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2ND DECLAMATION CONTEST

REPRESENTATIVES FROM HIGH SCHOOLS OF STATE TO MEET AT TRINITY NOVEMBER 24.

"9019" OFFERS WINNER MEDAL

Thirty-two Schools Contested Last Year, and Indications Point to a Greater Number this Time.—Correspondence Advancing.

For the purpose of encouraging literary society work among the students of the high schools of this and surrounding states, the "9019" a patriotic and literary organization of Trinity College, offered last year, a medal for excellence in declamation. On November 25, the day following Thanksgiving, the first of the interscholastic declamation contests was held with thirty-two high schools from the state of Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, represented. The medal was won by Jeter McKinley Pritchard, representing Mars Hill College, whose selection was taken from one of Vance's speeches.

The "9019" decided at the time to make the contest an annual affair, and again this year, on the Friday following Thanksgiving, representatives from the various high schools will assemble at Trinity College to participate in the struggle for the prize. Already committees from the organization are at work corresponding with high school principals in regard to sending speakers and a number of schools have signified their intention to send a representative. From all indications the number of speakers will be larger this year than last.

Any school offering three or more years of high school work is qualified to send a representative to this contest. The names of the speakers, however, together with the title of their selection, must be in the hands of the committee on arrangements not later than November 10. While in Durham the representatives will be entertained in the college community and need incur no expense in connection with their trip save the single item of railroad fare. Last year the visitors were not only taken care of but entertained in a fitting manner, being shown about the city of Durham and the buildings of the college campus.

On the final contest, Friday evening, only ten speakers will appear. A preliminary speaking to determine who these ten men shall be will be held Friday morning beginning at nine o'clock. The speakers will be called in the preliminary in the order in which their names were received by the committee, and no person in either contest will be allowed more than ten minutes and in the letters sent out by the organization selections of eight minutes or perhaps less are recommended. The order of speakers in the final contest is to be decided by lot. There will be a different committee of judges for the two contests and in neither case will the members of the committee know the schools represented by the speakers.

Such an event as this contest is of great value to both the high schools taking part in it, and to

SENIORS TO HELP ADVISE

Graduating Class Will Give Freshmen Counsel.

In order to enable the new men entering college to adjust themselves more readily to their new environment, the administration of the college has decided to extend the system of faculty advisers inaugurated some years ago for the benefit of members of the freshman class. By this method each professor was assigned a number of new men who were to regard him as their particular adviser and to come to him on all occasions when they felt the need of older counsel.

Recently the seniors were asked to co-operate with this plan and to act as student advisers to the new men. Volunteers were called for, practically the entire class responding. As the system now stands, two or more seniors together with one member of the faculty are assigned a group of students to help in every way possible. The new men are to feel free to call upon any of those, who have been chosen to assist them, for advice in regard to courses, participation in college activities, or any other questions that may present themselves to a man "finding" himself in college.

STUDENTS TO ATTEND FAIR

Absences from Class Will Be Excused Thursday.

To-morrow, Thursday, as has been the custom for several years, the authorities of the college will grant the student's permission to attend the State Fair at Raleigh. Classes will not be suspended, and there will be no regular holiday, but all those who desire to attend the Fair may do so, and the absences they incur from classes for this purpose will be excused when the excuse is presented in the proper form to the Executive Committee. A large number of students visit the fair every year, and the fact that there will be a football game between A. & M. and Bucknell makes a double attraction for the majority of them.

Adult Student Honors Trinity

The last issue of the *Adult Student*, published at Nashville, of which Dr. C. D. Bulla is editor, contains a splendid cut of the new Academic Building at Trinity, located on the cover of the magazine. The periodical also contains an account of the Sunday School Institute which was held at the College during the month of July and at which Dr. Bulla was one of the principal speakers.

the college where it is held. In inaugurating the movement last year, the "9019" set on foot a project that is destined to become a matter of yearly enthusiasm among the state high schools, and bring to the city of Durham and Trinity College a large number of men who stand at the top in their respective schools and will make the future leaders of North Carolina. The successful issue of the first contest makes it reasonably sure that the second will arouse larger interest and have a more noteworthy success.

DEBATING COURSE OFFERED

WILL FILL LONG FELT WANT IN CURRICULUM AND GIVE IMPETUS TO SOCIETIES.

