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Camel Drive This Week Sends Smokes To Service Men

Three Packs Sent For Every Carton Bought by Student

Camel cigarette week began Monday, May 10 and will continue through Wednesday, May 19. Lucrétia Lincoln '44 is the chairman of this campus drive.

This plan, conceived by the Camel cigarette company, entitles an American serviceman overseas to three packs of Camels for every carton a student buys for herself at \$1.55. Upon paying the dormitory representative, the student will receive a tag which is redeemable Wednesday, May 19 at a desk on the first floor of Fanning. If the student does not call for her carton on that day, thirty-two packs of Camels will be sent to servicemen overseas.

Each package of cigarettes will have on it a sticker stating that it comes as a contribution from a student in Connecticut college.

Other colleges in the East which have held this Camel cigarette drive include Smith and Pembroke.

Vespers Lecturer Is Occupied With Revision of Bible

Willard L. Sperry, dean of Harvard university chapel, will be the speaker at the vesper service on Sunday, May 16 at 7 p.m. He is also dean of the divinity school in Harvard university and professor of practical theology there. He is a member of the committee now engaged in preparing a revision of the American Standard Bible, to appear in several years. Before coming to Harvard, he had held the professorship of practical theology in Andover seminary.

Dean Sperry has delivered various lectureships, among them the Upton lectures at Manchester college, Oxford; the 1927 Hibbert lectures and the Essex Hall lectures in London. He served for many years as dean of the national council on Religion in Higher Education.

Before taking up professorial work, Dr. Sperry was a minister, an assistant pastor and then pastor at First Congregational Church, Fall River, Mass., and at Central Church, Boston. As a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, Dr. Sperry received his B.A. degree and later his M.A. from that university. He has also an M.A. from Yale and the D.D. from Yale, Brown and Amherst.

He is a contributor to the Atlantic Monthly and other leading periodicals, and the author of *The Disciplines of Liberty*; *Reality in Worship*; *Signs of These Times*; *Yes, But—*; and *Strangers and Pilgrims*. Dean Sperry delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of 1933.

Elise Abrahams Chosen President of S. I. G.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Student Industrial Group on Monday, May 10, Elise Abrahams '44 was elected the new president. Ellie will attend the Hudson Shore Labor School in New York this summer and will take up her duties next fall replacing Margery Levy '45, retiring president.

Have You Bought Your Ticket Yet?



The Connecticut College War Service Committee

presents the CONNTEEN

for the benefit of

The Allied Children's Fund

Palmer Auditorium, May 15, 1943

8:00 p.m.

C. C. \$1.00 plus 10c tax

For Baseball, Reunions and Songs Fathers Flock to C. C.

by Mary W. Lewis '44

What is it that causes a sudden splurge of spick and span grooming on the C. C. campus? What is it that makes girls vigorously set their rooms in spotless order? (Get away from that closet door, please.) No, not dates, not a military inspection, but C.C.'s Fathers' Day! This year on May 15, which marks the ninth celebration of this event, many hard-working dads will close their budget books, lock their desks, hand the scalpel over to the nurse, fling out the "out-for-lunch" sign, and head for C.C. for a weekend of fun. This is a day for them to anticipate longingly from the first signs of the spring thaw, for it is a time of reunions with daughters and old friends, of introductions to the girls' roommates, friends and parents, and of a guaranteed good time.

Steeped in tradition, the program this year will be much like the first one back on May 18, 1936. The morning is set aside for touring the campus and visiting classes, which gives the fathers a chance to meet the faculty, enliven discussions, and find out the reason for those marks of Sally's.

Traditional Luncheon, Baseball

After the traditional reception on President Blunt's lawn, a fathers' luncheon will be held, at which a group of seniors led this year by Jean Kohlberger '43 will render a serenade between courses. This custom is generally followed by the tenors and basses chiming in with old-time favorites. Present at the luncheon will be President Blunt, Dean Burdick, and Dean Park, who afterwards will speak and answer questions. Dean Burdick always reads a list of the fathers who have come the longest distances, (Maine, Maryland, Washington, Illinois, and Wisconsin were among the points represented last year), of those who are present for their fourth year, and of those who have come more than four times, having had more than one daughter at college. Notable among this year's guests will be Dr. Daghljan (Louise's father), who is coming for his eighth year, and the ever-faithful Mr. William Enequist, who will be here for the eighth time, having never missed a single Fathers' Day! The largest number of dads arrived in 1941 (back in the days of automobiles) when 229 turned up. The growth of this event from the first in 1936, when 71 arrived, is evident.

Following the smoker-discussion, one of the climaxes of the day occurs when all gather at the south end of campus for the great father-daughter baseball game. Back in the old days a riding meet used to be the big event, but the dads so showed their preference for something in which they could really exhibit their own skills besides witnessing those of

their daughters, that it soon gave way to baseball. At this the veterans remove their coats and buckle down to exercising muscles unused since the last Fathers' Day. While the excitement is high, the results are generally a bit vague, for the business of score-keeping is not taken too seriously. Great pains were taken with it at that first game in '36, to be sure, but as the fathers began to get frisky, tossing the ball to the outfield so that girls might round the bases in safety, calling girls safe who were undeniably out, the game evolved into a rather different sort from the orthodox. Usually the score remains a debatable point, but no one denies that the daughters have won. This year's results, however, yet remain to be seen.

