Friday evening, February 18, the two lower classes presented the play they had entered in the interclass competition. It was a curious commentary on the college mind that both plays dealt with the dead. The Sophomore play, presented first, was called "Shades of Night" and dealt with the annual return of two ghosts to the scene of their great moment. The unusual character of the play, and the special trait in view in which it was written made it most interesting. There was a failure on the part of the actors to throw themselves into their parts andsubmerge their own personalities sufficiently, save in the case of the lady ghost who gave a delicate performance. The singing and scenery of the play were skillfully done.

The freshmen were at a distinct disadvantage in the outset with the Sophomore, because the audience had had sufficient experience to make the question of the winning side obvious. The Sophomore's play was a genuine delight. The Harmonic Quartette, furnishing the music, gave perfect expression to the mood of the characters throughout. The Sophomore house, made up of seventy-five freshwomen, was the setting of the play and the scene of the performance. The size of the auditorium and the number of people attending limited the effective use of the stage. The Sophomore play was a genuine delight. The Harmonic Quartette, furnishing the music, gave perfect expression to the mood of the characters throughout. The Sophomore house, made up of seventy-five freshwomen, was the setting of the play and the scene of the performance.

Dr. Gilkey Stresses Will and Spiritual Aid

The speaker at Vespera Sunday afternoon was Dr. Gordon Gilkey, of the South Congregational Church of Springfield, Massachusetts. The theme of his sermon was "The Rebirth of Society." The sermon was delivered in the chapel of the college, and was listened to by a large audience.

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In his sermon, Dr. Gilkey stressed the importance of will and spiritual aid in the reformation of society. He argued that society is suffering from a lack of moral leadership and that individuals must take responsibility for their own actions in order to effect change. He also emphasized the role of religious institutions in providing spiritual guidance and support to individuals in their efforts to improve society.

One section of the sermon dealt with the need for personal discipline and the development of strong character traits in order to achieve success in life. Dr. Gilkey cited several examples from history to illustrate the importance of discipline and the opportunities it can provide for personal growth and achievement.

Another section of the sermon focused on the importance of mutual aid and cooperation among individuals in building a better society. Dr. Gilkey cited the example of the cooperative movement and noted its potential for creating a more just and equitable society.

The sermon concluded with a call to action, urging individuals to take an active role in shaping society and to be guided by a commitment to justice and compassion.

Dr. Gilkey's sermon was well-received by the audience, who were inspired by his message and his passion for social change.
SUICIDES

The fact that there have been nine
student suicides this year, a second in a
stranger country, has caused a stir through
the campus and has brought to the attention
of the presses, which have given it to the
activities of the press which has told in
great headlines of the "suicide wave" among
college students. Great educators, having been questioned by
the papers have given a variety of
reasons — religious, psychological, and
medical. Of course, Mr. Herbert Gilman,
President of St. Stephen's College
who has addressed us at Vespers gives
us an answer tinged with his religious
belief — "Knowledge and knowledge
alone is almost certain to remove from
man that courage which results from
knowledge without substituting any-
thing for it."

Too much education
takes away both the desire and hope
of the ruling forces of the universe.
Those who believe in none but the
college and university education, educa-
tion is to be defined as the accom-
boration of all else. And then it is more
certain than a miracle.

President MacCracken of Vassar
stresses the need of psychialists on
college and university campuses. The
paper has made too much over something
which is no "wave" at all, but says
nevertheless that the suicides may be
explained by several facts. The fact
that the colleges and universities open
their doors to so many thousands of
young people makes it impossible to
exclude all those pathologically
until it comes. The fact that they do come
should be met by having increased
psychiatrists staffing on the
campus.

The view point of Dr. Charles A.
Reid of Harvard is that Yale is in answer to those who
consider the "suicide wave" a result of an
affliction of the old age. He says, "I firmly believe that each of
the cases was an individual case, and the out-
come of personal troubles or incomplete
of the case cannot possibly be determined.
Certainly do not believe there is any gen-
eral attitude. Those who commit suicide are the most
students that would account for
a number of deaths such as these."
**SABBATICAL LEAVE DR. HENRY W. LAWRENCE**

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Lord, had some kick; but it kept you too wide-winded to enjoy the scenery of life.

