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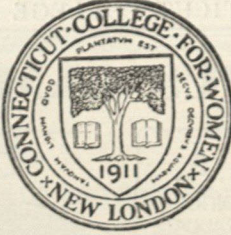
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# CONNECTICUT COLLEGE NEWS



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## Two Prizes to be Awarded This Spring; Regulations for Contests Given

### Frederick T. Cooper Prize for Essay Due Before April 25

Regulations concerning the Frederick Tabor Cooper Prizes for the best papers on the subject, "What Connecticut College has Done for Me," are announced at this time. Entries should be submitted in person to Miss Gertrude Noyes, and will be acceptable from now to April 25.

Essays, which must contain not fewer than 500 or more than 1500 words, should give evidence of a mature and sincere consideration of the subject in the light of the writer's own experience. Competent writing will be expected, and sentimentality and generalizations will be discounted. Essays should be typed with double spacing on regulation sized typing paper and should not bear the writer's name.

Members of the three upper classes are eligible for the competition. The fund of \$50 will be divided into two or three parts according to the number and merit of the entries.

A copy of these regulations will be posted on the general bulletin board. Further questions concerning the contest may be referred to any of the committee members: Miss Noyes, Dean Nye, Dean Burdick, Katherine Walbridge, and Frances Walker.

### Member of Faculty Announces Recent Marriage

Time marches on. When most of us were thinking of newly assigned source themes and exam marks, Miss Frances Keene was responsible for adding a great deal of excitement to the campus by the announcement of her marriage.

Miss Keene was married to Mr. Sam Ratensky in New York City on Friday, February 18. Mr. Ratensky is a young architect in New York. In the past, he has worked with the Federal Housing Commission and has also done work in Chicago with the well-known architect, Frank Lloyd Wright. At the present, he is working in New York with Mr. Clarence Stein. Miss Keene was graduated from Smith College in 1934 and received her masters degree at Columbia. After studying at the University of Perugia in Italy, she came to Connecticut College, where she has been since September 1936.

Next year, Mr. and Mrs. Ratensky expect to live in Washington where Mr. Ratensky will work on Federal Housing. Miss Keene (as we can't help calling her) will do work on her Doctorate which she intends to receive by June, 1939, from Columbia University.

Although the college will regret losing a valuable member of the language department in June, all wish "Miss Keene" a great deal of happiness in the future.

### Senior Libraries Will Be Judged During Month of May

Every May Charles E. Rush, a trustee of the college, offers \$50.00 to the Senior possessing the best personal library acquired during her four years of college. The competing students must adhere to the following conditions:

1. The books constituting a library in competition shall be the property of the student entering them, acquired by her during the years of her college course. Books of a distinctly text-book character are excluded.

2. They shall show evidence of having been used, and shall bear a suitable bookplate or other ownership inscription.

3. They shall be well edited and printed, however modest in cost, and the collection should show discriminating judgment, personal taste, and care, both in following out special interests and in forming the nucleus of a larger library for future years. Neither the total number of books nor their money value shall be a determining factor.

4. The decision shall be made by two judges who shall examine the libraries and interview their owners.

5. Following the first eliminations, the President and the judges may arrange for a public exhibition of those entries selected for final decision.

6. Any Senior wishing to enter her library shall notify the office of the Dean of the Faculty by May 1 that it is ready for the inspection of the judges.

### C. C. Invited to Join Wesleyan Parley

Dean Nye has just received a letter from David N. Kendall of the Wesleyan Parley Committee extending a cordial invitation to professors and students of Connecticut College to come to Wesleyan for the Annual Parley of the College Body of Wesleyan University which is to be held on the 10th and 11th of March. The topic chosen for this year's discussion is "Higher Education in a Democracy". Accommodations and meals will be arranged at no expense to the representative from this college.

The foreword of the Parley Committee which is composed of Oliver E. Stone, chairman, Clifton E. Davenport, ex officio, W. G. Fash, D. N. Kendall, F. W. Putnam, R. H. Throop, and J. P. Trinkaus, is as follows:

"For generations the freedom and equality of educational opportunity in the United States of America has been traditional. To the degree that this dream is fulfilled, the character of our democracy will approach perfection. But more important, the very preservation of democracy depends upon maintaining an enlightened public opinion. More and more, evidence is demonstrating that

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### Announcement For Play

A *Bill of Divorcement* is scheduled to be played on March 24th, 25th, and 26th. The presentation on March 24th will be a dress rehearsal which will be open to faculty members only. The students' performances will be given Friday and Saturday nights, the 25th and 26th as only 265 people can be accommodated in the "Center Theatre". May it be said with a great deal of enthusiasm, "What a treat you're in for!"

### Wesleyan Professor Will Speak Tues. At Convocation

Dr. Elmer E. Schattschneider, Professor of government at Wesleyan University, has chosen the very timely topic of "The State in War and Peace" as the subject of his Convocation address on March 8. Professor Schattschneider has been very active in Connecticut in all movements directed toward betterment of the state government, and has succeeded in arousing a lively interest in the students in Middletown in the same subject.

Those people who have had the good fortune to hear Dr. Schattschneider feel that he has a great deal to say of interest and importance to the thinking people of today.

### JUNIOR BANQUET

Mohican Hotel

Saturday, March 5

## Dean's List for First Semester Is Announced; Six Students Have "A" Averages

### Rev. R. P. Carter Returns for Retreat

#### Recalled When 17 Vesper Listeners Acclaim Speaker

The favorable impression left by Richard P. Carter, pastor of the First Church of Christ, Suffield, Conn., when he spoke here last November, has led to his recall to conduct the annual midwinter religious retreat, which this year will be held from March 6 to 8, inclusive. Mr. Carter was graduated from Dartmouth college, did two years of graduate work at the University of Chicago and Chicago Theological Seminary. For two years he was instructor in Dartmouth college in comparative religion. He received his B.D. degree from Hartford Theological Seminary.

