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Five Arts Features Louis MacNeice

Traditional Sing By Rabbi Mark

Competitive Sing, followed by the Senior Melodrama, will begin at 7:00 on Wednesday evening, April 29 in Palmer Auditorium. Ann Becker '53, Jan Gross '54,Carole Chapin '55, and Letty McCord '56 will lead their classes in the competitive and class songs. Mr. Quimby will select four additional faculty members to serve on the judges' board.

The classes are judged on: quality and suitability of Compet Song, a maximum of 30 points; quality of performance of both songs, 40 points; general effect and unified appearance of the singers, 15 points; and 15 points for attendance, which must be perfect, an infirmary excuse being the only one accented.

The freshman song leader has written both the words and the music for the two songs by her-self, entitling the compet song, Man in the Moon.

Many girls have contributed their efforts to creating the two sophomore songs. Both, songs were composed by Jan Clissold and Libby Fiala, and the lyrics were supplied by Carole Chapin and Jane Simmons. The Compet Song is entitled (subject to change) The Conscience.

The words of the Junior entry were written by Jinny Gillis to music by Jan Gross. Marcia Bernstein did the arrangement for this novelty ballad called Billy, the Beermug. The class song was written freshman year by Anita Gurney and Marcia Bernstein.

Ann Becker has created both the words and music for the sen-See "Compet. Sing"-Page 5

Rabbi Julius Mark of Temple Emanu-El, New York City, will be the speaker at the vesper service Sunday. A graduate of the University of Cincinnati and the University of Chicago, he received his ordination at the Hebrew Union College, which also conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. Dr. Mark is visiting professor of homoletics and practical theology in New York's Jewish Institute of Religion; he is chairman of the board of trustees of the Hebrew Union School of Education and Sacred Music. He is in frequent demand as a speaker before civic, educational and philanthropic audiences and is widely known for his addresses over radio and appearances on television. He is chairman of Books for Brotherhood of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

During World War II Dr. Mark served as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy on the staff of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet. The service will be held in Harkness Chapel at 7 p.m. The topic of his sermon will be: Which is the Best Religion? Dr. Mark is the father of Peggy J. Mark '56:

Special Students

All special students are invited to take part in Competitive Sing. They may sing with whichever class they would like. It is not compulsory, however, for them to sing at all.

Classes Competing Vesper Goers | Flower Exhibition | For Silver Cup in To Hear Talk | Will Join Efforts Of Botany-Zoology

Saturday, April 25 and Sunday, April 26 from two until five o'clock New London Hall will be open for the exhibition presented by the joint efforts of the Botany and Zoology Departments. The flower show will take place in the greenhouse, and the Zoology exhibits will be displayed on the second floor of New London

One of the features of special interest to college students will be the flower arrangement competition. Anyone who wants to create a floral design can find the material and a container of sorts in the workroom of the greenhouse on Saturday, April 25, from eight until 12 noon. The arrangements will be on display at the

Flower Arrangement Rules

The rules for the Flower Arrangements contest are as fol-

1. The arrangement should be suitable for a hall table or man-

2. It can be no taller than twenty inches, no lower than eight inches.

3. Material and containers will be available in the workroom of the greenhouse, between 8 a.m. and 12 noon, April 25.

4. All arrangements must be submitted by 12:30 Saturday,

For further information, see

Hedli Anderson Will Appear At Selden Memorial Lecture

MARYLEE CANTWELL



Chairman of Five Arts Weekend

Miss E. Pureflower Will Meet Fate on Auditorium Stage

Following the competitive sing on Wednesday, the senior class will present the seventeenth annual melodrama in Palmer Auditorium. In this "pharcical phantasy" Miss Ermintrude Pureflower stoically meets the fate imposed upon her by the combined powers of a villain and villainess. exhibit a performance of student

that the audience may fully show you are all urgently requested to Quarterly. bring nickels and dimes to purchase the means of showing your clude programs by both dance enthusiastic reaction to the gripping events behind the footlights.

