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## Conn. Cabinet **Presents** Plan **Of Club Group At Sunday Vespers**

At the suggestion of the club presidents, who have felt a need for coordinating and strengthen-ing club activities, Cabinet has passed the following tentative plan for the establishment of an Inter-Club Council:

#### 1. Functions

A. To help clarify the extracurricular activities program and to schedule regular club meetings.

B. To coordinate club activities making possible the utilization of each others facilities and generalpromoting cooperation among clubs.

C. To provide an opportunity for the exchange of ideas for improving membership, participa-

tion and efficiency. D. Eventually to become a re-pository of general organizational information.

#### **II.** Organization

A. Membership.1. Compulsory Membership. All organizations which receive money from Student Organizations except for AA clubs and those organizations already represented on Cabinet.

2. Optional Membership. AA clubs and those clubs already represented on Cabinet. The attendance of the AA president at these meetings would be optional. The

singing groups would not be in-cluded in this plan. B. Election of the President. The president shall be elected from among the club presidents. The president of the council shall not be the head of an organiza-tion already represented on Cabinet.

C. Representation on Cabinet. The council president shall be invited to sit in on the Cabinet meetings but shall not be a vot-

D. Reviewing. The club coun-cil shall be set up for an indefinite period of time on a trial basis. The achievements of this council are to be reviewed each year by Cabinet in order to determine whether or not the council should be kept in existence for another year and whether or not the president of the council should become a permanent voting mem-ber of Cabinet.

In carrying out the first of its functions the Council has voted upon and passed the following extra-curricular activities pro-See "Club Council"-Page 3

**Recital To Feature** 

Speaking at the vesper service on Sunday will be Dr. Theodore Speers, minister of the Central Presbyterian Church of New York. A graduate of Princeton University, Dr. Speers did his theological work in Union Theological Seminary, receiving the Cuyler Preaching Fellowship up-on graduation. Later, Hamilton College conferred upon him the degree of D.D. He served in France during the First World War, and was a member of the staff of the Princeton University center in Peking in 1921-22. He has served pastorates in Bethlehem Chapel, New York City, and in Utica, N. Y., before coming to his present charge in 1936. He was elected twice to the office of moderator of the presbytery of New York; is a member of the board of directors of Union Theological Seminary and of Auburn Seminary. He is the author of a volume of sermons in the Harper's monthly pulpit series, and has preached two summers abroad, one in England and one in Scotland. During World War II he was active in interfaith work among the members of the

team visiting many army and navy camps. The service will be held at 7 p.m. in Harkness Chapel and is open to the public.

armed forces, with an interfaith

## **PalmerAuditorium Stages Thirty-First** AnnualCompetSing

The performance of the Compet Sing in the Auditorium Wednesday will be very different from the original and earlier Compet Sings. The difference is mainly in the atmosphere. The first Compet Sing, held in 1925, took place at the wall, and in the following years on the library steps.

Compet Sing was inaugurated in 1925 to overcome the dearth of the class. It follows Dream Play college songs. It was also be-lieved that these songs would be

New York Minister To Deliver Sermon School Views Conn Tradition Registration Course registration

for next year takes place from next year takes place from May 9 to 13. All students are required to file their pro-gram and course cards with the Registrar before 4:00 p.m. on Friday the 13. Students who do not plant to return should submit withdrawal cards during this period. Cards may be obtained in the Registrar's Office begin-ning Friday, May 6.

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## **Play Class Offers** Last Presentation Of Season, May 11

For the final performance this year, the Connecticut College Play Production class will offer Elmer Rice's The Adding Ma-chine Wednesday, May 11, at 8 p.m. in the Palmer Auditorium. Gail Berquist '57 leads the expressionistic play as Mr. Zero. Marilyn Benstock '57 and Beth Gibbs '56 are Mrs. Zero and Daisy Devore, Zero's secretary, respectively.

