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## SYUD HOSSAIN VIEWS NEW EAST AND WEST

### Pre-eminent Need of Time More Human Contacts.

"Perhaps the pre-eminent need of our time is to make more and more human contacts with one another, a primary need and function of intelligent living in these days," declared Mr. Syud Hossain at International Tea held Friday afternoon in the College Parlor. Mr. Hossain spoke at some length on the "New East and the New West," taking as his point of departure the crucial date of 1914. That date, it was shown, marked the complete reversal in the international order of things.

### Europe Dominated Over Asia

It was Europe that dominated over Asia and America throughout the 19th century. Through the single invention of modern artillery, she was able to "victimize" all the countries of the East under a ruthless imperialistic program. The war came as "a logical climax as well as a moral culmination of the preceding centuries of war and ferment in Europe."

Since 1914, however, there has been a complete revolution. "The initiative in world affairs comes no longer from Europe. Europe has been reduced to a state of destruction and poverty from which it will take her perhaps a century or more to recover." In Asia, on the other hand, "things are stirring, in movements in art, music, literature," and other cultural channels. "The political ferment offers only symptoms of a spiritual renaissance. It is only natural that the wish to throw off political domination should express itself," Mr. Hossain declared emphatically, "for nations must function in terms of freedom!" You cannot create things of beauty out of slavery. This upheaval in the East implies, then the creation of

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## Under Classes Triumph in Basket Ball Games

Well-organized team-work and excellent passing were responsible for the decisive victories of the Freshmen and Sophomore basketball teams over their more experienced sisters on Wednesday and Thursday. The defeat received by the second team of the Juniors from the Sophomores was by the worst of the season. The defeat of the first team Juniors by the Sophs was unexpected, as much as the Senior first and previously conquered the Sophs, and the Juniors had the Seniors over. The Seniors, playing the same brand of basketball that has kept them all season, had little difficulty in winning their games from the Sophs.

Impossible to give the names of the teams in this issue as it has not yet been established due to a slight confusion in the method of scoring. Next issue will contain a full account of the determination of the standing of the teams, and also their respective places after the first round.

## Wigs and Cues Offers Tickets For Sale This Week in B. H.

Tickets for the coming performance of *Outward Bound*, which is being given by Wigs and Cues this Friday and Saturday, December 13th and 14th, at 8:30, will be on sale every day at noon in Barnard Hall.

Miss Gaines, President of the Club, announced that a professional orchestra has been engaged to play for formal dancing after both performances.

## EDITORIAL CANDIDATES CHOSEN BY BULLETIN

### Fifteen Juniors Selected for Coming Competition.

The time to consider the election of the Editor-in-Chief of Bulletin has arrived once more. Fifteen outstanding girls in the Junior Class have been elected to try out for this position. They have been chosen on the basis of their ability to write and their understanding of that field, their executive qualities and their close contact with and knowledge of all spheres of college activity.

These fifteen girls will, during the months of December and January, write editorials, which if published will carry the initials of the writer. From these girls will be chosen the five best who will be trained in all phases of Bulletin work during February. Then in the first week of March three choices will be made, following which the Bulletin Staff in conference with Student Council will carry out the final election.

These fifteen girls are: Ruth Abelsen, Marjorie Bahouth, Helene Berman, Betty Calhoun, Alberta Falck, Anne Gary, Doris Gilman, Frieda Ginsberg, Dorothy Harrison, Celeste Judel, Waldo Jewell, Anne Rheinhart, Eva Saper, Belle Tobias, and Sally Vredenburgh.

## College Owes Debt of Gratitude to Dream of F. A. P. Barnard, Tenth President of Columbia

To many of the uninformed, Barnard is merely a symbol of nothing more than the present day college on Morningside Heights; others perhaps realize that once upon a time there was a man bearing that name; and if memory is stretched one notch further, it may even be remembered that we of Barnard today are all debtors to this man for the college which seems such an integral part of us.

Frederick Barnard, tenth president of Columbia University, was a man of versatile character. Although he is remembered mainly for his work in the field of education, his activities were extended to many other fields. He held two positions as instructor in schools for the deaf and dumb, he was ordained as a deacon in the Protestant Episcopal church, and during the Civil War he was in charge of the map and chart department of the U. S. Coast Survey. In

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## CAUSES OF EVOLUTION PUZZLE, SAYS WILSON

### Biological Advances of Last Decades Far Reaching.

Although researches have removed most of the difficulties that puzzled Darwin, biologists are still unable to explain adequately the actual causes of evolution, Dr. Edmund B. Wilson, professor-emeritus of biology at Columbia University, and with the university since 1891, declared Thursday afternoon in an address in the McMillin Academic Theater.

