

## ALUMNAE

## MONTHLY

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## THE DEAN SPEAKS

The appointment of the new Trustees, described elsewhere in these columns, marks an important step forward for the College. The decision to ask the alumnae to elect four representatives rather than two, springs, I feel sure, from a recognition on the part of the Board of the importance of the alumnae to the College and of the magnificent work the alumnae have done in organizing the Development Fund campaign. The appointment of an alumna trustee from out of town is symbolic of the desire of the College to increase its contacts with alumnae all over the country and to broaden the national character of the student body.

Alumnae may be interested to know about the organization of our dormitories at the present time. Miss Harriet Bensen, director of the Residence Halls, is a graduate of Finch Junior College and the Boston School of Occupational Therapy. During the war, Miss Bensen served overseas with the Red Cross. Miss Bensen has as her assistant Miss Joyce Seigan, a graduate of the University of Michigan, who is studying for her Ph.D. in philosophy. We have several people who cover the desk during the evenings and over the weekends. This organization frees the director from routine work, at the same time providing an efficient administration of the Halls. Margaret De Vecchi '51 the president of the Residence Halls, came to see me the other day and said that so far as she knew there was not a single problem in the administration of the Halls.

Miss Mary Alice Currier, our dietitian, is especially imaginative in her approach to the food services. Although we no longer have waitresses for the evening meal, we try to keep an atmosphere of dignity and friendliness in the dining room. On Sunday nights, a buffet supper is served by candlelight, and students are encouraged to bring guests.



Two newly-appointed trustees who will represent the Associate Alumnae on Barnard's Board of Trustees are *Lucy Morgenthau Heineman '15*, left, and *Rosemary Casey '26*, right.

## Two Alumnae Trustees Named By Board

At a meeting of Barnard's Board of Trustees, held on Wednesday, December 13, at the College, two alumnae, *Lucy Morgenthau Heineman '15* and *Rosemary Casey '26*, were named to the Board as Associate Alumnae representatives. These appointments, which were made on the recommendation of the

## FUND TOTALS \$1,511,926

An end-of-the-year "coverage report" on the Development Fund sent to alumnae area chairmen by *Helen Goodhart Altschul '07*, National Chairman of the Fund, reveals that sixty-five per cent of the 3,122 alumnae who have been solicited have made contributions totalling \$314,797, averaging exactly \$150 apiece. The alumnae solicited represent thirty-five per cent of the current total of alumnae to be approached, although many areas have not yet been solicited.

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Associate Alumnae, raised the number of "alumnae trustees" from two to four. *Helen Rogers Reid '03*, president of the New York Herald Tribune, Inc., was re-elected chairman of the Board. The Board also reelected Gano Dunn, president of the J. G. White Engineering Corporation and president of Cooper Union, as vice chairman, and Frederic Rhineland King, architect, as clerk of the Board. Two of the Board's present members, Dr. Donald B. Aldrich and *Martha Boynton Wheeler '28* were elected to serve as members of the executive committee of the Board for a two year term.

The request for two additional "alumnae trustees" was made by the Board in order to give fairer representation to the increasing number of alumnae. The Board of Regents authorized the increase in the number of trustees, and the Associate Alumnae's

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### ALUMNAE CALENDAR

#### Friday, January 5

8 P.M. Barnard College Club of New York Duplicate Bridge.—Barbizon Hotel.

#### Monday, January 8

4:30-6:30 P.M. Barnard College Club of New York Tea for February Graduates. — Barbizon Hotel.

#### Tuesday, January 9

1 P.M. All-College Assembly. Three alumnae, *Jeanne Mitchell '44*, *Leora Dana '46*, and *Natanya Neumann Levtow '44*, will take part in the program. Alumnae are cordially invited. (See article elsewhere in this issue.) — Gymnasium, Barnard Hall.

#### Wednesday, January 10

4-6 P.M. Employment Workshop, Alumnae Advisory Vocational Committee.—Deanery.

#### Thursday, January 11

8:15 P.M. Barnard College Club of New York Spanish Night.—Barbizon Hotel.

#### Saturday, January 13

Barnard-in-Detroit presents a magic show, the second in a series of programs for children in Detroit, the proceeds of which go to the Seven College Conference Scholarships. For further information call Mrs. Daniel Boone (*Marjorie Nichols '31*), who lives at 3444 Burns Street, Detroit.

#### Monday, January 15

4:30-6:30 P.M. Barnard College Club of New York Tea, with a Board Meeting at 5:30.—Barbizon Hotel.

8:15 P.M. Barnard-in-Bergen Meeting. Professor John Dillenberger guest speaker.—Little Girl Scout House, Teaneck.

#### Tuesday, January 16

2:30 P.M. Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Associate Alumnae.—College Parlor.

