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"AREN'T WE ALL?" GIVEN BY THE NEW YORK ACTORS

Play Given for Benefit of Scholarship Fund

The cast of the play, Aren't We All, presented on Wednesday, October 4, consisted of several well known professional New York Actors. The play was staged by Miss Velma Royton, a graduate of the British Royal Academy, who besides touring in productions in many countries, was seen in this country last season in Girls in Uniform. Miss Royton took the part of Lady Frinton last Wednesday. Miss Mary Cullinan in the part of Margot Tatham fulfilled the role of ingenuous in as many of the plays in which she has taken part in her various tours which included Strictly Dishonorable, William M. Thayer, whom the players were to play in The Poor Nut in New York and for appearances in movies and radio programs. The usual role of juvenile lead, taking the part of John Willock. Lord Graham was taken by Thomas Rutherford, a former manager of the Maverick Theatre in Woodstock and best known among theatre goers for his parts in Macbeth and The American Tragedy. The high spots in the career of Donald Arbery, who played the leading role of the Hon. Willie Tatham, are varied, including parts in the moving picture version of The Man Who Came Back, an engagement with Mrs. Leslie Carter and a lengthy tour in Strange Interlude. The part of Kitty Lake was taken by Miss Judith Marsten, who in her short career since graduating from the American Academy of Dramatic Art has made quite a name for herself and was recently in Emil Ludwig's Peace Palace where the cast of the part consisted of Mr. James Quinn in the part of Morton, Miss Eleanor Sayles as the Hon. Mrs. Ernest Lytton and Mr. Edward Power as the Reverend Ernest Lytton. The play, a delightful comedy by Frederick Lonsdale, was very well acted and thoroughly enjoyed.

Wherever we have learned new truth, sensed new beauty, improved taste, or found new ways to live, it has all been by the vision of majorities—Dr. Robert Wicks of Princeton University.

JOSEPHINE ANTOINE Soprano
October 12, at 8:15 P. M.
First Recital of the COLLEGE CONCERT SERIES

FRESHMEN GAILY ENDURE THE TRADITIONAL HAZYING BY SOPHS

Toot-toot a toot! The circus has been to town! And with it have come the freshmen and eighty-five performers who show ed what the well-dressed circus performers of today are wearing. The outer garment was a stylish combination of gym clothes and burlap bags. On the head was worn one of the newest of the Sophs and Co.—a creation of imported black cotton tied with a pale blue ribbon fasting under the chin. The legs were outfitted in proper attire—the one clad in a black stocking, the other in the common sock of the day. High-heeled shoes completed the ensemble.

Each morning the one hundred and eighty-five performers climbed the hill toward the flowery place which makes logical, clear to the individual's personality. It even clothes is more a matter of taste one holds one's self important that the point of aesthetics and position of work.

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Pres. Blunt Stresses Need For Orderliness

Orderliness was the subject of President Blunt's talk at chapel on Tuesday. To the fresh men, college students need not be told about such a matter, that they should have learned orderliness earlier in life. Yet even college students need to be reminded now that no one is watching directly over them.

Orderliness in one's room and clothes is more a matter of taste and good form perhaps, than of character; yet it is related closely to the individual's personality. It handicaps one to work in a messy place which makes logical, clear thought difficult. The way in which one dresses and the way one holds one's self is important from the point of aesthetics and position of work.

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STUDENT BODY MEETS

Dorothy Merrill, president of Student Government, called to o rder the first amalgamation meeting of the year on Monday evening, October 5, in the gymnasium. She introduced the new and the returning students, and made several announcements. The heads of various organizations spoke briefly on the purposes and activities of their particular groups; Anne Shewell, chief Justice of Honor Court, set forth a few principles regarding the conduct of Sophs. Patricia Selle tte spoke about the House of Representatives; Minna Barset explained the new ruling in regard to athletic points; Juniper Pickrell distributed slips on which to sign for the various activities which Service League sponsors, and explained the new Meat Market; Lee Williams, Ann Crocker, and Emily Benedict explained briefly the different activities of the Drama Club. The Alma Mata was sung, and then the Dramatic Club gave a delightful one-act play—Ashes of Roses.

