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Connteen Cast for This Year's Show Announced Today

Singers, Dancers for Choruses, Tap, Shag And Can Can Chosen

The new cast for this year's Connteen show has been announced after numerous try-outs. Though the cast is large the number of girls who will entertain at the surrounding camps and posts, however, will be limited by transportation facilities.

The girls included in the list are as follows:

Singers are Carolyn Arnoldy '45, Sue Balderston '44, Betty Barnard '45, Barbara Baudouin '45, Marie Bloomer '46, Miriam Braun '45, Sara Caskey '46, Mary Cox '44, Lois Fenton '45, Jeanne Jacques '44, Joanne Jenkins '45, Marion Kane '44, Ellis Kitchell '46, Ethel Lawrence '46, Lucretia Lincoln '44, Susanne Long '46, Jean Mendlor '45, and Ruthe Catherine Murphy '45.

Singers and Dancers

Also included are Ruthe Nash '44, Stratton Nicolson '44, Elaine Parsons '45, Janet Potter '46, Suzanne Porter '45, Sarah Rapelye '45, Margaret Sachs '45, Thirsa Sands '46, June Sawhill '45, Elizabeth Tait '46, Jean Temple '45, Anne Tiernan '46, Joanne Viall '45, Margery Watson '46, Patricia Wells '45, Jean Willard '45, and Margaret Wotherspoon '45.

The soloists will be Leah Meyer '45, classical and Betty Lyman '46, popular.

The Can-Can dancers include Jane Barksdale '45, Jane Day '44, Nancy Grosvenor '44, Alese Joseph '44, Elizabeth Tait '46, and Catherine Tideman '46.

The Tap dancers are Betty Barnard '45, Patricia Lick '46, June Sawhill '45, Frances Smith '44, Margaret Healy '46.

The Shag dancers include Beverly Bonfig '45, Nancy Faulkner '46, Patricia Lick '46, Elizabeth Onderdonk '46, Bernice Riesner '45, and Marion Thompson '46.

The alternates for singers are Nancy Hotchkiss '44, Lillian Teipel '46, Doree Gongwer '46, Adela Wilson '46, and Patricia Feldman '45. For the Can-Can are Marjorie Alexander '44, Natalie Bigelow '45, Bernice Riesner '45, Grace Wilson '45, and for Tap, Janet Potter '46.

The cast and staff are Cherie Noble '44, Patricia Trenor '44, Jeanne Feinn '46, Lucille Bobrow '44, Louise Rosenstiel '44, Marjorie Geupel '44, Alice Adams '44, Margaret Healy '46, Janet Cruikshank '46, Mary Hewitt '44, Ethel Sproul '44, Sally Robbins '46, Grace Wilson '45, Elizabeth Travlis '44, and Jessie MacFadyan '46.

Freshmen who have been chosen are Patricia Thomas '47, Grace Hickey '47, Margot Grace '47, Patricia McNutt '47, Doris Lane '47, Elizabeth Bogert '47, Jane Cope '47, Joanne Hutchinson '47, Mary Luff '47, Judith Mandell '47, Ann McBride '47, and Ann Shields '47. These freshmen who have been chosen will join the cast when the administration gives permission.

Barbara Avery Elected Editor of 1944 Koine

At a junior class meeting held Wednesday, October 27, in Bill 106, Barbara Avery was elected editor of Koine for next year. Grace Wilson will serve as business manager.



by Charlotte Beers '45

Academic Robes Trimmed With Colors Symbolic of Degrees

by Bryna Samuels '46

As the trustees, college representatives, and faculty members filed down the aisles of the auditorium on the day of President Schaffter's inauguration, the variety of colors on their impressive hoods and the difference in gowns and tassels brought questions into the minds of many people in the auditorium. Why did Dr. Scoville have a green band on her hood while Dr. Seward had a blue one? Why were some of the sleeves on the gown long and others short? Why were only some of the tassels yellow? What did all this mean?

In 1895, representatives of the governing boards of various interested institutions met at Columbia University to decide on a suitable code of academic dress for colleges and universities. The code set up at that time has come down to us with slight modifications, and today the same type of dress is used by almost every college in its academic processions.

The gown is always black; the Master's and Doctor's usually of

silk and the Bachelor's of worsted material. The Bachelor's gown has long, pointed sleeves; the Master's, a long sleeve that is square and closed at the end; on the latter, the forearm comes through a slit near the elbow.

The colors on the hoods are determined by the degree and by the college at which it was presented. For instance, Dr. Blunt was presented with a hood trimmed in blue and white with a border of purple velvet because blue and white are the colors of Connecticut college and purple is the color designating Doctor of Laws. There is a set color for every degree given, and it is the hood that gives real meaning to the academic robe.

The Colored Tassels

Some of the tassels on the "mortar-boards" were yellow and others black because only Doctors may wear the yellow tassel.

So it is not only the men in the army, navy, marines, and coast guard who show their rank by what they wear. Our faculty does too.

The names of the degrees with their symbolic colors are as follows:

- Arts and Letters—white
- Theology and Divinity—scarlet
- Laws—purple
- Philosophy—blue
- Science—golden yellow
- Medicine—green
- Pharmacy—olive
- Dentistry—lilac
- Veterinary Science—gray
- Fine Arts—brown
- Music—pink
- Library science—lemon
- Pedagogy—light blue
- Forestry—russet
- Commerce and Accountancy—drab
- Engineering—orange
- Physical Education—sage green
- Humanics—crimson
- Oratory—silver gray
- Public Health—salmon pink
- Agriculture—maize
- Economics—copper

President Schaffter on Staff of Admiral Pine For Spar Commissioning

President Dorothy Schaffter was a guest at the commissioning and review of the tenth Spar officers' candidate class to train at the U. S. Coast Guard academy this morning. Miss Schaffter was a member of Admiral Pine's staff for the review, which took place just before the commissioning exercises.

Sixty members of this class received commissions as ensigns, four candidates were commissioned as lieutenant (j.g.). Among the other guests were Colonel Oveta Hobby, director of the Wacs, Lt. Commander Dorothy Stratton, director of the Spars, and President Emeritus Katharine Blunt of Connecticut college.

