

Vote Not To Send USSA Delegates

Assembly Backs Council Decision, Appoints Social Committee Members

By a straw vote of 19-10, Representative Assembly, last Monday, upheld Student Council's decision not to send official delegates to the United States Student Assembly which will be held in New York City from May 7-9.

At the same meeting, Ethel Weiss, Nancy Chollat-Namy, Gloria Monahan, and Nancy Jane Rogers '44; Nancy Eberly, Dorothy Passetti, and Miriam Skinner '45; and Marilyn Chasin, Peggy Cumiskey, and Joan Raup '46, were appointed members of the Barnard Hall Social Committee.

Wanted No Commitments

The reason for Student Council's and Representative Assembly's unwillingness to have Barnard represented at the conference by official delegates was that each body did not desire to see the college definitely committed in any way by the final opinions expressed on the questions to be discussed at the conference. It was felt that this situation would result however, if official delegates were to vote on these issues.

Representative Assembly members stated that the ideas brought up at these conferences would normally arise in the college in any case, and questioned the possibility of any small group efficiently representing the opinion of the entire college.

Denying these charges, Beverly Vernon, former Political Council chairman, and member of the executive staff of the U.S.S.A., advocated sending delegates to the conference, maintaining that "this is no time for college women to repudiate their responsibilities."

Assembly Accepted Credo

Refuting the belief that official delegates would commit the college, Miss Vernon gave as an example the fact that even though the delegate to the International Student Assembly voted in favor of the credo adopted there, it was only when Representative Assembly voted to accept it that the credo was recognized as representing the beliefs of the entire college.

Others opposing the Student Council decision felt that if the college were confined to having only observers at the conference, it would not be able to assert its full standing and participate fully in the proceedings, since only delegates would be allowed to attend important committee meetings.

Initiate 19 Seniors To Phi Beta Kappa

Newly elected members of Phi Beta Kappa will be initiated today at 12 o'clock in the Faculty Room, Milbank Hall.

The nineteen girls, elected from the Senior class, will be in academic robe and will march in order of academic rank. They will be greeted by Miss Elspeth V. Davies, president of the Barnard section, Columbia Chapter, New York Delta, of Phi Beta Kappa. In the brief initiation ceremony, the girls will be made full-fledged members, learn the secret handshake, the significance of the symbols of the key, and the history and meaning of the society.

China Relief Drive Passes \$1000 Mark

The China Relief Drive is over the \$1,000 mark, the goal set for this semester's relief campaign, Hope Simon '45, chairman of the drive announced yesterday. Spring Dance, which was sponsored by the Drive, added \$100 to the fund.

At the same time, Miss Simon announced that all coin cards are due Monday, May 10, the last day of the drive.

First Lady May Address Conference

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Edgar Ansel Mowrer, James Carey, Dr. Hans Simons, Mrs. Anna Hedgman, James Wechsler, and Judge Justine Polier, are among the speakers expected to address the U.S.S.A. first National Conference, which will be held this weekend May 7, 8, 9, in New York City, at International House, 500 Riverside Drive, and the Y.W.C.A. building at 610 Lexington Avenue.

Delegates and observers to the conference will discuss, besides organizational matters, such "crucial current issues" as the State Department and North Africa, relations with the Soviet Union, race relations, post-war organization, and the National Resources Planning Board report. Upon

Miss Joan Carey, Undergraduate president, explains the position of Student Council in a letter to the editor printed on page three, column one.

payment of a \$2.50 registration fee, any student may attend the conference.

Jane Brunstetter '45, Bonnie Chitty '46, Dorothy Dattner '45, Diane Howell '44, Dorothy Terrace '46, and Beverly Vernon '44 are among those expected to attend the conference as observers. Although observers may speak, however, accredited delegates will be given the privileges of having their opinions expressed first.

Professor Ethel Thornbury Ends Three-Year Visit

An "outgoing professor" after three years at Barnard, Miss Ethel Thornbury of the English Department will leave with her students an impression that would reflect credit upon a faculty member of thirty years' standing. During her brief stay as Visiting Professor on leave from the University of Wisconsin, her courses and her personality have become a well-known part of college tradition.

