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## Mr. Cobbledick's Talk Gives Statistical Picture of Class

### Conn. and N. Y. Highly Represented in Large Class of 275 Members

Thames dining room was the setting Monday evening for a banquet held for the freshmen. And, true to banquet tradition, there were speeches following dinner.

First, President Park introduced Mr. Cobbledick as the person who has had the greatest interest in the freshmen in the past. Mr. Cobbledick related some interesting statistics about the class of '58. He said that it is a large class, numbering 275, but not as large as its sister class which included 299 students. He stated that the freshmen come from 27 states, the District of Columbia, Scotland, and Canada. Those states having the largest representation are Connecticut

## 1958 Receives Friendly 'Hi' From Athletes

The Athletic Association welcomes the Class of '58 and hopes its members will join many sports activities throughout the year.

The motto of AA is "the most fun for the most people." In inter-dorm and interclass competition and playdays with other colleges, participation in sports for "fun's" sake is stressed in order to strengthen the ideals of good sportsmanship, cooperation, and teamwork. One need not be an outstanding athlete to enjoy herself, but can play just for the fun of playing!

### Variety of Sports

In addition to the wide variety of sports which AA itself sponsors, Sailing Club, Outing Club, Dance Club, and Sabre and Spur offer opportunities for development of talents and interests.

To start off the season, AA invites all freshmen, transfers, and special students to participate in informal hockey games on Saturday afternoon, September 25, at approximately 1:15. Open House will be held in Buck Lodge at 3:30. Here students will meet the Physical Education faculty. They will also find out AA functions, and will hear the club presidents tell a little bit about their activities. Refreshments will be served.

### Cook-Out Supper

The Connecticut College Outing Club invites everyone to a cook-out supper later in the afternoon, which will serve as an opportunity to test one's skill as an outdoor cook.

Lists will be found on dorm bulletin boards for anyone who wishes to sign up for these activities.

### Furniture Bargains

Before any of you start looking for furniture, new or otherwise, the Student Alumnae Building Fund wants to let you in on some very good buys. This committee will sponsor a second hand furniture sale on Tuesday, September 28. There will be some tried and true college furniture on sale at bargain prices, so we hope you'll all come out, and buy out our wares! Notices will be posted as to time and place.

## Coast Guard Mixer Will Be Sponsored By Service League

This Saturday night the freshman class will enjoy its first mixer with the Coast Guard Academy cadets. Under the direction of the Service League, such receptions are held with various men's colleges throughout the year. Freshmen from Yale, Brown, Wesleyan, and Trinity have been entertained here and have entertained our freshmen on their own campuses. The mixers have worked out so well that it is hoped that their number may be increased this year.

Service League also sponsors the annual Mid-Winter Formal held for all classes in February. The weekend is the highlight of the winter season and provides varied means for fun and relaxation for all from Friday until Sunday.

Service League not only organizes the social calendar for the school year, but also arranges our charity and social service program. Proceeds from the campus

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events are contributed to charity organizations throughout this country and abroad. Students from the college offer assistance in the New London community by working at the local settlement house and collecting funds for local charity drives.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile's annual visit to the campus is now sponsored by Service League. There will be numerous opportunities during the year for freshmen to participate in both the planning of the social life on campus and the community service work.

## Wig and Candle to Hold Open Meeting

Wig and Candle not only extends its hearty welcome to all the new members of the community, but also eagerly opens its arms to all those interested in joining theater activities.

Freshmen are encouraged to work on any or, if she is ambitious, all of the productions. First semester, one major production is presented the beginning of December and freshmen may work on any of the production committees. Twenty points are necessary for membership to the club and these must be acquired in at least three fields of theater work, that is, make-up, scenery, costumes, props, lighting, or acting. First semester

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## Pattagansett Talk Prepares Leaders, Advisers, Cabinet

### C.C. NEWS Invites New Membership at October 7 Coffee

Now that the campus is alive with new faces and varied activities, the Connecticut College NEWS wants to start reporting to the student body. NEWS wants and needs new members, and this means it wants freshmen and other new students.

Girls who have worked on high school or college publications are urged to continue their journalistic endeavors with the campus newspaper. Those who have no experience, are, however, encouraged to try their talents in this field.

