

# Barnard Bulletin

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## Organize Faculty Curriculum Group Hold Conference On Middle East

The formation of a new Faculty Curriculum Committee was announced early this week by Mrs. Millicent C. McIntosh.

This committee, which was formed at the faculty meeting on November 24, will work with the student Curriculum Committee. The purpose of the group will be to discuss and institute changes in the curriculum.

Thomas P. Peardon, Professor of Government, was chosen to be chairman of the committee. William Haller, Professor of English, will serve as a member at large. Other members of the committee include Professor Hugh W. Puckett, Professor Marion Lawrence, and Professor David A. Robertson for the Humanities group; Professor Helen Downes, Professor Edgar Lorch, and Professor John Moore for the Science group; Professor Mirra Komarovsky, Professor Basil Rauch and Professor Peardon for the Social Science group.

### Previous Group

The last faculty committee on curriculum at Barnard College was organized in 1935, as a separate committee as a substitute for the subdivision of the Faculty Committee on Instruction. After the committee had submitted its report it was disbanded. It was at about this time that the Honors Course was dropped.

The Student Curriculum Committee has been in existence at Barnard since 1918.

## Sophomore Rings

Sophomores will be able to order their class rings on Monday, December 8 between 12:00 and 1:00 in the Conference Room. A five-dollar deposit is required. The ring will be on display on Jake Thursday, December 4, and Friday, December 5. Since it will be difficult to place orders later in the year those interested in purchasing the ring are urged to do so now.

## Announce Essay Contest On American Peace Program

A first prize of \$1000, with thirteen additional awards amounting to \$2000 will be distributed to college students by the Tamiment Social and Economic Institute, for the best 5000 to 6000 word essay on "An American Program for World Peace in the Present Crisis," submitted to its second annual contest. The closing date of the contest is April 23, 1948.

### Eligibles

The contest is open to all undergraduate college students in recognized colleges of the United States. A contestant may submit but one essay. Any employee of the Tamiment Social and Economic Institute or Camp Tamiment is ineligible for a prize.

In submitting the manuscript, the author should type her full

The Middle-East — America's New Frontier? will be the topic of the conference, sponsored by Political Council, to be held at Barnard this Saturday. Representatives from near-by colleges and universities will attend. The Barnard college student body has been invited to attend the session which will be held at four in the afternoon. At this session the reports from the discussions held earlier in the day will be considered by a board of experts, who will then discuss the general conference topic. There will then be questions from the floor.

### Plenary Session

The chairman of the afternoon plenary session will be Thomas P. Peardon, Professor of Government at Barnard. The speakers will be Professor E. A. Speiser of the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Afif I. Tannous, regional expert for the Middle East, in the Division of Foreign Relations of the Department of Agriculture; Mr. Constantine Stravropoulos, legal counselor for the United Nations Secretariat; Philip E. Mosely, Professor of International Relations at Columbia University; John A. Hazam, Professor of History at City College; Emil Lengyel, Professor of Education at New York University, who has just returned from the Middle East; and J. A. Cogan, head of the Department of Coordination and Economics of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

### Panels

The panel on The United Nations in the Middle East will discuss such questions as the difficulties that the U.N. faces in carrying out the decision on Palestine, and the chances of U.N. success in the Balkans considering the attitude of the Soviet Union toward the proposed Balkan Commission. This discussion will be led by Mr. Stravropoulos.

The second panel on the Economic Aspects of the Area will discuss such topics as how the United States' interest is affected

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name, college and home addresses, telephone number and name of college on a separate sheet of paper clipped to the essay. The manuscript will be returned unless accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

### Prizes

The prize divisions are: first prize \$1000, second prize \$500, two third prizes of \$250 each, and ten fourth prizes of \$100 each.

Entry blanks and further information may be obtained upon request from the Institute, 7 East 15 Street, New York 3, New York. No manuscript will be accepted unless it is typed, double-spaced. Only one side of the sheet should be used and margins should be wide. Manuscripts must be original, unpublished works.

## Gift Boxes

Each year at this time boxes are placed at the entrances of our several buildings to afford an opportunity for students, faculty, and the administrative force to contribute to the Employees' Christmas Fund.

Our system at Barnard does not favor giving gratuities throughout the year. All our employees are loyal and interested and do not expect tips for helping all alike within the limits of their prescribed duties.

Giving to the Christmas boxes is different and, being anonymous, there is no temptation to invite partiality or individual favors.

If you prefer, you may leave your contribution at the Comptroller's Office.

JOHN J. SWAN,  
Comptroller.

