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Renaissance Group To Meet At C. C. In Conferences

Scholars of New England To Discuss Renaissance In Different Subjects

Connecticut college has extended an invitation to all those interested in attending the New England Renaissance Conference on May 2 and 3. The purpose of this conference is to bring together scholars working in the period of the Renaissance in different subjects so that they will know each other better, acquire more knowledge of what is going on in fields other than their own, and discuss relationships of those matters to their own inquiries.

This two-day conference on Renaissance Studies for scholars in the New England area is under the auspices of the Committee on Renaissance Studies of the American Council of Learned Societies. The committee for 1941 includes Dr. Dorothy Bethurum, Dr. J. F. Moore, Dr. Gertrude E. Noyes, Dr. Beatrice Reynolds, Dr. Federico Sanchez, and Dr. Rosamond Tuve.

The program to date is as follows

Friday, May 2

3:30 Session on Latin drama; in England; on the Continent; staging of school plays. Faculty Lounge, 417 Fanning Hall.

8:30 Renaissance music. Faculty Lounge, 417 Fanning Hall.

Saturday, May 3

9:00-10:00 Visit to Lyman Allyn Museum.

10:00 Symposium on definitions of the baroque. Lecture Room, 106 Bill Hall.

12:30 Lunch on campus.

2:00 Session on history of science in relation to developments in other disciplines. Faculty Lounge, 417 Fanning Hall.

Professor Cleland From Amherst To Speak At Vespers

Professor Of Religion Is Native Of Scotland, Lecturer, Traveler

James T. Cleland, associate professor of religion at Amherst college, will be the speaker at the 7 p.m. vesper service Sunday. Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Professor Cleland was graduated from Glasgow university with the M.A. degree, and received his B.D. degree from the same institution, with distinction in ecclesiastical history. Coming to America under the Jarvie Fellowship, he studied at Union theological seminary, New York, whence he obtained the S.T.M. degree, summa cum laude.

Returning to Scotland as appointee to the Black Fellowship at Divinity Hall, Glasgow university, he assisted the professors of theology and of New Testament Criticism, and from 1929 to 1931 served as Faulds Teaching Fellow at Glasgow.

Six Promotions In Faculty Announced By President Blunt

Six promotions in the Connecticut college faculty were announced recently by President Katharine Blunt.

Those advanced from assistant professorship to associate professorship are Dr. E. Frances Botsford, zoology; Dr. M. Robert Cobble-dick, economics and sociology; Dr. Marjorie Ruth Dilley, government; and Dr. Rosemond Tuve, English.

Promoted from instructorship to assistant professorship are Dr. Angelo C. Lanza, Romance languages; and Dr. Edith Ford Sol-lers, chemistry.

Students Plan Festive May Day Greeting

By SHIRLEY SIMKIN '42

Nearly 150 seniors decked out in cap and gown and wearing corsages of gay spring flowers left at their doors in the dim light of early morning hours by faithful "freshman" sisters, will greet the dawning May from the chapel steps at 6:45 tomorrow morning. Their serenade will include the first public performance of the *Farewell Song*, written by the class of '38, the *College Hymn*, the appropriate *For Now That Spring Has Come*, and their own class song.

Before this serenade to the glories of May, the senior class will have done its bit to beautify campus. Eight ambitious students, Jane Merritt, chairman; Eleanor Reisinger, Mary Lou Gibbons, Betty Kohr, Betty Neiley, Sally Kiskadden, Betty Hollingshead, and Natalie Sherman will be busy decorating campus at the crack of dawn. By 6:45 bright crepe paper streamers of purple and gold (class colors) will adorn every imaginable object on campus, and even trees and lamp-posts may be sprouting perky bows.

Festivities will continue all during May 1, which is officially known as Senior Day. A traditional strawberry breakfast, an outdoor chapel, a senior serenade to the sophomores at 12:40 in the quad, and a senior picnic at Buck Lodge tomorrow evening will complete the official welcoming of spring.

May Day this spring should be an occasion of much greater festivity than it was last year. True, the seniors got up early to serenade the morning, but welcoming May 1 only meant that May 2—and generals—were but one day ahead. For this reason the class of '40 could not spare time to indulge in the after-lunch singing, the baseball game, the informal picnic. This year there is nothing to prevent the seniors from enjoying "their day" to the fullest, and a complete program of festivities is planned for ushering in the "merry, merry month of May."

Music Co-Op Offers Summer Activity

Through the New London Musical Co-Op and the personnel bureau an attempt is being made to find summer positions for advanced college students who are genuinely interested in the work of cooperatives.

Information has also been received about a seven weeks summer school, offered by the Cooperative Business Training Council in New York city, from July 7 to August 23. The course is designed for college students interested in careers in Cooperative food stores.

