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WAR ON DUST AND DIRT BEGINS TODAY

**Dr. Brubacher To Lead Parade
Of Committee Through
College Thursday**

TO GIVE STUNTS TODAY

**Locker Rooms To Be Inspected
At Noon First 3 Days
Next Week**

With President A. R. Brubacher as commander-in-chief, the campus commission will open its campaign against dust and dirt with stunts in both assemblies today. Kathleen Doughty, '28, will direct the stunts.

Thursday noon Dr. Brubacher will head a parade of members of the campus commission and their assisting committees. The student body may join the parade, according to Mildred A. Wilson, '27, director of the commission.

Lockers will be inspected Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 11:45 to 12:15 o'clock.

Numbers of the lockers which do not pass inspection will be posted on the bulletin board, Miss Wilson said.

The cafeteria and the study hall in the science building will also be inspected. Bertha Zajac, '27, president of the student association, is adviser of the campaign.

The committees are: mail box, Sara H. Barkley, '27, commissioner; Thelma Brezee, '27; A. Reginald Dixon, '27; Gonda Bills, '28; Anthony Kuczynski, '28; Louise Mathewson, '29; Joseph Herney, '29; Shirley Wood, '30; Fred Crumb, '30.

For second hand book ads commissioner, Mary McCaffrey, '29; Dorothy Wickwire, '27, typist, and Kathryn Mulqueen, '29.

Cafeteria commissioner is Mary McCaffrey; commissioners for the women's locker rooms are: Kathleen Doughty, '28; Lucy Hager, '30; Elva Jochnum, '27; Katherine Saxton, '28; Alice Bingham, '29; Betty Harris, '30.

Science building study hall commissioner is Jeanette Waldhillig, '28. Her assistants are: Mildred Wahrman, '28; Marian Slone, '29; Marteen Slawson, '30.

Wallace Strevel, '29, has charge of the men's locker room. His assistants are: Clinton Wallwork, '29; Edmund Koblenz, '29; Arvid Burke, '28, and Harold Crouse, '28.

Lost and found commissioners are Margaret Pabst, '27, and Hazel Williams, '30. Poster hanging commissioner is Anne Stafford, '29; commission artist, Esther Water, '30; commission typist, Dorothy Wickwire, '27.

FINANCE BOARD TO SLASH ALL BUDGET FUNDS 7 PER CENT

Budgets of all groups supported by the student tax will be cut seven per cent, the finance board has announced. On the basis of a budget of \$12,808, this will mean a total cut of \$906.56.

The men's basketball, the infirmary fund, the STATE COLLEGE NEWS, the Girls Athletic association and the Music association will lose the largest amounts.

The cut is necessary, members of the board said, because some taxes remain yet unpaid, because some of those who paid have left College and have asked refunds, and because the original budget of \$12,808 was based on too large an estimate of the College enrollment. Students who have entered College this semester should pay a half-tax of \$5.50, the board announced.

The cut in the tax this year is considerably less than that made last year. The amounts that the organizations will lose follow: Music association, \$70; News, \$203; Quarterly, \$63; Dramatic and Art association, \$59.50; Myskania, \$22.75; men's basketball, \$105; men's baseball, \$52.50; men's minor sports, \$14; athletic contingency, \$14; secretarial fund, \$14; infirmary, \$154; Girls Athletic association, \$84.

STATE, SEVEN TIMES WINNER, WILL PLAY HERE AGAIN TONIGHT

With seven straight wins to their credit, the men's varsity basketball team will meet the St. Michael's five from Winoski Park, Vt., in the College gymnasium at 8:15 o'clock tonight.

Last season, State easily defeated the New Englanders, 42-29, and is confident of repeating tonight. Captain Nephew and his teammates should meet with little difficulty in adding another game to their record. Fully rested after their New York trip, the squad was sent through a light workout on the College court Tuesday by Coach Rutherford Baker. Wednesday afternoon the squad played a practice game with the Albany High school five and yesterday the time was spent in foul shooting. State missed many chances to score in its game with St. Stephen's due to weakness from the foul line.

Last night the St. Michael college five played the Pharmacy college on the Y. M. C. A. court. The visiting team has a well balanced combination and is fast and accurate on its passes.

Coach Baker will start Carr at right forward with Kuczynski as his running mate. Captain Nephew will jump center. Herney will play at left guard with either Klein or Goff at right. Goff has fully recovered from his recent illness and is in top form again.

In a preliminary the men's freshman five will play Watervliet High School.

GIRLS ON BASKETBALL TEAMS DINE MARCH 2

Members of the girls' basketball teams and their friends will have their annual dinner Tuesday evening, March 2, in the cafeteria. Mary Neville, '27, is in charge.

Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education, will announce the names of the women's basketball varsity at the dinner.

A stunt will be presented. Favors and place cards will be souvenirs.

