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The November Bear

It is always exhilarating to find innovations in the *Barnard Bear*; one is sure that there is health and vigor in the cub even if he is small. The November number, with its new cover, its new book review department and its frontispiece is a promising augury of even better things to come. Probably the editors have solved the picture question as well as it can now be solved, by giving us in each number one of the photographs that we have always admired in *Mortarboards* or *Columbia Quarterlies*. As for the book reviews—they undoubtedly have their place in a college magazine and help to give the *Bear* some of the ballast which it too often needs. Miss Burke's is good, not only because the subject is charming in itself, but because Miss Burke has the gift of deft phraseology. If we could only find out just what the University Militant is we might better appreciate Miss Naumburg's summary. But the trouble with her review is that, as Pepys would put it, "it is not clear to be understood," and we are left wishing that Miss Naumburg had not carried us so breathlessly from one Parge idea to another.

Speaking of ballast brings us to the one essay in the magazine which is really too slight to fulfil its function. Miss Reinheimer's *How to Appreciate J. M. Barrie* has the merit of enthusiasm, but it leaves one with no definite impression of Barrie or of the proper way to appreciate him, because the author simply applies nice adjectives to Barrie and because she puts herself entirely on the defensive.

Bankruptcy and *Holiday Crowds* are perhaps better handled than anything else in this number. We are always glad to welcome one of Miss Minor's small boy stories, even though this tale would perhaps have been better if compressed to the narrow limits of a "daily theme." Miss Cahn has the gift of the seeing eye, and lets us share her field of vision from the deck of a steamer plying between the Battery and the Highlands. The other bit of fiction, *The Mission of Suzanne*, is unsuccessful because Miss Stern strains after effect, and we are unpleasantly conscious of her struggle. The daily themes are all good examples of their type—Miss Weaver's and Miss Stern's being perhaps the best—but we must be careful not to let this department grow disproportionately large.

The poetry in this number is not especially notable. Miss Myers' *Great God Pan* is smoothly written, but is nothing more than rather facie verse; and while Miss Straiton's *November* contains possibilities, she should have worked over the awkward constructions before sending it to press and should have polished off lines which sometimes drag a succession of monosyllables to a metrical end.

The November *Bear* is pleasantly written, but the editors can do better than this. One tries conscientiously to criticize each article, but feels that most of them offer

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Pulitzer Bequest to Barnard

Under the will of Mr. Joseph Pulitzer Barnard College is to receive the income from the second million dollars left to Columbia for the School of Journalism until such time as the principal shall be paid over to Columbia. This will be when the school has been in successful operation for three years. It is estimated that this income will amount approximately to \$150,000. It will be used for the endowment of additional scholarships in memory of Mr. Pulitzer's daughter, Lucille, in whose name three scholarships at Barnard were founded by Mr. Pulitzer before his death.

1911's Party to the Freshmen

1911 returned in large numbers to entertain the Freshmen on Thursday last, and the Freshmen appeared in still larger numbers to be entertained. 1911 repeated "The Faraway Princess," which they gave during their Senior year at college. As Frances Randolph, who was originally the Princess, is too busy in real theatricals to have time for amateur, Louise Johnson took the part of the heroine. It was good to have 1911 again on Brinckerhoff stage, and if the performance fell short of their undergraduate standard, they had many excuses.

After the play the gavel was presented by Madelaine Hirsh to Louise Walker, and Soangetaha was also given over to the Freshmen to guard and guide them in their college career.

After this part of the program was over, the usual dancing and eating followed. The Freshmen were wild with enthusiasm over their "grand-sisters," and both classes kept up a volley of "songs of praise," which were enough to turn the heads of either class. The party finally broke up with a triumphant procession which escorted Soangetaha to the Freshman Study.

French Society Meets

A regular meeting of the French Society was held on November 10th, at 12.30. Miss Kahn, chairman of the entertainment committee presented plans for the monthly entertainments. These were discussed and requests were made for recitations and songs in French. The motion that all reports, discussion, and business transaction should be held in French hereafter was carried. Then Ernestine Isabel was elected fifth member of the Executive Committee.

Glee Club

The Glee Club held a meeting on Wednesday, November 15th. Edith Morris conducted. Election of officers took place. Rosalind Case was elected leader, and Margaret Reed secretary and treasurer. It was left to the leader to appoint a librarian. It was moved, seconded and passed that meetings be held every Friday at 12 o'clock. On motion the meeting adjourned.

Suffrage Club Lecture

Mr. Morris Ernst addressed the Suffrage Club last Friday afternoon on "The system of Our Present Day Politics." His talk was illuminating in that it gave a clear and accurate account of the graft and corruption in our politics to-day. He said that the trouble with the American people is that their interest in the control of taxes, etc., only lasts during the ten days before election day. That is why they simply take a negative interest, and vote a vote of protest. The Socialist ticket is growing, said Mr. Ernst, because the people realize the corruption and dishonesty of whatever party has been in control up to the time of the election.