### Opportunities

Reporters are most in demand, yet openings may be found in the areas of circulation, advertising, make-up, and copy reading. There will be opportunities to learn every phase of the newspaper's functions.

In order to acquaint new students with the NEWS staff and operations, a coffee will be held at 7:00 on Thursday, October 7, in the NEWS office. This office is in the basement of Plant house. Short talks will be given at this time on the different parts of newspaper work and questions will be answered.

Potential staff members will be given assignments to show where talents lie. Those who successfully complete the trial period will become active staff members and will be entitled to carry press cards.

The present staff of the CC NEWS urges all interested students, both experienced and inexperienced in newspaper work, to come to this coffee and learn about the workings of the college newspaper.

## Vespers Highlight Frosh Choristers

"With a song in her heart," every member of the Connecticut College Choir looks forward to an interesting musical season.

This year's program will begin on Sunday, September 26, when the Freshman Choir will sing at Vespers. The college choir will sing regularly at every vesper service and at the Thursday morning chapels.

The next highlight of the schedule is the Christmas program with the Wesleyan University Glee Club. To be given at Middletown and on campus, the program will include selections from Handel's "Messiah." The choir also adds much to the color and atmosphere of the annual Christmas Pageant, so that the choir plays an important part in the Christmas festivities on campus.

In March, joining with the Yale University Glee Club, the College Choir will have the privilege of singing such a great masterpiece as Mozart's "Mass in C Minor." Two performances will be given: one at New Haven and one at the college.

Mr. Quimby and the officers of the choir extend a hearty welcome to the freshmen, and hope to see both old and new members on Monday night, September 27 at 7:00 p.m., Bill Hall, 101.

## Food, Lake, Log Fire Plus Frozen Lodgers Sets Scene for Plans

Each phase of Freshman Week is the result of much thought and preparation. After the calendar of activities has been drawn up by the administration, the House Juniors, along with Cabinet members and other class officers, get together with Deans Burdick, Oakes, and Noyes, to discuss many aspects of Freshman Week. This meeting is known as the Pattagansett Week-end, and is held each year just before the freshmen arrive.

For many years, college groups have travelled to this heavily wooded spot in East Lyme for the purpose of discussing Freshman Week plans. The camp itself, which is actually a Girl Scout camp, consists of a large old building which has an ample sized kitchen and a long open porch, an infirmary building which is often mistaken for the counselor's cabin, and the counselor's cabin itself, in which Dean Burdick stayed.

### Woodswomen

The grounds cover a wide area and offer many wooded paths and a small lake into which one senior plunged despite the cold weather. Eager woodswomen aimed a blunt and rusty axe at several logs and succeeded in bringing in enough wood and kindling to warm the 30 campers throughout the two cool and often drizzling days.

When the first meal and widespread chatter were over, Bev Tasko, president of the Student Government, began the first discussion meeting by saying that the purpose of the gathering was to unify thoughts so as to work along the same paths towards the same goals.

### Discussions

The subjects discussed at the three meetings throughout the week-end were ones with which freshmen have become well acquainted by this time. The Honor Code, library rules, and certain other issues were discussed so as to bring to light the opinions of this group of college leaders.

The Pattagansett Week-end was important for the unified plans of presentation of informa-

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tion which it produced, and will also be remembered for its social value. The thirty campers rolled themselves in blankets or bed rolls and slept on mattresses in front of the huge fireplace. Groups were assigned to prepare each meal and found cooking for a crowd on a black old-fashioned stove a novel experience indeed.

### Third Time

Several of the seniors realized that they were spending their third week-end at Pattagansett. Many freshmen will soon find themselves benefiting from the valuable discussion and fun of a week-end camping trip in the woods.

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with 66 students; New York, 56; Pennsylvania, 35; Massachusetts, 28; and New Jersey, 21.

Considering previous education, 47 per cent of the class came from public high schools, 43 per cent came from independent schools, and the remaining 10 per cent had part public and part private education.

Genealogically speaking, thirteen mothers of students in the freshman class attended Connecticut College, fifteen sisters have been or are students here, six aunts attended Connecticut, as well as fifteen cousins and two sisters-in-law.

