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Scholarship Funds Increased Greatly By Generous Gifts

Mrs. Virginia Migeon And Benvenuti Bros. Are Among Donors

A substantial increase in the amounts of both endowed and current scholarships was announced by President Katharine Blunt in her chapel speech to the students Tuesday morning, October 21. In connection with the announcement, Miss Blunt said that between one sixth and one seventh of the students of Connecticut college are now receiving financial aid to help them to continue their college careers. The scholarships are awarded upon a basis of good intellectual work, citizenship, and financial need.

Large Endowment by Mrs. Swift

The largest of the new scholarships was a bequest of a six figure fund, the amount of which will be announced at a later date, from the estate of Mrs. Virginia Migeon Swift of New York and Torrington, Connecticut. Mrs. Swift was not known to the college until she left the endowed fund to further education.

Another substantial gift for current and endowed scholarships was donated by the Benvenuti brothers, who do a great deal of construction work in and around New London. The Benvenuti brothers gave \$1000 to the college.

The Leib scholarship fund, started last year in memory of Dr. David Leib, now amounts to \$11,000, two thousand dollars of which was raised by the students. Mary Gates '46 is the first Leib scholar.

Many Gifts Increase Fund

Other scholarship gifts include additions made to the W.M.I. endowed fund, in commemoration of Mr. Buell, an A.A.U.W. contribution, additions to the Palmer fund, gifts from Miss Spicer of Noank, Miss Shea of New London, Dr. Satti of New London, and funds raised by the students for the Student Friendship fund, Community Chest, and for the International Relations Club fund, which aids three foreign students here.

"We rejoice at the increase in scholarship funds," stated President Blunt. "There is no relation between the size of the parents' pocketbook and the ability of college girls, and the college needs and wants the best students it can get regardless of their financial status."

Presidents Chosen By Freshman Dorms

The six freshman houses elected their presidents and members at large on Monday night, October 19. This event marked a milestone for the class of '46 as the freshmen now have active representatives in the school government.

The results of the elections are: Grace Smith, president, Shirley Wilson, member at large, Kate Niedecken; East, president, Louise Enequist, member at large, Joan Paul; Thames, president, Catherine Tideman, member at large, Valmore Reeves; Vinal, president, Mary Lee Minter. North and Knowlton held nominations and elections will take place next week.

A.A. and Senior Class Plan Faculty Event

The senior class joins the A.A. in inviting the old and new faculty to a good old "get-together" of watching and playing tennis and baseball next Tuesday, October 27 at 4:20 p.m. Watch the bulletin boards for further announcements!

Cast is Announced For Play Selected By Wig and Candle

The cast has been announced for the fall play, Letters to Lucerne, to be given on Friday and Saturday evenings, December 4 and 5 in the Palmer auditorium. This will be the first Wig and Candle production of the year.

Dawn Aurell '44 will play Olga; Caroline Townley '44, Erne; Marjory Miller '45, Miss Linder; Geraldine Hanning '45, Mrs. Hunter; Carolyn Thomson '43, Felice; Helen Savacool '45, Marion; Margaret Dunham '43, Sally; and Hanna Lowe '45, Margarethe.

Russell Harris, who has taken part in many past Wig and Candle productions, will have one of the male leads. The other three male parts have not yet been filled.

New Members Added To 1943 Koine Staff

Filomena Arborio '43, editor-in-chief of Koine, recently announced the following new appointments to the 1943 year-book staff:

Elizabeth Middleton, co-photography editor; and Margie Livingston and Barbara Hogate, co-advertising managers.

Name New CC Sandwich Shop ---Win a Prize!

by Nancy Troland '44

With a few hours of careful thought, or a mere second of inspiration, anyone on campus can win a five dollar first prize or a one dollar credit slip as a second prize within the next two weeks! A campus-wide competition starts today to find a name for the sandwich shop in the basement of East House—a name with cleverness, originality, and above all durability.

Here are the details. Anyone may enter the competition, which is sponsored by the Connecticut College News. There is no limit upon the names which may be submitted by one person. All suggestions should be written down, signed, and dropped into the News box in Fanning hall. The competition will end at noon on Wednesday, November 4.

Students Will Judge

After a committee composed of the editor-in-chief of the "News" and the class presidents has whittled down the welter of suggestions to three or four of the best ones, these names will be approved by an administrative committee headed by President Blunt and then sent to the House of Representatives for the final selection by vote.

To the person whose suggested name is chosen will go the first prize of five dollars. To the person submitting the next best name will go the privilege of buying at the sandwich shop all the goodies she or he can with a one-dollar credit slip.

It's easier than the Mascot hunt! Clues can be found anywhere, but they all lead to one place—the brain!

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New London Has Retail Labor Shortage as War Work Grows

by Norma Pike '44

Concomitantly with the observance of a stricter dimout policy, New London in three months has changed its intrinsic character. This is obvious to those of us who left it last June and returned this September to find a veritable war-time metropolis.

There has been an overwhelming increase in the population of New London. The Electric Boat Company has raised its number of workers from 1200 to 9000. It opened its doors to negro workers and to women. A school was opened to train women in mechanical skills. Through Navy arrangements, the EBC took over the Victory Plant which will produce submarines. In other war plants, a similar increase in number of workers exists. Besides the increase in war workers and their families, there also has been an influx of servicemen and their families.

On the other hand, there is a shortage of workers in normal business. The stores and restaurants need new sources of labor, especially in preparation for the Christmas rush. To alleviate this situation, Chapman Tech has an employment bureau where local merchants can hire high school boys and girls. This school closes at one o'clock to give the students a chance to work downtown in the afternoon.