Economic conditions prevented his going to the Near East as instructor in a collegiate institution there. Since 1932 he has been pastor of the Suffield church, his ministry being especially characterized by the success of his young people's work. During the past summer he was a leader at the student's summer religious conference and school held at Deering, New Hampshire, under the auspices of the Boston University school of religion.

He will preach at the regular Vesper service on Sunday at 7. This will be followed by informal discussion. He will speak at Chapel on Monday and Tuesday mornings, and will be available for private interviews on Monday and Tuesday morning and afternoon. On Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7 there will be informal group discussions. Please observe bulletin boards for further details of the retreat.

### Seniors Lead With 35 On List; Sophomores Second With 28

The Dean's List, published twice a year, includes the students for each semester who have made the highest standing, approximately twelve and one-half per cent each time of the entire group. Since Physical Education is required of all, and since in that subject the only differentiation of record is "passed" or "not passed", a student must have received the report "passed" in that subject to be eligible for consideration when the list is prepared.

#### SENIORS

The first names indicate first rank with a standing of 4.00, or an A average. The rest are in alphabetical order.

Doris L. Bacon, Hartford, Conn.  
Elizabeth M. Fielding, New London, Conn.

Winifred H. Nies, New York, N. Y.

Margaret A. Ball, Cleveland, O.  
Laura Brainard, New Haven, Conn.

Beryl A. Campbell, Montclair, N. J.

E. Louise Chappell, Manchester, N. H.

Mary E. Chase, Worcester, Mass.  
Ellen B. Curtis, Hartford, Conn.  
Helen R. Feldman, New York, N. Y.

Winifred W. Frank, Oak Park, Ill.

Esther A. Gabler, Schenectady, N. Y.

Elinor C. Guy, Longmeadow, Mass.

Marjorie P. Hanson, Kansas City, Mo.

Mary Caroline Jenks, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Miriam Kenigsberg, Middletown, Conn.

Agnes V. King, Harrisburg, Pa.

Shirley C. Kleiner, New York, N. Y.

Gladys E. Klippel, E. Norwalk, Conn.

Barbara G. Lawrence, New London, Conn.

Myrtle Levine, Melrose, Mass.

E. Agnes Lewis, Ventnor, N. J.

Adelaide Lubchansky, New London, Conn.

Alice M. Mansur, Swampscott, Mass.

Bessie H. Morehouse, Stratford, Conn.

May A. Nelson, Groton, Conn.

Anne Openheim, New Haven, Conn.

G. Carman Palmer, Maplewood, N. J.

Jeannette Rothensies, Wilmington, Del.

Selma R. Silverman, Norwich, Conn.

Margaret G. Sixx, Paterson, N. J.

D. Hazel Sundt, W. Willington, Conn.

Helen H. Swan, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Katherine Walbridge, Babylon, L. I., N. Y.

Frances M. Walker, Pittsburgh, Pa.

35 Seniors, 12 from Connecticut.

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### Elizabeth Fessenden, '39, Enjoys Studies, Skiing In France

Elizabeth ("Eaglet") Fessenden '39 writes of her life in Paris where she is studying at the Sorbonne for her junior year, that she is living an unusually interesting life with a French family who help her with her French and who took her skiing in the French Alps during Christmas vacation.

Her daily life, she says, consists of "running of a morning from here—6 Place de Renes—to the Sorbonne which is about a twenty minutes run, a good part of it through the Luxenberg gardens, and back again for lunch. I have three courses, six lectures a week, so I do that every morning except one. In the afternoon I stagger down to headquarters here for classes of various sorts.

"Our location is very fortunate," she continues, "as Pat (her roommate) and I say, we come out of the Metro (subway) practically right into our own bedrooms—very useful, that, in Paris—mad place to get about.

"On occasion how I wish I were back in what now seems a compara-

tively simple existence. Fancy going into a store without having to go into contortions to make them understand what you want to buy."

In December "Eaglet" wrote about her French, "I'm getting a little better about it now. I can always manage to follow a conversation except when somebody tries purposely to fool me and can even manage to get out a few words now and then. In fact, I scare myself to death finding whole sentences ready made in my mouth."

She is thoroughly enjoying going to concerts, exhibitions, museums, the opera, and seeing such plays as Corneille's *Horace*, Musset's *Caprices de Marianne*, and Moliere's *L'Avare* and *Les Reditules*.

While skiing during Christmas vacation she injured her knee. She wrote then, "I had quite a substantial fall—result: one bum knee, and you will die when you read this but here I am in the American hospital in Paris not able to move from bed." Now, however, "Eaglet" is out of the hospital and in the midst of her exams, which started the 19th of February.



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## The Library Around The Dial

At any hour of the day the library can be of service to us. During dormitory noisy hours, we can study there. When we feel like relaxation, we can always stop at the magazine racks. For all our outside reading, there are stacks of books and periodicals.

We often get so buried in our work that we fail to appreciate the advantages of the Palmer Room and the pleasures of the book-shelves. The thought of complete escape from work is the only welcome one. Actually we always feel some gratitude, as shown by the Freshmen who admit that they are getting something besides grades from their source themes.

We never fail to show the Palmer Library to all our visitors. It is time that we see it ourselves, as a great boon to the entire college.

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## The Habit of Not Gossiping

Bertrand Russell in his book, "The Conquest of Happiness" says: One of the most universal forms of irrationality is the attitude taken by practically everybody towards malicious gossip. Very few people can resist saying malicious things about their acquaintances, and even on occasion about their friends; yet when any people hear that anything has been said against themselves, they are filled with indignant amazement.

Malicious gossip is prevalent in any community where there are people competing for recognition, and this is doubly true in a college group of today. It is important for us to realize that we must guard against malicious gossip if we wish to have people recognize our special merits, and to avoid the feeling that conversation "behind our backs" follows the destructive rather than the constructive bend.

