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Mrs. MacCaffrey Lectures On Men, Methods, Ideas Of "New Criticism"

The main purpose of the new criticism is to place poetry at the center of human life, explained Mrs. Wallace T. MacCaffrey, Assistant Professor of English, at the onset of her lecture, *The New Criticism*, given on February 24 in the Common Room.

Although those professing to be new critics endeavor to relate their work to other activities, such

Joint Concert Set, Agi Jambor Solos

The Bryn Mawr-Haverford Orchestra, augmented by several members of the Swarthmore College Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of William H. Reese, will present a concert at 8:30 p.m. Friday, February 28, in the Goodhart Hall auditorium. Mme. Agi Jambor will participate as soloist with the orchestra.

Included on the program will be a concerto grosso by Corelli and a ballet suite by the eighteenth century composer Grétry. The "Concerto For Oboe and Strings" by Domenico Cimarosa (1749-1801), will feature oboist Nathaniel Ward, Swarthmore '58. Mme. Jambor will perform with the orchestra Cimarosa's "Concerto For Piano and Orchestra In D Minor".

Dr. Reese, in speaking of the program, pointed out that it offers both well- and little-known music. He mentioned particularly the orchestra's good fortune in having an opportunity to rehearse and perform with Mme. Jambor, and the fact that a number of freshmen are taking part.

Hynek Discusses Tracking Satellites

The "exciting new problem" for astronomers is the actual tracking and photographing of the rapidly moving earth satellites, according to J. Allen Hynek, Associate Director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Dr. Hynek gave the Class of 1902 Lecture last Wednesday night in Goodhart auditorium. "Tracking Earth Satellites in Space and Time" was the subject of his illustrated lecture.

Since tracking satellites is a recent innovation, the scientists involved have had to design their own equipment, notably high speed cameras and movie cameras. Dr. Hynek exhibited the original model of the telescope which has three sets of rotating parts enabling a photograph of the moving satellite to be taken.

Photography, which "is still the most precise method," is used to take the 30 or 40 shots of the satellite while it is traveling at the rate of 25,000 feet per second. In order to take these pictures the camera must "stop" the space and time of the satellite within ten feet during one-twenty-five hundredth of a second.

Notice

The Alliance will present Mr. C. H. Lowe of the Chinese Embassy on "Should Red China be admitted to the United Nations?" Thursday, February 27, at 8:30 in the Common Room.

Harp and Quartet Concert Will Be Given March 4th

Edna Phillips, internationally known harpist, together with the Juilliard String Quartet will give a concert at Bryn Mawr on Tuesday evening, March 4 under the auspices of the Friends of Music of the College. Included in the program will be Peggy Glanville-Hick's *Concertino Antico* for harp and string quartet. Miss Phillips and the Juilliard Quartet will also perform selections from Haydn, Beethoven and Debussy.

In addition, Miss Phillips and the Quartet will each conduct an afternoon workshop March 4 and 5 respectively at Bryn Mawr. Miss Phillips' subject will be "The Sonorities and Uses of the Harp"; the Juilliard Quartet's subject will be "The Classical String Quartet: 1750-1828."

Notice

Tickets for the Friends of Music Presentation of Edna Phillips and the Juilliard String Quartet are available between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Public Information Office.

Dyer Submits Petition For Rehearing In Contest With Union Electric Co.

Last December THE COLLEGE NEWS contained an article concerning the proxy contest between the Union Electric Company of St. Louis and Nancy Dyer, a senior here at Bryn Mawr who is a stockholder in the company. Since that time there have been several new developments in the case.

by Barbara Broome

On March 21, 1957 the Securities and Exchange Commission handed down a decision on Nancy's case which backed up the management of the Union Electric Company. Claiming that the SEC decision is invalid under both Missouri and federal law and that there was "bias and prejudice in favor of said management", Nancy and her father submitted a petition for review of the SEC decision on March 29. On January 24, 1958 the petition for review was dismissed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit "as having become moot." Since then, Nancy and her father have submitted a petition for rehearing and to supplement the petition for review.

False Ads and Restrictive Ballots

Two of Nancy's main points against this \$500 million industry are: (1) that the advertising of the company and that some of the communications sent to stockholders have been false and (2) that the proxy ballots which the company uses are "restrictive" ones. On this latter point, Nancy contends, the provision which Union Electric has in its proxy ballots, stating that unless a stockholder votes for or against a particular issue, the proxy agents chosen by the management can vote as they choose on it. By such methods management can put into effect anything it likes, i.e. bigger salar-

Menuhin Workshop Successful; Reviewer Congratulates 'Friends'

by Martha Bridge

The Friends of Music of Bryn Mawr College are to be congratulated for having presented Yehudi Menuhin in a workshop program; for, as those who were fortunate enough to be in the gym last Thursday afternoon discovered, Mr. Menuhin is one of those rare musicians who is equally articulate in speech and in performance. In fact, had it not been for Mr. Menuhin's talent for combining talk and playing, the program might well have lost the character of a workshop.

The circumstances with which Mr. Menuhin had to contend were the lack of intimacy of the gymnasium and the fact that the workshop was being recorded on tape. It was Mr. Menuhin's easy and modest manner, his informality of dress and of approach to his subject, which preserved the contact between performer (or lecturer) and audience which the title of "workshop" implies.

Mr. Menuhin undertook a study and performance of the Chaconne from Bach's D minor partita for violin. Mr. Menuhin remarked that the piece is a milestone in the history of music, having been written at the zenith of develop-

ment of polyphonic composition. Bach, Mr. Menuhin pointed out, "bridged two epochs," for in his music can be found the rich influence of the modal tradition and the beginnings of chromatic patterns.

Mr. Menuhin's discussion of the composition was particularly interesting in that it revealed his attitude towards the study of music history. Relating music to the philosophy and psychology of the era in which it was written is essential for real understanding, he remarked. For example, chromaticism, the "equality of notes," is a musical development which should not be seen in isolation from equalitarian trends in society in general.

The chaconne itself, said Mr. Menuhin, is, like all of the music of Bach, "the master chess player" who is completely in control of the "systematic relation of musical elements," a severe, strict, and highly disciplined form. Mr. Menuhin brought up the question of musical freedom, of instinct and interpretation as against self-control and precision, and came to the conclusion that freedom and self-discipline are not only consistent but interdependent. He pursued this point with a demonstration of how the trained violinist starts from the fundamental strictness of the written notes and rhythm and builds, with his knowledge of the structure, history, and expressive possibilities of the composition, an individual performance of "spicy diversity."

Mr. Menuhin went on to analyze the chaconne for the audience, illustrating some of his earlier points with reference to the work and making some quiet but pointed comments on the conflicting interpretations of academic musicologist and performing musician.

Then, expressing the fear that perhaps to know anything more about the chaconne might spoil the audience's enjoyment of it, Mr. Menuhin announced that he would play it through.

The gym is not an ideal place in which to play a violin; especially in the less quiet passages of the chaconne, such as the ringing chords at the opening, one had the feeling that the sound was jumbled by echoing effects. But leaving aside what acoustical imperfections marred the performance, it was an interpretation of great clarity. One felt that the same intelligence and sensitivity with which Mr. Menuhin had illuminated the piece in his talk were embodied in his playing. It is an overwhelming piece of music to experience; and the measure of Mr. Menuhin's success as a lecturer-performer was that one left the workshop with a sense of direct musical communication.

The least successful part of the workshop was the question period, which was handicapped by the exigencies of the recording procedure. Mr. Menuhin was consistently courteous in his answers, but the questioners were either nervously timid, stiffly proper, or embarrassingly foolish. It was a poor ending to a fine program; the difficulties of the situation were forgotten only in the presence of Yehudi Menuhin's authority and poise.

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Fish nor Fo I nor Good Red Herring

Last week by a campus-wide series of hall meetings, the Revisions Committee for the Self-Government Constitution proposed a modification of the rules concerning alcoholic beverages and opened the question for discussion by the student body. In some halls a tentative vote followed discussion. This issue, previously presented in the form of a petition from the Executive Board of the Undergraduate Association to that of the Self-Government Association calls for permission to serve a mildly alcoholic punch once during the course of a major college weekend. As adopted by the Revisions Committee, the proposal also suggests that sherry be served once a year before Christmas Dinner. Opinions expressed in the halls tended to favor both innovations.

