

SENIOR OFFICERS 1931-1932

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## Long Freshman Week Is Subject of Discussion <br> China Crisis Arouses Widespread Attention

The Inquiring Reporter, long silent matters of public interest, ha again taken up her role this week in attempting to seek opinion on the following questions: "What do you think Freshman Week?" and "Do you ink the C.A.-C.G. reception adds to Virginia Chapman, '31, Former President of College Government Association: I think the idea of Freshman Week is essentially a good thing my own experience, and also from the problems that arise in colleges plan. At a conference at Mount Holyoke recently, representatives from concerning the first weeks of Freshman year. This trouble arises, they felt, from lack of good adjustment to surroundings and classmates. Wellesley does not have this problem, I think,
because the girls learn to know each other and become familiar with the campus before the other classes arrive.
However, I do not think that our present system is altogetber satisfactory. Freshman Week, I thlnk, is too long, and therefore somewhat defeats its purpose. The girls begin to get a few days and consequently start the academic year when it does begin more or less unenthusiastically. Why not shorten the week a little. A few less days would not, it seems to me, detract
from the efficacy of the plan; they would, in fact, probably add to it. This opinion applies, too, to the C.A.C.G. reception. Gathering all the classes together in an informal way for one afternoon is essentially a good idea. I think lt gives the upperclassmen (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2 \& 3)

## If the weather is doubtful on

 Float Night or Tree Day a flag will be flown from Tower roof if the events are to take place, If Saturday proves stormy, Tree Day will be on Monday at 4:30. In thls case, chapel will be omitted, classes beginning at 8:10, closing at 4:00 P.M. If storny Monday, the same arrangement applies for Tuesday. If storny Friday, Float will occur whenFriday, Float willever Tree Day occurs.

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Periodicaliy China comes to the fore with a new revolution, an annual spring minent, it is not that which is causing the great world powers to keep watchful eye on the present situation The approach of the People's Convention has brought to light much dissension among the masses and among the more Communistic leaders. About two weeks ago, warnings were sent to the Nanking Government of plots to seize the Honan and Shantung provinces and the Yellow River country.
The plots were headed by General Chang Haiton, in Canton, and Hu Hanmin, former president of the Nanking Legislative Council, who was forced to
resign last March. On May first the resign last March. On May first the
Canton Kuomingtang formally seceded from the republic, with the sympathy and possible support of several other provinces in southern China. It is believed that the coup resulted from the dissatisfaction arising from the forced resignation of Hu Hanmin. It is being managed by powerfui generals army. Much of the support comes from the Communistic element among the people. This element is belng fostered

The Wellesley Shelf at Hathaway,
composed of books written, edited, or transiated by people who have been connected either as student or teacher with Wellesley, has grown during the past year until it includes something over one hundred and twentyflve volumes. Almost every kind of book, from a Household Arithmetic to a book of children's plays, is represented.
Perhaps the newest book on the shelf is The Nun of Ca' Frollo, by Ciementine Bacheller and Jessie Orr White, a biography of Harriet Macy. One of the oldest books is Calvert of Strathore, a
Carter Goodloe
Biography is
Blography is represented by Florence Morse Kingsley's Life of Henry Fowle Durant, G. M. Willlams' The Passionate Pilgrim. the Life of Annie Besant, and a book about Hollywood, Doug and
Mary and others, by Allene Talmey.

## Work of Alumnae and Professors Displayed at Hathaway House;

## Brain Children on Honor Shelf Show Varied Interests of Writers

There is history of all kinds, The Rise pire, by Mary E Townsend, pure history, and The Story of the Elizabeths, by Grace Humphrey. One volume familiar to many students is the Short History of Italian Painting by Miss Rankln.
Travel books are numerous. Grace Humphrey has written a book about New York, Agnes Rothery writes of divers places. Uncle Sam's Attic, by experiences in Alaska, and Westward Hoboes, of a western motor trip by Wlnifred H. Davis. Mary Dillingham Frear tells of Hawaian Days and of a trip Over two Seas.
Then there are the novels, which are few. If Today Have No Tomorrow, by Ollve Gllbreath, is laid in Russia. One of Allice Ross Colver's works is
found there, The Dimmest Dream.

## SENATE LEGISLATES NEW C. G. ELECTIVE METHODS

Bcginning with the elections of 1933, the President of College Government
and the Chief Justice of the Superior Court will be nominated by a Senateappointed committee. Chrlstian As oclation has incorporated into its both Barnswallows and the , whe both Bamswallows and the Athletic Assoctation are consldering a like in-
novation. NEWS will retain its present system of Board nominations. The new section in the C. G. Constltution reads as follows:
"Nominations for President and Chief Justice shall be madc by a nominating committee appointed by Senate. This members not holding ofin at least two ganization and shall submit to the ganization and shall submit to the ditional nominations may be made providing that each nominee is indorsed by at least fifty members of the or ganization at large. The list of candidates shall be

Freshmen Gain Rights
It was voted Monday nlght to give driving outside the town of Wellesley until ten, providing that they start in Wellesley and do not go to Boston. They will be required to report to chaperons by $8: 30$, instead of $8: 00$ P. M.

It was voted that the Vice-President of the Junior Class should serve as
business manager of Tree Day, that the Junior Vice-President of C. G. should be in charge of the Gray Book, and that the Recording Secretary of College Government should be responsible for Pointing. The Corresponding Secretary of C. G. will assume the duties of the Citizenship C
The following nam.
The following names were approved: Committee Heads
Informal Dancing
Ruth Street C. I. E. and N. S. F. A. Betty Kelth

Rhoda

## Wilhelmina Paul has helped to

 translate Droll Peter from the Flemish and Barbara Newhall Follett has writschool.Wellesley has produced and fostered many poets. Katharine Lee Bates, the most famous of all, is represented by five volumes on the Wellesley Shelf. Miss Caroline Hazard, too, has many books of verse. Margaret Tinsley, Helen Wickenden, Anne Roblnson, Alice Freeman Palmer, Isabel Flske Conant, Eva L. McElevery, and Helen Parker Adams are others whose slim volumes lle on the shelf. Of essaylsts, too, there are several.
Of the present faculty, Mlss Tuell Miss Balderston. Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. Jenks are represented. Of former faculty members Miss Scudder leads with seven volume and Mass Converse follows her closel with five

Marcla Heald

## Curriculum

## Social Schedule

Alumnae Housing
Grey Book
Pointing
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Citizenship Senior Car Petiti
A student petition for senior cars was read, but discussion was postponed until the next meeting of Senate, which will be held on Monday, May 18

Sarah Collie
Edith Harrington
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Elinor Best
Eleanor Wilcox
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s lives and about bootleggers-their Island, where late at night trucks are backed up to dark wharves. The heroine is a newspaper reporter who becomes involved in bootlegger polltics and the affectlons of a young police officer at the same time. The ending is happy in spite of the hectic plot development.
Edna Schutte's novel, Candis, deals with a girl of that name who wants to write, who is always searching for something real. She takes Candis through college, to Greenwich Village, where she llves for a year, to the mountains, and finally, to Paris Candis is full of asplrations, is eager to try anything. Her love affairs are (Continued on Page 6, Col. 2)

## TREE DAY MARCHING

 All classes form promptiy at 3:00 o'clock on the road between Chapel and Stone-senlors first followed by other classes in order of their rank.Seniors wear caps and gowns with formal coliars, etc.
All other classes wear pastel shades,-no reds or brillant
colors, please.
How The Other Half
Lives

Evidently spring-time class cutting has become an over-popular pastime
in the "sunny Southland," for compulsory attendance at classes at the University of North Carolina has been
enforced in some cases by actually enforced in some cases by actually
fining the would-be "hooke players." In spite of student agitation for optional attendance, the faculty of the University passed a rule giving the
department full control of the attendance question. The psychology departmont now charges 50 cents for excus-
able absences and a dollar for missing a class without a good reason. Ex-
cused absences from an examination cost the offenders one dollar. Two
dollars is now charged for missing examinations without a good cause, but native of giving a failure on the exfurther states that the maximum number of times the class meets a

It will perhaps be of interest to those all Ohio State freshmen on probation
in How to Study. Of a different na-
tare, but still in the academic line is the news that women students work
for more often than men do. which Dr. F. N. Lund, former head of the department of psychology of
Bucknell College, reached after a study of students. From another source of
academic information, it is learned that the Writers Club of Columbia University has just published an an-
thology of "unwanted" prose. o them-

While speaking of publishing antholologies and what not, it is notable that
in order to avoid censorship. which they feel has ruled other student
publications, a group of undergradutes at Ohio State University is plan-
ning to publish The Free Voice. It will be published anonymously and
will be sold off the campus. Spring fever is, certainly, a malady
and although this particular malady seems to be unaffected by the profes
sional skill of the doctor, it may o
comforting to know that with on
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$\qquad$ according to the report. During th graduated from American medical col
leges was only 205, a decline Gavin
been noticed in the yearly enrollment:
since 1926.
In a quite different vein is the an nouncement that the Louisville Col-

United States. The new college the section of the municipal Louisville University, with a four year course and the same standards as other parts
the institution. The novel feather the proration of a Negro college in what ha hitherto been a municipal un
exclusively for white students.

