Coming Events.

May 11th. Mrs. F. H. Sykes will be the hostess at the Faculty-Student Tea to be given in the Rest Room at 4 o'clock. Dr. Barr will lecture on the works of George Bernard Shaw.

May 13th. Regular meeting of the Dramatic Club at 4 o'clock in Room 206 N. L.

May 14th. At 8:30 A. M., the preliminary try-outs for the Prize Speaking Contest will be held in Room 113, N. L.

May 17th. The Debatimg Club will hold its final debate. Subject: "The United States should have adopted universal conscription in the present crisis." Room 113, N. L., at 5 o'clock.

May 18th. The Freshman Class Officers will give a tea for the Class and incoming Officers, in the Reception Room of Winthrop, from 4 to 6 o'clock.

May 20th. At 3 o'clock the third game of the series of Freshman Inter-Section Baseball will be played. Also the Sophomore Inter-Section Cricket game.

Spring Athletic Teams.

Volley Ball.
Freshman sections.
Blue section team:

Buller, Subs:
Fomeroy
Sturgess—Capt.
Jennings
Munger
Doherty, Olive
White section team:
Hotchkiss, Capt.
Allen
Taber
Doyle
Sawin
Hulbert
Matthews
Smith, C.

WHITKES WIN VOLLEY-BALL.
The White Section has won the series of championship games in Freshman Volley-ball. Scores: 2-0 and 2-1.

Baseball.
Freshman sections.
Blue section team:
Howard, Capt. Lewis
Davies
Barlow
Williams, E.
Costigan
Coleman
White section team.
Doyle, Capt.
Allen
Allen
Gage
Greenbaum
McGowan
Mildred White has been elected captain of the Sophomore Baseball Team and Justine McGowan captain of the Freshman Team.

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Winona F. Young.
First President of Student Government Association, 1915-1917.

OFFICERS FOR 1917-1918.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:
President—Esther Batchelder.
Vice-President—Marenda Prentis.
Secretary—Edith Lindholm.
Treasurer—Madeline Hinchee.

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CONNECTICUT COLLEGE NEWS:
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Managing Editor—Ruth Barber.
News Editor—Iveagh Sterry.

Pageant Postponed.

At a meeting of the students held May 4th, we reluctantly voted, with the consent of Dr. Barstow and Miss Woodhall, to defer the presentation of the "Pageant of the Sea" until next year. Possibly it could be given at the time originally planned, but this would call for not only the cordial cooperation of all the students, but practically all of their time as well. There are three weeks before the final examinations. There are athletic games scheduled for every Saturday both morning and afternoon, and practice periods of an hour or more every day. There are social events of all sorts; debates, teas, the public speaking contest, three plays, and the preparation for Commencement. As yet no estimates have been submitted as to the probable cost of the stage, the lighting, or the costumes. Three weeks is a short time for printing the Pageant book, assigning the parts, and rehearsing. Moreover, at present there is no fund set aside for the purpose by the college, and it was not thought best to attempt to raise the amount necessary for the considerable financial outlay. The Pageant, however, is not a thing of the past. The Editors expect to finish the arrangement of the actual material of the Book—Dr. Barstow's prologue, the three one-act plays written by the students, a description of the dancing interludes, and Dr. Sykes' epilogue—very shortly. All the plans for the Pageant will be completed this year. Dr. Barstow, author of the Cornell Pageant, and Miss Woodhall have promised their assistance for its presentation next June (1918). A Pageant Fund, if it is planned, will be raised by the students next year, and the actual work of production will be begun in good time. We feel that, handicapped as we are by lack of time and money, we should not be able to do full justice to the Pageant, which certainly deserves a careful production, at this time, and although we are disappointed, we are already anticipating a highly successful presentation of the Connecticut College Pageant, in June 1918.
Editorial

Though Connecticut College has been in existence only two years, we have a well organized and efficient Student Government Association. With all the work of adapting ourselves to the new conditions of college life, for which process of adaptation we had no pattern in the person of upper classmen—with all this to be considered time and effort have still been found to devote to organizing an association for entire self-government, and placing it on a practical working basis. And the Association has made good. It has been an unqualified success.

In every big undertaking there is always one who must take the lead; one to whom the rest look up and in whose judgment they have confidence; one who is an inspiration to her fellow-workers, who has in her mind the plans and ideals for the present and future of the work; and one who has the will and power of management to realize these plans and ideals.

