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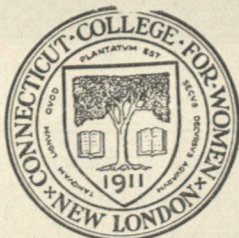
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**CHRISTMAS
VESPERS!**
Knowlton Salon
Sunday, at 7 P. M.
Carol Singing by
Language Groups

Connecticut College News



C. C. C.
Invites College to
Traditional Xmas
Party
Thames Lounge
4 P. M.
December 12
Sign on A. A. Board

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NEW LONDON, CONNECTICUT, DECEMBER 9, 1933

PRICE FIVE CENTS

JULIABELLE FORGEY IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF '37

Juliabelle Forgey, of St. Louis, Missouri, has been elected president of the Freshman class. The new president came to Connecticut College from the Mary Institute in St. Louis, where she was president of her class during Senior year. There Juliabelle held the office of vice-president of the Athletic Association, and was also in the Glee Club. She is much interested in sports and "anything else in general."

Virginia Deuel, of Buffalo, New York, has been elected vice-president, Barbara Haines, of Indianapolis, Indiana, is secretary, and Jeannette Shingle, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is treasurer.

DR. WELLS CONTINUES WORK IN MIDDLE ENGLISH

In the December number of *Modern Language Notes*, Professor John Edwin Wells of Connecticut College continues the series of articles with which he has resumed his treatment of the Middle English poem, *The Owl and the Nightingale*, of which his is the standard edition and which has become the center of much debate among students of English literature and language. From his own studies of the manuscripts in the British Museum and the Bodleian Library at Oxford, assisted by further investigations by the authorities of the Museum for the present purpose, Dr. Wells disposes of several of the conclusions regarding the manuscripts long accepted as essential in the questions involved.

Dr. Wells is Chairman of the section on Middle English Language and Literature of the Modern Language Association of America. Under a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies he is now preparing his *Fifteenth Century Writings in English*, treating all works of the period.

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President Blunt Explains New Ruling

At Chapel Tuesday morning President Blunt explained the new ruling about vacations. She said that both the student body and the faculty had agreed that a sharp beginning and a sharp ending is an advantage. The early departure and late arrival of a moderate minority of the students tends to upset classes. Starting with this Christmas vacation, therefore, all vacations will end at ten o'clock at night instead of eight o'clock in the morning. No nights may be taken before or after vacation

and no classes cut. The penalty for leaving early or returning late will be a fine of five dollars. In the case of illness or for some other legitimate reason, this penalty may not be enforced. Anyone not able to return to college at the specified time should telephone or telegraph the house-fellow, giving the approximate time of return.

President Blunt also asked everyone to cooperate with the Faculty-Student Committee on Noise by filling out her card correctly.

SOPHOMORE HOP

Plans for Hop Are Kept
Secret Until Tonight

As this goes to press, Sophomore Hop is a deep, dark secret to the public and must be kept so until afterwards—hence the details we can divulge are slight. Suffice it to say that the Hop begins at eight-thirty on Saturday night and with a clairvoyance born of previous information we predict the following:

The mellifluous strains of the Barbary Coast orchestra from Dartmouth greeted the guests as they entered the tea dance around three-thirty Saturday afternoon. Knowlton's smooth dance floor helped people to glide easily around discussing this and that. Actual tea and coffee were served, accompanied by some very nice sandwiches. At five-thirty, the session adjourned to tear out to

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N. E. MODEL LEAGUE PLANS EIGHTH MEETING

Group Will Meet at
Harvard University

Plans for the eighth annual meeting of the New England Model League of Nations were discussed last Sunday at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., where representatives of the 33 member colleges of the organization gathered at the first meeting of the Executive Committee of the year. The organization was founded in 1927 by the combined action of a group of colleges in the New England states to stimulate interest in the procedure and activity of the League of Nations at Geneva and to acquaint undergraduates interested in international affairs with the difficulties involved in present day diplomacy.

This year Harvard University will be the scene of the meeting of the League, which will be held on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 8, 9, and 10. Over 300 delegates from the various colleges, then consisting of 31 members, attended the meeting of the League held last year at Smith College, and more are expected at Cambridge next March. Two new members were admitted to the organization last Sunday. Both these colleges, Northeastern University and Bennington College, have satisfactorily shown their interest in the work of the League of Nations, and will send delegations to the meeting in March.

