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## REQUEST LOAN OF \$700 TO PUBLISH BOOK OF VERSE

### NEW NUMERALS ARE CHOSEN BY GIRLS

#### G. A. A. Decides Upon System Which Differentiates Sport Award

G. A. A. Council acted Monday to change the form of numerals presented for excellence in sports as defined by the G. A. A. Constitution. Heretofore, the same size and type numerals were given for all phases of organized sports. In order to identify numeral awards, it was decided to accompany the numerals with a felt symbol of the sport represented. Basketball numerals will consist of felt numerals and a felt basketball symbol. Track will be represented by a winged foot; tennis by crossed rackets. Second and third places in the interclass gym meets will be represented by the numerals and the felt letters I. M., signifying Interclass Meet.

Plans for the vaudeville to be held March 19 were discussed and the following chairmen chosen: general Bertha Zajan; music, Dorothy Rabie; lights, Mildred Wilson; tickets and programs, Georgianna Maar; make-up, Helen Quakenbush; setting, Mildred Morse; stage manager, Helen Elliott; properties, Madeline Tietjen; costumes, Hilda Sarr; publicity, Kathleen Doughty; ushers, Alice Bingham.

### HALF CENTURY CLUB TO FURNISH PARLOR IN RESIDENCE HALL

Oliver B. Kipp, '76 president of the club, which includes only persons who have been graduated at least fifty years, received also a check for fifty dollars, the "oldest grad's" contribution to the club's projected memorial in the new girls' Residence Hall.

"I learn that the Half Century club is to furnish a parlor in the dormitory in memory of the 'old faculty,'" Mrs. Merrill wrote. "I am most heartily in accord with this object and gladly add my mite. Memory of those days when I sat a pupil under their instruction is very precious and their names are household words even till these late days. It will never be my privilege to see the result of their efforts, but I rejoice to feel sure it will stand to show future teachers that they are to be remembered by their pupils."

Mrs. Merrill was graduated with the class of 1852.

### George Kershaw Brings Suit Against Helyn Millett, Asking \$5000 And Costs For "Slandorous" Statements

George Kershaw, prominent young teacher of mathematics in the Milne High School, is bringing charges of slander and libel against Miss Helyn Millett, a fair young teacher of commercial geography in Milne High, in a case now being tried before Judge David Hutchinson.

Mr. Kershaw, in his complaint, alleges that the defendant has uttered defamatory statements which have lowered his rating as a teacher in the Milne High School and his high position among the students of State College. He furthermore claims that said slanderous statements will greatly lessen his chances of obtaining a job as a teacher, his chosen profession, for which he has diligently prepared himself during the past three years. These false statements, the plaintiff claims, have also lowered him in the estimation

of his many friends and acquaintances, and will greatly retard his advancement in the teaching profession in later years.

The plaintiff, in consideration of the above named reasons, and the injury to his character and reputation, asks judgment against the defendant for the sum of \$5,000 and costs.

Mr. Kershaw is represented in court by the firm of "Stevenson & Downing, Inc.," attorneys at law, and Millett is being defended by "Briggs & Landon, Inc.," attorneys at law.

Other principals in the case are Sheriff, Howard Goff; and clerks, Anne Steidinger, Alice Blair, and Edna Fitzpatrick.

A jury is being drawn to pass judgment on this case which is attracting great interest among the students of State College.

### RECENTLY ORGANIZED CAMPUS COUNCIL TO ENFORCE TRADITIONS

Campus council, the organization recently established by Myskonia for the enforcement of college traditions, made definite plans at a meeting Wednesday, as to the method of warning and treatment of all freshman violations of tradition.

Freshmen will be carefully watched by members of the council. Violations will be reported immediately and Myskonia, along with Campus council will proceed according to plans drawn up.

The council consists of the president, vice-president, and representative of each class, and of the officers of student association.

### "EAST TURNS WEST" TO BE PRESENTED BY Y. W.

The college "Y" will give a musical comedy, plans for which are nearly completed according to a statement of Bertha Zajan, general chairman. The following cast will present the musical comedy "East Turns West": Queen, Georgia DeMocker; Missionary, Helen Tompkins; Wife, Thelma Temple; Chinese students, Helen Klady, Madeline Tietjen, Ruth McNutt, Betty Strong, Hilda Sarr, Eleanor Welch, Mildred Lansley, Leola Sharkley, Evelyn Baile; College girls (American), Melanie Grant and Bertha Zajan.

