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GIRL DEBATERS WIN FROM ST. LAWRENCE

Private Hydro-Electric Attack Nets Home Team Victory; Vote Is 3-0

Attacking the private ownership of hydro-electric power in the United States as an exorbitant money making machine subject to political corruption, the women's varsity debate team won a 3 to 0 judges' decision from the University of St. Lawrence in Chancellors Hall Wednesday night.

In pointing out the high rates charged by private corporations, Gladys Hungerford, '31, first speaker for the affirmative, argued that "the American people are now paying twice as much under the present system as they would under government control."

Wilhelmina Schneider, '31, who spoke second for State College, showed how the people would save two or three times as much money under government control as they do now under private management.

Jeanette G. S. Hutchinson, '29, captain and third speaker of the affirmative, argued that the proposed plan would be practicable.

Helen Smith, who opened the debate for the negative, stressed the loss of individuality and men of ability under government control.

Ruth O. Biehn, continued the proof for St. Lawrence University by showing that a conflict with consumers and government officials would result in decreased rates.

Virginia Eddy concluded the case for the affirmative team by pointing out the growing tendency to place municipal control of hydro-electric power in the hands of the government.

Judges were Mrs. Simons of the State education department; Ray Cecil Carter and Philip T. Proper of the Albany High School faculty; Dr. David Hutchinson, head of the government department, presided.

MAXWELL IS BOOKED FOR OPENING CONTEST

The first game of the 1929-30 basketball season will be played with Maxwell Framing School for Teachers on the State College court Friday night. De conducted by Frederick W. Crumley, 30, assistant manager of basketball.

Approximately eight home games and three road trip contests will be included on the schedule, he said.

Teams with whom Maxwell is negotiating for games are: Pratt Institute, Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Cooper Union College, Alfred University, Lowell Institute of Technology, Clarkson Institute, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, New Jersey State Teacher's College, St. Michaels College, Wagner College, New York Normal School, New Jersey Law School and Webb Institute of Technology.

Shoehorn Trousers Almost End Rehearsal Of "For Art's Sake"

Shoehorn trousers nearly stopped the dress rehearsal of the musical comedy "For Art's Sake," this week when the leading "bunny," Mildred Smith, an ex-actor, was unable to wear the trousers borrowed for "him." According to established custom, trousers for the leading man were loaned by the ladies of Beverly Diamond, '30, but a lady's to criticism, the "bunny" was too heavy for them.

The author, Florence M. Gornley, '29, became quite indignant with herself when she found that she had reprimanded Marion Palmer, '29, for quoting lines taken verbatim from the manuscript. Miss Palmer, acting the part of "Tony" rushes into an occupied school room and asks, "Is there anybody here?"

WILL TALK TO ASSEMBLIES TODAY



Mrs. Anna Garlin Spencer, author, sociologist, lecturer and instructor at Columbia University, who will address both assemblies today. Her topic is not announced.

Educational System Is Faculty, Says Patrick McQuade, Albany Principal, Longest In Service In United States

By GEORGE P. RICE, Reporter, State College News

Though vast improvements have been made in American educational methods in the last 64 years, the new system of education has brought along with it unnecessary features and has discarded good old customs, in the opinion of Patrick H. McQuade, oldest active school principal in the United States.

Mr. McQuade, who is affectionately known as "Professor" McQuade to two generations of Albanians, holds an honorary degree of master of pedagogy from State College. He is principal of public school 21.

Professor McQuade, who has been a principal since 1865, compared the number of schools and teachers of the Albany system at present time with those of half a century ago. When he became principal, there were 5,000 students in the fourteen public schools. The faculties of these schools did not total more than 100 in the aggregate.

Pay Was \$350 Yearly

Teachers received \$350 a year, whether they had taught one year or twenty, according to Professor McQuade. A principal, who also taught some of the upper classes, received \$1,500 a year. There were no high schools in Albany. Secondary education was obtained in the Albany Academy, for boys, and in the Albany Female Academy, for girls. Today 27 grammar schools, 2 high schools, several private and parochial schools, and branches of three colleges cater to the educational needs of nearly 15,000 students.

Removal to permit the teacher to administer corporal punishment is responsible for much of the crime element now existent, he said. Upon first becoming a principal, he recalls, there were numerous times when he administered the birch rod. "Today even the parent is denied the right to punish the child," he said.

"Students Lack Studious Attitude"

Present day students lack the studious attitude that marked the students of my time because the teachers of today are too busy to do the work for them," said Professor McQuade. He said this was destroying the initiative of the students. "The old method produced better individual thinkers, although present methods raise the general average," he said.

A comparison of the subjects taught in Professor McQuade's student days would make the average student of today think twice before embarking upon a high school education.

Courses in mathematics that were offered were: algebra, geometry, trigonometry, land and nautical surveying, cone sections, analytical geometry, differential and integral calculus, mechanics, optics, astronomy, Latin, Greek, and physics. A six-year course was offered in the high schools in order to allow this (Continued on page 2, column 4)

FINE ARTS STUDENTS PLAN NEW YORK TRIP

Students in the fine arts department are planning a trip to New York City to visit art museums and art galleries the week end of April 5 or 12, according to Miss Fannie A. Perine, instructor in fine arts.

The students will study work at the Metropolitan art museum, the Spanish museum and the Little avenue art galleries while in the metropolis, Miss Perine said today.

Students who have already signed up to take the field trip include: Marion K. Fichtenberger, Margaret C. Hickey, Irene E. Hicks, Sylvia V. La Motta and Katherine Watkins, all sophomores.

School Head 64 Years



Patrick H. McQuade

"FOR ART'S SAKE" BRINGS 'BROADWAY' TO STATE TONIGHT

Broadway in cross-section will be shown tonight and tomorrow night when the Girls' Athletic association produces "For Art's Sake", its musical comedy.

The production will be at the Albany Institute of History and Art, at 8:15 o'clock. Florence M. Gornley, '29, is director.

Both male and feminine lead roles will be played by freshmen, Mildred Smith taking the part of "Arthur Breckenbridge," a sign painter, and Isabelle Pearl taking the role of "Cynthia Allen." The story deals with Cynthia's love for Arthur, and her rejection of him because of his work.

The chorus and soloists will sing the following songs: "Tell Me," "If I Were You," "Dreaming of You," "So What's the Use," "And That's Why I Gave Up Men," "Just a Little Kiss or Two," "Selection," "The Thing in Life Worth While," and "That's Why I Love You."

The words were composed by Miss Gornley and the music was written by Miss Gornley and Marion E. Sloan, '29.

