

Barnard Bulletin

Seven Colleges To Confer Here On N. S. A. On Sat.

Pond, Boochever, Mather to Be Delegates at Special Meeting held at Barnard

A special meeting of the Seven College Conference will be held at Barnard next Saturday morning, October 10, at 11 to discuss the relationship of eastern women's colleges to the NSA and to the men's universities with which some are affiliated.

Also on the agenda of the meeting, planned last spring at the regular annual conference of the seven colleges, is the question of the most effective publicity to be used in making students aware of the NSA, its projects—and principles.

Discuss Problems

The Seven College Conference, to which Radcliffe, Mt. Holyoke, Bryn Mawr, Barnard, Vassar, Smith and Wellesley send delegates each year, discusses any problems which have occurred in the respective colleges during the year. Treatments of problems are compared and improvements suggested.

Since the NSA is the main topic of discussion at this special meeting, Lois Boochever '49 and Meg Mather '49, NSA delegates, will join Helen Pond, Undergraduate Association president, in representing Barnard.

Pembroke College, although not a member of the Seven College Conference, has been invited and is attending as a guest college.

Dorms Plan Dance, Meeting With Dean

The annual Sweater and Tweed Hop will be given in the dormitories Saturday evening, October 11 at 8:30. Music will be provided by Cyrus St. Clair and his orchestra, and there is no admission charge.

Bea Alexander, chairman of the Dormitory Social Committee, urges all dormitory students to attend, and announces that students from Columbia, Yale, and West Point have been invited.

Among the other events planned for dormitory students is an informal gathering with Dean McIntosh on the evening of Monday, October 13 at 9:00. Mrs. McIntosh is anxious that all students who wish to come should do so, but stresses that the meeting is not required.

OFFER BOWLING

The Department of physical education announces that through the courtesy of Mr. George Heidt, Business Manager of the Riverside Church, classes in bowling will be conducted at Riverside during the indoor seasons.

The following details will serve as a guide to those students who may be interested in joining the class.

1. Hours are: Mondays and Wednesdays, 4-5 P.M.
2. Instruction will be given by the department.
3. Attendance will be credited only during the hours reserved for Barnard. The privilege of "make-up" will be extended only for reasons of health.
4. Appropriate dress is required. This may be: skirt and blouse, or sweater, slacks and blouse or sweater; sneakers or bowling shoes and socks.
5. Registration is limited to 20 per class—Upperclassmen only.
6. The fee for the term is \$3.00 payable on the day of registration—office 209.

In order to secure an estimate of the number of students who may be interested and to justify the reservation of the alleys for 5 hours during the week a sign-up poster will be placed on the bulletin board this week. Please register your name in the proper column for one hour only.

The poster will be removed on Friday, October 17, 6 P.M.

European Relief Chosen for Drive

Vivian Wyman, Mary Ricketson, Co-Chairmen; Organization to Send Aid to Be Selected

HOLD TRYOUTS FOR P.C. POST

Tryouts for freshman representative on Political Council will be held in room 401, Barnard Hall on Friday, October 10. All freshmen are eligible for this position and Nancy Elmendorf, president of the Council, has urged those interested to sign the poster on Jake.

According to the Political Council, the duties of Freshman Representative are to "report to her class the activities of Political Council in an effort to stimulate new students to take a more active part in those activities."

FRESHMAN CLASS MEETS TO VOTE

A required meeting of the freshman class will be held today at 12:00 noon in Brinckerhoff Theater. The purpose of the meeting is to narrow the slate of nominees for class president from twenty-eight to eight candidates.

The present slate is as follows: Janet McKee, Muriel Turt, Tony Beckers, Nani Lengyel, Virginia Kraft, Joanne Hart, Sally Margoshes, Leah Krechevsky, Barbara Frenning, Carolyn Kimmelfield, Mary Lou Baudin, Joan Cobb, Annette Busse, Barbara Ann Jacks, Marie Gardiner, Carol Kladviko, Patricia Wells, Diana Hogle, Alis Wrench, Alice Kreisler, Linda Howe, Florence Montaigne, Jane Jones, Martha Lahey, Molly Commack, Catherine Carolan, Mary King, and Rocca Garfalo.

