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FRESHIEN FOUND UNEQUIPPED FOR EFFICLENT STUDY
Hiss Kruger Reports On Results Of State Questionnaire
large part of the program of New York State Deans' Assocation which met in Albany on usember 15 and 16 , was devoted ii) the consideration of reports on tulies of the problem of the difficulties encountered by college frechmen in adjusting themselves college work.
most interesting report deält with the returns on questionnaires wint by Rochester High School to dll those graduates of the last five years, who had gone to college. The answers to the question, "How might the High School have prepared you better for college work" were startlingly like those given last spring by members of the class of 1932 at Barnard during conversations concerning the problem of adjustment Freshmen year. The Rochester students said that they did not know how to study effectively, that they lacked knowledge of laboratory technique, and that when put upon their own responsibility they did not know how (1) plan so that it could be accomplished within the allotted time. It was interesting to note that the Rochester students felt that they - hould come to college equipped with these techn:ques rather than that the college should help them to acquire them.
The conference agreed, however, that until the high schools did undertake the task, the colleges in urder to avoid waste are called upon to fill in the gap. The college representatives agreed that the difficulty was not in providing

## , 32 Decides to Fnd

 All College Hazing Hazing has definately been banned., "Mysteries" is henceforth to ansume a more dignified aspect and the Mysteries Supper will be aformal reception of welcome exformal reception of welcome ex-
tended to the incoming Freshmen by the entire college. All this was lirught about at the Sophomore mecting on Wednesday when the pian drawn by four freshmen repreentatives and the Sophomore 1: xecutive Board was described by Iiss Hargrove, Sophomore Presirent.
The question of dancing or a wiw after the supper was ex-
nuled from the Sophomore discus11) to be left to the decision of present Freshmen. After a , longed debate as to whether or a pledge should be recited by Freshmen at the reception of
Mysteries Book, it was also cicled to leave this question to the ming Sophomore class. With the ception of these three points. plan of the committee was ac erl by the Sophomnre clan.

## PROF.SPURGEONTALKS ONSHAKESPEARESART

Gives Novel Interpretation<br>Through Study Of Images In Tue-day. I'rufesor Caroline spargeon of the Liniversity of Lundon gave the English Majors and their guests a glimpse into her eholarly workshop. For the past few years Professor Spurgeon has been carrying on an intensive rescarch into the imagery of Shakespeare's plays. This study of Shakespeare', words and image, opens up an entirely new approach to a stucly of the playwright.

Irrofessor Spurgeon bases her conclus.ons upon the fact that "in the use of imagery a poet will to some extent betray himself poet's choice of words and images i. extraordinarily and unconsciously se.f revealing. His images show his likes and dislikes, the things with which he has come into contact, the character of his experience. since it is only those things which have become engraved upon our consciounness which occur- to us when we seek a conparison or image.

Shakespeare draws especially upon two classes of images: first, those of nature and outcdoor life, more especially the life of the garden, and secondly upon those pertaining to the homely life of every day. From this data and cthers, Professor Spurgeon brings novel proof of Shakespeare's great ness as a keen observer of the factors surrounding daily life. Even more significant is Professor Spurgeon's belief that a study of Shakespeare's imagery throws light on the dramatist's own conception of his plays. The underlying symbol formed by repeatedly stressed images in each play have given her another angle on the interpretation of "Hamlet," "Macbeth" and "Romeo and Juliet"-as Shakespeare envisaged them, Professor Spurgeon said. The underlying image of "Hamlet" is that of a hidden

## Transfer Scholastic Average Generally High; <br> Group Constitute 1/10 of Student Body

The Scholastic average of the transter is, on the whole. slightly
higher than of the original Barnardite" said Mrs. Lowther, Professor of Zoology, in an interview with Bulletin. She has some serious looking statistics on these undergraduates who comprise less than one-tenth of the students. This year 12 werc admitted from 76 institutions in the Lnited States, mocluding jumior colleges. This is fewer than the number in 1928 which wa-131. But an all of the 38 girls who were dropped in the pring were from the 1928 group of transfers, the standard of admissions was raised this year, and it is expected that the number who come to grief will not be so imporing. The present class is clever looking. however, and, expectationa

Do transfers mix in Barnard student life:" Professor Lowther in reply, cotild not say as yet. - Only one-third attended the transfer tea early in the term, and it is of course doubtful how much value can be attached to the tea as of good medium for all the varied groups and individuals. Later on we may have group tea for transfers hailing from the same general regions.'
for activities, we don't know an yet to how great extent they are joining in. Possibly there is a livision among the transfers similar to that among the starting-atBarnard girls. Those who live in the dormitorics tend to stay out of clubs and other activities leavthe non-resident girls to carry on