During the past two years the Student Government Association of Connecticut College has had just such a leader in the person of its president, Winona F. Young. It is largely because of her work and effort that the students of this college can point with confidence and pride to their undergraduate association which is the expression of all that is finest and best in the student life of our college.

Our president’s influence has been to cultivate among the members the spirit of responsibility and loyalty to each other and to a common cause, the welfare of the college. Her great self-sacrifice and devotion to the work of her office can not be over-estimated; neither can our feeling of gratitude toward her and our appreciation of her work be adequately expressed.

Exchange Notes

The Vassar Miscellany News of May 4th was the “Founder’s Day” issue. One of the articles on Matthew Vassar described that he had made a fatal error in his plans; namely, that he had provided no way for the young ladies to pry off their boots! Therupon Mr. Vassar ordered a giant oak cut down and from it were made two hundred bootjacks, one of which was hung in each of the young ladies’ rooms. This remembrance forms an amusing contrast to the memories of the founding of our own college.

The news from the various women’s colleges seems to foreshadow the fact that American women will take as important a part in the war as have the women of Europe. The Wellesley seniors have given up their Garden Party and the Senior Play, and simplified the plans for the Senior Dinner in order to help the nation-wide economy movement.

The Red Cross course in elementary hygiene and care of the sick, at Smith, permits any student who has successfully completed it to take the seventy-two hour course in one of the base hospitals. At the end of this time she will be qualified for active service as a nurse’s aid.

Radcliffe College has given several acres of land to the city of Cambridge. This will be ploughed by the city and allotted to various individuals for the cultivation of vegetables. The Radcliffe girls are planning to volunteer as “assistant farmers” to the townpeople.

Facility Notes

Connecticut College will entertain the members of the New London Branch of the American Collegiate Association, Saturday, May 12th.

On Tuesday, May 15th, Mr. Barr will give an address on George Bernard Shaw, before the Woman’s Club of Willimantic.

Mr. Lynde, lecturer in economics, will leave New London in June for Grand Rapids, Michigan. There he will be engaged in even more extensive Social Service work than he has been in New London.

Mr. Harold W. Cramdall, instructor in history and economics, has left his position at the college to go into training at Plattsburg. He expects to receive an officer’s commission in about three months. Mr. Cramdall carries with him the best wishes of the college for his success.

To The News:

It is plain to see that the letter regarding President Sykes published in your last issue, represents the general feelings of the Student body in regard to our President.

There is no question as to the wonderful loyalty, faithfulness and untiring energy he has shown, or to the inspiration he has given us. But now that our President is going, instead of inquiring of the Trustees what the standard of our college is going to be, is it not our place to help make that standard high, by coming back to this college with a united and the senior ideals that President Sykes has labor so faithfully to uphold?

Because the founder of these ideals is leaving us, should we question them and go too? Should we not rather stay and use every force to make these ideals realized?

Members of the classes of ’19 and ’20 will always think of President Sykes as our fondest inspiration, and know that all the spirit and high idealism that this college will represent will be due to him.

This college is a democracy. In belonging to a democracy there is always the equality of opportunity to be found but as also the equality of obligation—does not this obligation fall upon every student?

If we wish to preserve and strengthen our democracy every one of us must feel the obligation and there should be a universal cooperation of all students against not only outside invasion but also internal insurrection!

—S. Constance Oudin ’20

One Kind of Patriotism

Do you remember the first time that you spent the night with your chum? She was a little older than you, enough older to make her a superior being. Can you recall your conflicting emotions when bed-time came? Should you kneel beside the bed to say your prayers as you always had; or should you say them in bed, just this once?

This is the first time in our memories, students of C. C. that our nation has been at war. Are we going to show patriotism which we have always shown for our hearts—or are we going to cloke it under an appearance of indifference? In the old days, girls did things heroic. We all have thrilled to read of the daring adventures, done for love of country, which raised these women to the rank of heroes for all time. Opportunities such as these which permitted girls to prove their mettle may not knock at your door, or mine, to-day. It is one of the characteristics of the democracy which is reaching around the world that the call should be sent to all of the people. You and I are but units of the whole. It is as a nation that we must rise early and listen to the high places—a plea for food. America, until now the child among the nations, must to-day bear the most glorious responsibility any nation ever bore. America has to feed the world! You are an American.