This project is in harmony with President Blunt's program for summer activity. Those who are interested in either securing a position in co-op work for the summer or in attending the summer institute should contact either Dr. Chakerian or Mrs. Cindy Burr Phillips in the personnel office.

Campus Mobilizes Thoughts On Post Reconstruction Efforts

Pres. Blunt Offers Her Suggestions For Action Present And Future

In keeping with the spirit that prevailed on campus last weekend, President Katharine Blunt devoted her Chapel hour Tuesday morning to a discussion of post-war reconstruction, stressing the necessity of fighting for a definite kind of peace. The partial text of the President's address follows:

I am glad the Religious Council is sponsoring this series on reconstruction after the war, and has asked me to speak. There are two reasons why it seems important to think of peace at this time.

The first is that we are more apt to get the kind of peace we wish if we really know what we wish, if we study now to avoid our most unfortunate failure after the last war.

What are our post-war aims? Most, organization of the world to prevent another war; stability, justice. Next, non-vindictiveness. The Axis powers must be given place in the post-war organizing. Further, we want better social conditions; better social organization.

For all of these, of course, we must have either a stronger League of Nations or a Federal Union of Nations; and in either case, our country must be part of it.

The second reason why I am glad we are considering analyzing what we want in the peace here at college, is that if we see post-war aims clearly, we may be more ready to fight hard to obtain them. There is no chance of the kind of peace and the kind of post-war word we want if Hitler wins. Hence, those of us interested in peace must first work with all our

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Equestriennes Announce Plans For Annual Show To Be Held On May 24

A meeting of the Riding club was held Thursday, April 24, to discuss future activities. The most imminent of these is the Horse Show. All students and their guests are cordially invited to attend this annual event which is to take place on Saturday, May 24. All the equestriennes of C.C. are scheduled to participate. Captain Marseman, who has kindly consented to give an exhibition of *dressage* before the show, will also act as judge.

The club wishes to announce that Captain V. S. Littauer, former Russian cavalry officer who has written several books on the forward seat riding technique, will give an open lecture in early May. The exact date is yet to be announced.

Nominations were held at the meeting for the succeeding president of the club. Those nominated are Irene Steckler '43, Lee Eitingon '42, Betty Moeller '42, and Beth Mildon '43. Elections will be held sometime next week.

The club also wishes to report that A.A. has agreed to furnish C. certificates to all those who pass a specified written and practical examination for excellence in horsemanship.

Drs. Sockman, Lawrence, Stress Need For Social Solidarity, Justice

In place of participation in a national peace strike of college students, Religious Council sponsored a four day conference from April 27 to April 30 on "Post Reconstruction." The program opened Sunday evening, April 27, with a vesper address by Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, rector of Christ Church, New York City, and was followed by a discussion in the chapel library. Dr. Lawrence, whose Monday chapel was partially devoted to post reconstruction, led a discussion Monday afternoon at five in the chapel library. Post reconstruction was the subject of President Blunt's Tuesday chapel, and Tuesday evening each dormitory held informal student discussions on topics related to post reconstruction. The conference was closed this morning with Margaret Lafore's chapel speech.

None of the speakers felt that they could lay down any clear cut plan for post reconstruction, but

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C. C. O. C. ers' May Day Lure Is Straw-Berries And Cream

Now that spring has come, Outing club is leading Connecticut college into the great out-of-doors. Plans for all its activities are still in the wind, but Bobbie Newell '42, the incoming chairman, has culled enough ideas for a little story.

Check Sunday, May 4, for C.C. O. C.'s annual Strawberry Breakfast in Buck Lodge at nine o'clock. Everyone is invited to breakfast in traditional May-time style on strawberries and heavy cream. For nature-lovers (and anyone who would like to work up an appetite) there will be a bird-walk beforehand, going out from the Lodge at eight o'clock. Connie Hughes '42 is in charge of the breakfast. Miss Botsford will be on hand to tell you what bird is where.

There will be another traditional picnic on Memorial Day, just to sharpen wits for examinations. This picnic will be for active members only, so start compiling your six points now.

Four members, Sue Fleischer '41, Bobbie Newell '42, Jean Forman '43 and Betty Rabinowitz '44, will be C.C.O.C.'s representatives at the annual spring conference of the Intercollegiate Outing Club Association this year to be sponsored by Vassar college at Camp Russell, Richmond, Mass. The weekend, from May 9 to 11, promises a business meeting, discussion of "hows and whats" for member clubs, and outings, including a barn-dance, hike, swimming, and baseball, interspersed with singing.

Last of all, the recent past. April 27 Outing clubbers had a grand picnic led by Kackie Johnson '43, in the Lodge. Much munching of hamburgs and drinking of coke occurred, followed by a ball-game and leap-frog, plus more munching.