Considering financial aid, 39 students are receiving a mean of \$631 toward covering their educational expenses. Mr. Cobbledick

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## Religious Fellowship Plans To Take Girls to Services

Religious Fellowship activities will get under way this year with the annual Caravan of the Buses Sunday morning. The freshmen, transfers, and foreign students will be taken to any New London church they choose. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, transportation will be arranged for those who wish to attend the Rosh Hashanah services, for which notices will be posted.

### Coffee

Wednesday evening, September 29, members of the cabinet will meet newcomers in the Commuters' Room in Fanning Hall at 7:00. It's called a "Freshman Coffee," but foreign students and transfers are definitely invited, too.

After a week or so most students will be familiar with the chapel program and will be checking the little white slips on the bulletin boards to see who the next speaker will be. There are some very outstanding men scheduled to come to CC this year. A new addition to the chapel program is the vesper service held regularly one night during the week. During this service the chapel is opened for personal worship.

There will also be a junior lecture series, which will consist of four speakers throughout the semester. Each lecture will be followed by a discussion period. Plans are not yet definite, but the committee has some very active interesting speakers in mind.

Christian and Jewish students here on campus can keep an inspirational touch with other students throughout New England and beyond through an extensive conference program. The first one will be held at Hartford Seminary, October 22-24, where the subject is Church Vocations. There is room for only fifty students, so interested students should sign up early.

### Seaside

Another active part of the program is the social service group, the Seaside Sanatorium committee. Through the work of this committee, Connecticut girls are taken to the Seaside Sanatorium where they teach Sunday School.

Polly Longnecker '55, president of Religious Fellowship, will be glad to answer questions regarding the organization's activities and is anxious to receive students' opinions and ideas.



# Calendar

<b>Friday, September 24</b>	
Opening Assembly	Auditorium, 8:30 a.m.
<b>Saturday, September 25</b>	
AA Open House for New Students	Buck Lodge, 3:30 p.m.
Service League Reception for New Students and Coast Guard Cadets	Knowlton, 8:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday, September 26</b>	
Vesper Service	Chapel, 7:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, September 28</b>	
Rec Hall Furniture Sale	Jane Addams and Mary Harkness, 4:20 p.m.
Amalco	Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
Moonlight Sing	The Wall, following Amalco
<b>Wednesday, September 29</b>	
Religious Fellowship Coffee	Commuters' Room, 7:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday, September 30</b>	
Freshman Music Recital	Holmes Hall, 8:00 p.m.
<b>Friday, October 1</b>	
Juniors Entertain Freshmen	Knowlton, 8:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday, October 2</b>	
Freshman Tennis Round Robin	1:00-4:00 p.m.
Movies	Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
<b>Sunday, October 3</b>	
Vespers	Chapel, 7:00 p.m.
<b>Monday, October 4</b>	
Mascot Hunt Begins	
Play Production Tryouts	Auditorium, 202, 7:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, October 5</b>	
Organ Recital by Janet Greir	Chapel, 8:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, October 6</b>	
Junior Banquet	Knowlton

## Connecticut College Honor Code Tradition Proves Important in Every Phase of Life

by Bev Tasko

"To develop the student's individual responsibility, initiative, sound judgment of people and situations, and self-restraint for the common good, the President and Faculty have charged the Student Government Association with maintaining a well-organized and responsible undergraduate community." The Student Government Association charges you, freshmen and transfers, with carrying on and upholding our fine traditions of Student Government.

The tradition of Student Government which we cherish most is our Honor Code. As the "C" book states, "a high standard of honor is the basis upon which the Student Government stands." Each student is honor-bound to observe our "principles of social conduct and regulations of Student Government." Also, honor in academic work is "fundamental and essential."

"If a student violates any phase of the Honor Code, she is in honor bound to report herself to the Chief Justice of Honor Court" who, this year, is Syl Doane. Syl holds "reporting hours" in the Student Government room in Branford Basement on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 5:15 to 5:50 p.m. Also, "the student who is aware that a fellow-student has violated the Honor Code is in honor bound to admonish that student to report herself." This last part is the most difficult part of the Honor Code, and it presents the greatest challenge of responsibility. It is not always easy to admonish our friends; but, in any community there are the strong and the weak, and it is the duty and the obligation of the strong to help the weak. If this is done, our community as a whole will remain a strong one.