Committees in charge: Bertha Zajan, general chairman, and advertising manager; state committee, props and set, Ethel DuBois and Georgianna Maar; costumes, Margaret Stoutenburg.

### VARSIETY HAS CHANCE TO PLAY WILLIAMS AND DARTMOUTH COLLEGES

Manager William J. Clarke announces that the basketball schedule is nearly complete. Williams college desired a game but the date offered could not be accepted, as it would be quite impossible to travel to Williams-town during the week. Dartmouth college also offered a date for a game to be played at Hanover, but the Y. W. bazaar and a game the following night in Albany prevents State's accepting the date.

Last Thursday evening the varsity squad met the fast Garnet team in a practice game at St. Joseph's. Coach Baker shifted his men frequently but failed to find a combination that suited. In spite of the shifting and experimenting a good showing against the former city champions was made. The varsity team will continue to practice against the Garnets.

The coaching of the freshmen basketball team has been taken over by coach Rutherford R. Baker. The purpose of the change was to bring the yearlings directly under the control of the athletic department, and to give Baker the opportunity to prepare the new men for the varsity this season or in the future.

Clarence Nephew, '28, will be assistant manager of the freshmen team to work under the direct supervision of Coach Baker.

State will open her basketball season with a game with Jamaica Teachers on Saturday, December 5, in the college gymnasium. Admission to the game can be secured on presentation of student tax tickets.

### KIRTLAND WILL EDIT ALL CONTRIBUTIONS

#### Profits From Venture To Be Added To Dormitory Building Fund

A loan of seven hundred dollars will be requested by a student committee at the first student assembly after Thanksgiving recess, to finance a book of State College Verse. The book, under the title "A Book of Student Verse," will be published during this college year under the editorship of Professor Richmond H. Kirtland. It will contain the best verse written at State College in the past fifteen years, including much that has never before been printed. Letters requesting unpublished verse are now being sent to all alumni who have had verse published in the Quarterly, or its predecessor, the Echo, during that time. Most of the material in the book is expected to be lyric.

"Other colleges have excelled us in dramatic and narrative verse," Professor Kirtland said, "but I gravely doubt if anywhere in the country a better grade of lyrics is produced."

The project of publishing this anthology was discussed last year in English 22, Professor R. H. Kirtland's course in modern poetry. After studying verse in past numbers of the Quarterly and Echo, the class decided in favor of the publication, and chose a committee on estimate of cost. This fall the committee and Professor Kirtland voted the Brandow Press publisher of the book, and enlarged its membership to cope with increased work. At present there are two committees, editorial and business. The editorial committee, which is headed by Professor Kirtland, will have charge of the selection of material. Professor Kirtland reserves the right of final decision in all cases. This committee consists of Sylvia Estabrook, '26, Mary Hitchcock, '26, Annie Koff, '26, Hertha Specht, '26, Margaret Knapp, '27, Kent Pease, '27, Harold Perry, '27, Grace Woodford, '28. The business committee, under the chairmanship of Sara Barkley, '27, consists of Anna Dayton, '26, Georgia DeMocker, '26, Mary Flanigan, '26, Harry Godfrey, '26, Olla Goewey, '26, Kenneth MacFarland, '26, Helen Quakenbush, '26, Eudora Lampman, '27, Harold Crouse, '28 and Morris Auerbach, '29.

The finance board at a recent meeting voted to recommend the loan to the student body. Any profits from the sale of the book will be given to the Dormitory fund.

Students who write verse are urged to submit their work to Professor Kirtland for consideration, and are assured of strict privacy in regard to it.

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### AIM OF CRITICISM

Criticism given in a spirit of helpfulness can work wonders; criticism given simply for the sake of criticising can do untold harm. The tendency to criticise is indeed a very human one; it gives a vent for our grudges, dislikes and disappointments; in this sense it is often given thoughtlessly and is frequently unmerited.

What are the real causes, the most common causes for criticism? One has already been given. On careful thought it may be we can agree that another is the presence of this same fault which we see in others in ourselves. To develop the habit of destructive criticism is to be avoided and its place to be taken by the habit of kind and friendly criticism given rather as an aid than as a hindrance and a destructive element.

With the giving of criticism should also go a spirit of willingness to receive in return. Let us try to believe, as often as it may be possible, that criticism has been given with the idea of helping us. If it was given otherwise, we have lost nothing by being unaware of the fact; we may even have gained something. If it was given in a true spirit of brotherhood much has, without doubt, been lost if we have let it go unheeded.

