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JUNIORS, FRESHMEN TO CRUISE TONIGHT

Students Will Wear Foreign Costumes In World Cruise Party

GRAHAM IS CHAIRMAN

Cook Is Scheduled To Sing; Shultes To Appear In Sword Dance

The junior-freshman party at 8:00 o'clock tonight in the gymnasium will be a round the world cruise. Katherine Graham, '30, chairman of the affair, has announced.

"All freshmen and juniors are requested to come dressed as an inhabitant of a country one might visit on such a cruise," Miss Graham said.

Virginia Shultes, '30, is chairman of the music committee. Audrey Sullivan, '32, and Isabelle Peard, '32, are on Miss Shultes' committee.

The other committees are: decorations, Ethel Grundhofer, '30 chairman; Mildred K. Cook, '30; Catherine R. Norris, '31; Margaret Wadsworth, '30; Ruth Ballagh, '30; Marcia Gardner, '30.

Advertising, Betty Harris, '30, chairman; Ann Williams, '30; Katherine Broderick, '31; Jean Knapp, '32; Lena Reiger, '30, and Idella Eisman, '30. Entertainment, Betty Diamond, '30, chairman; refreshments, Alice Benoit, '30, chairman.

Singing, dancing and unique refreshments will all have a part on the evening's program, Miss Graham said.

Plan Costume Dance

The following girls will take part in a series of costumed dances: Irish, Ada Simmons, '30, and Cornelia Van Kleeck, '30; Scotch, Marilla Smith, '30; Dorr-Williams, '30, and Virginia Shultes, '30; Turkish, Eunice Gilbert, '30, and Mildred Contant, '30; Spanish, Louise E. Frask, '30, and Ann Moore, '30; Chinese, Helen Mead, '32; Jeanette Harrison, '30, and Margaret Northing, '32; Dutch, Esther Waters, '30; Ethel Grundhofer, '30; Elva Nealon, '32, and Ruth Ibbotson, '32; Collegiana, Margaret Sherman, '32; Isabelle Peard, '32; Alice Benoit, '30; Frances Simmons, '32; Dorothy Allen, '32; Ruby Diamond, '32; Virginia Shultes, '30; Russian, Alice Walsh, '30.

Miss Shultes will dance a sword dance in a solo number and Miss Cook will sing several songs.

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WATSON TO LECTURE ON BLOCK PRINTING WEDNESDAY EVENING

Ernest Watson, of Brooklyn, instructor in drawing and design at Pratt Institute, will demonstrate the making of block prints in color Wednesday night under the auspices of the Dramatic and Art Council.

The lecture, which will be given at eight o'clock in the auditorium, will include the progressive steps in block printing from the making of "rough pull" prints to the more complicated picture, which involve several block and a greater number of colors.

Admission will be free. After the lecture Mr. Watson will explain in detail further to those who are especially interested. His prints are on exhibition in the rotunda of Draper hall. According to Miss Eunice A. Perrine, instructor in fine arts, they are one of the most unique and attractive exhibitions of wood block printing in America, and have been exhibited extensively in the west as well as at the Metropolitan and other museums in New York city.

Mr. Watson is considered one of the foremost American artists in block printing. He has developed a method peculiarly his own, differing in important details from the Japanese method. Mr. Watson is also an artist and several of the prints on exhibition are his.

Plan Party Tonight



TOP MISS ETHEL GRUNDHOEFER. BOTTOM: MISS KATHERINE GRAHAM

Courtesy Albany Evening News
Katherine Graham, '30, is general chairman of the junior-freshman party, and Ethel Grundhofer, '30, is in charge of decorations.

FRESHMEN NOMINATE MANY FOR OFFICERS

Five girls and two men were nominated for president by the freshman class at its first meeting in Hawley Hall under the direction of Caroline Schleich, '29, and Betty Eason, '29, class guardians.

The class nominated nine candidates for president, 13 for reporter, seven for athletic manager, four for boys' athletic manager, four for song leader and four for cheer leader. Elections will be held in the auditorium, Monday, October 15, at 11:15 o'clock.

Helen Kono, Dorothy McGinnis, Annette Lewis, Catherine Riegel, Walter Anderson and George P. Rice are the candidates for president.

Nominations for the other offices are: for vice president, Catherine Riegel, Dorothy Shapiro, Annie Dorgan, Mary Alexander, Frances Keller, Marian Van Horn, Elizabeth Appleton, Doris Dunne and Ernest Booth; for secretary, Marian Nelson, Stella Pankoski, Margaret Ibbotson, Grace Dee, Anne Nesbit, Mary Fortune, Doris Dunne, Catharine Taylor, Muriel Smith, Dorothy Hall, Violet Simmons, and Rita Box; for treasurer, Curtis Rutenber, John Dechant, Josephine Wilson, Elva Nealon, Dorothy Hall, Robert Goodrich, Margaret Ferguson, Audrey Sullivan and Louise Merritt; for reporter, Madeline Hamilton, Sylvia Kessler, George P. Rice, Ethel Grundhofer, Edward Merry, Sara Barry, Ellis Kolodny, Samuel Dechant and Miss Stracher; for song leader, Anna Lee and Anna Laffan; for athletic manager, Ayneth Van Eaton, Margaret S. Johnson, Frances Maloney, Josephine Wilson, Madeline Green, Rebecca Hays, Anna Roster, and Evelyn Pitt; for boys' athletic manager, Kenneth Miller, Robert Rankins, John Dechant and Miss Stracher; for song leader, Sylvia Kono, John Dechant, Helen Burcher and Muriel Smith; for cheer leader, George P. Rice, Elizabeth Jackson, Alice Stevens and Edward Merry.

ASSEMBLIES PROGRAM
The student budget for 1928-29 will be submitted to the student association in two assemblies today. Attendance will be compulsory. Student directory information cards will be distributed.

COLLEGE MAY HAVE STRING GROUP HERE

Dr. Candlyn May Form Student Quartet To Take Place Of Orchestra

ORCHESTRA MOVE FAILS

Students Must Hand In Words For Song Contest By October 15

A string quartet may be organized for students who are interested in music, Dr. T. Frederick H. Candlyn, instructor in music, said this week.

Dr. Candlyn hopes to divert into the quartet the interest manifested last week in the organization of a symphony orchestra.

Not sufficient students interested in organizing an orchestra attended the meeting Monday to discuss the problem, Dr. Candlyn said.

Only nine instruments would be available for a symphony orchestra, a count shows. These include two pianos, two violins, three clarinets, trombone and a cello.

A further attempt will be made by Marion Conklin, '29, president of the Music Association, to enroll other students who would be interested in a symphony orchestra. A list will be posted this week for them to enroll, she said.

The move for an orchestra is the outcome of a communication published in the NEWS two weeks ago, in which a junior urged the advisability of a symphony orchestra here. Dr. Candlyn was last week quoted as prophesying that the orchestra is "gone for good."

October 15 is the last day for the submission of prize words for the contest music council is sponsoring in connection with the new State College songbook. Miss Conklin said today. The winner of the \$5 prize will be announced the following Friday, she said.

The new songbook will also include alma maters of other colleges, sorority songs, and standard sacred and popular songs.

NEW SORORITY ELECTS KRUGER AS PRESIDENT

Formation of a new sorority was announced today by a group of students. It will be known as Sigma Alpha.