#### Friday, January 26

Barnard College Club of New York Twenty-fifth Anniversary Dinner. *Florence deL. Lowther '12* is chairman.—Recital Room, Barbizon Hotel.

### GIFTS TO BARNARD

Barnard has been the recent recipient of several legacies left by her alumnae. From the estate of *Edith P. Striker* of the class of 1899 the College has received an unrestricted gift of \$15,000. This sum will be used this year to meet some of the most pressing needs of the College. Another unrestricted gift of \$5,000, in memory of *Rose Kraker '01*, has been left the College by her mother.

Upon the recommendation of a special alumnae committee, headed by *Helen Crosby West '13*, part of the gift of \$11,468, left to the Alumnae Fund by *Lilyan Stokes Darlington '24*, was used this fall to complete the brick and cement walks around Barnard Hall (see picture). The Alumnae Fund has also received an unrestricted gift of \$500 from the late *Clara Schmidt '06*.

A legacy from the estate of *Alice G. Chase '96* has added \$1,625 to the Salary Increase Fund, and a gift from the Clara Bittenwieser Unger Memorial Foundation has doubled the principal of the scholarship fund established in 1938 in memory of Mrs. Unger of the class of 1913. The Alumnae Scholarship Fund has received \$2,000 from the estate of *Beatrice Stern '25*, a former president of Barnard-in-Los Angeles.



*Virginia Draper Harrington '24*, associate professor of history at Barnard and president of the class of 1924, inspects the memorial stone laid in the new brick walk outside Barnard Hall in honor of *Lilyan Stokes Darlington '24* with the newly-elected president of this year's freshman class, *Grace Peterson '54*.

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Board of Directors, acting under the provisions of the revised by-laws of the Associate Alumnae, elected Mrs. Heineman and Miss Casey. These elections were then confirmed by the Board of Trustees at the December 13 meeting. In the future two "alumnae trustees" will be elected by the members of the Associate Alumnae in every odd year to serve for a four year term. The first such election under the revised by-laws will be held in the spring.

Mrs. Heineman, who lives in Manhattan at 175 West 72 Street, is currently serving as the chairman of the executive committee and a member of the national board of directors for the National Council of Jewish Women. She is also vice president of the New York Section of the National Council of Jewish Women and a member of the executive committee and board of directors of that organization; she is a member of the board of directors of the Visiting Housekeeper Service of the Jewish Family Service. During the war she was personnel manager of Manhattan's Civilian Defense Voluntary Organization, and in 1945 she served as president of the Horace Mann Parent Teachers Association. Mrs. Heineman was president of the Associate Alumnae of Barnard College for three years from 1946 to 1949, and served as chairman of the Alumnae Fund from 1937 to 1939.

Miss Casey, whose home address is Park Mansions, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is chairman of the Pittsburgh committee for the Development Fund. She is a past president of the Barnard-in-Pittsburgh Club, and has volunteered her services on several occasions to Barnard's Admissions Office. Two years ago she took charge of arrangements for a visit to Pittsburgh made by Miss Jean T. Palmer, Director of Admissions at that time; this year she has helped to arrange for a similar visit made by Mrs. John Adams, assistant director of admissions. Miss Casey, who is well-known as a playwright, was awarded a \$5,000 prize by the Christophers in 1945 for her play, "Mother Hildebrand," which was presented in New York last year as "The Velvet Glove."

The two other "alumnae trustees" now serving on the Board are *Louise Laidlaw Backus '29* and *Margaret Gristede*

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Panel speakers at the Barnard Forum, which is to be held on Saturday, February 17, at the Waldorf Astoria, are pictured here, with the panel moderator. Left to right they are:

Margaret Mead '23, Mrs. John Lee, John K. M. McCaffery, panel moderator, Marion Stevens Eberly '17, and Dr. Lillian Gilbreth.

## “Women and the World Crisis” Is Forum Theme

Plans for the third annual Barnard Forum, which will take place this year on Saturday, February 17, at the Waldorf Astoria, have been reshaped to keep the Forum in touch with the times. The theme this year will be “Women and the World Crisis,” with a discussion of the part women will play in the immediate future. Speaking on the general subject will be Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, newly appointed Assistant Secretary of Defense, whose principal concern now is the availability of manpower.

### A Varied Approach

Panel speakers will approach the topic from various angles, with John K. M. McCaffery, master of ceremonies for “Author Meets the Critic,” as moderator. *Marion Stevens Eberly '17*, Director of the Women’s Division of the Institute of Life Insurance, will discuss aspects of the question as they refer to business; Mrs. John Lee, national president of the League of Women Voters, will present political aspects of the question, and Dr. Lillian Gilbreth, consulting management engineer (and mother of the family in “Cheaper by the Dozen”) will analyze the question from the point of view of the professional woman. *Margaret Mead '23* will present an anthropologist’s views on the topic.

