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# CONNECTICUT COLLEGE NEWS



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## Seniors Enjoy Pianist Muriel Kerr And The Coolidge Quartet In Concert

By Helen Crawford '44

If you've ever wondered what goes on in that diminutive house behind the chapel, where the small fry come from, and how they disport themselves each school morning on our campus, Bobbie Butler '42 has revealed the story behind the scenes! Seniors who take Home Economics 311-312 frolic with, and study, the nursery school young (this is lab work!) three hours and observe for one hour a week. Beside Bobbie, there are nine other child development majors, all seniors, who go to nursery school—Doris Boies, Peter Frey, Betty Graham, Virginia Hadley, Betty Moeller, Marylin Morris, Jean Morse, Edie Roth and Jean Staats. Mrs. Tom is a special student, and Adrienne Berberian and Mary Stephenson, also taking the course, are majors in other fields.

Under the direction of Miss Margaret Campbell Chase, these C.C. girls (there are always two there at a time) receive the children, who range from two-and-one-half to four-and-one-half years old, when they arrive at nine and are inspected for suspicious sneezes and rashes. Passing inspection, each child drinks four ounces of water and skips outside to play. There are six little boys and six little girls, an enviable situation. Their playground has everything that could possibly be of interest: a jungle-jim, a slide, a wagon, tricycles, and a sandpile. Everything is built to nursery school scale; inside, even the wash basins are low and the

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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.

## Allegory Dedicated To All Connies Who Are Allergic To Rainstorms

By Nancy Wolfe '42

"The time has come," the Connies said, "to study many things." Yes, indeed, exam period, which has been hovering on the distant horizon like a black, overhanging cloud; has moved so close to them that it is time to rush quickly for shelter in order to avoid being caught unprepared in the full fury of those stormy examinations. The "safest place" for them to retreat from the storm seems to be reading period; true enough, that will not be permanent security from the tempest, but at least it offers them an opportunity to collect their wits, gather new courage, and cloak their minds in storm proof gear so that they can face the stormy weather without getting too wet.

Most people are afraid of storms, and this truth seems to be self evident on the Connecticut campus. To hear the moans and groans of all the little Connies, who assure you that they really have been working all year in spite of the complaints of the faculty



COOLIDGE QUARTET

Muriel Kerr, brilliant young pianist, and the Coolidge Quartet, famed Chamber musicians, will appear in a joint concert Wednesday evening, February 11, at 8:30 in Palmer auditorium. The Quartet, composed of William Kroll, first violin, Nicolas Moldaven, viola, Jack Pepper, second violin, and Victor Gottlieb, violincello, was founded in 1936 under the sponsorship of the Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge Foundation of the Library of Congress in Washington.

Muriel Kerr was born in Regina, Canada, January 18, 1911. At seven she made her debut as a child prodigy, playing a Mozart Concerto. At nine young Muriel was giving concerts throughout Canada and created much interest and speculation through the extraordinary beauty and maturity of her conceptions. The following two years she spent in Chicago working with Alexander Raab. Muriel Kerr continued her studies under Ernest Hutcheson, with whom she worked uninterruptedly from her twelfth year through 1930.

She made her debut in New York on December 5, 1928, under Conductor William Mengelberg at the Inaugural Concert of the Schubert Memorial. This one appearance with orchestra sufficed to make Miss Kerr a drawing power of such strength that Town Hall

was crowded at her first recital on January 31, 1929.

Today, as a noted pianist, Muriel Kerr continues to live a happy, balanced life, unspoiled by success. She is enormously interested in clothes; likes to sew, bake, cook, drive a car, play bridge and ping pong, and swim. She reads a great deal, prefers prose to poetry, standard authors to newcomers, and has a weakness for the famous Russians, and George Eliot, H. W. Hudson, and Oscar Wilde.

Each member of the Coolidge Quartet is an artist of accomplishment who has appeared as soloist with leading orchestras. Their string combination is considered a triumph of beautifully blended ensemble work.

William Kroll, the first violinist, graduated with highest honors from The Institute of Musical

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## Air Raid Whistles Are To Be Tested; Blackout Changed

The trial blackout for this section of the city on February 10 has been cancelled. The college will participate, however, in the all-city blackout on February 17. The Defense committee bulletin board will carry all notices of such changes in the future.

Sound tests to determine where the 19 air raid signals can be heard in the city will be given on Sunday, January 25. The first whistle will be blown at three o'clock, and the others following it at five minute intervals. Connecticut college's whistle on the power house will be blown at 3:05, the test alarm being three regular blasts repeated three times at 15 second intervals. This trial is not an air raid practice; it is only a sound test for the warning whistles.

The college air raid whistle will be blown on Tuesday, February 3, for a black-out in certain sections of the city, but the college will not black-out then.

## Schedule Announced for Air Raid Warden Course

The air raid warden course for the training of air raid warden aides and fire watchers will meet Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Monday, January 21, 22, 23, and 26, at 7:15 p.m., and Tuesday, January 27, at 4:00 p.m., in Fanning 111.

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## Motor Mechanics May Be Offered If Enough Request It

A Red Cross motor mechanics course may be offered second semester, Dr. Marjorie R. Dilley, chairman of the Defense committee, announced, provided enough persons request it. The standard Red Cross first aid course is a prerequisite for, and the advanced Red Cross first aid course must either precede or parallel, the motor mechanics course. The thirty hour course is a requirement for the motor corps. Dr. Dilley requests that any person who really intends to take the course if it is offered leave their names in her box in the information office, Fanning hall, no later than Saturday noon, January 24.