Charlotte Kruger, '29, will be president. Other officers are: secretary, Dorothy M. Boehmer, '29; treasurer, Pauline Bader, '31.

The charter members announced today by Miss Boehmer are: Alice Browning, '28; Anita Kellum, '28; Florence Braman, '29; Dorothy M. Boehmer, '29; Charlotte A. Kruger, '29; Pauline Bader, '31, and Therese M. Bedell, '31.

Sigma Alpha is the outgrowth of a society organized by the charter members last year. It obtained informal recognition from President A. R. Bruhachier last spring.

STUDENT TAX TO SOAR TO \$13 IF BUDGET IS PASSED TODAY

Proposed Budget Calls For \$2,000 More Than Last Year's Items; Dramatic And Art Association Demands \$200 Increase Outlay For Athletic Team Jumps To \$3,200

The student tax this year will jump from eleven to thirteen dollars per capita, if the proposed student association budget is adopted, the student board of finance announced today.

The proposed budget calls for an outlay of nearly \$2,000 more than that expended last year, the board declared.

The Dramatic and Art association demands an increase of \$200. It was last year granted an additional \$150 above the appropriation for the preceding year.

FACULTY WILL ATTEND CONVOCATION OCT. 18

The annual convocation of the University of the State of New York, of which State College is a unit, will be Thursday and Friday, October 18 and 19.

"College classes will continue as usual during the convocation," Dean William H. Metzler, said today. Many of the college faculty are expected to attend sessions of the convocation during their free periods, according to Dr. Metzler.

The general theme of the convocation is "Education Research." Thursday afternoon, Dr. Richard E. Sykes, president of St. Lawrence University, will preside, and the theme will be "The Value of Research." Dr. B. R. Breckingham, professor in the graduate school of education of Harvard University, will speak on "Philosophy and Organization of Research." Dr. Frederick Keppel, president of the Carnegie Corporation, will speak on "Measuring the Effects of Surveys."

Friday morning, the specific theme will be "Research in Industry and Business." Dr. Charles Wesley Flint, president of Syracuse University, will preside. The speakers and their topics will be: Dr. Owen D. Young, chairman of the board, General Electric Company, "The Contribution of Research to Industry" and Edward A. Filene, president of William Filene's Sons, Boston, "The Contributions of Research to Business."

Friday afternoon the theme will be "Curriculum Research." Frederick B. Robinson, president of the College of the City of New York, will preside. Dr. Warren Wallace Charters, professor of education of the University of Chicago, will speak on "The Use of Activity Analysis in Curriculum Construction" and Dr. Edward Lee Thorndyke, professor of educational psychology, Teachers College, Columbia University, will speak on "The Future of Curriculum Research."

The Scholastic and Troy high school orchestras and the chorus of the State Normal School of Potsdam will furnish music at all sessions.

Men's basketball has requested an additional \$200; men's baseball an additional \$150; and Myskania requests an additional \$97 over its last year's allowance.

Minor sports ask for an additional \$100. This will make the total outlay for athletics \$3,200, if demands are approved in assemblies today.

Two new items, which will increase the budget nearly \$1000, will be presented. These are the State Lion and membership in the National Student Federation association.

Requests of the Lion for support from the student association were granted in assemblies last Friday. Emanuel Green, '30, who represented State College at the national college meeting in Lincoln, Nebraska, last year was instrumental in securing student support for this project last spring.

The infirmity fund will ask for an additional \$200, which will bring the total to the amount granted two years ago. Its appropriation was decreased last year.

Handbook Price Advances
Nearly forty dollars additional will be needed to pay for extras printed in the freshman handbook this year. It will need \$432.26 to meet the expenses incurred by the editors. The handbook last year was granted \$393.13.

Professor Clarence A. Hildley, faculty treasurer of the student board of finance, strongly recommends to the student association that the surplus of \$807.94 remaining from last year should be kept in reserve and not used to lower the student tax.

The budget was submitted to the student board of finance by heads of organizations. The board is: G. LaVerne Carr and Ruth Wheelock, seniors; Kathryn Watkins and Frederick W. Crumb, juniors; Norman Collins, sophomore. The faculty members are Professor Hildley and Professor George M. York, head of the commerce department.

Plan More Artists

The Dramatic and Art association has asked for its increase to permit the bringing to Albany of two artists, Ernest Watson and Mr. Allbright; a playwright, Michael Strange, divorcee of John Barrymore; an English actor, Cyril Maude. It is understood that \$800 will be paid for one of these lecturers.

Other reasons advanced by Gertrude Hall, '29, president of the Dramatic and Art association, for an increased budget include the association's assuming financial responsibility for two sets of plays to be given by the elementary dramatics classes and the play to be given by the advanced dramatics class.

Myskania has asked for an increase over last year's allowance to permit it to pay certain bills incurred by last year's Myskania. These were not paid last year, because the society's reduced allowance would not stretch to meet its needs, a member declared today.

More For Men's Athletics

The increase in the budgets for athletics will be used to expand the schedules. One or two additional basketball games and further development in men's tennis, men's cross country and men's swimming are projected by the men's athletic council, according to Dr. Carleton E. Power, assistant professor of physics and member of the council.

KEEP THE TAX DOWN!

AN EDITORIAL—

Members of the student association today face one of the greatest problems of the year. In voting upon the student budget today in assemblies, great care should be taken to avoid useless appropriation and unlimited expense.

The Lion will also come in for a share of money this year. This alone means the increasing of the student tax at least seventy-five cents per capita. *Should this not be enough of an increase in one year?*

It is, we believe, a sound economic maxim that the higher the price of a commodity advances, the fewer will the number of purchasers be. The finance board could tell students that it is now difficult to get eleven dollars from certain students. Will it not be far more difficult to wheedle them into paying an extra two or three dollars?

And if the number of non-payers is increased, the cut in the budgets of each organization will be greater. *This means that legitimate activities which have not asked for additional appropriations must pay for the increases to those that do.* Students should remember this.

The time has come, we believe, for a return to normalcy; for a return to sound finances, and limitation of expenditures.

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'32 SHOULD NOT BE RUBBER STAMPS

The freshman class has not made a good entrance into student government at State College. The class certainly did not bring any credit upon either its intelligence or plain common sense when it voted unanimously to place the State Lion under the student association budget, in assembly last Friday.

We venture to say that at least half the class did not know what it was voting upon. And not a tenth of the remaining half stopped to consider that their votes would increase their student tax seventy-five cents per capita.

It would, we admit, take a courageous freshman to question the advisability of a measure that had apparently been approved almost unanimously by the sophomores and upperclassmen in a previous assembly. It would, indeed, take a courageous freshman to question the motion put by a member of Myskania and seconded by another member of the same organization. Perhaps the freshmen did not realize that the maker of the motion was editor in chief of the magazine to benefit by the vote, and that the seconder was art editor of the same publication. Perhaps the freshmen did not discern the very visible aspect of railroading.

Today the freshmen will have another vote put to them. It will concern their finances more than the business transacted last week. The freshmen should ask the value of what they are buying; for they will most certainly pay for their deeds. And they will pay in solid cash.

The freshman assembly should not merely become a rubber stamp for the first assembly. The class should learn to discriminate between what is good and what is not good. It should learn to think.

The freshmen are full members of the student association. They should not fear to speak. They should not "bite" at any proposition brought before them. They must not become rubber stamps.