MENORAH PLANS MADE FOR SPRING MEETINGS

Work of Jews in art, philosophy, science, industry and music will be discussed in Menorah society meetings during the remainder of the College year. The program includes reviews of four books written by prominent Jewish authors, among whom are Ludwig, Lewishin and Leon Feuchtwanger. Current events will be discussed at the meetings according to Emanuel Green, '30, president. A study of the historical backgrounds of many of the Jewish holidays is included on the schedule.

Rabbi Shepherd Baum, Rabbi Ransan and David Levine will speak to Menorah this spring. Recent plays and short stories of a Yiddish nature will be reviewed by members of the society during the remainder of the year. Readings from Jewish periodicals including "The American Hebrew" and "The Jewish Tribune" will also be included.

PRESIDENT TO NAME NEW GIRLS' QUINTET

Members of the girls' varsity basketball team for this year will be announced at the annual award dinner in the college cafeteria, under the auspices of the Girls' Athletic association Thursday night. Caroline M. Schlerch, '29, will preside. Awards for winter sports will also be made in basketball, swimming, hiking, and bowling.

The committees in charge of the dinner are: Marion Gilbert, '31, general chairman; decorations, Annette Lewis and Frances Heydt, freshmen; menu, Mary Gardner, '30; stunt, Mary Nelson, '30.

Iva Swartz, '31, and Sarah Fasoldt, '32, were appointed captain and assistant captain of bowling recently. The Deane's M.D. hike will be conducted May 18, Mrs. Schlerch said.

Y.W.C.A. TO CONDUCT VESPERS FOR EASTER

Easter vesper services will be conducted Sunday by members of the college Y. W. C. A. at 4:30 o'clock in the gymnasium. Rev. Samuel J. Skevington, pastor of the Temple Baptist church, will address the students on the "Easter Message." The service will be conducted by Mary Nelson, '30.

Menorah society, the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. will cooperate in conducting a series of Lenten morning services on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week. These services will be conducted at 8:30 o'clock in the auditorium of Hawley Hall. Carolyn Kelley, '31, and Helen Mead, '32, will lead the services conducted by the Y. W. C. A. and Warren Cochrane, '30, those conducted by the Y. M. C. A.

CONFERENCE BEGINS AT 9:30 TOMORROW

Teachers in Eastern District Meet To Discuss Work In 11 Fields

Eleven sectional meetings and a general session are scheduled for the fifth annual State College round table conference for teachers and school administrators here tomorrow. The conference will begin at 9:30 o'clock, and will continue through the forenoon.

Between 500 and 800 teachers and administrators are expected to attend the sessions tomorrow. They will come from the eastern district of the state, particularly from near-by counties.

President James L. Meader, of Russell Sage College, and Professor Harold P. Rugg, of Teachers College, Columbia University, will address the general conference in the auditorium of Hawley Hall, at 11:30 o'clock.

Sectional meeting will be conducted in the following subjects: commerce, English, guidance, history, home economics, Latin, library school, mathematics, modern languages, science and journalism. These meetings will be at 9:30 o'clock.

President Announces Program

The program, announced by President A. R. Brubacher, is:

Commerce, Professor George M. York, head of the commerce department, chairman; topography, Charles W. Hamilton, Elizabeth N. J. Room 100, Draper; English, Professor Harry W. Hastings, chairman of the English department, chairman; Dr. Charles W. Hunt, dean of the school of education, Cleveland, and George W. Savell, state education department, speakers; topic: "Illustration, with Comment, by means of American records, of the best spoken English and American dialects." Room 50, Husted.

Guidance, Miss Elizabeth H. Morris, assistant professor of education, chairman; topic: "Various phases of guidance work in junior and senior high schools"; speakers: Dr. E. Caroline Goodale, college physician; George Hutchinson, state education department; Miss Lewis, Scotia, Room 111, Draper.

History, Dr. A. W. Relys, head of the history department, chairman; topic: "New conception in teaching elementary history"; speakers: W. G. Krumpholtz, state education department. This section will be a joint meeting in cooperation with the association for teachers of the social sciences in the Capital District, Room 201, Draper.

Dr. Andrus Will Speak

Home economics, Professor Florence E. Wintchell, head of the home economics department, chairman; speakers: Dr. Ruth Anderson, of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Foundation, and Miss Marion S. Van Lan, of the state education department; topic: "Self education as a vital factor in home economics education." Room 101, Husted.

Latin, Miss Marion Chesbrock, instructor in Latin, chairman; speakers: Dr. Harold A. Thompson, of the state education department; topic: "Planning of Latin teachers." Room 110, Draper.

Library school, Miss Catherine Mills, head of the library school, chairman; speakers: Miss Marion Redden of the library department and Miss Maryanne E. Potter of the Harnham-Brecker library, Room 125, Milne.

Mathematics, Professor Harry W. Birch, chairman; speakers: E. Eugene Sarn, assistant state education department; topic: "Elementary syllabus in third year mathematics." Room 101, Draper.

Modern Languages

Modern languages, Miss Charlotte Luch, head of the French department, chairman; speakers and speakers: "Modern languages in junior and senior high schools"; by Miss Genevieve Brooks, Schenectady; "Cervantes, an introduction to his work," by Miss Sophie Rosenzweig, Rochester; "Programme, the travel diary of a Frenchman," by Miss Suzanne Gault, special student from Room 211, Draper.

Speakers: Pauline C. A. Woodard, head of the English department, chairman; topic: "Self education, application to teaching"; speakers: Miss Marion B. Smith, in teacher's biology, by W. A. Jones, state education department; Professor Richard S. Brown, head of the chemistry department; Room 130, Husted.

Instructional methods of the State College News will be taken up. A school year will be reviewed.

KLEIN IS IVY ORATOR FOR MOVING-UP DAY

Louis M. Klein, '29, will be the ivy orator on Moving-up day, according to a resolve taken Friday after assembly. The following are the results of senior class elections, according to Betty J. Eaton, '29, president of the class: Caroline M. Schlerch, alumni councillor; Ruth Wheelock, prophet; Ruth Watts, orator; and Mary Gain, historian.

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WHY AN INTERSORORITY COUNCIL?

Two questions today face the members of sororities at State College. These questions are: Is there a need for an Intersorority council? Does the present Intersorority council meet the need adequately and in the best manner possible.

Perhaps the general student opinion, as well as the opinion of the greater share of the sorority members, would answer "Yes" to the first question, and an emphatic "No" to the second.