Dr. Wilson, in the fifth of a series of lectures on "A Quarter-Century of Learning" arranged in connection with the celebration of the 175th anniversary of the founding of Columbia, reviewed the progress made during the last twenty-five years in biology.

"There have been," according to this noted scientist "three main lines of research and progress: in evolution and heredity; in the study of the egg and its development, and in dealing with the organism as it exists here and now.

"Nineteenth century researches on evolution were largely engaged in fortifying the groundwork of the theory," he continued. "Special problems and difficulties were examined and efforts were made to trace out the course that evolution has followed in bygone ages."

### Shift in Viewpoint Occurred

"Toward the turn of the century, however, the center of interest had begun to shift from the historical problems of evolution to the even more momentous ones involved in its causes and conditions. It was this shift that was responsible for the popular impression that biologists had begun to lose faith in evolution; a condition due to a complete misunderstanding on the part of the public.

"No competent biologist has now any doubt concerning the reality of organic evolution. His uncertainty relates solely to the agencies by which it has been

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## Pictures for Mortarboard

### Must Be Taken by Dec. 20

The staff of Mortarboard wishes to announce that, owing to demand, they have agreed to extend the time for having pictures taken for two weeks. Friday, December twentieth, is the deadline. Pictures must be taken by this time, and no pictures taken after this date will be accepted. Juniors are urged to take advantage of this opportunity and to have their sittings immediately.

## PROGRAM PLANNED BY SOCIAL SERVICE

### Organize Activity for Worth- while Giving.

In connection with the coming Christmas holidays the Social Service Committee at Barnard has begun to concentrate its attentions on a program of well-balanced and properly planned Christmas giving. In the past there has been a great deal of holiday propaganda on the part of newspapers during the winter holiday season, which has invariably resulted in a great deal of indiscriminate and precipitate giving—a giving which has disastrously overlooked some of the neediest and most deserving cases.

This year, however, Social Service is attempting to carry out a more organized plan of action, by distributing worthwhile and needed gifts to families which have been under supervision for some time. In this manner, it is hoped that Christmas giving will come to mean more than a publicity stunt for newspapers, but rather an occasion to be of real service to those who are in need of aid.

In the past, the two main staples of social service have been clinical and settlement work. Of late, however, there has been a successful attempt to branch out into the various fields of work which can be linked up with subjects of major interest to students. For those interested in fine arts there is the rare opportunity

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## German Club to Give Novel Christmas Party

The German Club cordially invites the entire college to attend their annual Christmas party, which is to be held on Wednesday, December 18th, at a quarter after four, in the College Parlor.

The Deutscher Kreis party is one of the traditional events of Barnard's Christmas celebration. A real Christmas tree with candles and all the trimmings that so delighted our souls when we were children, and which still appeal to us now that we are sophisticated adults, and the singing of the lovely traditional carols will be features of the occasion.

Kris Kringle himself will not be absent from the celebration. There is a rumor that Professor Braun himself will play the role of Santa Claus, but it is a question whether or not this is but a fiction of an

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## ALUMNAE GIVE ADVICE TO STUDENTS AT TEA

### Graduates in Various Fields Present Vocational Survey.

Over one hundred interested students, largely Freshmen and Seniors, discussed their future careers with a group of Alumnae who had returned to college for the Vocational Tea, which was held Wednesday, December 4th. The alumnae were headed by Mrs. Duffy, President of the Association, and represented various vocational fields.

### Mrs. Heppes Gives Advice

Mrs. E. H. Heppes '27, an elocution teacher in Erasmus High School, talked about possibilities in High School teaching. She included some valuable advice for those girls who were planning to take the state teachers' examination. "It would be wise to take at least a two-point methods course in education as an undergraduate," she said. This will permit any one to take the state examination, no matter when it is given. Further study could then be pursued until an appointment was made. "Another thing," she advised, "take the examination in any subject allied to your major field, if it is not possible to take the major examination on graduation. Often the exams are given at three-year intervals, and not all subjects are covered every year. By taking any offered, it might be possible to get an appointment in the allied field, while waiting to take the other examination.