ABOLISH PERNICIOUS "GET WISE"

With the injury of a freshman girl at the "get wise" party Friday night, the time has come to abolish that function from the list of activities at State College. It is a survival of the hazing practices characteristic of American educational institutions of old, but colleges are getting away from such horse play between classes.

State College has progressed along the road to abolition of the function, by lightening the penalties upon the freshman year. The time of searing the freshmen is past. They know they need not fear any harm. But the chance remains for some over enthusiastic sophomore to wreak personal vengeance upon a freshman, and perhaps bring about an injury that the sophomores must deplore.

Myskania two weeks ago announced the abolition of the post-exam jubilee. This was merely an outward function, harmless as a patsy blossom. Myskania will render a far greater service to the College by banishing a pernicious and dangerous activity from the list of events in interclass rivalry.

The time has come when the "get wise" party must be abolished. As long as the function exists under its present name and tradition, a chance remains for serious consequences. This evil influence should be removed from State College.

MERITOUS SERVICES RECOGNIZED

Alpha Phi Gamma last week conferred a signal honor upon ten student journalists of State College by bidding them to become members of the organization. The bids were issued in recognition of meritorious service to a publication. By recognizing talent and effort of those connected with publications here, Alpha Phi Gamma shows justification for its existence as a campus organization. With the initiation of these ten students into full membership, it may be reasonably expected that the fraternity will be able to prove of greater value to the four publications from which it draws its members.

WELCOME TO SIGMA ALPHA

The News welcomes the organization of another sorority upon the campus. The News believes that any group of students have a right to band together for social purposes. The News believes they will enjoy their college careers better when associated with congenial companions.

Old established organizations may feel differently about the creation of new sororities at State College. But the News believes that colleges should not set up a caste system of Greek letter societies. This is particularly true of a state institution. Any person who feels the need of sorority life should be afforded the opportunity to enjoy it.

The News bids Sigma Alpha a hearty welcome. With its organization come responsibilities to the college as well as chance of getting more out of life here.

THIRTEEN YEARS LATER

"To make each faction in our student organization know and appreciate all others, to uphold the maintenance of fraternal regard and friendly rivalry among all, to work for co-operation among all sections and for the solidification of now separately wasted energies in the promotion of a real, distinct, and enthusiastic spirit of loyalty to State College."

With this aim, the STATE COLLEGE NEWS thirteen years ago stood before the student body in its swaddling clout. Since that time, the NEWS has grown through nearly all the ailments of childhood, until today it stands facing its adolescence. But through all the years that are past, the NEWS has not lost sight of its first aim.

Today, as we approach the thirteenth birthday of this publication, we reaffirm the first declaration of purpose of this newspaper.

Changing times, necessarily, have brought with them different points of view and different interpretations. Change in point of view is necessary to avoid stagnation. With fresh blood each year, and with no hereditary bureaucracy, the STATE COLLEGE NEWS has avoided many of the pitfalls of extreme conservatism. By putting before the student association new points of view from time to time, the NEWS has continued in its policy of working for the best interests of State College.

"In its news policy, the paper will continue to relate College affairs without prejudice or favor, in accordance with the best standards of journalistic method attainable by its staff. Promptness, accuracy and fairness will be, as always, the newspaper's ideals. Correct evaluation and proportionment of material will be attempted." That was the amplification of policy set forth two years ago. The present editors reaffirm this amplification.

In entering adolescence, the NEWS looks forward to its thirteenth year, eager to be of service in carrying out its prime ideals. The NEWS continues to aim toward all that is best for the College and its student body.

GENERAL GATES AS AESOP'S FROG; ASYLUM SCENE IN "CHILDERMASS"

By W.M.F.

The Turning Point of the Revolution. By Hoffman Nickerson. 500 pages. \$6. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company.

The sesquicentennial celebration of Burgoyne's campaign in this state last year afforded an excellent opportunity for a new deluge of books concerning the battles which constituted the turning point of the American revolution. One of the latest of these is Nickerson's *The Turning Point of the Revolution*. It is also one of the most complete and readable. While the author gives a great share of the text to the actual manoeuvres of the campaign, he does not neglect the international significance of the whole movement. In the chapter, "France Comes In", he treats extensively of influence of the American victory upon the French foreign policy, with the resultant steps that changed the struggling nation from de facto to de jure status.

A valuable hors d'oeuvres is furnished in the summaries of after lives of the prominent leaders at the battle of Saratoga. The author dips into the scandal of Burgoyne's private life, and his unhappy years in trying to justify his military blunders in America; he shows Schuyler, who "alone was both distinguished and fortunate in later life"; Arnold, who was smothered under the very royal nose of George the Third; Gates, "a mean, base fellow" whose conceit recalls to the author "Aesop's frog who tried to swell himself up to the size of a bull".

The swarming of American revolutionary militia marks a turning point in world history, in foreshadowing the great conscript armies of the present democratic period, the author believes. He looks upon Saratoga as the place where "the new forces still active in Christendom began definitely to triumph".

The general points of view are those adopted by the well known historians of the recent years. The author scores Germane as a pleasure seeking blunderer and depicts the huge loans and gifts by France to the Americans as an important contributing factor to the revolution against Louis XVI.

Our Relations to the Nations of the Western Hemisphere. By Charles Evans Hughes. 123 pages. \$1.75. Princeton University Press.

This book summarizes the opinions of Charles Evans Hughes, who has long been secretary of state, in regards to the relations of the United States with the Latin American relative and Canada. The subject matter was used by Mr. Hughes in the Stafford Little lectures at Princeton University. The reprinting of his lectures brings to the student and ordinary citizen a comprehensive yet condensed account of Mr. Hughes' point of view toward South and Central America, as well as Mexico and Canada.

Among the topics covered are: the recognition policy of the United States toward governments resulting from a revolution; the furnishing of arms; loans and investments; and the policy of the state department toward such loans; financial advisers; intervention for protection of life and property; conciliation and peace movements. Canada comes in for her share of treatment, though it is necessarily brief.

"Pan Americanism rests on the solid fact of our neighborhood and intercourse," Mr. Hughes writes. "It is not simply for our generation, but for all time." No mere barrier of race or language can stand in the way of unity of spirit and purpose, that we find in large measure the hope for the future of the American nation.

The Childermass. By Wynham Lewis. 322 pages. \$4 New York: Covici-Friede.

For those new-fangled slingers of the English language who like to gush forth words and call them poetry, Mr. Lewis' book will be a veritable treasure trove of inspiration. But for the ordinary mortal, who wants words put together into a coherent thought, this book will be a swarm of confusion and illiterate jargon.

He seeks to portray a scene outside the gate of heaven. The general impression he creates is a scene inside the gates of an insane asylum. Mr. Lewis is either a thousand years behind time, or a thousand years ahead of time. Some folks may consider it the thing to do, but we dare say that not many will hail this product of hypervocubularia as a discovery. The seeker after delirium tremens will find it here, without the expensive luxury of hiring a boot-legger.

Accelerated Students Likely To Hold Scholarships, Dr. Beik Finds In Study Of School Progress Records

Students at State College who have been accelerated in elementary schools are more likely to hold state university scholarships than are their classmates who passed through the grades in a normal period of years. Dr. A. R. Beik points out this discovery in an article on the relation of class room success of pupils in college preparatory courses of high schools to their rate of progress in elementary schools.