\$4,000 Goal Set for Annual C. C. Community Chest Drive

Eight Days Are Added To Christmas Holiday

It has been announced that Christmas vacation will begin on Wednesday, December 15 at 11:00 a.m. and end on Wednesday, January 5 at 10:00 p.m. No railroad can make any reservations prior to November 16 due to a government regulation which sets a thirty day limit on the obtaining of reservations.

However, beginning Tuesday, November 16 any student may phone the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Reservation bureau instead of going downtown to make arrangements for going home. Full directions concerning trains and reservations will be available in a few days.

As yet the faculty has made no decision concerning the making up of the seven class days lost.

Visiting Nurse Ass'n New Addition to List Of Beneficiaries

The annual college Community Chest drive for which a goal of \$4,000 has been set, begins Monday, November 8 and continues through Monday, November 15. Printed pledge cards with the names of the organizations included in the drive will be given out by a Community Chest representative from each dormitory and her aides on each floor.

Each contributor will designate how his or her donation is to be divided among the organizations. The money pledged is to be paid by November 15. The progress of the drive can be observed on the large thermometer in front of New London hall.

New Organizations

The organizations under the Community Chest are the Red Cross, the Allied Children's Fund, the World Student Service Fund, the Student Friendship Fund and Miscellaneous. Money for the Allied Children's Fund helps students in foreign countries, while the Student Friendship Fund gives aid to foreign students on this campus. Included under the classification "miscellaneous" are the New London Mission house, Y.M.C.A., and a new addition to the campus drive, the Visiting Nurse association. The visiting nurses attend patients who need medical care but do not have the money to pay for it; they make calls that do not require a doctor's care, and they perform extra service in war-time because of the shortage of nurses.

Heads of the Drive

Chairman of Community Chest is Janet Leech '44, assistant chairman is Betty Seissen '45, and secretary is Constance Hopkins '46. Dr. Rosemary Park is faculty adviser. Marjorie Geupel '44 and Marion Kane '44 are co-chairmen of publicity, while Mary Brillhart '45 represents the House of Representatives.

House representatives include: Freeman, Mary McKey '44; Mary Harkness, Mary Jean Moran '44; Jane Addams, Patricia Hancock '45; Windham, Joyce Stoddard '45; Blackstone, Dorothy Fiske '46; Winthrop, Nathalie Needham '46; Branford, Virginia Niles '46; North, Elizabeth Dutton '47; Thames, Nancy Nock '47; Vinal, Norma Olsen '47; East, Alice Holmes '47; Grace Smith, Ann Shields '47; Knowlton, Joan Brower '47; Emily Abbey, Lois Hanlon '44; and commuters, Ruthe Nash '44.

Ground Crew Heads List of Popular WSC Activities

Results from the War Service committee blanks have been tabulated and the number of people who have volunteered their time to the various organizations are as follows.

In the actual volunteer work field: Nurses' aides, 20; home service work, 49; WANS, 66; clerical aides for hospitals, 31; dietitians' aides, 17; assistant girl reserve leaders, 5; Y.W.C.A. clerical service, 4; Girl Scouts, 9; Boy Scouts, 2; nursery school work, 90; ground crew, 222, and war bond and stamp selling, 260. Statistics on the packing of kit bags and surgical dressings, and on the volunteers for campus office and library work have not been completed yet.

In the courses offered under the War Service committee: home nursing, 47; home service, 47; nutrition, 18; recreation leadership, 27; first aid courses including refreshers, beginning and advanced, 45; nursery school, 48; canteen, 47; dietitians' aides, 21; cubbing (scout work), 4; salvage committee, 1; protective services committee, 7; Spars entertainment committee, 18, and the poster committee, 39.

Williams College Chaplain to Speak At Sunday Vespers

The Rev. Addison Grant Noble, chaplain of Williams college, Williamstown, Mass., will be the speaker at the vesper service to be held Sunday, November 7, at 7 p.m. in Harkness chapel.

Mr. Noble was graduated from Kent School in Connecticut, received his B.A. degree from St. Stephen's college, New York (now Bard college), and the S.T.B. from General Theological seminary, New York City. He did graduate work at Yale university from 1929 to 1933, and was Episcopal chaplain at Yale from 1929 to 1936. In the fall of 1936, he came to St. John's Church, Williamstown, as rector, and in 1938 was appointed to his present post.

Two Officers Elected At Psych Club Meeting

The first meeting of the Psychology club was held on Wednesday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Bill' hall under the direction of Barbara Gahm '44, president. The purpose of this meeting was to elect vice president and secretary for the coming year and to show the new psychology majors the facilities of the department, together with some of the experiments which have been conducted by members of the psychology classes.

Those who were chosen to lead the club's activities for this year were: Jean Buck '44, vice president; and Betty Seissen '45, secretary.

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Present Tense Community Chest

A Community Chest, they say; and just what is one? If we analyze it we are apt to emerge with a mental picture very similar to the term; a chest which contains contributions from members of the community. To make it truly a community chest, each member of the community should make a contribution. The whole idea of a chest involves the collection and accumulation of things as security against the future or a rainy day. In the modern sense of the term community chest, the future and the rainy day are in the present tense and security is needed now.

The campus community chest drive begins Monday, November 8 and continues for a week. On the pledge cards which are to be distributed, the names of the organizations to which the college community chest contributes will be printed. After the amalgamation meeting Monday night, there should be a clearer understanding of how the money given is put to use in each of the organizations included in the drive. The freedom of choice in designating how the donations are to be spread among the organizations implies a responsibility. We do not mean by this that one organization is more deserving than another. Rather we wish to stress the importance of expending a little thought before deciding how our donations are to be divided.

The old line that "it isn't the amount that matters, it's the spirit behind the thing that counts" is obsolete and furthermore, it does not apply to this particular situation. The spirit, literally, does not count up in terms of dollars and cents, and the fact that there is a spirit behind the drive should be taken for granted. On the other hand, the

FREE SPEECH

The Editors of the "News" do not hold themselves responsible for the opinions expressed in this column. In order to insure the validity of this column as an organ for the expression of honest opinions, the editor must know the names of contributors.

November 1, 1943

To All Members of the College Community:

I should like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the excellent cooperation which you have shown in connection with the dimout and of the work of the student wardens and aides who have helped so greatly in the supervision of the dimout in their houses. On the whole our record was very good—violation of 1-100 of 1% for September 1942 to June 1943.