The increase in consumer purchasing power and the shortage of workers in normal business have affected the college girl. Laundry and cleaning service are not as efficient now as they recently were. Mr. J. L. Sheriff, of the Carroll Laundry, says that his truck is able to come to campus four times a week because of their government contract which includes Coast Guard Academy work. This brings the truck in our section quite often.

The Pequot Laundry makes two trips a week up here. One day they pick up laundry and on the other they deliver it.

Mr. Shalett, of the Shalett Cleaning and Dyeing Company, explains that he is trying to get up here twice a week. "You can't get the attention you used to get, but we are doing the best we can for you."

Grimes Cleaners asks college girls to please bring in their own clothes. This will make deliveries faster and easier, and will help Grimes to extend their service through the crisis.

Due to rationing, the supply of chewing gum, candy, coca-cola, and coffee is limited. None the less, Starr Brothers promise to serve the college girls as well as they can.

The railroad station asks girls to travel only when necessary and to send baggage well in advance.

First Moonlight Sing Thursday Eve. at 8:30

The first Moonlight Sing will be held this Thursday evening at 8:30 on the hockey steps.

Dec. 12 Date For Soph Hop; N. Ford Heads Committee

The traditional Soph Hop will be a closed formal dance for sophomores and seniors on December 12. The tea dance will be omitted due to war conditions and all arrangements will be simplified. Nancy Ford '45, elected sophomore chairman of entertainment last year, will be in charge of the dance. The various committees are not yet complete.

The change of date from December 5 to December 12 has been necessitated by the appearance of the Don Cossack Chorus on December 9. Since the setting for the concert will not be removed for the rehearsals and performances of the Wig and Candle play on its original dates of December 11 and 12, the dramatic club has had to move its production ahead to December 4 and 5.

Service League To Sponsor Dance For 200 C. G. Reserves

Service League will sponsor a reception for the Coast Guard Reserve cadets this Saturday evening, Oct. 24, from 8:00 to 12:00 in Knowlton Salon. The dance, which has been made possible by the cooperation of Dean Burdick and the officers of the Coast Guard Academy, will be under the direction of Mary Kent Hewitt '44 and Frances Smith '44.

Seniors, juniors, and sophomores who wish to attend should sign up on house bulletin board slips. Two hundred reserves are expected to be present. If that number of upperclassmen do not sign up freshmen will be allowed to attend the reception.

The cadets will call for the girls at their houses.

During the evening music will be supplied by a nickelodeon and refreshments will be served.

First War Stamp Sales Bring \$50; Booth Sold Out

Faculty and students bought out the house last Wednesday with their purchases of stamps and one \$18.75 bond on October 14, the first day the war bond and stamp booth was opened in Fanning. Receipts totaled \$50.

War Stamps are now being sold in Fanning Hall every Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Betsy Hodgson '43 heads the committee in charge of the booth, which is next to the water cooler at the north entrance to Fanning.

Ten, twenty-five, fifty cent and one dollar stamps are sold. While bonds cannot be purchased at the booth, those who wish to buy them may leave their stamp books there; the books will be collected, taken down town and bonds will be returned shortly in place of the books. War Stamps may also be purchased at the Book Shop from Miss Margaret Chase.

Community Chest To Conduct Drive From Nov. 2 to 6

\$4,000 is Sought For Distribution Among Four Charity Funds

The third annual Community Chest Drive will begin Monday, November 2, at an Amalgamation meeting, and last through Friday, November 6. The purpose of the Chest is to coordinate the raising of funds for the various charitable organizations supported on campus, some national, and some local. As last year, \$4000 will be the goal of the drive, the money going to the American Red Cross, World Student Fund, Allied Children's Fund, and a Miscellaneous Fund which will be distributed among local organizations such as the Mission House. Each person is to designate how her contribution is to be distributed.

Marion Reich is chairman of Community Chest. The committee includes: Janet Leech '44, assistant chairman; Ann Standish '44, House of Representatives; Jean Wallace '43 and Barbara Dillon '43, publicity; Janet Sessions '43, War Services Committee; Joan Jenkins '45, treasurer; and two faculty advisers, Dr. Marjorie Dille, associate professor of government, and Dr. Rosemary Park, dean of freshmen.

Reverend Merrill Of Newton, Mass., To Speak Oct. 25

The Reverend Boynton Merrill, D.D., minister of the Second Church in Newton, Massachusetts, will be the vespers speaker on Sunday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel. Dr. Merrill was educated at Dartmouth college and studied later at the Union Theological seminary. Dartmouth college, where he received his D.D. degree, 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 has served pastorates in Putnam, Connecticut, and in Boston before coming to West Newton. Dr. Merrill 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 Andover Newton Theological school. He is the author of From Confusion to Certainty, and Arrows of Light.

Party for '46 Will Follow Sing Thurs.

The senior-freshman party will be held in connection with the first moonlight sing this Thursday evening, October 22. The seniors will escort their freshman sisters to the college sing which will begin at 8:30 p.m.

Following the sing the seniors and the freshmen will return to the gymnasium for an informal gathering and refreshments. Virginia Railsback, social chairman of the senior class, is in charge of the plans for the evening.

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Thought and Action — Results

The convocation lectures of last week provoked much verbalizing among students and faculty on what they considered the prerequisites for a free world order. Divergent opinions arose on the contribution and approach of each expert, but the consensus of opinion seemed to be that a just new world order must, of necessity, be far different from that of any pre-war days; few dared to advocate a restoration of the status quo ante bellum even if they did still lean toward it.