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Herbert Ames Discusses Development of Franco-German Relationship

Former Financial Director of The League of Nations
Gives Vivid Sketches of League Personalities

COLLEGE ATTENDS FORMAL OPENING OF WINDHAM

House Is Result of Nineteen
Years' Work of Windham
County Women

Saturday, November 25th, marked the formal opening of Windham House, Connecticut College's new dormitory presented by the people of Windham County. Dr. Laubenstein opened the ceremony by pronouncing the invocation. Mrs. Kenneth Kinney, a Connecticut graduate and chairman of the Windham House Association, spoke first, emphasizing three striking features in regard to the new dormitory; first, the unique fact that although Connecticut College is not a state institution, a county gave the house; second, that for nineteen years the women of Windham County have worked tirelessly toward the realization of this dormitory; and third, the amazing celerity with which plans were made and the building completed. Mrs. Kinney presented the key of the dormitory to Mr. Harrison B. Freeman of Hartford, chairman of the board of trustees, who expressed his gratitude to those who had worked in behalf of Windham House, and to the architect and builders. Mr. Freeman in turn presented the key to President Blunt, who expressed her pride and happiness in Windham, saying that she hoped it would be an ideal dormitory, one in which there would be friendship, play, happy fun, and the thoughtful solitude that gives serenity. Barbara Johnson '34, president of Windham House, spoke in behalf of the students. The ceremony closed with the singing of the Alma Mater.

Brief History

The history of the efforts of the Windham House Association to raise the money to build the dormitory begins nineteen years ago. In 1914, a year before the first class entered Connecticut, the people of Windham County started to raise \$50,000 for a dormitory. The leaders of the movement were the late Mrs. Rienzi Robinson of Danielson, Miss Louise C. Howe of Norwich, and Miss Rosamund Danielson of Putnam. An organization to raise the money was formed in 1914, following an address by President Sykes of Connecticut. It was called the Windham House Association for Connecticut College. Mrs. J. E. Shephard of

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The situation between France and Germany and the events leading up to it, was the subject discussed by Sir Herbert Ames in Convocation on Tuesday, December 5. Sir Herbert, the financial director of the Secretariat of the League of Nations for seven years, has traveled about Europe recently and is a well known authority on foreign affairs.

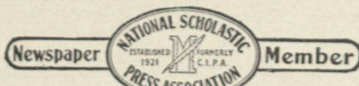
With the statement that the peace of Europe, if not of the whole world rests on Franco-German relations, Sir Herbert Ames gave an account of their relations since the World War. He divided them into four groups, the first being that of mutual hostility which lasted from 1919 to 1925, the second the great reconciliation which took place the following year, the third the endeavor to humanize the relations in 1927, and the fourth the new Germany. The war was the final development of the antipathy begun in the days of Caesar when tribes on either side of the Rhine were continually at war. During the first period after the World War, their paths began to converge for the first time until the climax was reached when Germany joined the League of Nations in 1926. The Covenant of the League is the first chapter of the Treaty of Versailles and the three other treaties which ended the war. Its purpose was to preserve peace and to propagate general cooperation with universality as its principal strength. It seems rather ironic that in its first efforts the states were divided into three groups including the Allies who were the chartists, the thirteen neutral states which were allowed to join at the same time and the Central Powers which were not admitted until later. When in the summer of 1920 Germany applied for admittance, Lloyd George, speaking for England, said that he thought it a mistake to admit Germany and Viviani of France went so far as to declare it an insult to his country and to the dead soldiers. How could they expect to secure a lasting peace if their step was hostile? Meanwhile Austria, Hungary and a few of the smaller countries among the Central Powers were admitted. When, after the invasion of the Ruhr, the Dawes Plan took the question of reparations out of political discussion, Germany decided to shape her policy to that necessary to gain membership to the League, but still lacked the support of France. Clemenceau gave this only after

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EDITORIAL

OUR PROBLEM OF LEISURE TIME

As times change we realize more and more the importance of the word leisure, and all the meanings and associations which fringe this word. Technocracy, mechanization, depression—all have done their share in leaving wider gaps between working hours. The significance of leisure time is not overestimated—only recently the *New York Times* reported an important meeting held for the sole purpose of discussing the problem of leisure time. Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler brought forth the following argument for well planned leisure time: "A man who understands the full use and enjoyment of leisure is a far better worker than one who does not. The proper use of leisure increases the capacity for productive work." Again we quote, this time from *The New Hampshire*: "There is no doubt that in the future the use to which we put our leisure time will be of more importance than time spent on work. Success or failure in our education will be determined on our application of leisure time." This is a rather sweeping statement, but is it so far from the truth?

The constant cry of college students seems to be, "Oh, I haven't time to do this or that," but when we sift the matter thoroughly we discover that we have quite a bit of time to waste—or to utilize. We all find time to "gab," go to the movies, to take week-ends, to read movie magazines, to knit, or to "snooze." When we leave college a great many of us will probably have more leisure time than we want! Why can't we take a step forward in regard to this problem? Are we too lazy—intellectually and physically—to make the most of our opportunities? Haven't we enough mental resources to make fruitful the time we ordinarily waste? Let us look over the situation from a practical standpoint, leaving behind these rhetorical questionings.

