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RUTH DRAPER READS HERE

Known from Coast To Coast As Dramatist

Miss Draper, who is to appear at Chancellor's Hall on December 6, at 8:15, is a granddaughter of Charles A. Dana, who was Assistant Secretary of War under Lincoln, and the well known editor of the New York Sun. Her father, William H. Draper, who died in 1900, was a distinguished physician, and her brother is Paul Draper, the concert singer and vocal teacher.

From her grandfather, she must have inherited much of the wit and wisdom with which her sketches abound, while her dramatic genius may be traced to the famous journalist's wife who, it is said, was possessed of fine histrionic ability and had aspirations for the stage.

Many of the newspaper critics of New York and elsewhere, where Miss Draper has appeared, in commenting upon her exceptional powers of mimicry, her astonishing versatility, and her many-sided talents, have expressed wonder why she does not identify herself with a regular play. She did make one attempt at it with Marie Tempest in "A Lady's Name," but to be subservient to the dictates of a stage director, did not appeal to her. She preferred a career where her independence would enjoy the fullest scope and give her individual standing. Evidently, her achievements have accomplished that purpose.

Her overwhelming success is one of the most remarkable ever known in amusement annals. Her triumph in London, followed by a genuine ovation in Paris, was regarded as a distinction never before won by an American artist. She even went a step further when she presented her original character sketches to equally enthusiastic audiences in Madrid. At a time when America was marvelling at the reception here of two companies of Russian players, Ruth Draper, an American, was carrying American art to the most famous capitals of Europe.

From coast to coast, her characterizations have been given, and whether in Chicago, Boston or Philadelphia, she has been cordially greeted by capacity houses. No longer is she considered a monologist. She ranks with the foremost actresses. In New York City, her Sunday nights at the Selwyn Theatre became an institution and her houses are invariably sold out in advance. Such attendance is awarded only to artists who have won and held popularity. Her character sketches are not merely monologues. She presents and enacts little cameos of characters that one minute hold the audience tense in pathos, the next moment laughing at the foibles of easily recognized society types. Her characters are perfectly wrought; each one lives. There is a subtle quality of finish about her art or work which stamps it as the work of an artist who loves her art.

Miss Draper is at present publishing a series of her monologues in the

Work On Dormitories Will Begin Soon

The project for doubling the size of State College by addition of three buildings, to bring the capacity beyond the two thousand student mark, reached another step toward completion this week. President Brubacher announced that the \$75,000 appropriation for the foundations, granted last year by the legislature, will be used before January 1, and filed a request for \$660,000 to complete the work with the Senate and Assembly Financial Committees.

Work on specifications for contracts to be let for the foundations has been nearly completed by Sullivan W. Jones, state architect, Dr. Brubacher announced. He promised there is every assurance that 1925 will see the foundations completed. The granting of money for foundations by the Legislature has been accepted in education circles as indication that the remaining appropriation for the buildings will be given.

Creation of two new professorships, six new instructors, and five new assistant instructors, is also asked in the request filed at the Capitol. Total salary increases for the faculty of \$30,420, and \$3,000 additional allotment for equipment and maintenance are also asked. Two thousand five hundred dollars of this is to be used to maintain grounds and walks.

The total amount sought is an increase of \$695,440 over last year's budget, of which most is wanted for the new buildings.

EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY

In observance of the eightieth birthday of State College, which falls December 18, the News announces the publication of "The Story of State," to begin in the next issue and continue in the four numbers following.

Authorized by Dr. Brubacher, the story of the college will trace its growth from 1884, and farther back, until the present day.

The man whose mind reared forth the idea of a teachers' college, the man who made that dream's realization possible, the struggle for a start, are described in the opening article.

"Woman's Home Companion." Miss Draper will give these following sketches: "A German Governess," "A Class in Greek Poise," "A Debutante," "A Dalmatian Peasant in the Hall of a Hospital," "On a Porch in a Maine Coast Town," "A Southern Girl at a Dance," and "In a Railway Station on the Western Plains." The ticket prices are \$1.50 and \$2.00. Students will be admitted on student tax tickets.