## A. A. TO CELEBRATE HEALTH DAY MONDAY

## Swimming, Basketball And Posture Contests To Feature Program

The program for Health Day has been made especially interesting to Freshmen since it is felt that the upper classmen have been reached in other years. according to Jean Crawford, chairman of the committee.
The gym classes on Monday will be devoted to talks on the results of the physical examinations and of the motor ability tests and what they mean in the life of the college student.
In the gym at noon, the posture contest between the Freshmen and the Sophomores will be held. The Juniors and Seniors will have a separate contest. At four o'clock there will be an informal play-day in the pool, and at five inter-clas basket ball games will be played.
As formerly during Health week, apples and milk will be sold at a booth in the corridor of Barnard Hall.
The importance of good posture is especially emphasized: Juniors and Seniors afe warned to be careful of their posture as they are being watched with great vigilance by the Health Department.
Everybooly is urged to take part in the Health Day program. Those who do not enter the contests should attend them and watch tests should a high.
on which the beauty of life depends on which the beauty of life depends.
It is removing the joy of living which was the foundation of Europe's charm."
"The effect of unfit post-bellum globe trotters and cheap currency hunters from America on the masses hunters from America on the masses
of Europe has had a pathetic effect. It has driven her to say that he will follow any leader who can so organize her that she may be able to assert herself against this army of exploiters." Dr. Roselli went on.
Advantages Discussed
What are the advantages which Europe may derive from the proposed union: First, the absurd tariff and passport barriers which now separate European nations

## Robitization Of Modern World Destroying Europe's Charm

Nost people in America falsely lelieve that the idea of the United States of Europe has resulted from a careful search for a better form of government, Dr. Bruno Roselli, Professor of Italian at Yassar, told the Social Science Majors last「uesday. "Such an idea. is the child of incorrect American parentage. If there ever is a United States of Europe it will not be an imitation of the United States of America out of love, but the result of a desire to preserve her fast waning power
Dr. Roselli finds the historical precedents of this proposed union to be International World organizations, such as the International Postal Union or the League of Nations, in which all nations hold the same position, power and prestige ; and Regional Understandings -the Monroe Doctrine, the German Zollverein and the like. A United States of Europe would incorporate the principles underlying both-regional because it' would be limited international because of the colonies of the countries in question involve portions of the entire globe.

Need Colonial Adjustment
"If the readjustment of the organization of Europe," said Professor Roselli, "can make for the reapportionment of distant lands, then let it come about, even if it is to be but a temporary union."
"Dr. Roselli believes that if the United States of Europe is to be successful Russia and the other Slavic surrounding countries must be excluded on the grounds of cultural differences and political incompatibilities. England too, must remain out, for England can never thoroughly abdicate her leadership over her dominions and colonies, which of necessity could not be admitted." "Europe is tired of trying to face a robotized world," continued Professor Roselli. "The new world is mechanically conquering the universe and is taking away the flavor and the aroma of fe. It is destroying individualism

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## Editorial

## For Lengthening Spring Vacation

There can be no question that the winter term is less strenuous, wearing and difficult than the spring session. One comes to the winter term invigorated by a refreshing summer, bounding with energy and the desire to do one's best. The spring term starts on a post-exam jag. From two hectic weeks of study one is plunged directly into a new session of work There is no respite in which one may summon waning ambitions and set them in line to tackle the job ahead. Yet in spite of the fact that it is less difficult the winter is broken by seventeen days of vacation whereas the spring by but five. And who can question the value of a wisely spent vacation als a very necessary change from the rigors of the daily routine.
Compare the distractions of the two terms. The winter season is generally calm. In the spring distractions are innumerable. Both curricular and extra curricular activities are more enervating. Consider Greek Games and the changing of all college officers, in terms of expenditure of nervous energy. Merely the resistance to the spring weather that fairly shrieks, "Cut your classes and come for a walk" requires a strength few can command.
From the point of view of equalizing the two terms, Easter Vacation might certainly be lengthened. From the standpoint of health a few days at this most trying time would undoubtedly be beneficial, From the point of view of a new spirit and renewed vigor in work, there is a hue and cry for "a week at Easter time.'

Forum Column
Student $\underset{\text { Brought Home }}{\substack{\text { Fellowship } \\ \text { Bot }}}$ Not

## Second Balcony

Subway Express

10 the Editor of the Bulletin:
What is Student Fellowship? I have been approached often within the last week by members of the Student Fellowship Committee who asked for my pledge. To each person I have given my To each person 1 have given my
honest conviction that 1 do not beiieve in the cause, and each one ras answered to the effect that the Senior honored by election to hold the fellowship, receiven a "world of benefit" therefrom; that her "influence after one year's foreign study is widespread," that the holder "contributes toward international information."
I understand that two years ago an international assembly was held in which previous holder.s of the fellowship concretely explained their work. Also, letters have been written to Bulletin to enlighten undergraduates on the definite work performed by these girl, Since I have been at Barnard. however, there have been no such explanations, no such letters. Consequently, I have no real idea of the work to which I am asked to contribute.