Sincerely,
Frances S. Brett
College Air-Raid Warden

Dear Editor:

Since the local housing shortage makes it so difficult to find rooms for college guests, several New London women have sometimes rented their rooms to ease the situation. Out of consideration for these women, we should avoid last-minute cancellations of rooms we have reserved.

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CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 3

Concert, Miss Grace Leslie 8:00 Auditorium

Thursday, November 4

Choir Rehearsal 4:20 Chapel
Freshman Class Meeting 6:45 Bill 106
Wig and Candle Rehearsal 7:30 Auditorium

Saturday, November 6

Movie, Now Voyager 7:30 Auditorium

Sunday, November 7

Vespers, Dr. A. Grant Noble, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. 7:00 Chapel
Wig and Candle Rehearsal 8:00 Auditorium

Monday, November 8

Amalgamation Meeting 6:45 Auditorium

Tuesday, November 9

Choir Rehearsal 4:20 Auditorium 202
Dance Group 7:00 Knowlton
Mathematics Club Meeting 7:00 Commuters' Room
Wig and Candle Rehearsal 7:30 Auditorium

Wednesday, November 10

Mrs. Jeanne L. Bruckner 9:57 Auditorium
Wig and Candle Meeting 7:30 Auditorium
Informal Student Recital 7:30 Holmes Hall

amount does matter very much. The slogan "give 'til it hurts" is an excellent one to remember and remember well. If we actually give until it really hurts, we will have to get a larger community chest to hold our surplus in addition to the goal of \$4,000.

A Memory We Will Cherish

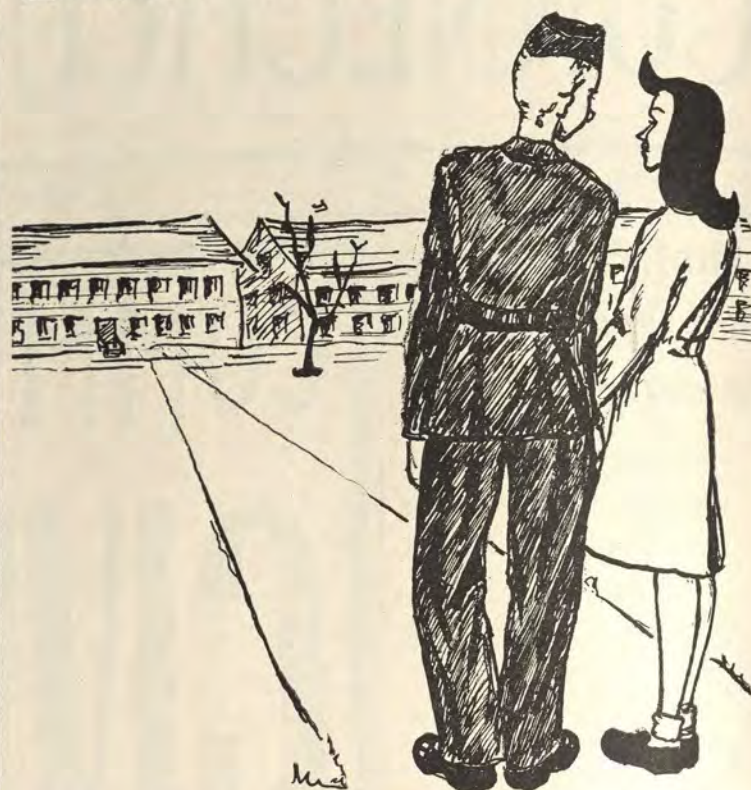
The recent inauguration of President Schaffter was an occasion which will remain in the memories of those who saw it for many years. The beauty and significance alone of the event were sufficient cause for its impressiveness. But more than these, the emotions of the members of this college community were so uniformly kindled that the ceremonies will be remembered for the very feelings of wholehearted love and respect and hope which were aroused.

The ovation which each and every member of the campus accorded to President Blunt with every mention of her connection with the college brought tears to the eyes of many as they tried to express through this acclaim the deep love which they bear toward Miss Blunt. Even the presentation of the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was, as Miss Schaffter stated, but slight recognition for Miss Blunt's gift of her great talents, her long experience, and her entire attention and affection for so many years. The feeling of love which the college tried to express to Miss Blunt when the degree was conferred upon her will always be remembered, and will be treasured as symbolic of that feeling which will always be tendered her.

The rest of the ceremonies marked a beginning. The speeches which were made were all expressive of hope—for this college and for all colleges. They were given by the educational leaders of the country, men and women whose achievements are respected and admired. The fact that these speakers and the other members of the academic procession were arrayed in robes symbolic of scholarship's highest ideals, served to heighten the effect of the inauguration. The experience of seeing the inauguration will be an inspiration for a long time.

CONNECTICUT-UPS

Sally Ford '44



Well, no—a barracks isn't exactly like a fraternity house

O. M. I.

(Office of More Information)

by Hedi Seligsohn '45

MOVIE MINUTES

by Marjorie Alexander '44

Russia: Advancing on All Fronts

The three-power conference at Moscow, which was scheduled to end some time this week, is not going to end at all. Instead of the three Foreign Secretaries of Russia, Great Britain and the United States, the personnel will be replaced by their representatives, and instead of Moscow, their official meeting place will be London, where a more or less permanent commission will be set up. Details are not known yet, but it is assumed that the commission will deal with problems of planning for the war and for the reconstruction of Europe. It is expected that a meeting of Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill will be held some time in the near future, the basis for which was laid in Moscow during the last week.

The records of the Moscow conference have not been made public, and some of them never will. But without speculating as to their nature, one can safely say that the conference as a whole was a success. It demonstrated that the Anglo-American bloc was cooperative and willing to see Russia's point of view. Otherwise it is unlikely that Stalin would have consented to establish the tri-partite conference on a permanent basis. Aside from this reassuring fact, the political implications of this first Allied commission which will consider general problems for the post-war period cannot be overlooked. It will calm the fears of all those who anticipated that Russia would appear at the peace table with a blueprint for a re-organized Europe, while the Anglo-Americans (following Churchill's maxim of winning the war before thinking about the peace) put up a stiff defense but no alternative. Many of the crucial problems of post war organization will be solved before the war is over in the European theater, and we have reason to hope that the solutions forwarded at the peace conferences will represent a fair cross-section of Anglo-American-Russian interests.