Among the courses Professor Thornbury has given here are *Blake to Byron*, *Eighteenth Century Literature*, *American Literature*, and *Structure and Style*—a variety which has tested her wide acquaintance with all branches of her field. Although her classes at Wisconsin were largely in graduate literature study, she finds equal gratification in teaching composition; and even enjoys Freshman English, one of the more demanding tasks of the English professor.

Adaptability, indeed, is one of Professor Thornbury's chief characteris-

Dean Herbert Hawkes Dies After Distinguished Career

Columbia's Dean Held Many Posts

Dean Herbert E. Hawkes of Columbia College died Tuesday morning in the Harkness Pavilion, after several weeks' illness. He was 70 years old and had been Dean of the college for 26 years. Funeral services were held yesterday at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Chapel.

Both student and faculty members of Columbia University were deeply saddened to hear of the death of the beloved "dean of deans" Herbert E. Hawkes. Characterizing his passing as a "very grave loss", Dean Virginia C. Gildersleeve stated: "Dean Hawkes and I have been colleagues for all the years of his deanship and so I have had the privilege of knowing him well. We have sat together for many, many hours at meetings discussing university policy. He always saw the educational point of a question; he always had imagination and vision: he was always wise and just and generous. In his death at this difficult time the University suffers a very grave loss."

President Butler's Statement

President of the University Nicholas Murray Butler expressed the serious loss incurred by Dean Hawkes' death. His statement reads: "The death of Dean Hawkes, its tragic suddenness, is a loss to Columbia College which cannot be measured. For a quarter century he has stimulated and guided the

Give 'Old Maid' Tomorrow At 8:30

Chinese War Relief To Benefit From Wigs And Cues Proceeds

Wigs and Cues raises the curtain of Brinckerhoff Theatre at 8:30 tomorrow night on *The Old Maid*, Zoe Akins' Pulitzer Prize-winning dramatization of Edith Wharton's novel. For the second

time this year, the dramatic club donates part of the proceeds from the thirty-five cent admission price to United China Relief.

A cast of men, women, and a child will act the human story which lies behind the front of polite social and moral conventions typical of New York in the period between 1833 and 1854. The play, first produced in 1935 under the direction of Guthrie McClintic, and starring Judith Anderson and Helen Mencken, is divided into five episodes.

Lawrence, Dana Take Leads

The leading roles, Delia and Charlotte Lovell, will be played by Marcia Lawrence, Wigs and Cues president, and Leora Dana '46. Columbia students were secured to play the male parts, with William Bennet as Joseph Ralston, Thomas Dwyer as James Ralston, John Farrell as Dr. Laskell, Lawrence Eccles as John Halsey, and William Kenahan as Lanning Halsey.

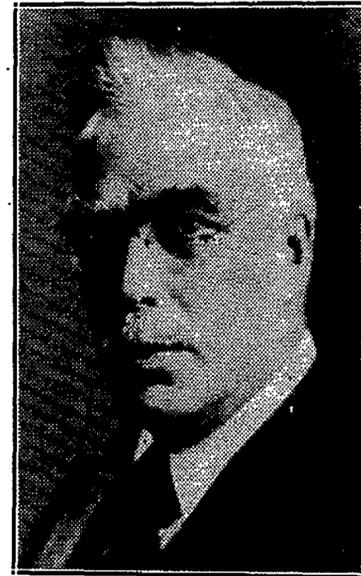
Other members of the cast are Barbara Gitlan '46 as Tina, Raiford Ragsdale '46 as Mrs. Mingot, Dorothy Steiner '46 as Nora, Willa Babcock '46 as Mrs. Jennie Meade, Katherine Keith '46 as Bridget, and Peg Feury '46 as Dee Halsey.