A time there was, recorded in the annals of the Self-Government Association, when students were allowed the pleasantly civilized custom of drinking wine after meals, secure in their own rooms, before the glowing hearths and in the company of their roommates. With the increase in size of the college, and with changes in other areas of Self-Government's social policy, this was discontinued and replaced with the present system of rules. If a return to this plan were the Committee's underlying long-range policy, or even if its plan were the designation of some area on or near campus, where students might be allowed some such privilege at their own discretion, then the proposal might tend somewhat more toward definiteness than to mere whimsy.

At first sight this revisions proposal seems to hold a positive attraction for many, and yet we might question whether that attraction appears in a vision of real value to be gained by an addition to our social life, or in a slight matter of principle, an addition to the honor system in a region that many feel that honor should be sufficient to cover.

The News does not believe, and we doubt that other campus associations do either, that the proposal of drinking on campus need be an ethical issue. The instant that a moral stigma is attached to the problem it is transferred to the individual student. What has been suggested will not alter campus atmosphere much, nor will it deluge Self-Government with a host of cases to be "severely dealt with." Many students who feel they are, by virtue of the mature responsibility involved in the honor system, able to make their own ethical choice in this quarter, already have the opportunity to do so—and indeed more opportunity—off campus. And this is not the place to debate whether virtue unassailed be no virtue at all.

If alcoholic beverages are introduced on campus, as specified, a very slight victory of principle may have been gained; and yet, an instant flood of complications may well arise to overwhelm the victory. We, ourselves, record a majority vote for sherry, and yet we are willing to consider that gentle touch of civilization in the light of the same drawbacks which attend the first issue. If a mere substitute for the notorious "Bryn Mawr punch" is sought, surely Dance Committee can unearth a less controversial brew. If this be a question introduced for the mere sake of controversy, the controversy already roused should be rewarding.

Indeed the question of changing the drinking rules on campus is one that, if it be continued, will need much further discussion for solution, but we question whether so trivial a proposal is really worth the effort of the solution.

Tyger, Tyger Burning Bright

For the past few weeks Princeton University has been the scene of a disturbance that has been entirely of a social nature. Twenty-three sophomores who had not received bids to any of the college's sixteen eating clubs have not been placed in any despite a ruling passed in 1949 that there should be a 100% membership. In addition four boys have decided to leave the college. To many college students who are aware of the rigors of the academic procedure the consequences seem alarming. Having compared the situation with his own experiences, the outsider cannot help being concerned that while the problem itself involved the social aspect of university life, it resulted in the disruption of the academic careers of four students. Accordingly that feature has been made to appear of secondary importance and consideration.

This criticism, however, should not be interpreted as a denial of the necessary and educating influences of dormitory and club life. Undoubtedly the club system at Princeton has provided invaluable services and earned the approbation of members. On the other hand, doesn't a university have the responsibility of providing prospective scholars with the freedom to explore their scholastic interests without excessive demands of conformity? If social education can be achieved only at the expense of the academic, isn't it time to re-evaluate the philosophies behind the system? The danger in the present case seems to be the danger of precedent.

'Am What Am

by Debby Ham

A, B, and C, and oh yes, D (D is significant because without D there would not be any slate at all since it would not be parliamentary. D ever so kindly offered her self up, but she is slightly afraid she might win which would be bad for everyone, even the campus, she said modestly). Well anyway, A, B, C and D were drawn up. B and C were not too sure what being drawn up meant and A kept talking about being quartered which was probably just a bad pun depending on D's consent to be a fourth, though you can't tell. D, with all this attention, suddenly decided she could run just as well as A, B and C, and may be even better. A pointed out that D already was running and D said yes, but she thought now she might run faster, since she already was.

So D wrote a campaign speech which was a very fine speech indeed except that it seemed to be about the wrong office, but it said

the right things so no one noticed what it was about. Everyone said "my isn't D clever, we're so glad she's revealing her little talents," and D realized with horror that she was naked in the public eye which is a very bad thing to be, and she withdrew her little talents which made more of a furor than ever because then they had to get E while the public was still clamoring for D. And to make things worse D's picture (a large round head) was put in the papers with the name of E underneath, causing adeptness all around except for E, who could now make unethical comments about D. D did not care since she had gone to the Canary Islands; but E was pre-impeached for black politics, and they had to get F. By now everyone had forgotten about A, B, and C and no one had ever heard of F except for Them, and so They decided to leave the organization headless. A good idea all things considered.

"We Stick to Our Guns," Say Theatians In Reply To News Editorial On the Selection of Fry Play

To the Editor:

In your last issue, your editorialist expressed disappointment in the choice of *The Dark Is Light Enough* as the March College Theatre production. She felt that *Dark* is one example too many of the "intellectual modern British drama" and that a change of pace is called for. Obviously, we in College Theatre do not agree with your writer (although we feel that she bent over backwards to do a fair and intelligent editorial). There are certainly many problems involved in picking plays for production, and we take this opportunity to set down the standards that guide our choice.

The reading committees of the Bryn Mawr and Haverford drama clubs look at each suggested play from two points of view. Our first consideration is whether the play is "good". That is, any play we choose must have something to say to the actors and technical crew who produce it. There must be some essential attitude or idea in the play that will grow and develop during our five weeks of concentrated rehearsal. If a play has nothing to say, it seems hardly worthwhile to give up our time to do it; if it has a great deal to say, then it is worth the time of both the actors and the audience.

As your editorialist pointed out, we have stuck thus far to the British-American tradition of drama, feeling that this drama has, on the whole, the most to say to us. In our opinion, the modern English verse drama is an important part of this tradition. Fry, without a doubt, is a major verse dramatist. As an added attraction, we are fortunate enough to have a director who has worked closely with him. Under these circumstances, it would be a shame to neglect Fry's work.

In spite of the fact that four-ninths of our recent productions have been both modern and British, we try to consider a wide range of plays, including some continental drama. We drew up this list of serious plays for March (to balance the earlier *Beggars' Opera*): *The Dark Is Light Enough* (Fry); *The Wild Duck* (Ibsen); *Uncle Vanya* (Chekhov); *The White Devil* (Webster); *Antigone* (Girardoux's version) and *Oedipus Rex* (Sophocles). These plays all fulfill our first condition in that (in our sense of the word) they are "good". With these plays however we are forced to a second consideration. Plays must not only be good; they must be feasible for production on the Bryn Mawr-Haverford stage. Looking at plays

in a practical way all sorts of problems appear.

Our colleges are small, and our technical staff and actors are therefore in short supply. Webster's *White Devil* was impossible simply because it calls for too many men. There are difficulties with Chekhov and Ibsen too. If they are to be done at all they require the most subtle naturalistic acting. Even if we spent our five weeks working for precision and polish of tone and gesture—these effects—which are absolutely essential in realistic drama—would be lost because of the immense size and acoustical limitations of Goodhart Hall (the March production is scheduled for Goodhart). *Oedipus Rex* was an appealing possibility for March but it calls for a huge chorus of soldiers and townsmen. We couldn't see turning them all into Bryn Mawr girls. On the other hand Garcia Lorca's *House of Bernarda Alba* considered in past years contains this stage direction: "The stage slowly fills with two hundred women dressed in black." Here are practical problems indeed.

The point we want to make is this. We believe heartily in the value of the "modern British intellectual drama". We stick to our guns on *The Dark Is Light Enough*; it is a rewarding play to produce. This does not mean, however that we are willing to limit ourselves to any one dramatic period. We would like to produce a variety of good plays (and would be especially happy to find them with more women's parts). Choosing a play is a long and tedious business, since finding the perfect play—from both artistic and practical standpoints—is never easy. We are glad to have had the chance to talk about our process of selection. We would be even happier were we to receive more specific suggestions from the campus.

Adrian Tinsley
President
Bryn Mawr College Theatre
David Morgan
President
Haverford College Drama Club

Notice

The News is happy to announce the election of Lois Potter '61 to its Editorial Staff.

Letters to the Editor

Use of Living Animals For Show Is Protested

To the Editor of the News:

This is a letter of protest at the use of living animals for the Freshman Show. To say that it is unkind to the animal is putting it mildly. At times—as in the case of this year's horse—it verges on cruelty. For twenty-four hours—often longer—the animal must be kept in strange and usually uncomfortable surroundings. The horse was "stabled" under the porch at Yarrow—where wind and snow could get at him—surrounded by junk—old windows he might have kicked and broken, cutting himself in the process—old pieces of wire and metal, and even an ancient basketball hoop! We listened to his neighing in protest all Saturday. (Where were the sophomores' ears?)