Compete for Title

The Social Affairs Committee of Columbia is announcing an open competition among freshmen and sophomores at Barnard, for the title of freshman and sophomore queen. The queen of the winning class in the Columbia Rush Week exercises will present the awards for the games.

Any girls who wish to try out are asked to visit the Social Affairs office in Earl Hall on the afternoon of October 9. A group will leave the dormitories at 8 that evening for the purpose of trying out.

Schedule All-College Barbecue for Oct. 19th

The All-College Barbecue sponsored by the Athletic Association will be held at Barnard Camp on October 19. Transfer students are to be the guests of honor on this occasion, and transfer hostesses will cooperate with members of the Camp Committee to welcome the students and faculty.

Louise Gregory; Dr. Mirra Komarovsky; Miss Helen Erskine; Miss Mary E. McDonald; Miss Jean Palmer; Dr. Lorna McGuire; Miss Louise Usher; Helen Pond, Undergraduate president; Barbara Hewlett, Athletic Association president; Jane Clark, Transfer Committee chairman.

A bid to the Harvest Hop will be awarded to the winner of the treasure hunt, the main event on the program. Hikes and various sports are also being planned. To satisfy the appetite expected to be produced by the country air, barbecued chicken, cole slaw, potato salad, and ice cream will be served.

Sign-up Poster

A sign-up poster will go up on Wednesday, October 8. Barbecue tickets, costing 60 cents for dormitory students and 90 cents for day students, may be purchased on October 13, 14, and 15, between 11 and 1 on Jake. Transportation to and from Barnard Camp is provided by buses. The price of a round trip ticket is \$1.30.

Guests at the barbecue will be: Professor Margaret Holland and members of the Physical Education Department; Mrs. Millicent C. McIntosh; Miss Agnes Wayman; Miss Alice Schoedler; Mr. John Swan; Miss Virginia D. Harrington; Mrs. Charles O. English; Miss Cornelia Carey; Mrs. Helen Bailey; Mr. John A. Kouwenhoven; Miss Florence Lowther; Miss

Radio Club Offers Series Of Courses

In order to build up a working staff for the next year, WKCR has organized a series of classes designed to acquaint its new personnel with the station routine.

A class in production will be conducted by Tak Kako on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9 o'clock in Room 202, Hamilton Hall. On Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4 o'clock in Room 315, Hamilton, Dayton Ball will hold a class in announcing.

The technique of script writing will be taught by Caryl Hamburger on Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30. Howard Lustig will hold classes for technicians on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:10 to 5 o'clock in Studio D at the station. On Monday afternoons at 2:30 Wayne Dail will give instruction in acting, also in Studio D.

Anyone interested in registering for any of these courses may contact Howard Lustig, Personnel manager, at the station, which is located between Hamilton and Livingston Halls.

Three Sons of Barnard Graduate Give Collection of Books to Library

Approximately three thousand books, many of them out of print and needed for immediate circulation, have been selected for the Barnard library from a gift of 5,821 books donated by the three sons of the late Mrs. Adam Leroy Jones, Barnard '05, and a former member of the Board of Trustees.

It was an unusually rich and fine collection, reflecting the wide and scholarly interests of the family," said Miss Esther Greene, head librarian at Barnard.

Distribution of Books

Three hundred of the books were selected and catalogued for immediate need and 2,700 were indexed and packed in cartons for future use. Because of a lack of space and sufficient library help, the latter group cannot be catalogued or circulated right away. The libraries of Columbia, Teacher's College and Union Theological Seminary were invited by Barnard to select what books they needed from the books which Barnard could not use, either because the library had suffi-

cient copies of the books or because they were not likely to be used in an undergraduate library. Books which cannot be used by these schools will be sent to war devastated areas.

