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C. C. HAS IMPORTANT POSITION IN LEAGUE
Countries Assigned Are Significant Ones

The Model League of Nations is at last under way! Connecticut has been given the best assignment of countries she has ever received. The topics to be discussed at the annual meeting of the Model League to be held at Cambridge, March eighth through tenth will be announced in next week's issue of the News. The countries we are to represent are Romania and Czechoslovakia. Although it is a small country, Romania is particularly concerned with the topics to be discussed next March. Czechoslovakia has unusual importance in the League this year. She has a seat on the League Council. Furthermore, she is a member of the Special Committee on German Refugees. This committee was established this year to consider the plight of the Jewish refugees from Germany.

With the assignment of Romania and Czechoslovakia the prestige of Connecticut in the Model League has risen considerably over her standing in former years.

The following list shows the countries given to the various colleges:

*Argentina—Clark
Abyssinia—Wellesley
Alaska—R. I. College of Education
Australia—Tufts
Belgium—Pembroke

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YOUNGSTOWN Benefit Student Union Clark College
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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, January 7th

Sapiens: Religious Change in the Hellenistic World

Secretary to Sir Wilfred Grenfell

Lecture Will be Illustrated with Slides

YEAR OF 1933 PROVES SUCCESSFUL FOR C. C.
Growth Seen in Many Aspects of College Life

The year of 1933 proved to be a most successful year for Connecticut College. The opening of college in the fall claimed the largest number of students ever enrolled here and a large new dormitory graced our campus. More growth was shown in the key fields of music, athletics, and art. The architects, Shreve, Lamb and Harmon, have already begun work on the plans for the future Harkness House which will probably be placed south of Knowlton.

Another phase of our college is also progressing for, beginning in the fall of 1933, Connecticut College will have won full Phi Beta Kappa recognition, being one of the four colleges honored by this out of the thirty-seven applicants. The only regret is that the Winthrop scholars of this year and years past cannot automatically become members of Phi Beta Kappa.

Connecticut College has thus gained in size, in scholarship distinction and in general recognition as may be evidenced by the recent item in Time magazine and the millions of newspaper articles all over the United States.

VACATION PROVES A BUSY TIME FOR FACULTY

Dr. Erb Prominent at Music Convention

Science Conference Is Big Drawing Card

The various meetings attended, papers read, and work continued by the faculty during the holidays makes the student realize that Christmas vacation was not entirely spent in innocent pleasures. The freedom from classes for three weeks time was made excellent by the following faculty members especially:

Dr. Wells continued work on his Fifteenth Century Writings in English being drawn up under a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies.

Various conferences held the majority of the faculty busily engaged. Dr. Erb left on Christmas day for Lincoln, Nebraska, to attend the convention of the Music Teachers National Association. As the chairman of the committee in charge, Dr. Erb was an active participant in the sessions, as well as in the executive committee meetings. He had charge of a program dealing with organ work.

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Perhaps it's a bit late for New Year's resolutions, but it wouldn't be a bad idea to clear out the rubbish of old "gripes" and discontented ideas that some of us have collected during the year. All of us must have noted, from time to time, the rather detrimental criticism that creeps about campus. We grumble about assignments, we criticize the professors, the food, the rules, and innumerable other things. If we dissect this criticism carefully, we find that at heart it is rather unimportant and trivial. Grumbling criticism is an insidious thing. We can create an extremely pleasant and stimulating environment for ourselves, merely by directing our conversation and thoughts into different channels. In so doing we can formulate healthy attitudes, substitute "boosting" and praise for unpleasant criticism? The further away from this "griping" that we go, the happier we will be. We have become too used to the clouds—let's make it a resolution. We have become too used to the clouds—let's make it a resolution. We have become too used to the clouds—let's make it a resolution.

AN APPEAL TO APPEARANCES

It has become rather difficult to know how to appeal to those girls who insist upon appearing in the dining rooms and elsewhere clad in gym outfits or pajamas. The various and sundry suggestions and warnings have been flipped aside, and the matter is treated very casually. Perhaps the best argument for doing away with this habit comes under the head of personal cleanliness. None of us would like to be considered messy or offensive, yet we are heading in that very direction. The physical education department has arranged the time of classes so that everyone has plenty of opportunity to change her dress. And yet we see girls going about in their gym outfits from eight in the morning until after dinner at night! And again, rumpled hair and a generally "unwashed" appearance are distinctly offensive at the breakfast table—and yet it is a not uncommon occurrence. Slumplinger in regard to personal cleanliness and appearance is a bad habit—let's get away from it!
The need to get away from our "traditional, classical, and mathematical schools" of today, and to substitute a more practical curriculum in our educational system was pointed out by Professor George E. Carrothers of the School of Education at the University of Michigan, over the radio recently.