The Pollsh National Union of Stu dents invites members of other Nation al Unions to spend part of their varaton in the Polish holiday camps, ac cording to a N. S. F. A. News Bulletin. These are not far from the university centres, and are situated in most picturesque country. They are the proparty of the "Fraternal Aid" societies cilities for sport.

CRITIC DI
ERIC DISCUSSES WORK OF T. S. ELIOT

On Wednesday night, May 6, Mr. A. Richards lectured at Billings Hal on the subject of $T$. S. Eliot.
Mr. Eliot is a modern poet, born in America but naturalized an English citizen. As Mr. Richards first identiffed him he is "distinguished for his obscurity," an obscurity of name due
to what seems to many the obscurity to what seems to many the obscurity caused some misunderstanding with regard to his miscue stale ing whf that in expressing certain poetical aims the poet was endeavoring to lay down a universal rule, whereas he was only formulating his own standards.
Mr. Richards does not belleve that Mr. Eliot's poetry is consciously arametic to any greater extent than that of the average writer. It is a mistake to assume that poets are often speaking themselves: the thoughts and
opinions embodied in their work represent far more often the speech of some
imaginary voice. Another factor which makes Mr.
Eliot's work difficult of comprehension to the ordinary reader is his constant use of quotations, comparisons and alor everyday origin. What such a critic references are used, it is often untext from which they are taken. They are far more apt to be employed as
fragments which have connotation enough in themselves to awaken the
pulse of feeling. Whatever else may be said of this poet's work, it must be acknowledged
that his technique results in concenration, which is an admitted aim of modern poetry. Mr. Richards made the interesting suggestion that Mr. to a cinematic origin in that they represent a series of disconnected but
illuminating flashes. Readers who endeavor to string these poems on an inas the author intended, but as they
would treat other modern poetry dealing with the more or less literal presentation of a scene, an experience, a
description or a meditation. These
poems are designed rather to produce which will combine to leave a given

 most frequent subject of his first work Similarly he is turning now to religion as exemplified by Ash Wednesday, poem, since he considers that this will

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friends, and the Freshmen the chance o meet the other classes and the should be made short as possible. There should be no speeches, and the whole at
should be an informal one.
Elizabeth Keith, '32, recently elected President of Shakespeare Society Freshman week is really a good idea
but much of its value is lost because it is too long. A few days do seem help in adjusting yourself to new sur roundings and in making new acquaintances but the help is lost when the few days are stretched out into a week. Everyone is anxious, when she comes to collet life she gets bored waiting for that start to come.
C.A.-C.G. reception has little or no value, I think, as a part of that week The occasional person who enjoys it is rare. New acquaintances are usually forgotten as soon as they have signed their names on the cards. The only nice thing about the whole event is
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about under more enjoyable circum-
stances? I would suggest having it at take place at Barn reception. There the Freshmen could learn to know the important seniors, could get their cards signed, and would really get a chance o say more than just a casual greeting to the signers.
Ruth Chapman, '33, recently elected Vice-President of the Athletic Assocation: Freshunan Week seems to m men to become adjusted to their new environment. Being here a week be fore the rest of the college arrives glues them an opportunity to form friendships in their own class, without the lost reeling that would result from fifteen hundred strangers
The annual strangers.
seems to me to be also a reception is a nice gesture that insures the Fresh men a pleasant social afternoon, and gives them further opportunity to see members of their own class as well as upperclassmen.
Rhoda Deuel, '33: I think Freshman
week is theoretically a good thing, Week is theoretically a good thing,
but it is too long and lacks the variety necessary to make it very interesting.
There are, for example, too many require meetings that do not seem to be particularly valuable. Then, too, the
whole atmosphere is too leisurely to be stimulating. Very few Freshmen,
I believe, receive any notion during this time that college is a place to academic year without much interest Theoretically, too, the C.A.-C.G. reception is an excellent I think, it is rather a strain on all concerned. The upperclassmen are usually bored, and the
Freshmen, for the most part, are equally uninterested although they attempt
to make some pretense of interest. However, I do think the Freshmen
enjoy meeting the major officers. Eleanor Wilcox, '34: From my own experience, I would say that Freshman Week is a good idea. However, think that it is too long, and that a and certainly more enjoyable. Every
few of them they tend to become boring. The whole week is like a house party that starts out with a ba
gradually dwindles in interest. good thing, I believe. The Freshmen like to meet the major officers; but quaintances they make with the up perclassmen. The custom of signing not really help in forming friendships. Cynthia Dudley, '34: If you don' back early and who take an interest in you, Freshman Week tends to be
come boring. The idea of the week is
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$\qquad$ In the same way, enjoying deception depends on whether you know the girl you go with. If you reception is not terribly enjoyable, and seems rather a waste of time.

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## THE PEREGRINATING PRESS

E ben Wellesley professors have Bob- vcaled a plate and a sherbet cup, relle en burns dangerous but sometimes of the last open house. At last the enightening yen to see ourselves as thers see us. Dctectives of the senor class should be notified that a visitmg professor has racked his historcoup d'etat by which he may peek into senior academic council thls afternoon. At the last report, he was beseeching students to accept him as a maiden aunt and to take him, bewigged and skirted, into the stronghold of his pseudo-colleagues. Perry admires this intellectual curiosity to the extent of suggesting that he and the teacher
should stroll in, arm in arm, without should stroll in, arm in arm, wit
adopting the refuge of petticoats.
$\lceil$ HE administration has become kind and considerate in its building
program. Who would have suspected hat a college would take the pains to equip its grounds, not only with a golf
course and a lake, but with an ideal pot for hop scotch? The new walk between the north door of Founders and Green Hall is divided into perfect hop scotch squares, which have made several girls gaze wistfully at them and plan to indulge in a game some peaceul hour. Now who will play jacks $\Gamma$ RADITION fails; the weather refuses to behave. Legend and the strawberry shortcake is supposed to apithout lights. But Beebe chefs, eith without lights. But Beebe chefs, eithe poor weather prophets or unconcerned Chursday night with that treat of col-
$\Gamma$ OWER Court was serenaded Satur day morning about nine o'clock by youths in full dress who yodeled laintively for the girl of their songs a appear, carefully removing top hats and flourishing them at her window in the meantime. The girl, it may be vell to say, did not arrive upon the modesty at being thus clamored for or rom regard to her reputation, Perry will not venture to guess.
$\lceil$ terrace concerns the crumblin rick wall in the plain at the foot of he hill on the lake side. It has been escribed as a medieval fortress, experiment to see how the brick for veather, a Japanese temple, and pracically everything except the Great Wall of China. Perry, with his omni resent thirst for accuracy, bombarded Mr. Murray and from no less an au hority he has learned that the brick as part of that salvaged when old Stone Hall and other buildings were
torn down. The college contemplated surrounding the entire campus with a rick wall and this sample was erected $\rightarrow$ whereupon the trustees rallied. Their rtistic instincts doomed this wall to ation for Alumnae devotees.

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NE Wellesley sophomore is con no pleasure in vicarious living and contributing toward a wedding trip while she treads the familiar path n campus. It all happened on the Saturday traln to Boston. A fresh nan barged into the car in which she was sitting and with a long tale of
woe explained that she couldn't get a check cashed and was going into town without a cent. Her generous impulse riumphed and the sophomore pro duced five dollars which she offered he impecunlous freshman. Arrange ments were made to meet on Monday o repay the money, but (and this is the tearful part of the tale) it secms decided to give wedded bliss a fling and now the sophomore insists that she is represented in Bermuda.
$S$ Unday night weird nolses issued gation and the removal of the top re-

POETRY CLUBS JOIN
new movement of inter-collegiat Interest has rccently been started with the purpose of organizing the poetry clubs of all the colleges. The organi zation is called the College Poetry So ciety of America, and its object is to encourage the creation and apprecia tion of poetry in America. The movement was organized by members of the Department of Speech at Grinnell and other mid-western universitics, and it is sponsored by many of the leading poets of the country.