FACULTY WILL HELP SOCIETIES

One Hour a Week Will Be Given by Professors in Various Departments.—Member of Faculty Will Meet with the Societies.

Following the announced intention of some time ago, there is to be offered at Trinity College a course in argumentation, and public debating. The need of such a course has long been felt among the students of the college, especially those who take part in the work of the literary societies and enter any of the debating contests that take place every year. From the introduction of the new course it is hoped that a large impetus will spring from an increased interest in society work and in debating in general.

The instruction in this course will be given by professors in the departments of English, History, Economics, and Psychology, and will cover the theory of argumentation in general, the use of sources, the assembling of material, and the application of logical formulae to the use of debating. One hour a week will be devoted to the work during the present year, and a continuation of the course will be given next year. When both are taken and in conjunction with them the student does consistent work in the literary societies the courses will be permitted to count for one elective course of three hours.

To further aid the literary societies in their endeavor to stir up increased interest in their work a faculty adviser for each society has been appointed on the recommendation of the debate council, made some time ago and approved by the two societies. On last Saturday evening the advisers met with the societies for the first time in their new capacity, the both the professors have long been honorary members of their respective societies. For the Columbian Society Dr. W. T. Laprade of the Department of History, was selected and for the Hesperian, Dr. W. H. Glasson, of the Economics Department. The duties of the advisers will be to give any suggestions that may occur to them in regard to the work carried on, to criticize the speakers on the floor, and also to give constructive criticism by submitting to the societies from time to time a logical presentation of debating methods and practices.

Trinity College has been invited to send a representative to the inauguration of Mr. John Frederick Buckheit as President of Catawba College in Newton, N. C., on October 23. President Few or some member of the faculty will attend.

On account of press of business matters in the office President Few will not be able to attend the inauguration of President Vincent at the University of Minnesota, on October 21.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR TEAMS

Tennis Men Playing for Class Team Places.

The class tennis tournaments go on apace and with ever increasing interest. The contests among the upper classmen are nearly ended, while aspirants for places on the freshman team have several matches to play off before the representatives of the Freshman Class can be picked. The sophomore and senior teams have already been selected. The sophomores will be represented by Bagley and R. B. Anderson and the seniors by McKinnon and Fuller. Among the juniors N. L. White has already won a position on the team and second place will be contested for to-day by McClees and C. W. White.

As soon as all of the class teams have been picked contests between the classes will be held, and during and after these contestants for the varsity team who have become eligible by their showing in the tournaments will do battle among themselves for the coveted honor of representing Trinity on the tennis courts. The first of these varsity contests was pulled off yesterday between McKinnon and R. B. Anderson, Anderson winning 8-6 6-3, 6-4. The result of this contest does not disqualify McKinnon, but only gives Anderson an advantage over him in the contest for places on the varsity.

RELAY RACE PRELIMINARY

Date Set for Next Friday.—Four P. M. is Hour.

On Friday afternoon at four o'clock sharp, according to the announcement of the committee in charge, the preliminary races will be held for the choosing of the ten men who will represent each class in the approaching relay race. The course will probably extend from Watts Hospital down Broad St. towards the ear line. A number of men are training for the event and it is hoped that the entries will exceed those of last year. The final event will be pulled off on Saturday, Oct. 28, beginning at 2 o'clock. The course for the final race has not yet been selected, but it is thought that the route will be over the same road as last year, extending out from the city of Durham to the West and known as the Erwin Road.

Prof. R. L. Flowers to Greensboro

The Joint Committee on the Correlation of Schools appointed by the North Carolina Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will meet in Greensboro, N. C., October 19. The Committee will hold its meeting in West Market St. Church. The first session will be held at 3 P. M. All the schools under the control of the Methodist Church in the state have been invited to be present.

The members of the Committee are Rev. S. B. Turrentine, D. D., of Shelby, and Mr. W. R. Odell, Concord, from the Western N. C. Conference; Rev. A. P. Tyer, of Maxton, and Professor R. L. Flowers, of Durham, from the North Carolina Conference.

COTTON AND COTTON STATES

PROF. E. C. BROOKS, OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ISSUES NEW BOOK FOR SCHOOLS.