### Opportunities in Welfare Work

Mrs. M. M. Coleman '28, is doing vocational guidance work. She said that no college course was adequate preparation for the work, but suggested that sociology courses which gave the student a wider view of human problems might be of advantage. The work consisted in adjusting individual girls by placing them in positions suited to their abilities.

### Publishing Field Reviewed

Elizabeth Coddington '02, is doing editorial work with Ginn & Co., an educational publication house. She said that in earlier times there were only three possibilities for the college girl, "to marry, die, or teach," but the educational publishing field now offers in itself many more and varied opportunities. Teachers, with experience in the practical requirements of a good text book, are especially valued. A stenographic opening for a well-trained stenographer, with at least a year's business experience, might lead to manuscript reading, advertising, revising, indexing, bibliographical work and sales. The opportunities are more commercial than literary.

### Variety in Department Stores

Lillian Friedman '20, a training director with Abraham & Straus in Brooklyn, spoke of the numerous opportunities in the department store field. Every kind of opening in almost every other line is now included in department store opportunities. People having initiative and judgment may be shifted about from one depart-

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**Editorial**

**Have we a Chance for Study?**

It cannot be questioned that there is great benefit to be derived from extra-curricular activity. The arguments for it are well known and therefore need not be reiterated here. As Miss Gildersleeve said in an interview to the Times reported last Sunday, it is an intrinsic part of the general training for the "good citizenship" that a college education should mean. College is no longer considered a definite training for a specific career for the majority of students within it. It has become a more generally cultural experience to prepare people for any walk of life they may later enter. Facts are no longer stressed for their own sake as little objects to be peddled to a perspective employer. Attitudes of mind rather than mere information have become that for which we strive.

All this is very well and good, and theory that the majority is probably ready to accept. But there is also another point that has been too little stressed. Although college education is tending towards the general rather than the specific, we hear too little, we believe, of the value of getting the experience of intensive study, an experience which need not be limited to honor students alone. We firmly believe that it is something that almost everyone can, wants to and deserves to enjoy. The major system created in this spirit to give the opportunity for more study in a specific field does not in most cases really mean intensive work.

Devotion to study necessitates time. Extra-curricular work and sufficient time for real intensive study are not generally compatible. That the four years spent at college might be a more complete experience, more of a real preparation for "life," might it not be a good idea to confine all extra-curricular work to the first three years?

**Forum Column**

**In Praise of the Social Science Forum.**

Editor of Bulletin.  
Dear Madam:

There seems to be a notion prevalent that the intellectual interests of a college student consist in choosing a major and sticking to it (by Heaven!) for the last two years of one's college career—and nothing more. Sufficient propaganda has, we think, been spread concerning the necessity of regarding college as an opportunity for establishing pleasant social connections, for exercising one's talents as such in varied extra-curricular activities, and so on, *ad infinitum*. But how about broadening the intellectual as well as the extra-curricular interests as such?

We think that one of the finest movements afoot at Barnard this year is the attempt to reorganize Social Science Forum. In a very urgent and appealing publicity letter students have been asked to support an organization "which dares to face and discuss frankly touchy social issues." The proper sentiment! The necessity for "interested members" is stressed too. That means members who want to project their minds beyond their majors, and bridges, and teas, and tennikoit games. It means members who have a yen to restrict no longer their intellectual spheres, but who would rather listen to lectures for which the registrar will not give credit, and go to meetings at which their presence is not requested by the "Department." And we add, humbly, our plea to that of the publicity committee of the new (we hope) Social Science Forum.

E. S.

**NOTICE**

In accordance with the usual custom, Christmas Contribution boxes are being placed in Barnard Hall and the Main Building so that all will have an opportunity to contribute at one time to the annual Christmas Fund for disposition to the members of the operating force.

In this way an opportunity is given to show our appreciation of the interest and friendly co-operation of those who are responsible for the innumerable details connected with the College which have to do with the cleanliness of the buildings and the comfort and convenience of all, and the special work involved for social and other activities.

JOHN J. SWAN,  
Comptroller.

**WIGS AND CUES INVITED TO PHILOLEXIAN SOCIAL**

Wigs and Cues was the guest of Philolexian, the dramatic society of Columbia University, at an informal tea held on Tuesday, December 3rd. Miss Gene Carroll, who is in charge of staging for the forthcoming production of "Outward Bound" was hostess.

This tea was the third in a series of Tuesday afternoon socials to be held by Philolexian. Miss Eleanor Evans and Miss Aubrey Marsh of Christopher Morley's "After Dark" company, were present at the tea.