After the performance, Iphengenia will be presented to next year's director and stage manager of Melodrama.

Spanish Professor To Speak at Club

On Thursday evening, April 23, at 6:45 in the living room of Jane Addams, the Spanish Club will close its activities for the year by presenting as its guest speaker, Senor Emilio Gonzalez-Lopez. The speaker was born in Spain and is a graduate of the University of Madrid. He has taught at the Universities of Salamanca, Oviedo and Barcelona. Senor Gonzalez-Lopez was a professor at the University of Panama, and is now professor of Spanish at Hunter College. During the summer months, he teaches Spanish Literature at Middlebury Spanish School. His topic will be Espana— Cruce de continentes (The Importance of Spain), and will be in Spanish. All Spanish students are urged to attend for the evening promises to be an informative discussion and is worthy of atten-

Students Exhibit Art Work in All Forms at **Weekend Presentation**

On Friday, April 24, the ninth program of creative and interpretative student work in the arts will open. The agenda, including art, poetry, music, dance, and drama, will continue through Saturday, April 25.

This year's Five Arts Weekend includes work for two years, because the eighth weekend was in 1951. Since material has been selected from the last two years, work will be exhibited by members of the class of 1952, now graduated.

Selden Lecture

At 8:30 p.m. on Friday, the Joseph Henry Selden Memorial Lecture will open with a Foreword by President Park. A Recital of Songs and Verse Readings will be presented by Hedli Anderson and Louis MacNeice, assisted by Otto Luening at the piano. Following the recital, an informal reception will be held at the Green Room in Palmer Auditorium to meet Mr. MacNeice and Miss Anderson (Mrs. MacNeice.)

The art program will be held on Saturday from 9-5 and on Sunday from 2-4. This exhibit will include student work in various media and will be on view at the museum.

Poetry Reading

At 3:00 there will be a reading of poetry and prose written by students. The music program will In order to do justice to this compositions, including piano, vogreat American tragedy, and so cal and choral works, and will also be held at 3:00. Both of these programs will be held at the mutheir appreciation, balloons and seum and will be followed by a streamers will be on sale before tea which will be served by repthe performance. Audience par- resentatives of the three arts, the ticipation is strongly desired, and Art Club, the Music Club, and

> Saturday, at 8:30 p.m., will inand drama. The program of dance compositions will be given with choreography by students. It will be presented by Dance Group, assisted by students in the dance classes, with the cooperation of Wig and Candle. Wig and Candle will present an exnibit of its own in the foyer of Palmer Auditorium during the weekend. This consists of an arrangement of scenery and set designs for dramatic productions.

APRIL 24-25

Wig and Candle Production of Hedda Gabler Laudatory; Ibsen's Subtlety Lost to Moderns

On Friday evening and Saturday afternoon, April 17 and 18, in Palmer Auditorium, Ibsen's HED-DA GABLER was presented by Wig and Candle under the direction of Miss Margaret Hazlewood. Having attended both performances this reviewer would query: for modern taste is it possible that HEDDA GABLER is better suited to reading than to performance? Reluctantly we answer Yes. To be honest here is not to disparage Ibsen's philosophy or belittle his genius for discerning the frailties and the disturbances of human nature. Subtleties of humor (and Ibsen has humor), complexities of his characters, and their spiritual struggles these can be captured by the thoughtful reader more readily also to collaborate with him, as than by the playgoer who, having paid for his ticket, is likely to demand entertainment without much cooperation on his part. Greater plays than any Ibsen wrote—KING LEAR for one have been relegated by time to the classroom or the library, Therefore, to enjoy a perform-where leisure, imagination, and ance of HEDDA GABLER, we sympathy may recreate charac. must go to it so acclimatised that ters without drawbacks of "storm the tarnished techniques do not scenes" and other furbishing. obscure Ibsen's real purpose. Watching HEDDA GABLER, This purpose, of course, is

pear as absurd equipment of out-moded theater. If one reads the play, however, paying careful at-dignity and meaning. She refuses tention to every speech, Ibsen can be defended from the charge of writing melodrama. With Ibsen, action is not paramount; his materials are the deep-lying emotions and the frustrated wills of human creatures. He expects us to recognize that, in his plays, the action has begun long before the curtain rises. He expects us the play unfolds, by searching far beneath surface speeches and events. For Ibsen the real drama occurs within the minds and hearts of his people; he is not to blame if the playgoers have eyes and ears and fail to use them.