## Hold Meeting On NSA Ratification

### Columbia Student Council Plans Publicity; Will Elect Alternates for Delegation

A hearing on ratification of Columbia University Student Council membership with the National Student Association will be held on Friday, December 5, and if possible, a vote will be taken. If the vote is postponed it will be taken at another meeting to be held on Friday, December 12. At the December 12 meeting alternates for the existing NSA delegation will also be elected.

This week and next will be known as NSA Ratification Weeks

on the Columbia campus, the Executive Board of the Student Council also decided at its meeting last Tuesday.

A forum was held in the John Jay lounge at 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday at which students from all over the campus met to discuss the acceptance of NSA by Columbia. The meeting was sponsored by the Columbia College Student Board, an organization comparable to Barnard Student Council. Columbia's delegates to the Constitutional Convention spoke.

Albert Marten stated that he felt that NSA was a "dynamic student movement. It will integrate all student activities on the campus and among colleges. Since it will keep students informed of current events in other campus affairs, it is in the interest of everyone to support the acceptance of NSA at the coming meeting of University Student Council."

The Friday meeting will be held in Room 616, Kent Hall at 5:15 p.m. All Barnard students who are interested in NSA are urged to attend.

## Alice and Mad Hatter Swim in Water Show

By Leah Krechevsky

One splash through the Barnard pool and you're "Through the Looking Glass" of the A.A. water carnival. Camelia Kranz '50, as Alice will take the leading dive into the aqueous version of Lewis Carroll's famous story on 8:00 p.m. December 11 and again on 5:15 p.m. December 12.

Pat Froelich, swimming manager, under the sponsorship of Miss Fern Yates, has organized the group of forty participants into working order for the programs.

Although an air of mystery hangs about the pool rehearsals, Miss Yates managed to disclose that the cast will include as many characters as possible from "Alice in Wonderland." The Mock Turtle, the Mad Hatter, the Lobsters, Tweedle Dum and Tweedle Dee will all be there. The Queen of Hearts has complained of a sore throat, but seems confident of recovering.

The pool will be decorated in appropriate fashion, the big attraction being a Cheshire grin in luminous paint at one side.

There will be no charge to "Through the Looking Glass," but the seating capacity will limit the audience to two hundred each per-

formance. Tickets will be given out on Jake at a date to be announced sometime next week.



Last Year's Swymphony

## Calendar

### Thursday, December 4

- 12:00-1:00—Music Club Rehearsal.—Little Parlor.
- 12:00-1:00—Music Club Listening Hour.—Room 401 Barnard.
- 12:30—Court of Senior Proctors.—Student Council Room.
- 12:30-1:00—Science Club Business Meeting.—Conference Room.
- 4:00—U.C.A. "What Kind of Social Order Do We Need?"—Earl Hall
- 4:00—Classical Club.—College Parlor.
- 5:00-6:15—Glee Club Rehearsal.—Room 408 Barnard.
- 6:30—Wigs & Cues Rehearsal.—Theater.
- 7:15-9:30—Glee Club Rehearsal.—Gymnasium.

### Friday, December 5

- 12:30-1:00—French Song Group.—Conference Room.
- 12:00-1:00—Political Council.—Room 401 Barnard.
- 12:00-1:00—Term Drive Collections—Room 104 Barnard.
- 12:00-1:00—Mus.c Club Rehearsal.—Little Parlor.
- 8:30—Wigs & Cues. "St. Joan".—Brinckerhoff.

### Saturday, December 6

- 12:00—Glee Club Rehearsal.—McMillan.
- "Middle East" Conference sponsored by Political Council.—College.
- 8:30—Wigs & Cues: "St. Joan".—Brinckerhoff.
- 8:30—Glee Club Concert.—McMillan

## Joint Glee Clubs Schedule Concerts

The joint concert of the Barnard and Columbia Glee Clubs will be presented on Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock in the McMillin Theater.

Tickets for this concert, which will be under the direction of Jacob Avshalomoff of the Columbia Music Department, may be obtained in the Social Affairs Office in Room 104 Barnard, or in the Music Department Office, 407 Barnard.

### Soloists

Soloists will be Merle Marcus, mezzo-soprano, and Teresa Stich, soprano, who will sing Debussy's "The Blessed Damozel" with the assistance of the Barnard Glee Club. Miss Stich may be remembered as one of the soloists in last year's performance of Handel's "Judas Maccabaeus."