MISS MYERS IS MISS MALCOLM'S SUBSTITUTE

Miss Nancy Bourne Myers has been appointed to serve during the rest of the College year as a substitute for Miss Maud Malcolm, instructor in French.

Miss Myers has recently returned from a year's residence study at the University of Toulouse, France. She has also had graduate work at the University of Besancon, France. She was graduated with an A. B. degree from Berea college, and has received her master's degree from Teacher's college, Columbia university.

Miss Myers has taught English and French in Tennessee and Pennsylvania high schools and was head of the French department in the Eastern Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College.

1929 WILL CHALLENGE FRESHMEN TO A SING

Myskania has announced that the sophomore class has been granted permission to challenge the freshmen to an interclass sing. The sing will be held in a weekly assembly. The sophomores were first in issuing a challenge.

TO EXHIBIT PORTRAIT

The portrait of Dean Anna E. Pierce, painted by David C. Litgow, will be exhibited all next week at the Women's club, 725 Madison avenue, near South Lake avenue. The portrait is a gift of the senior class to the College.

Convicted - - - AN EDITORIAL

Convicted by its own silence, Intersorority council today stands in the unenviable position of a group, mistaken in its action, wrong in its refusal even to attempt to justify that mistake, and criminal in its refusal to undo the harm it has begun.

The council was mistaken by every standard, except that of selfishness, when it adopted a ruling that will stagnate the growth of new sororities at State College.

It is wrong when it assumes an attitude of infallibility and refuses even to try to justify its ruling.

It is criminal when it keeps among its statutes this rule which will steal from 800 college women their right to enjoy the social and cultural advantages which it greedily holds to itself by exercise of a power which its position has given it, a power it should use for good, not for its own mean ends.

"We don't want to prolong the argument" is the only reason which the council has given, officially or unofficially, for the secrecy with which it has tried to keep its rule hidden and to prevent further public comment on it. Of course, Intersorority council does not want to prolong the argument. There is no argument. An argument presupposes two sides. Intersorority council knows it has no answer to the student protest to which the News has given voice. And so, naturally, it "doesn't want to prolong the argument." What it wants is that the News stop at least until rushing is over. After then Intersorority won't mind much what is said about it.

On January 21, the News carried a story of the new ruling and an editorial urging that "Intersorority Council Ought to Repeal Its New Ruling." On January 28, the president of Intersorority Council said that "that statement made by the editor plainly shows that he does not understand the situation." A more detailed rebuttal of the News' charges was promised for the week following. This never materialized, and Intersorority has never attempted to point out just where the editor failed to understand the situation, possibly because it cannot find just where that occurred. Also on January 28, the News published an editorial asking, "Shall Intersorority Set Up a Caste System Here?" Intersorority has not attempted to tell why it should do so or to prove that it is not doing so. Last week the News editorially issued "A Challenge to Intersorority to Disprove the News' Charges." Not being able to disprove the charges, Intersorority has ignored the challenge.

The usual procedure of those who have an untenable side in a dispute is to try to shift the argument to more favorable ground, to confuse the public as to the real questions at issue and to dodge the real questions as much as possible. To prevent the adoption of these tactics by Intersorority now that the council is virtually forced into some sort of answer, the News, for the third or fourth time, repeats its position. The argument is that the new ruling makes it impossible for more than one sorority, on the average, to become a probationary member of Intersorority council more often than every two and one-half years; that this will slow up the development of recognized sororities so much that (on the basis of twenty-five girls to a sorority) by actual computation only 200 more of the 800 non-sorority women can become recognized sorority members in the next twenty years; that the effect of this must be to cheat many students of the advantages of sorority membership; that even more will be cheated when the enrollment grows with more College buildings; that Intersorority council knows this but will do nothing about it because it fears that more sororities will bring both additional competition for those already in the council and a lessening in the touted "exclusiveness" of belonging to a sorority.

Does the News mean that "every girl should be in a sorority?" Of course not. Not every girl wants to. Not every girl can. What the News does mean is that more than 200 of the 1,000 girls have a right to be in sororities, if they want to be. As the News has said before, the council is justified in guarding against the inroads of "fly-by-night" groups. But it can do that satisfactorily by keeping each petitioner on probation five years. When it says that only two can be on probation in each five years, it means that a third group must wait ten years; that a possible fifth must wait fifteen years. When half the girls in College belong to sororities, it will be time to consider making entrance so difficult that it approaches impossibility. When only one-fifth the college girls belong, as at present, it is wrong to do this.

These are the accusations that the News has thrown in the face of Intersorority council for a period of a month. Can any one believe that if the council had even the thinnest thread of argument it would not advance it to counteract these serious charges? The council stands convicted by itself of an unjust, selfish and shortsighted act.

"LET ALL GIRLS IN SORORITIES": PIERCE

**"Students Should Be Allowed
Sorority Social Life,"
Dean Declares**

PRAISES WORK OF G. A. A.