Plays To Be Cast; Date is Scheduled

Tryouts for parts in the casts of the three one-act plays to be presented in January by the Elementary Dramatics class, under the direction of Miss Agnes E. Futterer, are being concluded this week. Miss Futterer will announce the persons who have won parts when all tests are completed. Monday evening contests for "Overtones" were conducted in the auditorium. There were several candidates for the role of the two society women and also for their "primitive selves." Wednesday, tryouts for "The Boy Comes Home" were held. Members of the class read the lines for "Aria da Capo" last week.

These are the parts which are to be filled in the three plays: "Aria da Capo"—Pierrot, Columbine, Catherinus, Thersus, Corodion; "Overtones"—Harriet, a society woman; Hattie, her primitive self; Margaret, a society woman; Maggie, her primitive self. "The Boy Comes Home"—Uncle James, a wealthy Englishman; Aunt Emily, his wife; Philip, their nephew; Mrs. Higgins, a cook; Mary, a maid. Saturday evening, January 17, has been set as the date for the plays. This is the Saturday before the mid-year examinations, and was selected because January 9, the only other available date, is only four days following the reopening of college after the Christmas recess and does not allow time to get the plays in shape for public presentation, it was explained by Miss Futterer.

Members of the class are each trying out for three roles. An average of six persons is reading each part. It is hoped to secure the services of the college orchestra to play preceding and between the plays. The order on the program in which the three dramas will be given has not yet been determined.

A STORY WORTH TELLING

In announcing the publication of "The Story of State," the News calls to the attention of the student body, the history of its Alma Mater, one in many respects, notable and unique.

State College has had a brilliant record of service in a field of education where service counts for most. It has always led and still does lead in training teachers in New York state. It approaches the completion of four-fifths of a century of that service, the state's largest and oldest unit in teacher training.

The completion of eighty years of expansion marks also the beginning of an era of increased prosperity. With one-third of the goal for the college's dormitory reached, a great step toward social unity is made. With definite assurance by the President that work on the foundations for the three building addition, to double the institution's capacity will be started before 1925, the future holds forth a vision of a student body that will in fifteen years pass the two thousand point.

VARSITY TO PLAY UNION

Fenner Gets Armory For Opening Game

State College will play the first basketball game for 1924-25 to-morrow night against Union College varsity, at 8 o'clock, at the State armory on Washington Avenue and Lark Street.

Before a crowd forecast by the basketball management at more than eight hundred persons, the college five will go into action in the most important and interesting game of its schedule. Union College will meet its first opponents of the year in the State game and several hundred Union men will be in that college's rooting section. To-day, pep meetings and cheer practices are scheduled for State and for Union at the weekly assembly.

State will be led by Captain John Gainer, who will be at his former position at center. This week practice in the gym was carried on and the team will familiarize itself with the large armory court.

Manager Harvey C. Fenner, upon advice of the athletic council, closed arrangements for hiring the huge hall this week. This will accommodate any crowd that comes. Other home games this year will be in the college gym. An exception has been made for to-morrow's battle, because of the unusual attendance it is expected to attract. Union has never played State in Albany before, and will not be here again until 1926.

State College rooters will occupy a special cheering section. Another section will be reserved for Union and the general public will be admitted to a third division. Student tax tickets will be accepted for admission for all college students.

In the Union camp, things have been lively this week. The Union men have been conducting pep meetings for the team and will be on hand with three cheerleaders to-morrow night.

Thirty candidates for Union's team reported to Coach William H. Hardman. Five letter men form the nucleus about which the coach will build the team. Captain Stanley Fink, Gilligan, Ripton and Makofski, won their letter last year and with the exception of Makofski, stellar forward who broke his shoulder in the final game of the football season against Hamilton, all are eligible for this year's quintet.

G. A. A. PRIZES AWARDED

Prizes of a State College pillow and of an N. Y. S. C. T. banner were awarded to Florence Craddock, '25, and Miriam Raynor, '28, as winners in the G. A. A. song and cheer contest, which terminated in a frolic on November 22. The new song and cheer will be presented to the student body for active use in the oncoming basketball games.

