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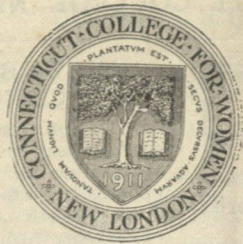
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LAUNCH ENDOWMENT EFFORT.

Alumnae Organize.

The long needed Endowment effort is underway.

Offices have been opened at 407-408 Plant Building with Miss Helen Hemingway of the class of '23 as executive secretary. Committees are being formed throughout the State to conduct an intensive effort probably the latter part of next month to raise \$550,000.

Governor John H. Trumbull has accepted the chairmanship of the General Citizens' Committee, a group of persons prominent throughout the State.

George S. Palmer, President of the Board of Trustees, has been named chairman of the executive committee which acts for the General Citizens' Committee.

Leaders are now being selected for every large city in the state and they in turn will name sub-chairman and teams of eight workers each.

Miss Agnes Leahy, President of the Alumnae Association and head of the Personnel Bureau, and Miss Julia Warner, class of '23, but now of New York City have been elected as alumnae members of the endowment executive committee.

They have already begun plans to organize the alumnae throughout the East for the intensive endowment effort.

In the event the college raises its goal the General Education Board will further augment the endowment with a gift of \$150,000. This will raise the total in the effort to \$700,000, of which \$500,000 will be for endowment.

Persons throughout the State have become interested in Connecticut College's effort to raise its endowment fund mainly because of the wonderful record the college has made during the ten years since it was actively started.

In ten years Connecticut College has become an A-1 institution, a record unequalled in college annals.

Starting with a student body of 103 in 1915 it now has 516 students and a faculty of fifty-five. The college has assets of virtually \$2,500,000.

DR. HOCKING TO ADDRESS CONVOCATION.

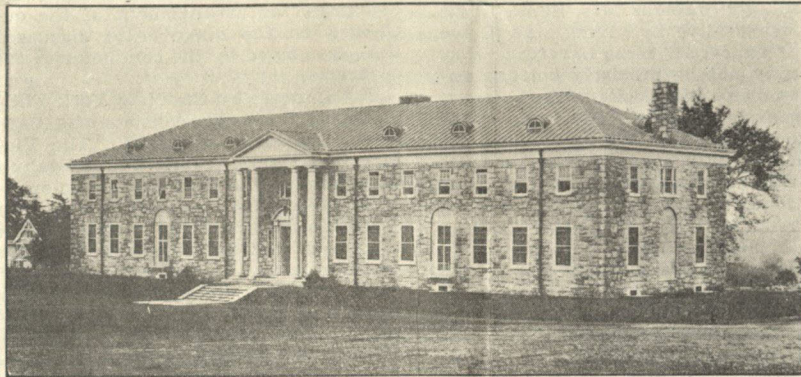
Convocation on October 27th promises to be of exceptional interest as William Ernest Hocking is to be the speaker at that time. He is Professor of Philosophy at Harvard University and a recognized leader in his field. Besides being an authority on all matters pertaining to Philosophy and also a noted lecturer, Professor Hocking has written extensively and is the author of several books.

He is well known in New London as he has been here before. He was a Convocation speaker in February, 1924. Those who heard him then will recall his magnetic personality, his convincing manner of speech, and his method of correlating facts to present-day needs and conditions.

His subject at Convocation, "Imitation and Its Care," will be of especial

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COLONIAL HOUSE TO BE DEDICATED.



Colonial House completed during the past year, will be formally dedicated October 24. This dormitory was thrown open to students at the opening of college this Fall.

PADRAIC COLUM TO SPEAK

The Senior Class will present Padraic Colum, the versatile Irish author, whose genius has placed him in the front ranks of modern writers, at the college on October 24th, at 8 P. M., under the auspices of the Sykes Memorial Fund. His subject will be Contemporary Poetry with readings from his own verse. The Senior Class annually gives a program for the purpose of raising funds for a memorial in memory of the late Dr. Frederick Henry Sykes, first president of the college.