Connteen Show Ends Program

Appetites well whetted, there will undoubtedly be many individual dinner parties scheduled for that evening. The Mohican, Skipper's Dock, and the Norwich Inn have proved the most popular spots since gasoline rationing. The latter, however, has in no way dampened enthusiasm. One father last year, in fact, insisted on adopting for the evening a whole group of girls whose dads couldn't come.

An added attraction to this year's program will be the benefit performance of the "Connteen Show." This will officially wind up one of C.C.'s more tip-top traditions. Many fathers, however, will remain for the following day to visit, go on short walks, meet more friends, and see their daughters, not anxious to break up this occasion which sees to it that every dad has his day.

C.C. Alumna Given Honor in Quebec; Had 3.93 Average

Eleanor L. Michel, who graduated from Connecticut college in 1929, has been made "Docteur de l'Université Laval" in Quebec. Her doctoral thesis, written in French, was an appraisal of Canadian French novels from 1900 to 1940. It was published in February. An unusual feature of the requirements Miss Michel had to meet for her degree was an exacting examination in French in the presence of a public audience.

Miss Michel as an undergraduate maintained one of Connecticut college's highest scholastic records, her standing for four years being 3.93. Since 1931 she has been a member of the faculty of the Meriden high school. She has served as a reader in French for the college entrance board and is a member of the Connecticut examining board for French teachers.

Blood Donors to Plan Time for Donations

If any of those who have been preparing to donate blood have kept complete health records for a period of three weeks, they may make appointments for the donation with Mrs. Setterholm.

Place: Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

Time: 9:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday; 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Students may go in groups of five.

All Riders May Join in Annual C.C. Horse Show

The annual Connecticut college horse show will be held at 2:00 Saturday, May 22 in the riding ring. The entry fee is \$1.00 for each class. The five classes are Advanced Horsemanship open to all students who have taken riding for physical education credit this year, Horsemanship open to all C.C. students who have not taken riding this year, a Bareback class, an Alumnae class open to all graduates of the college, and a Championship class, which will consist of the winners of first and second places in the two horsemanship classes.

Trophies and rosettes will be given as prizes in the first four classes. The winner of the Championship class will receive a \$25.00 war bond to be donated by members of the Riding club and all others who wish to contribute. "The Good Hands Cup" given by Miss Louise Sales in 1933 will be retired at this time. Between classes Mr. Henry O. Charron will give an exhibition with his trick horse, "Topaz," and Margaret Coughlin '46 will drive "Crazy Quilt" in a show buggy.

Scholar Will Address Phi Beta Kappa Group On 'Liberal Studies'

Dr. Karl Young of Yale university will speak on Liberal Studies tonight, May 12, at the annual spring meeting of the New London chapter of Phi Beta Kappa which will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Knowlton house. Connecticut college faculty members and other friends of the society have been invited to the meeting. A business meeting, over which Dr. John Erwin Wells, president, will preside, will follow Dr. Young's speech.

Dr. Young is a scholar and educator, as well as a Sterling Professor and a member of the faculty of Yale university. In his speech he will present not only generalities confined to the humanities but also particulars equally important in other fields.

College Employees Buy \$50,075.00 In Bonds Since Sept.

One Third of Bonds Bought on Payroll Deduction Plan

The employees of the college have spent a total of \$50,075.00 on war bonds between September, 1942 and now. Blanks were sent out to all the employees of the college including faculty, and grounds and dormitory maintenance staffs, and this total was obtained from those blanks which were returned.

This total is the result of purchasing war bonds under a payroll deduction plan but it is supplemented by the purchasing of bonds outside of and in addition to this plan. Of the \$50,075.00, \$17,775.00 worth of bonds was bought under the payroll deduction plan and almost twice that amount, \$33,300.00, was purchased in addition. These figures refer to the maturity value of the bonds.

Ft. Trumbull Band Is Added Feature To Connteen Show

Copies of Famed Song By Bobrow-Rosenstiel To be Sold for Fund

At the Connteen show performance Saturday night, May 15, to be given for the benefit of the Allied Children's Fund, the band from Fort Trumbull will be featured. Band master Kullick will direct the band in a ten minute spot of specialty numbers.

Copies of the finale number, "Emphatically, Democratically Inclined," written by Louise Rosenstiel '44 and Lucille Bobrow '44, will be sold at the show Saturday night by the ushers who are yet to be chosen. They will also be sold in the Connecticut college bookshop afterwards. The song will be sold at fifty cents a copy and the proceeds from this will also go to the Allied Children's Fund.

Tickets are being sold throughout this week in all the dormitories at \$1.10. Servicemen will be required to pay only the ten cent government tax for admission. Permission has been obtained for cadets of the Coast Guard academy attending the Connteen show to arrive late at the dance to be held at the academy Saturday night provided they make this request beforehand.

