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#### Association of Collegiate Alumnae Meeting in Horace Mann Auditorium

To emancipate the high school curriculum from servitude to college entrance requirements, to make all language courses in college purely elective, and to allow much greater freedom to the student in her choice of college studies are just a few of the rather sweeping reforms advocated at the meeting of the Association of Collegiate Alumni in the Horace Mann Auditorium last Thursday.

Mrs. Ethel Puffer Howes introduced the discussion, "The College Curriculum and College Entrance Requirements," by giving her idea of the intention of the college curriculum, namely, to develop in the student a sense of values. This sense of values, she said, most college women do not possess. they leave college with a lot of unadjusted theories which, because of inadequate preparation and reflection, crumble before practical work. They may have the knowledge necessary to form correct judgments, but they fail to see problems: College subjects, therefore, should be taught primarily in such a way as to train the students to see problems, and with a view to the application of these studies to conduct and judgment. The result of the study of psychology, for example, would thus become mental health and tolerance toward others; of history, an understanding of the struggle and progress of humanity; of political science, an understanding of the social order, so as to be able to act with judgment in new movements. Works of literature should be studied as embodiments of character and for their meaning, not as literary masterpieces. Languages should be all elective, and Latin and Greek, when studied, should be studied as springs of replenishment for our own language

be put on a much more liberal basis than the present one, and that credit be given, for instance, for work in household ecoof a college preparatory course.

The really vital movement of the afternoon came when Dean Talbot of the Uri-

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## Gifts to the College

In the recently published report of Dean Gildersleeve for the academic year 1910-1911, gifts amounting to a total of \$236,-704.34 for the year are reported. The most considerable item is the Fiske Fund of \$122,000, left by Mrs. Martha T. Fiske-Collerd, the likeone of which is to be applied to the maintenance of Fiske Hall. Two funds of \$5,000 each were presented for the foundation of new scholarships, the Martha T. Fiske Scholarship, founded by Miss Anna E. Smith in memory of her sister, Mrs. Fiske-Collord, and the Eleonora Kinnicutt Scholarship, founded by the friends of the late Mrs. F. P. Kinnicutt, trustee of Barnard. Other important gifts were the J. S. Kennedy bequest of \$47,500, and a fund of \$50,000 from a donor whose name is not to be announced.

#### **Chapel Notice**

Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, an old friend of Barnard, spoke in chapel on Monday, Octoper 23d. He read part of the eleventh chapter of St. Luke: "Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened." We have all said to ourselves, "Ask and ye shall receive-what?" The thing we ask for? That is very often the case—so often that we must be very careful what we ask for—but we do not always get the actual thing we ask and strive and long for. And yet we never fail to receive something. The chapter goes on to show us what that is, by the parable of the father and son. We ask our fathers for Dean Russell, in his address of welcome, many things, and sometimes they are given had entered a plea for such differentiation us and sometimes refused, but one thing our of the high school curriculum as to offer to fathers always give us, and that is themthe masses of the students, who do not go selves. Their ideals, their wisdom, their love, to college, a more suitable education than their personality always come to us whether the college preparatory one they are now they give us more or less of the actual obliged to take. Mrs. John Huddleston, in concrete things we seek. And so it is with discussing the "Modification of College En- our Heavenly Father. He is wise and we trance Requirements," agreed with Dean are foolish, and so He knows very much bet-Russell on this point and further urged ter than we how to "give good gifts to those that more attention be paid to the motor that ask it." But whether He gives us the element in the training of all high school material things we pray for or not does not pupils, that more opportunity be given for make much difference, for He always gives the development of their natural tendencies, Himself. The main and most important and that no high school student should have answer to prayer is companionship with to decide till well advanced in her work Him, and so the silliest prayer is better than whether she wants to go to college. All none at all. Power and resoluteness come this would mean that admission to college into the being who has prayed—he receives "power from on high," and by that phrase we do not mean a piece of the Omnipotence put into our beings, but the actual power nomics, which is now usually crowded out and confidence and strength that is the inevitable result of companionship with God. If we ask we shall receive—God; if we seek we shall find—God; if we knock we shall be versity of Chicago told of the reforms which drawn up into blessed fellowship with God.

