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"Wig and Candle" To Present "Love-In-a-Mist", a Comedy

On November 24th, the Wig and Candle will present *Love-in-a-Mist*, a comedy in three acts by Amélie Rives and Gilbert Emery. The story is mostly concerned with the complications which a young girl encounters, a girl who, being extremely tender hearted, cannot bear to hurt anyone, and as a result finds herself engaged to three young men all at once.

The cast is as follows:
 Gregory Helen Weil
 Diana Norma Leibling
 Scippi Yvonne Carns
 Sidney Alice Walton
 Kizzy Betty Bahney
 Colin Mary Moore
 Miss Wynne Anne Heilpern

WARDEN BELL FULFILLS EXPECTATION

Discusses "The Larger Agnosticism"

Sunday evening, at Vespers, the speaker was Warden Bernard Iddings Bell, S. T. D., of St. Stephens College, Annandale-on-the-Hudson, and of Columbia University. His topic was "The Larger Agnosticism" and his text from the prophecies of Zachariah: "Look ye to the stronghold, ye prisoners of hope." He impressed his hearers as being very sincere in what he said, and he brought home his points in direct, forceful language.

Beginning with the statement that the chief task today is to convince people that God is important, Warden Bell pointed out that, while at the beginning of the century man may have doubted God, he had faith in himself and in his future, while today he considers himself nothing but a beast. Evolution having been recently rediscovered, the children of today are taught about it from their very first school days through the university, and they sincerely consider themselves as animals living for comfort, satisfaction of hunger, sensual delight, and acquisition of wealth. People have come to scoff at everything—Patriotism, Duty, even Love—and to admire themselves for doing so. Warden Bell characterized the whole attitude as "both bunkum and a bore."

He went on to say that Man is a beast, but that ages and ages have shown that he is not content to remain so, and that he is constantly seeking an un-beastly set of values. He pursues Truth, Beauty, and Goodness. And he is constantly aiming at Reality which he knows to be God. Although this is all written in the thoughts, works, and actions of men throughout the ages, the modernist denies it, calls himself scientific, and places man among the beasts. "Modern cynicism," Warden Bell stated, "is just sheer foolishness."

"What can be done?" he asked. The old humanitarian worship cannot be brought back. We have progressed beyond that. The world needs contemplation of the end—and that is the real religion. The present generation needs Religion emancipated from yjr flusters of society, and in-

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Stunt Night Successful

Original Interpretations Given of Proverbial Subjects

Stunt Night, held Thursday, November 1, in the gym, developed according to tradition. Considering the fact that for at least three years they have been assigned the same amusing subjects on which to elaborate, the Freshmen entertained the rest of the student body very well, injecting something as new and different as possible into the proverbial circus, opera, musical comedy, and what-have-you.

Lovell and Thatcher chose "Pyramus and Thisbe" as the most tragic tragedy available for production. Pyramus and his Thisbe talked beside a relentless garden wall, made love under a remarkably life-like mulberry tree, and finally, with much waving of daggers, fell dead in a heap, in the manner of all good tragedians.

The tense atmosphere was immediately relieved by the Lacey circus. In the midst of colored balloons, streamers, and fat ladies, a weird animal, with legs unmistakably clad in riding boots, moved with great dexterity across the stage. McNamara's Band performed, and as an encore Niccolini and his sweetheart sang in amusing dialogue.

Winthrop was very entertaining in a brief skit, "College As It Was and Is." What a far cry between the young gentleman of the church supper, with the essence of tobacco around him, and the Dartmouth man "galloped to the eyebrows. My deah!"

Schaffer, in the "Shooting of Dan McGrew" gave a very different interpretation from the one given by the Freshmen last year, but an equally funny one. The climax came with the shooting of Dan, when the fierce murderer said "Bang! Bang!" in the silliest voice a murderer has ever used on the Connecticut College stage.

The Thames Opera was really the success of the evening. The A B C D E idea was very cleverly carried out, and we laugh still at the thought of the villain's stride, the hero's jumps of glee, the girlish heroine, and the shy little bandits.

