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EX-JUDGE OR DEAN TO DECIDE DEBATE

Former Court Justice Or Head
Of Law School To Pick
Winning Team

Either Alden C. Chester, former justice of the supreme court of New York, or Dr. Harold Alexander, dean of the Albany Law School, will be invited to judge the debate between the men's varsity team and the University of Pittsburgh, February 6, Louis M. Klein, '29, president of the council, announced today. Only one person will judge the contest, he said.

The Pittsburgh team will be represented by Roger S. Hamilton, Warrensburg; David B. Buerger, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and C. John Phillips, Ambridge, Pa. The three debaters will be accompanied by their coach, Richard Murphy, instructor in public speaking.

Hamilton is now in his fourth season of intercollegiate debating, having been a member of the Cornell university varsity team during the first two years. He is president of the men's debate association and belongs to Delta Sigma Rho, honorary debate fraternity. Hamilton is majoring in sociology.

Pitt Debaters Experienced

Buerger, a senior, and manager of the debate team, is in his second year of intercollegiate debating. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Mu social fraternity; Sigma Kappa Phi, honorary foreign language fraternity; Delta Sigma Rho, honorary debate fraternity; and Pi Tau Phi, honorary scholastic fraternity. Buerger has also been affiliated with the Pitt Weekly, the Pitt Panther, the Owl, and the Pitt Players. He is majoring in Spanish.

Phillips, a junior, is assistant manager of the debate team. He is a member of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity, and Eumatheta, honorary scholastic fraternity.

Phillips is editor in chief of the Owl, the junior class year book. He is a research student at the Mellon Institute.

The schools which Pittsburgh will meet on their trip include: Ohio Northern University, Oberlin College, Syracuse University, Colgate University, Holy Cross College, Boston University, Harvard University, Boston College, Maine College, Bowdoin College, College of the City of New York, Columbia University, Ottawa College, Queen's College and the University of Toronto.

SOUTH AFRICANS MAY BE GUESTS AT STATE

State College may be host to forty South Africans in February if it accepts the invitation of the foreign relations committee of the National Student Federation of America to entertain them during their tour of the United States. The invitation has been extended to the college through Louis J. Wolner, '30, delegate to the congress of the association in December.

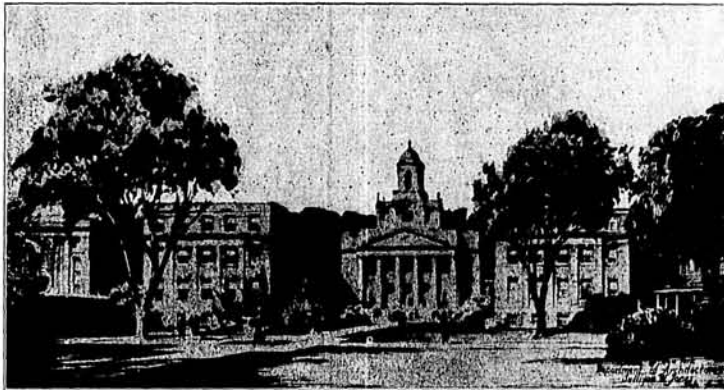
The South African delegation will visit the principal cities in the east. Albany will be included in the tour if the college group houses will entertain the students.

The National Federation of Canadian University Students has invited the African representatives to visit Toronto and Montreal.

Thirty students from Germany will tour the United States in the spring of the year under the auspices of the National Student Federation of America. The official delegation of the International Confederation of Students will visit the country during the summer.

"Student tours are conducted in the hope of reaching peace among the nations of the world through understanding," Wolner explained. "Students who intend to travel in Europe may obtain cheap transportation rates through the association's foreign relations office in New York city," he said.

HOME OF NEW MILNE HIGH WHICH MAY GET JUNIOR DEPARTMENT



Milne Hall, at the left, will house the new junior high school, if projected plans are approved. Center, Page Hall, and at right, Richards Hall. All are now under construction.

MILNE MAY START JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Administrative Officers And
State Education Heads
Discuss Plans

Training in junior high school education as well as in senior high school work may be offered here if plans now under consideration by administrative officers and the state department of education are carried out.

The present state permit to the college authorizes only a four year course in the model practice school. If the plans are approved, the junior department would not be opened before September.

President A. R. Brubacher today told the News that plans are being made for the inclusion of junior high school pupils in the Milne High School, model practice unit, but said that no definite information could be given until later.

Professor John M. Sayles, head of the education department and principal of the Milne High School, declared that the plans are not yet perfected.

Would Mean More Pupils

If the plans for the junior high school are adopted, it would mean the addition of several more students to the Milne High School. Practice teachers would be assigned to the three junior years as well as the three senior years.

The college at the present time offers in its model school a traditional high school program of four years, from the ninth to the twelfth grade, with courses in college entrance, commerce and home making.

Only one course in junior high school education is now offered by the education department. That is Education 4, "the junior high school, its theory and administration," now given by Dr. M. G. Nelson, assistant professor of education.