## Dr. Hier To Lead Talk On Student Apathy

In connection with the series of Defense Committee questionnaire discussions, Dr. Florence Hier, assistant professor of French, has invited the first ten students who sign up in Fanning to meet at her apartment, 269 Mohegan Avenue, on Thursday afternoon, January 22, at 4 o'clock, for a "tea-talk-knitting" meeting. The discussion will be based on question 14, "Is apathy more prevalent among college students than among other groups? Is apathy more dangerous for the democratic way of life than for an undemocratic way of life?" (This same question was discussed by Robert Gould, co-editor of the *Ladies Home Journal* in the *News* recently.

## Victory Book Drive To Stress Grammar Scientific Books

In connection with the Victory Book Campaign, a national drive sponsored by the American Library Association, the American Red Cross, and the United Service Organizations, for the collection of books for men in the armed forces, the college Defense committee has decided to conduct its drive during the early part of the second semester. Many types of books are wanted, but particular requests have been made by the men themselves for textbooks in all subjects, grammars, and scientific and technical books.

This drive at the college will be directed chiefly at the students, since the faculty contributed books to Fort Terry earlier in the school year. Nancy Crook '43, a member of the student Defense committee, will act as chairman of the drive on this campus, and she will be advised by Miss Florence King, associate librarian. The national drive commenced on January 12, and will continue indefinitely, depending upon how rapidly the books come in.

### Buy Defense Stamps Now!

On sale in the bookshop

## Girls From Eight Nations To Visit C.C. For Week-End

Connecticut college will welcome students of many foreign nations with the sponsoring of the annual International Week-end, February 13 to 15, by Inter-club council, International Relations club, and Religious council.

Mr. Luther Tucker, secretary of the World Student Christian Federation, will be guest speaker for the week-end. Although still a young man, Mr. Tucker has traveled widely and worked with students all over the world.

Plans have been made to invite fifteen foreign students from neighboring colleges to participate in the event. The group will include English, German, French, Negro, Austrian, Japanese, South American, and Chinese students. Each dormitory has voted to raise a fund for one guest's transportation and visit here on campus.

The general theme for discussion will be on the topic "The Students' Part in the World Today." On Friday afternoon, a tea will be given to introduce our foreign guests to students and faculty. An open discussion led by two faculty members will be held on Friday evening in 1937 House on the subject "The world we want in the future, and the part of each nation in building that world."

Saturday morning, the students will visit classes and be shown the campus. Mr. Tucker will lead the discussion Saturday afternoon in Windham house. The foreign students will be asked to talk about the work of students in their own countries at the present time. A

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## Ec. Dept. To Offer Statistics Course Second Semester

To cope with the increasing demand by the government for women statisticians in civil service positions, the college will offer a new course in statistics to juniors and seniors during the second semester. Taught by Miss Fredlyn Ramsey, instructor in economics, who was assistant statistician with the T. V. A., the course will be catalogued as Economics 253, Principles of Statistics. The statement reads: The purpose of this course is to acquaint the student with the principles and methods of statistical analysis. Laboratory exercises will be used to illustrate the methods.

## Rev. Abbott To Be Vespers Speaker

The Rev. Alexander Howes Abbott, pastor of the United Congregational Church of Norwich, Conn., will be the vespers speaker at Connecticut college on Sunday, January 25. A native of Watertown, Mass., Mr. Abbott attended Brown university and received his theological training at Union Theological Seminary. He has held pastorates in Narbeth, Penna., Albany, N. Y., and was chaplain of the 74th Infantry during the first World War. Since 1919 he has had his present charge in Norwich.



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## Assistance Needed

Although we have been requested by the Defense committee to register for only one specific service in the new civilian defense work program which was initiated last week, we can all contribute to another valuable field. That field is salvage work. The faculty and student committee heads are now broadening their project to include new fields of salvage, and we, the student body, can do much to assist them.

So far, the sale of old newspapers collected in the dormitories has brought a revenue of \$23.35 which has been contributed toward the operation of a Mobile Kitchen in England. We are not doing all we can, however, for this branch of salvage work. We are being careless in just tossing papers into the waste basket instead of taking them to the central box placed in each house for this purpose. Not only newspapers, but also wrapping paper, boxes, magazines, and any unsoiled paper can be used. On the other hand, we shouldn't throw odd bits of waste paper into the central boxes.

To show an example of just what can be done in the way of salvage, one faculty member turned over a check for \$32 to the Mobile Kitchen fund, from the sale of old periodicals.

As for our tin foil collections—why can't we all take just about thirty more seconds to peel it from its paper backing before we add it to the pile? When the committee is faced with the prospect of unpeeling numerous cigarette wrappers, naturally the work is slowed up.

Don't forget that tin foil comes in many forms. The Eastman Kodak Company has requested that we save the inside wrappers from films. In addition, candy bars, cough drops, and numerous other small articles come in tin foil wrappers. Save them!

The committee is also making a plea for books for army camp reading. They want text books, science books in particular. Why not sort through our shelves tonight and contribute those old books which we have been hoarding simply because we couldn't sell them and didn't know what else to do with them?

In other words, *think* before thoughtlessly throwing things away. These are war times when "conspicuous consumption" has no place in our society, and when we must turn to true economy!

## FREE SPEECH

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

Dear Editor:

I'm sure that the recently conducted poll on the negro problem was done with the highest of intentions by students wholeheartedly interested in mitigating racial prejudice. I feel, however, that a poll of this sort can do more harm than good.