Branford and North combined to give a minstrel show—always a difficult undertaking. The setting, around a calm, very red fire, was effective, and the jokes were true "Minstrel Show" ones, but we shudder to think of the hours with the scrubbing brush that must have been spent afterward!

Knowlton closed the program with a song and dance number, "Do the Raccoon." The long dance in coon coats must have been exhausting for the performers, to say the least, but it was original and amusing for the audience.

And so another Stunt Night has passed, and we make a suggestion to the Freshmen for next year. When you are Sophomores, forget tradition and all previous Stunt Nights, and assign something new in the line of subjects—a prize fight, if necessary—but something new!

"The Meaning of Selfhood"

Professor E. W. Lyman, Ingersoll Lecturer at Harvard Will Speak

Professor Eugene W. Lyman, Ingersoll lecturer for 1928, at Harvard University, will be the speaker at the 5 o'clock Vesper Service tomorrow. "The Meaning of Selfhood" was the phase of the doctrine of Immortality selected by Dr. Lyman for discussion. Like the other Ingersoll lectures, this one has since appeared in book form. Dr. Lyman is professor of the philosophy of religion in Union Theological Seminary, New York City. His topic on Sunday will be "What Is Religion?", one which he is eminently fitted to discuss.

Besides being a contributor to various philosophical and religious periodicals, Dr. Lyman is the author of *Theology and Human Problems*, and *The Experience of God in Modern Life*. Of his magazine articles, one of the most outstanding is *Mysticism, Reason and Social Idealism*, which appeared in the April 1928 issue of the *Journal of Religion*, an article which reveals him as a conservative thinker in the best sense of the term, always keenly interested in effecting a higher synthesis of opposing tendencies. This trait, coupled with his pleasing personality, has made him a welcome visitor in college and university circles.

"NOVEL PIONEERING"

Subject of Mrs. Baker's Address

On Tuesday, November 6th, in the gymnasium, Mrs. George Pierce Baker gave a lecture on "Novel Pioneering." Mrs. Baker, formerly Dean of Radcliffe, who comes from New Haven, is the wife of Dr. George Pierce Baker who has taught at Yale and Harvard and several other universities, and who is the author of a number of books including *The Principles of Argumentation*, *The Development of Shakespeare as a Dramatist*, and *Dramatic Technique*.

Before beginning the main part of her lecture, Mrs. Baker gave a brief talk about words and books. She pointed out how very different is the connotation of words, and the significant fact that words are, after all, the only medium for transmitting thought. As for books, Mrs. Baker said that books are used very differently. Some people use them as they would a drug or a narcotic. Some substitute reading for thought. There are some people to whom a library is so fascinating that they are unable to keep away from one. Others use books and literature for escape, either into adventure or into pure fancy; and there are still others who use literature for the advancement of knowledge.

Mrs. Baker then narrowed her topic to the treatment of science in literature. She raised the question, "Is science expressed accurately, and clearly for the layman?" She pointed out the fact that the scientifically trained mind has learned to carry through from cause and effect. After the great industrial revolution of the nineteenth century, the twentieth century will see a revolution over organic matter. The evolution of human so-

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New Administration Building To Be Added To C. C. Campus

Two Funds To Be Combined

The campus at Connecticut College is soon to be the center of new building activities. A \$250,000 stone administration building is to be begun in the near future. Steps have been taken to secure the architect's plans, and it is hoped to have the work completed by the fall of 1930.

Two separate funds are to be combined and used for the new building, the amount left to the College by the late David Hale Fanning and the Windham County Fund.

It was at the request of an old friend of the College, Mrs. Rienzi Robinson, who herself willed the residue of her estate to the institution, that Mr. Fanning was induced to include Connecticut College in his will. He left to the College an outright gift of \$25,000 and a portion of the residue of his estate which latter amounted to something over \$175,000. Mr. Fanning was one of New England's picturesque self-made men. The story is told of his manly decision to make a fortune when, at the age of twelve, he dressed himself in his best clothes and set off from his home in Jewett City. He went to Worcester and made good his promise. Before his death, at the age of ninety, he had become one of Massachusetts' richest men.

