RELIGIOUS CONTROL LOST
SAYS DR. BERNARD BELL
Interesting Student Reaction Noticed

“Why has the Christian religion lost control in America?” Dr. B. J. Bell, author and regular visitor at Connecticut College for a number of years, answered this timely question with a consideration of conditions as they are today.

There is no doubt about the facts of the matter. Christianity has lost its control over people as practically all phases of life show. Curiously enough, religious banking is not on Christian lines. Education is secularized and has no set standards. In this social intercourse, it is not practical to let on that one is a Christian. The majority of citizens are unconnected with any church. The Christian moral code is dented by modern science and the new psychology, about which few people really know or understand.

People pray vaguely, if at all, and mainly if in trouble. They go to church once in a while. Yet these simple brief practices are not religion. At best they are dim memories which have no influence on the people’s lives.

Why, then, do people still bother to give thought, time, and money in building churches? Why do ministers still devote themselves to such a field where there is no money, a particular honor in the eyes of the people? To many people, preachers are regarded as knowers or are tolerated as good but eccentric people. Yet they, as well as laymen—a minority in the total population to be sure—still go on with blind and spiritual devoted work.

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BRIEF SONG CEREMONY MARKS IMPORTANT OPENING OF FRANCS BUCK THEATRE

On Thursday at 12:45 the Frances Buck Theatre was opened to College use with an informal ceremony. President Blunt spoke briefly, the choir sang God of All Nature. During the program class songs were sung by the students. The entire program lasted about twenty-five minutes and in order to accommodate it, one o’clock classes convened at 1:15. The ceremony was not open to the public, but members of the Faculty of the Board of Trustees and Administration with their families were cordially invited to attend.

The entire program of the meeting is as follows: 12:00—Meet at U. S. Coast Guard Academy, Administration Building, for inspection tour. 12:30—Luncheon. Home Port Coffee House. 1:00—Address of Welcome: Dr. Katherine Blunt, President of Connecticut College. 1:30—Address: “The Place of Physiological Chemistry in the Curriculum of a College for Women,” by C. E. McKee, Connecticut College. 2:00—Address: “The Organic Chemistry of Vitamin A,” Dr. Marion T. Boortz, Columbia University. (Continued on page 5, column 1)

HOME ECONOMICS DEPT. RECEIVES HIGHEST PRAISE

Last Saturday on the Home Economics Club picture, a most important fact was discovered to regard to the Home Economics department at Connecticut College. A recent report showed that Connecticut had been recommended to her by the Peter Bent Brigham and Massachusetts General Hospitals of Boston because of its excellent department in home economics. The University of Southern California are the outstanding colleges for superiority in this branch of study.

The Home Economics Club spent the forenoon picknicking at Dean Burtile’s cottage, and held an informal business meeting, at which Polly Spooner ’35, was elected Secretary, and Peg ’35, was elected Treasurer. An announcement was made to the effect that club meetings, for majors and prospective majors, will be held on the first Thursday of every month in the living room at Vinal.

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“DR. LAWRENCE SAYS”

STUDENT DISCUSSION AROUSED BY DR. BELL

“Warden Bell—what did you think of him?” Thus runs the question. Simultaneously their Vesper sermons, Warden Bell seems to have reached many people in many places. We do not know his address, will be the only one open to students, and those interested are cordially invited to attend.

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Cousine Tolstoy Draws Sympathetic Picture of Great Russian Writer

Students Find Daughter of Leo Tolstoy eager to Discuss Present Russian Situation

Count Leo Tolstoy and his relation to other Russian writers was the subject of Countess Tolstoy, his daughter, on Tuesday, October 10. The Countess is now living at Haddam, Connecticut, where she runs a farm since her exile from Russia. After getting a few months’ leave to study the systems of education in Japan and the United States, the Society Government refused to promise that she would not have to spread propaganda against government morals in the school founded by her father, so she, in turn, decided not to return there and after a year and a half in Japan, came here to live.

In telling about Tolstoy, she first gave an account of his early life. There was a certain idea or principle which permeated all of his writings. Whatever that idea may be, it is understandable to the masses and it has a definite influence and inspiration for the people. Every composition has to have a moral basis in order to fulfill the first requirement. On the other hand he hoped that he didn’t tend to moralize or preach in his writings whereas in all of them he did this very thing. Contradictions such as this made up his whole character and personality and added to his charm.