Louise E. Daghljan First Senior to Enlist in The Armed Services

Louise Daghljan '43, daughter of Professor and Mrs. Garabed Daghljan, became the first member of this year's graduating class to join the armed forces of the United States when she was inducted into the WAVES on Wednesday, May 5 in Boston, Mass. Miss Daghljan will enter Officers Training School soon after graduation, but until that time her official title is apprentice seaman on inactive duty.

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Blood Donations Effectively Used

A recent report from the office of the American Red Cross in Washington, D. C. explained the use of the blood which has been so enthusiastically donated to the Red Cross blood bank since the war began. Because the response of Connecticut college students to the appeal for blood donations has been very commendable, the significance of their contributions should be a matter of interest and pride to the entire student body.

The office of the Red Cross explains that the blood donations are processed into plasma and serum albumin and used on the world's battlefields to help give our wounded a much better chance at life.

Plasma is that part of blood from which the red and white cells have been removed. By a process of evaporation it is reduced to a powdered form and needs only to be mixed with distilled water to be ready for use. Packed in hermetically sealed tins along with a bottle of distilled water and the necessary tubing and needles for mixing and administering, it is impervious to jungle heat. There is no question of delays for blood typing, as plasma is universal, and it requires but moments to mix and administer.

"When a man is wounded, he is flown to a hospital on an island several hundred miles away. Before being moved, often on the battlefield, he receives first aid and frequently blood plasma transfusions to stop hemorrhage and reduce shock.

"Surgeon General James C. Magee of the Army, after a recent inspection trip to North Africa, cited as an example of the effectiveness of plasma transfusions a case in which 400 men were badly burned on a ship during one of the landings on that continent. 'They treated those men with primitive field equipment,' General Magee said, 'but between midnight and 8 o'clock next morning everyone had been properly cared for and only six of them died. Blood plasma gets the credit to a very large degree.'

"So effective has the use of plasma proved that the Red Cross has been requested to furnish 4,000,000 donations in 1943. Like the 1,000,000 donations collected last year, they will be used with telling effect along our battle lines, on our ships at sea and in our military hospitals."

Connecticut college blood donors may be justly proud of their enthusiastic support of this service!

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 opinions, the editor must know the names of contributors.

Dear Editor:

I write this knowing that it will bring down on my head a storm of criticism, and yet I believe that the time has come to air the question publicly. Each year at our convocations leaders and scholars in various fields speak to us. After each lecture the students express their opinions of the speakers. Some are complimentary, others critical, some fairly made, others biased. Speakers such as Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Nicholson, and Mr. Fischer come and captivate almost all of us. We ask ourselves, if we are thoughtful, why these speakers are so vivid, so interesting, so intellectually stimulating. Likewise, when poor speakers come we wonder what causes their poor reception. We have come to realize that a poor lecturer generally is one who speaks in a monotonous voice, who lacks enthusiasm for his subject, who obviously is reading the lecture, and who presents the material in a confusing manner. It is true that in our criticism we do not consider the degrees, the positions, or the prominence of the lecturer, but we do not care about high scholastic achievement if the lecture lacks interest or stimulation for us. The same criteria apply to instructors and convocation speakers. As we prefer an instructor, no matter how few his or her degrees, who can approach us on our level, who can explain involved issues, and who can inspire us, so we also ask this in our guest lecturers.

The purpose of convocations is to stimulate and to widen our intellectual horizons. Is it too much to ask of the committee that selects the speakers to audit them before they are chosen and to see if they have vivacity, enthusiasm, and a good presentation as well as scholarly background?

Editor's Note:

Several very excellent suggestions have been received from students, but they have not been printed because they were unsigned. It is the policy of News to print only signed letters, although the signature may be withheld from the publication if this is requested.

Dear Editor:

At the office of the State War Savings Administration there is a flag which belongs to Connecticut college. That flag, if it were flown here, would signify that the student body of this college had participated at least 90% in buying war stamps and bonds. It should be flying over the college this month. It is not. Only 66% of our students have found the vigour necessary to carry the tremendous weight of one dime over to Fanning Hall one Tuesday each month. With our present program to keep the college girls physically fit it would be expected that more would have enough strength to do this. Every girl in Connecticut college has failed in her duty. Even if you have been one of the few to participate wholeheartedly in the drive you have not aided your poor weak friends who have neither the memory nor the energy to do their part. Others are counting on us! Are they justified?

Calendar . . .

Wednesday, May 12

Organ recital 5:15 Chapel
Press Board-News picnic 5:7:30 Buck Lodge
Italian club 7:00 Commuters' Room
Science club (Miss Dietz) 7:30 New London 113
Wig and Candle meeting 5:00 Auditorium 202

Thursday, May 13

Choir rehearsal 4:20 Chapel
Music department recital 7:30 Holmes Hall

Saturday, May 15

Reception 12:30 President's lawn
Fathers' luncheon 1:00 Thames
Softball game 3:30 A.A. Field
Connteen show 8:00 Auditorium

Sunday, May 16

Ornithology club breakfast 8:10 Buck Lodge
Vespers, Dr. Willard Sperry 7:00 Chapel

Tuesday, May 18

Choir rehearsal 4:20 Auditorium 202
Dramatic interpretation performance 7:45 Auditorium

Wednesday, May 19

Organ recital 5:15 Chapel

CONNECTICUT-UPS

Sally Ford '44



"I've been called everything from J. P. to Pop—but this is the first time anyone's called me Mr. Susie Miller!"