The Windham County Fund which is now to be combined with the Fanning money, has been collected from gifts and other sources by a group of enthusiastic women of Windham County. It was their purpose to gather enough for a dormitory, but as building costs mounted year by year, the group finally voted to allow the fund to be used as is now proposed, providing appropriate memorial tablets in recognition of Windham County donors should be placed in the new building.

An administration building has long been the chief need of this young college. The present administration offices are housed in what was designed and built for a science and recitation hall. The result has been that class rooms have had to be used early and late, long after the hour when the best college practice would have students free for outside activities. The new building will contain in addition to the necessary administration offices, class rooms and an auditorium. Whether this will be a hall large enough for such occasional large gatherings as commencements and orchestra concerts or one suitable only for convocation and chapel remains yet to be determined. The building will probably be placed to the east and south of New London Hall.

At approximately the same time, work will be begun on the new art and science museum, which is to be built and the contents provided from the \$1,000,000 fund left for that purpose by the late Mrs. Harriet Allyn. This will stand on ground which joins the College campus, and will be made large use of by the students in the Fine Arts Department.

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ THE LATEST BOOKS?

Is anyone interested in a lending library? At Wheaton and at Hood such associations have been organized which aim at supplementing the books in the library. The hope is to make it possible for everyone to read the latest fiction, plays, and poetry. Suggestions are welcomed as these associations want to carry on their work as completely as possible.

Is such an association feasible at Connecticut? Are there enough girls interested in contemporary reading to attempt to form such an organization. The *News* would be very glad to receive any comment or communication on the question.

WHY WRITE HOME FOR MONEY?

Why write home for money? Here's an easier way out.

The Music Industries Chamber of Commerce, 45 West 45th Street, New York City, offers \$1,000 for a good, snappy sentence of only a few words, provided they are the right words. This sum is the prize to be paid for the slogan best expressing the thought that music is a prime means of self-expression and culture and that there are hours of pleasure in store for those who learn to play some sort of a musical instrument. No limit is put on the number of words in any slogan submitted, but contestants are reminded that the best slogans are short ones and that a single sentence, if brief and peppy, "packs a punch" more powerful than a whole volume of words.

Anyone is eligible to enter the contest and there is no limit upon the number of slogans any one person may submit, provided they are mailed to the Music Industries Chamber of Commerce before January 1, the closing date of the contest. The judges who will decide the winner are S. L. Rothafel ("Roxy") New York movie impresario; and Frank Presbrey, advertising authority. Leaflets explaining the contest may be obtained at any music dealer's or from the Chamber direct.

FREE SPEECH

[The Editors of the *News* do not hold themselves responsible for the opinions expressed in this column. In order to insure the validity of this column as an organ for the expression of honest opinion, the editor must know the names of contributors.]

Dear Editor:

Has the "disturbed Senior" been a student at C. C. for your years and failed to realize that the question of smoking has not been particularly dormant? It would seem that if smoking is to reduce the "finer higher atmosphere" of our college to that of an "ordinary city club" then are Vassar, Smith, Holyoke, Barnard Skidmore, and Bryn Mawr well on the road to ruin. Surely those girls who abominate smoke need not feel obligated to "cut their way" into the particular room where smoking is allowed. Neither, we think, would the campus be overrun with haggard-eyed enslaved, narcotic fiends. We are old enough to know better, you know. Surely we cannot stand by and see our Student Government slowly rotted by the obvious dissatisfaction over the present smoking rule which concerns a question of no more importance than whether we drink coffee or milk for breakfast.

THREE EQUALLY DISTURBED JUNIORS.

Dear Seniors:

I present for your consideration the third and last method which my puny intellect can invent for the prevention of underclassmen's taking the joy out of life. Three methods are the limit of my capacity, for you understand, I am sure, that the p. i. of which I have already spoken cannot hope to compete successfully for any length of time with the diabolical ingenuity of any one underclassman. Since this is my last attempt to foil their nefarious purposes, may I be allowed to assure them all that, even though they now regard our distress as puerile, they will one day suffer the same sort of pangs which torment us at present.