The article, which was published in the August number of the *Journal of Applied Psychology*, is the result of Dr. Beik's study of pupils in the Milne High School and State College.

"It is the children who have failed and dropped back somewhere in the elementary school who are lowest in scholarship during the first year of high school, who fail or drop subjects most often, and who seldom find their way into college," Dr. Beik declares. "On the other hand it is the successfully accelerated children who rank in the higher scholarship levels in the first year of their high school work, who fail least often, who seldom drop subjects because of lack of ability, who tend to be in the majority of those accepted for entrance to college, and who, on going to college, carry with them the highest per cent of New York State scholarships. A record of normal

progress in elementary school promises much more in the way of high school success than retardation but less than acceleration.

"Applied practically, all this would seem to mean that we have here a factor which should be used in the selection of pupils for special courses, in determining the amount of work a child may undertake, in assigning children to sections where ability-grouping is undertaken at the beginning of high school work. But in order to be of use the facts must be at hand. A complete record of each child's scholarship and rate of progress should go with him from grade to grade. It should contain facts about unusual conditions, as prolonged illness, which may explain such things as low scholarship and grade repetition not due to lack of ability.

"Incidentally at the times when children are assigned to class sections the use of such records might allow many a child to receive credit for accomplishment due to perseverance, a quality which can hardly be ensnared in a group test of thirty to fifty minutes. It need not mean the elimination of the group test. Test score, scholarship record, and record of rate of progress should supplement each other. The tests may be of great value for checking up on the abilities of retarded and accelerated children, also for securing supplementary information about the 'normal-progress' group, some of whom might have been able to go faster but had not the opportunity, and others of whom were kept to grade when they should have repeated.

"The keeping of progress records should be begun at once by those in charge of schools. But even now much information about the previous progress of children can be obtained even though their records have not been preserved. Applicants for admission to Milne High School have furnished such information about themselves for a number of years. The present study indicates that it is usable and valuable. Both from the analysis of the success of the first year high school class and from the study of the records of 1290 high school graduates entering college, it is evident that high school success of those children who are preparing for college bears a fairly close relationship to their rate of progress in the elementary school, especially when their progress has not been regular."

VICTROLA PURCHASE GETS APPROVAL AND RIDICULE AS "SILLY"

Student opinion on the proposal advanced last week by a sophomore that an orthophonic victrola be purchased for noon hour dancing in the gymnasium ranges from enthusiastic approval to emphatic condemnation as "silly," a survey conducted by the NEWS shows.

Daniel Corr, '31, who is backing the project, declares "I think an orthophonic will end all the trouble of getting a pianist for noon hour dancing. Since dancing is a recreation that breaks up the monotony of the school period according to most students, I think it should be encouraged. Certainly an orthophonic would settle the question of music very nicely."

"Inasmuch as we have students who can play the piano, an orthophonic victrola is unnecessary," says Elizabeth Pulver, '29. "It is more fun to dance to the music of a piano, anyway."

Carabelle Shuttis, '31, remarks: "I think an orthophonic would be fine because of our lack of players at noon hour. It would assure us of an amusement each noon without depending upon someone to play."

Caroline Schleich, '29, declares: "Personally, I think the piano is much more satisfactory for dancing and there are many students who want to play. A victrola would be an unnecessary expense."

"I think dancing in the gymnasium has become so important a part of the student regime," says Wilhelmina Sebesta, '30, "that it should be encouraged. It is rather hard to get players and for that reason an orthophonic certainly would be an adequate means of furnishing music."

Louis Klein, '29, expresses his opinion: "An orthophonic would be an excellent means of affording diversion for students each noon. The latest dance records would be much better music to dance to than the music we have now."

Gertrude Hall, '29, concludes: "I think the idea is silly. A piano more than suffices our needs for the half hour that we have for dancing."

FRENCH PEASANT LIFE IS SIMPLE, LOEB SAYS

Simple life and primitive farming are the main features of the French peasant existence along the Pyrenees, according to Professor Charlotte Loeb, head of the French department. In a discussion of her experiences abroad this summer, Miss Loeb noted that peasant women carried their laundry to an open pool in the center of each village.

"Threshing on the farm is done mostly by hand," Miss Loeb continued. "Sand crushing for road construction is performed by very young people. This mode of living is greatly contrasted by the very modern cities which have sprung up throughout the mountains."

After spending some time studying in Paris, Professor Loeb toured through France and attended a celebration which was held in Carcassonne, the Roman city of France. She also visited Lourdes, Comteret, Lechon, and other French cities.

COMMERCE 4 CLASSES USE YORK'S TEXT BOOK

"Factors of Economic Geography," by Professor George M. York, head of the commerce department and Z. Carleton Staples, junior master of Dorchester High School for Boys, is now being used in the Commerce 4 classes of State College. It is a text book designed to suit the needs of students of economic geography in both secondary schools and colleges.

The Southwestern Publishing company, publishers, has printed a limited number in order to see if the book will fill the gap which its authors believe it will.

The authors present the subject in three general approaches, the regional, the material and the regional. This arrangement permits the teacher greater elasticity in choice of matter and in order of presentation, according to Professor York.

Statistics have been spared and special material has been placed at the end of each lesson for supplementary work.

The authors believe that the new text book will save time and enable the teacher to present the subject in a concise and understandable way with a minimum of time.

CALENDAR	
Today	
Assembly of sophomores and upper classmen	Auditorium 10:55 A. M.
Assembly for freshmen	Auditorium 11:35 A. M.
Junior Freshman party	Gymnasium 8 P. M.
Tomorrow	
Country Club reception	129 West 4th Avenue, 3 to 5 P. M.
French Club initiation	Gymnasium 8 P. M.
Wednesday	
League of Women Voters meeting	Roman B. 4 P. M.
Ernest Watson on Block Prints	Lecture, Auditorium, 8 P. M.

BRITONS ACCLAIM THOMPSON VOLUME

Scottish And English Literary Magazines Hail Editor's Work On Author

"Anecdotes and Egotisms of Henry Mackenzie", edited by Dr. Harold W. Thompson, professor of English, has received several favorable criticisms from British publications. Among those to comment on this book are the London Times Literary Supplement, London Daily News, John O'London's Weekly, the Edinburgh Scotsman, Glasgow Scots Observer, the Aberdeen Press and Journal, Scottish Historical Review, and the London Mercury.

Clemell Wilkinson, a reviewer in the London Mercury, regrets that there are not published more books of this sort. He says, "Dr. H. W. Thompson's book is one in a million. * * * It is, quite literally, impossible to find a dull page in it anywhere. Why we have lost the art of writing like this is a question that must be left to posterity to decide. Perhaps we are too self-conscious. Perhaps we do not drink enough. But it is a fact that there are no twentieth century memoirs, published or 'in sight', which give such a complete and satisfying and entertaining picture of our times as do these of Scotland in the eighteenth century."

Scotsman Praises Writing

The Edinburgh Scotsman praises the work of the American in the field of Scottish literature for the period of Burns and Scott. "It would seem, however," it says, "as if the name and the fame of this 'Arbiter of Taste', this 'nestor of Scottish Letters' of the period of Burns and Scott, were kept more bright and alive in the United States of America."