NAB PEEPING TOM AT SYDDUM WINDOW

Police Catch Father Of Family,
Detained In Conversation
By Housekeeper

A "peeping Tom" was caught looking into the lower windows of Syddum Hall, a residence hall for girl students at 225-227 Ontario street, Tuesday night.

Following detention overnight by police, a fine and a reprimand, he was released Wednesday morning. He is a young Albany business man, about 28 years old and well dressed. He has a family.

Dorothy Boehmer, '29, president of Y. W. C. A. house at 219 Ontario street, phoned to Syddum hall at 10:45 o'clock and told the girls that a man was looking in the windows. Until that time, the girls were unaware of his presence.

Miss F. E. Dunn, housekeeper, immediately called the police. Before they arrived, the "peeping Tom" started to leave the side of the house to go to his automobile, parked on the opposite side of the street.

By talking with him, Miss Dunn detained him until the arrival of the police, who took him into custody. Police believe he is the same man who has been operating in various parts of the city for nearly five months, and for whom they have kept watch.

The case of the "peeping Tom" is the first to be reported by college group houses this year.

Approximately thirty-five girls live in the two houses which comprise the residence hall. Some of the bedrooms are on the first floor of one of the houses.

Syddum Hall is the same dormitory which was entered several weeks ago by sneak thieves who stole thirty dollars and a wrist watch while the girls were at dinner.

Girls To Don Football Togs? Yes, If They Meet Challenges

State College maidens may soon blossom out in football togs if the two challenges for football games, recently received, are to be met.

Challenges for games have been received from Cortland Normal School and Lowell Textile Institute. The cohorts of Coach Rutherford R. Baker are nonplussed as to the proper manner of handling the challenges.

In former years State was well represented on the gridiron. A dearth of able bodied men was given as the reason for dropping football from the list of college athletic activities.

If the athletic prestige of the college is to be upheld, it may be necessary to follow the example of other colleges and organize a girls' football team.

No More Verbal Boquets For Sweet Girl Graduate; Poesie Under Senior Pictures Will Go To Scrap Heap

By BESSIE LAPEDES
Senior Associate Editor, STATE COLLEGE NEWS

"Wings might she have and she might flit,
Scattering fresh flowers through the world."

Such, senior, might have been the little verse appended to your name in this year's Pedagogue. Or, if you had been really fortunate, you would have seen under your picture, "She is loving enough and brave enough to be a king's wife." Or perhaps you would have liked this better: "And when she smiled, it seemed like all the fairies sliding down a rainbow."

Then again you (who are trying to impress the folks back home with your senatorial sedateness and dignity) might have had to face and live this down, if the folks back home saw you inscribed thus:

"By the moon we sport and play;
With the night begins our day."

or maybe:

"Full of fun, full of pep,
Holy smoke, just watch her step."

But this is all the "might have been"; so sit ye back and relax, seniors, for it is not to be. No longer will the bells of fairland re-echo through the dignified annual. No longer will you see images of yourself passing down to posterity as "merry and pleased as Punch," or "a kind of Cinderella in the place."

The Pedagogue board has decreed the passing of poesie from the pages which the seniors adorn individually.

Instead of seeing your imagined characteristics (as imagined by someone who never knew you) pictured in unnatural poses of poetry, you will see yourself in characteristic poses taken from life. This is but a hint of the new idea, the idea of a snapshot for each senior "write-up" in addition to the studio portrait.

Perhaps someone will regret the changing of the old order? A signed petition might help. There might be someone, you know, who would like to be quoted as expressing:

"What if the world should break up!
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NEWS BOARD TO GO TO CONVENTION IN MARCH

Five student journalists, members of the executive board of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS, will represent State College at the fifth annual convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, in New York City, Friday and Saturday, March 8 and 9.

The five who will attend the sessions are: William M. French, '29, editor in chief; Thomas P. Fallon, '29, business manager; Louis J. Wolner, '30, managing editor; Margaret J. Steele, '30, associate managing editor, and Margaret Hemming, '30, advertising manager.

The News board this week voted to send the five delegates to the conference, to make certain the "covering" of all the sectional round table sessions under the direction of nationally known scholastic and professional journalism leaders. The five students will probably leave Albany, Thursday night, March 7, or early Friday morning, March 8.

Largest Delegation Ever Sent

This will be the largest delegation the NEWS has ever sent to the convention, in the three years that it will have been represented there. Two years ago, the representatives were Edwin R. Van Kleeck, '27, editor in chief; Helen Zimmerman, '27, business manager; Sarah H. Barkley, '27, associate managing editor, and Thelma Brezee, '27, senior associate editor. The representatives last year were: Katherine S. Saxton, '28, business manager; William M. French, '29, managing editor, and Elizabeth Phetleplace, '28, associate managing editor.

General meetings have been arranged by the secretary, Joseph M. Murphy, for subjects common to all publications. Sectional meetings will be conducted for papers in several classes, with the staffs of teachers' colleges, papers and magazines meeting separately.