But to the point! I suggest, first, that each of you (Seniors) buy yourself a tent—a small tent is essential as the object is to have room for no one but yourself—and pitch it on the hockey field, where you will lead a much healthier life than in a dorm, anyway. Secondly, inveigle all faculty into holding their classes out of doors—tell them your mind functions more clearly in the open. Thirdly, always walk to and from town, unless you can afford a cab—the first part of this suggestion will go big with the Gym Department. Now you see the point, of course, for if you follow these instructions faithfully, your right of precedence can never be usurped.

THE SELF-SAME STRATEGIST.

Dear Editor:

It is a welcome sight to see so many letters in the Free Speech column. It shows that people are feeling strongly enough about things to take the trouble to write about them. But why does it have to stop there? Every letter contains a question on which there are at least two sides. Opinion is divided. How much more interesting it would be if people, instead of passing on to a new subject, would tell why they are opposed to the first one.

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CRUMBS FROM THE PANTRY

"So What's a Poor Girl To Do"

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And keep your mind on food
And psiu pins and records,
(As every Freshman should),
And wear the loudest clothing
And spread the latest news
And spend your evening downtown
In worshipping Lloyd Hughes,
And quite forget to study
Till the dismal morning hours,
And always past eleven
Are discovered taking showers:—
It is my grave opinion
That you *never* get along,
Your games, and grades, behavior—
And *everything* is wrong.

If you stay here at college
And let the proms go hang,
Go quietly to Vespers
Or do Bible with the gang,
If you avoid the Pantry
And wear rubbers in the rain,
And bathe on certain evenings,
Shun the movies, and disdain
Immodest hosiery and
Crude sweaters, ties, et al.,
And sail your mental powers
In an erudite canal:—
It is my grave opinion
That you *never* get along,
Your games, and grades, behavior,—
And *everything* is wrong.

SCOTTIE.

"AIR-MINDED" STUDENTS

That the wheezing and coughing "collegiate" Ford must not have its sister conveyance in the air, is the warning of Mr. Edward P. Warner, assistant secretary of the Navy in charge of aviation. Mr. Warner, in an address before the Third Intercollegiate Aviation Conference at Yale, pointed out the danger of flying with any but trustworthy planes.

College men are beginning to take to the air in appreciable numbers. The Harvard Flying Club and that at the University of Southern California are two of the most advanced student groups. The latter already owns several planes. European students, however, surpass the Americans in flying. One of the speakers at the conference cited a meeting in the Rhone River section last August where 400 planes were entered. Eight hundred pilots took part, ninety per cent of which were college men. College men won all of the prizes.

The popularity of flying has added a new prohibition to the list of "thou shalt nots" of the Wellesley College Handbook. The dean's office issued the edict that, "no student while under the jurisdiction of the college may ride in an aeroplane unless permission has been granted from the dean's office and the written consent of her parents secured."

The problem of chapernage has not yet been settled, and is without doubt taxing the ingenuity of many a dean of women.—*The New Student.*

"WIG AND CANDLE" TO PRESENT "LOVE-IN-A-MIST", A COMEDY

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vested with the mystical and the sacramental. We are prisoners of the flesh—but prisoners of *hope*, which will unlock the prison house. In God lies our mean, and we must learn to approach an unaffected adoration of him, Warden Bell concluded. We should know from whence we come, but it is more important that we should contemplate our Destiny.

UNATTENDED IT MOVED OFF

The drive at the side of New London Hall was the scene of unusual excitement recently just at the close of the eight o'clock period when a short act, somewhat similiar to a Harold Lloyd comedy was enacted. Groups of students walking leisurely toward chapel were amazed and dumbfounded to see a small green roadster coming slowly down the hill from the library, gathering speed as it came, and with no sign of anyone in, on, or near it. The onlookers watched the car approach the left and right hand turn of the drive, and wondered what would be its course. They were not long to remain in doubt. The car continued in its straight and narrow path, hit the curb, and landed on the lawn, slightly dismayed but not entirely daunted in its early morning escapade. It was at this moment that one on-looker took action. Tearing down the drive with a load of books in her arms, Virginia David '31, made a flying leap on the running board of the roadster, and attempted to pull on the emergency brake. Her first attempt was unsuccessful, the result being a bruised arm and wrist. However, one more attempt, this time more successful, and the car came to an unwilling stand still about an inch from one of our campus' bigger and better trees.