Let us then adopt the slogan that henceforth our criticism shall be helpful, that it shall be given in a spirit of kindness, and that we will keep our minds open to receive advice in return.

## ALUMNI QUARTERLY FOR NOVEMBER IN MAILS

The November issue of the Alumni Quarterly, a publication which reaches approximately one thousand alumni, is being sent out this week. The paper was established in 1919, and is published in July, November, January, and April of each year. The present staff consists of Mrs. Claude Bashford, '11, editor-in-chief, Marian Dodds, '16, Mary Grahn, '21, Eunice Meyers, '21, and Dorothy Feeney Ryder, '16, associate editors. The Quarterly contains a report of the Residence Hall campaign; faculty changes, notes about various members of the faculty, and accounts of important happenings in college, as well as alumni news, thus keeping alumni in touch with the college as well as with each other.

### ATTEND CONVENTION

State College, an institutional member of the association of colleges and preparatory schools of the middle Atlantic states and Maryland, will be represented by the faculty at the annual meeting to be held at Columbia University, November 27 and 28.

### "CRIME TO WASTE HALF HOURS," WRITER SAYS. SPEAKING OF CHAPEL

To the Editor of the State College News:

The new system of attendance at assembly is an indication of a distressing trend in State College. Only occasionally do we have anything worth listening to, and yet the edict has gone forth that attendance shall be compulsory for every person. Even the "good" assemblies are of interest only to a comparatively small number of people—they have an attraction for those taking home economics courses, for example, and for almost no one else in the college. For the rest, assemblies are a fearful waste of time.

Now business is most jealous of its time. The walls of a modern office are stuck full of signs to the discouragement of story-tellers and conversationalists. We, too, are as rushed probably as the average business man, yet time here seems to have no value from eleven to one on Fridays. Anywhere else it is a crime to waste the half-hours of a person, but increase this by eleven hundred and it becomes perfectly permissible, extend this extravagance through the years and it becomes a hallowed tradition, to be defended with life blood.

Perhaps we might be allowed a little mathematical indulgence. Proposition: to find the time actually wasted by college assembly attendance. Given: one half-hour waste per person, per week (we should say taken instead of given). This time, 1100, equals 550 hours wasted per week. Divide this by 56, the number of working hours in a week, and you have about 10 weeks, multiply by 40 and you have 400 weeks, divide by 52 and you have about 8 years. We may safely assume then that we pay for a year of college assembly by eight years of time from the college as a whole. Economy is an interesting study.

If the faculty only realized what they missed by not being included in the compulsion of attendance. . . . May we suggest that for the good of their souls they, too, be subjected to this form of salvation. Let us request that the faculty be required to attend assembly—and we would soon have it a thing for history and reminiscence.

'27.

## I BELIEVE IN HOBBIES

THE NEWS' SIGNED ARTICLE BY A FACULTY MEMBER IS CONTRIBUTED THIS WEEK BY

PROFESSOR R. H. KIRTLAND

I have been called into this court to explain what right any man has to own and operate six hobbies at once. Not guilty, your honor. Not six at once, but one at a time, to a total of six, without losing interest in any found worth while. New friends do not break one's loyalty to the old; we do not forget arbutus or roses because chrysanthemums are here; and fifty years make a long span, when one looks back; there has been time for more than one conversion to work its way toward practice.

I am sorry to admit that I haven't fired a rifle this year, nor gathered a mushroom, nor caught a bass; maybe there will be another year; and anyway, I'm glad I know how to do those things. But I have taken trout; I have camped on the northern coast of Maine; I have sung a few songs; and am once more dabbling in o's. These things are no part of my vocation; but they and my vocation are so luckily chosen that each of them re-enforces the other.

Of course, if one doesn't believe in breadth of interest rules for acquiring breadth are wide of the mark. But assuming that a well-chosen hobby is a means of culture, prescriptions may have value. Here are a few rules for the personal conduct of hobbyists.

1. After an honest day's work, there is still time for other things worth while; and it pays to give both interests their due.
2. Adopt no hobby which is thin in personal benefit. Cameras are enormously richer than postage stamps; radio surpasses coin collecting; chess is a better game than solitaire.
3. When one hobby begins to wear thin, either in satisfaction or in cultural value, it's time to annex another. Some last much longer than others. A few are perennial.
4. One who dawdles at his work will have no time for worth while play.
5. At its best, friendship is glorious, but idle chatter is only a dissipation of energy and time.
6. There are social demands which are best met with a courteous no.
7. Young people can afford to be patient, with life all ahead.