Question for Child-Psychologists

Ex-Premier Carlo Sforza may soon be back on the job. In an interview a few days ago the formerly exiled Italian implied that he was willing to join the Badoglio government, provided all Fascist leaders were ousted from official positions. There is also talk that the six-year-old Prince of

**** Excellent ** Fair
*** Good * Poor

****Johnny Come Lately

The Garde theater will present Johnny Come Lately as its feature attraction beginning on Wednesday, November 3 and continuing through Saturday, November 6. James Cagney, supported by such famous players as Grace George and Marjorie Main, is the star of this film which is produced by his brother, William Cagney. The story of Johnny Come Lately concerns the adventures and romances of a wandering vagabond, Mr. Cagney, and the women who enter his life. The film is extremely amusing and the acting, as may be expected from the actors, is excellent. This is the first picture which the Cagney brothers have produced, and in choosing this plot—which is based on a novel by Louis Bromfield, they have developed a movie which is a credit to them and to the entire motion picture industry. For a different and thoroughly enjoyable type of film entertainment, don't miss Johnny Come Lately.

**Wintertime

Commencing on Friday, November 5 and continuing for one week, the Capitol theater will show Wintertime, starring Sonja Heine, Jack Oakie, and Caesar Romero and featuring the music of Woody Herman and his orchestra. As one may perceive from noticing the title of this picture and its cast, Wintertime is another of the series of Sonja Heine movies which is concerned mainly with the ice skating of Miss Heine and has a rather weak and unimportant plot. In this case, the star is a poor little rich girl who does some glorious skating in her spare time. The settings of the film are extremely spectacular, the costumes are beautiful and the music of the Woody Herman band is very catchy, but these together with Sonja Heine's skating exhibition are the picture's main assets. The acting, however, leaves much to be desired and the plot is so poor that it becomes boring.

Naples would become the regent of Italy to preclude any constitutional hair splitting. Not knowing anything about the political rec-
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Mrs. Bruckner, Former Nurse Corps Ensign, to Visit C. C.

College Girls Called To Don Gray, Scarlet Of Cadet Nurse Corps

Mrs. Jeanne L. Bruckner, wife of Dr. William J. Bruckner, of New Haven, Conn., and a former ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve Nurse Corps, will speak at the morning chapel service on Tuesday, November 9, in Palmer auditorium under the auspices of the War Services committee. President Dorothy Schaffter will introduce the speaker.

Mrs. Bruckner will represent the National Nursing Council for War Service and the United States Cadet Nurse corps. She is one of thirty-three nurses, experienced in teaching, administrative or executive work, who have been released from their present duties on short-term leaves and selected by the U. S. Public Health Service and the National Nursing Council for War Service to take part in a College Field Program under the direction of Miss Eleanor Lee, Radcliffe college alumna. Members of the College Field Staff are now visiting colleges and junior colleges throughout the country to present to deans of women, faculty members and students the present needs and future opportunities of the nursing profession.

College Girls Called On

When the call came for women to enlist in the service of their country, many of the first to don the khaki or the blue of Wacs, Waves and Spars were college graduates. The country now calls on the college girl to enter another of the services and to put on a newly-designed uniform, semi-military in style, the gray and scarlet of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps.

The Cadet Nurse Corps has as its purpose the training of women to fill the vacancies created by the enlistment of some 2500 registered nurses a month in the Army and Navy Nurse Corps and to supply new wartime and post-war needs by enrolling in accredited schools of nursing at least 65,000 new student nurses this year.

Dr. Parran Stresses Quality

Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon General of the U.S. Public Health Service, who administers the Corps, and the National Nursing Council for War Service which is cooperating with him through its Committee on Recruitment of Student Nurses, stress the need of quality as well as quantity in the nursing service. Top positions in the profession and leadership in both wartime and post-war rehabilitation programs, they point out, await young women who have college background and training as well as preparation as nurses. The Army and Navy Nurse Corps need teachers and administrators; the rapidly increasing number of student nurses require additional teachers in schools of nursing. Public health and industrial nursing call for hundreds of especially prepared nurses who have more than minimum qualifications; so do hospitals and other institutions.

Served as Hospital Head

Mrs. Bruckner is a native of Los Angeles, and a graduate of Santa Barbara State College of the Huntington Memorial Hospital School at Pasadena, California.

She has served as head nurse at the New Haven Hospital, staff nurse of the New Haven Visiting Nurse Association, and instructor at the Knapp College of Nursing, Santa Barbara. She spent last year aboard the U.S.S. Solace in the Pacific, as a member of the U. S. Naval Reserve Nurse Corps. She is a member of the American Nurses' Association and the National League of Nursing Education.

Enlistment in the Cadet Nurse



MRS. JEANNE L. BRUCKNER

Miss Leslie Sings In Recital Tonight

Miss Grace Leslie, professor of voice in the Connecticut college music department, presented a song recital in Palmer auditorium on Wednesday, November 3, at 8 p.m. Miss Alice Wightman of New York was the accompanist.

The program was as follows: Geistliche Lieder. Adventslied (Advent Song); Passionsbitte (Passion Prayer); Auferstehung Christi (Resurrection of Christ)—Johann Wolfgang Franck (1641-1694)

Spring Longing (sung in Russian); La Femme du Soldat—Rachmaninoff. Song Without Words—Tcherepnin. Cradle Song, Parrot Song (from Boris Godounoff)—Moussorgsky. Snowflakes; My Native Land—Gretchaninoff.

Onde Porei Meus Olhos; Formosos Olhos—Berger. Kaddisch—Ravel. Galil—Chajes. Chanson Truste—Dupard. La Brise—Saint-Saens.

Evening Song (Lanier)—Griffes. Calls (Sandburg)—Golde. Nancy Hanks (Benet)—Davis. Spanish Johnny (Cather)—Sacco. Lilacs (Livingston); And This Shall Make Us Free (Sargent)—Kernochan.

Corps, Mrs. Bruckner will explain to her hearers, carries with it a free professional education, the first ever provided for women by the United States Government, for a maximum period of thirty months, full maintenance during that period, distinctive street uniforms and a monthly stipend. The Cadet on her part pledges herself to remain active in essential military or civilian nursing for the duration of the war.