Variety of Subjects

Among the books chosen by Barnard were sets of Hawthorne, Scott, Jane Addams, a Thistle edition of Stevens and an eleventh edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica. English and American literature, history, philosophy, psychology, music, and religion were the main subjects in this collection. A number of children's books, cook books and Bibles were also included.

Mrs. Jones, the former Lily Sylvester Murray, also established the Adam Leroy Jones Memorial Fund in April, 1937, the interest from which is used to buy books in the fields of psychology and philosophy.

BARNARD CALENDAR

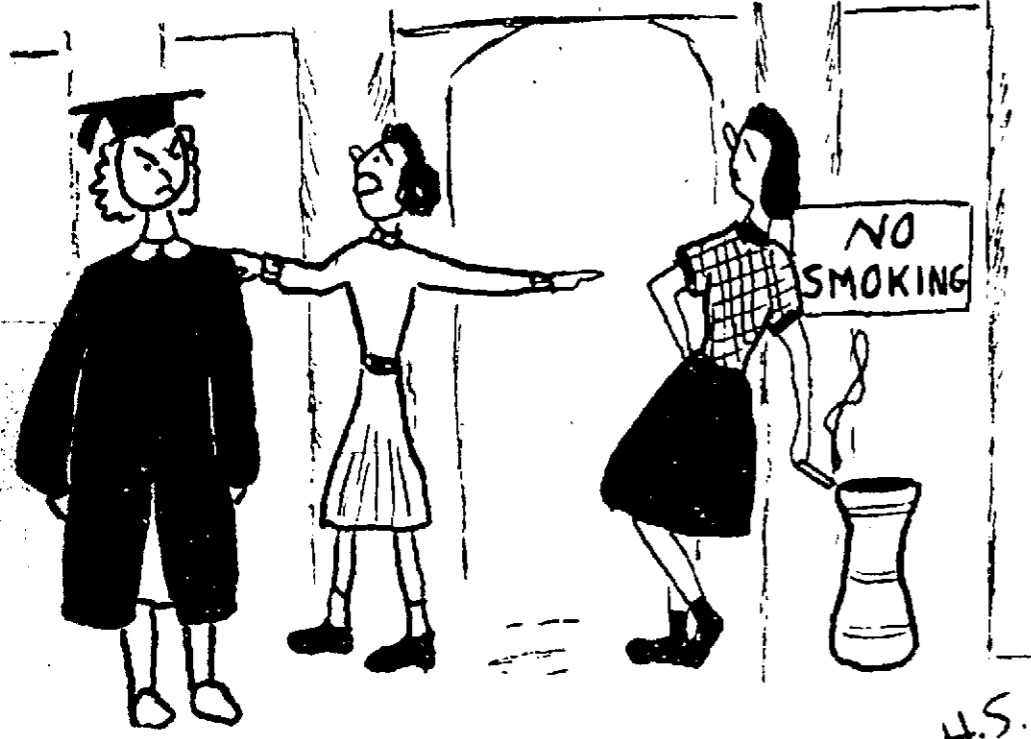
- Thursday, October 9
- 12:00 Freshman Class Meeting Theater.
 - Court of Senior Proctors — Senior Council Room.
 - Open A. A. nominations for Treasurer—Gymnasium.
 - Junior Show Committee — Little Parlor.
 - 12:10 Co-op Pictures for Mortarboard—Co-op.
 - 12:25 Glee Club Pictures for Mortarboard—Odd Study.
 - 12:40 Music Club Pictures for Mortarboard—Odd Study.
 - 4:00-6:00 Deck Tennis Play Day — South Lawn.
 - 4:00 I. R. C. Tea—Conference Room.
 - 10:30 League of Women Voters —College Parlor.
- Friday, October 10
- 12:00 Required meeting of Club Officers—Conference Room.
 - 12:00 Bear Staff meeting—Little Parlor.
 - 12:30 Honor Board—Little Parlor.
 - 4:00-7:00 Coffee Dance — Earl Hall.
 - 4:00-6:00 Honor Board Open Meeting and Tea—Little Parlor.
- Saturday, October 12
- 10:00 Seven College Conference.
- Monday, October 14
- 12:00-1:00 Court of Senior Proctors—Student Council Room.

