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## THE FRENCH PLAY.

Last Friday and Saturday real men appeared on the stage in Brinkerhoff Theatre and Barnard heroines played their parts with very realistic Columbia heroes. The occasion of this unusual combination was the ~~production of the play~~ jointly produced by ~~Barnard and Columbia~~. ~~It is said that this year's play~~ in many respects the best and the most ~~successful~~ that has been given by these organizations.

The committee is to be congratulated on its choice, for "Le Point de Mire," by Labiche, is an amusing and surprisingly well constructed comedy. It contains a very well-proportioned amount of men and women characters, the plot is extremely simple, and the ~~plots~~ are so easy to understand that they appealed even to those who knew only a little French, and the audience did not have to watch the ushers' faces, so as to get in all the laughs at the proper time. It deals with two scheming mammas and papas, each possessing a remarkably pretty daughter (played by Miss Gianella and Jessie Cochran), whom they are equally anxious to marry to one good-looking and wealthy young man, the son of an old and rather prominent friend. The young fellow measures his affections merely by such trifles ~~as the color of his hair~~; ~~and the blonde and the brunette~~, and the audience breathes a sigh of relief, and wonders whether they really will live happily after all.

The main parts were very well done. M. Olinger gave his usual splendid interpretation of a fussy old gentleman. The two husbands (Mr. Bruno and Mr. Kruemmer) allowed their clever and energetic wives (Miss Holt and Miss Debouy) to manage them very peacefully, and one could quite understand why the hero (Mr. McMaster) did not know which of the charming daughters he really wanted.

In a foreign play the question of accent naturally is an important one, and here the Columbia men really surpassed the Barnard girls in the purity of their French. Special mention must be made of Miss Debouy and Miss Holt, however, for they convinced several people that they were really truly French, and everyone wanted to know how and why they spoke the language so beautifully.

The second act was almost a duplicate of the first. All the lady "supes" wore their Junior Ball gowns, and one felt that the Parisian dance, at which Miss Grace Anderson made a very charming hostess, must have been a very enjoyable affair indeed, especially when one caught a glimpse of the heroine and the footman calmly

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## THE HORACE MANN TEA.

The tea given by the Undergraduate Association to the girls of the Junior and Senior classes of Horace Mann on Tuesday afternoon, was decidedly the most successful tea of the season because there was ~~no~~ food left over! ~~Dear Smith and the committee~~ achieved the impossible by overestimating the appetites of Barnard-undergraduates. We grant them a vote of thanks.

The Barnard girls distinguished themselves as hostesses on the occasion and showed off their hall of knowledge with pride and enthusiasm. They boasted of all the college's advantages from the cut-system to the cloak-room, and if they didn't convert some of the Seniors and increase the membership of 1913, then it must be feared that nothing will.

## THE 1910 MORTARBOARD.

The 1910 Mortarboard will be out and ready for distribution on Monday, March 29. The books may be obtained in the Mortarboard Room, No. 114, all during that week, upon payment of the price, \$1.50. There will be several new features in this year's Annual, which will be particularly attractive. No one can afford to miss it, so come and buy a copy, even if you have not already subscribed.

## BROOKS HALL TEA.

On Thursday, March 18, Brooks Hall gave another of its delightful teas, this time to 1911. Miss Weeks and the Sophomores who are living at the dormitory were the hostesses, and gave their guests a very delightful and informal afternoon.

## BULLETIN COMPETITION.

The editorial board of the BULLETIN will be elected in the May meeting of the present Managing Board. The editors are very anxious to get several new girls on the board, particularly from the present Freshman and Sophomore classes. Accordingly, a competition for positions will be held, closing May 1. Each girl who wishes to try for the competition must write a letter, "What I Think of the Bulletin," of any length desired, and of any nature, serious or humorous, complimentary or derogatory. All letters should be left in the BULLETIN mail box or handed to the Editor-in-Chief. Anyone who wishes to try for the business board should confer with the Business Manager.