## NOTICES

### Recreational Leadership

Students are reminded that the Recreational Leadership Course will be given during the second semester. Professor Holland and Miss Bize will conduct the course assisted by special lecturers in the field of crafts, music and story-telling. The hours for lectures and discussions are Mondays and Wednesdays 4-5. Students are also required to serve as volunteer workers in a settlement house, hospital or similar organization. The experience gained by actual participation in such an organization is particularly valuable to students interested in Community Social Service, Girl Scouts, the Camp Fire Movement and teaching.

Registration for this course should be made at the usual time for all academic classes.

MARGARET HOLLAND,  
Executive Officer,  
Department of Physical  
Education.

### Scholarships and Grants-In-Aid

We are not inviting any new applications for the Spring Session. Should any student be in financial difficulties she should consult Miss Lawrence in the Dean's Office, who will endeavor to advise her.

MILlicent C. McINTOSH,  
Dean.

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## Allen Clark, New Instructor In American Studies Dept.

By Muriel Fox  
It is impossible to make generalizations about Allen Clark, Barnard's new instructor in the rapidly growing inter-departmental major of American Studies.

Mr. Clark is a many-faceted and often paradoxical person. Erudite and yet boyish, talkative yet seemingly reserved, he is a philosopher who once wanted to be a chemical engineer, an idealist who still hopes someday to be a politician.

Politically, Mr. Clark's views are so radical—almost Utopian—that radicals would term him reactionary, a term he applies to himself "mainly because everybody else likes to call himself a liberal." He believes that an intellectual aristocracy with broad intellectual and political privileges should ultimately and ideally rise in America. But, he hastily adds, the ideal condition of economic equality would lead these aristocrats to rule only for virtuous reasons instead of for money or power.

**The Fraternity System**  
And most important of all, he feels, the aristocracy should be open to anyone capable and desirous of entering it. As an example, he cites the fraternity system. "There's nothing wrong with a fraternity so long as it's open to everybody. And if there isn't room for everybody who wants to join the elite group, then the fraternity house should be enlarged."

These views, he admits, use the philosophies of Plato, Aristotle, and Jefferson to arrive at Marx-like programs, but for reasons at which Marx would have shuddered.

The Atlanta born, Harvard educated instructor attributes his unorthodox views to the unusual guidance he received from his parents, who encouraged him always to speak and think freely and who never large family library, making no demands but answering all his son's queries of visiting clergymen.

Mr. Clark's mother was the accomplished daughter of a former slaveholder, a descendant of statesman William Henry Crawford and a cousin of Congressman Carl Vinson and Senator George.

His father, on the other hand, was born in a box car "near a Georgia town with a population of 15." After working as a cook, a professional singer, and a school teacher, he became a Baptist minister, then a Unitarian clergyman. Realizing that his son was gaining little from the local public schools, he encouraged the boy to browse in the large family library, making no demands but answering all his son's questions.

**Academic Freedom**  
Mr. Clark believes that all schools should have a similar system of academic freedom and leisurely tutorials but nevertheless champions extensive and mature homework assignments, a policy for which he is already recognized among his Barnard students. He laments the "lazy study habits" he acquired in too-easy southern public schools, but admits that he somehow became valedictorian of his class in a New England prep school and was graduated magna cum laude in 1942 from Harvard University.

At Harvard he accumulated a store of knowledge on American literature and history which still astounds his students. While a graduate student, he taught at M.I.T., Charles School, and Suffolk University. At the last school he taught not English but mathematics and logic, two subjects which he considers his "intellectual hobbies."

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## Artists Corner Now Jumble Shop

There is no restaurant more filled with the character and atmosphere of Greenwich Village than the *Jumble Shop*, located on West Eighth Street. Since its founding 21 years ago, it has been a mecca for Village devotees. This is due not only to the excellent food which is served at reasonable prices, but also to the fascinating history of the place.

Originally it was a brick stable, one of the many on McDougal Alley, where the wealthy kept their carriages. With the advent of the car, this and other stables were left vacant, and then used as studios. J. E. Fraser, the sculptor, became the first tenant. Thomas Edison and Teddy Roosevelt were among those posing for him in the present dining room. For several years, Fraser's friend, Edwin Arlington Robinson, lived there with him, writing poetry.

Still later, the studio was turned into an antique store bearing the name of *The Jumble Shop*. Boasting a large room and comfortable couches around an open fire it inevitably became a gathering place for friends at tea time in the winter. This, and its home-like atmosphere soon suggested a restaurant to the present owners when they bought it in 1920.