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ATTENTION ALL YE SMOKERS

The above cartoon might be labeled, "What we don't want to see at Barnard." We don't want frowning senior proctors, or students disturbed by violations of rules; and we particularly don't want violators of the rules, unconscious or otherwise. The cartoon indicates a troubled atmosphere. There is enough trouble in the world today without our adding to it by minor disturbances that can so easily be avoided.

The other day we heard a faculty member jokingly remark that Milbank Hall and Barnard Hall should be more widely separated so that one could smoke a cigarette to the end on the walk between the two buildings. This might be one solution to the smoking problem, but at the moment it remains an impractical one. The Barnard campus is small, and buildings do take up most of the available space. There is admittedly little, perhaps insufficient, area for smoking. But that is the situation, and it must be accepted and complied with.

The moral of the cartoon, of the Undergraduate vice-president's letter to the editor and of this editorial is a simple one. Comply with the smoking rules. They were printed in the first issue of BULLETIN this term. They are available for reference in the Blue Book. They must be followed if Barnard is not to go up in a blaze of fire, smoke and no glory.

'What's Wrong With Columbia Men' Barnard Offers All the Answers

by Marion Freda

"What's wrong with Columbia men?"

That might well be dubbed the most explosive question of the year. For the abuses heaped upon the unwary gentlemen across the street in a recent survey reached phenomenal proportions. With an eye to more pleasurable relations between Barnard and Columbia, we give you the fruits of our investigation.

Major Complaint Appearance

A major complaint was appearance. For example, "They wear their hair too long, and have fingernails to match." "Their clothes are strictly schmaltz." "They don't look like Yale men." "Some of them, how did they get into college?"

Equally bitter were the attacks on Columbia social behaviour. "Not that they're penny pinchers, but they hate to part with that stuff!" "We don't want the Stork, but there are other places besides the



West end." "Their mothers and fathers must have been cousins." "They all think they're Cassanova at his best, but you've heard of Gargantua? ? ?" "They have just about as much college spirit as a mashed potato sandwich." "They're anti-social."

Most vicious of all were the re-

marks on the attitude of the Broadway Boys towards Barnard.

1. They belittle our intellectual capacities.
2. They sneer when we invade the Den.
3. They refuse to treat us in the manner we are accustomed to expect.

If these diatribes may be grouped together, we have as the average Columbia College youth an undersized, over-egotistical, sub-normal, superintellectual thug whose main interest in life is making and hoarding as much money as possible.

God's Gift to Humanity

To be sure, no such man exists. Perchance, students questioned were venting their wrath for individuals on the composite generality. And each hastened to add, "of course, I know a few who are good ones." In all fairness we must add that two Barnardians consider Columbia God's Gift To Humanity,

About Town: J. Authur Rank Production, R. K. O. Palace Film Reviewed

LONG NIGHT

by Marlies Wolf

The current film at the R.K.O. Palace, *The Long Night*, is an interesting psychological study of an unpremeditated murder. It is refreshing to see a film that, contrary to the current wave of psychological films, does not try to convince us that the murderer is a psychopathic case. Instead, we are shown that the murder was caused by environmental influences and that crime may be the results of only a split second of overemotionalism.

Based on French Film

The movie was based on the French film, "Le Jour Se Lève," which was produced a few years ago.

The story is told in a series of well-allied flashbacks and has a quality of rural life that we usually detect only in the better Steinbeck books.

Hope and Faith

Though depressing, the film tries to evoke a feeling of hope and faith in people; in its hero as well as in its audience. The spectator leaves the theater in a dreamy mood and the one thought he seems to have is, "Am I not lucky?"

TAWNY PIPIT

by Carol Virginia Reynolds

In these cinematic days with the stress on the Motion Picture Industry as a source of education, propaganda and vicarious adventure, it is interesting to note the pictures playing in the first run movie houses around town.