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TEACHING INTERESTING

At a recent address delivered at Hunter College, Dr. John Erskine of Columbia University, made the following statement, "People are not teachers to serve the human race—that is but the result. Frankly, teaching is the richest and most exciting life." To those of us who have considered teaching a humanitarian cause, this is certainly an eye-opener. Evidently we are not to be sent out to the wilds of the Adirondacks or the Catskills to act as missionaries, in rescuing savages from ignorance. Instead, we are to find in these remote regions, an interesting and exciting work. We are not to become self-sacrificing martyrs to a noble cause, but we are to become ordinary human beings who delight in living and working with other human beings. The term "teacher" no longer means a bespectacled, long-faced individual who is afraid to smile. It means an individual who is not afraid to live, that is, to live his best.

We teachers, then, are not to be placed in a box labeled with "Take every day except Saturdays and Sundays—and be thankful for small favors like vacations and week-ends." We are to stand forth, uncategorized and unlabeled. We are to be individuals, and not a species of microbes. Teaching to us is to be a vital vocation, and not a side track where we may park until a marriage offer comes along.

Keeping in mind Dr. Erskine's statement, then, "let us strive on in the work we are in"—not doomed to a life sentence, but allowed to enter an interesting and helpful profession.

Attend the "secret" entertainment given in the auditorium this evening.

Art And Athletic Programs Conflict

State College begins its 1925 basketball season to-morrow night. Basketball has always been called the college's favorite sport and has always proved the best drawing card both among college students and residents of Albany. To-morrow night, also, Ruth Draper, the distinguished American reader, will appear in a return engagement at Chancellor's Hall. Student tax tickets will admit students to either offering.

The blame for the conflict of dates which has attracted comment cannot be ascribed to anyone. The Union game had been scheduled for more than thirteen months and contracts with guarantees signed. The Ruth Draper recital was arranged without knowledge of the Union date, by the Dramatic and Art Association. It was one of the only two dates Miss Draper could offer Albany, and the other was the night of the Gabrilowitsch recital. The game could not be played to-night because of the Y. W. C. A. bazaar.

Much depends upon the Union game. In the first place, victory over Union will call for a hearty student support. The season's showing depends to a large extent on the first game. Besides that, State's reputation with its nearest and one of its friendliest rivals will suffer if the visiting rooters outnumber the college in its own home game. Union has about 750 students. State has 1050. Union is playing away from home. State is playing on its home court.

A cheer for the team in chapel this noon, and absence from the game to-morrow night, tell their own story. Duty to the team, duty to the college, and to its name, demand only one action. The college gains in its own eyes and those of others to-morrow night—or it loses.

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THE IDEAL ROOM

"My room! I love the cretonne chair,
The thin-legged table where I sew,
The old mirror with its air
Of vanities lived long ago!

The picture of three poplar trees
Beside a path I often tread,
And all the wrought memories
Of happy days long sped."

Certainly everyone wishes for an ideal room such as is described in these lines. The problem is: can State College students' rooms be made so? Dean Pierce, at a recent meeting of the freshmen, asked a series of questions in relation to rooming places and room. Some of the questions were: Is your room attractive; what are you doing to make it so; have you a convenient place for your books and papers; do you have to share this place with others; have you a suitable table or desk; have you sufficient light (both natural and artificial); quiet conditions, fresh air, warmth, and a comfortable chair, all which are necessary for successful study?

Dean Pierce will make use of the statistics received from the answers to these questions to help the students, and she will have a talk with every freshman whose living conditions seem to need attention. Dean Pierce is vitally interested in the welfare of the students, and she will be glad to help in these matters as far as possible.

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT

At the last weekly student assembly, exercises were conducted in connection with Education Week. President Brubacher gave a short address, introducing W. A. Smith, chief of the immigration education bureau of the State Education department, who spoke concerning immigrant education in the United States and especially in New York state. Mr. Smith also touched on the importance of the teachers and their influence on "bettering the conditions of the immigrant population." He cited many instances and examples of this case in New York and other states.

COMMUNION TO BE HELD

Canterbury Club held its November meeting, Thursday evening, November 20, in the guild room of St. Andrew's Church. After a short business meeting, Dr. Wilson, of the Dudley Observatory, gave a talk illustrated by stereopticon views, on various phases of astronomical phenomena. A corporate communion will be held at eight o'clock on Sunday morning, December 7. Breakfast, in charge of Alice Spencer, '26, will be served following the service.