### PICTURE OF DR. MILNE

#### SUGGESTED FOR HALL

I wonder if many of the students ever glance at the pictures in the main hall of the College. There is the inspiring 'Sistine Madonna, the goddess Selene, moon goddess, of many myths and legends; the bronze doors of the Baptistry at Florence by Lorenzo Ghiberto; the twisted columns of the cloister at St. John Laterano, one of the old churches in Rome. Does anyone stop to think that Michael Angelo said the bronze doors of the Baptistry were beautiful enough to be the gates of Paradise; or does anyone ever examine the perfect, intricate workmanship of the twisted columns?

Surely, it would be a good custom to secure one worth while picture each year. No one doubts but that good pictures add to the atmosphere of a college.

What picture would we choose? I often feel that people are foolishly shy of putting up pictures of eminent individuals who have done something of merit in this world. We seldom see the famous Stuart portrait of George Washington. One can glean a great deal from the countenance of Washington; courage and great unselfishness.

Every student of State College has heard of Dr. William Milne, one time president of the College. His name is spoken with the greatest respect and affection. To this man we are dedicating our new building. Yet I have never seen the picture of Dr. Milne. It seems as though it would be a source of inspiration to every State College student.

"Out of sight, out of mind," is an old saying. Let us attempt to keep in sight those from whom we can gain courage to "carry on."

L. D. G., '27.

### DR. BRUBACHER URGES GREATER INITIATIVE ON PART OF TEACHERS

Greater leeway for the development of initiative and individuality on the part of inexperienced school teachers was urged by President A. R. Brubacher, addressing the second session of the New York state association of district superintendents in the assembly chamber last week.

Success of new teachers, Dr. Brubacher declared, depends among other factors, upon congenial working conditions, confidence, and definite knowledge of what is expected of them. To make this success possible, petty jealousies among teachers must be eliminated, he said.

"I believe the cause of many failures on the part of teachers is not due to lack of knowledge but to a lack of confidence. This may be due to slights by other teachers. You know the amount of fault finding that goes on in the schools. It is your privilege and duty to discover that situation and remedy it."

Dr. Brubacher also declared that "people hold teachers at arms' length socially and you must break down that barrier."

Superintendents, he said, must assist teachers in maintaining discipline.

"If discipline goes wrong," he said, "teachers will get an inferiority complex."

Another duty of superintendents, he declared, is to make the teachers' working and living conditions as good as possible.

"There may be a rasping principle whose discipline is difficult," he said. "Let disagreeable conditions accumulate and the probability is that at the end of the first month the teacher already has failed. It is a duty to see that the teachers' living conditions are at least tolerable and that they live in such a way that they may keep in touch with the community."



## MANNERS, NOT MORALS, CHANGE WITH DECADES, DEAN PIERCE BELIEVES

The evolution of Miss America in the last forty years has been one of manners not morals. That is the gist of the opinion of Miss Anna E. Pierce, dean of women.

"Their joys, their aspirations, their hopes, all are the same," says Miss Pierce. "Only their mode of expression has changed within four decades which have vitally changed modes of living of all people."

And Miss Pierce knows whereof she speaks. She has been a college girl herself, then preceptress in a girls' prep school and for forty years a faculty member at State College. Since 1905 she has been dean of women, in intimate personal relationship with thousands of college girls.

"The girl of the '80's had less knowledge of the world and consequently fewer safeguards," Dean Pierce believes. "She was a more conventional miss, judged by the standards of the present day, but measured by those of her own day she often found censure from older people. It is the age-old struggle between youth and maturity. Youth thinks its elders 'old fogies' while older people bewail the foibles of adolescence."

"In her relations with men, I think the nineteenth century girl was more reserved than her 1925 sister. If her personality was less aggressive, it was because living conditions made it so. Underneath she was just as socially-minded, she wanted to marry and to have a home of her own. She led a more restricted life and her successor has gradually rebelled against those restrictions until today she has verged near the edge of license in search for expression of her new-found freedom. But the pendulum will swing back, as it always does, I think, and we will find that young womanhood has been bettered by the change."

