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CC EXTENDS GREETINGS TO ITS NEWEST ARRIVALS

Creative Outlet Is Offered By Quarterly, CC Magazine

Business, News, and Feature Staffs All Search For Talent

There is a place on campus for every kind of creative ability, whether it is making a speech on a philosophical problem, or singing on a comb. And that, of course, is as it should be, for everyone loves, or longs to, create something in his or her lifetime. As far as I can see, there is no better time to pour forth, as it were, than at college, for there is where we soon learn that the healthiest and happiest atmosphere is one alive with creative energy. Every year, QUARTERLY, the literary magazine on campus, holds wide welcoming arms to all pieces of writing material.

This year QUARTERLY is not only encouraging work from as many students as possible, but is also looking for many new editors to work on the magazine. Right this minute a contest is under way for editorships, and although it is primarily intended for Freshmen, we urge everyone—Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors, too—to enter it. Here is an opportunity for everyone to join in the work and fun of publishing a literary magazine.

Authors Wanted

A magazine cannot be a success without enthusiastic supporters, who believe in it and want to make it a success. And QUARTERLY can be one of the best institutions on campus, and perhaps off campus as well. If QUARTERLY has not been as exciting to as many people as it should have been, it is doubtless because not enough is known about the magazine. Well, that can no longer be. For here is a chance for everyone to be in on Connecticut College's literary world. Details of the contest will be given out later; meanwhile, the editors of QUARTERLY hope that everyone will start writing.

To create something to answer an assignment is one thing; to create something merely for the sake of its own creation is another. The first is a challenge, but the second is more of a challenge, and is a result, more rewarding. It is up to you, freshmen, and to you, upperclassmen, to see that there are more responses to that second challenge on campus, and, as a first step, to prove that QUARTERLY is really your magazine.

French Club Announces Meeting, Group Plans

We hope that all freshmen interested in the French Club will come to our first get together Wednesday, October 11, in the commuters' lounge at 7:15 p.m. Plans for this coming year will be discussed and any new suggestions are always welcome. We expect to have weekly French tables in all the houses and to continue our many informal gatherings. Hope you'll be able to join us Wednesday night!

Trueblood to Talk On Religious View For College Years

The first convocation of the year will occur on October 10 at 8:00 p.m. in the Palmer Auditorium. The College is fortunate to have for this event Dr. David Elton Trueblood, Professor of Philosophy at Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana; he will talk on Religion in Modern Life and will give special emphasis to the college years.

Dr. Trueblood is just returning from a long stay in Europe, where he has been working under the auspices of The Friends Society of which he is a member. He is also a member of The Philosophical Society. He has written many books on religion and philosophy.

This year the College is integrating a convocation lecture with the annual Religious Emphasis Period. Two other speakers of note will appear on the campus at this time. On Sunday, October 8, vespers will be conducted by Dr. Herbert Gezork, President of Andover-Newton Theological School. At chapel on Monday and Tuesday, October 9 and 10, the college community will have the privilege of hearing Dr. Thomas Hayes Proctor, Professor of Philosophy at Wellesley College. Religion in the college years will be stressed by all three speakers.

Wig and Candle Invites All '54 Dramatists to Join Club

Uncle Sam may not need YOU, personally, for the next four years, but Wig and Candle of Connecticut College does. And hereby hangs the tale. . . . Wig and Candle is the quite theatrical name which identifies the most dramatic club on campus. This is the organization which produces two full-length three-act plays, and puts its back into about five others during the course of the academic year.

Virtually everything dramatic or theatrical which appears on campus is the result of some Wig and Candle effort. Naturally, this club can function only through the expressed enthusiasm of everyone interested in bringing good theatre to the campus.

It is a club which needs the help of all of you freshmen since there are an almost infinite number of interesting jobs which must be attended to for each show—everything from scenery, props, costumes, lighting, make-up, prompting, and curtain-pulling, to publicity and ushering.

