since Monday and things look good for a victory tomorrow. Godfrey will probably be on the heaving mound for Trinity while Spruce will do the receiving stunt. The men for the other places have not yet been picked.



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