STRIKES
A Reaction, Not a Cause

Current literature has displayed an almost universal protest against the actions of labor in fighting for its needs. The fact has been deplored that the nation's working forces have chosen the present hour of want, and lack of manufacturing products, to show their concerted determination. The dependence of the public upon this working force has never been felt more strongly, nor emphasized more clearly, than at this time.

But, in its zeal to carry on tirades against the working men, the modern press has neglected to go to the roots of the matter and learn the reasons for these discontenting activities. Dependence is not a one-sided affair. Just as the working men are dependent upon manufacturers, even more are the manufacturing interests dependent upon labor, and in an inquiry into the prevalence of strikes the focus of attention must be directed toward the men who produce. Manufacturing interests—and one cites the beef trust—have chosen the present time to exploit the public,—and the public, for its part, includes these workers. High prices are the direct causes of strikes. Unthinking people blame the bosses, and do not see that the working men's organized efforts are merely the natural reactions of normal human beings against activities which have made wages inadequate for them to live.

And how does the government protect the different factions from one another? One notes the immediate action taken to nullify the efforts of labor in the recent coal strike. In contrast, one recollects the unfulfilled promises to curb profiteering and to reduce high prices,—prices which make mere living actually difficult for many people. Any attempts that have been made have been against the weak retailers, while the beef trust, with its all too obvious tendencies toward monopoly, stands untamed.

True it is that labor is shirking work. It is more interested in hours than in productions. Who will deny, however, that this is a reaction to the unsympathetic attitude of operators interested, not in the public, or in labor, but in making money for their own selfish ends?

Psychologists are hired to see what are the least number of moves in which an article can be made. Systems of education are secured to see that no least human energy is put to other than the work of production. Who, indeed, should now have to display human reactions? Why should we expect them not to resent such manifest injustures?

THANKSGIVING PARTY AT OUR FAMOUS FACULTY ON CAMPUS

On Thanksgiving night a jolly and enjoyable party was held in the gymnasium. Many members of the faculty, with their families present. The guests were all adopted into new families and each family furnished an impromptu stunt. The resulting entertainment was very clever and funny. The originality of the girl, shown by the "stunts" which they produced on such short notice. There were charades and skits. A very striking comparison of "Connecticut College as the present year and last caused much mirth. A slight satire on "Peeers Be Humor" was very well done.

The guests seemed to have truly brought the real Thanksgiving spirit here on campus.

GINLING COLLEGE

Organized

Miss Laura Lee Shangstuhl, a graduate of Mount Holyoke College, and president of Ginling College in China, the Women's Foreign Missionary Board in a recent address at a meeting of The Women's Foreign Missionary Board of the Presbyterian Church, described the every day life of the students and faculty.

The life of the college is distinctly Christian in character. The daily routine includes chapel service, with a weekly Vesper service on Sunday, and a Sunday School conducted in the college.

The student body is organized for self-government and carries the responsibility of ordering the daily life within the college. The college has plans for various college entertainments and a current events club meets every other week. There is a college glee club that has weekly rehearsals and gives two concerts yearly.

Outside speakers often visit the college and lecture on various subjects related to the college work. They encourage the students to broaden their outlook and to keep in touch with the outside world as much as possible. Ginling College is non-sectarian and is maintained by the Baptist, Christian Methodist, Episcopal and Presbyterian missionary boards.

MASONIC CLUB

If there is one organization which should be well supported by the student body it is the Masonic Club. And yet, there were only a few members present at the meeting last Tuesday night. It may have been the weather—yet what college girl gives a thought to rain, if she really wants to do something or go somewhere? Or maybe there was something else going on that evening, a meeting of some other organization or club that summoned the number.

But in eighteen eighty-eight the organization came to an end. The reasons for this highly recommended cameat were:

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2. One of the most widely known clubs in the country is the Masonic Club. The organization was started in the early eighties. The club was formed to promote the higher education for women. The club's main purpose was to promote the education of women. The club's main purpose was to promote the education of women. The club's main purpose was to promote the education of women.