There is a very fine method that was designed for man, to solve the gossip issue. That method is by rational thinking. Many times misunderstandings that cause malicious gossip can be cleared up by "talking the problem over with the person who has given the opportunity for gossip. Nine times out of ten you will discover that there was no cause to bring about hard feelings. If it is impossible to discuss the matter, the next best thing is to dismiss the issue and avoid talking it over with others who are not in any way connected with it.

By forming the "Habit of Not Gossiping" about  
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## CAMPUS CAMERA



## Critic Reviews New Biography Of Seventeenth Century

by Mary-Elizabeth Baldwin '39

Lady Elizabeth Hatton, *The Lady of Bleeding Heart Yard*, was the rich and beautiful daughter of Queen Elizabeth's great lord treasurer. She was more than this, too, for she was as eccentric and willful a woman as that period of genius produced. She could have had anything she wanted, including Francis Bacon who proposed to her more than once, but her family forced her to take her equivalent of nothing, the Attorney-General.

She was a brilliant woman and had an answer to her family's idea of a good marriage. She married their candidate to be sure, but she married him at night without the customary bans, and in a high temper. Though she was a favorite of the court of Elizabeth and of the first two Stuarts, she died a supporter of the Cromwells. She was imprisoned twice, once for resisting the plans of the king for her daughter and once for resisting the plans of the fourth of four Bishops of Ely, with all of whom she quarreled during her life time.

Laura Norsworthy has taken the life of this glittering, impetuous figure as the subject for an extremely clever biography that proves to be a fine picture of the Elizabethan period. The work, while it is not as flowing and easy as it might be in its diction is at all times a skillful and lively tale. It is told in a peculiarly terse and direct manner that is not only fitting but amusing in its dry humor.

As everyone knows the Elizabethan period did not recognize anything but the spectacular, and only the most brilliant of persons have survived the extremely fine competition of the period. Lady Elizabeth was so glamorous a figure that she gave rise to the fascinating name of the yard, even though she was only outstanding, not immortal. The name is a result of a legend concerning her death which read that the devil carried her forcibly from a party at Hatton House one night. Here is another interesting and clever picture of that age, which I feel serves to convey and add to the glamour of the period, as well as the knowledge of it.

## CALENDAR . . .

FOR WEEK OF MARCH 2 to 9

<b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2</b>	
Basketball Practice	Gym, 7:00-8:30
<b>THURSDAY, MARCH 3</b>	
Badminton Tournament	Gym, 4:00-5:00
Music Club Meeting	Windham, 7:00
Mathematics Club Meeting	Math. Room, 7:15
<b>FRIDAY, MARCH 4</b>	
Basketball Game	Gym, 7:00-8:30
<b>SATURDAY, MARCH 5</b>	
Informal Basketball	Gym, 1:30-2:30
Junior Banquet	Mohican Hotel
<b>SUNDAY, MARCH 6</b>	
Vespers, Rev. Richard Carter of Suffield Conn.	Gym, 7:00
<b>MONDAY, MARCH 7</b>	
Basketball Practice	Gym, 7:00-8:30
<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 8</b>	
Badminton Tournament	Gym, 4:00
Education Club and New London School Teachers, Lecture, Dr. D. D. Dunelle,	206 Fanning, 4:00
Convocation, Elmer Schattschneider	Gym, 9:00
<b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9</b>	
Basketball	Gym, 7:00-8:30

# 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:

It seems pretty terrible to keep jumping on college manners, but when rudeness of the student body is extended to the faculty, that's worse than terrible. There are a few times that stand out as especially bad examples.

When the bell rings at the end of class, most professors are prompt about dismissing class, and though we are all in a hurry for lunch or mail, let's give the professor time to finish his sentence anyway.

At discussions after Vespers and Convocations, though these are primarily for students, surely a student shouldn't interrupt a faculty member's question, but listen and await her turn. Often the faculty put concisely a question we'd ramble about anyway. It should be remembered also that the faculty are not supposed to participate in mascot hunt and should not be inconvenienced by it.

Let's try to remember our natural good manners at all times, and faculty, as well as fellow students, will surely appreciate them.

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Dear Editor:

If it hasn't wilted during this long wait, we'd like to present an orchid to President Blunt for inviting members of the Sophomore class to a coffee last February 11.

President Blunt herself admitted that previously as a class, the Sophomores have been rather disregarded. Freshmen are in constant touch with their advisors. Juniors and Seniors spend a good deal of their time discussing their majors with faculty members. This is as it should be, and it is not wounded vanity that prompts us to plead that the Sophomores be given more opportunities to meet President Blunt and members of the faculty; it is the fact that by meeting members of the faculty and people of higher learning, we are all stimulated to get more out of college life.

The profitable conduct of any institution depends upon the close cooperation of all its workers. Although Free Speech is always open and faculty members seem always glad to welcome students, it is, we believe, unfortunate that not only Sophomores but the entire student body is not given even more opportunities to meet its leaders.

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## Quotable Quotes

By Associated Collegiate Press

"My conception of a liberal education is the development and expansion of native intelligence." Lawrence A. Downs, president of the Illinois Central Railroad, speaks at DePauw University's conference on "Business and the Liberal Arts College."

"In the last few decades college courses have been sub-divided . . . (until) the present day student, to learn about all the aspects of a given field, would have to spend at least one-fourth of his college time on that subject." Harl R. Douglass, professor of education at the University of Minnesota, offers a 5-point education plan to enable the college student to get a well-rounded education.

"What Shakespeare did for the English language in Elizabethan days, American slang is doing today. It is constantly enriching the language with new words and expressions." Professor G. S. Browne of the faculty of education at the University of Melbourne, says the Americans are doing most of the work in adding new words to the English tongue. The English themselves, he thinks, have done little.

## Editorial

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people we will find that your happiness is increased and that other people will have kinder things to say about YOU.