It would be more heartening to encounter such a progressive trend of thought among the educated if evidence didn't point toward a dichotomy between action and such thought. Relative passivity toward such outrageous institutions and facts as the Dies Committee, the reactionary members in our State department who aided Standard Oil to block aid to Russia, the continued discrimination against minority groups desiring to aid in their best capacity in the war effort, the Saturday Evening Post's October 10 editorial on "Neo-liberal Illusion-Collectivism is Liberty," is proof that much "loose" progressive talk is either insincere or confused.

Many Americans stand aghast if you mention that many fascistic elements are discernible in the United States. "Of course no American wants Hitler to win," they retort. Maybe not, but intentionally or unintentionally, many selfish individuals and groups are fostering an American fascism that takes shape in the insistence of rule by an elite for the elite, oligarchical control of economic and political life, intolerance, and use of man for the state instead of the state for man.

Varying opinions as to the degree and ways in which our national and international order are to be revised are to be respected. If, however, progress is to be made toward winning the war and erecting a better world in which to live, this dichotomy between action and thought must become non-existent. "Wishing will make it so" seems to have met with little success except in the musical world. American institutions and the activities of those in a position of power must be examined critically and objectively. If they prove inadequate we must endeavor, not trust to luck, to bring their defects to public realization and to change them for the better.

"Get in the Scrap"

New London has just given us a splendid example of what a well-organized, public-spirited community can do toward the war effort. We are referring to the total of scrap metal collected in

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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 opinions, the editor must know the names of contributors.

To all Contributors of Free Speech:

As a matter of convenience to the staff, would all contributors to this column please type their letters—then just drop them in the News box as often as you want to—we love to get them!

The editor

Dear Editor,

Certainly we in this college have not known "the feeling of terrific hunger and the fear of starvation" which Barbara Swift '45 described so vividly in last week's News. I would like to ask if it is necessary that we have such a meal, if the purpose is to illustrate to us their privations? In all probability there are far too many French people who are not eating at all, and at the same time there are too many girls here who can't drag themselves out of bed for breakfast!

When we have such excellent food we should take advantage of it. This, I think, should be the point of stress. In the not too far future, there will be rationing of meat products; and perhaps more severe rationing of other already rationed foods. Inevitably this will affect us both here and at home.

On the other hand if Miss Swift meant this idea to be merely a means of raising money for the French, it is a very noble thought. But it will require consideration and action on the part of the student body, before those on the faculty will make any move in such a direction.

Virginia A. Bowman '45

Dear Editor,

Perhaps this letter should not be written for this column, because it is exclusively for the members of the sophomore class. At the last class meeting a heated and fiery argument was carried on over a matter of relatively small importance. It is not the outcome to which I am writing in objection but the method by which the decision was reached. No real data had been assembled upon which to make the decision. Rather the solution was reached through an emotional appeal and not a factual one.

The most glaring error in the method was the lack of parliamentary procedure. The session showed lack of discipline on the part of all members of the class including the leaders. Motions were kicked around like footballs and ideas likewise. This was an example of our democratic way of solving problems. Whether about a prom or an election, are we going to let it happen again? Class, it's up to us.

A member of the class of '45

Dear Editor,

Three cheers for an inspiring choir! It's too bad that more people don't have the opportunity of hearing them.

A senior

Calendar . . .

Wednesday, October 21

Freshman song rehearsal . . . 6:45 Knowlton
Wig and Candle rehearsal . . . 7:30 Auditorium
Concert: Albert Spalding . . . 8:30 Auditorium

Thursday, October 22

Choir rehearsal . . . 4:30 Chapel
War Service Recreation course . . . 7:00 Gym
Wig and Candle rehearsal . . . 7:30 Auditorium
Moonlight sing . . . 8:30 Hockey field steps
Senior-freshman party . . . 9:00 Gym

Friday, October 23

Warden's First Aid course . . . 7:30 Gym

Saturday, October 24

Coast Guard Reserve Reception . . . 8:00 Knowlton Salon

Sunday, October 25

Wig and Candle rehearsal . . . 3:00 and 8:00 Auditorium
Choir rehearsal . . . 5:00 Chapel
Vespers, Rev. Mr. Boynton Merrill, D.D. . . . 7:00 Chapel

Monday, October 26

Music Extension course . . . 7:00 Holmes Hall
Honor Court . . . 7:00 Branford 12
Wig and Candle rehearsal . . . 7:30 Auditorium

Tuesday, October 27

Choir rehearsal . . . 4:30 Auditorium 202
Wig and Candle rehearsal . . . 7:30 Auditorium
Warden's First Aid course . . . 7:30 Gym

Wednesday, October 28

Organ recital . . . 5:15 Chapel
Wig and Candle rehearsal . . . 7:30 Auditorium
Art Club meeting . . . 7:30 Bill 114

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Sally Ford '44



"I don't see why the professors aren't more susceptible to our femininity."

O. M. I. (Office of More Information)

Latin American Effort

Colombia and Venezuela have initiated a joint effort to bring about a better understanding between Chile and the United States. Many of the Latin American newspapers have been in favor of Welles' point of view and are urging the Chilean government to take action toward hemispheric cooperation. Several reports have leaked out of that country that some Axis agents have been arrested but no definite charges or names have been published.