To further the purpose of the or ganization, the membership is limite to college students and faculty, with certain ratio between the number of each. A magazine will be published in which only the work of students will be used. It is not the aim of the so ciety to scatter prizes right and left but "to cultivate the art like cultivated people." The national organization will be managed by faculty members, elec ted for a term of only two year Students will manage the local organ zation. The soclety will not impalr the Individuality of any club already or ganized, but any such society will re ceive the benefit of inter-relations with thers and of the magazine.
To establish a chapter, at least six people are needed, one of whom should be a faculty member. In a college the size of Wellcsley, and especially one with a course in versification, it is thought that it should not be hard to find many more than six interested people. Not only those interested in writing peotry, but those interested in the reading of poetry might form everyone.
A tentative constitution has been sent out to many colleges, and provides for the membership of charter groups, of officers and their duties. A number of colleges throughout the country have already joined. The na tional officers have been chosen: Rob ert Hillyer, of Harvard, president Mark Van Doren, of Columbia, first vice-president; Grace Hazard Conk ling, second vice-president; and Eda Lou Waiton of New York Unlversity editor of the society magazine

## CRISIS IN CHINA <br> ATTRACTS NOTICE

(Continued From Page 1, Col. 2)
by Red workers and much propaganda is being spread in an effort to mak China a Communistic state. The Canton Kuomingtang accused the Nanking Government of the misuse of funds and the use of anti-Kuomingtang elements to suit their purposes. The Nankin Government has, until very recently disregarded the move and declared the intention of not fighting, hoping the ecessionlsts will see their error and realize that negotiations will solve the problems
The next few days showed that the rebels were gaining support even in Nanking. They claim that they do no want to overthrow the Nanking Gov ernment, but merely want to put Gen eral Chiang Kai Shek presldent of the republic, and other ministers out f office General Chiang depended one Pen's Convion to show on the People's Convention
strength of the rebel party
On May fifth, the eve of the Con vention, the Nanking Government an nounced that all extraterritorially rights would be suspended on January 1, 1932. The Convention, which met the next day, expressed its desire to carry through the withdrawal of thes rights Immediately
The United States and other world powers are as yet remaining neutral. They are inclined to minimize the seriousness of the situation, hoping it will turn out much the same as did me turn out mush then. Althour the acton againctity Jiphts brogated several years ago the Japan abrogated several years ago, the Japanese enjoy practlcally the same rights under treaty. The Chinese belleve thi move is necessary to the success of
their government and to the mainten their government and to the mainten ance of their independence

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## Half-Way Demiocracy

Last Monday night Senate passed measure which was some time ago proposed by the major offcers of 1931. It authorizes a committee, Senate-appointed, which is to select the nominees and Chief Justice. Christian Association has adopted a similar rullng; Barnswallows and the Athletic Association are considering such a move;
and News, the single remaining major organization, has already a system of Board-starred nomuzees.
It was, presumably, a thouglitful and well-considered measure. Senate has watched, as the major officers have watched, as the college may have tive authority who have neither the confidence nor the admlration of thelr superiors. An election where not even
half the voting strength of the college is in evidence cannot represent the entire force of public opinion; it
can and does often represent the loyal and effective support of one group, a support which is not to be counteracted by the half-hearted, thoughtless, publictty-swayed balloting of the rest. And to this danger of undiscriminating choice Senate
But the condltion which it is hoped will be remedied in part by these new regulations is not one limited to ballotcasting.
Last fall there operated and deliber ated for a few weeks in Wellesley several groups of students and faculty-
commissions, as they were calledcommissions, as they were calledasked to meet together in order to formulate opinions on existing campus
problems. It was with one accord that problems. It was with one accord that root of the evils. And that central sore was lack of public interest in and sympathy with the authority set up by them and acting in their name. This election case is specific, and Senate may have prescribed a thoroughly good dose. The condition is general, and we wonder if Senate or any other body can do more than diag nose it. If something can be done,
and any member of this college knows a remedy, she would recelve the blessings of C. G. and its fellow organiza tlons for her advice. 1nformation, ap-peals-these have been tried, and not one lasting result achieved that we are aware of in this office. And we are not consoled as we survey the college field with its lethargle hundreds and manwe see here we shall undoubtedly see in other communities and in the nation at large. We are no more skeptical about the Honor System in Wellesley Eighteenth Amendment in Chicago the Tuscaloosa. We also confess it-we are no more hopeful.
But good luck to you, Senate-and success to your compromising!

Zest-And A Sense Of Humor
There is a great deal to be said for be merry, for to-morrow we dle," and perhaps if that philosophy were more cultivated by Collegiana, the campus would be a saner place in which to with some degree of intelligence might easily become a system of thought, not superficial but practical. This philosophizing, which may seem distinctly inappropriate, is brought on by the attitude of the harrassed who attempt to finish the year's work-namely, final papers and the forthcoming final examinations
There is no need to lose all sense of proportion over an examination; neithpaper with frantic misgivings. Why not take academic work with a sense
of humor and a certain amount of of humor and a certain amount of
calm placidity? Even the General is better met with unfiurried fortitude and a "wlsecrack." It is all a game anyway, one that should be played with the nerve and assurance that makes for skill, one that should be keenly enjoyed rather than acutely dreaded. A final examination is nothing more than an opportunity to test the prowess of one's own intellect under a certain amount
of pressure. The easier the pressure of pressure. The easier the pressure the ease of accomplishment. And the ability to laugh before and after the so-called fatal event helps greatly the maintenance of mental equilibrium.
And so we advocate a development of that invaluable acquisition, a sense of humor. Let this editorial be an exmple in its limitations. We even tak cxaminations seriously.

## Gracious <br> Gracious Gesture

'The desirability of rising when members of the faculty enter the classroom, the ad-
visibility of sitting quietly through lectures, have all been remarked upon in the News. There is one point, however, in this difficult has been of classroom behavior which has been overlooked, and that is the etiquette which should be observed af-
tcr class. Professors, being only human, can not always gauge their lectures to the minute, so it is frequent ly necessary for them to talk a few sec onds after the bell has rung. Unless the lecture is to be left dangling in mid air, perhaps even without a point at all, the privilege of speaking a few minutes late must be granted. The talk loudly as soon as the bell rings can bafflc the professor and dlsturb the remaining students who are trying to ting on coats, picking up books, and all the other necessary but nolsy gestures are not exactly conducive to close aca demic attention. If the faculty will
realize that after all there are only 1. To analyze as keenly as possible ten minutes betwcen classes, and that, the religious needs of life on the campalthough their course may be the most interesting in college, one docs have to go to others, and if they will curTo suggest, create, and foster means of fulfilment for those needs. as much as possible, 3.. To select stimulating speakers of as much as possible, can we not also
coöperate and maintaln a polite qulet 4. To suggest students to lead MornIf a few to the sense of the lecture?

## We note in the last issue <br> We note in the last issue

In behalf the Free Press Column reproaching the Wellesley Police Force for their hardheartedness in making girls late to their dorinitories in order to arrest their escorts, who have been speeding in a brave attempt to deliver the girls home before ten o'clock.

There are rumors that there is a very good reason for this hardhearted-ness-namely, that when they have le the offenders go to take the girls home first, the said offenders have skipped out on them by devlous ways. The writer of the Free Press denies thl possibility, but a member of the Police Force declares otherwise. And now there are even darker rumors to the effect that the Pollce Force, its good nature outraged, will carry out the Law the students involved have not, un fortunately, left themselves a leg to stand upon.

## FREE PRESS COLUMN

All contributions for this column must be signed with the full name of the author. Initials or numerals will be used if the writer so desires.
The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions and statements in this column.
Contributions should be in the hands of the Editors by 11 A. M. on Monday.

## "TEACH US TO SIT STILL"

To the Wellesley College News:
Possibly the only part of the lecture audible to anyone in the rear of Billings last Wednesday was this fitting quotation from Mr. Eliot's poem. For those Wellesley girls who must wiggle, twist, and creak the already tottering seats of this horrible place, and especially for those whose departures were as noisy as they could possibly make them, we should like to repea ike lectures are to be given in a hall St. Vitus origin developing, should be barred.

Yet it is a pity that all this lectur er will know of Wellesley is the ex reme rudeness and inattention of the audience. Especially to an English visitor we owe a little courtesy.
We should like to congratulate any ne who would dare to speak in that all and to such an audience after the first five minutes, Perhaps it was be cause the poems he read were excellent and might have been appreciated if they had been heard.

## RELIGIOUS ROUND TABLE

To the Wellesley College News:
-And whomsoever is interested in the eligious program of the Wellesley College Christian Association.
In the hope of more adequately fulfilling the religious needs of life on campus, a Religious Round Table is to be started. Meeting around it will be student representatives from the present organized Church Clubs and rom the varlous religious faiths. Miss Seal Thompson and Mr. Moses Ballcy of the Blblical History Department have consented to serve as Faculty Ad visers. The group will be completed by the Chairmen of four Christian Asso clation Committees: Committee on Special Services, Dora Cummlngs, '33; Commlttee on "Week of Prayer," Arece Lambert, ' 33 ; Committee on Sunday Vespers, Frances Eldredge, '32; Committee on Problems of Personal Rell ion, Katharine Russ, ' 32
The work of the Round Table will be be discussed at "Week of Prayer," Sun day Vespers, and Morning Chapel. 6. To create new, attractive and helpful forms of worship in Christian Association Services.
Any member of Wellesley who has suggestions along any one of those Table mcetings (beginning at 7:30 on the evening of May 20 in R001n 332 Green Hall) or may submit her contributions by letter.

