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PRESIDENT MARSHALL DECLARES SOME NOT SUITED FOR ANY COLLEGE.

All of the seats of the gymnasium were filled and many students were obliged to stand at the first College Forum held this year. There were four subjects up for discussion, subjects which had previously been submitted by the students, as most interesting and fruitful for discussion topics. The problems suggested were:

1. The Eighteenth Amendment.
2. The Amendment of Eighteenth.
3. Dressing for Dinner.

Every year all students of the college go twice to the gymnasium for a physical examination. There they undergo various tortures, stretching to attain impossible heights, and breathing their last breath in rebarb. endeavor. For four years the members of 1924 have made this pilgrimage and for four years they have left envious records.

In 1920 there were three members of the class with a height of 4 feet 11 inches, and three, 5 feet 8 inches tall. The average height was 5 feet 7 inches. The feather weight of the class weighed 96 pounds, the heaviest, 165, and the average was 121. Being, thus, robust, they had an average lung capacity of 2 feet 6 inches, which was the lowest, 3 feet, and 2 feet 5—which is extraordinarily high—as the maximum.

In the statistics of the class of 1925 this fall, the height ranged from 4 feet 10 inches to 6, feet 10. inches tall. The average of 5 feet 4 inches. In weight the range was more remarkable, running from 81 pounds minimum, to 183 pounds maximum, with an average of 143 pounds. The average lung capacity was 17.6 feet, the range being from 129 to 231. This shows the Seniors in 1920 to have had an average height an inch below the present Fresmen, the same weight, and a lung capacity superior by ten feet, and 2.2 points less.

The Seniors have not changed greatly in their four years of hilltop and seascape life, for they seem to have maintained approximately the same rate of growth with averages of 5.3 inches as compared with 5 feet 2.1 inches. Their average lung capacity is now 181.6 with a deviation from both the lowest and the highest—In 1920 it was 166.244. They have gained some weight, but the Seniors at 110 pounds is the present average. Their average height 5 feet 9 inches and 175 pounds.

This shows the change to be principally one of weight—as the averages remain fairly static.

Evidently not as much as has been pointed out of the Seniors by their curricula as they have thought. It also illustrates the normality of college life, and the value of the physical examinations.

MISS BLACK TO CONDUCT EUROPEAN TOUR.

Miss Caroline A. Black, chairman of the Department of Religion, has been invited by the Northern Ireland Women's Missionary Society of Philadelphia to act as a delegate at a fifty-night day tour of Europe next summer. The countries to be visited are England, Belgium, France, Switzerland, and Italy. About two weeks will be spent in England, looking London and taking motor trips through the Thames Valley and the Shakespeare Country, including Windsor, Eton, Stoke Pogges, Hampton Court, Burnley, Warwick, Newmarket, Stratford-on-Avon, and Oxford.

Liberal and Fundamental Views of Christianity Presented.

Rev. Margaret B. Crook, of England and Smith College, spoke at the Convocation of January 22nd, on "The slender crossroad without an error in liberal Christianity." Miss Crook declared that she was not in sympathy with the spirit of attack and ridicule toward the Fundamentalists. She showed how Liberalism has grown up, and what it has to do, and to formulate the changes which can be made by the Fundamentalists.

The Church is friendly toward Science. It sees no need of choosing between "Knowing the Rock of Ages or the ages of rock," and within the Bible itself a constructive, growing vision religion and creation—with the accounts of creation as recorded in the early chapters of Genesis—and on this Biblical prece- dence asks the privilege of adding a third vision to the great fields of the natural sciences.

The present state of the Liberalism is largely deduced from scientific conclusions and recently discovered manuscripts and relics shedding light upon the civilizations contemporary with those described in the Bible.

Five fundamental points have been formulated and the declaration made that Christianity stands or falls with these. They are a belief in (1) a literal interpretation of the Bible, (2) the virgin birth of Christ, (3) substitutional atonement, (4) resurrection of the flesh, (5) miracles. These, however, are not altogether supported even within the creeds and books of denominations that have formulated them. There is also considerable variation of opinion on certain of these points.