"MONEY FOR NOTHING"

P. G. Wodehouse's latest book, *Money For Nothing*, is quite typical of Mr. Wodehouse's work. "This book," says the *New York Times Book Review*, "deals with high life in the village of Rudge-in-the-Vale where the sight of 'a cat stropping its backbone against the Jubilee Watering Trough' and 'some flies doing deep-breathing exercises on the hot window sills' indicate nothing quite so disarmingly as that this most recent perpetration is well up to the Wodehouse standard.

Later on some one in the next chair will read to you all about Hugo, who was no poltroon, having boxed at Cambridge, "and once, the petty cash having run short, he tipped a hat-check boy with an aspirin tablet." You will hear about John, who loved Patricia not articulately but quite well, and whose code it was that once a man has been refused he cannot do anything but slink away and efface himself—"half the big game shot in Africa owed their untimely end, he understood, to this tradition."—*Blue and Gray.*

"NOVEL PIONEERING"

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city is now in its infancy. Mrs. Baker then read from several books, and pointed out interesting characteristics in each of them. In the reading from *To the Lighthouse* by Virginia Wolfe, she showed how the oneness of the universe was brought out. Life goes by us; what has past no longer exists; what is coming is still in the future. We can claim reality for only a second, or is the theory true that we are here for only a moment. There is a possible new knowledge that all matter is one substance; objects may differ because atoms are arranged differently, or move at different rates.

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The schedule for the hockey games is as follows:

Nov. 10th—Juniors vs. Freshmen; Seniors vs. Sophomores.

Nov. 13th—Seniors vs. Freshmen.

Nov. 17th—Juniors vs. Seniors; Freshmen vs. Sophomores.

Nov. 24th—Juniors vs. Sophomores.

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PLEASE NOTE

Students are reminded that rules which appear in the *News* are not final until posted on Student Government bulletin board. They merely indicate what is being discussed by your representatives.

Motoring Rule—Tabled by Student Faculty Committee. This committee will meet November 19th.

Nights—Up for consideration by the Administration Committee which will meet sometime this month.

A University of California professor recently stated that slang should be depended upon to enrich the language. This statement has aroused much indignation in some circles.

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SENIOR ELECTIONS HELD

At a Senior class meeting held on Tuesday evening, November 6, Frances Tillinghast was elected assistant cheer leader; Dorothy Meyers was made Commencement Chairman; Catherine Greer, Sykes Fund Chairman; Elizabeth McLaughlin, Class Gift Chairman.

Syracuse professors state that cramming is as unethical as actual cheating in class.

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FRIENDLESS FELINES

As a result of a heart-rending wall heard one cold evening, a group of enterprising juniors have started a home for friendless kittens. These little mothers, although encountering an unusual spirit of cruelty on the part of some who are not in sympathy with the movement, have, through their unceasing efforts, managed to put that little gleam of sunshine, that little spark of light without which life is so drab, so colorless, into the hearts of these homeless felines. Handicapped at every turn, the benefactors have to resort to sharing their own allotment of food with their pets. There is great consternation concerning the question as to whether or not creamed celery with cheese sauce is the best diet for an under-nourished white kitten. Time alone will solve this problem. At present more serious and grave difficulties must be confronted concerning the large members of angoras that are seeking admission to C. C.'s kitten orphanage. The matronesses of this institution are planning to enlarge their quarters at the first opportunity that presents itself.

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WHY SMOKE?

(This is the second in a series of articles for and against smoking.)

The Florida Flambeau asks, "Why smoke anyway?"

1. It takes time. This is the most precious thing in the world.
2. It befouls the air. Pure air is God's first and best gift to man.
3. It burns up money. Money is the circulating life blood of commerce and society.
4. It hinders work. By work we win in this world.
5. It weakens the heart. The time is coming when you will need every bit of its strength.
6. It endangers health. Grant and Mark Twain both died of tobacco poison.
7. It is a habit-forming drug. You become its slave.
8. It is not recommended by your mother. The girl's best friend is her mother.
9. It is unclean. Paul says, "Keep thyself pure."
10. All smoke is waste and impairs health. Tobacco smoke is doubly so. He who abates it is a benefactor.—*No-Tobacco League of America.*

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