Reading is a "time filler" which appeals to the majority of us, and which is very worthwhile when employed rightly. We have several sources for reading in our library, in the Book-shop lending library, and we will have in our prospective dormitory bookshelves. A great many of us seem to have a distorted idea that the library is just a place where we go to wait around for a reserve book to come back to the desk! A little leisurely browsing would bring to light ever so much fascinating and stimulating literature. If we feel that our knitting is very important, why don't we combine it with reading aloud? Rotate some good book among the knitters, have it read, and discuss it. Those of us who are interested in music are given our opportunities, too. The college concert series has offered several fine and varied programs for our musical appreciation, and the music

DR. LAWRENCE SAYS

Deflation by Ridicule (Part 2)

An overwhelming majority of the citizens of the United States left school at a comparatively early age, with views of history and patriotism little if any more mature and unbiased than those indicated in the preceding installment of this article. (Parenthetically it may be noted that the situation in most other countries is even worse.) Such teachers as wished to remove some of the dangerous absurdities from these views were commonly restrained from so doing by school boards, parents, and politicians, whose knowledge (so-called) of American history was derived from our country's adolescent days, when she was rather insignificant in world opinion and was thought to need advertising in her history books by the sales-talk method.

An American nationalism based on such views is considerably worse than an absurdity and an anachronism. It is a childish and provincial inflation of national vanity, whose natural consequence is perennial distrust of and attempted isolation from other nations. Its deflation is as essential to our sound national health as it is to our peaceful international relations.

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department has been adding to its collection of records, which we are all privileged to hear during the music hours of the week. Art lovers are not neglected on campus. We have the Allyn Museum just off campus; we have various and sundry exhibitions; we have books and magazines; we have a sketching club that meets once a week. College offers the scientifically minded plenty of chances for research and for instruction. Athletics should play an important part in leisure time—and surely we have plenty of choice tidbits offered us in the way of sports and games. Nor must we neglect the valuable "time fillers" such as social work, and the like.

If we give ourselves a critical "once-over" we will discover that most of us have been abusing our leisure time, that we have become one-sided in our interests, or that we know only the superficialities of certain things. If it is true that we are going to have more and more leisure time—and conditions seem to point quite decidedly in that direction—we must realize our present inadequacy to cope with the problem. We all want to be considered educated, cultivated people—but we won't be unless we can get along without having to rush among the auto, radio, movie, etc. It's up to us to make ourselves independent of external acquisitions! We need inner resources for entertainment and edification. We must learn to appreciate the truly valuable in life, and to thrust aside our plebeian dependence upon trivialities!

PERSONALITY RIDDLE

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On the south by the Power of Understanding;

On the east by Tireless Energy, and

On the west by Versatile Activity.

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Her body is strong and supple and on the hockey field she seems to be racing the wind.

She is intensely fair, and her good fellowship and sportsmanlike qualities are those things to which Arthur himself would honor and toast.

MOPEY MATILDA

Dear Mopey Matilda:

The air is getting to be quite Christmassy around campus along now, eh what? With all these carol rehearsals, Christmas "so-shall" it be plans, and so forth, etc. Yes, I know that was a bad one, but let it pass. I feel as though the holidays were parking on my doorstep. Oh, well, by the time this reaches you there will be five days less to do my Christmas shopping in . . . which reminds me in a round-about way, what are the three most necessary things about campus that might be inaugurated with New Year's resolutions?

In no seriousness,

C PLUS.

* * *

Dear C:

I could get earthy and suggest an extended vacation—but that would be hardly fair, what with keen beginnings and dull endings and what have you? In spite of "Peace on earth—at present anyhow—and good will toward men" (and women, too, I hope), let me say that I understood everything that was said in chapel the other morning except why it was necessary to lower the temperature to ten below zero to say it in. And if you don't comprehend what I am saying—that's all right, too.

But to get on:

(1) Perhaps an escalator to be used by faculty and students alike to get to eight and nine o'clocks on the fourth floor. If current opinion has it that we must get our exercise the escalator may be turned off (or whatever they do to stop perpetual motion) at ten o'clock or any time after the nine o'clock lecture.

(2) If it makes that much difference we might eliminate roll-call by installing a system of time-punch clocks. What with the much efficiency and all that.

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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 opinion, the editor must know the names of contributors.)

Dear Editor:

I write deploring the present system of marking at Connecticut in the confidence that at least one-half of the students and faculty here hold the same opinion as I do.

The principal objection to the system is that, because of it, intellectual activity for its own sake is no longer the goal of college students. We do not do our work because we want to learn something, but because we want to get good grades, so we can have more nights per semester. The *raison d'être* of college is completely smothered and lost sight of—SELF-PROPELLED INTELLECTUAL ACTIVITY IS A THING ALMOST UNKNOWN ON OUR CAMPUS. It is safe to say that 75% of the students here never do any studying which has not been assigned, or use any initiative whatsoever in their scholastic activities. The custom of giving A's, B's, and C's, and awarding social privileges according to these marks has left us with the ambition to get a 3.0 average, rather than the ambition to develop an alert mind and equip it with a store of knowledge.