Pros and cons of equal rights for women will also be discussed in the light of the present situation, the arguments being highlighted by the probable demands in the near future for women in government, business, industry, and the professions. Madame Vijaya

Lakshmi Pandit, Indian Ambassador-at-Large to the United States, who was to have participated in the discussions, will be unable to appear, because she is under doctor’s orders to restrict her speaking engagements.

The Forum luncheon will be served at 12:45 P.M. in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf. The program, with Dean Millicent C. McIntosh presiding, will begin at 2:15 P.M. Invitations will be mailed to all alumnae about January 15, and reservations should be returned by February 7.

A new feature of the Forum luncheon this year will be “college tables,” at which groups from different colleges will meet and lunch together. Tables will also be reserved for those not wishing to be included in a special college group. Because of the additional labor involved in specific table reservations, alumnae are urged to return their reservations early. Invitations will be mailed about January 15. Cost of the luncheon and program will be \$4.50. Tickets for admission to the Grand Tier boxes for the program only will be \$2.00.

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The total amount raised to date from all sources is \$1,511,926.38. Up-to-date “coverage reports” of this kind are now being sent to area chairmen twice a month.

May 1, 1951, is the date that has been set as a deadline for personal solicitation; in the following year attention will be given to special projects and benefits.

In a letter to the Alumnae Monthly, Mrs. Altschul says:

“Several alumnae have raised the question of whether it is possible to continue the campaign when the Korean situation makes the world picture so grim. We have discussed this question and it has been pointed out that in previous wars the rate of giving to women’s colleges increased. I would like to quote from the article written by John Mason Brown in the August 12, 1950, issue of the Saturday Review of Literature.

“We must not, we cannot, forget that regardless of the threats of darkness and the thickly gathering storm clouds, the lamps still burn and brightly burn. One of our major duties, along with all the other arduous tasks which may lie ahead, is to shield these lamps from the gale.

“Events, our own consciences, or those in authority will tell us in time what each and all of us may have to do. Meanwhile the teacher must teach twice as hard and twice as persuasively as he has in the past. The student, still free to learn about other than military subjects, must study twice as diligently. Writers must write, painters must paint, musicians play, and architects build better than they have. All of us must mobilize ourselves to go about our tasks while they remain peaceful, hoping that in some small way we may contribute to the holding of those other lines, which are not the battle lines but the reason for the battle lines having been formed.”

“In accordance with this beautifully expressed philosophy, we too feel that fund raisers should work twice as hard and twice as persuasively.”

## "ALUMNAE ASSEMBLY"

Three alumnae, *Jeanne Mitchell* '44, *Leora Dana* '46, and *Natanya Neumann Levtow* '44, will participate in an all-College assembly at Barnard on Tuesday, January 9, at 1:00 P.M. Miss Mitchell, a concert violinist, will play a recitative and scherzo by Fritz Kreisler, following her performance with a discussion of the values of undergraduate extracurricular activities.

Miss Dana, an actress who played the lead in "Happy Time" and gave an outstanding performance in "The Madwoman of Chaillot," will read a lyric entitled "The Pallas Athena," written by *Dorothy Brennan Mitchell* '45 for Greek Games. This reading will be given in honor of five of Barnard's present students who come from Greece and who have recently presented the College with two watercolors depicting Greek scenes and four books containing descriptions of modern Greek customs and photographic views of Greece, as a "token of gratitude to Barnard." (The gifts were donated by *Calliope Arcoulis* '51, *Helen Kyrou* '51, *Artemis Simopoulos* '52, *Elizabeth Constantinidis* '53, and *Jeanette Stathopoulos* '53.) Miss Dana will also discuss professional schools versus liberal arts colleges.

Mrs. Levtow, a member of the Martha Graham Concert Dance Group, will demonstrate an original dance composition and discuss the ways in which her psychology major has contributed to her professional career. Miss Marion Streng, assistant professor of physical education, will preside.

Alumnae who plan to attend the assembly and who have questions they would like to ask of the participants are invited to send their queries in writing to Professor Streng, care of the Barnard Physical Education Department, Barnard Hall.

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MacBain '34. Other alumnae on the Board, who are not representatives of the Associate Alumnae and are not, therefore, called "alumnae trustees," are, besides Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Wheeler, *Sara Straus Hess* '00, *Agnes Ernst Meyer* '07, *Iphigene Ochs Sulzberger* '14, *Helen Goodhart Altschul* '07, *Jane Fraser Coleman* '29, and *Ellen O'Gorman Duffy* '08.