The lovely coloring of the brick walls, and the perfect studio light just begged for pictures to grace the wall, so the works of young painters who ate there were selected and hung . . . for sale as well as decoration. The walls have never been bare, because as fast as the pictures were sold, new works replaced them.

An addition to the shop is the picturesque Tap Room with swinging door, old tavern chairs and tables, and caricatures on the walls—the amusing way in which the artists sign the "guest book".

Everyone from Martha Graham and Frank Buck to Hendrick van Loon and Theodore Dreiser have dropped in at the *Jumble Shop* for a meal or two. Lily Pons, Admiral Byrd, Cole Porter and Lucius Beebe have also fallen under the charm and quaintness that is an integral part of the *Jumble Shop*.

## A New Committee

The formation of an independent faculty Curriculum Committee is an encouraging forward step that will do much, we are sure, to improve student-faculty work on the question of Barnard's curriculum. The establishment of the committee, the first such independent group since 1935, is in itself a recognition by the faculty of the importance of a new, serious study of the Barnard curriculum. It is also, in a sense, a recognition of the student Curriculum Committee and of the intelligent, mature work it has done so far.

Professor Peardon, who heads the Committee, has, we know, very definite ideas about the Barnard curriculum and about changes he should like to see take place. The other members of the Committee, we are sure, are similarly interested, and we may expect serious consideration of the curriculum by them, and perhaps eventual action on some parts of it, if action is found necessary.

The course of study the student pursues is, after all, the fundamental reason for his being in college. The importance of strong student and faculty interest in the curriculum is therefore obvious.

BULLETIN will print in future issues articles relating to the problems being studied by the two Curriculum Committees.

The question of required attendance at classes will be one of the problems considered. Through an interview with Professor Peardon we also hope to inform students of the immediate plans of the new faculty committee.

## Jean Meszaros, Ex-commuter Who Prescribes Physics, Travel And Fun

By Laura Pienkny

Commuting students will complain of their night-time tip from Jean Meszaros, a Brooklyn girl who would rather work at home to save time for work and study. Is that all she's saved time for? Fun. But Jean (twice on the Dean's list) is adept at combining work with pleasure.

Her major is physics, and she would like to teach someday. At present, however, friendly, personable Jean, works part-time in the Barnard physics lab as a student assistant, setting up experiments and marking papers. She laughingly claims she's absorbing "culture" on the side from some English major friends.

**Extra-Curricular Activities**  
Enthusiasm for extra-curricular activities enables her to handle the diverse jobs she holds. She is chairman of the Court of Senior Proctors, chairman of Senior Week, and a member of Representative Assembly since her junior year. In past years she was co-chairman of Frosh-Soph Fiesta, Photography Editor of Mortarboard, and helped with term drives.

As a member of the Social Committee since her sophomore year,



Jean has attended dozens of coffee dances and enjoys them immensely partly because they gave her a chance to practice her favorite hobby—dancing. Her other hobby, dance, ice skating has been neglected since she started college, but she still skates at Fort Hamilton High School. She was a skating champion in her days of spare time. Though she's a "day" student, Jean finds the time to study people's reactions when they

find out that she comes from Brooklyn. No, she's not a Dodge fan. In fact, she knows very little about baseball.

### Summer in Colorado

Two summers ago, Jean and another Barnard girl went to Colorado to work as waitresses in Estes Park, a summer resort. They followed Horace Greeley's advice mainly because they wanted to travel and the West seemed alluring. In between carrying dishes the girls found time to hike and to go horse-back riding. Jean came home so enthused, her mother was in despair lest she should decide to become a waitress by profession. It was her liking for people which endeared the job to her so much.

For four years, Jean and her friends have gathered at the same table in the lunch room to eat and talk. The whole group assisted when Jean was too reticent to talk about herself, acclaiming her loyalty, her earnestness, and her amazing knack for managing to do her work, while still maintaining her social life.

Jean does not know what the future holds, but if it is anything like her past she will continue to be absorbed in physics, travel and

## Owen, Rogers And Company Backstage At Brinckerhoff

By Marion Freda

Each evening in the Stygian depths of Brinckerhoff's basement, a motley crew of eager workers toil for the "cause", which in this instance, is the production of Saint Joan. Surrounded by planks, shavings, nails, screws, one finds Maggie Rogers and Sally Wharton happily hammering on the current construction job. Standing meekly in a corner, wobbling under its own weight, is a duplex doghouse built by Mag and Sal with their own little hands. Its purpose, they report, is for shipping iceboxes. "But since we don't have any iceboxes, it just stays there."