Mr. Colum is well known among student bodies. He has had a brilliant literary career—writing in his early youth many poems and plays. Later he joined the National Theatre movement in Dublin—his plays having been the first to be produced by the Irish movement. To-day, Mr. Colum is widely known as contributor to the leading English and American magazines. He is a native of Longford, Ireland—the country of Oliver Goldsmith. From literary standpoint Mr. Colum's prose works constitute one of the greatest achievements of modern times. His stories of Irish life and folk lore are singularly interesting, and have unusual vitality. He has been equally successful in writing fairy stories for children, and arousing interest in classic legends. In recent years, Mr. Colum has met with pronounced success as lecturer in this country, and has delighted many audiences by his charm as a speaker. The reading of his verse amounts to an art itself. We are most fortunate to be able to welcome Mr. Colum to our campus.

NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC OPENS CONCERT SERIES.

The first concert of the 1925-'26 series was given in the State Armory on Tuesday night, October 20th. As has become customary this first number of the year's program was given by the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, this time with Willem Mengelberg conducting.

The program was unusually interesting and varied.

Each—Suite No. 2, in B. Minor. Schelling—"A Victory Ball," Fantasy for Orchestra.

Weber—Overture to "Der Freischutz." Brahms—Symphony No. 2, in D Major, Op. 73.

The Bach number afforded the audience the unusual opportunity of hearing Mr. Mengelberg himself play the harpsichord part. The Schelling selection, "A Victory Ball," was a decided contrast to the preceding number. It is a vigorous, dramatic, and intensely emotional tone painting, inspired by Mr. Alfred Noyes' poem of the same name.

Weber's "Der Freischutz" was perhaps the most familiar feature of the program. It is a graceful, tuneful work as transparent as a great composition can well be. Brahms' best known and loved symphony, No. 2, in D. Major, closed the program. It is work which appeals, even to the musically uneducated, as very comprehensible and very beautiful.

The armory was filled nearly to capacity, with an appreciative audience and forecasts for the rest of the series a success commensurable with the unusual high quality of the program.

DEDICATION PROGRAM.

12.30—Luncheon.

The College Glee Club will sing during lunch.

Dedicatory address by President Benjamin Tinkham Marshall.

2.30—Competitive Step Singing by the four undergraduate classes.

3.15—Hockey game.

3.45—Inspection of buildings.

4.00-4.30—Student tea in Colonial House.

The Annual Exhibition of Paintings will be hung in Colonial House beginning tomorrow. They will be on display until November 7th.

DEDICATORY EXERCISES.

President to Speak.

Colonial House, the newest dormitory on the campus, will be dedicated tomorrow afternoon. President Benjamin Tinkham Marshall will make the dedicatory address.

The dedication services will be preceded by a formal luncheon at 12.30 o'clock which several hundred persons prominent throughout the State are expected to attend.

These guests for the most part comprise the General Citizens' Committee headed by Governor John H. Trumbull as chairman, who will aid the college in its \$550,000 endowment effort next month.

Following the dedicatory exercises and luncheon, college students will present a program including competitive step singing by all the classes and a hockey game. The college buildings will be open for inspection from 3 to 4 o'clock. At 4 o'clock tea will be served by the Student Council in Colonial House.

During the luncheon the College Glee Club will sing.

Colonial House is a two-story grey granite building constructed during the past year at a cost of approximately \$200,000. On the first floor is the salon, 72 by 46 feet, which has already become one of the social centers of the institution. A suite for the house fellow, two ample reception rooms, a dining hall and pantries are also on this floor. On the second floor are twenty-four rooms, four of them single, and twenty accommodating two students each.

The dormitory was given to the college by the late Charles Clark Knowlton, of Ashford, Windham County. The plans were of Colonial design and hence the building was christened Colonial House. Its furnishings, too, are of Colonial nature.

