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# CONNECTICUT COLLEGE NEWS

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### Honors List For First Semester Is Announced

#### 26 Seniors, 13 Juniors 8 Sophs, 20 Freshmen **Attain Honors**

Sixty-seven students are included on the Honors list announced for the first semester of 1941-42. Of these 26 are from the senior class, 13 from the junior class, 8 from the sophomore class, and 20 from the freshman class.

An average of 3.30 is the requirement for honor students from the three upper classes. An average of 3.15 is the freshman requirement. All honor students must pass Physical Education.

The following girls are included on the first semester honors

#### Class of 1942

Class of 1942

Shirley Austin, Barbara Beach, Doris M. Boles, Lois E. Brenner, Mary E. Franklin, Rebecca I. Green, Helen E. Hingsburg, Lenore T. Howard, Virginia Kramer, Sylvia Martin, Elizabeth K. Moeller, Barbara M. Newell, Frances L. Norris, Verna Pitts, Mary R. Powers, Helen E. Prekop, Nancy C. Pribe, Priscilla Redfield, Marion M. Reibstein, Louise K. Ressler, Adele E. Rossebrock, Palmina Scarpa, Susan K. Smith, Janet H. Swan, Lois V. Weyand, Nancy Wolfe.

#### Class of 1943

Frances H. Adams, Mary A. Bove, Anna M. Christensen, Marjorie J. Fee, Phyllis S. Feldman, Alma M. Jones, Frieda Kenigsberg, Jean A. Kohlberg-er, Helen E. Lundwall, Hildegard Meili, Beth Mildon, Phyllis A. Schiff, Constance T. Smith.

#### Class of 1944

Gertrude W. Barney, Patricia M. Douglass, Janet E. Giese, Ann W. Hoag, Mildred A. Holland, Alida E. Houston, Ruth T. Howe, Patricia W. Trenor.

#### Class of 1945

Elizabeth H. Bevans, Beverly Bon-fig, Joanna B. Dimock, Clara H. Dow-ling, Elizabeth Harlow, Anne E. Hes-ter, Joanne Jenkins, Ann B. LeLlevre, Margaret E. Marion, Joan D. McCarty, Doris McEvoy, Jeanne C. Mendler, Leah Meyer, Janice Park, Margaret F. Piper, Elizabeth M. Raymond, June C. Sawhill, Harriet E. Sayre, Clara R. Sinnott, Mary A. Thompson.

#### Chance To Be Air Hostesses Open

The Personnel Bureau calls attention to the following announcement concerning opportunities for positions as airline stewardesses:

American Airlines, Inc. will no longer require that applicants for the position of stewardess be registered nurses. C. R. Smith, president of the company, said that the policy of the company had been changed on account of the in-creased requirements of the war on the nursing profession.

Instead, Mr. Smith said, preference in employment will be given to young women with college educations in addition, previous business experience will be considered. Stewardess applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 26, weigh not more than 125 pounds, nor be taller than five feet six

#### Co-op Will Sponsor **Musical Afternoon**

The New London Musical Cooperative has planned an afternoon of recorded music to be held on Sunday, March 8, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Carnegie Room, Palmer Auditorium, Students and faculty are invited to come and to bring with them any records they would like to have played. The afternoon is intended to give music lovers on campus an opportunity to become acquainted with one another.

# Betty Gossweiler Elected President Of Student Seven Seniors Are Government; 99% Of Student Body Votes



BETTY GOSSWEILER '43 President of Student Government Chief Justice of Honor Court

elections held on Thursday, Feb-



JULIA RICH '43



SUSAN BALDERSTON '44 Speaker of the House

Betty Gossweiler '43 was chospressed by '43; chairman of Inter-Club LeFevre '42, and included Jean council, Margaret Carpenter '44; Staats '42, Peggie Mack '42, Wilsent as a result of the all-campus student chairman of Student Factorial Research (1988). en president of Student Governstudent chairman of Student Facment as a result of the all-campus ulty forum, Edith Gaberman '43; ruary 26. The other officers are: vice president, Nancy Crook '43; speaker of the House, Susan Balderston '44; chief justice of Honor Court, Julia Rich '43; president of Service League, Marion Butter-and chairman of entertainment of of Service League, Marion Butter-Service League, Sue Marquis '44.

field '43; president of A.A., Mary Lou Shoemaker '43; president of Wig and Candle, Ruth Ann Likeby a committee headed by Jeanne

43, Stratton Nicolson '44, Dorothy Royce '45, and Helen Savacool '45. Ninety-nine per cent of the student body voted, including the entire sophomore class.

The new officers, along with the Honor Court judges and class officers, will be installed at a special chapel service to be held on

#### Grace Leslie Will Present Her Sixth Recital March 5

Miss Grace Leslie, contralto and assistant professor of music, will appear in her sixth recital at the college on Thursday evening, March 5, at 8:00 in the auditorium. Miss Alice Wightman will again accompany Miss Leslie at the piano. Mr. Alfred Gietzen, violist with the Boston Sym-phony, will accompany Miss Leslie in a group of songs by his former colleague, Charles Loeffler. Miss Wightman, Mr. Gietzen, and Miss Leslie presented these songs by Mr. Loeffler at the Hadley Me-morial Concert in New York on December 20 and again on Febru-

The program will include songs by Rusian, Alsatian, English, American and Italian composers. Miss Leslie will sing the cele-brated aria "Una Voce Poco Fa" in the original contralto key. cretly buy a gift for the college When the opera "Il Bar-Biere di (last year they gave blue chairs Siviglia" was first produced in for the library) and the sopho-1816, the role of Rosina was sung by the contralto, but in later years was transposed for the so-

"The White Peace" by Arnold Bax was written soon after the first World War and was brought from London to Miss Leslie by a colleague. Miss Leslie will also sing "O Thank Me Not," by Dr. J. Lawrence Erb, professor of music at the college.