British Films Popular Here

Although the British market for American-made films has been greatly cut, the reverse is not true. Films from the British studios have found an ever increasing market here in America and popular demand is now so great that many of our first run houses repeatedly offer one British importation after another.

J. Arthur Rank has become a watch-word along Broadway, and the amount of American money spent for British entertainment is the final test of the popularity of British stars, British production and British scenario.

Showing at "Little Carnegie"

Among the more recent importations is a charming film currently being shown at Little Carnegie. "The Tawny Pipit" is basically a simple story which concerns itself with the recuperation leave of a wounded R.A.F. pilot. The locale is the remote British countryside during the war. During his stay, the pilot and his nurse discover a bird which they believe to be a tawny pipit.

The tawny pipit had only been to England once before and the discovery of the bird's return to England is felt to be important as a sign of faith and hope.

Bird Center of Story

The Royal Ornithological Society comes from London to watch the bird, the townsfolk are assembled to protect the valuable eggs from being stolen. The town if not the country finds itself in a furor of bird lore and pride. The sincere interest of all these people, their simplicity, their foibles and their humor imbue the film with a great deal of charm.

Magnificently photographed in sepia, the bird shots are extremely well pointed up.

This is a story of an English community, its actions and its thoughts. The acting becomes the script. It is natural and relaxing. That indeed is the whole picture. It is relaxing, it is human, it is amusing, it is real.

Language Clubs:

by Roselin Seider

Il Circolo Italiano has taken a cue from the United Nations long before the U.N. started. They subscribe to the benefits of working in concert. Combining the facilities of the Italian, music, philosophy, fine arts, Latin and Greek departments, club members enjoy fine music and learn to appreciate the greatness of the Renaissance painters.

The club attends operas at the Metropolitan or the City Center after having prepared the libretti, dines at favorite Italian restaurants, and learns the fine points of Italian art at the museums.

Mrs. John Pelts, editor of *OPERA NEWS* and former Barnard classmate of Miss Teresa Carbonara of the Italian department, asked her girlhood friend to write an article for the magazine on this libretto method of teaching Italian. The article when printed had several interesting repercussions. It decided Eleanor Holland '50 on coming to Barnard and becoming an Italian major, and it aroused hope in the bosom of a Columbia student that Italian would be taught there in the same way.

Il Circolo Italiano has presented several fine plays and musical programs. Outstanding among these are the Nativity play, presented annually, a concert of medieval Gregorian chants in St. Paul's together with the Glee club, and more recently dramatic scenes from *Othello* using Verdi's score of the opera as background music.

This year *Il Circolo Italiano* hopes to work with the Greek and Latin departments in presenting illustrated lectures on the classical monuments in Italy, and to present lectures on art with the fine arts department.

French Club Italian Club

by Joan Houston

La Societe Francaise this year is making an effort to bring together all those interested in France or in French culture. While the club hopes to have a large membership of French speaking students, it is by no means closed to those who are not proficient in the language. Everybody is welcome.

The club plans to hold meetings once a week in which the members will be able to come to know each other and discuss things in this field in a friendly, informal atmosphere, and it hopes to establish closer connections with the *Maison Francaise*.

Other activities will be weekly teas, starting this Thursday, and a series of interesting speakers who will talk on various phases of French culture. There were no such lectures held last year, and the club feels that this will be one way of stimulating enthusiasm and interest.

Besides this there are plans for club week-ends at Barnard Camp, and the club also hopes that it will be possible to arrange for some dances with Columbia students who are also interested in French.

The main project of the year, of course, is to be the French play which is held in February. This is produced annually by members of the club, which is particularly fortunate in having as its director this year Madame Daniels, who was formerly connected with the *Comedie Francaise*.

La Societe wants to emphasize the fact that interest is the only requirement to join. It hopes to have a large and active membership this year.