Granted that the snow and cold were bad luck—but such things should have been considered, as it is not at all unusual to have weather like this at this time of year.

Add to the hiding part, the fact that most animals are thoroughly frightened when faced with the bright lights and screaming audience of Goodhart it seems to me it all adds up to a picture of thoughtlessness and lack of consideration for our fellow creatures.

Why not go back to the idea in use some time ago of a mythical or imaginary creature—represented by a model or a student in costume—in some way tied into the plot of the show so it could be brought on at the climax? This would be just as much "fun" and would not subject a live creature to the ordeal that is required by the present system.

Respectfully yours,
Martia Hubbard

Is New Criticism New: MacCaffrey

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Oleath Brooks, in his book, *Understanding Poetry*, has offered the most satisfactory synthesis of the "new" school. Again, his mission is to educate.

There have been many criticisms of the "New Criticism," the most stressed of which is the way in which these critics ignore history. In other words, they eliminate all which is irrelevant, since it is the reaction of the reader which counts. However, this does not mean that we can exclude the period in which the poem was written, the poet's life, etc. Some other comments have been that the methods are not universally applicable, that they are one-sided, and that the critics "murder to dissect." Some of the complaints are less defensible, however; many have been irritated by the statement that poetry is complex; others are merely upset that their techniques, which they have been using quietly for years, are now being touted as being "new."

Before closing, Mrs. MacCaffrey gave a brief background of this kind of literary criticism, which actually began with Coleridge. In his criticism of Shakespeare, he combined analysis with evaluation, and came up with many interesting comment on metaphors.

However, the problem for each critic, be he new or not, is to decide what is essential, and for this he needs common sense. As Richards says, "Methods cannot choose for us, but we cannot choose without them." It now remains to be seen who will be the reconciler to unite these heterogeneous methods in order to straighten out the chaos.

Special College Election Supplement

Candidates for Undergrad



Moira MacVeagh, Sallie Powers, Alice Todd, Lucy Wales

The following question was asked of the candidates for the presidency of Undergrad:

If you took office as president of the Undergraduate Association, what would be the first things you would do and why?

The following is a list of candidates for the presidency of the Undergraduate Association, listed in alphabetical order:

- MOIRA MAC VEAGH
- SALLY POWERS
- ALICE TODD
- LUCY WALES

MOIRA Mac VEAGH

Activities:
Freshman year
 Temp. Class Chairman
 Rotating member to Under-Grad
 J.V. Hockey (2 years)
 Varsity Basketball (3 years)
 Class Hall Rep.
 Ticket Committee Freshman Show
 Campus Guide (3 years)
Sophomore year
 Second Soph. to Under-Grad
 Permission Giver (2 years)
 Basketball Manager
 Class Vice-President
 Soda Fountain Crew
 Stage Crew, Maids and Porters Show
Junior year
 Secretary of Under-Grad
 Basketball Captain
 Varsity Hockey
 Freshman Week Committee
 Business Manager Junior Show
 The executive power of the Undergraduate Association rests in a body comprising approximately one-fiftieth of the student body. Herein lies both its strength and its weakness. A small group of interested people carefully elected to specific positions provide the vitality, mobility, and efficiency necessary to any organization. The problem in the case of Undergrad, which derives its reason for existence from the ideas, needs, and activities of the entire college community, is one of communication.

I would enlarge to its fullest extent the present policy of having reports to the Executive and Advisory Boards from the heads of the clubs and committees under Undergrad; and also that of inviting as many people as are concerned with a particular topic under discussion, including not only the head of an organization but also interested members.

The president of Undergrad must concern herself at all times with improving old methods of

contact to and from halls and individuals, at the same time experimenting with new ones. I would like to see every hall represented at all times on the Executive or Advisory Boards, whether through elected members as now, or through hall vice-presidents, as has been suggested.

Of major importance to the campus is the impending report of the Re-Evaluation Committee. In connection with the findings of this group, I would be in favor of an investigation and clarification of all college financing from that of the Big Six to the class dues. Surely car-washing isn't the only way to increase a treasury.

It is hard to say exactly what one would do first, since there are many matters to be taken care of immediately, such as appointments and schedules; and the planning of definite projects, which is after all, up to the board as well as the President. As soon as the business matters are over, I would be in favor of holding open meetings in the halls, as Self-Gov did this year, so that more people may not only express their preferences whether for plain or jelly donuts or for washing machines in all the halls, but also so that more people may see exactly how a meeting is run and what topics are discussed.

Finally, one of the major activities under way is that of the Student Center which must be finished as soon as possible to provide for the overworked and the underfed.

SALLY POWERS

Activities:
Freshman year
 League Hall Rep
 Technical Director of Show
 Freshman Hall Play
 Director of Lacrosse
Sophomore year
 Management of Soda Fountain
 Hall Rep
 Technical Director of Maids and Porters Show
Lacrosse
Junior year
 Director of Junior Show
 Hall Rep
 Undergrad Hall Rep
 Lacrosse

Aside from the routine jobs which come to Undergrad every year, the next president will have to continue on issues which an active president has initiated this year. The first things to be considered are the old things, which

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ALICE TODD

Activities:
Freshman year
 Vice-President of Class
 Director of Freshman Hall Play
 Temporary Class Chairman
 Chairman of Class Blazer Project
 Freshman Show
 Election Committee
Sophomore year
 Undergrad Advisory Board
 Temporary Class President
 Sophomore Carnival
 French Club
 Graduation Marshall—two years
 Varsity Lacrosse—two years
Junior year
 Hall Rep to A.A.
 Junior Show
 Chorus
 German Club
 Basketball J.V.—three years
 Campus Guide—three years
 Permission Giver—three years

Why can't we have telephones in our rooms if we are willing to pay for them? Why are we compelled to attend our last class before vacations? Why are there so many required courses? Why do we have to make utter fools of ourselves on Mayday morning? Why do we spend nearly \$4,000.00 a year on a tradition culminating Hell Week? The purpose of Undergrad is to express publicly such typical undergraduate questions, to work with the faculty and the administration in solving the various problems they raise, and, most most important, to put the best possible solutions into effect. The president of Undergrad should, together with the various boards over which she presides, decide which problems are most urgent in regard to the general welfare of the college and deserve to be dealt with first.

Most people are unaware of what goes on in Undergrad and don't know which part of its complicated structure to go to with their complaints and suggestions. I suggest that the new president place in every student and faculty mailbox a 2 page (maximum) diagram and description of the whole set-up (with the diagram on the first page so that the majority of the recipients, who won't bother to read any of it, cannot avoid seeing the most essential information before throwing it out).

The new president should continue the work on the new Student Center and the examination by the Re-evaluation Committee of the antiquated arrangement of all the undergraduate organizations as a whole. She should see that any rearrangement of the present system co-ordinates rather than consumes the various organizations like Soda Fountain and Curriculum Committee. I hope she will carry out the present attempt to install a free inter-hall telephone system, which would be an invaluable aid to nearly every campus organization. The present amorphous election process should be clarified. The Advisory Board should, perhaps, be composed of the Hall vice-presidents. The first Junior, as chairman of social activities on campus, should choose a committee and plan next year's schedule this spring.

The rotating Freshman Member should be elected only twice a year so that she doesn't leave office just as she discovers what the job is about. On the other hand, I feel it is very important to give as many freshmen as possible a chance to work on Undergrad, so there should be two rather than one freshman elected for each of the two terms.

LUCY WALES

Activities:
Freshman year
 Hall Rep to Alliance
 Rotating Class Rep to AA
 Campus Guide
 Permission Giver
 Freshman Show
 Chorus
 College Theatre
Sophomore year
 Class Secretary
 Campus Guide
 Permission Giver
 Chorus
 College Theatre
 Freshman Week Committee
Junior year
 Head of Campus Guides
 Secretary of Ochorus
 Permission Giver
 Junior Show
 What is Undergrad? The question sounds foolish for a candidate to ask, and irrelevant to the one which has been asked. It is neither. The Freshman Handbook tells us that "the Undergraduate Association, it has been remarked, deals with all that which no one else does," and that all members of the student body are "ipso facto" member of Self Gov, and AA, not to mention Bryn Mawr College itself. Undergrad, in doing all that which no one else does, seeks not only to coordinate the various campus activities which come under its jurisdiction, but to

represent the students on matters which concern them. Would you like to have a Cooperative House at Bryn Mawr? Or, would you like to have a system of faculty advisers, or, no onions, please, on Friday nights? Would you like to have more activities on campus for that afternoon when all work is done, a friend calls up, and there's nothing to do? Would you like to change the form of student government? Questions of this nature may be those which could be investigated and answered by Undergrad.