Marylouise Fagg,
Chairman of the Religious Counc Christian Association

## "OLD CUSTOM" DEFENDED

the Wellesley College News:
Although there may be some who find no pleasure in dining with faculty there is a goodly number that would like to step forth in defense of the "old Wellesley custom." If it is impos sible for a girl to be at dinner regularly, an explanation to the faculty nember is a simple act of courtesy on the part of the girl, and should relieve the faculty of the uncomfortable feel ing that she is being avoided. Belng away from table is no reason for unkindness. The objection has also been raised as to "forced conversation." Why does it need to be forced? A college student might well suffer discomfiture if unable to make interesting and inelligent conversation with an olde person. Has the "line" been that greatly cultivated? It is well for thos of us who are inclined to become al most over-collegiate to have to think sometimes of manners and respect. What success can one expect in the business world where one rubs elbows with all sorts and kinds of people i it is impossible, or at least a strain, to be agreeable for three quarters of an hour, five or six times a week, with nly one older person? We feel that ollege is a place where new friend hips or at least interesting acquaint nces should be made. That is un doubtedly the reason for having the table assigning" system as it is. How ver, if the present situation is too ob ectionable to some, would it not b possible to have some modification made, whereby congenial groups might be put together? Is it not possible to create a friendly atmosphere at the tabling house? This has been ar olished in many instances and grea plished in many instances and grea happiness has been shared by every
one. Is it necessary for the prevail one. Is it necessary for the prevail ven the dining room and the attitud toward faculty?

## WHAT IS KINDNESS?

## ro the Wellesley College News:

 It has come to our ears that the Academic Council is having a burst of onsideration for students who take seminars which are held in non-academic hours or in the Village, and wish o abolish them and have all classe
## n campus.

The students who take these semi nars or who are going to next yea feel, however, that this altruism is mis placed, for they llke to have thei class $s$ in the Vill with a cigarette or an open fire

Varlety is the spice of life. change is as good as a holiday." W would go on forever quoting phrases which when spun together would give the idea that it is fun to have a sem nar in a place other than the Libe basement.
E. A., '30

EXPRESS OPINION! SOMEONE WANTS TO HEAR IT.
WRITE A FREE PRESS!


To be, or not to be; that is the ques tion:
hether it is nobler in each class to suffer
The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune,
to take arms against a swarm of teachers,
d by some study still them? To read: to write,
more; and, by some work to say we end
he heartache and the thousand natural shocks
e nerves are heir to, 'tis a consum mation
voutly to be wished. To read, to write:
o write: perchance take notes: ay, there's the rub:
or in that dim old Libe what dreams may come
When we, weak-willed, attempt some serious toil,
Must give us pause. There's the great catch
That makes calamity of any will. who would bear the iong suspense of time,
The oppressor's wrong, the student's contumely,
dangs of blue slips lost, no law's delay.

WELLESLEY COLLEGE NEWS

## The Theater

## COLONIAL-He

PLYMOUTH-Art and Mrs. Bottle (opening May 18)
TREMONT-Friendship WILBUR-The Third Little Show

## HE

$H e$, a comedy by Alfred Savoir, is the Theater Guild production now playing at the Colonial Theater in Boston. with Tom Powers in the role of He, Vlolet Kemble Cooper, whose ancestress was Mrs. Sarah Slddons, the Tragic Muse, and Claude Ralns. It is a vehicle for satire on the inconsistencles of human nature andmore virgin soil-of human reasoning. Woe to the unwary harassed reviewer who leaves at the end of the first act, under the impression that thls is only another "problem play"! Admitedly, at that juncture, $H e$ bore th stamp of that threadbare type of dramatic production. This question
rose in the mind. Is He really God? rose in the mind. Is He really God?
Unexpectedly, it is answered; but, in Unexpectedly, it is answered; but, in ortant questions have arisen. What about the Free Thinkers who meet "to bolish God," and who reinstate Him in fact make Hlm President, when hey find Him necessary? And what bout the woman who can-and very hearly does-love every one except

In sooth, there is room for metaphysical meditation, but only if you please. For the tired business man, the masses of "great unthinkers." He is good entertainment, largeiy conisting in the joy of seeing Violet Kemble Cooper sweep her tragical black draperies over the stage with all the satisfaction of watching Powers, shorn of the imperial regalia The Apple Cart, still consistently nd unostentatiously overshadowing the others, clad though they may be n impeccable frock coats and spats, while he appears in the un-dignity of hift sleeves.
He is worth seeing. if only for the laugh at one's self that one has over laude fains, whose Napoleonic mien at first censured as burlesque, is so
brilliantly justifled in the second act; $r$ for the episode with the barometer; or for the end of the chess game; or even for the repetition of that Epi-
curean phrase "roebuck cutlets with chestnut sauce.

## CAMPUS CRITIC

## play production

On Wednesday evening, May 6, Miss maill's class in Play Production gave laboratory performance of three oneact plays. The production was not pen to the publlc because the plays vere intended to be examples of what ould be done, rather than finished pieces of art. The course in Play Pro-
duction was given this year for the first time, its purpose being to trace the growth of the drama and to inquire into its processes. In the plays given Wednesday night, the students not only acted in and directed the plays, but made the sets and the cos tumes as well. The Workshop of the course is in the basement of Green Hail. For the three plays presented, unit set was constructed which will be used later in Barn's Commencement play. The scenery is made on a temlate in the workshop; first a sketch and finally a model the
The first play given showed the cosumes of four periods, 1830, 1860, 1900 and 1930, all of which were made by the girls themselves. Although the class has been unable to do much experimenting with llghting, the azure
color ln thls psychologlcal sketch was
especially apropos for a dream play When one considers that all of these plays had been preceded by only onc
rehearsal, the dellcacy and restraint of rehearsal, the dellcacy and restraint of ginia Yaple, as the modern girl faced with the probiem which every woman meets of losing her own personality in marriage, was convincing. Katherine Kahn as the mother was whlmsical and gently sorrowful. The direction of this play by Lucy Tompkins was weli done The second play was a satire in grunts and groans." It was given in two scenes before a grey curtaln. Helen Fowler and Jane Ricks comprised the cast. The Indian masks worn, whlch were amazingly real, were made in the Workshop by covering clay models with laster of Parls and then with papler maché. Although no words were spok n, the gestures were adequate to con ey all necessary meaning.
The last play was an outdoor scene and was of a more romantic flavor than the other two. Two flats of the unit set with a tree and a foliage border formed the scene. Frances Gorc as the dear but spirited old lady played her part with considerable finesse. The
servant roles were kept nicely subordinervan
Last Wednesday's performance gave an intimate glimpse of the inside of a dramatic productlon. To one who has always vlewed the finished piece, the glimpse was a revelation. Aside from enjoying their work, the girls seem to e getting a practical knowledge of plays and their production. The class nd especially Miss Smaill are to be congratulated on the success of the Play Production Course
C. B. $H_{\text {., }}{ }^{\prime} 32$

## COLLEGE ORCHESTRA

The sisters and the cousins and the unts of the orchestra who were nea enough to come swelied the audience Thursday night at Billings Hall so tha any conductor and performer migh wise seemed suf.int faculty like gather for an hour of good music.
The Overture to the Marriage
Figaro (Mozart) was a spirited beginning to the program. Perhaps it would have helped if the beat of the orchestra had more nearly approached that of the baton in both the Mendelssohn and the Bach numbers. Scvera tempo indicated by the conductor wer disregarded to a noticeable degree And the strings acquitted themselve more creditably in the Itallan Sym phony than did the winds-the pas age of sustained viollns and staccato cellos and basses was especially well done
The attack at ine beginning of the Bach Suite in D Major was rather feeble. But the performance grew better as it progressed-assurance was
regained so that by the end of the second selection there was some feeling behind the music.

Carnival des Animaux (St. Saens) was worth the price of ad mission. The contrast of each succeeding selection was exceliently worked out-the music had a plctoria and dramatic quality which has a uni versal appeal. It is these noveltiesif they are well played-that furnish an audience amusement, and complet enjoyment. The Carnival as a whole was delightful-the performers enjoyed playing it and the audience caught their mood. Most notable among th selectlons were: the Aquarium, because the sparkling transparency of wate was ever before us; Le Coucou, becaus of its contrast of the majestic and the mournful; Les Elephants, because of the comic solo on the double bass b Grace Parlin; and Fossiles, because of its use of the xylophone-something new and different in college orchcstra. Especially beautiful was Le Cygne, celio solo by Eleanor Riddle-a rich ness and fullness of tone-quality wa maintained throughout; it was musl in the purest sense.
And let us give three rousing cheers! At last, the Alma Mater has been played on a college program. The point is-when does an orches
come a Symphony Orchestra?
M. E. W., '32