Letter To The Editor ; Vice-President Explains Smoking Rules

To the Editor:

Perhaps the beginning of the term is the best time to get started on the right foot regarding the Smoking Rules. For students both old and new the best way to find out what this seemingly vague phrase means, is to study page 72 of Blue Book. There the Smoking Rules are clearly defined so that there is no opportunity for misunderstanding! For those who have difficulty reading Blue Book, and there seem to be many, the forty Senior Proctors plus the members of Student Council, are here to help remind you that there is absolutely no smoking north of the green gate on 119th Street.

Smoking is thus prohibited on the paths and porches of Milbank Hall. However, a tempting cigarette receptacle stands in front of Milbank door and apparently many feel that it is their duty to use it. It has been placed there for the convenience of visitors to the college to remind them that they cannot smoke inside Milbank. It is not there to deceive students into thinking that they can smoke on the porch, or all the way across campus from Dorms to Milbank.

These rules were made to keep the more public parts of the college campus looking clean and attractive to visitors and to give them a good impression of the tidiness of Barnardites. No matter how many trash cans are available cigarettes seem to migrate in droves to the ground (if you doubt

this take a look at the steps at the North end of Barnard Hall, in spite of the cigarette receptacle) and give the college a slovenly appearance, more like a slum than an institution of higher learning.

With the cooperation of the Senior Proctors we have tried to make the Smoking Rules as few and fair as possible. We attempted to secure a smoking room in Milbank in order to remove the temptation the porch offers to the must-have-a-cigarette-between-classes cult. However we were refused by the Comptroller's Office because, due to overcrowding, there was no available room in Milbank.

Senior Proctors get no sadistic pleasure in reminding you of the Smoking Rules; in fact they find it as difficult to ask you to stop as you find it to stop yourself—and more so. Nevertheless, it is their duty as proctors to uphold the few rules we have, and so at the beginning of the term we ask you all to cooperate with us as much as possible. You'll find it just as easy to wait until you are in the smoking rooms of Brooks or Barnard before lighting your cigarette, instead of smoking between Barnard Hall and the Doms, while furtively evading Senior Proctors!

Sincerely,

LAWRIE TREVOR,
Undergraduate vice-pres.

N. S. A. Solves "Controversial Issues" Basic to Writing of Constitution

This is the third in a series of articles on the National Students Association.

Perhaps the first really important task undertaken by the delegates to the NSA convention was the solution of the "five controversial issues," for without decisions on these questions a constitution could not be written. Therefore these problems were discussed by the regions until three in the morning, by delegations caucassing on the lake, and by small groups over their hamburgers and milkshakes, until finally each one was considered separately in a full plenary session.

Regional Organization

The first issue was that of regional organization. Should regions be based on geographical affinity or contain equal numbers of students? If regions were based on geographical affinity, how could fair representation on the Executive Committee be given to regions containing both large and small student populations? Finally it was agreed that for the purposes of efficient operation, regions should be organized on a geographical basis, and three representation plans were proposed, commonly known as the 1-1 plan, the 1-2 plan and the 1-2-3 plan. In the end, the compromise 1-2 plan which provides for two representatives from each of the five regions having more than 55,000 students was adopted.

College Representation

Secondly, the delegates had to decide how colleges should be represented on the National Student Congress in order to assure even the smallest colleges a voice and the largest colleges a representation proportional to their student

bodies. A scale of representation was adopted which allows for no more than seven representatives from any single college or university. But what is a "separate" college or university? After waggling our tongues around the term "discontiguous" (schools of a university separated geographically) and "discontinuous" (schools having evening and day sessions), the delegates were of the opinion that a separate student government constitutes a separate school, and representation should be distributed accordingly.

Student Affiliations

A third issue which aroused considerable debate was that of affiliation with existing student organizations in the U. S. Many felt that the NSA should be a "grass-roots" organization and not the sounding board for groups having special interests. Besides, members of existing organizations would be represented through their colleges. On the other hand, many felt that it was important to have the active participation of student organizations in NSA so that NSA would not be in competition with other organizations but would be "the" NSA in the United States. Nevertheless, the vote was for "no affiliation," but it was hoped that NSA would cooperate fully with all other student organizations with special interests.