## Miss Parke Speaks On German Works To Drama Club

Miss Parke, as a guest of the Dramatics Club, gave a talk last Wednesday evening in Jane Addams on German drama. Miss Parke first spoke of the influence of history on the drama and pointed out that in the sixteenth century and today, the military attitude of the German people was very influential in the plays. However, in the 17th century, the Germans realized the beauty and greatness of French drama, and began to copy and interpret their plays. Many German plays of that time were direct translations of the French. It wasn't until nearly a century that Shakespeare's name was heard in Germany, and his influence succeeded in swaying the German conception of true dramatic art.

Miss Parke then turned to some of the outstanding German dramatists and enumerated characteristics. She gave an interesting account of theatres, saying that every small village had its own theatre, and the play was a very popular entertainment with the German people.

She also spoke particularly of the performances for the laborers. The plays are not simplified but are some of the most difficult ones to understand. She ended her interesting account with a hope that German drama would become more popular with the other countries.

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## Wesleyan Singers Show Variety and Skill in Concert

The Wesleyan Glee Club concert last Saturday night was well received because of its excellent singing and the pleasant, not-too-formal atmosphere which it created. "Frankie and Johnnie", a lively American folksong cleverly arranged by Clokey, was the most popular selection. Another folksong, Brahms' ever-appealing "Wiegenlied" was also well received.

The versatility of the group was shown by such selections as Beethoven's hymn, "The Heavens Proclaim Him," and "The Mulligan Muskateers" by Atkinson. The renditions of the Jibers Quartette and the Cardinals double quartette were outstandingly humorous, and the Wesleyan songs with which the Glee Club brought its program to a close upheld the high standards it had already established. "Secrets" and the beautiful "Alma Mater" in the concluding group were particularly well liked.

After the concert audience and Glee Club danced in Knowlton Salon to the music of the Wesleyan Serenaders. The Service League was responsible for the highly successful affair.

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## Music Club Jubilee Presents Burlesque

A burlesque of the music department will be presented as the annual jubilee program of the music club at a short meeting Thursday, March 3, at 7 o'clock in Windham living room.

The cast of characters will be as follows: Mme. Lesioni, Elsie Schwenk '38; Miss Burpee, Mary Elaine DeWolfe '39; Miss Ballard, Marie Schwenk '38, Hester, Helen Weeks '38, Herr Erbmann, Dorothy Leu '39.

Refreshments will be served following the entertainment.

## Belated Greetings For Aging Editor

The staff of the Connecticut College News, always economical, combined birthday and a farewell speech to the editor in the following way:

Happy Birthday's sort of late  
But the Muse just made us wait  
And the wish is just as true  
Long as it is meant for you.

So, good luck to little Dinny  
Who's proved herself our lucky penny,

And in all the empty spaces  
Clever forms of copy places.

She's the News' (es) guiding spirit  
(Yes, we knew you'd like to hear it)

But she's getting old and gray  
And must have her Al each day—

So we'll bid her fond adieu  
At the age of twenty-two  
And it's in our hearts to say  
Best of luck for every day!

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## Home Ec. Majors Give Radio Talks

On February 21 majors in the Home Economics Department, began a series of radio broadcasts from station WNLC intended primarily for the housewife. Three times a week, Monday at 1:45, Tuesday and Thursday at 11:45, they will bring to her attention facts concerning one kind of food—how to buy it, where to buy it, for its nutritive value, how to store it, and how to use it. They are trying to give her some new, useful, and practical hints on these points.

Dr. Chaney opened the series by giving a general talk on marketing. Beatrice Dodd followed the next day with specific facts about eggs, and then Barbara Griffin spoke on the preparation and use of fish.

Each girl in the class is responsible for a broadcast. It is up to her to choose her subject and to gather enough vital material for a 10 to 12 minute talk.

## Six Alumnae Visit Campus Recently; Busy in Work, Travel, Study

Evidently the Seniors of last year left far too many memories behind when June came and find that they are from time to time lured back to get a peek at things happening around the dear old campus. This generalization can be made on the number of last year's class who have found their way back to college the past few weeks or so.



BARBARA HAINES

For example, right now Bobbie Haines and Jinny Deuel, head of Honor Court before Mary Mory, are spending a few hours at Mary Harkness House. Bobbie is just getting in a little traveling and play for herself in between hours when she plays the piano for dancing classes and does work for the Junior League in Indianapolis. In less than an hour after her arrival, Bobbie had cornered Joan Roberts '38, and they were going to town in their

### ATTENTION

ALL STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN JOURNALISM ARE INVITED TO TRY OUT FOR POSITIONS ON THE NEWS STAFF. THERE WILL BE A MEETING THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 3, AT 6:45 IN THE COMMUTERS' ROOM.

## Symphony Cellist Is Well-Liked

By LOIS ALTSCHUL '41

An enthusiastic audience received Mr. Jean Bedetti, solo cellist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and excellent accompanist, Mr. Reginald Boardman on Thursday evening, as part of the college concert series in the gymnasium.

The low rich tones of the cello were well set off by the excellent choice of pieces, and the program was so arranged as to give constant variety. The slow, noble Bach *Arioso* was followed by Francoeur's *Allegro Vivace*, as fast and gay a selection as its name signifies.

Mr. Bedetti's technique was superior in his interpretation of Weber's beautiful *Adagio and Rondo*, and also remarkable was his skill in handling the difficult technicalities of *Variations on a Rococo Theme* by Tchaikowsky. The lovely *Libellule* by DeLune presented an interesting contrast between the steady droning quality of the cello and the rippling trills of the piano. The piano accompaniment was faintly reminiscent of Debussy. The ultra-modern *Burleska* by Langendoen, and Liadoff's *Danse Russe* brought in a rather mad startling contrast to both lighter and the more dignified numbers, and concluded a most well-rounded and well-presented program.

