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C. C. To Maintain Regular Schedule Says Pres. Blunt

Dr. Fredlyn Ramsey to Teach New Statistics Course 2nd Semester

"Connecticut College has a real part to play in winning the war," President Katharine Blunt told students during her first 1942 Chapel talk Tuesday morning, January 13. Welcoming students after the vacation, President Blunt explained several points in connection with the college's role in the war which a joint meeting of college and university presidents and government agencies brought up:

"Although the discussion was devoted largely to men's colleges and less to us, there are three points of the meeting that I want to speak of. You all know of the plans for acceleration in some of the colleges. We, however, with most of the women's colleges, expect to keep to our regular calendar for this year. We shall have spring vacation as usual, which many of the seniors may spend studying or gathering material for special examinations.

"I learned of a great demand for women in civil service and industrial appointments in all sorts of lines, particularly in statistics. In answer to this we are offering a new course in statistics in the economics

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Remember Registration Avoid \$5.00 Fine!

Students must register for the second semester by Saturday noon, January 24. Failure to do so involves a five dollar fine.

Father Bernard Hubbard To Give Two Lectures On Adventures In Alaska

Father Bernard R. Hubbard, distinguished Alaskan explorer, geologist, and Jesuit missionary, who is known as the "Glacier Priest," will appear in person in Palmer Auditorium on Friday, January 16, under the auspices of the New London chapter of the American Association of University Women. Father Hubbard will give both an afternoon and an evening performance, presenting at both times his latest motion pictures on Alaska. The afternoon performance, which begins at 3:00 p.m., is to be conducted chiefly for high school and grammar school students, and will include pictures of "Oomiak Adventures in Arctic Alaska," a moving record of Father Hubbard's 2,000 mile trip by native walrus hide boat, during which he visited every Eskimo tribe in North America. The evening performance will include the above and, in addition, a timely lecture and film on "Alaska, Our Arctic Fortress," and possibly a colored film on Alaska. This performance will be of particular interest to adults and college students, since it includes much vital information on national defense. Father Hubbard spent the summer in Alaska in contact with Coast Guard, Army, and

New Civil Service Exams Are Open To Eligible Students

The United States Civil Service Commission has just announced the annual "Junior Professional Assistant" and "Student Aid" examinations designed to recruit young college graduates and junior and senior students for positions in the Government service. Applications for both these examinations must be on file with the Commission's Washington office not later than February 3, 1942. Copies of the examination announcements and application forms may be obtained from the college Personnel Bureau, first- and second-class post offices or from the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Optional branches included in the Junior Professional Assistant examination this year are (all in the junior grade, \$2,000 a year) agricultural economist, agronomist, aquatic biologist, archivist, bacteriologist, biologist, chemist, entomologist, forester, geologist, junior in household equipment, olericulturist, pomologist, public welfare assistant, range conservationist, soil scientist, State Department Assistant, and statistician. A four-year college course leading to a bachelor's degree is required, with major graduate or undergraduate study in the field of the optional subject. Senior or graduate students may be admitted to the examination, and may, upon attaining eligibility, receive provisional appointment, but cannot enter on duty until evidence of the successful completion of the required college course is furnished. Applicants must not have passed their thirty-fifth birthday.

There are four optional subjects in the Student Aid examination: engineering, political science, public administration, and statistics.

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Blackout Practice To Include College Feb. 10 And 17

Dates for three trial blackouts have been set by the city of New London for the month of February. The first two practices will be sectional; the first one on Tuesday, February 3, will not include the college; the second, which will be held on Tuesday, February 10, will include the college. The third practice blackout, which is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, will be an all-city blackout, and, naturally, includes the college.

The college Defense committee is making its plans now for these events, and will give ample advance notice and publicity of instructions.

City Signals

For Practice Blackout: On city whistles 3 blasts repeated 6 times, followed by a two minute pause, then 3 blasts repeated again 6 times.

For Actual Air Raid: On city whistles a series of short blasts continuing 3 minutes.

All-clear signal for both: 2 short blasts.

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Authority On Old Testament To Be Vespers Speaker

Dr. Julius A. Bewer, professor of the language and literature of the Old Testament in Union theological seminary, New York, will be the speaker at the 7 o'clock vespers service Sunday, January 18, at Connecticut college. Dr. Bewer received his education partly in Germany, having studied at the universities of Basel, Halle and Berlin, and partly in this country, taking his doctorate in Columbia university. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Theology from the university of Gottingen. From 1902 to 1904 he was connected with Oberlin theological seminary, whence he was called to Union theological seminary. From 1912 to 1928 he was a member of the faculty of Teachers College, and since 1913 has been on the faculty of philosophy in Columbia university.

Dr. Bewer is recognized as one of the outstanding authorities in the field of Old Testament study, being the author of commentaries on the books of Obadiah, Joel and Jonah in the international critical commentary series, and of a more recent exposition of the book of Ezekiel. When the Records of Civilization series, under the editorship of Professor Shotwell of Columbia, was undertaken, Dr. Bewer was chosen as the one to treat the literature of Israel, which he did in his *Literature of the Old Testament* in its Historical Development, one of the most readable as well as one of the most scholarly

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War Question Hour To Be Held

The first defense committee question hour on the war will be held Friday at 4:00 p.m. in a Palmer library seminar room.

College Community to Register For Civilian Defense Service

Dr. Roach To Lead Discussion Jan. 15

Continuing the discussions in connection with the Defense Committee questionnaire, commenced before the holidays, Dr. Hannah Roach invites a group of ten students to meet at her home, 168 Mohegan Avenue, on Thursday afternoon, January 15, at four o'clock, for a discussion of the question: "How much democracy is there in Latin America?"

