

## THE BARNARD BULLETIN

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**More About Syracuse**

Please do not get the perverted idea that the Conference at Syracuse was all play, but I must confess that it was a large part of it. From the very first we were impressed by the great feeling of hospitality everywhere—we were met at the station by an automobile and were taken to register and to our rooms. Then we were escorted to Chancellor's or President's house for tea and the best fun of all was in meeting so many different girls from so many colleges. There were girls who traveled all the way from Mississippi and Georgia and of course lots of girls from our own neighboring colleges. On Thursday evening we went to a theatrical production—three short plays given by the Dramatic Society, which, by the way, is co-ed as is all the University.

The next day we went to two meetings, which constituted the work of the Conference, and in the evening we all attended a very dressy and sumptuous dinner and dance at the Hotel Onadaga. At every step and turn the Syracuse girls did their best to give everybody a good time, and nothing was too much trouble for them. Even the men at the dance said how glad they were that the Conference was at Syracuse and what a fine thing it was, etc. I was thus happily disappointed, for we were a trifle skeptical at first concerning the men.

On Saturday morning we attended another meeting and in the afternoon was the crowning event of Syracuse's whole year—the football game between the latter and Colgate. To make a very long and immensely exciting story short, Syracuse "wiped" Colgate all over the field and the Conference ended with great rejoicing. Many delegates went home that night but we stayed until Sunday and went to a second dance on Saturday at one of the sorority houses.

So we came back to Barnard feeling that we had gained much which was mighty useful—and greatest of all a feeling of admiration for the Syracuse girls who were so hospitable and who succeeded so wonderfully in giving everybody such a royal good time.

DOROTHY BROCKWAY, '19,  
Junior Delegate to Conference

**Chapel**

Today (Thursday) there will be academic chapel at which Dean Gildersleeve will speak.

**Wigs and Cues Presents "David Garrick" by T. W. Robertson**

For the benefit of Red Cross Auxiliary No. 203, on Friday evening, December 7th, Saturday afternoon and evening, December 8th. Dancing Friday evening.

The college is urged to attend. Here is a chance to support the Red Cross and have a good time, too. Come and dance to real music Friday night! Or come without dancing on Saturday. Only please come!

**Have You Signed a Pledge?**

During this week every student of Barnard will be asked to pledge some definite amount of money to the Barnard Auxiliary of the Red Cross. This money is payable on the first of every month and is used to buy the wool, gauze and muslin with which we work. Of course you have no money, nobody has—but you can strain a point and give something no matter how small. The whole college pledged its financial support to the Auxiliary and about 15 per cent. have actually given actual support. Unless the whole college is back of the Auxiliary it will be impossible to run it successfully. During the month of November our expenses were nearly \$300. The amount of money paid in by pledges from the undergraduate body was \$35.50. Unless a vast improvement is shown immediately we shall have to abandon the distribution of free wool. Before we reach this stage, give us your help. Sign a pledge!

**C. S. A. Student Forum**

Thursday, December 13th, in Chapel at 12 o'clock. "Service—The Larger Conception." Come discuss its connection with War Work. Speakers, Claire Patterson, '17, Eleanor Sachs, '17, and others.

**Christmas Carols by the Glee Club**

Uky and Glee Club are going to do their bit for War Relief on Friday December 14. The concert to be given in the theatre at 4 P. M. will include Christmas Carols. Tickets (25 cents each) will be on sale next week. Watch the bulletin boards.

**War Relief Notes**

This project was submitted to the University Committee on Religious and Social Welfare and the plan as a whole approved—though various minor changes were suggested.

**PROJECT.**

For a Reading Room and Cafeteria Tea Room for Soldiers and Sailors, in the Columbia Boat House (Riverside Drive at 116th Street) to be supported and run by the Barnard College War Relief Association.

**ORGANIZATION.**

There will be a managing committee of five older women, four of them members of the Faculty or wives of members of the Faculty.

There will be a body of (at least) twenty chaperones definitely pledged to oversee all of the hours that the House shall be open.

All candidates for such work must be approved by the Dean.

Any worker will be dropped for a single failure in duty.

Each worker shall have a identification ticket without which she shall not be admitted by the doorkeeper.

**FINANCE.**

All business matters shall be in the hands of a Treasurer who shall be chosen from the committee of five, a sub-committee of students under her direction shall handle daily receipts.

Light foods shall be sold at a sufficient price to cover running expenses.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

This plan is heartily endorsed by the Christian Association and Student Council of Barnard College.