Riccio's Daughter Plays

The part of Tina as a child will be played by Nancy Riccio, the daughter of Professor Peter Riccio of the Department of Italian. Nancy, who is eight and a half and a third-grader at Horace Mann School, is without a doubt the youngest actress ever to appear on the Wigs and Cues stage, according to Miss Lawrence.

Miss Annis Sandvos of the English Department is directing *The Old Maid*, has a background including work at the University of Washington with

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Dean Herbert E. Hawkes

work of the faculty of the college. He has defended and extended the influence of a truly liberal education and has protected it from loss or damage through any of the many attacks which have been made upon it during the past generation. He knew well the difference between education and instruction for specific calling or career. He had the affection as well as the admiration of both his colleagues and the student body. No servant of the American college has at any time exceeded or perhaps even equalled the influence and inspiration which Dean Hawkes has given."

Born December 6, 1872 in Templeton, Massachusetts, Dean Hawkes graduated from Yale in 1896 and has held many positions of affluence in the educational field. He has been president of the Association of Colleges and Universities of the state of New York, of the National Council on Religion in Higher Education, and has headed the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He assumed the deanship of Columbia College in 1917 where, through selfless loyalty and unexcelled competence, he has gained the well-earned title of "dean of deans."

Dean To Address Senior Class Tuesday

Dean Virginia C. Gildersleeve will address the senior class for the last time before graduation in Brinckerhoff Theater at 1:10 next Tuesday.

The meeting will be open only to seniors. A full attendance is encouraged.

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Final Quarterly Out Next Week

The final issue of *Quarterly* for the academic year 1942-1943 will be available at the Columbia Bookstore stationery desk by the end of next week.

The brown covers of the second spring issue will contain a variety of material, most of which is based in some measure on the war. A feature will be *American Curiosities*, a short humorous propaganda play for the sale of war bonds, written by Mary Moore in response to the Treasury Department's request for propaganda literature.

Grace Collins has contributed *Prince Charming*, a kindly satire on two old maids who do their part for the war effort and expect large returns. Two brief pieces are *Human Interest*, by Mary Vanaman, a sympathetic vignette of life in the Army Air Corps; and *Fulfillment*, a poignant sketch of a friend, by Martha Messler.

Copies of the last issue are still available on Jake.

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U.S.S.A.

United States Student Assembly, we feel, has great potentialities. It is, to date, the most challenging organization through which students may express their convictions on political issues. Yet, it has sadly blundered in presenting its first conference.

Instead of issuing the concrete agenda of the National Youth Conference, U.S.S.A. has relied upon a more effusive call to action—which, though impressive, is nevertheless too vague to be acted upon. Rather than merely stating the subjects for discussion, the tone of the circular suggested that results were predetermined. And what is more, no announcement has ever been made that, as it now turns out, half of the conference is to be devoted to organizational matters.

Be that as it may, however, one line of criticism of the conference deserves to be condemned vigorously. No more shortsighted, narrow view of the role of the college student can be conceived than that offered last Monday by the small minority that insisted: "Why should we discuss issues such as North Africa or the Ball-Hatch bill. We don't know anything about it. And nothing that we say is important, anyway."

It is high time this minority recognized that college students are but one step from being voting citizens. Now, if ever, they must set about to inform themselves concerning issues that are vital to the winning of the war and the peace. No one demands that a student here and now adopt a do-or-die stand on any controversial issue, but during these so-called "formative years", intelligent, sane discussion is essential.

And once for all, students should convince themselves that they *are* important, that in a democracy the individual counts, that one man's expressed opinions, added to another's, sets the wheels of politics in motion.

An objective report concerning the activities and policies of the U.S.S.A. would do much to clear up the present controversy. And some clear, realistic thinking would do much to prevent the existence of an "ostrich" student body.

A Grave Loss

Together with the students and faculty of other colleges in the university, and educators of the nation's leading colleges, students of Barnard College mourn the loss of Dean Herbert E. Hawkes. We, though not directly his charges, were nevertheless made aware of the esteem and devotion with which he was regarded by colleagues and subordinates alike.