QUARTERLY COMMUNION

The regular meeting of Newman Club was held Wednesday, December 3, in Room 211, at four o'clock. After the business part of the meeting, Rev. Joseph E. Dunney gave the second of the lectures on religion, which are included in the course for the year. The date set for the second quarterly communion of Newman Club was announced as being Sunday, December 14, at the 9:10 mass, at St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

To-day is the last day of "Quarterly Week." All Newmanites who have not signed up for the official magazine of the federation, the "Newman Quarterly," must do so to-day. The next conference of the Albany Province of Newman Clubs, will be held in Albany in the Spring of 1925. It is important that the State College club be able to show a one hundred per cent affiliation with the national organization, particularly through its subscription to the Quarterly. Sign up to-day!

AROUND THE COLLEGE

The marriage of Martin J. Barry and Miss Marguerite Florence Matthews, of Rochester, was solemnized November 22 at Rochester. Mr. Barry was graduated from State, where he was a member of Kappa Delta Rho, and from Albany Law School, where he belonged to Gamma Eta Gamma, professional legal fraternity. Mrs. Barry was graduated from Northwestern University, Chicago.

Miss Mildred L. Henry, councillor of '17, reports the fall meeting of the Rochester branch of the alumni, held November 14, at the Women's City Club. The meeting was in the nature of a luncheon at which Dr. Harlan H. Horner spoke. Among the alumni present were Mrs. Julia Hughes Harris, '64, and Miss Sara Stewart, '68.

Buy your sweetheart's flowers at the flower booth to-night.



Alpha Delta Omicron has been officially recognized by President Brubacher as a sorority at State College.

Chi Sigma Theta entertained the other sororities of the college at a bridge-tea, Saturday afternoon, November 22.

Miss Veronica Noone, '25, spent the week end of the twenty-second in Syracuse, where she attended the Syracuse-Colgate game.

The active members of Chi Sigma Theta were hostess to the alumnae on Monday evening, November 24.

Beta Zeta held her fall house dance Friday evening, November 21. Twenty-three couples, including representatives of other sororities were entertained. Committees in charge of the dance were in charge of the following chairmen: Music, Orna Harding, '25; decorations, Cora Reed, '25; orders, Doris Magee, '25; refreshments, Doris Begor, '25. Patronesses were: Misses Maud Malcolm and Laura Thompson.

Beta Zeta welcomes into full membership Doris Youngs, '26, Sally Wood, '26, Phebe Skidmore, '27, Marion Vedder, '27, and Ruth Ellis, '27.

Cora Reed, '25, spent the week end in Amsterdam.

Marion Hewitt, '26, spent the Thanksgiving recess at Elmira College as the guest of Ethel Harrington, ex-'26.

Newman House held a typical Thanksgiving dinner, followed by a cabaret entertainment, Tuesday evening. Edna Fitzpatrick, '25, was in charge.

Agatha Flick, '27, spent the week-end in New York.

Gladys Moore, '26, has returned from the Albany Hospital, and is at her home in Rensselaer, convalescing from her recent illness.

Majorie Smith, '23, spent the week-end at the Delta Omega House while attending a conference in this city.

Evelyn Bacile, '28, spent the week-end at Ballston Spa.

Gertrude Walsh, '27, was called home Thursday, by the illness of her mother.

Page Hall was greatly disturbed Sunday morning upon discovering that its home had been transferred into a medieval castle surrounded by a moat. This was due to the carelessness of Albany's engineers in their recent excavations.

Charlotte Duncan spent the week-end at her home at Northville, N. Y. The Misses Marion Zaph, Molly Sauter, and Blodwyn Bailey, spent the week-end in Schenectady.

The first official meeting of Page Hall was called November 17, for the purpose of organization. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Louise Ward, '26; vice president, Ruth Lane, '28; secretary, Martha Baker, '28; treasurer, Anne Cowan, '27; reporter, Leah Cohen, '28.

There are 25 freshmen, 8 sophomores, 2 juniors and 1 senior living at Page.

Get your dinner in the cafeteria to-night.

Freshmen Trounce Schoharie High

The freshman men's basketball team trounced Schoharie High school, 32-11, November 21, in the college gym, before a good crowd of supporters.