His youth was marked by ambitions, a continual change from one interest to another. At first he thought he was intended to be a great composer and musician and wrote about the theory of music until it dawned upon him that he had no gift in this respect. From music he turned to Philosophy, studying the philosophies of various men, especially Rousseau whose Emile influenced him throughout his life. Always desiring to be thorough in everything he did, Tolstoy even tried to look like a Philosopher and for a time went around in a long toque in the manner of Dostoevski. As a result he was persecuted, and at last turned to his only trade, writing. At the same time he started a farm which was run barefooted. Tramps, especially, which he thought were his favoritos although he had an intense dislike for his dramas. He said, although he didn’t like Shakespeare, In speaking of Turgenev with whom he never got along very well, he said that although Turgenev was interested in his books, Andreyev, who had excellent technique, he didn’t choose good subjects to write about. Dostoevski lacked the technique. It is interesting however, that the last book Tolstoy ever read is the Brothers Karamazov. As he grew older, he tried not to fall behind the times in his opinions and was attentive to the young writers. Of them Andreyev was his favorite although he had an intense dislike for his dramas. He said, although he didn’t like Shakespeare, he did in particular Chekov who he lacked. Gorky gave an excellent picture of the Russian idea of life in Barefooted Tramps especially, but Tolstoy disliked his style, considering it forced. Andreyev never gave him a prize at all.

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PRES. BLUNT URGES STUDENTS TO FACE DIFFICULTIES

“Facing Your Difficulties” was the subject of President Blunt’s talk at Chapel Tuesday morning.

Now that we have all settled down to our regular work, new difficulties seem to be arising; President Blunt said. No one escapes having them, whether they be in personal relations with families and friends. It may be that we are troubled with classwork and don’t understand the teacher. The thing to do is to face the difficulties and not try to dodge them. If we analyze them we may be able to understand the sources of our work and of our failures and then miss it with a laugh. Often we find the fault lies with ourselves; perhaps we have had insufficient sleep or haven’t studied enough. A talk with the teacher will undoubtedly help in the solution of the classwork problem.

This week Dr. Winslowe from Yale will speak here about Student Problems in Mental Hygiene. His lecture will surely be of interest and benefit to all of us. President Blunt concluded by asking everyone both to meet the difficulties and feel free to consult with her at any time.

FIRST SERVICE LEAGUE MEETING

October 14—8:30 P. M.

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CONNETICUT COLLEGE NEWS
FREE SPEECH

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DR. LAWRENCE SAYS

The Navy-Building Race

I am overwhelmed with a Big Thought and I came to you for advice. My Idea rises as an indirect result of the Freshmen themes which are supposed to write. I have recently realized what a comparatively short time short time I have to live and I find it miserable that I must perpare over a thing of so little moment as the theme which is due Monday. It is useless and futile—the whole thing.

Yet, when I ponder on the reams of paper that I must blot out with incogn芸t sentences before the year is up, the minutes stretch to years and life is undoubtedly long. Now the handle. It is always 8 o'clock Monday morning.

Now, I am not at all sure that my life is not the playing and the pastime of shortness and fatigue, but I do know that I'd rather sleep than work any day. Again, I wonder whether I am perturbed because of the insidious contrivance of inevitable necessity. I find that one must stay up until after others have gone to bed before one can really get her work done properly. This may sound exaggerated to some of us, but it is a well-known fact that we have become very careess about the quiet hour regulations.

Perhaps some of us are able to study amidst the blaring of radios and the chattering of voices, but there are probably twice as many of us who cannot. Radios have quite a bit to do with the situation. They have become more and more common, until at present there must be one in more than half of the rooms in college. There is no harm in having them, even in as great numbers as we do, if we would only be careful about keeping them turned low. The trouble is that we let them blare forth, then try to make ourselves heard above the din. Then, too, aside from the radios, we are very careless about the way we clatter from one room to another, talking and laughing, with never a thought that there may be some one trying to concentrate in the next room. The library situation is very bad, and we find that we can't have peace even there—the one place on campus that we think of as being quiet. We go there, however, and find gay knitters chattering over the latest sweater patterns, excited students stage-whispering over an assignment, or a group of merry-makers down in the magazine room.