The program will be as follows:

Carr—Why, Huntress, Why? (The Archers): Sixteenth Century — The Three Ravens; Handel — Furibondo Spira il Vento (Partenope).

Loeffler—Quatre Poemes pour voix, lto et piano, Op. 5; La cloche felee Baudelaire); "Dansons la gigue"! Verlaine); Le son du cor s'afflige ers le bois (Verlaine); Serenade (Verlaine)

Moussorgsky—La Divination (Khov-anstchina); Rossini—Una Voue Poco Fa (Il Barbiere di Siviglia).

ra (II Barbiere di Siviglia).

Bax—The White Peace; Millay and Zimbalist—Three Songs: Rain Comes Down, Mariposa, One, Two, Three; Erb—O Thank Me Not; Barber—A Nun Takes the Vell; Ross—London Bridge.

# In Intensive Hunt For Junior Mascot

by Helen Crawford '44

Silence over C.C. Not a leaf stirs—the night is murky. But the atmosphere is strained with suspense-unseen eyes are watch-. Stealthy footsteps ing! . hoarse whisper, shadowy forms
... and a wild shriek! "We've got
it," yell the sophomores as they
pounce on the hidden clue. You have just glimpsed a preview of the famous C.C. Mascot Hunt which will begin on March 4. Sometime next Wednesday, the junior class will drop the first clue to the sophomores, and the hunt is on!

The mascot hunt, one of C. C.'s favorite traditions, takes place every year the week before the Junior Banquet, and the procedure is as follows: The juniors se mores exert sup of ingenuity to find out what it is before a model of the gift is unveiled at the Junior Banquet and presented to President Blunt. To help the sophomores along, the juniors subtly drop one clue each day somewhere on campus. Each clue leads to the next one, and the last one leads to the gift model. Then, after a week of much ex cited scurrying about and intensive searching, the sophomores march into the midst of Junior Banquet, which is usually held at the Mohican Hotel, and announce what the gift is. If they don't know, they guess, and if they guess correctly, their honor is considerably redeemed.

But it's no snap! The junior mind is devilishly ingenious tooone famous clue was hidden in a piece of chewing gum which was stuck in a crack of a stake of the students are expected this year. fence around the riding ring!

See "Mascot"-Page 6

#### Sophs Hurry Madly Summer Work Talks Series Planned By Personnel Bureau

Planned to provide veteran summer workers a chance to pool their experiences and neophytes an opportunity to learn about a variety of vacation activities, a series of weekly Summer Work Conferences is being inaugurated this spring by the Personnel Bureau. Juniors and seniors with one or more summers' experience will serve as discussion leaders for the series. Following each conference, students interested in finding jobs in the fields discussed may schedule interviews with Mrs. Moore in the office of the Personnel Bureau.

Opportunities in camp coun-selling and summer hotel work, because of the necessity for early applications in these fields, will be the topic of the first of these cooperative sessions, set for five o'clock, Wednesday, March 11, in the Commuters' Lounge, Fanning Hall. Although the discussion will pected particularly to interest freshmen and sophomores who have not worked before. The Personnel Bureau reports that last year over fifty C.C. students held counselling jobs, and their summer earnings ranged from maintenance only, for counsellors in training, to \$150 for head counsellors with several years' experience. This year, because of the emphasis of the Civilian Defense program on the development of physical fitness for everyone and because of the shortage of experienced counsellors, opportunities in this field are expected to be more abundant than usual. Fewer students have worked in summer hotels and restaurants, but their average earnings have been relatively high; in this field, also, more opportunities for college Fields to be covered in later

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# Elected To Rank Of Phi Beta Kappa

#### Scholastic Leaders Are Active In Extra-Curricular Positions

Seven seniors, Verna Pitts, Mary Franklin, Lenore Tingle Howard, Lois Brenner, Barbara Beach, Nancy Wolfe, and Helen Hingsburg, were elected to Phi Beta Kappa on the basis of seven semesters of college work by the Delta chapter at its meeting on Thursday, February 26. Announced by President Katharine Blunt on Monday, March 2, they join the three junior Phi Beta Kappa members in being chosen from the senior class for their scholarship and character.

A summary of their activities is evidence that these Phi Betes are as active in extra-curricular as in curricular affairs. Verna Pitts, an English major, is editorin-chief of Koine and is on the News circulation staff. She was also junior editor of Quarterly and found time to do self-help work.

Mary Franklin, "Peter," is president of the French club, majoring in the subject, and is on the

Student-faculty forum. Lenore Tingle Howard, an economics major, has worked on Press Board all through her four years and at present is city editor. She is senior literary editor of Koine. As a freshman she was house president of Thames.

Lois Brenner, Chief Justice of Honor Court, is an Auerbach major. She was the junior class president and sophomore year was an honor court judge.

Barbara Beach, a philosophy major, is chairman of the Religious council, having been on the council since freshman year. She wrote the Freshman pageant for her class, and was junior class secretary. Barry has also been a self-help student.

Nancy Wolfe, editor-in-chief of the Connecticut College News, is a government major, and aside from these two interests plays basketball with the senior team. In her sophomore year she was secretary-treasurer of Cabinet and Student Government; freshman year Nancy was house president of North Cottage and was vice president of her class.

Helen "Boots" Hingsburg, on the business staff of Koine, is an English major. On the Defense committee this year, she is a member of the German and Psybe open to all students, it is ex- chology clubs. Up until her senior year she sang in the choir.