"Mothers and daughters, it seems to me, were better acquainted forty years ago, though perhaps the gap in mutual understanding was as great as now. Miss 1880 was less perfect physically. She and her parents alike frowned upon athletics except for brothers as something unbecoming and verging upon the shocking. Knickerbockers for women would have been unthinkable. Even twelve years ago we wouldn't have allowed a State College girl to wear them in these halls. Instead she wore a rather silly costume with balloon-like sleeves and skirts trailing the streets. If she rode her back, she rode side-saddle and her riding habit was tent-like. A girl astride a horse would have been considered too 'mannish' to be countenanced."

"Sororities, as such, were little in evidence then. Instead, what were called 'literary societies' but which amounted to about the same thing as sororities existed."

"The oft-lamented lapse in interest in religion in the modern girl as compared with that of her mother in girlhood seems to be unfounded. 1880 was no more religious than 1925. Perhaps she was less so. Probably 1880 was more conventional in her religion and received religious teachings with more seriousness and accepted beliefs more upon the basis of authority. 1925 tends to work out her own religion and philosophy and to seek her own way of expressing her religion. I believe the church must awaken and accept this as a fact and adopt methods of treating with its younger members which will enlarge and enhance and enrich their religious life."

"Miss Nineteenth Century found her professors kept a close control over her acts. Student government as it exists

## COMSTOCK REELECTED, REMAINING YOUNGEST JUSTICE IN NEW YORK

"The youngest justice of the peace in the state," William J. Comstock, Jr., 28, of Glenmont, is back in office for four years more, as a result of a sweeping victory in the election Tuesday in the town of Bethlehem.

Chosen justice of the peace when he had passed his twenty-first birthday anniversary, and was just old enough to be eligible for the office, Comstock ran up the second highest majority in the town elections, defeating his opponent by 1,105 votes.

Comstock is a sophomore and two years ago was president of the present junior class. Last year he taught in a school at Bethlehem Center. He was chosen justice about eighteen months ago to fill an unexpired term. Tuesday, he ran for office "on his own."

## CHORUS HAS HOLIDAY, BECAUSE OF WEDDING

Delays in weddings are serious matters, but the college chorus had never entertained the idea that it was so important as a barrier to the wedlock. The Wednesday class was "tick ticking" on "The Two Clocks" in Mr. Candylin's absence, when he burst into the room, returned from an emergency phone call. "Enough," he interrupted, calling for silence, "a couple down at church are waiting for me to play their wedding march, which I had completely forgotten about." The class, dismissed, left the room—in tears.

## CLASSICAL CLUB INITIATES

Classical club put twenty-nine Neopytes through their stunts Wednesday. The initiation party was under direction of Helen Vitz. The initiates were divided into four groups, each under a captain. The group led by Holly Sauter gave in pantomime, "Pyramus and Thisbe." The difficulty of traveling the road to Classical club, which road leads over the river Styx through Hades, under the leadership of Anchises was portrayed by Genevieve Barrett and her helpers. Dorothy Rabie conducted a game of Authors, on the cards of which were printed the principal parts of the Latin verbs, which the players tried to guess. Rosina Holmes' group conducted a Latin class, the trot, declensions and verbs being personified. Ice cream and cake were served.

today was lacking then. College officials had not yet realized that youth must be trained by doing. And all along the line, 1880 found less of the freedom which now seems to be going to the heads of its new possessors. The year 1950 should find the excesses of that new freedom nearer elimination, if something besides talk is done. 1950 should find standards much better than those either of 1880 or 1925, because they will be the product of the good in both those periods, a combination of the standards of 1880 and the freedom of 1925.

"In one thing girls' interest today has not changed a whit. That is their interest in men. It is a normal, natural, much-to-be-desired interest, and it is perennial. Clothes and manners have changed. Friendship remains the same.

## ADVANCE NEEDED IN TEACHING PROFESSION

A distinct advance in the general and in the professional requirements for teachers is President A. R. Brubacher's answer to the question "What Next?" as it applies to education. President Brubacher in an article in the State Teachers magazine, edited by former Dean Harlan H. Horner, joins with other educators in giving his ideas of what improvement and development should come as the next step in New York education.

Dr. Brubacher wrote: We should covet for the teaching profession at least as much as law and medicine have achieved—a professional and technical training above the general or academic or liberal education. The ideal for law and medicine is the four years college course followed by four years of professional and technical training. In contrast with this, the teaching profession is content with much less. Elementary teachers generally end their general education with the high school

## FORMER STUDENT HERE ELECTED BANK CASHIER

Twenty-three years old and treasurer of one of Albany's largest banks. That is the record of Ralph Bult of Brookview, former State College student, five years in the banking business, elected treasurer of the National Savings bank.