"At last a Harvard scholar, Dr. Harold William Thompson, with pecuniary help from the Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, created, among other purposes, for 'furthering better understanding between the scholars of America and those of other nations', has discovered, edited and published a manuscript containing the last literary work of Mackenzie, which has lain in obscurity for fully a century and at the same time let it be known that he is engaged on a biography of this representative writer and Highland Scot of his time."

"Rich Store of Material"

"It is, as its editor says, 'a little clever from Harvard to Edinburgh and Oxford for the Addison of the North'; for an offering from 'the country where Scotland's great prestige is highest' the volume has been for the most part put in shape in the library of Edinburgh University, and is published by the Oxford University Press." It continues to say that "there is a rich store of material throwing light on public and private life in Scotland during three-quarters of a century; and more especially on Edinburgh localities, habits, and characters, from Deacon Brodie and Jack Porteous to the leaders in law, literature, and divinity. It will be a mine for the future historian and biographer and collector of

Work Is Praised



Dr. Harold W. Thompson, professor of English, whose book on Mackenzie has received favorable reviews abroad.

national traits and customs * * * a noteworthy volume."

John A. Inglis of the Scottish Historical Review considers Dr. Thompson's introduction to be especially good. "For Professor Thompson's work as editor there can be nothing but praise. His introduction describing the society in which Mackenzie moved is a vivid piece of writing illuminated with flashes of humor. He has captured the Scottish atmosphere in a remarkable degree. * * * It would be difficult to discover from internal evidence that the writer was not a Scotsman. * * * He has compiled a full and accurate biographical appendix, a Scottish 'Who's Who' covering half a century or more and showing wonderful industry and accuracy. * * * The task of editing was well worth doing and has been well done; the book is interesting and entertaining and is a quarry of material which no historian of the period can afford to neglect."



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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES OFFICERS

Mrs. Anne Bochever de Beer, '12, was elected vice-president of the alumni association, it was announced in the current issue of the Alumni Quarterly. She defeated Edwin R. Van Kleeck, '27, superintendent of schools at Walden, and former editor-in-chief of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS. Miss Anne L. Cushing, '99, was re-elected treasurer.

Miss Cushing reported a balance of \$506 in the general treasury. The student loan fund has out ten loans, two of which were granted during the current year, she announced.

The association adopted a resolution that the Husted Fellowship fund be allowed to accumulate to \$10,000 to be expended in fellowships as a committee shall determine.

TARLETON IN SOUTH

Miss Edna Tarleton who was an instructor in home economics last year as substitute for Miss Anna Randolph Keim is now head of the home economics department in the Western Maryland College at Westminster, Maryland.

ALPHA RHO MOVES

Alpha Rho has moved to 11 North Pine avenue from 866 Lancaster street. The new home of the sorority was the state of the late Harry W. Tebbutt.

DEBATE TEAM WILL MEET 2 COLLEGES

Pittsburgh And Union Will Be On Schedule For Men's Forensic Squad

Union College and the University of Pittsburgh will oppose the men's varsity debate squad this year, the debate council announced today. No time has been set for the Union debate.

A challenge has been received by the girls' varsity to meet girls' team of St. Lawrence University.

"The men's varsity debate team will meet the men's squad of the University of Pittsburgh here February 6," Louis M. Klein, '29, president of the debate council, announced Tuesday. "The contest will probably be conducted in Chancellor's hall," he said. The subject of the debate has not been chosen, according to Klein.

The council is negotiating for a debate with Hamilton college. "The contest may be staged in the new auditorium," Klein said.

The council has issued challenges to the College of Saint Rose and to Kenka College to debate the women's varsity team here.

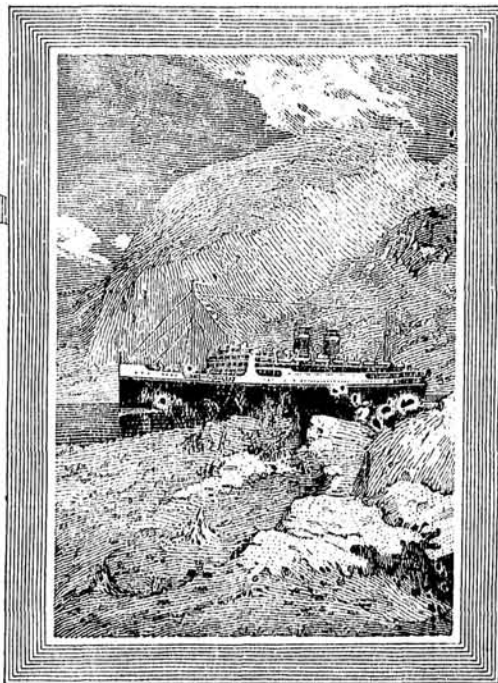
EVENTS OF SEMESTER PLACED ON CALENDAR

Important events already scheduled on the college calendar for this semester include a Y. W. C. A. candle lighting service and installation of new members, Wednesday night, October 3; junior-freshman party, Friday night, October 5; Newman club reception, Friday night, October 12; G. A. A. Indian Ladder hike, Saturday, October 13; Music association concert in Chancellors Hall, the Flouzaley Quartet, Friday, November 2; Dramatic and Art association program at Chancellors Hall, Mrs. Michael Stranz, poet and reader, Saturday, November 10. The only event yet scheduled for next semester is a debate with the University of Pittsburgh, at Chancellors Hall, February 6.

FRANCOIS TO BE HEAD OF THE FRENCH CLUB

Henriette Francois, '29, will head the French club this year, according to election returns of the organization. Other officers are: Alice Walsh, '30, vice-president; Doris M. Williams, '30, secretary; Ruth E. Wheelock, '29, treasurer; and Ruth G. Ballagh, '30, reporter.

Dorothy L. Leffert, '30, has been appointed to purchase a flag for the club.



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CANDLYN COMPOSES CHORUS SELECTION; FACULTY VACATIONS

"Echoes," a selection for women's chorus work, is the latest composition of Dr. T. Frederick H. Candlyn, instructor in music. Dr. Candlyn composed the music for this number during the summer vacation period. It will probably be used by the chorus at State College this winter, he said.

During the summer, Dr. Candlyn and his family motored through Massachusetts and other New England states. He spent a week at Quebec.

Dr. Hastings Climbs Mountains.

Dr. Harry W. Hastings, chairman of the English department, spent the summer at his camp on Lake Dunmore, Vermont, fishing, resting, climbing a few mountains, and "just resting for his return to the battlefield," he said.

Dr. Risley in Vermont.

Dr. Adna W. Risley, head of the history department, motored and golfed in the Capitol District until the opening of summer session, when he resumed teaching. After the close of the summer school, he went to Kennebunk Beach, Maine, and Lake Umbagog, Vermont.

Professor Thompson on Choir.

Dr. Harold W. Thompson, professor of English, taught in the summer session. He delivered an address before the annual meeting of the National Association of Organists at Portland, Maine, on "The Volunteer Choir."

Baker in Baseball League

Rutherford Baker, instructor in physical education, played professional baseball in a New Jersey league. After breaking his finger in a game, he returned to Albany.

Mrs. Faust Studies Here.

Mrs. Queen Homan Faust, instructor in biology, continued her studies at State College during the summer session. She also toured Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut, visiting places of historic interest.

Miss Rowley Summers at Saratoga.

Miss Hazel Rowley, instructor in physics, spent the summer at her home in Saratoga. She also visited Maine.