One of the most important matters which will concern the new president of Undergrad will be the report of the Re-Evaluation Committee. In considering this report, I feel that it is important to maintain the representative nature of the Undergraduate Association and to effect those changes which are to the general college interest.

Because of this, I would like to see open meetings of the Undergrad Executive Board, to which those who were interested would feel free to come. New ideas are always helpful, and having open meetings might bring out those which are as yet unspoken. In addition, it would enable more people to acquire more than an "ipso facto" familiarity with Undergrad.

Candidates for Self-Gov



Ruth Deitelbaum, Blair Dissette, Bette Haney, Pat Cain (not in picture).

The following is a list of candidates for the presidency of Self-Government, listed in alphabetical order:

- PATRICIA CAIN
- RUTH DEITELBAUM
- BLAIR DISSETTE
- BETTE HANEY

PAT CAIN

Activities:
Freshman year
 Freshman Hall Plays
 Badminton Junior Varsity
 A.A. Hall Rep
 Freshman Show
 Tennis Varsity (2 years)
Sophomore year
 Permission Giver (2 years)
 Freshman Week Committee (2 years)
 A.A. Class Rep
 Alliance Hal Rep
Junior year
 Secretary of A.A.
 College Re-Evaluation Committee
 Junior Show (Stage Crew)
 Synonymous with the idea of Self-Government at Bryn Mawr, in the minds of many, is the honor system by which the rules of the Self-Government are carried out. Feelings of pride and responsibility work together through the student to make our system of government an almost self-perpetuating one.

The self-government of Bryn Mawr becomes a part of each student almost before she arrives

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RUTH DEITELBAUM

Activities:
Freshman year
 Freshman Show
 Freshman Hall Plays
 League
 Alliance
 Science Club
 Business Staff of College News
 United Service Fund
Sophomore year
 Social Chairman (Merion)
 League Board
 League Reporter to the News
 Chairman of Coatesville Little Theatre Group
 Young Democrats
 Permission-giver (2 years)
 Sophomore Carnival
Junior year
 Hall President (Merion)
 Revisions Committee of Self-Gov Constitution
 Self-Gov Advisory Board
 The Self-Government Association of Bryn Mawr College is a system flexible enough to allow many interpretations. Its general philosophy lies within the statement found in the forward to the Constitution. "The conduct of the student lies entirely within her own hands." Every student is, of course, responsible to Self-Gov, but, just as important to its existence is the fact that she is also responsible for it. She may change or supplement any rule or policy if enough members of the Association feel the need. The practical power of Self-Gov is apparent, in

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BLAIR DISSETTE

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Temporary Class Chairman
 Class Secretary
 Director—Freshman Hall Play
 Elections Committee
 Lights Manager—Freshman
 Show
 College Theater (3 years)
 Varsity Basketball (3 years)
 Campus Guide (3 years)
 Chorus
 Soda Fountain Crew
 Sophomore year
 First Sophomore to Undergrad
 Director — Maids and Porters
 Show
 Freshman Week Committee
 Permission Giver (2 years)
 Advisor to Freshman Hall Play
 Hall Bookshop (2 years)

Junior year
 Secretary of Self-Government
 Association
 Junior Class President
 Secretary of College Council
 Junior Show Cast
 Freshman Week Committee
 Self-Government must deal primarily with the individual personality, and yet, at the same time, certain standards must be maintained. Neither the system nor the individual can be sacrificed to each other, and a flexible balance between the system and its precedents and each individual case must be attained. The effectiveness of Self-Government depends on its ability to achieve this balance.

To increase this effectiveness, I feel that the Advisory Board of Hall Presidents should become a more definite body; the hall presidents should take more authority in matters concerning their own halls. The hall presidents should present the facts of a problem and state its solution to the Board. In this manner, the hall president acts decisively on her knowledge of the individual, and the Board as a whole evaluates the case in terms of theoretical standards. This policy would have time and still preserve the necessary balance between the individual and precedent values.

Self-Government has never been clearly defined because its practical activities, dealing mostly with individuals, are not publicized and because the values upon which it builds its policies are intangible. Consequently, no one is very aware of Self-Gov unless she comes directly in contact with it; this contact often appears as a limiting factor to her personal freedom. But freedom is a term found and appreciated within certain social restrictions. Democratically, the student body as a whole imposes the limiting factors, and the individual is left to determine the nature of her own freedom within the system.

Self-Gov, then, is three things: it is the means through which the student body and its individual members create their own limiting factors; it is the statement of those factors; and it is the judge of whether or not those boundaries have been transgressed.

It is a commonplace that the strength of Self-Government lies in the individual student. And it is the job of the president of Self-Government to act, not only as a calculator of snow-fall, but more properly as the representative of the thought and action of Bryn Mawr as a community of individuals.

BETTE M. HANEY

- Activities:
 Rotating TSelf-Gov Member
 Freshman Year
 Freshman Show
 First Sophomore Member Self-Gov
 Sophomore Class President
 Maids and Porters Show—Stage
 Crew, Posters
 First Junior Member Self-Gov
 Junior Show
 Susan, what can I say? This is a crucial article and as a good roommate you should cheer me on. No, I don't think the fact that I pith frogs makes me any less a

humanitarian. I keep remembering the discussions we have had about the honor system . . .

I look at Self-Gov three ways: what it means to me individually, if it has meaning in my relation to the other girls, and how it might affect my attitude after school. I heard a speaker once say there must be something at the very core of every individual that can never be bought or flattered from him. I think our honor system offers the opportunity to discover this mysterious core or honor. Of course our rules need and under almost constant speculation and revision. It is necessary that we watch carefully to keep our academic integrity and social discretion consistent with academic achievements, keeping in mind not only our welfare but that of former and future Bryn Mawr students. There is a terrifying aspect of our rules. The other day after an unfortunate mix-up about sign-out rules I realized how many people my mistake affected, not just

"officials" but other girls. It is amazing how we are forced to care about what we do if only because of how we might be indirectly affecting someone else. Our rules and ways of dealing with them often look very petty. Yet they don't seem petty at all if we look beyond Taylor Hall into the outside world. People are needed who care how their actions affect others, people who have discovered during their four years of college life an inner core of integrity that no one can buy or flatter from them, people who have learned they are only truly an individual when they see themselves and their actions in relation to others. When we look at self-government from these three aspects it emerges from its myriad of seemingly petty rules and gains valuable meaning for ourselves, our college life, and our life after school.

It's almost time to turn in my article, Oh Susan, what can I say?

Candidates for Alliance



Penny Eldredge, Judy Minkin, Gail Beckman, Kathy Rosenberger.

The following question was asked the candidates for the presidency of Alliance:
 What is the role of Alliance on campus?

The following is a list of candidates for the presidency of Alliance, listed in alphabetical order:
 GAIL BECKMAN
 PENNY ELDRIDGE
 JUDITH MINKIN
 KATHERINE ROSENBERGER

GAIL BECKMAN

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Alliance Publicity
 League
 Maids and Porters' Dance
 College Theater
 Philosophy Club
 Fencing Team
 Freshman Hall Play
 Freshman Show
 Arts Night
 Sophomore year
 Alliance Publicity
 Debate Team
 Co-head of Young Dems
 IRC
 College Theater
 Fencing Team
 Maids and Porters' Show
 German Club
 Freshman Week
 Junior year
 Secretary of Alliance
 Alliance Reporter for News
 German Club
 Song Book Committee
 Freshman Week Committee
 Junior Show

The Alliance is a beautiful organization. Potentially it can reach every student on this campus. I feel that a strong policy would consist of using the established clubs and channels, stressing publicity, and introducing new ideas.

Recently, the Alliance has reached undergraduates through its lectures, club activities, trips to near-by conferences, and informal discussion groups at Current Events or the Thursday meetings.