His defense of the liberal arts, his warm friendliness won the admiration of all interested in the progress of American education. It is with keen regret and a deep sense of grief that we record his passing. Remembering his wisdom, his kindness, his humor, we shall miss him.

Bulletin Forum

Follett, Rossell State Their Views On Assembly

by Idris Rossell

Having read the various criticisms directed against Representative Assembly, I feel that a few of them are answerable.

Miss Gore states: "Meetings are often dull. The agenda may be interesting enough, but discussion is apt to be unbearably long-winded." It might be well for Miss Gore to define unbearable long-windedness. Does she mean that too many members speak, or does she mean that some members speak too long? Individuals should have the good sense to curb their remarks in the interest of the common good.

According to the sub-head under the BULLETIN forum, BULLETIN is conducting an open forum on methods of improving and stimulating interest in Representative Assembly. Miss White you are quite right when you say: "People in glass houses don't usually throw stones." May I ask you what "methods of improving and stimulating interest" in Representative Assembly you have presented? I should say none! A positive program would have been in order.

All those who attended Representative Assembly during debate on the budget remember how various Club Representatives spoke for their own individual interests. Especially eloquent was Miss White's dramatic plea for retention of Wigs and Cues as an extra-curricular activity. (In fact the members so felt the importance of its activities that the allotment was increased over the treasurer's designation.)

Without Representative Assembly the whole organization of Student Government would break down. It seems to me that Representative Assembly serves as its own body of peers. Is there any more democratic method of arriving at decisions on student affairs? And still, Miss White asks that Representative Assembly be done away with as one of the most unessential of

the "unessential activities."

No chain is stronger than its weakest link. Many representatives might do well to realize that the success of Representative Assembly is upon their shoulders. We should all try to make Representative Assembly function and really show its "representativeness."

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by Sabra Follett

By presenting the much disputed \$.25 fine amendment to Representative Assembly, I was trying to be neither "inconsiderate" nor "unconstructive." Its results have been, it seems to me, both considerate and constructive. It is considerate of the officers of Representative Assembly, namely the President and Secretary, who try to carry out the business rapidly and efficiently, and who deserve the utmost cooperation from the rest of the members, including their prompt and regular attendance. It is certainly constructive to bring out into the open a problem as important as the whole status, the membership, the "representativeness" of Representative Assembly. I am not at all convinced that fining is the best way of achieving the goal; but I have at least achieved my main object, that of presenting the attendance records, and calling for some form of action to assure Representative Assembly's accepting its responsibilities in full.

About Town

'A Tree On The Plains'

Brander Matthews is presenting *A Tree on the Plains*, the last show of the season, this week. The "new American opera written by Paul Horgan and Ernest Bacon" as the program describes the new offering opened last night and will run through Saturday.

In his setting material Horgan had a basically good idea but unfortunately did not know what to do with it. He had potentially powerful drama in the idea of the importance of rain in the lives of the plains people. He failed to focus his story properly and allowed the play to go on beyond the climax which was the coming of the rain that logically should have been the most important thing and not the union of the lovers.

We are commenting on a performance (a dress rehearsal at that) rather than wholly on the actual opera. The performance of the cast was such as to make us hesitate in passing any real judgment on the opera itself. The role of "Pop" by Henry Blanchard was all too typical. Throughout the play he maintained one facial expression, took life (and his part) very seriously and was melodramatic at all times. Mina Hager as "Mom" was the only able and convincing actress and managed to lend dignity and atmosphere to her role. Unfortunately she along with the rest of the cast is not a first rate singer. Phyllis Wright deserves special mention for succeeding in standing out in the crowd sequences and for never forgetting that she is on a stage and a participator in the action. She used her hands very effectively.

The music, though varying in quality considerably, and at times quite undistinguished, was occasionally "catchy" (if that term may be applied to opera). When we did hear the words they sounded fairly good but on the whole the projection and diction was so poor that that was very seldom.

John Lowe rates a dozen curtain calls for the setting which in the best Brander Matthews tradition was excellent. The effect of rain in particular was very realistically done.