## EVENING COURSES

Beginning early in February the Institute of Arts and Sciences of Columbia University will offer short evening courses of ten meetings each in the fields of human relations, art, philosophy, and business. These courses are designed to offer instruction in specialized fields of interest and will be taught by men and women who work in the academic, professional, and business worlds.

Among the subjects to be studied are: "Communism, Capitalism, and Democracy"; "Marriage, Family, and the Job"; "Psychiatric Factors in Human Relations"; "How to Enjoy Paintings"; "Drawing for Beginners"; "Painting for Beginners"; "Philosophy for Today"; "Executive Development"; "Effective Speech"; "The Small Investor"; and four courses in real estate practices.

More information about these courses, for which there are no academic requirements, may be obtained from the Institute of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, New York 27.

### WANTED: UPRIGHT PIANOS

. . . And we're serious! Barnard's Music Department is very much in need of upright pianos in good condition, so if you have one you are planning to supplant and/or sell or discard, please call Professor Douglas Moore at UNiversity 4-3200, extension 2081, or write to him at Barnard.

## CLUB HOLDS FORUM

Preparation for successful citizenship was the theme of a forum in the public interest sponsored by the Barnard-in-Bergen Club at the Hackensack Woman's Club on Wednesday, November 29. More than 300 men and women from the New Jersey area were present to hear addresses by Dean Millicent C. McIntosh, former Senator Albert W. Hawkes, and J. Spencer Smith, former president of the Tenafly Board of Education and a delegate to the 1947 New Jersey Constitutional Convention. The main speeches were followed by questions addressed to the speakers from a panel of interrogators: Dr. Milton Brown, superintendent of schools in West Or-

ange; Mrs. Herbert Reim, a member of the State Board of Education; and Mrs. Morgan Paddleford served as members of the panel.

Dean McIntosh called for a re-examination of the present educational system, stating that the values of the old classical curriculum should not be completely lost in an effort to please the students with "interesting" material.

Senator Hawkes declared that a good citizen must be courageous as well as intelligent, and that men and women in public office must have the courage to stick to their principles whether or not they lose votes as a result.

Mr. Smith pointed out that good citizenship demands love of country, and he defined "love" as the kind of devotion that demands sacrifice, rather than an emotional approach.

*Myra Condon Hacker* '24 presided at the forum, and *Louise Ulsteen Syversen* '33, president of Barnard-in-Bergen, served as chairman of the committee in charge of organizing the event. Members of her committee, who are past presidents of the Club, included: *Olga Bendix* '33, *Eleanor Freer* '29, *Marion La Fountain Peck* '17, *Sarena Roome* '15, *Edna Mae Ruckner* '26, *Martha Lawrence Wieners* '41, and *Aileen Pelletier Winkopp* '33. Ex-officio members of the committee were *Grace Reining Updegrave* '30 and *Dorothy Kramm Read* '32.

## A CAMPAIGN IS COMPLETE!

The Dallas-Fort Worth committee has the distinction of being the first area committee to complete its campaign for the Development Fund. At the committee's final meeting on Saturday, December 9, Dr. *Mary A. Jennings* '21, chairman, reported a total of \$1,116 from sixty-three per cent of the alumnae in the area, with more to come.

This committee opened its campaign on November 5, and every alumna was approached for the Fund during the month of November. Dr. Jennings has reported to the Development Fund office on every prospect assigned to her committee. Congratulations are due to Dr. Jennings and her committee for the effective job they have done for the College, particularly in view of the widely scattered nature of the group. *Mary Craig Millis* '18 was vice chairman of the committee, and *Rosemarie Hoffman McCorkle* '37 was vice chairman for Fort Worth.

# Philosophy . . . a Study and a Way of Life

*A Description of the Department at Barnard and an Outline of an Alumna's Experiences*

## AT BARNARD:

Approximately 150 girls who have never before studied philosophy are now being introduced to the subject at Barnard, according to Professor Helen Parkhurst. Professor Parkhurst, who is known to hundreds of alumnae, having been a member of the Barnard faculty for thirty-three years, has, as executive officer of the Department, contributed most of the following information.

There are, at present, twenty-one philosophy majors, plus one girl who is majoring in history and philosophy combined. This combination of philosophy with another subject to make a double major holds, Professor Parkhurst feels, significant possibilities for the future, since philosophy lends itself to integration with many other academic subjects—the social sciences, fine arts, religion, literature, and even mathematics and the natural sciences. (Although no students are now combining these with philosophy to form a dual major, many who are majoring in these other fields have elected a large number of points in philosophy, in some cases reaching a total of twenty-eight or more.)

