The annual Christmas program, a feature of which will be the Christ mass pageant planned by the students and art department, will be presented Thursday evening, December 20. The program will include, besides the pageant, a talk by Dr. Laubenstein, a reading by Mr. Haggerty and Christmas carols sung by the choir under the direction of Dr. Erh. Afterward, according to the custom at the college, the audience will be given lighted candles and will go out to the quadrangle to sing.

The work for the pageant is being executed by two committees. The committee in charge of scenery is headed by Marjorie Wolfe Grinnon, ‘35, Phyllis Frame, ‘35, in charge of costumes. The scene will be laid before a stained glass window behind which appears the Madonna. Music will be furnished behind scenes by the choir. There are thirteen figures in the pageant besides six people who will impersonate statues.

According to our usual tradition the pageant will again be an unveiling of the Madonna. This year it is the Madonna of the Stained Glass Window. For those who view the pageant for the first time, and for others who desire an explanation of the theme, we offer the following brief description.

Before the Gothic portal of our own little cathedral in Brittany, a devout group of peasants and townspeople are kneeling. They have come to the church on Christmas eve to take part in the dedication of the new window of the Virgin. For a long time they have skimped and saved and waited. Now at last the window that they have hoped for and dreamed of, is finished. For this memorable occasion, they have assumed their finest attire. The women are wearing their dainty caps of Breton lace; the men their sober suits of black. Slowly the group rises and enters the cathedral. Only two old peasants are left kneeling outside.

In the last scene, the Madonna of the stained glass window is revealed. The craftsmen of the town have tried to copy the exquisite coloring of the Virgin window in Chartres. Similarly, the portal of the church bears a resemblance to that of the

President Blunt: Reports On Connecticut Scholarships

At Chapel Tuesday, President Blunt gave the annual report of progress in the field of scholarship. During Christmas vacation, she said, people will ask us questions about the college. One will, no doubt, be: "How many scholarships are there at Connecticut College?"

There are as many this year as last—almost one sixth of the student body have them. They are distributed throughout the four classes. The Seniors have more in number and money; however the Freshmen have a good deal because of the Robinson scholarship fund. This was provided by Mrs. Robinson, who was interested in the college even before it started. She was influential in getting Mr. Faring and Windham County interest in the college. Mrs. Robinson left us much money for scholarships which was at first used for all classes but later was given to the Freshman class alone. There are six Robinson scholars in the Freshman class. The administration chooses them with great care; such qualities as good scholarship, high intelligence, personal traits and finances are taken into consideration. The six girls are: Marjorie Hansen, Winifred Frank, Gladys Clipper, Winifred Nies, Barbara Mcmaster, and Virginia Vetter.

In the past Robinson scholars have distinguished themselves all mirably; there were in the last graduating class two who won Winthrop scholars who had been on the Dean's list every semester throughout college.

The qualifications for other scholarships are as follows: good scholarship, high character, student leadership and (as an advantage rather than a qualification) earning of money at college.

The average amount that is given to resident students is $250. This is not very much but it is our ambition to have larger ones and more of them in the future.

President Blunt asked us to think about the matter. The raising of scholarship funds is a noble cause, for it keeps girls in college that might otherwise be lost. In the past, gifts have been given by friends and graduates, as well as undergraduates. The college wants to build up the best student body it has ever had. Increasing scholarship funds will help to do that.

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If there are any upperclassmen who are desperately in need of help, a few laughs, we suggest their reading telegrams sent by Freshmen to their O. A. O.'s from the College.

While traveling about Saturday night, we noticed "cadet capers" at Saxton. The theme suggested was, "We're In The Navy Now."*

* Now that the vacation is so near and those who have gained the usual Freshman gains are taking to bananas-and-nilk diets.

How much have you lost, Janie?

** The library certainly is crowded these days. It couldn't be the History and English reports that are keeping the roommates so late?

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And who are the Laeysters who began to pack their trunks a week ago?

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And then there was the Freshman who asked one of her classmates, "What did you write on under "Americas Manners and Customs"?"

ALUMNAE NOTES

As the roll of C. C. graduates lengths, new groups are formed to remind alumnae of the good old days. Sunday, December 9, made college history when a group met at the home of Harriet Lyon, '24, and made plans for a new Fairfield County Chapter of the Alumnae Association.