To observers, it appears that the present Intersorority council serves but three purposes, two of which may be classified as "social." These purposes are: First, to conduct a tea each year for new members of the sororities which are "elite" enough to belong to the council; second, to manage an intersorority ball each year; third, to pass regulation, rules and counter-rules purported to govern rushing and pledging of girl students.

It would seem that these social functions are perhaps a valuable adjunct to the real reasons for an intersorority council. The real, underlying principle that can be employed to justify an intersorority council here has been so subverted that the whole council's actions may be questioned. The real, basic reason for a council is the promotion of the higher ideals of Greek letter life, the furthering of the services of the sororities to the college, and the best interest in the welfare of the students. In this the council has apparently failed.

It does, of course, conduct a tea, which gives all the cattily-minded Greeks food for dinner conversation for many a day. The rules and counter rules serve no useful purpose, for they are quite generally disregarded by sorority after sorority. But just let Beta do what Alpha has done, and hear the howl, even in letters to the STATE COLLEGE NEWS. It may be that the rules are so many and so complex that it is quite impossible for the sorority members to remember them, without printed copies for handy reference. It is more possible, however, that the sorority members of the council have but little respect for it, being members more for the alleged prestige accompanying membership rather than for promoting the spirit of fairness.

Each year, it is the custom for one or more sororities to hurl allegations and charges at another sorority. This is, of course, done more or less subtly. This year, the campaign of mud slinging took the form of sending anonymous notes to freshmen girls who were known to have been bid by other sororities. While this mud slinging is perhaps the work of but one person, whether a sorority member or not, its result is to work discredit upon the whole council and the whole sorority system here. So, intersorority council passes another rule, this time a supposedly stringent one.

What is this rule? It is not for the public to know. Why? Perhaps it is because the public would then know when another rule is being broken.

Of all the rules and prohibitory regulations passed within recent years by that facile legislative body, the rule concerning "cutting" at dances in the gymnasium is the most foolish and unreasonable. Here is a group of less than fifteen girls legislating the conduct of many members of the student association. The rule places restraints upon the perfect right of students to dance with whom they like, when they like. The effect of the rule is this: If a freshman were to dance with a sorority member for one dance during the noon period, she must not dance with any other sorority member that noon. This is an infringement upon personal liberty, and a totally unjustified, shortsighted, selfish and worthless regulation.

The Intersorority council will some day realize that it can not make State College safe for the chosen few by passing rules and regulations. It must first have the respect and co-operation of its member sororities, if it is to succeed. While quarreling over petty details and conducting a laboratory course in law-making, the council is neglecting the higher duties it should perform: The strengthening of the Greek letter society system both on the local campus and in the nation. If the council will lift its eyes from the mirror, it may see the horizon of a greater day; if so, it will gain a new lease on life, and a liberal share of respect.

OFFICERS OR GILDED PUPPETS?

In another column, we print a reply by Miss Brady, vice president of the student association, to the editorial and student communication in last week's NEWS. Though this newspaper has no desire to prolong the near-argument, it believes that vice presidents of the student association are elected primarily to preside in the absence of the presidents. Our authority for this belief is the new constitution, Article VII, Section b, which says: "It shall be the duty of the vice president to assume the duties of the president in the absence or at the request of the president." This, it would seem, places upon the vice president no option as to whether she shall or shall not preside: the word is duty.

When the student association elected Miss Brady to office last year, it had faith in her ability to preside. This faith was justified when she presided once this year, in the absence of the president. The association could quite similarly have expected her to preside two weeks ago. If, when elected to the presidency or vice presidency, the student does not feel able to preside, that student should be able within a short time to prepare for such parliamentary procedure as takes place in student assemblies.

Miss Brady refers in her letter to her work with the student council. It is true that the vice president is a member of that council, but the major activity of the office, we believe, should be what the name ordinarily connotes: vice president. The position on student council is but ex officio, growing out of the other office, not a major activity in itself.

We are glad to agree with Miss Brady about the worthlessness of crying food sale and peanut club meetings from the platform. Perhaps if the student association members did not impose upon the vice president the duties of a vocal sandwich man, she and her successors might have more time to study parliamentary law, and thus feel capable to preside when called upon to do so. We say *feel*; we are quite sure that Miss Brady is able to do so.

We do not recall the precedent to which Miss Brady refers. That it was a dangerous precedent may be evident; that it was an unwise and unnecessary precedent can scarcely be doubted. But the present question is whether the officers of the student association shall be officers or gilded puppets.

AN INCUBATOR FOR IDEAS

We are pleased to note that school administrators and teachers from the eastern district will come to State College tomorrow to partake in the annual round table conference sponsored by President Brubacher and the college. The program this year seems unusually complete and worth while. The general conference in the auditorium, with President Meader of Russell Sage College and Professor Rugg, of Columbia University, is such as to attract the attention of many teachers in this district. The sectional meetings cover such a wide range of topics as to insure at least one interesting meeting for every visitor. Students may well avail themselves of the privilege of attending the sectional meetings in their major or minor fields.

In conducting these meetings, State College is serving the aim of education in this district by each year giving teachers a breathing spell in which to collect new ideas of the latest methods and practices in their fields.

THE CASE FOR JOURNALISM

In presenting the case of scholastic journalism before the round table conferences of teachers and school administrators tomorrow, the STATE COLLEGE NEWS makes a modest beginning for what it hopes will become, in a few years, a state-wide movement toward the adoption and improvement of scholastic journalism. School papers in the state of New York are notoriously lacking; and where they do exist, they are nearly as notoriously weak.

This weakness is perhaps largely due to the lack of adequate supervision of these publications, and lack of information by administrators and teachers in viewing the potential values of school papers. It is to meet this possible cause for poor scholastic papers in this state that the NEWS today sets out upon its round table conference.

The editors will work for the establishment of some form of student newspaper in every school of the state, whether that newspaper be printed, mimeographed, duplicated on a gelatine reproducer, or used as a column in the country weekly. Any teacher, administrator or future teacher is invited by the NEWS to take part in the discussions tomorrow.

BOOKS: "WHAT ENGINEERS DO"

—BY W. W. F.

What Engineers Do. By Walter D. Binger. 259 pages. \$2.75. New York: W. W. Norton.

Is there a person who has not at some time stood atop a skyscraper or a dam and wondered how man could ever build such a noble work of engineering skill? In this respect, we are all more or less childish in our desire to know how things are put together; we are often more happy in tussling around with our cheap radios than in listening to a perfect set of far more expensive calder.