3. Masonic Club members have been active in many community activities. They have held office in various organizations and have been active in community service.

4. Masonic Club meetings have been well attended. The members have shown a great deal of interest in the meetings and have participated in discussions.

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C. C. Spirit

To the EDITOR

What is Connecticut College spirit? is the "parrot" question of the Freshman Spirit? Before coming here we had heard so much about the Connecticut College that we were at once attracted and interested. We heard of the wonderful interest and interest of everybody in everything "connected with the College" and the efforts to live up to the high, noble ideals of truths, justice and honor for which Connecticut College has always stood. Some of us had seen the really hard work done by the students to carry on the organization and activities of the College, and the part-takers of it all in it. But where now is that intense enthusiasm which the students, that spirit of the College, and the efforts to carry on? Can be it that interest is flagging a little? Why is it that the Service League finds such little responses to urgent calls for help? True, can't the money are really answered and enthusiasm is aroused. But the enthusiasm is not lasting. When the time for real work comes, when a sacrifice of time and pleasure is required, they are not there. Why do we shrink and leave the work for a certain few? What is the matter with the rest of us? We have acted of our share? Why are we not more interested in our College News? Why is the Service League not rộnging more of the questions confronting the girls and the way they can give some active interest in the work and advancement of Connecticut College, which would have the College stand the best and brightest things. Why not begin right now and show some interest in real and enthusiastic and not only think but act and act now? What can you best do to help?

H. B. A. '23

Over Organization of Connecticut College

A dramatic club, literary club, French club, Spanish club, discussion clubs, music and art, and music clubs. This list is by no means comprehensive, and organizations cannot be maintained by one or two girls. There must be a group of girls who especially at Connecticut College is trying to do. As a result no one of these clubs do anything without a group of girls working on them. Each girl discovering one or two girls of like kind must be interested, worked on, or work on the clubs. There can be reached and brought to bear. When those people who doubted that one club had been completed and was working, because they were over, but they still wondered if so few could do such a great job, they mustn't understand it. They didn't know that it was the ambition of the work. Each member of persons could have been employed and yet the work would have lagged if the workers were not interested in the work and the workers. Some wondered that there were no strong clubs, there was a strange isolation among the builders that made, them forget the materialistic and realize in peace and harmony, the good of the whole. Each worker knew that he should go on, and put a single nail in the wrong place or allow a bit of wood to be out of line, and that the ship would not be perfect, and his efforts and those of his fellows wouldn't make any story of the ship. Each day the shipyard is a scene of work and excitement. Some days the activity seems to go slowly and the builders are discouraged, but then they realize that this is the second ship, that it must be built on the same lines as the first one. And when we work in peace and harmony for love, the shipyard is a scene of work and excitement. When those who worked on the shipyard are not there? Why do we think of the work? The work is the shipyard is a scene of work and excitement. When those who worked on the shipyard are not there? Why do we think of the work? The work is the spirit of Connecticut College. B. P. '22

Honor System

The Honor System must be continued. For the Honor System, the most thing that come from within us, is the spirit of honor. Everybody should acquire this habit, and be strict in marking it. At Connecticut College we should not be above everything else, at high marks in studies. It is good for a college to have marks, but not for the students to care for them. Instead, the students should be interested in the organization, and leave the work for a certain few. Why do we shirk responsibility? The only enthusiasm which they have will not last, but they will not last. If we do the work, we will have the satisfaction of knowing that we have done our best to promote the spirit of Connecticut College.

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To the Editor:

I stepped into a meeting of the Dramatic Club last Wednesday evening, and was surprised to find that only one of the members of the club was present. There were twenty people there, and I asked myself, was this a regular meeting and a fine program had not been planned? But when I next to me where Peggy Brown was sitting, I learned that Peggy belongs to about five clubs, but she was not there, she was out. . .