Judicial Council

Should NSA have a judicial council? This was a fourth and less controversial issue, for a large majority of delegates saw no need for such a council since it would

make the machinery of the NSA more cumbersome, it would be difficult to call the council together in an emergency and the Executive Committee would be just as capable of making judicial decisions as a council. Consequently, the judicial authority was delegated to the Executive Committee which is empowered to enlist any necessary aid in making decisions. This, of course, means faculty aid, by means of a faculty advisory council, for the value of the experiences of our teachers was not overlooked.

Group Affiliation

The fifth and last problem was that of the method of affiliation of the NSA with other organizations. Since this was a question of implementation, the issues involved were mostly technical, but there was the problem of "who" should initiate proceedings and "how" affiliation should become effective. The final decision was that the Congress could initiate affiliation proceedings subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, and the member student bodies of NSA should individually approve the affiliation. Disaffiliation, however, becomes effective upon a majority vote of the Congress. It is obvious that this method of affiliation would be too slow and tedious to permit NSA to undertake immediate proceedings and consequently, the constitutional convention was empowered to start immediate affiliation proceedings by a 2/3 vote.

These decisions, made in full plenary session, were incorporated by the constitutional committee into the final draft of the constitution.

Stars
of "Club 15"
Air Show.



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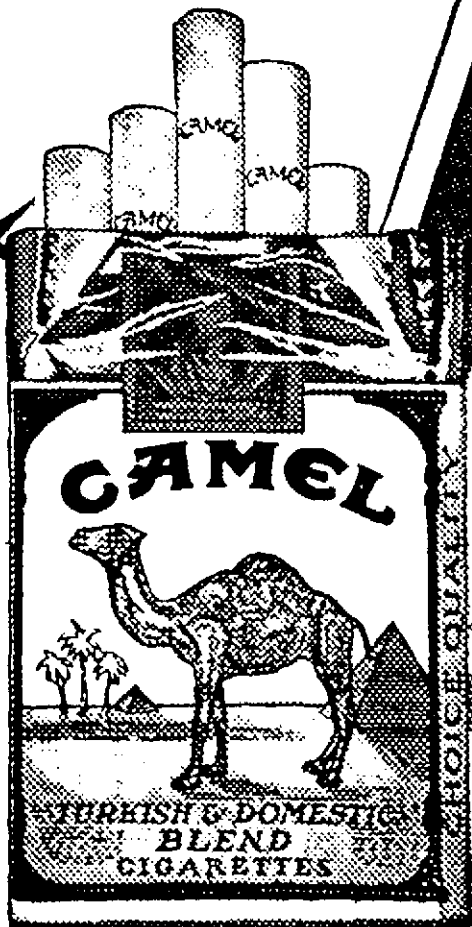
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Liberal Club Analyses Current Inflation Issue

It is not necessary to read the newspapers to confirm the inflationary rise in the costs of such essential items as food, clothing, household appliances. The problem for many this fall, particularly in the low income group, is not the new silhouette or lower hemlines, but the problem of how to keep covered when food takes half the budget and other costs cannot be met except by the unsound use of credit in place of income. The Liberal Club Executive board feels that an analysis of the problem, its causes, opinions expressed on it and proposed solutions is necessary in order that students may develop an approach to a solution.

RATIONING BY PRICE

Periodically for the last three months the Bureau of Labor Statistics has announced that wholesale prices have "reached new peaks." Food prices are leading in the upward trend, increasing by 40% since V-J Day. Increases in the price of basic commodities have had a cumulative effect. At the hearings of the congressional subcommittee investigating prices, testimony was made that "exorbitant" food prices and other expenses on hospitals in New York and elsewhere might force them to close down. The Physicians Forum, circulating a petition in New York hospitals to curb food prices, alleged that present high prices are crippling the health of the nation. Further testimony by the Congress of American Women revealed that discriminated groups suffered particularly, since stores in Negro sections charge higher prices or sell inferior merchandise. More than this, the formidable prices face us at a time when Europe's food crisis is greater than ever, and immediate supplies of basic foodstuffs are urgently needed.