We have what we call the proctor system, whereby certain people are appointed by the house presidents to quiet the rambunctious members of the house—but somehow we don't take this system in the proper spirit. We either disregard their admonitions entirely, or we hold it up against her for trying to quiet us. We are too selfish about the whole matter. If we feel gay and inclined to gossip, we go right ahead, without giving a thought to those who are trying to study, or, perhaps, we cannot apply all this to the Freshmen. The majority of them are trying to do their best, to get the right start, but it is going to make it all the more difficult for them.

When they come up on campus the next year, and find that they are supposed to get their work done in a noisy atmosphere. The problem is a serious one. We must try to have some consideration for others, and to regard the position of proctor as a necessary and helpful one. We can easily get rid of the proctor system by undertaking to keep the quiet hour voluntarily—and when we do, let us take a long look at the situation.

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Despite popular allegations, there are a few persons in the world who believe that college students worry. Study by a psychology class at Purdue University conducted over a period of years revealed that 26 per cent of students were worried about their studies. Furthermore, 40 per cent of them are reported worried about money. Family affairs have 21 per cent of the students worried about their studies. Furthermore, 40 per cent of them are reported worried about money. Family affairs, 17 per cent, and religion, 5 per cent. The report shows only 12 per cent of the students are worried about affairs of the heart.

—Smith College.

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The town of Saybrook has the distinction of being the place where Yale College was founded. That was in 1701. Fourteen years later the college was moved to its present home but only after a terrific struggle. In an effort to destroy the property that was being withdrawn, legend says, blue paint was used in great quantities. Hence the Yale color.

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DR. WINSLOWE TO SPEAK ON MENTAL HYGIENE

In chapel on Tuesday, President Blunt mentioned Dr. Winslowe of Yale, who will come to speak here on Thursday, October 19. His subject will be "Student Problems in Mental Hygiene." Whether or not there are students bothered with mental worries and troubles, the lecture promises to be of general interest. Everyone is urged to come.

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Two girls in Knowlton are thinking of investing in nameplates so that their friends may have the pleasure of sitting next to them in embroideries—or perhaps a loud speaker would ward off intruders.

Will some budding physicist please discover an immunity against the force of gravity which has wrought disastrous results to the pies in the cooperatives? * * *

Contrary to the prediction of one faculty member that individuals in burlap bags would be ignored, the Freshmen received considerable attention. But then, lower forms of life can't be judged on the level of human behavior. * * *

Two of the weaker members of Vinal have taken up wrestling as a bugbear-developer. The fact that beds encumber have the pleasure of sitting next to them in an embroidery room; and they practically had to swim ashore.

CO. C. O. HAS BREAKFAST

Sunday morning a group of outdoor enthusiasts crossed to the Island for one of the famous 'Camping Breakfasts' Betty Waterman, Senior member of the Club, and Jean Vanderbilt, Sophomore member who was in charge, built the fire and put the bacon and coffee on to tempt the hungry crowd. After enjoying the breakfast, everyone sat around to sing and tell jokes. But the joke was on them for they stayed so long that they missed the train and they practically had to swim ashore.

CO. C. O. CALENDAR

WANTING TO GO TO NANTIC OVER-NIGHT?

All those who wish to have the fun of joining the Outing Club and spending Saturday night at Miss Burdick's cottage at Niantic, sign up at once.

WHAT IS LERNAN HILL?

Come-Sunday, October 15. Meet at the gym at 10:30 with your own cup and fork and fifty cents.

"Dr. R. W. Wells, botany department, taught his class in "back to nature" style in Wilming-teron," says The Carolina. "The botanist took a class in forestry to lake regions around Wilming-teron. He was inspecting plants closely while resting on a stump. The stump submerged, as did Dr. Wells, but the classes went on. Dr. Wells donned a loincloth improvised from a towel, and continued his lectures."—Fortnightly.

Professors of English and history at the University of Washington issue this advice to college students: "It is better to know: but when in doubt, bluff."

A school to teach girls how to become ideal wives has recently been opened in Tokyo, Japan. It is known as the "brides' school" and is trying to counteract the widespread movement in Japan to bring women into the various professions.

The literal meaning of "horse sense" is being determined by Dr. L. P. Gardner, instructor in psychology at Cornell University. Forty-five horses are going to school in order to exhibit their intelligence and uphold the reputation of fellow animals that graces the world over. They are given a series of tests which disclose memory, observation and color sense.