TITLE: "THE STORY OF COTTON"

From Press of Rand, McNally & Co.—Already Adopted as Text Book in State of Florida, North and South Carolina and Virginia.

Professor E. C. Brooks, of the Department of Education, is the author of a book just issued from the press of Rand, McNally Company, entitled "The Story of Cotton." The volume contains three hundred and seventy good sized pages in large, readable type and is profusely illustrated. Already it has been adopted by the educational boards of North and South Carolina and Florida, and will be used in the rural districts of Virginia. It is intended to present a phase of economic history of the south in a manner calculated to impress students in about the first or second year of the high school, and as stated in the preface, aims at showing the influence of the economic history of the country on its political development. Students in high school work are usually drilled in political history to the exclusion of the more vital influences of economic forces, and it is to remedy this defect that the book was written.

(The work takes up, first, clothing and its influence upon mankind, treating the different fashions and substances that have played their part in the dress of various peoples. Beginning with the introduction of the cotton plant into Egypt and India, and the large trade that sprang up in the commodity between the East and West, the book, traces the influence of cotton culture on down thru the ages to the discovery of America and shows the part the desire for cotton played in that important event.

The introduction of the plant into the south is the next subject taken up and the growth of southern civilization and industry under its moulding influence is treated in detail. The forces which cotton raising set at work towards causing the great struggle between the states and the resulting breaking down of the old life in the South are next discussed, and later the building up of a new civilization in the kingdom of cotton is taken up.

A large part of the work is descriptive and relates to methods of cultivation, picking, manufacturing and selling the product. Some of the problems that have arisen in regard to cotton, such as the agricultural point of raising one crop continuously in the south, the destructive in rads of the boll weevil, receive their share of attention. The final chapters deal with varieties of cotton and the nature of the plant's by-products and their uses for food and other commercial purposes.

The whole work is written in a pleasing style, characteristic of the author and well known to those who have heard him talk. It is destined to be a useful adjunct to the text-books in use in the state schools.

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The track team runners are making tracks.

"The melancholy days are come"—O, no, just coming.

Debating requires snap; but not the kind you do with your fingers.

There is no place like the college campus, but it's rough to get over at night.

Classes are boring; yes, and so are professor's eyes when the lesson is not prepared.

Question: Will the reading of Manly's English Poetry make a manly man of a freshman?

We should like to have the cost of a mile or two of the new fifteen-thousand-dollar-a-mile walks.

Sacred and profane history: we wonder what kind of history a scrappy foot-ball game would make.

"Farewell, a word that hath been and must be"—ah, but we hope you will return to-morrow from the Fair.

Straight is the path and narrow the way that leadeth from one building to another, and few there be that can walk therein—at once.

It is necessary for a night watchman to be equipped with auditory apparatus, in addition to his organs of perception, when a steam roller is in his territory.

From the number of advisory boards, advisors, advising committees being organized, appointed, and created point blank, sufficient advice should be floating around to offer many a floating opportunity to members of the freshman and other classes.

The first public speaking event of the year is scheduled for Friday evening, when the Potter Prize Debate will be held in Collection Hall. This contest really opens the debate season. Its object is two-fold. Being open to all students it affords to a large number of people an excellent opportunity to gain experience in extemporaneous debate. On the other hand, it gives the captain of the debate squad an opportunity to line up the material for the year.

Experience in debating is as valuable to engineering and scientific students as it is to the "arts" man. The opportunity here afforded is unexcelled. The number of contestants in this first prize contest should include a large per cent of the enrollment.—*The Swarthmore Phoenix.*

Our debate with Swarthmore comes off the last Saturday night in February. Moral: Trinity men interested in debating, get busy.

Vanderbilt students to the number of four hundred have recently joined in a parade for the benefit of the candidacy of one of the contestants for the office of Mayor in the city of Nashville. Clubs for the promotion of the interests of Woodrow Wilson have been formed in many of the colleges in the south. College students are everywhere taking a more active interest in the politics of the day. And what is the value of it all, and its meaning?

Judson Harmon spoke to-day at the North Carolina State Fair in the city of Raleigh. Mr. Harmon is one of the most forceful personalities in our public life to-day. And yet, so far as we have been able to discern, not fifty students in college, probably fewer, preferred to be given Wednesday instead of Thursday, as has been the usual custom, for attending the fair. The Bucknell-A. & M. football game had far greater attraction for the large majority of the students than one of the most prominent men in America, a man who stands a good show to be the next President of the United States.