### *Unifies Knowledge*

"Philosophy has, as one of its functions, the unifying of knowledge accumulated by many kinds of specialists, and it propounds and deals with basic problems of meaning and truth and of reality and ethical and esthetic values implicit in the subject matter of other fields of inquiry," Professor Parkhurst says. "In view of these facts it seems only proper that students who possess taste and talent for philosophic speculation and who are, at the same time, particularly interested in some body of knowledge dealt with by another academic department, should be permitted to follow a program of major study involving a combination of courses in philosophy and in another field."

There are now four members of the Philosophy Department: Professors Parkhurst, Gertrude Braun Rich '27, John E. Smith, and Joseph Gerrard Brennan. This expansion (for several years there had been only three mem-

bers) has made possible the inclusion of much-needed courses in the philosophy of religion and German idealism. It has also resulted in the division of the introductory course into four sections, desirable because, as Professor Parkhurst explains, "it means that no section is overcrowded and that there is more student discussion and debate."

All of the main divisions of philosophy are represented in the courses now offered, which include, besides the introductory study, courses in metaphysics, logic, ethics, general esthetics, "Philosophical Implications of the Modern Novel," "The Esthetics of Poetry and Prose," "Problems of Esthetics," a general course in the history of philosophy, readings in the history of philosophy, special reading, seventeenth and eighteenth century British philosophy, "The Liberal Tradition in Philosophic Thought," American philosophy, "German Idealism," "Some Current Trends in Philosophy," "The Philosophy of Religion," and a special course, not being given this year, called "America and the Future—Schemes for a Better World," which includes lectures by guest speakers.

The varied out-of-College activities of the Philosophy Department faculty reflect their fields of special interest. Professor Parkhurst herself says that her own interest in esthetics has been responsible for her extensive travel as

**The alumnae modern dance classes under the instruction of Martha Howe '49, will continue on Tuesday evenings during the spring term. Registration for the coming term will take place in Barnard Hall on Tuesday, February 13.**

**There will be twelve one-hour sessions beginning February 13 and ending May 15, with the exception of Tuesday, March 20, when the College will be closed for the Easter vacation period. Each class will last one hour from 7:45 to 8:45 p.m.**

well as her amateur experiments with drawing and modelling, photography, and writing of verse; a large part of the prose writing she has done has dealt with esthetic issues. Her interest in social ethics led to her organization, with the aid of Professor Rich, of the "Schemes for a Better World" course, dealing with individual conceptions of utopia.

### *Faculty Is Active*

Professor Rich is interested in the history of philosophy, particularly in the development of ideas in seventeenth and eighteenth century England and France, and in the development of thought in America. She is also interested in the liberal tradition and it is she who gives the courses in the liberal tradition in philosophic thought and in British philosophy in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. These courses have been suspended, however, during her service as Class Adviser to the class of 1952, a post which she finds "most rewarding and interesting." (The advisers are drawn from the ranks of the faculty, stay with their classes through four years, and then return to their departments.) She is also interested in the school system, having served last year as recording secretary of the Morningside Committee on Schools and this year as chairman of the Sub-Committee on Procurement for the same group. For three years she has been co-chairman of a Parents Study Group at the Riverside Church and president of the Parents' Fellowship there. Her main non-academic interests, however, are her husband, Giles S. Rich, and her ten-year-old daughter, Verity.

Professor Smith, who devotes one-third of his time to the Barnard Department of Religion and whose chief interest is in ethics and the philosophy of religion, is currently writing a book entitled "Analysis and Interpretation of Religion," to be published by Scribners. During the summer he completed a translation of Richard Kroner's "Kant Weltanschauung"; he is also a contributor to a cooperative volume called "Studies in the Philosophy of Charles S. Pierce," which will soon be published by the Pantheon Press. He is in charge of plans for the second annual meeting of the Metaphysical Society of America, to be held in February in Barnard Hall.

Professor Brennan, whose book,

"Thomas Mann's World," reflects his interest in the relation of philosophy to literature, is a Navy veteran who has also done special work in logic. A paper on logic which he read last fall at a conference on the teaching of philosophy at Western Reserve University appears in a recent publication entitled "The Teaching of Philosophy." A resident of Levittown, L. I., and the father of four children, Professor Brennan is chairman of the local citizens' committee for public schools and a trustee of Levittown's newly-founded public library.

The aims of the Department? We quote from Professor Parkhurst: "It was Professor Montague who developed the Department from its small beginnings and who, through his many years of teaching, set an example of brilliant philosophic inquiry that was an inspiration to those associated with him. Our present undergraduates are put in touch with that fine tradition through reading some of his earlier writings and his recently published Carus lectures, 'Great Visions of Philosophy.' We who now conduct the courses in philosophy at Barnard share a conception of the fundamental aims of the Department that is in harmony with Professor Montague's own conception of them. Specifically we want to help students to share with us the adventure of ideas.