Negroes Also Have Feelings

In a recent letter to the New York Times signed by Louis Adamic, Gordon Allport, and other leaders of contemporary thought, it was emphasized that respect for the Negro is often forgotten. The word Negro should be capitalized and the people should be addressed with respect, not by first names and common epithets. This distinguished group of signers point out that there are upper, middle, and lower class distinctions which could be recognized in the movies for instance. At the present time Negroes are always cast as servants, buffoons, or criminals. Things to remember are: at least four million eligible Negroes are not permitted to register and vote, at least five million Negro children have schools below the minimum standards for white in the same areas, Negro youth have only one-fifth the opportunity of white youth to go to college, at least seven million Negroes have pitifully inadequate hospitalization or none at all, one million of the thirteen million Negroes in America are in the upper class and nine million live below the poverty level, Negroes can by law or policy serve only in limited capacities in the armed forces.

During the war we build the foundations for the peace. Now we must recognize and aim toward alleviating the situation of this minority group in our country. We must make more than the present feeble efforts to achieve meaningful Democracy in our own country.

Rumor Clinics in Other Colleges

Professor D. W. Allport of Harvard university recently established a "rumor clinic" to break down malicious rumors harmful to the nation's morale. Last week

BOOK REVIEW

by Sally Kelly '43

Song of Bernadette, by Franz Werfel

How one could have such faith, such love, and such courage as Bernadette are the great questions that puzzle the reader of The Song of Bernadette. Bernadette's vision of "the lady" in the infamous grottoes at Massabielle are not in themselves remarkable; her belief in them, her love of them, her determination to follow out "the lady's" wishes, and their effect on so many people are the whole story.

Until her visions, Bernadette Soubirous was considered an ordinary child. From that Thursday on, Bernadette was a public figure. One by one villagers joined her pilgrimages to the grotto where she went fifteen days in succession to see, as the vision had named herself, "Immaculate conception." There they saw nothing but Bernadette entranced. Some thought she was a fool, others a little devil, and some few of her friends, gifted by God.

The Song of Bernadette concerns much more than Bernadette alone. The effect of her visions on Lourdes itself, on the businessmen, the literati, even on Napoleon himself echo throughout the book. Nor is Bernadette the only great figure minutely described. Her pastor, Dean Peyramle, her teacher, Sister Marie Theresa Vauzous, the local politicians, all play important roles. This fact complicates the story of Bernadette, into which are woven the stories of each individual.

the students in the Psychology club of New York university followed suit. They are already at work tracing down the story that some men in the Army are receiving poor medical treatment and are on the look-out for any harmful, untruthful rumors.

Time to Sign for All Backstage Committees

Anyone interested in working on backstage committees for the fall play, Letters To Lucerne, can sign up on the Wig and Candle bulletin board in Fanning hall.

College Buys Three Houses For Faculty

Three houses purchased by Connecticut college for faculty use were moved in August from land adjacent to the Coast Guard Academy to college-owned property on Nameaug Avenue. It was necessary to move these and several other houses due to Coast Guard plans for expansion. Two of the other houses were moved to property behind Holmes Hall, where the owners had purchased land from the college, and the remaining houses are being used by the Coast Guard as field offices as construction continues.

Dr. and Mrs. Chester Destler are living in one of the newly located houses. Mrs. Martha Tupper, of the home economics department, moved into the two family building at 107 Nameaug Avenue on October 17. The other side of the home is not yet occupied. The third building, also two-family, will be the home of Mrs. Edith Carpenter, assistant director of admissions, and Miss Hyla Snider, assistant professor of secretarial studies.

Davis Masterpiece Now on Exhibition In Palmer Library

Mr. Robert Fulton Logan of the art department has announced that the Masterpiece of the month is now hanging in the Palmer Library. The picture, "Summer Sky," was done by Charles H. Davis of Mystic, Connecticut and is being loaned to the college by the Lyman-Allyn Museum.

"Summer Sky" depicts a scene familiar to those who live in Connecticut—a rocky pasture field. Charles Davis, born in Massachusetts, was a quiet, kindly man who became so fond of the countryside around Mystic that he decided to settle there with his family; his widow is still living there, and is a very skillful painter herself. Mr. Davis achieved great fame for his landscapes and is considered perhaps the foremost artist in America in depicting clouds and skies. He studied in Paris, France and painted in Brittany and Normandy, but he spent most of his life painting scenes in Mystic. He died ten years ago, at the age of seventy-three.

Dean Mateer, Ardent Traveler, Has Lived And Studied in England and South America

by Mary Lou Elliott '43

How Wooster College does shine at Connecticut! Besides Dr. Destler, it also produced that new addition to our campus, Dean of Sophomores, Miss Dorothy Mateer. At Wooster where her father was a professor of biology for over forty years she became a freshman at the age of sixteen. College was enjoyable and interesting to her, but she really began to live when she started traveling. As she became reminiscent about those first phases of her life, one could see the thoughts of many things fill her blue eyes. "My first yen to know places and people not American," she said, "came from the environment of my prep-school days." At Wooster Prep among the children of missionaries and professors she longed to know of the places they all came from. The summer of her sophomore year when she went abroad the lure of travel increased.

After graduating from college she went to England to study. Since her father had been one of the first to teach Darwin's theories, she was interested in the influence of evolution on nineteenth century periodicals. Living in residence at Bedford college of the University of London, she saw what English women were up against after the last war. Wonderful weekends in the country, hearing new music, going to art exhibitions, and discovering the French artists such as Gauguin, added zest to her research work. In the autumn she happened to comment on the beauty of the "campus," which is not the word used by the British who refer to the "gardens." Nothing was said until spring when an English professor asked dryly, "In America do crocui grow on the campil?"