O. M. I. (Office of More Information)

by Hedi Seligsohn '45

Before We Proceed

Tunis and Bizerte have fallen, and the whole world is anxiously awaiting what many think will be the grand finale of the European war. The so called "second front" will in its immediate aspects be a dynamic military enterprise of the United Nations. It will, in terms of long range thinking, be a political campaign. We may win the battle by superior military strength, but we may lose it unless our moral purpose is also superior to that of the enemy. It is by no means only the interpretation of the skeptics that the closer we come to winning the war the closer we are to losing the peace. In the light of the events that have taken place this seems a highly realistic viewpoint. The subject of our State Department's policy has been treated in this column before, but it seems important enough to be reemphasized.

In the course of the last three years the world has watched us foster the Vichy government, the Franco government, the Darlan regime in North Africa, Admiral Robert in Martinique, the Hungarian Fascist movement in the United States, Otto von Hapsburg's army of tin soldiers and other equally obnoxious political institutions under the pretext that we were trying to win the war more quickly and more thoroughly. The method of political expediency is by no means generally accepted, but be that as it may, dealing with fascist elements has ceased to be politically expedient! It is high time for our diplomats to realize this fact. It is a fortunate thing that at this point our fascist friends are beginning to make life extremely difficult for us, and our sudden breach of relations with Finland and Martinique are indications of that change in attitude. But we cannot wait for General Franco to break the rules of hospitality, nor are we obliged to play host to Otto and his Hungarian playmates any longer. The date of the second front in Europe is approaching. We have faith in our Allies' military strength to make this fiasco a complete victory for the cause of the United Nations. We might, however, find ourselves signing an armistice with the European Axis powers flanked by smiling fascists who want to be rewarded for their "neutrality."

The pest of fascism must be

MOVIE MINUTES

by Marjorie Alexander '44

Reap the Wild Wind****

Starting Friday, May 14, and continuing through Monday, May 17, Reap the Wild Wind will be the feature attraction at the Capitol Theater. This film, which was one of the best offerings from Hollywood during the 1942 season, is being brought back to New London at popular prices. The story of the movie concerns the days of the old clipper ships when men risked their lives and their fortunes to break speed records and to bring their ships to port without accident. Paulette Goddard is the sea-going heroine of the story, and Ray Milland and John Wayne are the two enemies who are her suitors. Robert Preston heads the capable supporting cast. The entire film is in technicolor, and the photography aids in making this picture an excellent one. Reap the Wild Wind is well worth seeing if you haven't already seen it.

Seven Miles from Alcatraz*

The Crown Theater will show Seven Miles from Alcatraz this week from Wednesday, May 12, until Saturday, May 15. James Craig and Bonita Granville are the stars of this movie which is another of the many recent films which have concerned enemy spies and their efforts at sabotage in the United States. The story is so weak that both Miss Granville and Mr. Craig have little opportunity to display their acting talents. Everything considered, Seven Miles from Alcatraz would have suited the public better if it never had been produced.

Flight for Freedom***

Flight for Freedom, starring Fred MacMurray and Rosalind Russell, will be at the Garde Theater from Wednesday, May 12, until Sunday, May 16. The plot of this picture is based on some of the experiences of the famous aviatrix, Amelia Earhart. Miss Russell portrays the role of the aviatrix admirably, while Mr. MacMurray is equally good as her friend and consultant. Flight for Freedom is most enjoyable, not only because of the acting of the stars, but because the plot is very unusual and a definite relief from some of the stereotyped stories which have lately been made into movies.

dealt with by expert medicine men. The healthy elements in this world must be protected carefully

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Dr. C. Gilkey Tells Of Religious Needs In Time of War

Dr. Charles W. Gilkey, dean of the chapel of the university of Chicago, was the speaker at Vespers Sunday night, May 9. Taking a quotation from the wall of an old church at Leicester, England, as his text, Dr. Gilkey spoke on the theme: "The best things are born out of the worst times." He used Wordsworth's poetry, Handel's Messiah, and the works of the great Dutch masters as illustrations of this theme, since all of these famous works were created in times of crisis. He pointed out that today we are living in the most crucial age of all time, and that religion is needed now more than ever to bring out the "best things" inherent in man. As Dr. Gilkey quoted: "When it is dark enough, you can see the stars." In other words, when times are worst the best in man is brought out. Dr. Gilkey ended his speech by urging that we let religion inspire us to do the "best things" of which we are capable and to keep us from despair in these dark times.