Wandering into the costume department, your reporter innocently takes off her coat, and drops it on a chair. Two minutes later, she notices Mary J. Huntington shoving it in a closet. "Wait a minute! I wear that thing!" "Oh!" exclaims Miss H. "I thought it was a costume!" A girl who really takes her job seriously, Costume Manager Mary is always trying to replenish the stock with period pieces. "I spend my time screaming at people, telling them to hang up their costumes." Judy Jarvis, Babs Frenning, and Jackie Kunitz, worthy assistants all, also scream on provocation.

Janet Owen, big-wig in the business, is busily painting shields, answering questions, offering suggestions, and being generally very efficient. Pam Dix stands crinkling blue paper all by herself. Mayhap she has illusions of inactivity, for when questioned she states, "Oh, I don't do anything around here."

Spying a familiar face under three inches of grease paint, your reporter bellows, "Well, Maggie St John!" After being convinced that this is no time to discuss poor attendance at Bulletin meetings, she divulges the woes that beset the Make-Up Department. It seems the epilogue of St. Joan takes pace twenty years later. Maggie and Ann Day must toy with nature's little plan, and in ten minutes add a score of years to each of the character's faces—a Herculean task, to be sure, but with the aid of Max Factor's best, spirit gum, false hair, and a comb, the girls predict success. Cooperation is the practice of the group, however, for M. J. Huntington has made nine charming bald pates for the production and St. Joan and Day reciprocate by banging up costumes.

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# Letters To The Editor

## Differing Opinions On Students Day

To the Editor,

I register disagreement with Phyllis Daytz in her letter to you appearing in the Bulletin, December 1, wherein the writer states: "We aren't driven by the urgency that forced these foreign students to take a stand for their ideals." Miss Daytz was condemning our apparently lax attitude in upholding great ideals, by not attending the International Student Day speeches in McMillin Theatre on November 21, at noon. I beg to differ. I, for one, did not attend the meeting because it differed basically with my interpretation of both American and international ideals, and could more hurt than help permanent international friendship among students.

The International Students Day concerned commemorates the Nazi massacre of 150 Czechoslovakian students after an unfriendly demonstration at Prague. I am no more likely to forget this than Miss Daytz. But I do not recommend celebrating mass murder every year as we celebrate Christmas. I fail to see how a hopeful group looking forward to peace can stop at this time every year and unite on a day dedicated by the Great God, Greed, Son of Pride. In time of war, a common enemy makes for a species of, shall we say, semi-international understanding and cooperation; but as a foundation on which to build a peaceful permanent future of mutual help and intelligent understanding, no common enemy, no mistaken ideal, no hatred and no bloodshed are going to hold the thing together. This semi-stone, semi-sand makes for a rotten base on which to build our monument.

Obviously colleges and educators play an important part in moulding leaders, and also in forming intelligent followers. And I agree that students should keep themselves informed, think deeply, and act wisely in the matter of an all-inclusive international students' day. But the day should not be one commemorating war at all, because in war there is a winner and there is a loser. The day should come at a convenient period for students everywhere, early in the term, or at a similar time to accommodate all educational systems. It might be made to fall on such a day as the first Atlantic crossing joining the old and the new worlds; on the departure date of Magellan, the first man to draw the whole world into one trip; or the birthdate of a student like Edison or Pasteur who benefited not one country, but the whole world; or on the date of the first use of the printing press or radio, all auspicious days to be sure, commemorating nothing original, moving, or courageous. Such a day, however, would serve the purpose of setting a universal date. It is all the days that come between that are most important, for they are the students' continual labs and conferences between lectures.

I suggest that in our zeal to rise above our lethargy in international matters, we do not take a running jump for every bandwagon bearing the word "International" in big red type, but stop to read and consider the fine print. Jewels manufactured by the carload often are set in metal saying "Gold" in very large print, and "plated" in very small.

Yours sincerely,  
GERTRUDE PACE, '50

As a matter of record, I wish to say that the purpose of commemorating International Students Day was not to celebrate the massacre of the Czechoslovakian students but rather to serve

as an impetus to the drives for aid to these foreign universities by reminding us of the courage of the students. If we say that it was in praise of murders, must we also say that the purpose of Armistice Day is to celebrate the horrors of war?

I also wish to explain an apparent misunderstanding by Miss Pace. I did not condemn our failing to uphold the ideal of International Students Day, but condemned our lack of interest in world affairs as indicated by the poor showing at this celebration.

Very sincerely,  
PHYLLIS DAYTZ, '51.