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PENNY ELDRIDGE

- Activities:
 Freshman Rep to A.A.
 Member of College Theatre
 Stage Manager of Maids and Porters' Show
 President of Young Republicans
 Treasurer of Alliance, '57, '58
 Member of WBMC
 The Bryn Mawr Alliance for Political Affairs is an organization designed to promote better understanding of and greater participation in the politics of our country. As the Alliance derives its strength from the vitality of the politics of the outside world, more emphasis should be placed, I believe, on contact with the outside world. Although this requires that more effort be exerted by the participants it would seem that a program devoted, for instance, to local politics during off election years, as well as the concentrated campaigns of the presidential election years, would be most rewarding.

The Alliance should be a sounding board for the opinions of the campus and should provide facilities whereby anyone might form an organization to promote her ideas. There should be more of an emphasis on current events, something that is necessary not only for political science and history majors.

Moreover, it seems that the Bryn Mawr Alliance should increase as much as possible its contacts with the other colleges. This would bring new ideas, new organization, and a new outlook to many facets of campus politics.

I believe that the Alliance should increase its efforts to coordinate its activities with those of the other "Big Six" on campus. The idea of the joint conference on issues important to all Bryn Mawrtys is an extremely good one. League-Alliance conferences suggested themselves first, but I feel that there are many subjects for conferences that could include the other organizations. In this way events can be sponsored that

will be of more campus-wide interest. Politics affect our lives daily, and this fact is too little accounted for, especially at Bryn Mawr. The Alliance should try to bring the politics of the outside world to the campus as vigorously as possible. Open Alliance board meetings with discussions of current news are only the beginning. We should never be afraid to bring up the most controversial questions, as we are going to encounter these issues outside college, and a lack of information often could prove more than embarrassing.

A greater emphasis, then, should be placed on contact with the outside world. Hall reps should be given more responsibility and should above all, make an effort to promote interest within their halls. Only by personal contact can interest be aroused on any subject.

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JUDITH MINKIN

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Freshman Hall Play
 Freshman Hall Rep. to Alliance
 Bryn Mawr representative at the National Student Association Congress (summer 1957)
 Sophomore year
 Sophomore Class secretary
 Freshman Week Committee
 Permission Giver
 Hall Rep. to Alliance
 Treasurer—United Service Fund
 The Alliance for Political Affairs should form the link between this college, other campuses and the nation. The relationships of the individual students to the organization vary considerably, and it is the job of the Alliance to satisfy as many of these interests as possible.

To make the working of the organization understood by those who may be interested, it should be emphasized that Board meetings are open to the entire campus. For those who have an active interest, conferences are continually held

Candidates for League



Emely De Molin, Margaret Hall, Kate Collins, Lynne Kaplan.

The following questions were asked the candidates for the presidency of League.

1. How do you define League and its role on the campus?
2. What would you like to achieve as president of League?
3. What League activities have interested you the most?

The following is a list of candidates for the presidency of League, listed in alphabetical order:

KATE COLLINS
 EMELY DE MOLIN
 MARGARET HALL
 LYNNE KAPLAN

KATE COLLINS

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Freshman Hall Rep to League
 Freshman Hall Play
 Sophomore year
 League-Chairman of Weekend Work Camps
 College News subscription board
 Junior year
 League-Chairman of Embreeville Group
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at other colleges, as are meetings of inter-collegiate political and student organizations. In addition, the Alliance sponsors several clubs on this campus.

Even though the active participation of the majority of the student body is channelled in other directions, these people are still interested in current national and world events. For this reason, the most important job that the Alliance has is to develop this interest by bringing speakers to the college, both "big" names in the world of politics, and lesser known, but qualified people.

Another aspect of the Alliance work which I feel is important is its co-operation with the other major organizations on campus through Under-graduate Board. This inter-action allows for the pooling of resources and ideas in sponsoring conferences and speakers of general interest for the campus as a whole.

KATHIE ROSENBERGER

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Hall Rep to Interfaith
 Chorus
 Sophomore year
 Hall Rep to Interfaith
 Chorus
 Double Octet
 Permission Giver
 1956 Young Republican Campaign
 Junior year
 Chorus
 Double Octet
 Permission Giver
 Alliance Hall Rep

The Alliance, I feel, has the dual role on the Bryn Mawr campus of stimulating interest in current affairs and providing active outlets for political interests. If I were to rate the two parts of this role, I would more heavily weight the first, for in it probably rests the present greater task of Alliance. Promoting active interests on this campus is an obvious problem.

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EMELY de MOLIN

- Activities:
 Chorus
 Freshman Show
 Hall Rep to League
 Some of the most satisfying experiences one may have during college come from volunteer work; not something that has to be done, but time and effort given willingly to some worthy cause. This is basically what League provides on the Bryn Mawr campus. The activities under its sponsorship offer efficiently different opportunities for any girl who wishes to give, or make, some free time to helping others; it may be chess or a theater group with mental patients; a week-end work camp in Philadelphia; a week-end as an aide at Embreeville, the state mental hospital, with others from surrounding schools; volunteer counselling at the Bryn Mawr summer camp; or participation in the numerous campus programs often given in conjunction with Alliance or Interfaith Association.
 My membership in League is of

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MARGARET HALL

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 College News (2 years)
 Campus Guide (3 years)
 Stage Manager Freshman Hall Play
 Sophomore year
 Hall Rep to League
 Freshman Week Committee
 Permission Giver (2 years)
 Hall Bookshop (2 years)
 Science Club (2 years)
 Junior year
 Junior Show

There are still some people who have been at Bryn Mawr for three years and do not know the difference between League and Alliance. This is not the fault of either organization, but it does necessitate a definition of what the League is. League is the organization on campus which provides a channel for the interested student to participate in various kinds of social service work. The different areas of activity have chairmen who provide the mechanism through which the student can take part. League is flexible: if a lack of interest is shown in one area, the activity can be dropped, and if something new is desired, it can be organized. League offers a worth-while outlet for student energies and also performs a service to the "outside world" in providing volunteer workers where they are needed.

The League, as it now is, accomplishes a great deal. The various activities are accessible through the committee chairmen and are brought to the hall by the Hall Rep. The League must always be sensitive to student feeling and needs. Opportunities to pursue a range of interests are open but full advantage is not always taken of them. There is a gap between the interest shown on the activity sheet in the fall and the actual participation. People decide later that they do not have time or are not really needed. Perhaps the organizational set up of League could be streamlined to provide a quicker "follow up." The problem now seems to be not in the activities offered but in getting the student and the activity together.

I do not feel that one activity is any more important than another as long as it fills a campus and outside need. At the present time student attention should be focused on the Summer Camp. The camp must have councilors, if it is to operate this summer. In addition to already established activities such as Summer Camp, new ones have been suggested. These (which may or may not prove feasible) are more work with children, such as an orphanage, and trips to a slum area and a mental hospital.

LYNNE KAPLAN

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 League Freshman Hall Rep
 WBMC Announcer
 Cast and Props for Freshman Show
 Cast of Freshman Hall Play
 Summer work as volunteer in outpatient department of a hospital
 Sophomore year
 Publicity Director of League
 Secretary of WBMC and an Announcer
 Director of Hall Christmas Play
 Co-Chairman Publicity, Maids and Porters' Show
 Campus Guide
 Junior year
 Vice-President of League
 USF Co-Chairman
 Assistant Director, Junior Show; Script Committee
 Permission Giver
 Campus Guide

LYNNE KAPLAN

Basically, League is the co-ordinator of the social service activities in which students are interested. League has never remained passive in its role but has encouraged students to suggest new activities and has investigated such

possibilities. Another aspect of its role is to interest students in the reward of helping self and others through the League projects. If this organization is to continue serving a worthwhile purpose, it must alert some people to the benefits and fascinations of social service in addition to providing an adequate outlet for those who have already realized such an interest. This part of League's res-

ponsibility to the college is a major problem. Since the coming year is the year in which we are to study the League constitution, it is an excellent time to re-evaluate the lack of stimulation which has become somewhat characteristic of League's role on campus. It is not likely nor perhaps even desirable that every undergraduate will be vitally interested in the

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Candidates for A.A.



Edie Trubek, Jean Hoag, Alice Todd, Weecha Buse (not in picture).