Returning to this country Miss Mateer taught English at Wooster for two years and then went to Bryn Mawr where she got her masters degree. From a year's teaching at the Brearley school she went to the Dalton schools as head of the upper school. After a brief interim of working with younger children in the Bureau of Educational Experiments, she went back to Dalton to take part in the eight-year experiment for thirty progressive schools as director of curriculum and head of the upper school. Under the General Education Board of the Rock-



MISS DOROTHY MATEER

efeller Foundation this experiment attempted to answer the challenge of the relationship of education to the world and the total life of the student. The published results have helped to interpret the aims and practices of progressive education.

That vivacious twinkle came in her eyes again as she said, "I

Harkness Chapel Is Scene of Weddings Of Two Students

The Mary Harkness Chapel this past week has been the scene of two weddings—that of Marjorie Mitchell '42 and that of Janet Ayres '43. At small, informal ceremonies both girls married men in the services.

Last Thursday afternoon, October 15, at 4:00 p.m., Marjorie became the bride of Lieut. Richard Rose in the Chapel. Dr. Laubenstein officiated while the organ music was provided by Dr. Erb, professor emeritus of the music department. The reception was held immediately after the wedding at President Blunt's home.

Mrs. Rose is the research assistant of Mrs. Bessie Bloom Wessel, professor of sociology. She is returning to her job here at college, Wednesday after a brief honeymoon.

At 4:00 this afternoon Janet Ayres was married to Ensign H. H. Leach, Jr. in the Chapel. The bride, who wore a sapphire blue velvet suit with a large hat to match, was given away by her father at the ceremony performed by Chaplain Moore of the Coast Guard Academy, where the bridegroom was graduated this June. Light House Inn was the scene of the reception. After a short wedding trip Ensign Leach will return to his ship and Janet to Connecticut to continue her studies.

Commuters' Club Gives Annual Picnic Oct. 12

The Commuters' Club gave its annual picnic for the freshman commuters on Monday, October 12, at 5:30 in Buck Lodge. The chairmen in charge were Mary Moran '43 and Ruthe Nash '44; the committee members were Virginia Leary '43, Mary Cusati '45, Patience Parker '44, and Barbara Jones '44.

Service League Plans Hallowe'en Dance

Cider and cookies,
Juke box swing,
Skirts and sweaters
will be the thing.
Grab a date,
or come without gents
From 8 to 12
for 25 cents.
Come to Knowlton!
Save the date—
On the 31st,
and don't be late!

421 Register For War Training As Result of Rally

204 Offer to Donate Blood; Freshmen Sign Up to Give Most Aid

Four hundred and twenty-one is the total number of registrations for the service and training programs to be sponsored by the War Services Committee this year, 396 from students, 25 from faculty. The freshmen signed in greatest numbers, 154; next came the seniors, 85; 82 sophomores and 74 juniors complete the list.

The "most popular" activity proved to be blood donating, 204 signing in all. Next came air-craft spotting, 116 registering. Ninety-six signed for radio communications. Some of the other registration results follow: bond and stamp aides, 95; knitters, 68; first aiders, 61; canteen corps, 36; map-making, 33; clerical workers, 30; infirmiry aides, 28; recreation leadership, 24; motor mechanics, 20; salvage crew, eight.

The names of those who registered have been sent to the director of each group. Plans for meetings will be announced shortly.

25 Girls to Take Intensive Course In Rec. Leadership

The Recreational Leadership Course under the direction of Miss Ruth Wood, instructor in physical education, will begin in the gym on Thursday, October 22, at 7 p.m. This class, which will have about 25 girls, will meet every Thursday night for the next five weeks. The purpose of this course is to train the participants for volunteer service on the playground and at the same time for recreation service under emergency conditions. Demonstrations of methods for handling groups, and practice teaching will be included in the study.

Those girls who complete the course satisfactorily, will receive a certificate. There is always a need for play leaders, and now more than ever the demand has increased. This course will be very intensive, and for that reason can be taken in a short time.

Dr. Destler Heads Clinic to Put an End to Old Man Rumor

by Ruby Zagoren '43

If Old Man Rumor with his smooth talk and insidious eye sidles up to you, you know what to do, don't you? Take him to the Rumor Clinic, in current events class which meets every Thursday at 3:20 with Dr. Destler. There before your very eyes, Old Man Rumor will wither and fade into a mere ghost of his former self as the Rumor Clinic points out the falseness from which he arose and under which he travels.

Old Man Rumor told one lassie that a new organization, the War Cogs—similar to the Waacs but supplementing the Coast Guard, were taking their training here, and some C.C. students would be forced to leave college because of lack of resident space; Old Man Rumor lost his color when he faced the Rumor Clinic. And he did again when the Rumor Clinic learned that one of the girders of the new bridge was built on a huge block of ice and that block of ice never melted. Another rumor concerned the Morse Code. Old Man Rumor had whispered to one little person that the entire college will have to learn the code, just because a

psychology class was doing an experiment on it.

The Rumor Clinic is "purely an experiment"; its object is to help the class of 50 become objective toward rumors and gossip, and to furnish leadership on campus. Each student who brings in a rumor makes an oral report and also a permanent report on 3" by 5" cards. These cards, as they grow in number, will comprise a file from which the class will try to determine the type of stories spread.

During wartime, people are in a gullible state of mind, Dr. Destler explained; and this Rumour Clinic is trying to make students assume a rational approach to idle gossip. Its success depends on the degree to which it makes us stop to think. Gossip and Rumor provide a basis for mob hysteria; they impair the attempt to keep one's feet on the ground. If we remain relaxed we can do a better job, Dr. Destler pointed out.