2 MORE MEMBERS ADDED TO FACULTY, PRESIDENT REPORTS

Appointment of two additional members of the faculty, effective next semester, was announced today by President A. R. Brubacher.

William Frank Vollbrecht, of Decatur, Georgia, will be instructor in government, assisting Dr. David Hutchison, head of that department. Mr. Vollbrecht is a graduate of Northwestern University, and received his master's degree at Columbia University. He is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, national honorary education fraternity.

Miss Caroline A. Lester, who holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Cornell University, will be instructor in mathematics.

With the twelve appointments announced last week by Dr. Brubacher, the two new appointments make the list of new instructors fourteen.

SENIORS TO PAY \$100 EACH FOR DORMITORY

Each member of the senior class will be expected to pledge \$100 to the alumni residence hall fund, Professor John M. Sayles, head of the education department and chairman of the residence hall committee, said today.

OXFORD MAN TO TALK IN ASSEMBLIES TODAY

Arthur Moor, a graduate of Oxford University, will address the assembly of upperclassmen and sophomores at 10:55 o'clock and the freshman assembly at 11:35 o'clock today.

He will speak on student life at Oxford, and will play piano selections. The program is sponsored by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A.

He may play additional selections this afternoon in the auditorium, and speak on the lives of the classical composers. Tonight he will address a joint meeting of the two associations at the Y. W. C. A. house, 219 Ontario street. Mr. Moor is Y. M. C. A. secretary at the new medical center in New York City.

CUPID'S ARROW HITS TWO COLLEGE CO-EDS

Marriages of two girl students, believed to be the first of the present semester, were announced this week.

Grace E. Williams, '29, was married to A. H. Bennett, a staff member of the Albany Times Union, November 23, at the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, it developed this week. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Calvin H. French, pastor of the church. Mrs. Bennett plans to continue her course here in preparation for receiving the degree of bachelor of arts.

Edna Falkenstein, '29, was married to Herman Asnes, of Detroit, while she was there recently. She will continue to use her maiden name until graduation.

Besides the two undergraduate marriages, the marriage of Gertrude Walsh, '27, to John Tremper, an instructor in German at Colgate University is announced. Mrs. Tremper is a member of Gamma Kappa Phi.

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AMITY—OR "RINGERS"

Instead of the customary enmity between the two underclasses, it seems that there now exists a large measure of co-operation and amity. In fact, the amity is so extensive that we find two sophomore men playing as members of the freshman basketball quintet in the game with Cohoes High School last week. Whether this is a manifestation of cordial amity or,—to use a less complimentary term,—the employment of "ringers" depends on the point of view. It is plainly evident that when the freshman management sees fit to use two sophomores, it can scarcely claim the name "freshman" for its quintet. The Cohoes High School varsity may feel proud of having trounced a combination of freshmen and sophomores from State College.

THE GREEKS SHOW THE WAY

Rough house initiation as an introduction into fraternity life was generally condemned at the interfraternity conference in New York City recently. This is in line with the policies of the better fraternities to abandon their traditional "hell weeks." The Greeks have found that for every black eye inflicted upon a freshman, the fraternity receives two black eyes in public esteem; they have found that the sadistic emotion which leads to paddling and maltreatment is but a relic of barbarism. The fraternities are beginning to realize that if they respect a man well enough to make him a member, they should respect him enough not to subject him to public humiliation.

Doubtless indoor initiations, before a small group of fraternity men, will exist for some time in the more barbaric fraternities. Perhaps a small amount of performance will not be harmful to freshmen. But will it do any good? It would seem that horseplay tends to detract from the solemnity of initiation; it would seem that a combination of slam-bang physical punishment and impressive symbolism are incongruous.

And while fraternities, that last stronghold of paddling and punishment, are condemning the practice, what is State College doing about it annual hazing fracas? We are glad to hear that the administration and Myskania are conferring on a possible solution of the "get wise" party question. As the News has pointed out at various times, this party is potentially dangerous, and is not in keeping with the best interest of the college. Members of the sophomore class have objected to the News' statements about their "get wise" party. That is natural, since it was their party.

The freshman class, which not so long ago went through the experience from a different point of view, might well express its opinion. If the class were to recommend to President Brubacher and to Myskania the abolition of the hazing fracas, it would have taken a true step toward leadership in student affairs. It is the present freshman class which must administer the next mauling party, if there is one; it is the freshmen who must bear the onus of any injury to their rivals; it is the freshmen who may set a precedent in helping to wipe the party from the slate of useless and silly activities.

Being a majority in the Italian cabinet, Mussolini can now dispense with meetings altogether.

TAKE A BIOGRAPHY

The recent announcement by Miss Mary E. Cobb, librarian, that biography is gaining in popularity with college students here is of great educational significance. Reading biography is one of the ways of acquiring a liberal education. Its relation to nearly every subject in the curriculum is so intimate that the several departments may greet Miss Cobb's announcement with enthusiasm. While biography may have its more close ties with English and history, it is by no means divorced from other subjects. Foreign languages, sciences, commerce and even mathematics have their biographical ties. An instance is the recently published and truly excellent biography of Zola. While partly of interest to the student of history, it also contains a notable critique of Zola's contributions to French literature.

