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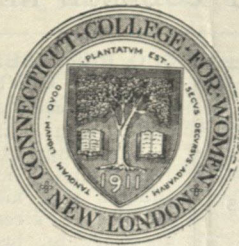
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Bauer and Gabrilowitsch Give Joint Recital.

Two-Piano Concert Appreciated.

Harold Bauer and Ossip Gabrilowitsch presented an especially fine two-piano recital under the auspices of the College Concert Course at the New London Armory last Monday evening. The two-piano recital is a recent development, and for this reason the repertoire is limited. Therefore the concert was not as varied as it might have been. Nevertheless, the program was well chosen and it proved to be very popular. The selections in the main were unfamiliar although they were written by well-known composers. The concert was a brilliant affair and the numbers were exceptionally well played.

The first number on the program was a Fantasia and Fugue by Bach. This was originally written for the organ, but Mr. Bauer adapted it to two-piano work. It was a brilliant and flashy selection. A Sonata in D Major by Mozart was the next number. This was a light and gay number with an Allegro, an Andante, and a Presto movement and proved to be about the most popular number on the program. The third was entitled, "Variations on a Theme by Beethoven," by Saint-Saens. Some brilliant technique was displayed by both Bauer and Gabrilowitsch in this composition. The theme itself was a delightful little melody, but it was difficult to keep track of it in some of the variations. The "Improvisation," by Reincke, which followed, was a comparatively modern number. This was followed by a group of two numbers, a Romance and a Waltz, both by Wrensky, a modern Russian composer. The Waltz was deservedly the most popular of the fourth group. The program concluded with an Impromptu-Rococo, by Shutt, which was another brilliant composition. Two particularly pleasing encores were given, the first a Gavotte, the second a Minuet, both by Saint-Saens.

GLEE CLUB TO SING AGAIN.

The Glee Club has been receiving many favorable comments on their radio program, broadcasted from Hartford, on Wednesday, December 2. Telegrams and letters from home have been praising their success. The Glee Club will give another concert in Hartford on December 15 for the benefit of the endowment fund. On December 10, they will sing before the Rotary Club of New London. This will be their third appearance in New London, as they sang before the Rotary Club last year, and before the local Masons in October. February 26, 1926, will find them at New Haven High School, where the concert will be for the benefit of the New Haven High School Scholarship to Connecticut College. We shall all have a chance to hear our own Glee Club on December 12, when they will sing for the student body.

Christmas Plans Made for Program December 17.

On Thursday evening, December 17th, the regular Christmas exercises will be held in the gym. The program will consist, as usual, of Christmas hymns and carols and President Marshall will read some appropriate Christmas story or poem.

This year, the Dramatic Club will present a one-act play entitled: "The Christmas Guest," by Constance D'Arcy Mackay. There will be Christmas carols in the play, and some violin selections will accompany the songs. This play will take the place of the usual nativity play that has formerly been given at these exercises.

After the play, the candles will be lighted and each person will leave the gym bearing a lighted candle and go to the quadrangle where Christmas carols will be sung by the student body, faculty, and those friends of the college who attend the exercises.

Announcements of the Endowment Fund Drive will also be given at these exercises. This program of Christmas exercises is one of the most inspiring of the year, and the spirit of Christmas abounds throughout the campus.

The Freshmen will go out at midnight to sing their Christmas carols and the Sophomores will follow early Friday morning—all giving a joyous send-off to the students of Connecticut College who will leave Friday morning for the Christmas holidays.

NEWS ASSOCIATION MEETS AT SMITH.

The Women's Intercollegiate News Association held its annual conference at Smith College the week-end of December 4th-6th. Twelve colleges were represented. During the conference, three speakers were heard: Mr. Frederick Allen, of the editorial board of Harper's Magazine; Miss Katherine Knight of the advertising department of Curtiss Publishing Company and Mr. Douglass Haskel, editor of the "New Student."