The Barnard College War Relief Association has agreed to advance funds temporarily, for expenses of equipment and starting. Members of the Faculty and others will give financial support.

Some furniture, china, a victrola, a mandolin, a guitar and music have been promised.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION ALLEMAN,  
Chairman of the War Relief Committee.

Mr. Edwin Gould has most generously donated a heating plant and a new water system for the Boat House Hut. But we still need furniture, especially comfortable lounging chairs. If any one has such a chair "grown old in service"—too seedy for her elaborate home—and still perfectly good, will she please donate it to the noble cause?

Girls who have had experience in Canteen Work or in businesses are

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**NEW YORK, THURSDAY, DEC. 6, 1917**

With our occupancy of the new building, the question of college life is once more put before us, this time with an insistency that admits of no evasion. The reason for its rather disconcerting strength of demand lies without doubt in our former neglect of it. Every one has always known that college life at Barnard has never been like that of other colleges. From time to time there have arisen querulous complaints from Freshmen and Sophomores that we could not do the things that other colleges do, that we were suffering under a very tragic lack of "college spirit." They have even gone so far as to harbor a dark suspicion that it was the fault of that august body, the faculty. It has not been so many days since we overheard a Sophomore giving a Senior a low-voiced explanation of certain sophomoreic schemes. The dominant tone of the explanation was, "We have to act carefully, you know. The faculty are against anything like that." We

are willing to prophesy that it will not be very many months before that same Sophomore will realize, as her predecessors have, that it is not the fault of the faculty that Barnard, to speak plainly, is utterly devoid of "rah-rahism." The fault, if it can be called a fault, has its roots in a body far more powerful than our wicked faculty, in nothing more nor less than the undergraduate body. It is not that the students have a well defined opposition to rah-rahism; in this respect they closely resemble the European diplomatists. Their policy is to see how long they can avoid giving intelligent thought to a serious question, and when they can no longer succeed, start a grand scramble in hopes of getting everything upset the way it was before.

We have as individuals been called upon at various times to explain what outsiders have tried to make us believe was a deficiency at Barnard. Some of us have attempted to prove that the deficiency was a figment of the brain, that we had the traditional sort of college life. Others have fallen back on Miss Boyd's famous remark, "You get at Barnard—something which no other college can give." When the inquisitor was not to be silenced by such a remark, we were forced into a realm of vagueness which left no doubt in the minds of others that we were rather a poor lot, when it came to doing anything "peppy."

Why can we not give up the first method of proving the attraction of our college, and confess quite frankly that we have not the traditional sort of college life, what is more that with the exception of the a ve mentioned Sophomore we do not want it with sufficient strength to have it. No one will attempt to deny that when the undergraduate body makes up its mind to a thing, that thing is most apt to become a reality. Having then with a free conscience made clear to the college world our position, why not set to work to make Miss Boyd's remark a tangible fact instead of a refuge when worsted in argument.

There is no excuse for not so doing now. We have a splendid new building with facilities for anything which we choose to do. What is more we have three possibilities, two of them already endowed with that effectual glamor of tradition. They are Greek Games and Wig- and Cues, the latter reformed as it promises. If anything can give a really worth while sense of college spirit it is these two institutions. They have in the past meant a good deal to us, it lies with the college to make them in the future of primary importance not merely to the Freshman and Sophomore classes or to a select few of efficient producers, but to the whole of Barnard. Our third possibly lies in the Debating Club of which we have been woefully

negligent. Its value to us as individuals and as a body has already been discussed at length in these columns. It remains only to be said that it adds one more branch of activity to the varied assortment offered by Wigs and Cues and Greek Games. It means that there is a place for every individual in college and that no one can justly argue that there is not enough to do.

On these three institutions then we have the chance to base a social life far broader and better for us as college women and as future citizens than can be offered by all the clap-trap that has for so long been known as college life. Let us face this question with frankness and honesty and then the time will not be far distant when "something which no other college can give" will be so patent that none will question our right to say it.

To the Editor of the BARNARD BULLETIN:

Unless my memory is playing me a trick, Barnard College was individually and collectively much upset about the resignation of Professor Beard from the faculty of Columbia University on October 9th.

Collectively it made known its opinion by calling a mass meeting and passing almost unanimously a resolution asking that the faculty be permitted a voice in the dismissing of a member, which resolution was to be sent to the trustees.

Recognition was given to this action of the student body when the Dean called together all those who were interested and told them what had so far been done by the faculty itself. She also courteously consented to bring our resolutions before the trustees when they next met—on November 5th, I believe.