Colonial House overlooks the hockey field and commands an impressive view of the Thames River and Groton Heights.

Governor Trumbull as general chairman of the endowment effort was expected to attend the luncheon tomorrow and speak but owing to another engagement he will be unable to attend.

The college's annual exhibition of paintings will also be hung in Colonial House tomorrow. The exhibition will continue until November 7th.

COLUMBUS DISCOVERS CONNECTICUT.

Next Monday evening, October 26th, the Chronicles of America photoplay, "Columbus," will be given in the College Gymnasium, beginning at 6.45 o'clock.

This is the first of a series of motion picture performances that will be presented on Campus during the coming year, in connection with the courses in American History. These Chronicles of America Photoplays, produced under the direction of the Yale University Press, are now recognized as perhaps the most significant contribution yet made to the field of visual education. They re-create events of outstanding

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Connecticut College,
New London, Conn.
October 23, 1925.

Dear Alumnae: Do you remember the happiest four years of your life, which you spent at C. C.? The moonlight sings, the boat rides, and the long hikes through the woods, all bring pleasant memories.

There are over five hundred of us now, doing the things you did and enjoying what you enjoyed. We want you to share our good times, and in every way feel one of us.

The *News* brings our happenings to you. By means of it you can listen to our fine speakers, keep in touch with Student Government, and play our games with us.

The Alumnae as a body aren't subscribing to the *News*, but you be "individual." We need your co-operation, and you need what the *News* brings you, of contact with college.

Send your subscriptions (we are making the rate one dollar to Alumnae) in time for next week's issue, to Harriet Taylor, the business manager of *News*.

Sincerely yours,

THE NEWS STAFF.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT.

At a recent meeting of Student Council, it was decided that girls should be allowed to taxi from the station after train and busses arriving before 8.30 P. M., when returning from a week-end. Students' attention is also called to the fact that if a student returns to her house between 10 and 10.30 P. M., she should report to her house committee rather than to council.

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interest to students, since it will deal with Professor Hocking's observations and criticisms of the modern collegian, based on a background of years of training and study in his field. However, we may be sure that, if he criticises, he will do so constructively.

THE LOITERER.

In the Nature of a Few Words About Alma Mater.

The Loiterer has no clear or photographic mental picture of Alma Mater nor is there any symbol in her mind which displays to perfection the charms of this mythical being. But as far as she can figure out, this great person is a thoroughly maternal (of course), yet exceedingly gracious Mrs. Santa Claus who keeps alive by giving, and is too wise to expect anything in return. Now this may not be precisely correct, because no one ever spoke to the Loiterer, in understandable words of one syllable to explain the exact collegiate attitude. Thus she was forced to probe into the mirror of souls, and the above mentioned image is what she thought she saw.

Coincident with this, is the idea that every fall this bountiful being goes a hunting, and solicits from the parents of the country the pleasure of their daughter's company. But does she? Do not the parents of the country entreat the Alma Mater to cherish their young girls, and teach them these detours which encircle the pitfalls of life? And how the young girls resist, and how anxious they are to explore the pitfalls. Poor, dear Mrs. Santa Claus! She is much like a great fruit tree whose cloistered branches are cluttered with fruits, for instance—apple fruits, that look rosy around at nearby peach or plum trees, and drop great juicy tears of self pity.

But why didn't these potential fruits choose the trees of the pears and peaches; it wasn't Mother Nature's choice. Once done—this irreparable wrong, what then? Perhaps nothing, but out of fairness to the other apples it might be wise to try drying the Tears of Bitterness with the Towels of Buffoonery. Or if not these particular towels, others more suited to the particular tears.

For one bad apple can spoil the appearance of an entire tree. The obligation is not personal, which is too bad, but it is impersonal, which is worse. The Loiterer herself uses great piles of towels as she observes the ill humor of her contemporaries. For there comes a time when all good apples are harvested, and how much more satisfactory to the ego—to be shined up and put on the market, than to be left lying lonely and forgotten. How drab; how morbid!