**Says Organizations Must Be
Justified In Existence
By Service**

Dean Anna E. Pierce yesterday issued a statement supporting the News position opposing the Intersorority council's new ruling which limits the number of sororities eligible to probation to two every five years. "The News is very ably handling the discussion," she said. "Sororities are legitimate social organizations, but steps should be taken to see that all students have this much needed social life," Dean Pierce declared.

"I have no objection to the number of social organizations there are in the College, if they serve the individual student."

"Those that answer a demand may live, but if they fail to serve this demand, they should die. I believe that interest in special departments or subjects gives rise to clubs, which should not be social organizations. This does not mean these clubs should not stimulate interest in others, by presentation of various phases of their interests."

Danger of over work by club officers was stressed by Miss Pierce. "When these clubs must be manned by the same officers, thus overloading individuals, and not giving all a free chance, the club is a failure," she declared.

"I believe the Girls Athletic association to be the most important social group we have, and I believe it should develop leadership superior to that which the sororities develop."

Religious organizations should present the finer side of college contacts, according to Miss Pierce.

"I should be glad to see some such system as exists in the various women's colleges here in the East."

"The non-sorority college, with permission for the student to belong to one, or a limited number of social groups that represent her interests, seems to be the prevailing system in many colleges, although some have made a success of the sorority system," Dean Pierce explained.

MEN'S TROUPE WILL PRESENT MINSTREL SHOW ON APRIL 29

A men's minstrel troupe has been formed and will present its first show Friday evening, April 29, in the auditorium. The members also hope to secure out of town engagements.

Committees will meet Tuesday evening to complete the organization of the troupe. At the suggestion of President A. R. Brubacher only students with pressing scholastic standings will be eligible to membership.

Profit made by the minstrels may be applied to the men's athletic fund.

William G. Kennedy, assistant professor of chemistry, will be the director and T. Frederick H. Candlyn, instructor in music will be music director.

The committees are: name, organization, and date, Robert I. Shillinglaw, '29, chairman; Arvid Burke, '28; Randolph D. Soranue, '29, Music, Clinton Wallwork, '29, chairman; Davis L. Shultes, '28; George A. Taylor, '30, Costumes, Harold Crouse, '28, chairman; Richard A. Jensen, '28; Fred W. Crumb, '30.

SORORITIES TO PLEDGE UPON RETURN OF BIDS

All sorority bids were sent out Wednesday night. Freshmen received them yesterday afternoon. Answers to these bids will be received by the sororities before next Wednesday, February 23. Then sororities will pledge.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The NEWS wishes to call attention to the announcement carried weekly in this column that unsigned communications will receive no attention. A signature is demanded as a guarantee of the writer's sincerity. Letters will be published without the signature, however, if this is desired. The NEWS welcomes the honest expression of student opinion, even when it differs entirely from its own viewpoint; frequently, indeed, the NEWS takes especial care to make certain that those whom it knows object to its views are aware that they are welcome to use the paper's columns to give their side of the argument. But the NEWS cannot print material to which the writer will not sign his or her name.

WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

The record of the men's varsity basketball team, which has won seven consecutive games, gives pleasure to the College, students and faculty alike. With a schedule as difficult as it has always played, the team has won its games both at home and out of town and is far ahead of its opponents in scoring. Coach Baker and his men are bringing fresh athletic laurels to the College and their work deserves commendation and support.

VANDALISM

Get behind the campus commissioners whose miniature "army" will organize today. Support their efforts. They are trying to clean up the College. Their work is for you as much as for themselves. And while the College is being cleaned up, plan to keep it cleaned. Let the campaign carry over the rest of the year. It will not be enough to have it last only a week or two. Neither will it be enough if it concerns only clean halls and locker rooms. It should concern also care for College property. Too many desks are being ruined, too many chairs are being wrecked by carelessness and by something that approaches vandalism. This sort of rough-house tactics should stop.

GET INTO THE OPEN

Cramming time for examinations is over, a breathing space has arrived, and an opportunity to get out into the open has come. The period of late winter often taxes the bodily endurance most, and exercise in the fresh air is needed to counteract the enforced imprisonment in stuffy classrooms during the week. The opportunity offered by the Girls Athletic association comes therefore at an auspicious time. The association has obtained the use of a camp for week-end parties from the Girl Scouts. The camp is ideally equipped for the housing of groups of young women over the week-end and is conveniently reached from Albany. Several groups of College students have already enjoyed its privileges this winter. Those who have not, have a treat in store for them.

BYRON'S PASSIONS IN "NEMESIS"; "SILK COQUETTE" SOCIETY NOVEL

Nemesis. By Michael Monahan, 278 pp. \$3. New York: Frank-Maurice.