Action ceased, and all awaited November 5th. And now November 5th has been and still mystery shrouds the results of the trustees' meeting of that date. Is there no one who can tell a patiently waiting person like myself, what occurred at that meeting? Perhaps it was too much to have expected an official notification as to how our resolutions were received?

HEDWIG KOENIG.

To the Editor of the BARNARD BULLETIN:

As a result of the interest which the under classmen were kind enough to take in 1918's decision concerning senior week, I should like to state the policy of the Senior Week Committee thus far:

1. There are two ways of saving money: one by cutting events, the other, no less effectual, by cutting the cost of the several events. Nineteen-eighteen has chosen the second way; accordingly the senior week tax has

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asked to volunteer for service in the Hut. Send your names to Jane Chase '20 or Alice Judson '20 through student mail.

**Where Are Your Magazines?**

Do you know that the Soldiers and Sailors in New York City need your magazines of the current month? Take them to the New York Branch Public Library, room 108 Columbia University Library.

**'18 Backs the Red Cross**

The Senior Class canvass for Red Cross pledges is on! 1918 has the largest subscription list of any class so far.

The canvassers are: Marie Bernholz, Edmere Cabana, Edith Bauman, Alice Gibb, Francis Haynes, Marion Leiry, Jeanette Robbins, Aline Sanborn, Margaret Snyder, Ruth Wachenheimer.

**Put a Stripe in Your Socks.**

If you are knitting socks, knit in a colored stripe around the top. It adds interest to the work, the men like the novelty and it enables them to match up pairs. You can buy enough wool for a stripe in each of a pair of socks in the Red Cross workroom for ten cents! Don't miss this opportunity!

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been reduced from the usual seven dollars (1917's tax of six dollars and fifty cents was made possible only by the size of the class) to four dollars, thus making estimated receipts of \$900 as against 1917's real receipts of \$1,770.50.

2. The Senior Week Committee is not an organization for the purpose of raising money for war relief. There are in existence at Barnard now several committees solely for this purpose, but the Senior Week Committee is not one of them. Any money which is left over from Senior Play which is to be given as a war benefit will be turned over to the Red Cross. Any other money which remains after expenses are paid is merely incidental and will be disposed of at the discretion of the class. If it were possible to foresee the exact expenditures exclusive of Senior Play, the tax would be regulated to cover these expenditures precisely. I may say that the Senior Week Committee does not anticipate any large residuum after paying expenses.

In conclusion, I should like to express my gratitude to a vast majority of 1918 for their loyal support of the above policy, which after consulting with numerous persons, including the Dean, Dorothy Leet, 1917, and the president of the senior class, I feel to be the most rational and economical one that could be adopted.

Very sincerely yours,

DOROTHY GRAFFE,

Chairman of Senior Week.



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Leave these buildings as soon as your class is dismissed or you have finished transacting necessary business. In order that our courses and administrative work may be effectively carried on we need quiet. Rooms for sociability are provided in Student's Hall.

Do not loiter in the main corridor of Milbank Hall. Do not block the entrance.

Do not post notices anywhere except on the second floor balcony railing, where they are under the supervision of the Undergraduate Association.

Do not eat luncheons anywhere in these buildings.

Suggestions about the arrangements and administration of the buildings will be gladly received. They should be put in writing and given to Miss Boyd.

V. C. GILDERSLEEVE,  
Dean.

**Social Service Work.**

Miss Margaret Watson is now taking charge of Miss Patchin's work as supervisor of volunteer work. She will be glad to see all those wishing advice in the work they are doing or wish to do. In the R. P. O. office, Student's Hall, Wednesday, 1-4:30. Further office hours will be arranged later.

**Notice—Women of the University.**

Beginning with Monday, December 3d, the Barnard College Lunch Room in Student's Hall will be open daily except Sunday, from 6 to 7 p. m., to women of the University. A cafeteria dinner at 50 cents will be served.

Owing to the high cost of food and of maintenance, Barnard College will be able to make this arrangement for the convenience of women students only if the attendance is sufficiently large to warrant it.

Luncheon is served daily, except Sunday, from 11:30 a. m. to 1:45 p. m.

Breakfast may be served, if a sufficient number of requests for it are received. The Secretary of Student's Hall will receive such applications.

V. C. GILDERSLEEVE,  
Dean.

**Outdoor Club.**

Notices pertaining to the activities of the Outdoor Club will be posted on the fourth floor Bulletin Board in Student's Hall. Members please heed!

**Uke Club.**

Come and bring your ukeleles, or come without one if you are the least bit interested in our club. We are going to meet Thursday afternoon in the theater at 4 o'clock.