"What you say," I began, "furnishes a poor introduction indeed for the business which brought me here to-day; but the young man in my employ has recommended you as assistant professor of English at Blackmore College has evidently resigned his position, to become manager of an automobile sales and service station, I believe. Nearly two years ago he broke the vow of celibacy, now about a sine qua non for the self-supporting pedagogue, and took unto himself an unwedded wife. Not content even with this luxury and distraction, he must in due course become the father of a child. Last summer his family budget seems to have shown an almost European tendency toward deficit, necessitating a mortgage on the household furniture for the adult members of the family, and at last the steady absence from home for several weeks of the young Ph. D. He himself, ostensibly to engage in researches along the line of his doctoral dissertation, but really to peddle from house to house, in a safely remote city, certain articles of aluminum ware for kitchen use. These experiences seemed to make him discontented with the academic life, and he has unhappily, turned to the pursuit of material wealth. But you, sir, if you now again a bachelor, as I continued, said, if I am correctly informed, neither of your two divorces requires that you pay alimony, therefore occurred to me that possibly you would now be glad to return to the serene and simple service of the academic groves."

"Did you say, 'groves,' Professor, or 'grooves?'" he inquired gaily. "No" is, I am reforming, as the second of 'the great open spaces' of vocation has induced this educator. The undergraduate daily theme and the class notebook no longer my blood and fascinate my attention. Besides, I am just entering upon the new venture of producing a picture of my own. When that has left me, maybe I'll be ready to consider your kind offer.

"Sorry, sir," I replied. "But I should prize highly your candid and expert opinion as to my probable aptitude for your profession."

"You, going into the film?" he guessed.

"Is it too absurd?" I stammered, in confusion.

"I'll say it's damned good sense," he shouted. "I always knew you had the soul of a comedian, and yours is positively the finest low-comedy face I ever glimpsed. I've got a part for you in my new play. All you'll have to do is to act just as you used to in your classroom. I'll be a screen! I'll start you at twice your present salary, and double that within a year if you make good."

"Would it be possible for me to be somewhat disguised?" I inquired anxiously. "so that acquaintances would not recognize me at first until success seemed assured?"

"Easiest thing in the world," he chuckled.

"The college has given me sabbatical leave for next year," I continued, "and I am expected to study in Europe. I could sail with my family and, after establishing them comfortably in Paris, shave off my beard and return to America. My wife would gladly cooperate in this adventure, throwing chance visitors off the scent and forwarding my correspondence. During the year you and I could ascertain quite whether I can be successful in this new profession."

The famous Jeremiah W. Sparks secures violence about the wair and danced us wildly around his spacious veranda.

Later in the same day I signed a contract with him as a new member of the faculty at six thousand dollars for the ensuing year.

Not since I was a mere lad have I experienced such lively anticipations of adventure as I now feel in looking forward to my extraordinary sabbatical. I cannot hardly fail to broaden my outlook on life and make me a better teacher. Incidentally, the augmenting of my expected honorarium will go far toward liquidating certain arrears and indebtednesses that have seemed unavoidable during my more narrowly academic years. And at the end of the experiment, I can choose. Certainly this promise is to my most rewarding subsistence year though it will doubtless be wise to maintain the temporary wording it that we have planned.

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kinds of vespers.
Theodore Hewlett, was also unable to be present, the class remembered Teddy and Helen by singing to them. One of the amusing features was the advice, proved by incidents, given by Hazel Coburn and Mildred Dunham, on the advisability of working in the same city with Marjorie Thompson, who, it seems, has retained her loving spirit.

The banquet proved a delightful success and was thoroughly enjoyed by the thirty-three members of the class of 26 who were able to return.

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