Do you think that the Loiterer has exaggerated? Perhaps. Do you think that the Loiterer should look about her again, and notice the many fruits that hang joyfully suspended among the splendid branches? But alas, they are free from her supervision; they do not need her loving care.

AN OPEN LETTER.

There has been during the past few years a strange code of honor prevalent among college students. It is a code which will not permit a girl to report another girl for breaking a rule, because to do so is not playing fair to the culprit, yet which does not interfere with a girl breaking a rule herself. According to the current belief, if Mary reports Jane, she is not playing fair with her fellow students, yet no one seems to consider that if Mary breaks a rule and does not report it she is being equally unfair to herself. I am not advocating the telling of tales, I am simply urging students to be consistent. If a girl's honor is acute enough to prevent her betrayal of another, why is it not acute enough to prevent the betrayal of herself? When a girl receives her matriculation card

DR. ERB INTERPRETS FIRST CONCERT OF SERIES.

Friday evening, October 16th, in the gymnasium, Dr. Erb gave an interesting lecture on the structure of an orchestra, and the program of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra concert of October 24th. The structure of the orchestra had its birth in antiquity. The modern orchestra began about the time of Haydn. The four divisions of an orchestra are the string instruments, the wind instruments, the louder wind instruments, and the instruments of percussion. Dr. Erb spoke of some of the instruments in these groups, and explained the arrangement of the orchestra on the stage; also discussed the part played by the conductor of the orchestra.

The Concert by the New York Philharmonic Orchestra consists of a Bach Suite, a modern selection. "The Victory Ball," an overture, and a Brahms Symphony. The Bach Suite was originally only a set of dances written for a small orchestra. The movements are numerous and rather short. The use of flutes is due to the fashion then in vogue. "The Victory Ball" was written by Ernest Shelling, a modern American composer who was a pupil of Paderewski. The Bach Suite made use of as few instruments as possible, but "The Victory Ball" makes use of as many as possible. The piece was suggested by Alfred Noyes' poem, "A Victory Ball." The piece attempts to show dancing crowds, interrupted by American soldiers. The trumpets and Scotch bagpipes help to give it the proper atmosphere. Dr. Erb played the themes of the different parts of the composition. The Overture is the most distinctly nationalistic opera ever written in German. It is based on an old German legend.

The second half of the concert was the Brahms' Symphony in D, which has four movements, the first and last brilliant, the second expressive, and the third interpretive of a dance. Brahms is the greatest German composer after Beethoven.

at C. C., she automatically becomes a member of the college and, as such, a participant in all its activities. Student government is an essential factor of college life and it is not a separate factor—it pervades all parts and each student is a part of it. This being true, there is no excuse for the attitude which seems to be so prevalent that only members of the Student Council are responsible for the upholding of the government. Such an attitude is unfair to the members of Council and to the individual students. No member of Council desires to act in the role of a policeman. Instead, it is her chief aim to live consistently true to her own honor and to help others to keep faith likewise. Student Government would work automatically and the judiciary officers of Council would be practically non-existent if each girl would be consistent in her honor system. If a girl is dishonorable to herself, you cannot expect the government of which she is a part to be a success. It is a wise saying that to be happy and carefree you must be as honorable in dealing with yourself as you are in dealing with others. As the poet has it: "If thou to thine own self be true, thou canst not then be false to any man."

Henry S. Granes, Dean of the Yale School of Forestry, has announced that a two-hundred acre tract of the Ray Tompkins Memorial acreage is to be kept as a plant and animal preserve. Not only will it be of service to the classes in Botany, Zoology, and Forestry, but it will be of service to the community in preserving the plant and animal life of that section of Connecticut.

FRESHMEN QUIZZED ON "C'S."