## UNDERGRADUATE MEETING.

A special meeting of the Undergraduate Association was held Monday, March 15, at noon. The report of the Executive Committee was principally concerned with amendments to the constitution for the year are to be conducted as follows: The President is to be nominated by members of the Junior class at the April meeting, and voting will be by closed ballots on the two following days, in a room set aside for the purpose. Other officers will be nominated the third Monday in April, and voting will be by closed ballot, beginning Wednesday morning and continuing until Thursday afternoon. No class elections are to take place until after the Undergraduate elections. The spring Undergraduate meeting will be held hereafter in April instead of May.

The Undergraduate Tea Committee reported the purchase of three chairs for the Undergraduate Play Room.

Student Council reported that permission had been granted for the organization of a chapter of the D. A. R. at Barnard.

The Play Committee chairman reported that the progress of the play had been very encouraging. The meeting then adjourned.

## Y. W. C. A.

On Thursday, March 18, Miss Adams, who gave a series of lectures on "Biblical Heroes and Heroines" the first part of this year, gave an informal talk on the "Call to Empirical Living." Those who were present found it most interesting and inspiring. Miss Adams is to continue this course of talks during the remaining weeks of Lent. They are held in Room 34, and anyone who is interested is cordially invited to come.

## DEVOTIONAL MEETING.

A devotional meeting was held under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. on Thursday, March 18, in Brinkerhoff Theatre. Mr. Davis, of the Brick Presbyterian Church, spoke about the service which Simon of Cyrene rendered Jesus Christ in his last week. He showed that each one of us may be a Simon, and help someone along the way.

## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that, owing to the change in the academic calendar by the order of the University Council, Brooks Hall will close on Saturday, June 5, 1909.

W. T. BREWSTER,  
Acting Dean.

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NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 1909.

We have heard several complaints lately about the shortness of the spring vacation. Many of the students feel that the stretch from mid-years to finals is a long one to be broken only by a respite of four days. Everyone seems to settle down in the second half-year, and work harder, and with the advance of warm weather, the strain begins to show in many cases. Those who protest against this long siege, however, must remember that we at Barnard are through all our work remarkably early in the spring. Commencement comes on the second of June this year, whereas in most other colleges work continues into the third or fourth week of June. A lengthening of the vacation at Easter would probably mean a postponement of Commencement, and an extension of work into the real hot weather of summer. Of the two alternatives, we think that most students would choose the earlier final release from work, and remain content with present conditions.

"The Wasp," a sort of "Searchlight Redux," has appeared in the Junior class. A criticism of the individual paper will be found elsewhere in this issue, but it is of the idea in general that we wish to speak. Theoretically, such papers are excellent devices for employing in a not elaborate manner the skill of various girls. If the paper is at all clever, it furnishes so much amusement and the class show so much interest, that it seems worth while. Yet the difficulty of maintaining a publication of this kind must be admitted. Anyone who has worked on a Mortarboard knows how desperate is the attempt to find good, clever, funny hits and jokes on her classmates, and to publish a paper every week which depends for material on this sort of thing would be well-nigh impossible. Both "Searchlight" and "Dark Lantern" died young last year, and though we would very much like to see a clever, bright and humorous class or college paper, we fear that we cannot prophecy a very long life to the "Wasp."

To the Editor of the BULLETIN:

There seems to be some misunderstanding in regard to the real aim of the Y. W. C. A. here at Barnard. Its object is not only to further the prosecution of active Christian work in the college, but also to develop a real Christian character among its members and to help lead girls to a personal relation with Christ. Its present organization is simply a working basis by which it hopes to reach its aim. Every organization must have such a basis and this one seemed wisest to those who have studied the question. I think very few, with the exception of the members of the Craigie Club, realize that the Roman Catholics were excluded from active membership because of the restrictions of their own clergy. The other denominations that have the same disabilities are those who, as a whole, do not believe in Christ as a personal Saviour. I think it must be clear to all that the Association does not, by any means, consider those who are not in its ranks as "Heretics."