Suggested reading is in Herring's "Good Neighbors": Chapter 6 on "Forces of Democracy in Argentina" pp. 44-59; "The Tumult of Democracy in Chile" pp. 216-229; "Colombia's Democracy" pp. 284-287.

Dr. Florence Hier invites a group to meet at her apartment, 269 Mohegan Ave., on Thursday afternoon, January 22, at 4 o'clock, to discuss question 11, "Is apathy more prevalent among college students than among other groups?"

Course Offered At C.C. For Wardens

A ten hour course to train air raid warden aids and fire watchers will be given the week beginning Monday, January 19, for a specially selected group including house-fellows and some students. Any students interested in taking the training course, either next week, or in the second semester, may give their names to Miss Frances Brett.

Serge Koussevitzky Conducts Inspiring Concert Program

By Constance Smith '43

Serge Koussevitzky, conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, enthusiastically began the concert held Wednesday evening, January 7, in Palmer Auditorium, by conducting the orchestra and audience in the playing and singing of the national anthem. Beethoven's *Symphony No. 3 in E flat major*, the "Eroica," which followed, was an excellent opening composition because of its familiarity to most of the audience. The first movement, the lively Allegro con brio, was played with vigor and feeling. The orchestra established well the solemnity and majesty of the second movement, *Marcia funebre: Adagio assai*. The third movement, *Scherzo: Allegro vivace*; trio, was equally well played, and the beautiful manner in which Koussevitzky built up from the pianissimo to the forte in the scherzo was particularly impressive. Koussevitzky brought this tremendous symphony to a close with his excellent conducting of the orchestra in the beautiful fourth movement, finale: Allegro. The extreme beauty of this symphony literally left the audience breathless. By the applause it was

Misses Stanwood and Pond To Co-Ordinate Emergency Activities

Because of the increasing need for persons to man the college defense services, the Defense committee, under its chairman, Dr. Marjorie R. Dilley, is preparing to ask faculty and students to register for civilian defense work on campus. This will require central registration, and Miss Ruth Stanwood, professor of physical education, will act as registration officer for the committee.

Members of the college community will be asked to register for definite positions in the services which have grown up under the Defense committee, and with which the college group is familiar, such as Red Cross activities, including first aid training, and service in the Red Cross workroom, discussion groups on the Defense committee questionnaire, the summer work program, Bristol Orphan relief, and the salvaging of newspapers and tinfoil.

In addition, opportunity will be given to register for the newly organized disaster services, of which Miss Lois Pond, assistant in physical education, will act as co-ordinator. These services, which are made necessary by the war emergency, include air raid warden service, a first aid corps, communications corps, motor corps and messengers, recreation corps, property protection corps, and aircraft warning service.

The Defense committee wishes to stress that one of the primary principles of civilian defense is that each civilian accept and train for a

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evident that the audience appreciated the artistic conducting and performing of this symphony by Serge Koussevitzky and the orchestra.

After the intermission the members of the orchestra resumed their places, and Koussevitzky returned to the stage to conduct Moussorgsky's *Prelude to the Opera, Khovánatchina*. Throughout this composition, as during the entire program, the perfect timing of the orchestra was outstanding. The members of the orchestra are exceptionally responsive to the excellent conducting of Koussevitzky, who is able to bring out the greatest depths of feeling in their playing.

The orchestra concluded the concert with another composition by Moussorgsky, *Pictures at an Exhibition*, Pianoforte Pieces arranged for Orchestra by Maurice Ravel. This composition consists of a series of eleven "pictures" which were easily visualized as they were played. The "Gnomus" was especially good because of the jumps and forcefulness of the music. The majesty of the final passages was very suggestive of the last picture, "The Great Gate at Kiev."

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CANDIDS

By Patricia King '42 and Eleanor King '42

To Miss Hanna Hafkesbrink, Professor of German, the best quality of American students is their responsiveness and genuine eagerness to grasp new ideas. This is an encouraging observation. Al-



though perhaps it never entered the mind of this modest observer, the responsiveness she finds in her students is, in reality, a spontaneous tribute to her own capabilities as a teacher. Her enthusiasm is contagious; her lectures stimulating. It is no wonder that her students are jolted from any tendency toward apathy or disinterest.

Miss Hafkesbrink, the lady with the silver gray hair, the bright blue eyes and the bubbling laugh, was born in Koblenz, Germany, a city beautifully situated, where the Moselle River joins the Rhine. Koblenz, the capital of the Rhine Valley, was an army and civil service center, and after the first world war was headquarters of the armies of occupation. An American officer and a French surgeon were quartered in her home at that time, and it was then that Miss Hafkesbrink first came in contact with a representative of the country that one day was to become her home.

She attended the universities of

English Civilian Morale Is Topic Of Mrs. Plowden

Mrs. Humphrey Plowden, formerly Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden of Oxford, England, and now A. R. P. Consultant of the First Corps Area, (New England) spoke in Palmer Auditorium, January 9.

Mrs. Plowden, working with the Air Raid Warden School in New London, spoke on air raids and civilian morale. She stressed that a country is no stronger than its civilian defense. The morale that is necessary for victory was displayed by the English at the retreat from Dunkirk. The scarred and wounded were rescued by civilians, many of whom were women, who manned the boats setting out from Dover for Dunkirk. There was scant equipment but everything found was utilized. Stoves were made from iron fence bars laid on bricks on the beach. In the first two days 30,000 soldiers were rescued, hungry and angry but well-disciplined.

