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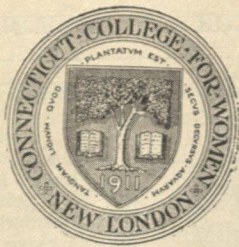
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"Junior Month"

Twelve Colleges To Be Represented

New York City will again be the campus and sociological laboratory for twelve college juniors during the month of July, when they will attend "Junior Month" run by the New York Charity Organization Society. This is the twelfth summer of "Junior Month". All expenses of the students are met by a board member of the Charity Organization Society who feels more than repaid by the enthusiastic interest of the Juniors. During the month visits, lectures and field work are coordinated through round table discussion. The main purpose of "Junior Month" is to give the undergraduate a panoramic view of modern social work so that she may interpret it to her college the following year.

Miss Clare M. Tousley who conducts "Junior Month" has announced that the students will live at the Women's University Club together as they did last year. The representatives from the twelve colleges are as follows:

Barnard—Madeline Russell, New York, N. Y.

Bryn Mawr—Katherine H. Collins, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Connecticut—Mary Slayter, Auburn-dale, Mass.

Elmira—Helen Robison, Bradford, Pa.

Goucher—Virginia Jones, Nashville, Tenn.

Mt. Holyoke—Mary Reynolds, Newton Highlands, Mass.

Radcliffe—Emily N. Brown, Lynn, Mass.

Smith—Helen W. Smith, Concord, Mass.

Swarthmore—Linda A. Chandler, Baltimore, Md.

Vassar—Elizabeth Cope, Redlands, Calif.

Wellesley—Stella Brewster, Portland, Maine.

Wells—Rebecca Clingerman, Scotsdale, Pa.

COMPETITION SING TAKES PLACE

Classes Meet On Library Steps

On Friday of this week, the Student Body, for the fourth year, is gathering on the library steps for the competition sing. The college marches up the road to the steps in a body, singing the Marching Song. Then each class steps into separate formation, and, in turn, offers two songs. They are judged, first, of course for their singing, its tone, harmony and volume, second, for the percentage of the class present, and lastly, for their marching formation. A silver cup is given by President Marshall to the class who best meets these requirements. The custom of competition sing was inaugurated four years ago. The cup, the first year, went to the class of '26, the second year to the present Junior class of '29 and last year to '28. The college body wears white and the background of the

Freshman Tree Planting Takes Place

Ceremony Impressive

The Freshman tree planting was an impressive ceremony. The entire class, clad in white, marched in solemn procession to take their places near their tree, around which the other classes and the visitors had already gathered. The tree chosen this year is a large beautiful spruce which Senator Brandegee had planted several years ago by Ewald's residence near Thames Hall. Gwendolyn Thomén, president of the Sophomore class, presented to Elizabeth Schaibley, president of the Freshman class, the spade which bears the seals of all the classes that have used it. Elizabeth Schaibley said that the Freshmen had chosen a spruce for their class tree because it represented the standards of uprightness and everlasting loyalty. The main officers of the class then each threw soil on the roots of the tree. After the completion of this part of the ceremony, Dorothy Johnson lead the Freshmen in the singing of *Trees* by Joyce Kilmer, set to music. They then sang in turn to each of the three upper classes, who in turn sang to the Freshmen. The ceremony was concluded by singing the Alma Mater.

RIDING MEET TUESDAY

The Spring Riding Meet is to be held on Tuesday, May 22, from 4 to 6, in the regular riding ring used by the students. The first event on the program will be a drill in which 12 riders will take part. Form riding will then be exhibited by the advanced students. The ability of a rider to control and to run a horse will be shown by difficult riding through prepared places. During the intermission a three-gaited and a five-gaited thoroughbred horse will be shown by Mr. Reynolds, the owner, who is an accomplished rider. At this time Morgan Chaney, riding master and exhibition master, will thrill the audience with trick riding performed on real western horses. The fourth event will be bare-back riding by the members of the riding team, together with a spirited relay race. The last event will be trick riding by Betty Gordon '28 and Emily Lou Dickey '28. It is hoped that the meet will be well attended, for it promises to be most interesting and well worth your while.