IS AMERICA EATING TOO MUCH?

One of the more popular reasons given for high prices is the fact that the nation is eating more. With an estimated sixty million gainfully employed, some experts say food prices would have been high without continued pressure on domestic prices from abroad.

However, Federal Reserve Board figures indicate that while the top income group received a larger share of the total national income

in 1946, one half of all families still got less than \$2300 and four out of ten got less than \$2000.

Buying Power

Thus it is questionable whether the middle income group, which reflects most quickly an increase in income by increased consumption, has greater buying power. We are led to wonder whether the increased prices are accurate indications of increased demand, or whether they are inflated far above this.

Another factor advanced as the cause is the demand from increased export trade to Europe. According to a New York Times analyst, the "theoretical" world demand for grains, fats and oils is far in excess of supply, and this furnishes the background for "sensational advances" in price. The sensitivity of the grain market to the mere hint of an increased future demand was indicated on September 30 when wheat prices jumped 10c a bushel immediately following an announcement that the Harriman committee advised an increase of 100 million more bushels of grain than at first recommended.

Speculative Trading

Purchase of commodities above the going rate by the government for foreign relief as revealed by testimony at the congressional investigating committee, contributes to spiraling prices. Speculative trading, which comprises 90% of trade and commitments on corn on the Chicago Board of Trade according to the Commodity Exchange Authority, has taken full advantage of the extraordinary demand.

Higher wages has been the justification for increases in prices among many firms. As C. M. White, president of Republic Steel, which was one of the U.S. Steel subsidiaries involved in the Federal Trade Commission's complaint against domination and manipulation of the market, said the soaring prices are "due to the wholly fallacious economic theory of the New Deal that wages can be increased without a proportional increase in prices."

Contributing Factor

While this is a contributing factor in increasing costs, let us examine the Department of Commerce income figures to see if it

is a complete answer. Labor's share shows a drop of 4% of the total income from 1945 to 1946. Corporate profits, renters' income and net interest combined were 33.1% of the national income in 1945, but rose to 34.5% in 1946 to 37% in the early part of 1947. This indicates that labor's proportion of the national income is less than in the year 1945.

HOW FAR PROFITEERING?

A pyramiding of costs and evidences of high profits made at the expense of the consumer was made during further investigations by the congressional sub-committee.

New York Times analyst Morris mentions the paradox revealed in that with each increasing cost, each processor and distributor adds to it by charging his usual percentage profits, thereby increasing his dollar profits.

The Farmer's Union of New Jersey attempted to show that low prices could prevail by selling tomatoes at 2c a pound as compared with the 15c price reached if there were no middle man, and peaches at 3½c. These prices were considered fair by the farmers.

Another challenge to the statement by the chairman that there was no evidence of profiteering was the testimony by Parodneck of the Consumer-Farmer Mill coop. that they could sell milk at a profit at 1½c less than private companies.

Price-Fixing Policies

Underlying the increased profits has been the price fixing policies of large companies and agreements by retail stores as revealed by Attorney Gen. Clark's anti-trust cases and other governmental figures. New Jersey governor Alfred Driscoll reported some evidence of collusion on the part of a few merchants to maintain abnormal high mark-ups. He called for organized shopping by members of the Office of Civilian Defence to fight high costs by revealing such conspiracies. Despite a recent drop in the wholesale level Markets Commissioner Schultz found that retailers retained high meat prices "for no good reason."

The facts weaken the arguments of some interest groups that high labor costs and abnormal adjustment to increased demands justify the present price level.

Disparity in Prices

The disparity between the price paid to farmers and the retail price charged challenges the statements that no profiteering is evident. The speculative fluctuations of prices on the grain market affecting meat, eggs and milk costs

cripples our program for aid to Europe with food supplies. The opinions offered by individuals, organizations and governmental agencies on the price situation and the solutions proposed or adopted will be discussed in a second article in Bulletin.

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