This is the most severe indictment of the system. Another deplorable result, however, which is even more apparent, is the undesirable relation between the students themselves and between the students and faculty which exists because of marks. How many girls who consistently get "A's" do not also get the name "greasy grind"? Or, if they obviously do not study much, get the even less complimentary title "teacher's pet"? How many of us still like and admire professors who give us lower marks than we think we deserve? The answers to these questions are too well known to need further comment. We take our marks too seriously; they assume an importance way out of proportion to their function, and reach out, an insidious influence, to color all our personal and social opinions. Furthermore, the mark a professor gives us often determines our whole attitude toward the subject he teaches. This is irrational and very stupid, you may say, but nevertheless, it is so. The abolition of marks, I firmly believe, would not only improve the attitude of the student towards her work, but would also eliminate this unjust and unpleasant criticism of the faculty by the students because of marks.

I suggest that the college adopt the plan which has already been instituted by the Physical Ed. department, and record no marks but "pass" or "fail." Our administration has definitely shown, in offering its new plan for departmental honors work, that it is quick to recognize the value of

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SOPHOMORE HOP

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dinner and appear looking totally different at eight-thirty. The waitresses were uniformly and, shall we say, "chicly" gowned in the—oh, we can't tell you. At nine o'clock the Grand March took place and was led by the Sophomore class president, Ernestine Manson. The reception followed and then came program dancing which was broken up temporarily while the waitresses accomplished a tap dance with dexterity and grace. Amy Mc-

Mae Dondero Swanson
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Nutt performed singly. The dancing lasted until twelve and as the orchestra began packing up their instruments, everyone decided they had better leave. Thus ended the Soph Hop—a memory for the whole class to carry with them for the rest of their college days and indeed for life.

DR. WELLS CONTINUES WORK IN MIDDLE ENGLISH

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riod. His 250 columns in the *Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature*, the new bibliographical volume of the *Cambridge History of English Literature*, is at press.

There are 25 different religious faiths represented on the campus of the University of Alabama.

For the Night before Vacation!
Get your "feast supplies" from

The Boston Candy Kitchen

The American system is education by the adding machine, according to Dr. Robert Maynard Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago.

Gate crashing in theaters at Berkeley after the University of California is a thing of the past. Fourteen police dogs will guard the doors of four Berkeley theaters.

Earlham College held an entertainment in which the co-eds were dressed in the costumes of famous book characters. The "books" could be borrowed for a period of ten minutes and fines were levied for late returns. Fines ran heavy for a large number of "copies."

In 1732 co-eds at Salem College could take baths only by special permission and at times indicated by instructors.

C. C. O. C. SCAVENGER HUNT PROVIDES MERRIMENT

The Saturday before Thanksgiving the Outing Club ran a Scavenger Hunt which proved to be lots of fun. Everyone met at the Gym at two o'clock and were given the list of things to get. One look at the paper and all burst out laughing. The instigators, Sandy Stark, Ginny King, Jean Vanderbilt, and Aileen Stein, thought that some of the list would be impossible to get, but the "Scavengers" were too smart. Everything was found and brought back to the Commuter's room where, over tea, the judges decided upon the best collection and awarded prizes. The articles provided lots of laughs and they included a Coast Guard hat with the owner's signature, a trolley token, a feather from a Dr. Leib chicken, a 1932 class banner, an

Permanent Waving

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RAMISTELLA'S BEAUTY SHOP

All Lines of Beauty Culture

81 State St., Up Stairs - New London, Ct.

October 21 *New Yorker*, and many other funny things.

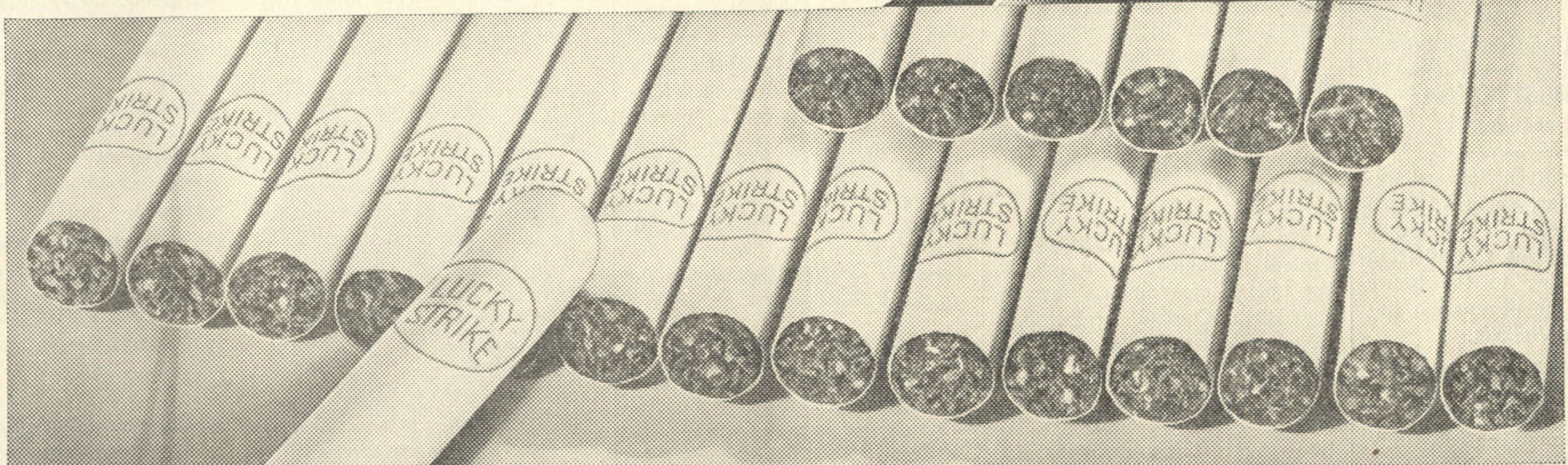
Outing Club will hold its traditional Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 12 in Thames Lounge. This is a "free" party and all are cordially invited to sign on the bulletin board in Fanning. After refreshments, President Blunt's tree will be decorated for Christmas.