## Wants Time to Think

To the Editor:

The article entitled Relax and Think which appeared in Monday's Bulletin has brought to a head a criticism of our educational system which I have long had in mind and which has become increasingly obvious to me in this last year. That is that our modern educational system puts too much emphasis on sensitivity and not enough on sensibility. We are taught to be receptive on a thousand sides to ideas, thoughts and events around us, and yet we seem unable to cope with the impressions which we receive. We are made intensely aware of the world around us, but what good is that awareness if it does not help us to become integrated and wholesome personalities? Behind the tremendously intellectual type of education which we are given should be a sensibility which would enable us to organize our education into a background for an exciting and happy life. This failure of our teaching system is, I believe, one of the chief reasons that many girls cannot find an emotional adjustment and well-being in college.

The reasons for maladjustment at college have deeper roots than just the educational system presented, however; they trace back to the preceding generation with its career-over-family idea and the resultant insecurity in the home. I believe, however, that the college administrators should allow for the upset family pattern of a large part of the preceding generation and try to compensate for it in their curriculum. By recognizing a general situation, they could do much to overcome it.

Hence I think that the "Relax and Think" idea is one of the best things I have yet seen to come out of a modern educational system. It's time we stopped and thought about what our education was doing for us. Three cheers for the to think!

Very sincerely,  
BARBARA HEWITT, '51

## Publish Series On U. S. Campus Life

Articles covering all phases of American student life have been requested by the World Student News, published in this country by the International Union of Students, and circulated throughout the entire world.

For many of the readers, this publication is their only contact with students in other countries.

In order to portray a true picture of student life in the United States, the World Student News plans to initiate a series of articles written by American students on topics ranging from athletics to dramatics.

Interested students should submit articles to the International Activities commission, 5 Bryant Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

## Posture Contest To Be Held Wed.

The Health Committee has announced that Dr. Mary P. O'Donnell, Dr. Mary V. Nelson, and Professor Margaret Holland will act as judges in the Posture Contest to be held in the gymnasium on Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 12:15.

All classes will take part in the contest. The committee hopes that the results will resemble those in the pictures below.



Before



After

## PC Holds Conference

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by Russian interest in the same area, and can the U.S. be said to be establishing a "frontier" in the Middle East in regard to oil. Dr. Tannous will be chairman of this panel.

The Political and Strategic Aspects will be the topic of the third panel to be led by Professor Speiser. It will discuss the importance of the establishment of a political and strategic "frontier" in the Middle East by means of loans.

The area being considered at this conference includes the Arab States, Palestine, Turkey, Greece, and the Balkan States.

## Students Meet In Italy

Five delegates from the United States have been invited to attend an international student gathering which will be held in Rome from December 21 to January 2. The gathering is sponsored jointly by the International Union of Students and the coordinating committee of Italian student organizations.

The primary purpose of the meeting is to offer students an opportunity to study the social and cultural life of Italy through contact with Italian students and their problems. However, part of the program will be devoted to discussions of student activities in the different countries represented, with the aim of developing mutual understanding and friendship.

Italian students and professional guides will conduct tours of Rome to point out monuments, museums, and places of interest. For those interested in particular aspects of literature or art, special visits will be arranged. In addition provisions have been made for meetings with a number of well known writers and artists now living in Rome.

In order to acquaint students with the everyday aspects of Italian life, a special series of discussions has been arranged.

Special Christmas services at St. Peter's, at which the Pope will officiate, and a special Christmas dinner have been arranged. In addition, plans have been made for an evening at the opera, one or two concerts, an all-day picnic at Tivoli or Rocca di Papa, near Rome, and a farewell party at the close of the meeting.

None of the five American delegates has yet been named.

## MUSIC CLUB

The Music Club will hold a Christmas party in conjunction with the Fine Arts Club on December 12 at 4 p.m. Christmas music will be performed with members of the Columbia Glee Club. They plan to present part of Bach's Oratorio.

## MENORAH

The Menorah and Seixas Societies will present a Chanukah celebration and dance on Monday at four in Earl Hall. The program will include the lighting of the Chanukah candles, singing of the festival's traditional songs, and a variety of games.

## LUTHERAN

The Barnard and Columbia Lutheran Club will meet in the Conference room on Monday, December 8 at 4 p.m. to hear the Reverend Mr. A. H. Swihart speak on "Christian Science"

The reverend Mr. Swihart wrote his thesis on Christian Science, and he worked with Christian Science Groups for several years in order to learn more about the doctrines of the religion.

Tea will be served following the address.



## LOST

A small black plastic cosmetic purse containing Bursar's receipt for identification. Return to Marilyn Ward, Student Mail.