The danger of broadening the basis lies in the fact that it would soon tend to lose its spiritual life and become a philanthropic organization. This wider basis was tried at Barnard not long ago—without success. After a few years it lost its spiritual strength and its influence in college and became simply an association for philanthropic work, which had a hard struggle for existence. Its members soon decided that a stricter basis was necessary and they affiliated with the National. In other colleges where the wider basis exists, the members who do the greatest amount of work and who know most about the Association, are trying to return to a more restricted organization and, if possible, to the Evangelical basis.

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The field for an "Association for Christian Work" is already filled by the College Settlement Association, the Philanthropic Committee of the Y. W. C. A. and the Clearing House Committee at Columbia. The work along these three lines is open to everyone in college and affords ample opportunity for all.

In regard to the name must we say that the Christian Church should drop the word "Christian" from its title because it does not offer full membership to everyone?

To continue this line of argument would open up too large a subject to be discussed through a college paper. Opportunity will be afforded for all such discussion at a big open meeting next fall. May the Association humbly call attention to the fact that in spite of the tremendous enthusiasm of those who desire this change in the basis, when such a meeting was held a few weeks ago, a bare quorum of active members were present?

MARY WITTER BAILEY, 1910.

### 1910 TEA.

This afternoon, the class of 1910 will give a tea to its friends, repeating its venture of last year. The regular Entertainment Committee of the class, with Bertha Firebaugh as chairman, has the matter in hand; and promises to equal or surpass the success of the Sophomore Tea.

### THE MUSICAL CLUB.

The Musical Club will give a short concert and dance in Brinkerhoff Theatre on Friday, April second, at 8.30 p.m. The soloist will be a well-known artist. The tickets are 35 cents for Undergraduates and 50 cents for outsiders.

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walking in the wings disregarding all laws of conventional society.

It may interest those who have not seen a program to know that the cast was as follows:

Carbonel (rentier)	A. Bruno, '11
Mme. Carbonel	Miss C. Debouy, '09
Josephine (domestique)	Miss L. Allen, '11
Mlle. Bertha (fille de Carbonel)	Miss Gianella, T. C.
M. Duplan (notaire)	H. Olinger, '08
Perugin	A. Kruemmer, '10
Mme. Perugin	Miss E. Holt, '09
Mlle. Lucie (fille de Perugin)	Miss Cochran, '09
Cesenas	D. Longmair, '10
Mme. Cesenas	Miss G. Henderson, '10
M. Edgard Lajouchere	G. C. Loening
Un Chasseur	W. Remsen, '10
Maurice Duplan	M. McMaster, '09
Jules Pries	P. Hopkins
Un Domsetique	W. Remsen, '09
Un Jardinier	D. Longmair, '10

The play was staged and coached by M. Henri Olinger.

**INTERCOLLEGIATE NEWS.**

According to the plans that have been made for the women at Northfield, the young women's conference will be held from July 13 to 20, the student conference from July 2 to 11. Among the season's speakers will be the Rev. G. A. Johnston Ross of Cambridge, England, who will give a course of morning lectures at the young women's conference; the Rev. J. Stuart Holden, the Rev. Dr. Pierson, the Rev. John Hatton of Glasgow, Dr. John Douglas Adams of East Orange, and the Rev. J. H. Jewett of Birmingham, England.

The Commencement speakers for Vassar have been appointed by the faculty. They will be Beatrice Dow, of Athens, Pa., Marjorie Fulton and Ruth Fulton, of Buffalo, Louise Hamond, of Paris, Helen Motley, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Agnes Naumburg, of Yonkers. The chairman of the class day committee will be Audrey Francis Blumenthal, of Wilkes Barre, Pa., and the marshal of the senior class will be Adele McKennie. Two weeks ago, Mrs. Gertrude Day Montgomery spoke on the "Work and Purpose of a College Settlement," and the Rev. Antonio Langano on the "Italian Immigrant." A recital of Bach music was given by Professor Gow and his department, and another by the woodwind orchestra, assisted by Mr. Lanham and Miss Chittenden.