The freshmen played Griffin at right forward and moved Goff to left guard. Griffin was out of the Rensselaer High school game because of football injuries and Goff played at forward then.

The freshmen took the lead early in the game and maintained it throughout. With the benefits of several practices since the Rensselaer game, they worked out in good form and found little difficulty with the high school boys. Schoharie put up a good game, but was outplayed. Tony Kuczynski, left forward, was high man for the freshmen, with 13 points; six field baskets, and a foul. Griffin was next, caging three fields and five fouls, for a total of 11 points. Nephew, captain and center, scored eight points from the floor and held Gaepel scoreless. Dobris and Goff, guards, allowed the Schoharie forwards to get only three baskets. At half time the freshmen were leading 15 to 5 and in the second half allowed Schoharie only 6 more points.

The score and summary:

SCHOHARIE			
	fb.	fp.	tp.
Mahar, rf	0	1	1
Bagley, lf	3	3	9
Gaepel, c	0	0	0
Widman, rg	0	0	0
Wright, lg	0	0	0
Burton, lg	0	1	1
Totals	3	5	11

STATE FROSH			
	fb.	fp.	tp.
Griffin, rf	3	5	11
Kuczynski, lf	6	1	13
Nephew, c	4	0	8
Dobris, rg	0	0	0
Goff, lg	0	0	0
Totals	13	6	32

Score at half time—State Frosh, 15; Schoharie High School, 5. Fouls committed—By State Frosh, 7; By Schoharie High School, 8. Referee—Johnson. Timekeeper—Gainor. Time of periods—Eight minutes.

PROFESSOR HIDLEY SPEAKS

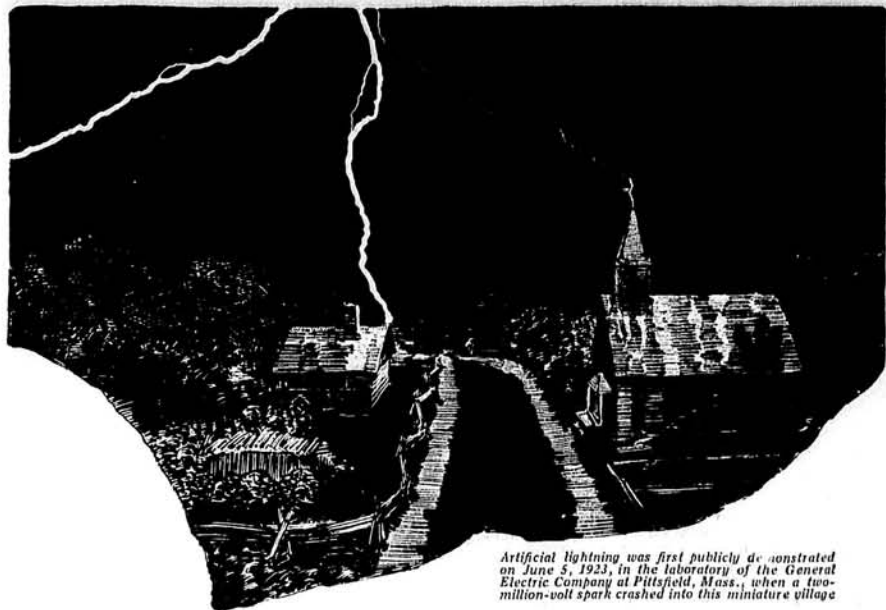
Mr. Hidley, at the regular meeting of the Political Science Club, Tuesday, November 21, spoke on his recent visit to Buffalo, as a guest of the Buffalo Historical Society, which has unearthed valuable history of the Niagara Frontier, ignored for over fifty years.

After touching on the history of this renowned place, Mr. Hidley spoke of the pleasant journeys taken about Niagara, and the impressiveness of having a noted speaker on the historical spot when the party arrived.

Mr. Hidley mentioned particularly the great contrast between the splendid care of the frontier on the Canadian side and the carelessness exhibited on the American side.

At the close of the talk, Mr. Hidley passed around some very interesting pictures and maps illustrating his trip.

At the next meeting of Political Science Club, Tuesday, December 9, at 4:00 o'clock, Professor Risley will speak. 'Nuff said! You know it will be an interesting meeting. Be sure not to miss it.