Seniors, Sophomores Produce First Plays In Competitton

By KAY CROXTON '43

The sophomore class produced *The Will O the Wisp*, by Doris F. Halman on April 25, directed by Ruth Ann Likely. This fantasy depends primarily on its eerie atmosphere to make the story plausible to the audience, and this atmosphere was achieved through the effective use of blue-green lighting, and the actor's belief in the mysterious tale.

Mardianne Dinkey, as the old Irish peasant, had the difficult task of establishing the mood of the play, and this she did well, with her old woman's posture and her Irish accent. Her characterization was fairly consistent throughout the play. The sophisticated rich woman, unable to understand her poet-husband, was well portrayed by Edith Gaberman, who revealed the superficiality of the woman's character, but was not always convincing. Her poise and stage presence were noteworthy. Lois Creighton's delicate features and rhythmic movements were well-

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By GERARD E. JENSEN

Every year when the campus turns green the four undergraduate classes leave the hockey field for a time and indulge in the traditional Competitive Plays. Spring has now come around again, and last Friday's audiences saw *Will of the Wisp* and *The Queens of France*. This week will bring us the two other performances.

The sophomores won the toss and came first with their presentation of Halman's *Will of the Wisp*. It is a fanciful play that demands better acting than most amateurs can bring to it. In this performance the scenery was inadequate—especially the fireplace and the chairs, the music was inappropriate in tone, the wind effects a bit puzzling. The lines went smoothly, the actors were carefully costumed, well made up, and thoroughly coached—but the one indispensable and convincing quality was not there. The performance lacked emotional richness chiefly because the voices of the two prin-

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From One Extreme To The Other

Last week, the editors of *News* attempted to point out, in an editorial concerning the war of Pros and Cons now being waged in the United States, the dangers involved in the serious conflict of opinion as to what the position of the United States should be in the present World War. This week, we wish to call attention to another dangerous tendency—that of accusing, inconsistently, labor and manufacturers of being "fifth columnists," and of their so-called purposeful attempts to retard the nation's defense plans.

We read news that various important defense industries have been stopped by labor strike, and that labor is insisting on a new contract for higher wages and shorter hours. At once, many people become alarmed, and cry that labor is impeding defense on purpose, that its leaders are fifth columnists, and that the only solution is for the government to pass a law forbidding strikes.

Then we hear of a manufacturer who never has
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Spring In The Air

Ah, bee-utiful spring! Even the birds know that it's here to stay. The flowering magnolias and the bursting apple blossoms bear further testimony that the long winter is over. Day by day the grass grows greener, the sky bluer. And, somehow, hearts are lighter, laughter gayer. There's something about spring that seems to lift you up and carry you away on a breeze. It's good to be young and carefree!

When President Blunt said to us in chapel one day, "With the spring we will find new energy to work harder than we have ever worked before," we looked at one another, perhaps a little amused. "If she but knew!" we thought. Because spring fever is contagious. Often it seems hard to grind away at the books, while outside the whole world is singing, "Come and play."

But the racer never slows down as he comes within sight of the finish line; instead, he goes faster and harder. Prosaic, you may say, and you're right. It is prosaic—but, nevertheless, true. And, therefore, despite the hurdles of spring fever, love, and poison ivy, we can't afford to slow down our pace until the finish line is reached. And the finish line will come on the twelfth day of the month of June.

CONNIE . . .

. . . By Bobbie Brengle



"Really, when you stop to think of it, science is wonderful!"

New Story Revives Chivalric Legend

Everyone long ago relegated the Round Table of Malory fame to a corner of his mind labeled Chivalry—nice, but a trifle out of date. *The Ill-Made Knight*, T. H. White's third book, takes the old chivalric legend and makes it completely human, exciting, and new. It is the story of Launcelot, of an ugly little boy preparing himself to be a good knight-at-arms, of his love for the young queen Guinever, and their inevitable affair, bringing the structure of their brave chivalric society tumbling to the ground. It tells the thoughts revolving in the mind of the greatest knight in the world, of his conflicting loyalties to Arthur, his best friend; to Guinever, his King's wife; and to his God, and tells how these entangling loyalties drove him mad.

The three central characters are well-drawn, appealing personalities, and they mature as the tragic destruction of their lives comes on them. The minor characters are a Saroyanish clan of questin' knights and oomph-girl enchantresses, providing an infinitely amusing background of court life. The author's vigorous, modern sense of humor gives us such unexpected creations as Galahad, the prize prig, and Elaine, the lily maid of Astolat, as a plump, rather stupid creature compromising Launcelot much against his will.

T. H. White writes skilfully, and indulges in sardonic humor which both amuses the reader and arouses provocative thoughts. He occasionally gives long descriptions of feudal customs and manners, using archaic English, but for the most part his diction is sprightly, and the action fast-moving.