#### Coffee Will Honor Freshman Officers

The senior class officers will be hostesses at a coffee for the newly chosen freshman class officers on Friday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. in Mary Harkness House. This is an annual college tradition and is planned as a social gathering to acquaint the officers of the two

#### '42-Return Blanks

Seniors-are you accounted for? The Personnel Office requests that you return your blanks there immediately, if you have not already done so.

... By Bobbie Brengle

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#### Broadening Our Horizons

In his very brief appearance here at college last week the noted Fabian socialist, R. H. Tawney made reference to the inadequacy of the American press. He was referring in particular to the antilabor bias of those newspapers that are subservi ent to influential businessmen. He did add, how ever, that the press is improving in its attitude, but his comment makes us aware of the biases that are prevalent today, not only in the press but in the country in general.

Too often we accept what we read in the daily papers or what we pick up from a radio broadcast as the gospel. If we can keep in mind the possibility that the source of such information may be prejudiced, we are more apt to analyze the facts for their true merit. It does not follow necessarily that everything we read or hear is built around a bias, but, unless we are alert to the possibility of such an occurrence, we may find ourselves imbibing the doctrines of a narrow school of thought.

To avoid a one-sided viewpoint we must train ourselves to think logically and to analyze the mass of information that is presented to us these days. The best solution to this problem is to be receptive to a varied presentation of the case. We should broaden our reading so that we gain insight into all sides of the situation. The more news analysts we follow, the better! Each can add something to our general store of information. Our convocation speakers, our lecturers, and our class dis cussions also contribute to this general picture. Then, after our eyes and ears have been opened to the various thought patterns, it is up to us to analyze and segregate that information which we, ourselves, wish to accept and to integrate into our philosophy.

Our problem is to get out of the indolent way of accepting only those facts which we can gather with the least effort on our part. Our duty is to exert ourselves so that we are in touch with all the facts-then, and not until then, may we sit back and analyze.

#### A New Liberal Art

The black-out test, the enthusiasm for first aid and air raid warden courses, the numbers of air craft spotters, and the campus support of the physical fitness campaign are proof that C.C. students are "all-out" for civilian defense in their extra-curricula activities.

So much to the good. It's hard to repeat that statement, however, concerning students in their regular activities, their "real work." And not unnaturally since a liberal arts education is not "allout" for any one thing, such as war training, for

# 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:

We underclassmen are somewhat fearful of those upperclassmen better known as sophomores, juniors, and seniors. However, living in a freshman dorm, which is passed en route to Thames, I no longer feel it necessary to have any restraint in speaking of the sophomores. They are, I want it understood, the most vivacious, alert, wide awake group of individuals I have ever had the chance to hear. I say hear, and I mean hear.

Each morning, between seven and seven-thirty, when I am trying to cheat the clock and enjoy those last delicious moments of sleep, I am interrupted. My last attempt at slumber is intruded upon, and I find myself trying to solve a physics problem, write the last paragraph of a lit. theme, or help out in one of the innumerable intrigues of a complicated love affair, that the poor sophomores couldn't figure out the previous night. I am re-ferring of course to the loud and cheerful conversation engaged in at dawn by the all too happy sophomores. I hesitate to bring this to the attention of these upper classmen because it is certainly a wonderful opportunity for the poor innocent froshs to get a little gossip and dig up a little dirt. Too bad the editor of 'Caught on Campus' can't indulge in our forced eavesdropping. Nevertheless, I would like to ask the sophs to remember us poor freshmen, still not accustomed to those gruesome eight o'clocks, to consider their private lives, which are public when they don't put the soft pedal on their morning chatter, and to please try and either give a real scandal or be a little more quiet. What about it, sophomores?

A Sleepy Freshman

example. But it is possible for students to gear their work somewhat. Positions in the federal and state governments are open to liberal arts college graduates equipped with certain majors, economics, history, physics, chemistry, sociology, to name a few. Factory laboratories need trained chemists and biologists.

This is no plea for technology. It is a reminder for all, the most liberal of the liberal arts seniors to the freshmen on the verge of choosing majors, that preparation for a life in peace may be most valuable if it includes some preparation for a life in war. Connecticut College was not founded as a professional, vocational, or technical school, nor has the war made it so. It has courses, departures from and elaborations of the traditional seven liberal arts, however, that provide some training in those fields.

Who can not fit into her curricular activities a new liberal art?

#### Calendar . . .

Wednesday, March 4	
Wig and Candle Auditorium	715
Basketball Gym	7-9
Mascot Hunt starts?	???
Thursday, March 5	
Recital, Grace Leslie Auditorium	8:00
Badminton Gym	
Badminton Gym	7-9
Vocational Lecture on Nursing	2.00
Fanning 111	3.00
Friday, March 6	
Spanish movie, "El Astro del Tango"	- 00
Auditorium	
Badminton Gym Senior Executive Coffee for Freshmen	1-9
Executives	7:00
Saturday, March 7	
Secondary School Drama Festival	
Auditorium 2:00,	8:00
Badminton Gym all	day
Sunday, March 8	
Vespers, Boynton Merrill Chapel The Secondary Church Congregational, West Newton, Mass.	7:00
Wig and Candle Auditorium 3:00,	8.00
Badminton	
Monday, March 9	
Wig and Candle Auditorium, 202	7.20
Basketball Practice Auditorium	7.15
	1 7-9
Senior Class Meeting B 106	6:45
Tuesday, March 10	
Wig and Candle Auditorium	7.15
	4:00
Major ranks D 100	2.00

Phi Beta Kappa Initiation

Wednesday, March 11

Basketball Game .....