C. C. O. C. has breakfast.

Students' requests have opened Palmier Room

Time was when most of the student body were positive that the college "skeleton" must be hung behind the door of the Palmier Room. But then the college "skeleton" is in the top floor of the library. It seems that the idea was quite wrong—but there is something worth seeing in the room. It is open now from 3 o'clock until 5, from Monday through Friday, and a browse around in there will re-awaken a new atmosphere.

It was Mr. George S. Palmer, the builder, who persuaded his brother's widow to give the library to the college as a memoriam. To the library Mr. Palmer added his own very fine collection of books on early American travel, and also some 17th century period furniture. The books in this room are very rare. Many of them are "extra illustrated"—that is, the original editions have been taken apart, pictures have been put in, and then the books have been beautifully bound by hand. Other books are rare because of their illustrative contents. The history of printing, illustrating, and binding can be traced through these books.

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There's more than one way to pay for a college education. According to the Johnsonian, Winthrop College, a student at the University of Colorado washed a hundred and fifty thousand windows while working his way through four years of college. And at Creighton University five students have earned their way as radio announcers.—Fortnightly.

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Are the American people satisfied with an easy, aimless life? Has the Christian religion lost its control in America? If so, is it because we have allowed our Christian moral code to be debased by the new psychology and the modern sciences?

Dr. Bell, a recent speaker in Vespers brought this subject before us in a very forceful manner. He believes that the American people are guilty of all three but I think that Christianity today is far from stagnant. With leaders like Dr. Bell, Christianity is facing the situation squarely, and adapting itself wisely to modern needs.

Whether you agree with him or not, you must grant that he stimulated us. Let us speak more about him again.

Hockey Try-outs

There will be try-outs in hockey for the class teams on Tuesday, October 17, 4:30 p.m. Everyone who wants to try to make his class team is urged to come—regardless of what he believes his ability to be. The only requirement is that the try-out is in Class I, the physical rating. This will be the only chance to make the squad. Support your class!

Informal Hockey

Informal hockey will be held again this afternoon. If there are enough people out there will be an off-campus on-campus game. Come out and have some fun!

Tennis Tournament

The annual Bates Tennis Tournament is almost at an end. All students participating are urged to play off their matches as soon as possible so the tournament will not last much longer.

VESPER NOTICE

Forceful—convinced—sincere! These adjectives are immediately associated with the name of Dr. Julian A. Bever. He is not only a professor of the language and literature of the Old Testament at Union Theological in New York City, but he is also one of the outstanding authorities in the field of Old Testament research. Educated both here and abroad, Dr. Bever has been connected with Teachers College, and since 1913 with the philosophy department of Columbia University.

He is a teacher, an authority, and a most convincing speaker. Many will recall Dr. Bever’s stirring sermon here last Easter Sunday. (As a point of interest especially to members of College Dr. Bever is Dr. Daughlian’s brother-in-law.)

The Religious Committee has completed arrangements where-by students who know or desire to meet a particular vesper speaker may make up with him a small supper table in Knowlton dining hall on Sunday evening at the regular hour.

A seventy-six year old lad at the University of Utah was the only freshman to escape being hazed by the soph vigilance committee. His mother wouldn’t let them. Spotlight

At Marquette University, all students living in fraternity houses have their names, characteristics, and peculiarities listed with the police.
self against an air raid in the event of an attack from the distant parts of the Pacific Ocean as well as from the continent.

As a matter of fact, it is not impossible for the present heavy bombers, that have a cruising capacity of 1,500 kilometres, while carrying from 2,000 to 3,000 kilograms of bombs, to raid our strategic points, if they establish a base at Manila, Shanghai, Vladivostok, or the Ogasawara Islands. Moreover, think of the danger to the nation when the enemy succeeds in advancing his aircraft-carriers within the flying radius of his light bombers? Japan is, of course, painfully aware that the new navy-building program of the United States includes two more aircraft-carriers of 15,000 tons each.

(Fr. Henry W. Lawrence will write a column for every two weeks or so.)

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opment in living. It is a product of the age-old search for the true cultivation of one’s mind. Yet many are already dissatisfied with the stupidity of things as they now are. A time will come when men will look for something for which they may throw their lives away for a worth while aim, and then the Christian religion will be understood.

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