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## THE OPENING EXERCISES

The majority of upper-class girls in cap and gown, and a large delegation of freshmen, attended the Opening Exercises of the 155th year of Columbia University held in the Gymnasium on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock.

For the first time, Captain Knox officiated. In the absence of President Butler, Professor John W. Burgess delivered the address of welcome. He spoke of the untiring efforts of President Butler in behalf of his university and his country—in extending, first, the system of exchange between the universities, until it shall include all the great Teutonic nations, and secondly, in upholding the independence of our national judiciary and maintaining it in the exercise of all its constitutional powers and functions unimpaired.

The subject of the academic address, delivered by Dean Russell of Teachers' College, was "The Call to Professional Service." The sole function of the professional school is to train leaders and to make a man the best in his line. When a man takes up a profession, he assumes responsibility and a willingness to work with the best that is in him. The most serious obstacle in the way, therefore, is the presence of those who are unwilling to keep pace and those who persistently shirk. Talent and brilliancy, he added, can never make good the reputation of a shirker or a trickster. But if a man does not learn how to deal with his fellow-men, if he does not cultivate a sympathetic understanding, patience and tact, he will not be successful as a professional man. And all those societies, clubs, sports, and many pastimes that are well conducted and keep their highest aim always in view, are justifiable and to be encouraged, since they teach a man how to deal with his fellow-men, and how to act when the right time comes.

## NOTICE

Several changes of rooms have been made at the beginning of this college year. The BULLETIN, Bear and Mortarboard are to occupy Room 114. The Y. W. C. A. and C. S. M. A. are to have their headquarters in Room 34, which is in the basement, under the lunchroom stairs.

## ACADEMIC CHAPEL

The opening chapel exercises were held in the theatre at twelve o'clock on Friday, September 25th. In the absence of President Butler, the Rev. Dr. Grosvenor of the Church of the Incarnation delivered the welcoming address. His theme was the personality of the student and its development through college life.

## Y. W. C. A. RECEPTION

One of the greatest forces for good fellowship and helpfulness throughout the colleges and universities of the world is the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. Association. The association at Barnard aims to bring to each girl the opportunity of expressing her ideals of generosity and helpfulness.

The spirit of the Barnard Y. W. C. A. was expressed in the reception of welcome given to the freshmen on Friday afternoon at Earle Hall.

A very successful entertainment, consisting of vocal solos by Julia Goldberg, '09; songs and medleys by the Barnard Glee Club, who were present in full force at their first appearance this year, and several amusing moving picture and pantomime stunts by Florence Gerish and Florence Wyeth.

At the close of the entertainment Winifred Barrows, '09, the president of the association, introduced Mrs. Merrett, our student secretary, to the freshmen. Mrs. Merrett welcomed them in the name of the Y. W. C. A. and Barnard. She said that she wanted to come to know all the Freshmen personally, and hoped they would attend the Monday afternoon teas at Earle Hall. Tea will be served this year from 3.30 to 5.30, so that all students taking Education A may drop in both before and after that "rather important" subject.

After the entertainment the auditorium was cleared for dancing, and then the freshmen were taken to the reception rooms, where they were served with ice cream and cake and introduced to other freshmen and upper classmen.

The reception this year was especially successful and certainly all the members of 1912 have decided to become active members of the Christian Association.

The committee in charge of the reception were: J. Wylie, '09, chairman; C. Debovy, '09; D. Kirchwey, '10; E. Lawrence, '10; E. Shaw, '10; H. Woodhull, '10; H. Dean, '10; L. Greenawald, '11.

## THE LUNCH ROOM

The lunch room is this year under the management of Barnard College. A table d'hôte luncheon at 15c. will be served at 12 o'clock and at 12.40 o'clock, in the Fiske Hall lunch room. Between the two lunches the doors will be locked for fifteen minutes. Students are requested to enter by the back hall stairs.

Students who bring their own lunches may be served with hot chocolate or cold milk at five cents a cup. Entrance to this lunch room is by the main stairway.

## HOUSE WARMING TEA

After the exercises at the opening of the university on the afternoon of Sept. 23d, the whole college and the class of 1908 met informally, from 7 to 8, in the Undergraduate Study, for a cup of tea or water and a chat. Last year's Undergraduate Play Committee acted as hostesses, for the study had been so attractively and comfortably furnished from the proceeds of the undergraduate play, "The Taming of the Shrew," given last spring. On the committee were Gertrude Stein, '08, chairman; Adelaide Requa, '08; Eva vom Bauer, '09; Florence Wyeth, '09; Grace Reeder, '10, and Katherine Gay, '11. As the money was supplied by the Undergraduate Association, the whole affair was purely undergraduate, and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Hearty thanks should be extended to the committee for the pleasure it gave to so many.