This purpose, of course, is to more than one member of the reveal the emptiness of life cen-

audience was disconcerted by ob-tered in itself-a life without viousness in the play, surprising courage, fulfillment, significance. to any who had not seen it before. Like Macbeth, Hedda lets "I dare It must be admitted that, on the not" wait upon "I would." She destage, Judge Brack may seem to sires power over others, but unbe no more than the conventional like Mrs. Elvsted Hedda, will risk villain, Tesman no more than the nothing to achieve her goal. She duped husband; the piano, the is a thorough coward. She has pistols, and the manuscript ap-made a foolish marriage; she will the responsibility, both of wife hood and motherhood, that might save her. It is often sad that Ibsen makes Hedda the symbol of a fruitless and dying aristocracy; she is also the symbol of all un fortunates who will not recognize that love and service are the paths to joy of life. Whether one regards HEDDA GABLER as high comedy (as some critics have done) or as serious drama, or even as tragedy, the underlying meaning cannot be casually dismissed.

> In undertaking this play Wig and Candle again proved its zeal; and in accepting the leading role Constance Demarest indicated her own courage. Hedda's personality is enigmatic; the actress must convey Hedda's own bewilderment concerning the warring elements in her nature. The ac-

See "Hedda Gabler"—Page 3 tion.



McCarren Act Debate, Outing Will Highlight Club Events

solved that the Walter-McCarren Immigration Act of 1950 should be repealed. All students are eligible for participation. The winsing team will receive a prize of \$100. A meeting will be held in the near future to discuss details of the debate. All those interested should get in touch immediately with Mr. Duane Lockard of the Government Department or with Ellen Moore. Freeman. Ellen Moore, Freeman.

Outing Club

Engineering Camp in Old Lyme, Connecticut. CCOC has been invited to send 15 girls to join in the activities. Also attending will Chemical Company.

Political Forum

Political Forum's annual debate ward, and Vassar. Plans will include baseball and soccer games, hikes, square-dancing, and possibly convoins. bly canoeing.

Outing Club is planning to leave for Old Lyme Saturday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. in the college

Science Club

Science Club will meet This coming weekend, April Thursday, April 23, from 7:30 to 25-26, the Yale Outing Club is 8:00 p.m. in the Commuter's holding its annual outing at their Lounge. The business will include

FIVE ARTS PROGRAM

Selden Memorial Lecture

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Wig and Candle has arranged an exhibition of scenery and set designs for dramatic productions which will be seen in the foyer of Palmer Auditorium during the weekend.

Dance group will present its recital on Saturday night, April 25, in Palmer Auditorium at 8:30.

Free Speech

A Forum of Opinion from On and Off the Campus The opinions expressed in this column do not necessarily reflect those of the editors.

Well-deserved Praise

Dear Editor:

Last month I wrote an irate let ter concerning the bookstore. My boiling point seems to have been coincidental with the start of a bookstore reorganization by a new manager. Certainly a won-derful job has been done. The books and supplies have been efficiently rearranged; the displays are attractive and easy to get at. There seems an interest in serv-

There seems an interest in serving the customer.

I'm afraid it is too easy to criticize: I'd like now to say "Well done!" Because my criticism was public, I think my praise should be too.

A Student

Visiting Professor Speaks of Former Student MacNeice

by Mr. Robert Levens

A visit of Louis MacNeice and Hedli Anderson to the Five Arts Weekend will, I am sure, give pleasure to many people. It will give an especial pleasure to my wife and myself because they are

Louis MacNeice was one of my first pupils when I started teaching at Oxford. He was there in his second year and had already published a book of poems which had attracted favorable notice. published a book of poems which had attracted favorable notice. His interest in poetry and other arts did not prevent him from achieving first class honors, and after graduation he went to Birmingham University as a lecturer in Classics.