Why couldn't the committee see to it that explicit information be given to the college in the form of letters and talks by previous holders of the fellowship? I quarrel not with the purpose itself, but with the execution and vague results ensuing. The ideal shoule not be swathed in generalities which serve only to hide from our eyes whatever substantial good may have. or might, result from such a fellowship.
I dislike being a "conscientious objector" when I know that there exist reasons which are explicable. I believe that there are sufficient reason to overcome my impression of "individualization." But what are these reasons and where are the people who can give them?

There is no cause for a student with convictions to violate her intellectual precepts merely to conform to "what every Barnard student should do." If Student Fellowship is sufficiently worth while to warrant a prolonged drive for funds, it certainly ought to be important enough to be thoroughly explained to us who are approached for these funds.

## Correction

The Editor.
Barnard Bulletin.

## Dear Madam:

May I correct the statement in the Barnard Bulletini of November 19, that the English Department may decide to abolish examinations in English courses for its majors:" Such a decision could be made only by the Committee on Instruction with the approval of the entire Faculty.

I did state that if the comprehensive examinations proved to be successful. it would be natural to consider the possibility of substituting them entirely for course examinations for majors. What the answer to this question would be I have no idea. The prospect is by no means an immediate one. In any case I did not intend to give the impression that the Department
B. S.

## BARNACLE ANNOUNCES <br> CONTINUED CONTEST

Quizzes and papers have deterred anpiring sleuths from handing in their detective stories to the Bar macle contest. Therefore, the time limit has been extended to January 10. This will give all the Philo Vances an extra- few weeks in which to compete for the five dol:ar gold piece. The winning story will appear in the March istuc.
of English would ever undertake t) deal single-handed with a problem which concerns the general administration of the college. wished merely to give your reader: an opportunity to think about is matter of some interest and importance to us all.

Sincerely yours,
Hoxic Neale Fairchild.

## -ABOUT TOWN

 Till Thanksgiving Musicthe 23rd: Boston Symphonyecond performance; Carnegieath.
the 24th: Manhattan SymphonyHecca 1 emple-eve. Kreiser nolmont. Carnegie-aft.
the 25th: Roth Quartet-Town 1 lat-exe.
the 26th: Al Cortot, pianist, and J. Thibaud, violinist-Carnegieeve
Musical . Irt Quartet - Town lail-eve
the 27th: Lener Quartet-Car-negic-ele.
Dance
H. Krentzlerg \& Y. Georgi I'remere-Nov. 2tth. Carnegic. aft. Second performance-the 2tth-Craig Theatre, 54th St. F., of B'way.

Lectures
Dr. Alfred Adler-Mon., the 25th -on "Family Life." At Community Church-Park Ave. anth 34th Street. Rest of series to be announced.
Saturday Aft. Forums: at Rand School of Soc. Science, 7 E. 15th st.
the 23rd: Norman Thomas on "Next Socialist Campaign.,
the 30th: Harry Elmer Barnes "Wor:d Politics in the PostWar Period.'

## 1933 ELECTS OFFICERS

The Freshman meeting, which took place on Wednesday in 304 was the scene of energic voting After a short talk by Hazel Reisman, who represented the A. A Board, the class was requested to elect one of the three girls which the Board had selected as most stitable. Dorothy Crook was chosen by an open ballot.
Edith Tompkins, 1932 song leader, divulged to the Freshmen the new plans for Mysteries which had been drawn up by representatives of the two lower classes. The new program, which endeavors to destroy all traditional hostility, was unanimously accepted by the Freshmen.

The following officers were elected: Ruth Anderson, VicePresident; Eleanor Mason, former secretary pro-tem, permanent secretary; Catherine Reeve, treasurer Jane Waterman, social chairman.

## Dorm Students to Hold Reception for Faculty

On the evening of Friday, November 22, the students living in the dormitorjes will be hostesses at the annual Dormitory Faculty Reception. The guests invited include all of the Barnard College faculty, and those members of Columbia departments who are directly connected with Barnard.
They will be received in the Blue Room of Brooks Hall by Miss Virginia Gildersleeve, Miss Helen tbbott; Champe Wallace and Elinur Trostel. Miss Trostel is to represent the chairman of the rommittee, Flizabeth Fitch wh is ill.
Following the reception of guest there is to be a musical program Niss Grace Nelson La Mar, con tralto, will sing a group of English songs. Miss La Mar is assistant tu Madame Ernestine Schumann-

[^0]sing-Song To Be Feature Of Next French Club Tea

If you sing, ever have sums, or ir hope to sing. come and near wis has been done in France .in the eleventh century to the (-ent time. Next Tuesday, Now. 2 , La Societe Francaise is giving ing-song and tea in the College 'ulor at 4 o'clock. The college invited.
I special number on the program to be a song from the first French comic opera, "Le Jen de kuhin et Marion" by Adam de la Halle. It will be sung by Francine lessi and Eileen Hefferman, dressed in the costumes of the welfth century.
()ther songs, sung by members , if the club, will include those of the eleventh to the sixteenth centuries, of the French Revolution, and of modern times.