New York State was in the hands of the Tammany bosses all of last year, and the State went Republican this term because the people were disgusted with the means of procedure of the Democratic platform. They simply considered the Republican party the lesser of two evils. They are enraged because Mr. Murphy was able to control the passage or defeat of any bill in the Albany Legislature—they were stirred up by all the secrecy in connection with bringing in the new charter.

But the trouble lies in the fact that reformers enter the fight too late. They don't see to it that good men are nominated for office. In the reform clubs men theorize and discuss the candidates. They are willing and glad to work hard against the election of a man whom they do not consider a good man—but they do not see to it that the good men are nominated. That is why there should be an interest in politics for more than the two weeks before election day.

Mr. Ernst's attitude toward present day politics was not a very optimistic one, and it undoubtedly gave the Suffrage Club something to think about.

Hockey

On Friday, the Seniors and Juniors played in the game which decided the hockey championship for this year. The Juniors won; making one goal in each half, and holding the Seniors down to the score of 4-0. The game was well played, especially in the second half, when the Seniors made a final stand and worked as they had never done before. The Juniors managed to keep them from scoring, although the ball was almost inside their striking circle once, but they finally got it up to the Seniors' end again, where it stayed for the rest of the game. In spite of the wind, the playing was swift, and the players managed to keep on their feet some of the time, anyhow. Although the passing was good, it was painfully evident that none of the girls were careful to keep in position, for wings, inside forwards and centre forwards, in one conglomerate mass, scrambled together in the middle of the field, time and time again. The game ended with the Juniors possessed of the championship and ten points toward Field Day.

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NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22nd, 1911

The Student Body of Barnard College is unique in its cosmopolitan and metropolitan character, and in the problems that result from this character. This is not an original remark, nor is it presented as such, but it leads up to our point. One of the chief difficulties ensuing from this condition is the strange lack of unity that characterizes the college. The main reason for lack of unity at Barnard is physical. We are not a residence college—or only to a negligible extent—and our outside interests are manifold and varied. We cannot take the intimate interest in the college as a whole that we would take if, for the time being, our activities were limited to college doings. As it is, the college progresses socially in a vague, indeterminate, amoeba-like fashion, thrusting out its false feet here and there, only to draw them in again, frequently changing its general direction, and proceeding with delightful protoplasmic unconsciousness of its ultimate aim. We find something more tangible and immediate in class activities, and so we concentrate what enthusiasm and energy we possess upon these, with the result that our interest in the larger function of the college diminishes still more. Thus the two circumstances react upon one another: loss of college interest fosters growth of class interest, and growth of class interest fosters loss of college interest. Realizing this, we should do everything in our power to eliminate class

interest where it can jeopardize college interest. We have heard much of this sort of talk recently, especially in connection with our so-called Mysteries. It happens to be an odd class that was initiated this year. It heard much pleasant palaver about college spirit, in which it heartily concurred, and then straightway joined (or will join) the Odd Fellows. Now, the Odd Fellows are a pernicious organization from a purely college point of view. Unquestionably, it is a source of pleasure and enjoyment to its members, but the enthusiasm and affection which they lavish upon it might well be bestowed upon the college. A great step toward the unification of the college would be in the abolition of the Odd Fellows, as an undergraduate organization, at least. That would be at least one institution less to diversify the interests of the undergraduates, and an utterly useless one at that. The *raison d'être* usually offered for college societies is that they satisfy some definite need, if only of a very few. There is certainly no need for the Odd Fellows. The present undergraduate odd classes would show the truest college spirit if they withdrew, temporarily at all events, from the Odd Fellows, and used that bit of abortive interest in the service of the college.

For the Undergrad Play

Editor of the *Bulletin*:

May I recommend two plays to the attention of the Undergraduate Play Committee—namely, "Masks and Faces" and "The Piper"? I do not know whether the former (which is by Reade, I think), is appropriate for the purpose, as it is some time since I have seen it, but it is a very charming and interesting play—that I know—and well worth the investigation of the committee. I am convinced that "The Piper" would give a satisfactory production. It is beautiful in poetry, simple in scenic effect, interesting in characterization. The committee would do well to consider it.

With good wishes to the undergraduate play from a

SPECTATOR.

Change on Bear Staff

Upon Ruth Guy's resignation from the Editorial Staff of the BEAR, Priscilla Lockwood was elected in her stead.