"Truth is always strange—stranger than fiction," wrote Lord Byron, the story of whose strangest, wildest, long-hidden passion, makes the *piece de resistance* of this new book. Such other subjects as "The Loves of Shelley;" "A Sealed Paper in the British Museum;" "Oscar Wilde; the Rehabilitation;" "The Lesbians;" "Elbert Hubbard," etc., are written about in a style that is itself a treasure in charm, in vigorous and unstated thought. The flavor of Michael Monahan's own unique personality runs through the volume; those qualities of wit, humor and poetic fancy which his name connotes are there. Monahan's style is his own, and it is mental refreshment.

The Silk Coquette. By Edwin Bateman Morris. 336 pp. Philadelphia: Penn.

In a mild sort of way "The Silk Coquette" entertains, but beyond that not much can be said for it. It is the story of a man whom unusual circumstances throw into closer contact with a regulation "society pet," the daughter of a politician. The girl, Diane Markham, is to be married to a man of her own wealth and social position, and the book is the story of the battle between the two men and the forces they typify. Some of the situations are unique; there is humor which is often real and the story is well put together.

The Edge of Eternity. By Aida Rodman DeMilt. 335 pp. New York: Reader Publications.

This is a romance of travel and adventure in southern Europe and in America. The author has been able to build up a thrilling story without sacrificing the feeling that belongs to every one who enjoys travel accounts. It is her first excursion, so far as we know, from the realm of tales strictly of travel into the field of fiction. The unconventional hero is sent by an adventure which he didn't desire over a stormy way through perils in the glaciers of the Swiss Alps. But romance has its way in the end, and he wins his reward.

Matrix. By Melvin P. Levy. \$2.00. 209 pp. New York: Schuler.

"Matrix" is a book better in composition than in execution; it maps out for itself the very broad theme of a life from birth through young manhood, it tells the story, and tells it well, but there is always the suggestion of power not entirely adequate for what it attempts. This is Levy's first book, however, and there is a promise of greater things in it. It has a strong tone of ambivalence about it, and the best portions are those where this is most pronounced. The novel is more than the usual realistic story of a boy's revolt against conventional education. It contains sparks.

THE STUDENT FORUM

THE INTERSORORITY QUESTION

DEAN EDITOR:
In the issue of the NEWS of January 21, you have called the recent ruling of Intersorority Council concerning a limited probation group "a short-sighted attempt to keep up a pretense of exclusiveness." We wish to thank the editor for the compliment in admitting that Intersorority Council is exclusive. We had sometimes doubted it.
The authors of the various articles which have appeared in the NEWS since that date seem to think that the purpose of Intersorority Council is to foster up new sororities who have not as yet cut their teeth and emerged with adequate background and ideals. These authors do not foresee that if a new sorority group is formed whose members are prominent in campus activities, Intersorority Council would be glad to have her in their midst and would arrange no doubt for her probation period.
But why theorize on this matter further? The NEWS itself says that the difficulty in this ruling will come "with the increase in enrollment which is to come with the new College buildings." At the present moment only the foundations are laid for these buildings. Why should Intersorority Council at this early date provide for the formation of new sororities who will be compelled to wait until the new College buildings are erected for their members? K. T.

DEAN K. T.:
To take up your points in your own order of arrangement. You quote us as saying editorially that Intersorority's rule is "a short-sighted attempt to keep up a pretense of exclusiveness" and you thank us for the compliment in "admitting that Intersorority Council is exclusive." What we said, however, was "to keep up the pretense of an exclusiveness, itself largely imaginary," which is quite another meaning, isn't it?
You also say that "if a new sorority group is formed whose members are prominent in campus activities, Intersorority Council would be glad to have her in their midst and would arrange no doubt for her probation period." How could Intersorority do that without violating its own new rule, which has not provided for any exceptions to itself? Intersorority already by its rule, as it is, is attempting to set up a caste system. If it is going to make exceptions it will only add to the confusion.
You further quote the NEWS as saying that the difficulty in this ruling will come "with the increase in enrollment which is to come with the new College buildings" and you go on to say that "at the present moment only the foundations are laid for these buildings" and you continue that "why should Intersorority Council at this early date provide for the formation of new sororities who will be compelled to wait until the new College buildings are erected for their members?" Frigate so far saying so, but what nonsense! What the NEWS said was "But a rule which limits the number who can even enter probation is unfair, especially in view of the increase in enrollment to come with the new College buildings." Certainly, that is not saying that "the difficulty will come with the increase of enrollment" quite plainly, it means that the difficulty will increase with the increase in enrollment. Your statement that "new sororities who would be compelled to wait until the new College buildings are erected for their members." Do you mean that a new sorority couldn't find twenty members worthy of it in the eight or ten hundred girls who are now in college and who are not sorority members?—Editor.

TEN YEARS AGO AT STATE COLLEGE

From the files of the News for Feb. 14, 1917

"The State College basketball team scored a 22 to 21 victory over the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute five in the Albany High School gymnasium Saturday evening in a game admitted by local papers to have been one of the greatest contests staged in Albany in years."