## ODDS VICTORS

 IN BASKETBALLWith typical early season funibling and general mediocrity of playmg, the sister classes of '31 and 33 won their respective games against ' 30 and '32, on Monday and Tuestlay. The Junior-Senior first team match was perhaps the best played and mont exciting of the group.
lack of practice. and its conse(fient imability to "get started" carly in the game. accounted for the slow pace and sloppy playing. lithough the close scores ('31-30first teams. 20-19; second teams-9-8; '33-32. first teams-12-7, second teams, 15-9) seem to indicate excellent competition. poor shooting on the part of most of the forwards is really responsible for them.

The Juniors and Freshmen start this season as league leaders. Will - they continue?

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Benng-Dorm Faculty Reception.
MoNDAY
4:00-Newman Club, Conference Room.
4:00-(ierman Club Tea, 115 Milbank.
+:00- (iovermment Majors, College Parlor.
4:00-Basketball, 1930-32.
TUESDAY
t:15-(ilee Club, 408 Barnard. 4:00-French Clul). College Farlor. $+: 00$-Italian Club.
4:30-International Club, Conference Room.
4:00-Basketball. 1931-33.

## PROF. SPURGEON TALKS

ON STUDY OF IMAGERY (Continued from page infection creeping through a body (symbolizing the state of Denmark). of corruption insidiously overconing wholesomeness. More of her very interesting conclusions may be foumd in her book "Shakespeare's Imagery."
This is the second time in as many years that Professor Spurgeon has addressed the English Majors. Last year at a tea, she discovered to them her finding of Keat's Shakespeare just before the publication of her book on the sub ${ }_{\gamma}$ ject.

## DISCUSSION INVITED

## ON/ COLLEGE PROBLEMS

 facilities upon which students might draw but rather in getting students to take advantage of them. One report presented at thei meeting brought out this point. Eighty-one students of two hundred and twenty reporting stated that they would not/seek the advice of any member of the faculty if they were faced with academic problems.At the Saturday afternoon meeting Dean Hawkes sppke on the use of placement tests. By means of these tests $48 \%$ of the students entering Columbia College in 1928 were found to have ability superior to that shown by the entrance examinations and were allowed to take correspondingly more difficult work.

If any student is interested in eliscussing the difficulties of adjusting to college 'I should be delighted to talk with her. Freshmen as well as upperclassmen must have ideas on the subject.

Barbara L. Kruger.

## TRANSFERS SHOW

HIGH SCHOLARSHIP (Continued from page 1 the extra-curriculum work. This is, however, only a surmise.

Mrs. I.owther volunteered that the reasons for a change in colleges were greatly varied, but the one most often given was to be in New York City. Sometimes the reason was to reduce expenses, occasionally to live with parents who had homes in the city. But the final choice seemed to be because of the prestige of Barnard.
One interesting comment was made by Professor Lowther. She said she had often heard students say that certain transfers would be excellent for school offices, but because of their late entrance it was considered fairer to give the office to an original Barnard girl. "I think, myself," she said, "that present capacity and availability alone ought to be the determining factor."

DR. ROSELLI ADDRESSES
SOCIAL SCIENCE GROUP (Contanued from page 1)
would be broken down. The difficulties betweerk agricultural and industrial countries, would be swept away. It would side)track the coming scramble for colones, probable cause of the next war. It would bring about an end to the Mandate imbroglio.
"What ever it form, the foundation of the Cnited State of Eutope must be based on fact," sand Dr. Roselli in concluding his address. "If there is to be Cnion it must not be made binding for ever but be made a temporary thing renewable every three or five years. Experimental it must be! It would be a crime to unite these many countries with any bond that would be separable only thru war.'

## DORM GIRLS TO GIVE

FACULTY RECEPTION
(Continued from page 2)
Heink. A trio composed of Katherine Young, Elsie MacFarlane. and Millicent Wood are to sing "The Snow" by Elgar, and there will also be a piano solo by Isabel Marting, and a number played by a violin trio.
After this program, an orchestra will play for dancing. Refreshments are to be served by Freshmen living in the dormitories.


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