If the reader of this review has any of the childish spark of curiosity still left in him as the reviewer has, he will seize upon *What Engineers Do*, and become fascinated with its contents. While written for boys and girls who want to know the how and why of construction, the author has presented a fascinating subject in such a likeable method that the adult will be glad to be a boy again for a few hours.

The contents include the construction of foundations, railways, hydro-electric development, roads, towers, bridges; the text includes such laws of architecture as the law of structural design. The numerous illustrations assist greatly in making graphic the point the author wishes to put across.

Study Of History Of Education Gradually Declining; Free Choice Of Subjects Favored, Delegate Finds

[Editor's Note: This is the third and last of a series of articles on education by Robert J. Shillinglaw, '29, who represented Kappa Phi Kappa at its national convention recently.]

By ROBERT J. SHILLINGLAW

Among other things noticeable in statements made by delegates to the fifth general assembly of Kappa Phi Kappa, at Wittenberg College, in Springfield, Ohio, was the fact that one of the present day trends in education is the elimination of the study of the history of education as a prerequisite for a teacher's certificate in some states.

This elimination of the history of education, once considered an essential part of the curriculum for embryonic teachers, is explained as being due to the fact that the new conception is that whatever value might be derived from the study of a course in the subject, could probably be obtained from a more extensive course

in the principles of education in which any historic background of present day ideas might be presented, should the instructor deem it essential.

Many educators feel that the time, formerly given to a "cultural" course in the history of education, might better be left free for the student to elect the subject, if he so desired or to study some more practical course offered by the education departments of the respective institutions. New York state still requires this subject for its potential secondary school teachers.

In some colleges however, it is almost necessary for the student to enroll in the course whether or not he so desires, due to the limited curriculum of the education departments.

This is even true of the larger colleges, where, although the education offerings are wide, most of them are limited to graduate students so that the undergraduate is barred from studying them.

On my way west, it was my good fortune to overhear a conversation between two persons, one of whom I later discovered to be a professor in Teachers College, Columbia University, and the other an official from the Harvard graduate education school, in which the former put forward the suggestion that it should be one of the duties of the local school administrators to unite with leaders from the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, DeMolay, Junior Eastern Star and Young Equestrians in a social service council to correlate the work of the various agencies and to relieve the school of some phases of its work duplicated by others and to assist each agency in assuming a share in the education of the youth of its community, each organization co-operating in the matter of character building.

COMMUNICATIONS

MISS BRADY OBJECTS

Editor, STATE COLLEGE NEWS:
Feeling that an explanation of my conduct in the Junior-Freshman assembly of March 1 was necessary, you kindly supplied one from your "viewpoint." However, if an explanation to the Student Association is in order, I believe that I am the one to furnish it.
The president of Student Association was not present at the time Myskian chose to go on the platform that morning. In taking the chair and turning the business of the meeting over to Miss Gerding, I was not only following the instructions of a superior officer of the association, but also the dictates of my own judgment as well as a precedent. I knew the nature of the business to come before the assembly, and realizing its importance, I believed it was for the best interest of Student Association that the conclusion of the meeting should be in more experienced hands than my own. You may recall the precedent. It is not the first time that a Student Association meeting has been conducted by one other than the president or vice president when important business was before the assembly.

You say that if the vice president does not preside in the absence of the president that officer "becomes a mere vocal sandwich man for shouting advertisements of cake sales, and an ornament on an already crowded platform." I do not remember that the reading of an announcement is a duty of the vice president. I have long felt it to be a needless waste of time for all concerned in as much as the majority of announcements appear in your paper and are presumably read by the students before assembly. I have no doubt it is done in accordance with some precedent established by a former vice president in a moment of short-sighted kindness or before "The News" attained its present efficiency. I have previously expressed my opinion on this matter to you personally.

If it is the four officers of Student Association who crowd the platform, let me assure you that they sit there because of allegiance to custom and not from any mistaken idea that they are satisfying the aesthetic cravings of the student body.

In your summary of the functions of the vice president, however, you have omitted the place on Executive Council filled by that officer. Might that not save the office from being a sinecure?

As for the letter which you published, I consider it rank cowardice to write such a letter and remain anonymous. One would think that a person who has the acclaire of the student body so much at heart that he attacks, or at least acquaints himself with the proceedings of both assemblies, need not fear that his name would detract from the weight of his opinions. I consider the writer in the same class with those who have been conducting rumors on the "motives" behind the conduct of the meeting. I have no answer for them, only pity for the little, narrow minds behind such interpretations.

Sincerely,
Robert J. Shillinglaw

Grad. M. Brady,
Vice President, Student Association

CALENDAR

Today

Senior Sophomore assembly, 10:55 A. M. Auditorium.
Junior Freshman assembly, 11:30 A. M. Auditorium.
G. A. A. Musical Comedy, 8:15 P. M. Albany Institute of History and Art.

Tomorrow

Round Table conference, Group meetings, 9:30 A. M. Rooms assigned. General conference, 11:30 A. M. Auditorium.
Language Oral Credit tests, 10 A. M. Rooms assigned.
G. A. A. Musical Comedy, 8:15 P. M. Albany Institute of History and Art.

Sunday

Y. W. C. A. Easter vesper service, 4:30 P. M. Rotunda.

Tuesday

Joint Lenten service, 8:30 A. M. Auditorium.
Final game, men's interclass basketball tournament, 4 P. M. Gym.
Dramatics class plays, 8:15 P. M. Auditorium.

Wednesday

Joint Lenten service, 8:30 A. M. Auditorium.
Freshman Sophomore girls basketball game, 3 P. M. Gymnasium.

Thursday

Joint Lenten service, 8:30 A. M. Auditorium.
G. A. A. Award banquet, Cafeteria.

PRINCIPAL, 84, FINDS EDUCATION IMPERFECT

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schedule to fit in. Graduation from the academy at that time was the equivalent of an education in a small college, Professor McQuade said.

Professor McQuade taught before the board of regents was instituted. It is a great aid in standardizing the work in the schools, although it could be improved by the elimination of political prejudice in appointments, he asserted.

Few social events enlivened his student days, he revealed. No dancing was allowed, no teas, and seldom was the great privilege of enjoying a theater permitted. Physical education was not compulsory, he said.

Manual Training "Unnecessary"
"The present system is still open to improvement," he declared. Chief among the desirable additions to the present methods would be the institution of more advanced courses in grammar in high schools. Manual training is unnecessary and without any benefits to the grammar school students and should be eliminated," he said.