## Axioms Suggested For Amateur Actors

Play actors of the college are becoming a bit negligent in their attitudes toward play productions. It is, therefore, with a moral in mind that a part of an article in February's *Theatre Arts Monthly* is quoted here:

Axioms for Amateur Actors  
(All the more desirable with the new "Center Theatre")

1. If your part is small "build it up". This may be done by edging your way to the center and by putting in extraneous business, especially comic business: the latter is more effective during tense moments.
2. When you visit amateur "school" performances in which you are not cast, be noisily ecstatic in the foyer and when you go around after. This will make it clear that you are not jealous.
3. Always be late to rehearsals. This impresses on the rest of the cast that, even though your part be small, the play cannot proceed without you.

Knowlton Salon will be open every Saturday night until twelve o'clock for girls and their escorts. The victrola may be used for informal dancing, and card tables will be there for playing bridge.

## History of Center Theatre Given in View of Use Here

Although the "Center Theatre" is not an original idea here, it is one that has been received with a great deal of enthusiasm by the public where it has been tried. One of the originators of the idea was a famous man of the theatre, Norman Bel Geddes. Mr. Bel Geddes called his theatre the Intimate Theatre, or Theatre Number 14 for his 14th imagined theatres.

He has arranged it so that the audience is seated in a circle around all sides of the stage. The theatre is designed the same as European boxing rings or circuses, being circular with the stage in the center of the building. Steps up to the stage form the apron which separates the stage from the audience and also an approach for the actors. The scenery is composed of movable properties. The dressing rooms are on the ground floor under the auditorium.

Around the stage are seats which hold 800 people. There is no balcony and all the seats are the best. There are only six rows in the entire theatre. There are eight transverse aisles starting from the "promenade" around the outside to the stage. The scene is set on two movable stages which are raised and lowered from the ground floor. In this way one scene is being set while the other is being performed. The change takes place behind a curtain of light or by a moment's blackout. The lights are situated in the dome, the footlights are before the front row.

The Center Theatre here will be a simplification of this arrangement, but it promises to be a novel and interesting experiment. It may prove to be a valuable enterprise.



VIRGINIA DEUEL



KATHARINE GRISWOLD



LEONORE GILSON



EMMA MOORE



EDITH BURNHAM

ous summer session she spent at Middlebury. Finding Miss Keene Edie made calls around the dormitories, talking excitedly about her job as secretary to the head of the Romance Language department at Wesleyan.

And so, graduates find themselves scattered over a wide number of activities; but they come back every once in a while to keep their former underclass friends informed about the happenings in the real, enormous world outside of college.

well-known swing duet style. Jinny, however, could only stop a few hours between trains as she journeyed to Boston "on business". Jinny is selling life insurance for the John Hancock Company of Buffalo, New York, and incidentally has

found it very fine fun.

Last week there was a general return of old grads, too. Specifically, these took the forms of Lee Gilson, Kax Griswold, and Emmy Moore. Emmy works for a charity organization in Hartford while Kax





Pinky Rice's earmuffs were greeted by Lucy Barnes' remark, "What happened to the rest of the rabbit?"

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B. G. Griffin still wears an engagement ring, but you'll have to go to her to get the right story about it.

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Mim Rosnick and Doris Goldstein got to Midwinter finally at 11 o'clock—alone. Their dates were still dressing!

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We're glad to see Bobbie Wynne has joined the ranks once again, and is feeling as well as she looks. She still has her Yale law man, too, who won't take "No" for an answer.

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Emmy Allyn is still faithful—that was her cousin she was with at Midwinter.

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Kay Chatten finds herself busy these days making paths from town to college as she coaches a play for the B. P. W. in town.

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Connecticut College has a new crooner! Have you heard the lovely low and very bazooka-like voice of Jane Judd '39, moanin' in the mornin'?

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Upon seeing the statue of Chief Tecumseh at Annapolis in the picture "Navy Blue and Gold", one Freshman was overheard saying to another, "That must be Caesar".

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Who has been roasting marshmallows on curtain rods, nail files, and compasses? Campfire Girl meetings are held in Windham on Thursday evenings.

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Ginny Taber '39 was the lucky gal who received New London's last orchid before Midwinter Formal.

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The night watchman in the quad was thoroughly aroused the other night by two young gentlemen who were being thrown money from a dorm window in order to be able to locate an adequate resting place for the night. It seems that the gentlemen with whom they came from Wesleyan had motor trouble which called for an extension of their visit.

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Calling on the bride-to-be on Fish night we discovered she was out entertaining the Army boys from Fisher's Island. What about it Squirrelly?

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Eunice Carmichael '39 had a birthday party at which appeared a dozen and a half beautiful roses.

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Before the Midwinter somebody asked if the boys were wearing tails or pants. P. S. Will someone enlighten Betty Barton as to just what was worn?

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Mr. Seward was surprised but not pleased when his whole psychology class reacted to experiments on the new fire-gongs.

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Pinky King '39 had a jelly bean hunt for a birthday party. Pinky won the prize—a chocolate black-boy!

Franky O'Keefe '39 has three people hard at work knitting on a sweater to get it done by His birthday.

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The height of conscientiousness was seen recently in a visiting house-fellow at Mary Harkness; who when she got all ready to jump into bed, had on hand no nickel for an emergency telephone call which might come during the night. She dressed, went back to her own dorm, got the nickel, and came back to sleep soundly. No one can say these housefellows aren't cautious!

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Caroline Dick '41 was relieved to find out that her blind date last weekend belonged to the Eclectic Society, not the Epileptic Society, as she had at first feared.

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Remark heard from one male observer at the Wesleyan Serenaders' dance here last weekend: "Connecticut sure has the women. I'm convinced of that!"

