

## PRINCETON SOCIETY CLEARED AT INQUIRY

Committee Named by Hibben  
Reports No Evidence of  
Invasion of Privacy.

### "BUCHMANISM" WAS ISSUE

Investigators Were Unable to  
Learn Methods of Founder  
of Religious Cult.

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PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 11.—The Philadelphian Society, the religious organization of Princeton University, has been cleared of charges made by undergraduates in an open forum meeting in October. They charged that that the society practiced "Buchmanism," an alleged religious cult founded by Frank N. D. Buchman of New York.

The special committee appointed by President John Grier Hibben following the meeting handed down its report today. The report says that there does not seem to have been before the forum any definite statement as to the exact methods employed by Mr. Buchman in carrying on his work or endorsed by him.

"Just what are his views are a matter of dispute," the report says. "We have not felt that it was the function of the committee to determine these questions."

The report gives a summary of the charges made by undergraduates against the work of the society.

"It has been charged," the report

says, "that in carrying on this personal work an aggressive form of personal evangelism has been employed which has been offensive to many and that meetings marked by confession of sins have alienated a large portion of the undergraduate body from affiliation with and participation in the work of the society.

"We have endeavored in every way to secure any evidence which would tend to substantiate these charges. With the exception of a few cases, which were denied by those implicated, no evidence has been produced before us which substantiates or justifies them. In addition thereto we have the evidence of a considerable number of undergraduates who have frankly testified to the great aid and benefit they have received and have declared that in no instance had they utilized any of the methods charged against them."