A few tentative plans were confidentially discussed, and there are possibilities of interesting developments.

OUTWARD BOUND  
AT LAST!  
FRIDAY SATURDAY  
AT 8:15  
Brinckerhoff Theatre

**FINDS POLITICS RULE GERMAN UNIVERSITIES**

Gertrude Glogau, '30, Describes Junior Year Studies Abroad (This is the first of a series of letters and articles on European student life.)

Studying abroad is more than a matter of hearing the lectures and doing the assigned reading. It is a matter of finding out for one's self those things that are essentially European.

The University of Hamburg, where I studied the first semester, was only nine years old. The professors who lectured were not musty, bookish and absent-minded. They were people actively interested in the things of this world, and they were modern in their viewpoints. The students were also arrestingly modern and wide awake. Especially among the women students I found an idealism and a will to achieve, that was admirable.

The University of Vienna, where I studied in the second semester, had a long tradition. The professors who lectured there were known more for being savants than good lecturers. The whole University was run entirely by politics. Especially strong were the German Nationalists who monopolized the bulletin boards with articles to the effect that the Mediterranean races were inferior people and that those who read Jewish newspapers were traitors to their country.

In the spring, there were regular riots which necessitated the closing of the University on a certain eventful Saturday, and which made it obligatory for all those who wished to enter the University building, to show their student cards at the door. Although the University of Hamburg was to my mind the better University, still it is in Vienna, with its theaters, concerts, and with its charm of atmosphere, that one can best know German life.

The summer session, which was spent in Grenoble was a venture in cooperation; that is, every nation under the sun struggled for the one purpose of learning to speak French. All of us thought in French, ate in French, danced, wrote and went on outings in French a whole summer long. But in addition to their French, those who went to Grenoble left with something far finer—a deep sense of comradeship and a broader international outlook.

If you should ask me what makes the German Universities different from ours, I should say it was politics and the lecture system. Now we don't let politics rule our colleges to the extent that the Germans do. Besides, we have an Undergraduate Association and athletics as a healthy outlet for our surplus energies. The lecture system makes it possible to attend lectures not so much for the information as for the enjoyment of listening to the elegant style of a distinguished personality. As for the research, well, the students have had a rigid training already in their Gymnasium, and can easily settle that end of it themselves. We may perhaps not turn out learned savants, but those who go to colleges and universities here want to learn how to survive in the struggle for existence and that is, after all, vastly more important. We go to Europe for the cultural background; but one does not want to stay there.

GERTRUDE GLOGAU.

**Second Balcony**

**Berkeley Square**

If you are one of those who cry out against the sordid slush of modern plays; if you are one who yearns to be intrigued by an idea, Mr. Balderston's refreshing "Berkeley Square" is just the play for you. When the first curtain rises on an 18th century drawing room with its genuine antique furniture, and Abigail lights the candles in the wall-candelabrae, we promise that you will hug yourself with delight.

As to technique, the play is a joy. There are breath-taking exits and entrances. There are moments where not a word is spoken and you just "feel" with the character. The characters are moreover smoothly drawn; they will live for a long while. The dialogue is witty, with passages of sheer beauty. The costumes, the manners, the "set" itself, all lend atmosphere.

Leslie Howard does nice work in the difficult role of Peter Standish, and Margalo Gillmore is his graceful Helen. The rest of the cast are competent.

The play has substance; it has beauty; it has humor; it has excellent craftsmanship. It is like an old ivory pin that has been in the family for years. You love it because you feel it was meant especially for you.

—Bert Falck.

**Criminal Code**

Help! Murder! and the police! "Criminal Code" is one of the most genuinely thrilling shows in town. It has a real idea backed up with good play-writing. Suspense, stakes, and traps are all over the stage, and the audience is right with the actors every minute. Except for the girl in the play, who has something of a minor part, the acting is superb. Arthur Byron's is nothing short of miraculous, and shouldn't be missed. In spots Martin Flavin's play is a little too impressionistic, flashing the scenes off and on before the audience feels quite satisfied; but on the whole it is a very powerful breath of drama, and it gets you way down deep.

—Maxine Rothschild.

**MUSIC**

The Schubert Memorial, Inc., gave its New York concert on Wednesday, December 6, with 80 members of the Philharmonic-Symphony (Bodanzky conducting) and two soloists, Phyllis Krauter, Cellist, and Ruth Posselt, Violinist.