The newer biographies, while they may not have as much food for thought as their ancestors, certainly are written in such a style as to make the reader pursue them avidly. Examples of these are the recent *Sam Houston, Meet General Grant* and *Twelve Portraits of the French Revolution*. Both has a punch to it, making it well worth reading.

This is not to disparage the novels of our period. While the greater share of these novels will be forgotten ere spring comes, a few will remain known. Many of the contemporary novels are good literature, and what is more, good reading. But in such a maze of so-so stuff, it is the wise reader who chooses a biography. We suggest to Miss Cobb this slogan: "Don't take a chance; take a biography."

NO MONKEYS FOR ARKANSAS

Just when we thought that this open-minded land of ours was repudiating the stiff-spined, narrow-visioned, and noses-to-the-grindstone, hard-shelled followers of William Jennings Bryan's anti-monkey crusade, along comes the legislature of Arkansas with a ban on evolution similar to the one which stirred up all the fuss in Tennessee a few years ago. Though Arkansas has always been more or less in the woods, as far as we are concerned, we never suspected the natives of going to the extent of barring Webster's dictionary from schools supported by state funds.

It seems that Noah committed a grave error against the faith of the backwoods when he said, concerning evolution, "the theory, which involves also the descent of man from the lower animals, is based on facts abundantly disclosed by every branch of biological study." The Encyclopaedia Britannica and other works of reference are said to offend common Arkansas decency in a similar manner. The law forbids use in the schools of any book which teaches that man "descended or ascended from a lower class of animals."

It also forbids teachers from defining evolution, according to current press reports. So when little Johnny Arkansas asks teacher what evolution is, teacher will say, "Naughty, naughty," and that will be the end of the story. Johnny will never think to look in the home dictionary or to read newspapers. Having attempted to squelch the word, the legislators may go about with serene complacency, knowing that as far as their native health is concerned, Darwin and all his corrupt crew never existed.

The backwoods must be made safe from the monkeys! In the meantime, the honorable legislators of Arkansas may take steps to finance the publishing of a special dictionary and special encyclopedias for their state. Wanted: a Bryan to edit the Encyclopedia Arkansasana.

BOOKS: THE "TIGER" REPORTER

THE "TIGER" REPORTER
NEW MARY TODD LINCOLN
A NEW TYPE OF WAR BOOK
By W.N.F.

American Reconstruction. By Georges Clemenceau. 300 pages. \$5. New York: Lincoln MacVeach, Dial Press.

It is a little known fact that at one time Clemenceau, "Tiger" of France, was a special correspondent in America. Fleeing from the despotism of Louis Napoleon, the young doctor came to the United States and wrote his impressions of reconstruction following the Civil War, for the *Paris Temps*. He has now authorized his friend, Ferdinand Baldensperger, professor in the Sorbonne, to collect and publish these dispatches. *American Reconstruction* is the collection of these dispatches which originally appeared in the *Temps*, unsigned.

It is interesting to note the training in democracy gained in America by this ardent young republican who was later to be hailed as the saviour of France in her great need. While well aware of many deficiencies in our government at the time, the young correspondent never wavered in his confidence in the government which had withstood the shock of domestic war. He forecast that American greenbacks would be accepted on a par with foreign exchange, and was an ardent believer in the African race.

His commentaries on American politics in the time of Johnson and Grant substantiate the opinions of American observers. This foreign point of view is refreshing to the student of the post-war period; and to the biographer of Clemenceau, his comments will be equally valuable in showing how his American experiences affected his later liberalism in France.

Mary, Wife of Lincoln. By Katharine Helm. 300 pages. \$4. New York: Harpers.

One of the most tragic lives in American history forms the basis of this new biography of Mary Todd Lincoln. Misunderstood by her contemporaries, and heaped with imprecations by North and South alike, the wife of Lincoln "carried on" in the face of all criticism, for his sake. Then when a quiet life, safe from the public eye, opened for her, the door was rudely shut by the assassination of the president.

This book, written by Mary Todd Lincoln's niece with the rear stained diary of her mother as source material, paints the great sacrifice made by Mary for her husband. It contains nothing of the alleged marital strife of the Lincolns, but retires such claims with a portrait of reciprocal love and understanding.

While the last part of the book is perhaps the most masterful, the first chapters are in a higher vein.

The book is doubtless the greatest contribution to Lincoln this year. Endorsed by Lincoln authorities, it is destined for a permanent place in history. It is intensely readable, unusually realistic and incomparably touching. Its success is assured.

The Case of Sergeant Grisca. By Arnold Zweig. Translated from the German by Eric Sutton. 449 pages. \$2.50. New York: Viking Press.