WILL BE MEMBERS OF ALPHA PHI GAMMA



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MISS MARGARET HENNINGS



MISS RUTH M. WATTS

Courtesy Albany Evening News.

Six of the ten new members to be initiated by Alpha Phi Gamma, honorary journalism fraternity at a secret meeting. They are Bessie Lafedes, Ruth M. Watts, Robert J. Shillinglaw and Rose Dransky, seniors; Margaret Hennings and Louis J. Wolner, juniors. Others to become members will be Thomas P. Fallon, Florence Gormley and Josephine Brown, seniors, and Margaret J. Steele, a junior.

NEWMAN ANNOUNCES COUNSELLORS FOR '32

The new officers of Newman club are Anne Stafford, '29, president; Marie Lynch, '29, vice-president; Jane Conboy, '29, secretary; Katherine Mulqueen, '29, treasurer, and Catherine Broderick, '31, reporter.

The counsellors for the year are Juanita McGarty and Mary Bott, seniors; Anne Moore and Doris Williams, juniors; Francis Conlon and Eleanor Kelleher, sophomores. The junior counsellors for the freshmen are: Jane Formanek, Louise Dubec, Frances Dole and Hilda Robyns.

Plans are being made to be announced for a business meeting, a freshman reception and a visit to the shrine at Atrecesville. Membership cards may be obtained from any officer or counsellor, according to Miss Stafford.

SEVENTEEN STUDENTS ACT AS INSTRUCTORS

Ten students are assistants in the science laboratories this year and seven are in charge of History 2 quizzes. Miss Alice A. Gooding, instructor in biology, is attending Cornell University this semester and will return next February to resume her work.

The students who are assistants in physics are Raymond L. Burns, '30, and Arnold Copping, '31. Those assisting in biology are Emily Curles, '29, and Paul Waterman, '29. In chemistry the assistants are Edward Thompson, '30; Joseph Herney, '29; Louise Trask, '30; Frank Ott, '31; Raymond R. Rankins, '32; and Frederick Appleton, '32.

The students conducting History 2 quizzes are, Thomas Kinsella, '30; Elizabeth Pulver, '29; Helena Uebelle, '29; Robert J. Shillinglaw, '29; William M. French, '29; Eleanor Vail, '29, and Bettina Azzarito, '29.

2 FACULTY MEMBERS GET LEAVE TO STUDY

Professor Martha Caroline Pritchard, director of the library school, and Miss Anne L. Cushing, supervisor of practice teaching in mathematics, will study during their leaves of absence this year, according to President A. R. Brubacher.

Professor Pritchard will attend the library school of Chicago University during the two quarters from October until April. The year at Chicago University is divided into four quarters instead of into two semesters.

Miss Cushing will study professional education at Columbia University.

HEADS SCHOOLMASTERS

Harry W. Kule, '25, principal of the high school at Congers, has been elected president of the schoolmasters' club of Rockland county. He was a week end guest at the Kappa Delta Rho house.

EDUCATORS PRAISE DEAN PIERCE'S BOOK

Work is Adopted By Colleges As Text In Classes For Social Advisors

"Deans and Advisors of Women and Girls", by Miss Anna E. Pierce, dean of women, is being used as a text book by several colleges and normal schools. More than a third of the original edition was sold in the first month, several orders being for quantities.

The book has been hailed by deans of women in several colleges as the unique treatise of work in that field. It has been endorsed by several social directors and deans,



Dean Pierce

including those at the University of Michigan, the College of the City of Detroit, New York University, Western Maryland College, Otterbein College, Massachusetts State Normal School and Texas State College for Women.

"Fundamental Understanding"

"No one has constructed so comprehensive a work as Miss Pierce gives in this book" is the opinion of Miss Catherine E. Reed, dean of women at the State Teachers College, Buffalo. Miss Reed is the reviewer of the book in New York State Education, published in Albany by the state association of teachers. "Certainly none has been based on a more fundamental understanding of student need and student character. Her frequent quotations share with her readers that wide acquaintance with current thought and philosophy of education which she possesses," the review declares.

Several of the leading universities which give courses in the training of deans and advisors have adopted Miss Pierce's book as a text. A class of 175 students at New York University use the book upon the recommendation of the professor of personal administration. The book is the result of several years of study and contact with special problems gained in contact with the hundreds of students of State College.

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NINE ALUMNI STUDY AT CORNELL SESSION

Several alumni attended the summer session of Cornell University, in Ithaca during the summer. Among those registered at the university for graduate study were: Richard A. Jensen, '28; Francis E. Grinn, '28; Edwin R. Van Kleeck, '27; Alice A. Gooding, '26; Lyle E. Roberts, '24; Harold P. French, '24; Alexander Aring, '27; Felix Festa, '28, and William Lassiter, former special student here.

THREE ALUMNI WED

Gamma Kappa Phi announces the marriages of three of its alumni. Anne Evans, '25, married Bernard Harvith, Mary Cornell, '25, married Harold Wing, and Florence Vernon, '27, married Bertram Sage, '26.

NEW HOUSE MOTHER

Beta Zeta recently welcomed their new house mother, Mrs. Walter Sperry.

REED - TOBIN

Beta Zeta announces the marriage of Cora Reed, '25, to Charles Tobin.

FRESHMEN RECEIVE CAPS AND BUTTONS FROM SOPHOMORES

The members of the freshman class received their caps and buttons Monday. The freshman girls are required to wear white buttons, one inch in diameter, with a yellow "32" in a conspicuous place at all times and on all occasions until Moving Up day. The men will wear yellow caps with white "32" until the first snowfall, when they will be replaced by purple and gold toques. The toques will be worn until April 1, when the caps will be worn again, according to college tradition.

Marion Gilbert and Lawrence Newcomb, both sophomores, were in charge of distributing the caps and buttons.

Sophomores seized upon this work as the ideal time to impress upon freshmen minds the necessity of obeying the rules laid down for them by the sophomore class by confiscating a number of pieces of high school insignia.

Behind post and corner were watched sophomores, and seized upon the freshmen, searching them for prohibited jewelry.

Most of the jewelry thus far seized was taken from girls. Students who are now going unadorned by the forbidden ornaments include Evelyn Lumber, Sylvia Korbit, Anna Kromer and George P. Rice.

All confiscated jewelry will be placed in care of Charabelle Shotts, vice president of the sophomore class. It will be returned on Moving Up day to the owners "in good condition," the sophomore rules provide.

LUTHERANS TO FORM PROGRAM THIS YEAR

Lutheran club will meet next Wednesday at 11:45 o'clock in Room 103 to discuss the program for the year, including the religious, speakers and monthly social events. Freshmen are invited to attend, according to Agnes Altro, '30, president of the club.

An order of News club pins has arrived, and they are for sale at \$1.25 each, according to Genevieve Cobb, committee chairman.

STATE HARRIERS MEET HAMILTON OCTOBER 12

The State College sport program will get under way a week from tomorrow when the Purple and Gold cross country team faces the Hamilton College harriers at Clinton in a run over the Hamilton three mile cross country course.

The State runners will be in good shape physically for the Hamilton meet as they have been working hard for the last three weeks. At the present time it appears that several of the runners who represented the local institution last fall will be the mainstays of the team.

In their workouts this week Cooper and Stanley have shown the best form, showing great improvement over their work of last year. Campbell, Festa, Kolodny, Harwood, Sullivan and Bearman, a Genesee Normal School graduate, have also been running well.