The purpose of these concerts is to establish contacts between a music-loving public and worthy, more or less unknown artists. The merit of the two soloists, selected from among 152 contestants, suggests that the group standard was not high. The cellist was rather dull, the violinist more interesting. Although her tone was too tremulous, especially in the lower registers, and her performance uneven, she suggested latent possibilities. Neither Saint-Saen's Cello Concerto nor Carl Goldmark's Violin Concerto were tid-bits for a music loving public; they are works which can display virtuosity rather than subtle feeling for music.

—Sylvia M. Gettinger.

**SENIORS ENTERTAIN LANGUAGE FACULTY**

The first of a series of teas, to be given by the Senior Class to the Faculty, took place on Thursday, with the members of the Departments of English and Modern Languages as guests of honor. Each instructor was escorted to the College Parlor by a junior student in his department.

These teas bridge the gulch between student and Professor which generally results from classroom contacts, by providing an opportunity for an informal gathering of a social nature.

The next tea will be held on December 19, when the Instructors of Classics, Fine Arts, Philosophy and Psychology will be entertained. The tea on February 20 will be in honor of the Natural Science Departments and on March 13, the members of the Social Science and Physical Education Departments will be guests.

**INK DEVICE INSTALLED AS LIBRARY PROTECTION**

Two weeks ago the Library witnessed a series of crimes. In fact, four black tragedies occurred, leaving irretrievable spots upon our reputations. Upon four several, individual, equally unpremeditated occasions, ink was spilled. The height of this anti-social crime wave was reached when Miss Waman, standing innocently at the desk, was bespattered with the sable fluid.

"Reform! Reform!" shouted the spectators aloud. The newest method for treatment of crime was subsequently adopted. Prevention was the surest cure. All ink disappeared from the Library. Industrious students asked fifty-nine times a day at the desk for "ink," and fifty-nine times were politely informed: "We're so sorry, but there is no ink just yet." And then the studious ones would turn away with sad-drawn faces, murmuring "Alack-a-day." Other more passionate, tore their hair and wailed, "Mine the guilt mine the guilt. Not all the perfumed waters of Arabia will wash the ink stains from that pretty dress."

Joy came at last. The bowed heads were lifted up. Down the hall, by the pencil sharpener, stood a small table, with two, two ink bottles tied on the wooden top. Blotters line the wall. A most brilliant and ingenious solution. Students now smile as they bend gracefully over to fill their pens, and all danger of "spilling" is but a black fear of the past.

**GERMAN CLUB PARTY FOR WHOLE COLLEGE**

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ingenious reporter. At any rate the jolly saint will leave a very pleasant surprise souvenir for all members in good standing at the Deutscher Kreis.

But even without the added spice of Christmas presents the German Club party could not help being a very pleasant way of bringing to all Barnard a recognition of the Christmas spirit. Again, the German Club wishes to invite every member of Barnard to come to their party, to sing carols with them, and to have a taste of a real German Christmas.

**Italian Club to Honor Professor Prezzolini**

**Notes Italian Critic to Attend Tea.**

The college is cordially invited to a given today at 4 o'clock in the Parlor in honor of Professor Prezzolini of the International Institute of Intellectual History and the League of Nations. The first visiting professor of the Casa Italiana.

Professor Prezzolini is one of Italy's leading critics and a noted authority on Machiavelli. His most recent book, entitled *Niccolo Machiavelli*, was received with acclaim.

He is at present engaged on an study of the leading figures in Italian literature and art. The five volumes of this momentous work which have been published have proved very valuable, since besides containing extracts from the work of each author, they also include critical studies of each subject made by leading European critics.

**To Entertain Other Guests**

Among the other guests, Professor Vittorio Macchioro, distinguished professor of Archeology at the University of Naples and curator of the National Museum of Naples, is also expected. Professor Macchioro is also a philosopher and historian of distinction as well as a dramatic poet, having recently come into the limelight with his tragedy *Orpheus*.

He won international fame in 1910 by discovering the secret of the monumental frescoes in the so-called House of Mysteries in Pompeii. The solution of that problem which had baffled archaeologists of many nations gave him the key to the solution of the whole problem of Orphic Religion, especially in its striking connections with Christianity. The entire problem of the origins of Christian theology needs to be revised in the light of these new researches.

**Macchioro Is Visiting Professor**

Professor Macchioro is in America as visiting professor of Religion at Columbia and at the University of Chicago. Among his works we find *Zagreus, Orphism and Paulinism, Roma Capta, General Theory of Religion as Individual Experience, Evolution of Christian Thought* and many others.