Four Young Poets

In the pre-war years he was established as one of a group of four young poets, all Oxford men, who were outstanding in their graduation: the others were W. H. Auden, Cecil Day Lewis, and Stephen Spender. Besides collections of poems his publications included a verse play and a verse translation of the Agamemnon, which stands the test of perform-ance better than any other trans-lation of a Greek play known to

Professor at Cornell

When war broke out he was already committed to a year as visiting professor at Cornell, and after completing this assignment he joined the Navy. At the end of the war he resumed university teaching in London, but soon gave this up to accept a full time position as a script writer for the BBC. He has a real flair for this medium, and has contributted to the Third Programme many striking dramatizations from history and literature; one of his most recent works was a verse translation of Goethe's Faust, adapted for radio presentation.

Scholarly Background

What distinguishes MacNeice's writing is that he does not allow his scholarly background to detach him from the world he lives in. He applies a poet's vision to the contemporary scene, whether of Birmingham or of Athens, where he recently spent two years as Director of the British Institute. Hence the vividness which makes his Autumn Journal, for instance, so wonderfully evocative of the passing of the pre-war era.

It was during the war that he met and married Hedli Anderson, a singer whose versatility and charm had endeared her to Londoners seeking relaxation from the "blitz." She has a rare gift for blending the technique of a trained artist with the natural

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'Don't' Is the Bayward

Caution on Campus Result of Investigations, Reveals Time

In a recent release from TIME, an inquiry into the overall effect of Congressional Investigations on the nation's cam-puses revealed a new attitude of caution on the part of both faculty and student bodies. The academic motto for 1953 seems to be becoming: "Don't say; don't write; don't do."
This motto does not indicate a state of panic. Few educators denied congress the right to investigate anything on the campuses. However, the effect of the Investigation has been telling as regards the professors' confidence in their own profession as well as the students' confidence in their role as assimilators of knowledge.

For the first time, department heads at Michigan State have been inquiring about the extent to which they should go in expressing their own political opinions. At the University of Pennsylvania, a young instructor admitted a definite recalcitrance about joining the liberal, non-communistic American Civil Liberties Union. "I don't want A.C.L.U. on my record," was his reaction. A large Texas campus faced difficulties when they wanted to fire an incompetent teacher who also was rabidly anti-Communist. One of the faculty members warned the president that the firing would look like "fellow traveling to outsiders."

Recalcitrance is not limited to the faculty. Students are now reluctant to join in liberal discussions, and healthy campus organizations are often being abandoned to the radicals. Not only are students who are seeking employment asked about ability, industry, and integrity, but searching questions are posted concerning the applicants' political and social at-

However, the caution is still something about which to joke. A student at Princeton, upon noticing one of his classmates with the New Republic, said: "What, reading Communist literature again?" This joking attitude is still not much more than a veneer. The question has been put forth: "Are U. S. educators beginning to wonder if education is not losing its boldness?"—NBP

Five Arts Music Program

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Frederica Schneider '53 Fugue in G Major .. Two Preludes ... Elizabeth Fiala '55 VOCAL MUSIC Words and Music Anne Becker '53

A Beautiful Sash of Blue .. 'Twould That I a Very Pretty Bride Could Be Words and Music Anne Becker '53

Text Wallace Stevens, Music Anne Becker '53 Fabliau of Florida . All pieces are played by Martha Alter, and the three songs

are sung by Anne Becker '53.
VOCAL ENSEMBLE

Excerpt from Ode to Saint Cecilia W. H. Auden Music by Anne Becker

Seasons: Winter, Fall, Summer, Words and Music by Anne Becker

Spring Sopranos Anne Becker '53 Jean Ann Hallows '53 Joanne Starr '53 Ann Walthour '53