Following the Hamilton meet, the State College runners will then compete for a loving cup offered to the leading State College runner by the men's athletic council, on Friday, Oct. 20. A meet with St. Stephens College of Annandale-on-the-Hudson will complete the schedule for the fall. The harriers may also run Albany Pharmacy College in a practice meet.

4 MEN ARE PLEDGED BY KAPPA DELTA RHO

Kappa Delta Rho today announced the pledging of four men students to the fraternity.

They are: Carl A. Waterman and Paul Waterman, seniors; Robert Barman, '30, and Charles Worstall, '31.

Fifteen non-members were guest of the Gamma chapter at a party at its home, 480 Morris street. The guests were: John Lyons, Curtiss Rutenber, Duane Baker, Robert J. Floody, John Delchanty, Donald Grey, Carl Tarbox, R. Raymond Rankins, Charles Kissam, Rudolph Coons, Edward S. Merry, Robert Goodrich, and Howard Haswell, freshmen; Charles Lyons, '31, and Roy Schneider, '31.

Dr. M. G. Nelson, assistant professor of education, and Edwin R. Van Kleeck, superintendent of schools at Walden, also attended. Both are alumni of the Gamma chapter.

Undergraduate members at the party included: Thomas P. Fallon, G. LaVerne Carr, William M. French, Ivan G. Campbell, Joseph Herney, Robert J. Shilling, Roy, Reginald Stanhope, Ralph G. Starvo, and Roy A. Sullivan, seniors; Hamilton Acheson, Rudolph Wurtli and Edward Thompson, juniors; Frank Ott, Norman O. Collins and Horace B. Myers, sophomores. Two pledges present at the party were Paul Waterman, '29, and Robert Barman, '30.

CANTERBURY TO MEET

The Canterbury club will conduct a reception and tea at the home of Mrs. Clark, Friday, 420 Western Avenue, tomorrow afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock.

WHY STUDENT TAX WILL SOAR

The following table shows the cost of extra curricular activities at State College for two years, and the proposed budget to be voted on today in assemblies.

Organization	1926-27	1927-28	Proposed for 1928-29
Music Association	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
College News	2,900.00	2,900.00	2,900.00
Quarterly	850.00	850.00	830.00
Dramatic and Art	850.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
Myskania	325.00	253.00	350.00
Basketball	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,700.00
Baseball	750.00	750.00	900.00
Minor sports	200.00	200.00	300.00
Athletic contingency	200.00	200.00	300.00
Secretarial contingency	200.00	200.00	200.00
Infirmary fund	2,200.00	2,000.00	2,200.00
Fresh handbook	393.50	393.13	432.26
G. A. A.	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Student directory	150.00	147.36	150.00
Treasurer's bond	25.00	25.00	25.00
Tax cards	15.00	10.00	10.00
National Student Federation			155.00
Lion			800.00
Total	\$12,758.50	\$12,628.49	\$14,452.26

NEWMAN CLUB HOST NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT; LYNCH IS CHAIRMAN

Newman club will conduct its annual reception to freshmen next Friday night at eight o'clock at Newman Hall, 741 Madison Avenue.

An upperclassman will attend each freshman throughout the reception, according to Anne Stafford, '29, president. "I think this will make the new members feel more welcome," she said.

After the members are pledged, each will receive a membership card. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided for the guests by the following committees:

Arrangements: Betty Smith, '29, chairman; Margaret Hickey, '31; Eulalie Dempsey, '30.

Entertainment: Jane Conboy, '29, chairman; Constance de Gazman, '31; Edythe Bevan, '30, and Dorothy Doyle, '29.

Refreshments: Ann Moore, '30; Margaret Fortune, '29, and Eileen Hayes, '30.

Marie Lynch, '29, is general chairman. Miss Stafford also announced that the history study hour will again be conducted on Wednesday evenings at Newman hall at 7:30 o'clock. "All freshmen are invited to discuss their week's quiz problems," she said.

Four communion breakfasts will be conducted during the year, according to an announcement made Tuesday night at Newman hall. One of these breakfasts will be in conjunction with the Newman clubs of Russell Sage College, Troy, and of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

SOPHOMORES PROHIBIT HIGH SCHOOL INSIGNIA

Freshmen may not dance in the gymnasium on Wednesdays, according to the ruling of the sophomore class announced to the freshmen Friday night at the "get wise" party. No freshman may wear high school insignia, freshman men may not wear mustaches, smoke on the campus, and must put up and take down the bleachers in the gymnasium when there are basketball games, the sophomore class has decreed.

If any freshman girl appears in college without her freshman button, she will be penalized. The penalty for first offense is a warning; for second offense the freshman must wear a large placard; the third time the offender must apologize to the student association in assembly.

The freshmen were obliged to "run a gantlet" composed of members of the sophomore class, and then bow to the 1931 banner.

In the baby parade, awards for the "healthiest children" were given to Helen Burgher, '32, and Walter Anderson, '32.

325 TEXTBOOKS SOLD

Three hundred and twenty five books were sold at Y. W. C. A.'s second hand booth during the last two weeks. The most popular text books were Robinson's "History of Europe," Meredith's "Hygiene," Gault and Howard's "Psychology," Cumberley's "History of Education" and Siecloff and Smith's "College Algebra." Spanish and German books did not sell well.

Freshmen bought more books than any other class, Beatrice Van Steenburgh, '31, who was in charge of the enterprise, said.

KAPPA PHI KAPPA MET

Kappa Phi Kappa, professional education fraternity, met Wednesday afternoon for its first meeting of the year.

STAFF CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY OF NEWS

Staff Members Attend Annual Dinner; Margaret Steele In Presiding Chair

Thirty staff members of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS and candidates for positions attended a dinner conducted last night in the cafeteria under the auspices of the News club.

The occasion was to celebrate the twelfth anniversary of the News' founding. The first issue of the News was published October 4, 1916.

The speakers at the dinner last night included Dr. Harry W. Hastings, chairman of the English department and for several years faculty adviser to the News; William M. French, '29, editor in chief, and Thomas P. Fallon, '29, business manager.

Margaret J. Steele, president of the News club, was in charge. Among those attending, besides the speakers, were: Lenore G. S. Hutchison, '29; Dorothy Brimmer, Caroline Mae Kotzba, Margaret Hemminge, Louis J. Wolner, juniors; Ruth M. Maher, Martha Nord and Catherine Brod-rick, sophomores; and the following "cubs": Ruth Dimond, Lily Nelson, Dorothy Cole, Anne Nesbitt, Ruth Breze, Curtis Rutenber, Edward Merry, Chester Dill, Robert J. Floody, Alfred Basch, Dorothy Mersilis, E. Jackson, I. Little, and H. Mead.

CAMPUS DAY OCT. 20; VOTE FOR QUEEN SOON

Campus day will be October 20 this year, according to Evelyn Graves, '29, president of student association. The vote for campus queen will be taken in assembly soon. Ruth L. Lane, '28, was elected queen last year.

The four classes compete in sports and athletic events, and in the evening each class presents a stunt before the queen. For the last two years the juniors have carried off the honors.

KOSCIUSKO TO MEET

The Kosciusko club will meet to elect new officers, Anthony Kuczynski, '29, last president of the club announced today. No time has been set. The club will endeavor to recruit the Polish students from the incoming freshman class.