Camp Committee has set aside the weekend of December 13, 14, and 15 as Christmas Weekend for the whole college. Besides a turkey dinner, a Christmas tree, and a Christmas dinner, there will be a surprise visit from that venerable gentleman, St. Nick.

Eye-filling  
Eileen

Come, raise the law to fair Eileen—  
Hands down and far away the queen  
Of college, prom and campus green,  
Because, we hear, she's always seen

**IN HOSIERY**

"As You Like It"

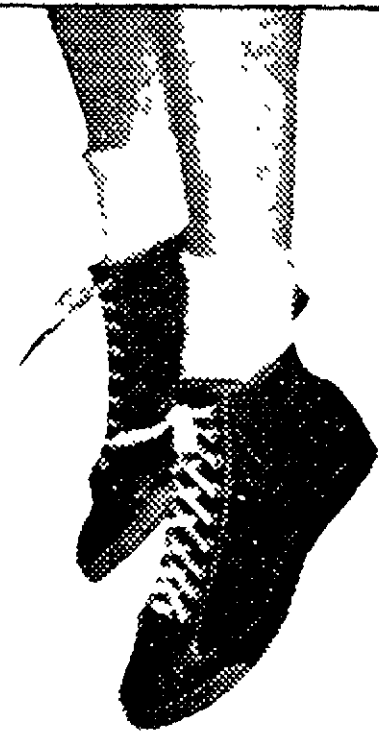
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## Discuss Need For More State Funds For Higher Education

The intense need for more state funds to be spent for higher education was the major topic discussed at the November meeting of the Youth Division of the Democratic State Committee.

Although there are over one hundred recognized private colleges in New York, the state government contributed less than three million dollars to these institutions. As for obtaining a free higher education in New York, it is necessary for the student to obtain either a scholarship that will cover both tuition and expenses, win an "athletic scholarship," or reside in New York City and attend a city-supported college.

With the student population ever-increasing since the war the problem is intensified. New York State, which boasts about its excellent public educational system, has done little to alleviate the difficulties. It has defeated all measures in the legislature for the creation of a state university. Although most of the representatives of civic, labor, business, and educational groups were in favor of following the procedure of the other states in erecting a state supported educational institution, pressure from medical groups and the Association of Colleges and Universities defeated the plan. However, New York has established three emergency junior colleges: Champlain, at Plattsburg; Mohawk, at Utica; and Sampson, near Geneva.

### Favored by Youth Division

The group attending the Youth division meeting was actively in favor of the establishment of a state university. Former Governor Herbert Lehman, speaking to the assembly, pointed out that economic handicaps, discriminatory practices, overcrowded institutions, the inaccessibility of schools to many qualified students, were strong arguments for the establishment of such a university.

The contribution of New York State, the richest state in the nation, is still pitifully small in the field of higher education. When primary school education is so widespread in the state, it becomes the duty of the state government to provide adequate means for qualified students to continue on to higher fields of learning. The State Regents scholarships are one way in which active aid has been offered. Strong support for the establishment of a state university might help bring added benefit to the majority of the students wishing to attend college.

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## "St. Joan" Production

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Individual talent is also employed. Linda Howe has just completed a sensational 10' by 4' tapestry, the imprint of which is still on her bedroom floor, and Sylvia Pfeiffer has finished a huge mural, a veritable masterpiece, for the back of the theater.

No chore is too great for this noble group of "behind the scenes" girls; they always come through. They saw to specification, paint and repaint, sew, darn, and mend with quiet patience. For theirs is a labor of love, God bless them each and everyone!

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## Columbia Grants Show Increase

More persons contributed a greater amount to Columbia University in gifts, grants and bequests during the year of 1946-47 than in any other year since 1936, Dr. Frank D. Fackenthal, acting president of Columbia, announced.

The total of \$3,377,364.64 includes gifts only to Columbia Corporation, and is almost twice the amount given in any single year since 1936.

Almost \$700,000 of the total came in amounts of well under \$20,000—gifts from parents showing appreciation for their sons' education, from alumni in class gifts and as individuals and from staff members and personnel of the University.

Topping the large gifts was that of \$1,509,389.12 from the estate of the late Frederic Bancroft, librarian, lecturer and author, for studies in American history. In addition to gifts from the large foundations for research and special studies, other substantial gifts came from Henry Krumb, the late Mrs. Adam LeRoy Jones, whose sons recently gave approximately three thousand books to the Barnard library, and donors to the Medalie Memorial Fund.