Esther Tyler, a literary and dramatic class of the great Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. Weld, is reorganizing new in Gilbert and Sullivan's Pinfare. A competition for the designing of stage sets for the opera is on. Designs to be submitted to Lois Pond immediately after Christmas vacation will be judged on the following points:

1. Appropriateness for the opera. 
2. Whether or not it is practical for our stage and available flats. 
3. What the possibilities are for lighting such a set, colors, etc. Any one interested may get a score from Lois Pond, or may get material from write-ops or copies of the operetta in the library. Although no material prize is offered to the winner, it is sufficient honor to have your design chosen as the first prize. It is hoped that this custom will be established for future years.

Editorial

The Editor and Business Manager, respectively, are 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 opinion, the editor must know the names of contributors.

Dear Editor:

There are no special elections at this time, but all during the year certain tasks will arise for which someone must be chosen. In fact, we find that there seems to be a turning toward the same group of students, instead of a general assortment of appointments. Obviously when a head of an organization needs an assistant, rather quickly she will assign the duty to someone who has been an efficient person in past activities.

The point that I would like to raise is the holding of too many positions by the same person. They may not be over-pointed and the task may be for only a few weeks, but the situation remains the same. With the exception of the higher offices where the girls are automatically rejected because of their multiple responsibilities, there seems to be no deliberation in the selection of candidates. With this the case, there is a large majority which is never taken into account.

Should there not be a law (unwritten, if you wish, but nevertheless understood) by which those individuals who have some permanent positions would be excluded from the appointment of other positions and that those who hold office scarcely need further training to test their abilities, and those who do not have any definite task of their own might well profit by the experience. Certainly, the possibility of one or two mistakes be greatly compensated by the greater development of the students up to this time who have had no such opportunity.

1936

Dear Editor:

Perhaps it is little disrespectful to criticize a custom that has evidently been in practice for a long time. This really isn't so much of a criticism as it is a questioning of others' opinions. Doesn't it seem to some of the students that the wearing of gowns by the Seniors is entirely too common an occurrence? At Alumnae meetings we see them, at Vespers they are worn again, and at special occasions such as class day exercises. It may be that I am unaware of the real motive behind this constant donning of gowns, but it seems to me that they become so familiar as to lessen the underclassman's respect for them. In other words, gowns are worn in public places, and this dress is worn only on graduation day as a sign of their attaining that particular goal. The girls who wore these gowns did so because of this final recognition, not because they wanted to show that they had passed a few more courses than the rest of the school, or that they were granted any more privileges.

On account of the appearance of the gowns only at the end of the Senior year, they have a much deeper significance and role of honor than is apparently present in Connecticut.

It is not that we as underclassmen have no respect for the Senior gowns but they hold too much of a position of everyday events, thus losing the special notice they acertain of the days. If every one had such an opportunity.

Dear Editor:

In our present Freshman class there is a slight feeling of alienation and distinction between the off-campus and the on-campus girls. We cannot name the causes for this sentiment nor can we lay the blame on the lack of social facilities. We can, therefore, try to eliminate this feeling by increasing the number of social functions, especially for the entire Freshman class. Short informal afternoon teas and bridges would undoubtedly hold the girls together much more than their regular hi-monthly meetings. There seems to be a turning toward the same group of students, instead of a general assortment of appointments.

1935

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An Anthology Of Poems Being Made

Mrs. Shearer '28 Acting as Editor-in-Chief

Held home in the C. C. Koine's, Quarterly, and desks of English professors are poems written by many alumnae and students still in college. A group of graduates are undertaking the task of collecting, selecting and publishing an anthology of these poems. Mrs. Freder Shearer '28 is acting as editor-in-chief, and as such makes the pre luminary selection of those poems most worthy of publication. Assist ing Mrs. Shearer is Mrs. H. A. Peck of the class of '27.

The number of poems to be included in this anthology will not ex ceed a hundred. Some of them are so good as to be outstanding and certain of publication. Others require more careful consideration and exact editing. The final selection, however, will be made by the com mittee, assisted by the Connecticut College Poetry Club.

The style of poetry is much var i ed, but the majority are lyric in teresersed with some narrative and some dramatic. As to the verse form, it varies considerably. There will be rhymed, free verse, and blank verse. Many of the poems show originality, although Mrs. Shearer points out, the influence of Tennyson, Sandburg, Millay, Lowell and other poets is apparent.

Students still in college are warm ly urged to submit their work to Mrs. Freder Shearer, 4 Miles Avenue, Middletown, Connecticut.