The time has come, at last, for the reaction against the more blatant, war as a picnic plus lots of cursing fiction of the recent world war. It perhaps served its purpose, but we are not sure what that purpose was. It is safe to say that such books are doomed to speedy oblivion.

We have just discovered the first great novel about the war, *The Case of Sergeant Grisca*. It is more than a "war book"; like Tolstoy's *War and Peace*, it is an interpretation of a changing world; it is an epic of transition during war. There is the rumble of cannons, of course; but the rumbling of an incipient revolution against disciplinary machinations far out-thunders the big noises of what we have hitherto been reading as portraits of the war.

Grisca is a Russian peasant, not different from thousands of others; but by a daring act he becomes the personification of the masses, of common soldiers on both sides of the Eastern salient. With all this presentation of an epic, the language is intensely readable. The plot is substantial; the scenes, real; the action, dramatic.

To exhaust the vocabulary of a professional blurb writer, to use all his per commendatory expressions would be doing but a scant justice to this outstanding book. It is probably the best piece of fiction published in months.

Delegates Attack Low Scholarship Of Fraternities; Public Institutions Are In Poor Form, Students Declare

[Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of articles on student problems by Louis J. Wolner, '29, recent delegate to the National Student Federation of America convention. He will continue the series next week with student journalism as his topic.]

By LOUIS J. WOLNER

Attacking the growing tendency toward the lowering of scholastic standing of fraternities in the country, the discussion group of the National Student Federation of America advocated higher scholarship requirements for pledging. Although admitting that fraternities should try to give social advantages to the student, the delegates pointed out that the desire for scholarship should not be allowed to peter out.

Public display of mock initiatory observances and the rushing systems in use at the majority of institutions

came under the severe criticism of the discussion group.

Mock initiations are "in very poor form and tend to degrade the fraternity in addition to being an imposition upon a public which is rapidly becoming satiated with such a procedure," the report of the group read. The delegates advocated a modified form of rushing which would enable both the fraternity and the pledge to have more time for deliberation, provided such a method were adequately supervised and would not entail additional expense to the fraternity or scholastic deficiency of its members.

Political combines were found to exist almost universally in the colleges. It was argued that they tend to increase interest in student elections, if their operations can be scrutinized.

Hockey? "Locker Room Bunk," Coach Declares - - - 2 Years Ago

From the NEWS for January 21, 1927

"This talk that State will take up hockey as a minor sport is pure locker bunk," Coach Baker declared elegantly, replying to a News representative.

"East Meets West In College Halls As Eva Dietz, '28, Weds Chinese Student of Union."—Headline.

"All the tales of wildness of college students, of drunkenness, hip pocket flask and irregular lives are mistakes," Margaret J. Steele, '30, told the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Catskill, speaking on life at State College.

From the NEWS for January 28, 1927

"Thomas P. Fallon, president of the sophomore class prepared two drafts of letters to Myskania last week, but sent neither. The first, he explained, was 'hardly appropriate,' and even the second expressed his sentiments too bluntly."

"Only one freshman whose age is less than sixteen years is registered in the college. She is Shirley Wood, of Sidney Center."

"This department would like to know why State and Pharmacy are not hooked this year."

SHORT NEWS NOTES

Fencing Club Will Have Bouts

Twenty members of Fencing club will take part in bouts with representatives of non-campus organizations next semester, Natalie Turchi, '30, president, told the club at its meeting yesterday.

Dr. Nelson on State Committee

Dr. M. G. Nelson, assistant professor of education, was one of a committee of four school men who met in Syracuse last weekend to outline a course in the principles of education for the state normal schools.

Canterbury to Have Communion

Canterbury club will conduct a communion service Sunday morning at 8 o'clock at St. Andrew's church, 472 Western avenue. A breakfast will be served in the parish house.

Epsilon Beta Phi Has New Member

Gene Contois, '31, has been made a full member of Epsilon Beta Phi society.

Postpone Echo Distribution

Distribution of the Echo, literary magazine, previously announced for today, is postponed until next week, according to Florence M. Gornley, '29, editor in chief.

Norma Butler Pledged

Kappa Delta announces as a pledge Norma Butler, '31.

Farmer And Elizabeth's Change; Miss Helen Fay's Favorite Joke

By Miss Helen T. Fay
Manager, Co-Op

A New York farmer was traveling in New Jersey and when the train reached Newark, the conductor called out, "All change for Elizabeth." The farmer said, "I don't know who she is, but here's thirty cents."

COMMUNICATIONS

RICE ADVISES ACTION

Editor, STATE COLLEGE NEWS:
I write because I feel that it is the duty of the student association to take some definite action on the proposal which was placed before it a week ago. I refer to the plans for the purchasing of the electrola.

Of the three plans suggested the one which has received the most enthusiastic support of the students is the one advocated by a recent editorial in the News.

I do not believe the members of the student association desire to accept the electrola from Mr. Carr after all the work of paying for it has been accomplished. On the other hand I believe that they wish to cooperate in raising the necessary fund.

It is regrettable that events made impossible the proposed action in the last assembly. Many students wish definite action to be taken at once.