## INTERCOLLEGIATE POETIT

## READING

The Intercollegiate Poetry Reading, held May 9, in the Academlc Councll Room, was enjoyed by a considerable gathering of those interested in both good speaking and good poetry, including members of the Speech DeIn her introduction, Miss represented plained that this is unique among an nual poetry readings, as it is conducted wlthout competition or prize. Thls fact speaks well for the poetic interest of the ten collcges represented. as does the high general lcvel of the perform ances.
Adele Krenning of Wellesley opened the program with a selection from John Brown's Body. Her volce was beautifully managed and her sympathetic treatment the more notable as she used no acting to vivify the impression. Anna C. Peck of Pembroke chose a different section of the same poem. As her selection involved three character studies instead of one, her technique emphasized the acting alnost more than the volce.
The Dartmouth representative, Ar thur F. Connelley, seemed rather out of touch with his subject, Keats' Ode to a Grecian Urn, a poem dlfflcult to read aloud. Loulse Merriman Reed, rom Wells, gave three short poems in beautifull three changes of mood were gles of Redcliffe in her poems b Leanora Speyer, was not so successful in change of mood, but spoke well.
Elfrida M. Hawthorne, of Connectlcut College, gave the last part of Robinson's Tristram sympatheticaliy. but not witin ail the force the tragedy requires. The Harvard representative, D. M. Suliivan, read four poems and excellent communicatlon of feel ing.
One of the best performances of the evening, both in choice of subject and in delivery, was Amy Lowell's View of Teignmouth in Devonshire, given by
Maybelle Hinton of Mount Holyoke. The many bits of character shading and the whole atmosphere of the village in the summer rain, were dellcately and vivaclously expressed. Eliza Winters from Hunter rea with deep feellng several poems by Langston Hughes, the negro poet, the most beautiful perhaps belng the one rom the poems of the Soul of $M$ People.
Harriet Kale of Smith concluded the program with a dramatic rendition of Joseph Auslander's Letter to Eleanora Duse. The picture of the close of the
great actress's life was an extremely effective high note on which to end the evening

## M. H., '33

FOCUSSED ON THE SCREEN
The Community Playhouse presents an unusual attraction in Dishonored with Marlene Dietrich, which is to be shown Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of thls week. Dishonored tells the
story of X27, a disilusloned, beautlful, story of X27, a disillusloned, beautlful, and intelligent woman who enters the Austrian Secret Service during the World War. It is said, incidentally, that the facts are based on llfe. X27 continues a brilliant career as a spy until love enters into the case. Which comes first, duty to love or to country? An interesting query, which the plc- ? ture attempts to answer. The film is ture attempts to answer. The film is kcenly dramatic whout being melo dramatic, and the dellghtfully forelgn accent of Marlene Dietrich makes the settings even more real. The conclu-
sion is different and surprising; from sion is different and surprising; from
beginning to end Dishonored is far, beginning to end Dishonored is far from being an ordlnary picture. On the same bill with Dishonored will be shown The Great Meadow, starring John Mack Brown and Eleanor Boardman. The picture is taken from the novel by Ellizabeth Madox Roberts, and deals with early colonial days, and with the ploneers who left Virginia for Kentucky, foliowing in the footsteps of Daniel Boone. Eleanor Boardman takes the part of Dlony Hall, the young girl living in Vlrginla, who marries Berk
Jarvis, played by John Mack Brown,

They declde to go to Kentucky, and heir trip there and subsequent life in the frontler settlement form ample material for a film both dramatic and

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On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, of next week, May 18, 19, 20, anOutward Bound the is to be shown ludes film stars such as Douglas Farr banks, Jr., and Montague Lovc, and tage stars such as Leslie Howard and Beryl Mercer. Outward Bound is an interesting and maginative specula Henry, young lovers who feel that it would be better to die together than to live apart, commit suicide together ney are then shown on board a phanhas ship, wlth several other people, made known in the course of the voyage. Included are a wastrel, a clergy man, a charwoman, and an unscrupuo realize that they grave diled come find that Thompson the Examiner will shortly come to judge them. The ex aminer comes and passes out his several judgments; sutton Vane, author of the piay, has done a very clever plece of work in keeping the judg ments in tone with the characters a rpesented. Outward Bound ls a pla

In additlon to outward Bound will be shown Ronald Colman in The Devil oo Pay. Ronald Colman, like Fredric March, is supreme in the role of a happy-go-lucky fellow who captivates the admiration and liking of all who
know him. In this case Ronald Col man returns penniless from Africa wins around his irate father, and the young to ivin the love of a beautiru hos lad. played by Loretta Yound hose father is just about to persuade her to marry the Grand Duke Paul in order to have a title in the family A former flame of his adds complica-

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Son of Woman. The Story of D. H. Lawrenee by John Middleton Murry. Jonathan Cape and Harrison Smith, New York, 1931.
novelist nor a great poet a great a prophet, a psyehologist, a philosopher, what you will-but more than any other thing the great life adventurer of modern times." So says Mr hundred-odd pages of interpretation of the eharaeter of D. H. Lawrenee. Son of Woman is no ordinary bio raphy; it eontains no dry recital of
faets and dates such as "The grea man lived in London until the age six when he attended such and such a school." Instend Mr. Murry make
his biography a story of the soul-ot the inner struggle whleh turned Lawence's life into a chnotic heil and ended by ruining his heaith and bringing about his death
In achieving his interpretation the writer makes ample use of Lawrence's books. Hc quotes continually from acter whom he claims to be a projec tion of Lawrence himself. One is in clined to question how far Mr. Murry is justified in assuming such a transference. If this biography be true, one wonders also to what extent Mr. Murry is fulfilling the duty of a friend in so revcaling the character of the man he
The book is a eontinual mingling of quotations and interpretation of charFrom Sons and Lovers, written by Lawrence early in his life, comes the ollowing excerpt
If you want to see the real desirable wife-spirit, look at a mother with her
boy of eighteen. How she serves him, how she stimulates him, how her true female self is his. . . It is the very flower of a woman's love, sexually asking nothing, asking nothing of the beloved woman feels for the first time as a is towards her son. Think of the ower which a mature woman thus infuses into her boy. He flares up hey say geniuses mostly hav gteat mothers. They mostly have sad fates. glamorous youth? What is he actual ly to do with his sensual. sexual self? stranger? For he is taught cren by forego sex. Yet he is linked up in ideai ve already, the best he will now You will not easily get a man to belleve that his carnal love for the high a love as that he felt for his Lawrence's life history.
His mother dies, Lawrence marries ut he never finds fulfilment. He is ternally unsatisfied, eternally seeking perfect relationship. From women pointed. And yet he cannot be disaphis mind that such a relationship is an impossibiiity, that for him his love or his mother has rendered any such situation even more unattainablc. In enders him more and more bitter Because he cannot find fulfillment in women, yet nevertheless depends upon them, he hates them.
In his dcsire for the whole lifc, paradoxically enough, he convinces himself that love and the spirit ean be separated, that love is an abominan, a limitation. In poem after poem turns continually, "Sex which break up our integrity, our single inviolability, our decp silence." He despises sex yet he is dependent upon it. "The cause is the same old cause. Lawrence could not achieve the livlng unity Before his death and thirsted."
tured genius is still divided "of torlove and hate, and betwed between evil." He has found no solution for his problem. He cannot It was his tragedy to be born with too great a capacity for loving and for understanding what mlght have been his
had his carly passion for hls mother
not spolled all other passions for him. His books, from Sons and Lovers hrourh the Fantasia of the Uncon scious to Lady Chatterly's Lover, all deplet different plases of the struggle through which he passed. "His life he story of one long, tormented effort to be, to be a man, to be wholc; of its
utter failurc," eoneludes Mr. Murry. He lived through this experienee for us; we owe him homage.

WIDE SCOPE MARKS SENIOR NARRATIVES

## (Continued From Page 1, Col. 5)

umerous, but they bring her no hap
piness. This novel, which, by the way is not finished and will not be until rather than narrative. Written from the point of view of the girl, it gives her thoughts and reactions.
Virginia Johnston studics a gill, al so, a normal girl who leads an or early iife through collece send is he arly he, through college, and is les somewhere in the thirties. Her prob lem is to adjust herself to her en nonment. The novel is not entirely but it is based on that idea. The girl, who is introspective, is seen mainly through her own eyes, although
casionally a man in the story looks at
whom she marries. Miss Johnston man not given her novel a title since ha feels that this is by far the most diffi ult part of the job.
Virginia Pierson writes, not of the
Professor's House, but of the Profes sor's Wife. There are three central figures, a young college graduate who man med economics professo Yale undergraduate. Her husband i called to Yale to teach and while they are there she meets one of his stu dents. She is not lappy with he natural that she shouid turn to this young man of her own age. They fa o conceal the fact selves. The Yale boy plays the usua man-about-town game and she re mains a dutiful housewife, until they must at last acknowledge the fact that they are in love. Her husband and leaves the field operts the gir differs from the others in that the action takes place in a very short time -from September to June of the secThe story is told from the point o lew of the girl. with a small slic the professor's ideas.