The following is a list of the candidates for the presidency of the Athletic Association, listed in alphabetical order:

- MARIA LUISA BUSE
 JEAN HOAG
 ALICE TODD
 EDITH TRUBECK

MARIA LUISA BUSE

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Hall Rep.—A.A.
 Temporary Class Rep.—A.A.
 Basketball Varsity, Lacrosse Varsity
 Captain Class Hockey Team
 Sophomore year
 Hall Representative—A.A.
 President Outing Club
 Permission Giver
 Campus Guide
 Manager Lacrosse Varsity Team
 Business Manager Maids and Porters' Show
 Hockey, Basketball, Lacrosse Varsities

The Athletic Association is the only major organization on campus which stresses the purely recreational side of extra-curricular activity. It should provide for everyone, as everyone belongs to the A.A., a means of counteracting the so called "sedentary tendencies" of the student body, and it should do this in such a way as to include the interests of everybody. Required and varsity sports do not come under the control of the Association, but play-days and inter-hall meets do. These are one good and important feature of the A.A., but they have been highly specialized in the past. I think that in addition to them a campus wide play day which could include everything from baseball games to tennis matches to relay races, and which would be held one Saturday would be a good way of stimulating the competitive athletic spirit of the campus.

Much is already being done in smaller and more specialized fields such as dance club and synchronized swimming, but something should be arranged for those who have no strong or particularly directed interests. Hikes and bicycle trips should be arranged, and I think a beach party in the spring, comparable to the ski weekend in the winter would be a good idea. Even for those who have little interest in purely physical activities, picnics and song sessions should be arranged.

The A.A. should make an effort to make known to the campus its many facilities, and it should try to make them more available. Thus I think that the gym should

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JEAN HOAG

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Freshman Hall Plays
 Freshman Show
 A.A.
 Science Club
 Sophomore year
 A.A.

Foreign Student Councilor

The Athletic Association has not been able to adequately fulfill the above functions due to the lack of support from the student body as a whole. This is not entirely the fault of the students themselves. An organization needs enthusiastic leaders and good publicity in order to elicit this necessary support. In the area of publicity is where I think our A.A. falls short. I believe that the apparent lack of interest in the A.A. at Bryn Mawr is partially due to the lack of knowledge of what A.A. represents and sponsors. The leaders of A.A. seem to possess the enthusiasm needed, but they do not support this with enough publicity. As an example, the hall representatives do not know when inter-hall sports are to be held until a week or so before they are scheduled. By this time many people have already made plans and are not available to participate in the games, even though they might have liked to. If the students and the reps had a schedule of such events, much of this type of conflict would be eliminated. More publicity is also warranted in many other areas connected with A.A. (I daresay that very few students realize that Bryn Mawr participates in play days at other colleges and had one here last year.)

I believe that, more than anything else, we need the support of the student body behind our Athletic Association. An enthusiastic leadership, with adequate publicity is the first step towards fulfilling this basic requirement. Once the A.A. has this support, it will be better able to achieve the goals we have set for it.

ALICE TODD

On the whole, I think the Bryn Mawr Athletic Association does fulfill these functions. It co-ordinates and aids many recreational activities representing a wide range of interests. It provides opportunity for those who wish to participate in inter-collegiate sports to do so. Equally important, it provides more informal physical activity in the form of inter-hall games, a life-guarded pool open to anyone at certain times of the week and all during exams, etc. Of

utmost importance for those who hate sports it still fulfills its "recreational function" by sponsoring bridge tournaments, etc. In regard to this kind of importance, I think the newly created chess club really belongs under the jurisdiction of A.A. rather than Undergrad.

The Outing Club is perhaps the most important single club sponsored by A.A. because it offers a variety of informal, non-competitive activities like ski-trips, picnics, and square dances. In respect to skiing, the club has done an excellent job this year on taking advantage of local as well as distant snow conditions. A picnic at Rhoads Farm in the spring and the early fall have been requested and should be put into effect.

This spring and next year, I should like to see A.A. initiate a number of improvements. This spring it should provide for the Rumpus Room a whole ping-pong table (and ping-pong balls) and a checkerboard or two, with a set of checkers and one of chess men.

These should be moved into the Student Center when it is finished. Members of both parties involved have expressed a genuine interest in having another Student-Faculty softball game this spring. A.A. should stand behind the request of those people playing softball this year to form a Varsity and have a chance to play other colleges. The Administration has considered building a few box-talls at Rhoads Farm to provide a nearby place for students to board their horses. Since the suggestion seems profitable from every point of view, I think the building should be done this summer so the idea can be carried into effect at the beginning of next year. A.A. should also co-ordinate

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EDITH TRUBEK

- Activities:
 A.A. Rep—2 years
 Hockey Team—2 years
 Each one of us from time to time feels the urge to escape the library or lab for a time and participate in some completely non-academic activity. Since most of our time here is spent in very sedentary occupation, this need should, in part at least, be met by activities that involve some physical exertion.

A.A. exists to provide an outlet for this need. There are many variety sports so that any competition-minded girl can find at least one suited to her talents. For those who haven't the time to devote to a varsity sport, there are the interhall competitions. Any organization which sets out to fulfill a recreational function has to realize that there are girls who, for many reasons, do not care to participate in competitive sports. The Outing Club, Dance Club, and Synchronized Swimming Club encompass activities which appeal to his latter girl.

At present, the competitive sport function of A.A. seems to be emphasized over the more leisurely recreation. This is an unfortunate situation since A.A. should try to reach every girl on campus. Activating the Square Dance Club and reviving the movies, arranging picnics and holding more folk-sings would improve A.A. for those who enjoy being outside without having to compete in a skilled sport. Since A.A.'s activities in the recreational field can be very informal and can be integrated with activities at other colleges, both men's and women's, there is great opportunity to meet many new people and to get to know old friends better. There is room for expansion along this line, which expansion would improve A.A.'s function considerably.

Candidates for Interfaith



Sue Downey, Polly Larson, Liz Rennolds, Ruth Simpson.

The following questions were asked the candidates for the presidency of Interfaith:

1. How would you interpret the purposes and function of the Interfaith Association,
2. What are your plans and suggestions for changes and improvements for next year, What suggestions do you have for enlisting the further interest and support of the student body?

The following is a list of candidates for the presidency of Interfaith, listed in alphabetical order:

- SUSAN DOWNEY
 POLLY LARSON
 ELIZABETH RENNOLDS
 RUTH SIMPSON

SUSAN DOWNEY

- Activities:
 Freshman year
 Rock's freshman representative to Interfaith Association Board
 Member Parents' Day Committee
 Stage Manager for She Steeps to Conquer
 Sophomore year
 Permission Giver
 Freshman Week Committee

- In charge of Chapel programs—member Interfaith Association Board
 Stage Manager for Maids and Porters Show
 Treasurer Student Christian Movement

The purpose of the Interfaith Association is to help fulfill the religious needs of the students. In order to do this, it should provide opportunities for students both to worship and to gain greater knowledge and understanding both of her own and of other religions. The Sunday evening Chapel services are primarily to fulfill the first aim, though they also help toward the second; the mid-week programs are primarily for the second.

I think that more should be done to provide opportunities for worship. For example, last year Passover fell while school was in session, and many girls then wanted to have a Seder supper which they could attend. If this should happen again, I think that the Interfaith Association should make some arrangements for such a supper to be held.

Students should be made aware

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Downey

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of the facilities of the Interfaith Associations' reading room, which has books on many religious subjects. This reading room is badly neglected, though it contains books which can help students to deepen their personal religious feeling and to gain a wider knowledge of the beliefs of other faiths.

I think that there is a need for a quiet room for meditation some place on campus. It is often hard for a student to find a place away from noise in which she can sit and think. I realize that the present crowded conditions make finding such a place difficult, but I do believe that an effort should be made to do so.

It is my belief that a strong program of mid-week speakers on such topics as how contemporary religious thought is revealed in literature and philosophy would help to strengthen student interest in the Association and would be beneficial in helping them to see the applications of religion to daily life.

I believe that the Interfaith Association has an important function to fulfill on campus, as an organization which should make people aware of the importance of religion in their own life and to provide opportunities for greater knowledge and understanding of other faiths.