The Rumor Clinic is new now, but it's ready to receive rumors at any time. So hand your rumors in and watch stories that "shoot up taller than an Indian rubber ball," shrink and shrink "till there's none of them at all."

Join the Dated and Dateless On Sat. Eve. at Sandwich Shop

by Alice Adams '44

Does the lack of transportation for dates bother you? Are you tired of going to movies on Saturday night? The college has supplied a remedy for this knotty problem. For the past two Saturday nights the Sandwich Shop has remained open until 10:30 p.m. The first Saturday night there was quite a good crowd and this last time, considering the ceiling zero weather conditions and competition with a Coast Guard dance, there was also very good attendance. As the situation now stands, the Sandwich Shop is staying open Saturday nights on trial to see if enough people come to make it worthwhile. Because of the help shortage, several members of the faculty have volunteered to whip up sodas, milkshakes, and grilled cheese sandwiches and de-cap cokes for ravenous patrons.

This last Saturday night Miss Pond and Miss Valencourt among others were taking turns at ringing up the cash register and preparing tasty items for the customers. After asking a few questions of Miss Valencourt, we find that milkshakes, cokes, frappes and sodas are the most popular lines of stock. In the soda, milkshake,

frappe and sundae lines, chocolate is called for most often. It is expected that soon it will be practically impossible to get chocolate and so you are urged to try butterscotch and strawberry for a change so as to accustom yourself to this great loss.

Popeye's friend Wimpy has reserved all hamburgers for Saturday nights so they're "fresh out" of them but only on these nights. Grilled cheese and lettuce and tomato, however, were being ordered right and left as well as hot dogs.

The soft lights, sweet music, good food and no cover charge all contributed to a very pleasant Saturday night atmosphere. Several couples as well as groups of girls were seen to be having an excellent time.

In the future if you are a Saturday night dateless wonder, join the group and drop in for a fourth, fifth or sixth meal as the case may be. Better still, if you are a dated wonder (and we don't mean that in the past tense) bring your escort over; there will be others there. Remember you can get to the Sandwich Shop under your own locomotion so save that extra teaspoon of gas for future reference.

Co-op Cannot Buy Records This Year

The Connecticut College Music Co-op voted at a meeting held on Monday, October 19, at 5:15, to suspend the record-buying activities of the club for the year, due to the difficulty and delay in securing the records. The activities of the club will not cease entirely, however, as there is a possibility that joint meetings with the New London Grocery Co-op will be held for educational purposes.

The members of the club also voted that the balance of the capital should be invested in United States war bonds. Dr. Cobbledick, associate professor of economics and sociology, and Dr. Chakerian, assistant professor of economics and sociology, were authorized to purchase these bonds for the club.

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Expansion of Academy is a Vast Project

by Nancy Troland '44

The new property which the college acquired during the summer was a direct result of a \$1,250,000 expansion program which is under way at the Coast Guard Academy. A vast building project is being carried out on ten acres of land, located along Oneco Avenue north of the present reservation.

The property was acquired by the academy through cession and condemnation. Several of the houses located on the land were sold at salvage value to Connecticut college and were moved to college property on Nameaug Avenue.

The addition of the Reserve Officers Training Program to the accelerated activities of the academy necessitated the extensive building program. Four new barracks, an auditorium, an academic building, a mess hall, a heating plant, and a drill hall are under construction. Fifty per cent of the new facilities will be available for use during mid-winter; the other half will be completed by spring or summer.

The new accommodations are expected to take care of approximately one thousand men.

Change in Student Attitude Noted by Dr. Grant Noble

"There has been a fundamental change of attitude in the minds of students, army men, and people in all walks of life," said Dr. Grant Noble, chaplain of Williams college, in his Sunday Vespers talk. "We have come to the realization that we are no longer merely spectators watching life proceedings from an invulnerable balcony—for our balcony has, in fact, fallen and we find ourselves active participants in the game of life," he continued.

The value of prayer and of faith in God has undergone a complete reversal. The attitude towards religion may no longer be expressed in the words of the cynic "What is the value of prayer?"—rather do we humbly ask "Teach us how to pray." Dr. Noble read excerpts from various letters he had received from boys in the service, exemplifying this change—this renewal of faith and of courage.

The speaker went on to discuss war marriages, asserting his faith and approval of them if the couple are truly in love. Dr. Noble feels that marriage in war time brings a sense of security in a world suddenly gone mad. But, he warns, we must remember that people assuming the responsibility of a marriage during a war period face all the trials that marriage may bring at the very outset. The sacred vow "for better or for worse, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer" has taken on added significance.

Dr. Noble concluded his talk by saying that we have turned to God because we have lost control of things; we are caught in a maelstrom. We turn to God for strength, but we do not turn to Him in weakness.

Survey Shows Seniors to be Handy as Well as Brainy

by Thelma Gustafson '43

Don't let that carefree college girl look fool you. C.C. seniors are able to use their hands to good advantage in any number of domestic hobbies. Did you know, for example, that Mary Jane Dole made the drapes in her room—or that she whips up her own hats in an hour from a few scraps of material and bits of ribbon? Or that Betty Hammink, besides being a pastmaster at the art of darning can repair the runs in her silk stockings—by a laborious process? There are many others, too, with nimble fingers.

Knitting, always a popular collegiate pastime, is well represented. Ginny Railsback, Martha Boyle and Flo Urban knit themselves pastel sweaters with socks to match. Mary Louise Walsh is knitting a Norwegian sweater for her brother, in an intricate pattern of blue and white. Betsy Clarendon whips off a sweater in no time at all, while Jacqueline Myers seems to knit sweaters and socks like magic.