## DEPARTMENT CLUBS

 GIVE ANNUAL PLAYOn Friday evening, May 8, the de partment clubs inaugurated a new pro cedure for their annual plays. The Circulo Castellano, the Circolo Italiano and the Alliance Francaise each pre sented a one-act play on Alumna stage, instead of separately in the society houses.
First, the Spanish Club presented Rosina es Fragil, a story of an in curable coquette. She finally persuades her studious cousin Antonio to marry her to protect her from her fraity. Yvonne Smith and Lois Mar tin, as Rosina and Antonlo, made most convineing couple. Their accent was almost perfect, and their fluency delightful. The supporting cast also gave a fluent, though sometimes stiited performance. Signior Enrique's mustachio made him look like Alphonso himself.
The Italian Club tried an interest ing experiment in presenting Orfeo the well-known story of Orpheus and Euridice. First presented in the fif teenth century, it marks the first sign of transition from lyrle poetry to
drama. Faith Mellen as Orpheus had a part exactly suited to her voice and gesture. The scene of Hades was quite suggestive, and the music, composed by Mr. Hoff man and Frances Townsend in whieh the tipsy Baeehantes scene about the stage.
The French Club present a modern comedy, Marraine de Guerre. A young Freneh girl has adopted as godson an Ameriean captain, and has bcen posing deception, she and her young friend dress in their grandmother's clothes, ag , and the play ends with a proposa from the liandsome "Capitaine Gibbs. The actors were ornamental, but the speeehes sometimes diffieult to hear Gordon as the waiting was Juliette did an exeellent piece of character act-

## YENCHING SPENDS

 OUR YULETIDE GIFTThe following letter has been received from the Dean of Yenching College for Women
"Not long ago our New York office sent us word that our sister college had sent us a Christmas present of dents and faeulty of the the stuCollege for Women, express to you again our delight and very deep gratitude for this very generous and conrete evidence of your interest in us?
"Perhaps you would like to hear ittle more of the use to which we are Firsting to put this gift of yours the of all we are using it to cover Gowen, who took her two-year Mcuate course in Physical Education at hard worl and year she has had the vising the and supervising the completion of our splendid new Boyd Gymnaslum. The lines and proportions are very fine, even though er are not yet able to spiash the aveous Chinese colors up under the The insidey will be later in the year. and more of the Gymnasium is finer women's Gymnasium in China other gift also has covered the salary of the Chinese part-time assistant, Emily Lin aradun of the Sas Emily Lin, a graduate of the Sargent Chincse in Boston. The salary of the Chincse fencing master and The little smiling Chinese nurse in her white gown vibrates between the office, dormitories, and our Chinese in he where she gives the students the best of care. All this you "We are continuing to use your gift little Chinese teacher in the Depart ment of Home Economics, ensconced in the Chinese Home Economics practice house with some of the seniors, who are becoming model house managers under her skilfui leadership.

Again we are assigning to your gift the salary of Miss Hancock, who is our perennially enthusiastic teacher of Mathematics. She and I often expres to each other appreciation of the Mathematics magazines whlch through the years have proven a bond between the Department of Mathematics Weliesley and the department here The girls this year have appreciated the Christmas letters that came from the freshmen, and I presume a large number of letters went back to tell ou so. There are so many bonds which draw us closer together,-and ve do hope that these bonds may b trengthened as time goes on

## NOTICE

The French Department takes grea pleasure in announcing that Olive Warden and Virginia Maxwell have each been awarded a scholarship of $\$ 300$ by the Institute of Internationa Education. These schoiarships ar given for the Junior Year in France and are intended to cover the cost of
that the following Seniors passed the that the flowing Seniors passed the examinaon for the approval of oral work in French set by the University of the State of New York: Ruth Craig. Cecll Truesdell, Clara Tomsend

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AUTHORITY DOUBTS
VALUE OF COLLEGES
Complaints withln the teaching professlon, says Albert Jay Nock, in the May lssue of the Atlantic, have recently taken a new and interesting turn. Formerly, he states, criticism, although it was not lacking, was confined to methods of teaching and curiculum. But recently some educators such as the presidents of Brown Haverford, St. Stephen, and Columbia have turned their attention to the structure of the system itself.
Mr. Nock defines education as the discipline indicated by Mr. James Truslow Adams-a discipline directed as steadily toward being and becoming s toward doing and getting-and claims that there are very few well cducated people in America. He cites he experience of a well-known Italian nobleman who had seen a great deal Cf American college and university life, and who said that while he had met a few Americans who were extrenely well educated they were all in the neighborhood of sixty years old. He had not met a single person below that ge who seemed to have been even espectably educated. On the other hand, European universities such as Poitiers and Brussels are yearly turnng out extremely well educated men. Yet this state of things cannot be due to any deficiency in mechanical equipment or pedagogy. Nor is it due to any inherent weakness in the raw as intelligent as the ordinary French man, the picked American as the picked Frenchman. It lies in the root ideal of our whole system of education -the ideal that education shoul be for all. It is inevitable in a land which prides itself on its democracy that such an ideal should be held. But it fails utterly to take account of the difference in learning capacity that must of necessity exist between students. This failure is seen especially in the truant laws which make chool attendance compulsory
There is also the very American
There is also the very American feelas well. Hence came a demand for big schools. To make a big school students were necessary; to get students the entrance requirements had to be lowered to the level of common ability and interest. And once the iven something to do. At the same me the rise of big business showed time the rise of big business was not needed for success in business. So many vocational courses were added in order that a person really ineducable could receive a degree as well as anybody. And since, because of the truant laws, the primary and secondary schools are required to take in all students no matter what their ability, they are obliged to fit their curriculum and method to the low rather than the high level. Hence those college tudents who have a high learning capacity do not have the background raining necessary for a university education.
It is interesting to note that Jefferson, who is often regarded as the ideal Democrat, proposed a system in Virinia whereby the ten best students of the state should be chosen by a system of progressive selection, and that those ten only should be sent to a university. Mr. Nock proposes some such system as this, with the foundation of a university with the attendance limited to two hundred, whlch should give only a classical education. Its curriculum should include a study of Greek and Latin literature from Homer to Erasmus, mathematics, logic, the history of the English language, and nothing else. He claims that the graduate from such a college would have a trained and disciplined mind, and a long-time point of view-in short, that he would be mature
Mr. Nock feels, however, that since Amerlca is one of the great natural forces in the world perhaps Nature intends it to remain such. If this is so, it would be unwise to tamper with the educatlonal machine that makes the compo

CHRISTIAN
ASSOCIATION
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while the committee as a whole will continue the educational work with the industrial girls from Brockton. All of he Freshman Week activity of the Christlan Association will be in charge Vice-President.
The Religious Council, is, however, a new development, although it will include the chairman of "Week of Pray" and Sunday evening Vespers. The ther members of the Councll will b for special worship services, the chair man of a committee secial worship services chair man of a committee discussing the problems of Personal Religion, and epresentatives of all religlous faith on campus. This Council shall plan the rellgious program of the Association and shall arrange for any other form of rellgious expression desired. (See Free Press)
It is hoped that this concentration of work under the organization of fewcommlttees will prove more efficien and lead to better promotion of the work undertaken by the Christian As sociation.

Mary Maxwell Norton,
President of C.A.
CLASSICS DROPPED
AS YALE REQUISITE
The following article is taken from the Boston Traveler of May 12:
The oldfashioned ideal of a classical education built on the study of Latin and Greek suffered another body blow today when Yale University announced a change in its plan of study which in of either of the classic languages for any degree.
Provost Charles Seymour announced that beginning with the class of 1932 the degree of bachelor of philosophy will be abolished, and all students in Yale College, the academic department of the university, will be candldates for the degree of bachelor of arts. This President James Rowland Angell and the Fellows of the University, in accordance with a recommendation by Dean Clarence W. Mendell and the general faculty of Yale College.
Prof. Robert Nelson Corwin, chairman of the board of admlssions, ex plained that this step will carry with it a change in the entrance requirements which will permlt all those entering the college to offer an equiva an or Spanish, instead of either Latin or Greek.
Heretofore candidates for the degree of bachelor of arts must have offered four years of Latin or three years of continued the study of one of those subjects for at least one year in college. This requirment will be abandoned and the wider range of choice previously available only to candidates for the Ph. B. degree will be substituted.
At present candldates for the Ph. B. degree may substitute a course in classical civilization for the course in Latin or Greek, which has becn required of their B. A. fellow students. With the abolition of the Ph. B, degree this substitution will be permissible for all undergraduates in the college.
Coming as it does only a few months after the abandonment by Princeton University last June of compulsory Latin for the bachelor of arts degree Yale's action was viewed tonight as likely to result in a marked falling off in the study of Latin in the preparatory schools which furnish most of the students entering the "big three.

SENIOR ACADEMIC COUNCIL

TODAY 4:40 P. M.

## SAYS HOOVER

SEES SLUMP

President Hoover believes that the current depression is due in great part to "the mental conditlon of business," Alderman Edwin Thompson, Lord Mayor of Liverpool, said, according to an article in the New York Times,
May 12. Lord Mayor Thompson was the guest of honor at the British Luncheon Club.
"Last Friday I was received by President Hoover at Washington," he said In the few minutes' conversation that we had, President Hoover said he felt that a great deal of the difficultles of the present commerclal situation were due to the mental condition of business."
The Lord Mayor likened the state of business throughout the world today to that of an ill person who, if the doctor tells him he is going to dle, probably will.
"If the doctor says, 'You are going to get well,'" he continued, 'the effect of mind over matter is tremendous and the patient may pull through.
"I think that in the condition of the world today a spirit of cheerfulness does much good. I wanted to make my official visit to New York because the interests of New York and Liverpool are identical, as the interests of
the whole world are identical. And I wanted to point out that things are not so bad."
He pointed to the increased tonnage that had passed up the Mersey to iverpool in 1930. That, he continued, "is all to the good," even though the boats were not full and there was "a lamentable lack of cargoes." The
movements of the boats, he declared, gave employment to large numbers.