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GILBERT NAMED HEAD OF RING COMMITTEE

Emice Gilbert has been named chairman of the junior ring committee at a meeting of the junior class.

Other members of the committee are: Louis J. Wolner, Anne Moore, Louise Dube and Marian Botto, class president.

Representatives from jewelers are being interviewed this week, according to Miss Gilbert.

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"Not Worthy Of Sophomore Or College", Ruth Watts Declares:
Freshman Raps Sportsmanship Of Rivals At Meet.
Party Was "Cute", Betty Eaton Thinks

The freshmen-sophomore so-called "get-wise" parties are dwindling in popularity and failing in the attaining of their supposedly objective purpose, according to general reports gathered from the student body and the faculty.

The majority of students, from freshmen to seniors, including members of Myskama, the college honor society, seem to think that the "get-wise" parties are infantile and crude. Very few exceptions to this opinion were found among the students and none among the faculty. One freshman especially expressed himself rather strongly, though anonymously, against the "get-wise" party held in the gymnasium of the college last Friday night.

Dr. C. Caroline Crossdale, college physician, declared that the "get-wise" party is the only undergraduate function she attends that she does not enjoy. "There is nothing about it," she said in an interview, "that is in keeping with the college atmosphere. I have attended seven of these parties, and from what I have noticed, I question whether even any considerable percentage of the students enjoy themselves. These affairs are usually crude, probably because those who engineer them haven't sufficient time to make them good. They are flat and a bit boorish and infantile to the last degree. We have no facilities for handling such a huge mob in our gymnasium, for one thing. There is always someone who is hurt. As for the antics that characterized the particular party that took place last Friday, crawling around on bare knees may be exhilarating, but I'm sure that plenty of other exhilarating activities could be found that would be less likely to be followed by uncomfortable effects.

"My suggestion would be that instead of this rather crude unsatisfactory performance we aim to work out some sort of student event such as a lantern festival. Every freshman could be presented with a lantern by a sophomore with some appropriate song and some sort of gestures worked out into a pleasing and colorful pageant." In giving this criticism and suggestion, Dr. Crossdale strongly stressed the fact that she does not believe the failure of these parties is the fault of any particular student, officer or class, but merely the general outgrowth of a precedence and desire to outdo former practice.

Miss Anna E. Pierce, dean of women, who was present at Friday's party for a few minutes, told the writer that she could not understand how college students, especially the upperclassmen, but also even the younger students, could get any fun or enjoyment out of such antics. According to opinions gathered in general from the students, not many did.

Miss Ruth Watts '29, a member of Myskama, said, "I don't think that the 'get-wise' party was worthy of the sophomore class nor of the college. It was an exhibition of the sort that kindergarten children might find pleasure in but not students of college standing. I haven't heard any freshman or even sophomore who said that he or she really had a good time."

Miss Betty Eaton, '29, also a member of Myskama, on the other hand, found the party enjoyable. She said, "I think it was a very cute party and I enjoyed it as much as the freshmen. I heard many freshmen say they made loads of friends that night. The stunts were very well planned and successfully carried out. I thought."

Other seniors who were interviewed seemed to be of Miss Watt's opinion.

Organize Freshmen



TOP
MISS CAROLINE M. SCHLEICH
MISS BETTY J. EATON

Courtesy Albany Evening News

Caroline M. Schleich and Betty J. Eaton, Myskama members, are in charge of organizing the freshman class.

Bernard Auerbach thinks that such affairs have no place in our traditions, adding, "there always remains the doubt later whether there is any getting wise of time and energy. Perhaps a few individuals get some fun out of it but most of them don't, I know. I don't think the sophomores themselves get any enjoyment out of it." Hereford Smith thinks that "get-wise" parties properly conducted might be a success but those I have seen here very few enjoy themselves. As far as I can see the parties do not fulfill their purpose of making the freshmen less important in their own estimation, but rather swells their self-opinions by the amount of attention they get."

What do the sophomores, the instigators of all this, think about the parties themselves? Israel Kaplan, when questioned, laconically replied, "They're very tame. The freshmen were very submissive, to say the least." Esther Eckstein, on the other hand thought it was well carried off. "One rather novel feature," she said, "was the electric chair. I think it was a clever idea. The approach to the banner, though an old stunt, was well carried out. Of course, we couldn't keep all the freshmen busy, but I think all the freshmen enjoyed themselves; I heard many say they had a good time."

So a few freshmen were interviewed. A group of six of eight were found gathered in the girls locker room. The opinion of every one, was that it was a rather poor party. Ruth Krooman said: "It wasn't very impressive. Also, though some of the sophomore girls did carry it out in the spirit of fun, there were some who were terribly mean about it. As a whole it was rather fun, but I did not really have a good time." Alice Connelly, also a freshman, said, "I do not think there was anything original about it, or very clever. Some of the sophomores weren't sportsmanlike at all. It was too silly and kiddish, like high school stunts."

PEDAGOGUE TO CHANGE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

"While the Pedagogue board does not plan the addition of any new departments this year, it does plan to enlarge and improve several of the traditional ones," Josephine Brown, '29, editor-in-chief of the senior yearbook said yesterday. The departments in which changes will be made are the athletic department which will be enlarged, and the humor and snapshot departments which are to be presented in a different manner.

The art theme of the book will remain secret until the publication before Moving Up day, according to Miss Brown. While the theme has not been entirely worked out, much has been outlined and the book promises to be an unusual and interesting one, Miss Brown said.

Contracts this year have been made with Jahn and Ollier, of Chicago, Ill., engravers; White Studio, of New York, photographers, and the Brandow Printing company, of Albany.

MILNE HIGH STUDENTS GIVE PRIZE FOR HALL

A frieze, "The Conquest of Babylon," is being erected in the library of the new Milne Hall. The frieze is the gift of several student councils of the Milne High School. Portions of the frieze were formerly hung in the corridor of the third floor of Draper Hall. They are being placed into the wall of the new Milne library as a permanent fixture, according to Professor John M. Sayles, principal of Milne High school.

MISS AVERY RETURNS

Miss Blanche Avery, instructor in commerce, has returned to the faculty after a year's leave due to illness. She spent the summer at her country home, recuperating.

FRESHMAN INJURED AT GET-WISE PARTY

Ruth Dimond, Hurt while Bowing
To '32 Banner, Forgives
Sophomores

Ruth Dimond, '32, was injured in the knee cap at the "get wise" party Friday night. The accident occurred when Miss Dimond, with her 296 classmates, was bowing before the sophomore banner.

Miss Dimond fainted in the arms of a sophomore as she attempted to perform the other required "stunts."

Dr. Caroline Crossdale, college physician administered first aid treatment. X-ray of the injured knee was taken at the Albany hospital, Saturday.

"The accident was not at all serious," Miss Dimond said. "I had hurt my knee once before and the slight jolt affected it easily," she said.

"I bear no grudge at all against the sophomores," Miss Dimond remarked today.

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DR. MORRIS TO SPEAK TO STUDENTS TUESDAY

Dr. Elizabeth H. Morris, instructor in education, will talk on "Personality" at the first meeting of the Y. W. C. A. which will take place at the association's house, 219 Ontario street, Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Morris will open her talk with a discussion of personalities in general, and will continue with an explanation of the best kind of personality to develop in college. An open discussion led by Miss Morris will follow. All Y. W. C. A. members may attend.

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