"At the last meeting of the Industrial Organization the members had the pleasure of hearing Miss Perine deliver an illustrated lecture on Design as Applied to Industrial Arts."

"The newly established Newman Club met last Friday afternoon for the purpose of organization."

Miss Perine Describes Music In Parisian Church, "Rapture Of Triumphant Harmony"



Courtesy Albany Evening News

By MISS EUNICE A. PERINE
Instructor in Fine Arts
PARIS

Christmas in Paris began for me, on Thursday evening, December 24, at 11:45 when the magnificent organ in the church of Saint-Sulpice sounded the first low chord of the music of the midnight service.

The organist of this fine old Renaissance church is the wonderful and beloved composer, Charles M. Widor, who has played here for more than forty years and is now a very old man. We had been sitting, in full view of the high altar for over two hours, waiting for this exciting moment, but not an instant had been without interest.

It was thrilling just to be a part of it! To hear the hum of foreign voices, to watch the quiet gathering of the people, for they come into these old churches as if they were glad to be home again. And so many came, boys with their sweet-hearts, who found the friendly shadows a happy place for their love-making, and families with their little children, until the mass of human forms filled every available space, fading into the deep recesses of the nave, overflowing into the aisles and clustering like dark foliage around the massive pillars.

It was a joy to see the busy altar boys, in their white robes, slipping silently in and out among the tall candles, lighting first one and then another from their long slender tapers, until the whole altar was transformed into a gorgeous jewel with a thousand gleaming facets, each glowing with a living flame.

And then that low organ note! At first it seemed as if the church itself had been singing all the time, and I had only just become conscious of it. For a few wonderful minutes, this old-world musician played his own "Symphonie romaine" and "Pastorale, grand orgue" then "Fragments de l'Oratorio, 'Noel'."

Sometimes the music was so low that it was like sensing rather than hearing the sound, and then it would rise and swell echoing through the lofty arches, flooding through the great spaces and gathering us all into the rapture of its triumphant harmony, that with its final strains told the "old, old story."

As one person that vast company came to its feet! . . . And for a space all was silent, then, slowly and rhythmically—the stately service began.

COLLEGE BRIEFS

Dorothy Taylor Waugh, '25, vice-president of Omicron Xi, is acting president in the absence of Mildred Graves, '27, president. Miss Graves is studying at the Merrill-Palmer institute in Detroit.

Y. W. C. A. Entertains

The Y. W. C. A. entertained the industrial girls of the Albany Y. W. C. A. last evening. After a sleigh ride, the girls attended the Mid-winter concert in the auditorium.

Benjamin, '26, Studies Medicine

Margaret Benjamin, '26, member of Myskonia last year, is taking a pre-medical course in the University of Indiana. She was a member of the NEWS board in College, and was prominent in Y. W. C. A. affairs.

Clarke Explains Cathode Rays

Cathode rays were explained to Chemistry club Friday by William J. Clarke, '27.

A paper on atomic hydrogen flames was read by Genevieve Cole, '29. Chemistry in olden times was described by Mildred L. Wahrmann, '28.

Newman Club Dance

The annual dance of the Newman Club alumni will be tomorrow night from 9 until 12 o'clock at the Knights of Columbus hall. Any students may attend.

Teachers May Reserve Books

Miss Mary Elizabeth Cobb, librarian, requests all practice teachers in Milne High school to please notify her before making assignments so that books may be put on reserve.

Commerce Club to Meet

Commerce club will have a special meeting Thursday at 11:45 o'clock, to decide on the club's annual dinner.

Daniels Directs Program

Mathematics club met yesterday at 4 o'clock in room 201. Gertrude Daniels, '27, had charge of the program.

WILL NOT ANNOUNCE NUMBER OF FAILURES

In accordance with his regular custom Dean William H. Metzler will make no announcement of the number of students which has left college because of failure in the first semester work, he announced yesterday.

DEAN PIERCE WILL GO TO TEXAS CONVENTION

Dean Anna E. Pierce will attend the annual meeting of the National Association of the Deans of Women in Dallas, Texas, next week-end. The conference will open Wednesday.

Miss Pierce is a member of the executive committee, and is treasurer of the association.

NEWS CLASSES START

The NEWS' classes in headline writing and copy reading conducted by William M. French, '29, met this week for the first time. The headline class will meet in room 108 Mondays at 12:15 o'clock and the copy reading class in room 111 Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

TO GIVE BRIDGE PARTY

Canterbury club's bridge party will be tomorrow at two o'clock at St. Andrew's parish house. Mary Judith Langdon, '28, is general chairman.

Tickets cost twenty-five cents for College students and fifty cents for others.