These are the specific applications of the Honor Code. The

general applications cover every phase of our college life. Honor Code extends to our relations with our roommates, our dormmates, and our classmates, and to everyone on campus. It covers, too, our actions when we are away from campus. We are proud to live by honor and we hope you will be, too. If we keep honor in our minds always, it will be very easy for us to live up to the Student Government oath:

"We will never, by any selfish or other unworthy act, dishonor this, our College; individually and collectively we will foster her ideals and do our utmost to instill a like respect in those among us who fail in their responsibility; unceasingly we will strive to quicken a general realization of our common duty and obligation to our College. And thus in manifold service we will render our Alma Mater greater, worthier, and more beautiful."

## CHICKS (?)

### Freshman Smiles, Enthusiasm Polish Campus Countenance

To us, as we stood watching you walk in little bunches across the campus far below us, you seemed like about 300 fluffy baby chicks. And of course, what did you make us look like but the old hens of the family.

Your pretty new feathers brought style and color to our campus—we admired the smart outfits you wore for starting your college career. We brushed at the lint on our own jackets—hm-m-m-m. As a matter of fact, they date back to freshman year, too.

Through the open window, we could hear snatches of your excited chatter. Eagerly, you confided your thoughts on college life to girls whom you had never seen an hour before. You wanted friends, and you found them. We looked at our friends around us and thought of those first impressions so long ago. We used to talk late into the night on all our religious and social ideals, but after awhile we learned to end our talks earlier, for sleep came to be of great importance.

Yes, we looked back and relived those first frightened moments when we came to college. We knew that there were so many things to do, people to talk to, things to see. And we rather pitied the bewildered baby chicks.

But then we began to talk to you. Most of you were poised and undisturbed by the battery of exams, speeches, and appointments. You weren't afraid to ask questions that would help you to be more confident. You tried to fix in your mind the many new names and faces which surrounded you, and you actually managed to do it.

And the best things about you were your smiles. Your smiles and friendly attitudes will bring you success in your years here. You realize, of course, that hard work is another important phase of college life which we are far from belittling. Hard work and friendliness are the two most important ingredients for success and happiness at Connecticut College.

Now that we see that you are the kind of girls whom we want for friends and classmates, we can no longer think of you in the guise of baby chicks; instead, we say, WELCOME SISTERS!—GSA.

## Blazer Sale

Fittings for CC blazers will be held on Thursday, September 30, in the Men's Lounge on the first floor of Fanning from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The price is \$24.95. The blazer sales are sponsored by the Student Alumni Building Fund, which gets a commission from the Robert Rollins Blazer Company for each blazer sold. We need the money badly for a new rec hall, so be sure to buy your blazer on September 30.

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If Monday you shouldn't get mail,  
Don't sit in the P.O. and wait!  
Those Coasties are cuties,  
But often have duties—  
And next week you may go to Yale!