Liverpool was spending more than city had in hand a he sald, and the program that would cost about progiam "in wo lhings about $\$ 00$, 00,000 . These things would not be arked on as they are if people did to be all right" he added
"We have signs that conditions are little better," he said, and he urged the advantages of 'letting out the good facts and keeping the bad to one's facts
self."
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"I am very proud," he said, "to have been received by His Honor, Mayor James J. Walker-I am rather more in lined to call him Jimmy.
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, who arrived here on May 3, will sail for England on the Berengaria tomorrow.
D. M. Dow, official secretary for Aus tralia in the United States and president of the British Luncheon Club, presided at the luncheon.

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DEPRESSION HITS
COLLEGE GRADUATE That the 1931 college graduate will be serlously handicapped in his selection of a position because of the current business depression was revealed
in a survey of key industrlal organizations by the National Student Fed eration of America, today.
Only one company of those reply ing to a form letter addressed to per-
sonnel directors of 50 large corporasonnel directors of 50 large corpora-
tions reported that lt would employ the same number of college graduates in 1931 as in 1929 and 1930 R. H Macy \& Company, large 0 new York deto its staff this year. the same as in the two previous years. W. T. Grant has taken on 26 college graduates during the first thrce months of thls year as compared to 34 in th
of 1929 and 20 in 1930.
One of the nation's leading employers of collcge and university graduates year by more than 90 per cent of the number hired in 1930. and about An
per cent of the number in 1929. An
important industrial will employ 50, as

## ngalnst 450 in each of the two pre- vious years. One of the largest chem-

 vious years. One of the largest chem-ical concerns of the country reports a $20 \%$ reduction, and a leading utility in 1929 engaged nonc during 1930 and
will not recruit any additional material this year. One of the principal cor-
porations in the oil industry will employ 11 this year as compared to 37 curtailment of an expansion program was deemed necessary the chief rea-
son for the reduction in the number of college graduates to be employed was the past to meet expectations, but sole In reviewing the replies to the questionnaire Chester ${ }^{\text {S }}$. Williams, execu-
tive secretary of the National Student Federation, pointed out one of the teristic, "The reason lies in the fact
that economic conditions have rendered it impossible for us to place in permanent positions our last year's ditlons. Our basic policy in handling those men whom we have here on our until that has been accomplished. and have several thousands of them in our organization. With the return expect to take our place again as one
of the large employers of engineering graduates."
plies one dissenting note in the re34 (college men employed in 1930), onthe plan of employing men right from fully in our organlzation. Our greatest success with college men has been for one or two years. They have had an opportunity during that time to receive a few hard knocks and to settle down to some definite life-work."

TOWN TO CELEBRATE START OF RED CROSS

On May 21, the town of Wellesley will participate in a nation-wide ob-
servation of the fiftieth anniversary of Clara Barton's organlzing of the Red Cross in America.
The Wellesley Chapter of the Red Cross, of which the college is an auxillary post, started in 1914 and has been functioning satisfactorily ever Allles and sent directly abroad. After the United States jolned the war, the Chapter worked directly under the auThousands of dressings were made in Town Hall, and knitted articles, pyjamas, and hospltal clothing were produced in quantities. The Wellesley boys were supplied with klts, and of-
ten, to this day. some one speaks of an article still in his possesslon.

BUSINESS MEN SEEK ADVICE FROM BOOKS

The following artlcle was taken from the New York Times of May 11. The nation's high executives in
business and industry, to whom the public is looking for leadership in blazing a path out of the depression to prosperlty, are at a loss as to what
to do about uncmployment and hard times and are "eagerly pouncing" on each new book or ldea which may aid them in thelr problem, James $S$. Thompson, vice prcsident of the Mc Graw Hill Book Company, declared in
an interview yesterday. an interview yesterday.
These executives have shown marked favor for books dealing with international problems in finance and intive control, business cycles and world economics generally, he said. He addAdrift, by Dean W. B. Donham of Adrijt, by Dean W. B. Donham ministration of Harvard University had been placed on best-seller lists for the first time "to the great surprise
of publishers." The business depression, while it has books. has decreased the desirc of cerMr . Thompson pointed out that this development exploded the popular
theory that when a man loses a job he takes advantage of what additional leisure time he has on his hands
prepare himself for a better positio in his particular line of endeavor
for a new vocation. A more "social" point of view unemployment ls probable as the re
sult of the current depression and th consequent rise in the interest and
study of economics. in the opinion of Mr. Thompson.
"This instance," he said, "supports the observation of that conservative
philosopher, Professor Alfred North Whitehead of Harvard University, who
in his introduction to Dean Donham's book states:
"Our sociological theories, our po-
litical philosophy, our practical max-
ims of business, our political economy
and our doctrines of education are derived from an unbroken tradition of amples, from the age of Plato in the fifth century before Christ to the end of the last century.
"'The whole of this tradition is warped by the vicious assumption that each generation will live substantially amid conditions governing the lives of
its fathers and will transmit thos condltions to mold with equal force the lives of its children. We are living In the first period of human history College text books are also in greater demand today because of the busines depression, because many people who are out of work have gone back to
"College enrollments during busines depressions have a tendency to in crease a blt by those among the un-
employed who have sufficient capital to re-enter college, as many of them do, rather than spend their time $\ln$ fruitless search of jobs."

## COLLEGIANS HOLD

 ECONOMIC MEETINGStudents of Mount Holyoke, Vassar Weslcyan, and Amherst held an: cco-
nomlc conference at Mount Holyoke, May 2. The finances of a rural New York communlty were discussed. Then followed a talk on customer ownership of Publlc Utllities. American and British Investment trusts were con Holyoke Survey of Unemployment was glven. All the speeches and discussion work were prepared and glven by the undergraduates of the four colleges. The conference was ticd toEconomists by Professor Broadus Mitchell of Johns Hopkins Unlverslty


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## Out From Dreams and Theories

## JOBS FOR GIRLS"

In view of the discussion in last week's News aroused by Agnes Rogers Hyde's article in the May Harper's, there may be some students in college who wish to learn more about occupations. Jobs for Girls by Hazel Rawson Cades, who has had many articles onl successful business women in the Woman's Home Companion, is a book worth perusing. This book discusses twenty-two different types of work open to women. It tells what training a girl should have for cach, what salary to expect, and how to -Are You Looking for a Job?-Getting Job-Keeping a Job-offer some good dvice to would-be proletarlats. Many of the other chapter titles promise special interest-Dollars and Sense in Clothes-The Big Bazaars-"Ask My Ehe Editorial W-Lovers' Business he Bank-Working for Uncle Sam

## ACTUARIAL WORK

Seniors who have taken advanced notse on the Personnel bulletin oard of an examination under th Massachusetts Civil Service for a sen or actuarial clerk. The examination is held on May 29th, but application must be filed by Tuesday, May 19th.

APTITUDE TESTS
Students who took any of the aptitude tests may now learn their grades from the Personnel Bureau.
deans visit personnel bureau
On Tuesday, May 12th, Dean Frankof Boston University brought he

Bureau. A brief description of
methods, equipment, and organiza n of the personnel work at Welleswas given by Miss Wood, and the lass examincd the forms used, the filsystems, and saw a personnel office tion. This visit is made yearly and part of the observation work of Dean Franklin the Alice Freeman Palmer Course for Deans.

## FROM THE

CONCERT FUND

The Wellesley College Concert Fund nnounces that plans for the series of concerts for 1931-1932 are now being

After one of the most successful seasons he has ever had, Ignace PadeHe plans to spend the summer in Morges. He announces that he will refarn to this country next year for a

Dusolina Giannini, now on a European tour, recently reccived a record honor in Hamburg. At the close of performance of Tosed she was called FIELD DAY IS SET FOR NEXT THURSDAY

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fices which will be posted on the off cial A. A. bulletin boards. Everyon wear old clothes and be ready to join your class team.
Ruth Chapman, '33, is chairman o Spring Field Day. The committee as sisting her is:

Ellen Kelly, '31
Rosamond Peck, '32
Margaret Sterrett, '33
Mary K. Britton, '34
The senior member of the committe has charge of the programs, the jun ior and freshman members advertise the gala event, and the sophomore member orders and sells the food. Ice cream and candy will be welcomed by those who have kept training for several weeks.