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too little material for helpful criticism. There is nothing, to quote Mr. Telfer in *Trelawney*, that one can "get one's teeth into." That has always been the trouble with the *Bear*. The editors don't want to get the magazine "serious" for fear no one will read it, and consequently fill up the pages with short stories, occasional verse and once in a while a light—a very light—essay. Now we want short stories and plenty of them; we certainly want all the poetry we can get. But why not represent in the magazine some of the thoughtful, critical work that is being done here at college? We are all frankly interested in one another's ideas, and I am sure the *Bear* will not grow unpopular if it prints one good essay in each number, provided the subject of the essay has a pretty general appeal. In other words, let the *Bear* represent all sides of college interest and it will probably represent Barnard at its best.

HARRIET R. FOX.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chapel

Important!

On Thursday, November 23rd, there will be Academic Chapel, at which Dean Gildersleeve will speak. As that day is the first of the Intercollegiate Convention, some of the delegates are expected to be present, and the subject of the dean's address will be "Student Government." This, of course, will be of the greatest interest to us, as well as to the delegates, so we expect a very full attendance. As usual, wear caps and gowns as far as possible (this includes Freshmen), and march to the theatre by classes. Those who can not wear caps and gowns are requested to march with the "ungowned" Freshmen, and to sit in the balcony. All caps and gowns sit downstairs.

On Monday, November 27th, Dr. Eaton, of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, is expected to give the address. This will be a Thanksgiving service, with special music by the choir, so don't miss it!

To All Subscribers

Thursday, November 23rd, is pay-day, with the accent on the pay. Please do not forget it.

Bulletin Staff

The date of the staff expedition to the photographer has been changed to Saturday, December 9th, at 9 o'clock in the morning.

C. S. S.

The Christian Science Society of Columbia University will hold its next regular meeting at 8 o'clock on Friday evening, November 17th, at 435 West 117th street. Regular meetings of the Society, open to all members of the University, are held the first and third Fridays of each month at eight o'clock.

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, November 21.—Tea in Undergraduate study at 4.

Thursday, November 22.—Academic Chapel at 12, Dean Gildersleeve. Lecture, Inazo Nitobe, Ph.D., "History and Institutions of Japan," room 309, Havemeyer, at 4.10.

Sunday, November 25.—St. Paul's Chapel at 4, Rev. Josiah Strong.

Monday, November 26.—Chapel at 12, Dr. H. C. Robbins. Lecture, Prof. Hamlin, "Classic and Gothic Architecture," room 305, Schermerhorn, at 4.10.

Wednesday, November 28.—University chapel, Thanksgiving service. Tea in Undergraduate study at 4.

A Correction

In the report of the 1912-1915 Hockey game it was stated that the final score was 12-0. As a matter of fact, the score is under dispute. If a certain goal was made from outside the Senior striking-circle, the score was 8-0. If the goal was good, the score was 10-0.

"What Shall I Do?"

Miss Rockwell Offers Another Suggestion

To the Editor of the *Barnard Bulletin*:
To the girl about to graduate, who either feels she must support herself, or would like to do so, the question of paramount importance is,—“What shall I do?” or “For what profession am I fitted?” To the majority, probably teaching would seem to follow, as a natural sequence, the years of college training. There are, however, many girls who by nature and inclination are much averse to teaching, and are therefore totally unfitted for that profession. If she does not wish to teach, what will she do?

In this day and age there are a good many lines of work open to women from which to choose. Among them is one which has been steadily increasing in popularity for the last few years. I refer to library work either in public, college, high school or private libraries. Frequently girls interested along this line come to me for some information regarding the requirements, the time necessary for preparation, etc. It is not the purpose of this article to give anything like full information on the subject. Its object is simply to bring library work to the attention of some few girls who have never thought of it as a possible field for usefulness as well as a means of livelihood. To all such girls, as well as to those who have already given the matter some consideration, I would recommend the reading of the articles on library work in Agnes F. Perkins' book, "Vocations for the Trained Woman." These articles contain a clear and concise summary of the subject. They give the requirements and also some idea of the remuneration received.

In considering the question do not for one moment believe, however, that merely because you "like to be among books," is all that is necessary to make you fitted for the profession; nor that you are going to have plenty of time to "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest." A librarian's life is, as a rule, a very busy one, with numberless demands made daily and hourly upon her time and patience. Besides a good general knowledge and the ability to know just where to look for the answer to any question, providing it cannot be answered off-hand, the efficient librarian requires a large stock of cheerfulness, unbounded patience, the ability to meet people in a way to inspire their confidence, and a deep sense of humor.

Barnard College Library hopes within a short time to have the announcements issued by the different library schools on file, so that any who are at all interested may consult them.

The book already mentioned, "Vocations for the Trained Woman," is now on our shelves and may be referred to at any time.

BERTHA L. ROCKWELL.

Freshman Elections

The Freshmen elections are as follows: President, L. Walker; vice-president, F. Kirchwey; Treasurer, K. Fox; recording secretary, H. Zagat; corresponding secretary, E. Lourier; historian, A. Conklin; Chairman of Entertainment Committee, M. G. Berry; chairman Decoration Committee, Greenbaum; member of Under-graduate Play Committee, M. Terriberry.