#### **Dull Moderns**

Rice wrote The Adding Machine centering around the lives of very modern, dull people. The cast of characters supporting Mr. Zero are his Boss, played by Janet Torpey '56, Shrdlu, a dead man, enacted by Carol Fuhur '58, Lieutenant Charles, portrayed by Naomi Blickstein '56, and three couples known only by their numbers: Mr. and Mrs. I, Nina Gopcevic and Suzanne Meek '57, Mr. and Mrs. II, Liz Peer '57, and Kate Borders '58, and Mr. and Mrs. III, Meg Weller '57 and Ann Chamblis '57.

Both earth and hell are settings for The Adding Machine directed by Miss Hazelwood of the Eng-lish Department. Muffie Gross '57 is preparing these sets; Gladys Ryan '55 is handling the lights and publicity. Costumes and makeup are under the superer forced the show to be staged in the Auditorium as early as 1939, the library steps were used as recently as 1949. Compared the show to be staged in the Auditorium as early as the her capacity as stage manager, Joan Branen '57, will oversee re-maining details.

third play presented this year by and Masses and Man in complet ing the 1954-55 curriculum. The

# **Classes Vie for Sing Prize; Romping Melodrama to Follow**

Pandemonium will break loose tonight in Palmer Auditorium as the nineteenth annual Senior Class melodrama gaily romps its way across the stage.

Appearing initially in 1939, the melodrama was put on by a these will be a class song which group of Juniors and was written is composed during freshman by the brother of one of them. Its success led the girls to repeat their performance in their Senior year; and the tradition was begun.

#### Iphegenia

Another tradition connected with the melodrama is Iphegenia, a wooden image that looks like a sawed off totem pole. The idol is presented to the two members of the Junior Class who will be the stage manager and director of next year's melodrama. These two girls have parts in the play, two girls have parts in the play, but their identities remain se-cret until the festivities of the evening come to an end. Iphege-nia will live first with the stage manager and then with the direc-tor of the '56 melodrama for a semester each.

Iphy, as long-lived as a cat, be-gan her association with the melodrama rather haphazardly. She narrowly escaped cremation in 1938, when her soon-to-be-graduated owner decided to discard the relics of her school days. Fortunately for posterity, Iphy's owner was sentimental enough to think

#### **Apologies**

An error was made by Wig and Candle which appeared in the News of April 27. Joyce Bagley '56 was the property chairman for Gigi. This error occurred not only in the News review, but also appeared in the program for the play.

of a way to insure the maid's eternal life; but she is not totally out of danger, since each year she is carved with the initials of the melodrama's stage manager and director. Will our great-granddaughters see the day when the lovely Iphegenia is reduced to a pile of splinters?

#### **Mysterious** Plot

apt material for use in moonlight sings and campus "vocalizing" in general. The songs appearing in the current "C" Book were of the stage in presentation of a mystery to all but the hunthe plot of tonight's melodrama is dred odd senior participants. Henny Jackson will act as stage manager and Claire Levine, as director. The heads of the various committees are as follows: Gretchen Hurxthal, publicity; Mimi Dreier, sound effects; Ricky Geisel, costumes; Joan Walsh, properties; Martha Royer and Jackie Ganem, lights; Cynthia Myers, scenery; and Gladys Ryan, make-

As is traditional, Compet Sing will be held tonight preceding the presentation of the Senior Melodrama. Each of the four classes, directed by its song leader, will present two songs. The first of year and then repeated each year. The second song is one which is composed by members of each class on any desired theme. The order of appearance of the four classes will be determined imme-diately before the competition begins.

#### Bridge Anyone?

The Senior class, directed by Dottie Rugg, will present a song which is based upon the parallel ism between a hand of bridge and four years of college. The song's lyrics were composed by Jan Clissold, its music by Dottie Rugg and a large committee of Seniors.

Ann Lewis, Junior class song leader, wrote the song which the class will present. Based upon a train, the song is tentatively titled, The 12:02.