The women of England flocked to colors when England went to war. Although rescue and demolition work was too heavy, they did their duty in gun pits, and in men's civilian jobs such as fire fighting and running street cars. Many now live in the front line trenches, not knowing when their lives will be given for others to insure a democratic future.

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Gottingen and Munchen and received her Ph.D. in philosophy at the university of Gottingen in 1930. During her years at the university she happened, almost by chance, to take a course in American education. The subject interested her tremendously, and she decided then and there that some day she would make a visit to that land across the sea.

One day she received a letter, a very unexpected letter, offering her a position as instructor in German at Iowa State Teachers' College. She jumped at the chance and in several weeks was on her way. Because she was too young at the time to secure a professor's visa, she luckily was able to get a quota visa, a coincidence which later proved providential when she applied for citizenship papers.

That first year in America was a busy one, for since she did not expect to remain, she was determined to see as much of this continent as she possibly could. Travel has always been one of her supreme pleasures, and before the first year at Iowa was over she had seen the West, had been south to New Orleans, and even to Cuba. In 1933 Miss Hafkesbrink came to Connecticut.

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Library Exhibits Books Selected By Art Institute

The "Fifty Books of the Year," selected by the American Institute of Graphic Arts each year, is now on exhibit in the Palmer Library. As in the past, these selections from the publications of the year are very interesting from the point of view of their design, based on type face, illustration, binding, and the relationship of these to each other to form a satisfactory and pleasing whole.

This is the 19th annual exhibit of similar books arranged by the Institute, many of which have been shown here previously.

The exhibit will last until January 17th.

C. C. Girls End The Christmas Series With 6 Home Runs Scored And 31 Girls On Bases

By Alice Adams '44

One thing we've always relied on in the past, even in this changing world, is the sameness of names. However, even this small bit of conservative contentment is vanishing fast from the campus and so we've decided to dedicate the Caught on Campus article to our contemporaries who have acquired new handles during the Christmas furlough, or at present are pricing new handles and considering taking them on.

We therefore continue the marriage baseball game and without further ado, we hope to get on the ball.

Beginning with the senior class, the former Janet Carlson sent a beautiful hit definitely out in the right field stands entitling her to a round trip around the bases and is now Mrs. Calvert and, note, she definitely wishes to be called same.

Juliet Esselborn hit the ball so hard that it hasn't been found yet and hence she is Mrs. Bissinger now.

Nancy Wolfe, president of the League of Veteran Baseball Stars, (membership requires five years active duty) just recently made a

Music Recital To Be Given Jan. 15 In Holmes Hall

An informal student music recital will be given in Holmes Hall on Thursday, January 15, at 7:30 p.m. The program will consist of the following selections:

Wagner-Dubois, Pilgrim's Chorus (*Lannhauser*); Faulkes, Nocturne, A-flat—Constance Hughes '42.

Guilmant, Elevation in F—Ann Hoag '44.

Weber, Invitation to the Dance—Constance Hughes '42.

Thomas, O Men from the Fields—Marilyn Bard '45.

Kullak-Erb, Andante, Op. 48, No. 3—Evelyn De Puy '42.

Rachmaninoff, Serenade—Virginia Cliffe '45.

Beethoven-Erb, Adagio Cantabile, Op. 30, No. 2—Jeanne Corby '43.

Bach, Prelude and Fugue, B-flat—Elizabeth Travis '44.

Gluck, O del mio dolce ardor—Geraldine Hanning '45.

Rheinberger, Andante (Sonata, No. 1)—Mary Jean Moran '44.

Debussy, Dance—Marian Reich '43.

Lemaigre, Andantino in F; Grand Chorus in F—Margaret Ramsay '42.

Accompanist—Ruth E. Stevens '40.

Last Call For Koine!

No orders after January 16th.

I. R. C. To Discuss Causes Of War

"Causes of World War II" will be the central topic of the coming International Relations Club meeting on Monday evening, January 19, at 7:30 in the Commuters' Room. Germany, France, and the Balkans from 1918 to World War II will be depicted by special members of the group. A general discussion and business meeting will follow.

S. Koussevitzky Praised For Great Enthusiasm For Art

By Mary Lou Elliott '43

Seeing the great conductor, Serge Koussevitzky, on the stand, one recognizes him as an inspired artist full of fire and enthusiasm for his art. As he stands before that group of talented men, scarcely glancing at his score, he seems to inspire them with his own verve, bringing forth a beautiful singing quality from the strings and expressive dynamics and color from the entire orchestra. After the magnificent performance in Palmer Auditorium on January 7, one awed reporter waited in the wings for Dr. Koussevitzky to return from the stage where repeated ovations called him. It was a thrilled and surprised moment when he suddenly stopped on his way to his dressing room to pat your reporter on the head and, smiling engagingly, asked her to wait just a moment until he returned.

During the wait, Mr. Judd, manager of the orchestra, was very interesting and helpful. He explained how the program is different every night the orchestra tours; for Dr. Koussevitzky finds repetition tiresome and the change very refreshing. When asked about the absence of women in the company, he said they have had one

feminine harpist but aside from that the place of women in the group is a thing for the future to decide. Of course, he added, there are quite a few in the Berkshire Music School.

As we discussed the great future of the school at the Tanglewood estate in Lenox, Massachusetts, he spoke of the addition which the National Federation of Music Clubs under their president, Mrs. Guy Gannett, has made possible. It is the rebuilding of the "Little Red House" in which Hawthorne lived at Tanglewood. The replica, which is being done by Mr. Hepburn, the same architect that reproduced most of Williamsburg, will be a studio for chamber music.