### *Reach Own Conclusions*

"We want to help them to realize that the perennial problems of philosophy are genuine problems, all of them challenging and demanding the exercise of all one's intellectual powers and powers of imagination. We want to help them to think independently and courageously, and to reach their own carefully considered conclusions about the nature of the universe and man's place in it, about the nature of life and the good and the beautiful.

"We want them to make every possible use of knowledge gained from other studies and we want them to realize that all fields of knowledge are inter-related and all have something to contribute to one's ultimate philosophic 'weltanschauung.' We most earnestly want to help them to develop not only their critical powers but also insatiable curiosity and ability to respond with excitement to ideas that are novel and strange. We hope, ultimately, that they will be prepared to apply to everyday

living all that they have learned, and that they will prove to be more reasonable and humane individuals, with wider horizons, larger sympathies, and finer enthusiasms and admirations than if they had never undergone the discipline of philosophic study."

### **A MAJOR'S VIEW:**

When Stasha Furlan, a graduate of the class of 1949, took her first courses in philosophy at Barnard, she was a sophomore who had, since her freshman year, served as a soldier with the Yugoslavian army, editor of the Slovena newspaper of the Overseas News

Service, an interpreter for the Yugoslavian Red Cross, radio monitor with the headquarters of the Sloven Radio Base, secretary and interpreter for the Headquarters Allied Commission in Rome, Italy, and secretary for the Sloven National Theater.

A native of Yugoslavia, Miss Furlan had returned to Europe after completing her freshman year at Barnard in 1943, and was immediately caught up in the activities listed above. After three years she found herself a refugee in Rome without passport. During the war years she had, she says, longed for

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## *For the Well-Dressed Desk*



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A collection of books presented to Barnard by *Bertha Van Riper Overbury '96* were received in the Ella Weed Library in Barnard Hall by Miss Carolyn A. Poole, reference librarian, left, and Miss Esther Greene, librarian, right.

## ALUMNA DONATES BOOKS

A collection of first, as well as other editions, of outstanding literary works by women from early Colonial days to the present, has been presented to Barnard by *Bertha Van Riper Overbury '96*, of San Marino, California. Mrs. Overbury has also provided for a future maintenance fund of \$15,000 for the collection. Most of the books will remain in her possession during her lifetime.

While the collection, valued at \$12,000, now includes some works by men, the emphasis in the future is to be mainly on the contribution of women, and specifically, American women, according to Miss Esther Greene, librarian.

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an opportunity to study and to think, and it was while she was in Rome that Barnard gave her "a ray of hope" by accepting her as a student.

Through the help of her friends Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Kubly, Miss Furlan was readmitted to Barnard and received a loan which enabled her to begin to study in the fall of 1946 when she finally re-entered the United States on a permanent visa.

As a sophomore at Barnard she found what she was seeking when she took her first courses in philosophy. Her love for the subject, and the warm encouragement which she received from Professor Parkhurst and Professor Rich led her to major in the field.

"I was also encouraged," she says, "by the memory of my father, who at one time taught jurisprudence at the University of Ljubljana. At Barnard I was dividing my time between working and studying, and I think that most of the time I could not satisfy my intellectual greed. I want to say this about Barnard: it gave me a feeling of belonging and warm sympathy which I needed so badly at the time; it gave me an opportunity to fulfill my desire to study, and not only to the point of a B.A. I am deeply indebted to Dean McIntosh, to Dean McGuire, and of course to the faculty of the Philosophy Department for the recommendations which enabled me to enter Bryn Mawr College in 1949 as a graduate student."

She was awarded a fellowship by the Bryn Mawr Philosophy Department for the following year, but chose to go instead to the University of Chicago, where she was also offered a fellowship, because she had decided to specialize in political philosophy. She is now

studying at the University of Chicago, where she is working for a Ph.D. degree.

"In spite of the fact that I am having a wonderful time studying ethics, Aristotle, and Plato, and in spite of the fact that I have already found congenial companions among my colleagues and fellow-students in philosophy, I often think with a yearning heart of the wonderful people I knew at Barnard and at Bryn Mawr. I humbly hope that I will be qualified some day to teach philosophy, which is, to me, a way of life—a life of inquiry and search for principles that may guide us out of the medley and confusion of everyday life."

## CLUB NOTES

### • NEW YORK

The 25th anniversary dinner of the New York Club will be held on Friday, January 26, in the recital room of the Barbizon Hotel. *Florence de L. Lowther '12*, past president of the club, is chairman. There will be a reception at 6:45, and dinner will be served at 7:30. General Studies Director Louis M. Hacker will be the principal speaker.

Barnard February graduates will be entertained at tea by the club members on Monday, January 8, at four-thirty.