"The introduction of courses in joint-math in all high schools would be highly desirable for it would aid in the correct writing and pronunciation of the English language," Professor McQuade said.

More time given to recitation instead of lecture would be highly beneficial to the students, he believes.

Commends Old Teachers
"Instructors of the old days were without peers in their work," Professor McQuade declared. Chief among his teachers Professor McQuade recalls Dr. David Murray, later recommended by the then president of the United States to reorganize the educational system of Japan.

The educational career of Professor McQuade is a brilliant one. Graduating from the grammar school at the age of 11, he entered the Albany Academy as a scholarship boy. Six years later, he was graduated at the head of his class, receiving a scholarship medal. For a short time he was associated in business with his father. At the age of 20 he became principal of public school 1. As principal, he also taught some of the higher classes, as was customary. For more than forty years he has been principal of school 21. He has taught two generations of Albanians. People who have been his students realize his sterling qualities as a principal and his kindly attitude toward graduates who have come to him for advice.

Professor McQuade, who is eighty-four years of age, is completing his sixty-fourth year as a principal. Four years ago, State College conferred upon him the degree of master of pedagogy in recognition of his invaluable services to Albanians and to their children.

34 SENIORS ATTAIN HONOR IN STUDIES

Sophomore Class Ranks Second With 30 Honor Students; Juniors Are Next

Thirty-four seniors attained honors for the first semester, four of whom have high honors; the sophomore class is runner-up with 30, including three high honors; the junior class is next with 29, including one high honor. The freshman class is last with 16 and three high honors, according to statistics compiled by the Registrar's Office staff. These are based on the entire year's work.

Four Seniors Get High Honors

Seniors—High honors: Mary C. Gain, Alice Hills, Georgiana King, Lyle Parker. Honors: Bettina Azzarito, Evelyn Baxter, Sophia Besemer, Mary Black, Dorothy Boehmer, Nellie Cole, Margaret Cosgro, Dora Dahm, Beth Ford, Florence Gormley, Lenore Hutchinson, Leona Jewell, Louis Klein, Ruth Knapp, Bessie Lapedes, Lucy Milas, Mildred Peterson, Elizabeth Pulver, Florence Rickard, Florence Ryder, Robert Shillinglaw, Paul Slate, Randolph Sprague, John Sturm, Rudolph Syring, Kathryn Terpening, Elizabeth VanAllen, S. Bernice VanSickle, Ruth Wheelock, Elsie Zneid.

Juniors—High honors: Adolph Scholl. Honors: Marion Botto, Raymond Byrne, Ruth Clow, Katherine Cornish, Mildred Coutant, Evelyn Elwood, Mae Glockner, Catherine Harrington, Mildred Hawks, Margaret Higby, Justine Johnson, Doris Jones, Thomas Kinsella, Ethel Ray, E. Lupton Robinson, Evelyn Sadler, Grecia Sayles, Evelyn Sheeley, Mary Shortall, Virginia Shultes, Victor Starr, Dorothy Thomas, Phyllis Uline, Jessie Varian, Kathryn Webster, Louis Wolner, Shirley Wood, Esther Zimmerman.

Twenty-seven Sophomores

Sophomores—High honors: Elizabeth Corr, Beatrice O'Connell, Mary Reiser. Honors: Florence Borst, Hortense Brady, Doris C. Butler, Janet Cary, Louise Cronk, Catherine Delaney, Gertrude Dersheimer, Esther Eekstein, Helen Eisner, Marguerite Fairfield, Winifred Falsolt, Jean Gillespy, Carolyn Kelley, Irma Long, Charles Lyons, Annabelle McConnell, Mary McInerney, Harry McMahon, Mary C. Moore, C. Lilly Nelson, Helen Otis, Sylvia Rose, Cecelia Shapiro, Gertrude Shill, Ruth Steele, Flora Welden, Genevieve Winlow.

Freshmen—High honors: Margarita Galusha, Margaret Henry, Mary Esther Mead. Honors: Mary Alexander, Walter Anderson, Kathryn Belknap, Dorothy Buse, Alice Connelly, Sarah Fasoldt, Evelyn Fortmiller, Margaret Formiller, Mary Fortune, Magdalena French, Anna Goldman, Frances Keller, Helen Mead, Catherine Riegel, Marguerite Schroeder, Mary Wicks.

GIRLS SERVE DINNERS TO FACULTY MEMBERS

In order to give students in home economics experience in home cooking, certain students are serving groups of faculty members at dinner once a week in the dining room adjoining the cafeteria, according to Professor Florence E. Winchell, head of the home economics department.

Monday evenings, Helen Campbell, Helen Emerson, and Ruth Valentine, sophomore, serve Professor Clifford A. Winchell, head of the biology department, Mrs. Winchell, and Miss Anna R. Keim, instructor in home economics.

Tuesday evenings, Janet Cary, Helen Hux and, Bernice Jacobs, sophomore, serve Professor Winchell, Mrs. Winchell, and Miss Anna R. Keim, instructor in home economics. Miss Tracy, Miss Emily A. Price, instructor in home arts, Miss Clara M. D. Anderson, instructor in chemistry, and Mrs. Laura F. Thompson, instructor in home economics and manager of the cafeteria.

Wednesday evenings, Margaret Bishop, Don Donna Ace Campbell, and Ruth Valentine, sophomore, serve Mrs. E. J. Baker, instructor in mathematics, Mrs. Hazel A. Rose, instructor in physics, and Miss M. C. Reddy, instructor in home economics.

Thursday evenings, Josephine Bennett, Cecilia Hammer, and Fother Tolson, sophomore, prepare dinner for Mrs. Minnie B. Scotland and Mrs. Queen B. Faint, instructors in biology, and Miss Laura F. Thompson.