The rest of the time was spent in separate sessions of the business board and the editorial board. The editorial board discussed many interesting points, and conferred about them with Mr. Allen, and Mr. Haskel. They considered censorship, free speech, editorial opinion, student critics and numerous other topics. The business board discussed problems of circulation, advertising, and subscription with Miss Knight.

On Friday afternoon, the delegates were entertained at Tea in the Alumnae Tea House. Saturday evening, they attended "The Tragedy of Man," by John Masefield, which was presented by the Smith Dramatic Club. It was an excellent production.

On Saturday afternoon, the Conference adjourned to meet next year at Vassar College. The delegates from the Connecticut College News were: Pauline Warner '26; Irene Peterson '26; Harriet Taylor '27; Barbara Tracy '27.

C. C. Represented at Amherst Conference.

The conference of student delegates from colleges in the Connecticut Valley, who met to discuss the entrance of the United States into the World Court, was held at Amherst college on December fourth, fifth and sixth. At the same time, a similar conference was held in Boston for the other New England colleges. During the past two weeks, many other conferences have been held under the auspices of the World Court Committee of the Council of Christian Associations. These gatherings represent an attempt to survey and organize student opinion all over the country on vital questions concerned with International relationships.

Connecticut College sent two delegates: Rosamond Beebe and Grace Parker, both of the class of '26.

The conference was opened Friday evening by Dean Este of Amherst, followed by a stirring, clear-cut and forceful address by Kirby Page, on the subject "The World We Live In." The emphasis of the address was upon Nationalism and its dangers, with suggestions for its cure. Spirited questioning and discussion followed the address.

The conference delegates worked from nine-thirty Saturday morning until ten o'clock Saturday night with one hour intermission for meals.

The morning was occupied with discussion of the World Court, its relation to the League of Nations, Economic Imperialism, Senator Borah's position, Outlawing of War, and other vital questions concerned with International Relations. The negative side and disadvantages of World Court were brought up and carefully discussed. Such men as Nevin Sayre from Washington, a member of the Committee on Reconciliation, Professor Merriam of Amherst, Mr. Keeney of The Inquiry on The Christian Way of Life, Mr. Bridgman of Union Seminary, Mr. Veatch of the National World Court Committee, Kirby Page, and others, supplied excellent and adequate leadership. The students showed themselves to be particularly well-informed.

The afternoon was given over to the reports of the student polls which have so far been taken on World Court. Many of the colleges will poll their votes this week. Yale secured over thirteen hundred votes; Smith had almost as many; Connecticut reported a three-fourths vote of all its students. Result of the polls showed opinion in favor of United States entrance into World Court on the Hughes-Harding-Coolidge plan—by a vote of nine to one.

The chief reason in each case influencing the vote of the various colleges was a desire to be rid of war. While second in importance, came a desire for larger American participation in world affairs.

During the afternoon, the subject of Public Opinion was brought up. The evening was spent in smaller discussion groups—which took as their main

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Dean Brown Discusses the Vital in Religion.

Many Fundamentalist Questions Are Trivial.

Tuesday, December eighth, at Convocation, Charles Reynolds Brown, Dean of the School of Religion of Yale University addressed the student body on the subject, "The Trivial and the Vital in Religion." He began his address by likening religion to a library. In the majority of libraries, there are countless volumes with which we clutter our shelves, but which have no significance. In a like manner, our minds are cluttered with religious facts and questions which are trivial in comparison with the vital issues. By carrying this excess spiritual baggage, we cloud the main points, and concern ourselves with controversies over trivialities.