Presently Dr. Koussevitzky emerged in a trim grey business suit, and though he seemed a little tired, he still had a bright sparkle in his eyes. He is a slender, rather short man with grey hair and a ruddy complexion, and a habit of gesticulation. When several of the girls came in to shake hands and congratulate him on his brilliant performance, he talked enthusiastically about Tanglewood, extending an invitation to all of us, even if we came only to be a part of the chorus. He seemed perfectly delighted when your reporter suggested that another "Tanglewood Tales" should be written to chronicle the great work and experiences of his music center and school. He even said he would start looking for an appropriate person with enough talent to accomplish it. He is such a warm, friendly person that it makes one sorry that everyone did not have the opportunity of meeting him.

Aircraft Warning Observers Meet

A meeting of the college members of the Aircraft Warning Service was held at 7:15 p.m. in Bill Hall on Friday, January 9. Yvonne Forbus '43, the college director of the service, was in charge.

It was announced that the 6 to 8 a.m. watch would not be manned by the students until further notice. Volunteers were called for to take a two hour watch once a month on either Saturday or Sunday. These people are asked to notify Yvonne Forbus at what hours they could be on duty.

The girls were reminded that since this is a serious undertaking they must be very conscientious about taking their assigned watches promptly at the designated times.

Dramatists Select The Royal Family As Spring Play

Thursday night, January 8, witnessed the initiation of nine new members into the Wig and Candle dramatic organization and the selection of the Spring Play: "The Royal Family," by Edna Ferber and George Kaufman.

At 8 p.m. old members and initiates gathered in Room 202 of the Auditorium where the new members, Phyllis Cunningham '44, Lois Creighton '43, Mary Louise Crowell '42, Thelma Gustafson '43, Jean Gebhardt '43, Carolyn Thompson '43, Isabel Vaughn '43, Eleanor Murphy '43, and Elinor Eells '42, were initiated and made to put on an impromptu skit for their more experienced brethren.

"The Royal Family," the play selected for presentation in the spring, will have as its student directors Carolyn Thompson '43 and Thelma Gustafson '43.

All-College Dance Is Postponed

The all-college dance sponsored by Service League which was scheduled for January 24, has been postponed until further notice. The orchestra that was scheduled to play for the dance is unable to keep its contract because several of its members have been called by the draft. Since it is too late to contract another orchestra, the dance has been cancelled.

As Midwinter Formal is to be held February 21, the all-college dance will be held, in all probability, sometime in March. Service League is very sorry to make this announcement.

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Report Given Of Rel. Council Conference

"Christian Faith for Social Reconstruction" was the theme of the National Assembly of Student Christian Associations held at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, from December 27 until January 3. Four members of Connecticut college, Margaret Keagy '42, Julia Rich '43, Joan James '45, and Miss Marion Davidson, secretary to the Dean, attended.

Gregory Vlasto of Queens College, Canada, was the main speaker on Social Reconstruction. He said that the people of our society as a whole are faithless, isolated, frightened, and therefore unable to act creatively. Christianity began in an age when people were faithless too, he went on to say. And the genius of Christianity lies in the solidarity of Christian spirits in their belief in God. Vlasto stated that the pattern of approach to society should be faith in love and the simplest type of common sense. History and the pattern of love are identical, for history is a statement of what man is, not what he ought to be. Christian faith and love understand this. All history shows man's great need for solidarity; if he loses it, he also loses his morality. Nazism is solidarity, Vlasto continued, but it is solidarity without equality. And collective security among nations can be good only when strong nations realize a solidarity with the young.

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Recruit Begun For Campus Volunteers For Land Corps

Four representatives of the Volunteer Land Corps, headed by Nancy Blaine, a Vassar alumnae, visited the campus Friday, January 9, to discuss with interested students and faculty, volunteer work on Vermont farms during the summer. Jane Shaw '44 was chosen campus representative at a meeting in Branford Friday evening.

The Volunteer Land Corps, which is backed by Dorothy Thompson, Louis Bromfield, and Herbert Agar, journalists, is not a substitute for military service, but rather a vital link and adjunct in the war effort. Each volunteer will receive approximately \$21 a month and will live with a farm family, helping with the various farm chores. The Corps, which was started by a group of city-bred Harvard and Dartmouth students who have been working on small Vermont farms, will have no connection with any government agency. In the beginning, recruiting will take place mainly in the eastern colleges.

The Corps is planning a program through which the volunteers will meet every weekend for at least one meal together in every township or region, adding to their own numbers those of the young men and women of the towns and

discussed social reconstruction, Dr. Muilenberg of the Pacific Theological Seminary, discussed Christian faith. Christian faith is able to confront the world with a message that can save men, but we must be more thoughtful, less sentimental, more practical and come right down to reality. "We have no moral right to high-hat the past, for in a profound sense, all past is our past." To get a good perspective we have to appreciate the solidarity with all men in every age in all parts of the world. Biography and history describe something in ourselves. The good in people is found in the two Testaments as it is found nowhere else. Christian faith is focussed toward history; Jesus did justice to two thousand years of existence before him. The tradition sees history in the light of One who is active in history, God. And this perspective shows that He has a purpose for us; and it is this purpose that gives significance to our daily life.

Peggy Keagy had two criticisms to make of the conference: It didn't emphasize worship as much as she would have liked it to, and it got entangled in parliamentary procedure. "But the good part about it was that we had so many different kinds of people with a very wide range of ideas, opinions and experiences," Peggy went on to say. She remarked upon the congeniality among the representatives of hostile nations. They all lived together in dormitories. "The depth of thought on the part of students was perfectly amazing and not so idealistic that it wasn't practical," stated Peggy.