The Sophomores, winners of last year's Compet Sing, will be directed by Ann Detarando. The Sophomore presentation revolves around the distinctions between two types of college girl-the future Ph.D. and the party girl whose college life is a social whirl.

#### A Nickle

The Freshman class will be presenting their class song for the first time. Its composition is the work of Nancy Quinn and Phyllis Green who wrote the lyrics and of Misee Evatt and Flo Potter who wrote the music. The Freshman compet song, titled A Nickle, was written by Aggie Fulper. Both songs will be directed by Misee Evatt, Freshman song leader.

Judges will confer immediately after all classes have performed. The winner of the competition will be announced as soon as the judges have reached a decision.

Senator D. Lockard **To Speak Monday** May 9 at Assembly State Senator Duane Lockard will be the speaker at Assembly this Monday, May 9. Senator Lockard has been on leave from the government department this year to conduct research on local government for the Ford Foundation. The Democratic senator studied at Fairmont Teachers College and West Virginia University. He received his B.A. and Ph.D. from Yale University. Prior to coming to Connecticut as assistant professor of government, Senator Lockard was an instructor at Wesleyan University. At a recent meeting of the Laurel Club, a group of newspaper men, Senator Lockard was electted the outstanding new member of the senate, the man

### Senior Musicians

At 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, Adrienne Audette, Judith Pennypacker, and Constance Watrous will present their Senior Recitals at Holmes Hall.

Miss Audette, contralto, will present Ombra Felice by Mozart and Schlage Doce (Cantata No. 53) by Bach.

Miss Pennypacker, pianist, will play the French Suite No. 2 in C minor by Bach and the first movement of Hindemith's Sonata No. 2.

Miss Watrous will then present on the violin Rumanian Folk Dances by Bartok.

Following the intermission Pa-pillons in D major, Opus 2 by Schumann, Les Collines d'Anacapri by Debussy. Le Mariage des presented.

largely the resulting effort of this dramatic literature." class competition.

#### **Political Forum** The cup, which is awarded on **Chooses Officers**

the basis of all around performance, was originally won by the class of '35. This class exhibited The annual election meeting of Political Forum was held on its ability by winning the compe-Tuesday afternoon, April 26 in tition not only for the three years Fanning Hall. At this time offinecessary to gain permanent own cers for 1955-1956 were elected ership of the cup but the fourth year as well. Miss Lois Pond of Carol Daniels '56, President; Marilyn Kirschner '56, Vice-presthe Physical Ed. Department, ident, and Marie Garibaldi '56, Secretary-Treasurer.

who served as an assistant song leader in freshman year for this winning class can verify these victories.

Cup Won by '35

necticut Intercollegiate Student A second cup was presented by the Class of '43 and was in use Legislature were also chosen. Nancy Moore '58 was chosen until 1947 when Ada Mais Len as Junior Delegate. It was also song leader for the class of '47 reannounced that Margie Blech has been chosen as Viee Chairman of Roses and Les Cloches du Soir placed it with a new cup. The cup by Franck and Calvary (e.e. cum- has been awarded in 1952, '53 the mings) by John Duke will be and '54 to the Freshman class of Student Legislature for the 1956 dun, Head of Charleston. those years.

session.

up The main characters are portrayed by a different cast in each act. Ann Fishman and Liz Buell play Sigmond Fraud, Bitsy Root Senior and junior delegates to and Shirley Smith play Cyril, and the Executive Council of the Con-Gladys Ryan and Martha Corbet play Chastasia. Others in the include Helen Quinlin, Teacher; Jackie Ganem, Rent Collector; Harriet Ryberg, Head most needed for re-election, and of Football; Margot Colwin, Head the most able senator. of Cheerleaders; and Janet Per-Connecticut Intercollegiate

The subject for Senator Lockard's address on Monday is as yet

See Melodrama"-Page 3 undetermined.