The monogramming fad has swept the senior class. Everything from sweaters to underclothes is blossoming out with initials or nicknames. Dorie Hostetter has her name embroidered on the back of her blue jeans. Skip Wright is monogramming towels. Bobbie Bailey, Betty Pfau, and Alicia Henderson have glorified slips with very tricky designs. Janet Ayers is seriously monogramming sheets and towels. Jean Wallace lounges in a blue housecoat that she has dressed up with white initials on the lapel.

Beth Mildon—Mrs. Mere—is knitting in earnest on a bedspread that looks like an heirloom. Besides that she's embroidering a table cloth in a lovely combination of greens, blues, and yellows.

Verse Composition May be New Course

The English department of Connecticut college announces a proposed course in verse composition under the instruction of Mrs. Carleton Brown, assistant professor of English. Classes would meet once a week to discuss individual work and to study examples of contemporary verse and the markets for which it is written. Verse composition would be a non-credit course.

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IT'S YOUR WAR

by Marilyn Sworzyn '43

The President in his radio address on October 13 expressed his belief that legislation would be necessary to cope with the growing shortage of manpower. Just what form this much needed and urgent legislation will take is not yet ascertainable. It is quite possible and probable, however, that it will include a provision for either the voluntary or compulsory registration of women.

The War Manpower Commission has announced that five million more women will be needed in war plants in 1943 in addition

to the two millions already there. Immediately available for full-time jobs are 7,000,000 women, housewives or students, says a report from the U. S. Employment Service, recently made a part of the War Manpower Commission. Add these two statements of facts together and notice that the sum will most probably involve a large proportion of college students.

The drafting of women will necessitate vast transformations in our educational system. President Robert Hutchins of the University of Chicago recently commented, "Those who should go to college in the present emergency are those who can serve their country best by going there. They must be selected on the basis of ability, and this means that they must be subsidized." If Mr. Hutchins' suggestion is followed the "finishing school" type of student is about to become extinct, at least for the duration. Educational opportunities will be opened for many of those nine out of every ten most capable high school students who are denied higher education due to financial inadequacies. The maintenance of respectable averages in a curriculum planned to fill war needs may be the only qualification under which women may remain in college.

Many have spoken of this present war as actually a revolution. One phase of revolution we are definitely witnessing and participating in is the revolutionizing of education. Those who have rebelled against the modern utilitarian concept of education are wholeheartedly endorsing the inauguration of technical courses en masse. In acquiring the skills necessary to hasten victory, can we preserve the intangible yet intrinsic values of a good liberal arts education? Can't we endeavor to see to it that those who are revamping our college courses have sufficient foresight to insist upon the preservation of those "background" courses that will give us a better appreciation of our fellowmen and their problems in planning a just post war world? This is a more difficult task than it may appear on the surface in a time when every patriot is eager to do something "practical" toward winning in the war. If we, who are privileged to be in college, keep insisting upon safeguarding what is genuinely good in the theory and practice of the liberal education system we can perform a real service to our country. Good riddance to the narrow type of education (if we may call it education) designed to propagate a "smattering of ignorance," but never let us underestimate the importance of knowing why as well as how.

Kaemffert, Tillich, Outline Needs for New World Order

Two versions of the unifying ideal necessary for establishing world peace were discussed by Mr. Waldemar Kaemffert and Dr. Paul Tillich in the concluding lectures of the first Convocation series at 4:20 and 8:00 o'clock respectively on October 14 in the Palmer Auditorium. Mr. Kaemffert, science editor of the New York Times, said that science should be the means by which we must ultimately arrive at world federation, while Dr. Tillich of the Union Theological Seminary indicated that spiritual reconstruction of all nations is the prerequisite for a lasting peace.

Mr. Kaemffert, speaking on "Science at the Peace Table" pointed out in the beginning of his talk that we are not yet ready for world federation, which must ultimately come if we are to preserve peace, but that a bond of unity must be found to draw the nations together on another basis rather than on a political one. This unifying bond could be found, suggested Mr. Kaemffert, in the pursuit of science and technology. Because the society we live in is a product of science, and scientific collaboration had already been tried on a small scale most successfully, science alone has always been and will continue to be of international interest.

Scientific Commission

Mr. Kaemffert suggested that a World Scientific Commission of distinguished men should be organized for mapping out the scientific fields to be covered. These

men would determine what has and what should be done in order that the weak sciences could be bolstered up and that research be systematically carried on in all fields. Laboratories would not be moved nor would radical changes be made; work would be done on a contract basis and projects could be distributed among the best men. But, emphasized Mr. Kaemffert, there should be no restraint or dictatorial decisions; anyone would be able to submit projects for consideration by the commission. The government would provide enough money for continuous research.

This research should not be conducted for practicalities, said Mr. Kaemffert, but to investigate fundamental problems; when these are understood, technological results will naturally follow. It is also most important to improve scientific education in the schools.

In conclusion, Mr. Kaemffert pointed out that such a cooperative, unconflictive plan would

bring about the social changes which inevitably follow scientific changes; and these changes would
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Dorrie Hostetter '43 has some real friends. They informed some unsuspecting group of students that Dorrie had been a senior for three years. She couldn't be specific on her general. Anyhow that seems to have been the trouble and people believed it. This gemlike rumor seems to have reached faculty circles as Miss Van Epps Burdick whispered in Dorie's ear the other day that she had heard Dorrie had been a senior for three years. Evidently that baby haircut is just a camouflage.