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Among the more unusual things which happened last Friday night was a campaign sponsored and carried out by Beth McIlraith '38. She made the rounds of Mary Harkness House "Collecting for a Needy Cause", as she solicited pennies from her friends for her trip to New York. She came through with only twenty-nine cents, and so had to revert to selling part of her carton of cigarettes. The total amount never was disclosed, but Beth was decidedly missing when Saturday rolled around.

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We have to hand it to Betsey Hunicke for her novel ideas as to how to get hold of a few pennies each month. She has started a letter-collecting system, and goes to three or four dorms each night to pick up letters for the eight o'clock mail. It means a mere dime a month for the services, even for those who send out that regular letter each night. It certainly sounds good, Bets, and here's hoping it brings home the bacon for you.

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And you Juniors had better keep your eye on that Peg Bear and her cronies. They'll find that mascot if determinedness has anything to do with it.

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## Eight Will Go To Northfield

Connecticut will be represented at the Northfield Midwinter Conference by eight delegates. Clarinda Burr '39 will act as leader of the group. She was a member of the committee made up of a number of students from various colleges which planned the entire conference.

The other tentative list of delegates are the following: Sylvia Wright '40, Mary Hannah Slingerland '39, Jane Wiggins '40, Ruth Kellogg '39, Marilyn Maxted '40, Jean Sincere '40, and Sarah Barron '40.

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The Targe comes forth with this optimistic ditty:

Now I lay me down to rest,  
Before to-morrow's test,  
If I should die before I wake  
I'll have no test to take.

## Modern Trends In Science Reported

The nature of vitamins, or those accessory food factors which are so important in the diet of every person, is still being investigated by those persons who are primarily interested in the maintenance of health from the nutritional view point. In a question and answer demonstration at a meeting of the Science Club last Wednesday in the Commuter's Room, Sylvia Wright '40 and Cynthia Madden '39 reporting on an article in "Recent Advances in Nutritional Research" pointed out the sources of the vitamins and showed how important they are in everyday diets.

Cytologists and geneticists are at present focusing their attention on the activities of a new material—Colchicine—which, it has been found will change a cell in such a way as to allow two nuclei to come together in one cell, thus doubling the chromosome number of the cell. When Colchicine is applied to cells and this tetraploid condition exists, the organism increases very much in size and appears more vigorous. This tetraploid (or double chromosome number) condition is passed on to following generations once it has been established. Agnes Savage '39 reported this from a current issue of the "Journal of Heredity".

The demand for sponges, those organisms which are probably half plant and half animal, is increasing. Sponges grow in abundance in the warm waters of Florida. Although they are very beautiful and odd, they have no real commercial value, it was pointed out by Margaret Dunn '40.

The use of phosphorescent materials is increasing in the manufacture of chalk which may be used for writing at night because of the glowing of the phosphorous. This principle is also being used extensively in the illumination of signs for outdoor advertisement, Roberta Kenny '40 reported.

Betty Cherry '38, president of Science Club, announced that an outside speaker will be present at the April meeting.

## New Play Announced By Theatre Guild

"Fool's Hill" by Robert Wetzel, which won the \$500 award of the Bureau of New Plays' first play competition, will be on the Theatre Guild's schedule for next season. The play was read by the Theatre Guild's board of directors during the last few weeks and there was a unanimous vote for purchase at the last Guild meeting.

The play was released by the seven motion picture sponsors of the Bureau as a possible production in order that the Guild might do it.

"Fool's Hill" is a comedy dealing with life at a Middle Western university.

Robert Wetzel was born in Calumet, Michigan and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1928. Although he had originally intended to be an artist, he went on to take a master's degree in English. He taught in the English Department for three and one-half years, during which time he worked for his doctorate. During this time he became very interested in the theatre and played in stock.

The production of this play is a realization of the Bureau of New Plays' aims to help young writers, not only with awards, fellowships and scholarships, but with criticism and advice towards a professional goal.

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## BASKETBALL GAMES

Last night the Freshmen and Juniors played the first basketball game of this season. There are five more games to be played, and the larger the audience the more fun it is. Come to at least one or two of the games and cheer your class team along.

Friday, March 4, 7:30 p. m.—Senior vs. Sophomore, First Team; Junior vs. Freshman, Second Team.

Tuesday, March 8, 4 p. m.—Senior vs. Freshman, First Team; Junior vs. Sophomore, Second Team.

Friday, March 11, 7:30 p. m.—Junior vs. Sophomore, First Team; Senior vs. Freshman, Second Team.

Tuesday, March 15, 7:30 p. m.—Sophomore vs. Freshman, First Team; Senior vs. Junior, Second Team.

Friday, March 18, 7:30 p. m.—Senior vs. Junior, First Team; Sophomore vs. Freshman, Second Team.

## Senior Gets First Job

Ruth Earle is the first member of the Class of 1938 to be able to report that she will step into a real job next Fall. She has been accepted as instructor in physical education at the Brearley School in New York City, a private school including grades one to twelve. "Poofie" plans to live in an apartment in New York where she will be near her work. She is a major in the physical education department here at the college.

Now for the other 130 who wish they were in "Poofie's" certain shoes.

St. Thomas College of Scranton, Pennsylvania, report parking meters are to be installed at the college, and that the students must pay for the use of the space in front of the school.

The pleasing personality that influences people is born, not made, in the opinion of Dr. Howard W. Haggard, professor of applied psychology at Yale University. Personality and genius are inborn, he says.

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## Press Board Head's Diary Investigated

You hear her in choir, read her editorials in *News*, see her in Spanish and French club, and clip her write-ups of college events from the *Day*. But this isn't a guessing game, we are talking of Winifred Frank. Since she is a bit close when conversation veers to the subject of her personality, we are forced to resort to what might appear in her diary.

"Gave a short talk to the tryouts today before the regular Pressboard meeting." She is Editor-in-Chief of Pressboard which means not only a daily column for the *New London Day*, but also supervising the work of the other editors, helping the new reporters to learn a few of the intricacies of journalism, and reviewing convocation lectures and the like for the 'spindle.' A cheerful willingness to help others accompanies the responsible capability shown here.