Wilma Parker Fills Honor Court Post; Jr. Prom Discussed

Wilma Parker was chosen temporary Honor Court Justice at the Junior Class meeting Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in 106 Bill Hall. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of Junior Prom to be held Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25. Prom committees were announced, but definite plans are not yet formulated.

Wilma Parker will fill the Honor Court position in the absence of Louise Radford.

villages. At these weekend meetings, this corps, recruited from the colleges, intends to discuss the issues of the war and the peace, the problems of their nation and their times, and establish among themselves a solidarity of viewpoint toward the issue for which they are working and are prepared to fight. Student organizers will be sent into Vermont during January to prepare the way for the coming army of student farm workers.

According to Miss Thompson, a recent survey of all the farm agencies in Vermont indicates that there will be 40 per cent labor shortage in the coming summer on the 27,000 farms in the state which normally employs over 20,000 hired helpers. Members of the Volunteer Land Corps will supply a part of this anticipated lack of needed labor.

"The Volunteer Land Corps started with the simple idea that it is unfair that some boys should have to serve for soldier's pay and risk their lives in the armed forces while others worked at high wages in munitions factories, and others pursued their education quite untouched" says Miss Thompson.

Concert

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At the conclusion Koussevitzky and the orchestra received a tremendous ovation by the appreciative audience, which was disappointed when demands for an encore were not met. The entire concert was extremely pleasing. The program was well selected, representing a true classic composer, Beethoven, and one who is more modern, Moussorgsky. Koussevitzky with great artistry conducted the orchestra whose performance was consistently excellent throughout the program.

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"Human fashions change, but the human nature they express does not change so radically," said Dr. Philip Endicott Osgood of the Episcopal Church, Boston, at Vespers Sunday, January 11. When real trouble comes some courage that we did not know we had in ourselves comes to our rescue; "real people don't cry." Therefore, continued Dr. Osgood, it isn't good to remember one's troubles. And "he who has not invisible means of support is surely forlorn." The tear bottle habit is an emphasis on the hardships of life. A common idea is that tears are dramatic. "We take our blessings for granted too much." "That in which the divine is, is more real than that in which the divine is not." An antidote for the tear bottle habit is to count our blessings and use them. "You can't generate strong characters unless there are victories to be won." And even so, the same event can happen to two people and have two totally different effects, for the reactions will be different according to the characters of the individuals. And character, said Dr. Osgood, is the "cumulative crescendo of habitual reaction to circumstance." Characters are often formed by giving in to the line of least resistance; this creates a mood. "We don't seem to realize that it is up to us to get out of it so that the innocent will not suffer." And, continued Dr. Osgood, "we must emerge from the cocoon of protectiveness to meet

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Snow Supplies Intended For Student Use

By Nancy Troland '44

There are many girls on campus who would enjoy taking their dates sledding, skiing or tobogganing during the snowy season, but who don't realize that the Athletic Association has a supply of skis and sleds for the use of the students.

There is no charge for their use. There are no qualifications to be met.

They are stored in the balcony of the Gym, and all a girl needs do is sign out for the equipment on the little notebook which hangs on the door in the balcony. She may then keep the equipment a reasonable length of time. When she has finished using the sled or skis which she has taken out, she should return them promptly so that others may use them.

The skis may be signed out for the weekend if a girl wishes to go skiing at some place such as North Conway. She should return them as soon as the weekend is over.

The Athletic Association has enough equipment to satisfy the normal demand during the snowy weather. There are six sleds (Flexibles, in excellent condition!), one of which is large enough so that several may pile on it at once. There are seven pairs of skis, and five pairs of ski poles. Some of the skis are longer than others, but all are in good condition. There is one toboggan, although at the present time it is reported to be slightly out of condition. (Don't mistake that big thing with rollers on it for a "super" toboggan. It's a reducing machine—just happens to be stored up there!)

An old cart road opposite North Cottage (on the other side of Moberg Avenue) is recommended as the best place around campus for skiers. The road leads down to the river, and has no traffic. For those who like a gentler slope, there is a wealth of fun on the lawn in front of the Lyman Allyn Museum. Beside Buck Lodge there is also a ski run; it leads to the skating pond, and has no jumps on it.

The sledding is best in front of the museum, but if time is short, the hill in front of Fanning Hall makes an excellent substitute. Care must be taken not to sled right on off the wall, though; the sidewalk may be hidden under a snow drift, but it's there just the same.

Happy landings!

Book Review

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goes on to say that "questions [of a philosophical nature] worthy of being answered—or of being asked" should be treated long before one's college career; some are the "sense of something deep and far, felt by the sea or in the hills on a summer day, the puzzle and paths of time, the uneasiness about the good."

All students of philosophy, anyone with an interest in "the world"—in short, everybody, will find this book delightful, enlightening, and unforgettable!

University of Chicago, celebrating its fiftieth anniversary recently, launched a drive for \$12,000,000.

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Air Raid Wardens Learn Duties At Training School

Twenty-five members of the college community, including fifteen student fire captains and ten faculty and administration members, attended the air raid wardens' training school held in Buell Hall, New London, for three hours every evening from Monday, January 5, through Friday, January 9.

The functions of civilian defense, and the general duties of an air raid warden were taught, and instruction was given in the chemistry of fire, fire fighting, gas, preparation for blackouts, local organizations and the preparation of air raid wardens' reports. All those who took the course were fingerprinted by the state police, and all are required to take an examination, answering nine out of fifteen questions, and, in addition, as part of the examination, to fill out a sample air raid warden's report. All those who pass the examination receive an air raid warden's certificate, which is official for the state of Connecticut, and will also be applicable elsewhere.