Adrienne Audette '55 Martha Logan Atkinson '53 Ellen Morgan '54 Joan Milner '53 Christina Schmidt '53

Penelope Packard '55 Dell Stone '53

Music by Anne Becker Excerpts from operetta Call Me Father Gradus ad Parnassum Iggeldy Poo Sun

Sung by Anne Becker, Soprano
Words and Music by Anne Becker
Sung by Dominique Louis-Dreyfus '53
Words by Dominique Louis-Dreyfus '53
Sung by Becker and Louis-Dreyfus
Words by Anne Becker, Joan Fluegelman '53
Sung by Ensemble C'est La Vie Freddy

Words by Anne Becker, Joan Fluegelman Father Take a Look

Martha Logan Atkinson at the piano

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Bells Break Quiet; Five Arts Leaders

With the arrival of Spring a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love as is apparent by the number of Connecticut College girls with rings on the third finger of their left hands.

Recent Engagements

Mary Miller '54, has announced her engagement to Ben Wrubel from Middletown, Conn. He is now at the Rhode Island School of Design at Providence, which they both attended this summer. The date of their wedding is the seventh of June.

Another June bride will be Nancy Shatz '54. Nancy's fiance is Ted Low, from Providence, Rhode Island. Ted graduated from Brown in 1948 and is working now in Providence with the Petroleum Supply Company. Ironically enough, Ted and Nancy met at an engagement party over Christmas. Their wedding date is June twenty-ninth.

Mimi McCorison '53 also will be married sometime in June. Mimi met her fiance, Jim Mourkas, two years ago on St. Patrick's Day. He graduated from Yale in the Class of '52 and is now working in Pittsburgh for the Jones and Laughlin Company. The actual date of their wedding is as yet in-

Susie Shaw '53, has announced her engagement to Nelson Hooe from Boston, Mass. Nelson graduated from Yale in 1950 and is now working in Boston. wedding date has not yet become

Something new and different has been happening to the bell system. Instead of one dignified ring we now have a variety of musical notes at the end of the Ellen Israel '5 quiet hours

Success Story

A piggy named Sue came to Connecticut College last Wednesday night and was left on the steps of Thames Hall by some U. Conn pledges. A note attached to the greased porker said, "Please return," and on its back U. of C. was written in lipstick. A group of late studiers, terrified by loud squeals, found the baby pig run-ning back and forth in front of the door. The girls called the police to have them remove the un-happy piglet. The policemen thought the girls were playing a practical joke when they said there was a pig on their front porch. The men were finally convinced and at 1:45 a.m. two burly policemen pulled up in their car and hurried up the steps to aid the fair damsels in distress. The greased porker kept slipping through their hands and the policemen spent fifteen minutes diving after the squealing animal. The amusing scene was viewed by the girls with their noses pressed against the window.

Sue was finally caught and carried away in an unlady-like position by her feet. The next morning her fame had spread; her story was on the radio, and her picture appeared on the front page of the New London Day.

> If Your Clothes Are Not Becoming to You They Should Becoming to Shalett's

New Rings Appear; M. Cantwell Heads Five Arts; Pig Visits Thames E. Israel Leads Dance Group

MARYLEE CANTWELL

With Five Arts Weekend coming up, NEWS has taken a look behind the scenes to find the co-ordinating force of the weekend. We found that the manipulator of the strings that hold the diversi-fied activities together is MaryLee Cantwell, Student Chairman of Five Arts Weekend.

MaryLee showed an interest in the arts early in her college ca-She became an editor of reer. Quarterly in her freshman year, along with joining the NEWS staff. She remained on NEWS for two years, but she found it necessary to leave it in order to assume the duties of Editor-in-Chief of Quarterly in her Junior year. During her senior year, MaryLee continued her literary interests by working on Koine as the literary editor.