Heat will be turned off in nearly all the buildings on the main campus at the University of Minnesota on Sunday and holidays when no classes are scheduled and it is estimated that $8,000 will be saved through this action.

Six-footers among the men students at the University of Maryland are rejoicing over the installation of a number of extra-length beds in the men's dormitories.

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(b) Scherzo, Op. 87 Saint-Saens
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Waltz, Op. 15 Arensky
La Valse (Poème Choreographique) Ravel
Ravel's March Berlioz-Hutchinson

Opinion among faculty members as to the advisability of doing away with compulsory foreign language attainment examination was divided when the heads of the various departments of the college of S. L. A. at the University of Wisconsin were asked their stand on the question.

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Always the Finest Tobacco and only the Center Leaves
RADIO GIVES WEEKLY BROADCAST OF OPERAS
The vast American college student body will be better enabled to understand and appreciate the works of the great French, German and Italian operatic composers and singers as the result of the weekly broadcasts from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York which are heard over both nation-wide networks of the National Broadcasting Company each Saturday afternoon during the winter.

Seventy-seven key radio stations in all parts of the country make it possible for thousands of undergraduates to discuss the respective merits of the world's foremost operatic figures, with a greater degree of familiarity.

In addition to influencing the academic group, it is generally conceded that the series will have a marked cultural effect upon the country at large and raise the status of Metropolitan Opera as a beloved living art to a plane higher than ever heretofore.

The series is regarded as a definite boon to those taking music and music appreciation courses at the various colleges and universities since it will acquaint them with the voices, rarely heard, of more than a score of the leading internationally famous artists associated with the Metropolitan Opera Company including Lily Pons, Nino Martini and Rosa Ponselle.

The first of the series, Handel and Gretel, was broadcast on Christmas Day, and others are to follow. The average college student carries more money in his pocket than the ordinary professor does and that the professor's secretary carries more than the two of them combined.

A survey made by a Columbia University graduate reveals that Phi Beta Kappa students make better husbands and wives than their less successful collegiate colleagues. They also have larger families than their classmates.

And so it is how they do it at Simmons:

"How a class meeting does bring about a dormitory political zeal to a boil. Our candidate's a little thin trick but the opposition is strong with a smooth row of curls across the black and a mother who sends boxes of fudge with nuts, and a man at Dartmouth."

A freshman student at the University of California decided to average the severe grilling he had been put through by an English professor, and so he asked the prof to solve the following problem:

"There are two stations in Boston; one is large and one is small. The large one is the largest one in all the State of Massachusetts, but not the largest in Boston; why is this so?"

Take your time before you peek at the answer below, for even the eminent professor was stumped.

The large station is the largest in Massachusetts but not the largest in Boston—it is the LARGER.

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If the dropping of a spoon indicates company's coming, then "the parting of the ways" must indicate company's going. We're glad to state that the person addressed had time to re-cover.

"I scream, you scream,—and well we might at the sight of the Junior who features ice cream with mustard pickle relish for sauce. The least we can do is concede to her the prize for the fancy-dish-of-the-month.

Judging from all the white-capped beads on rainy days, Connecticut is starting a school for nurses and unless it rains up in the future they can't be accused of being all wet.

Then there's the girl who's afraid she lacks sex-appeal—she claims she can't even "make" her bed!

To those who want to know the meaning of school spirit.

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L. I. D. SPEAKERS FOR COMING YEAR (Concluded from page 2, column 2)
periodicals including Crisis and Opportunity.

On February 16th, Broadus Mitchell will speak on The Aims of Socialism. Dr. Mitchell is associate professor of Political Economy at John Hopkins University. In 1932 he was one of the group that went to the Kentucky coal fields in an endeavor to establish civil rights for the miners. Dr. Mitchell is the author of A Preface to Economics and Industrial Revolution in the South.

(NSFA)—"It's all hokum that a woman can get as good a news story as a man," says Mrs. Genevieve Forbes Herrick of the Chicago Tribune. Women themselves are afraid of being interviewed by women, and Frances Perkins, secretary of labor, is one of the most difficult people to get at. One reason why prominent women dislike having female reporters interview them is because the reporter is liable to feature the frills of the private life of the party interviewed instead of the subject's business success.

An announcement on a bulletin board at Drake University reads: "Come up some time—any time—to the Christian Endeavor Society meeting."

A student in the art department at Michigan State College has created a new type of Christmas greeting card stamped from linoleum cuts and giving the card the appearance of a woodcut print.

Scientists of Harvard, Toronto, and other universities are busy in Cambridge studying through a microscope the photographs of more than 250 Leonis taken during the recent Leonid shower, with a view to discovering if possible the elements of the star dust.

Detroit University has an enrollment of 77 men and 3,543 women.

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