A baseball bat makes blisters and the hurdle causes one’s back to ache—planting potatoes can do no more. The college has given us the chance to prove ourselves; will you recruit?

—R. A. B. ’20

An Opportunity for Connecticut College Students.

A short time ago, the Students of Connecticut College indicated their desire to serve their fellow-men by voting to form a general organization for service. Though the detailed plans of the organization are not yet complete, manifold opportunities for service are daily presented themselves to us. One challenge of peculiar interest comes from the Red Cross Society, in the form of a plea for knitted sweaters, wristers, various types of bandages, supplies for nurses’ kits and other war necessities.

Will all girls interested go to Alice Horrax ’20, who will gladly give them the Red Cross instructions and price quotations on necessary kinds of materials. If any girl feels the lack of time just now, it is hoped that she will pledge herself to finish several articles during the long vacation.

Whatever our personal feelings are concerning war and its effects, we are face to face with the challenge to do our bit to alleviate the bitter human suffering which is now so prevalent. May it be true that our service is worthy of comparison with the efforts of other college girls. Fall into line with us girls, that the work and spirit of Connecticut College girls may not be “weighted in the balance and found wanting”.

—W. F. Young ’19
The Lost Lamb.
A little white lamb in the pastures of green,
Content in the midst of the flock on the hills Which shelter Jerusalem, City of God,
Grew tall and uncouth in the sunshine of spring.

But now drew the feast of the Passover near,
The little white lamb without blemish was brought,
Alone to the market, to sell for a price. Ungainly he lay in the shepherd's strong arms.

The city was stirred by a threatening crowd Which mumered and surged toward the Place of the Skull.
The shepherd, unwillingly drawn with the rest, Set down the white lamb on his four awkward legs.

The little white lamb now bewildered and lost,
Went on through the streets, soondeser-ted and bare.
As evening fell slowly the outskirts of spring Grew tall and uncouth in the sunshine.

With grass, not untrodden, but green through the dust.
Three crosses were shadowing darkly the sky.
By clicking of dice and the casting of lots Were soldiers amusing themselves as they lay.

And limpingly, wearily, stumbled the lamb.
They laughed when they saw him, drew lots for him then. They killed the white lamb at the foot of the Cross.

—A. Hastings '19

Petition to Board of Trustees.
The following petition signed by about 150 students has been sent to the Board of Trustees of the College:
To the Board of Trustees of Connecticut College:
We, the undersigned, students of Connecticut College, do hereby petition the Board of Trustees immediately to inform us fully upon the following questions which we consider vitally affect the nature and continuation of our college course.
First: What dormitory accommodations are to be offered for the ensuing year?
Second: a. Who is to be your President? b. When will he take office? c. Under what circumstances is the financial administration to be conducted?
Third: Who constitute the Faculty for the year 1917-1918?
Fourth: What is to be the curriculum?

New Course in Art Department.
A very broad course in Interior Decorating may be offered in the Interior Designing and in ceramics offered this year. The suggested course in Interior Decorating would include practice in textile designing and many things other than those generally included in a course in Interior Decorating.

Debates in Economics Class.
The class in economics 11-12 is having a series of debates on questions of present day economic importance. Subjects already debated are "Resolved that the United States should adopt Universal Prohibition" (negative victorious) "Resolved that Compulsory Health Insurance should be adopted in the United States" (affirmative victorious). The public is warned not to get panic-stricken over the outcome of the first debate.
It’s Nutty, but is it Art?
The New York Post said the other day, “The new poetry, sacred as it is, has become the mark of the parodist. Now some things can stand being parodied, but with others it is different. Let the reader experiment with this bit of free verse Amy Lowell has written.

“I want to be a carpenter.
To work all day long in clean wood,
Shaving it up into little thin slivers.

I want to draw a line on a board with a flat pencil.

Heigho!

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Good-bye Pete!

Far from the shade of chestnut trees,
Pete’s soda fountain stands,
The boss, a business man is he
With small well cared-for hands.

A matter of politeness.

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German Club Officers.
President—Juline Warner.
Vice-President—Charlotte Keefe.
Secretary—Nellie English.

The treasurer is to be elected in the fall from the members of the incoming freshman class.

Two Elements that will welcome our withdrawal:
1. The College.
2. Ourselves.

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