Nancy Edwards

Clears Mystery Of Drill Method

Seventy four out of 100 girls, in a survey taken by BULLETIN did not know the difference between the fire and air raid signals. The girls questioned were picked entirely at random in the cafeteria, the tea room, and Odd Study.

Dr. Gelolo McHugh, Building Control Director of Milbank Hall, made the following statement on the situation.

"On Wednesday, April 28, an air raid drill was held in Milbank Hall. The purpose of this drill was to give the students practice in the event of any real emergency in the form of an air raid by our enemies.

Drill Procedure Not Followed

"Observers who studied Wednesday's drill found a number of instances in which the procedures were not followed and feel that an appeal should be made to all students and faculty to familiarize themselves with all the rules and to cooperate in the drills just as seriously as they might in the case of real emergency. Intelligent people have learned that successful acts performed in an emergency usually result from a plan of action that has been thought about and practiced during periods of non-emergency.

Appeal For More Efficiency

"For this reason an appeal is being made to all students and faculty to try, at each drill session, to get to their proper air raid shelter area in the quickest possible time in which this can be done with safety for all. Once in a shelter area all persons should sit on the floor along the walls leaving an open aisle for emergency passage by wardens and other officials.

"It is requested that the following rules be memorized by all.

1—The signal for air raid or air raid drills is continuous steady ringing of the alarm bells (formerly the class bells) for a half minute. This alarm may be repeated. All persons in the building or entering the building must go to air raid shelter areas when the air raid alarm is sounded.

2—The signal for fire or for fire drill is intermittent short ringing of the alarm bells in groups of four rings. These four rings signify the four letters of the word FIRE. All persons must leave the building when the fire alarm is sounded.

3—In every class there should be appointed at least two student aides whose duty it is to completely familiarize themselves with the above two alarms and to know without question the proper station of that class and the proper route to that station in the case of either fire or air raid alarm.

4—Each class must march two abreast to its proper station and must keep to the proper side of the stairway or hall in accordance with instructions for that class. It is the duty of the class aides to see that this is done.

5—Students in the building but not attending a class must go at once to the nearest shelter in the case of an air raid alarm. In the case of a fire alarm such students must join the first class they contact and march with this class from the building.

6—The signal for the all clear is two blasts on the wardens whistles. This signal will be sounded throughout the building."

Sunburns Flourish On Barnard Roof

by Jud Paige

Miami Express! All aboard! Virginia Beach and points south! Sounds like a dream we had last winter after the first snowfall. But times have changed, chickabiddies! Dream no longer of the slim tanned legs, the bronzed profile, a throat as beautifully chocolate as the Hershes-you-could-get-before-you-know-what. On the fourth floor, darlings, is a little staircase leading to the roof of Barnard Hall, where shines the same yellow sun that stroked the beaches of Florida in January. Relax in a deck-chair—there are dozens of them—take off your socks, your shoes, your jacket; open the collar of that blouse, shut your eyes, and bake luxuriously. Around noon, you get your best friend to get you an apple from the cafeteria and a glass of milk, and there you are! Happy in your stomach, your heart, and your epidermis!

The Roof is the happy hunting ground of every Barnard gal—from library hound to social flutterby. It's a community in itself—urbane, lazy, and turning pinker every day! Meet you there at eleven tomorrow!

To The Editor . . .

Action Of Council Explained By Carey

To the Editor of BULLETIN:

At Installation Assembly, I promised that the incoming Student Council would "continue the awareness" that characterized the last Student Council. I do not propose to retreat from that statement, nor mitigate it in any way.

Why, then, did Council decide not to authorize a Barnard delegation at the USSA Conference in New York this coming week-end? Was it a dislike of the USSA that brought about the decision? No. Was it a refusal to discuss international questions? No. It was the agenda of the Conference. To be discussed were such matters as North Africa and our relations with the Soviet Union.