SIDELIGHTS ON FOREIGN COLLEGE LIFE REPORTED

Vivid Contraits Noted in Student Life Aboard

It was a pleasure to welcome Vivid Contrasts Noted in Student Life Aboard

"Jimmy," who studied in England last year, to take his final examinations. The were spent at the Lyceum, where she learned not only to think and to speak in French fluently, but also to hear, the language accurately. University life in France does not consist of various social and school activities through which American students are accustomed, but concentrates rather on the individual acquisition of knowledge, and it does not sponsor any social life. Vacations are usually spent in travel. No student has any contact with his or her professors who lecture, nor are there any assignments given. These students either attend or remain away from the lecture as they choose, and no reports or check-ups on suggested reading matter are made. In school all is academic; the lectures only are important for the classes use no text-books. Examinations in each course are given at the end of the year in two parts—a written examination lasting three hours on one day and an essay over a few minutes oral on details of the lectures. A reputation as a brilliant or dull person means nothing—the student's rank or fails on his merits.

"Jimmy" also brings back from England many of the same ideas and methods—namely, that studying is a serious business. The basic study work is done during the vacations, and is a completely individual problem. Lectures are only to guide and to suggest, and assignments are always given to the student to complete. The student comes to college not because everyone else does, or because a degree is "the thing," but because he has a deep desire and love for knowledge. No one in school is allowed to leave during the session unless death or serious illness occurs in the family. Social life is sponsored by the college, and the social conscience of the students enter in to the life of the school more completely than is true in America. "There school spirit is magnetic," "Jimmy" said. "Many of the final examinations are taken after the candidate takes difficult examinations in all the courses he has taken while at college.

"Living: A Fine Art, Not Merely a Pastime"

Hear DR. HAMILTON ROUSTS ENTHUSIASM OF AUDIENCE

is especially trained for this purpose. It was the subject of Dr. Alton Hamilton, well known economist and professor of the Yale Law School, at convocation on Tuesday, October 3, 1933. In a humorous and extremely sarcastic manner, Dr. Hamilton launched into an account of the United States Supreme Court, which had just gone into session, is about to make history.

If anyone should legally introduce the question of whether or not the National Recovery Act is constitutional, the final decision will rest with the court. Of course the only material statement in the Constitution which has any immediate effect on the question, is that which says that every citizen is entitled to his life, liberty and property and if it is ever withheld can only be taken by the process of law.

However a definition of these words is almost impossible and can only be made by the former decisions of the court, all of which were made by individuals equally as incompetent or weak as those sitting at present. A vivid description of each individual was given by the speaker who let his delight in sarcasm get the best of him much to the amusement of his audience, especially when he compared the N. R. A. with Mr. Vanderbecker in our American Indians and the way in which most of the Judges were only put on the bench for lack of a better way for the current President to get rid of them.

One begins to get a trifle skeptical as to the use of such a court. However as it must decide on the validity of all measures of a social nature, it is utterly useless to lose all faith in it. The N. R. A. is certainly a code governing social conditions. So far it determines minimum wages, working hours and gives opportunity to men to act collectively. As Dr. Hamilton said, no one knows just how far it will go. At the rate it is going, and the way in which people are beginning to lose faith, it seems to matter how many codes are made the people will (Continued on page 5, column 1)
KINSOLVING MAKES INTERESTING COMPARISONS

"Young" intensely earnest,
and we may say in some of the comments made by the audience after hearing the Reverend Arthur Kinsolving, the Vesper service last Sunday evening. Dr. Kinsolving’s topic was well-ventilated and was widely spoken of in the life of Savarana, a great Italian of the Renaissance, and many certain comions to a life of all times with that of today. He pointed out that Savarana taught his philosophy in Florence at a time when wealth and prosperity had undermined the moral and ethical standards of the people. At first the great teacher made little or no impression upon the men of his time, but gradually they came to understand him, and to appreciate the worth of his thought.

Dr. Kinsolving drew the conclusion that today the symbols of today were caused, fundamentally, by the present laxness in moral and ethical standards. These are roots for organization, but the general idea is clear enough. He sees some hope in the attitude which seems to be growing up among the young people of today—an attitude promising to do away with laxness, and to take a stand on what religious nature is. It is up to the members of the present generation to fight an isms, a leadership, towards greater moral and ethical strength. The world today must better its standard of living if it is to cure its evils.

(Next) A professor at Georgia Tech recently gave a test to one of his classes to determine how accurately a man’s character and reputation may be judged by seeing his picture. He used pictures of Lewis Warden, warden at Sing Sing prison; Walter Lippman, editor of a newspaper; Lewis, novelist, H. L. Mencken, critic. They were identified as follows: Lewis, banker, politician, statesman, doctor, factory worker, aviator. Walter Lippman: lawyer, gangster, plumber, governor, preacher, musician. Sinclair Lewis: carpenter, murderer, explorer, gangster, radio announcer, insurance agent, aviator. Mencken: butcher, beer baron, mill worker, gambler, detective, travelling salesman, gangster and bootlegger—Technician.