Interest in Writing

Her Five Arts work consists in working with Mr. Strider, the faculty chairman of the weekend, in planning and organizing differen programs for the art, drama, dance, music, and literature activ-

As one may surmise from her interest in writing, MaryLee is an English major. Her home town is Bristol, Rhode Island, but she plans to leave small town life to see what a big city might hold. After a year of working in New York, MaryLee plans to return to school in order to do some graduate work. She feels that the year of working will enable her to en-ter further study with a new comprehension of what such school work may be able to offer

Ellen Israel '53 is the dance group representative for Five Arts Weekend.

A native of Georgia - you would never guess it to hear her talk—Ellen is a psychology ma-

SpringCompetition Dance Program Has In Sports Starts Piano Accompanist With New Officers

by Midge Briggs and Ann Matthews

AA has elected its new officers for next year, and also the heads for the spring sports. AA Council's vice-president is Joan Abbott '54. Sue Gaffney '54, is secretary, and Marsie Williams '56, is treasurer. Jane Lyon '55, has taken over the position of social chairman, and the publicity is now in the hands of Joan Negley '54. Jane Dornan '55, is the coordinator of group sports, and Shirley Smith '55, acts in the same capacity for individual sports.

The Spring sports, which will soon organize into interclass competition, have a new roster of leaders. Sally Ashkins '54, heads riflery; Nancy Wilson '54, basedance. Everyone who is interested music major. in participating in the various Spring sports should watch the AA bulletin board for the announcements that will be appear-

Attention! Sports reporters for NEWS are needed urgently. You may work alone or with another girl. Just send an account of some campus sports event, real or imaginary, to Midge Briggs or Ann Matthews through campus

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ELLEN ISRAEL

jor. She has done a great deal of work in her field during the summers. She has worked in a child guidance center in New York, and as a camp counselor. Ellen plans to continue work in the psychology field and hopes to continue her education.

Ellen is ambitious and has participated in a number of campus activities. She was house president as a freshman, a member of Quarterly as a sophomore, and a member of Koine as a senior. She did work in scenery and in acting in compet plays during her sophomore and junior years, as well as being a member of the Psychology Club.

Dance Group is presenting a suite in which Ellen will participate in the group dances. She will also repeat her dance solo from the Paris cafe scene from last year's Father's Day play.

Joyce Eldridge as

This Saturday evening when Dance Group, led by Pam Kent 54, and students from dancing classes perform their dance composition in connection with Five Art's Weekend, they will be assisted at the piano by Joyce Eld-

Joyce has been a familiar figure on campus this past winter, especially in Knowlton Salon where she worked with the Dance Classes and Dance Group in arranging music for their modern dance compositions. Besides doing this work at Connecticut College. She is also the dance accompaniest and composer at New York University, Brooklyn College, and the Neighborhood Playhouse, School of the Theater.

Joyce became interested in Last year played for the Graham and Juillard School of Dance, and last summer she played at Perry Mansfield Summer Dance Camp in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

Born in Franklin, Ohio, Joyce is now living in New York City where she rooms with three other girls. At the present time Joyce is privately studying piano under Mr. Joseph Raieff. Of her work Joyce says enthusiastically "nothing like it, fascinating field!"

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Hedda Gabler

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da is a human being. If her death leaves us unstirred, then she has been made superhuman—evil in-carnate. Portrayal of her character calls for comprehension of human perversities and temptations, as well as for more than ordinary professional ability and training. A young amateur is obviously handicapped by her youth and by the limited time allowed for study and rehearsal of this exacting part, Because of these ob stacles, Connie Demarest should be warmly congratulated for an intelligent and consistent interpretation. Her Hedda was frostily beautiful at all times (despite an unsuitably "fussy" first act cos-tume)—graceful, aristocratic, and even regal in bearing (especially in the early scenes with Brack) and calculating in her charm, par ticularly with Lovborg. With Aunt Julia and George her man ner was tinged with that superior ity more hateful than deliberate rudeness; with Thea, Hedda's envy and spite were not obscured by the necessary and superficial courtesy. Although appearance and manner carried conviction. her voice was Connie's best asset. Never shrill, it was hard and metallic, without warmth or richness even in moments of emotion, as Hedda's voice should be. Connie Demarest's characterization stressed Hedda's shallowness and malice throughout, rather than the darkness of a soul that does not know itself.