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Current Events

The Russian Situation

Omak, the capital of "all-Russian" government has been taken by the Bolsheviks. It is reported that the Koltchaks forces are retreating towards the border of Sweden and that the surrender of Petrograd is a foregone conclusion. All anti-Bolshevik forces are inevitable.

BLESSED BE HUMOR

According to Mr. Jefferson B. Har- bour, college mens weeklies are dry, absolutely uninteresting literature. Accordingly Mr. Har- bour's lecture on "Blessed Be Humor" last night was a real hit and a great success. The room was filled up to the roof by the students and the talk was very interesting.

One Large Please

The orders for eggs were being taken at the breakfast table. Each morning a Freshman had heard the girls say "medium." It came her turn and she decided that it was not worth the trouble of playing hockey at $1.49 a box, so she went to the order of "three medium" she added "and one large please."

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Put forth her best in each organization or branch of work in which she is active? I do not think that she can, especially if she holds a class or a house office. There cannot be a "punch," there cannot be "snap" in a club where only one-half or one-third of the members honor it with their presence. It takes time to be in playing; it takes time to work up a concert. Because so many are unable to put any time into it, the lion's share falls upon one or two girls who are completely exhausted when the affair is over. And it is doubly hard when there are so many things going on, so many meetings and so much outside work, that it is almost impossible to find an hour convenient to all. Hardly an evening goes by without some club meeting. A girl has barely one evening to herself. But let us view the situation from the standpoint of efficiency, for in this world, efficiency counts in the long run. Over-organization means inefficiency—inefficiency on the part of the girls, the organization, the college. The state, the country, are watching to see how Connecticut College solves its problems. Although as yet we are small, let us be efficient, let us do a few things and do them well, rather than to undertake activities that are beyond our powers. It is not for us as students to say whether certain organizations should be combined, or abolished. That is a task for those older and more experienced. But firmly do I believe that some action should be taken along this line. We owe it to ourselves and we owe it to our college.

M. P. T. '23

Barnard Dissolves A. A.

The Athletic Association of Barnard College has been formally dissolved following the announcement of the resignation of the Executive Board. The fall of the Physics Education Department recognized the principle of joint control by the Department and the students in the administration of organized sports. There is still hope, it seems, that the Student Council will evolve some method of settling the difficulty.

Exchanges

To Discuss the Honor System
On November 18 the Forum of Wellesley will discuss the Honor System. The discussion will involve the following points:
1. How do you interpret the present honor system?
2. Do the students make the rules which they are "honor-bound" to observe?
3. What is the difference between "being on one's honor to observe a rule" and simply being trusted to observe it?
4. Do you have an honor system that dispenses with processes in examinations?
5. Do you make any distinction between reporting another's misconduct under an honor system and "bailing?"

A Pioneer Institution

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The preparatory course was for small children, and with the addition of French, was similar to subjects now taught to children. In the regular and supplementary courses there were included present-day High School Subjects and Geology, Astronomy, Mental Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, Elocutionary Exercises, Philology, and similar studies.

The comment under the "department of physical culture" is of interest because of its attitude toward gymnastics. "Health of the body is of indispensable importance to a full intellectual development. Impaired health and a feeble frame were not to encounter the requirements of a high mental discipline, much less the practical duties of life." Some years ago gymnastics introduced into systems of female education filled into disrepute chiefly because they required of young ladies vigorous physical efforts suited only to the strength of young gentlemen. Judicious exercises have since been devised and arranged by scientific persons familiar with the human frame. The standards for which the Hartford Female Seminary strove were not on the whole, so very different from those of Connecticut College. It is quite possible, too, that circumstances had not forced the seminary out of being it might have developed into an institution that would have answered the need in response to which Connecticut College was founded. At any rate it seems to me that the Hartford Female Seminary as our distinguished ancestor, the more especially as the association of its graduates have expressed their interest in our college. The president of that Association, Mrs. Henry Fowler, of Guilford, Connecticut, has been an interesting visitor to our campus during this recent autumn, and we shall take pleasure in welcoming other representatives of the old "Pen Sem" whenever they may come.