Nurses Go Overseas

The first women to go overseas with the armed forces were the Army and Navy nurses. Since members of the Cadet Nurse Corps release graduate nurses for service overseas or in military and naval hospitals at home, the service they perform as undergraduates is recognized as being fully as essential as that undertaken by the Wacs, Waves, Spars or the Marines.

College graduates who feel that the nursing profession will provide wartime opportunity for public service and a satisfying post-war career will be urged by the College Field representative to enter collegiate or graduate schools of nursing and to specialize in administration, teaching, psychiatric nursing, public health nursing, clinical nursing or research. Here the scientific courses they have taken in college will serve as "basic training."

Appointments for interviews with Mrs. Bruckner can be made in Mrs. Setterholm's office on the second floor of Fanning Thursday, November 4.

Music Students To Give Recital on November 7

There will be an informal student recital held in Holmes hall Wednesday, November 10, at 7:30 p.m. This recital is being arranged by the Music department and those who will participate will be announced later.

Cub Reporters and Artists Among New Members of Staff

The following girls have been accepted as members of the News staff:

The new reporters are Nancy Favorite '45, Sara Levenson '46, Janice Somach '47, Patricia Wiman '46, Jane Rutter '46, Miriam Steinberg '46, Betty Hill '45, Mary Carpenter '46, Mary Batt '47, Sally Radovsky '47, Ellen Hasson '47, Mary E. Van Nostrand '47, Barbara Fry '46, and Janet McDonough '46.

The new members of the circulation staff are Betty Babcock '44, Barbara Wadhams '44, Suzanne Levin '46, Joan Weissman '46, Joan Brower '47, Margaret Camp '47, Suzanne Hancock '47, Jeanne Harold '47, Vera Jezek '47, Mary Morse '47, Marian Peterson '47, Jean Stannard '47, Marianne Tudor '47, and Helen Vinal '47.

Artists and Typists

The artists accepted are Jean Abernethy '47, Frances Osborne '47, Jean Stannard '47, Joan Somerby '47, and Charlotte Beers '45.

The new typists are Jane Shaw '44 and Marcia Faust '45.

Lorraine Pimm '47, Elizabeth Jones '47, Joan Somerby '47, Jean Stannard '47, and Anne Frank '46 have been added to the proof-readers staff, and Helaine Hays '46, Mary E. Cooder '46, Mary Morse '47, Joan Brower '47, and Betty Morse '46 have been added to the advertising staff.

The following girls have been added to the business staff: Marcia Faust '45, Sue Studner '47, Anne Frank '46, Lorraine Lincoln '46, Vera Jezek '47, Kitty Wile '47, Elizabeth Davis '47, and Elsie Macmillan '45.

Students who signed up for try-outs and wish to continue for a longer period may speak to Nancy Troland '44 in Freeman house.

Sunday Suppers Bring Forth Serenades, Winnie the Pooh

by Trudy Weinstock '44

Something new has been added! Wartime necessity has put the Sunday night picnic supper on the social calendar. Formerly, Sunday night suppers of soup and salad variety were served in the dormitory dining rooms, but a new system has been initiated to allow the kitchen help Sunday afternoons off. Now sandwiches, fruit and cookies are distributed after Sunday dinner, to be kept in the girls' rooms until supper time. The matter of eating Sunday night supper (always an informal meal) has become an art and a party affair—a pleasant moment to add a note of nutritional interest to everyone's Sunday, be it the Gloomy or Oh-What-a-Beautiful-Morning type.

Winnie the Pooh Is Read

In Freeman house, a congenial group gathers weekly and downs their sandwiches to the accompaniment of Chips Chapman's ('44) reading of Winnie the Pooh. Earlier in the year, when weather granted permission, the company marched themselves to the Arboretum for a real picnic.

Certain Mary Harknessites turn Strat Nicolson's ('44) room into a diner every Sunday, with each girl contributing her offering of

Mail Sorters Sing When They Serve the Maddening Crowd

by Betty Reiffel '46

"Are the R's out yet?" "Please put just one letter in my box!" "Hey, when is the window going to open?" "Say, can't you put a move on in there? I've got a class in five minutes!"

Not every student stops to wonder what the postmistress goes through as she runs around from one address to another, hurrying to put all those precious letters in the right boxes, all the while being yelled at and threatened by a surging crowd of impatient girls outside. She is separated from the mob only by the dubious protection of the thin wall of mail boxes. But Stratton Nicolson '44, postmistress, will testify that it isn't really as gruesome as it sounds. And she ought to know, because Strat has been around the P.O. ever since her sophomore days, and she affectionately dubs the job as "best on campus."

Most Letters from Service Men

As is easily guessed, service men are the ones who help most to fill up the boxes. The Army and the Navy are fairly evenly represented in the mail bag that Mr. Toohey brings around every day, and a great many of the letters are V-mail. Strat reports that many of the girls are keeping a watchful eye on that all-important job of morale building, as is indicated by the number of packages being sent overseas. But the postmistress warns that, aside from Christmas presents, no package can be sent overseas unless the service man has sent a special request for it.

The girls who work in the P.O. have two pet peeves, those chronic cases that constantly pester to find out what letter in the alphabet the letter distributors have reached, and the optimistic souls

that never bother with the return address and complain when their letters go astray.

Until the last four or five years, the office which now belongs to the Misses Thomas and Harts-horn was the scene of the twice daily mad scramble for letters. That part of the building became too crowded, however, and the P.O. was moved to a more favorable location downstairs. Bright ideas are now in order as to bigger and better places in which to get shoved around during the daily routine of watching the boxes fill up.

Singing Helps in Sorting Mail

Strat and her crew have found that singing fast songs helps no end in getting the mail out more rapidly. Mr. Toohey is well-known among his friends for having a very good singing voice and often when the gang behind the mail window is struggling with a heavy load of letters, he inspires them with his lusty baritone.

There are some ardent beaux who evidently don't mind airing their affections, as one might gather from those romantic post-scripts on envelopes and postcards for all to see. The P.O. girls also laugh about letters that arrive for a girl with her name or address spelled just incorrectly enough to make it obvious that a new acquaintanceship is blossoming.

Many local papers help to lift the gloom on weekday mornings, and Life, Time, and Reader's Digest have the biggest magazine circulation here at college. The samples, like the tiny packages of Camels sent to all the students a few days ago, add a little variety to the type of incoming mail and do their part in bolstering the spirits of letter-seekers.