The "C" quiz of October 14th brought to a close the Freshmen initiation which has been going on for the last two weeks. The "C" hand-books were much in evidence several days before the quiz, not only among Freshmen, but also among Sophomores. The night of the event, the Senior class in cap and gown marched solemnly to their seats on the platform. The Sophomores were seated on one side of the gym, the Freshmen in the middle of the gym floor, and the Juniors occupied the balcony. The Seniors were given the privilege of asking the first questions. Some of the answers provided much merriment, as also did some of the questions. On the whole, the answers showed that the Freshmen know their "C's" exceptionally well. After the Seniors had finished asking questions, the Sophomores began, the quiz lasting about an hour and a half, although some failed to answer their first question, no one of the Freshmen had to write the three-hundred word paper for not answering the second.

A revision of the rules for the "C" quiz have made it a far more serious affair. The Sophomore President now designates the sections of the "C" for which the Freshmen are to be held responsible. The fact that foolish questions cannot be asked, and that Sophomores must answer the second question if the Freshmen fail to do so has done away with the undue merriment of past years and has given the Freshmen a better idea of the importance of Student Government laws.

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Better Homes for Brain-Workers.

In an effort to encourage better housing for intellectual workers, the International Federation of Building and Public Works with headquarters at 17 Avenue Carnot, Paris, France, announces the organization of an international essay competition for which Willard Reed Messenger, of New York has offered \$1,000 in prizes. The first prize will be \$500; the second prize \$300; the third prize \$200.

Participants should submit their papers typed in French or English not exceeding four to five thousand words which may be accompanied by sketches, not later than January 15th, and prizes will be awarded the following month.

Papers should include the four following divisions, states the official announcement just issued from Paris.

I. Administrative or legislative measures for facilitating the construction of houses intended for the middle classes or intellectual workers.

II. Financial policy—loans, amortization, etc.

III. New construction methods intended to reduce the cost of building, together with sketches.

IV. Conclusions.

The data submitted and sketches must bear some legend or pseudonym and be sent with an enclosed plain, sealed envelope bearing only the legend on the outside and containing enclosed the name, address and profession of the competitor, which will be opened only after the winners have been selected by the Jury of Judges.

The Jury will include at least two American members, three members will be named by the International Federation and three by the French National Federation, and three members named jointly by these two organizations. The Jury will choose its own President.

The subject of better housing for brain-workers was given primary consideration at the biennial Congress of the International Federation, held in Paris in June, at which forty nations were represented, and to which President Coolidge appointed several American delegates.

**MATHEMATICS CLUB
MEETS.**

At the first Mathematics Club meeting of the year, the following officers were elected: Treasurer, Mary Crofoot; Chairman of Program Committee, Barbara Bell. Dr. Leib told briefly of the purposes of the Math Club and of what it has done. He also spoke of recent movements in education, especially in connection with the Junior High School and the Junior College.

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Receipt of applications for assistant child psychologist will close November 3. The examination is to fill vacancies in the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor, at an entrance salary of \$2,400 a year. After the probationary period of six months required by the civil service act and rules, advancement in pay may be made without change in assignment up to \$3,000 a year. Promotion to higher grades may be made in accordance with the civil service rules.

There is also a vacancy in the position of assistant economic analyst (psychologist) in the Children's Bureau, New Haven, Conn., which will be filled from this examination. The entrance salary for this position at New Haven is 95 cents an hour.

The duties, under general supervision, are to study the development and behavior of certain groups of pre-school children, and to write reports thereon.

Applicants must have been graduated from a college or university of recognized standing, with the completion of 118 semester hours of college work; and have had at least one year's graduate work in psychology. In addition, applicants must have had at least one year's experience in scientific studies of the mental development and behavior of young children.

Competitors will not be required to report for examination at any place, but will be rated on their education and experience, and a thesis of publications to be filed with the application. Full information and application blanks may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or the secretary of the board of U. S. civil service examiners at the post office or custom-house in any city.

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CALENDAR.