It is with great pleasure that the Italian Club also hopes to receive the three scholarship students of the Casa Italiana. They are Dr. Mario Soldati, a young writer of Turin, the Marquis Luigi Scarsavelli, an eminent philosopher of Florence, and Alessandro Prezzolini, Professor Prezzolini's young son.

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conduct groups of adults through art exhibitions, reading poetry to children, arranging plays and projects, as well as dancing groups, backward children, or women in trade—all are an interesting variety of projects, rich with possibilities.

is, furthermore, a splendid opportunity for students to help individual cases after they have left the clinics. At present there are plans on hand to arrange for an opportunity for interested, but with insufficient means, to visit and observe psychopathic wards.

**REGISTRATION PLAN TO BE SIMPLIFIED**

Following investigation on the part of the Curriculum Committee and after several meetings of the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, including the chairman of the Faculty Committee on Student Programs, officers of Student Council, as well as the chairman of the Curriculum Committee and the chairman of the Committee of Student Advisors, several tentative conclusions have been reached, to lessen the confusion of registration.

Professor Gregory and Miss Meyer have been collaborating on some proposed changes in the booklets and letter sent to incoming students. These changes have not as yet assumed any distinct character, but it is believed that they will be of great help in the matter.

Professor Gregory is also considering the creation of conference hours prior to registration for the convenience of incoming students.

It was decided by Student Council that no questionnaire be submitted to the college on the value of courses as such. However the possibilities will be investigated for collecting statistics from the student body on a time schedule for hours of study.

It was finally recommended that Curriculum Committee consider the question of a reading period for the college.

**SYUD HOSSAIN COMMENTS ON FUTURE OF AMERICA**

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a new civilization and technique.

It is America, however, that offers the most startling example of change since 1914. Although, according to Mr. Hossain, America is foundationally only an extension of Europe, he is one of those who believe that she is destined to have her own new civilization.

**Stresses American Democracy**

One feature of importance in this development, is the democratic essence which, in Mr. Hossain's opinion, America has, more than any other nation. "Even England," he said, "pays mere lip-service to democracy. She keeps her working class as a substratum; is psychologically set up in classes that stay more or less the same from one generation to the next. In America, on the other hand, democracy is an essential and distinctive tradition."

Speculating on the future development of America, Mr. Hossain mentioned the prediction of Count Keyserling that America will develop in the form of a matriarchate, which will establish it even more distinctly in contrast with all of European and Asiatic civilization. It is the "emancipation in opening up of unprecedented opportunities in educational and social liberation" that is the American feature "par excellence." To what extent the machine will remain the servant of man over here is one of the serious problems that must be determined in the future. "For the present, we stand in an age of complete challenge, with everything including economic set-ups, the relations of men and women, the sanctions of religion, under the searchlight of modern inquiry."

**Volunteers Needed for Social Service Work**

**Aid Asked for Many Interesting Fields.**

To those who really want to give this Christmas, the Social Service Committee offers a unique opportunity. We need volunteers to help buy and plan gifts for families. Those of you who possess that rare quality of discrimination and good taste will be invaluable in this work. We want to give practical suitable gifts. We need capable workers to aid us in this task of intelligent and thoughtful giving. There is a demand, too, for helpers in distributing these gifts. You can assist at Christmas parties given by various organizations. This is immensely interesting and helpful work. It offers you an opportunity to see what practical constructive things are being accomplished.

Do come and help us and make this a very merry Christmas for everyone. You can see Edith Guttman in Miss Krugers' office from twelve to one-thirty daily.

**CLASSICAL CLUB NOTE**

The Classical Club will hold a meeting on Thursday, December 12, at four in room 304 Barnard. Professor Clarence W. Young will give an illustrated lecture on "A Greek Pompeii." Tea will be served after the lecture.