Sees Individual Expression
For years Student Council and the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs have held that as individuals, students of the college should have a complete freedom of participation and discussion in outside organizations, but not as Barnard students. It was, and is, felt that a false impression of the college can easily arise if official Barnard delegates take definite stands on controversial topics. It is extremely difficult for one or two students to represent the college fairly, and a "Barnard opinion" should not be gauged from the feelings of those one or two.

Attend Future Conferences
For these reasons, Student Council unanimously decided against sending a delegation to the USSA Conference. Several students have understood this action to mean that Council is entirely unwilling to have students face facts, participate in discussion of the post-war world, share their ideas with undergraduates of other colleges. I beg to differ. We have not decided to attend no conferences; we have not eliminated political discussion here at Barnard; we did not rule against the attendance of students at the Conference. We merely stated that this was a conference at which we did not wish to be represented officially. It is foolish for any student to feel that our decision automatically means we shall refuse to attend other conferences.

I hope that the student body will understand the reasons behind Council's decision. I plan to present matters like this directly to the Undergraduate Association whenever they arise through the medium of letters.

Sincerely yours,
Joan Carey
Undergraduate President

Professor Ends Three-Year Visit

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ject matter. Practical sense and humor, humanitarianism and a strong devotion to democracy illuminate her discourses on the significance of cultural items and their inter-relationship with economic and political history.

Although the University of Wisconsin has ended her stay here by discontinuing her leave of absence — and Miss Thornbury is sorry to leave such a "grand place" as Barnard — the administration has given her permission to seek a war job in Washington. With her knowledge of economics, French, German, and Spanish, she hopes to get a position with Herbert Lehman's Rehabilitation Committee, the Bureau of Economic Warfare, or some similar administrative group, for the duration.

Vernon Refutes Charges Against U.S. Assembly

To the Editor of BULLETIN:

In refutation of Coryl Cattell's charges in BULLETIN last week against the "undemocratic" nature of the United States Student Assembly, may I state that none of her contentions are based on fact.

As a member of the national executive committee, I can testify that the workings of this organization have proceeded 1) according to the broad objectives adopted last September at the International Student Assembly, of which the U.S.S.A. is a constituent national group; 2) according to the Constitution, which was accepted by the executive committee elected by the United States delegation in Washington, and 3) according to the majority vote of that committee by ballot on specific issues since that time. Among the latter was the unanimous approval of a staff for the New York office, which was nominated by an emergency committee of the executive committee convoked by the President and provided for in the Constitution.

The U.S.S.A. is not a "Red-baiting" organization. It maintains the very best of relations with youth of the Soviet Union. But the Constitution specifically states that chapters "shall be chartered by the executive committee, which also holds the power to revoke charters on the grounds of unrepresentative or undemocratic organization." Will anyone suggest that groups affiliated with the American Communist Party, for instance, are "representative and democratic?" For this reason, Communist and Fascist groups alike have been excluded in the call to the national conference which will be held in New York this week-end.

I hope to see a large representation from Barnard College present at that time.

Sincerely yours,
Beverly Vernon

Pastor To Address UCA

At a meeting of the University Christian Association today, Dr. Roy Burkhart, pastor of the First Community Church in Columbus, Ohio, will speak on *Love, War, and Marriage*.

Tomorrow Is Deadline For Camp Registration

Tomorrow is the last day to sign up for the Camp Leadership Course which will be offered at the Barnard Camp from May 30 to June 11 under the direction of Miss Margaret Holland of the Physical Education Department. In releasing to BULLETIN a description of a typical day at Camp, taken from the 1941 log, Idris Rossell '44, a graduate of the course, stated that this experience was one of her most memorable at Barnard.

Disclosed Miss Rossell, "At our regular morning meeting each of us gave a report of what she had accomplished during her two weeks at camp. Peggy did a beautiful piece of chip carving on the Barnard Camp Kitty, and also on the plaque which is to be placed over the fireplace. Suzie did the copper work for the plaque—a Barnard bear.