Junior Class Wins First Place After Close Competition

by Norma Pike '44

The echoes of "Singing praises to thy name" have faded. And once more competitive sing is a thing of the past. Competitive sing meant hours devoted to marching and song practice, weather permitting or no. It meant dressing in crisp whites and saddle shoes or spectators according to class preference. It meant the thrill of singing to our Alma Mater, of friendly competition for the coveted first place. Congratulations Libby and juniors for being awarded the cup!

Competitive sing is one of the most impressive events of the college year. President B. T. Marshall inaugurated the initial all-college sing in October, 1925. In 1926, the sing was held in May and from then on the four classes of Connecticut college have welcomed each spring with a song in their hearts. The prize cup was donated by the class of '35, the only class to win the sing for four successive years. Any class winning the cup during any three competitions within the period 1935 to 1945 shall become the nominal possessor of the silver cup.

After the hair-raising mellow-drama, the final moonlight sing was held on the steps of the Athletic field. Due to dim-out regulations, each junior received a white carnation—in place of the traditional candle—from a senior. The juniors then mounted the steps and the seniors took the juniors' places on the field. The singing of the Alma Mater ended the moonlight sing and the evening's festivities.

Connteeners Visit Fort Michie and Navy Base

The Connteen show was presented at the U. S. Navy Section Base on Friday, May 7 and at Fort Michie on Sunday, May 9. Because there were no dressing rooms at the Navy Base, the cast dressed in their costumes at college and put on their make-up in the trucks and station wagons which provided their transportation.

On May 15, the Connteen will be presented for the C.C. fathers as a benefit for the Allied Children's Fund.

HINE IS NEW SCIENCE HEAD

At a short meeting of the Science club Thursday morning, in 113 New London hall, Ruth Hine '44 was elected president for next year and Ruth Howe '44, vice-president and secretary.

Groans, Sighs Mark Studies For Generals

by Shirley Armstrong '45

Have you been worrying because of the nearness of finals? Think nothing of it. Ask the seniors how they feel right now. Yes, generals are almost here, as the haggard expressions on the time worn, wrinkled, and bent upperclassmen well testify. In the library they are glued to the stacks in small, large, and medium sized lumps which slide farther down the straight-backed wooden chairs as the days and weeks slide over one another. Their rooms have at least one untouchable corner where there is a carefully stacked pile of books which must be reviewed eventually. Their ash trays are heaped with cigarettes. Their desks overflow with class notes from their freshman year, unanswered letters from husbands or fiancées (good consolation prizes, aren't they?), and pencil stubs. The latter make a log rolling contest seem simple in comparison to walking across a senior's room.

According to the best reports, the pressure doesn't come until next week, for generals are May 20. Just the same there are some hard workers like Marion Butterfield (she won't even recognize herself unless people shout "Butterball" at her.) and Ruth (Melodrama) Likely who have ground their way through part of their work. At least. If the thought isn't too painful, the "poor, old seniors" might go over and peek at Ranny's outline. "Shoe" and "Ashie" (Mary Lou Shoemaker and Alyce Watson to the professors) admit that they are progressing rather slowly, but they have awfully good intentions.

Over in Jane Addams the seniors are anticipating May 20 with fear. When they sit down to

study, they have observed that food is necessary to relaxation, and a little talking helps keep up the morale. In fact the morale division is suffering very little for men are beginning to pop in from Australia, South Carolina, and sea. Nevertheless the whole thing boils down to one large groan, for a few of the aged souls have three themes within the next few weeks and are beginning to wonder just when the professors plan to give them a meagre breathing spell in which to study.

From all quarters comes the statement that the worst thing of all is the psychological aspect of generals. They're scared! Right now they look as if they deserved credit for passing four years in-

C. C. Messages Are Silly, Says Patient Campus Telegrapher

by Betty Reiffel '46

"It's a cinch to spot a C.C. message! They're always so silly!" Helen Barbera, short, dark-haired and friendly, our Western Union representative at college, says this of the telegrams with which students bombard her daily.

With this succinct summary of our intellectual prowess when we come to composing those "S. O. S's," "arrivals," and the rest, Helen proceeded to describe some of the daily headaches and laughs that are a part of her job here.

The Western Union office was established in Fanning hall when its home quarters in New London became too overcrowded with calls. It was decided that an office right at college would be more than worthwhile, and it certainly has proved a big relief! Helen came here about a month ago—although the office was set up in January—and likes her new job "ever so much better" than the one she had downtown. Believe it or not, one of her reasons is that it's much quieter here at school! Helen explained that in the town office, there are many wires which require highly technical and complicated manipulation, while she has charge of just one wire here.

Anyone who has watched her as she receives a message, efficiently pasting it on the familiar yellow sheet, can easily understand why C.C.ites have shown such an interest in wanting to learn her art. And it is an art, one requiring eight weeks of training!

College girls send most of their messages between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. every day, although Helen is on the job from 9 until 6. She is always very amused at the lassies

who come dashing by between classes and glance at the desk. They're instantly convinced that they must send a message!