Loyola University’s new sorority for dairy maids is Mu Mu Mu.

EDITORIAL

ON EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

After the first flurries of registering for courses and of adjusting programs are over, most of us begin to think about the extra-curricular activities around campus. The bulletin boards are full of announcements—A.A. meetings, Glee Club rehearsals, play rehearsals. News assignments, "try-out" signs—representatives of a wide variety of interests. Upperclassmen experience fresh enthusiasms, and the freshmen are busily inquiring about and discussing the possibilities of this or that activity.

Let’s not rush head-first into a melee of meetings and responsibilities, without a thought of the consequences. There is a notation catchphrases in our college and now and again with Brocks-activities are just as important, if not more so, than the academic work. We often hear the report that the go-getters in outside interests will have the advantage over the true student in after-college life. This is not a general fact, however, and it is in the germ of this mis-statement that the danger lies.

What we want to do, what we really must do, is to aim for the well-balanced life. We want to be well-rounded individuals, with enthusiasms for study and for recreation. It is often hard to choose among the various enticing offerings. If our interests lie in one main direction it is easier for us to decide upon the organization or club which we want to join, but there are many of us who are athletic, literary, artistic, musical, interested in dramatics and debating, and who want to sign up for everything. College for this type will be one mad rush from this meeting to that practice, with a search of study between times. We can’t get anything valuable from hectic intermingling of all the extra-curricular interests. We must try to pick and choose, to decide upon one or two really important activities for ourselves, and let the rest go, save for an occasional dabbler, perhaps.

On the other hand, there are those among us who make no effort whatsoever to take part in proceedings outside of their studies. Perhaps we are not interested in the dramatic club, or in the dramatic club, but there are many opportunities for us in the various departmental clubs. By joining the club affiliated with one of our favorite subjects, for example, we are getting some of the value of an extra-curricular activity in a manner perhaps more to our liking—a semi-academic interest, if we may call it that.

The gist of it all is that we want to strike a "happy medium." The point system in operation here at Connecticut handles the situation to a certain extent, but individual judgment must supplement it to a large degree. Before signing up for a certain activity we must consider what responsibilities, what demands upon our time it will involve. We must place our courses first, then select upon our extra-curricular program. Let’s try to balance our lives a bit, and we might all take heed of the old saying—"Look before you leap."
The speaker at the seven o'clock Vespers service on Sunday, October 7, will be Bernard Iddings Bell, formerly the Warden of St. Stephen's College, Amandale-on-Hudson, New York. Dr. Bell is a most acceptable college and university preacher in many institutions of the country; Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Amherst, Cornell, Vassar, Williams, Wellesley, Wells, etc. He has been a regular visitor at Connecticut College for a number of years.

After finishing his academic work at the University of Chicago, he took up his theological studies at the Western Theological seminary and the University of the South. He was ordained as deacon and priest in the Protestant Episcopal Church in 1910; served as vicar at Oak Park, Illinois; as dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin; and as chaplain at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station during the war. Since 1919 he has been warden of St. Stephen's College, and professor of religion there and in Columbia University.

He is the author of Right and Wrong After the War, Post-modernism and Other Essays, Common Sense in Education, Beyond Agnosticism—A Book for Tired Mechanics, and other works.

CHURCH NOTICE

Associate Membership in the churches of New London is offered to the students of the College. This does not involve the loss of membership in the home church, but establishes a temporary affiliation with the churches here. Students interested in taking advantage of this highly desirable arrangement will please see the pastor of the church in which they are interested, or Dr. Laubenstein. There is a complete list of churches in the college catalogue on page 132 for reference.

Prof. Max Altsberg, until Hitler came into power a leading member of the Berlin bar and once highly popular in German literary circles, a member of the faculty of the Berlin University law school, committed suicide this month in Switzerland.

Dr. C. H. Thurber, dean of Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y., has accepted the presidency of the University of Redlands, Calif.
Gymnix, but did you see the supposedly dignified Senior disrupt a solemn class the other day. What these classes need is a little life anyway.

The time has come, the Sophomores said, to make frosh do things—and there they go, or rather west, down to ye oldie townie to buy long black cotton stockings just like in ye goode olde daze. “Love me, love my dog” seemed to be the motto of most of ’27 (doesn’t that sound funny) and we’ve been doing our best at it.

I hear that class pictures are to be taken in white—not angel robes we hope—that’s what I’ve been seeing most of lately (and that ain’t all).