ELECT DELEGATES

Ruth Lehman, '28, and Ethel Orfall, '28, will represent the Lutheran club at the North Atlantic regional conference of the Lutheran Student association of America, this week-end at Upsala college, East Orange, N. J.

PESTALOZZI, EDUCATOR, DIED ONE CENTURY AGO

One hundred years ago yesterday died Henry Pestalozzi. An Italian by race who spent his life in Switzerland, he belongs now to the teachers of the world, who form one great fraternity, says the Christian Science Monitor. Among the outstanding figures in the history of modern education, a place of honor must be made for Pestalozzi with Rousseau, Herbart and Froebel. By a series of bold experiments, which ended for the most part in seeming failure, he won a hearing for fundamentals in education which have entered into the common inheritance of all teachers.

NEWS EDITOR ASKED TO CONDUCT MEETING

Van Kleeck Will Lead Session In National Convention At Columbia

Edwin Van Kleeck, '27, editor-in-chief of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS, has been asked to lead one of the sectional meetings at the annual conference of the Columbia Scholastic Press association, March 11 and 12, at Columbia university, New York city.

Van Kleeck this week received the request from Joseph M. Murphy, secretary of the association and editor of the School Press Review, national magazine devoted to the interests of student newspaper workers. Van Kleeck will conduct the teachers college and normal school round table session to be conducted at 10 o'clock, Saturday morning, March 12. Last year the conference was conducted by Miss Clara E. Ewalt, faculty adviser of the Junior College Journal, published by the Junior Teachers College, Cleveland School of Education, Cleveland, Ohio.

The STATE COLLEGE NEWS is to be entered in the contest to pick the best teachers college and normal school paper in America. The winner of the contest is to be announced at the general meeting of the convention. The NEWS expects to send at least two delegates to the convention.

The NEWS will also appoint one of its delegates to represent it at business meetings of the convention as a voting delegate. The program of the convention will fill both days of the meeting, except for a part of Saturday afternoon.

All teachers college and normal school papers are grouped in one class. In the classes for senior and junior high school papers, sections have been arranged for schools with large and small enrollments. A series of "special classes" has been arranged for manuscript, elementary school, trade and special territory papers, and other papers that do not conform to regular types of publications.

Mask schools will probably form a special territory group.

HOWARD H. CLEAVES WILL GIVE LECTURE FOR BIOLOGY CLUB

Howard H. Cleaves, nationally known as a wild animal life photographer and lecturer on birds and animals, will give an illustrated talk to the Biology club next Friday, at 8 o'clock. His subject will be "Adventures on the Long's Peak Trail."

Mr. Cleaves has been associated with the museum of the Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences, the New York State museum, and the museum of the San Diego Society of natural history in California. For nearly three years he was with the New York state Conservation commission and for a year and a half was state secretary of the Wild Life League of West Virginia. For eight years he served as secretary for the American Bird Banding association, investigating the migration and life history of birds. He has been a nature guide for boys' and girls' camps in Maine.

He has contributed to many of the better known publications, such as the National Geographic magazine, Country Life in America, Collier's Weekly, House and Garden, and Nature magazine. He is an associate member of the American Ornithologists' Union and a member of the Linnaean Society of New York, the American Society of Mammalogists, and Cooper Ornithological club of California.

Biology club will celebrate its second birthday with an informal party after the lecture.

SHUS ON WAY TO CHINA EXPECTING HAPPINESS

By DOROTHY M. WATTS

Mrs. Clarence Shu, formerly Eva Dietz, '28, sailed Wednesday from Seattle with her husband on her way to China.

In a last interview at the Union station, Mrs. Shu said she was very anxious to sail, and although feeling somewhat downcast at leaving, was full of great expectations for the future.

"I do not think I shall even be seasick," she declared.

Reports of Chinese conditions are very much exaggerated, Mr. and Mrs. Shu believe, and neither expressed any fear of meeting trouble in Shanghai.

Both deny that they have unusual courage to have bridged the gulf of East and West. Mrs. Shu, in leaving her old life for a totally new one among a strange people, feels confident of being happy in China.

SHAKESPEARIAN DRAMA TO BE GIVEN FEB. 23

For the first time since in her senior year, Miss Agnes Fütterer, now instructor in dramatics, portrayed "Lady Macbeth," a Shakespearian drama will be presented by the advanced dramatics class here. Louise Gunn, '27, will direct the courtroom scene from "The Merchant of Venice" Wednesday evening. Portia will be played by Marcelle Street, '27, while Julia Fay, '27, will take the part of the miserly merchant, Shylock. Special attention is being given to attaining genuine Elizabethan atmosphere and diction according to Miss Gunn. Marcia Connolly, '27, will play Bassanio.

The first Pierrot fantasy to be presented this year by the advanced dramatics class will be Matmata, by Lawrence Lerner, to be directed by Sara H. Barkley, '27, the first week in March. Beatrice Wright, '28, will play the part of Columbine. Lilian Eckler, '27, will be Pierrot and Harlequin will be played by Edna Wolfe, '28, a cast was chosen yesterday for a tragedy to be directed by Ruth Coburn, '27, to be presented the same night.