When Christ was on earth, he always rebuked people who questioned him about unimportant things. When Peter, always impulsive, asked, "Lord, what shall this man do?" Jesus answered, "What is that to thee? Follow thou me." We seek to know the answers to many equally trivial questions. We ask how the story of the creation in Genesis may be reconciled with the theory of organic evolution, how the Bible may be called an inspired book when it contains false passages, what the truth is about the Virgin Birth, and whether there will be a second coming of Christ. These questions are all trivial, and in their attempts to answer them, people get into narrow-minded dogmatic quarrels. The Bible story of the creation begins, "In the beginning —." What difference does it make when that beginning rose? How the actual creation took place is of no real significance. The scientific theory of creation through a long and patient process of creative evolution is more fascinating than the

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INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM ARISING IN COLLEGE.

A new journalism, critical, independent, is springing up in American colleges, and is expected to have a salutary effect upon the college in which it develops. The new staff of the Amherst Student believes that undergraduate independence in journalism will bring faculty appointments and educational policies more in touch with the students.

"Any justification," says the Student, "of the new ideals of liberality in college journalism is unnecessary. . . . The college paper which sings a continual paean of praise or becomes an enlarged official bulletin board, can contribute little to the college welfare. It is only by arousing intelligent discussion that improvement in student conditions can be made."

The new board aims to be intelligent and interesting, without swinging either to the extreme of becoming "a literary museum or a vaudeville performance." They aim to tell the truth rather than dogmatically state opinions, and to remain independent of their curriculum.—Wellesley College News.

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EDITORIAL.

Spiritual Environment.

In his annual report to the trustees of Columbia University, Dr. Nichols Murray Butler, president of that institution, included an analysis of the spiritual environment in which it is the purpose of education to make the student at home.

Dr. Butler wrote as follows:

"The essence of all true education is so to train, instruct, and discipline the youth that he may comprehend the environment, physical and spiritual, in which his lot is cast and be able to make his contribution, however slight, to its development and enrichment. Five separate and erudite elements constitute the spiritual environment of the child. These are the literary, the scientific, the esthetic, the ethical and institutional, and the religious. A youth who is deprived of opportunity to gain insight into each one of these and some understanding of it, has thereby been deprived of a portion of his inheritance. . . . It so happens that of the five elements or aspects of the spiritual environment of the youth today, religion has been for quite two thousand years by far the most important. . . . Religion has inspired more literature, more painting, more sculpture, more architecture, more music, and a larger part of man's ethical and institutional life than has any other one thing."

Dr. Butler is convinced that, out of five elements constituting the spiritual environment, religion has been proved the most essential to man's development. And it is this element which is the most slighted by students in college. Why?

General attitude would seem to produce two reasons for the neglect of religious interest on the part of students. Individuals do not agree on religious dogmas; students are postponing questions of belief until after college. Dean Brown of Yale, in his convocation address, answered the first objection admirably—the reality in religion is right living, ideal following, dogmas are by the way. To the second excuse for student inactivity in religious thinking, it is apparent that there is one harsh answer: The college student who is so concerned in going through college that he has no time to regard the essential element for the spiritual environment is surely missing education for the sake of college.

THE LOITERER.

In the Nature of a Few Words About Being Young.

When most of us were very young, there came into being a phrase which had to do with the "pitfalls of life," and the fact that these pitfalls were supposed to be more prevalent among the young than among the infirm. However, with the arrival of the much maligned present generation the pitfalls seem to have passed into the sweetness of oblivion. No longer is youth conscious that life is a narrow and treacherous path bounded by these unavoidable chasms. If a chasm accidentally, or incidentally, appears—it is crossed in a momentary and enthusiastic fit of activity. Now and then barriers appear in the form of parental consciences, but these are ordinarily ignored or surmounted. Everything but the importance of the Ego is ignored—and youth floats along the stream of life with all the buoyancy of empty bottles. One must float to be in the swim, and after all life has ever been a matter of sink or swim. But the Loiterer feels that she is placing altogether too much logic at the disposal of her illogical compatriots.

She agrees with the Pessimist and Doubter, for she wonders if there will not be a day of atonement. But of course she has no idea. She only thinks that maybe the stream of life which she so tritely mentioned above may some day grow so very shallow that even the emptiest of empty bottles will get stuck in the mud. And what would happen then—The Loiterer doesn't like to presume. Probably some young person would have a bad dream, and that would of course be tragic.