At Wellesley there was a lecture delivered by Professor Judd, of Yale, before the Philosophy Club, on March 19, and another lecture, "Arnald and Rugby," will be given by Miss Ethel Arnold, on March 20.

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**LECTURES.**

March 24—"Controversies to Which the United States shall be a Party, including Controversies between the United States and a State," by William D. Guthrie, A.M., in Earl Hall, at 4.30 p.m.

March 24—"The Prevention of Tuberculosis," by Hermann W. Biggs, in the large lecture room at 437 West 59th St., at 5 p.m. A lecture on "School Hygiene and Sanitation," by John J. Cronin, will be given March 29 at the same time and place.

March 24—"The Humane Treatment of Criminals," by Samuel J. Barrows, D.D., in Room 309, Havemeyer Hall, at 4.10 p.m.

March 25—"Paris au temps des Romantiques (avec projections)," by Mr. Marcel Poete, Head Librarian of the City of Paris, in 305 Schermerhorn, at 8.15 p.m.

March 26—"Darwinism and Modern Philosophy," by John Dewey, Ph.D., LL.D., in 309 Havemeyer, at 4.00 p.m.

March 28—University Service conducted by Rev. George Clark Peck, pastor of St. Andrew's Methodist Episcopal Church, in St. Paul's Chapel, at 4.00 p.m.

March 29—"The Baroque Period" (Italian Painting), by Mr. Edward R. Smith, Reference Librarian, in 309 Havemeyer, at 4.10 p.m.

March 29—"Digestion and Nutrition as Modified by Special Influence, and in Disease," by Wm. J. Gies, M.S., Ph.D., in Great Hall of Cooper Union, at 8.15 p.m.

March 29—"Business Methods and Municipal Loans," by Mr. Bruere, in 305 Schermerhorn, at 5.10 p.m.

March 30—"The Dannreuther String Quartette" (chamber music), in the auditorium of the Horace Mann School, at 4.10 p.m.

**PERSONAL.**

Bertha Rothschild, 1911, has announced her engagement to Mr. Louis J. Elsas (Harvard, 1902), of Atlanta, Georgia.

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31. The Rev. Hensley Henson, canon, of Westminster, will officiate at chapel on May 16.

At Adelphi College the Student Government Association has appointed a committee to formulate a point system regulating office holding and taking part in plays. Prizes were offered by the editorial board of the Lituus for the two best stories, and were won by Miss Lyons, '09, and Miss Bronder. The students interested in Greek and Latin have formed a classical club.

At Bryn Mawr the winners of the three \$500 European fellowships have just been announced. The Bryn Mawr European fellowship is awarded to Miss Margaret Boutecon of Orange, N. J.; the president's fellowship to Miss Grace Reynolds of Stamford, Conn., assistant in chemistry at Barnard from 1905-08; and the Mary Garrett European fellowship to Miss Mary Surveller of Bloomington, Ind. Miss Esther Harmon of Toledo has received the Anna Ottendorfer memorial research fellowship in Teutonic philology.

At Vassar the annual debate between seniors and juniors was held Saturday night. The subject was: "Resolved, That the Legislature of New York State should enact a law adopting Gov. Hughes' plan for direct primary nominations, as regards State officers." Mr. Whitney, of New York, was one of the judges. The Department of Vocal Music gave a performance of the "Persian Garden," and Prof. Pitcher an illustrated lecture on architecture represented by college buildings. Spring vacation begins March 26.

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**THE WASP.**

"The Wasp," long heralded on the Junior bulletin board, has at last appeared. While it apparently aims to take the place of the Searchlight, which was published by the class of 1910 last year, it falls far below the level set by that popular though short-lived periodical. The "poem" entitled "Six Little Tenners," might be much worse, and so might the verses parodied on "The Bridge of Sighs," though these grow tiresome because of their number. The humor of the rest, however, did not raise a laugh even from one who knows the girls who were knocked, pretty well. But this was only the first number, and, if the paper lives, it should improve with age.

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