Dimout Lifted, But Shades Must Be Down

The Army Dimout Regulation has been lifted as of November 1.

The College Pre-War Regulation that shades must be down in student rooms when lights are on still holds, in order to prevent attracting attention and for general student safety.

E. Alverna Burdick, Dean
Frances S. Brett, Warden

Dancing Beats Playing Ghost On Hallowe'en

by Jane Rutter '46

Knowlton salon saw Service League come through again Saturday night, October 30, with another dance that was a smash hit. Blind dates from the Academy met in house living-rooms at 7:45 p.m., and after meeting their dates, started on their way across the rain-soaked campus to Knowlton. Girls with dates arrived with soldiers, marines and civilians, but navy blue predominated.

The extra girls acted as hostesses and really kept things swinging. In fact, they kept things swinging so well that one girl saw her date only three times all evening.

The Well-Known Rush

One cadet found himself dancing with the same five girls time after time, and in the same order. Finally one of the five came up to his partner, tapped her on the shoulder, and said, "It's my turn now. You're the end of the line, and we're starting all over again."

As well as girls that were there without dates, there were a few unattached men too. One stag had stood at the same place on the sidelines for some time, and finally was asked why he didn't invite someone to dance. He replied, "I'm looking for a girl in a black dress, and I don't know her name. Furthermore, I've been standing here so long I don't even remember what she looks like. Can you help me out?"

Students missed Miss Oakes' annual Hallowe'en story this year. But the Hallowe'en spirit was there anyhow. Corn stalks, pumpkins, and a scarecrow decorated the salon. Somebody's vic provided the music, and the college provided the refreshments (cider and pretzels).

peanut butter, cheese, jelly, or crackers. The diets are put off 'til "manana."

Jane Barksdale '45 and cohorts decided to extend the entertainment. They invited Miss Oakes to join them for supper in their Windham suite one night, with tea and all the trimmings provided.

Several Coast Guard Reserve cadets (Sunday knights?) sang for their supper in Jane Addams house, until their dates took pity and shared rations. No mention of steak or butter permitted!

Disadvantages!

But the new system has its disadvantages too. Franny Smith '44 poses a problem of ethics that should stump even Dr. Morris: the weekend traveler (shades of pre-war!) commissions a friend to obtain her supper, but returns at eight or nine to find that someone was very hungry. In other years she would have missed supper anyway, but she can argue that she would have eaten on the train had she been sure of such skullduggery.

Also in this category is the unethical finfella who slyly snakes the egg salad and leaves cheese in its place. War presents such problems!



GYMANGLES

by Marjorie Lawrence '45

Tennis

The last of the semi-finals of the tennis matches were played off on Monday afternoon, November 1, when Ruth Blanchard '45 defeated Dorothy Royce '45, 6-2, 6-4. This means that this week, Virginia Binford '44 and Ruth will play in the finals. These matches will be played before Monday, so please watch the bulletin board, or you may miss a good thing.

Correction Please

Your reporter slipped last week and now would like to rectify an error. Elsie Williams '46 is manager of the sophomore class hockey team, not Jane Montague '46, as said before. Excuse the error, and note the change.

SPORT COMPETITION

Hockey

The inter-class hockey tournament will begin this week, as will the competition in all the sports. Hockey squads were posted today. Please note that the gray old seniors have mustered up their courage and a team. Warning to the other classes: Beware of '44.

Tennis

Interclass competition will begin this week. All four classes boast some racket demons—the matches will be good; the results—wait and see.

Speedball, Soccer

Competitions in these two sports are being arranged. Have you noticed the new goal posts in front of Knowlton? No, we're not playing Yale in football this weekend; those are for speedball.

Archery, Rifle, Golf

The individual has a chance to excel. Tournaments in these sports began today. Bullseye! Bullseye! Fore! The fun is on!

What Of the Spars

The game that was to be played this afternoon never came to be. Last week it was postponed because of rain, today because the Spars graduated. Perhaps the next class will really arrive on the field, and we'll have that Coast Guard competition.

Other Managers

Should you wonder who to question about the various sports, this may help. Tennis: Jane Shaw '44 or Eleanor Townsend '44; Rifle, Archery, or Golf: Nancy Tiernan '46; Soccer: Dodie Cogswell '46; and speedball: Pat Hancock '45. These girls have all the answers. Ask and see.

War Recreation To Be Offered Again By Miss Ruth Wood

The War Recreation course will be given again this year by Miss Wood as preparation for applied war service. This study is extra-curricular, and Connecticut college War Services certificates will be awarded upon completion. The class will meet for two-hour sessions on five successive Thursday evenings.

The downtown Y.W.C.A., Girl and Boy Scout organizations have expressed a need for people trained in recreational leadership. Girls trained in this field are urgently requested by several New London day care centers, where children of war working mothers must be cared for after school. This demand will increase as more women enter war plants.

Twenty-seven students have enrolled in the class. Anyone else interested in enrolling should see Mrs. Setterholm in Fanning 211.

New London, Former Whaling Town, Is Rich in Such Historic Spots as Old Town Mill

by Janice Somach '47

New London is not only the town in which Connecticut college is located, but it is one of the oldest townships in the state with a great deal of historical background. There are many students who, after being on this campus for as many as three years, have not taken advantage of the fact that sight-seeing in New London reveals a great deal in the way of historical interest, including buildings which date back as far as 1678.

The history of the town resembles that of most of the old New England settlements. New London originally included the territory now known as East Lyme, Waterford, Montville, Groton, Ledyard, and Stonington. In 1705, all the territory east of the Thames was relinquished and Groton was incorporated as a town. New London was always known as the "Old Whaling Town" and that industry practically monopolized the city. Everyone had a personal interest in the successful loading of each ship and they all helped each other. Looking down upon the Thames today, it is easy to picture the ships fully loaded and rigged and the admiration of all the townsfolk waiting until the coming morning to sail for distant seas.

First School House

The first school house of which any account has been made was built in 1713 on what is now the southwest corner of Hempstead and Broad streets. Girls attended this school only on certain days of the week, an hour at a time, at the close of the boys' school!

Another very old and very famous school is the Nathan Hale schoolhouse. When built in 1173, it stood on State street on the site of the present Crocker House. In 1901 it was moved to its present location on Huntington street. It is kept in excellent repair by its owners and is now used as a museum.