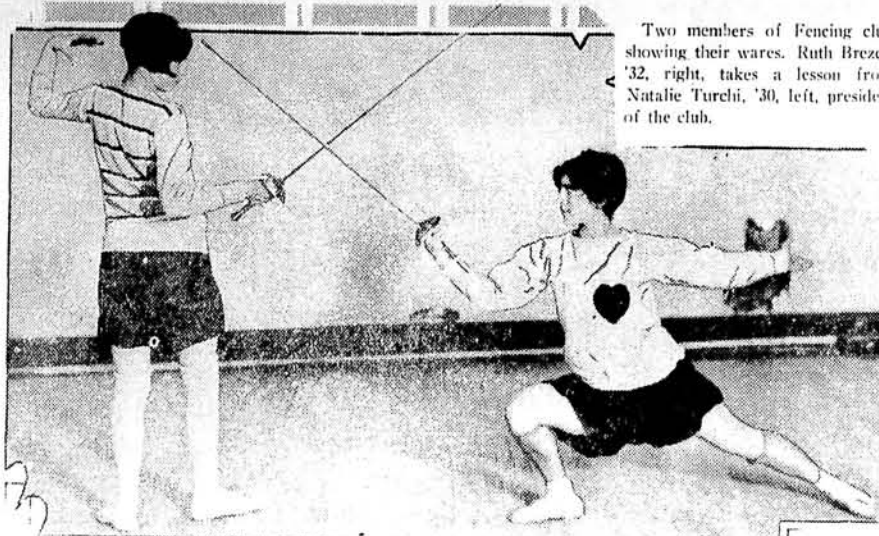
At Friday luncheon, Virginia Higgins, 29, Alice Frederick, and Winifred Richardson, sophomores, serve Dean Anna E. Pierce, Mrs. Katherine E. Wheeler, supervisor of practice teaching in English, and Dr. Clarence F. Hale, head of the physics department.

Friday evenings, Martin Hicks, 30, and Pauline Schacht, 31, serve President A. R. Brubacher, Mrs. Brubacher, Mrs. Florence E. Winchell, head of the home economics department, and Miss Winchell's father.

ANNOUNCES PLEDGES

Alpha Epsilon Phi announces as pledges Marian Weinberg, 31, and Mildred Smith, 32.

SEE THE POINT? NATALIE TURCHI TRIES TO PUT ONE ACROSS



Two members of Fencing club showing their wares. Ruth Brezee, '32, right, takes a lesson from Natalie Turchi, '30, left, president of the club.

Courtesy, Albany Evening News.

JUNIORS GIVE RING CONTRACT TO KAHSE

Representative From Company To Take Measurements In Two Weeks

"The contract for the junior rings has been awarded to the Warren-Kahse Company. In approximately two weeks a representative from the company will take measurements for the rings," according to Eunice Gilbert, chairman of the junior ring committee.

There will be three different styles of rings offered to the juniors: heavy, or military style, medium and light penny-weight. These are offered in rose, green, and yellow gold. The seal and border of the ring are the same for every junior class. This is a fixed standard of the college. The shank of the ring, however, is of a different pattern.

The prices of the rings will be \$6 for the lightweight rings, \$7 for the medium weight rings and \$8 for the heavy weight rings.

A poster will be placed on the main bulletin board to give an opportunity for those who wish rings to sign up for them," Miss Gilbert announced today.

The other members of the ring committee are Louis Wolner, Anne Moore and Louise Dubee.

Willard W. Andrews, Pres. E. Wayland Butler, Sec.

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Most Business Letters Incorrect, Research Shows; Stenographers Are Improving In Accuracy And Form

Of 115 business letters investigated by the Albany Evening News, only 10 were found to be correct. The majority are incorrect, according to Miss Avery.

The letters came from a wide variety of sources. Analyses of the letters by students vary greatly, Miss Avery said. One report said: "The quality of work done was good. A great many of the so-called incorrect letters were mostly correct with but one or two minor errors."

Another report declared that "Stenographers should be able to make their letters perfect rather than imperfect." Miss Avery believes that stenographers are improving in accuracy and form.

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Herford Smith Drives Car Well, But Proves He Can Talk Better

Herford Smith, 29, recently had a narrow escape from spending a few hours in an Albany police precinct to meditate upon the evils which attend the urging of a gasoline wagon over the pavement at the rate of 45 miles an hour.

Smith was speeding up Western avenue in his car when his complacency was shattered by the raucous cry of a traffic cop holding him halt.

The profuse apologies of Smith so softened the officer's heart that he let Smith off with the admonition "Don't let it happen again!"

NAME JUNIOR TRYOUTS FOR PEDAGOGUE BOARD

Juniors trying out for the 1930 Pedagogue board are the following: Gladys Bates, Marion Botto, Louise Dubee, Alice Bonoit, Marie Hayko, Katherine Graham, Mildred Grant, Margaret Burman, Gertrude Hershberg, Marilla Smith, Betty Harris, Ethel Grundhofer, Fred Crumb, Betty Diamond, Hazel Goodell, Anne Moore, Helen Davison, Beatrice McCarty, Katherine Hainsworth, Gertrude Cox, Idella Easman and Mildred Hawks.

EXTENDS SYMPATHY

Beta Zeta extends its sympathy to Marion Woodcock, 29, in the death of her mother Sunday afternoon.

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ASSOCIATES LAUD OLDEST PROFESSOR

Faculty Resolves To Commend
Unusual Service Record
Of Dr. Richardson

Faculty members of State College last week paid an unusual tribute to Dr. Leonard Woods Richardson, head of the Greek and Latin departments, who retired a few weeks ago from his post on the faculty. Dr. Richardson had been a member of the college faculty since 1895, being dean of the staff in point of service for several years before his retirement.

The following letter signed by a faculty committee of three was sent to Dr. Richardson:

Dear Doctor Richardson,

At the meeting of the entire faculty held upon Monday, March fourth, President Butler made formal announcement of your resignation as of that date, and spoke with deep feeling of your unselfish service to the college. A motion was then made and unanimously passed that the Faculty send to its most respected and best loved member an expression of that grateful affection in which we all share.

We do not think first of all, Sir, of the length of your service, remarkable though that may be; nor do we think of that service as terminated by your resignation. It is for the long days of your teaching that we thank you for a true, sensitive, catholic, and just, for an eloquent, confident and serene, for a scholarship both profound and elevated. Daily you prove to us that education in a democracy need be neither shallow nor vulgar; you stimulate and elevate that precious of humanity which we desire for ourselves and for our people; you are our best example of the good life of which scholars teach.

We thank you also, Sir, for your cooperation with your teaching, and for the "fun" brought to us by the "fun" which you bring to the subjects of your college, outside the classroom. Not least we thank you for the faith in Divine Providence which makes us all pupils of your spiritual guidance. There is no one else who could take your place as scholar, friend, or priest of the college. We hope that we may long have the honor to be, with deep affection,

Your colleagues and pupils,
The Faculty of State College
By their Committee:
John M. Saylor,
Anna E. Perce,
Harold W. Thompson.

DR. HASTINGS' TALK CHANGED TO MARCH 24

The date of the lecture by Dr. Harry W. Hastings, chairman of the English department, at the Harmons Bleeker Library, has been changed from Saturday, March 3, to Sunday, March 24.