Yes, the college and community greatly need to be made aware of the evil of racial prejudice, but in a more subtle manner. If racial prejudice is to be proved irrational, isn't it even more irrational to suggest that there is any reason why there should be discrimination in the draft, professions, or in business? If the college finds a negro professor qualified to teach at Connecticut or a negro girl eligible for entrance as a student, let them be admitted without any more to-do about it. In view of this I think that the poll tends to set the negro apart from other groups, and add more soreness than relief to an already delicate problem.

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## Allegory

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they even had just a worn-out pair that only leaked a little tiny bit, it wouldn't be so bad. But no, these Connies are really going to be left high and not very dry.

Maybe there are a few smart Connies who at least have sou'westers, but for the most part these forlorn little collegians can only chew their pencils a bit harder, scowl a little deeper, and hope that the rain won't fall quite so heavily as they seem to anticipate. Just maybe, if they roll their blue jeans up a notch, put their hair in pig-tails, and wipe the dust off all those pretty book covers, and stick close to the shelter of reading period for a couple of days, the threat of the storm will become less (or lesson) and they won't get quite as wet as they seem to think.

But I'll bet that for one thing all these little Connies will forget all about the storm as soon as it's over, and that by spring they won't have industriously searched out a second-hand pair of boots, or tried to find a satisfactory substitute. No, as soon as the sun comes out again, all for-sure-enough Connies always chase after sunbeams again, and then when it storms in the spring (and we all know that spring rains are twice as wet as winter ones, because they make the flowers grow) they have to moan and groan all over again, and fall down in puddles that are much muddier than they are now. Oh, if only Connies could learn to study their barometers, what helpful secrets they might discover!

## Calendar . . .

Wednesday, January 21	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	7:15
	A.A.U.W. (T. Van Dyke lecture)	Holmes Hall	8:00
Thursday, January 22	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	7:15
Friday, January 23	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	7:15
	Aretas Saunders on Bird Song	B 106	7:30
	A. Murray Dancing Class	Knowlton	4:15
Sunday, January 25	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	3:00, 8:00
Monday, January 26	Reading period begins		
Wednesday, January 28	Exams begin		
Friday, January 30	Infantile Paralysis Benefit	Auditorium, evening	
Friday, February 6	End of examinations		
Sunday, February 8	Between semester recess ends		10:00 p.m.
Monday, February 9	Beginning of second semester		
	Wig and Candle	Auditorium 202	8:00
Wednesday, February 11	Concert: Coolidge Quartet; Muriel Kerr, Pianist	Auditorium	8:30
Thursday, February 12	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	7:15
Friday, February 13	A. Murray Dancing Class	Knowlton	4:15
	International Weekend Tea	1937 House	4:00
Saturday, February 14	International Weekend		
Sunday, February 15	Vespers, Rabbi Morris Lazaron	Chapel	7:00
	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	3:00, 8:00
Monday, February 16	Wig and Candle	Auditorium 202	7:15
Tuesday, February 17	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	7:15
	Miss Porter Musical Service	Chapel	8:00
Wednesday, February 18	Wig and Candle	Auditorium	7:15

CONNIE . . .

. . . By Bobbie Brengle



"He may be a Private at Fort Bragg, but he's certainly public here!"

## TO DATE

### Solidarity At Test

The Rio de Janeiro conference of the American Republics now has before it the resolution formally stating the contemplated program, that of complete severance of relations with the Axis powers. The test of solidarity will come when this resolution is put to a vote. Some optimism has developed that the attitude of the Argentinians is less uncompromising than had been feared. The fact that the resolution for severance of relations was reported by a committee composed of delegates from Mexico, Columbia, and Venezuela shows the conference strategy, for the United States is not a member of this committee and did not take the lead in offering the resolution. Germany has unwittingly aided in fostering Pan-American sentiment by sinking two ships off New York, which will help to impress those at the conference with the proximity of war. There will probably be some sort of bargaining, because, cut off from their usual European supplies, the Latin American countries will want some sort of economic and financial assurance from the United States. The prospects are bright, however, that a Pan American united front will be shown the Axis.

### Daylight Saving to be Standard

The new Daylight Saving Law enacted by Congress advances Standard Time by one hour. It will affect every community in the land when it becomes operative early in February. Thus being national there will be no conflict of time in the various parts of the country. The purpose of the law is the conservation of electricity for war production purposes. Thus by just changing the time a reserve of power is made available.

### Germans Disagree

According to Soviet dispatches the Death of Von Reichenau was by no means by apoplexy. Apparently there had been some sort of disagreement between the various generals and Hitler, resulting in several removals.

## BOOK REVIEW

by Sally Kelly '43

*Windswept*, Mary Ellen Chase's story of a place, smacks of the tradition, simple beauty, and natural grandeur that are characteristic of the eastern Maine coast. Just how *Windswept*, a house, and its location on a headland, influenced its occupants is the crux of the novel.

Inherited from his father sixty years before, *Windswept* was to John Marston a place into which he and his children could thrust their roots. The sea, the wind, the naked headland, the highland cranberries growing around the place, the shingled house, Jan, his road to Heron Cove, the comings and goings of life in the barn, the chapel—these are what three generations of Marstons grew on and missed most when they were away from them at St. Paul's, Harvard or in Europe. *Windswept* gave to and received from its visitors. Eileen Lassiter spent her summers there until its hold converted her into Mrs. John Marston, forever part of *Windswept*. To John Marston, who gave it life and identity, *Windswept* became a treasure whose increasing wealth was to be passed on to his children. In its sixty years of history the treasure had changed only in degree; the shingles were weathered, Jan's road was broadened, an automobile made village trips easier. All was in harmony on the headland, except one Adrienne Chartier, whose complicated life proved she never really belonged there anyhow.