It is rather nice to be able to enjoy the orgies of the wild youth in their search for life spread thick with excitement, and yet withdraw occasionally for the even greater pleasure of contemplation. This should be the habit of every college person, but again the pessimist seems right, for the college people are perhaps those who are the most excitable.

There aren't any particular rules or any thing that the Loiterer would suggest—except perhaps a feeling or attitude of reverence and respect for those things which older and wiser people know to be valuable and worth while. "What things?" immediately asks youth—"Everything!" answers the Loiterer.

And now because she has been pathetically in earnest, The Loiterer almost feels that she should apologize for her breach of youthful etiquette. But some how she only feels more futile than she did the last time. It's great to be a pessimistic Pessimist.

OPEN LETTERS.

To the Editor: What has happened to the Student Government suggestion box which we all expected to play so large a part in college this year—a box which was to welcome all suggestions and criticisms? As usual—the thirteen members of Council seem to be sufficient unto themselves.

Rules that affect many have been passed by a few. The disapproval of eating places, for instance, is especially annoying.

Why doesn't Student Government do something about the Library? The noise there at times makes it absolutely impossible to concentrate along academic lines.

I wonder how long it has been since some of the rules in the "C" have been gone over and considered in a modern

C. C. REPRESENTED AT AMHERST CONFERENCE.

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topic, "What is shaping student opinion on our campuses?"

On Sunday morning the principal address was made by Nevin Sayre. Mr. Sayre stressed particularly the necessity for breaking down national "vegotism," and discussed the question of sanctions.

The delegates attended the Amherst chapel service where an address was given by Dr. Ainslee, of Baltimore, on World Court.

At the final session of the conference on Sunday afternoon the summaries of the discussions were made by a student findings committee. Several suggestions were drawn up representing the majority opinion of the delegates and their colleges. The Conference expressed its desire to go on record as favoring U. S. entrance into World Court either without reservations, or at least, with reservations no more limitative or restrictive than those proposed under the Harding-Hughes-Coolidge plan. It also considered immediate steps that might be taken to develop more intelligent student thinking on all vital issues, and what students can do toward the establishment of World Peace. It was moved to request that Congress appropriate next year at least as much money as has been used in the military training of students in the R. O. T. C. for the exchange of foreign and American students. Exchange of students seemed to be the most effective step that students can take toward the establishment of better world relations.

light. Rules that applied to our sister classes of '20 and '21 may not be so pertinent now. For instance, might it not be a good thing to think about the chaperone rule in regard to motoring?

There seems to me to be a great inconsistency in allowing no motoring unchaperoned after 7.30, until the last half of one's Senior year, when one may motor until 11. The jump is a great one, and would not a difficulty be overcome, and class distinction lessened, if during Junior and the first term of Senior year, motoring were allowed till 10 unchaperoned.

It is my opinion that a little thinking on Student Government matters would do a great deal of good.

R. S. V. P.

To the Editor: The situation that Dr. Nichols Murray Butler described in his annual report given several days ago, is exactly that which the undergraduate body, in this and other colleges more or less consciously feels to be true. The curriculum has opened numerous avenues of knowledge to us, each of which is so far reaching and oftentimes seen at such an angle that there seems to be no chance of convergence with the others, if one start in any one direction.

The infinite complexity and interest of these many vistas has aroused in us confusion; and I suppose that this in itself is much for the college to have accomplished, but we wonder if it cannot, and to fulfill its highest purpose, if it must not, do more.

Is there some practical way in which the opportunities for correlation and orientation could be increased? We have a course, The Art of Living, which has this end as its conscious aim, and it is extremely valuable. Yet even that does not seem entirely to fill our need. We want something less formal, less impersonal, some more intimate contact with those who are more experienced than we.