WILL POST LISTS FOR SOIREE-GOERS FRIDAY

Lists on which sophomores planning to attend the sophomore soiree Saturday, March 19, may sign, will be posted next Friday.

Other students may attend by signing under a sophomore's name. Freshmen will not be allowed to sign until seniors and juniors have had an opportunity to make reservations.

Bids will cost three dollars a couple. Sophomores must pay their bids before signing, according to Robert J. Stillingslaw, treasurer.

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R. P. I. Asks For Basketball Game; State To Play Dartmouth Dec. 17

State College has been asked for a basketball game next season by Rensselaer Polytechnic institute. The Troy outfit wants to play at Troy December 10, according to Thomas P. Fallon, '29, assistant manager of the Purple and Gold. The challenge is being considered. State has accepted a challenge to play Dartmouth here December 17.

Ten years ago December 10 State defeated Rensselaer by one point in a thriller at Troy

TO FEATURE FACULTY STUNT AT EXPOSITION

A feature of the "Journey through Wonderland" to be presented by the Joseph Henry society tomorrow night will be a faculty stunt. The star of the cast will be Dr. Carleton E. Power, supported by Miss Hazel A. Rowley and Miss Margaret Betz.

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At the "North Pole" it will be possible to see the characteristics of a temperature that is about 300 below zero Fahrenheit. At this temperature a piece of hamburger steak is as hard as a stone. In the "Cave of Darkness" nothing is visible except glowing laws.

There will be dancing after the entertainment. Tickets can be obtained from members of Joseph Henry society or at the door.

SPEAKS ON RELIGION

Dr. Alexander C. Purdy of Hartwood Theological seminary spoke to the V. W. C. A. Wednesday night in the auditorium. The subject of his talk was "The role of religion in everyday life."

After a short speech Dr. Purdy led a discussion and answered questions.

Kathleen Daughy, '28, led the meeting. Nettie Gilbert, '27, and Dorothy Rabie, '28, played.

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VALENTINE GYM FROLIC

Valentines featured the Girls Athletic association spring gym frolic Saturday night in the College gymnasium. Freshman girls were in charge, and chaperones were Dr. Caroline Crossdale, College physician, and professor of hygiene; Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education; Miss Hazel Rowley, instructor in physics; and Miss Helen T. Fay, manager of the Co-op.

Track events and games were on the program. The freshmen gave a stunt which was performed at Camp Cogswell last week. Songs were sung.

Punch, heart-shaped cookies, and candies were served.

Florence Cradlock, '25, former president of the Girls' Athletic association; Dorothy Hoyt, '25, and Dorothea Dietz, '25, were present.

GIRLS TO LEAVE FOR CAMP

Another group of College girls will leave today for Camp Cogswell to pass the week-end. Dr. Caroline Crossdale, college physician, will be chaperone.

The Girls' Athletic association will sponsor six or seven more of the week-end parties.

Another outing will be organized next week. Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education will be chaperone.

Skiing, sliding, and snowshoeing will be especially good this week, according to the committee in charge.

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"Life is very different, so very different here," "Here we are, all safe and happy, very happy. I like everything just so much" and "It is wonderful, even better than we expected," are excerpts from letters received by Professor Florence E. Winchell, head of the home economics department, from Marjorie Ott, '27, and Mildred Graves, '27, who are completing their last semester of the State College home economics course at the Merrill-Palmer school at Detroit, Michigan.

"Everything is so new that it would naturally be interesting, but we feel sure that the interest will not wear off with the newness," they wrote. Both students are taking courses in mental growth and development, educational methods for young children, physical growth and development, and environmental factors of child life. "Dr. Vincent gave the work on mental growth yesterday," they wrote, "she brought in so many things that we had talked over in the child care class with Mrs. Flemming, but here at Merrill-Palmer they seem more real because we have the children with which to work."

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WEEK-END VICTORIES CREATE NEW RECORD

**New Paltz, Brooklyn Polytech,
St. Stephen's Fall Before
State's Onslaught**

By HAMILTON ACHESON

Winning all three games played on its New York trip last week, the men's varsity established a new record for out-of-town contests. To date, State has won seven out of eight games played.

New Paltz normal was easily defeated 70-41 on the normal's court Wednesday night. State won from Brooklyn Polytech at Brooklyn Friday, 25-20 and Saturday they defeated St. Stephen's at Annandale, 28-22.

The game with Brooklyn Poly was hard fought and rough throughout. State sprung a surprise to their opponents who were all set for an easy win. At half time the Purple and Gold led 10-7.

Captain Nephew was high scorer for State with fourteen points to his credit. Carr scored seven, Goff and Kuczynski each scored one point and Griffin scored two. Carr and Nephew were the only State players to score from the floor. Herney and Klein also played.