*Windswept* is typical of its writer, a professor of English composition. There is a good modern story; in fact, a beautiful one of life that goes on and reaches its fullest in its native soil. To many readers, unfortunately, such a story has no meaning. Perhaps they'll like the simple style, essay form, and continuous strands of thought that make the novel such easy reading, or the anecdotes and bits of philosophy that also enlivened *The Goodly Fellowship*.

What is the feeling one has at the end of the book? Why, to reread it.



## C. C. Ski Queens Plan Gay Mid-Semester Vacations

When exams are at long last over and tired minds turn to relaxation, Connecticut girls will be found in many and varied places. Although quite a few claim to be going "uneventfully home," there are lots of others with gay plans in the wind. The girls far away from home seem to be planning visits with friends, jaunts to New York, and ski holidays.

Skiing in the hills is a big attraction! These are a few of the statistics on the subject: Pat Garnett '44, Helen Madden '44, Algie Adams '44, Marge Bernhardt '44, Marge Geupel '44, Jean Leinbock '44, Bobbie Schwab '44, Connie Haaron '43, Yvonne Forbus '43, Nan Thompson '43, and Alice McEwan '45 will probably trek up Vermont way. Junior Week at Cornell is also a big drawing card. Headed in that direction are Sally Ford '44, Teeto Lincoln '44, Bunte Mauthe '42, Nancy Wolfe '42, and perhaps Trudy Weinstock '44. (She still has Florida on her mind.)

Betty Gossweiler '43, who said "Skiing or bust," according to latest reports is hoping to raid the peace of Franconia, N. H. Some of the others going to Jug End Barn, near Great Barrington, Mass., are Mardianne Dinkey '43, Eddie May Geissinger '43, Alice Watson '43, Ginny Foss '43, Mary Lou Shoemaker '43, Marion Butterfield '43, Betsy Hodgson '43, Jean Du Bois '43, Roxy Schwartz '43, Mary Lou Stephenson '43, Lee Richmond '43, Charlotte Hillas '44, Rusty Grosvenor '44, and Doris Hostetter '43.

## Wig And Candle Announces Cast For Spring Play

A partial selection of the cast for *The Royal Family*, by George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber, which will be presented by Wig and Candle this spring in the Palmer Auditorium, has been made. The play deals with the fascinating and renowned Barrymore family, and contains extremely witty lines.

Elinor Pfautz '42 will play the part of Julia Cavendish, and Shirley Wilde '42 will portray Fanny Cavendish, Julia's mother. Joan Jacobson '42 will appear as Julia's daughter, Gwen. Caroline Townley '44 has been cast as Kitty LeMoyné, and Ruth Ann Likely '43, as Della.

Robert Thompson, who played George in *Superstition*, has been cast as Anthony Cavendish. Two other actors who also appeared in *Superstition*, William Canty and Howard Kaplan, will play the parts of Herbert Dean and Gilbert Marshall, respectively, in *The Royal Family*. Other men in the cast are Robert Rafferty, Mathew Perry, Allen Kayrukstis, and William Titterton. The remaining male parts have not been cast.

## Dr. Chakerian Appointed To Conn. Prison Assoc. And Vagrancy Committee

Dr. Charles G. Chakerian, assistant professor of economics and sociology, has been appointed co-chairman of the jail committee of the Connecticut Prison association, Chief Justice William H. Maltbie, president of the association, announced January 17. Dr. Chakerian was also appointed a member of the committee on inebriacy and vagrancy, acting as research consultant.

## A. A. To Rent Skis In Order To Meet Upkeep Expenses

You were informed last week of the A.A. ski equipment. The Athletic Association has of late put in some rules about this equipment. In order to keep this equipment in good condition it is necessary to have ski wax. For this reason the A.A. has decided to charge a rental fee for the skis. The money will be collected at the end of each week.

In the attic of the gymnasium where the skis are kept there will be a sign out sheet for the skis and ski poles. The rental fee for one day is to be ten cents. One day means that the skis and ski poles are to be returned by five-thirty p.m. of the day they are taken out. The equipment is checked around this time every evening. If the skis are kept overnight there will be a charge of twenty-five cents. The skis may be taken off the campus for a weekend and the charge for a weekend is fifty cents. After a weekend they must be returned to the gym by Monday noon so that others may use them in the afternoon.

There will be a sign up sheet on the A.A. Bulletin Board Thursday morning of this week for the purpose of signing out skis and poles for the weekend after exams. The number of people that may sign is limited to the number of pairs of skis and the plan is to work on the "first come first serve" system. The charge for the exam weekend will be \$1.00.

Also in a recent A.A. meeting two new rules about individual points were voted upon and passed.

1. From now on girls below point and on pro may play in competition only if the competition takes place during regular class time and she receives no points for this because of her scholastic standing. If competition is outside class, she may not compete.

2. People below point and on pro do not receive points for outside hours.

The Wood twins '43 are going home with Wilma Parker '43 of Gorham, Maine. They will join the skiers at North Conway, as will Mary Lou Williams '43 and her guest, Jane Grimley '43 (unless she is able to get home to Montreal). Ellie Eells '42 will represent us at Woodstock and Lois Brenner '42 hopes to go up in the Poconos with her brother.

There will be a gay spot at Franconia, New Hampshire, too, where quite a few have made reservations, including Sookie Porter '45, Kitty Williams '45, Polly Lockwood '45, Pat Wells '45, Sally Rapelye '45, Marge Maynard '45, Joanne Jenkins '45, Wilda Peck '45, Pat Turchon '45, Ethel Schall '45, and Alean Brisley '45. Bobbie Dillon '43 is hoping to spend the weekend in Hanover, but the restriction against girls being in the town that weekend rather hampers things. Mary Lou Elliott '43 is evading the ruling by going to Franconia on a Dartmouth house party.