Now Helen's a very patient, good-natured girl who's glad to be here, but she says that in one way the students can be very trying. It seems that girls drop around at the desk in the morning before Helen is on duty, and haven't time to wait until she gets on campus. They drop money and message on the desk and run, patting the old rabbit's foot that the precious words be found and sent. "Please," implores Helen, "don't take that chance, because money has been lost before and it can happen again."

Some girls also manage to defy Western Union formalities in another one of their own little ways. Helen has arrived at the desk time and again to find some Mary Curiosity Jones watching the words fly by.

Helen confessed that some of the messages she receives are unusual, to say the least. A classic example of the especially queer messages which occasionally come through is the following:

"MOTHER CANDY. YOU NOTHING PURSE ALL RIGHT. YOU WRITE HER. ME." What a beautiful family understanding!

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A letter from the recipient (Lucy Eaton '46's sister) of the above masterpiece proves we're not the only ones who thought the message was queer:

"My dear darling sister, Your telegram didn't make an atom of sense to me. I'd love to have a translation of it, just for old time's sake shall we say—!"

Gas Rationing Forces Students To Study Local Bus Schedules



Car? Don't know the meaning of the word. We belong strictly to the Omnibus Set. So if you are ever stranded at Norwich Inn, Ocean Beach, or New London, you'll have to know the schedules of our only means of conveyance.

If you and your date are enjoying the happy atmosphere at Norwich Inn, you'll find that the last bus you can take leaves at 10:45 from the driveway of the Inn.

Ocean Beach will be a popular place this spring and if you've spent an evening at the Mabrey you'll have to catch the 10:55 bus in order to get back before 12:00.

If you've confined your activities just to the center of New London you'll have to stop playing in time to take the 11:15 bus back to college.

When you find yourself back on campus and it's still before 12:00 or 1:30 on Saturday night you can complete the evening in Windham living room which will be open this month for students and their dates until 12:00 on week nights and until 1:30 on Saturday. Or if you feel so inclined you can drop into the Sandwich Shop on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

stead of having to go through a long torture session. However, it's rumored that the mortality rate is low.

P.S. GOOD LUCK!

Spring Proves Threat to the '10:20 Club'

by Trudy Weinstock '44

A new social center has developed on campus! Fight your way through the smoke and crowd in Blackstone's basement music room and the nearby vicinity almost any weekday during Chapel hour and you'll find real entertainment and companionship.

The few industrious souls who enter with the idea of accomplishing something worthwhile during this interim between classes are soon disillusioned. The first musical arrivals begin picking away at the piano in a rather half-hearted manner, but end their attempts when the true artists arrive upon the scene. Then begins a true musical battle, with the major contestants—Lolly Bobrow '44, Skip Rosenstiel '44, and Jeanne Feinn '44—assisted by the regular "kibitzers." Skip gives out with her embryonic boogie-woogie, Lolly demonstrates her prowess as master of the unfinished presentation (even brute force won't make her complete a piece), and Jeanne's harrowing rendition of Chloe inflicts itself upon suffering eardrums for blocks.

Frequenters of the "10:20 Club" eventually become fairly well immunized to this performance, and succeed in reading their mail and exchanging items of interest. The hardest ones are the shorthand students (names omitted by request) who can dash off their last-minute curliques and pot-hooks regardless of distraction.

These blissful spring days are proving a threat to the gathering's stability; more and more it is moving outdoors, and will probably disband for the season very shortly.

Reminder to Students Jeans Banned in Town

As a reminder to the student body, Cabinet brings the following rule of student government to their attention:

Blue jeans should not be worn downtown. They may be worn to and from the beach or a picnic provided the girl does not stop downtown while dressed in jeans.

Mrs. D. Traversari Speaks on Warfare Over Short Wave

Psychological Effect Of Strategy of Truth On Fascists Shown

by Mrs. Gina Racea

On Monday, May 10, the International Relations club together with the Italian club sponsored a lecture by Mrs. Danesi Traversari on psychological warfare over short wave. The lecture was a report on the war time activity of the American short wave radio.

The lecturer stressed the importance of this particular kind of warfare, emphasizing the vital importance points on which it must be based, if it wants to distinguish itself from the propaganda used by the totalitarian countries; knowledge of the psychology and character of the people one is speaking to, and—more than anything else—truth. The object of this warfare is to invade the enemy's mind before his territory is invaded; "the strategy of truth" is, in many cases, the best means to use; to the heavily propagandized fascist countries objectivity makes the news most convincing.

The speaker then gave a brief history of the growth of short-wave broadcasts in the whole world: Russia started in 1930, France, Great Britain, Germany soon jumped in and the United States was aroused to the danger only in 1937, when the NBC short-wave station began to function. The International Division of NBC readily became a growing worry to the dictators, as was clearly evidenced by the thousands of letters received from appreciative listeners in fascist countries; some very interesting letters from Italy written after she entered the war, Mrs. Traversari read from the original copies.