The phone in the News Office has had a "queer" reputation for some time as no one seems able to get who she wants on the phone. A note was left for the News staff and it read like this: "I thing the phone's out of order—it's absolutely crazy!! Never gets you the right number. (signed) a friend." It's nice to know that the author is still a friend 'cause we know what she means. The busy signal sounds like a fog horn and the other parties on this same extension prove

Editorial

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New London since it started its intensive Scrap Collection Campaign on September 29. The indicator on the bulletin board in front of the city hall now stands at 1,000,000 pounds. This figure includes only the amount of scrap metal collected in the first 18 days of the drive; it is estimated that there are several hundred pounds still to be collected. These figures compare very favorably with other Connecticut towns whose population is larger than that of New London.

Our own drive on campus, whose contributions will eventually swell the New London total, also has progressed in a favorable degree. Since the War Rally held a week ago Monday many additional articles of scrap metal have been deposited either in Fanning or in the outdoor collection box between New London hall and Fanning.

Our obligation to augment this total does not stop with the close of the first publicized campaign for the collection of scrap material on campus will continue throughout the year under the salvage branch of the War Services committee who will handle the contributions. Certainly we have overlooked some of the possible sources of scrap material here on campus. All those small contributions of bottle caps, cosmetic containers, sweater stretchers, etc. very definitely add up to more helmets, shells, guns, and tanks. Let's pick up the scrap and join New London in its policy of community contribution toward the winning of the battle of production!

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a little disconcerting. Interruptions on the part of people working in the office occur so often now that we fail to render apologies anymore.

Mr. Nova was asking for some volunteer information in his government class the other day. He had been discussing a certain Mr. Lansing who is famous in American history and he asked if anyone knew a descendant of his who is living now and has the same name. A hand shot in the air and the student said, "Sure, he's governor of Michigan." The rest of the students agreed for some time. That is almost as bad as the old adage about Lansing, Michigan being the biggest operation undertaken to date.

Letter of Refugee Is Put on Reserve

Several mimeographed copies of a letter written by a German-Jewish refugee now studying in a New Hampshire school for refugees, have been placed on reserve in the library reading room. The letter was written after a forum discussion in which the girl participated in the American school which she now attends, and it has been placed on reserve because of the discussion it has aroused in connection with the recent convocation series here.

The letter is an expression of this girl's belief that hatred of the German people should not have a place in the considerations of such future plans as world federation.

Plans Evolved and Purpose Drawn Up By New Choir Club

Mr. Arthur W. Quimby and the newly elected officers of the college choir, Jean Corby '43, Eleanor Horsey '43, Jaqueline Pinney '44 and Anne Hester '45, met on Tuesday night, October 19 at Emily Abbey House to discuss future plans for the newly organized choir club and to draw up a constitution. The name for the new club will be the Connecticut College Choir, and its purpose is "to enrich musical appreciation and training and add to the dignity of the Vesper service." In addition to a constitution, rules and standards for the choir were drawn up.

The officers are planning a joint concert with one of the four colleges from which offers have come; these are the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Bowdoin, Wesleyan, and Trinity.

Sports Are "Tops" In Outing Weekend

Barn-dancing, soft-ball, and venison were features of the I.O.C.A. weekend at Yale Engineering Camp which seven members of Outing club attended Saturday and Sunday along with representatives of the outing clubs of Yale, M.I.T., Pembroke, and Radcliffe.

Betty Rabinowitz '44 and Marjorie Moody '44 biked the ten miles out to East Lyme in an hour, reaching the camp before those arriving by bus. Other C.C. girls included Ellie Abrahams '44, Mona Friedman '44, Ruth Goodhue '46, Mary Lou Duncombe '44, and Letty Friedkinder '45.

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be so rapid that they would require international attention. Collaboration in the social field would necessarily be followed by economic and political cooperation, which would ultimately result in world federation.

Dr. Paul Tillich chose for his subject "Spiritual Reconstruction during and after the War." Dr. Tillich opened by defining the word "spirit" as "the life that cuts into life," which entails suffering and despair. Spirit is creativity, a restlessness that "drives man beyond the point at which he has arrived to the ultimate possibilities."

The spiritual breakdown in Europe was caused by the great machine of our modern civilization, a vast mechanism which Dr. Tillich compared to the leviathan of the Bible. As the great whale swallowed everything up, so our leviathan of industry and economic progress, which we created for our benefit, is now out of control and is swallowing up the true values in life. The machine which we made as a means to an end has now become an end in itself. Although we have conquered the nature below us, we have created a new nature which is now destroying us.

An encouraging fact that Dr. Tillich pointed out was that much of what is now being destroyed deserves to remain in ruins. We

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should reconstruct only that which is worthwhile, leaving those things which have led to our present state of unhappiness. Most earnestly Dr. Tillich said, "I ask you—don't go back to the European status quo, do not rebuild the boundaries between pieces of Europe, and do not recreate the leviathan of today."

Americans, said Dr. Tillich, have not suffered as much as Europeans. America is only beginning to feel the intolerable side of life that the masses in Europe are enduring. Therefore, warns Dr. Tillich, the American should not try to teach the European how to live after the war. Instead, we should consider how this leviathan should be brought under control. We must wait, for "quiet solves problems." We should try to understand what has happened and anticipate the future, restraining impatience, for it takes time for spirit to grow. We must doubt and ask the meaning of existence, for only by suffering can we understand what values are necessary for spiritual restoration.

In reference to Mr. Kaempfert's talk, Dr. Tillich made the point that while science is a means to an end, the real end is man. To counteract the dehumanization of Europe today, we must break through the objectivities of daily life and reach the spiritual depth of the Europeans.

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