## Deutscher Kreis Party

-Brinkerhof Theatre was transformed intothe Munchener Hofbrau Haus last Friday afternoon, when the Deutscher Kreis gave its party to the Freshmen. All the bunting, silk flags, German song books and steins that the Kreis owns were put on duty again for the first time this year, and they helped materially in creating a Teutonic atmosphere. A realistic touch was given by a tengallon cider cask mounted on a table near the door and audaciously labeled, "Echics Munchener Bier." The guests were seated at long, rough board tables and were served by Munchener Kindl. The latter, in their black and yellow gowns and long, peaked hoods to match, looked very pictures and and were pronounced "reizend" by Mr. A. O. B. of the German department. Refreshments consisted of cider, pretzels, salzstangel. Swiss cheese sandwiches.pickles and similar dainties. Each Freshman received a ministr

One table discottivitation the stage was occupied by mine girls in male attire, with red, white and black bands across the vest, who led the singing of student and folk songs, in which the Freshmen Joseph every once in a while. These "German mires wity men" also gave an exhibition in the art of "rubbing the salamander."

Miss Madeleine Bunzl, chairman of the entertainment committee, announced a little vaudeville bill of three numbers, which was run off, in true beer-garden style, while refreshments were being served. The curtain was somewhat refractory, and a suspicion of an economics blackboard lurked in the background, but it didn't jar on any one's artistic temperament.

The first number was a stunt by Gertrude Borchardt about a certain German sceneshifter who turned actor. This little performance is one with which a large part of the college is already familiar, but to the Freshmen it had all the charm of novelty and seemed to please them very much. The second act, a pantomime by Joan Sperling, '13, and Lillie Stein, '12, portrayed a lovers' quarrel and happy reconciliation. Miss Walther, '12, sang the accompaniment in a beautifully clear voice. The audience liked this act so much that Hans and Liesel had to go through their experience all over again. The last number was a folk dance coached by Mildred Hamburger and performed by six girls in peasant costume. This also was encored.\_\_

Miss Borchardt, president of the Kreis, then extended the society's welcome to the Freshmen in a short German speech, and announced that the room would be cleared for dancing. Those who remained for the dancing and song rally had the privilege of hearing Mr. Bechert make one of his rare speeches. It was all in German, with an occasional bit of translation into English slang, but everybody saw the point in his jokes.

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at college to adopt the "What was good sity." The new student at the university enough for father is good enough for me" attitude. This is the very last stand that high school subject, in which she is interought to be taken at a college. College ested, in order to demonstrate quickly her students, above all other types of persons, ability, and the only other restriction as to should always be seeking new ways and the courses she is to pursue for her degree is better means of accomplishing things. They that she is to take nine progressive, coherent should be ready to give a new scheme a courses. Prof. Angeli has been appointed chance and not be so chary of experiment- to go through all the teaching departments ing. That is the only way to be progressive, and find out what the faculty can do for the As it is, when some one suggests breaking students, and the departments are to present a new road the objection is put forward that groups of courses to meet the new situa-"It has never been tried before," and the tion. It is also intended that the faculty motion is defeated. Witness the production discover immediately upon the students' enof "Jeanne d'Arc" last year. With what tering college what their ideals and aspiraviolent opposition did that production meet! tions are, and under the liberty allowed by Suppose "Jeanne d'Arc" had been a failure— the new arrangements to start them at once what then? The experiment would not have on the right path. Then the girls who have to Freshmen,; theatre at 4. been wasted. We would have been con-heretofore found college work a burden, vinced on a certain point. As it was, it wing to the "system of bookkeeping" of turned out to be so great a success that even the curriculum, with its list of prescribed the Spectator commented upon the as one of our correspondents points out. Naturally the characterization of college life as "four we do not suggest that experiments be made | years of joyous responsibility" will be truly in spite of real reasons against them. It is applicable to all. only when there is no reason for not trying something new that we think the new thing the expression from the floor of some pretty should be given a test. It is not sufficient strong opinions on the inadvisability of the that we have a system that is good enough. high schools ceasing to teach Greek and of

says to her husband, "My dear, our baby is broke up.

going to be a white seal." "Nonsense," replies her spouse, gruffly, "there never has been such a thing." "I can't help that," says the mother, "there's going to be one now." You see, the old gentleman was conservative. "There never has been such a thing before," says he, ergo, "there can't be one now." Thus with our poor Sophomore show and its excluded men-folk; thus with intercollegiate activities, such as basketball, glee singing, debating. They never have been; they are not now; they cannot be: and so ad infinitum.