The information asked on an air raid warden's report includes damage done; location of damage; type of bombs; approximate number of casualties; fire, if any; damage to mains, gas, electricity, sewers; names of roads blocked; position of unexploded bombs; time of bombing; and services already on the spot.

The administration and faculty members who took the course are President Katharine Blunt, Dean E. Alverna Burdick, Dr. Marjorie R. Dilley, Dr. Julia Wells Bower, Miss Frances Brett, Miss Elizabeth H. Harris, Mrs. Edna Webster, Mr. Gerritt VanderVeer, Mr. Robert Wheeler, and Mr. Glenn Chapman.

The student fire captains who took the course were: Barbara Brengle '42, fire chief; Diane Goes '44, Suzanne Harbert '44, Barbara Swift '45, Jeanne Corby '43, Virginia Railsback '43, Elizabeth Seisson '45, Marjorie Linder '42, Patricia Manning '45, Barbara Gahn '44, Ruth Blanchard '45, Ann Lelievre '45, Filomena Arborio '43, Louise Ressler '42, and Lynn Williams '45.

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Applicants must have completed at least three years of college study, and must have indicated at the college or university their intention of majoring in the optional subject chosen. Provision is made for the acceptance of applications from junior students who expect to complete their junior college year not later than July 1, 1942. They may give also receive provisional appointment, but they may not enter on duty until they give evidence of completing their junior college year. Student aid positions pay \$1,440 a year. Usually employment is during the school vacation periods; when furloughed, appointees may return to their college studies.

Democracy Needs Organized Labor, Says Dr. Niebuhr

EDITOR'S NOTE—Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr of Union Theological Seminary has chosen to answer question number 13 of the defense committee questionnaire, "Are labor unions compatible with a democratic form of government? Is there any sense in which they can be said to be a requirement or a threat to a democratic form of government?" We print Dr. Niebuhr's answer as one of the series of articles on the defense questionnaire.

Labor unions are not only compatible with, but in a sense necessary to, a democratic form of government. Democracy depends upon some kind of decent equilibrium of social and economic forces. Without such an equilibrium the political institutions of democracy do not avail. The ownership of property gives one class of society a disproportionate amount of power, and no individual worker can balance this power. It can be balanced only by collective action among the workers. There may be many abuses in the development of labor unions, but none of them are inherent in the system, and in any case are no greater than abuses in any system. Without collective bargaining rights, the working people are bereft of economic power. The possession of the franchise is of itself not enough to assure them justice. They need both economic and political power in a situation where both types of power are operative in the achievement of justice.

Applicants for these positions must not have passed their thirtieth birthday.

The Civil Service Commission announces a Student Physiotherapy Aide and Student Dietitian exam open to college seniors completing the required courses by June. Application for the latter exam must be on file at the Civil Service Commission in Washington, D. C. by January 31, 1942.

Fifteen student physiotherapy and fifteen student dietitian positions are open to women at the Army Medical Center in Washington, D. C. Salaries for both positions are \$420 a year with a deduction of \$360 for subsistence and quarters. The Student Physiotherapy job affords an opportunity for six months of training to those desiring to become Apprentice Physiotherapy Aides at \$1800 a year.

Average yearly student expenses at Harvard university are \$1,295.

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books on the subject ever written. He is also represented by an essay in Contemporary Religious Thinking, just published; and is a mem-

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ber of the committee now at work on a revision of the American Standard Bible. In addition, Dr. Bewer is a preacher of great power.

Local interest attaches to Dr. Bewer's coming in view of the fact that he is the brother of Mrs. G. K. Daghlian, wife of Dr. G. K. Daghlian, professor of physics.

Canteen Course Of Special Interest To Class Of '45

Freshmen, do you know about the Canteen Corp? It is an extremely important unit of women's work in defense, and its job is feeding in case of emergency or evacuation. Supply kitchens are set up and managed by women, equipped and well informed on the subject of nutrition and feeding. It is a certainty that in the days ahead every one of us will be called upon to do our part, and for freshmen interested in the Canteen Corp, a special opportunity is offered to take the preliminary course in nutrition required as a prerequisite to the regular Red Cross Canteen Course.

Dr. Margaret Chaney, head of the Home Economics department, recently announced that the American Red Cross has approved of the regular freshman course in nutrition, offered during the second semester, as fulfilling the requirements of the prerequisite course. Those freshmen interested in going on into the Canteen course will be required, however, to take an additional four or five hours of study, since the prerequisite course must offer at least twenty hours of

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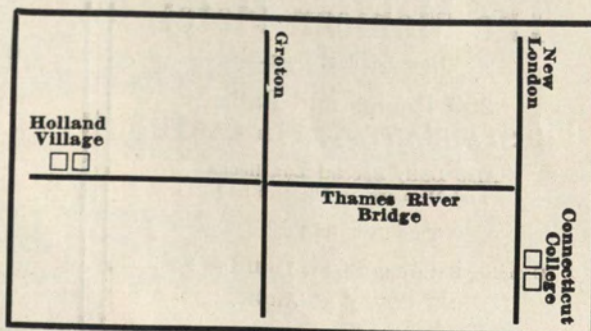
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Arthur Murray And Coast Guard Give C.C. Girls a Whirl

By Barbara Swift '45

Speaking of putting one's best foot forward, twenty-odd college girls fling the books away every Friday afternoon at 4:15 to join an equal number of Coast Guards at Knowlton Salon for an hour's ball-room dancing. Under the instruction of Mr. Thomas Tucker and Miss Harriet Bolles, whom we are privileged to have from the Arthur Murray Dance Studios, our students are skillfully mastering the technique of the one-step, two-step, kick, dip, slide, as well as making acquaintances from across Mohegan Avenue.