Second Leads

Second to Hedda in interest, are Judge Brack and Tesman. As the scheming admirer of Hedda, Richard Thornburgh played with sureness and composure. strained in his scenes with Hedda, especially in the last act, he was rather too placid in the ejaculation which rings down the final curtain. Granted that after a suicide any remark will sound inept; Judge Brack's amazement and incredulity should be marked. "People (especially those in OUR group) don't do such things"—but the thing has happened. A ghast-ly irony here is lost to the audience, if the actor fails to stress it.

As the plodding scholar, George
Tesman, Robert F. Logan emphasized deliberation of speech and manner to contrast effectively with Hedda's high-spiritedness. His best acting was done in the pleasant opening scene, and in the last act when Hedda reveals the destruction of the manuscript. pathetic as There is something well as highly comic in Tesman's failure to perceive essentials; Mr. Logan revealed this paradox especially well on Saturday after-

Portray Parts Well

As Mrs. Elvsted and Eilert Lovborg, Mary Alice Robertson and Ian Dobson were foils for Hedda and Judge Brack. Thea Elvsted is one of Ibsen's apparently spineless women who disball; Jan Fenn '54, archery; Nan Appell '54, golf; Betsy Friedman ing at Miami University from where she graduated in 1951 as a tent in showing the transition from sweetness and anxious flurry to determination and courage. Viewing her, one could believe in Thea's innate goodness. The character has so few shadings that it offers small opportunity to the actor. Nevertheless Thea was appealing and credible. Thea's partner, Eilert Lovborg, presents a difficult role. It is not Ian Dobson's fault that he looked too juvenile to be a contemporary of Brack and Tesman, Mr. Dobson played Eilert, however, as

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tress must also awaken sympa-youth disillusioned by dead sea thy, if she can—for after all, Hed- fruit, rather than as a genius who after a struggle, glimpses the heights just before he plunges to catastrophe. In justice to Mr. Dobson, it should be said that his acting on Saturday afternoon showed more sensitivity and understanding than he displayed at the earlier performance. He also had the advantage of an audience that was considerably silent and attentive during his parting from Hedda.

Admirable in Minor Part

In the minor role of Aunt Julia, Jeanne Gehlmeyer (though looking far too youthful on Friday evening) did admirable work, justifiably concerned for the welfare of the Tesmans, and appropriately sharp when her bonnet was maligned. As the maid, Berta, Lois Bassett made one sigh for the days when such devoted servants might be found in every household—soft-voiced, impeccably neat and willing, even at

Stage Setting

No review is complete without some comment on the stage set-ting and other evidences of endless labor behind the scenes. Some criticism has been heard by this reviewer that Ernest Coombs set was too large, that a more constricted space would have emphasized Hedda's sense of being rapped. None the less, the setting was impressive (as perhaps the villas of defunct cabinet ministers' wives always are?); the commonplace pictures and useless bricabrac contributed to the comfortable ugliness of the surroundings. (Nothing could better underline the bourgeois taste of Hedda's in-laws than those pic-tures and that bricabrac!) But why hang the portrait of General Gabler so inconspicuously in the back parlor? Surely, it should have dominated the scene. Why, too, make no use of the lamps on Friday evening? (That defect and the spottiness of the lighting were remedied on Saturday af-ternoon. The lighting of the ternoon. The scene where Thea and Hedda are discovered after a wakeful night was not remedied, however, which was unfortunate)

Steady Growth

The reviewer is glad to have seen both performances as well as two rehearsals, for she has an advantage over the other playgoers in noting steady growth in general ease of stage deportment. It is easy to be captious and to criticize details at length. We should not forget, however, that college players are amateurs; such players learn by doing. Those of us who have watched with pleasure the development of interest in the second secon interest in dramatics on this campus, can testify that every year has brought progress of which Wig and Candle can be proud. Under the capable direction of Miss Hazlewood, Wig and Candle is sure to maintain both its aspirations and that progress.