You probably are wondering why acting itself is omitted from this list of attractions. And hereby hangs a shorter (but sadder) tale. . . . Everyone admits that freshmen are kept on their toes with just learning the ways of college life in their first semester at school. Consequently, it has been decided that no freshman may act in plays first semester, but hap-

NSA Plans Include Study, Tours, Trips To Unite Colleges

NSA is one of the organizations to which every Connecticut College girl belongs. It is the only national organization of college and university students in the United States as its name implies: the National Student Association. Hundreds of universities and colleges throughout the United States belong to NSA—and thus a common organization unites us with college students elsewhere in our country.

Of special interest on campus are NSA's opportunities for linking us with students of other nations. There are summer programs for inexpensive trips or study tours to Europe, bicycle trips in the United States, and opportunities to meet foreign students who are studying here and at other colleges. Because NSA is affiliated with students unions in European countries, many channels are provided for American students to travel abroad or entertain foreign students in this country.

Campus Activities Under Supervision Of Service League

Service League is concerned with two distinct parts of college life. . . . social services and campus entertainment. Many of its duties are not defined and are handled when the occasion arises. Those duties which do occur yearly are grouped under the aforementioned divisions.

The first of these can be subdivided into a number of services. Local Social Services take care of work at the Mission House in New London and of local Girl Scouts and Y.W.C.A. projects. Charity Drives include the Cancer Drive and T.B. seals at Christmas. Post War Services and the Lost and Found are two more of Service League's regular activities. The largest single service project of the year is Community Chest Drive which occurs in the fall.

More Entertainment

On the entertainment side Service League has certain yearly functions: the Coast Guard Reception, Informal dances and Mid-Winter Formal. Last year we added a freshman reception with Yale and this year in addition we hope to be able to have a freshman get-together with Wesleyan. All social activities are under the chairmanship of Jane Law '52, who this year will have a committee of all house and class social chairmen.

There is no requisite for membership in Service League excepting membership in the college student body. Active participants begin with the Cabinet including all the heads of Committees, the chairman of publicity, the Vice President, and the President. The rest of the active participants are all those who are interested in any phase of Service League's work.

Help is always needed. There is plenty of work for everyone. So watch the Service League Bulletin Board in Fanning and come out to help us.

Outing Club Is Planning Weekend Gathering For Wesmen, Indians, Yalies

Freshmen! Outing Club extend to you its gayest greetings. At the picnic at Buck Lodge last Saturday O. C. held its annual get-together for the incoming freshmen, to acquaint you with the many varied activities enjoyed by Outing Clubbers.

On the agenda for the year are included: a weekend outing with Yale at their engineering camp, get-togethers with Wesleyan, Dartmouth, and several ski weekends in January.

The only thing you have to do to get in on the fun is to come and join us. It is an undisputed fact that we of C.C.O.C. will give you plenty of good times.

Contest Underway for Class Editors; Need Talent and Enthusiasm

Scheduled for this Friday afternoon, October 6 at 4:20 are the first try-outs of the 1950-51 year for the Connecticut College News. News is the weekly newspaper put out entirely by the students here at Connecticut.

Freshmen and transfers alike are cordially invited to attend this first meeting. If you are inclined to be literary, there are openings as both news writers and feature writers. If your powers of persuasion are above average, the advertising staff will be your forte. If your business acumen is especially keen, the business staff is your best bet.

There are, of course, other phases of newspaper work, such as circulation which handles the distribution of copies to the dormitories. Shutter-bugs may also find a place as News photographers.

Whatever your particular inclination may be, you are sure to find an outlet in the Connecticut College News. The meeting will be held in the News Office, which is in the basement of Plant house. Set aside this Friday, at 4:20 for the News try-outs.

Freshmen Asked to Join Home Ec Club

You don't have to be able to cook and sew to be a member of the Home Economics Club at Connecticut College. This club is open to anyone who thinks she may want to major in any of the various fields of Home Economics: Food and Nutrition, Institutional Economics, General Home Economics, and Child Development. Through the club we try to learn more about these fields as they are actually practical.

We find it interesting to talk to graduates and to compare our interests with those of other schools. We also carry out special projects such as supplying Christmas gifts for a school in Virginia, cooking simple meals for the children at the Learned House in New London, and repairing toys for Connecticut College's Day Nursery. Demonstrations, reports of outside meetings, and social get-togethers are included in our yearly program.