## BROOKS HALL NEWS

On Monday, September 21st, Brooks Hall reopened. Miss Weeks was there to welcome the residents, old and new. Unfortunately, there are not as many students at Brooks Hall as there were last year. There are only seven freshmen this fall, whereas there were twice as many last fall, and several of the old girls did not return. There is a better representation of faculty. Miss Maltby, Miss Hirst, Miss Huttman and Miss McCleod, the new assistant in the chemistry department, are to be at the dormitory this year.

Otherwise, there have been few changes. Miss Farquhar, who was secretary, 1907-8, is not at the hall this year. Her place is taken by Miss Manchester and Miss Torrey. Miss Weeks is still house mistress, and Miss Bissel housekeeper.

The elections for the hall committee do not take place until the third week in October, so the regulations for life at Brooks Hall have not been changed.

The social life at the dormitory opened with dinner, Wednesday, the 23d. Acting Dean Brewster was present and made a short address after dinner.

## NOTICE

Every one come and try for places on the editorial board of the BULLETIN! The editor-in-chief will be in the BULLETIN office, Room 114, on Thursday, October 1st, from ten to eleven, and from two to three, and on Monday, October 5th, from eleven to twelve, and from three to four, to tell any one interested the conditions for the competition for places on the board. The competition is open to every one.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30, 1908

THE BULLETIN extends a cordial and hearty greeting to all the colleges and faculty, but more especially, in behalf of the whole student body, to those who come among us for the first time.

The new competitive system of election to the board of editors, which is announced elsewhere in this issue, is intended to accomplish a double purpose. In the first place, we hope by this method to improve both the quantity and quality of the board. The competition is open to every one, and, we believe, will be the fairest possible method of election, as all choice will depend entirely upon the merits of the articles. But the best of boards can do but little toward making a paper a success without the support and co-operation of the students. We count on this new scheme to arouse interest in the college in favor of the BULLETIN.

There are two changes in the college this year which should interest every undergraduate, for they have been made entirely in the interest of the student body. In the first place, the new ventilators which have been put in throughout the building are intended to benefit the students by causing better ventilation, thus giving a greater amount of fresh air. They

are the gift of Miss Clara B. Spence, a member of the Board of Trustees, and the head of Miss Spence's School of this city. The second effort to improve the health of the college is the change in the lunch room system. The lunch room is now in the charge of the college, for the authorities preferred to manage it themselves rather than farm it out to any individual. The purpose of the present plan is not to bring any profit to the college, but to furnish to the students a sensible and nutritive lunch at as low a price as possible. Of course, it is impossible yet to judge of the ultimate failure or success of the scheme. Any plan, however, will be welcome which promises to better last year's conditions. The theory is excellent, though in practice there may be hitches and mistakes at first. The chief fault, at present, seems to be that there is not sufficient service, causing very long waits for the majority of the girls. Another objection that might be raised is that a girl, especially if she has a fastidious appetite, might find it difficult to get a sufficiently substantial meal. With no choice whatever, it is perfectly conceivable that there might be one or two things which she could not eat. Still the arrangement is the result of an endeavor to do what will be best for the college, and as such should be given the hearty support and co-operation of the student body, without which no plan whatever could succeed. We hope that it will prove to be the solution of a problem that has long vexed the minds of those interested in the welfare of the college.

## 1911 LUNCHEON

The freshman luncheon was held at the Hotel Majestic, on Tuesday, the 9th of June. About eighty-eight girls assembled eagerly in the reception room, and then went to the diningroom, where they were seated at small tables, decorated with the class flowers, red and white carnations. Besides the members of the class, the friend of their sisters, Miss Florence Gerrish, and Mrs. Gay and Mrs. Hart, were present.

The committee had provided a lovely luncheon, and if noise and laughter are proofs of enjoyment, this class gave abundant evidence that it was having one of the best times it had as yet enjoyed.

After luncheon was finished, lemonade was served for the toasts. Agnes Burke was toastmistress, and introduced each of the girls who spoke with a few appropriate words. The first, Louise Allen, gave an extremely clever and funny toast to the mascot, the renowned Soangetaha. This speech was followed by Edith Deacon's toast to Miss Gerrish, and Frances Randolph's to the president for 1907-1908. Both of these were well delivered, with true freshman enthusiasm. After these formal toasts, Katherine Gay responded with one to the president for 1908-1909 and Mary Polhemus with one to the class. Be-

sides, the class sang loudly for a speech from the chairman of the committee, and after some urging Addie Morgenstern made a fine impromptu speech.