Dr. Harold W. Thompson, professor of English, will speak at the library Sunday, April 7.

Dr. Hastings will speak on the life and works of William Dean Howells, American novelist. Dr. Thompson will take on Washington Irving in his lecture. The discussion will start at 4 o'clock.

'30 GIRLS' QUINTET WINS 4 STRAIGHT

The "most useful" class basketball team has been victorious in all the games it has played so far, defeating the freshmen in two games, with scores of 30-17 and 27-18, the sophomores 24-20, and the seniors 36-18. The interclass games will be completed Wednesday and 7 points will be given to the underclass which defeat the other underclass.

First Man To Get Position



G. LAVERNE CARR
G. LaVerne Carr is the first senior man to contract for a teaching position next year. He will teach commerce and coach at Red Hook.

HELL AND SACRIFICE WILL BE PLAY THEM

Life in hell and thwarted ambition will be the themes for two one-act plays to be presented Tuesday night at 8:15 o'clock in the auditorium of Hawley Hall.

Eleanor Welch, '29, will direct the drama of thwarted ambition, in which a mother sacrificed her lifelong ambition for one of her daughters.

Hazel Goodell, '29, will play the mother, Wilhelmina Sebesta, '31, and Eleanor Stephenson, '30, will play the daughters.

The second play, a satirical drama of life in hell will be directed by Gertrude L. Hall, '29. The characters are a poet, his wife, and a navy officer. Those taking part are Duane Baker, '32, who will play the poet, Grace Mark, '29, his wife, and Raymond Collins, '31, the navy officer. Both plays are part of the program of the advanced dramatics class.

VARSITY LOSES, 29-27

Gaining an eight point lead over the second team in less than a quarter of playing, the Long Island University quintet succeeded in keeping the State varsity from regaining the early deficiency, and won by the score of 29 to 27, Saturday night on the State College court.

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SECOND SWIM MEET WILL BE TUESDAY

Sport Captains Barred From
Competition, Miss Waters
Announces

The second swimming meet of the season will be conducted Tuesday night, Esther Waters, '30, swimming captain, announced today. Negotiations are being made to use the Jewish Community center pool for the meet, but if this cannot be obtained, the meet will be conducted at Bath 3 at Central avenue and Ontario street.

To increase the competition among other swimmers, the sports captains and assistants in swimming will not be allowed to participate, Miss Waters said.

The events for the beginners will be: moving dead man's float, still back float, novelty contest and balloon contest. The advanced swimmers may participate in form-surface diving, novelty race, dash, form breast stroke, form side stroke, form crawl or trudgen, straight dive-form and life saving race.

First Lessons Conducted

The first of ten lessons in a senior life-saving course was given by Miss Waters and Irene Hicks, '31, Tuesday night. All those taking the course must attend at least eight out of the ten meetings. At the end of the course, Louise Trask, '30, Miss Waters and Miss Hicks, who are all American Red Cross life-saving examiners, will conduct a written test. These papers will then be sent to National Red Cross at Washington for approval by the national committee.

Those who have entered the life-saving class are: Emily Charles, '29; Katherine Watkins, Mildred Appleton and Mary Hart, juniors; Margaret Cussler, '31; Marjorie Wilson, Anna Goldman, and Martha Candee, freshmen.

According to the new method of conducting gymnasium, Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education, will give credit for swimming which will count toward the final mark.

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THIRTY GIRLS ENROLL FOR DANCING COURSE

Approximately 30 women students are taking the course in athletic dancing offered by Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education, Friday mornings in the gymnasium of Hawley Hall.

"Newsboy Clog", the "Irish Clog" and the "Captain Jinks" are included among the dances studied in the class.

Florence M. Gormley, '29, is the pianist for the class. Those who are taking the course include: Alice Bingham, Evelyn Graves, Caroline Schleich, seniors; Ethel Grundhofer, Gertrude Hershberg, Katherine Watkins and Gladys Hungerford, juniors and Esther Eckstein, Ruth Conger, Audrey O'Raidy and Ruth Cohen, sophomores; Ruth Isherwood and Isabel Peard, freshmen.

WATER COLOR STUDIES OF FISHES ARE SHOWN

The exhibition of water color studies of fish native to New York state being shown in the rotunda this week under the auspices of the Dramatic and Art association is the work of Miss Ellen Admondson, a member of the New York State Conservation Commission. The pictorial map of the campus of Cornell University also on exhibit on the bulletin board outside the fine arts studio was done by Miss Admondson.

In addition to the fish exhibit there are three charts hung in the rotunda this week showing the historical development of architecture. These charts are the work of Miss Marion Cheesborough, '29; Mrs. Gladys C. Beckwith, special student, and Lyle E. Parker, '29.

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PRESS CONVENTION COORDINATES WORK

Teacher Training Institutions
Confer Chairmanship Upon
State College

Steps toward greater coordination and cooperation in scholastic press activities in teacher training institutions were taken at a conference of normal school and teachers college delegates in New York City last week-end.

The delegates, meeting at the fifth annual convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press association, voted to make their section of the association more nationwide in scope.

William M. French, '29, editor in chief of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS and one of the five State College delegates to the convention, was named chairman of the teacher training publications division for a year. He was instructed to conduct a series of discussions by mail with editors of other normal school and teacher training institutions throughout the whole United States, with the aim in view of getting more such institutions to participate in the national meetings.

Seek Special Program

Another movement which the division hopes to make is the providing of special programs for teacher training sections next year. Though one such round table meeting and a dinner were conducted for normal school and teachers college delegates this year, the editors and staff members felt that further steps could be taken to make the meetings of greater worth to teacher training institutions.

French is the first student editor to be chairman of the teacher training group of publications. He succeeds Miss Elizabeth Rosengarten, faculty member of the Philadelphia Normal School and adviser to the "Norm", student publication there. Edwin R. Van Kleeck, '27, former editor in chief of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS was once a member of the executive committee. Miss Rosengarten will continue as a member of the committee, and other members will be named from the delegates at the meetings.

Separate Headquarters Wanted

The section for teacher training institutions hopes to divorce itself more from the other two sections of the press convention, namely the junior high school and the senior high school divisions. The student editors at the conference felt that such a move would add to the value of the higher group, and would not interfere with the hitherto cordial relations among the groups.

More sectional meetings designed especially for colleges of their class, and separate hotel headquarters will be asked by the executive committee, if other teacher training institutions agree.