## Press Institute Begins Seminar

The American Press Institute at Columbia University is sponsoring a seminar which began on Monday, December 1, on domestic problems and their relation to international affairs. Guest experts made their presentations and the seminar members, consisting of twenty-five editorial writers from all parts of the country, will discuss them.

Some of the subjects which they will discuss are the world food supply, atomic energy, national defense, infiltration of government departments by subversives, inflation and the business cycle, and the immediate and distant future in American politics. Other subjects to be discussed include the press and its social responsibility, housing, labor, and raising the standards of the editorial page.

### Guest Speakers

Among the guest experts were Lieutenant General Albert C. Wedemeyer; Dean Harry J. Carman of Columbia College, who is an authority on labor as well as an historian; Philip Wagner, editor of the Baltimore Sun; Paul Trescott, editorial writer for the Evening Bulletin in Philadelphia; Bert Andrews, chief of the New York Herald Tribune Washington Bureau. Also included were Lyman Bryson of Columbia Broadcasting System; Dr. William I. Myers, dean of the New York State College of Agriculture at Ithaca; J. A. Livingston, business columnist; Professor John Dunning of Columbia University, the atomic scientist; W. W. Waymack, member of the United States Atomic Energy Commission; and James B. Reston of the New York Times Washington Bureau.

## Hold Discussion Group On Human Relations

The Lisle Fellowship Inc. is sponsoring a Seminar in Human Relations on the theme, Individual Responsibility For Group Action: In Community and In World. There will be meetings on December 5, 6, and 7 which will be held at the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, 45 East 65th Street. The admission is free.

Among the members of the Board of Directors are Dr. Henry Noble MacCracken, former president of Vassar College, and Dr. L. Thomas Hopkins, Chairman of Curriculum at Teachers College.

### St. Paul's Chapel Barnard University

Thursday, Dec. 4 (Noon) (Barnard Day)—Chaplain Nishi

Friday, Dec. 5 (8 A.M.)—The Holy Communion. (Noon)—Service of Music and Prayers: (7:30 P.M.)—Jewish Sabbath Service.

Sunday, Dec. 9 (9:00 A.M. and 12:30)—The Holy Communion, 11 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon  
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## Theatre Group Plays 'The Waiting Game'

ALLEN R. CLARK

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"The Waiting Game," a new play by a young woman student of dramatic arts at Columbia University, was presented as the second subscription offering of the current season by the Columbia Theater Associates, at Brander Matthews Theater, Tuesday, December 2 through Saturday, December 6.

The play is a comedy-drama about an army general hospital, and most of the principal characters are paraplegics. All action takes place in a ward or on hospital grounds.

Author of the play is Miss Louise Conkling, Chattanooga, Tenn., student of playwriting at Columbia, who drew on her own experiences as a Wac technician at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, in 1945-46. One of the principal roles in the play is that of a Wac technician, played by Ann d'Autriement.

Other leading parts were portrayed by Harry Townes, Mary Lou Nelson, Arthur Gerold, Chester Bosworth and Marjorie Dulin. The play was produced and directed by Dr. Milton Smith, Director of Brander Matthews Theater.

Mr Clark still reads "only good books" avidly, scorns athletics, raves about New Orleans jazz of the King Oliver-Pinetop Smith school, and chooses only Turkish cigarettes and pipe tobacco. In response to the most frequent question Barnard girls pose about the brown-haired, witty young professor, Bulletin must report that he is married. His wife is a Radcliffe graduate who will teach American History upon receipt of her Ph.D. degree.

He finds the students here "friendly, direct, simple, and unusually wholesome considering they live in the sophisticated big city."

He dislikes taking attendance in class and looks forward to the day when college life will include very few exams and a great deal of opportunity for leisurely and thoughtful study, "where students can be untouched for at least a few years by the hectic, and superficial demands of modern American life."

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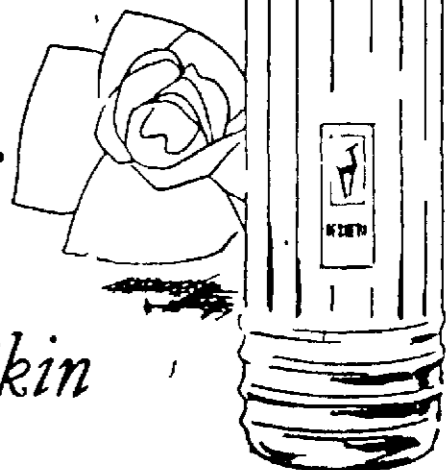
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