Popularized Broadcasts

She then entered her more specific field; the activity of the Italian Division of NBC, outlining the kind of program which, before the war, helped to build up the popularity of the broadcasts among Italian listeners; this popularity has now proved itself an asset and is being used as an important weapon of warfare. It is known that, in spite of everything, heavy fines or imprisonment for listening to foreign broadcasts, the voice of America to the oppressed Italian people is still, and more than ever, heard and followed by thousands. The lecturer pointed out that it is not difficult to sow discontent and disbelief in Italy, and that strong underground movements are already at work. The American broadcasts have these groups particularly in mind when they encourage sabotage, resistance and civil disobedience.

Seven Officers Elected In Recent Junior Vote

Elections were held at the junior class meeting on May 4 in the Palmer auditorium; the girls chosen to fill the following positions are: vice president, Marjorie Alexander; class secretary, Eleanor Townsend; song leader, Elizabeth Travis; treasurer, Patricia Douglass; chairman of entertainment, Jane Day; chairman of curriculum committee, Sophie Barney; and cheerleaders, Lucretia Lincoln and Marion Kane.

STUDENTS TO BROADCAST

Members of speech classes will read poems and broadcast a radio program written by Stephen Vincent Benet on Monday, May 17, at 7:00 o'clock, in Palmer auditorium, room 202.

Member of First C. C. Class Notes Loss of High Shoes, Faculty Sports Competition

by Mrs. Clinton Lawrence '19

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sound of voices and laughter below, but there is a difference. The campus, the lawns, the trees have grown with beauty and dignity. Gray stone and ivy walls.

We were such a small group who entered in 1915, destined always to be seniors. I am sure no national official could feel responsibility more than we did. There were lasting traditions to establish. So many of these still exist that the thought and purpose must have been worthwhile. There is one thing revolutionized: Costume! Where are the long skirts, long black stockings, high shoes, long hair and hairpins? Away, and good riddance! And in their place, freedom of slacks, blue-jeans, shirts, bobbed hair and pig-tails! We would have shocked the universe in such attire. But we had daring, too! Our gym costume was voluminous bloomers and white middies, long black stockings and high white sneakers. If the day was suffic-

Editor's Note

Mrs. Clinton Lawrence, mother of Marjorie Lawrence '45, was a recent visitor to Connecticut college. Because she was a member of the first graduating class of this college, she was asked by her daughter, the author of the column, Gymangles, to jot down a few of her impressions of the changes that she noted on campus. Mrs. Lawrence laughingly commented that for four years she tried to become a writer for News, and now after a twenty-five year interval, she is asked to contribute an article!

iently warm, a few brave souls would roll down their stockings to the ankle and expose a bare leg!

The faculty had to help in the competitive games of sport. We couldn't compete with ourselves. And what a break is yours now. The Coast Guard Academy was miles away and we could only have callers week-ends. (Wonder if the News will print this information.)

Yes, there are many changes but they are really material. You too are living through a war in a war-torn world, yet your patriotism, I think, is keener. I am sure you dream the same dreams. Never give these up as they represent life and hope. Some will come true, some are only wishful thinking; there will be disappointments but keep looking to the future with anticipation and eagerness and cherish every minute you spend on this lovely hilltop.



GYMANGLES

by Marjorie Lawrence '45

A.A.

The A.A. picnic this year (which took the place of A.A. banquet) was held in Buck Lodge on May 11. Those girls who have made two or more Athletic clubs during the year were invited.

Baseball

Grace Smith house baseball team defeated North Cottage in a twilight baseball game on the hockey field last Friday, May 7. The score was 11-8 after four innings, and darkness had fallen. The losers treated at the snack bar afterwards in true sportsman-ship spirit. "D. R." Royce '45, for some odd reason, played for North Cottage; in fact, she was the pitcher. The Grace Smithers now challenge anyone, house, team, or class to a game on Friday night. See Chips Wilson if interested.

Fathers' Day Game

Eleanor Townsend is in charge of the Father-Daughter baseball game for next Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Miss Ruth Thomas will umpire, and we understand she will have her hands full—the way the fathers play. See Towney if you and your Dad want to play, but at least get out on the field and cheer at 3:30 on Saturday.

Tennis

The tennis tournament is well under way. The second set of matches have been played off, and we're up to the quarter-finals. The enthusiasm is high; the matches are heated. In one set the score was 9-9 and the players had to

quit. They played it off the next afternoon, which meant they played a tournament of thirty-five games! Another group of competitors were seen playing their match at six one morning; the enthusiasm is really high!

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**Piano Recital
Presented by
Corby, Reich**

by Elizabeth DeMerritt '44

On Thursday, May 6, at Holmes Hall, Jeanne Corby and Marian Reich presented a joint piano recital to an enthusiastic audience of students, faculty, and friends. The program was admirably chosen to show the performers' knowledge of music from the 18th to the 20th century.

Among Miss Corby's selections, the Chopin Scherzo was particularly effective. She also was successful in realizing the extraordinarily advanced harmonies of the Mozart Fantasia in C minor, although she was perhaps most at home with the MacDowell Sea Pieces.