The Marquette University football squad includes 21 Milwaukee youths.

The home economics classes at Iowa State College are displaying dolls they have costumed in the ruffles and bustles of past centuries.

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No Loose Ends



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ALWAYS the finest workmanship

ALWAYS Luckies please!

"it's toasted"

FOR THROAT PROTECTION—FOR BETTER TASTE

ORGANIZATIONS PLAN CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Annual Pageant To Be Outstanding Event

With the advent of Christmas vacation and the attending excitement, many Christmas activities are being planned by the various organizations on campus. The most outstanding event will be the annual Christmas pageant, conducted primarily by the art department. All that has been determined to date is that there is actually to be a pageant, but definite decisions have not yet been made as to what period or what country the pageant is to represent, or whether it is to be of a realistic or an artistic nature. The pageant will probably be followed as usual by the customary lighting of candles and caroling of the various classes.

On Sunday, December 10th, the language divisions are to present their Christmas carols. Practice has already begun. The Spanish classes are to sing a Villancico, and Letitia Williams, president of the Spanish club, is taking the initiative in this caroling, to be directed by Dorothy Boomer. Edith Canestrari is in charge of the singing to be done by the Italian classes. Edith Stockman, president of the German Club, is in charge of the German caroling, while Olga Wester, president of the French Club, is organizing its members for their part in the caroling.

Service League will follow its regular practice of taking charge of the dressing of the Christadora dolls. Those girls who signed up for this at the amalgamation meeting earlier in the year, will be given the dolls to dress. There will be a doll show here on campus, and subsequently the dolls will be sent to New York for the settlement children of the Christadora settlement. Dorothy Boomer is in charge.

In addition to these activities, the individual houses and dormitories will follow their custom of having Christmas parties the night before vacation.

(NSFA)—Fifteen Barnard students, last year, spent between twenty and twenty-four hours a week in commuting to and from college according to the figure compiled by the occupation bureau.—*Barnard Bulletin*.

(NSFA)—In a survey at Hunter College, it was found that of the 650 freshman co-eds, only one intends to marry after graduation. The others are planning to work.—*Swarthmore Phoenix*.

(NSFA)—Statistics prove that married students at Wyoming University get better marks than those unmarried.—*Swarthmore Phoenix*.

(NSFA)—Temperance courses will be offered by all grade schools in Kansas this fall.

The Navy football team wears cleatless canvas shoes when playing on a frozen field.

C. C. TAKES PART IN BIRTH CONTROL MEETING

On Thursday, November 23, Dr. Scoville, Miss Pukas, and Miriam Young attended the conference of the Connecticut Birth Control League in Greenwich. This meeting was held primarily to formulate a measure to present to the Connecticut Legislature in regard to birth control. In May, 1933, the bill permitting physicians legally to give advice where further child bearing may be disastrous to the mother, passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 169-80 and failed in the Senate by a vote of 2. At the session of the legislature in two years, it is hoped that the bill will be passed.

The Connecticut League of Women Voters had just completed their annual meeting and had voted to study the subject of birth control. A number of their ports of the Birth Control members stayed to hear the reports of the Birth Control League. Since it is illegal to give any contraceptive information in Connecticut, the clinic which functions for Connecticut is held in Port Chester, New York. Dr. Cheri Appel, the director, spoke delightfully of her work and the great need for such a clinic. The clinic was established only a year ago and since that time 582 women have been helped.

Rabbi Abraham Feldman of Hartford spoke briefly on the moral issue of birth control or regulation as he preferred to call it, in a positive and forceful manner, while Reverend Robbins Barstow, also of Hartford, spoke of the social and economic changes in relation to birth control. Both men emphasized the need for it especially as it applied to our country in these difficult times.