On October twelfth we are having a Welcome Meeting for freshmen. It will be held at 7:00 in New London 411. We hope that any freshman interested in Home Economics or Child Development will attend this meeting and find out more about the club.

Familiar Words, A New World

After the introductory freshman week program, you, the class of 1954, are more than familiar with the word "welcome." Yes, we're all glad you are here and the greeting which the Connecticut College News has for you is in the form of this piece of paper you are holding—the very special Freshman issue. In it we have tried to include stories on most of the large organizations and clubs functioning on campus. Each story has been written by the head of the organization, who has explained the activities of her particular group. Undoubtedly you will be meeting many of these people in the very near future when they hold their try-outs, initial meetings, etc.

At this time it might do well to give a bit of "advice" (another item which is not very foreign to you by now.) It has to do with these very organizations. You are here at college primarily to study and to learn; that is a truism which will be disputed by no one. However, and this is a big "however,"—the value of extra-curricular activities should not be underestimated. They offer you a world of benefit and pleasure, one which provides an excellent complement to your academic life. They are something which should be experienced by everyone, no matter how small the degree. Hence, we offer you this outline of Connecticut College's extra-curricular activities, with every hope that you will seek, find and enjoy your particular interest. Lots of luck!

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Dance Group Helps Creative Students To Improve Talent

Dance Group provides an opportunity for students interested and able to more completely develop their technical ability and work creatively, under the direction and leadership of Miss Ruth Bloomer, faculty advisor.

In the past, Dance Group has been a part of the Christmas Pageant. A technique demonstration, a lecture, and creative work were given for a nearby P.T.A. Dance Group has attended exchange programs and given a symposium in connection with the Jose Limon and Dance Company Concert.

Plans for this year include exchange programs with other colleges, a visiting artist concert to continue the Dance Scholarship Fund; continued cooperation with the other departments in the Christmas Pageant; plays and entertainments; the annual 5 Arts Program; and a possible radio program concerning the modern dance.

Dance Group consists of members of all four classes, chosen through tryouts in the fall. The tryouts this year will be early in November. Watch the gym bulletin boards for the date. Previous to the tryouts there will be workshops held in Knowlton Salon, open to everyone. Remember, you certainly need not be a "professional" dancer to become a member of the group, but, rather, interested, able, and anticipating fun and work. Any further information will be gladly given by Marian Trefzger '52 and Emilou Starke '52 in Freeman House.

Radio Club Offers Varied Experience

The Radio Club is an organization of girls who are interested in the various phases of radio work—announcing, script writing, technician work, and directing. The members of this club write and produce three weekly programs over Station WNLC and WICH by remote control from the Palmer Radio Room on the second floor of the auditorium.

The club is open to all students, experienced or not, who are interested in really working actively with standard radio equipment. Special instructions in radio techniques, announcing, and technician work are given by the upper class members during the year so that our programs from the campus will be as well done as a professional broadcast.

The first open meeting of the year will be held on November 29. Those students who are interested in learning more about the club before this open meeting should see Mrs. Ray, Phyll Hoffman in Mary Harkness House, or Sue Field in Katherine Blunt.

IRC Will Talk Over Korean Aggression

Under discussion at the initial meeting of International Relations Club, to be held tomorrow night, Oct. 5, at 7 o'clock in Fanning 111, will be United Nations action in curbing aggression in Korea. As in past years I.R.C. will continue to function as a forum for consideration of international affairs by presenting prominent speakers in the field, sending delegates to intercollegiate conferences, and offering programs reporting on valuable student experiences abroad.

Highlight of I.R.C.'s activities for the past three years has been the presentation of a United Nations Weekend, when C.C. plays hostess to foreign and American students from other schools in the New England area who participate in a program featuring an aspect of U. N. structure.

Press Board Sends News To Your Home

Interested in publicizing activities of classmates and college on a nation-wide scale and gaining journalistic experience as well? C.C.'s Press Board is responsible for seeing that Connecticut gets into the news—on the pages of your home-town daily as well as in metropolitan papers throughout the country.