Some weeks ago we received the opening issue of one of our exchanges, which, as we gathered from its columns, was some days late. The editors, in apology, said of the delay that it had been caused by "events beyond human control." We thought at the time that this was base exaggeration, and laughed the remark to scorn. But we are wiser now. A late fifth issue is, of course, not nearly as tragic as a late first issue. Yet it deserves an apology, and, with perfect truthfulness we can say, like our esteemed contemporary (isn't that the terday.' expression?) that last week's Bulletin was delayed by "events beyond human control."

(Continued from Page 1, Column 1) have actually been inaugurated there. The faculty of that university have agreed unanimously, she said, that the high schools know better how to spend the money of the country on secondary education than do the colleges and universities. The faculty have therefore decided to say to the high schools. "Give your students four years of whatever education you see fit, only including a cortain amount of work in English, the pursuit of one study for four years and of another for two years, and ten units of work in the languages, mathematics and the sciences, There is a regrettable tendency up here and we will give them a trial at the univermust continue with some major or last year subjects, will henceforth labor joyously and

Dean Talbot's address was followed by It cannot do any harm to search for a better. allowing the secondary schools to plan the In Kipling's Jungle Book a mother seal preparatory work. After this the meeting

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Notice

At a recent meeting of the Press Cla the following officers were elected: Pres. dent, Jean Mohle; Secretary and Treas urer, Jessie Gaither. The Evening Mail has no representative at present. Competition for the position will be announced later.

#### New Vice President, Y. W. C. A.

Upon the resignation of Gertrude Mortis the Executive Committee of the Young Women's Christian Association appointed Helen Combs to the vice-presidency of the association.

#### 1910 Reunion

On Saturday, November 11, the Class of 1910 will hold its first reunion of the year at the college. There will be a class meeting at 11 o'clock in room 330, a lunchem at 12 o'clock, and, in the afternoon, the class will attend the performance of the 1914 Sophomore show, "The Road to Ye-

#### Classical Club

Professor Young will give an illustrated talk on "Picturesque By-Ways in Greece" at four o'clock on Thursday, November 2, in room 339. The plates to be shown have been colored by Professor Young himself, and show the scenery of parts of Greece which he visited during the past summer. The address, therefore, will undoubtedly prove enjoyable, not-only to those interested in things Greek, but to those interested in things beautiful as well. The college is cordially invited to attend.

#### Chapel Announcement

There will be Academic Chapel on Thursday next, November 2d, at which Dean Gildersleeve will address the college. Every student at Barnard is expected to be present and, so far as possible, in caps and gowns.

#### An Error

It was erroneously reported in the Bulletin that Marietta Gless is Chairman of the Junior Decoration Committee. Grenelle holds that position.

#### Calendar of Events

Wednesday, November 1—Class meetings 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915; tea in Undergraduate Study at 4.

Thursday, November 2 - Academic Chapel at 12. Dean Gildersleeve, Classical Club, Room 339, 4-5:30.

Friday, November 3-Senior Reception

Sunday, November 5-St. Paul's Chapel at 4, Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick.

Monday, November 6—Chapel at 12; Sophomore Dress Rehearsal; theatre, 7-11:30 P. M.

Wednesday, November 8—Tea in Undergraduate Study at 4: Sophomore Dress Rehearsal, 7-11:30 P. M.

#### Giee Club

The Glee Club did not meet last Friday as scheduled, for nobody came. A temporary leader will be appointed by last year's leader. There will be trial shortly.

## Student Council

At the regular Student Council meeting held on Iriday, October 20th, it was announced that the Student Council, with Irene Glenn as chairman, would act as the committee for the entertainment of the Women's Intercollegiate Conference for Student Government, to be held at Barnard from November 23 to 26.

The report of the Junior Show Committee nas approved. Permission was granted to have agents in the different classes for sellannounced that there was to be no dancing 11 the theatre except on Tuesdays.