The annual Christmas Party took place on December 20 under the chairmanship of *Joan Norton '48* and *Maria Ippolito '29*. Members brought with them a toy for the children helped by St. Luke's Social Service. *Joy Dueland '50* led the carol singing.

### • ROCKLAND

Barnard-in-Rockland held its final organizational meeting at the Finkelstein Memorial Library in Spring Valley on November 30. A constitution was drafted and accepted. The following officers were elected: president, *Hortense Murch Owen '09*; vice-president in charge of programs, *Nina Thomas Bradbury '42*; vice-president in charge of publicity, *Marguerite St. John Salls '48*; treasurer, *Maria Bontempi Fogelin '47*; secretary, *Mary Dickinson Gettel '34*.

An executive committee meeting is scheduled for early in January to plan the 1950-51 program.

### • STATE OF WASHINGTON

A tea at the home of *Jessie Levy Feist '09* on September 8 opened the 1950-51 activities for the club. *Phyllis Hagmoe Cowan '43* presided over the business meeting.

The annual pre-Christmas luncheon was held in the Cloud Room of the Camlin on December 2. Club members said farewell to their former president, *Joan Raisbeck Escobosa '39*, who is moving to San Francisco.

Among those members present at the two meetings were: *Evelyn Hagmoe* Green '40, *Florence Beach Terry* '03, *Fannibelle Leland Brown* '05, *Ottillie Boetzkes* '01, *Marie Louise Chancellor Miller* '16, *Polly Tarbox Schairer* '35, *Enid Mack Pooley* '21 and *Adele Alexander Parker* '24.

## • WESTCHESTER

The club's scholarship fund was increased by more than \$250 by the proceeds from the annual dessert bridge on November 4 at the Greenville Community Church in Scarsdale. *Gertrude Leuchtenberg Lewis* '32 was the chairman. The mother of one of the scholarship students assisted the club members in this affair.

The Christmas party was held at the home of *Roslyn Schiff Silver* '27 on December 4. Professor David Robertson of the Barnard English Department entertained the group with stories about mountain climbing. *Cynthia Rose Jensen* '37 sang Christmas carols.

During January the local directors will give teas at their homes. The February meeting will be omitted to give all members an opportunity to attend the Barnard Forum on the 17th at the Waldorf.

## CLASS NOTES

### • BIRTHS

'39 *Helen Rome Marsh*, first child, Donald Keith, May 24. She is chief psychologist, Cleveland Guidance Center, and teacher, School of Social Work, Western Reserve University.

'42 *Elaine Donovan O'Brien*, Michael Andrew, Oct. 25, in Honolulu. . . . *Helen Cornell Koenig*, first child, Glenn Cornell, Sept. 8. . . . *Dorothy Van Brink Cantor*, Barbara Ann, Sept. 23.

'44 *Mary Davis Williams*, second child and first daughter, Brooke Davis, Nov. 16. Husband Clifford is with U. S. Navy, Japan.

### • MARRIAGES

'35 *Margery McClintock*—Ronald Prindle.

'36 *Helen Doud Fragasso*—Daniel Grindell.

'43 *Patricia Langwell*—Louis T. Milic, received Ph.D., N. Y. U. now teacher, meteorology dept., N. Y. U.

'46 *Mary Eichrodt*—Roger Tilton. . . . *Joan Raup*—David Rosenblatt.

'47 *Katherine Harris*—Lt. Robert G. Constant, M. A. graduate, Columbia, now Information and Education Officer, regimental staff, Fort Dix, N. J., Oct. 14. . . . *Mary-Ann Hirsch*—Philip Hobel, June. . . . *Lucia Webster*—Charles Klemovitch.

'48 *Marlou Hyatt*—Henry N. Switten. . . . *Beverly Lister*—Gregory W. Webb, June 17. . . . *Sigrid Dueland*—Fred D. Prentice. . . . *Beverly McGraw*—Richard G. Hess, Le-

high University metallurgical engineering graduate, Oct. 14.

'49 *Jane Keith*—Robert F. Henderson, Cornell and Columbia School of Engineering alumnus, with Ford, Bacon and Davis, N. Y. C., Apr. 29. . . . *Jacqueline Hill*—Charles Baldwin. . . . *Flora Barishman*—Henry Krinsky. . . . *Sue Cox*—Owen M. Quinn, Jr., Nov. 11. . . . *Ethel Schneider*—Dr. Karl R. Paley.

'50 *Cornelia Kranz*—Russell I. Haley.

### • DEATHS

'05 Dr. *Abby Leland*, for twenty years principal, N. Y. C. public schools; former chairman, National Committee on Civic Responsibility; past president, Teachers Club of New York; National Director, Girl Scouts, 1917-1919; sister of *Margarita Leland Leyerle* '13; Nov. 24.

'20 *Gladys Esterbrook*, Aug. 30, 1947.