Don't forget! Come with your enthusiasm and energy to work.

**News From Vassar.**

The self-government board has prohibited further knitting in classes. Mr. Theodore Marburg will explain to a student meeting the workings and aims of the League to Enforce Peace.

The Surpassing Show of 1920.

Because Soph Show  
Has exhausted our stock of superlatives,  
Has unmanned and benumbed our critical faculties,  
Bewitched and bewildered us  
With its veritable avalanche of beauty and talent,  
Because the whole riotous frolic  
Was much too rollicking  
To be vivisected  
Article by article,  
Section by section,  
Our write-up sought refuge in a much-abused impressionistic medium,  
Vers libre.

First there came a "Mysteries Cabaret"  
In which Ruth Ewan,  
With tea-eggs for earrings,  
And a rubber hose for a boa-constrictor,  
Serpentined  
And out-cleod Cleo.  
And K. Stewart,  
The sweetest girl we know,  
Kid-impersonated,  
And Katherine Brosnan,  
Who is a talented sprite,  
Yamma-yammad.  
And there were Lochinvars and Irish Maids,  
And Married Men, and Others,  
And the Cabaret,  
Passed by the Nat'l B—d of Censorship,  
Was good,  
And chemically pure.  
Hats off to Hicksie  
And her hard-working Committee!

But now we rage.  
For, tired still from an interminable wait,  
Hungry, after a war supper,  
We were packed into a line  
By cross proctors,  
Who mistook officiousness for efficiency,  
And pushed out into the cold, dark night.  
Freshmen stumbled and snickered.  
Seniors shivered and rattled their teeth.  
So we suggest,  
Now that the fire laws and the war  
Have put a taboo on candle light  
That the once picturesque "Mysteries Line"  
Might be forgone.

But in a sense  
This is the greater tribute  
To '20's show.  
For once in the cozy theater,  
Where Bedlam soon was loose  
And a genial spirit rife,  
The gallery's grouch evaporated.  
And when the curtain rose,  
We held our breath  
And craned our necks to see  
An Urbanized golden throne,  
And lavish Ziegfeldian costumes.

And when "Her Intermolecular Ambiguity,"  
Agnes Marsh,  
The charming Empress of Arabia,  
Held the stage,  
We rubbed our dazzled eyes  
And wondered  
Whether such glorified artistry  
Could be a Soph Show.  
And the resonant, man-like tones  
Of that very odd monarch, Chumbra Ghum,  
And of his magician, E. Armstrong,  
Hypnotized us.

And in days to come  
When Aline holds forth on the legitimate,  
The tale will still be told  
Of how she vamped in Briickerhoff.  
And with Sheeza Horra  
Were L. Eyre, A. Vorhaus and B. Becker—  
The Vicious Villain,  
The Harassed Heroine,  
And the Willful Wooer,  
Respectively.

And when the audience  
Was still weak from laughter,  
Some Radicals pranced forth  
And sang a song  
Which was a Ilit.  
And we howled some more.  
In fact, all the entre' actes  
Were most delish.  
Beryl Siegbert,  
The "strictly fresh" professional peach  
Was captivating.  
And the original music  
Was all so catchy.  
That it is still running the gamut  
Of our unmusical make-up.

And Coil Three  
Of the Tail of the Dragon—  
That, incidentally, was the caption of the show—  
Was a satirical playletina,  
Full of local color,  
In which Helen Barton, as Miss Boyd,  
Got an ovation  
That brought down the house.  
It was meant  
As a compliment to both.  
And there was Mrs. Liggett, and a chubby Trustee,  
A French Prof, a Red Cross Nurse,  
Horace, and Students and Steps.

And Coil Four  
Showed the "Lair of the Dragon."  
The Dragon was a taxidermal achievement.  
And the Odd-Even raillery  
Was in good taste and spirit,

Without any taint of nastiness.  
But '20, with unlimited resources,  
Gave us more, and still more;  
In the form of an aesthetic "Mysteries" dance,  
In which the college had a chance  
To see the greatest of her terpsichorean,  
Agnes Marsh.

This chronology may be slightly crooked,  
But you were there,  
So you know what we mean.  
At one time were heard  
Repeated calls for "Author."  
Bea Becker came forth  
And protested that she was not guilty  
Of the whole show—  
(Tho' we know she wrote  
At least two plays, the lyrics and the music.)  
But that Amy Jennings  
Was likewise to blame.