4 special meeting of Student Council was held on Tuesday, October 24th, for the purpose of drawing up a uniform set of qualifications for class membership. These qualifications Student Council recommended to be adopted by the four class organizations and they are to be embodied in the constitutions of all future classes. are as follows:

Sec. I., Regular—The regular membership of the class shall consist of those who are to take a Barnard degree and who have entered with 19—. (The Senior Class may invite former members, who have taken their degree in three years, to take part in Senior activities.)

Sec. II., Special—Matriculated specials shall be entitled to membership in any class they choose on entering, with the privilege of the vote, but not the privilege of holding any office of 50 per cent or over.

Sec. III., Associate—Non-matriculated students may, if they so desire, ally themselves with the class. They may attend meetings and social events and take part in athletic events. (This shall be interpreted to mean all athletic events except basketball and individual events in Greek Games and Field Day.) They shall be exempt from taxes. They shall not have a vote or be entitled to hold office,

Sec. IV., Honorary—Faculty, former members of the class, or persons who have been interested in the class may be elected honorary members. They shall be privileged to attend meetings and social func-

Sec. V.—With the consent of the Student Council membership may be transferred.

At the regular Student Council meeting held on Friday, October 27th, it was decided that the classes should not vote on the above amendments until their regular December meetings.

The question of granting to the Church Club permission to entertain the college with a morality play was laid on the table.

The following resolution was read from the Class of 1913: Resolved, That the class of 1913, after due consideration, hereby requests Student Council to reconsider its recemmendation that the 1913 Junior Ball shall not be held at a hotel. After much discussion the council decided as it had formerly, and a motion was passed that the question be referred to the faculty.

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#### The Barnard Calendar

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To the Editor of the Bulletin:

Two hundred years ago the world would have laughed at the thought of women studying and leading a collegiate life. One hundred years ago they would have held up their hands in holy horror at the thought.

There was a combination of this attitude in an article in the Bulletin, repudiating a union of Barnard and Columbia for dramatic purposes. The author laughed the matter to bits, but gave not one logical reason why the thing was impossible. The performance of Schiller's "Wilhelm Tell" at Cornell ought to be an inspiration to us. Both the German and French societies have found it possible to give plays in conjunction with Columbia. If we could give some really worth while play without wasting dur energy in cultivating deep voices and manly strides, and put into it our best takent and Columbia's choicest actors, wouldn't it be likely to succeed, in every sense of the word?

I have very good reason to believe that Columbia would consider the proposition, for this is what "Spectator" says: "The Barnard College Dramatic Association has done most creditable work for the last few years in heroic plays, and the production of 'Toan of Arc' last year left but little to be desired." At least, we needn't giggle, shake our heads and refuse "just 'cause" when such a thoroughly practical plan is pro-F. F. R. pounded.

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Daffydils, No. 3—If you or I took forty winks, would Charlie Knapp?

I wonder!

Were you at that Deutscher Kreis entertainment last Friday?

And then they tell us that history doesn't repeat itself.

Do you know what we heard the other day? We heard that the Giants didn't win the world's series. We know it isn't Barnard news, but we just couldn't resist it! We apologize.

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(With apologies to Leigh Hunt.)
He gave me an A, will he do it to-morrow?
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To the Editor of the Bulletin:

May I answer Mrs. Meyer's letter that appeared in your last issue? First of all, a word of praise for the editorial under discussion. The writer showed great self-restraint in remaining non-partisan, when she was obviously bursting to come forth in her true colors.

Mrs. Meyer writes that it would be highly condemnatory of California if those who opposed the vote for women were the vicious element, "for the majority that give the vote to women was so very close that at first it was reported a victory for the opposition." Of course! That's just the trouble! There IS such a large proportion of the vicious element.

Next, Mrs. Meyer points out that not alone the vicious element are opposed to suffrage, but also a group of brave, self-sacrificing women, who have campaigned against the extension of the vote. These brave, self-sacrificing women can obviously have little influence in the long run, as they fortunately have no vote with which to make their opposition felt. It therefore remains that the balance of the opposition, or the vicious element, is what made the recent campaign so close.

Finally, no one dreams of asserting that a "triumph of woman suffrage is a "triumph over the drinking forces". The two are not in the least parallel.

As Eugene Wood said once, "I can understand why some women want to vote: I can understand why some women do not want to vote; but I can not understand why some women do not want other women to vote."

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