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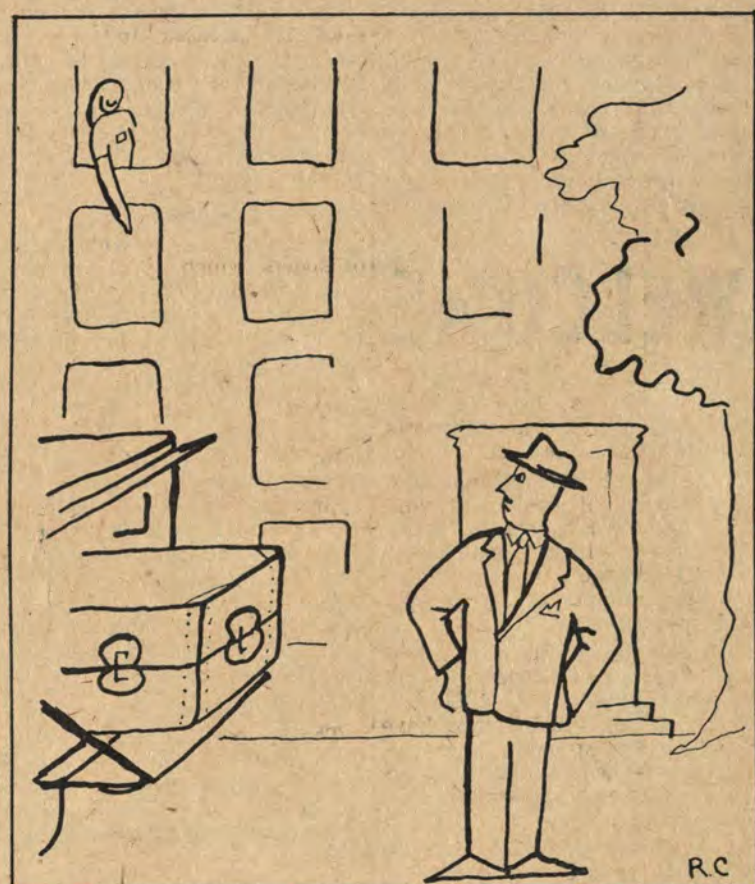
closed by wishing the Freshmen a successful college career.

## Dean Noyes

After brief greetings to the class from Dean Burdick, Miss Park introduced Dean Noyes as the person who would be of greatest importance to the freshman in the future year. Miss Noyes said that most people have been able to include in their programs all the events as scheduled in the neatly arranged Freshman Week program. She went on to say that she had found an interesting article in the New London Day. The contents explained what new Connecticut College students would be doing during the four day Freshman Week. According to the text, it was implied that only an Amazon could complete the activities planned. There was, however, an encouraging space filler at the bottom of the article which stated that crows can fly up to 60 miles per hour. Miss Noyes closed by wishing the Freshmen a Utopian-like year and the speed of crows during Freshman Week.

Next Miss Park introduced Nancy Cedar, Junior Class President and Carolyn Diefendorf, Senior Class President. They brought greetings to the Freshmen from their classmates. President Park ended the program with a resume of the history of Connecticut College.

"If you want to stay young, associate with young people. If you want to get old in a hurry, try to keep up with them!"—Ima Washout.



## Well Balanced Plan of Work and Play Praised by President Park, Bev Tasko

"Welcome, welcome, welcome!" were the words which greeted the freshmen at the first class assembly of the year, Monday, September 20, at 2:15 p.m. Also included in the greeting were the transfer students and the girls from foreign countries.

## Advice

Speaking as a representative of the student body and also as the leader of the school, Bev Tasko gave advice to those starting their college careers and stressed play and relaxation as well as study in order to reach a more successful end to the college years. Inverting an old saying, Bev amused the audience with, "All play and no work makes Jill a jerk," proving that one could take her advice too liberally.

President Park then expressed her welcome to the new class of 1958 and extended warm words to all new members of the undergraduate body. Referring to her own freshman year at college, Miss Park showed the difference that time has made in the way in which freshmen are treated upon their arrival at school.

She said that she never quite realized how welcome she was until nearly a month after she had been in attendance, but that

our increased knowledge of human beings had led us to organize a method for welcoming the freshman, and making them truly feel welcome as soon as they enter Connecticut.

The president seconded Bev's comment on a well-rounded college career. She said that she believed that these times were important ones in which to have a college degree and, though most people could get the knowledge through reading and studying outside of the college community, she felt it was a natural inclination for people to be lazy about doing those things towards which they were not guided.

## Individual

Another point made by President Park described the individual world in which each person naturally lives. She explained that each student must try to see other people and their worlds in order to get a complete view of their existence. Learning about others and their interests would add to the development of the individual.

Concluding her speech with a final warm welcome, Miss Park and Bev ended the assembly and the freshmen rejoined their groups in order to meet with their faculty advisers and register for their courses.

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freshmen may do any of these things except act in a production.

An open meeting for everyone who is interested is being planned for Wednesday, October 6, to introduce students to Wig and Candle facilities and acquaint them more fully with the club's activities and membership. Refreshments will be served.

# WATCH THIS SPACE!



"Hi"

# Watch the Bulletin Boards in Fanning