After the luncheon the girls sang many of their freshman songs, and as soon as the tables were cleared away danced for some time. When they finally separated, all felt that they owed much enjoyment to the committee for the luncheon. This consisted of Addie Morgenstern, chairman; Irma Heiden, Edith Deacon, Mildred Messing, Eva Mordecai, Louise Silcox, and Katherine Gay and Margaret Hart, ex-officio.

## CLASS LUNCHEON OF 1909

The class of 1909 held their annual luncheon at the Hotel Manhattan, at one o'clock, on Wednesday, June 10, 1908. The committee consisted of Cecile Debouy, chairman; Edna Phillips, Margaret Kenney, Margaret Frink, Jessie Levy, and Eleanor Gay and Herlinda Smithers, ex-officio. Florence Wyeth was toast-master, and the following toasts were given, amid loud cheers.

"The Class," Ruth Childs; "Our President," Helen Phillips; "Gerrish," Elsie Smith; "The College," Polly Johnson.

When the luncheon was nearing its close, Eleanor Gay, the retiring president of 1909, presented the gavel to Eva vom Baur, senior president, with a complimentary speech, which was returned in kind. The luncheon ended after three o'clock with a reading of the horoscopes, which every girl in the class received.

After several songs had been sung, the class dispersed, to meet later at the dormitory. Here a tea, given by Kang Tung Pih to the class, was in progress. The class was received and refreshments were served on the cool porch by Kang Tung Pih, Herlinda Smithers, Adelaide Smithers, Florence Wyeth and Eva vom Baur. The majority of the class remained until after

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when a photographer arrived to take a group picture. The party broke up with farewells, cheers and songs.

**CHANGES IN THE FACULTY**

Professor Curtis Hidden Page has been appointed professor of the Romance Languages and Literature, to take the place of Professor Benjamin D. Woodward. Professor Woodward, who has resigned to enter business, was the first secretary of the faculty.

In the English department, Mr. William B. Parker has resigned. Miss Alice Haskell has gone to Wellesley College, and Mr. Allan F. Westcott has been made a tutor in Columbia. In their stead have been appointed Miss Virginia C. Gilderleeve as lecturer, Mr. Edward Hall Gardner as assistant, and Miss Claire M. Howard as lecturer. Miss Howard later resigned in order to accept the first award of the international scholarship for women. In consequence of this she will be a student at Oxford University for two years. To fill the vacancy thus formed, Miss Alice D. Brewster, Barnard '06, has been appointed.

The work of Miss Margaret Reed, who is away on a leave of absence for the current year, will be performed by the members of the zoology department and Miss Louise H. Gregory, a newly appointed assistant.

Dr. S. R. Williams, tutor in the Physics department, has resigned. His place is filled by Miss Grace Langford, and the position of assistant, which she leaves vacant, is taken by Mr. Herman W. Farwell.

To the German department has been added Mrs. Juliana S. Haskell, in the position of assistant.

Miss Maude Huttman, of the History department, has been made a tutor.

Mr. Charles J. Ogden has been appointed as assistant in the department of Classical Philology.

The place of Miss G. P. Reynolds of the Chemistry department is filled by Miss Anne L. McCleod.

Miss Kingsley has been appointed assistant in Botany, to take the place formerly filled by Miss Elizabeth Thompson.

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**ALUMNAE NOTFS**

On June 20th, 1908, Marjorie Kate Bacon, '04, was married to Mr. Clayton Worthington Nichols, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols will live in Brooklyn.

On September 5th, 1908, Mabel E. W. Rich, '06, was married to Mr. Claude M. Horton.

Elizabeth Lord, '07, took a summer school course in botany and physiology, at Cornell.

May Quinn, '08, did clerical work at the Harlem Y. W. C. A. during the summer. She will take the secretarial course at the Y. W. C. A. Training School, at Gramercy Park, the coming winter.

Laurie Manley, '07, has returned to her home in Cape Town, South Africa, where she expects to do literary work.

Mary W. Murtha, '08, has won a fellowship in zoology at Byrn Mawr, and will study at that college during the coming winter.

Alice Hirschfield, '08, was married on June 22d to Mr. Harry Solomon.

Maude I. Klein, '08, is teaching in the public school at Floral Park, Long Island.

Mary Maxon, '08, will teach this winter in a private school in Mount Vernon.

Elsie Quinby, '08, will teach in White Plains.