Faculty Room 4:30



#### **BOOK** REVIEW

by Lynn Thomson '43

From the pen of a former leader of the Catholic Youth Movement in Germany, Ernst Winkler, comes a new book on Nazi Germany, Four Years of Nazi Tor-ture. Who that has read Out of The Night, by Jan Valtin, can forget its tales of Nazi torture and brutality which read like pages from the Spanish Inquisition? Equally horrible are the pictures of concentration camps as presented in Four Years of Nazi Torture. While the two books are similar in their portrayal of the Nazi regime, and both authors are refugees who suffered much before they escaped, the latter book treats the material in a different way and attacks it from a different angle.

Ernst Winkler came to this country to publish his book with the most trustworthy recommendations. His character has been vouched for by high officials and clergymen - among them Sir Samuel Hoare, British Amassador to Spain. Four Years of Nazi Torture is not as much of a novel as Out of The Night; it is more of a documentation on the effect that Nazi rule had on a God-loving German citizen.

To begin with, Mr. Winkler, member of a well-to-do Catholic family, was a lieutenant in the German army-until he questioned himself as to who was givng the orders and why. When he had satisfied his curiosity, he resigned his commission. He was then offered the leadership of the Catholic Youth Movement in his district. He accepted. The Gesta-po disapproved. From that time on Herr Winkler was a marked man. He endured agonies—mental as well as physical—before he succeeded in making his escape.

The "underground" broadcasting unit for which he spoke; the loyalty of his family, who had embraced the new doctrine, even after his separation from them; the faith of his wife; his incredible escape; all these combine to make Ernst Winkler's Four Years of Nazi Torture one of the most interesting, exciting, and unforgettable testimonials on life in Germany today. This is a book for those who don't mind cold facts as they are, without a sugar coating. If you are sensitive, don't Gym 7-9 read it!

#### TO DATE

The War Production Board has approved an order forbidding the manufacture of rubber heels. (We say, W.P.B. or no W.P.B.

there will always be a supply of heels.)

Experts of the Department of Agriculture informed Congress that they have the Japanese beetle situation nearer solution from the standpoint of reducing the infestation in certain states.

(Well, at least we are glad they are doing something about one phase of the Japanese pestilence.)

The map of Italy may be shaped like a boot, but it is hardly in a position to kick.

At last we've adopted an offensive against Japan. We don't know much about military tactics but it looks like the old Pincer movement. English parachutists have landed in France and there have been air maneuvers off the coast of California.

This is an authentic report from a captured German physician. It seems that wounded German soldiers are demanding pure Aryan blood for transfusions. Needless to say the supply is running low.

# Let Your Answer to Bombs Be BONDS!



We are fighting enemies who will stop at nothing. With our homes, our very lives at stake, shall we stop short of giving our dimes and dollars for Defense? Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps every day, every week. Buy as if your very life depended upon it. It does!

# "Gussie" Shows Wide Range Of Abilities And Interests

by Shirley Simkin '42

ing before breakfast, or as the man year, president of her class ambitious athlete who pedals her bike down to Ocean Beach on free the House this year. In rising to quent outings, or as the student quent outings, or as the student the highest office in our campus who never fails to put on blue democracy she has followed in jeans before she goes to Labor Problems class, or as the healthy individual who munches away on apples and raw carrots during of offices during their college caevening study sessions, or as the Speaker who calls the House of Representatives to order every gain campus wide recognition in a new capacity—last Thursday she was elected president of Student Governmen.

Gussie, referring to the post-graduation custom of former presidents of Student Government. "Now I won't have to do dent Governmen.

any further?" That was Gussie's official reaction on the evening following her election. After a sip of potent-looking tea (a favorite with our president-elect), she added, "I was surprised—and, of course, I feel very greatly hon-

# Validity Of Marks Probed At Student Faculty Forum

That the present marking system can be greatly improved was the conclusion reached after a discussion of the validity of marks by the Student-Faculty Forum at a meeting held on Friday, Febru-

It was suggested that an improvement in the marking system could be obtained if the faculty would agree upon a common marking system. It was pointed out that some faculty members use a sliding scale, while others give a certain number of A's, B's, C's, D's, and F's.

Shirley Austin '42, chairman of the forum, led the discussion on the validity of marks. Those in favor of marks stated that

Students would not work if there were no marks. Secondly, they feel that marks measure achievement. Throughout life, students will be judged by their accomplishments. Thus the marking system is a good training for

Those opposed to marks stated that:

Marks do not show mastery of a subject. The students work for marks and not for the maximum knowledge they can obtain from the subject.

In addition they said that marks hinder the students' freedom of thought. The students are afraid to give their own opinions during an important test. They write down all they can remember from the book and do not de-

# S. I. G. Meeting

"Labor Unions and Democracy" was the topic of discussion at the meeting of the Student Industrial Group, Wednesday evening, February 25. Dr. John F. Moore, instructor in English, led the discussion. The topic of the meeting was based on question 13 in the defense questionnaire, which was recently circulated among faculty memers and students to stimulate worthwhile discussions. Hope Castagnola '43, president of Stu-dent Industrial Group, introduced the speaker.

At a future meeting of the Student Industrial Group, information about the Hudson Shore Labor School will be presented in an effort to stimulate interest in this school as a valuable summer opportunity.

by Shirley Simkin '42

Perhaps you know her as the girl who runs around campus with her roommate every mornitation for her fears. She has proven her executive capabilities as president of Knowlton House freshman year president year has been her year president of knowlton House freshman year president year has been her year has been he sophomore year, and Speaker of the footsteps of Marianna Lemon '42 and Janet Fletcher '41, who held exactly the same succession "But thank goodness Fletch broke the precedent of getting married in June!" exclaimed

When asked what she plans to "Frankly, I'm scared! Need I go do after finishing college Gus was very vague. She is majoring in "bus-ec," and wants to get some kind of a job. More than that only time can tell.