LIZ RENNOLDS

Activities:

- Freshman year
 - Freshman Hall Play
 - Freshman Show
 - College News staff (3 years)
 - Student Christian Movement (3 years)
 - Permission Giver
- Sophomore year
 - Hall Rep to Interfaith Board
 - Interfaith Constitution Committee
 - Co-Head Chapel Usher (2 years)
 - Campus Guide (2 years)
- Junior year
 - Junior Show
 - 1st Junior Member to Undergrad
 - Interfaith Board
 - Freshman Week Committee
 - Fire Lieutenant

We all know that the purpose of the Interfaith Association is to meet the religious needs (regardless of their nature) of every girl on campus. This purpose can be fulfilled only by enlisting the support of the Student body.

As I see it, there are three stages of religious interest on

campus. To some, religion is the foundation upon which rest all other activities of life. To others, religion is something very personal; these people feel no need of religious services and worship together, they are satisfied with other means of expressing their faith. The third group is that generally referred to as "agnostic"; it includes the people who consider religion only as one manifestation of culture, to be studied as a very important intellectual, philosophical and social aspect. All three of these groups must be recognized, satisfied, and enlightened. Obviously, this poses quite a problem.

I think there is no one single answer. It's the job of the Interfaith Association to try new methods, new approaches to religious problems, and to decide which ideas are most profitable toward making spiritual pursuits balance intellectual ones. To achieve this much-needed enthusiasm, we need an active Board, consisting of efficient and interested hall reps (who not only transport ideas from but also to the Board meetings). We need more publicity, particularly on the background and importance of the speakers. (The job of Interfaith Association Publicity Manager could be more than satisfying in this capacity.)

So many things could be tried this year. Perhaps the Association could sponsor a party or picnic in the spring? Religious people often

do have fun. The trips and mid-week speakers are quite successful. Also the officers should visit the halls for dinner and discussion instead of restricting this wonderful contact to election time. But most exciting and most important of all, this year the Board should look into the (very good) possibilities of having the chapel services partisan . . . not non-partisan. For even with the new form introduced last year, the service still tends to be very Protestant-like. It wouldn't hurt to try having some Catholic, some Jewish and some Protestant devotional services on Sunday evenings. This would give girls of the same faith the wonderful opportunity of worshipping together; and, at the same time, give the girls of other faiths a chance to observe, question and learn.

These things are so profitable and so easy while we're in college. It's a pity to miss the opportunities.

POLLY CARSON

Activities:

- Freshman year
 - Hall Rep to League
 - Hall Rep to Interfaith Election Committee
- Sophomore year
 - Hall Rep to Alliance
 - League Clothing Drive
 - Permission Giver
 - Campus Guide
 - Chorus
 - Curriculum Committee (soph

rep)
1. All of us have certain beliefs which are a part of our lives—ones that are still in the process of growing. During college, as is popularly known, many of the ideas we have been sure of are suddenly questioned, and we are presented with many new thoughts concerning religion.

The Interfaith Association is an organization which can help the members of the college to come more fully to know what they believe and why. There are no separate religious groups directly affiliated with Bryn Mawr, but this one association, if realized and supported, can become a vital and integrating part of all who are concerned with their faith.

Its three functions are: the Chapel Service on Sunday evenings where interested and well-informed speakers come; the open board meetings where, with business matters, there are often discussions; and lectures on topics of particular concern to the campus. These are all valuable means of stabilizing one's own thoughts, and of coming to understand those of others.

2. Interfaith includes everyone on campus and should have programs which are of interest to the majority, with speakers on pertinent subjects relating theory to practice. Board meetings could conduct weekly discussions on topics of interest, including, perhaps, a series concerning various

religions, with publicity extending an invitation to everybody.

The chapel services have been somewhat altered, and I think that the program should be further extended, so that it will in reality provide a service of a type which all would be free to attend, as ritual should not hinder us in hearing the excellent speakers.

Interfaith has an important place on campus. It can fulfill its potential capacity largely by enlisting the full support of the hall reps, and thereby create an active interest throughout the campus.

RUTH SIMPSON

Activities:

- Freshman year
 - Freshman hall play
 - Freshman Show
 - Freshman hall rep. to Interfaith Association
- Sophomore year
 - Interfaith Board
 - College News Subscription Board
 - Junior varsity swimming team
 - Junior varsity tennis team
- Junior year
 - Interfaith Board

The Interfaith Association should not be principally designed to supplement the work of the neighboring churches and temples which aim to answer the student's spiritual needs. It should serve as a means of awakening the student to the realization of these needs. By providing the stimula-
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Beckman

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These should be retained and emphasized. Graduate students, however, must also be allowed greater participation in Alliance through their representative and frequent contact between the many fascinating foreign graduate students and the undergraduates.

No organization can hope to play an important role on campus unless its activities are publicized and it can recognize the students' interests. Publicity at Bryn Mawr is achieved through taking full advantage of posters, WBMC, the News, and the hall announcements. Student opinion, in turn, is traditionally expressed by hall representatives. Their role can be made even more important by their distributing frequent questionnaire bulletins or canvassing for opinions in Taylor or the halls.

Finally, new ideas make a successful year. I should like to see: more and more frequent lectures or conferences using specialists at the near-by consulates, embassies, and universities, an attempt to bring the Alliance into the halls themselves by holding after dinner coffee meetings; and the introduction of a bi-annual Alliance bulletin summarizing its policy and achievements or containing stimulating articles by professors or students.

A president who has worked with the organization, knows its system, and is willing to devote her time to it can make the Alliance an organization for every student. She must not only use the existing club but also create interest in its programs through good publicity and interesting innovation.

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Kaplan

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League, but it is possible for everyone to know what the organization is, and what it can offer the individual in terms of social experience and growth and pure enjoyment. One path of attack must be through reconstruction of League's publicity channels. However, it is necessary that we also face the fundamental question of what League's role should and could be. Active members must look at League often during the year and discuss what League is accomplishing, and if it is enough. Since League meetings consist of people interested in social work, a possible change is that such meetings sometimes be used as an opportunity for exchanging ideas, and answering questions about this subject. For a number of years League has handled well the social service activities of the students; it is time now that it increase its contribution to the college.

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one year's standing, during which time I have been a hall representative; a higher office, however, would bring more responsibilities and consequently more of the participation I would like to take in the coming year. The fact that my career will most probably be in some field of social work is the primary influence for my interest in League; this nomination for office offers me the chance to become more instrumental in the direct management of the organization. And my lack of experience is one of the main reasons for accepting the nomination, since this will be the chance to gain such experience.

Rosenberger

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lem. It's the job of Alliance to do this by sponsoring speakers, conferences and informal discussions on political problems. There have been successful in the past and are probably the best stimulators. I feel the success of these and of the whole Alliance effort to stimulate interest rests in an active Alliance board. The elected reps from the halls should have the initial interest in political affairs and should serve as more active 'provocateurs', while also carrying campus opinion back to the board.

The active outlets for political interests are important—they too should be used to provoke more interests, and here is Alliance's purpose as liaison between the students and the community. One of our problems as girls, and girls without cars, is transportation, which, I think stands as a barrier to much of the present interest. It should be the job of Alliance with its contacts to arrange transportation to political events when enough interest is expressed.

Of the many ideas for Alliance, my pet is increased co-ordination in joint projects with the political clubs of other area colleges—especially Swarthmore and Haverford. Each of us is small and I feel all will benefit. The other ideas will have to wait for lack of space—but just ask me sometime.

Buse

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be kept open more on weekends, and that an effort should be made to open the swimming pool especially during the spring.

If these things could be carried out the A.A. would more completely fulfill its purpose as a recreational organization for the campus and thus justify its positions as one of the "Big Six."

Deitelbaum

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that no one is expected to enforce a rule to which she has not agreed.

Self-Gov is a working system because of its vitality. It is aware of and subject to opinions of the campus as a whole. The very mechanism of Self-Gov as seen in its two boards demonstrates the feeling that self-government belongs to the entire student body. If 'ipso facto' is repeated often enough it evokes laughter, but the strength of Self-Gov is determined by the participation of every student. The degree of health of a system of government can perhaps be measured by active criticism, so long as the government has the judgment to decide what criticism is valid and the power to progress in order to comply with this.

Fortunately, this year is the time of revising the Constitution. Because of this, and a series of Advisory Board meetings held within the halls, students not involved with the administration of Self-Gov have been able to see the internal areas of their system of government. With this continuing interest and awareness, Self-Gov cannot fail as a liberal expression of the attitudes of the student body.

Eldredge

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ject: Announcements and posters are not enough. It is the duty of the members of the Alliance board to stimulate more interest on campus. Too many people know little or nothing about the activities of the Alliance, people who are not necessarily disinterested, but merely need prodding.