An immediate decision should be made by the students as to whether or not they wish to support the electrola in the manner advocated by the News.

Very sincerely,
George P. Rice, '32.

"PRECEDENT SHIBBOLETH"

Editor, STATE COLLEGE NEWS:
Recognizing that dancing, as conducted here at noon hours, is a harmless recreation, I claim that there is no need for passing around the hat. By virtue of its purpose, dancing may then be classed as an activity as basketball, tennis and the like. This may sound like an absurdity, but frankly, what should be the true end of any legitimate sport? Athletics, of course, are collectively supported and financed with narrow-chested idealities getting their exercise vicariously. Do not take it that I am opposed to this system that is beside the point. The issue seems to be fundamentally one of principles. When such a worthwhile activity with its comparatively large number of active participants, requires such a comparatively small sum for its maintenance the duty "precedent shibboleth" should be hurled gutterward. Permit me to congratulate you on the aptness of the term "precedent." But so is it an apter, and some people must eat.
Sam Cooper, '29.

APPROVE STANDARD RING

Editor of the News:
While we have no desire to raise a controversy about the already too much discussed question of junior rings, we feel that some justification is due the junior class, especially the ring committee. It seems to us that the editorial and front page article about junior rings in the last issue of the News, was a cruel blow to the junior class.

In the first place, we should like to explain that at the very beginning, before any negotiations were begun with ring salesmen, a member of Myskania, in our mind, the best qualified to judge on this matter, was consulted about the traditional requirements for the ring. We were trying to avoid any error later on. The committee was told that the ring should be gold, not kind as was previously, and that the standard seal should be on top of the ring. There was no mention of a locket around the seal. The committee felt that these requirements were lived up to by the ring submitted to the class. We claim that on the sample of one competing the Mynerva was a true Mynerva, by the way, does not exactly conform to the proportions of the Mynerva in the old days. However, it was explained to Myskania that this sample Mynerva would be exchanged for the traditional Mynerva at the time order sent to this company. This was not a sample to give the class an idea of the border around the ring till the day the system was dropped in the catalogue, when all the samples had been submitted.

We are very sorry about the whole affair, especially since we had tried so hard to live up to the requirements, and had honestly felt that we had done so. We sincerely hope in your understanding and feel that neither party is directly to blame.

New samples, which will meet every requirement will be submitted to the class after exchange of the old ones.

We heartily agree with the Editor when he says that a standard ring should be agreed upon.

Fannie Gilbert
Louise Jones
Louis J. Wolner
Marion Butler
Anna T. Moore

NO NEWS NEXT WEEK

No issue will be published next Friday, January 25, due to the scheduling of final examinations for that week.

BOARD ANNOUNCES TAX EVADER'S LIST

Strict Enforcement Is Planned; Non-Payers Are Denied Many Rights

Strict enforcement of the student tax system was promised this week by the student board of finance, when it notified officers of organizations supported by the budget that any officers who have not paid their tax will be removed from office.

The following list of students who have not paid their tax, or made adequate explanation to the board, was prepared for the News by the student board of finance. Students whose names are listed here are not members of the student association and may not take part in any of its activities.

They are not entitled to copies of the News or any other student publication, and will not be admitted to student association activities without charge.

The tax delinquents announced by the board of finance are:

- | SENIORS | |
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| Blattner, Henry | Klein, Helen |
| Bonnie, Bertha | Landauer, Lucretia |
| Cohen, Joseph | Leach, Elizabeth |
| Doyle, Katherine | Lewis, Dorothy |
| Driscoll, Mary | M. C. Gore, Margaret |
| Eloyd, John | Mullen, John |
| Fraser, Mary Ellen | Palmer, Marion |
| Hare, Ethel | Peterson, Mildred |
| Hunter, Emma | Reddy, Elizabeth |
| Jack, Elizabeth | Seaver, Ralph |
| Josselyn, Carolyn | Watts, Marjorie |
| JUNIORS | |
| Benoit, Alice | Spencer, M. Louise |
| De Morsaville, Aaron | Taylor, George |
| De Potter, Annette | Tapscott, Michael |
| Johnson, Mrs. F. M. | Town, Dorothy |
| Jones, Arthur | Woodford, William |
| Lewis, Edgar | |
| SOPHOMORES | |
| Ackley, Emma | Lee, Catherine |
| Burke, Edmund | McCann, Texene |
| Butler, Norma | Neargood, Helen |
| Cornish, Elizabeth | Rossiter, Mary |
| Davis, Florence | Schneider, Alice |
| Draykin, Isadore | Schwartz, Rose |
| Fanning, Mary | Schuster, Wilhelmina |
| Fitzgerald, Gerald | Splam, Alice |
| Greene, Gladys | Squires, Mabel |
| Hartman, Dorothy | St. Jacques, H. |
| Hoover, Wilma | Sullivan, Bernard |
| Kaplan, Marion | Vahrmann, Ruth |
| FRESHMEN | |
| Anderson, Walter | Allen, Mabel Jane |
| Appleton, Frederick | Bassett, Charles |
| Armstrong, Alice | Bennett, Virginia |
| Brewer, Katherine | Chan, Howard |
| Carl, Margaret | Clark, Sherman |
| Cann, Wilbur | Miller, Kenneth |
| Delaney, John | Wicks, Dorothy |
| Dixon, Frances | Wencke, Theresa |

STRONG IS DIETICIAN

Elizabeth F. Strong, '28, has been named assistant dietician at the Albany Hospital. Following the completion of her course here in home economics, she took special work in dietetics at the hospital.