## AIRPLANE ENJOYS

CAMPUS POPULARITY
From the New York Times it is learned that the airplane has given rise to a new problem among college tudents
Use of the airlines as means of transportation to and from the cam pus is growing constantly. Recent va cation periods have seen whole plan loads of undergraduates from Yale Princeton and the United States Military Acadcmy at West Point using the air to speed their arrival at home and thus, in effect, to lengthen the vaca tion period. One schoolboy only eleve years old traveled alone from Newark Airport to Cuba by plane to spend th Easter holidays with his parents.
Private flying activities also
raining impetus in American collcges Flying clubs, modeled somewhat after those veteran organizations of Harvard and Yale, are springing up and in most colleges and more than 500 schools in this country courses in some branch of aviation-principally ground" courses of various types-are offered.

Using Planes for Study One of the first aerial field trips ever made by university students was that taken by an advanced class in botany at Northwestern University two years of the department of botany, and two ther members of the faculty, three advanced botany students flew up the north shore of Lake Michigan to study and photograph the distribution of plant communities from the air.
Another member of the faculty at Northwestern University who is a firm believer in the value of the airplane as an aid to study is Dr. William L. Bailey, Professor of Sociology. Last Spring Professor Bailey took a class of seventy-five students in six trimotored planes for a flight of an hour over he metropolitan area of Chicago to make an aerial survey of the city Another flight will be made late this pring by the students in urban ociology.
"Ten minutes in the air is worth more than ten years on the surfac or studying the ways and the work of man," said Professor Bailey. "From the air we can obtain a comprehensive iew of the organization of the city. Princeton Men Use Air
Princeton students have traveled about 7,000 miles in airplanes going and from school since last septemPrinceton Travel Bureau. Eighteen reservations last term and fourteen so far this term have been sold for passages as long as 800 miles,
Student ownership of planes ha been forbidden in Princeton since 1927 because, according to Dean Christian Gauss, an undergraduate in Prince plane than a car." Since that time only two students have owncd planes, by virtue of arrangements with the Dean.
Yale aviators, members of one of the oldest college clubs in the world which will use the planes of airports
ncighboring New Haven, although two
or three members have or three members have planes. The club, which is twenty years old, has malntained conservative progress never attempted the spectacular, has
organized an annual program of studes in the unlversity curriculum of some features of aviation, has taken part in the individual flights under expert instructors, and has booked addresses by national figures in avlation at the university.
Although Harvard's entire equlpment of two airplanes has been demolished through "crack-ups," the Harvard Flying Club, the student organization which caters to those in terested in aviation, will replace on of these planes ncxt week. The new plane will be a Travelair Sportsman

## AMERICANS DIG UP

## GREEK FIGURINES

The following article is taken from
he New York Times of May 11 A remarkable find of terra cotta figurines of the best period of Greck art bout six centuries before Christ, has been reported here informally by Professor David M. Robinson in a letter from Olynthus, Greece, where he is conducting the excavations of the Johns Hopkins University expedition under the auspices of the American chool of Classical Studies in Athen "The find rivals that of Tanagra, Professor Robinson wrote. "We have more than fifty complete flgurines now shall surely find more them, an hall surely fnd more. Many ar tanding and seated goddesses with al he dignity and grandeur of Phidias Some are later and show the grace of gures ane playing the tambourine and perfectly preserved, even with the color Several have rouged lips, blue eyes and hair.
We also have several molds for mak ing terra-cottas (one a wonderfu ion's head). This is truly a great find of as good terra-cotta figurines as have In houses excavated, bath rooms were found with the bathtub still in place, and with manicure instruments, "A pebble mosaic dating well befor 348 B. C.," Professor Robinson wrote completely upsets the statements in forks that the figure mosaics dat fter Alexander.
Professor Robinson, with a party of en, is continuing the excavations.

HISTORIANS GATHER FOR LONDON MEETING

About 500 professors of history and earned writers from the United State and the British Empire are expected in London July 13 for the opening of the third quinquennial Anglo-Amerian Conference of Historians, arrangenents for which have been announced. Earl Beauchamp, Chancellor of Lon don University, will take the chair at the opening of the conference in University College. Subsequent meet ngs will be held in the Institute of Historical Research, whose director appointed chairman of the conference

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 RUSSIAN PAINTINGSWe learn from the New York Times that practically two million dollars worth of paintings are mysteriousty missing from the famous Hermltage collection in Leningrad. It is supposed most the soriet government has sold Among the paintings that have been secretly sold are several Rembrandts, a Van Eyck painting of the Virgin, Botticelli's Epiphany. and a study by Veiasquez for the painting of Innocent X . The Times intimates that one of America's richest men could explaln the whereabouts of several of the paintings. At least, the paintings have not come to Light ln Berlin,

## EDUCATOR PRAISES <br> UNIVERSITY WOMEN

Prof. Winifred Cullis of the Unlver sity of London, prior to returning to miration for the American college girl. at her best
"I do think," said Dr. Cullis a few hours before sailing, "that the American college girl at her best is one of he most delightful human beings have ever come across. She has charm She has a certain savoir faire or socia training, diffcult perhaps to describe that commands admiration, and she has learned to run things.
Dr. Cullis paid tribute also to the girl students of England. She feels hat in her country a better selective compare the American college girl with our women in higher education." sh said, "because your system and ours are so different. What we call schools in England give the type of training, generally speaking, that is given ln your American collcges, and what we speak of as colleges really give what in the United S

## COLLEGE CHINA

Views of the college may soon bc obtained in a far more unusual way than by snapshots, for the Alumnae Association offers dinner-servlce plates of Wedgwood queensware, designed to catch the charm of Wellesley's campus in a useful manner. This custom of Wedgwood plates has been successfully sponsored by the men's colleges, and Wellesley, to keep up with the times, and with Vassar, Mt. Holyoke, and Sweetbriar, is to have lts own particular plates in sets of twelve, done on white Wedgwood china. The border design in bas-relief combines the college seal with oak-leaf motif and characterlstic lattlce paneling. The centers, which may be obtalned in green, mul berry, and blue, show twelve different campus views. Later on, single plates will be available for purchase as souvenirs.

DOCTORS EXPLAIN
COLLEGE GIRLS
In McCall's magazine for June there is an artlcle by Marguerte Mooers Marshall, Her Doctor Looks at the College Girl, parts of which we quote here.
Have you ever seen a picture of a human being through a doctor's flu-oroscope-a fantastic pattern of shadows dimly outlining lungs, ribs and intestines, a mass of lights and darks fickering across a bright screen at the behest of the all-powerful X-ray? That weird kind of portralt of the college girl, colorless and without a vestige of personality, was what I expected from the physlcians of the women's colleges. "After all," I reasoned, "it is a doctor's business to track down diseases, everything from colds in the head to nervous prostratlon, and where 14,000 women are concerned, that must be a gigantlc task. But expert opinion, even though it goes no farther than mere physical development of young women, should be revealing.
For the most part, the girls now at Smith, Wellesley, Vassar, Radcliffe, Mount Holyoke, Barnard, Wells, Hunter and Bryn Mawr are very much more human beings to their doctors than were the students of years ago. From my conversation with fourteen of these physicians of the body, mind, and soul, I gathered the definite impression that they thought the student of today an improvement on her mother or grandmother. Not that the doctors looked through proverbial rosytinted glasses; on the contrary, they were quick to point out faults as well as virtues.
But what are the stumbling blocks that make it necessary for experts to lend their aid? Usually, although couched in technical language, they are the simple problems of dlscipllne and human relationships found among any group of normal gitls.
The most famous emotional maladjustment of college girls, the "crush" of one girl on another, never has been a serious problem, in spite of the clouds of gossip concerning it, doctors declare. Many suspected cases of "crush" are really perfectly natural, although
youthful, stages of emotlonal develop-ment-the heroine-worshlping ideallsm that prompts llttle girls to bring fiow-
ers and red apples to their teachers. Intense friendships spring up $\ln$ freshman year, but they are outgrown by sophomore year lf they are ignored and not magnlfied by false interprctation. Modern girls usually are forewarned of the occasional dangers, anyhow.

But the girls who come to their campus physicians for emotional guidance are not the only ones the doctors see. They examine the well-adjusted too. Whene time during the year, college girl." they included the whole roster.
No bird's-eye view can tell the full story of 14,000 girls, each one as different from the next as are the varlous women living ln any one street of any one town. However, in their formatlve, impressionable years, normal girls do have certain similarities, share various opinions, and live in much the same way. Some generalities are permissible. Girls no longer indulge in hysterics. They have learned moderation in study and in athletlcs. They are a bit inclined to do too much of everything, cramming their lives full to overfowing, thinklng of their health only at odd moments. Girls detest n appearance and sophicat in appearance and in actuallty-a though not as sophisticated deep down as they seem to be on the surface. They like men and are liked by men. Of course, the college girl of today mokes, but the doctors believe that this has done no appreciable harm. It is allowed in all colleges now, and it is estimated that from one half to one third do not avall themselves of the freedom to indulge, it being no longer smart to do so. Those who smoke do it only because they enjoy it. The Wellesley and Vassar doctors thought there had been less smoking since the rules were changed. They based their opinion on the word of their students, feeling that the glrls would tell the truth about it both before and af ter the smoking privilege was granted. It has been estimated that 50 per cent of the students smoke upon entrance normal per cent upon gra normal rise after four years.


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