The game with St. Stephen's Saturday night was filled with thrills from start to finish. State took the lead when Herney scored on a foul shot and followed with a field goal. The half ended with State leading, 11-9.

St. Stephen's tied the score at the beginning of the second half. From then on the game was tied four times. With three minutes to go and the score tied at 22 the Rectors called time out to talk things over.

State seemed to benefit more, for Nephew got the tip-off and Carr scored twice in rapid succession. Kuczynski scored from the field and the game ended with State ahead, 28-22.

Herney was scored upon for the first time this season in the game with St. Stephen's.

Carr was high scorer with eleven points. Kuczynski scored seven and Nephew and Herney each made five points.

299-169 IS RECORD

The varsity basketball team, which plays St. Michael's college in the gymnasium tomorrow night, has out-scored its opponents thus far this season 299 to 169, as a result of three out-of-town victories on its New York trip last week.

State won from New Paltz Normal, 70 to 41; from Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, 25 to 20, and from St. Stephen's 28 to 22. It has now won seven of eight games, having lost its opening game to Jamaica Teachers Training School.

The record of seven straight wins is the best the Purple and Gold has had for years. According to fans, the schedule which State is playing is equally as difficult as those of former years.

DISCUSS NATIONALITY

"What is Nationality" was the discussion topic at the meeting of Menorah society Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in room B. Bertha Pitkin, '29, played the piano.

Mildred Pawel, '27, and Alice Fisher, '28, reported on the Menorah convention in New York city last semester.

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Expect 500 Teachers Of Capitol District At State's Annual Conference On March 26

Approximately five hundred school men and women in the secondary schools of the Capitol District and adjoining counties are expected to attend the third annual round-table conference called by President A. R. Brubacher for Saturday, March 26. The conference meetings will be held in the College.

Members of the state education department, State College faculty and speakers from Teacher's College, Columbia university, will be in charge of the meetings. Other speakers may attend from Vassar, New York university, Rochester and the Lincoln school, New York city.

The program will begin at ten o'clock.

Delegates will attend groups to discuss the junior high school, high school subjects, and administrative and supervisory problems. College juniors and seniors will be asked to attend the group meetings dealing with their major subjects.

A general conference will follow at 12:15 o'clock and will be addressed by an educational leader.

Luncheon conference will be held at one o'clock in the College cafeteria. There will be speakers. Attendance at the luncheon will be limited.

Dr. Thomas E. Finegan, State College graduate and formerly assistant state commissioner of education, spoke at the luncheon last year. State Senator William T. Byrne also spoke.

CALENDAR

Today

11:45 A. M. Senior Class Meeting—Room B.
8:15 P. M. Basketball vs. St. Michael's—Gymnasium.

Tomorrow

2:00 P. M. Canterbury Bridge—St. Andrew's.
8:00 P. M. Joseph Henry Society Journey Through Wonderland—Science Corridor.

Sunday, February 20

4:00 P. M. Y. W. C. A. Vespers—Rotunda.

Wednesday, February 23

8:15 P. M. Advanced Dramatics Play—Auditorium

REV. SEARLE TO SPEAK BEFORE Y.W.C.A. SUNDAY

The Rev. Robert W. Searle, pastor of the First Dutch Reformed church, will speak at the Y. W. C. A. vespers service Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the rotunda. Miss Mary Fraser, of Albany, will sing.

Two faculty advisers to Y. W. C. A. will pour at a tea following. Ruth Empie, '27, is in charge.

PUBLISH GREEK PAPER

The Gamma Gazette, publication of the Gamma chapter of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity, will be published next week. It will be distributed to the active and faculty and honorary members and sent to the alumni, national officers and other chapters.

The staff comprises: Francis E. Griffin, '28 senior editor; William M. French, '29, junior editor; Joseph F. Herney, '29, business manager.

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Mr. White spoke on the life of Thomas A. Edison, whose eightieth birthday was Friday. He also exhibited a small fat-burning lamp used more than a thousand years ago, and a whale oil lamp.

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SENIORS WILL ELECT 5 AT MEETING TODAY

The senior class will elect the class testator, poet, historian, prophet and alumni counsellor today at a meeting in room B at 11:45 o'clock, according to Marella Street, president.

At a meeting Tuesday the class decided to present the portrait of Dean Anna E. Pierce to the College, Moving-up day.

PRESENT MUSIC PROGRAM

The mid winter concert, featuring the women's chorus, the mixed chorus, and the college orchestra, was held last evening in the College auditorium. The women's chorus repeated the musical numbers sung at the January concert in Chancellor's hall.

A group of folk-songs was effective, and received long applause from the audience.

"Sleep, Beauty Bright," and "Shadow March," two compositions by T. Frederick H. Candlyn, instructor in music, completed the program.

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