FELICIA HEAD TO MEET WITH C. C. REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. McClosky, head of Felicia is coming to campus Tuesday, May 22. She will meet anyone interested in Knowlton at 4 o'clock. Immediately after her talk, the people to be sent from here to Felicia will be chosen, and at 8 o'clock that night she will meet with them for a short discussion.

stately, gray library in back of them, the spread of the sea, harbor and New London town before them, and the joy of their own singing, make competition sing an event of great beauty and importance.

Intercollegiate Debating League Conference Held at Smith

Is Debating to Flourish at C. C.?

Saturday, May 12, an Intercollegiate Debating League Conference was held at Smith College. Frances Wells, chairman of debating for 1928-1929 was present as the delegate representing Connecticut. At the conference it was agreed that the Intercollegiate Debating League should be dissolved. The chief reasons for this decision were that Radcliffe wished to withdraw from the League because of lack of debating interest, and Smith wished to be freed from the restrictions to which it was bound by the articles of the League. With Mt. Holyoke and Connecticut remaining as the only other members, continuation of the League organization seemed rather futile. This does not mean, however, that debating is to be relegated to the glory of the past.

Debating at Smith is "getting along nicely," but debating at Connecticut ought to flourish! If enough interest in debating is shown by the students next fall, so that we can have material to work with, we can have some real live debates of college topics by students with one or more intercollegiate debates.

Would you take part in a debate between faculty and students? Would a debate with a men's team interest you? Would you like to see Connecticut famous for good debating? If you would, prove it by showing your interest next fall. Watch for notices, meetings, and debates!

ATWATER KENT FOUNDATION OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS

Second National Radio Audition to be Held

In September the second national radio audition will be held under the auspices of the Atwater Kent Foundation. There will be awards totalling \$17,500 cash, and free music conservatory scholarships have been offered to college students throughout the United States. The sponsors of the audition state that its aim is to determine, by impartial means which singers in the country have voices of sufficient beauty and promise, to warrant professional training. The contestants will enter through local or community auditions, as it is being conducted on the principle of elimination. In the state and district auditions, voices will be heard over the radio, and will be judged by the votes of radio listeners, which will count 60 per cent. and opinions of competent judges, which will weigh 40 per cent. The finals will be sung in New York next December over a national radio network and the winners will be determined solely by a board of nationally known judges.

Students of Emory College have pledged \$20,000 for a new artificial lake on their campus.—N. J. C.

"The Magic Flute" Delightfully Presented

Freshman Class Proves Ability

A long, gay, multi-colored procession winds down the hill, and the assembled spectators forget to shiver. Freshman pageant has begun! Two trumpeters invoke our attention, and a clear-voiced herald reads the proclamation of Charlemagne. Huon of Bordeaux has killed the heir to the throne, and is summoned to appear before Charlemagne. A court scene materializes before our eyes. Now, with the listening peasants and courtiers we are laughing and gasping with the same breath, at the strange and perilous mission to which the gallant Huon is condemned. He must go to Babylon, to a banquet given by the Sultan Gandys, cut off the head of the guest who sits by the Sultan's right hand, kiss Gandy's daughter Claramond three times, and take from the Sultan a lock of his hair and his four best teeth. Bringing these trophies to Charlemagne, he will receive a pardon; or failing in his mission, he must remain an exile.

Now we follow Huon on his dangerous quest, rapidly passing through dangerous woods, enchanted forests, and wastes where lions roam, until Babylon rises before us, and we enter with Huon, into the betrothal feast of the lovely Claramond. Very boldly the young adventurer accomplishes his four tasks, and with the aid of Oberon, bears off the Sultan's daughter. At length we see him in France again, where he conquers in the tourney, and receives his pardon, and the hand of Claramond.

The pageant moved smoothly, but with breath-taking swiftness, as a tale of romance and chivalry should. The lyric flow of the longer speeches added greatly to the atmosphere of wonder, adventure, and romance. The bright-hued costumes of the various dancers blended delightfully against the greens and grays of Bolleswood rocks and evergreens.

One of the loveliest scenes was the vision of Huon, in which he sees Claramond and her attendants seeking to read the future in the crystal ball.

Whatever the joys of a boyish bob when one awakes fifteen minutes before an eight o'clock class, flowing tresses undeniably are much superior for pageant purposes.