The author seems to have reached his maturity, for this book has far more depth and human understanding than was shown in the two hilarious Arthurian tales previously published. Besides being a study of Sir Launcelot, *The Ill-Made Knight* is a study of the early feudal chivalric civilization, why it was conceived, how it prospered and spread, and finally destroyed itself. This mode of life is not seen through the haze of gorgeous pageantry with which Malory invests it, but is seen informally, from an intimate kind of Winchell key-hole viewpoint, which simultaneously pokes fun at the chivalric code and yet makes it seem plausible.

The Ill-Made Knight gives a

new and clever approach to an old story, is a very entertaining tale, and should have a wide appeal for readers.

Editorial . . .

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had much use for the government "stalling over his contracts for defense," and the cry of alarm is raised that the manufacturer, by bickering over prices, labor laws, and delivery deadlines, is impeding defense, and some excited people cry that the only solution is for government to take over business in order to insure the defense plans.

But, as all experience shows, including that of Stalin, forbidding strikes doesn't insure the progress of defense work. Hitler has tried the plan with success so far, only because he has been backed up by strong coercive forces, and by the fact that the workers are not in a position to lose their enthusiasm for Hitler's moves. You can force labor to the factories, but you can't possibly make it work its best.

Neither is government control and operation of business an insurance of uninterrupted production, in spite of its possibilities, and most responsible administrators in Washington are opposed to such an idea. A little time, and a lot of patience and fair consideration are all that are needed to work out the problems of labor, manufacture, and government. The suggestions of the frenzied alarmists are usually impulsive and unsound, and much too extreme. It is not the decisions reached in heated and frantic moments that operate effectively. Instead, it's the cool-headed suggestions and plans between the extremes that work out the best. The only persons who ever settle anything, or offer suggestions worth considering, are those who remain cool and reasonable. Let's not be extremists!

Dr. M. Chaney To Address Nutrition Conference

Dr. Margaret S. Chaney, professor of home economics, will speak to the City School Nutrition Section Friday evening, May 2 at the annual meeting of the American Association of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation to be held in Atlantic City. Dr. Chaney's topic will be "What a School Nutrition Program Can Contribute to National Preparedness."

A plan for students to raise money for the needy by economizing on one meal a week is under consideration at Oberlin college.

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:

Suppose Hitler does win. What of it, for us? Why not mind our own business, and leave Hitler to mind his? Outside the Western Hemisphere, of course. Is there not room enough in the world for Hitler's way of life and ours too?

The answers to these foolish questions have filled many books, but they may also be given in very short paragraphs.

The Western Hemisphere is inevitably part of Hitler's business. Unless he rules it, his basic principle of Nazi domination breaks down. The Germans cannot really be supermen if half the world escapes them and continues to defy them.

Hitler's way of life contradicts ours so fundamentally that reconciliation seems impossible. Our basic belief (often contradicted by our practice, to be sure) is that the world needs to apply the philosophy of Jesus Christ, in brotherly love and international cooperation. Hitler's philosophy springs from Nietzsche's "Anti-Christ," despises cooperation with inferiors, and exalts hateful conflict. Even more so in science does Hitler's way contradict ours. Our basic belief is that science must seek and exalt only the truth; Hitler demands that science seek first his government's approval (e.g., in showing Jewish racial rottenness).

Shall we not, therefore, be attending strictly to our own business when we try, in time, to prevent a superman conquest of the Western Hemisphere, plus an outlawing of Christian love and honest science?

Henry W. Lawrence.

Connecticut College,
New London, Connecticut,
April 23, 1941.

Dear Editor:

Do you need a war in your own backyard before you can show sufficient interest even to attend a lecture by an authority on the world situation? The Free speeches deploring student lecture attendance evidently have gone unheeded, but it's high time Connecticut college students aroused at least a smattering of intellectual curiosity.

On March 18 those attending Mrs. V. M. Dean's speech on "What Next In Europe" filled less than one half of the first floor of Palmer auditorium. The excuse that we hear too much about world affairs does not hold; no American can hear too much sane information about the world situation, a question vital to all. Neither have the speakers on world affairs at Connecticut College claimed to fathom a solution; they are simply endeavoring to acquaint the American people with the facts.

Also the "we didn't have the time" or "we didn't know about it" defense is inadequate. How many Connecticut College students refused invitations to Winter Carnival, Yale Junior Prom, football games, etc. because they must grind away on studies? Those who are blind enough to miss the big posters in Fanning and Bill announcing Mrs. Dean's approaching speech, smaller posters on every dorm bulletin board, the twenty printed posters downtown, *News* and *New London Day* articles, and deaf enough to miss the WNLC and dorm announcements belong in an institution for the infirm rather than a college.