Miss Reich was particularly commendable in her understanding of the Beethoven Sonata in C minor, and in the rhythms of the Danza Lucumi of Lecuona, as well as the Three Fantastic Dances of Shostakowitch, which constitute the first published opus of this contemporary Russian composer.

The program was prepared and presented as part of the general examination for majors in the music department.

**Scenes From Many Plays
To be Read by Students**

Scenes from plays of Shakespeare, Sheridan, Shaw and Housman will be presented by members of the class in dramatic interpretation Tuesday, May 18, at 7:45 o'clock, in Palmer auditorium. The class members will be assisted by members of Wig and Candle, members of speech classes, and Mr. Russell Harris, Mr. Russell Quandt, and Mr. Stockman Barner. The players will include Dorothy Goldman '46, Sally Hosack '45, Sally Robins '46, Margaret Healy '46, Beth Onderdonk '46, Rosalie Tudisca '46, and Eloise Vail '46.

**Alumnae Serve War Effort In
Factories, Women's Services**

by Marjorie Lawrence '45

Once out of college there is real opportunity to contribute to the war effort, and many of our well-trained alumnae are taking advantage of this fact. We have former members of the C.C. classes enrolled in the WAACS, the WAVES, and the SPARS. Several are doing work in defense plants, engaged in white-collar jobs, or working in overalls.

Ensign Carol Chappell '41 writes that life in the WAVES is fascinating, exciting, and busy. She trained at Northampton and found her days very full. "We worked hard but with enthusiasm. Some of the work seemed hard to take at the time, but we were all in it together, and we had a definite goal ahead of us, one that was well worth giving all we had and more besides."

Life in the WAACS

One of our representatives found life in the WAACS hard, but at the same time amusing. Says she, "I recall standing at attention with the horrible realization that the pockets of the enlisted man's gigantic overcoat (we wore them until our own were issued) were bulging with clothespins which I had neglected to hide somewhere." Embarrassing moments, and we all have them. If life in these auxiliaries is so thrilling, what of those who are working in defense plants

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So write the Connecticut college alumnae in their letters back to school. Life after school is exciting, and we can be proud that our alumnae are taking an active

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Sylvia Haff '44, Bobby Snow '44, and Sophie Barney '44 have decided that Mary Harkness

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house needs religion, and with this purpose in mind have been presenting nightly hymn-sings from the third-floor balcony. Strange as it may seem, complaints have been heard!

In Miss Butler's philosophy of education class, Sue Chappell '44 was giving an oral report on Froebel, a German philosopher and educator, and she explained to the class that Froebel's wife died and that he took it very seriously. In fact, he was affected physically; he was suffering from calumny. Miss Chappell looked up and said in all sincerity, "I don't know much about this disease, does anyone know its symptoms?" Sue is a zoology major and she certainly was using the scientific approach. Maybe we should call this disease slanderitis.

The class of '46 is sporting a glittering diamond on the third finger, left hand of Anne-Frances Schumann '46. She has announced her engagement to Ensign Jo Chasnoff, USNR, brother of Betty Chasnoff '46. Ensign Chasnoff is on active duty.

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M.I.T. and C.C. Joint Concert Wins Applause

by Miss Gertrude Noyes

Saturday night's joint concert by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology glee club and the Connecticut college choir was no such casual affair as such last minute combinations are all too liable to be. It was a serious musical occasion with a varied and ambitious program and with musicianly standards for performance.

The two opening groups on the program featured mainly religious works of earlier periods with Latin texts and a cappella singing. The high point in this part of the program was probably our choir's superb rendition of Mozart's Ave Verum, sung with true inspiration and with meticulous enunciation, breathing, and tone quality. The Prayer from Boris Godunoff following provided a striking contrast and a satisfying end to this part of the program.

Modern Numbers Presented

Having proved their mettle in scholarly selections sung with exactitude, shading, and control, the choirs now set out to demonstrate their versatility and fell upon the modern numbers with spontaneous zest. The M.I.T. glee club passed easily from the spirited Bohemian Reaper's Song through the sombre Suabian Folk Song of Brahms to a climax in the very Bold Turpin with its realistic sound effects. After a sympathetic interpretation of the Negro spiritual, Go Down Moses, the group closed with Clokey's hilarious Musical Trust and with a fervent rendition of Rah for Tech!

The parallel group of modern selections by our choir consisted of favorites repeated from the recent recital. It was a pleasure to hear again Miss Alter's refreshing pastoral pieces, Country Gods and Country Music, with Mr. Laubenstein's flute accompaniment. The prayer To Agni was sung with decision; and the operatic selections—the Cigarette Girls' Chorus from Carmen and Braid the Raven Hair from the Mikado—were sung with heightened quinquity.

Triumphant Climax Reached

So far the program had been a great success; but the real test remained. This final test was, however, passed with high honors; indeed these selections were among the finest on the program. Bach's beloved Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring was sung with carefully

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flexibility in their respective groups—Professor George S. Dunham and Professor Quimby. Fine support was also given throughout the program by Elizabeth Travis, whose organ prelude to the Wagner Chorale was a special delight, and by Franklin Morris and Carlton Lehr.

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