When asked where they are going, many of the girls just beamed with enthusiasm — that's right, they're going to be with "Him." That means some stay right here in New London or trot down to New Haven. Jane Geckler '43 is one of these lucky girls. As always New York is a very popular destination. Alice Dimock '43, Ebbie Estabrook '43, Florence Urban '43, Virginia Railsback '43, Evvie De Puy '42, Sue Steffen '45, Jane Barksdale '45, Mary Bates '45, Sophie Barney '44, and Fran Hyde '42 (her first time since 1935) are all anticipating a holiday in the big city, where there are many good plays and gay activities planned.

A trip to Branford College, a few days in Florida, tickets for ice hockey games, a weekend with the roommate or best friend, and many other happy times seem to be on the schedule for the time we're all waiting for. Meanwhile employ some of that enthusiasm for exams, eh?

## "Glacier Priest" Speaks On Alaska And Far North From Vast Experience

The Rev. Bernard R. Hubbard, distinguished scientist, Arctic explorer, and Jesuit missionary, con-founded the general belief that the Aleutian islands are stepping stones which might threaten the security of Alaska, by describing them as "slippery stones" shrouded in fog and rain and useless as flying bases, when he spoke on Friday afternoon and evening at Palmer auditorium under the auspices of the American Association of University Women.

Father Hubbard, known as "the Glacier Priest," who has led expeditions through Alaska for the last 15 years, said that he was present on the Aleutian islands during a test conducted by the Coast Guard and that within a period of five months there were only four days of flying weather in the islands. This country's solution for air bases in that region, he said, is obtaining use of fields in Siberia, only 56 miles away, where the weather is almost uniformly clear.

Father Hubbard showed a motion picture, "Oomiak Adventures in Arctic Alaska," taken on a recent trip. On that trip he traveled 2,000 miles in a native boat of walrus hide known as a oomiak, studying the customs, language, and food of the Eskimos.

He is convinced that the Eskimos of Siberia and North America are of the Tartar Mongol stock, as

he found their language basically the same.

"It is doubtful that these people came to North America over any prehistoric 'land bridge' over the Bering Straits," he said. "I am of the opinion that they came in the same type of native boat that I used, and that they crossed the water about the tenth century, fleeing from the terror of the terrible Genghis Khan.

Bringing geography to life with his pictures and stories of Eskimos, Father Hubbard told his audiences many facts they had never found in geography books, including the revelation that Alaskan Eskimos never live in igloos, but in wooden or walrus hide huts. "The huts and villages of ice huts as pictured in our geographies simply do not exist among the Alaskan Eskimos," he said.

He told of villages unvisited by white men where murder or crime of any sort is unknown. Since the coming of white men and their efforts to bring modern methods to the Eskimos, large proportions of the natives have been stricken with tuberculosis and 75 per cent of the Eskimo children die from that disease before they are four years old. The Eskimos are not subject to other diseases such as cancer or diabetes, and are now being assisted

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## Student "Valuables" Include Teddy Bears And Coffee Pots

By Shirley Simkin '42

When the fire alarm clangs, with loud disregard for sleep and study, bath and bridge, the most valuable possessions clutched safely in the arms of C.C. students represent an amazing collection of treasures. A brief survey of the most cherished possessions of all four classes furnishes an interesting commentary on the college girl's sense of values. Fur coats and pictures of photogenic males are seldom forgotten, and there are, of course, a few persons who grab indiscriminately for the thing nearest at hand, or who are satisfied that they themselves are the most valuable objects to be rescued. But a variety of articles ranging from Dumbo to diary, from perfume to palm tree, from jewelry to jeans, from money to music box, from pictures to pills, from glasses to gum drops continue to add spice to the routine drills.

The poor old seniors prove to be the most practical—perhaps four years at C.C. have had their effect. Money, checkbooks, and jewelry are the choice of the majority. Some, however, cherish things for purely sentimental reasons, or because of their peculiar usefulness.

The animal-loving category includes Virginia Little, "sentimental" pooh-bear; Margaret Ramsay, a teddy bear named Currito with calico ears; Sylvia Hansling, three ivory elephants; and Virginia Frey, a worry-bird.

In the literary group come Nancy Pribe with her letters, Billy Mitchell with her chem lab books, and Ruth Moulton with her diary.

## Vitamins Replace Cokes In C.C. War Time Rations

Is there really a coke shortage? Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, reported last Sunday night that sugars and fats will be restricted for the duration. Miss McKenzie of the College Inn assures us that there is a definite shortage in the supply allotted to the college. The cokes have been rationed to her so that for January, February, and March she is allowed 59 cases of 24 bottles each per month; she does not know what will happen after March. Fifty-nine cases of coca cola may sound like a tremendous amount, but do you realize that if Harry were to sell cokes each night, an average of 20 nights a month, only seventy girls could have a bottle each evening? Since it would not be fair for less than one out of ten girls on campus to have cokes, Miss McKenzie has organized Connecticut College rationing. Cokes are now sold only on one night a week; in this way over half the college students may purchase them on that night. To play fair with Miss McKenzie she asks that everyone cooperate with this rationing and accept the substitute fruit juices the remaining nights of the week.

If you have ideas for substitutes which you would enjoy, such as milk, chocolate milk, tomato juice, etc., Miss McKenzie would be very pleased to hear about them.

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Emory university was named for Bishop John Emory of Maryland.