The admiration of the whole college has been won by the class of '31. Their production last Saturday shows careful preparation and decided ability. The delightful action and well-written lines reflect the good judgment of the class in choosing Lois Taylor to write the pantag. The smooth, uninterrupted performance, and the vivid acting showed the influence of Gertrude Smith's capable directing, and of the enthusiastic co-operation of the individual performers. "Our hearts and hands to you" '31! May the warm praises of your audience, and the consciousness of having done a beautiful thing in a beautiful manner, be a pleasing reward for those long hours of preparation, and those many hikes to Bolleswood. (We hope you could count up those miles for A. A. points!)

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A WORD FOR "VAGABONDING"

Recently, in the Bryn Mawr College *News* there was an article commenting on the various features of interest to be found in other college newspapers. Notice was taken of the large amount of space devoted to sports by one college as contrasted with the small amount another would consider sufficient; public opinion columns were lauded and found to have a place in almost every worth-while paper that, at least theoretically, reflects college feeling; but the newest department of them all is under the head of *Vagabonding*. In the larger colleges where there are numerous courses that one can never hope to take because of lack of time, there are often certain lectures during the term which are of infinitely greater value and interest than others. At Harvard and Princeton, and more recently at Smith, the newspapers have solved the difficulty. They publish under their *Vagabond* headline, weekly lists of lectures, with their lecturers which they consider of interest to the students generally. This could not help but be useful and interesting, especially in a large university, where the opportunities for hearing unusual lectures is large. One wonders, with education tending away from standardization, if in time, students will pick their courses from the weekly list of lecturers. This presents difficulties, of course, but might be made to work if combined with required courses. The advantages would lie in the increased interest that the student would take in his work, and because of the interest, the increased value which it would contain. A student following his inclination, wisely guided by an instructor or faculty advisor, will accomplish a great deal more than that same person made to slave over something that he cares nothing about. Thus to a certain extent, *Vagabonding* seems an interesting experiment that may really show good results.

COLUMBIA TO CHANGE CURRICULUM

Columbia is radically changing its curriculum, and beginning next fall each student will have to have "two full year courses, one from each of two of the following groups: I. Mathematics. II. Chemistry. III. Botany; Zoology; Geology."

In commenting on the change President Nichols Murray Butler says: " . . . Of the undergraduate body in Columbia College at least three-fourths look forward to further study, either in the graduate schools or in the professional schools in the university after obtaining the baccalaureate degree.

"These pre-professional students follow programs of study suggested to them by their advisers, with one of whom each undergraduate is in close personal relationship. Inasmuch as by no means all undergraduate students are definite in their plans for future university work, part of the problem is so to frame the undergraduate program as to assist those who have a definite object in view while not unduly and harmfully restricting or narrowing the program of those who have not yet made up their minds as to a future career. This means that the program of study must be planned with a definite goal in view and yet made sufficiently flexible to meet the needs of various types of undergraduate students.

"With this dual end in mind, the work of the first two years has been planned so that it will be preliminary and exploratory. Any student who satisfactorily completes the work of the Freshman and Sophomore years will have gained a good general education of junior college grade. Should he not desire further college training, he will have accomplished something that is definite and most helpful in making him an intelligent citizen. Skilful advisers will come to know each student, his needs and his ambitions, and aid him to reach those decisions affecting his career which will be correct.

"Another most important principle has entered into the making of the new program. Every effort has been made to measure progress toward the bachelor's degree in terms of real achievement rather than in terms of prescribed courses, or hours, or points, or anything of the kind."

"COLLEGE"

"'College,' of all places, should be a place where the spirit can romp free—dip into nature, men, and books, and perhaps find the place where it can say, 'Here I am at home.' If a college can give this to a man or woman once during many years it has given a blessing worth the existence of the college."—*The Minnesota Daily*.

COLLEGE MEN IN DEMAND

That is a cheerful story from New Haven of the emissaries of business standing in line to offer employment to Yale seniors as soon as they are graduated. College boys, frequently to their surprise, used to be obliged to hustle to get a job. Now we can almost picture a queue outside the office of the bureau of appointments, with Mr. Gary and Mr. Edison, the latter's pockets bulging with questionnaires, waiting anxiously to snap up the sons of Eli before the supply is exhausted.