**MORTARBOARD STAGES AN AMERICAN TRAGEDY**

Scene—Mortarboard Office.  
Time—Any time.  
Characters—Mortarboard Staff.  
Circ. Mgr.—(Weeping noisily): Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear! There must be some way to make people subscribe!  
Editor—(Grimly): Well we've got to find it!  
Asst. Ed.—(Helpfully): And the twentieth of December so near!  
Art Ed.—(Vaguely): When's the twentieth?  
Bus. Mgr.—That's the time when we should have five hundred subscriptions.  
Circ. Mgr.—Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear!  
Editor—I have it! Let's tell every one that this is such a wonderful Mortarboard . . .  
Adv. Mgr.—(Bitterly): Try telling it to the advertisers!  
Editor—(Imperturbably): Let's say that we're all working so hard, and planning so much, that it will be worth everyone's while to subscribe.  
Lit. Ed.—And that if we get enough subscriptions by December twentieth, we'll be able to get a large discount on the price of the book.  
A bell rings.  
Circ. Mgr.—(Dashing out): Oh, it's twelve o'clock! (Her voice grows fainter as she goes farther away.) Subscribe to Mortarboard! Subscribe to Mortarboard!

**Columbia Orchestra To Present Program**

The Columbia University Orchestra will open its formal season next Tuesday evening, when it will present the first of its three regular concerts at McMillin Hall at 8:15 o'clock.

The program is to include the "Symphony in D Major" by Haydn, Beethoven's "Piano Concerto in G Major" and the overture from Freischutz by Weber.

Bruce Simonds, well known on the English and American concert stages, will render a piano solo in addition to the three selections which will be played by the orchestra.

Tickets for Tuesday evening may be had at McMillin box office or in the Music Library in the School of Journalism. There is no charge for these tickets to students of the University and they can be obtained on presentation of a Bursar's receipt.

**PROFESSOR D. SNEDDON LABELS COLLEGE TYPES**

Professor David Sneddon of Teachers College, believes that in the future colleges will have to divide themselves into three types, one for the "bread and butter" students who come to college to get a foundation for later business, one for the coon skin coated youth who prefers a football game to the classroom, and one for the quiet seeker after learning.

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4-15 Glee Club 408 Barnard.

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12:00 Mary I. Whitley, "A  
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Parlor.  
5:00 Basketball Game, 1930 vs.  
1931 Gym.  
6:30-9:30 Wigs and Cues Re-  
hearsal—Theater.

**THURSDAY**

4:00 Classical Club—College  
Parlor and 304.  
5:00 Basketball Game, 1932 vs.  
1933.  
6:30-10:00 Wigs and Cues  
Dress Rehearsal—Theater.

**FRIDAY**

4:00 Social Science Forum—304  
Barnard.  
8:15 Yugoslav Evening—Music  
and Short Addresses—Mc-  
Millin Theater.  
8:15 Wigs and Cues production  
—"Outward Bound"—Brink-  
erhoff Theater.

**SATURDAY**

8:15 Wigs and Cues Produc-  
tion, "Outward Bound."

**LARGEST GROUP TEACH,  
ALUMNAE SURVEY SHOWS**

**Bulletin Continues Faculty In-  
terviews.**

Of the Barnard alumnae engaged in remunerative work, easily the largest group, in almost every department go in for teaching. *Bulletin's* continued series of interviews with department heads show. This is especially true in the language departments, as the statements of Professor Loiseaux and Professor Braum demonstrate.

**Education Here Over-Speedy**

"The curse of American education is speed and approximation," Professor Loiseaux of the French department stated when interviewed. American students are too apt to rely on guesswork and approximation in their work in French especially. Professor Loiseaux finds, and the foolish tradition that French is easy and requires less attention and care than other studies has proved a handicap. He finds also that a large number of American students are poorly grounded in their own language, making the study of French doubly difficult for them. The study of a foreign language and literature, leading as it does to a better understanding of another culture than one's own, is a very powerful factor in counteracting provincialism, Professor Loiseaux believes too.

The largest group of graduates going in for work in French go in for teaching, a statement which holds true for almost every other department. Former French majors include Madeline Lorch, '26, now teaching French at Miss Chandos' school; Pauline Taylor, '21, assistant professor of French at Washington Square College of New York University; and Constance Lambert, '19, assistant to the Director of the League of Nations Association.

Professor Braum of the German Department reports that a number of German majors have studied or are now studying abroad for credit toward their Barnard degree. Sylvia Cook, '28, holder of a German-American fellowship, has just completed a year at the University of Breslau and has won an extension of the fellowship for a second year, at the end of which she hopes to take her doctor's degree in Germanics. Former German majors include Elsie Helmrich, '08, associate professor of German at Randolph Macon College; and Evelyn Neuberger, '28, reader of foreign manuscripts for Universal Pictures.