### • ALSO——

'10 The Fifteen Plus Club of the Guardian Life of America held a dinner for *Adelaide Loehrsen* in honor of her fortieth anniversary with the company. She is the only woman underwriter of the Guardian staff.

'24 *Ruth Mehrer Lurie*, director in charge of organization of the League of Women Voters of the U. S., addressed the High Point, N. C., Provisional League while en route in October to the Greensboro, N. C., state conference to plan a state league.

'39 *Hector Escobosa*, husband of *Joan Raibeck*, has been appointed president of I. Magnin and Co., San Francisco.

'45 The Reverend James E. Hacke, Jr., husband of *Joyce Field*, was ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests in the Church of the Redeemer, Chicago, on December 2.

'46 Last summer, *Marilyn Niebergall* went on a world study tour organized by Columbia's Travel Bureau. She visited the British Isles and the Continent.

### • JOBS

'08 *Eleanor Hunsdon Grady*, Acting President, Hunter College, during absence of President Shuster who is abroad.

'11 *Stella Bloch Hanau*, who has just returned to New York after fourteen years in government service in Washington, D. C., is now a free lance editor for authors and publishers.

'16 *Imogene Neer Cowles*, student teacher supervisor, education dept., Hunter College.

'23 *Franziska Boas*, head, dept. of physical education, Shorter College, Rome, Georgia.

'27 *Louise Gottschall Feuer*, publicity director, N. Y. C. chapter, American Friends of Hebrew University, Inc.

'29 *Nan Kelsey Crook*, executive secretary, Walker and Crenshaw, public relations, Washington, D. C.

'33 *Denise Abbey*, assistant center officer for Austria, U. S. State Dept. Foreign Service. Recently received Certificate of Achievement for her graphic display work for U. S. F. A.

'36 *Carol Franz*, displaced persons program, U. S. State Dept., London.

'42 *Katherine Cooper*, with Institute of International Education, N. Y. C. . . . *Joan Brown Wettingfeld*, assistant, personnel office, Columbia.

'43 *Sybil Nurco Pinco*, reading consultant, Speed Reading Institute, N. Y. C.

'45 *Bonnie O'Leary*, an assistant director, ABC TV show, has been working on "Pulitzer Prize Playhouse."

'46 *Doris Carrington*, case worker, juvenile court, Seattle. . . . *Estelle Sobel*, lab assistant, radiotherapy dept., Memorial Hospital, N. Y. C.

'47 *Susannah Coolidge*, with International Union for the Preservation of Nature, Brussels. . . . *Carolyn McMullan Grant*, high school English teacher, New Mexico.

'48 *Beatina Alexander*, newspaper reporter, Panama. . . . *Brigitta Sorer*, history and German teacher, San Francisco, Calif., College for Women. *Helen Archibald*, student, Union Theological Seminary. . . . *Edith Roosevelt*, press agent, WNBT and WNBC, N. Y. C. . . . *Mai Duane*, with Ann Watkins, literary agency, N. Y. C. . . . *Doris Jacoby*, student, Spanish, Columbia.

'49 *Katherine Hill*, art dept., Conde Nast Publications, and fellowship student, Institute of Fine Arts, N. Y. U. . . . *June Macy*, with American Committee on United Europe, N. Y. C. . . . *Margaret Schneider*, short story editor, Daniel S. Mead Literary Agency, N. Y. C. . . . *Patricia Koenig*, secretary and copy-writer, Corbin Publishing Co.

'50 *Mary Alice Adams*, junior executive, North Carolina Utilities Commission, Raleigh. . . . *Deborah Adelson*, with Cyclax of London, cosmetics, N. Y. C. . . . *Elizabeth Edge*, English teacher and library worker, Miss Porter's School, Farmington, Conn. . . . *Zoan Fox*, personnel dept., Lever Brothers Co., N. Y. C. . . . *Patricia Harding*, student, Albany State College for Teachers. . . . *Renee Miller Hessel*, control work, chemical laboratories, Polychrome Corp., Yonkers. . . . *Grace Jackson*, math assistant, functional engineering dept., Arma Co., Brooklyn. . . . *Marjorie Lange*, statistical assistant, U. S. Economics, research, N. Y. C. . . . *Carolyn Lent*, dance teacher, Arthur Murray's. . . . *Mary Reid*, legal stenographer, Robert J. Boyle, N. Y. C. . . . *Lorna Fausnaught Schaller*, research assistant, Fairchild Publications, N. Y. C. . . . *Patricia Small*, research assistant parasitology lab, Merck Institute, Rahway, N. J. . . . *June Stein*, statistician, E. C. A., Washington, D. C. . . . *Victoria Thomson*, recreation work, armed services dept., Y.M.C.A.