Opportunity seems to be beating a tattoo on the door of the Yale employment bureau. Banks, department stores, shippers, and magazines are listed among the applicants for men of proved ability. The average initial salary offered does not take the breath away. It is \$28 a week. Still, it is a departure for industry to be making advances to cap and gown,

SPRINGTIME RAVINGS

Sweet 'tis in the springtime
To sniff the grassy air,
To linger in the sunshine
That gently warms your hair;
To touch the fuzzy leaf-buds,
To clasp somebody's hand,
To watch the river's wavelets
Creep up upon the sand;
To test your strength in climbing
Around among the rocks,
Despite your damaged stockings
And muchly rumpled frocks.
'Tis nice to stretch in comfort
And feel reviving vim,
To lazily be silly
And follow every whim;
To know you've classes calling,
Yet dare to go and cut
Because your mind's more ready
To choose another rut—
A rut which leads to highways
Indifferent and free,
Anticipation's byways
Atune for any spree.
What is more delicious
Than springtime's proffered lark
Just to loose yourself in nothing
And let your knowledge park,
To drift in senseless frolic
In springtime's sunny glow—
What is more delightful?
Well, I'd like to know!
—W. A. B. '30.

INFORMAL GAMES AND ARCHERY SQUADS CHOSEN

Meet To Be Held May 23

There will be an informal games and archery meet on Wednesday, May 23, at 6.45. In case of rain the meet will be postponed until the following day at the same hour. The list of girls who have made the informal games squad follows: M. Bell, R. Bitgood, J. Bradley, Y. Carns, E. Fahey, E. Glass, N. George, E. McCusker, E. Michel, C. Page, H. Prugh, E. Redden, J. Rubenstein, G. Salzer, C. Sweet, C. Van Buskirk, B. White, T. Wills.

The following girls have been chosen for archery squads:

A. Asadorian, E. Ashton, H. V. Boyd, N. Brandes, A. Brown, K. Buckley, E. Carmichael, H. C. Childsey, J. Cochran, I. Colbey, M. Conklin, M. Crofoot, M. Dawson, A. Delano, F. Dimmock, E. Douglass, F. Doyle, P. Drake, H. Hickok, B. Hunt, V. Karfiol, J. LaMarche, M. Merriam, F. Moxon, B. Pratt, E. Pyper, M. Rogoff, E. Schneider, K. Sterritt, Esther Taylor, R. Towson, E. Wehrle, M. Wilcox, H. Willins.

TRACK MEET TO BE HELD MAY 26

Saturday, May 26 is Field Day. The track meet held then is the last athletic event of the year. The events are running high, running broad, standing broad jumps, javelin, shot put, basketball throw, discus, seventy-five yard dash, sixty yard hurdles, and the fifty yard dash. Each contestant is allowed to enter three events, one throw, one jump, and one dash. Although this year the qualifications made up by taking averages of the distances made by everyone in class, are quite low, it is nevertheless expected that several records will be broken.

putting an immediate cash value on a college education.

This preference for the college-trained coincides with the effort of college governing bodies to winnow the applicants for admission. More rigid selection than formerly is raising the standard of undergraduate intelligence and harder work is required than was once the rule. The abundance of candidates enables the colleges to pick and choose. It is fairly certain that a man who has gone



"THAT MAN HEINE"

By Lewis Browne

"That Man Heine" by Lewis Browne is an interesting though not scintillating account of one of the most ungrateful yet thoroughly irresistible geniuses among men of literature. Heine as a man was certainly vulgar, conceited and utterly despicable, but so potent was his literary genius that we are tempted to forgive him his mere human faults, a thing which his contemporaries unfortunately could not do. If they had been a little more lenient, more kindly in their judgments, Heine might not have been the sour, embittered man he was.

Lewis Browne attempts to establish a psychological line throughout the book showing that Heine's embitterment and misanthropy were a direct result of his peculiar environment and his sub-conscious Jewish consciousness which he never lost though he was baptized when a young man. In this assumption he is only half justified for Heine's race consciousness was rather a symptom of his embitterment than a cause of it. For he sought an excuse for a naturally weak nature and by a process of rationalization found it in regarding himself as an oppressed member of a cowed race.