Approximately 87 per cent of the colleges and universities of the United States are not broadcasting their football games this fall—ACP

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The railroads appreciate the enthusiastic responses of students and faculty to the "College-Special" fares which combine econ omy with the great advantages of railroad travel—safety, speed, comfort and convenience. If you bought one of the reduced fare round-trip tickets when you came to school this fall, the coupon is good for returning home during December 10 and 12. When coming back after the holiday, be sure to take advantage of this one and one-third fare ticket, the purchase date for which has been extended to January 16. Diagram below shows going and return dates.

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First Student Recital Held

Violin, Piano and Vocal Selections are Rendered

The Student Recital, under the direction of Dr. Ebb, was given on Thursday evening, December 18, in the gymnasium.

The program was as follows:

Gissani
Tell Me, Oh Blue Sky
Blaukopf
The Summer Wind

Frances Henrietta, '38
Chopin
Prelude in C

Hasuer
Berenice

Lucile Cate, '37
In Autumn

Maria
Whiting, '37

Grieg
Olde French, '37

Charminde
Medicago
Rosamond Brown, '37

Kramer
A Fragment, Op. 40

No. 2

Mary Ewing, '36

Schemann
The Lotus Flower
Bob

Calm as the Night
Margaret Waterman, '36

Hollander
Canzontelle
Schott
Reverie

Barbara Mcmaster, '38

Bishop
Love Has Eyes
Lo! Here the Gentle Lark
Martha Louise Cook, '37

MacDowell
To a Water-Lily

Debussy
Arabesque, No. 1

Dorothy Barlett, '38

Schemann
Sussie Freund, du
blickst mich Ich kannst nicht fassen, nicht glauben Er.
der Herrschalter von Allen

Elizabeth Barber, '35

MR. GEORGE CLARK SPEAKS TO GROUP ON THE TAX SITUATION

On December 13, at 7:00 in Knowlton, Mr. George Clark spoke to a select group interested in the tax situation. Mr. Clark, a member of the state tax commission which has just completed a survey of the state tax, explained the situation. The political science class under the direction of Miss Harrison is making a tax report for the League of Women Voters.

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SPANISH CLUB
Members of the Spanish Club met informally in the Commuters’ Room on Wednesday, December 12. The program consisted mainly of music, and several vioctra records were selected to form the basis of a permanent collection of representative Spanish music. A scrap-book is also being made, and interesting bits of news relating to modern Spain are being collected.

MATH CLUB
The C. C. Mathematics Club Christmas party was held on Tuesday, December 11. The guests enjoyed many games of a mathematical nature including Living Formulas Jargon Formulas, Goggenheim and Biography. Following the games refreshments were served.

The party was in charge of Vir- ginia Golden, president of the Math Club. She was assisted by Frances Wallis, Chairman of Entertainment, and by a committee composed of Anne Cooper, Ruth Howell, Irene Larson, and Katie Vanderhoof.

MUSIC CLUB

The Music Club held its Christ mas party on Wednesday, December 12. The group met in Wind ham at 7:30, and enjoyed Christmas carols singing and other enter tainment.

GERMAN CLUB

Georgia Club held its Christmas party in the green and red decorated Commuters’ Room at 7:30 on Friday, December 14. Christmas carols were sung, and the other entertainment contributed to the Christmas spirit.

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

Vinal House was the scene of a gay Christmas party of the Home Ec. majors on December 12. The Home Ec. majors exercised their cooking ingenuity in the preparation of Christmas goodies. They averaged about $10 each for their work.—ACP

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Charter Of College Granted In 1911

The First Name Given Is Thames College

There are many of you who at tend college and know very little, it seems, about its real meaning. A knowledge of its foundation is usually very interesting. I have found that Connecticut College for Wome n was organized because of the need for a new college for women. Smith, Vassar, and Wellesley were overflowing and the State of Con necticut had no such school for its women seeking higher education. Therefore, it felt that it was behind the others in this respect.

In March, 1910, three members of the Hartford College Club, Miss Elizabeth W. Strong, Chairman, Mrs. E. V. Mitchell, and Miss Mary M. Partridge, were appointed the committee to try to arouse the public to the realization that a college was needed. The people quickly favored the idea and many cities among them, Bristol, West Hartford and New London offered sites.