Members of the Board cover campus events, write up local items which are sent to the newspapers you listed when you filled out those little white cards Freshman Week, and serve as paid correspondents for a number of daily papers in the State. If you'd like to assume responsibility for seeing that your home town knows what you and your school are doing, want Connecticut to receive the publicity it deserves, and are aspiring to a career in journalism, Press Board offers a three-fold opportunity.

A briefing session for prospective Board members will be held in the Press Board office, Fanning 110 A, this Friday, Oct. 6, during Chapel time, when coverage of campus events will be assigned and Mrs. K. T. Floyd, Director of the College Publicity Bureau, will explain in further detail the importance of dependable student reporting to C.C.'s press notices.

Junior Class to Stage Fashion Show For '54

The Class of '54 will be the guest of honor at a College Weekend Fashion Show on Friday evening, October 6, at 7:00 when the junior class will present its traditional freshmen entertainment in Knowlton Salon.

AA Invites '54 To Participate In All Events

Participation in sports is one of the best and most effective ways to make friends. This is and has been the primary objective of the Athletic Association at Connecticut College. To us acquiring skills, although extremely important, is only secondary to having fun.

I'd like to introduce the AA Council to you. The officers include:

President, Jus Shepherd; Vice President, Libby Griffin; Secretary, Jannie Schaumann, Treasurer, Kit Kalkhof. Class Reps: Janet (Streaky) Strickland—Senior; Pat Terrell—Junior; Muff McCullough—Soph.

President of Dance Group—Marian Trefzger—AA Rep.—Emilou Starke.

President of CCOC — Meeky Maisonpierre.

Sabre and Spur—Sally Stewart.

News Reps.—Mollie Munro and Sue Rockwell.

Publicity Chairman — Bunny Newbold.

Social Chairman—Bunny Bradshaw.

Now, suppose Susie Q wields a mean hockey stick. How does she "go out for a sport?" Her first move would be to watch the gym bulletin board for a notice saying, "all those interested in going out for hockey sign up." Then, there will be a meeting for all four classes—and each class will elect their own class hockey manager except the Freshman manager, who will be appointed. This manager will arrange times of practices and games.

If Susie attends the practices and plays in the games, and has good spirit generally, she will be included in the final club membership—which means that she makes a club which can count for making an AA blazer and seal eventually.

We hope that the Freshman Class will be one of the best classes supporting AA and its activities. Remember, gals, if you've got any questions about AA be sure to see your dorm rep, who will be elected with the dorm officers, or any of us on the Council.

Student Liberals Will Meet Oct. 9

Student Liberals is a campus organization, unaffiliated with any local or national group, whose purpose is to develop an informed student opinion on critical issues facing society today, and to transform this opinion into effective action along democratic, progressive lines. In the past this action has taken the form of field trips, informative speakers, co-operation with the local Democratic Party, and a highly successful mock arbitration of a labor-management problem.

Our first meeting will be held at 5:10 in Fanning 111 on Monday, October 9. We'll look for all freshmen and upperclassmen who are interested in our club at that time.

Dr. H. Gezork to Speak At Next Vesper Service

The speaker at the 7 o'clock vesper service on Sunday will be Herbert Gezork, newly elected president of Andover-Newton theological school. Born in Germany, Dr. Gezork was graduated from the University of Berlin and the Baptist Divinity School in Hamburg. After spending two years in America as an exchange student, he travelled around the world studying social and religious conditions.

Religious Fellowship Heads Campus Religious Activities

Religious Fellowship is the only religious body on campus. Each student is automatically a member of the Fellowship, but it is up to the individual to make her membership meaningful by participating in the activities of the organization. It is the purpose of the Religious Fellowship to further the religious life of the college community by having the students share and strengthen their individual beliefs.

The Religious Fellowship operates through its Cabinet and House Representative Council. The Cabinet is composed of the President, the Secretary-Treasurer, and the chairmen of the various committees. It works in cooperation with Mr. Laubenstein, college chaplain, and the administration, in planning the daily chapel activities, the Sunday Vesper services, Holy Communion and other special services throughout the year.