Berkeley, Calif.—Difficulties in obtaining steel have caused three months' delay in construction of the University of California's gigantic atom smashing cyclotron, but engineers say it will probably be ready for operation in the fall of 1943.—ACP

A few interesting specimens defy any classification but miscellaneous: opera glasses, Elizabeth Swartz; pills and totem pole, Jane Worley; red underwear, Shirley Wilde; Swiss music box, Virginia Frey; silex coffee pot, Barbara Macpherson; new girdle and skis, Agnes Hunt.

The Juniors, too, exhibit good financial sense in preserving whatever remains of the monthly allowance. There may be some logical explanation for the fact that pictures of favorite males and jewelry, including an impressive number of rings and pins, rank next highest as cherished possessions. Small things of special utilitarian value complete the list of items worthy to be saved by the class of '43.

Barbara Garber takes her ticket for home, Dorothy Lenz takes her knitting, Barbara Boyd clutches a "boxfull of all my letters, and my bobbie pins." Nancy Thompson cuddles stuffed animals under her arm, Betsey Pease wears her glasses, Roxann Schwartz struggles downstairs with her new palm tree, and Alys Campbell is always prepared to photograph the heterogeneous assembly with her camera.

Sophomores seem to look at fire drills with a slightly more humorous slant. Jewelry takes precedence over money, but the majority of students hold less valuable articles more dear to their hearts.

Marjorie Geupel always rescues Dumbo or Jim's picture, Jean Leinbach prefers a jewel box or Bill's picture, and Anne Price is quite content with a pack of cigarettes or Ed's picture. Bennette Freeman can be recognized by the bright orange sweater she is knitting. Pat Trener prepares herself for any emergency with a package of gum drops, while Barbara Pilling struggles vainly with the wash bowl, Mimi Griffith hunts for her

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## Negro Intolerance Is Discussed With Frankness In Poll

Editor's Note:

The *News* submits in toto the following report made by the Student Industrial Group and Religious Council on the results of a poll conducted on the negro question.

"We would like to present to the college a report on the poll that was taken on Negro intolerance. This survey was run by a committee composed of members from the Student-Industrial Group and the Religious Council, of which the chairmen were Irene Steckler '43, Jean Wallace '43, and Hope Castagnola '43, who are members of the Student-Industrial Group. The committee wishes to thank both students and faculty for their fine cooperation, and their frankness in answering the questionnaire.

Sixty-eight per cent of the questions were answered tolerantly, 32 per cent intolerantly. The following are the most frequent reasons given for unwillingness to associate with Negroes: admitted ingrained prejudice, fear of social disapproval, belief that Negroes are physically unclean. An analysis by question follows.

1. Do you think that Negroes are intellectually inferior to white people? Twenty-three per cent answered "yes," but we feel that this figure is not truly representative since most people explained that

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**Possessions**

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blue jeans, Jean Jacques carries "her Letter" to safety, and Florence Oran, like Ferdinand, thinks first of her plants. Pat Dilworth, who always seems to be visiting in another dorm at fire-drill time, simply enters the nearest room, grabs the most valuable possession she can find, and dashes triumphantly downstairs.

The Freshman class exhibits admirable practicability. At the signal of the fire gong, items of material value receive first consideration, with enough photographs of attractive masculine subjects and items of peculiar personal meaning to make an interesting collection. The valuables of '45 include: typewriter, Jeanne Mendler; toothbrush, Ruth Eliasberg; return ticket home, Clara Dowling; "glasses to see in a blackout," Ann Claire Barnett; "portable with Bob Hope on," Nance Funston; toothpaste, Barbara Avery; a little pillow, Anne Gilbert; knitting, Patricia Wells; and a letter, Nancy Walker.

Thus C.C. students manage to display a goodly amount of individuality and personality within the limits of even such a routine procedure as a fire drill. If this is any indication, future air raid practices promise to be far from dull.

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**Concert**

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Art. He was awarded the Loeb Prize, and was appointed violinist of the Elshuco Trio, and First Violin of the South Mountain Quartet. Since then, he has appeared in many concerts and musical festivals.

The second violinist, Jack Pepper, studied at the Curtis Institute



**MURIEL KERR**

in Philadelphia. He was a member of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra until he joined the Quartet.

Nicolas Moldavan, the gifted viola player, is Russian born, but has been in this country two decades. He was offered the post of violinist by the Flonzaley Quartet in 1925. Mr. Moldavan remained with the Flonzaleys until they disbanded a few years ago.

Victor Gottlieb, still in his early twenties, has already gained an enviable reputation in the serious field of ensemble playing. After graduation from the Curtis Institute he was made a member of the Philadelphia Orchestra. The Philadelphia Orchestra released him to become 'cellist of the Coolidge Quartet.

Each spring the Quartet takes part in the music festival at the Library of Congress. The Quartet has also presented a series of concerts at the San Francisco World Fair. It was featured two years at Mexico's Pan-American Festival, as well as at the Berkshire Festival, on the Frick Collection's chamber music series three successive seasons, and in Beethoven Cycles at two California colleges.

A further step towards spreading the knowledge and love of chamber music was taken in Hollywood two years ago when the Coolidge Quartet made a motion picture for educational institutions.

The program is as follows:  
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 Quartet in F major—Ravel.  
 Quintet for Piano and Strings—Dvorak.

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**Negro Poll**

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Negroes are inferior merely because they haven't had the opportunities that white people have had. We realize that such a qualification admits that the Negro intellectual capacity is not inferior.

2. Would you object to eating with a Negro in a dormitory? Twenty-two per cent answered "yes." They gave as reasons: social inequality, creation of embarrassment on parts of both Negro and white, uncleanness of Negroes.