This problem of birth control is a timely one, especially as it affects college women today, because it is we who shall be moulding the opinion of tomorrow. The subject is applicable for our own personal welfare as well as for that of the great class of women who, because of ignorance and poverty, have suffered unnecessarily.

Those interested in the birth control movement or in joining the League of Women Voters or the Birth Control League are asked to communicate with Dr. Scoville.

A Denison University regulation reads: "The student may be reinstated only if absence is caused by long continued illness or death."

Railroad officials will deliver tickets for Christmas Vacation on December 12 from 12 until 4

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Complete line of paints
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FREE SPEECH
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progressive educational ideas, and courageous enough to put them into practice. I challenge it to examine thoroughly our system of marks, to witness to how great an extent marks create undesirable attitudes, and to abolish them in favor of some saner system.

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Dear Editor:

We have always held the optimistic illusion that Connecticut College had at least the form of student government. We realized dimly that when the faculty wanted a thing they usually got it. But up to this time they have always been subtle enough to at least make a show of consulting Student Government.

But now our beautiful illusion has been well shattered. The catalogue and the "C" can boast about the powers held by the students of Connecticut, but we, the inmates, have learned better. The new vacation ruling is the means by which we were taught. The faculty got together, had a meeting and, as a result, we are informed in chapel that there is a new rule, which the faculty fondly believes that the majority of students will agree with. If they, by any chance can hear the commotion around the campus, they might begin to wonder, but that is aside from the point. The main thing is that they forgot to ask us at the beginning.

If the faculty desire to turn into proctors and monitors let them take over Student Government entirely. Until they are ready to do this, and while there is still the skeleton of Student Government, they should at least help to preserve the form.

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ABORETUM WINS PRIZE

The Connecticut College aboretum has recently won the second prize in a Highway Beautification contest recently held by the *Hartford Times*, an award of twenty dollars' worth of shrubs. This prize was based on the planting of laurel plants on the hillside sloping from the Norwich Road, and the clearing of unsightly underbrush in that section.

The effects of the Century of Progress have already reached the far north, for the Phi Delta Theta chapter at the University of North Dakota has painted its bathroom in an orchid and green color scheme.

Gertrude Cooley '34 announces her engagement to Ensign Robert Ghaffrey U. S. Coast Guard Academy '33 of Stonington, Connecticut

CASTALDI'S
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Meet your friends for a cigarette or trolley-wait in the new reception room

DR. LAWRENCE SAYS

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The prescription of ridicule as the needle for pricking these bubbles of nationalistic egotism at home and abroad may seem unnecessarily provocative. The wounds inflicted by ridicule are often extremely painful, and they commonly arouse the injured persons to bitter retaliation. As compared with persuasion, therefore, ridicule might be considered more apt to achieve controversy than conversion. This would doubtless be true if the ridicule were directed at persons rather than at ideas. The technique here proposed, however, is that of ridiculing ideas only, and then persuasively aiding persons to abandon them. The aim of this endeavor is supremely patriotic—it would ennoble patriotism by purging it of half-truths and untruths, so that our loyalties might be rational and healthful rather than absurd and poisonous. In ridiculing the false, it would exalt the true by contrast. All those "100% Americans" who were willing and able to be enlightened should have every facility afforded them to that highly desirable end. Only when proponents of the old inflations flatly refused persuasion should the devastations of ridicule be aimed squarely at them.

One incomparable advantage of ridicule as a means of mass enlightenment is that it may furnish incidental amusement, and thus capture the attention of the sluggish and indifferent. Almost everybody likes to laugh at something, and the deflationary process ranks high among laugh-inducing procedures. If, by way of introduction, it were applied first, in this business of deflating nationalisms, to foreign countries, as well it might be, the provincialized American patriot would better realize the essential impartiality of its criticisms and the humorous absurdity of much that passes today for true patriotism, both abroad and at home.

Thus the urgently needed gospel of nationalistic deflation might gradually be preached to our citizens, and in like manner to the citizens of other countries, by the use of every available medium of communication—newspaper, magazine, radio, movie—all eager to present whatever is made interesting to their readers and hearers. Concurrently these efforts would effect salutary changes in schoolbooks and schoolteaching, making it safe at last for intelligent teachers to laugh with their pupils at the humorous absurdities of pride and prejudice which so long have poisoned the patriotism of the world's schoolchildren.

It would be naïve indeed to suppose that this work of deflating nationalism is not dangerous to the deflators. In Germany,

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It might check up on these and those.

(3) A greater toleration of actual student opinion would not come amiss. Ah, but you don't understand! I know that we are urged to think and voice our own opinions, but how much of it is really ours and how much what we are being carefully taught to think? Catch-on? I'm merely curious. If you find the answer let me know.