Bult's election by the board of trustees was announced today by Frederic B. Stevens, president, into whose former position as treasurer the young man now steps.

Bult's story has been one of the country lad, brought up on a farm, who has come to the city and made his mark—a typical Horatio Alger story in real life. Born at Slingerlands, he has spent all his life near Albany, attending district schools, for two years studying in State College. Three years ago his father died, and since that time Bult has supported a sister and two brothers, all younger than himself, and his mother.

## PLAN NIGHT CLASS IN RADIO NEXT SEMESTER

Dr. Clarence F. Hale of the Physics department has announced that night classes in radio will be held this year as usual. These classes will be open both to college students and outsiders. The course will include a study of the history and development of the radio and a careful analysis of its construction and practice in its use. The classes will not be started before the second semester. Until that time, the radio will be used merely as one of the pieces of apparatus incidental to the Physics course. The most interesting of the things received so far has been the reports of the World Series.

## PEDE BOARD REQUESTS MORE SNAPSHOTS AND JOKES FROM STUDENTS

The Editor-in-Chief of the Pedagogue, Minnie Greenaway, recently stated that the work on the book is progressing very well. There is a little trouble over the senior photographs, due to a misunderstanding. The contract this year was awarded to Lorey's. Some of the seniors have been going to Obenaus, where the work was formerly done. It is again emphasized that they go to Lorey's to have their agency pictures taken, or the contract will be broken. The individual senior pictures must be completed by the fifteenth of November. Senior data was to be in November 6.

The Art department is working on various and intricate designs, different from those used before. The Snapshot department is still canvassing for snapshots of college events and also of sorority girls.

The Literary department is working on the senior write-ups. The way in which this is to be done is a secret.

The Photograph committee is still taking subscriptions for pictures. The Joke department urges the students to assist them by handing in new, original jokes.

There are few changes made this year. The book itself is to be about the same size and shape, but more pages will be added. The Art department is creating new designs to be used, and the faculty write-ups will be changed.

Several surprises are planned, but they will be kept secret until the "Ped" is issued.

Instead of the former group pictures of the various clubs and organizations, it has been decided this year to use only the pictures of the officers. The presidents of the organizations have been urged to report their decisions on this matter to the Editor-in-Chief.

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## DEAN METZLER WRITES FOR MATH PUBLICATION

Dean William H. Metzler has published in the "Annals of Mathematics" for March, 1925, an article on "Some Relations Between Compound Determinants." The "Proceedings of the Edinburgh Mathematical Society" for 1924-1925, printed "A Generalization and Simple Proof of Kronecker's Theorem Concerning the Minors of a Compound Determinant," also by Dr. Metzler.

### LAW SCHOOL BUYS SITE

The old Banks property at 320, 322 and 324 State street has been bought by the Albany Law school, of Union university.

The Law school has been debating a site for its new buildings for several years but objections by a neighboring institution to the school's location in the plot first chosen held the matter up.

The site purchased is located between Dove and Lark streets.



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### 1929 HAS MANY BABIES

The title of freshman "baby" is claimed this year for Elsie Sara Hutelinson, '29, fifteen years old, college records reveal. She was born May 10, 1910, thus defeating Henrietta Gastwirth, '29, whose birthday was February of the same year. Mary E. Black is just five months older than the very youngest "Baby." The average of those in the class of '29 is eighteen years.

The baby of the sophomore class is Kathryn E. Skinner, sixteen, whose birthday was in April, 1909. Mary Judith Langdon almost got the honors, because her birthday is in February.

Evelyn Agnes Deck is the first in the field of the class of '27. She is almost eighteen, having been born December 26, 1907. Zuella Genevieve Butler runs her a close second, being three months older.

The senior class puts forth Georgia Allan DeMocker, who was eighteen last March. Helen Louise Barclay was nineteen this month.

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## HOME EC INSTRUCTOR TALKS ON DRESSES

If girls would charm with the beauty of their gowns, their "chie" and their "swank," let them observe these laws, is advice of Miss Anna Randolph Keim, assistant professor of home economics:

Don't wear scarlet, cerise or flaming orange when entertaining in miniature salons.

Don't buy in a hurry.

Don't make your waists so low when your skirts are so high.

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