3. Would you object to having a Negro wait on you? This was unanimously answered "no." We included this question because we wondered if most people realized that biologically there is no difference between being served by, and eating with, a Negro. It was interesting to observe that all those who objected to eating with Negroes for reasons of cleanliness were willing to be served by them. Is this logical?

4. Would you be willing to have a resident Negro student rooming next door to you, here? Fifty-one per cent answered "no." More people were unwilling to associate with the Negro in this way than in any other way mentioned on the questionnaire. Most of the reasons were social ones, although some people thought that the situation would cause an emotional strain for both the Negro and the white person. Since many people thought that this was an impossible situation, we would like to point out that there are three Negro resident students at Mt. Holyoke, and many people we have interviewed say the arrangement is very successful.

5. Would you be willing to invite a Negro guest to your home? Forty per cent were unwilling. Many inserted qualifications as to culture, cleanliness, and length of visit. Several people mentioned having entertained Negro guests in their homes, and having enjoyed their company immensely.

6. Would you object to having a competent Negro scientist teaching here? Only 14 per cent were unwilling. This brings to mind the fact that most people are more willing to accept the Negro on an

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intellectual basis than on a social one.

7 and 8. Would you be willing to be equally associated in business with a Negro? and, Would you be willing to work under a Negro as is possible under our Civil Service? About 40 per cent were unwilling in both questions. The usual reason for unwillingness was admitted prejudice.

9. Do you think there should be any race discrimination in the draft? Eighteen per cent said "yes." There was an ambiguity, for which we apologize, in this question. It was interpreted either as meaning segregation by companies, or excluding them from the draft entirely. We now realize that there should have been two questions. It was rather ironic to observe that

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### Father Hubbard

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At the evening lecture Father Hubbard also talked on "Alaska Our Arctic Fortress." Motion pictures shown included silent films and others with comments by Lowell Thomas.

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## "Remember Purl Harder" Says Tuve's Class In Challenge

By Alice Adams '44

This is a challenge! We of the English 3-4, Section V class under the able guidance of Dr. R. Tuve challenge any class in the college in any department to a knitting "bee." "B" as in Red Cross knitting. The object of this challenge is to see which class can produce the greatest number of Red Cross articles by February 28th. Seeing as how this *might* have been Leap Year, we will give our opponents until March 1st. We are putting only one restriction on our contestants. No class with over thirty-five members may compete as we are only twenty-six and you would defeat us before we got started. We will consider stretching the number, however, to thirty-six or seven if you can guarantee a few dead members.

Everything handed into the Red Cross work room since the declaration of war on December 7th will be counted. So knit away, my ducks and REMEMBER PURL HARDER!

We nominate as umpire for our class our one senior, Ingegerd Anderson. We feel this adds prestige due to her connection with foreign affairs and besides, in counting the number of articles, she probably won't stuff the total. We do not nominate our instructor, R. T., because she's over anxious to count her three finished articles, and she's apt to double the amount due to the time involved.

We have quite a good cure for the chronic argyle, Brooks sweater and "little garment" knitters, better known at Mt. Holyoke as "PIG KNITTERS." In the first place you should be far too embarrassed to be seen around with anything other than that soft, silky Red Cross yarn (which we are sure must be toughened up by the boiler room atmosphere). If you still tend to be a "Pig Knitter" or mercantilist, take said knitting and retire to your closet. Close the door tightly, sit down, and in these rather dark, crowded and confined surroundings, continue to knit. We dare you. Breathing becomes a task rather than a privilege. You may find soon that your favorite pair of ski pants (if you haven't got it on) is fast becoming a part of your precious non Red Cross knitting. On the other hand you may become incapacitated and hence will be unable to discover anything of the sort. In such a case, the Rescue Squad in your dorm, which incidentally must have qualified for the elementary course in First Aid, will be called in to help you. They will bring you to your senses in more ways than one and upon your recovery, you will be presented with a lovely skein of grey yarn, alias steel wool, and a set of directions for socks. By means of this simple ceremony, you will become a member of the "In Group," sociologically speaking. Otherwise you are a cast-off—and we aren't referring to stitches.

Knitting will not be allowed in classes any more than it was before but teachers will be glad, we are

### Nursery

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mirrors at a level where C.C. girls can view their knees.

The children are taken in two at a time, and each one trots over to his locker with his own special symbol on it—it may be a cow, monkey or robin. He undresses, with assistance if necessary, and puts on his slippers and indulges in fruit juice and one graham cracker. The washing routine follows. They all repair to their bathroom—at that age one is blessed with complete lack of self-consciousness—and each child finds his symbol on his nail-brush and comb, both of which are applied, willy-nilly. Then the young ones go to their playroom, where they have trains, dolls and assorted paints, while the older ones go upstairs to their blocks and carpentry bench, materials for more creative art.

At eleven—bed! The cots are separated by screens, each with the child's individual symbol, and here they recline and tame down before lunch. Meanwhile, Betsy Clarendon '43 sets up the four tables and makes out each child's home report. Miss Chase and Miss Mildred Burdett each take one table, and Dr. Margaret Chaney and Miss Beatrice Dodd alternate at the third, and students at the fourth table. Sis Johnson '43 serves up the food, prepared by Miss Goss; Sis remembers the quantity each child can eat, for everyone must clean his plate! "This holds for us too," says Bobbie ruefully; "we eat all our spinach and liver loaf and (date or no date) our onions!" Before a child can have his second dessert, he must have a second dinner. Having accomplished the task of eating, the children play outside until collected, reluctant, at one o'clock; they seem to enjoy nursery school, and as for C.C. girls, they love it!