The Alliance should try to make its activities universally interesting and direct its activities to as many as possible. Politics is more than a campaign or a committee, it is part, or should be part, of our everyday life.

Cain

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here. What rules or definitions a freshman has not memorized before she arrives, very soon become just a part of her everyday college life.

This system is good. It gives students as much freedom as possible without infringement upon the comforts of others and without discredit to the name of the college, and at the same time keeps the necessary rules at a simple minimum.

However, there is an ever-present danger, as with any liberal, self-perpetuating type of government, that the student, while aware of the rules, will forget the meaning of the system for herself.

Put simply, each student is on her honor to abide by certain liberal rules formulated, agreed upon, and enforced by a majority of her fellow students and though to be conducive to as much freedom as is possible in an organized community.

What Bryn Mawr students must not be permitted to forget is that simply obeying the rules should not be the extent of their participation in the government of the college community. They are the members of the association and the elected officers merely represent them in matters of Self-Government.

Unlikely as it may seem, once the active interest in one's governing machinery dies, there is danger that the feelings of honor and responsibility toward the system will decay also.

It is the duty of the elected representatives and the hall permission givers, not only to call attention to the activities of Self-Government, but also present to the students issues whose consideration will require a mature judgment of their own views concerning what they want from their own self-government and honor system.

Todd

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with the Administration in completing the groundwork necessary for building an outdoor fire-place beside Applebee Barn early next fall. Next winter, I hope we can persuade the authorities concerned to let us flood a tennis court for easily available ice-skating.

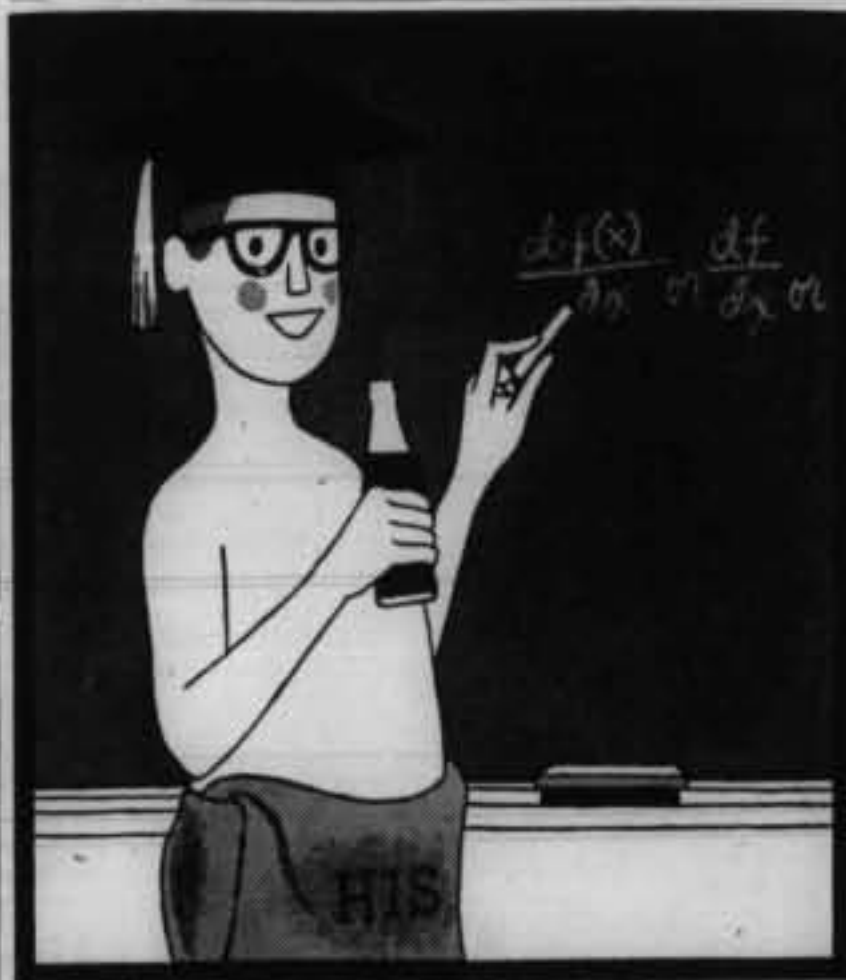


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must be kept going and completed, most specifically the Student Center which will just be getting under way. Only when all expected duties are running smoothly can a new officer begin to consider the reasons which first induced her to run for office. It may be a desire for the removal of traditions, breakfast in bed or a renewal of Big May Day, but there was doubtless one strong reason for her to give over a segment of her precious time. Some may have specific purposes, mine are rather vague, and have something to do with loyalty—or the lack of it.

If there is one thing I would like to accomplish, it is to find out why there is so much apathy on this campus—and to try and remedy it. It is not something which each new student brings with her, one glance at a new crop of freshmen tells you that at least they are full of enthusiasm. But what about the same students the following year, the majority of them will be unconscious of what goes on except in their own small immediate world. How does the college so successfully kill all the ties within it—class, hall, etc.? Is it the fault of the Student Body, are we all striving so hard toward being "individuals" that we have forgotten that people can enjoy each other as a group without fear of losing that individuality? And have we forgotten that a college can mean something more than just a good education?

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Summers

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1957—Friends Institutional Service Unit in Mental Hospital

The program of the League tries both to provide students with opportunities to participate in various kinds of voluntary services and to offer educational activities to those interested in learning more about social problems and social services. League's service program consists of individual groups and committees, organized when student interest and opportunity for service coincide, which offer the student a variety of services—from hospital work to camp counseling to selling at the Soda Fountain—in which she may be interested. While the actual running of these groups is the responsibility of their chairmen, the League board helps new groups get started, helps existing ones organize and simplify their functioning, and, when necessary, re-examines the adequacy of groups in which interest is declining or which no longer have real services to perform. Through its hall representatives the League tries to find out students' interests and to place them in the activities which interest them most, and to make sure that students are aware of opportunities to participate in service activities. League does not and should not attempt to proselyte on a large scale; it seems to me more important that those

who do participate have sincere interest and sufficient time to give their volunteer activities than that a very large number participate in them.

I have no real changes to suggest in this aspect of League's program; I feel that the present system, when conscientiously and enthusiastically carried out by board members, hall representatives, and committee chairmen, does succeed in its purpose of providing opportunities for service. However, I do feel that League must reconsider its educational program, since some of League's speakers have had very small audiences this year. It is unfair to League, to the students, and to the speakers, to ask outside speakers to come to Bryn Mawr when there is little interest in them or their topics. For this reason I would like to see League consider the possibility of obtaining speakers of more general interest, or of curtailing the speaker program.

Alliance

by Gail Beckman

Alliance has announced many speakers scheduled for February-April. In March, Anne Hobson, former head of Self-Gov., will attend one of the weekly Thursday meetings to speak and show slides from her trip to Russia last year. Then on March 24, Mr. Irving Howe of Dissent will speak at a 12:30 Alliance Assembly. His talk will be about the roots of American Communism in American left wing thinking which he will trace since the last depression.

Simpson

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tion and opportunity for healthy interchange of ideas, by acquainting the student with the concepts and ideologies of different faiths, and by presenting provocative speakers, the organization can foster both intellectual and emotional awareness in the student.

To achieve this goal, the Interfaith Association should attempt to ease student hesitancy to speak in board meetings and after-chapel discussions, for the fundamental weakness of the organization is lack of communication within the Interfaith board itself, and the resultant lack of communication with the campus as a whole. It is apparent that the efficacy of the Association must rely upon student participation and support. These are necessarily limited because of the diversity of student interests. Consequently, the Organization should first meet its primary obligation of increasing spiritual awareness within the board itself and among its enthusiastic supporters. This restriction should not imply that Interfaith goals are addressed solely to

a particular segment of the student body, but rather that increased enthusiasm within the board itself can spark a more intense and genuine campus interest.

The unacknowledged fact is that many students come to chapel primarily to hear speakers deal with pertinent or controversial topic. Without intending to undermine the deserved dignity of the chorus and the service itself, the basic importance of the speaker to the advancement of Interfaith aspirations must be pointed out.

No drastic measures for the functional improvement of the Interfaith Association are necessary. The requirement is that the Association generate a revitalizing spirit of awareness both within the board itself and throughout the student body.

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