Professor Holzwasser of the Geology Department reports that the great majority of geology majors active in their field take teaching or laboratory assistant positions or positions as assistant in the research departments of industrial corporations. Margaret Cobb, '15, is now with the Amerada Petroleum Corporation; Leilya Barkman, '26, is assisting in the Micropaleontology department at Columbia; Nancy Thomas, '29, is assisting in the Geology department at Northwestern University and studying at the same time.

Ex-majors in Government include Alice Killeen, '26, who has been working for the League of Nations Non-Partisan Association and who was a special newspaper correspondent at Geneva; Helen Robinson, '27, now at Columbia Law School, and first woman to have entered it; Margaret Hatfield, '26, prominent in the League of Women Voters at Pittsburgh; and Betty Dublin, '29, engaged in re-

**CAUSES OF EVOLUTION  
STILL TO BE EXPLAINED**

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guided forward in its course. With this problem we are now engaged."

"Natural selection and the theory of supposed inheritance of newly acquired bodily characteristics seem to offer, each in its own way, a partial explanation of the origin of organic adaptations. Both, however, have been objects of prolonged criticism.

"No one, I think, now doubts the reality of natural selection. It is almost a truism to say that only organisms fitted to live can survive, and that those fitted to living long enough to transmit their superior fitness to their offspring."

Dr. Wilson showed how some of the problems that confronted Darwin have been cleared away by modern researches. Darwin failed to distinguish between two different kinds of variation now known as fluctuating variations and mutations. Only mutations affect evolution since they alone arise in the germ cells.

"Darwin's theory has been further cleared by recent revolutionary transformations in our views on heredity. Most of us, I suppose, would like to think that what we individually acquire, in body or mind, might be handed down to those who come after us. But the work of the past three decades shows that this is impossible. Each generation must learn anew its ABC's, its multiplication tables and its ten commandment.

**No Transmission of Acquired Traits**

"My personal opinion is that up to the present not one convincing and well authenticated case of transmission of acquired characteristics has yet been recorded, although many are reported.

"It seems then for the present," said Dr. Wilson, "that we are thrown back on natural selection as the main cause of evolution.

"Since the rediscovery of Mendel's paper in 1900, remarkable discoveries have been made. The science of genetics has been established which has opened the way for the rational science of eugenics for the improvement of mankind.

"Among the outstanding features of biological progress during this period," he stated, "is the service to human life and civilization."

search for the National Tuberculosis Association.

**1923 Change in Latin Department**

Professor Goodale, of the Latin Department spoke of the Latin entrance requirement dropped in 1919 (took effect in 1923) which had demanded four years of Latin of entering students, to be followed by at least one year in college. Beginning courses in Latin have been given at Barnard only since that time, of course. One of the chief differences in the department itself caused by this change was the loss of the number of students who, taking Latin in college only because compelled to, discovered that they liked it. Former Classics majors include Ruth Guernsey, '14, Principal of the Oxford School in Hartford, Connecticut, and former instructor in Classics; Hazel Dean, '23, now teaching Latin at Hunter College; and Alice Judson Jones, '19, assistant in the Egyptian Art Department at the Metropolitan Museum of Art (majored in Classic Archaeology).

**VOCATIONAL TEA GIVES  
OCCUPATIONAL SURVEY**

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ment to another until their particular possibilities are found. No definite training course is necessary. The best training is found in any part of the department store itself. Selling is often the best starting point for a novice in the field.

Other alumnae spoke to individual girls who were interested in the work they were doing. Janet Schubert '28 gave information on social service work and Martha Boynton '28 on buying, being herself an assistant buyer with R. H. Macy & Company. Gertrude Kahrs '29, now at George Washington High School, told about the work of a teacher-in-training.

The tea proved most successful, judging from the number of students who came, seeking advice and information about their after-college work. There were several requests for a second tea covering other fields. The success of the tea is due largely to the Vocational Committee, under Alberta Falck, and to Miss Doty whose cooperation in securing the speakers was invaluable.

**COLLEGE OWES MUCH TO  
FRÉDÉRIK P. BARNARD**

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place which women were to occupy in the future, and he was ready to meet the situation. He did not live to see his cherished hope fulfilled, for Barnard College for Women was not formally opened until a short time after his death. He did know, however, that Columbia would in the near future be a co-educational university.

Scholar, physicist, chemist, speaker and writer, the memory of this man will go down through generations not only in the annals of Columbia but in the annals of the world. As one glances at the painting of the man whose name this college bears on the third floor of Barnard Hall, is it not worthy of rather more than a casual look, a glance of understanding?

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