Take heed, Connecticut College—don't ignore your golden opportunities. In this world of turmoil who knows but that your education may be the only wealth you may someday possess?

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Calendar . . .

Wednesday, April 30
Cabinet Meeting Room 7, Branford 5:00

Thursday, May 1
Senior Day Picnic Buck Lodge 6:00

Friday, May 2
Competitive Plays, Juniors and Freshmen Palmer Auditorium 8:00

Sunday, May 4
Peace Group with Wesleyan Buck Lodge 12:00-5:00
Vespers—James T. Cleland Harkness Chapel 7:00

Tuesday, May 6
World Student Service Fund Committee Meeting Branford 4:00
Senior Recital Holmes Hall 8:00

Wednesday, May 7
Cabinet Meeting Room 7, Branford 5:00

Golf, Medicine, Food, Song Fill Lem's Unofficial Life

By MURIEL PRINCE '42

First interviewee of *News'* Hall of Fame, Marianna Lemon, new president of Student Government, likes golf, reading about medicine, and eating French pastry, and hates "boogie-woogie," formal dates, and artichokes.

When I asked her about her proficiency in holding so many campus offices, she pointed with pride at her father who was Republican candidate for mayor of Providence and has been prominent in politics there for the last eleven years. "I also owe my great liking for golf to him," Lem told me when I asked her about the golf cups she has won.

After much insistence I got Lem to tell me about the golf tournaments in which she had played. "At camp I played in two tournaments," Lem admitted reluctantly. I finally discovered that she had won both tournaments and that she has held the women's golf cup at the Quinatisset Golf Club in Thompsonville, Connecticut, for two successive years. For three successive years she has captured the Ringer Prize for Women also at the Quinatisset. "The best time I had playing golf was with the family foursome," Lem laughed. Every Sunday during the summer her mother and older brother would team up against Lem and her father. "We had a sort of a goodnatured, family, golfing feud," Lem explained.

In order to discover what makes Lem tick I quizzed her thoroughly on all her likes and dislikes; what she thought about what we are all thinking about; and what she plans to do with her future.

Her hobbies are: Horses, reading about medicine, and accumulating memoirs to paste (at some very distant date) in a scrapbook. "In my memoirs I have everything from Amelia Earhart, Roosevelt and Lindbergh autographs to playbills and dance programs," Lem

claimed. When I questioned her concerning her interest in medicine she said that it was just a hobby at present but that she read many medical articles and had witnessed a few operations.

She thinks: Hitler should be defeated at any cost and that orthodox pacifism is insufficient in such times, although it must be the ultimate goal. Lem also believes that our domestic problems are somewhat secondary in such wartimes and she is very enthusiastic about the draft. This former Willkie-ite now admits a definite leaning toward Roosevelt because she believes his policies have been what the times have demanded and required.

In music she favors: Tommy Dorsey's brand of sweet swing and Gilbert and Sullivan operettas. As I mentioned before she has a definite antipathy toward "boogie-woogie." She likes to tango and so is in favor of South American music.

Her epicurean tastes lean toward: steak and French pastry (of all kinds) and definitely away from anchovies and artichokes, "which makes me see bilious green every time I look at them," Lem maintained.

This summer she will probably attend Harvard summer school or go to Mexico to do social service in a work camp there. "If I go to Harvard I will take psychology and government," Lem told me. She would also like to do volunteer work in a hospital, be director of a Cambridge playground, and then find time to take flying lessons.

In the future she plans to study medicine or to teach physical education. When I quizzed her about a home of her own later on she said, "I would like to have a home and a job at the same time."

Lem's utopia is: "If I were not what I am just now I'd like to be a white-faced cow With long, green grass to crop and chew And nothing else on earth to do."

Music Department Gives Only Opera Extant In English

By LOUISE RADFORD '43

The performance of the opera *Dido and Aeneas* well deserved the enthusiasm of an appreciative audience composed of faculty, students, and town people, when it was presented by the music department on April 23. *Dido and Aeneas* was a part of the music department's curriculum and showed the results of a carefully planned and well worked out program.

The opera, which is the only opera in English surviving today, was written by Henry Purcell for women's voices and was first presented in London by a girls' school. It lends itself well to a concert version and was chosen by the music department for its historical as well as its musical value.

Each student in the vocal class was given an opportunity to perform, whether in a solo part or in the ensemble. The entire libretto was sung by memory. The platform discipline of the cast was excellent. The delivery was convincing and the interpretation of the roles showed intelligence and imagination as well as musical skill. This was especially true of Barbara Miller '41, in the role of Belinda. Anna Tremontozzi '43 gave a very expressive presentation of Aeneas and Barbara Brackett '44 was convincing as Dido, Queen of Carthage.