Trinity College has already a plethora of interests demanding the time and attention of students and tending to distract them from the real object of their presence here. The Chronicle does not set itself in favor of turning the activities of the community into political demonstrations in favor of this or that man, nor does it believe that too great emphasis should be placed on this phase of public interests, but it seems that a more intelligent thinking on questions of the day and the men who stand for certain issues might not be amiss in a community of men who are to be the future citizens of the state.

In discussing this subject the Chronicle wishes it understood that it has no intention of furthering the interests of any particular candidate, issue, or party. The matter as it stands now is one of general concern, and this paper is without special interest in regard to it. The subject is one, however, that should engage the attention of college men to a larger degree than has been the case with us, heretofore, and will bear thinking on.

Miss Katie Lee McKinnon has been confined to her room with tonsillitis for the last few days.

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ARCHIVE FOR OCTOBER OUT

**First Number of College Magazine
Comes from Press Monday.---
Staff Reviewers Discusses
Contributions.**

(J. C., Jr.)

Monday the first number of the *Trinity Archive* for the present year appeared from the press. The editor of the *Archive* for this year is Mr. E. J. Londow, of the senior class, last year a member of the *Chronicle* staff and always prominently connected with the literary interests of the college. The initial issue is somewhat thin, containing only forty pages of reading matter, but the selection of pieces is excellent and the balance between the various departments is well graduated. The magazine is unusually free of typographical errors, so common in college magazines, and this speaks well for the editor.

Turning to the literary contents of the issue the verse is better than is usually found in the *Archive*. Mr. N. I. White has two creditable poems, one in sonnet form, which is one of Mr. White's most pretentious efforts, and the other an original bit, that is striking. Miss Wescott has a good production and Mr. W. T. Surratt has a short, two verse, poem that shows promise of good future efforts.

Mr. W. M. Marr's sketch is interesting from the standpoint of human interest as it purports to be an actual experience of the writer. The story "Romance in a Summer Resort" carries out the

idea of a long continued effort finally rewarded. Two short stories by Messrs. E. L. Hege and J. W. Bain constitute the remainder of the fiction in this issue. Mr. Hege's work is a creditable thing and Mr. Bain is to be congratulated on his early entry into literary circles, as both he and Mr. Surratt are members of the freshman class.

Mr. E. J. Londow's essay and his two editorials are perhaps the best pieces of writing in the magazine. The writer touches upon practical problems in all three of these and this, a somewhat rare thing in college magazines, is one of Mr. Londow's characteristics as a writer.

There are only two departments besides the editorial and these are under the direction of Messrs. Aiken and Bennett, the former having the exchange department and the latter Wayside Wares. In Wayside Wares there are two or three really clever things; Mr. Bennett has a large opportunity to display his talent in the line of humor. In the exchange department Mr. Aiken gives a general outline of the policy to be followed and if he does all that is expected of him there will be no cause to complain of the standard in this department.

Those fellows in the Inn are not in it any longer. Why? Their phone is out of order.

C. E. Hughes of the sophomore class, is in Watts Hospital suffering from an attack of fever.

Rev. J. A. Snow, of Mt. Airy, has been on the campus this week visiting his son, G. K. Snow, of the sophomore class.

Bishop Kilgo is at present attending the meeting of the College of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. George H. Denny, for nine years President of Washington and Lee University, and widely known as one of the foremost educators in the South, has resigned the office he held to accept the Presidency of the State University of Alabama.

The University of Virginia is planning, it is said, to place rowing on the list of college athletics, and be represented in the regattas of the Southern colleges. To this end it is proposed to form a lake in a depression back of Lambeth Field, which would be about three quarters of a mile long and from 200 to 800 feet wide. The cost of undertaking would be about \$50,000.

Eleven "old" cadets of Staunton Military Academy have been dismissed by the commandant for hazing new students.

Mr. John I. Patten, the well known capitalist of the city of Chattanooga has proposed to offer a prize of one hundred dollars to the winner of an oratorical contest to be held annually and participated in by the representatives from Sewanee, University of Tennessee, University of Chattanooga and Vanderbilt. The formation of a Tennessee Collegiate Oratorical Association by the above institution is under consideration.