Mr. Tucker, in the center of a circle of dancers, demonstrates the step, and while the Vic rolls off a rhumba, Mr. Tucker is heard saying, "Step, slide together, step, slide together..." and Miss Bolles cheerfully instructs those individuals who are a bit slow on the uptake.

It is reported that several budding romances have sprung up since these classes commenced. As one student so aptly expressed it, "You never know what you're going to run into."

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Knitters Produce 230 Garments For Red Cross Drive

Twenty-five Red Cross knitted garments have been turned in since December to swell the finished number of garments to 230, reports Carolyn Wilde '42 in charge of the Red Cross Work Room in the Chapel. The faculty is still in the lead. North cottage forges into first place among the dorms.

Yarn for large size garments is inviting moths as knitters show preference for making smaller sweaters and socks. The faculty show more courage in tackling large garments than do the students. Carolyn Wilde admitted, however, that the students knit as well as the faculty.

Miss Lois Pond has to her credit twelve finished pairs of socks. Dorothy Chapman '44 represents the student lead with six finished pieces.

No men have yet ventured into the Work Room for knitting yarn. John Clark, janitor in 1937 House, said, however, that he'd knit some socks if the girls would show him how. The last report had him knitting backwards.

Faculty and students are strongly urged to continue or begin knitting for Red Cross. The Work Room in the Chapel is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:15 to 11:00, and Mondays through Fridays from 4:00 to 5:00 except during Convocation. Knitters are requested to block and label their garment to save unnecessary work for those helping in the Work Room.

The following are dormitory representatives or assistants in the Work Room: Patricia Bennett, Frances Diver, and Dorothy Chapman, Blackstone; Charlotte Burr and Mariechen Wilder, East; Betty Crouch, Windham; Elizabeth Scoville, day student; Carolyn Arnold and Jean Evans, Thames; Betty Rabinowitz, Branford; Lucille Wolfe, North; and Harriet Wheeler, Helen Hingsberg, Susan Schaap and Janet LaBar, 1937.

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cut, where she has been ever since, now professor and head of the German department.

Without asking, it is easy to see that Miss Hafkesbrink is artistic by nature. One has only to notice the beautiful colors she wears—rich shades of purple, red, and gray—or to see her suite in Mary Harkness house, tastefully modern in its absolute calm unobtrusiveness, decorated in shades of yellow and burnt orange. Her other interests include traveling and driving her silver-gray Plymouth. The desire for new impressions, to know and understand the variety of existence, lies behind everything she does or dreams of doing.

Her one all-absorbing interest is, of course, the study of philosophy—a study which never ends, because it is inexhaustible. Its value

for her and, she feels, for all college students, lies in the attitude of mind which it teaches. Its broadness of scope, its perspective, and its richness are invaluable to all who would learn to live fully. Though Miss Hafkesbrink sees in her students great capacity and alert intelligence, she suggests that as yet they have not felt learning as a real drive, nor reached the point of concentrated effort where distractions cannot side-track their energies. Sometimes honest criticism is necessary, and guidance and inspiration always are welcome. Miss Hafkesbrink, with her quiet, yet intense, personality and her genuine, understanding interest in all the students, is among those best qualified to serve in both capacities.

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into the picture of unity. We must all seriously co-operate in this program, and each of us must be willing to give himself to the job to which he has pledged himself. Therefore, careful consideration of our qualifications is imperative before making a selection, and a willingness to participate in whatever service we choose is essential. If we resolve this, then the equation will read, "Co-operation and participation, plus co-ordination equals unity."

Bristol Orphans, China Relief, Receive College Contributions

Dr. Marjorie R. Dilley, Defense committee chairman, has announced that the \$1050 which was designated by Community Chest for the relief of orphans in Bristol, England, has been given to the Save the Children Federation, that will use it for that purpose.

In addition, private contributions of faculty and students, amounting to \$30, were given to the Federation, for China relief.

The collection and sale of old newspapers on campus, under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Harris, director of residence, has netted \$18.50 to date.

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those who were foresighted enough to save their bicycles to rejuvenate them, with the tire situation as it is today. Now the dealers reveal that the price of second-hand tires has exceeded that of new ones in some places. Thus it has been recommended that a ceiling be placed on the price of these tires. Those dealers who stocked up because of the rationing will not be left with these as the OPA has stated that the wholesalers will re-purchase them for a slightly higher price.

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Pres. Blunt

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department to be taught during the second semester by Miss Fredlyn Ramsey. There is a demand for economists, teachers of all grades, dietitians, secretaries, etc. As a natural result of this demand, we plan to have summer school at college this year, the details of which I can give you later. Many of you, in fact, will be here or elsewhere, studying or working, and having even less of a vacation attitude than last year.

"I have several other points to mention. I hope you realize the importance of keeping on with the fundamentals of your education—they are vital. It is not a figure of speech that you and women a little older will have a chance to remake the world after the war. Unless your mind and character grow, unless you see history, philosophy, religion, and the great scope of the sciences, you will not be equal to the task now or to the greater one later."

Urging students to take part in extra-curricula defense activities, President Blunt mentioned a few of the opportunities on campus, the Red Cross, leadership in the physical fitness program, air raid warden work, airplane observation.