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ine Gibbs in Boston. Joanne comes from Easthampton, Con-

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Among her musical activities, Joanne has included the presideney of the Glee Club and former chairman of music on the Radio

Freddie Schneider, who comes from Brooklyn, New York, has been taking lessons since she was eight years old and has continued her music under Mr. Dale at Con

Numerous Activities

Although Freddie has no definite plans for next year, she is going to Oxford this summer to study the Literature and Politics in Twentieth Century England. While she is there, she hopes to be able to attend the Edinburgh Festival.

Her numerous activities include four years on IRC. She was co-chairman of the organization this year and treasurer in her junior



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MacNeice (Continued from Page Two)

ease and grace proper to the folk songs which she has collected from many countries, and even people normally allergic to singing find her irresistible. Since her marriage she had added to her repertoire several settings written for her by Benjamin Britten and other composers of poems by her husband and other contemporary

Since the MacNeices jointly represent two of the Five Arts, it is especially fortunate that their combined program of poetry and song should be available for this occasion, and having heard them before I can assure prospective audiences that the Five Arts Committee did a very good job in persuading them to delay their return to England until next

Music Club Officers

Newly elected officers of the Music Club, who will assume their positions next fall, are as follows: president, Janet Glissold; vice-president, Sue Lane; secretary-treasurer, Faith Gulick; and social-program chairman, Louise

Students Will Vie For Cady Prize in **Open Competition**

On Thursday, May 7, the contest for the Cady Prize in Reading will be held in Room 202, Palmer Auditorium, at 7:15.

The amount of the prize is \$25. Each contestant for the prize will be expected to read three pieces, two chosen by herself, and one chosen by the judges.

The pieces chosen by the contestants shall be one consisting of verse, and one consisting of prose. Neither of these pieces shall occupy more than 21/2 minutes in the reading.

As this prize is for ability to is not required to commit the

pieces to memory.

Students intending to compete must sign their names on the sheet that will be posted on the Radio Bulletin Board on the first floor of Fanning a few days before the event.

April 23-Nancy Shaughnessy, April 24—Hymn Sing

April 28—President Park April 29-Jeanne Gehlmeyer, 1954

Compet. Sing (Continued from Page One)

ior class song, and has written the music for the compet song for which she and Joan Fluegelman wrote the words.

The song leaders will draw a number to determine the order of performance. If the freshman leader draws number one, she may redraw.

Following the judging, a silver cup will be awarded to the song leader of the winning class. Any class which wins the cup three years in a row is allowed to keep it. The present sophomore and read English aloud, the contestant senior classes have each won the

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event which should be brought Relations, Press Board, and NEWS will take articles from this folder, although if members of the college community all contribute to this folder, and this syscentralize the sources of campus tem of centralizing information is

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place information about any ties. Miss Boynton, head of Public Lee Anderson, Mary Clymer Will Head Yearbook Arrangements for Next Year

Leila Anderson '54, new editor Art Editor, Donna MacIntosh, and of Koine, has announced the results of the recent election of the field. 1953-54 staff of thes yearbook, Associate Editor will be Mary Clymer. Other members of the new staff are as follows: Business tography Editor, Lois Keating;

Leila Anderson, an English major, comes from Ansonia, Connecticut and lives in Freeman. She is a member of Pressboard and corresponds in this capacity with the New Haven Register. Lee has been on Dean's List every semesat Connecticut.

Mary Clymer, new Associate Editor, comes from Wethersfield, Connecticut. An English major, Mary lives in Freeman where she is the roommate of Leila Anderson. Mary has been in Radio Club and has participated in Competitive plays during both her Freshman and Sophomore years. This year she helped to write the Father's Day Show. Sports have been one of Mary's special interests and she has participated in almost all of them while she has been at college.

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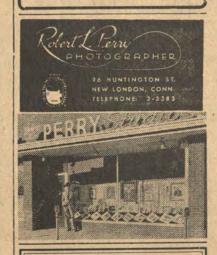
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