It would seem that the Seniors are about the only ones that take the Proclamation seriously, judging from one particular Soph, and another Junior (she may be particular too, for what that’s worth). All right, wait ‘til you’re Seniors ‘cause if you don’t behave you won’t have the same S. S. A. that we have (providing that don’t stand for Senior Sex Appeal as I’ve heard tell).

And did you hear about the Senior in History class, who, upon being asked for the name of a religious leader of the Anglo-Saxon period, got her sants mixed and answered with great enthusiasm, “Patrick Henry!”

Being crazy about everything in the new dorm, Windham residents have fallen for the beds. The list of those awakening on the floor is rapidly rising.

Swimming lessons are now being given in Windham House after shower-time. Please bring your own water wings!

Knitting again! But now that a certain sweater-maker has started in on her knit-two, pari-two, it seems that the needles afford an excellent opportunity to punctuate the sallent points of an argument.

A certain Senior got her abbreviations slightly mixed the other day, “Senior Sovereign Administration” became A. S. S. A.

The Florida Plumeaux informs us that an Ohio State English professor recommends that college students read more fairy tales. From the tales whispered to co-eds by night and the excuses told to professors by day, we would judge that the average student’s education along this line is fairly complete.

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Weigall, Arthur: Laura Was My Camel.

Perhaps the most humorous book that has come out in a long time, Laura Was My Camel is a delightful tale of the various animals which some philanthropic gentle man comes into contact with when on his travels in the desert. It is the sort of book which throws its readers into gales of laughter and cannot be laid down until it is finished.

Wood, Stephen: The Bright Angel. The Bright Angel is a melodramatic story of the present chaos in Russia where everyone is afraid to give an honest opinion on any current problem for fear of the omnipresent “Gray Pay-O.” No doubt exaggerated, it leaves the reader with a distinct feeling of relief that he is over here in America, the land of free speech, and a resolve to stay as far away from Russia as possible. According to the author no one can escape the horrors of the existence whether he is a foreign or Russian.

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Dr. Hal Hallowell. Rouses Enthusiasm

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...have gone to court about the minimum price at which they can sell milk, so warships can explain. Furthermore, as the Professor said, the codes are too much alike whereas each industry needs individual laws just as the textile industry which should have child labor eliminated, a factor which doesn't enter into most industries. It seems rather impossible that under any system of government other than socialism in the true Marxian sense of the word, there can be any such decay governing of industry. Everyone is too intent on retaining his own power.

An interesting factor to be considered came up in the questions which followed the lecture. Dr. Hamilton noted that lawyers can exercise their ingenuity in Public Government as well as in a private case and twist words to fit whatever meaning they happen to want at the time. As long as this is true, it is almost impossible to control business by laws.

(NSFA)—When the barometer reads 29.79 or below, be careful. That figure is the barometric dividing line between cheerful, good behavior and the feeling that leads to murder and suicide, according to D. S. Landis, retired weather observer and student of the effects of weather on crime. "When the barometer falls low, one finds a condition of rarified air that allows no oxygen to the blood, a situation which sets up mental and physical stagnation," Landis explained.—Anathem.

(ESFA)—A woman was granted a master's degree from the University of Chicago after submitting a thesis on "Four Ways to Wash Dishes."—Buster Collegian.

At Northwestern, the Co-eds who are faithful to doing housework, have organized, and refuse dates with men on campus. So the men have retaliated with a similar organization and wear black crepe on their sleeves. Too bad C. C. isn't nearby to console them!

Dile Hamilton Houses Enthusiasm

(Continued from page 4, column 3)

According to College Honor and Social Standards, when students are married the marriage-minded in a big way. Middlebury College in Vermont has inaugurated a course in love-making. Many members, as well as first, second, and third year students have enrolled. The course features demonstrations by seniors. Need I say more?...

Connecticut College Women's Athletic Association, wishes to present the new plan for points and awards that has been decided upon. It reads as follows:

1. A student may only team one season; but it may be in any activity. It does not have to be the sport for which she is getting credit, as it has been formerly.

2. A student shall receive one point for every five outside hours, instead of ten, as required before. Also, practices and try-outs in sport shall count as outside hours.

3. The posture requirement has been cancelled.

4. The number of points required to attend the banquet shall be 13.

5. Mileage in hiking shall be rated by semesters instead of by miles a semester is allowed.

6. An accumulative point system shall be used as the old one which added only the yearly points. The point system and system of awards suggested were:

(a) 155 points by the end of Junior year.—blazer.
(b) Gym grade shall not count.
(c) Academic average shall count.
(d) General attitude shall count.
(e) Good sportsmanship is required.

(f) To be chosen by council.