Would the faculty be willing to talk with us individually on problems that do not come within the particular fields of the subjects they are teach-

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Stamp out Tuberculosis with these Christmas Seals



The National, State, and Local Tuberculosis Associations of the United States

A DECEMBER REVERBY.

By Helena Lorenz Williams.

The white-haired, ruddy skinned, portly old gentleman seated in the big armchair held a newspaper in his hand. "Four hundred million Christmas seals sold in the United States," he read. Deeply absorbed, he finished it. Then he laid the paper on the table beside him, and looked out at the winter landscape. Once or twice he nodded thoughtfully and a gentle smile deepened the grooves in the corners of his mouth and spread over all his benign countenance.

The old gentleman's thoughts sped back to December 21, years ago, when a lonely little batch of bright colored Christmas seals lay practically unnoticed on a postoffice counter in Denmark. He, Einar Holboell, then an obscure clerk in the little postoffice, had conceived the idea of printing a "Christmas stamp" to be pasted on Christmas mail, as a means of raising a few thousand dollars for the construction of a hospital for tuberculous children. So perfectly did the little stickers fulfill their mission that the news spread over the country and, when Jacob Riis, one of the foremost of America's social service workers, came for a short visit to his mother country, he heard of the great success of the new idea.

He wrote an enthusiastic story for the "Outlook" on the success of the new Christmas seal and Miss Emily Bissell of Wilmington, Delaware, read the article. She decided that if seals could raise money for tuberculosis work in Denmark, they could perhaps do the same in America. And sure enough, she was able to sell 300,000 seals.

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TAKES POEM LITERALLY.

In a recent letter received by Robert Frost there was a plea that in the next issue of Mountain Interval there be added to the poem "Birches," a footnote warning possible converts to this form of amusement to "be sure the birch is grey."

Inspired by this poem some girls undertook the sport, and after becoming proficient she one day made the mistake of picking not a grey but a paper birch. The result was as might have been expected, for paper birch is far more likely to break than bend, and the misguided maiden had a nasty fall.—Smith College Weekly.

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ing? Would the students be asking too much to have this privilege given them?

If those professors who would be willing to grant us a little of their time and thought in such a manner, would designate certain times and places that we could come to them, they would, I think, be satisfying one of the most keenly felt needs on the part of at least a certain portion of the students. '27.

DEAN BROWN DISCUSSES THE VITAL IN RELIGION.

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Biblical theory of a swift succession of creative acts. Whether or not there were peculiar circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus is of no importance in our study of Jesus' teachings, and so Dean Brown said of it what Paul said—nothing. But Christ was divine, whatever the manner of his birth, and if we study his life and his teachings, we shall know all it is necessary or vital for us to know about him.

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Bible to discuss religious problems. Before you utter your religious opinions you should look into the questions by reading the Bible and other religious books, and getting yourself in a position to decide them for yourself. The question of how much or how little the Bible is inspired is trivial. A man who says that he believes in every word of the Bible is like an auctioneer who is praising up his stock. We know that the Bible is not all true, and we should pick out for ourselves what is universal, permanent, and vital.

Everyone should take hold of the problem of religion by the small end—the one that relates itself to his own duty. What others do is of no importance to us. "What is that to thee? Follow thou me," even if the way be unknown, and it be necessary for us to make our own theological maps as we go. That is vital.

NEW STUDENT CONDUCTS SMOKE SURVEY.

How extensive is the feminine smoking habit in women's colleges and co-educational institutions? No one knows definitely. Following the action of Bryn Mawr in abolishing smoking rules many deans and presidents have made statements. But these statements may not always be accurate, because of insufficient official information as to what goes on in dormitories and because of the usual desire to escape unfavorable publicity.

"Nothing has occurred in higher education that has so shocked our sense of social decency as has the action at Bryn Mawr," exclaimed W. A. Brandenburg, President of Kansas State Teachers College.