Stressing the importance of good civilian defense, the President concluded: "Last of all, what would you think of dropping a word from your vocabulary, the word 'futile'?" It is not futile to take air-raid precautions, to study for jobs, or to carry on your fundamental

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Cadets Rug-Cut At O. C. Barn Dance

In case you were one of those unfortunates who didn't brave the weather to cavort at the Outing club's barn dance with the U. S. C. G last Saturday night in the Gym, here's the lowdown on what happened:

The "barn" was filled with swirling skirted models and coatless cadets who really knew how to swing their partners. Before the first dance was over, in which the Coast Guards demonstrated their ability to swing, promenade, and "aleman left" as well as any Farmer Green, country bumpkins and rustic maidens developed into smoothies whom only a jive would and did satisfy. A red hot polka restored the rural atmosphere, and immediately sets were formed for "Dig for the Oyster."

Orders came from the floor, so no one person could remember all the dances, the squares, the schottische, and waltzes. By the way, the Coast Guards supplied a first-class cadet and caller, Don Luzius, who knew how to do everything at a barn dance—dance, call, and sing. "Your Careless Love" and "Swing Your Mammy" were only two of his repertoire. His voice proved to be even better than his recordings of dance calls. Kid Russell, popular piano player for C.C. country dancers, was the essential one-man orchestra.

Engagements

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retains merely a private life as Mrs. North.

Chalk up a home run for Betty Nichols, who became Mrs. William Leary on December 18.

Liz Goodrich and Charlotte Hood have apparently been on third base for quite some time and we forgot to commend them for their prowess.

Beth Mildon and Virginia Rowley have been consistent three base hitters and should be in line for a round trip ticket with passes very soon.

Franny Yeames touched third just before Santa Claus came down the college chimney, and Mary Wiener waited to make the all star team until she reached home.

Sis Johnson rounded third and was on her way home but the pitcher got on the ball so she had to go back and stay on third and her coach and future team mate spent some time at school recently coaching her on when and how to get home.

Jane Geckler has been getting to first base for six years it seems, and under the same coach, too. She took second and third in her stride and it is this sports commentator's opinion that home will be a stopping place of the near future.

Maryanna McElroy pulled up

at third the other day but is remaining there only long enough to get her breath back and she should be home any minute. Her team mate is waiting there to give her the glad hand shake upon arrival.

This gives a grand total of nine hits and two home runs.

In the class of '44 we have a home run and the congratulations etc. happened right on campus. Jean Brown took her home stretch lap down the aisle of Harkness Chapel last Thursday evening at six o'clock, a la white wedding gown, bouquet and attendant, Miss Betty Dunn. Between Navy weekends she is Mrs. Bagby, a Connecticut College student, and on the weekends she is Mrs. Bagby.

Carol Walling is on third with no trouble at all, but due to weaker batters coming up she may have to wait there quite a while, but the future still looks mighty good.

Mary Ann Parcells has been on third for quite some time and it is with sincere apologies that we state that her abilities have not been put before the public eye until now.

Daisy Goes apparently has been making three base hits since last spring but being a modest creature she has not let it be known until now.

This gives the sophomores one full fledged run and three hits, and so the seniors are ahead in both runs and hits, but we might add that the varsities are all hard hitting teams.

Personally, we have been getting used to slipping around on the ice and snow but we don't think we'll ever get used to climbing over the rocks that reside on this campus. The only way we can conceive of preventing further scratches is to get a little bo"u"lder ourselves.

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responsible service in his community for the good of his own, and community morale. Connecticut college is a community, and any training and service taken and rendered here is not only valuable here but also in home communities. Of equal importance is the principle that no person undertake more than one service job in order that he may be able to render that service effectively.

The Defense committee has prepared a registration questionnaire which is being distributed to faculty, and to students in house meetings for the purpose of recruiting personnel for the college civilian defense program.

The following faculty and ad-

Mr. Leonard Bacon Reads Own Poems At Convocation

Mr. Leonard Bacon, contemporary poet and satirist, gave a reading of several of his works yesterday afternoon in Palmer Auditorium. Opening with a group of poems written in a "time much more comfortable than our own, and one that you and I, unhappily shall never see again," Mr. Bacon presented the most entertaining "An Encounter." This poem concerned itself with a meeting between Lewis Carroll and Emerson.

Then followed a group of poems dealing with various aspects of life. Such diversified subjects were treated as "Salmon Fishing" (Mr. Bacon admitted to this "ignoble passion"), and "California Afternoon in 1893," a picture of his youth, and of memories that shall always be his.

Mr. Bacon concluded his readings with a group of yet unpublished verses dealing with present times. The first of these, "Our Time," bore a message of pessimism—others, "Zero Hour" and "Think of Religion, America," are self-explanatory. "Yankee Clipper," his final offering, expressed, in metaphor, the epitome of the unquenchable spirit of the American people, and was indeed a message of courage, optimism, and hope.

ministration members will act as heads of the disaster services: registration officer, Miss Ruth Stanwood; co-ordinator of disaster services, Miss Lois Pond; aircraft warning service, Miss Kathryn Moss; air raid wardens, Miss Frances Brett; communications corps, Mrs. Marion Bausor; motor corps and messengers, Miss Ruth Richardson; first aid corps, Miss Eleanor Priest; physical fitness corps, Miss Elizabeth Harts-horn; recreation corps, Miss Ruth Wood; Red Cross workroom, Miss Rita Barnard; property protection corps, Dr. Federico Sanchez and Mr. G. H. VanderVeer.

Blackouts

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These are temporary signals adopted by the city of New London. There will be a uniform state signal adopted later, and the community will be notified when that change is to be made.

On our own campus, the class bells will be used for practice air raid drills. (For college practice, our own whistle will not be blown, but it will be blown for New London practices and warnings.)

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