The Hempstead House, built in 1678, an old stone structure on the corner of Hempstead and Truman streets, is one of the oldest buildings in town, built by the Huguenots, and used as a fortification against Indians. Another

old dwelling is the Huguenot House, built in 1751, on the corner of Truman and Jay streets.

In 1775, Fort Trumbull, another historical spot, was a Revolutionary fortress, an irregular structure of comparatively small size. Standing high on its rock monument during the American Revolution, it had a gallant air of defiance.

Number fifty-nine on Bank street is a very famous address. It was here that George Washington slept quite often in 1756, both going to and returning from Boston.

Fine Old Churches

New London also boasts of some of the finest and oldest churches in Connecticut. The Saint James church on the corner of Huntington and Federal streets was built in 1847 and the final resting place of the first bishop in the American colonies, Bishop Seabury, is beneath the altar. The Methodist church and the Baptist church, both on Huntington street, were also built quite long ago, having been constructed in 1850 and 1849 respectively.

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Seniors Work on Individual Projects Related to Majors

by Patricia Wiman '46

No one can say the seniors are not genuinely interested in their majors, totally apart from their worry over generals. An inquiry into the matter of the individual projects that they have elected to

supplement their regular courses reveals the fact that they are most enthusiastic about this branch of intensified study.

In the romance language field, Dorothy Raymond, French major, is concentrating at present on Rousseau's Emile, under the tutelage of Miss Hier. Last year she became interested in the theories of education expressed in this work and decided to look into them before entering into general research on the attitudes of other French authors toward education. Kenny Hewitt and Franny Stout, Spanish majors, are studying Cervantes—his life and his principal work, Don Quixote. Kenny said that this project was fascinating in that it was an attempt to discover the essence of a national literature by studying the greatest author of that country and his influence on subsequent writers.

In fine arts, Ethel Sproul is making a study of contemporary painting and sculpture with Mr. Logan. Their primary interest lies in following the present trends in that field and drawing conclusions about the aims and methods of modern art from them. Dainey Breckbill and Nancy Troland are supplementing their English major by individual study with Dr. Jensen on creative writing. Dainey is doing short stories, hoping to work up to a novelette, and Nancy is writing plays. The course at present seems to consist of "writing, re-writing and re-re-writing" the same piece of work to improve technique after critical discussions with the professor.

The psychology majors, of whom there are six doing special work, as yet have nothing to report, owing to the fact that their projects do not begin until the second semester, but they opine that the work will deal in part with "running white rats." Bobby Gahm is one who has received special permission to explore her social psychology major by individual projects in both departments. The Auerbach majors' private studies are, of course, field projects undertaken with their summer jobs at Fox's in Hartford. And finally, Florence Creamer is pursuing a course in math called "selected topics" which sounds simple enough but actually means an investigation of a realm of figures far above the heads of most of us.

Generals should hold no fears for these erudite seniors. After the education they are now bent on acquiring, they are probably ready to take any exam in their strides.

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ord of the little prince, we are unable to judge whether this move is bad or good, but chances are that the Prince of Naples has fewer pre-conceived ideas than his grandfather. And that may be beneficial.

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Weeks' Sale of Bonds, Stamps Totals \$105

The sale of war bonds and stamps for the past week totals \$105.30. This figure includes the stamps that were sold at the Service League dance on Saturday, October 30, which amounted to \$15.90.

The total since the drive began is now \$320.75. Students are reminded that stamps and bonds are on sale Monday through Friday in the Sandwich shop and all day Wednesday in Fanning.

President Advises Consideration of Voting Problems

President Schaffter, in her chapel talk of Tuesday, November 2, spoke of keeping the ideal of representative government in mind whether or not one has reached the legal age for voting.

Dr. Schaffter said that ordinarily no comment would be necessary on election day but that, due to the war, voting looms up as even more important than ever before. Since the war began there have been no elections held on the European continent. Even in England elections have been partially abolished, for they are held only for the filling of local offices and Parliamentary vacancies. Meanwhile "in the United States literally nothing has happened." Today this nation is the only one in which the institution of representative government is continuing without interruption.

Two Important Elections

The importance of this institution increases in magnitude when one realizes that it is one of those things for which we are fighting, the president stated. In the United States today the two most important elections are probably those being held in New Jersey and in New York. In the former, the question is one of amending the New Jersey constitution which is one of the oldest and shortest but not the best in the country. The New York elections are important because of their national implications which may foreshadow coming political events.

It is interesting to view the opinions of others concerning representative government, Miss Schaffter said. In citing examples she referred to Thomas Paine, who wrote in the Rights of Man (1791) that government is no more than the management of a nation. This right belongs to the community as a whole, for sovereignty is the nation's right and not of the individual. A nation can change its governmental form at will, Paine stressed, as he laid down three laws: 1) men are born and continue to be free and equal in things other than material acquisitions, 2) the preservation of the rights of men, which are liberty, property, and the resistance of oppression, and 3) authority is derived from the sovereignty of the nation.

Government Aids Citizens

In 1835 Abraham Lincoln discussed this subject which is so vital today. He said that government is a combination to obtain certain things for the people which they, as individuals, could not get for themselves. These things include roads and bridges, schools, provision for the helpless, and the disposal of the deceased's property.

President Schaffter went on to tell of the words of John Stuart Mill, who wrote, in 1861, that the only government satisfying the exigencies of the state is a government by all of the people. There must be an admission of all the people to the sovereign part of the state, and, for this reason, the ideal type of government is the representative type.

Wig & Candle Play Tribute to Four Artistic Seniors

Recognition Awarded Aurell and Bobrow, Rosenstiel, Travis

Four seniors who have contributed a great deal artistically to Wig and Candle were honored at this meeting. Elizabeth Travis, Lucille Bobrow, and Louise Rosenstiel were made honorary members of Wig and Candle, while Dawn Aurell, who was already a member, was accorded special recognition. Louise Rosenstiel and Lucille Bobrow were commended for their magnificent job last year, both in musical score and actual writing for the Connteen. They were responsible for the song, "We're Emphatically, Democratically Inclined," and are now working hard to produce an even better song for this year's Connteen.

Dawn Aurell wrote the play which her class enacted last spring in competition with other classes. Elizabeth Travis was given special recognition for her skill as a composer and pianist. These two are now writing an operetta which will be given on campus and which will later be presented at various camps of the armed services.