The book is strictly biographical but because of Browne's deft handling of his subject, it has all the charm of a good novel. He has moulded the events in Heine's life into a story as well as a mere recording of facts and statements of which the author is nevertheless an accurate compiler. To make a comparison to the realm of art, Browne's work has the quality of a Franz Hals portrait—accurate in every detail, full of life and verve, but it lacks the unity and emotional inspiration that a Rembrandt might have. There can be no doubt however that Browne does give us some very definite pictures. One of his cleverest and most pleasing portraits is that of Heine's French wife. His description of a Franco-German "menage" is highly amusing.

Perhaps it is the witty side of Heine that the biographer best conveys to us. Witticisms usually lose in repetition, accurate though it may be, but Browne has the happy faculty of retelling a humorous anecdote literally studded with witticisms in such a manner that it loses virtually nothing. What is even more astonishing is the fact that he actually tells some new ones.

Heine, when sick, was asked by a visitor the state of his constitution. He immediately replied, "It is as poor as the Prussian Constitution." Perhaps this is not new to the reader but it was to me. The book is full of such reports of his over ready wit and epigrammatic ability. Browne is entirely unbiased in his opinion and so gives us a very tolerant and readable view of the life of this great genius. In reviewing this book, I should say it is worth reading on a rainy day—not brilliant but pleasing.

N. L. '30.

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CALENDAR

Saturday, May 18—Spring
Play, 8.00 P. M.

Sunday, May 20—Vespers, 5.00
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Monday, May 21—Philosophy
Club, 5.00 P. M.

Tuesday, May 22—Riding
Meet, 4.00 P. M.

Wednesday, May 23—Music
Department Recital, 8.00 P. M.

Saturday, May 26—Field Day.

BASEBALL GAME FEATURE OF PARENTS' WEEK-END

Decidedly the most amusing feature of the week-end's entertainment was the baseball game between the faculty and the students which ended after five innings with a tied score of seven to seven. At the beginning of the last inning, the faculty had a score of six and the students of one, but the students changed their tactics and rolled up the score quickly in the last inning. In the faculty line-up were: President Marshall, Dr. Kip, Mr. Shields, Dr. Jensen, Dr. Ligon, Miss Stanwood, Miss Lincks, Miss Burdick,

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FRESHMEN BEAT JUNIORS, 33-11

The second baseball game of the season was played on Tuesday last between the Freshmen and Juniors. The Freshmen succeeded in beating the Juniors with a score of 33-11. The first inning started out well for the Freshmen with a score of twenty-three runs, and everyone up to bat three times. But the second inning, they were hampered considerably by the Juniors who managed to prevent them from getting any runs. It took the Juniors a little time to get used to the Freshmen method of batting the ball way out to one particular section of the field, but after the first two or three innings they controlled the score of the Freshmen quite well. However, not quite enough to offset the advantage gained by the latter in the first inning, although the Juniors themselves had run up their own score pretty well in the second inning. The game was irregular to an unexpected degree.

Miss Tapley, Miss Williams, Miss Crofoot, and Miss Zuydhoek.

The student line-up was as follows: Mary Bond '29, D. Pasnik '28, R. Ferguson '30, E. Ross '28, K. Whitely '28, C. Green '30, M. Webb '28, E. Cloyes '28, D. Barrett '30, and R. Coe '28. Dr. Erb was umpire.

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**FACULTY AND CABINET
PICNIC TOGETHER**

The Faculty Committee on Student Organizations and the new cabinet were the guests of the old cabinet at a picnic supper held Tuesday night. The picnickers walked out to the precipice in Bolleswood, where a fire was made to heat the coffee. After the food had disappeared Dicky Kip inveigled his father and several of the girls into a ball game, and Honey Lou Owens and Betty Gallup gave a lovely exhibition of co-operative song-leading. The members of the Faculty Committee who were there were Dean Benedict, Dr. Fernald, Dr. McKee, Miss Fairchild, Miss Clark, and Dr. Kip.

Apologies are due the college students of today. They have been scathingly criticized for going to college not so much for an education as for broadened social contacts and that sort of an acquaintance that would help them after graduation to become good bond salesmen and sales executives. Yet when young Thomas

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