Gus is a typical outdoor girl. She hates anything formal, and dislikes dressing up and going dislikes dressing up and going shopping. Her favorite hobby is sports—skiing, riding, golf, swimming, and so on ad infinitum. (Incidentally, her roommate, Mary Lou Shoemaker '43 has just been elected president of A. A.) At home Gus owns a horse and a colt, as well as a great dane. Her love of animals is shown in her room in Windham by the painting of a horse over her desk, and a collection of miniature animals on the bookcase.

An interest in food comes second only to sports. Her diet-between meals at least-consists of apples, raw carrots, cokes, and tea with lemon. But ice cream is the most favored dish of all-es pecially strawberry ice cream.

If we discount the cokes and add the early morning runs and the bicycling, both literal and figurative (the latter in the form of vigorous exercises), Gussie might almost be considered the model of C.C.M.D. There is only one discrepancy: her lights are seldom out by 11 p.m. In her own words, Early to bed and early to rise

never made me wise."
Gussie's own "design for liv ing," however, seems to be quite satisfactory. Now, after having delved indiscretely into her private life, we sincerely wish her the best of success in her public ca-reer as the next president of Student Government.

#### Basketball Squads Are Named; Games Start March 11

The following students are on the class basketball squads and from these lists will be chosen the final teams for the games. These teams will be posted before each game on the A. A. bulletin

Seniors: Justine Clark, June Dr. Moore Directs
S. I. C. Mootive.

Thompson, Lois Nagel, Ashie Watson, Marjorie Fee, Margaret Gibbons, Dorrie Hostetter, Marian Reich, Betty Gossweiler, Wil-ma Parker and Julie Rich, cap-

Sophomores: Mary Staber, Eleanor Townsend, Jane Shaw, Freddy Giles, Ruth Hine, Joan Schreuder, Peggy Rubinstein, Florence Oran, Midge Keay, Mimi Griffith, Jean Loomis, G. G. Hawkes, Ginny Passavant, Jean Jacques, and Dottie Chapman,

captain. Freshmen: Lois Parisette, Kathryn Gander, Marge Law-rence, Virginia Bowman, Harriet Sayer, Barbara Hoehn, Grace Wilson, Peggy Piper, Betty Barnard, Phyllis Sack, Nancy Ford, Betty Trimble, and Sally Rapelye, cap-

# **Boynton Merrill** Will Speak At Coming Vespers

The Rev. Boynton Merrill, D.D. minister of the Second Church in Newton, Mass., will speak at vespers on Sunday, March 8, in the chapel. A native of Massachusetts, Dr. Merrill was educated at Dartmouth college. He did his theological work at Union theological seminary, and was given the degree of D.D. by Dartmouth college, which institution also made him an honorary member of Phi Beta Kappa several years ago. During the first world war, Dr. Merrill served as chaplain of the U.S.S. Pennsylvania. He had pastorates in Putnam, Conn., and in Boston before coming to West Newton. He is a well-known college and university preacher, a trustee of Wellesley college and the Northfield schools, a member of the Corporation of Perkins Institute, Watertown, and a visitor to the Harvard Divinity School. He is prominent in the life of the Congregational church in America and is a lecturer in the An dover Newton Theological School He is the author of From Confusion to Certainty and of Arrows

#### State Drama Meet Of High Schools To Be Held At C. C.

Six Connecticut high schools will present one act plays or scenes from longer plays in the Palmer Auditorium on Saturday, March 7. This is the first time that Connecticut college has sponsered the Secondary School Drama Festival which is held an nually in the state, and which is open to any high school in Con-necticut. This year of the six high schools entering the contest, the two presenting the best plays will represent the state at the New England Play Festival to be held later this spring.

Approximately sixty boys and girls will arrive Saturday. All the students will have dinner at Jane Addams House, and the students appearing in the evening group of plays will stay over night in New London in the homes of the local high school students.

Three plays will be given in the afternoon at two-thirty in the Auditorium. Ansonia High will give Growing Pains; Watertown High, The Bishop's Candlesticks; Killingly High, Op-O'-M-Thumb; and Gilbert High, The Maker of Dreams. The evening performance will begin at eight o'clock. Pink and Patches will be given by Manchester High; Eternal Life by Manchester High; and Eternal Life by Greenwich High.

Wig and Candle is in charge of the plays and Evelyn Silvers '43 is general manager of all the plays. Many Connecticut students will work on the plays. The six pro-Scoville '45.

Irene Steckler '43 is social chairman, and she will be assisted by Ruthe Nash '44 and Helen Rippey '44. Edith Gaberman '43 is business manager, and Nan Thompson '43 and Mary Hanning '45 are assisting her. Barbara Brengle '42 as chairman of publicity will be assisted by Evelyn De Puy '42 and Eloise Stumm '42. Luise Trimble '42 will be in charge of lighting; and Marjorie Linder '42 and Dorothy Lenz '43 will be in charge of properties. The judges for the plays are: Miss Ethel V. Bailey, Emerson college; Miss Millicent Disco, Norwich Free Academy; Russell Harris, Fitch High school, Poquon nock Bridge.