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## **Compet Sing Leaders Exhibit** Enthusiasm, Talent in Music

#### **Missee Evatt '58**

Compet Song leader for the Freshman class is Missee Evatt. A member of the choir, Missee also took part in the production of H.M.S. Pinafore this spring. Math and Education are her main interests and she plans to major in them. Irvington-on-the-Hudson, New York, is her home town. Anne Detarnando '57

A music major in piano, Anne Detarando makes an able Compet Song leader for the Sophomore class. An interest in the arts is chown by Appe's membership in shown by Anne's membership in

**Free Speech** A Forum of Opinion from On and Off the Campus

The opinions expressed in this column do not necessarily reflect those of the editors.

Letter to the Editor:

It has come to our attention in these past school months that the journalistic treatment of one prominent senior has been grossly mishandled. This student being of a sensitive and aesthetic nature would not of her own accord bring this delicate matter to the attention of the staff of Connecticut College News.

WE, however, neither being of a sensitive, nor aesthetic nor for that matter of a delicate nature, boldly step forward in defense of her, the object of our deep rooted admiration.

In the development of any language it has been the custom to standardize the spelling of proper, common, given, sur, Chris-tian or for that matter nick names .Reason also demands consistency. Imagine the shock of present day scholars to find their "favorites" referred to as if they

were: William Bakesqueer Christofer Wry Robert Crost Leslie Coward or Deartha Witt Appalling isn't it! ! !

This, dear editor, is precisely our reaction to the inexcusable treatment of our friend Jessie Choir and participation as a danc er in Five Arts Weekend. Anne also is kept busy teaching Relig-ion at Seaside. She comes from Southbridge, Mass.

#### Ann Lewis '56

Being Junior Compet Song leader is only one of Ann's jobs in the musical field: she is also leader of the Connchords and has written both the music and lyrics for the Junior class Father's Day University of Colorado last spring, Ann is now a Sociology major here at\*Connecticut.

### Dottie Rugg '55

Dottie Rugg, the Senior class song leader, comes from Greenfield, Mass. During sophomore year she was class Social Chairman and has also been Social Chairman of the Home Economics Club and Service League; a House Junior; a member of Glee Club, and a participator in sports events. Dottie is a Child Development major. After graduation in June she will be married to David Fitch, a Dartmouth graduate, who is now in the Air Force.

## **Gulick to Assist CC** Summer Dance

Faith Gulick '56 has been chos en to assist Louis Horst in the Class in Dance Composition during the coming season of the Connecticut College School of the Dance. She has studied under Mr. Horst in the two classes in which she will assist. These classes on-centrate on putting movements together and developing dances.

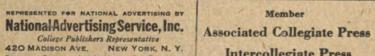
Faith, who started dancing in the fifth grade, has won dance scholarships to Colorado College in the summer of 1952, and to the Connecticut School of the Dance in the summers of 1953 and 1954. She danced and wrote the music for two solos presented during Five Arts Weekend.

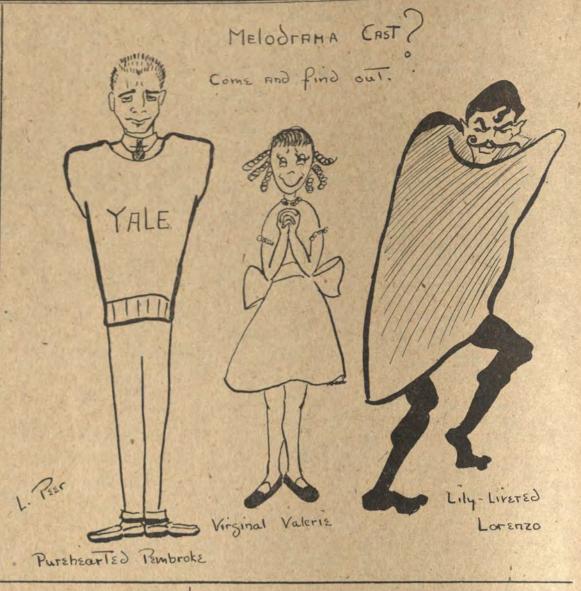
A Music major, Faith would like to follow her interest in the treatment of our friend Jessie like to follow her interest in the Gamen, otherwise known to unin-formed freshmen as Muffy. The JACKIE GANEM Fan Club (For complete list of fan club members please see blue books 1951 through 1955)