In fact, the whole Soph Class  
Had something to do with it.  
Laurel wreaths first go  
To Alice Barrington,  
The masterly, but modest Chairman;  
Then to Lucille Marsh, the Coach,  
Who with Job-like patience,  
Exerted her personality;  
Praise to R. Austin, H. Barton, D. Burns, P. Rawson,  
The rest of the Committees,  
And to the fifty-odd members of the cast.

We wish we could name them all,  
But printing comes high.  
Some day, however,  
Mortarboard will publish them all  
(N. B., Adv.),  
And then the Freshmen will know  
Who was who.  
Perhaps the very nicest thing about it all  
Was just the way  
In which all '20 pitched in  
And demonstrated  
That she has a better distribution of talent and taste  
To the square inch  
Than some histrionic groups we could mention.

Everyone went home happy.  
And '18 especially was proud of her sisters,  
And felt young and wished she were a Soph again.  
So in behalf of all,  
And with the parting advice  
Not to succumb to stage fever.  
Or caput swollorum,  
We tender to '20 our heartiest  
And bless her.

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**Alumnae News.**

**New York Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae.**

A regular meeting of the New York Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae will be held on Saturday, December 15th, at 3 p. m., in the fourth floor meeting rooms of the Women's University Club, 106 East 52d Street.

There will be a report and general discussion of the war service of the Branch, and a résumé of the College Women's Conference, held at Albany at the time of the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. Major Frank Gilbreth, U. S. R. Engineers, will speak on "The Engineer and the War Cripple."

No member of the Branch can afford to miss this meeting.

EDITH M. VALET,  
*President.*

EDITH MULHALL ACHILLES,  
*Secretary.*

**Thanksgiving Chapel.**

Thanksgiving service on the eve of Thanksgiving, 1917, was tinged with the shadow and the fire that enriches our least action in these days. From the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" to the prayers for the State we listened to and heard the rhythm of the times, at no moment more clearly than during President Butler's address.

President Butler presented an adequate summary of reasons for thankfulness in this time of stress. We should be proud and thankful for the gifts of steadfastness and faith; faith to see the best and highest course in the conflict of thought and arms, steadfastness to stand firm till the righteous victory which must be ours. Germany, said President Butler, has despaired of victory on the battlefield, but is working with subtle skill for the victory of a drawn combat. Let us then be thankful for the gifts of faith and steadfastness which will crown our conduct with the reward of victory.



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There is a Student Council mail box at the right of Miss Boyd's office. Please put all communications in this box.

Always keep your check books and ledgers up to date and see me if there is any question about them at all.

The books will be balanced in two

weeks and further notice will be given. At this time no bills will be paid for seven days.

Above all things pay your bills due at the office in Milbank—promptly—if possible within a day after receiving the bill.

DOROTHY BROCKWAY,  
*Undergrad. Treas.*

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**Dr. Calkins Will Speak on Monday.**

Dr. Raymond Calkins of the Congregational Church, of Cambridge, Mass., will speak at the second opening meeting of the Christian Association on Monday, December 10th, at 4 p. m. Dr. Calkins gave the main course of lectures at the Intercollegiate Silver Bay Conference last June. All who heard him speak at Silver Bay will indeed welcome the opportunity of hearing him again. Dr. Calkins is especially interested in the Barnard Y. W. C. A. and gave us many helpful suggestions and encouragement for this year's work. Everyone is cordially invited to share the opportunity of having Dr. Calkins with us on next Monday.

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**Undergraduate Meeting.**

A regular meeting of the Undergraduate Association was held in the theater Tuesday, November 27th, at 12 o'clock. A quorum was declared. The reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and accepted. Announcements made by the Dean are printed elsewhere in the BULLETIN. Reports were given by Miss Oschrin in regard to Intercollegiate Debating, by Miss Liander for the Board of Proctors, by Miss Blout for the Red Cross, by Miss Graffe for Wigs and Cues, by Miss Franklin in regard to Social Service Work, and by Miss Cooksie for Doll Day. Miss Alleman announced that the Columbia Boat House will shortly be in use as a Comfort Hut for sailors.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Barnard College hold an evening "experience" meeting to hear an alumna talk on vocational work. It was moved, seconded and carried that there be no knitting in classes except when the instructor specifically states that he has no objection. It was further moved, seconded and carried that Student Council request each professor having Barnard girls in his classes to make a statement in class as to whether or not he objects to knitting therein. Miss Griffiths explained that the action previously taken on the question by Student Council had been necessitated by the impossibility of calling an undergraduate meeting at the time. Upon motion the meeting adjourned.

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