"We spent a most profitable afternoon on a wonderful nature hunt, and we were able to show both as a unit and as individuals what we had accomplished during the last thirteen days. Unit II answered the greatest number of questions, missing only two out of 51.

"We had another scrumptious dinner, again served out of doors by Unit I consisting of broiled steak, baked potatoes, peas, and strawberry

Drama Club Gives 'Old Maid' May 7

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the Penthouse Players. The staging is under the supervision of Miss Louise Peck '42.

Three Scene Changes
Three scene changes are: first, Delia Lovell's bedroom ten minutes before her wedding; second, Charlotte Lovell's day nursery. Most of the play, however, takes place in the third set, the drawing room of Delia's home after her marriage.

The work of Bobette Weiner on costumes included the making of twenty-one new costumes. Hoop skirts prevail, said Miss Lawrence, along with "white net, black velvet, and maroon lace." The make-up for this performance will be supervised by John Farrell, make-up expert for Columbia's varsity shows.

ice cream Sundae for dessert. "We then made ready for the final camp fire, the official closing of the 1941 June Course. At the close of the program, we all felt a sense of comradeship experienced only when working together for a common purpose.

"A party held out on the back porch followed the camp fire. After telling ghost stories, and eating up all of the available food, we gave the final performance of Portia. And so to bed." M.S.

Lost And Found Auction Thursday

According to an announcement from Comptroller John J. Swan, all Lost and Found articles now held in the Comptroller's office will be auctioned off at noon, Thursday, May 13, in the Conference Room, unless they are claimed by next Wednesday afternoon. All students who have lost anything during the year are urged to call at the Office before that date to identify their property.

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Hold Swimming Exhibition Monday

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Principal participants in the program are: Irma Brown, Gloria Callen, Nancy Gatchell, Mary Kunstler, Rosanne Menke, Gertrude Muhlan, Ruth Sauer, Marilyn Smart, and Anne Ross. The demonstration is being directed solely by Ruth Sauer, Gertrude Muhlan and Anne Ross.

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Conal Speaks On Labor, War

"Labor as a group has the best of reasons to loathe Nazism," declared Barney Conal, director of the Greater New York Industrial Council (CIO) at the Social Science Club discussion on *Labor in the War* on Tuesday. Declaring that organized labor was conscious of the menace of Hitler before most other sections of the population because of the Nazi dictator's persecution of labor groups within Germany, Mr. Conal emphasized that, with the exception of a few subversive elements, labor is unanimously in support of the war.

The anti-labor press tends to play up the unpatriotic actions of a few isolated labor groups, giving little publicity to the many groups who have created admirable and unequalled records in the war effort, he declared. Labor not only does its best on the job, he stressed, but also gives strong support to civilian defense activities. In this city, labor has contributed more workers to the CDVO than any other group.

Absenteeism, the government discovered in a recent study, is chiefly caused, not by lack of patriotism, but by bad housing and working conditions, by overwork, and, in the case of women, by adjustment difficulties.

Most unions have abided by their pledge not to strike in wartime even under extreme provocation. As to the recent mine strike, Mr. Conal said, John L. Lewis's "most serious critics are labor leaders".

Sexauer Attends YMCA Conference At Camp Pratt

Shirley Sexauer, President of the University Christian Association, attended the Metropolitan leadership Conference held this past week-end at Camp Pratt, Staten Island. Fifty delegates from Hunter, N.Y.U., C.C. N.Y., Queens, Brooklyn, and Columbia participated in this program designed to prepare them for leadership in their local Christian Associations during the coming year.

The main speech of the evening was made by Edwin Espy, National Executive of the Student YMCA's, who has recently returned from Geneva, Switzerland. Pointing out that the issue at stake in the war is the "meaning of the human being," he stated: "The struggle against totalitarianism must be reinforced by strengthening democracy at home. We are not living in a world of religious indifference . . . We must face the fact that the loyalty of communistic and national socialist groups have an essentially missionary purpose. We Christians are being confronted with rival religious forces."

Mr. Espy challenged participants to keep alive the World Student Christian Movement locally.

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