In June, 1910, a General Site Com mittee was appointed but this was changed to a Board of fifteen. In corporators in December. This board met in Hartford on January 14, 1911, and unanimously voted to accept the site offered by New Lon don, which seemed to be a good col legi town because of its rich historical background, its beautiful situa tion on the Thames and the Sound, its nearness to New York, Boston, and New Haven, and the annual Yale-Harvard boat races there.

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Miss Ramsay Talks In Chapel On Theme Of "Six Months To Live"

Applies Theme of Play to College Students

The subject of Miss Alice Ramsay in Chapel on December 12 was "Six Months to Live", the theme of "Dark Victory", one of the season's most interesting plays. How would we live if our days were numbered? While we plunge into a feverish existence of excitement in an attempt to make up for all we are going to lose, or would we try to find the true value of life?

Our college days are numbered for four short years of our lives. How apt we are to lose much of their significance by living for such things as mail, vacations, or week-ends. Everything between is boring and trivial; we become unaware of things that are happening around us.

The people who succeed in making insignificant things important by giving them color and life are those who make life interesting for their friends. They realize the value of contrasts in life, sorrow, hopes. They are aware of what life offers; they are the people who find new meanings in old things.

We might compare our lives to Revelations in the Bible. So often we find ourselves coming almost to the end of an experience before we realize fully what it means. This is true of friendships as well as of a school year.

Many of us are discontented with living where we are at the moment. When we are at school, we want to be at home, and vice versa. We make the mistake of treating college as a stopover instead of as a home.

Our college experience is a short one. Why waste it by looking for another? We might compare our lives to a school year.

Miss Ramsay was a captain of the football team at New London High School, and a member of the 1934 cheerleaders. Her talks in Chapel are always well-received by the students. She is an enthusiastic speaker and always has something new to say.

Dr. Little speaks on College Life

Dr. Little is the President of Connecticut College for Women, China, and College of the Bible. She is a member of the College and Students. She also spoke and showed pictures of her college and students. She reminded the students that their college days are numbered, and that they should make the most of their time while they are there.

Schmidt's furniture is a famous brand of furniture, and the designs are made by famous industrial designers. The furniture is known for its durability and craftsmanship. It is a popular choice among college students because it is affordable and lasts a long time.

Our college experience is short, but it is significant. It is a time to learn and grow, and to prepare for the future. We should make the most of our college days, and appreciate the value of what life offers.
HEARST REPLIES TO ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE EDITORS' LETTER

Acting as president of the Association of College Editors, Francis G. Smith, Jr., editor of the Daily Princetonian, addressed to William Randolph Hearst and gave out for general publication an open letter containing nine complicated questions regarding internationalism and disarmament.

The letter said that the questions had been prepared in England by Sir Norman Angell, the pacifist author and "probable winner of the Nobel Peace Prize for this year," to be answered by Lord Beaverbrook, owner of the London Daily Express.

Because of the laborious nature of the questions, Lord Beaverbrook declined to answer them. Following in Mr. Hearst's reply to Editor Smith concerning the same questions which has been commented upon by the Daily Princetonian as "A Hearstian harangue intended for people who think; yet does not answer a single fundamental issue in the letter sent him".

November 17, 1934

Mr. Francis G. Smith, Jr.,
Pres., the association of College Editors,
354 Fourth Ave., New York.

My Dear Sir:

I am happy to learn that Mr. Norman Angell is a "probable Nobel Prize winner," but I have not been overwhelmingly impressed by actual peace winners—as far as their political sagacity is concerned. Because of which (and irrespective of which), I do not feel obligated to answer categorically disingenuous, spacious questions propounded on the recognized "Have you stopped beating your wife?—answer yes or no" basis.

Nevertheless, I have no objection to stating clearly and comprehensively my beliefs as to what constitutes visionary and what practical and patriotic internationalism. I personally believe in nationalism and internationalism each in its proper place.

I believe in benefiting all the people of the earth, whenever and wherever we can do so without sacrificing the interests of our own people.

I believe in promoting the public welfare, but I do not believe it necessary in doing so to be entirely in different to the needs of my own family and associates. I believe in loving my neighbor as myself, but I have not yet reached the point where I am ready to sell all I have and give every precious personal and national possession to covetous neighboring nations who desire them but do not deserve them.

I believe in good faith and common honesty among individuals also among nations. I believe in honor among thieves. I believe that honest debts should be paid and a word of honor respected among peoples and politicians even when dishonesty and dishonesty are momentarily profitable. Pledges must not be given unless they are to be observed; obligations cannot be contracted unless they are to be discharged.

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