Through the House Representative Council the Cabinet maintains a close contact with the student body. This Council is made up of elected representatives from each dorm. The girls on the Council are responsible for getting information about Fellowship activities to the girls in their dorms as well as bringing suggestions and criticisms to the Cabinet.

The Fellowship keeps contact with the churches in town and this year hopes to plan deputations work with them. Also, Religious Fellowship is affiliated with the Student Christian Movement of New England.

Freedom's Crusade Is Coming to C. C.

Connecticut College students will have a chance to sign the Freedom Scroll sometime in the next week. The names from this scroll will be placed on a Freedom Bell to be sent to Berlin as a symbol of liberty. Participating in this Crusade are many prominent Americans, including General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Cordell Hull, Harold Stassen and Eleanor Roosevelt.

When you enroll, you will sign this Declaration of Freedom: I believe in the sacredness and dignity of the individual. I believe that all men derive the right to freedom equally from God. I pledge to resist aggression and tyranny wherever they appear on earth.

The first Religious Fellowship program gets under way next weekend with the Freshmen-Transfer picnic in Buck Lodge, Sunday, October 8, at 4 o'clock. (Note time change.) This picnic precedes the opening of Religious Emphasis Period at Vespers.

Political Forum Offers Ground for Debate

One of our most precious possessions is freedom of discussion and debate. It is this freedom which is our strongest case against Communist and Fascist totalitarianism and suppression of divergent ideas, and it is the duty of us, not only to preserve this privilege but to make use of it.

Political Forum, an organization which coordinates Student Liberals and Student Conservatives, affords a meeting ground for divergent ideas through the medium of debate and speakers.

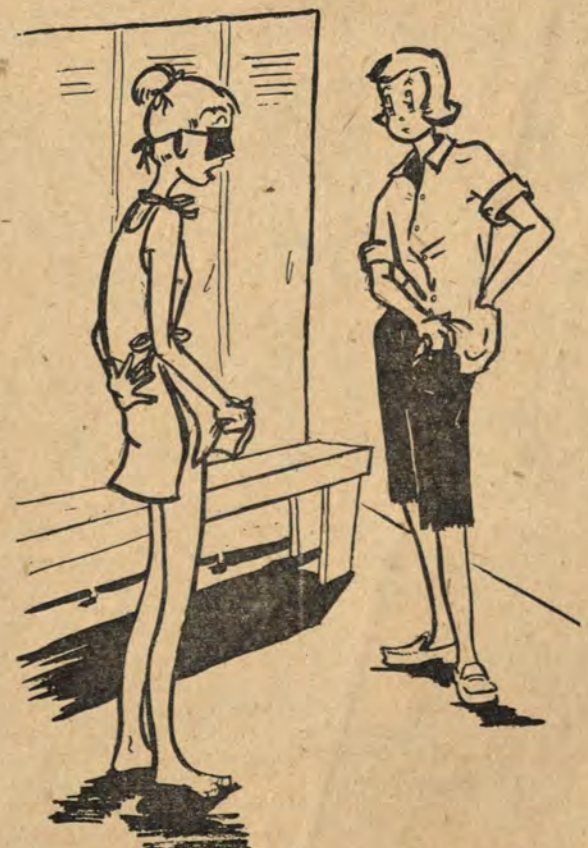
We are living in an age in which complex problems of ideology are shaking the very security of our lives, and these matters merit urgent and deep consideration of us all. Political Forum will give you a chance not only to participate in debates, but to attend them and to see what your fellow students are thinking about domestic and foreign affairs.

Another function of Political Forum is to send delegates to the Intercollegiate Student Legislature in the Spring, at which students from all over the state take over the legislative chambers and perform the duties of the law makers for three days. All who have attended in the past have deemed this experience as one of the most interesting and exciting of their college years.

The strength of America lies more in the ideas which she has to offer the world, than in her military force, and it is up to YOU, not the other fellow, to formulate them. Watch for detailed programs of Political Forum, and how YOU can participate in a few weeks!

Club Increases Musical Aims and Performances

The Music Club was founded some years ago by a group of students with the express purpose of increasing the chances for the performance and criticism of music by interested students. A second aim is the development of poise and confidence in the performer.



"At least she won't know who I am!"