At Northwestern University there is no rule against smoking, but "Nice girls" do not smoke.—Dean Winifred Richardson.

"Never" answers Dean E. E. Nicholson to a query as to whether the University of Minnesota will ever follow Bryn Mawr's example.

At Ohio State University a poll of co-eds disclosed the fact that one-third have smoked—but "not many." All other mid-western co-educational schools declare that the smoking problem is non-existent. The same condition obtains in the far west.

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for tuberculous children. A few years later the first Christmas seals that were sold in the United States raised \$3,000 for the purchase of a sanatorium site in Delaware. Last year 1,250,000,000 seals were printed for the National Tuberculosis Association and their sale brought approximately \$4,500,000 into the coffers of the 1,500 organizations affiliated with the national body.

During these years the Christmas seal has helped to finance hundreds of local, state and national campaigns to secure hospitals, sanatoria, clinics and dispensaries. At least 20,000 public health nurses are at work in the schools and homes to educate children and parents in the rules of healthful living. In this way minor physical defects are detected and, because of early treatment a physical breakdown in later life with tuberculosis or some other serious disease is often prevented. Every large city nowadays has its open air schools, preventoria and nutrition classes where the children of tuberculous parents and others below par are brought to normal weight and strength. Approximately 3,000 such institutions are in this country at present. The Christmas seal has made possible the Modern Health Crusade, the largest child health movement in the world, through which 8,000,000 school children have been taught daily habits of cleanliness, diet, exercise and rest so that they may develop into robust men and women.

Our participation in the annual Christmas seal sale is an investment in individual and community health. More than that, we become a part of the message of hope which the seal carries to the many thousands who otherwise become victims of a preventable and curable disease. In all truth, the mission of the Christmas seal is joyous health.

SMITH HAS UNLIMITED CUTS.

Optional class attendance for all students whose standing is above diploma grade was instituted at Smith College this year. All students are requested to attend classes before and after Thanksgiving, Christmas, and spring holidays and at the beginning of each semester. Those students who have an average of A or B have the additional privileges of exemption at the discretion of the instructor from examination in the course in which the student has this average.—From "The New Student."

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From the proceeds, the site was purchased for the first tuberculosis sanatorium in her state.

But the work of the little penny stickers had just begun. From 1908 to 1919 the American Red Cross sponsored the seal sale, which spread more and more rapidly every year. During that

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time it bore the organization's familiar square armed cross. In 1919 the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliated organization conducted the sale, and from then on the internationally known double-barred cross of the anti-tuberculosis campaign appeared on the seals.

Last year three of the largest printing plants in the United States worked for months to the exclusion of all other orders to turn out 1,250,000,000 seals! Approximately \$4,500,000 was raised from the sale of these little carriers of good health. With the money, tuberculosis sanatoria, hospitals, clinics, dispensaries, public health nurses, open air schools and preventoria have been financed. Literally millions of copies of educational printed matter dealing with tuberculosis and general disease prevention have carried the message of good health into American homes. The Modern Health Crusade, probably the largest health education movement in the world, has taught more than 8,000,000 boys and girls daily habits of cleanliness, diet, rest and exercise that will develop them into robust men and women.

In the little town in faraway Denmark, the old gentleman seated in the big armchair dropped his white head against the upholstered back. A look of smiling contentment and peace settled over his ruddy, cheerful face. He looked so like a personification of Santa Claus that, instinctively, one glanced about the room for the big bag of toys and looked outside the window for his faithful reindeer. But Einar Holboell merely settled himself more comfortably and sighed happily. "After all," he reflected, "it is not given to many of us poor mortals to have their simple ideas result in so much joy to humanity." For a moment he gazed out of the window. Then he shut his eyes and folded his hands in his lap. And so Santa Claus sat dozing, secure in the knowledge that the children of the world would have a merry Christmas.

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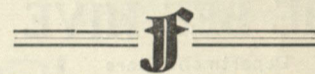
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