### Red Cross Work Room to Be Moved To Harkness Basement On Jan. 22

The Red Cross workroom will be moved on Thursday, January 22, from the chapel to the basement of Mary Harkness house.

All students who want wool to knit on during exams should call for their wool this week. The work room hours will be changed for the duration of the exams. During the week from January 26 to 30 the workroom will be open from 4 to 5 p.m. every day.

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sure, to devote a moment or two of each class session to finding out how production and distribution (no consumption, please!) are coming along.

Male members of the faculty may participate in this little fiesta if they so desire and if they join the contest, winding definitely rates. This is a case where winding leads to straight results. We definitely feel that male cooperation would bolster the morale of the students and we might add that they would probably be doing more than their part.

NOW TO APPLY!!! Rush your entry to Algie Adams, 107 Branford, by midnight Friday of this week, January 23.

The climax of this situation is that if you, our opponents, win on March 1, we will give you a party and if we win, we'll give ourselves a party and you are invited. We figure you can't lose. We breathlessly await an answer to our challenge and we also want to size up our opponent but not for a sweat-

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# Caught On Campus

Patsi Garrett '44 has been corresponding with a ski resort for reservations after exams and the letters have been going thick and fast of late as there has been some confusion about dates. In her rattled state before a class the other day she forgot to put a stamp on the latest edition. The letter came back from the New London Post Office a day later with a note on the back, "We need the money too!" At this rate she may ski in front of the museum after exams.

Bengie Freeman '44 has been practicing for a scholarship to Katie Gibbs secretarial school or so it looks anyway. Her "magic margin," super deluxe typewriter has been going full blast in Branford and for a little change in atmosphere she saunters over to Fanning to give one of the machines over there sprained keys (treatment is not supplied in the First Aid book). However she slightly disabled herself the other day in one of her spurts of zeal. Beware of over exertion on the typewriter as Bengie is now equipped with a sprained left wrist and is now in possession of a slight splint and

bandage which definitely collides with the typewriter keys.

As a sequel to Miss Dille's last ride in an elevator, we bring you the latest flash. This escapade took place in a New York apartment house where it seems that even the dogs are accommodated. (Miss Dille has been taking a lot of rides lately and we sincerely hope they haven't been too rough). As is the case in Palmer Library, this vehicle is self working but this one definitely gives the occupant a false feeling of usefulness. Humans cross light beams upon preparing to enter the elevator, which action causes the door to open automatically. The crowning blow is that there is another light beam lower down for dogs. The only consoling factor as far as we can see is that our light beam is on a little higher level. Let us be grateful for the erect position of "homo sapiens."

Marianna Lemon '42 received a rather peculiar letter the other day. We know nothing concerning its contents but the envelope was enough for us. It was addressed to Miss Marianna Lemon, Student Government Ass. People don't even wait to insult you inside the letter these days. The abbreviation for association is "assn." and we hope the writer sees this.

According to Miss Reynolds last Friday morning in English History class, the Molukken Islands, part of the Dutch East Indies between the Celebes and Papua, still belong to the Dutch. "However," Miss Reynolds hastened to add, "I haven't seen the morning paper yet."

Even cars shrink these days. For with an impending rubber shortage of serious proportions, Jerry, our printer, promises to light into the campus but soon on a vehicle which has been denied two of its wheels and a spare and now owns two wheels and no spare. His steed's name has changed from "Chevrolet" to "Harley Davidson." You're right, it's a motorcycle!

Miss Butler is said to be on her 45th pair of socks for the Red Cross. Probably by the time this issue reaches you (if you reach for it) she will be on her 46th pair.

## Mr. Saunders, Authority On Bird Songs, Will Speak Friday Evening

If you've ever wondered at the musical qualities of birds, you'll be interested in hearing Mr. Aretas A. Saunders at a joint meeting of the Ornithology and Music clubs at 7:30 Friday evening, in 106 Bill Hall. Mr. Saunders, author of *A Guide to Bird Song*, and *Bird Song*, is an authority on the subject, having written 60 articles on birds, 14 of them on bird song. For five summers he was field ornithologist of the Roosevelt Wild Life Forest Experiment Station and later was an instructor in bird study in the Allegheny School of Natural History. He has devised songs in the field, which he will describe and illustrate besides giving bird song imitations.

## Cokes

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As a very special favor to all of us "hard-working students" Miss McKenzie informed us the other day that she has a reserve supply of cokes on hand which she will issue during exam-time; she, therefore, requests that no one hoard them now.

As a matter of fact this coke shortage may be one of the best things which has happened to the college in a long time. Although the first reaction to the fruit juices was unfavorable, the students now seem to buy them voluntarily. Actually the fruit juices contain far less sugar than cokes, are not only more nutritious, but contain far fewer calories! Incidentally, instead of eating a candy bar every afternoon, why not try an apple? An apple contains only about 60 calories; a big chocolate bar 663 calories, and no vitamins in the bargain!

Miss McKenzie will appreciate it if everyone on campus accepts the coke shortage as part of the war sacrifice and willingly replaces cokes with some other drink or some kind of fruit.

## International

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banquet will be given on Saturday evening for guests and certain student and faculty members. The subject for the meeting Saturday evening in Knowlton Salon is "the part religion can take in building a better world."

Mr. Tucker will conduct a special service in the Harkness Chapel on Sunday morning. This will not replace the regular Sunday night vespers.

International Week-end is being sponsored for the entire college. All students and faculty are invited and urged to participate in the various meetings and services.

The committee in charge of International Week-end is headed by Julia Rich '43.

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