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## **Split-Level** Nest What Price Extra-Curricular? **Mobile**, Paintings

**Please Watchbird** A very sunburned watchbird is to be seen this week on campus. The Watchbird saw a number of questionably clad young ladies on the various sun decks and landed to find out what the act was. It was a general desire for a healthy tan. If a healthy tan can be called a bright red skin, the Watchbird is leading the pack of sun-worshippers.

The architecture exhibit particularly struck her fancy, and she is now looking for someone to buildt her a split-level nest. As well, the Watchbird was very im-pressed with the painting exhibi-tion. In this field, however, Watchbird agrees with the stu-dent who said, "It looks just as well upside down." Watchbird has quickly learned that the art medium at Connecticut is mobiles. The Mobile dance at the Auditorium on Saturday night has started the Watchbird trying to see how far she can swing to one side and still stay on her feet. Try as she will, our bird still looks more as if she were coming in for a crash landing than as if

Compet Sing, Melodrama, and Father's Day Show all come under the heading of extra-curricular. Many students may have discovered that this sudden onslaught of extra-curricular activity has been detrimental to their curricular activity. This conflict between the two is a problem which is the fault of neither the students nor the faculty, but which must be

resolved in some way by both of these groups. The students complain that they cannot possibly get all their work done with everything else they have to do, and that many of their teachers are giving them too much work at one time. On the other hand, the faculty complains that the students' work is falling off and that their minds seem to be occupied with memorizing songs rather than with memorizing history dates.

The opinion of the faculty, however, appears to be divided as to the worth of extra-curricular activity. Some of them seem to realize that Compet Sing, Melodrama, and Father's Day are a valuable part of the college life; that such group performances raise the flagging spirit of the school. Others turn their backs on spirit raising, and write another assignment on the blackboard.

Blaming the faculty for the conflict is not the whole an-swer. It is generally agreed that there is a large amount of work at the end of a school year, but some of the work was assigned early in the semester. Perhaps a little looking ahead would have saved many students these last minute headaches, and the cry of "plan your schedule" would now have more meaning.

That there is a need for a compromise between extra-curricular and curricular activity is obvious. How this compromise can be reached is another matter. Assuming that the majority of students will plan their work for this time next year, it is still necessary for the students and the faculty to reach an understanding about the place of extra-curricular activity in a college such as this one. A balance between curricular and extra-curricular is important. It is disappointing

EDITORIAL STAFFWatchbird has noticed that the New London shops are doing a quick business in white dresses. On questioning, she found that Compet Sing calls for students in white. As she remembers, last year's chosen model was a crino- line and a white sweater. Perhaps the A line for Compet Sing this week is a nurse's uniform.Managing Editor: Daine Blamond '57 Assistant News Editor: Monica Hyde '57 Faculty Adviser: Paul Fussell, Jr. Faculty Adviser: Paul Fussell, Jr. Faculty Adviser: Paul Fussell, Jr. Gopy Editor: Bannie Steger '58 Assistant Copy Editors: Sue Carvallo '58, Joan Waxgiser '58 Music Critic: Janice Hollander '56Watchbird has noticed that the New London shops are doing a quick business in white dresses. On questioning, she found that Compet Sing calls for students in white. As she remembers, last year's chosen model was a crino- line and a white sweater. Perhaps the A line for Compet Sing this week is a nurse's uniform.Just as the Watchbird had put her head under her wings for a good night's sleep, she was rude- ly awakened by some musical bells. At first she thought that the noise was her pet peeve, Ber-	Calendar Thursday, May 5 Senior Recital Holmes Hall, 8:30 p.m.
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