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Where They Are and What They Are Doing.

J. T. Laten, a graduate of last year's class is teaching in Hope, Ark., this year.

R. L. Durham, of the class of 1891, is now dean of Martha Washington College in Abingdon, Virginia.

A. M. Proctor, editor of the Chronicle for the year 1909-10 is teaching again this year at Newman, Georgia.

E. W. Knight, '09, and A. M. '11, is now taking work in the Teachers' College of Columbia University, where he holds a scholarship.

W. E. Roberts, for one year with the '07 class is located on his wheat ranch near Bend, Oregon. He was married on Aug. 30 to Miss Mary Lilly, at Wenatchee, Washington.

G. M. Daniels, who graduated with the class of 1910, and received the degree of Master of Arts in 1911, is pastor of the Southern Methodist Church at Boone, N. C.

C. R. Warren, a degree man of the class of 1907, is another of that year's graduates who has entered journalism. He established the *Chatham Enterprise* this year and is at present its editor.

Z. Hinohara, who since leaving Trinity has been preaching in Japan, is now at Union Theological Seminary, New York. Mr. Hinohara has been in this country for several months and attended commencement here last spring.

H. P. Boggs, class of 1903 is teaching a private school at Glenn Springs, S. C. He only accepts a limited number of students and is achieving a great success. After leaving college Mr. Boggs was superintendent of schools at Jonesboro, and later at Seneca, S. C. For a while he was in charge of the educational department of the Virginia Episcopal Orphanage.

Union County Club

The Union County Club of Trinity College which was organized last year, held its first meeting last Monday night. The main purpose of the meeting was the election of officers, and the initiation of new members. The following were chosen officers; President, K. P. Neal; Vice-President, E. L. Secrest; secretary, L. P. Stack; treasurer, W. F. Starnes. A number of new men were admitted to membership, making in all thirteen men in the club.

The purpose of this club is to advance the interests of The Greater Trinity College in Union Co., and to influence as man men as possible in coming to this institution. Union County has always furnished a large number of students to the college, and it is to be hoped that through the efforts of this organization her record may not be lowered.

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Takes Bible Study as Subject and Advises Group Study.

Dr. F. N. Parker, of the Department of Biblical Literature of Trinity College made an interesting talk on Bible study at the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. last Wednesday evening.

Beginning with the origin of Bible study as recorded in the Old Testament, he traced its development thru all the ages of the expansion of Christianity.

"Many of the things that will make an impression on one man," he said, "may be missed by another. The study of the scripture in groups manifests the results. The open study and discussion of a subject stimulates men to action. We do not learn a thing so that it becomes a creative thing in our lives until we discuss it."

The speaker then showed the general knowledge of the scriptures, and the fellowship that results from the study of certain points of the Bible. "The assumption," he said, "that people know more about the Bible than they do, is a great mistake, and has tended to make it a lost book. The main thing that would be gotten from the joint study of the word of God is fellowship. There has always been a tendency on the part of a great many people to make religion too individualistic. Faith is not a solitary virtue, but a social power and a social virtue."

A general outline of the work to be undertaken by the Bible study classes was then given by Mr. Harbison, president of the association. He urged every man to join one of these classes.

Season Ticket Will Be Given

Mgr. J. A. Rand announces that he will give a season ticket to the series of class basket ball games, to start soon, to the person submitting the best yell for use at the opening of each collegiate contest. The yell must be on the same order as that given by the rooters during the base ball season when the umpire calls "Play Ball"; that is it should have the name of the visiting team first, and then the body of the yell, closing with "Trinity." All yells that are to be considered should be handed to Mr. Rand. The decision will be made by a committee of competent judges, to be selected later.

Trinity Graduate Publishes Book

Dr. Jerome Bruce, of Sanford, Florida, a graduate of Trinity in the class of 1859, has published a volume of short stories entitled "Studies in Black and White," issued from the press of Neale & Co., in Washington.

Dr. Bruce spent the past summer in North Carolina. He is a physician who has achieved great success in his profession, having retired one year ago from active practice at the age of seventy-nine. He is an uncle of Professor Jerome Dowd, now of the University of Oklahoma, and formerly a member of the faculty of this institution.

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