The real challenge of Liberals comes in three ways: their recognition of the church, in education and by religion, their criticism of certain of their declarations, (2) the way in which schools have been assailed because of their use of text-books expressing the evolutionary view of the world, and the whole Liberal body is charged with having reduced religion to community church morality—a system of ethics without the might, joy and abandon of real religion.

The Liberals can only reply that they believe in the crucifixion of reason able Being and that He gave man reason along with the expectation of his using it, that they find a more meaningful view of God in seeing Him as the Creator and Director of the great, processes indicated by science, that they still believe in a personal God with whom man communics through the spirit, and that by knowing Him through personal experience we can understand immortality and eternity.

"RADIO GROUP" FORMED.

About thirty students interested in the new radio matters met with Professor H. K. Dagg,
WORDS, WORDS WORDS!
The greatest weakness of the students in Connecticut College seems to be their inability to express thoughts simply and coherently upon paper. It is somewhat of a shock to discover that from freshmen to seniors, the average student who otherwise gives credit to his ordinary intelligence cannot write decently the simplest account of the most usual event. We are not seeking genius or superlative literary ability—that, we believe, will flourish or at least survive under the most adverse circumstances—but we earnestly desire simple, unadorned lucidity. It is, the poor professors! Our sympathy for them is great, and our respect for their distinctive talents is increased at exam time when we think of the number of books which must be unintelligible.

If craftsmanship followed by clearness of expression, then we are a group of careless thinkers, and one thing is suggested for literary and journalistic prizes are awarded to the most certain- ly one of the best aids to writing, and if the suggestion of "classic" produces any result at all, it is somewhat of a shock to discovers the obligation to remind others of the omission. Let every one of you take the trouble to report herselt a student also responsible, a pledge sent out freshman year before college opens in the fall, stating the purpose and the intent of the honor system, has been found to work most admirably. These signed slips are useful in cases of infringement of the honor system and also as a concrete evidence in black and white that your student body is acquainted with the honor system and unable to plead ignorance under any circumstances.

But such an honor system is idealistic in the present development of most of our organizations and needs a prep before it can even be in the least efficient. Such a prep is the suggestion that as well as accepting the obligation to report breaches of the proper authority such infringements of regulations as have come

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Wellesley Discusses Honor System.

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College to Have First Big Reunion.

Interesting Program Planned.

Probably the biggest day in the entire college year will be the Alumnae Day. This is to be a really big day for all the students of Connecticut College, past and present. Here-tofore no such gatherings have been held except classes reunions during Homecoming Week, so this will be the first opportunity for a complete reunion.

Marenda Prentiss, '18, President of the Alumnae Association, has sent a tentative outline of the program. In the afternoon there will be an "Alumnae versus Varsity" basketball game, followed later a tea for the Alumnae and the present heads of College organizations, at which time the Alumnae hopes to hear the details of the current operation of Student Government, and so have a basis for helpful criticism. In the evening there will be the big get-together when the pioneer classes will regulate with a desire of the college. There will be entertainments—it is even rumored that parts of old comedies are to be rec

Speaking a reunion should be an excellent opportunity for us to learn what the aims and hopes of the first class were for the College, and also to help us to see in ways we have have fallen short of or attained these ideas.

the whole, highly commendable and I should like to see it at least given trial at Wellesley.

I do think that the most important part of that of training public sentiment in regard to the honor system, should not be taken up by the colleges but by the secondary schools. Girls enter college, trained in high school subjects and the elements of those lines to be followed in college. Is it not possible to ask that they will be trained in things of honor as well, so that a system in the colleges based upon personal honor would be no entirely new, but a continuation and enlargement of the government with which they were already acquainted?"