The high school students fur-

# Importance Of Education 1s Realized By Practice Teachers

by Mary Lou Elliott '43

In our midst there are fourteen senior girls who are already practicing their profession—as future teachers. As Miss Vera Butler, associate professor of education, their advisor says, "They are an earnest group, getting good ex-perience." She adds, "They will proably have little trouble finding jobs, not only because of their ability but also because of the growing need for more teachers now that the country is calling the men from the profession. Education is particularly important during war to keep the right values and to maintain morale." The girls also seem to grasp the importance of their work and show much enthusiasm.

The state requires thirty hours of observation and sixty hours of actual practice. Many of the girls have aiready completed this requirement, but are continuing to gain more experience. schools, Chapman Technical high school, which is coeducational, Bulkeley high for boys, and Williams Memorial Institute for girls, seem to find the project very interesting and enjoy having the girls teach part time and substi-tute. Miss Butler tells of a response she got from a high school student who was asked whether he liked the practice teacher. He said, "She'll be pretty good after we break her in. In fact, she's pretty good now. I got a 'B' on my test!"

Naturally the technique quite different from college. With very little lecture work, most of the time is taken up by class dis-cussions in which, all the girls agree, their students often show originality. Their subjects, hours, and classes vary greatly, as do the amusing incidents they tell about. They are all looking forward to having a real class of their own.

The girls now teaching at Chapman Tech are Shirley Sim-kin, Jean West, Verna Pitts, Charlotte Craney, in English; Beth Harvey, history; Elinor Pfautz, art; and Harriet Wheeler, science. One of the most enthusi astic of those interviewed was Shirley Simkin, who also taught French for a while. Important in the work are the various projects the students are doing; for ex-

#### What Do We Mean By Truth?" Asks Philosophy Group

The Intercollegiate philosophy group, composed of representatives from the University of Connecticut, Wesleyan, and Connecticut college, met on Thursday evening, February 26, to exchange ideas on the question: What do we mean by Truth? The meeting was held in the commuters' lounge at 8:00, and after Dr. duction chairmen are: Carolyn F. E. Morris had welcomed the Lou Crowell '42, and Elizabeth later open discussion. The first of the papers was that of John Ruhback from Wesleyan, who pre-sented a viewpoint supporting the coherence theory as a criterion of truth and defending a priori principles. Sandy Macpherson '42 of Connecticut college was the second speaker and in her paper she adopted the pragmatic method of truth finding. The last paper was read by Richard Feffer from the University of Connecticut who supported a theory of subjective truth.

Following the reading of the three papers the meeting was thrown open for a general discussion, which concluded around 10 o'clock with suggestions for a See "Schools"—Page 5 was: Brotherhood, fact or fiction? on economics.

ample, in connection with Julius Caesar they are working on Roman house model, maps and newspapers announcing the assassination of Caesar. In line with her work Shirley has been helping with the high school newspaper and is going to coach a French play. Jean West testi-fies with her that they have a great deal of fun. Jean says she feels almost like one of them, especially when teaching seniors.

Verna Pitts tells about one of the girls who asked her whether it was proper to wear long gloves at Cornell Junior Prom. Starting young! Instructing a mixed group in art Elinor Pfautz finds talent and enthusiasm among Right now she is working on block prints at the high school and on practical art for younger children at the Museum once a week. In Beth Harvey's history classes she notices an inclination toward discussions of current affairs. Good sign!

At Bulkeley High we find Doris Kaske, Dottie Green, Mary Rita Powers, teaching math, and Jane Hall and Audrey Mellon teaching English. The girls teaching math claim the boys do their best to ask unanswerable questions, but they have held their own. One of their traits seems to be an ingeneousness in trying to evade tests. The class threatened to throw away their pencils! One of Mary Rita Powers' pupils came to school without his homework the day after the blackout, claiming that his book had disappeared in See "Teaching"-Page 6

#### R. H. Tawney Tells Of Life In England During This War

Professor Robert Henry Taw ney, famed English author and Fabian Socialist, spoke informally on life in England, on Monday, February 23, at 11:30 in the auditorium. Professor Tawney is in this country as economic adviser to the British Embassy. Prior to the war he was professor of economic history at the university of London. He has been president of the Worker's Educational Association since 1928.

Professor Tawney emphasized the English people's lack of hatred for the enemy, but their determination to carry the war through to final victory. He depicted the English educational and economic systems under stress of war.

With the advent of the bombing of London, the university of London was asked to disperse to a less vulnerable residence. Although the number of women in the universities has not dropped sharply, the number of men now in the universities is two thirds less than in peace time. Next term there will be a very small university enrollment due to the registration of women and conscription of men over 18. Ninetyeight per cent of the younger stu-Thomson '43, Phyllis Schiff '43, Louise Keusch '44, Mona Friedman '44, Mary reading papers on the topic for a country have returned to school since the cessation of bombings, explained Professor Tawney.

The great shortage of labor was stressed by the professor. He also said that war brings back the prevalence of scarcity. unionism is accepted in England as a matter of course. Leaving certificates are necessary in order to quit industry. Professor Tawney voiced the opinion that the United States has made an improvement in its approach to the labor problem by making labor responsible for its own actions under the War Labor Board.

Professor Tawney, advocate of the same Fabian philosophy as H. G. Wells and George Bernard topic for the next meeting to be Shaw, is author of The Acquisiheld during March or April at tive Society, Equality, Land and Wesleyan. The topic decided upon Labor in China, and other books

#### Niebuhr Speaks On Protestantism At March 1 Vespers

There is no man who never worships, stated Reinhold Nie-buhr of the Union Theological Seminary in the third and last of the interfaith Vespers on Sunday, March 1. Even those people who challenge traditional forms are worshipful, for worship refers to the meaning one finds in life. God is something we cannot explain, but by which we explain other things. The secular world has a God who is broad enough, but who is not deep enough. Nature is not a complete God, for God is greater. Reason comes closer to the essence called God, but it is not the reason we know; our earthly human reason does not fully comprehend our own life. The Nazi pagan religion is deep

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enough, but it is too narrow; life is made meaningful by the relation of the individual to his tribe.