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Music Recital

The Music Association of State College will present Ossip Gabrilowitsch in recital at Chancellor's Hall next Friday night, at 8:30 o'clock. In the past the association has brought string quartets to Albany, but the many requests for a pianist have caused a change in the usual program. Gabrilowitsch, conductor of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, is the son-in-law of Mark Twain, having married Clara Clemens, the author's daughter. The program will be announced later and is likely to include a number of requests made by students and musicians of Albany, according to T. Frederick H. Candlyn, who is arranging for the event.

Y. W. BAZAAR TO-DAY

Committees for the Y. W. Bazaar to-day and this evening in the gym, have been appointed by Gertrude L. Olds, who is in general charge, as follows: Alma Falle, decorations; Aileen Gage, advertising; Florence Hudson, art; Ruth Empie, Iva C. Hinman, Dorothy Dietz, Helen Quackenbush, fancy work; Jeanne Scott, handkerchiefs; Marietta Hanna, ice cream; Miss Minnie B. Scotland and Miss Edith O. Wallace, alumni; Olive Gooding, Japanese table; Gertrude Sweetmann, candy; Miriam Snow, popcorn; Florence Craddock, entertainment; Jessie Wayman, supper; Ethel DuBois and Georgianna Maar, Chinese table; Margaret Pabst and Ruth Lemmie, flowers.

The bazaar will be accompanied by a supper in the college cafeteria and an entertainment in the auditorium. Arrangements to accommodate several hundred students and many alumnae are being made.

MUSIC CLUB ENTERTAINED

Music Club entertained its members most delightfully, Thursday, November 20, with a program rendered entirely by men.

David Neville, '26, tenor, accompanied by Willard Retallick, '26, gave a truly Irish interpretation of "Tommy Lad"—Margeton; "Kashimiri Song"—Woodforde-Tinden; and "Blather-shite"—An old Irish Song.

Percy Briggs, '26, violinist, accompanied by Harry Godfrey, '26, pleased the audience with his rendition of "Where My Caravan Has Rested"—Herman Luhr; "La Czarina"—L. Ganne; and "Mighty Lak a Rose"—Ethelbert Nevin.

H. E. TO HOLD MEETING

For the first time this year the whole department of Home Economics will come together for a mass meeting. By special arrangement, this meeting will be held during the assembly hour on December 12. Students will attend the assembly as usual, but will be excused after the announcements have been read. Further announcements for this meeting will appear on the Home Economics' bulletin board.

Tuesday, November 25, from four till six, the Home Economics seniors gave an informal tea at the Home Management House, for the freshmen of the department. This was an opportunity for the seniors and freshmen to become better acquainted. Miss Winchell, Miss Keim, and Miss Fillingham poured.

Miss Jessie A. Winchell, supervisor of Home Economics of the State of Vermont, was a guest of her sister, Miss Florence Winchell, on Tuesday, and attended the tea at the Home Management House. Miss Winchell and her sister were guests at dinner at the Home Management House, Tuesday evening.

Following the custom of previous years, the freshman clothing class is again making children's dresses. On Wednesday, November 19, the children were at college for the taking of measurements. The crackers and milk which were served had evidently been anticipated, for one youngster was heard to remark, "Are we going to eat after this?"

JUNIORS AND SENIORS VICTORS

The juniors held the seniors to a score of 14-12 in favor of '25, in the game played off November 24. The contest was fast, open warfare, remarkably free from fumbles.

The game of '25 vs. '28, resulted in a steady uprolling of points for the seniors, while the underclassmen by dint of sudden spurts forced the '25 guards to keep work. The final score was 23-8 in favor of '25.

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Friday, December 5
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Saturday, December 6
8:00 P. M. State-Union game—Armory.

8:15 P. M. Ruth Draper—Chancellor's Hall.

Sunday, December 7
Canterbury Corporate Communion.

Tuesday, December 9
Political Science Club.

READY MADE CLOTHING

Milne High students, H. E. faculty and H. E. students were present at the lecture given on Monday, November 24, by Miss Cronin, who represented Whitney & Co., and spoke on "The Selection of Ready Made Clothing." She emphasized the fact that the price of a garment does not always determine its value and that simplicity and quality are important factors.

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