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Undergraduate Meeting

The second regular Undergrad. meeting was held on Tuesday, November 14th. The meeting opened with the regular reports. That of the secretary was read and accepted. The report of the Executive Committee was read and accepted. It was as follows:

ARTICLE I.—AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. That Article VI, Section 2 of the Constitution be amended to read: "The president shall be nominated at the regular meeting of the Association held during the second week in April. Candidates shall be chosen from and nominated by members of the incoming Senior class, and shall be academically registered in the Senior class at the time of taking office. Election shall take place the two following days."

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Chapel

Monday

The Reverend Mr. Hulse, of St. Mary's Church, spoke at the Chapel service on Monday, November 13th. He began with two texts: "All Things are Yours, for Ye are Christ's and Christ is God's," and "Quit You Like Men, Be Strong." The Christ life, he told us, is not a passive, idle life—but a very positive one. We should all want and strive to be men, to be women. Perhaps this seems a very vague ambition, but that is because it is a high one.

Thursday

After several fruitless attempts we at last succeeded in getting Dr. Wilhelm Braun to speak to us on Thursday. The subject of his address was "Talents and Responsibilities," and he began by telling the beautiful old Bible story of the three men and their talents. This story is a parable and shows us that life is a trust and we are responsible agents. This parable humbles the privileged, and it encourages the down-hearted, for did not the man who had two talents and gained but two more, receive the same recommendation as the man with five talents? The parable is particularly lovely for its encouragement of the average man. There is a very serious moment in the lives of most of us when we first realize that there is nothing unusual or great about us. The two-talent man who won his master's praise, and the one talent man who received his censure show us that there is no such thing as an insignificant life.

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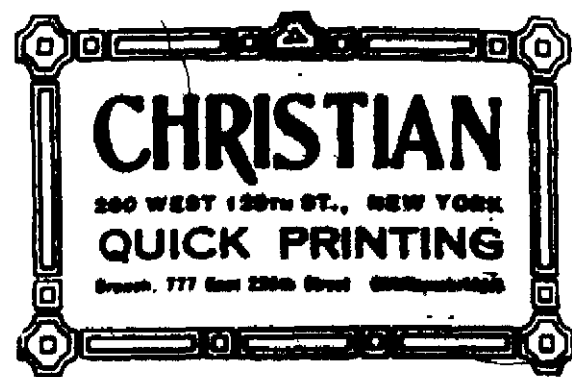
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Seriously speaking, would you call that an illustration in the "Bear" this month?

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College Bromidiums No. 6.
 Have you read the Buzzings this week?

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To think of the *Bulletin*, Barnard's leading organ, which considers itself intelligent and tries to convey that impression to an unwary public, entirely misinterpreting "The Road to Yesterday!" The *Bulletin* didn't even know that it was reincarnation and not inheritance that formed the problem of the play. What do you know about that?

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Daffydils No. 6.

If you pinch Robinson's History in the Soph. study, Willie Haller?

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Undergraduate Meeting

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SEC. 2. In Article VI, Sec. 4, regarding the election of Vice-President, Chairman of Executive Committee, Secretary and Treasurer, the same phrase, "Academically registered with her class," be inserted for each office.

SEC. 3. That the point system be amended by the following insertion under the division "Undergraduate committees." The office of Art Editor of the "Mortarboard" shall count 60 per cent.

ARTICLE II.—COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. That a regular committee be instituted to take charge of the theatrical properties of the Association.

ARTICLE III.—ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. That the Junior delegate from Barnard College to the conference of the Women's Intercollegiate Association be elected at the first regular meeting of the Undergraduate Association.

The chairman of the Executive Committee also requested that the rules concerning order in the halls on the Bulletin Board be read and kept by the students. The Chapel Committee gave an informal report, announcing Academic Chapel on Tuesday, November 21st.

The report of Student Council was read and accepted. The president announced that the dean had granted a half-holiday on Friday, November 24th. A vote of thanks was extended to the dean for her kind assistance in the preparations for the conference.

The election of the Junior delegates to the Intercollegiate Conference was taken up. Gertrude Morris, Helen Dana, Mary Stewart and Imogene Ireland were nominated. Miss Morris and Miss Dana withdrew their names. Miss Stewart and Miss Ireland were the final nominees. Miss Stewart was elected. The meeting was then adjourned.

Undergraduate Play Committee

The Undergraduate Play Committee is now complete as follows: Chairman, Eleanor Doty, 1912; Florence Lowther, 1912; Dorothy Cheesman, 1913; Eddie Parks, 1913; Frances Randolph, 1914; Margaret Terribery, 1915.

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