Activities Explained

The functions of Wig and Candle were explained on Monday, October 25, to a group of freshmen and commuters in the auditorium. The purpose of this meeting was to give the newcomers an idea of the variety of activities that go on within the club.

Dawn Aurell '44 told of the meaning of Wig and Candle, its history and traditions; Caroline Townley '44 spoke on the drama-

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tic angle; Geraldine Hanning '45 told how much fun and work acting is; Suzanne Porter '45 explained the lighting system and its operation; Betty Anderson '45 told of the duties of the prop committee; and Libby Woodruff '45 explained the tasks of the stage manager, one of the hardest and most important jobs in putting on a performance.

In conclusion the members of the club escorted all the guests on a tour around the auditorium where they investigated the scene of all the action about which they had just heard.

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Caught on Campus

Mr. Destler sitting in one of the comfy chairs on the main floor of the library reading "Winnie the Pooh" and "Now We Are Six." Author: A. A. Milne, publisher: don't know, date: twentieth century, pages: many.

Binnie Binford '44 has announced her engagement to Ensign John C. McLeod of the U. S. Navy.

Sally Weckler '45 has announced her engagement to Dan Johnson of the Navy V12 at Duke university.

Edith Ballin '46 has received her engagement ring from Bob Colt, an industrial engineer.

The best boner we've heard about emerging from the Inauguration is the one Scotty MacMillan '44 made when she read the program where it said President Emeritus Katharine Blunt. Scotty considered the name carefully and then said, "What an odd name to christen somebody, Emeritus Katharine."

"Who ever said there were snakes around the college?" Both Trudy Weinstock '44 and Rusty

Grosvenor '44 thought they saw a snake as they were walking along, but they were wrong. They continued on their way to Holmes hall where Trudy had a class and they paused long enough to converse before parting. Suddenly they looked down and there was a delightfully real live serpent, and big too, coiled up in the sun on the lawn. They dispersed with double quick commando tactics and gave forth yells which harassed the music students in Holmes to say the least. This is a case of reptile coils, goils recoil. Pretty snakey!

The Information office (which contains the faculty mail boxes) hasn't stopped giggling over Ellen Haight's '46 experience as switchboard operator not long ago. Buzzed and asked "Are there any rats there?" she retorted: "What! There aren't any rats here; this is Connecticut College for Women!" Needless to say Prof. Seward's white rats for the psych. experiments hadn't arrived.

166 Persons Sign To Donate Blood, 200 Doners Needed

According to the War Service blanks which have been turned in, 166 people have signed up to donate blood. Arrangements have been made for the Hartford Red Cross Blood Bank to come to the college on Thursday, November 11.

It is hoped that there will be 200 applicants for blood doning by that date. Those who did not sign up on the War Service blanks to donate blood may do so in Mrs. Setterholm's office on the second floor of Fanning. Blanks for parental release granting permission to all students to donate blood may be obtained in Mrs. Setterholm's office also and should be sent home as soon as possible so that they can be returned and handed in before November 11. Copies of these blanks to be sent home for permission will be put in the mail boxes of those students who have already volunteered to give blood.

Kroner Speaks on Faith at Vespers

Richard Kroner, professor of Union theological seminary, raised several questions in his vespers talk at 7:00 p.m. in Harkness chapel on Sunday, October 31. Two of these questions were: 1, why must innocent people suffer in a world supposedly created by a beneficent God? and 2, what is the nature of faith?

Prof. Kroner stated that both questions are interdependent, although an answer does exist for the second question while the first one is unanswerable. If man knew why innocent people must suffer, said Dr. Kroner, he would know the nature of divinity, and by this knowledge, divinity would cease to exist or man would become supernatural and no longer be man. If one should try to answer that question in spite of these warnings he would arrive at one of two conclusions: either he would believe God is indifferent to us, or he would believe that God is non-existent. Dr. Kroner also stated that faith is a blind trust in God, one that not only does not comprehend God but does not wish to understand or try to understand Him. Faith, according to Professor Kroner, is "a delighted acquiescence in the mysteries" and a belief in a mysterious invisible world assumed to be extant in the visible and physical world.

Almuna in New Caledonia



Miss Mannelle McCreery (left) (Merion, Pa.), American Red Cross Radio Director, performs at "mike" while Miss Estelle Brenner (New York City), assistant director, plays a transcription, at a broadcast of "Radio Noumea," new "All Service Radio" station in New Caledonia.

The station is operated by the American Red Cross under the supervision of the U.S. Army Special Service Division, for the

entertainment and education of Allied Armed Forces as well as for the civilian population.

Miss McCreery was graduated from Connecticut college in 1936 and gained her radio experience with Young and Rubican Agency in New York. She served for ten months as an American Red Cross club director in Northern Australia before arriving at this base. Her father, Mr. E. W. McCreery, lives at 340 Woodley Road, Merion, Pa.

M. Harkness Gives Navy Day Two-Gun Salute With Middies and Hornpipes

"How about a cheer for the N-a-a-vy!" chorussed the blues-minded lassies of Mary Harkness as they observed Navy Day last week. Kenny Hewitt, Bobby Gahm, Libby Travis, Connie Geraghty and other seniors donned the uniform of the day: middy blouse, sailor tie and hat. Ethel Sproul '44 hornpiped her way along the halls in a pair of bell-bottoms.

The more conservative (or less fortunately equipped) Harkness-ites limited themselves to a display of every type of Navy insignia imaginable. In other words, join the Navy and see C.C.!

Math Students Meet to Study Famous Theorem

The second Mathematics club meeting will be held in the Commuters' room Tuesday, November 9, at 7 o'clock. Interesting facts about Pythagoras and his famous theorem will be explained. After the discussion, games will be played and refreshments will be served.

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Dance Group Picks Nine New Members

The new girls recently chosen for Dance group are: Wilda Peck '45, Anne C. Barnett '45, Patricia McKee '46, Martha Green '46, and Edna Wander '47.

The new members of the Dance Understudy group are Nancy Lent '46, Joanne Ferry '46, Frances Fisher '46, and Jane Seaver '46.

Although last year Dance group and Dance Understudy group practiced separately, this year the two groups will work together. Plans are being made for the presentation of a spring recital some

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