October 24th, Saturday—Dedication of Colonial, Interclass Sing, Hockey game.
 October 24th, Saturday—Sykes' Fund Lecture.
 October 25th, Sunday—Vespers.
 October 26th, Monday—Columbus Film in Gym.
 October 27th, Tuesday—Convocation, Dr. William Ernest Hocking.

ALUMNAE WEDDINGS.

September 26th, Helen Douglas, 1924, was married to David North, Yale ex-1925. Mr. and Mrs. North will live in New York City.
 October 3rd, Alice Ferris, 1923, became the bride of Charles Lewis, Syracuse University, 1923. The couple will reside in City Island, New York City.
 October 10th, Louise Hall, 1924, and Ernest Spring, Yale, 1924, were married. Mr. and Mrs. Spring will live in Detroit, Michigan.

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A comparison of the railroad and sleeping car fares in the United States and Europe shows that passenger transportation charges in this country are substantially lower than first class rates abroad.

When reduced to a mileage basis the passenger rates, including the sleeping car charges, in England average approximately 6.3 cents a mile while the American rates average approximately 4.8 cents a mile.

Rates on the Continent are much higher. Reduced to a mileage basis, the fare from Paris to Milan is 18.8 cents a mile, while between Buffalo and Indiana Harbor, a trip of corresponding length, the fare amounts to only 4.5 cents per mile.

Even these fares paid by Europeans are not the total cost of the journeys. The American passenger is entitled to free transportation of 150 pounds of baggage. In Europe, except in Great Britain, every pound of baggage except ordinary hand baggage, must be paid for. No tourist can calculate these charges in advance, for the complexities of the baggage tariffs are quite beyond the grasp of the ordinary human mind. The only thing that can be counted upon with certainty is that they will be enough.

COLUMBUS DISCOVERS CONNECTICUT.

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importance in American History from the voyage of Columbus to the close of the Civil War.

In the production of these pictures the most faithful and painstaking work has characterized every step. Not only each incident and action portrayed, but every character and costume, setting, structure, and implement; every detail of custom and habit; every phase of military and naval practice; every word in the explanatory titles; in short, every object and movement shown represents the careful study of specialists and the labor of trained investigators in libraries, museums, and historical institutions.

All the costumes are made from individual sketches drawn by an artist who has long made history his major interest. In selecting the actors to take the parts, thousands of candidates are interviewed by historical experts and "screen tested" for close resemblance to the character in question.

The dates and pictures thus far booked for Connecticut College are as follows:

- October 26—Columbus.
- November 2—Jamestown.
- November 9—The Pilgrims.
- November 23—The Puritans.
- November 30—The Gateway of the West.
- December 14—Wolfe and Montcalm.
- January 11—The Declaration of Independence.
- February 15—The Frontier Woman.
- February 22—Yorktown.

Before each of these pictures a brief explanatory lecture will be given by one of the major students in the Department of History. This lecture will not cover the incidents shown in the photoplay, rather it will sketch an historical background for them, in so far as that can be done in the fifteen minutes between 6.45 and 7.00 o'clock. The actual showing of the pictures will take place between 7 and 8. Between the reels, the two or three minutes of waiting will be filled with anecdotes and other historical material prepared and presented by other students in the American History courses.

PRINCETON LIMITS ENROLLMENT.

In order to get more of the student body in college dormitories, Princeton

has limited its enrollment to 2,200. In view of the new buildings under construction, they plan to have eighty-two per cent. of the students on campus. About seventy-three per cent. of them live in college houses now. This policy has been adopted because Princeton wants all the educational advantages of a large University coupled with the campus life of a smaller college.

Yale Museum to Co-operate with Schools.

The Peabody Museum of Yale, which is to open in December, is carrying out plans for a children's room. Classes from the seventh and eighth grades, and Biology classes in the High School are especially welcome. If this experiment proves successful, Dr. Richard Lull, the director, anticipates an entire building given over to the Children's Museum.

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