I can think of some more, but I promised to be good and here it is almost Christmas . . . and I haven't started. I'll see you at carol singing in the quad, no doubt. There's something about a lighted candle y'know.

And now that it's legal—a spirited New Year to you.

THE SAGE.

(NSFA)—It is estimated that the students at Washington and Lee University spend almost as much of their money on entertainment as they do on schooling.—*Swarthmore Phoenix*.

When the University of Alabama football team went to New York for a game they carried stockings as added equipment, for they heard it was to be cold up north.

Students at the University of Wisconsin are patiently awaiting sufficient snow and cold weather to enable them to experience thrills on their newly completed toboggan slide which guarantees 60 miles an hour down an almost perpendicular cliff.

Italy, or Japan, at the present moment, such efforts invite imprisonment or worse. In certain other countries the risks are less, but nowhere are they negligible. In the United States, apprehensive patriots and oratorical politicians will employ powerful pressures to hinder the destruction of the traditional views. The service of deflation should be undertaken only by those who are convinced of its urgent importance, and who are prepared for conflict.

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HERBERT AMES DISCUSSES DEVELOPMENTS OF FRANCO-GERMAN RELATIONSHIP

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both Lloyd George and Wilson agreed to support France if it was attacked. Neither Great Britain nor the United States accepted these treaties, but France maintained a large army and her treaties with Poland, and then the invasion of the Ruhr hoped to get a commercial hold on Germany. The latter was unsuccessful, thus France had to turn to Geneva. 1924 brought the first meeting of real importance when Great Britain with a Labor Government, and France with a Left Wing Government under Herriot, both stood for arbitration. A committee was appointed which decided that the covenant enforcing arbitration should be amended and that a program for the reduction of arms should be instituted. Meanwhile Ramsay MacDonald lost his leadership and Great Britain didn't agree to this Protocol. Instead, regional agreements consisting of seven treaties were made. These Locarno Treaties of 1925 provided for arbitration, no arms in the thirty-mile stretch on the eastern border of Germany, and a mutual agreement between France, Germany and Great Britain. If either France or Germany attacked the other, the remaining two countries would side against the aggressor. Other treaties between smaller countries and Germany or France were made, but the Western countries were not so tied up as the Eastern.

Today one hears much about the atrocities of Versailles, and Hitler claims that it was a forced measure, but Germany found her reason for joining the League in the Locarno pact, which provided that Germany could join as soon as the ratifications were made and entered at Geneva. She was finally admitted at the regular meeting in 1926 after an unsuccessful attempt at a special session when Brazil objected. At her initiation both Stresemann and Briand stressed the necessity for economic cooperation if true peace were to be achieved. Briand's speech was so beautifully done as to leave his audience speechless. After this Germany entered on the era of fulfillment. The military commission withdrew from the Ruhr, the Big Three met at Locarno and decided on the Young plan in favor of the Dawes plan, and a

joint commission was started to further economic cooperation and to investigate the commercial ties between the countries. Probably this work would have been carried further if Stresemann and Briand had not died soon after and Chamberlain had not been omitted from the National Government. Their successors were not so able. Also the depression followed soon after. Germany suffering badly, blamed the trouble on the others, the Treaty of Versailles, and on her neighbors. It was then that the new movement sprang up in Germany with Hitler at its head. More forceful action was demanded by the people and after six elections, Hitler was elected and became the most powerful dictator the world has ever known. It was evident that he would break with the League, the only question being in his grounds which he finally found in that the other countries had not reduced their armaments. It must be remembered that Germany can return to the League for she has merely given two years notice which can be withdrawn.

There is little danger that Germany will declare war on France who has the most perfect system of underground intrenchments ever known and is being followed by Belgium, especially as Germany is comparatively unarmed and has not been allowed to arm that thirty-mile stretch mentioned before. All the odds would be in favor of France who is afraid of declaring war because of Great Britain and Italy.

At present the Germans, because of their orders from Berlin, are isolated outcasts at all conferences and are entirely excluded from all disarmament conferences by their own actions. In order to gain accord again, we must meet her in physical disarmament, but she must meet us in moral disarmament. We must also learn that discussion is far more effective than threats.

EDITORIAL BLUES

Getting out this paper is no picnic.
If we print jokes, people say we are silly;
If we don't, they say we are too serious.
If we clip things from other papers,
We are too lazy to write them ourselves;
If we don't, we are stuck on our own stuff.
If we stick close to the job all day,
We ought to be hunting up news.
If we do get out and try to hustle,
We ought to be on the job in the office.
If we don't print contributions,
We don't appreciate true genius;
If we do print them, the paper is filled with junk.
If we make a change in the other fellow's writeup,
We are too critical;
If we don't we are asleep.
Now, likely as not, some guy will say
We swiped this from some other paper.
We did.

—The Flor-Ala.

More than 100 college and university presidents have accepted invitations to participate in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of Temple University, on February 11.

Professor J. M. McNiff of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, owns private letters written by a student who attended that institution in 1837-40 which are a revelation as to the university conditions prevailing during that period.