The STATE COLLEGE NEWS won a third prize in the teachers college field, among 27 newspapers competing. The NEWS has sent for exchange copies of the other prize winners, and an exhibit will be set up when they arrive. No detailed scores are available from officers of the Columbia association, but officers of the teacher training division are working for the adoption of a score book, such as is used by the National Scholastic Press Association.

Besides the NEWS, the prize winners in the teacher training class were: "East Central Journal," East Central State Teachers College, Ada, Okla.; "Campus Reporter," State Teachers College, Shippensburg, Pa.; "State College Aegis," The State College, San Diego; "College Chronicle," State Teachers College, St. Cloud, Minn.; "Western Courier," State Teachers College, Macomb, Ill.; "The Northern Illinois," Northern Illinois State Teachers College, De Kalb, Ill.

Right And Wrong Distinctions Blurred, Girls Are Told; Plan To Form Students' Evangelical League Chapter

"Distinctions between right and wrong are becoming dangerously blurred in the minds of too many students in our colleges today," Paul Wooley, general secretary of the League of Evangelical Students, told a group of State College students Monday night at a meeting in Draper Hall for the purpose of discussing the formation of a State College chapter of the league.

The league does not aim to replace any existing organization, nor to create additional machinery in a field already over full, Mr. Wooley said. "Its function is to link up those students who stand for the great evangelical truths, into a single body, and create, strengthen and spread abroad a continent-wide testimony to the truth of the word of God and to the power of Christ in the individual life of the student," he declared.

Chapters of the league already functioning include, among others, groups in Harvard, Princeton and Bucknell universities, Oberlin College, University of Pennsylvania, Muskingum College, University of California, and Union Col-

ALUMNI AND STUDENT WHO SPEAK AT SUPPER



Edwin Van Kleeck



MISS FLORENCE GORMLEY



(Courtesy, Albany Evening News)

Edwin R. Van Kleeck, '27, upper left, and Richard A. Jensen, '28, lower left, will speak on the value of the college's training from the alumni point of view; Florence M. Gormley, '29, upper right, will speak as a student, and Harold P. French, '24, lower right, will preside at the eastern district meeting of the alumni association tomorrow at 5 o'clock.

COLLEGE EVALUATION TO FEATURE PROGRAM OF ALUMNI TOMORROW

Contributions of State College to its graduates will be evaluated tomorrow night at the supper of the Eastern District alumni association in the cafeteria of Husted Hall at 5 o'clock.

Harold P. French, '24, principal of the Menands school and president of the association, has asked alumni and an undergraduate to talk upon the topic "What State College gave me that is of value, and what it failed to give me which I need."

The speakers will be Edwin R. Van Kleeck, '27, superintendent of schools at Walden; Richard A. Jensen, '28, principal of the Schenectady school, and Florence M. Gormley, '29.

President A. R. Brubacher will be a guest at the supper, and will probably speak. Miss Anna E. Pierce, dean of women, will speak on the alumni residence hall fund.

A tour of the new buildings now under construction will be made by interested alumni at 4 o'clock. Professor George M. York, head of the commerce department, will conduct it.

STUDENTS MAY OBTAIN LOW RATE AT LECTURE

Negotiations are being carried on to obtain reduced rates for students who desire to attend Louis Untermyer's lecture on "The New Era in American Poetry" in the Jewish Community Center on April 7. Emanuel Green, '30, is in charge of negotiations. Regular prices are \$1.50.

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NINETEEN STUDENTS BECOME MEMBERS OF CLASSICAL CLUB

Nineteen new members were initiated at the annual Classical club dinner in the college cafeteria last Wednesday.

Those initiated were: Winifred Van Salisbury, and Margaret Blann, juniors; Virginia Pratesi, Sylvia La Monica, Brooks Jones, Verna Giles, Cecelia Shapiro, Ruth Abramsky, Catherine Norris, Alice Splain, Mary Riess, Ann Metzler, Winifred Apel, M. Frances Conlon and Elizabeth Moriarity, sophomores. Wealtha Godfrey and Julia Fister were the two freshmen initiated.

Membership in Classical club is open to all students who have passed at least one semester of either Latin I or Greek I, according to Ethel Cashman, '29, first consul of the club.

The committee in charge of the dinner were: entertainment, Elsie Hutchinson, '29, Margaret Wadsworth, '30 and Evelyn McNickle, '29. Decorations, Louise Mathewson and Florence Rickard, '29; and Alma Gerken, '31, Vera Wolcott, '30, had charge of initiation.

MUSIC CLUB TO HEAR VIOLIN QUARTET PLAY

A violin quartet will furnish the program at a meeting of the Music club in the auditorium, Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Those in the quartet are: Frieda Schadrinsky, '30; Louis Wolner, '30; Catherine Crowder, '30; Adolphe Scholl, '30. Esther Waters, '30, will accompany the quartet on the piano.

The program will probably include: "Pompeii Valsante" by Poldini; "Bourree" by Handel; and "Famous Waltz" by Brahms.

HERNEY IS IN CHARGE OF TROUBADOUR SHOW

Joseph Herney, '29, was elected director of the Troubadour show Wednesday night, and Reginald Statthope, '29, was elected assistant director. The minstrels will be presented Friday night, April 26, in the auditorium of Hawley Hall.

A list of candidates for the parts in the production was drawn up at the meeting. Tryouts will be next week.

HARTMANN ANNOUNCES COMMITTEE HELPERS

Shirley Hartmann, '29, president of Gamma Kappa Phi sorority, announces the following committees for Inter-sorority ball to be conducted May 3 in the Hotel Ten Eyck: favors, Beatrice McCarty, '30; arrangements, Esther de Heus, '30; music, Helen Davison, '30; decorations, Elsie Dutcher, '31; invitations, Emily Leek, '31; refreshments, Irma Howe, '30; taxis and flowers, Marie Hayko, '30; programs, Dorothy Thomas, '30.

HELPERS NAMED FOR "UNCHASTENED WOMAN"

Committees for the production of "The Unchastened Woman" by the advanced dramatics class were announced by Miss Agnes E. Futterer, instructor in English and director of dramatics, today. They are: setting, Mildred Peterson, '29, chairman, Marion Fox, '29; Margaret Cosgrove, '29; properties, Florence Gormley, '29, chairman, and Pauline Crowley, '29; advertising, Bettina Azzarito, '29, chairman, Henriette Francois, '29; Josephine Minazzo, '29.

Make-up and costumes, Gertrude L. Hall, '29, chairman and Marion Shon, '29; house, Eleanor Welch, '29, chairman, and Grace Mark, '29.

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