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Advocates Red Flannels



Lenore G. S. Hutchison, '29, who declares old fashioned maidens were more healthful in red flannels than are modern girls in silks.

CORR DECLARES HE WILL NOT REQUEST AN APPROPRIATION

No attempt will be made to seek an appropriation from the student association budget to pay for the electroa now used in the gymnasium for dancing, Daniel Corr, '31, told the News this week.

Corr, who is regarded as the leader of the students who have furnished the electroa for noon hour dancing, said that attempts will be continued to collect five cents from each student dancer daily until the machine has been paid for. Six dollars was collected Tuesday, leaving approximately ninety dollars still due.

No attempt was made in assemblies Friday to ask the student appropriation, though Corr earlier in the week had indicated that such action would be proposed.

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Grippe Gets Girls Of Today, As Grandma's Flannels Became Passe, Co-Ed Claims, Citing Physical Decline

Irate school ma'ams and clergymen need no longer rave about the degeneracy of the modern girl. Following a debate in Dr. Harold W. Thompson's debate class, students settled the perplexing question by voting that woman has progressed in the last fifty years.

Woman has advanced intellectually in modern times, Mary Fitzpatrick, '29, first speaker of the affirmative argued. She cited as examples of the

assistant professor of education. "All that may be true," retorted Edith M. James, '31, of the negative, "but woman who was once an asset, is now a liability."

"Woman is independent today because she can support herself," Fanny M. Sipperly, '30, of the affirmative claimed.

"But what difference does that make?" Miss James wanted to know. "Is the status of woman any better because she is single?" she asked.

Despite the increased number of girls who take part in athletics, the girl of today is not so physically fit as her grandmother of fifty years ago, Lenore G. S. Hutchison, '29, of the negative argued. "Can the young woman of today, with silk stockings and scanty underwear, withstand colds as well as her grandmother who used to dress up in heavy flannels?" Miss Hutchison asked in conclusion.

STUDENTS MARK TEST GIVEN ALBANY PUPILS

More than 1,000 intelligence tests were administered to seventh and eighth grade students in the Albany public schools last week by students in the classes in testing directed by Dr. Earl B. South, assistant professor of education.

Dr. South and the students scored 850 of the tests Saturday morning, and the remainder will be scored this week. The testing is part of an extensive program mapped out by the college department of education in co-operation with John H. Kingsley, research director of the Albany public schools.

This is the first year that the education department and the city school system have co-operated in a testing program. The students who administer the tests are enrolled in education 105, "mental measurements," and in education 112, "problems in testing." Juniors in the educational psychology classes are assisting in the scoring, modern advancement of women Dr. C. Caroline Crossdale, professor of hygiene, and Dr. Elizabeth H. Morris,

INSTRUCTOR EXEMPTS STUDENTS FROM TESTS

The sophomore gymnasium class which meets at 10 o'clock on Monday and Wednesday, and the freshman class which meets at 10 o'clock on Tuesday and Thursday will be exempt from mid year examinations according to Miss J. Isabelle Johnston, instructor in physical education.

Although this is the first time she has ever made exemptions, Miss Johnston said she will continue the practice because of the incentive which she believes it furnishes the students.

The rating of the classes were based on the students' posture and their response to commands, according to Miss Johnston.



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JAILING YOUNG MEN IS CALLED "CRIME"

Michael J. Hickey, Ex-convict, Tells Y.M.C.A. Members Of Prison Fare

"It is almost first degree murder to put a young lay breaker into jail with a hardened criminal," Michael J. Hickey, former pickpocket, told 25 members of the student Y. M. C. A. and guests Tuesday night.

Accompanying his lecture with practical demonstrations, the former penitentiary inmate described the power of religion to reform criminals.

Society, he charged, is willing to put law breakers "behind the bars like lightning," but is unwilling to assume the duty of rehabilitating them when their terms are finished. He cited as an example his own case, alleging he was driven to further crime after his first release, because he was unable to find honest employment.

"Criminals Not Born"

His fellow inmates were drawn from many walks of life, he asserted, discounting the statement that "criminals are born, not made." He said that in his estimation lack of concentration on worthwhile objectives and bad environment were responsible for the great number of first offense cases.

He vividly described life in the prisons several years ago and the traditional diet of "shoestring" tea and "bootleg" coffee, with soggy bread.