God is not to be identified: He is the father of man, but unlike man; he is not the world, but the creator of the world. God in his concern for the world has both ultimacy and intimacy. Every thing of the imagination is gathered up into God, the source, the means and the end. He is both the judge beyond us and the spirit within us. The Judeo-Christian religion compels us to go beyond the world only to send us back to the world.

Worship has to have symbols of the universal in the particular. Man, for example is a symbol of God. But we mustn't let the symbol become the reality. There is no religion so pure that it cannot be corrupted. Protestantism was against the magic of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, against formalized prayer and in its stead, emphasized spontaneity. Every man should make his own prayer, but we should ask, is his prayer good, and deep and fine? We must learn that all worship is not good. For the Pharisee, prayer was the final step toward selfexultation, but for the publican, it was the final step in humility Whatever form or tradition we use makes no difference; the point is: how much vitality do we give to it in our own consciousness. Prayer is an expression of gratitude toward all mysterious manifestations of God. Prayer is an invitation to search. And lastly, prayer is commitment, for in true prayer the person is put to work, to live in terms of greater perspective.

#### Summer

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meetings in the series will include: laboratory and home economics work, work with children and jobs in private homes, work camps, study groups, and volunteer community service, and cler-

ical work in offices and stores. Dates and places for these sessions will be announced each week in the News. Students are urged to bring notebooks and pen-

Opportunities for specialized study will not be discussed in a separate conference, but announcements of the offerings of various institutions will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Personnel Bureau, on the second floor of Fanning Hall.

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#### Students Play Own Pieces In Recitul

Original compositions of Conecticut college students taking music 22, were presented at a meeting of the Music club in Windham on February 25. The program was followed by group singing, accompanied by Ruth Babcock Stevens '40.

Constance Hughes '42, president of the Music club, acted as chairman. The program was as ollows:

Jeanne Corby '43-Waltz and Polka

Marian Reich '43-March and

Elizabeth Travis '44-Today Sung by Leah Meyer '45

Rebecca Green '42-Waltz and Margaret Ramsay '42 — Waltz

and Gavotte Constance Hughes '42-Waltz

and March Elizabeth Travis '44 Song for

Child Sung by Leah Meyer '45

Evelyn De Puy '42-March and

Elizabeth Travis '44 Shadows; Country Bumpkins

#### **Mathematics Seniors** Find Industry Needs Them To Replace Men

There has been much talk bout the need for women in defense positions. In order to make this more than talk the News is running a series of articles on specific opportunities open to majors in different fields, based on information from the Personnel

This week mathematics is on the docket. To date three insurance companies in Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey have asked for seniors trained in mathematics and statistics for accounting positions, formerly held by men. Two government re-

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quests have been made for similar students. Three large industrial firms have asked for girls who have majored in mathematics and science to replace men. A few banks have also called for women for work in investment departments, heretofore filled by men graduates.

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# College Forces Continue To Progress vs. Calory Troops

by Nancy Troland '44

The most recent bulletins released by CCMD indicate that the ficially announced by CCMD last Connecticut forces are making considerable progress against the Calory armies in most sectors. There have of course been casualties on both sides, but figures show that losses have been highest among the Calory troops.

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school of miltiary tactics has been established in Libraria, it was ofnight. The school has been founded to train enlisted personnel now fighting in the war against Calories. The officers in charge are using demonstrations as their main method of instruction.

The demonstrations now being used include skillful charts of the disposition of Caloric troops There are estimated to be only 60 regiments in the famed Apple division of the enemy forces. The Extra Calories Is military leaders of the C.C. troops stated in a communique to headquarters that it should be easy to defeat this division if our troops are not diverted by the concentration of forces along the flanking Candy front.

has been cited in recent reports for showing enthusiastic industry worthy of high praise. Led by Miss Davidson, chairman of Home Morale, the organization gave a highly entertaining program during the supper hour last week. The motif for the program was furnished by carrots and fruit. Miss Hartshorn was one of proper vitamins in daily diets. the star performers. The group joined in the chorus of the song.

General Headquarters: It was admitted in the most recent bulletins that the enemy had made some advances during the last weekend. A surprise attack was made on Saturday night with a new secret weapon called Fruit Delight. It has been analyzed by our chemists so that our forces will know how to cope with that weapon should it be used again.

General Headquarters: The physical fitness of our troops waging the newly declared war on Calories was declared to be considerably improved due to the efforts of A.A. Points are being rapidly acquired by those who are anx ious to acquire the coveted blazer, the blazer being the first decoration leading towards a medal of honor.

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# Theme Of C.C.M.D. every day. Library Display

Facts about unnecessary "extra calorie intake" will be on display the remainder of the current week in the Reserve room of the Refectory in Thames: The United library in connection with the Service Organization of our army C.C.M.D. program. There is also a section on the main floor of the library devoted to the importance milk plays in the upkeep of one's body. These hints and clues are set forth to promote the national drive for better health of the country's citizens in their war efforts. Several leaflets and pamphlets state the necessity of the

Next week the theme of C. C. M. D. will be colds. There will be display of preventives on the main floor of the library. No cures are promised.

#### World Student Service Fund Aids War-Stricken **Teachers And Students**

(Editor's Note: The News has received the following information in reference to a tentative drive for the World Student Service Fund.)