This performance was a new step in vocal endeavor at Connecticut College. The music department has proven itself worthy of the respect and praise of the entire college. We are being made aware of the value and significance of music and it is with interest that we look forward to the work of the music department next year.

Home Ec Exhibition For Practical Benefit Of Students Will Be Shown

An exhibit of books, pamphlets, and bulletins on budgeting, household management, and food purchasing, which have been compiled by Miss Mildred Burdett, assistant professor of Home Economics, will be on display in the Palmer Library during the week of May 12. Mimeographed sheets of the material used for the exhibit with information about the cost and the publishers of these books will also be available at the exhibit.

Consisting of about thirty up-to-date publications on the above named topics, the exhibit is designed to help all students in managing their own homes in the future, or in assisting with the management of their families during the summer. Much of the material is used by the majors in home economics, including such bulletins as the *Consumers' Guide*, and *How to Make Your Budget Balance*.

Joint Peace Commission To Meet At Buck Lodge

The Peace Commission of Religious Council will hold a joint meeting with the Peace Commission of Wesleyan university Sunday, May 4, to discuss the fellowship of Christian citizens of the world. The meeting will be held in Buck Lodge from 12 until 6.

Last Discussion Held

The possibility of new faculty housing, general examinations, and additions to the campus buildings were the topics discussed at the senior tea held Tuesday afternoon at the home of President Katharine Blunt. This was the last of the series of the President's senior-discussion teas.

Upon Invite C. C. Sends Derby Crew To Yale Races

Those hardy women of the waves, the C.C. Crew will compete in the traditional Yale Derby Day boat races on Saturday, May 4. An invitation to participate in these races was sent to the *News* office a few weeks ago. But being suspicious females, the neophytes of the press doubted the Yale boys' good will until Shirley Jaeger '42 became interested, answered the letter, and received full details from the group of students sponsoring this year's Derby Day. Shirley canvassed the dorms for days, and after a hard pull, organized a crew composed of the following girls: Ginny Railsback '43, Bobbie Bosworth '43, Shirley Jaeger '42, manager, Marianna Lemon '42, stroke, and Dorie Kitchell '42, coxwain.

When Dorie was informed that a victorious crew always dunked its coxwain, she shrieked, "Geeps! Hope we don't win." All of the girls have been in rowboats and canoes and "Lem" has even been in a shell.

The girls are very interested in the newly formed project, and are anxious to make a good showing as they will be competitive with girls of Sarah Lawrence and Mount Holyoke.

The crew plans to take the Saturday morning milk train down to New Haven, and spend the morning getting a little practice rowing up and down the Housatonic River.

Spring Tennis Tournaments

First matches must be played off by May 4. Names and schedule posted in gym.

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Come Watch Your Friends Play!

Sailor Beach Spins Yarns Of Adventures At Age Of Four

By BETSEY PEASE '43

Before Mr. Beach, the guardian of our gymnasium, came to work here fifteen years ago, he and his twenty-foot cabin cat-boat sailed between the Griswold Hotel and the Pequot House delivering yeast. His boat had an open cockpit in the stern and was run by sail-power only. Mr. Beach said that a friend of his urged him to get a launch with an engine and warned him that some day he would get becalmed. It wasn't long after that Mr. Beach towed his friend's launch into shore with his sailboat.

Mr. Beach also told another story of when he was four years old and ran away from home. He took the ferry across the river and caught a train to Mystic where the conductor put him off. The conductor had asked him about his family and had put a tag on him and shipped him back to New London. All the conductor could find out was that his name was Willie Beach and that he had a brother, Allie, who turned out to be a sister. "Wish't I had the tag now," said Mr. Beach laughingly.

The post office used to be in Miss Hartshorn's present office. You can imagine how cramped it was then! Up until the time Palmer Auditorium was built, all entertainments, exercises, as well as gym classes were held in the gym. Mr. Beach had charge of regulating the temperature, setting out chairs for audiences, and filling the many requests of the students.

Religious Council Officers Inducted In Chapel Service

Barry Beach '42 Is The New Chairman Who Will Succeed Peggy Lafore

Nine new officers of the Religious Council were inducted last Thursday during Chapel period. They are:

- Chairman—Barry Beach '42
- Secretary and Treasurer—Marion Butterfield '43
- Chairman of Worship Committee—Eleanor Eells '42
- Chairman of Christian World Community—Peggy Keagy '42
- Chairman of Entertainment—Marjorie Moody '44
- Chairman of Publicity—Audrey Nordquist '42
- Conference Chairman—Emily Park '42
- Chairman of Deputation—Jane Worley '42
- Chairman of Peace—Ruby Zagoren '43

Peggy Lafore '41 and Marianna Lemon '42 led the service at which Peggy, in keeping with the custom of Religious Council, handed Barry a copy of the Bible as a symbol of the Judeo-Christian tradition.