Reformed several years ago, Mr. Hickey has since been interested in the "league of another chance" with headquarters in New York City. It is the purpose of this league, he said, to make transition from prison life to worthwhile citizenship practice possible for the former convicts.

In the pocket picking demonstration, he showed the audience how easily it is to pick pockets, especially in crowded conveyances.

Sweetman Outlines Conference

Robert T. Ross, '29, vice president of the Y. M. C. A., presided and introduced Ray Sweetman, state secretary of the association, who outlined plans for the state student conference in Schenectady, March 1, 2 and 3. He urged the association to send delegates. Ross said that action will be taken at another meeting.

Mildred M. Lansley, '29, president, and Ruth M. Watts, '29, represented the Y. W. C. A. at the lecture.

Hickey addressed the sociology class of Professor Adam A. Walker Wednesday morning. State College is the second college at which he has spoken, the other being Colgate University.

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2. "When giving orders, speak clearly and audibly.

3. "Do not come under the rail for food, but stand in line and wait your turn.

4. "Do not carry mustard or ketchup away from the counter."

If the students and faculty will observe the rules, it will mean a great improvement in the service, according to Miss Thompson.

FRENCHWOMAN TAKES MISS LOEB'S CLASSES

Miss Suzanne Gaidier, visiting student from France, is conducting courses in the French department during the absence of Miss Charlotte Loeb, head of the department, who has the influenza.

Miss Gaidier has been in the United States only since November 5, on which date she landed at New York. Since coming to State College, November 11, she has been attending lectures in English. Though she speaks but little English now, her ambition is to learn to speak it fluently, she told a NEWS representative.

After learning English, Miss Gaidier hopes to earn the degrees of bachelor and master of arts. She is a native of St. Servan, Brittany, and attended the lycee there.

WILL STUDY IN DETROIT

Euretta Lloyd, '29, will enroll next semester at the Merrill Palmer Institute, in Detroit, to continue her work in home economics. Credits earned there will be allowed toward graduation with a degree of bachelor of science in home economics from State College.

WHAT NEXT?

Topic of Sermon, Jan. 20th, 7:30

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VARSITY WILL PLAY C.C.N.Y. TOMORROW

Freshmen To Meet Collegians; Misses From Foul Line Cost State Game

With its winning streak broken, the varsity quintet will tomorrow night meet the Brooklyn Branch of the College of the City of New York on the home court. The main game, which will begin at 8:15 o'clock, will be preceded by a preliminary between the freshman squad and the Collegians, at 7 o'clock.

The Brooklyn outfit was defeated by the Purple and Gold last year in the last game of the season by a 31-24 score.

Allan May Not Play

The varsity will probably be without the services of Leo Allan, substitute guard, but all the other members of the varsity squad will be in shape for the game. Allan sustained a deep cut on the forehead Monday night while playing in a practice game against the freshman team. He may not be able to play until next semester.

Kuczyński, who hurt one of his legs in the St. Bonaventure game, is rounding into shape again and will be ready for the game tomorrow.

The freshmen originally had a game with Schenectady High School for tonight, but when this game was cancelled Manager Kenneth Miller substituted the game with the Collegians for tomorrow night. Schenectady cancelled the game with the yearlings, due to the former's school being closed during an influenza epidemic.

Foul Shots Cost State the Game

The varsity's winning streak was stopped at three straight for the season when the strong St. Bonaventure five managed to get away with a close 26-22 victory on the State College court Saturday night. The inability of the home team to make good on its foul shots cost it the game. The Purple and Gold sank but four of its free throws out of fifteen chances while the visitors made good on six of their nine attempts. McNally and Sullivan led the attack of the visiting team, McNally being the high scorer of the game with fifteen points scored on six fields and three fouls. Kuczyński with eleven points was high man for State. Klein and Whiston starred for the Purple and Gold.

PI ALPHA TAU MADE MEMBER OF COUNCIL AFTER 5 YEAR WAIT

After a five-year probation period, Pi Alpha Tau, sorority for Jewish students, was recognized by Intersorority council Wednesday, Mary C. Gain, '29, president of the council, announced today. Bessie Lapedes, '29, is president of the sorority.

Membership was accorded to the sorority only after a discussion as to whether it should be made to comply to an unpublished tradition that sororities must maintain houses for five years during the probationary period. Pi Alpha Tau has had a house for two years, but was admitted.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Announcement is made of the engagement of Doris Wilcox, '30, to Clarence Nephew, ex-'28.

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SHILLINGLAW CHOSEN CONVENTION DELEGATE

Robert J. Shillinglaw, '29, president of the local chapter of Kappa Phi Kappa, was this week named by the chapter to be its representative at the national convention of the professional education fraternity at Springfield, Ohio, February 21, 22 and 23. The Eta chapter at Wittenberg College will be the host of the convention. William M. French, '29, was named alternate.

DR. THOMPSON TALKS TO ORGANISTS FEB. 25

Dr. Harold W. Thompson, professor of English, will be guest speaker at a meeting of the New England chapter of the American Guild of Organists, in Boston, February 25.

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