Included in Miami University's student body are 129 students from 68 colleges and universities in the United States.

N. E. MODEL LEAGUE PLANS EIGHTH MEETING

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Following the general pattern of the League of Nations at Geneva, five committees will be organized to discuss: legal and constitutional questions, technical organizations, general humanitarian questions, political subjects, and the German refugee question. The constitutional commission will concern itself with some phase of the general reorganization of the League, while the economic reconstruction of Europe and intellectual cooperation will be the questions before the committee on technical organizations. The third commission has chosen the opium problem as the subject it will discuss. No definite topic of discussion for the political committee has been as yet definitely decided upon.

Emily Lewis, of Smith College, president, heads the Executive Committee of the Model League of Nations this year. The other members of the committee are: Robert Davidson, Amherst College, vice president; Malcolm S. Knowles, Harvard University, secretary general; Nina Tucker, Wellesley College, treasurer; Jesse McKnight, Clark University, legal adviser; James A. Wolff, Harvard University, publicity director; and Margaret Pickering, Radcliffe College and Victor Kramer, Harvard University, co-chairmen of local arrangements.

The agenda for the meeting next March follows closely that which has been carried out in past years. On Thursday evening, March 8, the League session will officially commence with a meeting of the Assembly, while the following day will be given over entirely to meetings of the various committees. Meetings of the Council and the Assembly will take place on the morning of the final day, and in the afternoon, the Assembly will meet, at which time the decisions of the various committees will be either accepted or defeated. The dance which in the past has followed the completion of the League's business, will be held this year on Friday evening.

Education is reaching a crisis in Missouri, where every school in the state is eliminating the kindergarten, physical education, music, art, and vocational training courses.

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COLLEGE ATTENDS FORMAL OPENING OF WINDHAM

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New York was appointed chairman, and Miss Danielson was elected secretary-treasurer. The work was well organized, with a committee in every town in the county. The members worked hard, and were successful in raising the desired amount, but the war and other serious occurrences had interfered with their efforts, so that the money would not now cover building costs. The association, nothing daunted, kept on with their work, and last year the possibility of building the house was assured.

The total sum raised represents hundreds of gifts, small and large, the proceeds of teas, suppers, garden parties, card parties, dances, etc. The work carried on in each town in the county was the means of making valuable friends for the college as well as effective in obtaining gifts for Windham House. Notable among them are Charles Clark Knowlton of Ashford, who gave Knowlton House, and David Hall Fanning, donor of Fanning Hall.

The college is indeed fortunate to have such loyal and willing friends, and will be ever grateful to them.

FRESHMEN TAKE OVER LOST AND FOUND DEPT.

In order to raise funds for their class treasury, the Freshman class have selected Jeanette Shingle and a group of volunteers to take charge of the Lost and Found Bureau in Branford Basement.

The Lost and Found will be open week days except Saturday and chapel hour on Tuesday. There will be a tax of five cents for each article returned. At the beginning of each week, lists of found articles will be posted.

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In British History Class: "This matter of succession is rather delicate. Come now, let's get our heads. How would you like to have been a queen?"

"I hope I like *fried* bananas. This coffee is awfully hot."

After the meat exhibition of Home Ec. last week. "Gosh, meats are interesting. Didn't he have the bluest eyes?"

A Windham Senior invited a High School lad to a dance here.

A few days later she received a little note from his mother, saying that her son's grades were low and would she be so kind as to recall the invitation!

Because several girls complained of her clanking "mules" waking them up, a Windham Senior bought fleece lined, size 5C slippers. Three of the complainers overslept the next morning.

College Girls' Soliloquy: "To eat, or not to eat! That is the question. Whether it is better

in the end to suffer the pains and aches of raging hunger, or, to eat. To eat—perchance—to gain! Ah! there's the grub."

In "the Home" Class: "What is your opinion of walls in the background—er—Miss Wall?"

Could you just picture two Seniors helping to push a car half-way from Lighthouse Inn to town? The reason? Oh a minor detail! They ran out of gas.

We've heard quite a bit about this Scavenger Hunt—the off campus houses seem to be better supplied than we had supposed grown-up collitch girls had to be. And as for the C. G. A., there was a shower of excitement there!

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Maybe you'll believe it but we aren't committing ourselves—a Blackstone Junior was running with the wind the other day when the wind suddenly stopped and she fell flat, ruining not only her knee but her reputation. Well, that's her story and she's stuck with it.

An outsider asked if the reason only Seniors could walk on curbstones was because they have a higher sense of balance. Sometimes we wonder—they seem to be curbing their style lately, or

maybe, too great was the falling off 'cause we haven't seen many assuming the elevation.

What would your conclusions be if you saw two Seniors just about to put out their cigarettes while on the train when they suddenly realized they weren't on the smoker. 'Twas the night vacation ended—'snuff sed.

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