On Saturday, May 24, Religious Council will hold a "planning retreat" at Buck Lodge with Miss Edith Lerrigo, secretary of the New England Student Christian Movement, leading the discussion.

Barry Beach, the new chairman, visited Harlem, Chinatown, Henry Street Settlement, Union theological seminary, and Riverside Church in New York, with a group of presidents of local organizations of the New England Student Christian Movement.

LECTURE BRIEFS

Julien Green

April 28, Auditorium

M. Green spoke about "Le Travail du Romancier".

There are two methods which the author usually follows — he may construct a plot and manipulate characters and incidents to realize his ends; or start with a mobile plan and create characters who destine the plot. The latter method constructs great novels, M. Green has found. When fictitious beings become real, act and develop by the force of their own personalities, the novelist's aim to represent actuality is achieved.

Dr. Sweetser

April 15, 4:45 p.m.

Palmer Auditorium

Dr. Arthur Sweetser, a League of Nations associate, in his "Post War World" talk threw out a challenge to all Americans. He pointed out that at the conclusion of the war, the United States can either retain her false isolationist policy of the last war, or else, backed by her economic and military power, exert her influence at an international council table to help bring about a lasting peace settlement.

Women students at Pineland college follow extensive ROTC training and wear military uniforms.

Sophomores Rival Upperclassmen In Marital Contest

Inspired by the marital contest between the juniors and the seniors (see last week's *News*), the sophomores have formed an engagement league of their own. So far the league boasts four members, and the remainder of the class of '43 is valiantly cheering them on.

The engagement of Elizabeth Goodrich to Amos Barnes was announced last July seventh. "Liz" is a native of New Haven; "Binnie" lives in Waterbury, and is a member of the class of '42 at Williams.

The engagement of Mary Francis Lyon to Roger Chapman Vaughn was announced last Friday, April 25 (her parents' wedding anniversary) in Providence. Roger hails from Cuba, Missouri, and graduated from Annapolis last spring. Their wedding will take place in September.

Mary Enquist's engagement to Henry Abbey Childs was announced April 12 in New York. Hank attended Dartmouth, and is now employed by the Bon Ami company. They will be married at the end of the summer.

Helen Ricketts, a transfer commuter, announced her engagement to Cadet V. A. D. Schmidt '41 of the United States Coast Guard Academy, at a formal Coast Guard dance last Saturday night. They will be married in the fall.

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suited to the role of the dumb waif revealed in the end as the compelling and destructive Will O the Wisp. Thelma Gustafson struck the right note as the hysterical Irish maid.

The suspense and the mysterious mood were sustained throughout the play. Although the acting lacked polish in one or two spots, the sophomores gave a very convincing and sincere performance.

The senior play, Thornton Wilder's *The Queens of France*, directed by Elizabeth Morgan, regave to it.

The principal role of M. Cahusac was undeniably a difficult role, and Elizabeth Morgan dealt very well with it, creating a fussy, feminine, and highly diverting little Frenchman. The burlesquing of the role through gestures and posture was cleverly worked out, but a trifle overdone. The three women were distinct, clear-cut characterizations. Barbara Hickey was satisfactory as the pretty "mademoiselle," and Betty Holmes was very amusing as the plebeian monarch. An excellent characterization was given by Mary Walsh, portraying her emotional breakdown admirably.

Unfortunately the curtain was drawn a moment too soon, making the ending rather confused.

The actors kept the audience's interest throughout the play, through rapid-fire dialogue and action.

The seniors made clever use of period furniture to create a pseudo-royal setting. The settings and themes of the two plays contrasted vividly.

Pres. Blunt Offers Her Suggestions For Future

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might to win the war. It is our war being fought now.

It is not a time for our indecision, our inertia.

I feel so strongly, and I know most of you agree with me, that the first step toward a good peace is to win the war. Don't sheer away from the war. Fight in whatever our way to fight may be. Most, maybe, learn how to maintain morale, to mould public opinion, to face the world we live in; then do well our work at hand.

Drs. Sockman, Lawrence, Stress Solidarity, Justice

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all emphasized the need of an intelligent and just peace participated in by the United States. Drs. Sockman, Lawrence, and Blunt advocated some type of league after the conclusion of the war, and stressed the large part that intelligent youth may play in post reconstruction.

Dr. Sockman explained that the present war is but one phase of the world unrest. He believes that post war civilization should be based on social justice in all nations, marked by social solidarity and some international peace organization. Dr. Sockman advocated the individualization and localization of the peace sentiment of the world. He voiced the growing sentiment that after the war youth should devote one year of their lives to some type of public service.