The World Student Service Fund provides aid only to students and professors who are victims of war. No relief organization duplicates this work. The WSSF does not appeal to the gen-eral public but only to American students. It is international, non-sectarian, and non-political. The WSSF provides relief plus education-plus reconciliation-plus hopeplus reconstruction.

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another. \$5.00 will buy from one to six books which will bring new hope to the mentally weary prisoners.

These are things that the Amer-

ican dollars have done: 10.900 Chinese students have

been aided in 101 colleges.

1,150 European prisoners of war—French, British, Polish, Can-adian, Russian and Italian—received books and study materials. 400 refugee students from Europe have been helped since they

got here in the United States. These are things that the American dollars have yet to do: There are 45,000 Chinese stu-

dents-of these 25,000 need help. There are 6,000,000 men in prison, refugee, and internment camps.

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# Caught On Campus

Miss Dilley has been holding Current Events quizzes in her Government 14 classes lately and one of the questions almost caused a second Mars broadcast sensation last week. The question was whether the civilians of New London could be evacuated as a war precaution measure, and if so, under whose authority. It seems the class members immediately made mental preparations for a quick evacuation. From the latest reports, it took Miss Dilley the greater part of the class period to convince the students that at the moment, New London was not evacuating. The answer in case you'd like to know is, yes, New London could be evacuated, and the Army has the authority

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Miss Tuve was seen knitting on one of her many Red Cross sweaters the other night, and one of her students remarked on the beauty of a large blue safety pin that was holding the stitches of the front of the neck. The unsuspecting student ventured to ask where it came from and Miss Tuve said, "I got this one off the Dean." For the sake of safety we hesitate to pin this down any fur-

Franny Homer '42 and Elinor Eells '42 went to the Ice Follies at Providence Saturday night and had front row seats. They of course enjoyed the show but found themselves in a slight ice blizzard when the barrel jumping man, Mr. Legg, stopped right in front of their seats. (At least he didn't stop on a barrel). On his second trip around, they were still wiping the debris from their faces and to their surprise and pleasure, he stopped, much more gently, and apologized.

For the benefit of those who don't rise before 8:00 a.m., we give you a quick weather report. Tuesday morning at approxi-mately 7:15 when the migratory students trudged over to Thames for breakfast, there was a com-bination tidal wave, hurricane hangover and general wind and rain all going on at the same time. A new irrigating system in the gutters was working full force and white caps could be seen between Mary Harkness House and Fanning. Rubber boots with the feet in them were used as anchors and the nomads were doing fine till they reached the steps down to Thames where Niagara Falls suddenly appeared transplanted. Blinded by H2O and sleep, our desirers of breakfast took one brave leap to jump the rapids, sailed in the door on their keels and met up with cups of coffee, which was like just so much more liquid.

Thames may be a little damp around the edges at this point after all that rain but before "the rains came," Mr. Cochran came to visit for dinner last week in his Navy uniform and was greeted with applause and cheers. Stop us if we're wrong Mr. Cochran, but as we understand it you're teaching navigation at the Maritime school at Fort Trumbull.

#### Mascot

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When the battle of wits begins next Wednesday, the sophomores will be led by Teedo Lincoln '44 as Mascot chairman and Barbara AcCorkindale '44 as clue captain. As for the juniors—they won't talk, so we cannot report their power behind the scenes. Next week when you see hordes of sophomores galloping o'er the campus clutching binoculars, magnifying glasses and flashlights, you'll know the fray has begun and that the chase is on!

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Dr. Hanna Hafkesbrink, professor of English, speaking on the German language major, made the point that one must ignore the barriers set up by this war and look beyond to the greatness of German thought, its spiritual leaders, its music, literature, drama, and art. She emphasized the point that in the reconstruction and re-education of Germany, the thousands of Americans who will go to Germany must know the people with whom they are dealing. She said that Germany's contribution to thought stands regardless of historical circumstance. Dr. Edwin Minar, assistant professor of classics, spoke on the value of Greek and Latin majors for those intending to go into research, teaching, or study of the classics. He explained that, although the emphasis of education is now on strictly practical training, a study of the ancients should play a great part in peace. He said, however, that the courses are being rethought every year in order to parallel them with a world at war.

Miss Carola Leonie Ernst, professor of French, began by saying that there has recently been a precipice between scientific, mechan ical, and technical knowledge on

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one side, and moral and spiritual learning on the other. She said that languages have been put on the second step in modern education, and too little attention has been given to the building of man's character through the study of past experiences. She pointed out that the time must come when the Humanities will again be placed where they be-long. On the subject of Italian, Miss Ernst explained that the Renaissance, the period which began our modern civilization, was in the beginning an Italian phenomenon and Italy's leaders in literature were the first to write in terms of modern ideas.

Speaking of the Spanish major, Miss Ernst observed the lack of intelligence displayed here as in other colleges. She said that only one girl in a thousand now will ever have anything to do with South America, and that it is not a wise policy for students who have taken four years of another language in high school to drop it completely in favor of Spanish. She added, however, that those students who are genuinely interested in the thought and literature of Spain would find this major of great value.

#### **Teachings**

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the darkness. They all verify the great sense of humor and spirit among the boys, most of whom are preparing for college or the Coast Guard Academy

Bobby House and Marian Ryan are practicing at W.M.I., where there are only girls, whom they say are quite full of interest but lack the mischievousness found in the co-ed and boys schools. One of Bobby's Latin students is always confusing her by original words. On the whole, they seem to be well trained and quite indepen-dent, says Marian. Some of the girls are planning to come to Connecticut, and one of them asked with awe, "Is it true that every-

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