(b) 150 points, to be won ever four years time—plaque.
(c) 110 points, to be won over four years time—Connecticut pill top.
(d) 70 points, to be won over four years time—hat band.
(e) 30 points, to be won over four years time—plaque.

Skin—for the highest number of points in the class for that year. She must be eligible for the lowest award for 30 points. There shall be no award for second place in the class.

The Senior, (or Seniors,) who has done the most for A. C. while in college will win a blue charm with a "C" on it in:

(a) Qualifications
(b) Leadership
(c) Contagious enthusiasm
(d) Sportsmanship

The senior class in sociology was given a small taste of the marvellous wondersthat may be accomplished through this science when Professor Hansel illustrated a way to ascertain approximately the ratio of women to men in Boston. By some means of figuring that women dislike to cook, that meal tickets are provided with every marriage licence, that the truth is hard to find and money is the root of all evil, it was learned that there are five women to four men in the City of Boston. Therefore, in this town at least it is not necessary to learn to croom.

(NSFA)—When students of the University of Pretoria, South Africa, chose as the subject of their Inter-varsity Debate: Resolved, that we should return to a communism among wives as advocated by Plato, the Rector decided not to make the ball available unless the subject was changed. The debate was held, therefore, on the subject, "That any subject is subject to debate." The motion was carried.—Nunus News Bulletin.

OUTING CLUB SAIL

White sails billowing in a stiff breeze, girls perching gaily on the deck, and two boats full of girls set out to catch some fish—then the C. C. O. C. outing last Sunday!

The day was perfect for such an enterprise, with the sun shining down from a cloudless sky, and a warm wind. Unfortunately the water was too rough to fish in the Race, but no one minded that in the least. One boat sailed around the harbor and up the Thames to Norwich and the other, a large cat-boat, went into the Sound. The sailors landed at Fort Wright, on Fisher's Island, and enjoyed a picnic lunch—on the top of a powder magazine! The rest of the afternoon was spent "just sailing around."

Regardless of the fact that more people came than were expected, and that the food was a bit scarce, the outing was a decided success.

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AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION

In case some of the students have noted that there are some very interesting autograph letters in the library, those interested in 18th Century prose ought to glance at them, at least. S. T. Coleridge, Robert Southey, Thomas B. Macaulay, Leigh Hunt, D'Ossier, James Hogg, William Wordsworth, Walter Scott, Charles Dickens, are some of the men of the period represented in this collection. The letters are, for the most part informal, concerning personal matters, or referring to business matters in publishing their works. Make a point of looking about in the Library now and then—it will repay the effort.

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Tradition once more claimed its due when all the classes assembled on Tuesday evening at 9:30 by the stone wall to greet each other. A large representation from every class responded enthusiastically to the welcome of the seniors. The moon in its full glory lent its support and answered just as brightly the greetings offered it. The clear invigorating night was a fitting one for the first sing of the year.

One of the factors which makes Connecticut so dear to us is its inspiring traditions and the active part that we have in maintaining them. All of us are conscious of their demands for respect and all of us are enriched by them. The indication that the Freshman, too, sense this spirit was their large and whole-hearted attendance on Tuesday evening.

And—members of a Missouri sorority have signed a pledge not to eat more than fifteen cents worth of food when out on a date!

BOOK BRIEFS

No Nice Girl Swears.

At last modern youth has its own book of etiquette. Emily Post may stand for the epitome of correctness, but No Nice Girl Swears tells us what to do on a dance floor filled with college students and how to act at a modern dinner where nowadays the younger generation doesn't have to wait to speak until spoken to. Read it and gain sufficient poise to tide you over even such an inconvenient situation as when your escort gets drunk.

Samuel Brenan Bossard, 21, student from Media, Pa., was beaten by four Nazi brown shirts recently because he failed to salute the German flag as it passed in a parade in Berlin.

The influence of the Chicago Century of Progress Exposition on architecture is to be reflected at New York University this year by the establishment of a course in Form and Color in the department of architecture.

The Spotlight tells us that the name of the registrar at Westminister College, New Wilmington, Pa., is a Dr. Swindler!

The church has a right to have the final say about education in this country because it is the mother of it.—Rev. Russell S. Brown.

These days, smokers pay more attention to their cigarettes. Naturally they're talking about the way Luckies are made. Always so round, so firm and fully packed. Brimful of the choicest Turkish and Domestic tobaccos—without loose ends. That's why Luckies draw easily, burn evenly and are so mild—so smooth.

"it's toasted"

FOR THROAT PROTECTION—FOR BETTER TASTE