Dr. Lawrence, in his Monday afternoon discussion, pointed out that man has made some advancement from ferocity to fraternity although much seeming fraternity is actually sham. "Intelligent hatred against the real causes of war" is vitally needed, explained Dr. Lawrence. He stressed the need for human purposes to be applied toward giving opportunity and education to a larger fraction of the total population, and for human institutions to be more conducive to cooperation and less conducive to combat. Dr. Lawrence feels that a new international organization must preserve national sovereignties but provide more for the general welfare and less for separate privileges.

Margaret Lafore's chapel speech this morning concerned the application of post reconstruction work. The majority of the dormitory discussion centered on the topic, "Where Do We Go From Here."

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The "Labor Situation," and "Union Now" were other questions discussed in the dormitories. Barbara Smith '42 was chairman of the conference. Other committee members were: Jean Caldwell '41, Margaret Lafore '41, eBtry Mercer '44, Emily Park '42, Ruby Zagoren '43 and Barbara Beach '42.

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Strikers Still At It

In the field of labor—strikes are still imminent in the soft coal industry. Negotiations have been going on but neither side seems to be able to reach any terms of agreement. A similar threat of strikes in General Motors was removed by the Mediation Board, who requested that defense production be kept going while negotiations were going on.

Convoy Controversy

One of the biggest controversies of the moment has arisen over President Roosevelt's statement that American naval patrols would go anywhere on the seven seas where it is considered necessary to protect the Western Hemisphere. The consensus so far indicates that 45 senators oppose this plan, which is three less than a

majority. This convoy plan will release ships badly needed in the Malay States, where valuable rubber and tin have been held for some time due to lack of transport.

Sweden Is Anti-Nazi

Though it's a case of a mouse facing an elephant, Sweden has boldly asserted an anti-Axis policy, in spite of the fact that there are German troops on her border, and that her foreign trade is dependent on Germany. It is hoped that a developing trade with the Soviet Union will make up for the loss incurred by hostilities. Interesting to note also is the plan being formulated for a post-war Scandinavian union.

Escorts For Pigeons

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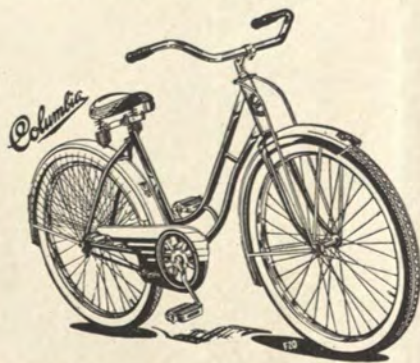
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Caught On Campus

Speaking of pursuit planes, we hear that one Winthrop sophomore (not to forget all the rest of the sleepy occupants of said house) is being serenaded each morning at six by the roaring motors of a too close army plane (and man).

What do C.C. girls do to make their dates jump out of windows? Well, a certain Winthrop sophomore knows the answer after Junior Prom week-end. Sitting in the lobby at Norwich Inn, her date jestingly offered to take a jump, sight unseen, out of a nearby window, to which the innocent gal said, "Sure," having learned not to take men at their word. Said date leaped and landed face down on the pavement two feet below. It seems he had not counted on avoiding a six foot pit while enacting his daredevil plunge.

The scene changes: Monday

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Principal actors had in them nothing richly emotional. Slight as it is, *Will of the Wisp* is a very difficult play for amateurs.

The seniors chose a better play and an equally difficult problem. *The Queens of France* requires careful period costuming, good acting from every actor, and in the leading part a woman who plays a man's part with conviction. Except for one misfortune at the finale the play went very well. The scene was very well set; the lighting and other effects equally professional; the costumes were appropriate and pleasantly diverting; the actors uniformly good. Miss Morgan played her difficult part with nearly flawless ease. Her victims came and went with dramatic reality. The mishap must be charged to the unfortunate stagehand who pulled the curtains so fast that the audience saw very little of the final tableau. And without this last scene the play suffers. *The Queens of France* requires a Creole dialect for both the French and the English, and for that reason the speech habits of the actors should be disciplined for the illusion. When a New Orleans lawyer named Cahusac speaks English he should not be allowed to say "noos" for "news" or "dooty" for "duty." And no Queen of France should lapse into the midwestern "r" if she can possibly manage a French "r." Otherwise it was a very good performance.

morning amid the usual post office rush, said soph drew from her mail box one letter headed Hartford Hospital.

P.S. Nothing serious—just X-rays. We will give a further report on this unfortunate date's condition in the next issue.

The defense program is never over and yet it's always over Connecticut. The pursuit planes have been in pursuit of Harkness Chapel for the past week and each day we could swear that the steeple gets a little shorter and a little more cut on the bias. When Connecticut's Arbor day is in full bloom, then is

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