"The snow makes me long to desert French for a try at manoeuvring on skis." Golf, tennis, and swimming are her favorite sports, although we have seen her demonstrate some remarkable falls that she acquired in modern dancing. As to the French, she is doing honors work in this, her major.

"Read some interesting poetry by Claudel." She is fond of books and poetry whether in French or English. Except for an appreciation of poetry we have decided that Erato overlooked her, having read a few of the merry jingles that accompany her Christmas gifts.

"Tea with a heated 'bull session'." While 'bull sessions' are not at all original on campus, it is out of the ordinary to find some one with so general a fund of information that she can talk intelligently on any topic that arises. In a relaxed moment over a cigarette and a cup of tea or coffee we discover a charming sense of humor in Winnie. She is a good raconteur of little stories that amuse and put everyone at his ease. The social Winnie is quite a contrast to the serious student Winnie.

Although this is hardly an all-inclusive glimpse of her personality, you get an idea of the diversity of tastes and interests and the truly fine mind that are a part of Winifred Frank. Perhaps the best way to describe her is to say that she participates in many fields up to the hilt in an intelligent and interesting manner.

## C. C. To Sponsor Telegraphic Swim

This year Connecticut College is the sponsor for the Eastern Region of the National Intercollegiate Telegraphic Swimming Meet. On Thursday, March 3, at 7 p. m. in the Coast Guard pool the first meet will be held simultaneously with the college interclass meet. Wednesday, March 9, at 7 p. m. a second telegraphic meet will take place for those who were unable to swim in the first meet. The Swimmers Trophy, which was presented anonymously to the A. A. at the Fall Coffee, will be awarded to the best all around swimmer here at college.

For the benefit of those who do not know what the telegraphic meet signifies, it is a swimming competition in which a great many women's colleges take part. Each college sends in their results for various events to the regional sponsor. There the times are compared and the winners announced. Last year fourteen colleges competed in the Eastern Region along with Connecticut College which won second place.

## Richards Speaks On Karl Barth's Theory at Vespers

Dr. George W. Richards, president of the theological seminary of the Reformed church in the United States, at Lancaster, Pa., the third speaker in the Inter-faith Month Service, conducted the Vespers service, February 27. He talked on the theory of Karl Barth, the famous Swiss theologian, who believed that righteous living could be reached through realization of the following questions: 1. Who is God? 2. How can one be saved? 3. Through whom can one be saved?

The apostle Paul was the first who opposed the common view on the last question. People had believed that the way to be saved was by fasting, and sacrificing the first born of the family, and worshipping idols. Paul believed one could be saved through Jesus—and he saw Jesus in the eternal Christ. People had formerly tried to make God gracious. But Paul discovered that God is gracious, and therefore God makes man righteous. "Paul's interpretation of salvation is so high and yet so simple that it is difficult for man to accept it."

Luther, the Monk of Wittenberg, also found righteousness in God. He couldn't find it in man made laws, so he entered a monastery to find righteousness there.

"And so if you, too, like Paul and the Monk, cannot find a God in nature, try the God that speaks in your heart through Jesus," concluded Dr. Richards.

## C. C. Alumnae Live In 42 States

Reprinted from the *New London Day*

There are Connecticut College alumnae living in 42 of the 48 states of this country, in Alaska and Hawaii, and in 14 foreign countries and possessions at the present time, according to figures compiled in the alumnae office at the college by Katharine MacKnight '40 in connection with a course in statistics.

Of approximately 1,700 graduates scattered throughout this country the largest number 626, live in Connecticut. The next largest group, 348, live in New York, and the third largest, 172, in Massachusetts.

In the middle west the states with the largest representation of Connecticut College alumnae are Ohio with 90, Illinois with 48, and Michigan with 28. In the south and far west graduates of the college are relatively few. The only states in which there are no Connecticut College alumnae, however, are Nevada, Kansas, North and South Dakota, Mississippi and Idaho.

The foreign places in which Connecticut College alumnae are living are England, France, Germany, Holland, Finland, Colombia, Venezuela, Peru, Syria, Bermuda, Puerto Rico, the Philippine Islands, Canada and South Africa.

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The *Radcliffe News* gives the prize in the "Subtle and Delicately Worded Question" in examinations to the Anthropology A examination which asked the student to write on "What a Young Woman Ought to Know About Human Embryology."

According to the article, "an especially exasperating species of exam questions is the 'Room-for-your-Imagination Question.'" English 50, for instance, asks its devotees to construct 'an imaginary conversation between Lamb and Hazlitt concerning Coleridge and Wordsworth and their poetry. The climax is reached when a Harvard graduate student giving a course at a school presents something like this: 'A beautiful deaf-mute girl is found stabbed in her father's garden. Her father has been murdered the week before. She survives for two days, conscious, but suffering excruciating agonies; then she dies. State fifteen facts learned in this course that would help you to prove that the girl committed suicide.'

"The ultimate freedom foreshadowed by these developments was realized in English 52 this year, where the requirements were to write for two hours on any subject covered by the course.

"Professor Matthiessen's examination in English 170b is, however, the exam to end exams as far as originality is concerned, and as such it deserves to be quoted in full. "No Business, N. Y. Feb. 4, 1936

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## C. C. Invited to Join Wesleyan Parley

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under a totalitarian state the educational system is transformed into a propaganda machine. It is with this realization of the importance of higher education in a democracy, that the College Body of Wesleyan University presents its fourteenth annual parley."

The tentative program is as follows:

Thursday evening, 8:00 o'clock, in the '92 Theatre-Rich Hall; chairman, Oliver E. Stone; Subject, The function of the Privately Endowed College in a Democracy; Henry M. Wriston, President of Brown University; George S. Counts, Columbia Teachers College.