Notes from Here and There.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver E. Stenson announce the engagement of their daughter, Mabel, to Henry A. Whitcomb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alanson J. Whitcomb, of New London. Miss Stenson was a member of the class of 1921 of Smith College (formerly of Connecticut) and Mr. Whitcomb was graduated from Rhode Island State College in 1928. During the war, he served in the United States Army and is now employed in the civilian branch of the war department of the United States Engineers.

Leah Picks '20, recently sent the following items of interest:

"I just received word from Lucy Marsh which may be of interest to you. She and her husband are in Vienna, where her husband (Dr. Haskell) is carrying on research work. In March they expect to travel and visit Italy, Switzerland, France and England. They will return to America in May for her fifth reunion.

Barlow Hopkins is now living in Coloni, Canal Zone, where her husband is stationed in the British diplomatic service.

Grace Cockings at a recent rummage sale realized one hundred seventeen dollars ($117) for the Endowment Fund.

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FACULTY ENJOY MASQUERADE.

With the blare of drums and the shrilling of violins, began the "Faculty Masquerade Party" held in the gymnasium on Saturday night, January 18th. It was a motley crew that followed the grand march, especially Mmes. Warner and Miss Ragdale, Misses Ella Island Immigrants. Black-faced waiters and sailors hobnobbed with brigands, pirates and gypsies. Stately colonial dames rubbed shoulders with Greenwich Village art students and the age-old backward-walking-colonists.

The Great and Little Bears were whirled around in the same metting pot with Puritans, mutes, peevish peasants, a Dutch couple (whose costumes were a marvel of ingenuity), an Austrian, a Japanese lady, a Chinaman and many others of nationality equally diversed. None of the machines were easily recognized; but many surprises attended the unmaking, especially those blondes who were brunettes, and those mild mannered men, Dr. Morris and Dr. Gallup, who were held backsmearers. There was music for dancing for those who wished to dance, while, for those with a bent for card playing or an aspiration to Mah-Jongg, tables were provided on the platform. The palms for costumes were awarded to Misses Gill and Post and Mr. Bower; the awards for dancing in the elimination dances (eliminated by Mr. Bauer) went to the graceful Jack Johnson, Misses Selden, and Misses Magoon and Selden. The men who controlled the colleges after all, the majority for the common good. A suggestion of hypocrisy, such as exists now, the opposition argued that our trust fund is next to postoffice.

The group is distinct, purpose of studying radio construction and operation. The college is distinct from a club in that there is no constitution, and it differs also from a lecture or laboratory school in that no credit will be given for work accomplished. A vote was taken to decide whether the greater number desired a lecture course or whether they wished to take advantages of opportunities actually to construct a radio and operate it for themselves. Another meeting is to be held in the near future, at which details of the "group" proceedings will be known.

ALUMNAE:

Was It Worth It?

Two unidentified letters (one in a blue envelope, according to the carrier) addressed to Julian Warner, disappeared from the mail box on Thursday morning, January 12th. Since one (or possibly both) may have been of importance to the Alumnae, it have been a contribution for the 1924 Annual, notice is hereby given in order to truce, and, if possible, to reclaim the contents.

Whether all letters addressed to me will be left in a lock box in the post office, to insure against further loss. However, mail may be addressed as usual to the Washington Apartment, Paterson, N. J. No further contribute have reached us for the Opalus poem and bit of prose, both from the further assurance of a contribution from one of the 1924 graduates and experienced members, and we have received other letters containing helpful suggestions, evidently keen interest in the progress of our undertaking.

What have you done for the country? How many ads have you sent in? How many classmates have you solicited for contributions?

How many verses, statues, letters, songs, cartoons, clever ideas, have you been collecting for us?

We want a contribution of some kind from every Alumna (in addition to her order for a copy of the Annuals' Engagement Announcement.

Mrs. Charles W. Hendrie, has, also, announced the engagement of her daughter, Marion Frances (C. C. 26) to Frank C. Milligan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Milligan of Philadelphia.

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