The engagement is announced of Marguerite Strauss to Mr. Donahue, Columbia, '08.

Gertrude Stein and Agnes Miller, '08, will study at the New York School of Philanthropy.

Mary Budds, '08, will do graduate work at the university.

Mrs. Walter L. Morse (Mary F. Harrison, '03) has a daughter, born in June.

Alice O. Draper, '05, was married at Christ Church, Dark Harbor, Maine, on August 5th, to Mr. Edward Carter, of Andover, Mass.

Adèle Wallach, '03, was married on September 7 to Dr. Louis Kaempfer, of this city.

Daphne D. Dieterich, ex-'10, was married in St. Paul's Chapel, on September 14, to Mr. Schuyler Imbrie.

Elsie Schatchel, '07, is teaching German in the Bryant High School.

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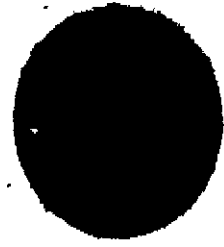
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1910 LUNCHEON

1910 ended its sophomore year with a class luncheon on June 8th, at the Hotel Majestic. A large number of the class were present and between each of the courses two people progressed from each table on to the next one in order. This gave the girls a chance to pass off the jokes given at the other table upon the new one.

At the end of the luncheon, the president, Mabel Palliser, made a short speech, in which she thanked her classmates for their support throughout the year, and stated that she had made arrangements to transfer to Vassar for next year. She then called upon Elsie Plaut to give the results of the class statistics. The statistics were greeted with amusement and dismay by those mentioned in them, and applause on the part of all. Some of them were as follows:

- Most graceful*—  
Daphne Dieterich,  
Ray West,  
Grace Henderson.
- Class Pet*—  
Mabel McCarth,  
Florence Read.
- Class Jokers*—  
Grace Reeder,  
Marion Weinstein.
- Biggest Bluffer*—  
Sulamith Silverman.
- Most Learned*—  
Elizabeth Nitchie,  
Harriet Fox.
- The Funniest*—  
Naarnie Maison,  
Agnes Shaw,  
Marion Monteser.
- Girls we're proudest of*—  
Gertrude Hunter,  
Lilian Egleston.
- Best Natured*—  
Bertha Firebaugh,  
Helen Crossman,  
Rose Moses.
- Clearest*—  
Elsie Plaut.
- Prettiest*—  
Vora Jaques,  
Ethel Lawrence,  
Ethel Shaw,  
Ray West,  
Helen Savitz.
- Most Stunning*—  
Hazel Woodhull,  
Lilian Egleston.

After the luncheon there was a short dance and then good-byes were said and the girls separated for the summer.

EXCHANGE

The exchange opened on Monday, the 28th, for the convenience and assistance of the students. It is hoped that it will be able to do good work this year. Students are asked to bring candy, banners, calendars, etc., to be sold. There are over two hundred books in the exchange at present, for sale at less than the price of new books.



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NOTICE RELATING TO DEBARS

September 15th, 1908.

At the last meeting of the Faculty, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED, That the present debar system be modified as follows:

1. The ten (10) per cent. limit shall for the time being be adhered to.
2. All students shall be required to file at the office of the Secretary an explanation of any absence or tardiness on the same day that it occurs, or in cases where the absence has extended over an entire day or more, on the first day after return.
3. Instructors shall be requested to report all over-cuts at once without waiting to the end of the term and all cases of three (3) consecutive absences at once.

In accordance with this resolution, students are requested kindly to observe that blanks are provided at the Secretary's Office for the filing of the excuses required. Excuses filed at other times than those specified in the resolution cannot be accepted.

W. T. BREWSTER,  
Acting Dean.

NOTICE

June 11th, 1908.

At a meeting of the University Council, held May 10th, 1908, the following action was taken:

RESOLVED, That the Academic Calendar for the year 1908-1909 be amended by placing the date of Commencement on the first Wednesday of June (June 2) and by fixing the day for the beginning of the examinations on Monday of the second week preceding (May 17).

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1910-1912 LUNCHEON

On Wednesday, September 23, the juniors extended a welcoming hand to their little sisters, and took them to luncheon. At one o'clock they all gathered in the hall between the two studies, each junior with one freshman or more in tow, and after making the rounds of the building, singing and cheering the while, descended to the lunch-room. Here the tables had been put together in the form of an immense T. Lilian Egleston, the junior president, presided, and led the singing and cheering. Several of the 1910 girls served as waitresses, and the luncheon progressed with much laughter and conversation interspersed. Finally, after a last cheer for 1912, the party broke up.