Friday morning, 9:30 o'clock, in the '92 Theatre-Rich Hall; chairman, J. P. Tringkaus; Subject, some phase of the Relationship of the State to education; Robert D. Leigh, President of Bennington College; Thomas J. Dodd, NYA Administrator for Connecticut; Christian Gauss, Dean of Princeton University.

Friday afternoon, 1:30 o'clock, Round-Table Discussions at Phi Nu Theta; Chairman, William G. Fash; Subject, Intellectual Freedom; Robert Lamb, Williams College; At Psi Upsilon, Chairman, Frank W. Putnam; Subject, Generalization Requirements; Herbert E. Hawkes, Dean of Columbia University.

Friday afternoon, 4:30 o'clock, Round-Table Discussions at Alpha Delta Phi; Chairman, Robert H. Throop; Subject, New Organizations in Education; Molly Yard, Organization Secretary of the American Student Union; David Dellinger, of the Yale Christian Association; Jerome Davis, National President of the American Federation of Teachers; Arthur Northwood, Jr., President of the National Student Federation of America; At Delta Kappa Epsilon; Chairman, Clifton E. Davenport; Subject, What Faces the College-Trained Man after College in Business and Labor; Olin F. McCormick, Personnel Director of the New York Stock Exchange; Julius Hochman, Vice-President of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Friday evening, 8:00 o'clock, in the '92 Theatre-Rich Hall; Chairman, David N. Kendall; Subject, Confusion in American Education; Charles Hubbard Judd, National Resources Board; William Allan Neilson, President of Smith College.

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## Dean's List for First Semester Is Announced; Six Students Have "A" Average

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JUNIORS

The first name indicate first rank with a standing of 4.00, or an A average. The rest are in alphabetical order.

Virginia Taber, Lakeville, Conn.  
Marjorie D. Abrahams, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Clarinda M. Burr, Hartford, Conn.  
Eunice M. Carmichael, Hamden, Conn.  
Marcia Engel, New York, N. Y.  
Helen Feldman, Norwich, Conn.  
Thelma M. Gilkes, Groton, Conn.  
Muriel Hall, Moodus, Conn.  
F. Gwendolyn Jones, New Rochelle, N. Y.  
Elizabeth P. Jordan, Willimantic, Conn.  
Mary B. Kelsey, Waterbury, Conn.  
Harriet C. Mendel, New Haven, Conn.  
Virginia R. Mullen, New Rochelle, N. Y.  
Elizabeth L. Parcells, Grosse Pointe, Mich.  
Priscilla Pasco, W. Hartford, Conn.  
Eunice Titcomb, Huntington, N. Y.  
Irene G. Traggis, New London, Conn.  
Ilse M. G. Wiegand, Clifton, N. J.  
18 Juniors, 11 from Connecticut.

### SOPHOMORES

The first name indicate first rank with a standing of 4.00, or an A average. The rest are in alphabetical order.

Sybil P. Bindloss, Mystic, Conn.  
Patricia E. Alvord, Winsted, Conn.  
Frances L. Baratz, New London, Conn.  
Helen E. Biggs, Hamden, Conn.  
Doris M. Bonner, Waterbury, Conn.  
Miriam F. Brooks, Windsor, Conn.  
Helen S. Burnham, Bayside, N. Y.  
Pauline Carroll, Poland, Ohio  
Ruth N. Chazen, Danbury, Conn.  
Shirley Dichter, Stamford, Conn.  
Louise A. Flood, Stonington, Conn.  
Dorothy M. Gerhart, Madison, N. J.  
Elizabeth J. Hubert, New Britain, Conn.  
Elizabeth M. Kent, Waterford, Conn.  
Lois B. Langdon, Providence, R. I.  
Natalie R. Maas, New York, N. Y.  
Florence J. McKemie, Cincinnati, Ohio  
Katherine L. Meili, Paterson, N. J.  
Dorothy Newell, Uxbridge, Mass.  
Lacita Pollock, Norwich, Conn.  
Harriet E. Rice, New London, Conn.  
Dorothy E. Rowand, New London, Conn.  
Frances G. Russ, New London, Conn.  
Mary A. F. Scott, New Rochelle, N. Y.  
Jean M. Sincere, Highland Park, Ill.  
Janet C. Waters, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
E. Marguerite Whittaker, Hartford, Conn.  
Marjorie Van D. Willgoos, West Hartford, Conn.  
28 Sophomores, 17 from Connecticut.

### FRESHMEN

The first name indicate first rank with a standing of 3.75. The rest are in alphabetical order.

Priscilla A. Duxbury, New Bedford, Mass.  
Barabara R. Berman, West Hartford, Conn.  
Emmabel M. Bonner, Waterbury, Conn.

Elizabeth B. Brick, Crosswicks, N. J.  
Virginia D. Choep, Detroit, Mich.  
Leann K. Donahue, Cleveland, Ohio  
Ruth M. Doyle, Maplewood, N. J.  
Donna J. Ed, Evanston, Ill.  
Estelle M. Fasolino, Norwich, Conn.  
Doris R. Goldstein, Cedarhurst, N. J.  
Marjorie M. Griesse, Shaker Hts., Ohio

Ohio  
Mary E. Hoffman, White Plains, N. Y.  
Jeannette E. Holmes, New London, Conn.  
Jean B. Howell, Wilmington, Del.  
Margaret B. Jadden, Sewickley, Pa.  
Rosanna C. Kaplan, New London, Conn.  
Sally A. Kiskadden, Detroit, Mich.

Elizabeth W. McCallip, Essex, Conn.  
Mary E. Montague, New London, Conn.  
Linnea V. Paavola, Lakeville, Conn.  
Ann Rubinstein, St. Louis, Mo.  
Evelyn R. Salomon, New London, Conn.  
Margaret J. Stoecker, Maplewood, N. J.  
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